



# US-Nigeria Trade Council, USA

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## US-Nigeria Trade Council USA Announces Advisory Board Chairperson

### Press Release

*US-Nigeria Trade Council Announces New Advisory Board Chairperson.*

**Atlanta, GA. USA. Wednesday August 30, 2017:** The US-Nigeria Trade Council USA, is pleased to announce a new Chairperson to provide leadership and overall guidance and direction, in the programs, policy and strategic efforts to improve the trade traffic between US and Nigeria.

The Trade Council also welcomes new members to its Advisory Board. The board that we have is truly exemplary in their individual and combined extensive expertise in business, commerce, academics, government and international relations.

Iyalode Alaba Lawson, MFR, FloD, JP has accepted to serve as the Chairperson of the Advisory Board of the US-Nigeria Trade Council USA. Chief (Mrs) Alaba Lawson is a Nigerian business magnate, entrepreneur and academician. She's the Proprietor of Lawson Group of Schools and chairman of Abestone Microfinance Bank. Iyalode Alaba Lawson was the Chairman Board of Governing Council, Moshood Abiola Polytechnic Ogun State (MAPOLY), Fellow Institute of Directors (IoD), Justice of Peace (JP) and Council Member – Nigeria British Chamber of Commerce (NBCC). We are excited to have her as a mentor, Advocate, Chair and supporter of the US-Nigeria Trade Council.



She currently serves as the first female president of NACCIMA.

Iyalode Lawson would be attending the upcoming US-Nigeria Agribusiness (Non-Oil) Investment Summit & Expo, November 16-18, 2017, in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, and will be leading the delegation from NACCIMA to the Summit.

Advisory Board: Iyalode Alaba Lawson, MFR, FloD, JP (Chairperson), Oba (Dr.) Michael Ajayi, Alhaji Remi Bello, Mr. Mohammed Audu, Ms. DeLois Babiker, Mr. Onyebuchi Okafor, Mr. Mohammed Ari, Prof. Juliet Elu

New board members are:

- 1) Oba (Dr.) Michael Ajayi, Elerinmo of Erinmo, Osun State, Nigeria. – member
- 2) Alhaji Remi Bello (Former Chairman of Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industries, and currently MD/CEO of Critall-Hope Nigeria Ltd - member
- 3) Ms. DeLois Babiker (MD/CEO Intellectual Concepts, Atlanta - - Member
- 4) Prof. Juliet Elu – Chair & Charles E. Merrill Professor, Morehouse College, Atlanta – Member.
- 5) Mr. Mohammed Audu - Chief operating officer DPL - Member
- 6) Mr. Onyebuchi Okafor, MD/CEO, JAFCON Home Development (Nig) Ltd. - Member
- 7) Mr. Isa Mohammad Ari - pioneer Chairman/CEO of the FCT Internal Revenue Service - Member

### **About the US-Nigeria Trade Council, USA.**

The US-Nigeria Trade Council, USA ([www.usnigeria.org](http://www.usnigeria.org)) is dedicated to strengthening and enriching the vehicle of investment and trade between the United States of America and Nigeria. The Council provides a bilateral forum on key economic, commercial and professional initiatives, as well as business opportunities of interest to American companies operating in or exploring business opportunities in Nigeria, as well as Nigerian companies planning trade ties and business expansion to the US Market.

The US-Nigeria Trade Council's core agenda is built around three interdependent themes:

- Establishment of linkages, policy input and advocacy to increase bilateral trade and investment between US and Nigeria;
- Interchange with the American Business community on the resources that abound in Nigeria, generating Trade, Tourism and Foreign investment in Nigeria;
- promote internationalization of Nigerian businesses, products and services to the US marketplace.

The Advisory Board, would, inter alia, advice on programs and organizational planning, and advocacy for public policy to protect private sector businesses.

We are grateful for the time and dedication of all our Board members, and you'll be sure to see them at upcoming US-Nigeria Trade Council programs and events!

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