**PERSONAL PROFILE**



**Family name:** Okonta

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**Date of birth:** 2nd December, 1964

**Phone no.:** 08164186241

**Nationality:** Nigeria

**State of origin:** Delta State

**Permanent home address:**  No. 60 Obi-Ugbe Village, Onaje Quarters, Asaba,

Delta State.

**Next of kin:** Mr. Anthony Izuka Okonta

**Contact address of next of kin:** No. 803 Imoke Street, University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

**Phone no. of next of kin:** 08050259490

**Marital status:** Married

**Name of spouse:** Mr. Anthony Izuka Okonta

**Number of children:** Three

**Educational Qualifications:**

1. Ahor Primary School Asaba, Delta State (FSLC) (1976)
2. Olona College (TTC), Onicha-Olona (TC11) (1987)
3. Nsugbe College of Education, Anambra State (NCE) (1995)
4. University of Nigeria, Nsukka (BA) (2002/2003)

**Date of 1st appointment:** 13th November, 2006

**Name of employer:**  University of Nigeria, Nsukka

**Working experience**

1. Etitiamaka Primary School Ubulu-Unor, Delta State (1990 – 1993)
2. Community Primary School Ugwunagbo, Edem Ani, Nsukka (1993 – 1994)
3. Amofia Primary School Eha Amufu, Enugu State (2000 – 2003)
4. Community Primary School, Ugwuagbatu Ikem, Enugu State (2004 – 2006)
5. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Secondary School (Fine Arts Teacher) (2006 – 2016)
6. Centre for Igbo Studies, University of Nigeria, Nsukka (2016 till date)

**Offices held:**

* Senior Curator (2016)
* Principal Curator (2019 till date)

**Job description**

1. Ethnographic research
2. Procurement of Igbo cultural/heritage materials
3. Cataloguing of the procured materials
4. Conservation/preservation of Igbo cultural materials

**Extra-curricular activities:**

1. Traditional dance group organizer
2. Drawing
3. Writing of music
4. Sporting
5. Singing
6. Dancing
7. Bead making

**Referees**

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