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NBA 2024 ELECTIONS (POST-AUDIT) REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

The Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) 2024 Elections were a significant event aimed at selecting National Officers and representatives to the General Council of the Nigerian Bar Association. This report presents a detailed account of the engagement process, stakeholders involved, and the activities conducted by INITS Limited in partnership with ElectionBuddy, as the Election Services Provider (ESP). The objective was to ensure a free, fair, credible, transparent, and auditable election using modern technology to facilitate seamless participation for all eligible members.

The report is structured into three phases: Pre-election, Election, and Post-election. Each phase encompasses a range of activities designed to meet the specific objectives and requirements outlined by the Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (ECNBA). The engagement period spanned from June 19, 2024, to July 31, 2024, covering all preparatory activities, the election day processes, and subsequent post-election evaluations.

Throughout the engagement, the primary focus was on leveraging technical expertise, ensuring transparency, enhancing voter participation, fostering trust and credibility, and maintaining a robust audit trail of all activities. The collaboration between ECNBA, INITS Limited, ElectionBuddy, and other stakeholders was pivotal in achieving these goals. This report provides a comprehensive overview of the entire process, highlighting key milestones, challenges encountered, and the successful outcomes of the NBA 2024 Elections.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) 2024 Elections, held on Saturday, July 20, 2024, was a pivotal activity aimed at electing National Officers and Representatives to the General Council of the NBA. To ensure a free, fair, and transparent election with the use of

technology for the voting process, the Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (ECNBA) engaged INITS Limited in collaboration with ElectionBuddy as the Election Services Provider (ESP).

The engagement of this partnership commenced on the 19th of June 2024 with the election process meticulously structured into three phases: Pre-election, Election, and Post-election. Each phase involved specific activities designed to achieve the set objectives and meet the requirements of the ECNBA.

The focus throughout the engagement was on maintaining integrity, enhancing voter participation and ensuring a robust audit trail of the entire process. The successful execution of these activities highlights the effective collaboration between ECNBA, DigiterHub, INITS Limited, ElectionBuddy, and other stakeholders, culminating in a well-conducted electoral process with significant outcomes.

SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT

The objectives and requirements were as follows:

1. Provide technical expertise: Leverage our technical knowledge and experience to ensure smooth and efficient election processes.
2. Ensure transparency: Implement measures to guarantee transparency and fairness throughout the election process, maintaining the integrity of the ECNBA.
3. Enhance voter participation: Implement strategies to increase voter turnout and engagement, ensuring that all eligible members have the opportunity to participate in the election.
4. Use technology to enable the ECNBA to deliver a free, fair, credible, transparent, and auditable election using modern technology that ensures safe, secure, and

seamless participation of all eligible members of the NBA, regardless of their location or level of computer literacy.

5. Foster trust and credibility: Build trust and credibility among ECNBA members and verified voters by demonstrating professionalism, integrity, and reliability in our services.
6. Audit: Maintain system logs of all activities on the system, including user profile, IP address, login/logoff time stamp and activity carried out, including unsuccessful function executions and attempts; Verification of votes and Confirmation of votes cast.

The project deliverables were as follows:

1. Develop and implement an election management system tailored to the specific needs of the ECNBA, incorporating features for voter registration, candidate nomination, ballot casting, and result tabulation.
2. Provide comprehensive training and ongoing support to ECNBA staff to ensure familiarity with technology.
3. Implement robust security measures to safeguard the integrity of the election, including encryption protocols, data protection measures, and anti-fraud mechanisms.
4. Develop and execute a voter education campaign to inform Eligible NBA members about the election process, their voting rights, and how to participate effectively.
5. Establish mechanisms for monitoring the election process in real time and generating detailed reports on key metrics such as voter turnout, ballot counts, and election results.
6. Verification and confirmation of votes cast at the end of the election.
7. Post-Election Reporting of the whole election process

8. Conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the election process to identify areas of improvement and gather feedback from stakeholders for future elections.

THE STAKEHOLDERS

There are Four (4) key stakeholder groups in the duration of the engagement. The stakeholders are:

1. **The Client** - The Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (ECNBA)
2. **The Electorate** - The members (eligible voters) of Nigerian Bar Association (NBA)
3. **The Technology Service Consultant** - DigiterHub
4. **The Election Services Provider (ESP)** - INITS Limited in partnership with ElectionBuddy.

COMMUNICATION

Various communication channels were utilised as often as possible. The primary and secondary channels used during the course of the project are outlined below:

Primary Communication Channels:

- Emails
- Virtual Meetings

Secondary Communication Channels:

- Stakeholders WhatsApp Group
- Telephone Calls

PRE-ELECTION REPORT

This report summarises the key activities and milestones achieved during the pre-election phase of the ECNBA e-voting project.

Activities

June 19, 2024

- Service Agreement & Payment:
 - The ECNBA completed the service agreement and payment processes.
- Vulnerability Assessment and Penetration Testing (VAPT):
 - INITS completed the VAPT to ensure the security of the e-voting system.

June 25, 2024

- List of Eligible Voters:
 - The Technology Service Consultant (TSC), Digiterhub, completed the compilation and clean-up of the list of eligible voters. Upon finalising this critical task and approval by the ECNBA, Digiterhub directly forwarded the updated voter database to INITS/ElectionBuddy, bypassing any intermediary channels to ensure the integrity of the data.

This direct transfer from Digiterhub to INITS/ElectionBuddy was implemented to eliminate any risk of data manipulation or tampering.

June 27, 2024

- Draft & Publish FAQ:
 - INITS completed drafting and publishing the FAQ to address common questions and concerns about the e-voting process. <https://go.ecnba.org/>
(Please see screenshots of the website in Annexure 1)

June 28, 2024

- Test Email and SMS to Validated/Eligible Voters:
 - INITS sent test emails and SMS messages to validated and eligible voters to ensure the communication systems were functioning correctly.

July 1, 2024

- Animation Awareness Video Release:
 - INITS released a 2D animation video designed to raise awareness and guide voters through the e-voting process and was published on <https://go.ecnba.org/>
- Voting Process Slides:
 - INITS prepared and finalised the slides detailing the voting process for use in sensitization activities. [Slides](#) **(Please see presentation slides in Annexure 2)**
- Voter Sensitization:
 - Sensitization activities commenced and continued for 10 days, involving both physical and virtual engagements to educate voters about the e-voting process.

July 2, 2024

- Report on Test Broadcast:
 - INITS submitted a report detailing the outcomes of the test broadcast of emails and SMS messages. [Report](#) **(Full report in Annexure 3)**

July 10, 2024

- Candidate Information Publication and Upload (Mock)
 - INITS Published and uploaded fictitious candidate information for the mock election.
- Configuration of Portal

- Configured the portal's settings, functionalities, and security measures to ensure it operates smoothly for the mock election and subsequent actual election.
- Mock Election Broadcast
 - Broadcasted information about the mock election.
 - Informed all stakeholders about the mock election process, rules, and schedule through various communication channels such as email, website announcements, and social media.


July 11, 2024

- Mock Election
 - Ran the mock election as a test to ensure the portal and all related processes worked as intended.
 - The mock election was conducted with a list of 2,000 eligible voters. The voter's list consisted of the NBA president, NBA National Executive Council officers, members of the Election Committee of the NBA, branch chairpersons, branch secretaries, candidates participating in the elections and randomly selected voters across all zones. The verified mock election list was shared by ECNBA. The list of positions and candidates matched the same list of positions and number of candidates in the main election. However, the list of candidates contained only fictitiously generated names and pictures.

Below is the ballot paper used for the Mock Election.

English

Ballot
Review
Confirmation



Nigerian Bar Association
NBA MOCK ELECTIONS (SENSITIZATION ONLY)

All information contained in this MOCK election are for voters sensitization ONLY and will not be included nor have any bearing on the Election itself.





Frequently Asked Questions: go.ecnba.org

For support, please email support@ecm.ng or call: 070-8067-2006

go.ecnba.org Your choices are secret and cannot be accessed by the administrator.




President


Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
	Daniel Jones <input type="radio"/>
	Lisa Smith <input type="radio"/>
	Jessica Thomas <input type="radio"/>
	Abstain <input type="radio"/>

1st Vice-President




Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
	Betty Lee <input type="radio"/>
	David Smith <input type="radio"/>
	Matthew Walker <input type="radio"/>

Candidates	
	Daniel Turner <input type="radio"/>
	Sophia White <input type="radio"/>
	Michael Walker <input type="radio"/>
	Abstain <input type="radio"/>


2nd Vice-President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
	Daniel Davies <input type="radio"/>
	Susan James <input type="radio"/>
	Abstain <input type="radio"/>

3rd Vice-President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
	Betty Thomas <input type="radio"/>
	Joseph Roberts <input type="radio"/>
	Abstain <input type="radio"/>

General Secretary



Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
	Anthony Morgan <input type="radio"/>
	Joseph Evans <input type="radio"/>

Candidates
Abstain <input type="radio"/>




Assistant General Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Betty Hughes <input type="radio"/>
 Jessica Wilson <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>




Treasurer

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Anthony Roberts <input type="radio"/>
 Elizabeth James <input type="radio"/>
 Karen Davies <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>



Welfare Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Elizabeth Brown <input type="radio"/>
 Robert Hughes <input type="radio"/>
 Robert Taylor <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>



Publicity Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Dorothy Harris <input type="radio"/>
 Robert Cooper <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>


Asst. Publicity Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Barbara Cooper <input type="radio"/>
 Margaret Smith <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>




NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Northern Zone)



Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Thomas Williams <input type="radio"/>
Abstain <input type="radio"/>

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Eastern Zone)






Select ALL choices. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 James Harris <input type="checkbox"/>
 Matthew Clarke <input type="checkbox"/>
 Michael Lewis <input type="checkbox"/>

Candidates
 Richard Davies <input type="checkbox"/>
 William Jones <input type="checkbox"/>
Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Western Zone)

Select ALL choices. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates
 Betty Smith <input type="checkbox"/>
 Jennifer Wright <input type="checkbox"/>
 Lisa Wood <input type="checkbox"/>
 Sarah Jackson <input type="checkbox"/>
 Thomas Wright <input type="checkbox"/>
Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>

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July 12, 2024

- Publish Mock Election Analysis
 - Reviewed the mock election outcomes, identified any issues or improvements needed, and shared the analysis with stakeholders.

Mock Election Result Highlight

Election Date	July 11, 2024
Election Time	10:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Eligible Voters in Mock	2,000
Members That Participated	244
Members Who Opened the Ballot but did not participate	189
% of Participation	12.2%
Positions on Ballot	All Official Positions
Email Notifications Dispatched	3,838 (2,000 Initially, 1,838 as Reminders)
SMS Notifications Dispatched	3,838 (2,000 Initially, 1,838 as Reminders)
SMS Notifications Delivered	3,721
SMS Notifications Rejected	73
SMS Notifications Awaiting Confirmation	44

Full [Report](#) (full report attached in Annexure 4)

- Stakeholders Meeting
 - Held a meeting with all stakeholders.
 - Discussed the mock election results, addressed any issues encountered, and assessed the readiness for the actual election. This meeting aimed to ensure all parties were aligned and prepared for the upcoming election. Additionally, the voting platform was demonstrated.

July 15, 2024

- Candidate Information Publication and Upload (Election)
 - Published and uploaded candidate information for the actual election.
 - Ensured all candidate profiles and relevant information were accurately updated and available on the election portal for the actual election.

The certified ballot for the election, detailing the positions and relevant candidates, is presented below.

Complete the ballot choices and select Continue to see the Review and Confirmation. Or return to the ballot design. [Close Preview](#)

Ballot

Review

Confirmation

 Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (ECNEA)

Nigerian Bar Association 2024 Nigerian Bar Association National Officers Election

Please note that voting will commence by 12:00 AM on the 20th of July, 2024, and will close by 11:59 PM on the 20th of July, 2024.




Frequently Asked Questions - help@ecnea.org

For support, please email support@ecnea.org or call: [070-8067-2006](tel:070-8067-2006).

Your choices are secret and cannot be accessed by the administrator.




