



Annual Newsletter

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— A YEAR OF IMPACT,
ADVOCACY AND ACTION —

At Sceptre and Prima Legal Consulting, the year 2025 was indeed a movement, characterized by enhancing structures for child rights implementation, amplifying children's voices and educating duty bearers and rights holders on child rights matters.

From community engagements to digital awareness campaigns and capacity building, our work this year reaffirmed one truth:

“Knowledge is at the fulcrum of change”

Beyond the scope of our work of providing expert legal consulting services to duty bearers, Sceptre and Prima, in fulfilment of its vision “to every child, a successful life” engaged in strategic actions and partnerships for the realization and protection of EVERY child's human rights.



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AWARENESS



SCHOOL & COMMUNITY OUTREACH ON CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the Sceptre and Prima team, alongside dedicated volunteers, visited Army Children Model Primary School and Model Primary School, Elekahia, to engage students in enriching advocacy sessions.

The visit included training volunteers to effectively guide and interact with children, while promoting awareness of their rights through the My Rights Handbook. The interactive sessions encouraged students to ask questions, express themselves, and deepen their understanding of their rights, fostering a supportive and empowering learning environment for all participants. Additional outreach activities were also carried out at the Police Church, Mopol 19 Barracks, Port Harcourt, as well as during a Children's Day church outreach, further extending the team's advocacy and engagement with children throughout the year.



RADIO ADVOCACY ON CHILDREN'S RIGHTS AND WELFARE

Our Principal Consultant, Chisom Sam-Igbokwue participated in radio engagements to raise awareness on adoption and children's welfare.

In May, during Nigerian Children's Day, she appeared on Nigerian INFO FM (92.3) to discuss adoption, addressing the adoption process, answering questions, and providing practical guidance to families. Later, in October, in commemoration of the International Day of the Girl Child, she joined Family Love FM (97.7) to discuss issues of child welfare and protection, highlighting the role of families and communities in ensuring the well-being and development of every child. These interactive sessions created a platform for advocacy, reflection, and public education on matters central to children's rights and welfare.



CAPACITY BUILDING & TRAINING



2025 CHILDREN'S DAY COMMEMORATIVE SEMINAR ON ALTERNATIVE CARE IN RIVERS STATE

The 2025 Children's Day Commemorative Seminar organized by Sceptre and Prima featured participation from duty bearers, legal professionals, founders and proprietors of children's homes, as well as representatives of governmental and non-governmental institutions for a vital discourse on alternative care in Rivers State, Nigeria; marking an important step from law to practical implementation.

Key contributors at the event included Chisom Sam-Igbokwue, Principal Consultant at Sceptre and Prima; Funmi Adegbola, Director of Planning, Research and Statistics at the Rivers State Ministry of Social Welfare and Rehabilitation; and Dr. Audu Anslem, UNICEF Chief Field Officer, Port Harcourt.



RESEARCH AND LEGAL WRITING WEBINAR FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS – APRIL 2025

Sceptre and Prima hosted a dynamic Research and Legal Writing Webinar in April 2025, designed to empower legal researchers, academics, law students, and practicing professionals with strategies for producing high-quality legal research. The session explored essential techniques for structuring papers, developing persuasive arguments, sourcing authoritative references, and upholding ethical standards in legal writing, while addressing the responsible use of AI in today's digital era.

The webinar was expertly facilitated by Dr. Mercy Oke-Chinda, Associate Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Port Harcourt, and Mr. Samuel Igbokwue, Technology Education Coach and International Exchange Alumnus. Through interactive discussions and Q&A sessions, participants gained actionable insights, honed their research skills, and engaged with emerging trends in legal scholarship, showcasing Sceptre and Prima's commitment to professional development and excellence in the legal field.

RESEARCH FOR LEGAL WRITING

A webinar on the principles, tools and ethics for legal research in this advancing digital environment.

Dr. Mercy Oke-Chinda, FICMC
(Associate Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Port Harcourt)

Samuel I. Igbokwue
(Technology Education Coach & International Exchange Alumnus)

Wednesday
9th April, 2025

Time
2:00 - 2:00PM

Venue
Meet

HOST: Sceptre and Prima

CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAININGS ON CHILDREN’S RIGHTS, SAFEGUARDING, AND CHILD-FRIENDLY COMMUNICATION

Sceptre and Prima supported a school advocacy outreach organized by members of T.W. Danagogo (Students) Chambers of the University of Port Harcourt Law Students. The Firm provided specialized trainings on children’s rights, child safeguarding, and child-friendly communication.

