**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**MISS OGHENERUONA MERCY IGUYOVWE OBE LLB, Hons**

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A Senior Specialist Prosecutor of over 30 years’ experience with extensive knowledge of criminal law, procedure and evidence who consistently delivers a high standard on cases as evidenced by successful case outcomes and numerous commendations. She has taken part in capacity building for a number of overseas jurisdictions training investigators, lawyers and judges.

As a Senior Specialist Prosecutor, Ruona is responsible for leading and advising on some of the most serious and complex organised crime cases prosecuted by the Serious Economic Crime and International Directorate.She provides advice and guidance to officers from an early investigative stage through to trial and sentence. She works with investigators of the National Crime Agency and Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs to build strong cases by developing good prosecution case and disclosure management strategies. She has been involved in dealing with child sex exploitation involving global offending, trafficking for labour and sex exploitation, global drug trafficking conspiracies, money laundering and fraud.

She is a Higher Court Advocate.

She is a Modern Slavery Lead, Casework Quality Assurance Champion, human rights, modern slavery and fraud trainer involved in the prosecution of a wide range of complex cases involving numerous jurisdictions.

She has been a member of Joint Investigation Teams and been involved in co-ordination meetings working with international partners (investigators, prosecutors and investigating judges) on a number of global operations. She has represented the CPS in stakeholder meetings in the UK and overseas on numerous occasions.

In 2021, she received a CPS Excellence Award for outstanding case management.

In 2017, was awarded an OBE in the Queen’s honours’ list for services to law and order and for her role in promoting diversity in the CPS.

* I assist Unit Heads as and when required by deputising as Unit Head, conducting individual quality assessments, disclosure gateway reviews and other management roles.
* I have been involved in assisting policy makers with the creation and formulation of criminal justice policy by commenting on the impact of legislative changes to criminal laws and procedures.
* I have led on both internal and external stakeholder engagement in my own right and on behalf of senior managers within the CPS to share information and to improve service delivery.
* I represent the Division at various stakeholder meetings meeting with Senior Managers of the National Crime Agency, Home Office and other government agencies. I have given media briefings and interviews to various national media outlets in a number of high-profile cases.
* I represent the CPS, both here and overseas. I have represented the CPS overseas in Tunisia, the Netherlands and in Ghana where I delivered training to investigators, prosecutors and judges on a variety of legal subject matter. I represent the Division in international conferences and in Joint Investigation Teams with foreign investigators and prosecutors.