

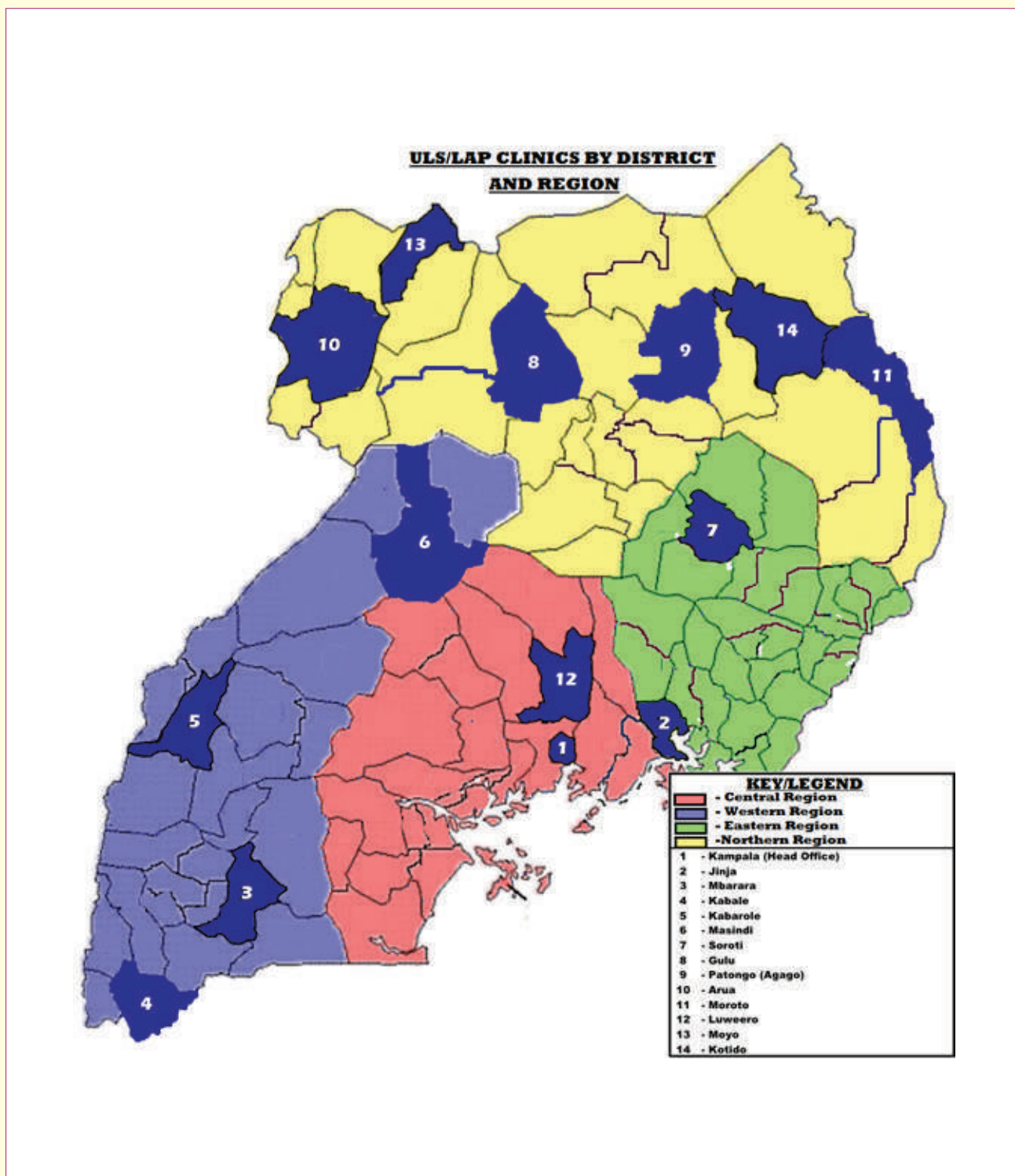


UGANDA LAW SOCIETY



# LEGAL AID PROJECT OF THE UGANDA LAW SOCIETY ANNUAL REPORT 2018

## MAP OF UGANDA SHOWING THE DISTRIBUTION OF LEGAL AID PROJECT CLINICS OF UGANDA LAW SOCIETY



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Gabriel Achaye

# 2018 AT A GLANCE



• 65,955 (42,134 male, 23,821 female) clients received legal aid services in 2018

• 2132 cases were completed in 2018

• LAP received the JLOS Recognition Award

• ULS new Legal Aid access points in Luweero, Moyo and Kotido in 2018 with support of DGF

• Annual Pro Bono Day 2018

• Democratic Governance Facility renewed partnership for 2018 - 2021

# 'PULIDA WO' INNOVATION 2018



'PULIDA WO' a local dialect for –'Your Lawyer' is a ULS technology based mobile application that operates as an 'Uber' for lawyers by providing instant access to the nearest qualified advocate and basic information on court processes.

This idea was birthed at a legal hackathon organized by the Hague Institute for Innovation of Law (HiIL) that took place between 25th and 27th May 2018. At this event, a team from ULS comprised of Elias Bwambale, Brian Kisomose, Lydia Kyakuwa and Gabriel Acaye, emerged first runner up, for having the second best innovation in light of enhancing access to justice.



In a bid to protect the innovation; ULS secured a Copyright for it in December 2018. The application enables a person seeking justice to instantly access the nearest qualified advocate within his or her location thereby ruling out quack lawyers who have severely hampered access to justice. The application also avails 24-hour information on the justice system, in a bid to raise awareness. It can be used anywhere in Uganda by people in both rural and urban settings using either smart phones or ordinary phones - via Unstructured Supplementary Service Data (USSD). This application will also be translated into local dialect for the benefit of the illiterate users. This innovation is currently at 'prototype' level and in order to have it up and running, the ULS requires funds to take care of the services of a software developer.

**REQUEST:** Buy in from the ULS Executive Council for Lawyers to subscribe atleast 10,000 to be registered on the application. Once its ready to operationalize the subscription will sustain the intervention.

# LEGAL AID & PRO BONO VOICES

Legal Aid helped me. So many others need that same help "

*-Nuru Nanagwe, Legal Aid & Pro Bono Client ....*

I marvel at the dedication and zealousness with which Legal Aid lawyers provide representation and achieve outcomes that are often life changing for our less fortunate countrymen.

*-Hon. Bart Katureebe, Chief Justice of the Republic of Uganda*

I thank God for Legal Aid Project.

*- Amos Ariny, client*

We shall always be indebted to our development partners for their partnership.

*- Deborah Gasana, Head LAP*

The ULS child justice programme has imparted over 3000 children caught in conflict with the law..

*-Maria Kyomugisha, Naguru remand Home*

The bigger picture is bigger than I am. I'm not the only one in this situation."

*-Annet Nankya, ongoing client*

Knowing that I had one of the best lawyers in Uganda working on my case felt so much better.

*-Robert Sekajjugo Pro Bono client*

I redeemed my house and got custody of my 4 Children thanks to LAP...

*-former client aged 35 years*

"Justice should not be decided on who has enough money to hire a lawyer"

*- Hon. Justice Remmy Kasule, Legal Aid & Pro Bono Champion*





## Foreword by Chairperson LAP Committee and Vice President ULS

“Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere” *Martin Luther King*

Dear friends of Legal Aid & Pro Bono, It is my pleasure to present to you the 2018 Annual Report of the Legal Aid and Pro bono Projects (LAP) of the Uganda Law Society (ULS). LAP is guided by strategic objective no. 2 of the ULS strategic plan 2017 -2021; to promote access to justice for indigent, vulnerable and marginalized persons. In executing the oversight role handed over to us by the Executive Council, the LAP Committee oversees all matters to do with the Society's access to justice initiatives.

