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Our Firm

Bowmans is a leading African law firm. Our track record of providing specialist legal services, both domestic and cross-border, in the fields of corporate law, banking and finance law and dispute resolution, spans over a century.

With six offices in four African countries and over 400 specialised lawyers, we are differentiated by our independence and the quality of legal services we provide.

We draw on our unique knowledge of the African business environment and in-depth understanding of the socio-political climate to advise clients on a wide range of legal issues. Our aim is to assist our clients in achieving their objectives as smoothly and efficiently as possible while minimising the legal and regulatory risks.

Our clients include corporates, multinationals and state-owned enterprises across a range of industry sectors as well as financial institutions and governments.

Our expertise is frequently recognised by independent research organisations. We were ranked first by deal value and second by deal

count in *Mergermarket's* 2018 Africa league tables for legal advisors. We received awards in five out of six categories at the *Dealmakers* East Africa Awards for 2018: top legal adviser in M&A for both deal flow and value, top legal adviser in General Corporate Finance for both transaction flow and value, and advised on the Deal of the Year. In the *Dealmakers* South Africa Awards for 2018, we were placed first for deal flow in the General Corporate Finance category.

We were named South African Law Firm of the Year for 2018 in the Chambers Africa Awards for Excellence and African Law Firm of the Year (Large Practice) at the African Legal Awards hosted by *Legal Week* and the Corporate Counsel Association of South Africa. We were also one of only two firms that took home three practice awards - for Property and Construction Team of the Year, Energy and Natural Resources Team of the Year and TMT Team of the Year.

Our Footprint in Africa



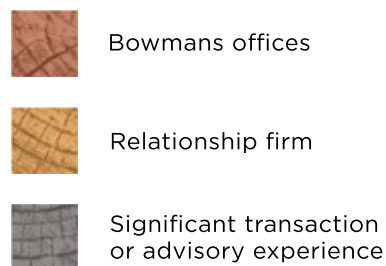
We provide integrated legal services throughout Africa from six offices (Cape Town, Dar es Salaam, Durban, Johannesburg, Kampala and Nairobi) in four countries (Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda).

We work closely with leading Nigerian firm, Udo Udoma & Belo-Osagie, and Mozambique-based boutique firm, Taciana Peão Lopes & Advogados Associados. We also have strong relationships with other leading law firms across the rest of Africa.

We are representatives of Lex Mundi, a global association with more than 160 independent law firms in all the major centres across the globe. This association gives us access to the best firms in each jurisdiction represented.

Please note that:

- in Kenya, our legal services are provided through Coulson Harney LLP and our corporate services and trustee services are provided through Stamford Corporate Services LLP and Stamford Services Ltd respectively;
- in South Africa, our legal services are provided through Bowman Gilfillan Inc.;
- in Uganda, our legal services are provided through AF Mpanga Advocates; and
- in Tanzania, our legal services are provided through Bowmans Tanzania Ltd.





Our Corporate Services Practice

Our Corporate Services Practice specialises in providing company secretarial services, governance, advisory and compliance audit services and other specialised corporate services in Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda. This is done through our in-house entities Stamford Corporate Services LLP and Stamford Services Ltd.

We draw on our knowledge of the local business environment and in-depth understanding of the socio-political climate to advise clients on a wide range of issues including company secretarial matters, entity set-up, entity dissolution, management of meetings, governance audits, governance advisory and training, board evaluation, corporate trustee and administration and escrow agent services.

Our team consists of experienced corporate governance and company secretarial practitioners and accredited governance auditors with collective experience gained over many years within the East African region.

We are experts in compliance management and reporting and are conversant with the laws and regulations that apply to companies doing business in East Africa. The team is supported by a highly qualified and experienced multi-disciplinary team of legal advisors across East Africa.

