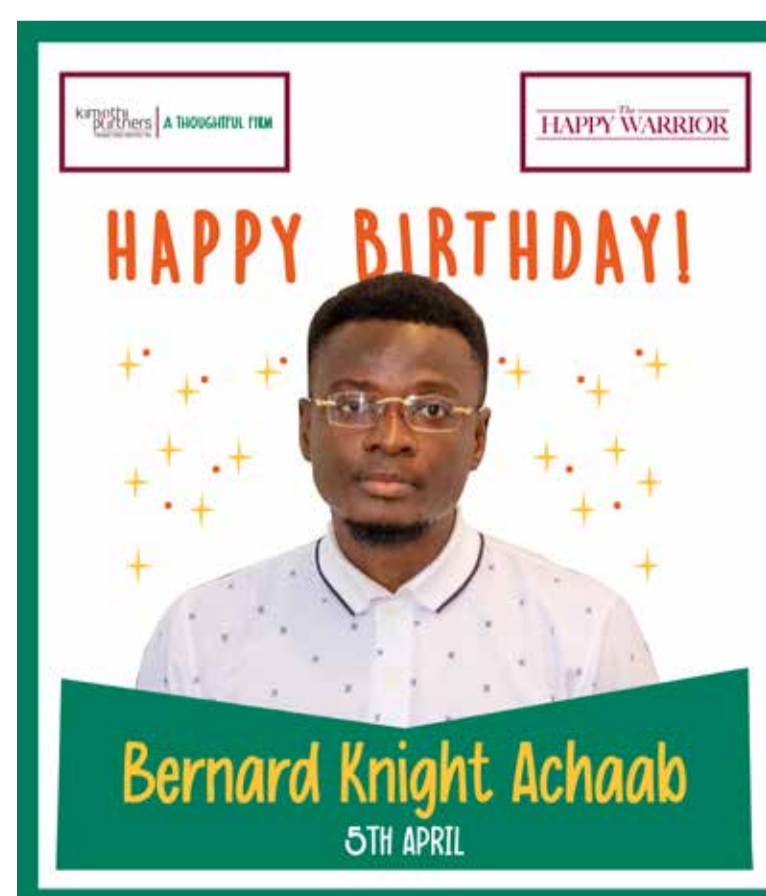
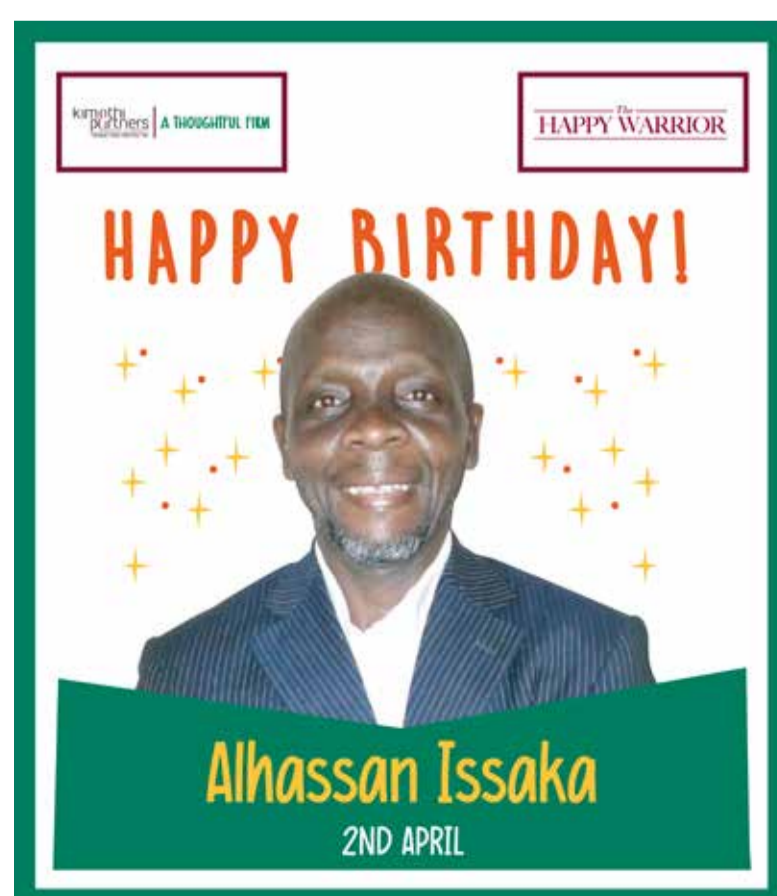


# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



From left to right: Valery, Bridget, Elizabeth Dina, Mrs. Ingrid, Michael & Dodzi

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## 2023/2024 Vice-Chancellor's Academic Awards Ceremony

Held on Thursday, April 3, 2025 | Great Hall, University of Ghana

On Thursday, April 3, 2025, the University of Ghana hosted its 2023/2024 Vice-Chancellor's Academic Awards Ceremony at the Great Hall, celebrating the outstanding academic achievements of students throughout the year. The event, part of the Congregation activities, honoured students who have demonstrated exceptional excellence in their studies.

The ceremony began promptly at 5:00 p.m., with attendees seated by 4:45 p.m. The Vice-Chancellor opened the event by congratulating the awardees for their hard work and dedication, while expressing gratitude to the sponsors whose support made the recognition possible.

A highlight of the evening was the recognition of Dion Akosua Kassim, who claimed six academic awards, including the Emeritus Professor Kwame Gyekye Prize for the Best Student in Jurisprudence. Dion's exceptional performance across several disciplines was met with resounding applause, establishing her as a symbol of academic excellence at the University.

