

Tecoyo Bridgewater

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PROFILE

Mr. Bridgewater is an Attorney and Counsel at law and was called to the Bahamas Bar in October 2010. He started his legal career and began his pupillage at Munroe and Associates, one of the leading criminal and civil litigation firms in The Bahamas. After completing his pupillage, Mr. Bridgewater expanded his role at the firm and became an Associate with the firm from 2011 to 2012. As an Associate, his portfolio included both criminal and civil litigation. Due to exceptional skill and a motivating drive for business, in mid 2012, Mr. Bridgewater became the Principal of Bridgewater Legal Advocates, a small private firm specializing in criminal, immigration and civil matters. He is currently an active member of the Bahamas Bar Association, with plans to become an expert in business law.

Mr. Bridgewater, being the youngest member of the Atavus Group, brings a unique passion and vigor to the organization. He believes that success is achieved thru innovative ideas coupled with traditional hard work and planning. As a former athlete he knows the value of sacrifice and working together as a unit. Mr. Bridgewater comes from humble beginnings. He grew up in the Farm Road constituency, the youngest of three children to a single mother. Nonetheless, he was never intent on making excuses and becoming a victim of his environment. He made a commitment to himself and to those around him that he would carve out a better future. This is why Mr. Bridgewater became a part of the Atavus Group. He realized the potential of the organization, the integrity of its members and he shares the common goal of the group as it relates to advancing the entertainment experience in the Bahamas.

EDUCATION

Eugene Dupuch Law School, Nassau, Bahamas

Certificate of Legal Education, *Principal's Honor Roll*, September 2010

Honors: Council of Legal Education, Most Outstanding Year Two Student, 2010
Graham, Thompson and Co., Most Outstanding Year Two Student, 2010
Munroe and Associates, Advocacy Award, 2010
The Principal's Award for Best Performance in Ethics, Right & Obligations of the Legal Profession, 2010
The Commonwealth Law Advocates Award Most Outstanding Year II Student, 2010

Activities: *Competitor*, Second Annual Caribbean Court of Justice International Law Moot Competition, 1st Place, March 2010;
Participant, American & Caribbean Legal Initiative, Houston, Texas, November 2009;
Competitor, The Lex Caribbean Regional Client Interviewing and Counseling Competition, 3rd Place, March 2009;
Competitor, The Interschool Client Interviewing and Counseling Competition, 1st Place, February 2009

The University of the West Indies, Nassau, Bahamas

LLB, Bachelor of Law, *Upper Second Class Honors*, July 2008

Honors: Jurisprudence Award, 2007

College of the Bahamas, Nassau, Bahamas

Associate of Arts, *with Distinction*, Law and Criminal Justice, May 2004

EXPERIENCE

Munroe and Associates (demerged from Lockhart and Munroe in July 2009), Nassau, Bahamas

Judicial Intern

June 2009 – September 2009

Interviewed potential clients and gathered factual background in preparation for civil and criminal cases. Conducted research and analyzed documents with respect to criminal and civil cases. Drafted documents including default judgments for civil and criminal matters. Attended and observed civil and criminal proceedings in court.

Kerzner International, Nassau, Bahamas

Parking Lot Attendant

May 2002 – 2011

Coordinate daily with team members to provide valet services to the guests of Kerzner International. Respond to the needs of guests, by using critical thinking skills to address their specific problems and concerns. Engage with domestic and international guests and provide information regarding the amenities and services offered on the premises.

AWARDS

The Ministry of Tourism: BahamaHost Programme, Nassau, Bahamas

Outstanding Participant recognized for Diligence and Personal Achievement, 2006

Kerzner International, Nassau, Bahamas

Competitor, The Renewed Mission and Vision Competition, 1st Place, 2009