President


Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates		
	Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	<input type="radio"/>
	Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	<input type="radio"/>
	Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojike	<input type="radio"/>
	Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

1st Vice-President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates		
	Sabastine Anyia	<input type="radio"/>
	Mr Bartholomew Aguegbodo	<input type="radio"/>
	Dr Gerald Ugochukwu Abonyi	<input type="radio"/>

Candidates	
 Dr Promise Wobo Iwezor	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Reginald Iheanyichukwu Ugwuadu	<input type="radio"/>
 Williams Sosepiriye	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>


2nd Vice-President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mrs Bolatumi Olanunbo Animashaun	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Plus Idemudia Olwoh	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>


3rd Vice-President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mr Michael Olarewaju Olorunmola	<input type="radio"/>
 Mrs Zainab Aminu Garba	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

General Secretary



Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mr Abdulwaslu Alfa	<input type="radio"/>
 Dr Mobolaji Idris Ojibara	<input type="radio"/>

Candidates	
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>




Assistant General Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Henry Barnabas Ehi	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Oluwaseun Aka	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>




Treasurer

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mrs Blessing Imo Udofa-Poromon	<input type="radio"/>
 Mrs Caroline Obi	<input type="radio"/>
 Mbamala Chukwuemeka	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>




Welfare Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Oalkhena Osagie	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Ernest Ezindu Uwanaka	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Nyada Auta	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>


Publicity Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mrs Bridget Ijeoma Edokwe	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Charles Olawale Ajiboye	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Ferdinand Afam Naza	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

Asst. Publicity Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Miss Ebiere Emmanuella Ekpese	<input type="radio"/>
 Mr Lawrence Ikpehai Ayewa	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Eastern Zone)


Select ALL choices. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mr Augustine Osondu Ike	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Daniel Ka-Ayii Kip	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Eric Chigozie Ibe	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Michael Chukwurah Onuorah	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Obi Lawrence Anizoba	<input type="checkbox"/>

Candidates	
Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>


NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Northern Zone)

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mr Tijani Magaji	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Western Zone)

Select ALL choices. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
 Mr Israel Solomon Lagbamue	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Kingsley Asagba	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Olukunle Ogheneovo Edun	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Precious Nkidi Nwadiwuyah	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Mr Sulayman Adamu Dawud	<input type="checkbox"/>
Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>

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June 19, 2024

- Email Blast
 - A notice (email blast) was dispatched to all eligible voters to educate, inform and acquaint them with the voting process for the election.

The content of the email blast is below:-

Dear Eligible Voter,

The Nigerian Bar Association Election for the year 2024 for National Officers of the Association and NBA representatives to the General Council of the Bar will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2024, between the hours of 12:00 am (Nigeria Time) on Saturday, July 20 and 11:59 pm on Saturday, July 20, 2024.

Highlights:

- *Date & Time: July 20, 2024, 12:00 am - 11:59 pm (Nigeria Time)*
- *Voter Eligibility: Check your name on the Final Voters Register at ecnba.org*
- *How to Vote:*
 - *Voting links will be sent from 12:00 am Saturday, July 20, 2024*
 - *Receive a private voting link via email (check spam/junk folders) and phone.*
 - *Make sure [DND is disabled](#) on your phone.*
 - *Use the link to vote from any internet-enabled device.*
 - *Enter your SCN as the password.*
 - *Make selections for each position (or abstain) and verify before submitting.*
- *Video of the process: [Watch on YouTube](#)*
- *Technical Support: Email support@evm.ng or call 070-8067-2006*
- *More Info: Visit go.ecnba.org*

The Complete Guide

To vote during this election, kindly read through the information below or watch [this video](#)

- *Your name must be on the Final Voters Register published by the ECNBA. Kindly visit www.ecnba.org for the list.*

- *Details for voting will ONLY be sent to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile on the Final Eligible Voters List published by the ECNBA.*
 - *We are using a platform called "ElectionBuddy". This is where you will cast your vote.*
1. *You will be able to cast your vote from your INTERNET-ENABLED phone, computer, laptop, or tablet on Election Day. All you need is a web browser to vote.*
 2. *A Private and Personalised Voting Link will be sent starting from 12:00 AM on Saturday, July 20, 2024, to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile as an Eligible Voter. Do not share the link!*
 3. *If you have not received your Voting Link by email, check your spam or junk mail folders, and if you have not seen it, kindly reach out to the ECNBA. Please turn off DND on the phone number to ensure you can receive the message.*
 4. *Click the link which will open the voting platform in your web browser window. You will be taken immediately to a page where you input your SCN (SUPREME COURT NUMBER) as your password, for example, SCN1234567.
DO NOT ADD SPACES ANYWHERE*
 5. *After this, you will be taken to the ballot selection screen to see the list of positions along with those contesting for them. Proceed and select your preferred candidate in each position or select abstain. Ensure you choose each position even if you are abstaining or else the process cannot be continued.*
 6. *After completing the selection process, click on Continue to proceed to the Verification Page. On the Verification page, the ballot will be shown back to you with the selections you made.*
 7. *Review it carefully then click Submit Ballot to finalize your selections or choose to go back to make corrections.*
 8. *Once a ballot is submitted, it can no longer be changed, so be sure your choices are accurately reflected on the Verify screen before submitting.*
 9. *Once you have voted, you should see a "Thank You!" Confirmation screen acknowledging that your vote has been registered for that ballot.*
 10. *After placing your vote, you would then receive email confirmation that you have placed your vote.*

If you experience any technical difficulties and need to contact someone for help during the Election, send an email to support@evm.ng. You can also call our Election Help Desk at 070-8067-2006.

You can also visit <https://go.ecnba.org/> for more information and a step-by-step guide on how to vote.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (ECNBA)

- Full Activation of The Help Desk Centre for Phone Calls, Livechat and Email Support

ELECTION DAY REPORT

July 20, 2024

- **Election Opens**

- Voting Links were sent out from 12.00 am by Email and SMS to Eligible Voters indicating that the polls were opened for voting. Contained in these notices were secure and personalised links tailored to each voter - that is, different for each voter.
- Upon opening the secure link, the voters were required to enter their Supreme Court Number to complete the authentication process.
- The Voter was then presented with the ballot showing each position and the relevant candidates' names and an option to abstain from voting for that particular position.
- Upon submission of the page, the voter was presented with a page where they finalised the submission or were allowed to return to change their selections.
- Upon finalising, the voter was presented with a page confirming the successful casting of their ballot.
- They also received a confirmation code, which can be used to audit their ballot if required.

- **Election Observation and Result Statistics**

- 72,071 Records on the Eligible Voters List
- 72,059 Records Uploaded (1 duplicate contact details and 11 unrecognized SCNs "EXM")
- Reminders were dispatched at 7 am, 12 pm, 4 pm and 9 pm **(to eligible voters**

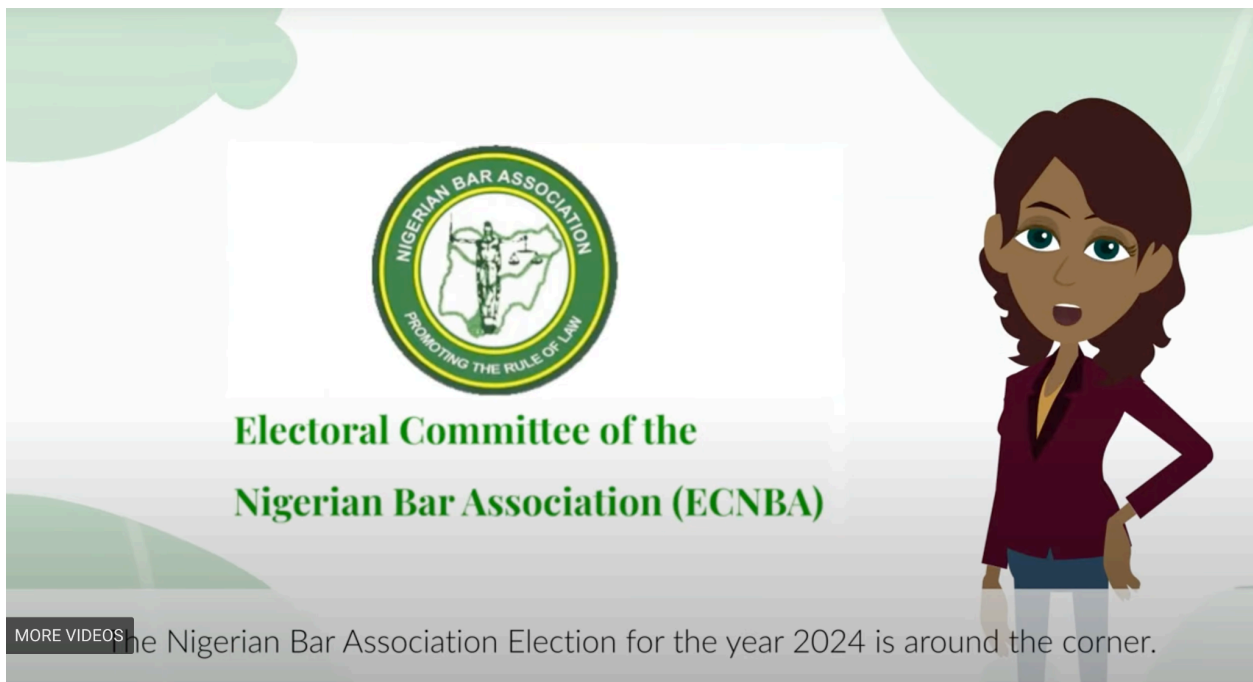
who were yet to vote)

- 233,527 SMS Messages Dispatched
- 265,652 Emails Dispatched
- 40,656 Ballots Cast (56.4%)
- 3,945 Ballots Opened but Not Cast (5.5% of the total)

- **Contact Centre Support Delivered**
 - 792 Unique Emailers / 669 on Voters List
 - 3,123 Calls to Helpline
 - 1,176 Unique Callers / 883 on Voters List
 - 196 Enquiries on Voting Platform
 - 1,411 Unique Voters Interacted with Contact Centre
 - 1,077 Unique Voters Interacted with Contact Centre and Voted

- **Contact Centre Most Common Complaints**
 - Not Following Instructions on Unopposed Candidates for Ballot Submission
 - Not Entering SCN in Full As Instructed
 - Incorrect SCN
 - Wrong/Invalid Contact Information
 - DND
 - Not on List of Eligible Voters

- No Voting Link
 - Not Entering SCN As Instructed: Some voters had difficulty authenticating with their SCN. Mostly due to adding spaces, dashes and the letter “O” instead of the number 0.
- **Video Animation Viewership**
 - 8,764 Views

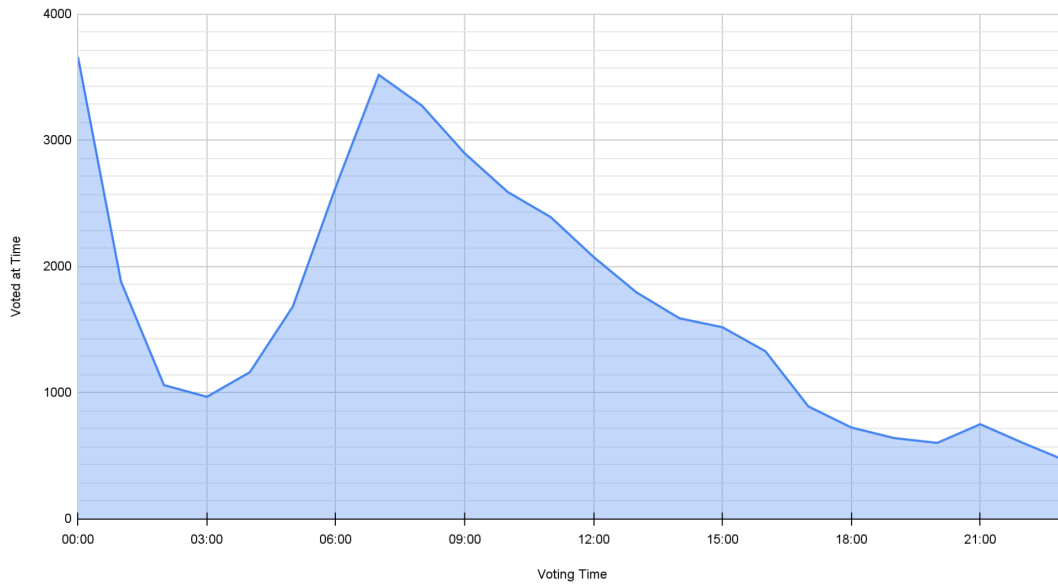


- **Voting Ballot Per Hour Report**

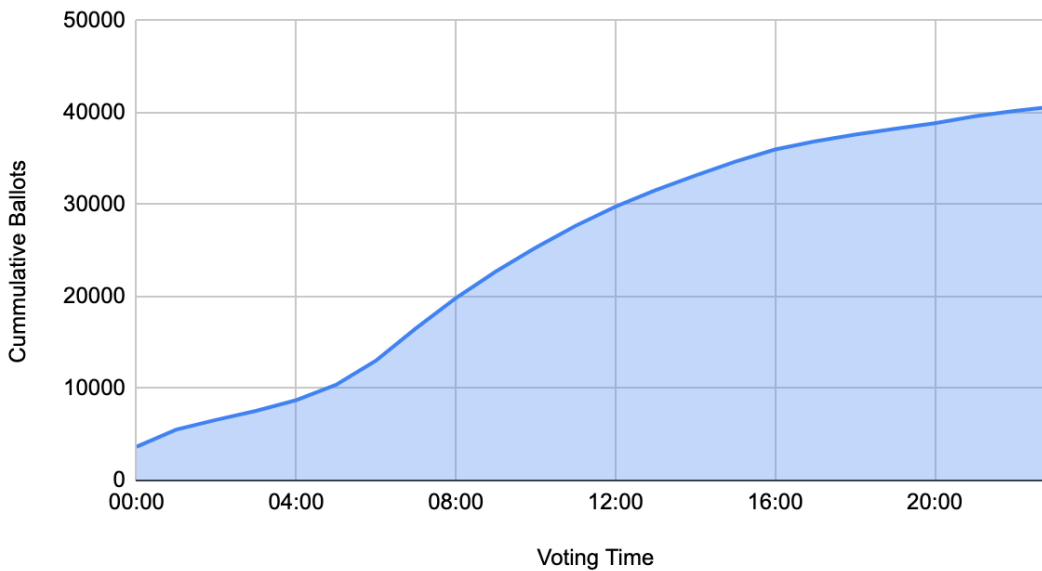
Voting Time	Voted at Time	Aggregate
00:00	3,657	3,657
01:00	1,879	5,536
02:00	1,059	6,595
03:00	966	7,561
04:00	1,161	8,722
05:00	1,681	10,403
06:00	2,629	13,032
07:00	3,516	16,548
08:00	3,274	19,822
09:00	2,895	22,717
10:00	2,589	25,306
11:00	2,390	27,696
12:00	2,074	29,770
13:00	1,793	31,563
14:00	1,588	33,151
15:00	1,517	34,668
16:00	1,327	35,995
17:00	890	36,885
18:00	723	37,608
19:00	639	38,247
20:00	601	38,848
21:00	749	39,597
22:00	600	40,197

	23:00	459	40,656
TOTAL		40,656	

Ballot Cast versus Hour of Day



Cummulative Ballots vs Voting Time



- **Election Results**

President

40,451 votes tallied and 205 abstentions

Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	20,435 votes 50.52%
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Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	9,018 votes 22.29%
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Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe	10,998 votes 27.19%
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Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN wins with 50.52% of the vote.