Another emotional moment was the presentation of the Paul Joosten Prize for Best Student in Financial Accounting to Gharte Elizabeth Dina. The award was presented by Mrs. Joosten, widow of the late Mr. Paul Joosten, who travelled from Switzerland to attend the ceremony. Mrs. Joosten shared heartfelt remarks, honouring her late husband's enduring legacy in business education and his long-standing friendship with Kimathi & Partners, which began with the firm's founding. Her presence added a deeply personal touch to the evening.

The awardees for the 2023/2024 academic year were:



Photo of Sponsors of Awards.

1. Emeritus Professor Kwame Gyekye Prize for the Best Student in Jurisprudence Awarded to: Dion Akosua Kassim. Sponsored by: Kimathi & Partners
2. Paul Joosten Prize for Best Student in Financial Accounting Awarded to: Gharte Elizabeth Dina Sponsored by: Kimathi & Partners
3. Kimathi and Partners Prize for Best Graduate Thesis in the Department of Human Resource Management Awarded to: Akpornorvi Michael Kofi Sponsored by: Kimathi & Partners
4. Peace Ama Debrah Prize for Best Graduating Female Student in Human Resource Management Awarded to: Ason Bridget Sponsored by: Kimathi Kuenyehia.



Mrs Ingrid Joosten presenting Award to Michael Kofi Akpornorvi

The awards were presented by Dodzi, Valery, and Dr. Mimi Gyekye, whose participation added a personal touch to the ceremony. Their involvement made the event even more memorable and meaningful for all present.

The University extends its sincere appreciation to Kimathi & Partners for sponsoring the first three awards and to Kimathi Kuenyehia for supporting the Peace Ama Debrah Prize. Their continued commitment to academic excellence

has made a profound impact on the University 'community.

The ceremony concluded with a sense of pride, as the achievements of the awardees highlighted the importance of discipline, dedication, and the support of those who champion the future of education.



Mrs Joosten, Michael and Valery



Valery and Dion Akosua Kassim

# REAFFIRMING JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT:

## Ezekiel Codjoe Analyzes Landmark Judgment in Agbemava v. Attorney General

Case Conference Report – 3rd April 2025

At last week's legal case conference, team members gathered to hear a presentation by Ezekiel Codjoe on the Supreme Court's ruling in Elikplim Agbemava v. Attorney General (Suit No: J1/05/2017), delivered on 22nd May 2024. The analysis positioned the judgment as a pivotal development in the area of judicial review, with particular emphasis on the Court's role in regulating executive power under the 1992 Constitution.

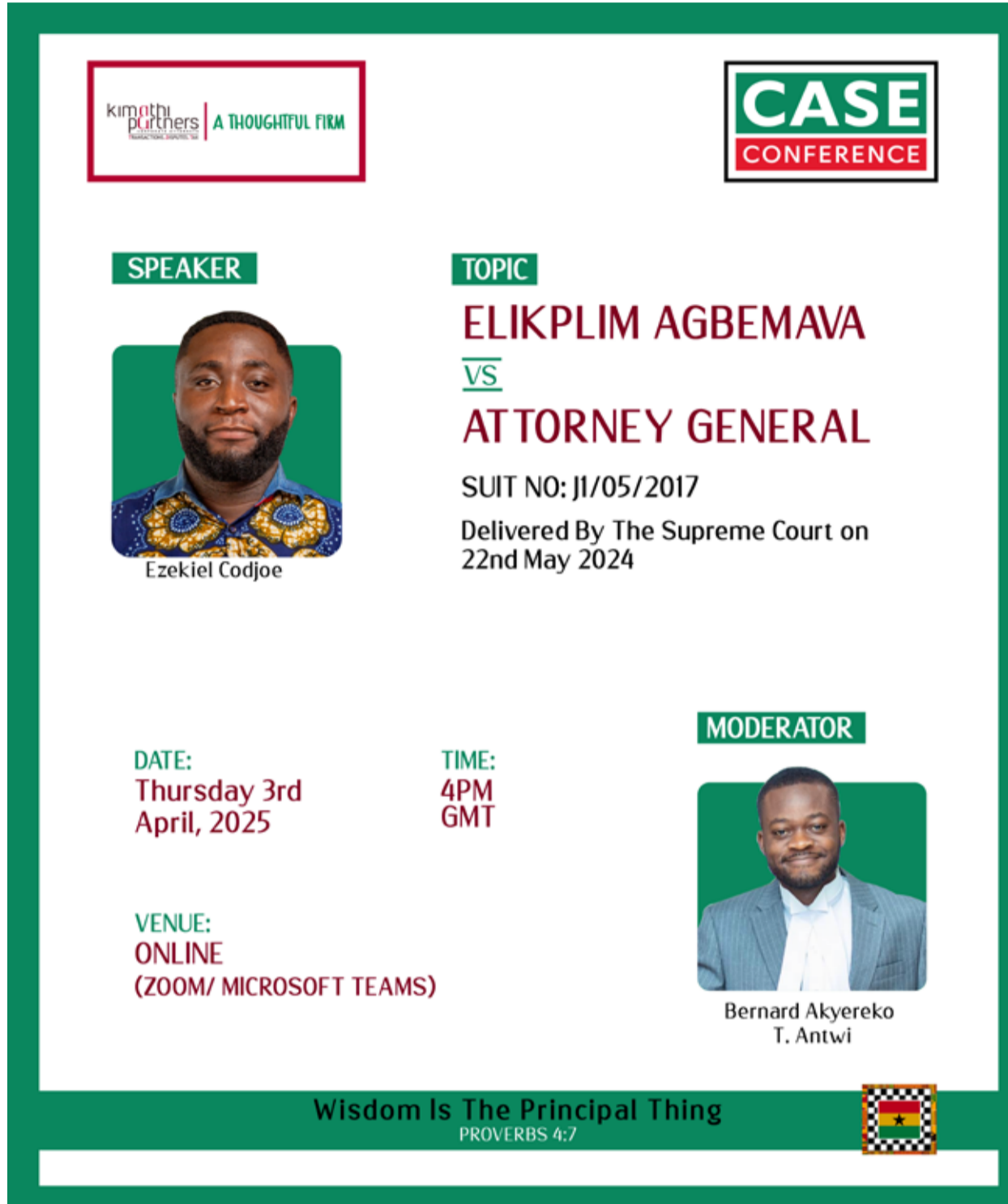
### Case Summary: A Challenge to Executive Power

