

Dr Peter N Njenga, PhD(finance), MBA(strategic Mgt., BCom(accounting), CGA-BC
A brief personal biography

Dr Peter N. Njenga is a Canadian Citizen, married with 3 children and 2 stepchildren. He is currently a professional member of good standing of CGA-BC and CPA (K). Peter also holds PhD (finance) degree, MBA(Strategic Mgt) degree, and BCOM (Accounting) degree. Peter's biography may be viewed to be molded from three different international cultures found in three countries namely Canada, USA, and Kenya. As you read through his biography, it is evident that during his 25 years of his professional career, he has positioned himself as an open minded opinion mover, business initiator, negotiator, academia, and philanthropic. He is known to be truthful in issues and things he believes in, and in board meetings, he has the ability to positively influence critical decisions. He is a strategic grass root operator as well as a key strategist at the top board level.

Kenya: Peter was born in Kenya, a son of his late beloved parents Cyrus and Tabitha, who were poor peasant farmers of Christian faith and who taught Peter how to survive and excel in difficult circumstances. His childhood and early adolescence was marked by hardships in relation to diet and lack of amenities, but this did not deter him from attending and excelling in academics. He obtained first division (honors) in high school education and then progressed to obtain his first degree in Bachelor of Commerce in accounting (honors) at the University of Nairobi. Since he was among the best students at the University, he was selected and employed by an international accounting firm Deloitte (now Deloitte Touché) where he was trained to be a professional Accountant/Auditor; and then became a Certified Public Accountant (Kenya) in 1985. After three years at Deloitte, he was appointed to be the Group Chief Accountant by a group of companies (Umoja Manufacturing Ltd, Umoja beverages Ltd, and Automotive Products Ltd). Within one year, he was promoted to be their Financial Controller. After spending 6 years in employment, Peter decided to open up a professional accounting firm called Nganga & Associates (CPAK). When working as a Partner in this firm, he was personally appointed by United States of America Government, through their USAID agency to audit and attest projects managed by the two big international accounting firms: Deloitte Haskins & Sells (CPA) and Pricewaterhouse (CPA) in Kenya. While still managing his firm, he established another family business called Loise Printers (a printing press) and another business – a 31 bed hotel (Peloy Hotel). In 2007, due to economic considerations in Kenya, he sold his accounting firm and was employed by Haco Industries Ltd as an Internal Auditor mandated to establish a new internal auditing department at a salary that was double his net income from his business. After one year, he was promoted to be Chief Internal Auditor. At this time, he enrolled in an executive MBA degree program at University of Nairobi where he graduated in 2001. While in Kenya, Peter was also doing philanthropic work such as hiring and distributing Christian educational movies, transporting church pastors to various districts of Kenya, and initiated and instrumented a public fundraising event that was attended by the Vice President of Kenya, Government Ministers and local authority leaders that raised enough money to buy a powerful water pump to supply water to a local community at Olepolos/Ololua Location Ngong, Kajiado District, Kenya. He also donated ¼ acre of his estate to a Church, all building blocks required to construct the church, time and money to ensure that church was established. He also has donated another ¼ acre of land to a charity in Kenya. Peter is also a politician because in Kenya, he had attempted to be a Member of Parliament but he did not succeed at that time.

USA: In April 2001, Peter immigrated to the USA to study a PhD degree in Finance at Walden University. He graduated in December 2006. Initially, life was not easy in USA because his first job was in a factory loading trucks with crushed recycled bottle dust; and later he was trained by the American Red Cross to be a Certified Nurse Assistant (few months). But unlike many immigrants, Peter was able to beat the odds by first establishing a consulting business called Peloy Ventures and a UHAUL agency. He later managed to graduate with his PHD while working as an accountant answerable to the President at Amer Industries Ltd (a nucleus manufacturing company). In the USA, he was admitted as an International Affiliate member of AICPA. He was also instrumental and founder of Kiama Inc that was owned by about 20 shareholders in USA. He closed his businesses in the USA when he immigrated to Canada under the Canadian Skilled workers program. Due to his love for being a Canadian, he surrendered his USA green Card in favor of Canada.

CANADA: Under the Canadian Skilled Workers Program, Peter immigrated into Canada in November 2005 accompanied by his two sons (Ronald and Mark). Later, his ex-wife Loise joined him in Canada. They remarried in 2006, but this reunion did not last and in 2009, they separated. Peter recalls this to be the darkest time of his life. He became a Canadian citizen in December 2009. In 2011, he married his current wife Jennifer Kube. When he entered Canada, Canadian experience requirement by employers caught him off guard and his first job was photocopying in a bank. He then temporarily worked as an Accounts Manager in Dean Mason Company (CA) for 6 months; became an instructor at Kwantlen Polytechnic University in BC for 2 years, and at Portage College in Alberta for 1 year. In 2010, Peter resigned from employment and with support of his current wife Jennifer, he established Tobei Community College Inc that was sold in July 2012. In 2012, he opened up Peter Njenga & Associates, CGA (see www.peternjengaassociates.ca) a fully licensed CGA accounting firm that offers auditing, accounting, tax, and consulting services. He is the current owner and president of this business. Peter has also published a few articles that can be produced on request. To propagate his philanthropic destiny, in 2007, Peter established a charity called Dr Njenga Foundation of Sustainable HIV/AIDS Projects (see www.drnjengafoundation.org) that help homeless poor, orphans, mentally challenged, people living with HIV/AIDS infection in Canada and Kenya. Due the charity's good work, CRA recognized it in 2010 and became a Canadian registered Charity. Peter is the current President of this charity that has been distributing winter clothes, warm blankets, and food to homeless poor in Vancouver downtown and Surrey. The Charity has also now constructed an orphanage in Kenya and also distributes food to orphans at their grandparent's homestead in Kenya. Peter believes Charity is charity and therefore he has never accepted any salary or benefit from this Charity.

Politics: Peter has been active in politics issues and he is very well aware of both local and global social-political and economic affairs and he has many key political friends.