1st Vice-President

36,549 votes tallied and 4,107 abstentions

Sabastine Anyia	12,114 votes 33.14%
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Mr Bartholomew Aguegbodo	6,864 votes 18.78%
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Dr Gerald Ugochukwu Abonyi	3,227 votes 8.83%
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Dr Promise Wobo Iwezor	5,365 votes 14.68%
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Mr Reginald Iheanyichukwu Ugwuadu	3,261 votes 8.92%
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Williams Sosepiriye	5,718 votes 15.64%
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Sabastine Anyia wins with 33.14% of the vote.

2nd Vice-President

37,655 votes tallied and 3,001 abstentions

Mrs Bolatumi Olasunbo Animashaun	26,534 votes 70.47%
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Mr Pius Idemudia Oiwoh	11,121 votes 29.53%
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Mrs Bolatumi Olasunbo Animashaun wins with 70.47% of the vote.

3rd Vice-President

37,447 votes tallied and 3,209 abstentions

Mr Michael Olarewaju Olorunmola

13,897 votes 37.11%

Mrs Zainab Aminu Garba

23,550 votes 62.89%

Mrs Zainab Aminu Garba wins with 62.89% of the vote.

General Secretary

37,443 votes tallied and 3,213 abstentions

Mr AbdulwasIU Alfa

11,730 votes 31.33%

Dr Mobolaji Idris Ojibara

25,713 votes 68.67%

Dr Mobolaji Idris Ojibara wins with 68.67% of the vote.

Assistant General Secretary

36,869 votes tallied and 3,787 abstentions

Henry Barnabas Ehi	28,552 votes 77.44%
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Mr Oluwaseun Aka	8,317 votes 22.56%
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Henry Barnabas Ehi wins with 77.44% of the vote.

Treasurer

37,265 votes tallied and 3,391 abstentions

Mrs Blessing Imo Udofa-Poromon	17,998 votes 48.30%
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Mrs Caroline Obi	9,442 votes 25.34%
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Mbamala Chukwuemeka	9,825 votes 26.37%
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Mrs Blessing Imo Udofa-Poromon wins with 48.30% of the vote.

Welfare Secretary

36,960 votes tallied and 3,696 abstentions

Oaikhena Osagie	12,855 votes 34.78%
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Mr Ernest Ezindu Uwanaka	5,736 votes 15.52%
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Mr Nyada Auta	18,369 votes 49.70%
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Mr Nyada Auta wins with 49.70% of the vote.

Publicity Secretary

38,198 votes tallied and 2,458 abstentions

Mrs Bridget Ijeoma Edokwe	19,542 votes 51.16%
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Mr Charles Olawale Ajiboye	10,989 votes 28.77%
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Mr Ferdinand Afam Naza	7,667 votes 20.07%
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Mrs Bridget Ijeoma Edokwe wins with 51.16% of the vote.

Asst. Publicity Secretary

36,645 votes tallied and 4,011 abstentions

Miss Ebiere Emmanuella Ekpese	26,955 votes 73.56%
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Mr Lawrence Ikpehai Ayewa	9,690 votes 26.44%
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Miss Ebiere Emmanuella Ekpese wins with 73.56% of the vote.

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Eastern Zone)

124,455 votes tallied and 15,765 abstentions

Mr Augustine Osondu Ike	24,891 votes 20.00%
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Mr Daniel Ka-Ayii Kip	24,891 votes 20.00%
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Mr Eric Chigozie Ibe	24,891 votes 20.00%
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Mr Michael Chukwurah Onuorah	24,891 votes 20.00%
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Mr Obi Lawrence Anizoba	24,891 votes 20.00%
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Mr Obi Lawrence Anizoba, Mr Michael Chukwurah Onuorah, Mr Eric Chigozie Ibe, Mr Daniel Ka-Ayii Kip, and Mr Augustine Osondu Ike win with 20.00% of the vote each.

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Northern Zone)

30,357 votes tallied and 10,299 abstentions

Mr Tijjani Magaji	30,357 votes 100.00%
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Mr Tijjani Magaji wins with 100.00% of the vote.

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Western Zone)

126,280 votes tallied and 15,400 abstentions

Mr Israel Solomon Lagbamue	25,256 votes 20.00%
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Mr Kingsley Asagba	25,256 votes 20.00%
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Mr Olukunle Ogheneovo Edun	25,256 votes 20.00%
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Mr Precious Ndidi Nwadamuyah	25,256 votes 20.00%
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Mr Sulayman Adamu Dawud, Mr Precious Ndidi Nwadinmuyah, Mr Olukunle Ogheneovo Edun, Mr Kingsley Asagba, and Mr Israel Solomon Lagbamue win with 20.00% of the vote each.

POST-ELECTION REPORT

- **Voters Statistics**

Branch	Members	Opened Ballot	Voted	Participation
Aba	744	380	328	44.1%
Abakaliki	581	398	356	61.3%
Abeokuta	432	237	207	47.9%
Abuja	11,448	7,339	6,697	58.5%
Ado-Ekiti	265	184	173	65.3%
Afikpo	91	68	65	71.4%
Agbor	106	72	64	60.4%
Aguata	154	109	102	66.2%
Ahoada	147	87	80	54.4%
Akure	650	416	380	58.5%
Anaocha	133	80	77	57.9%

Asaba	869	574	519	59.7%
Auchi	93	54	44	47.3%
Awka	555	425	387	69.7%
Badagry	318	160	145	45.6%
Barnawa	287	217	204	71.1%
Bauchi	403	287	265	65.8%
Benin	1,830	1,088	1,000	54.6%
Birnin Kebbi	152	112	101	66.4%
Biu	52	43	41	78.8%
Bori	117	87	82	70.1%
Bukuru	129	89	80	62.0%
Bwari	715	493	440	61.5%
Calabar	685	424	379	55.3%
Damaturu	242	185	153	63.2%
Degema	266	179	167	62.8%
Dutse	145	113	103	71.0%
Effurun	407	232	209	51.4%
Eket	122	77	69	56.6%
Ekpoma	128	35	30	23.4%

Enugu	1,371	844	751	54.8%
Epe	190	105	88	46.3%
Ezeagu	136	77	68	50.0%
Funtua	48	34	29	60.4%
Garki	837	626	589	70.4%
Gboko	131	45	37	28.2%
Gombe	301	230	204	67.8%
Gusau	121	69	60	49.6%
Gwagwalada	335	247	231	69.0%
Ibadan	2,064	1,264	1,167	56.5%
Idah	111	69	61	55.0%
Idemili	206	136	127	61.7%
Igarra	54	22	17	31.5%
Ihiala	82	54	49	59.8%
Ijebu-Ode	166	91	77	46.4%
IkareAkoko	60	38	35	58.3%
Ikeja	5,663	2,859	2,607	46.0%
IkereEkiti	151	109	100	66.2%
Ikirun	105	49	42	40.0%

IkoleEkiti	51	38	37	72.5%
Ikom	75	38	33	44.0%
Ikorodu	425	253	234	55.1%
IkotEkpene	114	73	71	62.3%
Ilaro	123	70	62	50.4%
Ile-Ife	244	122	107	43.9%
Ilesa	86	52	49	57.0%
Ilorin	1,049	742	656	62.5%
IsialaNgwa	52	21	18	34.6%
Isiokpo	270	179	157	58.1%
Iwo	31	16	14	45.2%
Jalingo	291	189	171	58.8%
Jos	1,116	749	674	60.4%
Kabba	33	22	22	66.7%
Kaduna	855	601	559	65.4%
Kafanchan	47	37	32	68.1%
Kano	1,046	707	627	59.9%
Katsina	145	82	69	47.6%
Keffi	302	203	180	59.6%

Lafia	319	234	209	65.5%
Lagos	13,445	7,995	7,523	56.0%
Lokoja	336	265	248	73.8%
Maidiguri	454	364	327	72.0%
Makurdi	713	423	372	52.2%
Mbaise	67	15	15	22.4%
Mbano Etit	79	36	32	40.5%
Minna	469	329	287	61.2%
Mubi	43	30	26	60.5%
Nnewi	201	142	137	68.2%
None	3	3	3	100.0%
Nsukka	224	138	120	53.6%
Nyanya	228	181	165	72.4%
ObolloAfor	77	42	37	48.1%
Offa	26	15	15	57.7%
Ogoja	66	53	46	69.7%
Ogomosho	51	40	38	74.5%
Ogwashi-Uku	62	38	33	53.2%
Ohafia	77	44	38	49.4%

Oji River	222	148	140	63.1%
Okehi	164	97	89	54.3%
Okene	41	25	24	58.5%
Okigwe	84	46	33	39.3%
Okirika	94	58	53	56.4%
Okitipupa	122	74	60	49.2%
Oleh	137	90	81	59.1%
Omoku	125	73	67	53.6%
Ondo	97	61	57	58.8%
Onitsha	736	468	434	59.0%
Onueke	143	91	83	58.0%
Orlu	156	83	72	46.2%
Oron	44	31	28	63.6%
Osogbo	370	225	198	53.5%
Ota	259	132	122	47.1%
Otukpo	66	44	43	65.2%
Otuocha	150	78	70	46.7%
Owerri	1,441	806	714	49.5%
Owo	49	27	27	55.1%

Oyo	109	58	52	47.7%
Pankshin	78	54	46	59.0%
Port Harcourt	3,945	2,445	2,197	55.7%
Sagamu	104	53	46	44.2%
Sagbama	184	139	128	69.6%
Saki	30	24	24	80.0%
Sapele	164	71	62	37.8%
Shendam	78	55	46	59.0%
Sokoto	283	203	179	63.3%
Suleja	153	122	119	77.8%
Surulere	28	16	14	50.0%
Udu	236	148	137	58.1%
Ughelli	279	158	143	51.3%
Ukwa	108	57	52	48.1%
Umuahia	445	276	244	54.8%
Ungogo	304	163	137	45.1%
Uromi	58	33	32	55.2%
Uyo	1,025	604	554	54.0%
Warri	718	403	364	50.7%

Wukari	40	28	24	60.0%
Yenagoa	779	514	468	60.1%
Yola	398	315	278	69.8%
Zaria	320	210	186	58.1%
TOTALS	72,059	44,599	40,656	56.4%

Post Election Audit Summary

The 2024 Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) national elections were conducted using the Election Buddy platform, which facilitated electronic voting. The election saw active participation from the legal community, with 40,656 ballots cast, representing 56.4% of eligible voters. The voting process was rigorously managed to ensure transparency and accuracy, with voting links disseminated via email and SMS to the details on the register of voters at the commencement of the election and reminders sent periodically throughout the day.

The results, certified by Election Buddy, confirmed the election's integrity. The voting ran throughout the day, with no significant anomalies observed in voting patterns.

The election utilised robust security measures to ensure voter integrity and prevent manipulation. Each voter received a unique voting link, secured by their Supreme Court Number (SCN). The system recorded each vote and provided a confirmation code to the voter, ensuring transparency and trust in the voting process.

Despite some concerns raised by candidates regarding alleged anomalies and potential data manipulation, a thorough review of the voting process and system architecture indicated no evidence of fraud. We maintained stringent controls and safeguards, such as encrypted data transmission, secure system architecture and limited access to protect the voting process from any external or internal threats. No fraud nor fraudulent act was observed throughout the election period and retrospectively, reaffirming the credibility of the electoral process and its outcomes.

CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS



To the members of the Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association,

We have scrutinized the 2024 Nigerian Bar Association National Officers Election on behalf of the INITS Limited. We confirm that we have no affiliation with, and are independent of the Nigerian Bar Association, and as such, are not impacted by or have any interest in the outcome of the election. We act as independent service providers and scrutineers to ensure a fair, independent election with voting integrity.

INITS Limited staff along with the Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association are responsible for the information included in the election, including the election dates, election notice details, the contents of the election ballot, and the composition of the election voter list. ElectionBuddy staff have not reviewed the organization bylaws or legal statutes which relate to the Nigerian Bar Association or the 2024 Nigerian Bar Association National Officers Election. This review is the responsibility of the members of the organization and their designate, Electoral Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association.

Based on the information provided to the ElectionBuddy system, the following was noted: ●

Only voters on the voter list voted.

- Each voter only voted once, based on their unique access key.
- Any ballots which were not completed were not included in the results.
- A unique hash was available to each voter upon successful submission of their ballot to ensure that their vote was included in the results, and to ensure that the voter's ballot submission was not tampered with or otherwise changed.

At the completion of the election, ElectionBuddy staff perform limited procedures, which includes review of the voter list, voting process, examination of the results, and inquiries of management. We believe that the review and results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis to confirm our report.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any modifications to the election that would materially impact the election outcomes. As a summary, the winning candidate(s)/option(s) for the [election name] is/are: ●

President: **Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN**

- 1st Vice-President: **Sabastine Anyia**
- 2nd Vice-President: **Mrs Bolatumi Olasunbo Animashaun**
- 3rd Vice-President: **Mrs Zainab Aminu Garba**
- General Secretary: **Dr Mobolaji Idris Ojibara**
- Assistant General Secretary: **Henry Barnabas Ehi**
- Treasurer: **Mrs Blessing Imo Udofa-Poromon**
- Welfare Secretary: **Mr Nyada Auta**
- Publicity Secretary: **Mrs Bridget Ijeoma Edokwe**
- Asst. Publicity Secretary: **Miss Ebiero Emmanuella Ekpese**
- NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Eastern Zone): **(Acclaimed) Mr Augustine Osondu Ike, Mr Daniel Ka-Ayii Kip, Mr Eric Chigozie Ibe, Mr Michael Chukwurah Onuorah, Mr Obi Lawrence Anizoba**
- NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Northern Zone): **(Acclaimed) Mr Tijjani Magaji**
- NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Western Zone): **(Acclaimed) Mr Israel Solomon Lagbamue, Mr Kingsley Asagba, Mr Olukunle Ogheneovo Edun, Mr Precious Nddi Nwadamuyah, Mr Sulayman Adamu Dawud**

The acclaimed positions had a number of candidates that were equal to the available positions.

The final results were available to the election contact Femi TAIWO via ElectionBuddy/email on July 21, 2024, 12:57 AM WAT.

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Dave Bodnarchuk

RECOMMENDATION

The following recommendations are suggested to improve future NBA elections:

1. Enhanced Voter Education and Communication:

- **Early and Continuous Voter Education:** Begin voter education campaigns at least six (6) months before the election. This should include detailed guides on eligibility, voting, FAQs, and the importance of verifying contact information.
- **Diverse Communication Channels:** Utilise multiple communication channels including emails, SMS, social media, and dedicated websites to reach all eligible voters effectively.
- **Pre-Election Workshops and Forums:** Conduct regular workshops and webinars to educate voters on the electronic voting process, including how to use the voting platform, the importance of accurate personal data, and common issues to avoid.
- **Engagement Tracking:** Include Participation Tracking (evaluation exercise of the information delivery at each forum) to see the effectiveness and interest of prospective voters /members towards the election process. This will aid in improving the delivery of the required information to ensure greater participation in the elections.

2. Improved Data Management:

- **Regular Data Validation:** Implement continuous revalidation of member data, including emails, phone numbers, and SCNs, at least 12 months before the election. Ensure all contact details are up-to-date and correctly formatted.

- **Unique Contact Details:** Enforce the rule that each email and phone number should only be associated with one member to prevent duplications and errors.
3. **Continuous Improvement through Feedback:**
- **Post-Election Surveys:** Conduct surveys among voters and candidates to gather feedback on their experiences and identify areas for improvement.
4. **Branch-Level Data Access:**
- **Branch-Level Portal Access:** Provide NBA branches with limited access to their membership data to improve the efficiency of data management and update processes.

By implementing these recommendations, the NBA through the ECNBA can continue to enhance the efficiency, transparency, and security of its election processes, ensuring a seamless and credible experience for all voters and stakeholders.

CONCLUSION

The 2024 NBA national elections were conducted with a high degree of technical sophistication and transparency. The Election Buddy platform, alongside the technical support from INITS and DigiterHub Ltd, ensured a secure and fair election process. The post-election certification by Election Buddy and post-election audit have further validated the integrity of the results. No evidence of data manipulation or system

Thank you

Femi TAIWO

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CTO, INITS Limited.

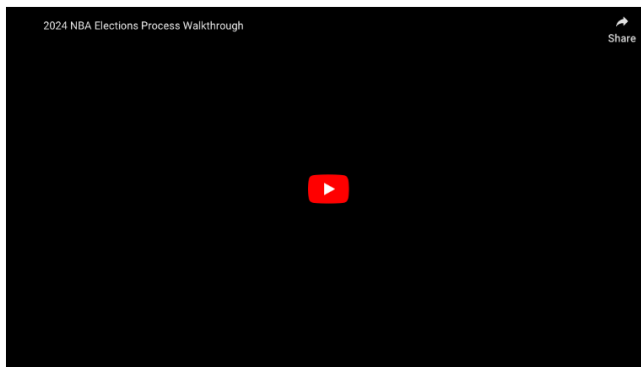
ANNEXURE

Annexure 1: go.ecnba.org website



VOTING CLOSED!

How It Works



In need of assistance?
Leave us a message

For Help Regarding Eligibility and Voter's List

Email Address

info@ecnba.org

Phone Number

+234 803 415 9298, +234 812 583 5845

For Help the Voting Process or Platform

Email Address

support@evm.ng

Phone Number

+234 708 067 2006

Quick Information

Facing Problems Submitting Your Ballot?

1. Carefully scroll down the ballot selection screen. The error(s) with your selections will be displayed.
2. Pay closer attention to the sections on the NBA Representatives to the General Council of Bar (East, North and West Zones).
3. If this is the section with the error, it is important to note that all the candidates for those three positions are unopposed in this election, so you either have to "SELECT ALL THE CANDIDATES" or CHOOSE "ABSTAIN" for each position.
4. The instructions regarding any other error are provided on the screen.
5. After making the necessary corrections, proceed to submit your ballot.
6. For further assistance, contact support@evm.ng or call our call center at +234 708 067 2006.

Unable to log in?

It may be that the SCN you are entering is incorrect. Check this page to confirm that your SCN is on the Eligible Voters List.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Who do I contact with questions or concerns? +
- How do I confirm my eligibility to vote? +
- How do I vote? +
- I did not receive my notice or voting credentials? +
- Why is my access link not working? +
- How do I confirm my vote was received? +
- Can I change or delete my vote? +
- How does the Election Platform prevent others from viewing my voting choices? +
- Will my vote be anonymous? +
- Why am I receiving a 404 Error message? +
- Do I need an account to vote? +
- What type of computer and software do I need to vote? +
- When will the election result be ready? +

Dear Eligible Voter,

The Nigerian Bar Association Election for the year 2024 will be held on Saturday July 20, 2024, between the hours of **12:00am (Nigeria Time) on Saturday July 20 and 11:59pm on Saturday July 20 2024.**

In order to vote during this election, kindly read through the information below:

1. Your name must be on the Final Voters Register published by the ECNBA. Kindly visit ecna.org for the list.
2. Details for voting will ONLY be sent to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile on the Final Eligible Voters List published by the ECNBA.
3. You will be able to cast your vote from your INTERNET ENABLED phone, computer, laptop or tablet on Election Day. All you need is a web browser to vote.
4. A Private and Personalised Voting Link will be sent to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile as an Eligible Voter. Do not share the link!
If you have not received your Voting Link, check your spam or junk mail folders.
5. Click the link, which will open the election platform in your web browser window. You will be taken immediately to a page where you input your **SCN (SUPREME COURT NUMBER) as your password.**
E.g. 1234567
6. After this, you will be taken to the ballot selection screen to see the list of positions along with those contesting for them. Proceed and select your preferred candidate in each position or select abstain. Ensure you make a choice for each position even if you are abstaining, or else the process cannot be continued.
7. After completing the selection process, click on Continue to proceed to the Verification Page. On the Verification page, the ballot will be shown back to you with the selections you made
8. Review it carefully, then click Submit Ballot to finalise your selections or choose to go back to make corrections.
9. **Once a ballot is submitted, it can no longer be changed, so be sure your choices are accurately reflected on the Verify screen before submitting.**
 - o Once You have voted. You should see a "Thank You" Confirmation screen acknowledging that your vote has been registered for that ballot.
 - o After placing your vote, you would then receive email confirmation that you have placed your vote

*If you experience any technical difficulties and need to contact someone for help with the election platform **during the Election**, send an email to support@evm.ng. You can also call our contact centre 070-8047-2006.*

Thank you for your cooperation.

Please Note

1. You will not be asked by the Contact Centre to share your voting link via any means. Your link is private and should be kept as yours alone.
2. You will also not be asked for your password or token.
3. We cannot assist with changing or updating any of the following: **SCN number, Name, Email, Phone Number**
4. We cannot access the voting choices you may have made. Ballot choices remain the preserve of the voters.
5. Any change requests should be made directly to the ECNBA or on the NBA Portal or via your Local Branch.

Quick Guide To Deactivate DND (Do Not Disturb)

1. Keep your phones on and in areas of good telephone network reception.
2. The Do Not Disturb (DND) service allows mobile phone users to opt-out of receiving promotional messages for 3rd Party services. The messages about the elections may be classified as promotional messages, which may block delivery of the critical election information.

To disable DND in order to receive the SMS containing your secure link to vote.

Network	Step
9mobile	Text "START" to 2442
MTN	Text "ALLOW" to 2442
GLO	Text "CANCEL" to 2442
Airtel	Text "ALLOW" to 2442

Please Note:

Attempt disabling DND even if you are not aware of ever activating it, because it may have been activated by your Mobile Network Operator on your behalf.

3. Check your phones for messages regularly
4. Take care not to rush into deleting SMS messages on election day with the mindset that it might be unsolicited messages. Please read all messages on election day carefully.
5. We are using multiple SMS broadcast providers to help improve the deliverability of SMS.

Emails

1. Ensure to check your inbox after the election kick-off regularly.
2. Ensure to also check your **'spam'** and **'promotions'** folders as well as election notifications are broadcast emails and are treated differently depending on your email provider and preferences.
3. Read all emails on election day carefully
4. We send emails with these credentials ecnba@evm.ng and invitations@mail.electionbuddy.com. Please whitelist these email addresses.

Annexure 2: Presentation Slides

NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (NBA) 2024 ELECTION VOTING PLATFORM

e-Voting Platform & Process

ELECTORAL COMMITTEE OF THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ECNBA)

How to Vote - Instructions

1. Your name must be on the final voters register published by the ECNBA. Kindly visit www.ecnba.org for the list.
2. Details for voting will be sent to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile on the final NBA Voter Register.
3. To vote all you need is a web browser on your phone, tablet or computer.

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Easy Online Election Excellence

ElectionBuddy guarantees election integrity, boosts voter engagement and saves election costs. It's free to host and free for up to 20 voters.

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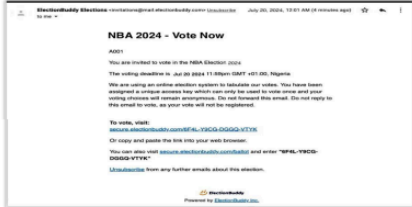
23.9m Users
165.8k Registered Voters

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The election opens at 12AM on Election Day

- We are using a platform called "ElectionBuddy". This is where you will cast your vote.

- Election opens at 12:00am on Saturday July 20, 2024
- Election closes at 11:59pm on Saturday July 20, 2024



- A Private and Personalised Voting Link will be sent to the Email and Phone Number attached to your profile as an Eligible Voter. Do not share the link!
- To ensure you receive your SMS, please make sure Do-Not-Disturb (DND) is turned off for your phone number. Check the DND Quick Guide on go.ecnba.org to learn how to turn off DND.
- If you did not receive the Voting Link via SMS, please check your email for the link.
- If you did not receive your Voting Link via Email, check your spam or junk mail folders.

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Dear Voter,
The NBA Elections are now open.
Vote now: ebv.io/ZBFK-QWFC-DMJ2-TFFZ

- Click the link, which will open Election Buddy in your web browser window.
- Please remember - this link is unique and private to only you and should not be shared.

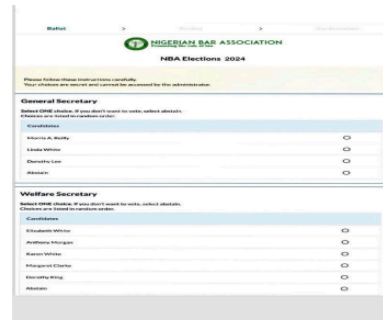
Sign in to vote!