Although the petition raised matters relating to fundamental rights—such as personal liberty and equality—the primary legal issue concerned the constitutionality of certain actions taken by the executive arm of government. The case centered on whether those actions were subject to judicial scrutiny and whether they breached constitutional standards.

Ezekiel's commentary clarified that the true weight of the case lies not in individual rights enforcement, but in reinforcing the rule that executive discretion must operate within constitutional boundaries and is subject to judicial control.

### The Judiciary's Role Reaffirmed

The Supreme Court's decision serves as a strong affirmation of the judiciary's supervisory role in Ghana's governance framework. It reinforces the idea that no branch of government, including the executive, is beyond the reach of constitutional accountability. The ruling also strengthens the concept of constitutional supremacy as a guiding standard for all state actions.



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- kimathi partners** | A THOUGHTFUL FIRM
- CASE CONFERENCE**
- SPEAKER**: Ezekiel Codjoe (with photo)
- TOPIC**: ELIKPLIM AGBEMAVA VS ATTORNEY GENERAL  
SUIT NO: J1/05/2017  
Delivered By The Supreme Court on 22nd May 2024
- DATE**: Thursday 3rd April, 2025
- TIME**: 4PM GMT
- VENUE**: ONLINE (ZOOM/ MICROSOFT TEAMS)
- MODERATOR**: Bernard Akyereko T. Antwi (with photo)
- Wisdom Is The Principal Thing PROVERBS 4:7

