

Law, order, freedom, and human right are the fundamental right of every being on earth. Entitlement to fairness and justice is not a privilege that should be enjoyed by few; who by virtue of the financial standing or societal position can afford these luxuries. Instead, it should be available to the common man in the society living even below the poverty level. In a clime where these are considered luxuries, it calls for deep and sober reflection of our basic existential, essence of life, and brotherhood that should exist in a sane society.

I am Abdul Larry, a graduate of law from the Institute of Legal Practice, Mexico. I graduated with a 3.9/4.0 GPA bagging not only the best graduating student of the 2015/2016 grad set but also the Icon of legal practice in my school - the position I held till 2019 where the school produced another graduate who could beat my record in school. Right from my teenage years, I usually had this affinity with legal practices. I drew my motivation from the injustice I witnessed people pass through every day in my community and I see the need to pursue a career in Law. I began expressing myself during my high school days where I was a vocal speaker in the student's court – a program set up by the school to train students who want to pursue a career in law. Being an introvert, the learning curve was very steep. I had issues expressing myself and most times when I do I end up being wooed by the audience. However, after months of practice and even up to a year of doggedness, I became one of the most prolific attorneys in my high school, winning 92% of my cases in the student's court. Having an optimistic future ahead, I had no trouble getting admitted into a school with an acceptance rate of 5% because of my portfolio, SAT/ACT result, high school results, and my juvenile experience in the mock court. During my undergraduate admission screening exercise, I was asked what were my drives in law, the answer even up till this moment lies in the equality of every human before the law and the safeguarding of human rights.

I got admitted into the Institute of Legal Practice, Mexico - the premier law college in Mexico with so much enthusiasm and positivity. I took part in several activities organized by the various student-led organizations on campus. I was the student legal adviser to some organizations on campus, learning from several legal advisers directly via mentorship programs. I was also in the constitution review committee of the student's Union bi-annual constitution review where I made valuable contributions that had a resonating impact on the restructuring of the student's body. Notwithstanding my involvement in students' politics, national and international competition, community service, and voluntary work, I still emerged as the overall best student in my grad set.

My interest in pursuing a master's program in law at Stanford Law School was not birthed recently, I heard about the law school in my first year in the university where I started a mentorship program with one of my mentors who happen to be an alumnus of Stanford. The excellency, brilliance, sportsmanship, and expertise displayed by alumni of the school speak volumes about the caliber of the curriculum and the learning/teaching methodology. My career goal is to be an international legal attorney who is still connected to people at the grassroots. I believe a master's program at Stanford is a ticket to get me to my desired height in legal practice.