The Firm also conducted a training session with Gifted Pens and Talents, an NGO focused on youth and community development.



TRAINING ON CHILDREN’S RIGHTS, SAFEGUARDING, AND CHILD-FRIENDLY ENGAGEMENT

Sceptre and Prima conducted a comprehensive training program for its volunteers and partner organizations. The sessions focused on children’s rights, safeguarding, and child-friendly communication, equipping all participants with practical skills to engage safely and effectively with children during outreach activities and programs. Through interactive workshops, scenario-based exercises, and real-world guidance, attendees gained the knowledge and confidence to uphold Sceptre and Prima’s standards of professionalism, ethical practice, and child-centered engagement, ensuring impactful and responsible interactions with children across all initiatives.



PARTNERSHIPS & COLLABORATIONS



2025 YOUNG PERSONS SUMMER LAW PROGRAMME

Sceptre and Prima's 2025 Young Persons Summer Law Programme brought together children at the Rivers State Government Safe Home and Montessori International School.

Distinguished duty bearers, including Mrs. Funmi Adegbola, Director of Social Welfare, Ministry of Social Welfare and Rehabilitation, Rivers State and Mrs. Rosemary Nwogu, Senior State Counsel, Ministry of Justice, Rivers State, contributed valuable insights, enriching the sessions. Activities included a vibrant arts and crafts session at the Safe Home, in collaboration with The Entrepreneurs' Mind Intuitive (TEMI), and an educational excursion to the Family Court, led by Mrs. Ugwochi Agala, Assistant Chief Registrar, Family Court, Rivers State, for the Montessori group, providing practical, hands-on learning about the law and their rights.

Through these experiences, children explored their rights, expressed creativity, and engaged directly with the law and justice system—all within Sceptre and Prima's commitment to safe, empowering, and child-centered learning environments.



NAFCJMP WEBINAR SERIES: FROM ENACTMENT TO IMPLEMENTATION

Sceptre and Prima organized series of webinars for the Nigerian Association of Family Court Judges, Magistrates and Other Practitioners (NAFCJMP), bringing together legal experts and leaders across various sectors to explore practical strategies for advancing children’s rights and well-being.

The sessions focused on translating policies and existing legal frameworks into actionable practices, addressing challenges that may hinder implementation, and proposing solutions to ensure children’s welfare remains central. Through these webinars, Sceptre and Prima helped institutions apply their expertise effectively, demonstrating a commitment to professional, solution-oriented, and child-centered approaches in support of children’s rights and protection.



LAUNCH OF THE RIVERS STATE SEXUAL ASSAULT REFERRAL CENTRE (SARC)

Sceptre and Prima attended the official launch of the Rivers State Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC), organized by the Rivers State Ministry of Social Welfare and Rehabilitation.

The launch marked an important step in strengthening survivor-centered responses to sexual and gender-based violence in the State.



NBA ANNUAL GENERAL CONFERENCE (AGC) 2025 – ENUGU

Sceptre and Prima participated in the 2025 Nigerian Bar Association Annual General Conference (NBA AGC) held in Enugu, engaging with legal professionals and stakeholders from across the country.

As part of the conference programme, Sceptre and Prima’s Principal Consultant, Chisom Sam-Igbokwue joined a panel at the FIDA Side Event, contributing to discussions on the topic *“Safeguarding the Rights of Children through the Effective Implementation of the Child Rights Act/Law: Myth or Reality?”* She shared insights on the practical implementation of Nigeria’s Child Rights Act, structured around four key pillars to guide effective enforcement.



NGO COLLABORATION

In November 2025, Sceptre and Prima was invited by the Keeping It Real Foundation to participate in their Reading Corners book club activity, a programme that engages children in reading sessions.

The session marked Universal Children's Day and focused on the My Rights book, reflecting the 2025 theme, "My Day, My Rights." Volunteers with the Firm joined the children, supporting interactive reading and discussions, creating an engaging platform for children to explore and understand their rights.



