IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERALCAPITALTERRITORY IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT NYANYA

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP, HON. JUSTICE U. P. KEKEMEKE

SUIT NO: FCT/HC/NY/PET/04/2020

COURT CLERK: JOSEPH BALAMI ISHAKU

DATE: 17/11/20

BETWEEN:

OREOLUWA OLUWABUKONLA AKOMOLAFE......PETITIONER

AND

OLANREWAJU SAMUEL AKOMOLAFE......RESPONDENT

JUDGMENT

I have carefully read the Petition and the evidence of the Petitioner. The Respondent did not file an answer. The marriage was celebrated on the 6/04/17. Exhibit A is the certificate of marriage. The evidence is that the Respondent abandoned the Petitioner and the marriage a week after the marriage. That he traveled to the UK

soonafter the marriage and has not returned since then. The Respondent also abandoned given her monthly allowances at some point.

Learned Counsel canvasses that the Petitioner has proved Section 15(a) & (e) of the Matrimonial Causes Act to the effect that the Respondent has wilfully and persistently refused to consummate the marriage and that the parties to the marriage have lived apart for a continuous period of at least two years immediately preceding the presentation of the Petition and the Respondent does not object to a decree being granted.

The marriage was contracted on 6/04/17. The Respondent abandoned the Petitioner a week after marriage. This Petition was filed on 24/06/20. It is more than 3 years. I am satisfied that the Petitioner has proved Section 15 (a) &(e) of

the Matrimonial Cause Act. The Respondent does not object to the Decree been granted.

Consequently I hold that the marriage between the Petitioner OREOLUWA OLUWABUKONLA AKOMOLOFE and Respondent OLANREWAJU SAMUEL AKOMOLAFE has broken down irretrievably.

Therefore an Order of Decree Nisi is hereby issued dissolving the marriage between the Petitioner and the Respondent.

The Order Nisi herein granted shall become absolute after three months.

HON. JUSTICE U.P. KEKEMEKE (HON. JUDGE)
17/11/20