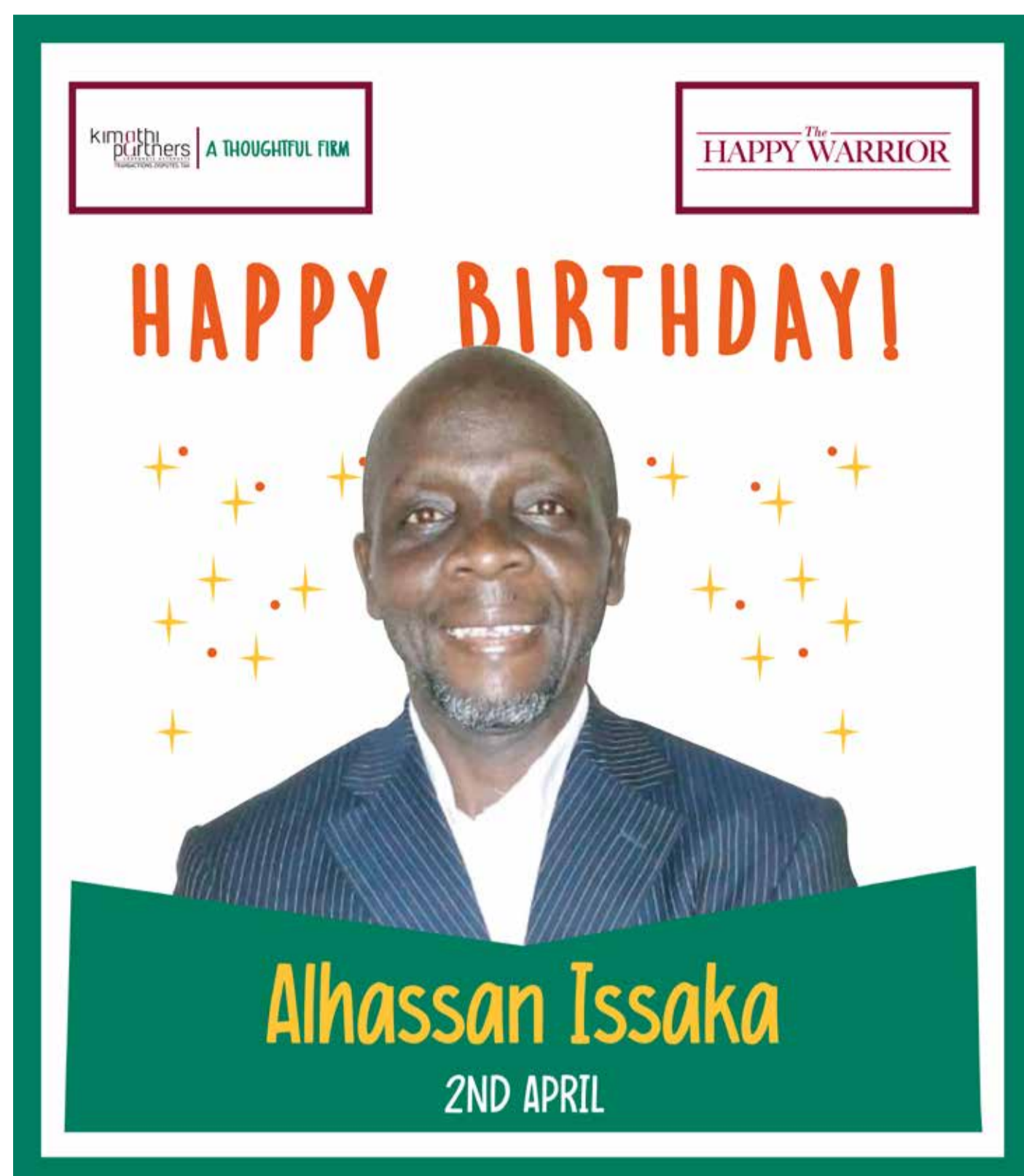
### Implications for Legal Practice

The analysis highlighted several implications for legal professionals and public sector advisors. First, public officeholders are expected to act with greater awareness of their constitutional obligations. Second, legal practitioners must be diligent in evaluating the legal basis of executive decisions, especially where questions of constitutional conformity arise. Lastly, the judgment is likely to be relied upon in future cases involving executive conduct and administrative discretion.

### Final Takeaway

The judgment in Agbemava v. Attorney General is an important contribution to Ghanaian constitutional law. It redefines the boundaries of executive authority and strengthens the role of judicial review as a tool for maintaining constitutional balance. The presentation encouraged continued engagement with the ruling and suggested that it will serve as a reference point in public law litigation and governance advisory work for years to come.

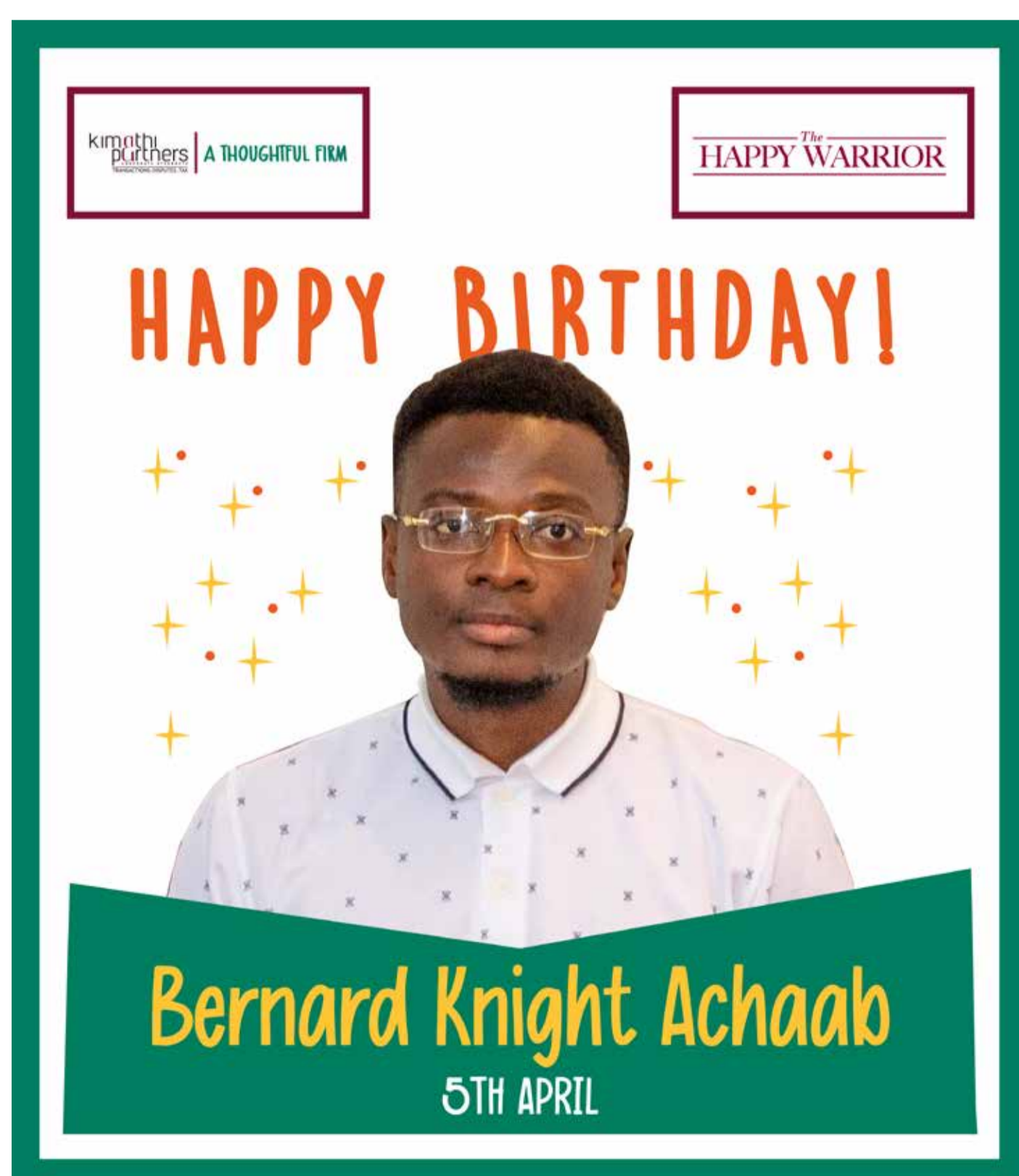
# Kimathi & Partners Celebrated Alhassan Issaka and Bernard Knight's Birthday



Last week, Kimathi & Partners marked the birthday of Alhassan Issaka, who celebrated his special day on April 2nd. Colleagues took the opportunity to appreciate his dedication and contributions to the firm, highlighting his positive spirit and hard work.