Password - Enter Your SCN (Supreme Court Number)

Send Code

- After clicking the link, you will need to enter your Supreme Court Number (SCN) to access the ballot selection screen.

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- You will be taken immediately to the ballot selection screen to see the list of positions along with those contesting for them.

President

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain.

Candidates	
Daniel Jones	<input type="radio"/>
Lisa Smith	<input type="radio"/>
Jessica Thomas	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

- Proceed and select your preferred candidate in each position or select abstain.

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Welfare Secretary

Select ONE choice. If you don't want to vote, select abstain. Choices are listed in random order.

Candidates	
Anthony Morgan	<input type="radio"/>
Margaret Clarke	<input type="radio"/>
Dorothy King	<input type="radio"/>
Karen White	<input type="radio"/>
Elizabeth White	<input type="radio"/>
Abstain	<input type="radio"/>

Continue >>

- After completing the selection process, click on Continue to proceed to the Verification Page.

Finalize your choices by selecting Submit. To make changes, select Edit

General Secretary	Dorothy Lee
Welfare Secretary	Abstain

<< Edit Submit >>

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- On the Verification page, the ballot will be shown back to you with the selections you have made.
- Review it carefully, then click Submit Ballot to finalise your selections or choose to go back to make corrections.
- Once a ballot is submitted, it can no longer be changed, so check that your choices are accurately reflected on the Verification screen before submitting.

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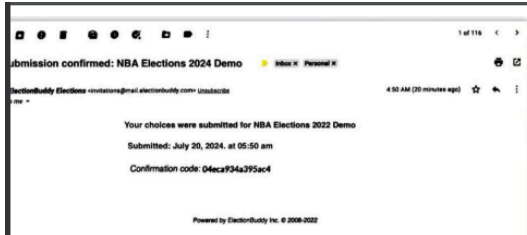


Thank you!

Confirmation code: 04eca934a395ac4

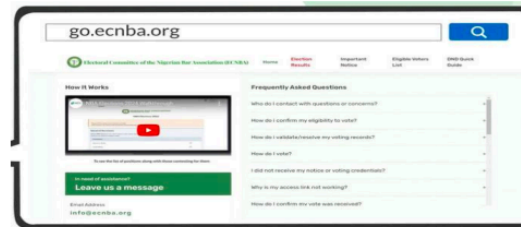
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- You have now voted! You should see a "Thank You!" Confirmation screen acknowledging that your vote has been registered for that ballot.



- An email confirmation that you have placed your vote will also be sent.

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- Sit tight and wait for the announcement of the results or visit go.ecnba.org for the latest information on the elections and the results.



- For assistance, please contact support@evm.ng or call our contact center on 07080672006.

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Annexure 3: Report on Test Broadcast Sent to Eligible Members of the Nigerian Bar Association Ahead of Elections

This report provides an analysis of the communication efforts via Email and SMS to the members of the Nigerian Bar Association. A total of 72,071 records were uploaded for this purpose. The broadcasts were sent between June 28, 2024 and July 9th, 2024.

Summary of Records

Indicator	Totals
Records Uploaded	72,071
Records Accepted	71,365
Records Rejected	706
Records with Valid Looking Emails	71,365
Records without Valid Looking Emails	0
Emails Dispatched	71,365
Delivered Emails (To Domain)	71,128
Records Who Opened Email (And Allowed Open Tracking)	24,935
Bounced Emails	125
Records with Phone Numbers	70,935
Records with Invalid/Flagged Phone Numbers	430
Records with Nigerian Numbers	70,744
SMS Dispatched	70,935
Delivered SMSes	64,984
DND/Blocked SIM/Bounced SMS	4,209
SMS with Pending Delivery Status	1,742
Records Reachable Either by Email or SMS	71,344
Records Reachable by Both Email and SMS At The Same Time	64,768
Records Reachable by Email Only	6,360

Records Reachable by SMS Only	216
Records Completely Unreachable	21

Insights Based on this Report

1. Data Integrity

- The majority of the uploaded records were accepted (71,365 out of 72,071), with only 706 records rejected, indicating good data quality.
- All accepted records had valid looking emails, ensuring effective email communication.
- The 706 records rejected were flagged based on the fact that they shared key information with another record - namely phone number, email or SCN. The system only accepts a record if it does not share any of these details with another record already in the system.

2. Email Communication

- Emails were successfully dispatched to all 71,365 valid email addresses.
- High delivery success with 71,128 emails delivered to their respective domains, resulting in a delivery rate of approximately 99.67%.
- The open rate was about 34.94%, with 24,935 members opening their emails.
- A minimal bounce rate of 0.18% was observed, with only 125 bounced emails.

3. SMS Communication

- SMS was dispatched to 70,935 records with phone numbers.
- The delivery success rate for SMS is high (91.61%), with 64,984 SMSes successfully delivered. However it is lower than emails.
- There were 4,209 SMSes that were DND (Do Not Disturb), blocked, or bounced, accounting for around 5.93% of the total SMSes.
- A small portion of SMSes (1,742) was still pending delivery status. At this point, it is safe to conclude that they will not be delivered.

4. Reachability

- The vast majority of records (71,344) were reachable by either email or SMS.
- A significant number of members (64,768) were reachable by both email and SMS simultaneously, enhancing the chances of successful communication of their voting credentials on election day.
- 6,360 records were reachable only by email, while 216 were reachable only by SMS.
- Only 21 records were completely unreachable, indicating a highly effective communication effort overall.
- 99.97% of voters are reachable.

Deliverability Data

The records and status of each record can be provided on demand.

Recommendations

- **Improving SMS Delivery Rates:** The relatively lower SMS delivery rate (91.61%) suggests a need to address issues related to DND/Blocked SIMs. Encouraging eligible voters to disable DND on their lines before election day. Even if they think it is currently disabled.
- **Data Quality Maintenance:** Continuous efforts should be made beyond the elections to maintain and improve data quality to ensure high acceptance rates and accurate reachability.

Overall, the communication efforts via the test broadcast have been largely successful, with a high reachability rate and effective engagement through both email and SMS channels. This guarantees that practically all voters (except 21) will be reachable on election day to receive their election credentials.

Annexure 4: Mock Election Highlights

Election Date	July 11, 2024
Election Time	10:00AM to 10:00PM
Eligible Voters in Mock	2,000
Members That Participated	244
Members Who Opened the Ballot but did not participate	189
% of Participation	12.2%
Positions on Ballot	All Official Positions
Email Notifications Dispatched	3,838 (2,000 Initially, 1,838 as Reminders)
SMS Notifications Dispatched	3,838 (2,000 Initially, 1,838 as Reminders)
SMS Notifications Delivered	3,721
SMS Notifications Rejected	73
SMS Notifications Awaiting Confirmation	44

Participation Information

BRANCH	ELIGIBLE MEMBERS	SELECTED PARTICIPANTS	WHO VOTED	% THAT VOTED
Aba	739	20	1	5.0%
Abakaliki	580	15	1	6.7%
Abeokuta	430	13	0	0.0%
Abuja	11,353	222	27	12.2%
Ado-Ekiti	265	9	1	11.1%
Afikpo	91	5	1	20.0%
Agbor	105	5	0	0.0%

Aguata	148	6	0	0.0%
Ahoada	146	6	0	0.0%
Akure	645	18	2	11.1%
Anaocha	132	6	0	0.0%
Asaba	868	24	3	12.5%
Auchi	93	5	0	0.0%
Awka	552	16	2	12.5%
Badagry	316	10	1	10.0%
Barnawa	286	10	2	20.0%
Bauchi	402	11	3	27.3%
Benin	1,797	48	4	8.3%
Birnin Kebbi	152	7	0	0.0%
Biu	52	4	1	25.0%
Bori	116	5	2	40.0%
Bukuru	128	7	0	0.0%
Bwari	708	21	1	4.8%
Calabar	682	20	3	15.0%
Damaturu	242	7	2	28.6%
Degema	265	9	2	22.2%
Dutse	145	6	2	33.3%
Effurun	403	11	2	18.2%
Eket	121	5	0	0.0%
Ekpoma	126	4	0	0.0%
Enugu	1,358	36	3	8.3%
Epe	189	7	1	14.3%
Ezeagu	136	6	0	0.0%
Funtua	48	3	1	33.3%
Garki	832	22	4	18.2%
Gboko	128	6	1	16.7%
Gombe	299	10	0	0.0%
Gusau	119	5	1	20.0%
Gwagwalada	331	11	3	27.3%
Ibadan	2,049	53	10	18.9%

Idah	109	5	2	40.0%
Idemili	205	8	3	37.5%
Igarra	54	4	0	0.0%
Ihiala	82	4	2	50.0%
Ijebu-Ode	165	6	2	33.3%
IkareAkoko	60	4	2	50.0%
Ikeja	5,614	141	13	9.2%
IkereEkiti	150	6	0	0.0%
Ikirun	105	5	1	20.0%
IkoleEkiti	51	4	1	25.0%
Ikom	73	4	0	0.0%
Ikorodu	423	13	2	15.4%
IkotEkpene	114	5	0	0.0%
Ilaro	121	5	0	0.0%
Ile-Ife	244	8	1	12.5%
Ilesa	80	4	2	50.0%
Ilorin	1,041	27	4	14.8%
IsialaNgwa	52	2	0	0.0%
Isiokpo	267	10	3	30.0%
Iwo	30	3	0	0.0%
Jalingo	285	9	0	0.0%
Jos	1,107	29	4	13.8%
Kabba	33	3	1	33.3%
Kaduna	850	24	5	20.8%
Kafanchan	44	4	0	0.0%
Kano	1,042	29	3	10.3%
Katsina	141	6	0	0.0%
Keffi	301	10	2	20.0%
Lafia	314	10	0	0.0%
Lagos	13,278	328	45	13.7%
Lokoja	335	12	4	33.3%
Maidiguri	450	14	4	28.6%
Makurdi	707	19	0	0.0%

Mbaise	67	4	0	0.0%
Mbano Etit	78	5	1	25.0%
Minna	466	14	1	7.1%
Mubi	43	4	0	0.0%
Nnewi	201	7	0	0.0%
Not Specified	3	1	1	100.0%
Nsukka	223	8	1	12.5%
Nyanya	228	8	0	0.0%
ObolloAfor	75	5	2	40.0%
Offa	26	3	1	33.3%
Ogoja	66	4	0	0.0%
Ogomosho	51	4	0	0.0%
Ogwashi-Uku	61	4	0	0.0%
Ohafia	72	4	0	0.0%
Oji River	221	8	0	0.0%
Okehi	159	6	1	16.7%
Okene	40	3	0	0.0%
Okigwe	84	3	0	0.0%
Okirika	93	4	0	0.0%
Okitipupa	122	5	0	0.0%
Oleh	137	6	0	0.0%
Omoku	123	5	1	20.0%
Ondo	96	5	0	0.0%
Onitsha	732	21	4	19.0%
Onueke	142	6	0	0.0%
Orlu	145	5	0	0.0%
Oron	43	4	0	0.0%
Osogbo	356	11	1	9.1%
Ota	256	9	4	44.4%
Otukpo	66	4	1	25.0%
Otuocha	148	6	0	0.0%
Owerri	1,403	37	2	5.4%
Owo	49	4	1	25.0%

Oyo	108	5	3	60.0%
Pankshin	78	3	0	0.0%
Port Harcourt	3,919	99	9	9.1%
Sagamu	104	5	0	0.0%
Sagbama	183	8	1	12.5%
Saki	30	3	0	0.0%
Sapele	162	6	0	0.0%
Shendam	75	3	0	0.0%
Sokoto	281	9	2	22.2%
Suleja	151	6	1	16.7%
Surulere	28	1	0	0.0%
Udu	235	8	1	12.5%
Ughelli	275	9	1	11.1%
Ukwa	108	5	0	0.0%
Umuahia	443	13	0	0.0%
Ungogo	298	10	1	10.0%
Uromi	58	4	1	25.0%
Uyo	1,015	29	2	6.9%
Warri	707	22	2	9.1%
Wukari	40	3	0	0.0%
Yenagoa	773	21	3	14.3%
Yola	394	12	2	16.7%
Zaria	320	10	0	0.0%
TOTAL		2,000	244	12.2%

NBA 2024 MOCK ELECTIONS (SENSITISATION ONLY)

July 11, 2024 at 10:00am – July 11, 2024 at 10:00pm
(GMT+01:00) WEST CENTRAL AFRICA

Ended

Current Vote Count as at Friday, July 12, 2024 12:20AM

President

220 votes tallied and 24 abstentions

Daniel Jones	103 votes
Lisa Smith	49 votes
Jessica Thomas	68 votes

1st Vice-President

219 votes tallied and 25 abstentions

Betty Lee	69 votes
David Smith	74 votes
Matthew Walker	32 votes
Daniel Turner	23 votes
Sophia White	7 votes
Michael Walker	14 votes

