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[5th Day of March, 2014]

Commencement.

In exercise of the power conferred upon it by Section 17(c) of the Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria Act 1993 and all other enabling powers in that behalf, the Council hereby makes the following Regulations:

CHAPTER I-SCOPE AND APPLICATION

 (1) With effect from the Commencement Date hereof, these Regulations shall be enforced by the Council, subject in all respects to the provisions of the Act.

Scope and Application.

- (2) Pursuant to these Regulations and the Act and except as otherwise stipulated hereafter, any individual, foreign or local company, organization and institution engaged in the provision of services outlined in these regulations as services constituting the practice of computing and shall register with the Council in accordance with the provisions of Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria Act Cap C22 Laws of the Federation of Nigeria (LFN) 2004. Provided however that the Council may at any time, upon due and prior publication, include other services not mentioned in these Regulations as services constituting the practice of computing.
- (3) Any person, company, institution or organization either local or foreign, engaged in the practice of computing, provision of Information Technology (IT) professional services or provision of services making use of computational machineries, equipment and device or renders any services which Council has designated by the provisions of these Regulations and other Regulations as services constituting practice of computing or professional usage of computational machineries and techniques related thereto anywhere in Nigeria shall register and pay to the Council Annual Subscription Fees in accordance with the guidelines approved by Council.
- (4) Any person, company, institution or organization either local or foreign, engaged in the provision of professional services or renders any services which Council has designated as services constituting practice of computing or professional usage of computational machineries and techniques related thereto without being duly registered with the Council and paying the appropriate annual subscription fees contravenes the provisions of these Regulations and CPN Act and so does his employer.

CHAPTER II—Services Constituting Practice as a Registered Member of Computing Profession

Objectives.

- 2.—(1) The Council of Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria, in accordance with the statutory provisions of Section 17(c) Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria Act Cap. C22 LFN 2004 hereby declare that the services enumerated below are services constituting the practice of computing in Nigeria—
- Server Support Operations—Management and Operation of all Server Environments.
- Service Management—Facilitating control of overall operations through implementation of standard IT processes and policies.
- Information Technology (IT) Asset Management—Support for infrastructure deployed in IT Asset Management with optional features.
- Network Security—Support services such as data networking, network management, network monitoring and voice support.
- IT End-user Services—Support at different levels for centralized customer desk and distributed client support services.
 - Information Technology Consulting Services.
 - 7. Information Technology (IT) Outsourcing.
- Development, Deployment, Integration and maintenance of Enterprise Application solutions (such as ERP, CRM, OSS, BSS, etc).
 - Data Warehousing and Business Intelligence.
 - 10. Information Technology (IT) support service.
 - 11. Webhosting-Dedicated Servers and Shared Hosting.
 - 12. Information Technology (IT) Training and Technology Based Training.
 - Domain Name Registration and User Managed Hosting.
 - 14. Data Center Services implementation, support and management.
 - 15. VolP Platform Provision, Administration and Support.
 - 16. Enterprise Cloud Services.
- Search Engine Platform Provision and Website Optimization (SEO)
 Services.
- Pay-Per-Click (PPC) Management/Online Advertisement Platform provision.

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19. Information Technology (IT) Security Services.

- Online, Mobile and Enterprise Content Management Services, including Telecom/SMS Based Value Added Services (VAS) Provisioning, Implementation and Support.
 - 21. Information Technology (IT) Project Management.
- Information Technology (IT) Systems and Services Design, Development, Testing, Deployment and Integration.
- Software Application development, support and Maintenance for enterprise, internet, mobile, desktop, etc.
- Information Technology (IT) Infrastructure design, Installation and support/management.
 - Internet security, Internet Marketing/Internet Marketing Consultancy.
 - 26. Information Technology (IT) projects implementation.
 - 27. System/Business analysis.
 - 28. Data Recovery and Business Continuity Services.
- Information Technology (IT) Auditing, Digital Forensic Examination, Investigation and related Services.
 - Website Design, Development and Hosting.
 - Network Installation/Support Services.
 - 32. Software Development and Support Services.
 - Computer Based Modeling Services.
 - Computer Based Simulation/Training Services.
 - CAL/CAP Services.
 - 36. Hardware Installation Support Services.
 - 37. Operating System Installation/Support Services.
 - 38. Information Technology (IT) User Supprt/Help Desk Services.
 - Information Technology (IT) Management Consultancy Services.
 - 40. Data Management Consultancy Services.
 - 41. Data and Message Transmitting Services.
 - 42. Original Equipment Manufacturing Services (OEM).
 - 43. Original Design Manufacturer Services (ODM).
 - 44. Hardware Computer Manufacturing and Assembly.
 - 45. Information Technology Platform companies/service providers.
 - 46. Independent Software Vendor (ISV).