The firm extended warm wishes for a year filled with success, good health, and happiness. It was a moment of joy and appreciation for a valued team member.

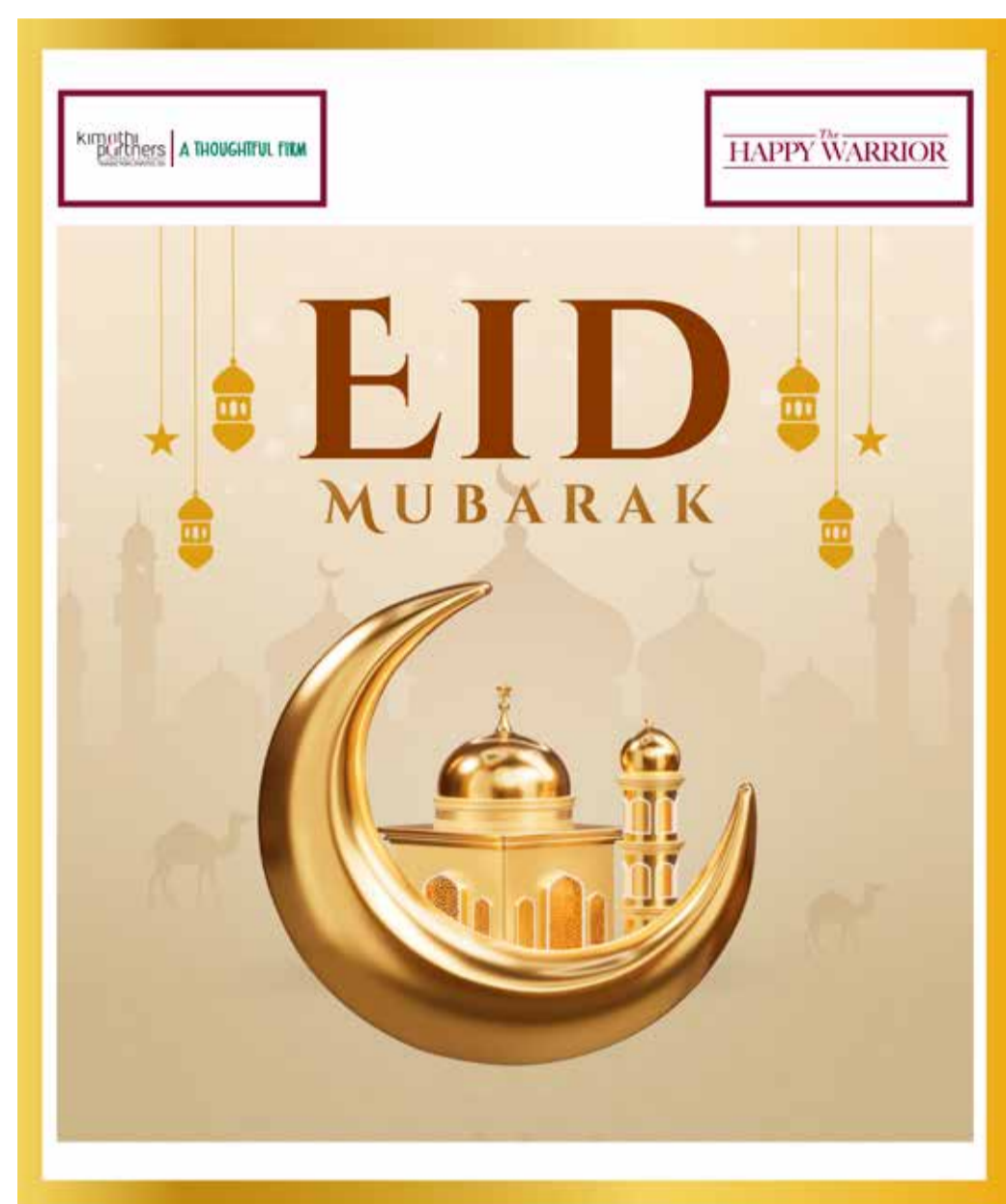
#KimathiAndPartners #TeamCelebration  
#BelatedBirthdayWishes



The team extended warm birthday wishes to Bernard Knight, expressing their hope that his day would be filled with joy, laughter, and memorable moments. They celebrated his continued contributions and wished him another year of success and fulfillment.

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# Kimathi & Partners Extends Warm Eid Mubarak Wishes



Kimathi & Partners has extended heartfelt Eid Mubarak wishes to its Muslim colleagues, clients, and friends, recognizing the significance of this sacred occasion. The firm highlighted Eid as a time of reflection, gratitude, and unity—values that align with its commitment to integrity, inclusivity, and shared prosperity.

