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Qualifications & Memberships

- Bachelor of Commerce, Economics, Business Economics, Wits University, South Africa
- Honours Bachelor of Commerce, Economics, University of South Africa
- Master of Commerce, Forensic Accountancy, North-West University, South Africa
- Affiliate member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners

Danai is a forensic expert with more than 19 years of experience specialising in fraud and misconduct investigations.

Danai has worked on a broad range of engagements including a large-scale money laundering investigation in Namibia for two years, and the investigation of fraudulent and other inappropriate behaviour in the petro chemical industry, which included breaches in the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) in the Netherlands in response to enquiries by the U.S. Department of Justice.

Her investigations have required extensive document examination, analysis of data and financial records, witness interviews and examination of digital communications. Examples of her more recent engagements involve, investigations into anonymous hotline complaints in South Africa for a global pharmaceutical organisation, reporting to the head of its global Corporate Internal Audit department in New York.

Danai has worked across other industry sectors with particular experience in the financial services, insurance, telecommunications and government sectors.

Engagement Experience

Investigations

- Large-scale money laundering investigation in Namibia for two years, the criminal trial of which is yet to take place.
- Managed a work stream of a large scale FCPA global investigation in the petro chemical industry, in the Netherlands.
- Managed several investigations into anonymous hotline complaints in South Africa for a global pharmaceutical organisation, reporting to the head of its corporate internal audit department in New York for over 10 years.
- Numerous investigations into allegations of bribery for the award of tenders for government and state-owned entities in South Africa.
- Investigation into allegations of bribery for the appointment of subcontractors by a global IT service provider to the air transport industry.
- Investigation into allegations of overbilling by an IT subcontractor for the provision of resources for a SAP integration at a global food and beverage company.
- Investigation into allegation of a stock loss by a commodity trader of a global trading company.
- Investigation into allegations of discrimination, insubordination and abuse of IT policy by the head of trading of a global electronic trading company.



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- Investigation into allegations of racial discrimination within a South African branch of a multinational steel manufacturing corporation, headquartered in Luxemburg.

Governance & Risk

- Review of Anti-Money Laundering and Combatting Terror Financing Policies and Training requirements to cater for the FIC Amendment Act 1 of 2017, for a retail bank and loan finance company in South Africa.
- Provision of audit assistance to financial institutions, in terms of the International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 240 and ISA 250 including identifying and assessing the risks of such material misstatement, and/or non-compliance by conducting interviews with Board members and those charges with governance and providing recommendations on particular focus areas for the audit, based on our findings.
- Contract governance reviews in various branches across Africa for a multinational mobile telecommunications company.