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LLB (Hons.), and Diploma in Law (KSL).

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Law Society of Kenya, and the American Bar Association.

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Overview:

Marysheila co-heads the dispute resolution practice. Her ability to calmly appreciate clients' requirements, partnered with a flair for persuasive negotiation, arms her with two valuable skills that are crucial in resolving disputes both in and out of court. Marysheila advises several clients in various industries such as airlines, banking, manufacturing, and telecommunications.

She is an accredited mediator whose skills span labour law, public procurement, judicial review, and commercial law. Her strong expertise in Family Law has earned her an appointment as a member of the High Court (Family Division) Bar-Bench Committee and the Convenor of the Chief Magistrates Court's (Children Division) Bar-Bench Committee.

She is also recognized internationally by the Legal 500 EMEA in the Employment category. She helped lead the team that put together a strategic defence for the Central Bank in a matter before the East African Court of Justice concerning the collapse of Imperial Bank. Their success, in this case, won the team an award for the Litigation & Dispute Resolution Team of the Year at the 2023 African Legal Awards.

Key Matters:

- **Equity Bank**, (one of the largest banks in East Africa with assets of USD 11 billion) in a claim by Kenya's Banking, Insurance, and Finance Union seeking orders that a wide range of the bank's employees were unionized employees and thus the bank was required pay monthly agency fees to BIFU.
 - **Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)**, (the monetary authority of Kenya) in successfully defending CBK's demonetization, procurement, and issuance processes of the new currency (notes and coins) before the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. This was a matter of great economic and national significance.
 - **Central Bank of Kenya (CBK)**, in a matter before the East African Court
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of Justice concerning the collapse of Imperial Bank (one of Kenya's biggest and most publicized bank fraud schemes).

- **Kenya Airways**, (the flag carrier airline of Kenya) in a dispute where prime land in Malindi's beachfront (owned by the airline), was illegally possessed.
 - **Bidco Africa formerly Bidco Oil Refineries (Bidco)**, (a multinational consumer goods company headquartered in Kenya), in an alleged undervaluation of value-added tax and duty payable on a contract. This was due to tariff misclassification by the Kenya Revenue Authority.
 - **National Social Security Fund Limited (NSSF)**, (the Kenyan government agency responsible for the collection and distribution of retirement funds) in a dispute matter involving Sokomania Limited's illegally managing and collecting parking fees on behalf of NSSF.
 - **Kenya National Highway Authority**, (an autonomous road agency) in a judicial review application challenging the procedural powers of the Public Procurement Administrative Review Board in declaring the procurement process and tender documents in respect of KeNHA's request for Bids in the Northeastern Transport Improvement Project to be faulty and directing KeNHA to issue an Addendum to the said Request of Bids.
 - **Ernst & Young LLP**, in a matter before the Capital Markets Tribunal involving allegations that it did not audit the books of Uchumi Supermarkets Limited.
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