

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY
IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT MAITAMA AS (VACATION COURT) ABUJA

CLERK: CHARITY ONUZULIKE
COURT NO. 10

SUIT NO: FCT/HC/CR/320/2022
DATE: 3/8/22

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA..... COMPLAINANT

AND

WALIYU LAWAL (aka SARAH GRACE).....DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT
(DELIVERED BY HON. JUSTICE S. B. BELGORE)

Defendant is in Court and speaks English

O. O. Adeola with S. M. Dabak for Prosecution

Agbo J. Pius with Oke Ekro for the Defendant

Prosecution: It is for arraignment of the Defendant.

CHARGE

Court: The charge has been read and fully explained to the Defendant in English language.

Court: Do you understand?

Defendant: Yes, I do

Court: Are you guilty or not guilty?

Defendant: Guilty

Court: The Defendant having fully understood the offence as charged and as explained to him by this court pleaded guilty to same. He is therefore convicted accordingly under **Section 321 of Penal Code.**

Prosecution: The prosecution has filed a plea bargain agreement duly subscribed to by the prosecution, the Defendant and the Investigating Police Officer. I urge the Court to consider same in passing its sentence.

Defendant's Counsel: That is the position. I urge the Court to tamper justice with mercy. The convict is a first term offender; he is a student of Federal Polytechnic, Lafia and has learnt his lesson.

Sentence: I have perused the content of the plea bargain agreement as filed by the prosecution. It is subscribed to by the prosecution, the Investigating Police Officer and the Defendant and his Counsel.

I have also listened to the plea of Agbo Pius in mitigating of sentence. He said the convict is a first offender and a student of Federal Polytechnic, Lafia. These facts were not disputed by the prosecution.

It is for all the above reasons that I sentence the convict to a fine of **N500,000** (Five Hundred Thousand Naira) only or one year in default of payment of fine.

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Suleiman Belgore
(Judge) 3/8/22