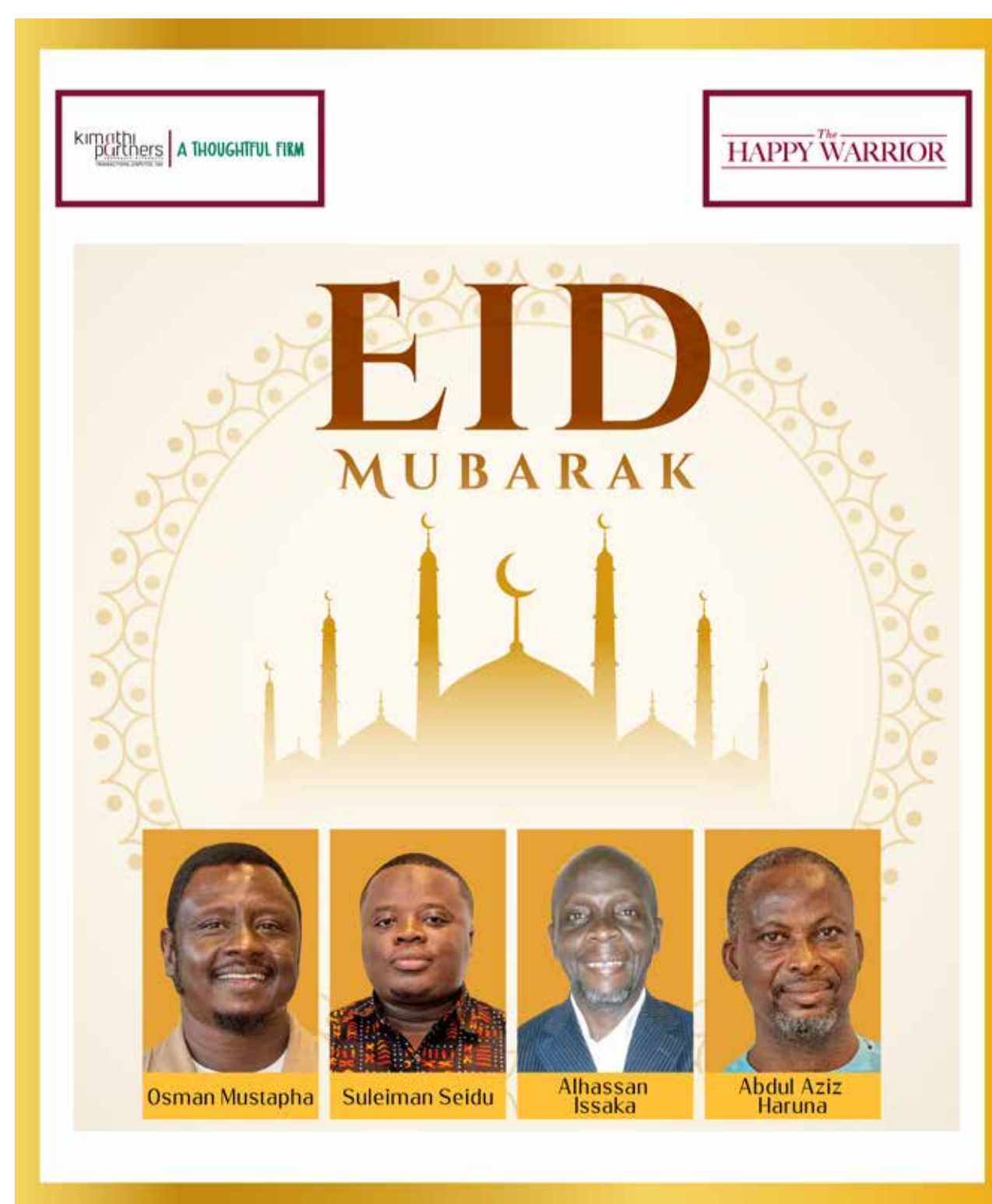
In a statement, the firm emphasized the spirit of perseverance and generosity that defines both the celebration of Eid and the professional ethos upheld within Kimathi & Partners.

Acknowledging the dedication and contributions of its Muslim team members, special recognition was given to Osman Mustapha, Suleiman Seidu, Alhassan Issaka, and Abdul Aziz Haruna for their commitment and hard work.

Kimathi & Partners reaffirmed its dedication to fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace, noting that moments like these serve as a reminder of the strength found in unity, mutual respect, and cultural appreciation. The firm expressed its best wishes to all celebrating, hoping that Eid brings renewed strength, joy, and abundant blessings.

From all of us at Kimathi & Partners—A Thoughtful Firm—Eid Mubarak!

#EidMubarak #KimathiCares #TheHappyWarrior #TogetherInDiversity #PeaceAndBlessings



