

# Brian Muchiri

Partner



Brian Muchiri is a Partner in our Banking, Finance & Projects practice. Brian has worked and gained experience in the fields of finance and banking, mergers and acquisitions, capital markets, telecommunications and has extensive experience in due diligence and corporate compliance evaluation.

## About Brian

Brian began his legal career as a Candidate Attorney in 2014 and was appointed as an Associate in 2017 at one of the law firms in Kenya and later joined another firm as an Associate in 2019. Brian joined Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr in April 2021 and was promoted to Senior Associate in April 2022.

Brian was appointed as a Partner in April 2025.

## Credentials

### Education

- Masters of Laws (LL.M), International Financial Law and Regulation, Strathmore University (ongoing)
- Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) (Honours), University of Nairobi

### Memberships

- Law Society of Kenya

## Experience

### • Finance

Acting for the largest African banking group by assets offering a range of banking and related financial services across sub-Saharan Africa, in connection with a financing of a multi-million-dollar facility for the acquisition of a HFO power company in Kenya.

### • Finance

Acting for a French-based multilateral lender with respect to its multi-million-dollar facility to a food processing company in Kenya.

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## Expertise

[Banking, Finance & Projects](#)

## Location

Nairobi

## Language

English

Swahili

- Finance

Acting for two (2) of the largest multilateral lenders in the US and Europe with respect to their multi-million-dollar structured finance transaction with respect to pay-as-you-go solar provider in Kenya

- Finance

Acting for a large Kenyan commercial bank with respect to its US\$ 85,000,000.00 facility to a leading sugar manufacturer in Kenya.

- Finance

Acting for a Pan-African lender with respect to its US\$ 6,600,000.00 revolving credit facility to a chain of hospitals in Kenya.

- Finance

Advising a Mauritian fund on the provision of a multi-million-dollar inventory facility to a Kenyan agribusiness start-up.

- Finance

Advising the Kenyan branch of a US-based commercial bank with respect to the provision of a multi-million Committed Revolving USD Credit Facility to a large telecommunications company in Kenya.

- Finance

Acting for a top tier Kenyan commercial bank with respect to its US\$ 9,000,000.00 facility to a leading sugar manufacturer in Kenya.

- Finance

Acting for the largest commercial bank in Africa by number of customers, in connection with their financing of multi-million million revolving working capital line of credit to payment services provider.

- Finance

Part of the team acting for a Pan-African lender, in connection with its USD 4,000,000 senior secured, revolving credit line and term loan facility to a food processing company in Tanzania.

- Finance

Acting for a Mauritian-based non-bank financial institution with respect to its USD 2.25 million lending transaction to a leading pay-as-you-go energy provider in Kenya.

- Finance

Acting for various lenders generally in relation to the perfection of securities as relates to financing of working capital, asset financing, property acquisitions, collateral management and the subordination of shareholders and/or directors loans.

- Corporate and Commercial

Advising a consortium of private equity funds on all aspects of its acquisition of an equity interest in a Kenyan Bank and an injection of additional capital to increase the bank's capital base.

- Corporate and Commercial

Advising a Dubai-based private equity fund with respect to its US 50,000,000.00 acquisition of a chain of hospitals in Kenya.

- Corporate and Commercial

Acting for a US based private equity fund with respect to the acquisition of a controlling interest in a Tier 2 bank in Kenya.

- Corporate and Commercial

Advising a Kenyan property development company on all construction matters with respect to its USD 60,000,000.00 development in Westlands, Nairobi.

- Corporate and Commercial

Acting for one of the largest pharmaceutical companies in India in its acquisition of a 51% stake in a Kenyan pharmaceutical manufacturing company.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Acting for a Mauritius-based private equity firm with respect to its acquisition of four (4) private hospitals in Kenya.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Acting for a South African private equity firm with respect to its acquisition of the one of the largest asset managers in Kenya

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Acting for a Norway-based software company with respect to its acquisition of 100% stake in a Kenyan telecommunications company.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Acting for a Dutch private equity firm with respect to its acquisition of a minority stake in a dairy processing company in Kenya.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Part of the team that acted for administrator with respect to the distressed sale of shares and one of the largest cement manufacturers in East Africa.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Assisting in the corporate restructuring of Kenya's largest bank by assets and market share.

- **Corporate and Commercial**

Advising the Ministry of Petroleum & Mining and the Directorate of Occupational Health and Safety on the development of health and safety regulations for the upstream, midstream and downstream petroleum sector.

## News

### [CDH 2025 Chambers Corporate M&A Global Practice Guide Chapter](#)

The Corporate M&A 2025 guide covers close to 90 jurisdictions.

### [Fintech Market in Kenya | 2025 Chambers Fintech Global Practice Guide](#)

The latest edition of the Chambers Fintech Global Practice Guide offering comparative analysis from top-ranked lawyers has now been released.

### [Kenya's rising bad loans: A closer look](#)

The Kenyan banking sector is currently facing a significant challenge due to a sharp increase in non-performing loans (NPLs). In simple terms, a loan becomes non-performing when a borrower fails to make scheduled loan payments, either of principal or interest, for 90 days or more. This trend is worrying because, according to the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), by December 2024, these bad loans accounted for 16.4% of all loans issued by banks – the highest level recorded in the past decade. The agricultural sector has been hardest hit, with 20% of loans turning bad, followed closely by the real estate sector at 18%.

### [Kenyan High Court rules that unregistered foreign lenders cannot sue defaulting borrowers](#)

Advancing credit and having means to enforce against a borrower on default are fundamental to the operations of any financial institution. Recently, the High Court of Kenya has issued some puzzling decisions, creating uncertainty regarding the ability of foreign companies incorporated outside Kenya to enforce loan agreements with Kenyan counterparties in Kenyan courts. In summary, the courts have held that foreign lenders who have not registered in Kenya lack the legal capacity to enforce their rights against borrowers who default on loan repayments.

### [Protecting Kenyans from crypto scams: How the VASP Bill, 2025 aims to stop pump-and-dump schemes](#)

The rise of cryptocurrencies in Kenya has been nothing short of remarkable, with many viewing digital assets as a fast track to financial success. Kenya now stands among the leading nations in Africa for cryptocurrency adoption, and thousands of people are investing in these new financial instruments.

## Podcasts

### [Justice and Public Interest on the Mic - Pro Bono Matters in the CDH Kenya office](#)

Since 2013, CDH's Pro Bono & Human Rights practice (Pro Bono practice) has been at the heart of our firm's commitment to making a real difference. Over the past decade, our Pro Bono practice has passionately championed the cause of public interest, providing pro bono legal support to clients in need. The decision to establish a dedicated practice was motivated by our belief in giving back to the communities in which we operate and in the power of the legal profession to spark positive change.

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## Recognition

- The Legal 500 EMEA 2023-2025 mentioned Brian for Banking, Finance & Capital Markets