This report highlights the year that has been; key achievements, milestones, opportunities and challenges encountered as we endeavored to take access to justice to all corners of the country.

Every day in more than 15 different locations across the country, the legal Aid project continues to provide much needed access to justice interventions in Gulu, Kabarole, Jinja, Kampala, Kabale, Masindi, Luzira, Arua, Soroti, Mbarara, Moroto, and Patongo. The project provides legal advisory, legal representation in courts and through Alternative dispute Resolution, Legal and human rights awareness programs, prison decongestion and Pro Bono services to clients facing disadvantage. The range of quality services provided by LAP gives marginalised Ugandans the protection of the law, a second chance at a dignified life, and an

actual opportunity to turn their lives around.

LAP deeply appreciates its various development partners who have not only provided a keen interest in access to justice in Uganda but have also financially walked the mile with us. These include; the Norwegian Development Agency (NORAD) through the Norwegian Bar Association who have to date been the principle financiers of LAP in the seven clinics of Kampala, Luzira, Kabale, Kabarole, Masindi, Gulu and Jinja; the Democratic Governance Facility (DGF) who remain the sole funders of the 7 LAP clinics of Mbarara, Arua, Soroti, Moroto, Luwero, Moyo, and Kotido, as well as Pro bono; JLOS who fund various LAP initiatives, UN Women, UNHCR and the Canadian Bar Association (CBA). With support from the Democratic Governance Facility, 3 additional new offices were established in Moyo, Kotido and Luwero.

We continue to aim for the stars through different inventions and innovations. Four brilliant young lawyers from our secretariat developed an application called 'PULIDA WO' a local dialect for –'Your Lawyer' which provides instant access to the nearest qualified advocate and basic information on court processes.

Heartfelt thanks go to pro bono and duty counsel Advocates who rolled

up their shelves this year and provided a much needed service especially in the countryside. I thank you for your dedication and professionalism.

I also take this opportunity to thank the Executive Council, ULS Legal Aid and Pro Bono Committee, management and staff of the Legal Aid Project whose tireless efforts have ensured that LAP continues to stand tall in the access to justice arena in Uganda.

Challenges like finite resources, an overstretched work force, demand for legal services exceeding supply, absence of Advocates to provide pro bono services in some districts and lack of electricity/ reliable power source to operate smoothly remain. In spite of these challenges, our resolve for equal access to justice remains unchanged.

We look to the future with optimism and confidence. The year ahead promises ongoing commitment and innovation. In this 26th year of our history, we move forward with hope and enthusiasm as we continue to provide services that make Uganda a fairer, safer and more inclusive nation.

Enjoy your reading.  
**Pheona Nabassa Wall**  
*Vice-President ULS*

## Word from the Chief Executive Officer Uganda Law Society

"I have had the pleasure of working with clients who thought I was helping them, when, in actuality, they were helping me to become a better person, lawyer, and advocate."  
- Edward Ndahura, Pro Bono Advocate

As I take stock of my first year as CEO of Uganda Law Society and its Legal Aid Project, it is my uttermost privilege to steer the team that transforms lives every day through extending access to justice to the indigent, vulnerable and marginalized.

Each year provides an opportunity to get better at what we do, and 2018 was no exception as we improved and extended our services to more people. This report describes the vital work done in our 15 legal aid clinics providing legal services to Ugandans facing disadvantage.

Throughout the past year, and consistent with our mandate of extending access to justice, we have continued to put our clients at the centre of everything we do. We continue to work with various Legal Aid Service Providers, community structures, local governments, state and non state actors, formal and informal structures; the Judiciary and key duty bearers to respond to justice needs especially for the poor, vulnerable and marginalized throughout the country. Pro Bono Advocates continued to provide complimentary and commendable pro bono and duty counsel services across the country. 3,295(2367m, 928f) clients were handled under the Pro Bono Scheme and 5486 (4761m, 725f) clients were handled by duty counsel during the year under review.

LAP's overall performance is attributed to a consistent and committed workforce, policy guidance from the LAP Committee, technical and financial support from our valued development partners. We are forever grateful to NORAD/NBA for over

27 years of legal support; Democratic Governance Facility (DGF), the Justice Law and Order Sector (JLOS), UN Women, Canadian Bar Association (CBA), IRC for the support rendered.

We remain passionate about our work it helps maintain the rule of law, protects legal rights, supports the efficiency of the justice system and reduces the social impacts of legal problems. Even though our clients are disadvantaged, they remain patient and determined; bracing the long walk to our new offices in pursuit of justice. We remain privileged to advocate on their behalf and to give them a voice. I am humbled to serve with the legal and support Staff of ULS; Management and Executive Council who serve professionally and consistently to ensure the vulnerable and marginalized attain justice.

We release this Annual Report rich with promise for the coming year. 2019 will see the launch of the PULIDAWO mobile Application that will further enhance access to justice by providing 'umber" like legal services to clients. The fundraising for the state of the art ULS House will also hit rocket high as we plan to mobilize all Advocates in Uganda to join us write history.

Joyce NalungaBirimumaaso  
Chief Executive Officer

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Report details the key activities, achievements, milestones, opportunities and challenges encountered by LAP whilst extending access to justice to the poor, indigent and marginalized in 2018.

In a nutshell, the project reached out to **65,955(42,134M, 23821F)** beneficiaries across different regions of Uganda among which **42,775** were directly supported with legal and advisory services while **23,180** were indirectly served through community outreaches/sensitizations and community based legal volunteers. Among the clients who received direct support with legal and advisory services, **3,799** had their cases completed (**1,394** through ADR while **2,405** in courts); **3,746** cases were pending mediation and **10,996** ongoing in courts, **6510** clients were given legal advice, **535** clients released on bail, **332** cases were referred to other legal aid service providers, **363** cases were closed for lack of merit, **86** files were withdrawn, **5486** and **7735** served under duty counsel and prisons decongestion programmer respectively.

A total of **10,682** cases were handled on Land and property claims, **484** on Family/divorce and separation, **851** on Custody and maintenance, **1,532** Administration of Estates, **249** on Debt claims, **325** Employment claims, **8221** Criminal, and **2621** Civil.

LAP handled different access to justice interventions like legal aid, Pro Bono, duty counsel, Oil and Gas project in Buliisa and Hoima, Access to justice for Women and Girls, Legal Aid for refugees in west Nile, Prision Decongestion, Community justice through community based paralegals to mention but a few.

# WHO WE ARE

The Legal Aid Project is a Non-Government Organization established by the Uganda Law Society in 1992 under the Trustee Incorporation Act and Non-Government Organization Act. The project aspires to see a Ugandan society where all human rights are respected, promoted and defended to ensure that access to justice for all is a reality irrespective of gender, age, ethnicity, religion or social-economic status.

The Legal Aid Project falls directly under ULS Strategic objective no. 2 of the 2017-2021 ULS strategic plan which is to promote access to justice for vulnerable and marginalized persons in Uganda. The Legal Aid project is the leading provider of comprehensive legal aid services in the country and has offices in the 15 districts of Kampala, Jinja, Gulu, Masindi, Arua, Kabale, Kabarole, Mbarara, Moyo, Kotido, Luwero, Soroti, Kotido and Luzira.

## OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIONS

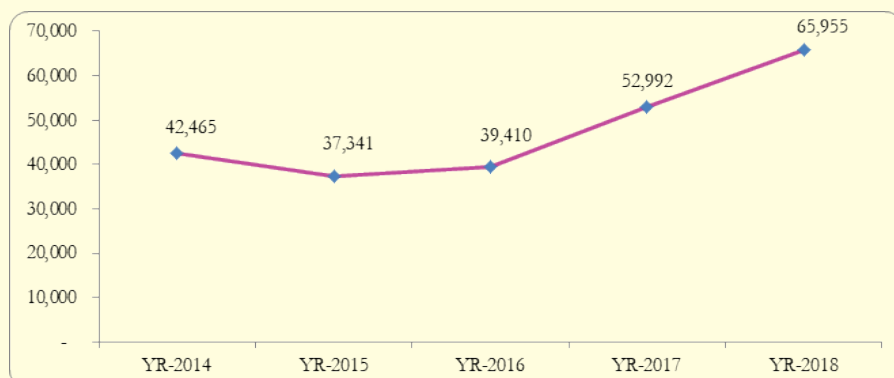
- To provide high quality legal aid services to indigent men, women and children
  - To promote the respect for rights and the rule of law in Uganda
- To lobby and advocate for legislation and policies which act in favour of the poor at national, district and lower levels.
- To develop and strengthen management systems as well as the general organizational development of LAP
- To strengthen the governance of LAP in order to ensure good strategic leadership and direction by the Board of Trustees of the Legal Aid Project
- To build mechanisms and aggressively mobilize resources to ensure financial sustainability of Legal Aid services in Uganda

# OVERVIEW OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE LEGAL AID PROJECT DURING 2018

In 2018, the project continued to perform exceedingly well in enhancing access to justices through legal aid services and promotion for respect for human rights. 65,955 people of which 42,134 were male and 23821 female benefitted from the services of the project, which was 24.5% above the 2017 performance. Among these beneficiaries, 42,775 persons were served through direct legal aid services while 23,180 benefited from legal and human rights awareness campaigns.

The project reached the indigent, marginalized, and vulnerable persons through; community outreaches, prison visits, duty counsel scheme, Pro bono services and legal aid representation, alternative dispute resolution and advice. In the last five consecutive years, over 238,163 people have benefitted directly from our services. Below in graph 1 is the trend from 2014 to 2018.

**Figure 1: Number of Beneficiaries of the Legal Aid Project in the last Five Years, 2014- 2018**



According to the ULS strategic plan 2017-2021, LAP contributes to two strategic objectives which include; Promoting access to justice for indigent, vulnerable and marginalized persons and promoting protection of Human rights in Uganda;

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ONE: ENHANCING ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR INDIGENT, VULNERABLE AND MARGINALIZED PERSONS

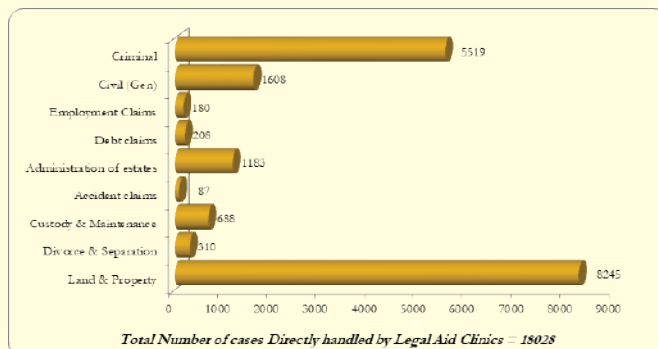
## Outcome 1: Increased access to Quality Legal Aid and Advisory Support Services to Indigent Marginalized and Vulnerable Persons

In 2018, the legal aid project increased its geographical coverage by an additional 3 clinics increasing the number of legal aid service points from 12 clinics in 2017 to 15 in 2018. A fully flagged legal clinic was established in Luweero and two satellite clinics in Moyo and Kotido. NOARD continued its support to 7 legal aid clinics and Huddersfield continued to support Patongo clinic. With support from JLOS and DGF, the number of duty counsel service stations around Kampala increased from 4 in 2017 to 14 stations. These include 10 courts and 4 police stations.

### Impact created:

This intervention increased access to legal services leading to improvement in the livelihood of the target beneficiaries as well as strengthening democratic governance, sustainable development, the rule of law and inclusive growth. 2018 realised reduction in conflicts in the communities where the project has offered services and this has reduced levels of marginalisation, empowered communities and created peaceful co-existence.

Figure 2: Nature of Cases Directly handled by Legal Aid Project Clinics in 2018



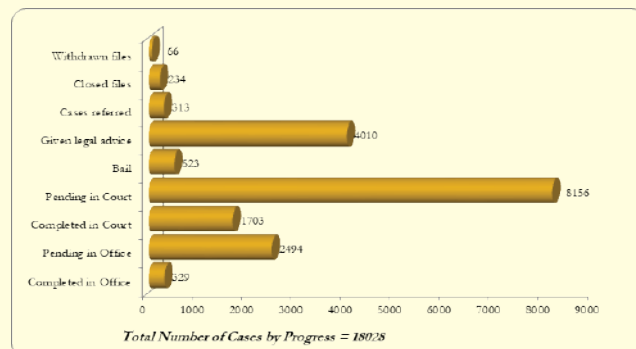
## 1.1: Legal Representation and Advisory Support Services through Legal Aid Clinics

Through the legal aid clinics, the project directly supported the indigent, vulnerable and marginalized persons through court representation, Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms and legal advice services.

The clinics attend to both civil and criminal matters as presented by clients. In 2018, 18028 persons, among which 12,229 (67.8%) were male and 5699(32.2%) female received this service. A total of 2032 had their cases completed (329 through ADR while 1,703 in courts); 2,494 cases were pending mediation and 10650 ongoing in courts; 4010 clients were given legal advice; 523 clients released on bail; 313 cases were referred to other legal aid service providers; 234 cases were closed for lack of merit and 66 files were withdrawn.

8,245 cases were handled on Land and property claims; 310 on Family/divorce and separation; 688 on Custody and maintenance; 1,183 Administration of Estates; 208 on Debt claims; 180 Employment claims; 5,519 Criminal and 1,608 civil matters.

Figure 3: Status of Progress of Cases Directly Handled by the Legal Aid Clinics in 2018



## 1.2: Legal Aid through the Pro Bono Scheme

The Pro Bono Project of the Uganda Law Society For the last 10 years, the Pro bono scheme of the Uganda Law Society has through members of the legal profession continued to extend free legal services to hundreds of indigent men, women and children in Uganda. The scheme is implemented throughout the country and coordinated through the Legal Aid field offices that are located in Kampala, Jinja, Soroti, Gulu, Arua, Masindi, Kabarole, Mbarara and Kabale. The project portfolio steadily grew bringing its portfolio of registered Advocates to 1,565.

### 1.2.1: Legal Representation through Pro Bono

3295 cases were followed up during the year. 2367 were male while 928 were female. 276 cases were concluded in both court and through ADR. (55 ADR and 221 in court). 2,546 were pending in office on mediation and 3842 were pending in court. 100 cases were closed and 20 cases withdrawn. The client base grew by an additional 610 new cases.