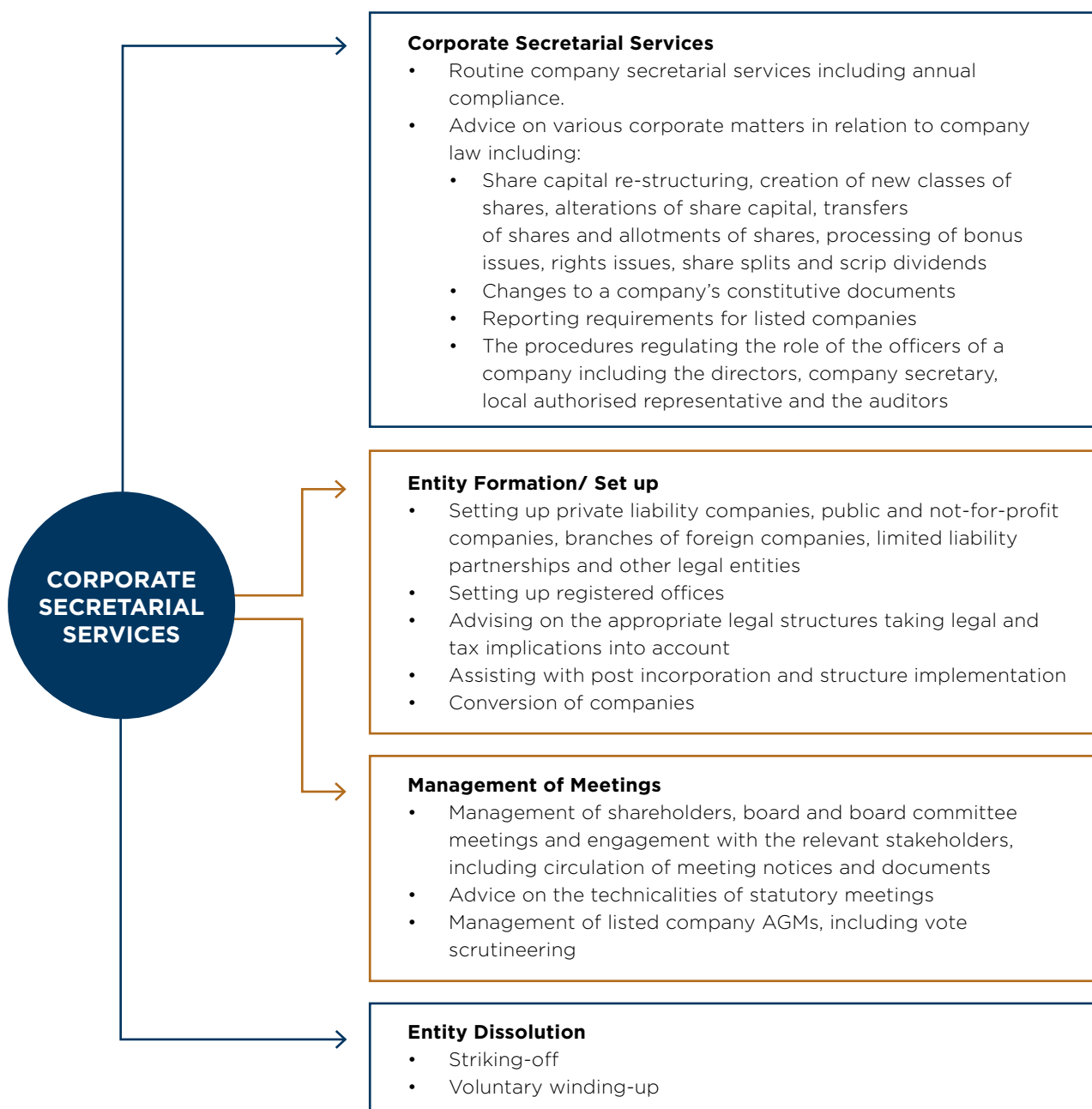
We integrate and coordinate our advice and provide our clients with a seamless approach to local and cross-border assignments. We are respected for our integrity, efficiency, sound knowledge base and reliability.

