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Working with Photoshop files in After Effects



To import your Photoshop file go to the top menu and select *File>Import>File...* and navigate to where your .psd file has been saved.

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Select it, and click the

"Open" button at the bottom right of the window.

In the window that opens, in the **Import Kind:** drop-down menu select *Composition*

and select Editable Layer Styles,

then click the **OK** button



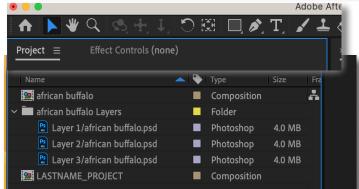
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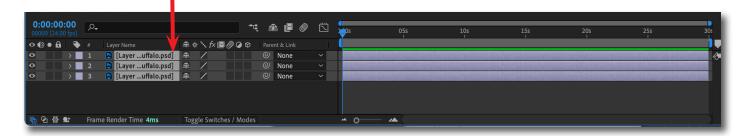
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Locate your layers under the **Project** tab.

They will be in a Layers folder, which you can reveal by twirling the arrow icon to the left of the folder.

Select them, then drag and drop your layers to the timeline





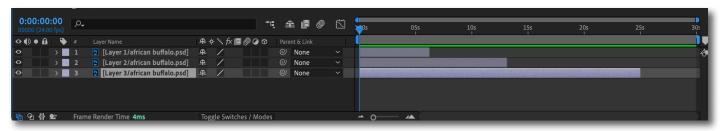
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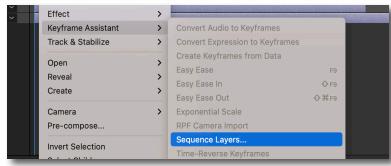
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Adjust each layer to the desired length.

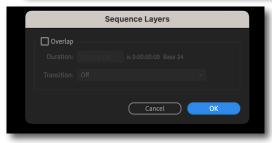


Select all the layers, then Left Click to reveal the selection menu.

Select Keyframe Assistan>Sequence Layers



Select **OK**. Do not overlap.



Your layers will now appear in the timeline as a sequence of still images. If you choose to adjust the length of a layer after finishing these steps, simply repeat the previous two steps, using the Keyframe Assistant to re-sequence your layers.