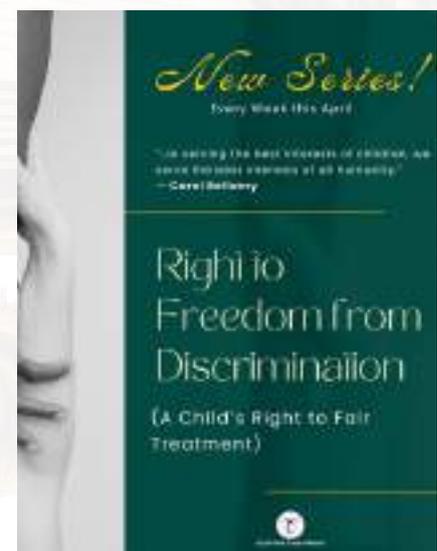
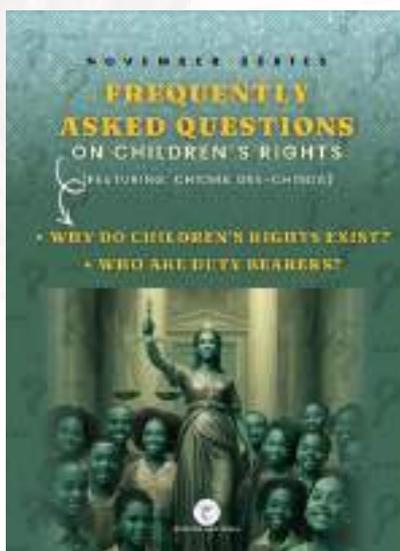
DIGITAL IMPACT



MONTHLY SERIES

Sceptre and Prima’s monthly legal education series engaged children and stakeholders on key thematic concepts, including adoption, a child’s right to safety online and offline, identity, and freedom from discrimination, among others.

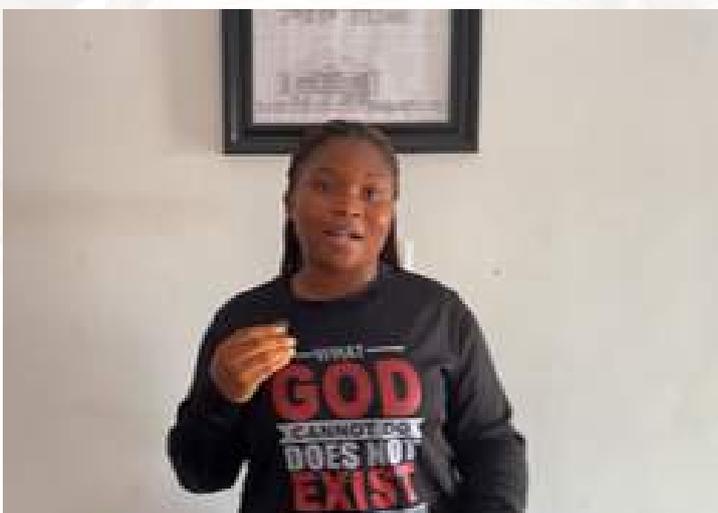
Delivered through digital platforms, the series expanded the Firm’s reach, ensuring that more children, caregivers and institutions can access practical guidance and resources to understand and uphold children’s rights in today’s connected world.



INDEPENDENCE DAY 2025: CELEBRATING CHILDREN’S RIGHTS ACROSS NIGERIA AND OTHER MEDIA OUTPUTS

On Independence Day, Sceptre and Prima brought together diverse duty bearers from across Nigeria, each speaking in their own dialect, yet sharing the same message: **every child is a rights holder**. The initiative was captured in a video montage, showcasing the collective commitment to upholding and promoting children’s rights nationwide.

In addition to these initiatives, Sceptre and Prima continued to produce a variety of media outputs, including articles on the Firm’s website, social media updates, and micro-legal education posts, providing ongoing information and guidance on children’s rights.



REFLECTIONS



RESEARCH INTERNSHIP JOURNEY AT SCEPTRE AND PRIMA

My Research internship programme at Sceptre and Prima Legal Consulting, which began on the 2nd of October, 2025 and ended on the 19th of December, 2025, came with a lot of experience and exposure in the area of children's rights. This internship which afforded me the opportunity to better understand, and gain the requisite knowledge in the field of children's right both locally and internationally. I got to undertake and participate in conducting legal research on various aspects of child rights law and thereby contributing to the advancement of collective knowledge in the society on these laws. I also got to partake in several advocacy programmes focused on educating both children and duty bearers on their rights and how to protect them. I had the privilege of attending various conferences, webinars and trainings, some of which were organized by the Firm. These sessions were primarily focused on educating the public on the enforcement of children's rights laws, and the various safeguarding measures provided under the laws to protect children.