- 47. Software Development and Maintenance services.
- 48. Internet Service Provider.
- 49. Systems Integration Services.
- 50. Information Technology (IT) Professional Service.
- Provision of Back End/Back office services.
- 52. Call Center Administration and Management.
- Provision of Information Technology (IT) services on Completely Knocked Down (CKD) assembling plant.
 - 54. Data Centre Administration, Support and Maintenance Services.
 - 55. Application Hosting and Server Colocation Services.
- 56. Information Technology (IT) Components, Equipment and Devices Manufacturing.
- 57. Maintenance of Computer Hardware, Software and Computational Devices.
- Development, design, fabrication and assembling of computer, computational devices and Information Technology (IT) accessories, equipments and products.
 - 59. Information Technology (IT) Value Added Service Providers.
 - 60. Subscriber Identification Module (SIM) manufacturing.
 - 61. Manufacturing of Debt Card/Smart Cards.
- IT Hardware, Software, Equipment and Devices Programming, Manufacturing or Assembly Plants.
 - 61. Establishment and Maintenance of Software houses.
 - 64. Establishment and Maintenance of IT Parks and allied facilities.
- Production, Sales and assemblage of Information Technology products.
- Capacity building, training and capacity development of computed/IT knowledge.
- Creation, distribution and deployment of Information Technology solutions for organizations and businesses.
 - 68. Electronic Payment Transaction Services.
- Manufacturing Assemblage and Programming of Electronic Payment Equipment Systems.
- 70. Design, Development/Manufacturing/Production, Maintenance and/ or Technical Support of Electronic Payment Equipment, Systems, Gateways or Platforms.

- 71. Virtualization and Cloud Services. 72. Distribution/Sales of Computer and Related Information Technology equipment, devices and accessories.
 - 73. Identity Management Services.
 - 74. Graphics and Animation design.

CHAPTER III—OFFENCES

Offences.

- 3.—(1) Any person, foreign or local company, institution and organizations engaged in the provision of services outlined above without registering with Council and obtaining license to so practice has committed an offence and such person shall be subject to the punishment prescribed under Section 22(5) of the CPN Act. .-
 - (a) Any person guilty of an offence under this section is liable:
 - (i) To comply with the provisions of the Act, these Regulations and other Regulations made by Council;
 - (ii) On summary conviction to a fine not exceeding N1,000.00;
 - (iii) An institution or organization found guilty on a summary conviction is liable to a fine not exceeding N5,000.00;
 - (iv) On conviction or indictment an individual will be liable to a fine not exceeding N5,000.00 while an organization or institution will be liable to pay a fine not exceeding N5,000.00 or to an imprisonment term not exceeding 2 years or to both fine and imprisonment term.
 - (b) Where an offence under this section which has been committed by a body corporate is proved to have been committed with the consent or connivance of or to be attributed to any neglect on the part of any Director, Manager, Secretary or any other similar officer of the body corporate or any person purporting to act in any such capacity he, as, well as the body corporate, shall be deemed to have committed that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.
 - 4. Without prejudice to the specific provisions of the Act. Regulations or any license conditions, the Council may, in the exercise of its power to control computing profession in the country; pursuant to these Regulations and the Act, institute civil proceedings in Court against any person or organization for order to conform with the provisions of the Act, these Regulations and other Regulations of the Council and for the grant of remedies that may include but not limited to injunctive relief specific performance or pecuniary awards or damages.

Power to Control.

CHAPTER IV-DEFINITIONS AND SHORT TITLE

Interpretation.

5.—(a) In these Regulations—

"Act" means the Computer Professionals (Registration Council of Nigeria) No. 49 of 1993, CAP C22, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria (LFN) 2004;

"Council" means Computer Professionals (Registration Council of Nigeria) established under Section 1 of the Act;

"Contravention" means, as the context require, non-compliance with or infringement of any of the provisions of the Act Regulations or license; "Court" mean the Federal High Court:

"Computing" means the use of computational machinery and techniques related thereto:

"Fees" includes annual subscriptions fees:

"License" means any license that has been granted by the Council to Computer Practitioners in order to legally practice in Nigeria;

"Licensee" refers to members of the profession that has been granted license to practice computing in the country by the Council;

"Member" means a person or organization registered by the Council in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Regulations made by Council who hold a current valid licence to practice the profession in the country;

"Profession" means the profession of using computerized machinery and other techniques related thereto;

"Regulations' means any regulations or guidelines that have been published by the Council pursuant to the Act.

(b) All definitions in the Act shall have the same meaning and intendments in these Regulations as the Act.

Citation.

These Regulations may be cited as the Services Constituting Practice as a registered member of Computing Profession Regulations 2015.

Made this 5th day of May, 2017.

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