



Nomsa Mbere
Corporate, Commercial and M&A

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What is your expertise/specialist knowledge?

I am a general corporate and M&A specialist with extensive experience in project development. I have done a lot of work in the mining and energy sectors.

Some of my recent deals include advising:

- > *Anglo American on its internal re-organisation, including the separation of its South African thermal coal assets and business operations from the group's remaining assets, their subsequent demerger and their listing on the London and Johannesburg Stock Exchanges (Project Armstrong);*
- > *Pembani Remgro on their investment in a portfolio of roof-top solar projects in Namibia, a ground-breaking renewable energy project in Namibia; and*
- > *Sishen Iron Ore Company Proprietary Limited on several their proposed acquisitions, in particular structuring permutations, implementation agreements, loan agreements, security agreements, exploration agreements and offtake agreements.*

A brief example of a deal you worked on that stands out for you:

Project Armstrong is a standout deal for me. We worked on this project with Linklaters, external counsel, and numerous advisers, as well as our Legal Services Centre, to ensure that project management and related activities were performed in a co-ordinated fashion and delivered within the set timelines.

Your advice to women in the corporate world

Be consistent, endure with integrity, don't give up and most importantly look after your mental health and take any challenge as an interesting adventure the universe has put before you and an opportunity in self-discovery.

AN INTERESTING PERSONAL FACT ABOUT YOU:

Before being a lawyer, I was a dentist for 20 years and was the president of the Botswana Red Cross Society. I love to travel. I enjoy the outdoors, camping, hiking, mountaineering and game tracking.

I did my Private Pilot's Licence but have not flown for over 10 years. My dream was to have my own aircraft to make quick getaways into the Okavango Delta. Over 10 years ago I founded a charitable trust which raises funds for interesting community projects and continues to provide bridging finance for deserving community projects.