My experience at Sceptre and Prima extended beyond a conventional internship programme, as I was afforded the opportunity to contribute, in my own capacity, to further advancement, promotion, and protection of children's rights.

Yinka Barisi Kusoro, Esq.,
(Research Intern at Sceptre and Prima Legal Consulting)

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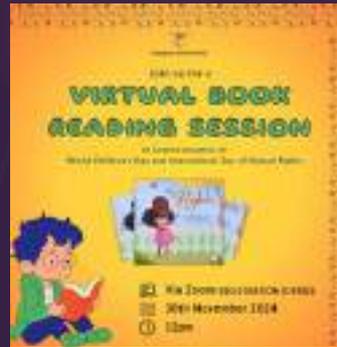
YOUTH AMBASSADOR'S REFLECTION: MY JOURNEY WITH SCEPTRE AND PRIMA

The 2024 Young Persons Summer Law Program organized by Sceptre and Prima Legal Consulting marked the beginning of an enriching journey into advocacy, legal awareness, and personal growth. The programme introduced me to key topics such as the law and rights, the digital environment, and the justice system. Beyond learning, I also engaged in practical tasks, including understanding how to advocate for children's rights online and promote access to justice for every child.

On 9 September 2024, I was formally introduced as the Youth Ambassador. During this orientation, I was briefed on the Firm's values and encouraged to conduct research and contribute ideas. For my early research, I received guidance from the Principal Consultant and gained clear understanding of Nigeria's legal position on specific subjects.

My first official interview with the Principal Consultant took place on 18 September 2024. It served as an introductory session, where I reflected on my summer programme experience and shared my aspirations for advocacy. Shortly after, on 20 September, one of my stories from the summer programme — titled 'On the Tight to be Heard of Every Child' — which highlighted issues on violence, neglect and children's rights to be heard, which highlighted issues on violence, neglect and children's rights to be heard, was published on the Firm's media platforms.

Throughout October 2024, I actively participated in several initiatives. I authored an article in commemoration of the International Day of the Girl Child, took part in a podcast discussing my legal learning journey, social media's impact on



children, and my thoughts on Artificial Intelligence, and attended a Girl Child programme hosted by LIBER-8 alongside the firm's Research Associate.

In November 2024, I delivered a video welcome address during the Firm's virtual children's book reading event, where I also shared child safety measures. December saw me contribute articles on protecting children and teenagers in university environments, alongside a seasonal goodwill message.

The new year brought continued engagement. In January 2025, I participated in the Firm's annual meeting and published an article titled My Freshman Year Chronicles, reflecting on transitioning into university life. February featured learning sessions on adoption cases led by the Principal Consultant, while March included participation in an educational webinar hosted by Sceptre and Prima, covering legal research, digital ethics, and Generative AI.



April 2025 marked another podcast session, where I reflected on my advocacy journey and discussed topical issues such as JAMB age restrictions and the right to education. In May, I delivered an address at the Children's Day Seminar organized by the Firm for operators of Children's Homes in the State and other duty bearers. This Seminar held at the Ministry of Justice discussed the Law and Child Rights Standards. In June, I shared my views on Meta's Teen Account on Instagram in Nigeria, followed by a July interview recounting my motivation for joining the 2024 Summer Law Program and its impact on my development.

August 2025 was particularly impactful with the Young Persons Summer Program, featuring sessions on discovering the law, children's rights, freedom from discrimination, and child health rights. The Firm partnered with schools to educate children on their rights also visited the Government's Safe Home, combining rights education with skills acquisition. I shared my personal experience from the previous year's programme, encouraging participants on their own journeys.

Ms. Immaculate

(Youth Ambassador, Sceptre and Prima Legal Consulting)

In September, I shared my experience facilitating as Youth Ambassador at the recently held Program held at the Government Safe Home. November 2025 was the conclusion of my tenure and I organized two major initiatives in commemoration of World Children's Day: a seven-day educational series titled 'Children's Rights Matter' and the organization of a Children's Parliament in commemoration of World Children's Day. Partnering with a school, we hosted debates on the motion "Children should be heard more," creating a safe space for children to express their views.

Looking back, my time with Sceptre and Prima has been deeply transformative. I have grown in knowledge, confidence, and advocacy skills, while contributing meaningfully to child rights awareness. I am grateful for the guidance, opportunities, and support received throughout this journey.



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