2nd Vice-President

208 votes tallied and 36 abstentions

Daniel Davies	146 votes
Susan James	62 votes

3rd Vice-President

209 votes tallied and 35 abstentions

Betty Thomas	73 votes
Joseph Roberts	136 votes

General Secretary

210 votes tallied and 34 abstentions

Anthony Morgan	120 votes
Joseph Evans	90 votes

Assistant General Secretary

212 votes tallied and 32 abstentions

Betty Hughes	126 votes
Jessica Wilson	86 votes

Treasurer

211 votes tallied and 33 abstentions

Anthony Roberts	115 votes
Elizabeth James	63 votes
Karen Davies	33 votes

Welfare Secretary

204 votes tallied and 40 abstentions

Elizabeth Brown	77 votes
Robert Hughes	78 votes
Robert Taylor	49 votes

Publicity Secretary

211 votes tallied and 33 abstentions

Dorothy Harris	121 votes
Robert Cooper	90 votes

Asst. Publicity Secretary

209 votes tallied and 35 abstentions

Barbara Cooper	95 votes
Margaret Smith	114 votes

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Northern Zone)

190 votes tallied and 54 abstentions

Thomas Williams	190 votes
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NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Eastern Zone)

800 votes tallied and 84 abstentions

James Harris	160 votes
Matthew Clarke	160 votes
Michael Lewis	160 votes
Richard Davies	160 votes
William Jones	160 votes

NBA Representatives to the General Council of the Bar (Western Zone)

725 votes tallied and 99 abstentions

Betty Smith	145 votes
Jennifer Wright	145 votes
Lisa Wood	145 votes
Sarah Jackson	145 votes
Thomas Wright	145 votes

Annexure 5: Cumulative Voting Analysis At Interval for the Position of President

Time	Cumulative Total Ballots Cast	Cumulative Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	Cumulative Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	Cumulative Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe	Cumulative Abstentions
7/20/24 0:00	252	107	66	79	-
7/20/24 0:10	1,187	452	383	351	1
7/20/24 0:20	1,903	741	597	562	3
7/20/24 0:30	2,538	1,009	787	738	4
7/20/24 0:40	3,171	1,271	973	923	4
7/20/24 0:50	3,657	1,475	1,115	1,062	5
7/20/24 1:00	4,092	1,669	1,218	1,197	8
7/20/24 1:10	4,497	1,851	1,327	1,310	9
7/20/24 1:20	4,794	2,002	1,396	1,387	9
7/20/24 1:30	5,044	2,132	1,440	1,462	10
7/20/24 1:40	5,314	2,261	1,506	1,537	10
7/20/24 1:50	5,536	2,355	1,566	1,604	11
7/20/24 2:00	5,722	2,454	1,598	1,658	12
7/20/24 2:10	5,901	2,532	1,645	1,712	12
7/20/24 2:20	6,093	2,630	1,684	1,766	13
7/20/24 2:30	6,280	2,705	1,751	1,810	14
7/20/24 2:40	6,427	2,773	1,787	1,852	15
7/20/24 2:50	6,595	2,853	1,833	1,893	16
7/20/24 3:00	6,750	2,921	1,870	1,943	16
7/20/24 3:10	6,909	3,001	1,903	1,989	16
7/20/24 3:20	7,062	3,076	1,935	2,034	17
7/20/24 3:30	7,224	3,156	1,973	2,077	18
7/20/24 3:40	7,395	3,234	2,018	2,125	18
7/20/24 3:50	7,561	3,317	2,056	2,170	18
7/20/24 4:00	7,745	3,403	2,107	2,217	18
7/20/24 4:10	7,934	3,491	2,152	2,272	19
7/20/24 4:20	8,137	3,583	2,196	2,339	19

7/20/24 4:30	8,324	3,676	2,245	2,383	20
7/20/24 4:40	8,501	3,765	2,280	2,436	20
7/20/24 4:50	8,722	3,876	2,324	2,499	23
7/20/24 5:00	8,954	3,981	2,383	2,566	24
7/20/24 5:10	9,204	4,101	2,443	2,636	24
7/20/24 5:20	9,479	4,238	2,500	2,715	26
7/20/24 5:30	9,742	4,375	2,562	2,779	26
7/20/24 5:40	10,054	4,533	2,636	2,858	27
7/20/24 5:50	10,403	4,718	2,718	2,938	29
7/20/24 6:00	10,731	4,872	2,810	3,016	33
7/20/24 6:10	11,114	5,058	2,910	3,110	36
7/20/24 6:20	11,499	5,269	2,977	3,217	36
7/20/24 6:30	11,960	5,498	3,100	3,325	37
7/20/24 6:40	12,462	5,759	3,214	3,451	38
7/20/24 6:50	13,032	6,027	3,352	3,615	38
7/20/24 7:00	13,576	6,282	3,493	3,763	38
7/20/24 7:10	14,191	6,581	3,647	3,923	40
7/20/24 7:20	14,780	6,858	3,800	4,081	41
7/20/24 7:30	15,354	7,116	3,951	4,245	42
7/20/24 7:40	15,987	7,403	4,105	4,434	45
7/20/24 7:50	16,548	7,668	4,245	4,590	45
7/20/24 8:00	17,114	7,937	4,371	4,759	47
7/20/24 8:10	17,655	8,182	4,505	4,919	49
7/20/24 8:20	18,209	8,440	4,634	5,084	51
7/20/24 8:30	18,773	8,703	4,782	5,236	52
7/20/24 8:40	19,346	8,974	4,922	5,396	54
7/20/24 8:50	19,822	9,182	5,036	5,549	55
7/20/24 9:00	20,319	9,436	5,133	5,694	56
7/20/24 9:10	20,822	9,679	5,251	5,834	58
7/20/24 9:20	21,318	9,935	5,376	5,949	58
7/20/24 9:30	21,818	10,163	5,506	6,089	60
7/20/24 9:40	22,274	10,379	5,626	6,209	60
7/20/24 9:50	22,718	10,601	5,735	6,320	62

7/20/24 10:00	23,165	10,829	5,838	6,435	63
7/20/24 10:10	23,633	11,076	5,952	6,542	63
7/20/24 10:20	24,066	11,270	6,069	6,663	64
7/20/24 10:30	24,459	11,452	6,174	6,765	68
7/20/24 10:40	24,868	11,652	6,262	6,884	70
7/20/24 10:50	25,306	11,897	6,356	6,982	71
7/20/24 11:00	25,676	12,090	6,445	7,069	72
7/20/24 11:10	26,064	12,314	6,524	7,152	74
7/20/24 11:20	26,490	12,558	6,612	7,246	74
7/20/24 11:30	26,880	12,759	6,692	7,354	75
7/20/24 11:40	27,271	12,967	6,764	7,463	77
7/20/24 11:50	27,696	13,189	6,866	7,560	81
7/20/24 12:00	28,048	13,391	6,943	7,631	83
7/20/24 12:10	28,373	13,550	7,021	7,719	83
7/20/24 12:20	28,708	13,730	7,091	7,803	84
7/20/24 12:30	29,073	13,911	7,167	7,907	88
7/20/24 12:40	29,422	14,089	7,246	7,996	91
7/20/24 12:50	29,770	14,273	7,320	8,084	93
7/20/24 13:00	30,114	14,474	7,379	8,165	96
7/20/24 13:10	30,425	14,646	7,442	8,239	98
7/20/24 13:20	30,720	14,798	7,506	8,317	99
7/20/24 13:30	31,011	14,945	7,562	8,401	103
7/20/24 13:40	31,311	15,095	7,628	8,483	105
7/20/24 13:50	31,563	15,227	7,687	8,543	106
7/20/24 14:00	31,851	15,375	7,746	8,622	108
7/20/24 14:10	32,126	15,524	7,800	8,691	111
7/20/24 14:20	32,384	15,677	7,846	8,749	112
7/20/24 14:30	32,650	15,826	7,886	8,825	113
7/20/24 14:40	32,905	15,955	7,924	8,909	117
7/20/24 14:50	33,151	16,089	7,969	8,972	121
7/20/24 15:00	33,410	16,240	8,008	9,040	122
7/20/24 15:10	33,668	16,389	8,049	9,104	126
7/20/24 15:20	33,939	16,540	8,095	9,175	129

7/20/24 15:30	34,225	16,708	8,137	9,248	132
7/20/24 15:40	34,461	16,848	8,173	9,306	134
7/20/24 15:50	34,668	16,984	8,194	9,354	136
7/20/24 16:00	34,880	17,106	8,227	9,411	136
7/20/24 16:10	35,107	17,246	8,254	9,465	142
7/20/24 16:20	35,329	17,363	8,290	9,530	146
7/20/24 16:30	35,559	17,494	8,325	9,592	148
7/20/24 16:40	35,798	17,626	8,369	9,652	151
7/20/24 16:50	35,995	17,730	8,396	9,715	154
7/20/24 17:00	36,160	17,825	8,423	9,757	155
7/20/24 17:10	36,344	17,936	8,445	9,805	158
7/20/24 17:20	36,498	18,024	8,472	9,843	159
7/20/24 17:30	36,630	18,107	8,486	9,877	160
7/20/24 17:40	36,762	18,179	8,504	9,918	161
7/20/24 17:50	36,885	18,249	8,518	9,955	163
7/20/24 18:00	37,007	18,325	8,533	9,985	164
7/20/24 18:10	37,144	18,403	8,561	10,014	166
7/20/24 18:20	37,267	18,477	8,580	10,044	166
7/20/24 18:30	37,390	18,543	8,599	10,079	169
7/20/24 18:40	37,515	18,609	8,622	10,113	171
7/20/24 18:50	37,608	18,668	8,635	10,133	172
7/20/24 19:00	37,701	18,728	8,649	10,152	172
7/20/24 19:10	37,809	18,788	8,660	10,189	172
7/20/24 19:20	37,910	18,851	8,670	10,216	173
7/20/24 19:30	38,010	18,910	8,680	10,247	173
7/20/24 19:40	38,129	18,976	8,700	10,280	173
7/20/24 19:50	38,247	19,037	8,717	10,319	174
7/20/24 20:00	38,344	19,097	8,726	10,345	176
7/20/24 20:10	38,425	19,146	8,735	10,368	176
7/20/24 20:20	38,543	19,222	8,746	10,396	179
7/20/24 20:30	38,655	19,282	8,767	10,427	179
7/20/24 20:40	38,757	19,343	8,773	10,461	180
7/20/24 20:50	38,848	19,393	8,790	10,485	180

7/20/24 21:00	38,962	19,455	8,807	10,520	180
7/20/24 21:10	39,128	19,555	8,827	10,564	182
7/20/24 21:20	39,263	19,635	8,842	10,602	184
7/20/24 21:30	39,382	19,708	8,859	10,631	184
7/20/24 21:40	39,495	19,769	8,873	10,666	187
7/20/24 21:50	39,597	19,828	8,885	10,696	188
7/20/24 22:00	39,718	19,909	8,899	10,721	189
7/20/24 22:10	39,809	19,965	8,910	10,745	189
7/20/24 22:20	39,898	20,016	8,917	10,773	192
7/20/24 22:30	39,992	20,063	8,936	10,800	193
7/20/24 22:40	40,111	20,136	8,949	10,830	196
7/20/24 22:50	40,197	20,189	8,958	10,852	198
7/20/24 23:00	40,283	20,234	8,966	10,884	199
7/20/24 23:10	40,363	20,281	8,979	10,901	202
7/20/24 23:20	40,432	20,323	8,988	10,916	205
7/20/24 23:30	40,499	20,358	8,993	10,943	205
7/20/24 23:40	40,557	20,385	9,004	10,963	205
7/20/24 23:50	40,633	20,424	9,016	10,988	205
7/21/24 0:00	40,656	20,435	9,018	10,998	205

Annexure 6: Voting Analysis on Voting Counts At Markers

Votes by Candidate						% of Total Votes		
Time	New Votes	Abstentions	Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe	Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe
7/20/24 0:00	252	0	107	66	79	42%	26%	31%
7/20/24 0:10	935	1	345	317	272	37%	34%	29%
7/20/24 0:20	716	2	289	214	211	40%	30%	29%
7/20/24 0:30	635	1	268	190	176	42%	30%	28%
7/20/24 0:40	633	0	262	186	185	41%	29%	29%
7/20/24 0:50	486	1	204	142	139	42%	29%	29%
7/20/24 1:00	435	3	194	103	135	45%	24%	31%
7/20/24 1:10	405	1	182	109	113	45%	27%	28%
7/20/24 1:20	297	0	151	69	77	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 1:30	250	1	130	44	75	52%	18%	30%
7/20/24 1:40	270	0	129	66	75	48%	24%	28%
7/20/24 1:50	222	1	94	60	67	42%	27%	30%
7/20/24 2:00	186	1	99	32	54	53%	17%	29%
7/20/24 2:10	179	0	78	47	54	44%	26%	30%
7/20/24 2:20	192	1	98	39	54	51%	20%	28%
7/20/24 2:30	187	1	75	67	44	40%	36%	24%
7/20/24 2:40	147	1	68	36	42	46%	24%	29%
7/20/24 2:50	168	1	80	46	41	48%	27%	24%
7/20/24 3:00	155	0	68	37	50	44%	24%	32%
7/20/24 3:10	159	0	80	33	46	50%	21%	29%

