

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY

IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT GWAGWALADA- ABUJA

THIS TUESDAY THE 2ND DAY OF JULY, 2024

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE ALIYU YUNUSA SHAFI

SUIT NO: FCT/HC/CR/64/2024

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA..... COMPLAINANT

AND

ANTHONY CHIMA OGUAZA..... DEFENDANT

(AKA MICHAEL EDWIN)

COURT: this matter is for arraignment and the defendant present in court defence section 321 of the Penal code.

Appearance: O.S. Ujam for the prosecution EFCC

Defendant: O. Okeke for the defendant.

Prosecution the matter is for arraignment

Before the court is a one count charge dated the 8-05-2024 filed on the 21-0502024. Apply that the charge be read to the defendant in order for him to take it's plea.

Defendant we have no objection to the arraignment.

Court: the one count charge was read and explained to the defendant. The defendant is called upon to answer to the one count charge of impersonation.

Court: defendant are you guilty or not guilty

Defendant: I am guilty.

Prosecution: in view of the plea of guilty of the defendant we urge this court to convict the defendant in reliance with the plea bargain agreement dated the 10-5-2024 filed on the 21/5/2024 duly signed by all parties.

Conviction:

I am satisfied that the defendant having understood the content of the one count charge read and explained to him and admitted same knowing fully well the consequences of his admission. I shall accept the guilty plea made by the defendant and convict the defendant for the offence punishable under section 324 of the penal code law triable by this court.

ALLOCUTUS:

I have repented and promise not to go back to crime and have been counselled by my Reverend Father and have repented and have restituted everything I got from the crime, and plead for a new leave so that I can go back to camp that I was learning before I go back to the crime.

That he was influenced by friends in the compound he was staying in Ushafa Village Abuja.

Defence: it is obvious that the defendant accepted and got convicted. The convict is a first time offender based on the information made by the convict to the court. The convict is a Youngman who has a brighter part of his life and promise taken that he will not go back to the crime again.

Prosecution: do you have any record of previous sentence or conviction against the defendant.

Prosecution: we don't have any record of conviction.

Sentence: in view of the above the convict is hereby sentenced to three Hundred Thousand Naira (300,000) fine and the items recovered i.e. iPhone 12 Pro

Samsung, Galaxy note 10 pro , redmi note 11 pro HP Laptop, Black Mercedes Benz GLK are all confiscated and restituted to FGN.

These then are to be sold and the proceeds paid to the victim through the EFCC.

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Hon. Justice A. Y. Shafa

FINE PAID: THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND NAIRA N300, 000

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