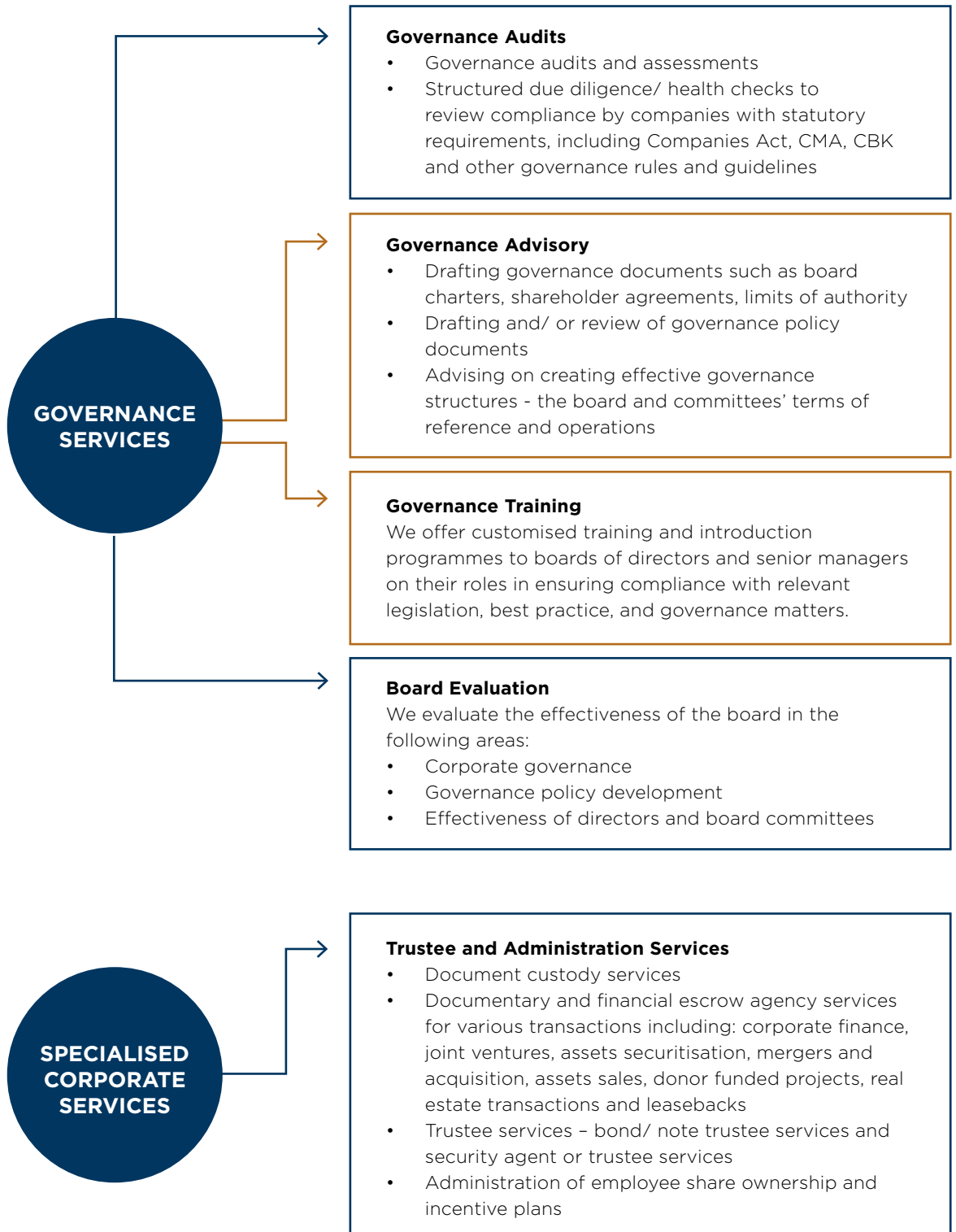
We have extensive experience in dealing with various regulatory bodies in East Africa including the Registrar of Companies, the Capital Markets Authority, the Nairobi Securities Exchange, the Uganda Securities Exchange, the Dar es Salaam Securities Exchange, the Central Depositories and Settlement Corporation (CDSC), the Central Banks, sector regulators, and the local tax authorities.

Our clients include listed and unlisted companies, local and foreign private companies, branches of foreign companies and other private and public-sector entities and organisations.