Figure 4: Nature of Cases Identified & Allocated to Advocates for Pro Bono Handling in 2018

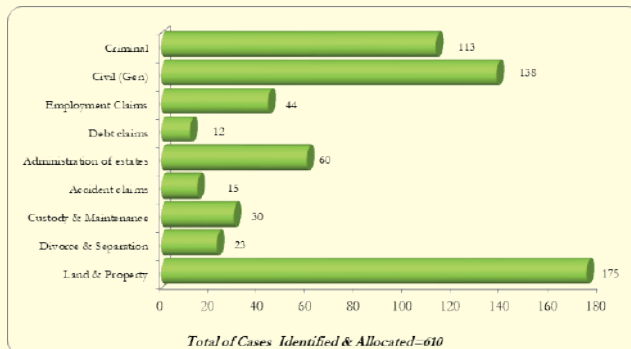


Figure 6: Status of Progress of the Cases handled under the Pro Bono Services during 2018

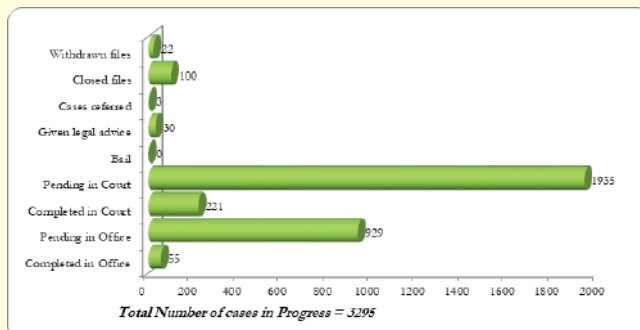
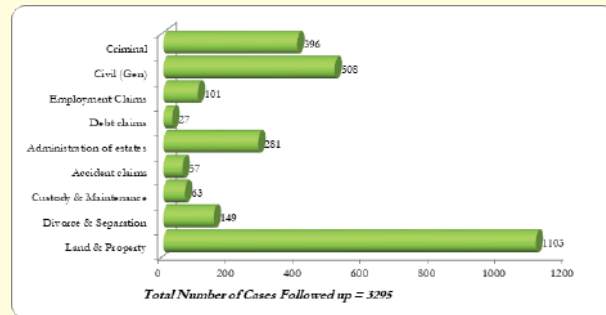


Figure 5: Nature of Cases Followed up under Pro Bono during 2018



### 1.2.2: National Pro Bono day celebrations

To enhance corporate social responsibility of the legal profession and in a bid to enhance access to justice, the Pro Bono Scheme held its annual ninth National Pro Bono day on 22 June 2018. The Pro Bono day was organized under the theme 'Access to Justice through pro bono: celebrating milestones, reaffirming commitment.' Over 3187 clients attended the Pro Bono day in the nine regions of Kampala, Gulu, Soroti, Masindi, Arua, Mbarara, Kabarole, Kabale and Jinja.



Advocates marching through Kampala on Pro Bono Day June 2018



(L) Dignitaries at the Pro Bono Day. (R) Clients receiving legal services on Pro Bono Day

### 1.2.3: The Duty Counsel under the Pro Bono Services

Duty Counsel is a form of legal aid where an Advocate is stationed at a particular court or police station to assist and/or represent indigent and marginalized persons who have no legal Counsel. The legal assistance includes interpretation of documents, court representation, advice on and preparation for bail applications and referrals. During 2018, the duty Counsel scheme performed exceedingly well by operating at 14 stations as compared to four stations in the previous year. 47 registered advocates visited the stations as compared to 31 in 2017. 5486 clients were served by duty counsel in the year under review. 87% were male and 13% female. The various duty counsel stations included; Buganda Road Chief Magistrates Court,

Nakawa chief Magistrates Court, Luzira Magistrates Court, Makindye Chief Magistrates Court, Kampala City Council Court, Law Development Centre Court, Kasangati Chief

Magistrates Court, Kira Court, Katwe police, Kampala Central Police Station, Kawempe police, Wandegeya police and old Kira Rd police station.

**Table 1: Showing the Various Duty Counsel Stations and Number of Clients Served During 2018**

	Duty Counsel Stations	Female	Male	Total
<b>COURT</b>	Buganda Rd Court	54	575	629
	Nakawa Court	76	331	407
	Makidye Court	90	289	379
	Nabweru Court	146	529	675
	KKCA Court	41	419	460
	LDC Court	43	199	242
	Kasangati Court	86	210	296
	Kira Court	64	247	311
	Luzira Sub- Court	17	205	222
<b>POLICE STATION</b>	Katwe Police	25	267	289
	Kampala CPS	21	671	692
	Kawempe Police	35	353	388
	Wandegeya Police	10	311	321
	Old Kira Rd Police	17	158	175
	Overall Total	725 (13%)	4761 (87%)	5,486

### 1.3: Legal Aid through UN Women Project

The ULS-LAP in partnership with UN Women is implementing a project entitled "Enhancing Access to Justice for Women and Girls who experience violence" through legal aid and referral services in the districts of; Gulu, Kitgum, Pader and Kamuli. The Project aims at providing legal aid services to enable vulnerable women and girls in the four districts to access justice from both formal and informal justice system. The goal of the project is to ensure that women and girls who are victims of gender-based violence access justice through legal aid services such as legal representation, legal advice, mediation, legal counseling, legal and human rights awareness. These services deal with cases of sexual violence, domestic violence and violations of the right to land and property, as well as the various forms of gender-based violence.

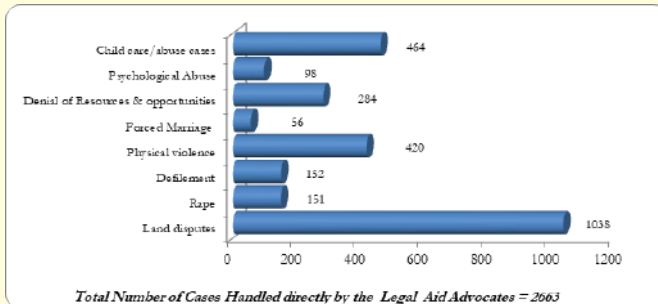


from left: ULS/LAP Staff of Gulu pose for a phot with UN Women trained Community Based Volunteers at Legal Aid Project-ULS Gulu offices and the oil and gas legal officer handling a successful mediation of Atugonza Phiona LAP/MSD/453/2017 with a baby during mediation (she is a PWD) at the LAP Masindi clinic

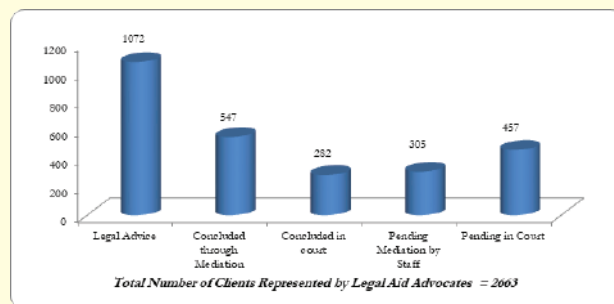
The activities of the project are coordinated through 3 legal aid clinics of; Jinja, Gulu and Patongo serving people in those areas as well as in Kitgum and Kamuli districts. In 2018, a total of 5392 indigent persons of which 3598 (66.7%) were female and 1794 (32.7%) male benefited from the services of the project. Among these, 2663(49.4%) clients directly received legal support from the legal Aid advocates during the year while 2729(51.6%) cases were handled through the informal justice systems with support from the community based legal volunteers. Among clients supported by legal aid Advocates, 1038 cases were conflicts related to land , 420 on physical violence, 464 on related to child abuse, 284 on denial of access to resources, 152 on defilement and 151 on rape cases. 1072 clients given legal advice, 852 were represented in mediation and 739 were represented in courts. Overall, 829 cases were concluded (547 through mediations and 282 through court) and 762 cases remained pending (457 pending in courts and 305 in Legal Aid Offices).



