

# **MANIFESTO, LUKMAN MAHAMI ADAMS**

## **Candidate for SRC President – Ghana School of Law**

### **“Leadership with Record, Vision with Results”**

The Ghana School of Law stands as one of the most demanding and prestigious professional institutions in the country. Every year, students from diverse academic and professional backgrounds converge at the school with one shared dream: to qualify and contribute meaningfully to the legal profession in Ghana and beyond. However, alongside the prestige of legal education comes immense academic pressure, welfare concerns, administrative challenges, and the constant need for responsive and visionary student leadership.

It is against this backdrop that I, Lukman Mahami Adams, humbly present myself for the office of SRC President of the Ghana School of Law.

My candidacy is not driven by mere ambition or the desire to occupy a title. It is driven by a sincere commitment to service, student welfare, academic excellence, and institutional inclusiveness. Before seeking your mandate at the Ghana School of Law, I had the honour of serving as President of the GIMPA Law Students’ Association. That experience exposed me to the realities of student leadership, the importance of advocacy, the need for diplomacy, and the responsibility that comes with representing students.

Leadership, in my view, is not about making loud promises during campaigns only to disappear after elections. Leadership is about identifying problems, developing practical solutions, and consistently standing with the people one has been elected to serve. This philosophy has shaped my approach to leadership and continues to define my vision for the SRC of the Ghana School of Law.

The Ghana School of Law is unique because it operates across four campuses: Main Campus, UPSA Campus, GIMPA Campus, and Kumasi Campus. Each campus has its own peculiar concerns and challenges.

If elected as SRC President, one of my core priorities will be to strengthen unity and coordination across all campuses. I firmly believe that no campus should feel neglected or marginalized. Leadership must be inclusive and accessible to all students, regardless of location.

I intend to work closely with all elected Vice Presidents from the various campuses, together with other executives, including the Treasurer, Secretary, and Organizing Secretary, to ensure effective coordination and representation. Through regular engagement and collaborative governance, every campus will have a voice and every student will feel represented.

One of the major pillars of my campaign is student welfare. Welfare should never be treated as secondary within student leadership. Students cannot perform academically at their best when their basic welfare concerns are ignored.

This belief inspired the implementation of the **“Water for Life Project,”** an initiative aimed at ensuring access to safe and potable drinking water for students. I am proud that this initiative is already in place even before elections. As SRC President, I will ensure the continuous maintenance of existing water dispensers and improve systems that guarantee students have access to clean drinking water at all times.

At an institution as stressful and academically intensive as the Ghana School of Law, access to water is not merely a convenience but an essential welfare necessity. This policy therefore represents my commitment to practical leadership that addresses real student needs.

Another key initiative under my vision is the expansion of the **“My Law Guide App.”** The success and positive feedback from students regarding the Evidence Law support platform demonstrated clearly that students desire organized and accessible academic resources.

Legal education is demanding, and many students struggle to access reliable academic materials in one place. Some students balance work with studies, while others travel long distances or study under significant pressure. The use of technology can significantly reduce these difficulties.

Under my administration, the **“My Law Guide App”** will be expanded beyond Evidence Law to include all major courses. The platform will provide lecture summaries, past questions, examiner insights, revision materials, and academic support resources in a centralized and accessible format.

This initiative will benefit all categories of students, including post-call students, students outside Accra, and students who require flexible and efficient study support.

Mental health support is another area that requires urgent attention. Law school pressure affects students in different ways. Many students silently deal with stress, anxiety, burnout, and emotional exhaustion. Unfortunately, these issues are often ignored until they begin to affect academic performance and personal wellbeing.

My **“Lukman Cares”** initiative seeks to prioritize the mental wellbeing of students through counselling partnerships, peer support systems, wellness programs, and mental health awareness activities. Students should not feel alone in their struggles. An effective SRC must not only focus on academics but must also create an environment where students feel supported emotionally and psychologically.

In addition to mental health support, I am committed to strengthening academic assistance for students through an Academic Support Scheme. This initiative will provide compiled materials, revision support, past question assistance, and exam survival kits such as highlighters, notes, and other essential academic tools.

This initiative is especially important for students who face financial difficulties or academic challenges. No student should feel disadvantaged simply because they lack access to basic academic resources.

One issue that particularly concerns me is the persistent delay in the release of resit, remarking, and re-tallying results for Part II and post-call students. This challenge has affected many students over the years and continues to create unnecessary hardship.

In many cases, affected students fail to receive their results in time for the October Call to the Bar and are therefore forced to wait until the March call. This delay affects career progression, employment opportunities, finances, and emotional wellbeing.

What makes this issue even more significant is that many of these students, particularly post-call students and final-year students, may not remain on campus long enough to benefit directly from the administration they vote for. Yet leadership must not only serve those who will remain physically present. Leadership must also fight for fairness and justice for every student.

When elected, I will make this issue a major advocacy priority. My administration will engage management respectfully but firmly to advocate for faster processing of results, improved administrative timelines, and more efficient systems that prevent students from being unfairly delayed.

The SRC must become a stronger voice for students in matters that directly affect their futures.

Another important aspect of my vision is the inclusion of post-call students within SRC governance and welfare initiatives. Post-call students form an important part of the Ghana School of Law community, yet many often feel overlooked because they are fewer in number.

I believe every student matters equally.

My administration will intentionally engage post-call students and ensure that their unique concerns receive proper attention. Their perspectives, experiences, and welfare concerns deserve equal recognition within the SRC.

Beyond policies and initiatives, I believe leadership must also be defined by accessibility and accountability. Students deserve leaders who are approachable and willing to listen.

If elected, I will maintain open communication with students across all campuses through regular engagements, feedback systems, and transparent updates regarding SRC activities and advocacy efforts. The office of SRC President should never become distant from the students it exists to serve.

I also believe strongly in respectful but effective advocacy. Student leadership should not be unnecessarily confrontational, but neither should it remain silent in the face of student difficulties. Effective leadership requires diplomacy, courage, negotiation, and consistency.

My experience as President of the GIMPA Law Students' Association has equipped me with the practical understanding necessary to engage management constructively while still defending the interests of students.

As students prepare to decide who should lead the SRC of the Ghana School of Law, I respectfully urge everyone to look beyond speeches and campaign excitement. This election is about choosing leadership that is prepared, experienced, compassionate, and result-oriented.

Many candidates may promise change, welfare, transparency, and inclusiveness. However, students must ask an important question: who has already demonstrated the ability to deliver?

Even before holding office at the Ghana School of Law, I have already contributed to student welfare through practical initiatives including the Water for Life Project, the My Law Guide platform, academic support interventions.

These are not mere campaign promises. They are evidence of commitment.

I firmly believe that the Ghana School of Law deserves leadership that understands students because it has previously served students. Leadership should not begin after elections. Leadership should already be visible through action.

My vision is therefore simple but powerful: to build an SRC that works for every campus, every class, and every category of student.

***An SRC that is united.***

***An SRC that is responsive.***

***An SRC that prioritizes welfare.***

***An SRC that supports academic excellence.***

***An SRC that listens.***

***And above all, an SRC that delivers results.***

I, **Lukman Mahami Adams**, humbly seek your support and mandate to serve as SRC President of the Ghana School of Law.

Together, we can build a stronger, more inclusive, and more effective student leadership for the benefit of all.

**Vote Lukman Mahami Adams. VOTE #4.**

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