



WRIT OF SUMMONS

(Order 16 rule 1(1))

WRIT ISSUED FROM *Accra, 31-9-2025* SUIT No.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

COMMERCIAL DIVISION

ACCRA.....

CS-CM/RPC/0698/2025

AFRICA PROSPERITY NETWORK LBG

- Plaintiff

25 THIRD DADE WALK

LABONE - ACCRA

VRS

SANKOFA ADVISORY GROUP

- Defendant

5 THE HEIGHTS, 5 WEYBRIDGE

WEYBRIDGE, KT 13 0NY

ENGLAND

To

AN ACTION having been commenced against you by the issue of this writ by the above-named Plaintiff. **AFRICA PROPERTY NETWORK LBG**

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED that within EIGHT DAYS after service of this writ on you inclusive of the day of service you do cause an appearance to be entered for you.

SANKOFA ADVISORY GROUP

AND TAKE NOTICE that in default of your so doing, judgment may be given in your absence without further notice to you. **AFRICA PROSPERITY NETWORK LBG**

Dated this *25-9-2025* day of

September 2025

Chief Justice of Ghana

**P. BAFFOE-BUNI.
(AG. CHIEF JUSTICE)**



N.B. This writ is to be served within twelve calendar months from the date of issue unless, it is renewed within six calendar months from the date of that renewal.

The defendant may appear hereto by filing a notice of appearance either personally or by a lawyer at Form 5 at the Registry of the Court of issue of the writ at A defendant appearing personally may, if he desire give notice of appearance by post.

*Name, place of residence or business address of plaintiff if known (not P.O. Box number).

**State name, place of residence or business address of defendant (not P.O. Box number).

FORM 1

SEAL *31-9-2025*
HIGH COURT
COMMERCIAL DIVISION LCC - ACCRA

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

The Plaintiff claims against the Defendant for:

- a. An order for the payment of Three Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (USD300,000.00), being the value of services and benefits conferred under the Partnership Agreement executed between the parties dated 15 July 2024.
- b. Interest on the amount stated in relief (a) at the prevailing commercial bank rate from May 2025 until payment.
- c. An order for the Defendant to render accounts on all funds from sponsors introduced to the Defendant by the Plaintiff.
- d. An order for the Defendant to pay fifty percent (50%) of all sponsorship amounts from sponsors introduced by the Plaintiff.
- e. General damages for breach of contract.
- f. Costs including solicitor's fees.
- g. Further orders as the Court deems fit.

This writ was issued by **EBOB BREW - HAMMOND ESQ.,**

whose address for service is **AFRICA LEGAL ASSOCIATES
25 THIRD DADE WALK
LABONE - ACCRA**

Agent for

Address Number and date of Lawyer's current licence **LICENCE NO. eGAR 01804/25**

Lawyer for the plaintiff

who resides at

ACCRA

Indorsement to be made within 3 days after service

This writ was served by me at

on the defendant

on the _____ day of _____

endorsed the _____ day of _____

Signed.....

Address.....

NOTE: If the plaintiff's claim is for a liquidated demand only, further proceedings will be stayed if within the time limited for appearance the defendant pays the amount claimed to the plaintiff, his lawyer or his agent or into court as provided for in Order 2 rule 3(2).

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JUDICATURE

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

COMMERCIAL DIVISION

ACCRA - A. D. 2025

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SUIT NO:

AFRICA PROSPERITY NETWORK LBG
25 THIRD DADE WALK
LABONE
ACCRA

- PLAINTIFF

VRS

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ENGLAND

- DEFENDANT

STATEMENT OF CLAIM

1. The Plaintiff is a company limited by guarantee incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Ghana, dedicated to advancing Africa's economic integration and shared prosperity in line with the African Union's Agenda 2063.
2. The Plaintiff organises high-level platforms, including the annual Africa Prosperity Dialogues ("APD") in Ghana and the annual Global Africa Forum in New York, which unite political leaders, business executives, civil society, and development institutions to accelerate the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) project to build the world's largest single market in terms of member states.
3. The Defendant is a company incorporated in England and stated as the current owner and organiser of the Africa Oil Week ("AOW"), an event previously organised by the Hyve Group in England.
4. The Plaintiff states that for close to thirty (30) years, AOW had been hosted in Cape Town, South Africa. By 2024, the event was beset by serious challenges, including legal proceedings, public protests, reputational damage, and direct competition from Africa Energy Week, resulting in a decline in investor, sponsor, and delegate participation.
5. The Plaintiff states that facing these difficulties and seeking to reposition AOW as a "truly African-owned" event aligned with continental development priorities, the Defendant resolved to relocate it from South Africa to another African country.