**Figure 8: Number and Nature of Cases under EVAWG project handled by ULS-LAP Team in 2018**



**Figure 9: Number of clients by nature of cases attended to under the EVAWG Project in 2018**



#### 1.4: Legal Aid through the Oil & Gas Project in Buliisa and Hoima

The Oil & gas project was initiated in 2016 to contribute to enhanced peaceful co-existence among the people in the Albertine region, through improved land governance and management practice and policies

In 2018, 455 indigent, vulnerable and marginalized persons received legal aid through court representation, Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanisms and legal aid services. Among these clients, 317 were male and 138 female. Overall, 125 cases were completed; 115 cases were concluded through court and 21 were concluded through ADR; 18 cases were still pending for mediation and 236 still ongoing in courts of law. Highly prevalent cases were land and property (115) which constituted about 25% of the cases, criminal (195), custody and maintenance (69), administration of estates, debt claims among others.

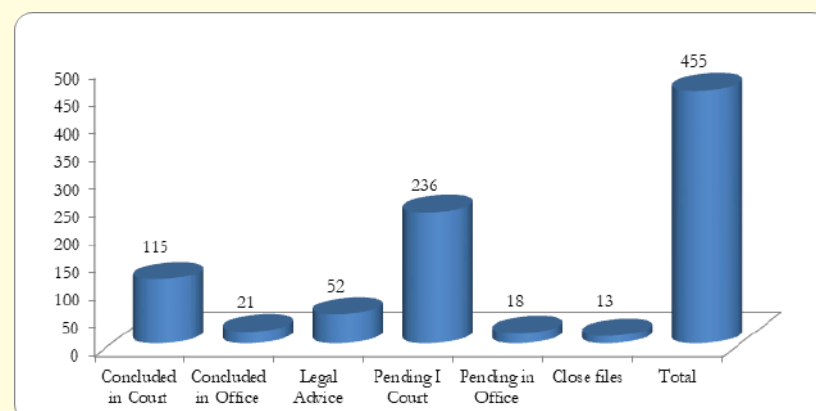


From left to right: The Oil & Gas project: LAP team in Buliisa at BISO FM during a radio talk show and the LAP team after a successful community sensitization in the Albertine region respectively



Oil and gas project: Left are participants during sensitization in Ngwedo & right is HEADLAP in Red consulting with CDO Ngwedo

**Figure 10: Status of Progress of Cases handled under the Oil and Gas project in the Albertine region during 2018**



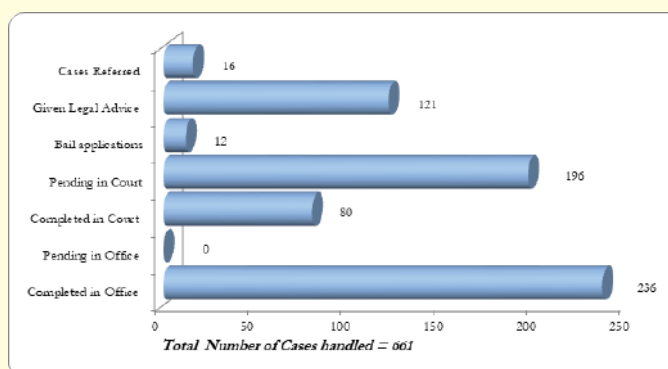
### 1.5: Legal Aid for the Refugees in West Nile Region

ULS in partnership with IRC implemented a project entitled "Enhancing Access to Justice for the Indigent, Vulnerable and Marginalised Refugee Communities in West Nile-Uganda" through legal aid and referral services in settlement areas of; Rhino, Bidibidi, Imvepi and Lobule Refugee Camps / Settlements. The Project aimed to contribute to the enhancement of access to justice for the refugee communities who are indigent, vulnerable and marginalized.

During 2018 ULS provided Legal representation in courts of Law and other fora to 661 (512M,149F) to the refugees and host communities. 303 were civil matters including 236 clients with matters relating to their name verification for commissioning and registration of their documents and 358 had criminal in nature, which mostly included defilement (108), theft (55), assault (43), murder (28) among others. Among these cases 80 were conclude in court and 236 concluded through ADR, 196 cases remained pending in court, 121 clients were given advice, 12 granted bail and 16 referred for other services beyond legal aid support.



Figure 11: Status of Progress of Cases handled under the IRC Refugee project in West-Nile region during 2018



### 1.6: Prison Decongestion Program

ULS/LAP through its prisons' decongestion programme reached out to different Government prisons to wit; Kabale, Mbarara main prison, Kakyeka, Masindi, Katojo, Arua, Soroti, Moroto, Kirinya, Kigo, Luzira, Koboko, and Yumbe. A total of 158 prison visits made and 10,336 inmates among which 7,359 were male and 717 female benefited from LAP services through sensitization and training on their legal rights and criminal trial processes as well as offering legal representation services for those that were arraigned before courts of law. In total 7,735 inmates were sensitized and 2,601 were represented in courts of law.



Sensitization of inmates at Katojo Prison



Prison supervising persons on community service sentence

# Strategic Outcome 2: Promotion of Respect for Human Rights and Rule of law in Uganda

## 1.7: Strengthening Community Justice Mechanisms

ULS-LAP has todate trained 495 community based paralegal/volunteers who are footsoldier in strenthgtneing the referral sytsm and extending basic legal aid services in areas beyond the reach of legal aid team. In 2018 a total of 343 more community based volunteers were brought on board in the areas of Moyo, Luweero, Kotido, Mpigi and in refugee settlment camps in west Nile. A total 375 of those trained before received refresher tarinings as away of building their capacity further.

The community based legel volunteers were trained on Land Rights, Sexual and Gender Based Violence, Marriage and Divorce, Succession/Administration of Estates, Children's rights, the Criminal Justice System, Refugee Rights and Obligations. The offers services ranging from referring community members in need of legal services, to providing legal advice, mediating on simple matters, and community sensitiations.

A total of 3392 community members of which 1231(36.3%) male and 2161(63.7%) female benefitted from the services provided by the community based volunteers. Among these, 1526 community members received advice, 599 had their matters resolved through mediation and 1267 were referred either to police, or health facilties or to legal aid service providers and to shelthers.

## 2.1: Community Sensitizations

ULS/LAP continued to sensitise community members on their legal and human rights through a number of community outreaches avenues, which among others included; 82 community sensitizations, 92 locus visits, 21 mobile clinic gatherings and through community based volunteers. The community outreaches were conducted by the legal aid teams in the various legal aid clinics in the country. Mobile clinics were conducted in communities that do not have legal aid service providers like Kalangala islands and local markets around Kampala. In total 20,409 community members of which 11,011 were male and 9,398 female were enlightened on their Legal and human rights. Amongst these, 898 community members were sensitized by community-based volunteers. The community members were introduced to key justice actors where they can seek redress especially JLOS actors and other community platforms. The major topics addressed during these sessions were chosen by the community members basing on their daily experiences and legal challenges with major focus on Land and Property rights, the Criminal Justice system emphasis laid on how to apply for bail, Family/succession disputes, Marriage and Divorce, compensation, human rights and domestic violence.