# Kimathi & Partners Celebrates Ghana Month with a Tribute to Heritage, Culture, and Identity

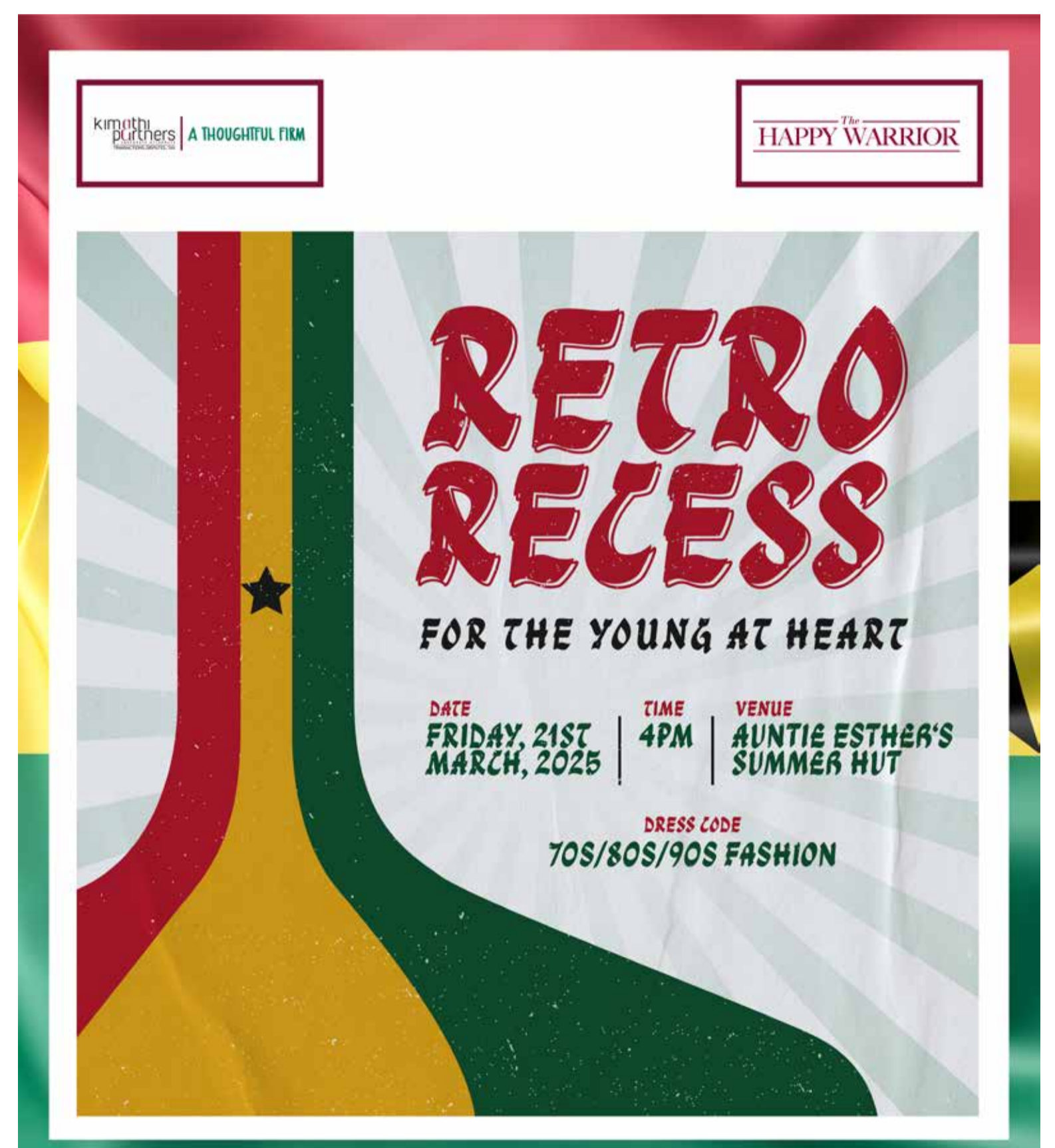
Accra, March 2025 —

In a vibrant celebration of identity and cultural pride, Kimathi & Partners observed Ghana Month and Heritage Month throughout March with a series of themed events aimed at honouring the nation's rich legacy while fostering unity within the firm.

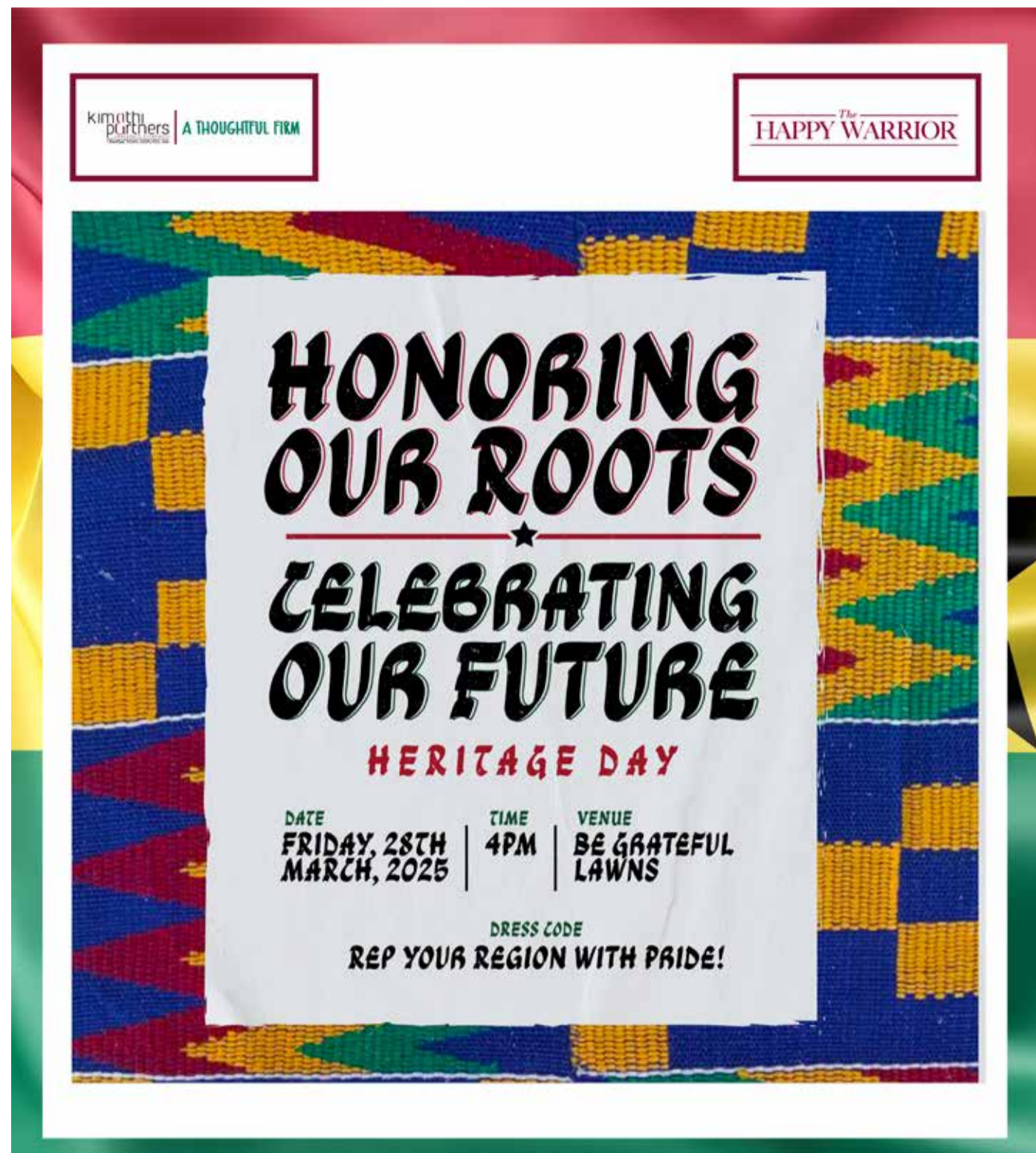
The initiative, which spanned three weeks, featured distinct weekly themes, each spotlighting a unique aspect of Ghanaian history, nostalgia, and tradition.