6. The Plaintiff states that in or about June 2024, the Defendant's founder and CEO, Paul Sinclair, approached the Plaintiff, expressly seeking to leverage the Plaintiff's credibility, networks, and expertise to secure the relocation of AOW to Ghana.
7. The Plaintiff states that the Defendant knew that Ghana, as an oil-producing nation and host of the AfCFTA Secretariat, offered a strategic base for rebranding AOW and expanding its stakeholder reach in oil-rich West Africa and beyond.
8. The Plaintiff states that its established reputation for delivering state-of-the-art events with active participation from African Heads of State, senior ministers, diplomats, AfCFTA officials, and global business leaders made it uniquely positioned to partner AOW to deliver the relocation.
9. The Plaintiff states that on 15 July 2024, the parties entered into a 10-year Partnership Agreement ("the Agreement"), under which they would collaborate on the delivery of AOW and Africa Mining Week, and the Defendant would support the Plaintiff's APD.
10. The Plaintiff states that it was to be recognised as Core or Lead Partner for AOW, with that recognition published in all AOW promotional materials. The Defendant was also to promote APD across its platforms, facilitate high-level invitations, source sponsors, and contribute to APD content development.
11. The Plaintiff states that from the outset, the Defendant drew immense benefit from the Plaintiff's standing and goodwill but failed to perform its reciprocal obligations under the Agreement.
12. The Plaintiff states that at APD 2025 — attended by over 4,000 high-level delegates from 46 countries — the Defendant was given visibility equivalent to that of a headline sponsor, and the Defendant used APD as the first and primary launching pad in 2025 to announce to the continent's most influential political, business, and institutional leaders that AOW had relocated to Accra, Ghana.
13. The Plaintiff states that the Defendant prepared promotional videos and PR materials that were prominently featured throughout APD 2025, securing immediate, wide international publicity for the relocation and leveraging on the Plaintiff's reputation as a trusted organiser of international events in West Africa.
14. The Plaintiff states that at the Defendant's request, the Plaintiff:
 - a. Mobilised its relationships with the Presidency of the Republic of Ghana, the AfCFTA Secretariat, and other key institutions to secure official endorsement from the Government of Ghana for the relocation;
 - b. Secured at extremely short notice a pre-recorded video message from the President of Ghana for the Cape Town announcement, signalling full state support;
 - c. Facilitated introductions, engagements, and agreements with stakeholders critical to hosting AOW in Ghana.

15. The Plaintiff states that in truth, the Defendant's engagement was, from inception, a calculated stratagem.
16. The Plaintiff states that having lost viability in Cape Town, the Defendant cynically exploited the Plaintiff's credibility, networks, and governmental access as an indispensable conduit for its relocation, with no genuine intention to honour its own obligations once that objective was achieved.
17. The Plaintiff states that at the Defendant's request, and while it had no office or staff in Ghana, the Plaintiff, after sending its senior staff members to the Cape Town announcement of the AOW relocation, subsequently deployed its secretariat to coordinate and organise the official Ghana launch and media briefing for AOW, ensuring the participation of relevant industry stakeholders, media and ensured wide media coverage of the event.
18. The Plaintiff states that it also introduced the Defendant to vendors and service providers, supported content development, and identified and procured speakers — all without immediate payment, in reliance on the good faith of the Agreement.
19. The Plaintiff states that the Defendant, in its eagerness to secure this partnership with the Plaintiff, even proposed and introduced a clause in the Agreement that sponsorships secured from entities introduced by the Plaintiff were to be split equally between the parties. Following the Defendant's unjustifiable termination of the Agreement on 21 May 2025, the Plaintiff was denied all visibility into these engagements and excluded from any benefit.
20. The Plaintiff states that the termination by the Defendant occurred against the backdrop of the Defendant's repeated breaches and was in itself a repudiatory breach and act of bad faith.
21. The Plaintiff states that in a further attempt to fabricate justification, the Defendant falsely claimed that members of the Government of Ghana, including GNPC and the Office of the President, had demanded cancellation of the partnership — a claim plainly contradicted by the strong public support the Government had shown for APD 2025.
22. The Plaintiff states that on another occasion, the Defendant falsely asserted that NJ Ayuk, organiser of Africa Energy Week, had told senior Ghanaian officials that the Plaintiff's founder was the true owner of AOW and the Defendant was merely a front — a baseless and defamatory statement intended to create artificial tension.
23. The Plaintiff states that the Defendant's conduct demonstrates that it entered into the Agreement solely to extract maximum benefit from the Plaintiff's reputation, networks, and resources, then discard the Plaintiff once the relocation was secured.
24. The Plaintiff states that it has suffered significant financial losses, reputational harm, and loss of contractual benefits as a result of the Defendant's conduct.

25. The Plaintiff states that the Defendant has refused to pay for services rendered or honour its obligations unless compelled by this Honourable Court to do so.

26. WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff claims against the Defendant as follows:

- a. An order for the payment of Three Hundred Thousand United States Dollars (USD300,000.00), being the value of services and benefits conferred under the Partnership Agreement executed between the parties dated 15 July 2024.
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DATED AT AFRICA LEGAL ASSOCIATES, ACCRA, THIS 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2025

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SOLICITOR'S LICENCE NUMBER: eGAR 01804/25

**THE REGISTRAR
HIGH COURT
COMMERCIAL DIVISION
ACCRA**

COPY FOR SERVICE ON THE WITHIN-NAMED DEFENDANT