*Counsel Deo Kizito and Counsel Sheila conducting a community sensitization at Kanara Village AND Brian Kisomose sensitizing the residents of Busabaga village during a community based sensitization on the 13th Day of January 2018.*



## 2.2: Information, Education and Communication

ULS-LAP developed and disseminated Information Education Communication materials in the various communities. 11,000 Simplified booklets on different topics based on the level of need in the given community were developed and disseminated. The booklets were on different legal topics which included; Refugee rights and obligations, Succession, Marriage and Divorce, Domestic violence, Children's rights, the Criminal Justice System and how to apply for bail.

## 2.3: Media Campaigns

During 2018, 87 radio talk shows were held on a number of media houses across the country. The media houses that hosted our programs included; Voice of Kigezi, Radio Maria, Hope radio and Radio West in Mbarara and Kabale, Radio Delta in Soroti, Jinja FM in Jinja, Baaba FM in Jinja, KBS FM in Kamuli, Mega FM, Rupinyi FM, LUO FM, Grace Radio, Voice of life fm, voice of Teso, Delta fm, Etop radio, Arua one Kings radio, NEENA FM in Moroto, BISO FM in Bulisa and SPICE FM in Hoima. Tv talk shows were held on Bukedde TV, UBC TV, NBS TV, NTV. The talk shows addressed issues on; land rights, children's rights, corruption, Rule of Law, making of a Will, testate and intestate succession and domestic violence laws.



*Photo: Counsel Asimwe at Voice of Tooro Radio Station  
Bottom -Radio talk show on the proposed amendments to the Succession Act and the role of legal aid on 102 Mega Fm in Gulu*

## 2.4: Networking and Creation of Linkages

Legal Aid Project continued to attend numerous meetings and workshops. In the year under review, a total of 115 strategic meetings and workshops were attended by staff at Regional, international and national level. The majority of meetings and workshops attended were on promotion of Human Rights, Access to Justice and Rule of Law. Among the key stakeholders were the Legal Aid Service Providers under their umbrella body LASPNET, JLOS, HURINET, Community Based Organizations, Judiciary, Police, Prisons, University Bodies, Local Government Institutions, and the Media. We continued to play an important role in the JLOS sector as a key member of the District Chain linked Committees in all regions of our operation, working closely with local Development Partners.

The linkages created have enhanced referrals ensuring that people's access to justice needs are met by the right duty bearers. Strong partnerships and joint collaboration on delivery of services have enriched the Legal Aid Project service interventions.

# Strategic Objective 3: Development and Strengthening of the LAP Management Systems

## 3.1: Legal Aid & Pro Bono Committee

The Legal Aid & Pro Bono Committee reports to the Executive Council of the Uganda Law Society and oversees the development and implementation of LAP policies, procedures and programs. The committee also oversees a multi-disciplinary management and technical staff team. During the year, the committee held four meetings to provide strategic guidance on the implementation of project policies, procedures and programs.

## 3.2: LAP Management Committee

The Management team is tasked with day-to-day implementation of the day-to-day running of the project and reports to the Legal Aid and pro Bono Committee. The overall direction and management of the Project was provided by the Chief Executive officer, and the Head Legal Aid & Pro-bono Services. The project is also supported in its mandate and activities by other departments. 125 staff comprising of Advocates, paralegals, Law clerks, Accounts, administrative assistants and Project drivers constituted the wonderful team involved in the implementation of project activities during 2018.

## 3.3: Staff Capacity Building

We continued facilitating our Advocates and staff to attend continuous legal education throughout the year. Trainings held were on gender based violence and Human rights funded by UN Women and OHCHR respectively. The Legal Aid team also received trainings on Results Based and data Management

Reporting, Customer care and Child Justice with support from JLOS.

## 3.4: Monitoring and Evaluation

The role of monitoring and evaluation is to ensure efficient and effective service delivery; interfacing with the end users of LAP services to appreciate their perceptions on how best the services have been delivered to them, and to ensure conformity of the project activities with its strategic objectives.

During 2018, a number of monitoring and evaluation activities were conducted which among others included: Preparation and submission of monthly and quarterly progress reports by the implementing staff to management and from management to the Legal Aid and Pro-bono Committee of the Uganda Law Society and to the Executive Council for onward transmission to the development Partners DGF, NBA, UN Women and UNHCR; Periodic and ad-hoc inspection visits were undertaken to the clinics by the policy and management organs of the society; clients' satisfaction surveys conducted among the different segments of clients served, the client's charter was circulated within the clinics; and an internal annual project review with the program implementers, management and policy organs of ULS on the performance of the program was conducted.

## 3.5 Governance Reforms

During the year under review, a number of policies were drafted, discussed and passed to wit; the Finance & Administration policy, the

Human Resource policy and the Internal Audit Policy. A memorandum of understanding was also signed between the Uganda Law Society and the Legal Aid project.

## DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS

The Norwegian Bar Association/Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NBA/NORAD)

LAP has continued to enjoy a committed partnership with the Norwegian Bar Association through funding from the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation. This support has enabled thousands of Ugandans to enjoy and enforce their legal and human rights in the absence of a government policy on legal aid service provision.

## Democratic Governance Facility (DGF)

In addition to their continued funding of the ULS Legal Aid and Pro Bono projects, DGF supported LAP to open up new legal aid access points in Luweero, Moyo and Kotido in addition to the four clinics of Mbarara, Arua, Moroto and Soroti. With this support, the project has been in position to achieve its objective of extending access to justice to the poor, indigent and marginalized.

## JUSTICE LAW AND ORDER SECTOR

JLOS in line with SDP 14 has continued to support ULS in their different access to justice interventions to ensure that the vulnerable continue accessing justice.

JLOS has enhanced the duty counsel scheme by funding an additional eight stations.

#### Canadian Bar Association (CBA)

CBA supports ULS on a project; Supporting Inclusive Resource Development in East Africa (SIRD). The program that started in June 2017 is being implemented in the East Africa region, with a focus on Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania, working closely with the law societies to increase sustainable economic growth for East Africans, in particular, women and vulnerable groups affected by Extractive Industries. Recognizing that equitable treatment and equal opportunities for women and girls are fundamental prerequisite for sustainable development, SIRD integrated gender equality into all programming and apply a gender transformative approach to the implementation of activities.

#### Huddersfield Law Society

Uganda Law Society with the support of the Huddersfield Law Society and the Law Society of England and Wales funded the Legal Aid Clinic in Patongo to provide legal aid and advisory support to juveniles in Patongo. The clinic which started operation in 2015 is housed by passion for community (P4C) a local government organization in Agago that helps to rehabilitate children affected by the war. P4C provided office space and other support services. This has gone a long way to extend and open up service points of legal aid especially for juveniles in the areas of Kitgum, Pader, Agago and Patongo. The program in Patongo has further enhanced access to other vulnerable and marginalized persons. LAP provided Legal facilities and support through Patongo Youth Centre, which is dedicated to helping former child soldiers, former abductees and other disadvantaged young people and their families in Agago and Acholi Sub region.

#### UN WOMEN

Uganda Law Society through its Legal Aid Project implements the program on enhancing Access to justice for Women and Girls who experience violence through Legal aid and referral services in (s/c) Pader, (s/c) Kitgum, (s/c) Kamuli and (s/c) Gulu.

