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Dolapo Olushola-Uwaifo is an attorney and Director Legal Operations and Portfolio Management, where she partners with the Firm's attorneys and clients to deliver innovative, cost-effective legal solutions that enhance operational efficiency.

A certified Project Management Professional (PMP®) and Lean Six Sigma practitioner (IASSC – Yellow Belt), Dolapo brings more than a decade of experience in legal project management, portfolio management, and process improvement. She collaborates closely with clients to design and implement customized matter and portfolio management processes and technologies that enable seamless collaboration, strategic data capture, and actionable reporting.

Dolapo leads legal project and portfolio management for regional and national coordinating counsel engagements, ensuring matters are strategically planned, executed, and monitored to drive efficiency, maintain performance targets, and optimize resource allocation. Her work spans multiple industries, including breach of warranty, product liability, premises liability, tort litigation, medical malpractice, insurance litigation, and higher education.

Her consulting practice focuses on advising in-house legal departments and legal operations professionals on budgeting, project management best practices, legal process design, and continuous improvement techniques. She is deeply engaged in the development and adoption of legal technologies and is passionate about advancing the practice of law through innovation and operational excellence.



Professional Honors & Activities

Professional Memberships

- Member Tennessee Bar Association
- Member Nashville Bar Association
- Member Lawyers Association for Women
- Member Project Management Institute
- Member CLOC LPM Fundamentals Committee (2025)

Professional Honors & Activities

- Adjunct Professor Vanderbilt University Law School (2023 present)
 - Legal Process Design, Program on Law and Innovation (POLI)
- Named one of LegalOps.com's 2024 inaugural "Rising Stars Under 40" in Legal Operations Management
- Selected as a "Top 40 Under 40 in Tennessee" by The National Black Lawyers (September 2019)
- Chair High School Summer Internship Program, Nashville Bar Association Diversity Committee (2016 – 2018)
- Committee Member Nashville Bar Association Diversity Committee (2016 present)

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Speaking Engagements

- "Building and Scaling a LPM Operation at a Law Firm," LawVision Legal Project Management Roundtable (May 2025)
- "Empowering Women: Stories of Leadership, Mentorship, and Authenticity," Running Legal Like a Business/Global LPM Summit, Las Vegas (September 2024)

- "From Matter Transparency to Financial Predictability: Practical LPM Applications for In-House Teams," Running Legal Like a Business/Global LPM Summit, Las Vegas (September 2024)
- "Case Study: Breaking Down the Silos to Take Your Firm to the Next Level," ARK National Summit on Law Firm Operations, New York (May 2024)
- "Legal Service Delivery Innovation and Value Proposition," Law Practice in 2050, Vanderbilt University Law School (November 2023)
- "Leveraging LPM and Scoping to Ensure Better Pricing, Efficiency, and Risk Management," Running Legal Like a Business/Global LPM Summit, Las Vegas (October 2023)
- "Outside Counsel Management Best Practices: Strategies and Tactics to Achieve the Right Quality, Cost, Transparency, and Legal Value," Running Legal Like a Business/Global LPM Summit, Las Vegas (October 2023)
- "Navigating Complex Client Situations as a Legal Project Manager- Insights from Client Facing LPMs & Case Studies," LawVision Legal Project Management Roundtable (October 2022)
- "Legal Service Innovation- Past- Present- Future," Law Practice in 2050, Vanderbilt University Law School (September 2022)
- "Legal Service Innovation Implementing LPM," Law Practice in 2050, Vanderbilt University Law School (September 2021)
- "Using LPM to Streamline and Enhance Legal Operations, Community of Legal Innovators (CLI)," "Tipping the Scales" Webinar Series (July 2021)
- "Integrating LPM and Process Improvement," Global LPM Summit (June 2021)
- "Implementing & Integrating Legal Project Management Technology to Drive Better Business," Global LPM Summit, Online Event (June 2021)
- "AFA's for Litigation: How to Make Them Work for Both Sides/ De-Mystifying and Developing AFAs for Litigation," American Bar Association Litigation Section Annual Conference (May 2021)
- "The Practice of Legal Project Management: Past, Present, Future," Law Practice in 2050, Vanderbilt University Law School (September 2020)
- "Using Your JD Outside the Practice of Law," Southern Region Black Law Students Association Academic Retreat, Vanderbilt University Law School (October 2019)
- "Using Legal Project Management to Clarify Client Expectations, Provide Predictable Legal Fees, and Improve Communication," Client CLE (December 2018)

Webinars

Using LPM to Streamline and Enhance Operations (July 2021)

Certifications

- Lean Six Sigma-Yellow Belt, International Association For Six Sigma Certification (IASSC) (2016)
- Project Management Professional (PMP™) Project Management Institute (2014)
- Certified Associate Project Manager (CAPM™) Project Management Institute (2011)

- Vanderbilt Owen Graduate School of Management, Certificate in Business Management, 2023
- Vanderbilt University School of Law, J.D., 2015
 - Vanderbilt Program on Law and Innovation
 - Technology in Legal Practice- Best Consumer Facing App Award, 2015
- Davidson College, B.A. in Economics, 2012

Admissions

Tennessee, 2015