7/20/24 3:20	153	1	75	32	45	49%	21%	29%
7/20/24 3:30	162	1	80	38	43	49%	23%	27%
7/20/24 3:40	171	0	78	45	48	46%	26%	28%
7/20/24 3:50	166	0	83	38	45	50%	23%	27%
7/20/24 4:00	184	0	86	51	47	47%	28%	26%
7/20/24 4:10	189	1	88	45	55	47%	24%	29%
7/20/24 4:20	203	0	92	44	67	45%	22%	33%
7/20/24 4:30	187	1	93	49	44	50%	26%	24%
7/20/24 4:40	177	0	89	35	53	50%	20%	30%
7/20/24 4:50	221	3	111	44	63	50%	20%	29%
7/20/24 5:00	232	1	105	59	67	45%	25%	29%
7/20/24 5:10	250	0	120	60	70	48%	24%	28%
7/20/24 5:20	275	2	137	57	79	50%	21%	29%
7/20/24 5:30	263	0	137	62	64	52%	24%	24%
7/20/24 5:40	312	1	158	74	79	51%	24%	25%
7/20/24 5:50	349	2	185	82	80	53%	23%	23%
7/20/24 6:00	328	4	154	92	78	47%	28%	24%
7/20/24 6:10	383	3	186	100	94	49%	26%	25%
7/20/24 6:20	385	0	211	67	107	55%	17%	28%
7/20/24 6:30	461	1	229	123	108	50%	27%	23%
7/20/24 6:40	502	1	261	114	126	52%	23%	25%
7/20/24 6:50	570	0	268	138	164	47%	24%	29%
7/20/24 7:00	544	0	255	141	148	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 7:10	615	2	299	154	160	49%	25%	26%
7/20/24 7:20	589	1	277	153	158	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 7:30	574	1	258	151	164	45%	26%	29%
7/20/24 7:40	633	3	287	154	189	45%	24%	30%
7/20/24 7:50	561	0	265	140	156	47%	25%	28%

7/20/24 8:00	566	2	269	126	169	48%	22%	30%
7/20/24 8:10	541	2	245	134	160	45%	25%	30%
7/20/24 8:20	554	2	258	129	165	47%	23%	30%
7/20/24 8:30	564	1	263	148	152	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 8:40	573	2	271	140	160	47%	24%	28%
7/20/24 8:50	476	1	208	114	153	44%	24%	32%
7/20/24 9:00	497	1	254	97	145	51%	20%	29%
7/20/24 9:10	503	2	243	118	140	48%	23%	28%
7/20/24 9:20	496	0	256	125	115	52%	25%	23%
7/20/24 9:30	500	2	228	130	140	46%	26%	28%
7/20/24 9:40	456	0	216	120	120	47%	26%	26%
7/20/24 9:50	444	2	222	109	111	50%	25%	25%
7/20/24 10:00	447	1	228	103	115	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 10:10	468	0	247	114	107	53%	24%	23%
7/20/24 10:20	433	1	194	117	121	45%	27%	28%
7/20/24 10:30	393	4	182	105	102	46%	27%	26%
7/20/24 10:40	409	2	200	88	119	49%	22%	29%
7/20/24 10:50	438	1	245	94	98	56%	21%	22%
7/20/24 11:00	370	1	193	89	87	52%	24%	24%
7/20/24 11:10	388	2	224	79	83	58%	20%	21%
7/20/24 11:20	426	0	244	88	94	57%	21%	22%
7/20/24 11:30	390	1	201	80	108	52%	21%	28%
7/20/24 11:40	391	2	208	72	109	53%	18%	28%
7/20/24 11:50	425	4	222	102	97	52%	24%	23%
7/20/24 12:00	352	2	202	77	71	57%	22%	20%
7/20/24 12:10	325	0	159	78	88	49%	24%	27%
7/20/24 12:20	335	1	180	70	84	54%	21%	25%
7/20/24 12:30	365	4	181	76	104	50%	21%	28%

7/20/24 12:40	349	3	178	79	89	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 12:50	348	2	184	74	88	53%	21%	25%
7/20/24 13:00	344	3	201	59	81	58%	17%	24%
7/20/24 13:10	311	2	172	63	74	55%	20%	24%
7/20/24 13:20	295	1	152	64	78	52%	22%	26%
7/20/24 13:30	291	4	147	56	84	51%	19%	29%
7/20/24 13:40	300	2	150	66	82	50%	22%	27%
7/20/24 13:50	252	1	132	59	60	52%	23%	24%
7/20/24 14:00	288	2	148	59	79	51%	20%	27%
7/20/24 14:10	275	3	149	54	69	54%	20%	25%
7/20/24 14:20	258	1	153	46	58	59%	18%	22%
7/20/24 14:30	266	1	149	40	76	56%	15%	29%
7/20/24 14:40	255	4	129	38	84	51%	15%	33%
7/20/24 14:50	246	4	134	45	63	54%	18%	26%
7/20/24 15:00	259	1	151	39	68	58%	15%	26%
7/20/24 15:10	258	4	149	41	64	58%	16%	25%
7/20/24 15:20	271	3	151	46	71	56%	17%	26%
7/20/24 15:30	286	3	168	42	73	59%	15%	26%
7/20/24 15:40	236	2	140	36	58	59%	15%	25%
7/20/24 15:50	207	2	136	21	48	66%	10%	23%
7/20/24 16:00	212	0	122	33	57	58%	16%	27%
7/20/24 16:10	227	6	140	27	54	62%	12%	24%
7/20/24 16:20	222	4	117	36	65	53%	16%	29%
7/20/24 16:30	230	2	131	35	62	57%	15%	27%
7/20/24 16:40	239	3	132	44	60	55%	18%	25%
7/20/24 16:50	197	3	104	27	63	53%	14%	32%
7/20/24 17:00	165	1	95	27	42	58%	16%	25%
7/20/24 17:10	184	3	111	22	48	60%	12%	26%

7/20/24 17:20	154	1	88	27	38	57%	18%	25%
7/20/24 17:30	132	1	83	14	34	63%	11%	26%
7/20/24 17:40	132	1	72	18	41	55%	14%	31%
7/20/24 17:50	123	2	70	14	37	57%	11%	30%
7/20/24 18:00	122	1	76	15	30	62%	12%	25%
7/20/24 18:10	137	2	78	28	29	57%	20%	21%
7/20/24 18:20	123	0	74	19	30	60%	15%	24%
7/20/24 18:30	123	3	66	19	35	54%	15%	28%
7/20/24 18:40	125	2	66	23	34	53%	18%	27%
7/20/24 18:50	93	1	59	13	20	63%	14%	22%
7/20/24 19:00	93	0	60	14	19	65%	15%	20%
7/20/24 19:10	108	0	60	11	37	56%	10%	34%
7/20/24 19:20	101	1	63	10	27	62%	10%	27%
7/20/24 19:30	100	0	59	10	31	59%	10%	31%
7/20/24 19:40	119	0	66	20	33	55%	17%	28%
7/20/24 19:50	118	1	61	17	39	52%	14%	33%
7/20/24 20:00	97	2	60	9	26	62%	9%	27%
7/20/24 20:10	81	0	49	9	23	60%	11%	28%
7/20/24 20:20	118	3	76	11	28	64%	9%	24%
7/20/24 20:30	112	0	60	21	31	54%	19%	28%
7/20/24 20:40	102	1	61	6	34	60%	6%	33%
7/20/24 20:50	91	0	50	17	24	55%	19%	26%
7/20/24 21:00	114	0	62	17	35	54%	15%	31%
7/20/24 21:10	166	2	100	20	44	60%	12%	27%
7/20/24 21:20	135	2	80	15	38	59%	11%	28%
7/20/24 21:30	119	0	73	17	29	61%	14%	24%
7/20/24 21:40	113	3	61	14	35	54%	12%	31%
7/20/24 21:50	102	1	59	12	30	58%	12%	29%

7/20/24 22:00	121	1	81	14	25	67%	12%	21%
7/20/24 22:10	91	0	56	11	24	62%	12%	26%
7/20/24 22:20	89	3	51	7	28	57%	8%	31%
7/20/24 22:30	94	1	47	19	27	50%	20%	29%
7/20/24 22:40	119	3	73	13	30	61%	11%	25%
7/20/24 22:50	86	2	53	9	22	62%	10%	26%
7/20/24 23:00	86	1	45	8	32	52%	9%	37%
7/20/24 23:10	80	3	47	13	17	59%	16%	21%
7/20/24 23:20	69	3	42	9	15	61%	13%	22%
7/20/24 23:30	67	0	35	5	27	52%	7%	40%
7/20/24 23:40	58	0	27	11	20	47%	19%	34%
7/20/24 23:50	76	0	39	12	25	51%	16%	33%
7/21/24 0:00	23	0	11	2	10	48%	9%	43%
Grand Total	40656	205	20435	9018	10998	50%	22%	27%

Annexure 7: Voting Analysis at 10 minute markers for the Position of President (As provided by ElectionBuddy)

Votes by Candidate					% of Total Votes		
Time	Total Votes	Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe	Mazi Afam Josiah Osigwe, SAN	Chukwuka Nwabueze Ikwuazom, SAN	Mr Tobenna Chigbo Erojikwe
7/20/24 0:00	252	107	66	79	42%	26%	31%
7/20/24 0:10	935	345	317	272	37%	34%	29%
7/20/24 0:20	716	289	214	211	40%	30%	29%
7/20/24 0:30	635	268	190	176	42%	30%	28%
7/20/24 0:40	633	262	186	185	41%	29%	29%
7/20/24 0:50	486	204	142	139	42%	29%	29%
7/20/24 1:00	435	194	103	135	45%	24%	31%
7/20/24 1:10	405	182	109	113	45%	27%	28%
7/20/24 1:20	297	151	69	77	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 1:30	250	130	44	75	52%	18%	30%
7/20/24 1:40	270	129	66	75	48%	24%	28%
7/20/24 1:50	222	94	60	67	42%	27%	30%
7/20/24 2:00	186	99	32	54	53%	17%	29%

7/20/24 2:10	179	78	47	54	44%	26%	30%
7/20/24 2:20	192	98	39	54	51%	20%	28%
7/20/24 2:30	187	75	67	44	40%	36%	24%
7/20/24 2:40	147	68	36	42	46%	24%	29%
7/20/24 2:50	168	80	46	41	48%	27%	24%
7/20/24 3:00	155	68	37	50	44%	24%	32%
7/20/24 3:10	159	80	33	46	50%	21%	29%
7/20/24 3:20	153	75	32	45	49%	21%	29%
7/20/24 3:30	162	80	38	43	49%	23%	27%
7/20/24 3:40	171	78	45	48	46%	26%	28%
7/20/24 3:50	166	83	38	45	50%	23%	27%
7/20/24 4:00	184	86	51	47	47%	28%	26%
7/20/24 4:10	189	88	45	55	47%	24%	29%
7/20/24 4:20	203	92	44	67	45%	22%	33%
7/20/24 4:30	187	93	49	44	50%	26%	24%
7/20/24 4:40	177	89	35	53	50%	20%	30%
7/20/24 4:50	221	111	44	63	50%	20%	29%
7/20/24 5:00	232	105	59	67	45%	25%	29%
7/20/24 5:10	250	120	60	70	48%	24%	28%
7/20/24 5:20	275	137	57	79	50%	21%	29%

7/20/24 5:30	263	137	62	64	52%	24%	24%
7/20/24 5:40	312	158	74	79	51%	24%	25%
7/20/24 5:50	349	185	82	80	53%	23%	23%
7/20/24 6:00	328	154	92	78	47%	28%	24%
7/20/24 6:10	383	186	100	94	49%	26%	25%
7/20/24 6:20	385	211	67	107	55%	17%	28%
7/20/24 6:30	461	229	123	108	50%	27%	23%
7/20/24 6:40	502	261	114	126	52%	23%	25%
7/20/24 6:50	570	268	138	164	47%	24%	29%
7/20/24 7:00	544	255	141	148	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 7:10	615	299	154	160	49%	25%	26%
7/20/24 7:20	589	277	153	158	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 7:30	574	258	151	164	45%	26%	29%
7/20/24 7:40	633	287	154	189	45%	24%	30%
7/20/24 7:50	561	265	140	156	47%	25%	28%
7/20/24 8:00	566	269	126	169	48%	22%	30%
7/20/24 8:10	541	245	134	160	45%	25%	30%
7/20/24 8:20	554	258	129	165	47%	23%	30%
7/20/24 8:30	564	263	148	152	47%	26%	27%
7/20/24 8:40	573	271	140	160	47%	24%	28%