The ULS and UN Women intervention has led to increased awareness and empowered communities especially women and girls with the ability to demand and defend their legal and human rights aided by the improved legal knowledge of the trained community based volunteers/paralegals who continue to work with the communities to give on spot legal advice, counselling and referral services.

The increase in the clientele is telling of the fact that women and girls are increasingly becoming aware of their rights and the need to enforce them.

ULS implements the program through availability of quality essential services for women and girls who experience violence, Increased access to high quality legal aid, advisory and referral services for indigent, marginalized and vulnerable women and girls in targeted districts; Providing legal aid services, Organizing mobile legal aid clinics in Pader district, Kamuli, Gulu districts, Training and supervising paralegals and volunteer lawyers in counselling and referring women and girls who experience violence, Increased awareness of women's legal rights, and the rule of law among women, girls and communities in target districts, Organize legal awareness sessions at community level, Broadcast Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) spot messages in target districts as well as broadcast radio talk shows and dissemination of VAWG – related IEC Materials.

ULS / LAP is grateful for the new partnerships that continue to create enormous contributions to the Justice Sector as well as to open up

further funding opportunities from other sister bar organizations.

#### MAJOR CHALLENGES FACED BY THE PROJECT AND WAY FORWARD.

- 1) The Legal Aid Project continues to receive overwhelming numbers of people in need of legal aid services which stretches the human and financial resources to meet the demands of the clients. Legal Aid Service providers are not spread through out the country to assist the majority poor and vulnerable.
- 2) LAP interventions are majorly funded by Donors with very little support from the State which is a great threat to sustainability. We continue to lobby Government to enact the Legal Aid bill and Policy as we resource mobilize to serve the vulnerable and marginalized people in Uganda.
- 3) Delayed justice at times due to case backlog in courts of law perpetrated by the strikes by the State Prosecutors and the Judiciary to improve their conditions at work, clients who prefer litigation as opposed to resolving their cases through alternative dispute mechanisms.
- 4) A threatened future; NORAD has intimated its exit at the end of 2019. This leaves the survivor of its seven clinics hanging in the balance. The Society is however looking for sources of new funding to ensure that this much needed intervention does not come to a close

#### SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

- Adopt a clinic. ULS invites its partners and friends to adopt a clinic. A clinic can be adopted by an organization, law firm or individual. Details on the same can be found at the ULS secretariat.

# Appendix 1: Legal Aid Project of Uganda Law Society

## LEGAL AID PROJECT PICTORIAL 2018



*Oil and gas legal officer conducting a community dialogue (right) in jbulisa in the presence of local leaders and the police*



*Vice LC5 Bulisa (left & right) manager Legal Aid together with Counsel Innocent at a stakeholders meeting at Hoima Resort Hotel in Hoima District. The meeting attracted the district leadership of both Hoima and Bulisa districts, the sub county leaders of Bulisa, Ngwedo, in Bulisa, and Kyangwali and Kigoroby sub counties in Hoima plus a few selected community members from Bulisa and Hoima districts.*

# SUCCESS STORIES

## KABAROLE CLINIC

### 1. TUMUSIIME DICK ENOCK, ISAAC DICK & OTHERS (LAP/K/001/2016)

Our clients Isaac Dick from Ibanda District is a biological son to the Late John Bell Dick who died intestate in 1953 survived by 11 children and 2 wives who lived in separate homes. His mother was the Late Jorelina Bonabana Dick who died in 1997. The client and his siblings and Late Jorelina Bonabana Dick were staying in Maguru on the suit land.

That upon the death of their father, the suit land was left in the hands of their mother who distributed it amongst the 6 (Six) children. The Late Samuel Dick sold off part of his share to the Late Kakya constructed constructed their family home. Dick relocated to Ibanda and his sisters also got married, it is then that the defendants sold part of his land.

Dick and his sisters approached a number of public offices to help them recover their land in vain until they were referred by the Resident State Attorney to the LAP Office in Kabarole. The office tried mediation when this failed a suit was filed to recover the clients' land. On 9th January 2018 judgment was obtained in favour of our clients.

Dick was a disabled client who had relocated to Ibanda but had to come from Ibanda to Kabarole for the hearing of their case. Dick and his sisters sought assistance of their relatives and LAP to help facilitate their transport, feeding and accommodation during the hearing of their case till its completion which was extremely expensive. Dick and his sisters remain forever grateful to the Legal Aid Project.



*Isaac Dick and the sisters during locus visit with the LAP team*



## GULU CLINIC

### ALIMOCHAN CHRISTINE

Christine, a widow and mother of five started experiencing the wrath of her in-laws when her late husband was still alive, on his hospital bed. She was abandoned to singlehandedly take care of her husband without any money to buy medicine or food for the patient. Painfully, she labored till his eventful death. After her husband's death, Christine was shut out from taking any benefit from her late husband's property. She was not included as an administrator despite having young children whose livelihood depended on the estate. Christine was evicted from the matrimonial house and forced to go live in the village. Her children were also denied school fees despite their father leaving behind a respectable bank balance. All rental incomes were taken over by her in-laws and tenants were threatened with eviction if they dealt with or heeded to any demand from Christine. When she found out that she could not bear anymore, Christine approached Legal Aid Project of Uganda Law Society as a last resort. Several mediation letters were issued out to Christine's law but all were in vain. They insisted on doing it their way, forcing Legal Aid Project-ULS to file a case on Christine's behalf to revoke the Letters of Administration.

Upon learning of the suit, Christine's in-laws contracted a lawyer who filed in a spirited defence to maintain the status quo. After a few times of hearing, the matter was referred for a Court ordered mediation, where the Defendants were properly educated on the likely effects of their actions, and their rights as concerns the estate. Having seen the light, the Defendant's conceded to Christine's demands to provide for her children and allow her to have access to incomes coming out of the estate. A consent agreement was entered into and court reduced into a consent judgment, enforceable through normal court procedures. As it stands, Christine's children are now at school and Christine is now occupying one of the rooms at the rentals and actively collecting rent. Christine says, "As a poor widow I didn't have hope, but now I can smile that my children now have a future!" Christine is forever grateful to Legal Aid Project-ULS.



*Benard Elen (R) and Akello Betty (L) greet each other in the presence of the LAP ULS Gulu Legal Officer after a successful mediation.*



*Okwonga Charles' family with Counsel Caroline Jean Adyero after getting judgment in their favour.*



*Alobo Patrick LAP/MSD/332/2018 enjoying his freedom after court Acquitted him of the charge of aggravated defilement.*

# ANNEXTURE

**Table 2: Nature and Number of Cases Handled by the Six NORAD Funded Clinics During 2018**

Nature of cases	Gulu	Kabarole	Masindi	Kabale	Kampala	Jinja	Total	%age
Land and Property	1129	797	356	556	328	1517	4683	47%
Divorce and Separation	19	10	1	30	49	44	153	2%
Custody and Maintenance	46	88	55	35	93	114	431	4%
Accident claims	13	2	3	0	13	11	42	0%
Administration of estates	34	288	44	85	97	293	841	9%
Debt claims	17	8	26	9	14	31	105	1%
Employment Claims	19	13	0	1	19	38	90	1%
Civil (Gen)	17	161	61	121	54	318	732	7%
Criminal	167	461	974	623	34	552	2811	28%
Total	1461	1828	1520	1460	701	2918	9888	100%