Our Services

We offer a wide range of corporate services as well as advice and training on compliance and corporate governance matters. Highlights include:





Accolades



AFRICAN LEGAL AWARDS 2018

We were named African Law Firm of the Year (Large Practice). We were also one of only two firms that took home three practice awards - for Property and Construction Team of the Year, Energy and Natural Resources Team of the Year and TMT Team of the Year.

CHAMBERS AFRICA AWARDS 2018

We were named South African Law Firm of the Year.

DEALMAKERS SOUTH AFRICA AWARDS 2018

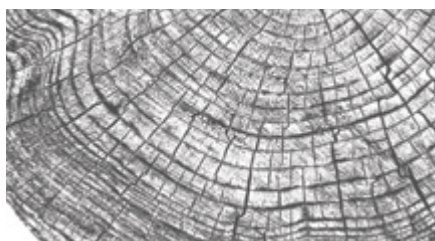
We were placed first for deal flow and third for deal value in the General Corporate Finance category, and third for deal value and fourth for deal flow in the M&A category.

DEALMAKERS EAST AFRICA AWARDS 2018

We received awards in five out of six categories: top legal adviser in M&A for both deal flow and value, top legal adviser in General Corporate Finance for both transaction flow and value, and advised on the Deal of the Year (the Rubis Energie takeover of KenolKobil).

MERGERMARKET LEAGUE TABLES 2018

We were ranked first by deal value and second by deal count in the Africa league tables for legal advisors, and third by deal count in the Middle East & Africa league table for legal advisors.



**CHAMBERS & PARTNERS
2019 RANKED US IN
THE FOLLOWING AREAS**

BAND 1

KENYA

Banking & Finance
Corporate/ M&A
Employment
Intellectual Property
Real Estate

SOUTH AFRICA

Capital Markets: Debt
Capital Markets: Equity
Competition/ Antitrust
Corporate Investigations
Corporate/ M&A
Employment
Environment
IT & Telecommunications
Projects & Energy
Public Law
Shipping
Tax

TANZANIA

General Business Law

UGANDA

General Business Law

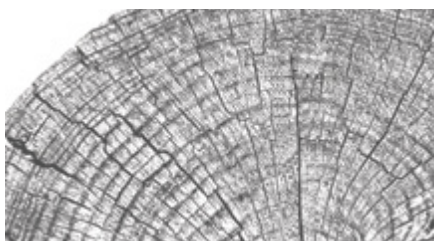
BAND 2

SOUTH AFRICA

Banking & Finance
Dispute Resolution
Fintech
Media & Broadcasting
Restructuring/ Insolvency

KENYA

Fintech
Projects & Energy



**IFLR1000 2019
RANKED US IN THE
FOLLOWING AREAS**

TIER 1

KENYA

Financial & Corporate
Mining

SOUTH AFRICA

Capital Markets
Power
M&A

UGANDA

Financial & Corporate
Project Development

TIER 2

KENYA

Power
Infrastructure

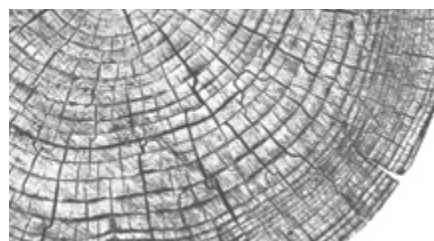
SOUTH AFRICA

Banking
Infrastructure
Mining
Oil & Gas
Project Finance

TIER 3

TANZANIA

Financial & Corporate
Project Development



**THE LEGAL 500 EMEA
2018 RANKED US IN
THE FOLLOWING AREAS**

TIER 1

KENYA

Banking, Finance &
Capital Markets
Commercial, Corporate & M&A
Employment
Real Estate & Construction

SOUTH AFRICA

Commercial, Corporate & M&A
Competition
Employment
Projects & Infrastructure
Shipping

UGANDA

Legal Markets Overview

TIER 2

KENYA

Dispute Resolution
Projects & Energy

SOUTH AFRICA

Banking & Finance
Construction
Dispute Resolution
Investment Funds
Tax

TANZANIA

Legal Markets Overview



Recognised
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