

# LAYKAWN'S EXECUTIVE CANDIDATE

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior Policy, Governance, and Security Researcher with over 15 years of progressive experience delivering high-impact research across governance, national security, peace and conflict studies, and public-sector analysis in Nigeria and multiple African contexts. Demonstrated expertise in mixed-methods research, elite interviewing, and translating complex evidence into actionable insights for senior policymakers, media audiences, and institutional stakeholders. Proven record of contributing to peer-reviewed publications, supporting former Heads of State, and leading research-driven public affairs initiatives influencing policy discourse and civic engagement.

## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Policy and Governance Research
- Peace, Conflict, and Security Studies
- National Security and Political Systems Analysis
- Elite and Key Informant Interviews (KIs)
- Mixed-Methods Research (Qualitative and Quantitative)
- Survey Design, Data Collection, and Analysis
- Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning (MERL)
- Institutional and Public Sector Research
- Policy Writing, Thematic Reporting, and Knowledge Translation

## RESEARCH TOOLS & METHODOLOGIES

- **Quantitative Analysis:** IBM SPSS Statistics (v24) – survey design, descriptive and inferential analysis
- **Qualitative Analysis:** NVivo – coding, thematic synthesis, discourse and content analysis
- **Research Approaches:** Case studies, comparative analysis, desk reviews, archival research, field interviews
- **Outputs:** Policy briefs, technical reports, academic papers, book chapters, stakeholder presentations

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

03/2024 – Present  
Abuja, Nigeria

### Head of Station / Research & Public Affairs Lead Jordan 93.9 FM (Innovative Broadcasting Limited)

- Leads evidence-based research and policy communication strategy for a major broadcast platform, strengthening public understanding of governance, national security, and electoral processes across diverse audiences in Abuja, reaching an estimated listenership of over 1 million in the FCT and surrounding states (Niger, Kogi, Kaduna, and Nasarawa).
- Designs and implements audience research tools (surveys, focus groups, listener consultations), generating data that inform programming decisions and improve issue relevance and audience engagement, resulting in a 15-20% increase in listener feedback and program ratings.
- Conducts policy and regulatory analysis aligned with National Broadcasting Commission (NBC) frameworks, ensuring full compliance and reducing regulatory risk for the station, while supporting over 50 compliance audits and policy updates annually.
- Researches and translates complex governance and security issues into accessible civic education content, enhancing public discourse and policy literacy, contributing to educational segments aired in over 200 broadcasts reaching diverse demographics.
- Facilitates high-level interviews and panel discussions with government officials, policy experts, and civil society leaders, expanding stakeholder reach and institutional credibility, hosting more than 40 sessions that amplify voices from key sectors and boost station partnerships.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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06/2017 – 12/2025  
Abuja, Nigeria

### Research Assistant – Public History and Leadership Project

Book Project: General Theophilus Yakubu Danjuma, GCON: A Nigerian Colossus

- Served as core research team member for a major leadership biography covering Nigeria's political and military history, contributing to analytically rigorous and evidence-based narratives, spanning over 400 pages and integrating insights from multiple historical eras.
- Applied NVivo-based thematic coding and qualitative analysis to synthesize interview data, strengthening analytical depth and historical accuracy, identifying over 100 key themes across transcripts for enhanced chapter structure.
- Integrated archival materials and secondary sources across chapters, ensuring factual consistency and scholarly credibility, incorporating data from more than 200 archival documents and references.

11/2016 – 02/2024  
University of Ibadan &  
Walden University, USA

### Research Assistant / Policy Research Support

Office of the Chief of Staff to Former President Goodluck Jonathan, GCFR  
(General Dr. Jones Arogbofa)

- Analyzed qualitative and quantitative datasets using NVivo and SPSS, contributing evidence to peer-reviewed publications and policy manuscripts, processing data from over 35 interviews and generating thematic insights with 70-95% agreement rates on key leadership crisis factors.
- Provided research support for publications on leadership crisis and asymmetric conflict management in Nigeria, strengthening scholarly and policy discourse, including contributions to a Walden University dissertation with 35 participant interviews, focusing on trust breakdowns and electoral malpractices.
- Supported senior researchers and policymakers with data-driven briefs and analytical summaries used in academic and policy forums, delivering over 20 briefs that informed cross-country comparisons across six African nations.

01/2010 – 12/2015  
Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria

### Relationship Manager – Public Sector Group

First Bank of Nigeria Limited

- Led public sector market intelligence and financial analysis across Plateau, Bauchi, and Nasarawa States, supporting data-driven relationship management strategies, tracking fiscal trends for over 50 institutional clients and enhancing portfolio performance.
- Supported loan origination and public-sector financing through credit analysis, risk assessment, and policy-aligned financial appraisals, facilitating approvals for loans totalling over ₦10 billion and mitigating risks in high-exposure sectors.
- Provided analytical inputs to senior management on public-sector fiscal trends and institutional risk exposure, contributing to quarterly reports that reduced risk exposure by 10-15% through targeted strategies.

04/2005 – 12/2009  
Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria

### Head, Operations Support / Customer Service

First Bank of Nigeria Limited

- Managed operational data, performance metrics, and reporting for a major regional branch, supporting efficiency and service quality improvements, overseeing daily operations for a team of 20 staff and achieving 98% compliance in monthly audits.
- Supported Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) regulatory reporting and compliance processes, ensuring accuracy and timeliness, handling over 100 reports annually with zero penalties for non-compliance.
- Recognized as Best Operations Support Staff, Plateau State (2008), for operational excellence and compliance performance.

## EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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**Dual Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA)/MBA in Artificial Intelligence (in-progress)**

Swiss International Management Academy | Expected Graduation Date: 2029

**Graduate Certificate, Peace & Conflict Resolution**

Institute for Peace and Economics (IEP) | 2023

**Graduate Internship Certificate, International Development**

Institute for Development Research (IDR) | 2021

## EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Linguistics – Second Class Upper Division**  
University of Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria | 2001

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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### **Book in Progress**

- Biography of General Dr. Jones Oladehinde Arogbofa, CFR – Co-author and biographer

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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- Member, Chartered Institute of Loans and Risk Management of Nigeria
- Graduate Member, Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria (CIBN – N75813)

## REFERENCES

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Available upon request.