**Table 3: Status of Progress of Cases Handled by the Six NORAD Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Gulu	Kabarole	Masindi	Kabale	Kampala	Jinja	Total	%age
Completed in Office	95	73	85	43	59	15	370	4%
Pending in Office	64	325	54	249	156	659	1507	15%
Completed in Court	67	179	514	89	95	59	1003	10%
Pending in Court	46	1159	641	924	333	1889	4992	50%
Bail	28	15	145	65	1	5	259	3%
Given legal advice	1086	21	47	25	21	185	1385	14%
Cases referred	41	31	0	53	7	8	140	1%
Closed files	19	11	34	7	29	89	189	2%
Withdrawn files	15	14	0	5	0	9	43	0%
Total	1461	1828	1520	1460	701	2918	9888	100%

**Table 4: Sex of Clients Served under the Six NORAD Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Gulu	Kabarole	Masindi	Kabale	Kampala	Jinja	Total	%age
Male	826	1171	1289	755	418	1912	6371	64%
Female	635	657	231	705	283	1006	3517	36%
Total	1461	1828	1520	1460	701	2918	9888	100%

**Table 5: Showing the Nature of cases Handled under Six NORAD Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Gulu	Kabarole	Masindi	Kabale	Kampala	Jinja	Total	%age
Old	1109	1107	604	1062	379	2382	6643	67%
New	352	721	916	398	322	536	3245	33%
Total	1461	1828	1520	1460	701	2918	9888	100%

**Table 6: Nature and Number of Cases Handled by the Eight DGF Funded Clinics During 2018**

Nature of cases	Arua	Mbarara	Soroti	Moroto	Luwero	Luzira	Moyo	Kotido	Total	%age
Land and Property	670	355	1492	837	129	30	10	39	3562	44%
Divorce and Separation	3	69	56	1	10	18	0	0	157	2%
Custody and Maintenance	21	48	46	49	9	20	2	62	257	3%
Accident claims	2	0	25	11	4	2	0	1	45	1%
Administration of estates	37	123	59	58	45	3	0	17	342	4%
Debt claims	11	0	28	20	4	2	2	36	103	1%
Employment Claims	21	4	39	11	0	10	1	4	90	1%
Civil (Gen)	98	128	156	100	24	25	320	25	876	11%
Criminal	138	172	287	643	56	1032	31	349	2708	33%
Total	1001	899	2188	1730	281	1142	366	533	8140	100%

**Table 7: Status of Progress of Cases Handled by the Eight DGF Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Arua	Mbarara	Soroti	Moroto	Luwero	Luzira	Moyo	Kotido	Total	%age
Completed in Office	24	15	56	24	6	20	1	13	159	2%
Pending in Office	188	72	201	287	109	38	14	78	987	12%
Completed in Court	81	75	97	158	12	201	19	57	700	9%
Pending in Court	580	461	1404	304	142	141	26	106	3164	39%
Bail	2	0	33	8	0	196	15	10	264	3%
Given legal advice	91	201	303	933	7	544	289	257	2625	32%
Cases referred	31	60	75	5	1	0	1	0	173	2%
Closed files	4	2	11	10	4	1	1	12	45	1%
Withdrawn files	0	13	8	1	0	1	0	0	23	0%
Total	1001	899	2188	1730	281	1142	366	533	8140	100%

**Table 8: Sex of Clients Served under the Eight DGF Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Arua	Mbarara	Soroti	Moroto	Luwero	Luzira	Moyo	Kotido	Total	%age
Male	780	631	1405	1208	175	1004	270	385	5858	72%
Female	221	268	783	422	106	138	96	148	2182	27%
Total	1001	899	2188	1730	281	1142	366	533	8140	100%

**Table 9: Showing the Nature of cases Handled under Eight DGF Funded Clinics During 2018**

	Arua	Mbarara	Soroti	Moroto	Luwero	Luzira	Moyo	Kotido	Total	%age
Old	626	524	1488	1061	0	259	0	0	3958	49%
New	375	375	700	669	281	883	366	533	4182	51%
Total	1001	899	2188	1730	281	1142	366	533	8140	100%

**Table 10: Nature and Number of Cases Identified and Allocated to Advocates for Probono Service During 2018**

Nature of Case	Kampala	Gulu	Kabale	Masindi	Kabarole	Jinja	Soroti	Arua	Mbarara	Total	%age
Land and Property claim	55	35	14	10	12	28	10	3	8	175	29%
Divorce & Separation	14	2	1	2	1	1	1	0	1	23	4%
Custody & Maintenance	10	2	2	3	2	2	3	1	5	30	5%
Accident claim	8	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	15	2%
Administration of Estates	16	4	4	10	7	5	6	2	6	60	10%
Debt Claims	1	4	1	4	0	2	0	0	0	12	2%
Employment Claim	20	3	1	8	3	4	2	1	2	44	7%
Criminal-General	25	3	10	41	25	21	5	3	5	138	23%
Civil-General	36	10	6	3	5	6	8	4	35	113	19%
Total	185	65	41	82	56	70	35	14	62	610	100%

**Table 11: Nature and Number of Cases on Pro Bono Service followed up During 2018**

Nature of Case	Kampala	Gulu	Kabale	Masindi	Kabarole	Jinja	Soroti	Arua	Mbarara	Total	%age
Land & Property claim	430	227	95	107	69	168	91	49	42	1278	39%
Divorce & Separation	126	4	3	6	5	8	7	1	12	172	5%
Custody & Maintenance	43	4	6	5	4	8	6	5	12	93	3%
Accident claim	46	3	5	4	3	8	2	0	1	72	2%
Administration of Estates	159	6	15	26	24	55	17	7	32	341	10%
Debt Claims	3	11	2	11	1	10	0	1	0	39	1%
Employment Claim	71	8	2	24	7	26	2	3	2	145	4%
Criminal General	89	43	24	199	140	71	49	13	18	646	20%
Civil General	246	22	21	33	20	23	30	28	86	509	15%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>3295</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 12: Status of Progress of Cases under Pro Bono Service during across the 9 Clinics in 2018**

Status of Cases	Kampala	Gulu	Kabale	Masindi	Kabarole	Jinja	Soroti	Arua	Mbarara	Total	%age
Pending in Advocates Office	401	80	68	70	80	98	60	45	27	929	28.2%
Completed in Advocates Office	22	2	5	8	5	5	3	1	4	55	1.7%
Pending in Court	621	216	78	297	169	262	98	48	146	1935	58.7%
Completed in Court	95	15	12	25	13	7	29	10	15	221	6.7%
Given Legal Advice	10	2	2	9	2	1	1	1	2	30	0.9%
Cases Referred	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0.1%
Files Closed	64	9	2	3	2	3	10	1	6	100	3.0%
Files recalled	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0.1%
Files Withdrawn	0	2	6	3	1	1	1	1	5	20	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>3295</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 13: Sex of clients served under the Pro bono scheme during 2018**

Sex	Kampala	Gulu	Kabale	Masindi	Kabarole	Jinja	Soroti	Arua	Mbarara	Total	%age
Female	295	95	69	127	92	<b>102</b>	79	25	44	928	28%
Male	918	233	104	288	181	<b>275</b>	125	82	161	2367	72%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>3295</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Table 14: Showing the Nature of cases handled under the pro bono scheme during 2018**

Status	Kampala	Gulu	Kabale	Masindi	Kabarole	Jinja	Soroti	Arua	Mbarara	Total	%age
New Client	185	65	41	82	56	70	35	14	62	610	19%
Old Client	1028	263	132	333	217	307	169	93	143	2685	81%
<b>Total</b>	<b>1213</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>3295</b>	<b>100%</b>