7/20/24 8:50	476	208	114	153	44%	24%	32%
7/20/24 9:00	497	254	97	145	51%	20%	29%
7/20/24 9:10	503	243	118	140	48%	23%	28%
7/20/24 9:20	496	256	125	115	52%	25%	23%
7/20/24 9:30	500	228	130	140	46%	26%	28%
7/20/24 9:40	456	216	120	120	47%	26%	26%
7/20/24 9:50	444	222	109	111	50%	25%	25%
7/20/24 10:00	447	228	103	115	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 10:10	468	247	114	107	53%	24%	23%
7/20/24 10:20	433	194	117	121	45%	27%	28%
7/20/24 10:30	393	182	105	102	46%	27%	26%
7/20/24 10:40	409	200	88	119	49%	22%	29%
7/20/24 10:50	438	245	94	98	56%	21%	22%
7/20/24 11:00	370	193	89	87	52%	24%	24%
7/20/24 11:10	388	224	79	83	58%	20%	21%
7/20/24 11:20	426	244	88	94	57%	21%	22%
7/20/24 11:30	390	201	80	108	52%	21%	28%
7/20/24 11:40	391	208	72	109	53%	18%	28%
7/20/24 11:50	425	222	102	97	52%	24%	23%
7/20/24 12:00	352	202	77	71	57%	22%	20%

7/20/24 12:10	325	159	78	88	49%	24%	27%
7/20/24 12:20	335	180	70	84	54%	21%	25%
7/20/24 12:30	365	181	76	104	50%	21%	28%
7/20/24 12:40	349	178	79	89	51%	23%	26%
7/20/24 12:50	348	184	74	88	53%	21%	25%
7/20/24 13:00	344	201	59	81	58%	17%	24%
7/20/24 13:10	311	172	63	74	55%	20%	24%
7/20/24 13:20	295	152	64	78	52%	22%	26%
7/20/24 13:30	291	147	56	84	51%	19%	29%
7/20/24 13:40	300	150	66	82	50%	22%	27%
7/20/24 13:50	252	132	59	60	52%	23%	24%
7/20/24 14:00	288	148	59	79	51%	20%	27%
7/20/24 14:10	275	149	54	69	54%	20%	25%
7/20/24 14:20	258	153	46	58	59%	18%	22%
7/20/24 14:30	266	149	40	76	56%	15%	29%
7/20/24 14:40	255	129	38	84	51%	15%	33%
7/20/24 14:50	246	134	45	63	54%	18%	26%
7/20/24 15:00	259	151	39	68	58%	15%	26%
7/20/24 15:10	258	149	41	64	58%	16%	25%
7/20/24 15:20	271	151	46	71	56%	17%	26%

7/20/24 15:30	286	168	42	73	59%	15%	26%
7/20/24 15:40	236	140	36	58	59%	15%	25%
7/20/24 15:50	207	136	21	48	66%	10%	23%
7/20/24 16:00	212	122	33	57	58%	16%	27%
7/20/24 16:10	227	140	27	54	62%	12%	24%
7/20/24 16:20	222	117	36	65	53%	16%	29%
7/20/24 16:30	230	131	35	62	57%	15%	27%
7/20/24 16:40	239	132	44	60	55%	18%	25%
7/20/24 16:50	197	104	27	63	53%	14%	32%
7/20/24 17:00	165	95	27	42	58%	16%	25%
7/20/24 17:10	184	111	22	48	60%	12%	26%
7/20/24 17:20	154	88	27	38	57%	18%	25%
7/20/24 17:30	132	83	14	34	63%	11%	26%
7/20/24 17:40	132	72	18	41	55%	14%	31%
7/20/24 17:50	123	70	14	37	57%	11%	30%
7/20/24 18:00	122	76	15	30	62%	12%	25%
7/20/24 18:10	137	78	28	29	57%	20%	21%
7/20/24 18:20	123	74	19	30	60%	15%	24%
7/20/24 18:30	123	66	19	35	54%	15%	28%
7/20/24 18:40	125	66	23	34	53%	18%	27%

7/20/24 18:50	93	59	13	20	63%	14%	22%
7/20/24 19:00	93	60	14	19	65%	15%	20%
7/20/24 19:10	108	60	11	37	56%	10%	34%
7/20/24 19:20	101	63	10	27	62%	10%	27%
7/20/24 19:30	100	59	10	31	59%	10%	31%
7/20/24 19:40	119	66	20	33	55%	17%	28%
7/20/24 19:50	118	61	17	39	52%	14%	33%
7/20/24 20:00	97	60	9	26	62%	9%	27%
7/20/24 20:10	81	49	9	23	60%	11%	28%
7/20/24 20:20	118	76	11	28	64%	9%	24%
7/20/24 20:30	112	60	21	31	54%	19%	28%
7/20/24 20:40	102	61	6	34	60%	6%	33%
7/20/24 20:50	91	50	17	24	55%	19%	26%
7/20/24 21:00	114	62	17	35	54%	15%	31%
7/20/24 21:10	166	100	20	44	60%	12%	27%
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7/20/24 23:30	67	35	5	27	52%	7%	40%
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1. Executive Summary

The ECNBA ran perhaps the most successful election so far in the history of the NBA through hard work, dedication and attention to details. The NBA 2024 election ran on an online Electronic Voting System (EVS) provided by Election Buddy, a Canadian based company. The detailed preparation for the election were thorough and the voting ran without a hitch. The integrity, security and confidentiality of the platform were evidenced throughout the voting process.

First, we monitored the voting patterns and the EVS platform throughout the voting window. We submit that every vote counted and the contestants with the highest votes won.

To set the context, after a competitive bidding competition, we (Digiterhub Solutions & Services Ltd.) were appointed as the Technical Service Consultant (TSC) by the ECNBA for the 2024 Election.

Below is the non-exhaustive summary of the TSC engagement to the ECNBA:

- We cleansed, reviewed and certified as adequate and fit for purpose, the NBA members database, and developed the data into a register of voters ready for use with the EVS.
- Developed the technical requirements and the ECNBA's criteria for engaging the Service Provider that deployed the EVS.
- Supported the ECNBA in developing the requisite RFP for the selection process and subsequent negotiations for the selection of an EVS Service Provider for the election.
- We conducted the Technical Evaluation of the EVS Service Providers RFP prior to technical screening of their platform.
- At the first screening, the following EVS service providers were interviewed (Zoracom Ltd, NOA, Apps Inception, DataComm, Eballot, INITS/Election Buddy, QuoModos, SuchTree Solutions). Every Service Provider was asked similar technical questions around the security, confidentiality and integrity of their EVS. The outcome was that none of the EVS providers had a solution that was ready and tested except Election Buddy. All the service providers, except Election Buddy needed about 10 weeks to fully developed their platform. This was going to be too late for the NBA Election.
- More EVS providers came forward through the second RFP process. At the second screening, the technical interview of Dataflex, CondoVoters, MorgenGreen, Aberdeen Commercial and INITS/Election Buddy took place. Technical questions centered around the cybersecurity of their EVS solution and previous experiences. The conclusion from this exercise including the demo of their products confirmed that only Election Buddy and Condo Voters had a ready-made product for the NBA Election. The other providers required 6 to 8 weeks to get a finished product before testing could commence. Again, this projection was way out of the election timetable.

- Election Buddy was finally selected due to the fact that Condo Voters could not offer both SMS and Email as an out of the box solution to deliver voting links (ballot) to 72,071 eligible voters for the election.

Second, the issued statements by the losing contestants that the votes were manipulated could best be described as unsubstantiated and exhibited a lack of understanding of how a cloud-based Software as a Service(SaaS) EVS platform works. The bizarre request that the platform should be opened up for inspections showed the lack of understanding of the platform's architecture, the implemented information and cybersecurity controls, the contractual clauses, the confidentiality, integrity, availability, and the overall cyber risk profile of a platform that is widely used by other organizations and host their data.

Third, the fact that the losing NBA Presidential candidates alleged manipulation of results without evidence shows the urgent need for the association to embark on training and awareness of contestants, especially those contesting for the NBA Presidency. Without this, the losing candidates in this and future elections may continue to make a mockery of the hard work and dedication the ECNBA puts into the election processes. In addition, the NBA runs the risk of being blacklisted by experts and solutions providers. From the correspondent circulated by one of the losing candidates in which it was alleged manipulation of the result by ECNBA further suggest some level of indictment against service providers that offered no more than a service through a service contract with the ECNBA. The claim by the losing contestants confirmed a lack of understanding of how the EVS works. An understanding of the EVS by the contestants would have been better before making such tenuous allegation.

Lastly, we highly recommend the NBA must fund the creation of an election database for members. We came to this conclusion because the use of the Bar Practicing Fee (BPF) data as an election database has issues of duplicity of email, phone numbers, and in some cases shared SCN by members, that we believe won't go away in future elections. We spent a considerable amount of time sanitizing the BPF data in order to ensure it was fit for purpose (voters list). Our view is, unless the NBA tackles this head-on with a dedicated election database that is updated or synchronized, the issue around voters list will continue. Implementation method could be discussed with the NBA in details. We must stress that this is not something that could be done with a few months to the election.

2. Introduction

The election got off to a good start after months of careful preparation by the ECNBA. The online platform (EVS) for the 2024 was provided by Election Buddy. This report covers the following aspects:

- Election setup and configuration
- Voter authentication and eligibility
- Voting process and experience
- Security measures
- Results accuracy and reporting
- Conclusion
- Recommendations

3. Election Setup and Configuration

3.1 Election Setup

The election for various offices was set up on Election Buddy, which was designed to handle various types of elections securely and efficiently. The setup included:

- Definition of election rules and regulations
- Configuration of ballot design
- Setting the election timeline
- Configuration of voter notifications

3.2 Configuration Review

The election configuration adhered to the NBA bylaws and election guidelines. All necessary configurations, including candidate information and voting options, were accurately set up.

4. Voter Authentication and Eligibility

4.1 Voter List Verification

Considerable time and efforts were put into the cleansing of the BPF data which had numerous issues around duplicates and erroneous email, phone numbers and shared SCN by some members. Upon the conclusion of the cleanup and with the approval of the ECNBA, we (TSC) shared the database of 72,071 members records with INITS/Election Buddy. Similarly, the sanitized database of 72,071 records was published upon approval of the ECNBA as notices were issued for members to check and update their data, if necessary, as part of the voters' verification window. At no time during the election processes that the ECNBA shared the database directly or indirectly with anyone or organization.

4.2 Authentication Process

Eligible members received unique voting link to access the voting platform using their SCN. The authentication process was verified with SCN to ensure that only eligible members could cast their votes, and voting could only be done once.

5. Voting Process and Experience

5.1 Voting Procedure

The voting process was user-friendly, allowing members to cast their votes securely and efficiently. The INITS/Election buddy provided clear instructions and support for all technical issues. Members were sensitized on the voting process by the ECNBA in conjunction with the NBA branches nationwide.

6. Security Measures

6.1 Cybersecurity and Data Protection

The Election Buddy platform implemented robust data protection and cyber security controls, including encryption and secure servers, to ensure the confidentiality and integrity of the voting data. Data Loss Prevention controls and Endpoint security safeguards were in place to secure the EVS.

7. Results Accuracy and Reporting

7.1 Vote Counting

The EVS votes counting process was automated and conducted without any human intervention. The system accurately tallied the votes and provided real-time results. Details could be found in the Election body reports as the service provider.

7.2 Result Verification

The final results were verified against the voting data to ensure accuracy. No discrepancies were found during the verification process by Election buddy.

8. Conclusion

We conclude that the electronic voting process conducted using Election Buddy was confidential, transparent, and in compliance with the NBA's election guidelines. The EVS delivered accurate and reliable election results.

9. Recommendations

Whilst the 2024 election was a success, the following recommendations are made to further enhance future election process:

- a) NBA must fund the creation of an election database for members. We came to this conclusion because the use of the Bar Practicing Fee (BPF) data as an election database has issues of duplicity of email, phone numbers, and in some cases shared SCN by members, that we believe won't go away in future elections.

In our pre-election clean-up of the BPF database (voters list), we discovered, for example, that many members at the time they paid their Bar Practicing Fees in January-March, had the payment done for them by proxy (by their staff, juniors, Assistants, etc). Those proxies in most cases while registering the payment in the name of their lawyer seniors/friends/colleagues being assisted, inserted their own phone number and/or email by default (not necessarily maliciously). Those data entries if not amended remains their contact details to receive voting credentials and such recipients of it may then have access to ballot other than his/her own. That was not an ECNBA issue but that of the voter who had compromised his data from source at the point of entry when paying the BPF, and failed to correct during voter verification window when ECNBA published the voters register.

- b) Compulsory cyber security education and awareness training of all contestants vying for offices on online voting platforms and vote counts process. We found part of the issues with members is the lack of understanding of how online voting system works. This continued to be the source of mistrust and low confidence in election result for members on the losing side. If this is not tackled, it will hurt NBA reputation and erode confidence of service providers in working with the organization on future elections. It may lead to blacklisting of NBA with international service providers.
- c) Considering the misinterpretations that came with the inclusion of non-elective offices or positions that were not up for reelection on the election ballot, we recommend that future ballot excludes those positions.

10. **Sign-Off**

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