**Week One: “Legends on the Screen” – Old School Movie Day (14th March)**  
The celebrations commenced with a tribute to the pioneers of Ghanaian cinema. Staff gathered for a nostalgic screening of classic local films, paying homage to legendary actors and filmmakers whose works have shaped the Ghanaian creative landscape. The event sparked lively discussions and collective memories, serving as a cultural refresher and a moment of appreciation for Ghana’s artistic heritage.



**Week Two: “Retro Recess” (21st March)**  
The second week transported employees back in time with a ‘Retro Recess’ experience. The office was awash with vintage fashion and familiar sounds of childhood games. Traditional Ghanaian snacks and school-time treats were served, turning the workplace into a festive playground reminiscent of the 80s and 90s. The atmosphere was both nostalgic and unifying, as staff shared stories from their formative years across different regions of Ghana.



**Week Three: “Heritage Day – Honouring Our Roots, Celebrating Our Future” (28th March)**

Culminating the month-long celebration, Heritage Day was marked by an expressive display of ethnic attire and personal storytelling. Employees proudly showcased their cultural backgrounds, traditions, and aspirations for the future. The day reflected the firm’s commitment to diversity, inclusion, and the enduring value of Ghanaian identity in modern professional spaces.

The Ghana and Heritage Month celebration at Kimathi & Partners not only fostered camaraderie and appreciation for tradition but also reinforced the importance of cultural continuity in shaping forward-looking institutions.

As Ghana celebrates its past and future, so too does Kimathi & Partners — embracing heritage as a cornerstone of excellence and unity.



From left to right:  
Bernard, Pinamang, Elliot, Rockson, Aunty Esther



From left to right:  
Krystelle, Marylove, Mr. Armah, Nancy, Divine

# Kimathi & Partners Sponsors Moot Court at Ghana School of Law SRC Week Seminar

March 27, 2025 – GIMPA Campus, Accra



From left to right: Valery, Doreen Nyaaba, Danso

Kimathi & Partners was proud to sponsor and participate in the Ghana School of Law's 2025 SRC Week Academic Seminar held on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at the GIMPA campus. The seminar was a major highlight of the SRC Week celebrations, which this year focused on the theme "Navigating the Path: Growth, Service and Community within the Legal Profession."

## **Keynote Address: Building a Successful Legal Career**

Valery and Danso were invited as keynote speakers for the seminar. They reframed the discussion to focus on "Essential Skills Required to Build a Successful Legal Career and the Realities of the Practice." Drawing from their extensive experience in the legal field, the duo offered valuable insights into the practical skills required to thrive in the profession, including legal research, client management, and strategic thinking. They also touched on the challenges

new lawyers may face and emphasized the importance of continuous learning, mentorship, and professional growth.

The interactive session saw many law students engaging with the speakers in a dynamic Q&A, asking questions on topics such as career development, navigating ethical dilemmas, and the future of the legal profession.

## **Kimathi & Partners Moot Court**

The seminar was followed by the highly anticipated "Kimathi & Partners Moot Court", a competition designed to give students the opportunity to showcase their advocacy skills. Named in honour of the firm's commitment to nurturing young talent in the legal field, the Moot Court provided a realistic courtroom setting for students to argue cases and refine their litigation techniques.

## Award Ceremony: Celebrating Excellence

In keeping with the firm's support for excellence in legal education, the firm, represented by Dodzi and Enid, presented awards to the winners of the Moot Court competition and individual awardees for their outstanding performances. Our participation highlighted our commitment to legal education and student development.

After a highly competitive session, KNUST Campus emerged as the winning team of the Moot Court competition, while UPSA Campus secured second place. The KNUST team was celebrated for their exceptional arguments, teamwork, and poise under pressure.

## Looking Ahead

The firm continues to support the development of young legal professionals through initiatives like the Moot Court and by providing a platform for valuable insights from experienced practitioners. As the legal landscape evolves, the firm remains committed to fostering a thriving, inclusive community within the legal profession.



Enid with UPSA Law Students

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