

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF KOGI STATE
IN THE KOGI STATE JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT LOKOJA

CASE NO: Hch/112^S/2023

BETWEEN:

THE STATE **COMPLAINANT**
AND
SAM RANTI ABENEMI **DEFENDANT**

At the session holding at the High Court of Justice of Kogi State sitting at Lokoja on the day of....., 2023, the Court is informed by the Attorney-General of Kogi State on behalf of Kogi State that **SAM RANTI ABENEMI** is charged with the following offences:

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE - FIRST COUNT

Perjury contrary to Section 158 (2) of the Kogi State Penal Code Law, 2019.

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

SAM RANTI ABENEMI, on or about the 24th day of May, 2023 at the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) office, Lokoja, Kogi State, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, gave false information on oath in your form EC 9 - (SUBSTITUTE), Affidavit in support of Particulars for the 11th November Kogi State Governorship Election to wit: that you obtained GCE Ordinary Level result with Number: 14709101 in December, 1979 and attached the said forged General Certificate of Education (GCE) Ordinary Level Certificate (result) to your form and submitted same to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), which information you either knew or believed to be false, or did not believe to be true, and you thereby committed an offence punishable under subsection (2) of Section 158 of the Penal Code.

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STATEMENT OF OFFENCE - SECOND COUNT

False Declaration contrary to Section 164 of the Kogi State Penal Code Law, 2019.

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

SAM RANTI ABENEMI, on or about the 24th day of May, 2023 at the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) office, Lokoja, Kogi State, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, made a false declaration to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), in your form EC 9 - (SUBSTITUTE), Affidavit in support of Particulars for the 11th November Kogi State Governorship Election, touching a point material to the object for which the declaration was made to wit: that you obtained GCE Ordinary Level result with Number: 14709101 in December, 1979 which information you either knew or believed to be false, or did not believe to be true, and you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 158(2) of the Penal Code.

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE - THIRD COUNT

Use of False Document contrary to Section 366 of the Kogi State Penal Code Law, 2019.

PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

SAM RANTI ABENEMI, on or about the 24th day of May, 2023 at the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) office, Lokoja, Kogi State, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, dishonestly used as genuine a certain document to wit: December, 1979 GCE Ordinary Level result with Number: 14709101 and attached same to your form EC 9 - (SUBSTITUTE), Affidavit in support of Particulars and submitted same to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) for the 11th November Kogi State Governorship Election, and, which document you either knew or had reasons to believe to be forged, and you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 364 of the Penal Code.

STATEMENT OF OFFENCE - FOURTH COUNT

Possession of Forged Record contrary to Section 368 of the Kogi State Penal Code Law, 2019.


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PARTICULARS OF OFFENCE

SAM RANTI ABENEMI, on or about the 24th day of May, 2023, in Lokoja, Kogi State, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, had in your possession a forged December, 1979 GCE Ordinary Level result with Number: 14709101, knowing the same to be forged and intending that the same shall dishonestly or fraudulently be used as genuine by attaching same to your form EC 9 - (SUBSTITUTE); Affidavit in support of Particulars and submitting same to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) for the 11th November Kogi State Governorship Election and you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 368 of the Penal Code.

Dated this 5th Day of October, 2023.




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LIST OF PROSECUTION'S WITNESSES

TAKE NOTICE that the prosecution intends to call at the trial of the defendant, the following witnesses whose names and addresses are as follows:

1. **Shaibu O. Abdullahi** – Office of the Vice Chairman, Kogi Senatorial District, Social Democratic Party Office, No. 1 SJ Anakobe Street, Karaworo, Kogi State.
2. **Babajide S. T.** – WAEC Office, Hassan Usman Katsina Road, Zone 8, Lokoja Kogi State.
3. **B. C. Brown and Team,** - Serving members of the Department of State Services, Lokoja, Kogi State.

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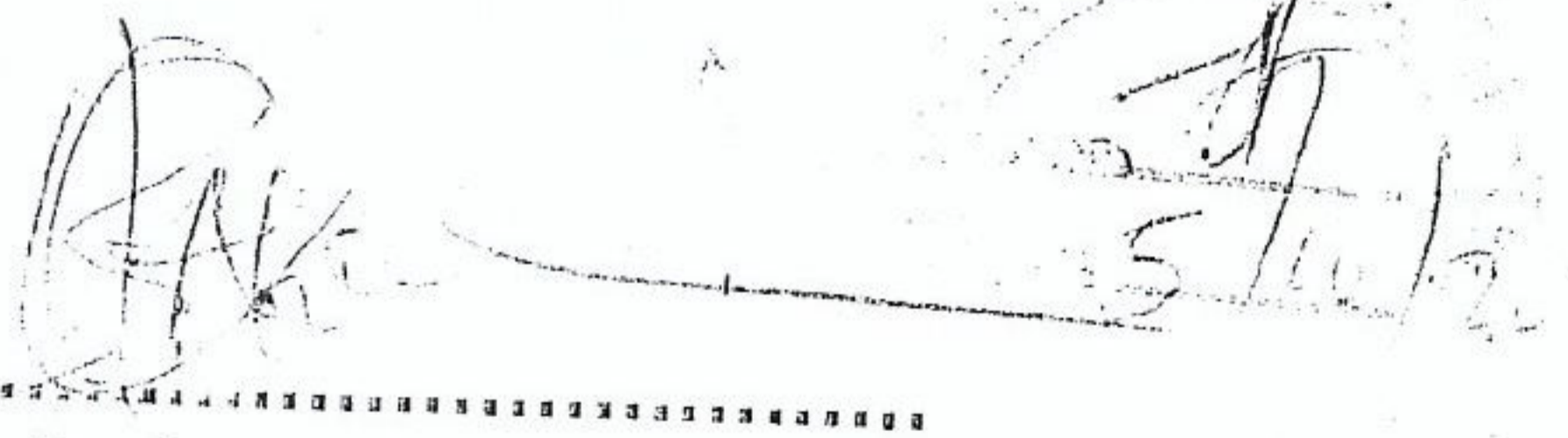
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LIST OF EXHIBITS

TAKE NOTICE that the prosecution shall at the trial of the Defendants place reliance on the exhibits listed below:

1. Letter dated 5th July, 2023 titled: Submission of suspected forged General Certificate of Education (GCE), Ordinary Level DEC. 1979 by Abenemi Sam Ranti, The Deputy Governorship Candidate of the Social Democratic Party in the Scheduled Kogi State Governorship Election: Appeal for investigation and Prosecution
2. Verification of Educational Record: Ranti Samuel Abenemi, dated 10th July, 2023.
3. Re-verification of Results, dated 10th July, 2023.

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PRECIS OF EVIDENCE

TAKE NOTICE that the prosecution intends to call the following witnesses whose summary of evidence is as follows:

1. **Shaibu O. Abdullahi:** He is the Nominal Complainant in this case and the Executive Vice Chairman of Kogi Central Senatorial District of Social Democratic Party (SDP). He would testify in Court about his Complaint to the Director, DSS concerning the submission of suspected forged result by his party's vice Governorship candidate.
2. **Babajide S. T.:** He is the Branch Controller of the West African Examinations Council, Lokoja, Kogi State. He would testify in Court about the application his office received for the verification of the Defendant's Result. He will further state the role he played in verifying same and tender documents.
3. **B. C. Brown and Team:** All of the Department of State Services, Lokoja, Kogi State: They will state the role they played in the investigation of this case and tender Statements and exhibits.

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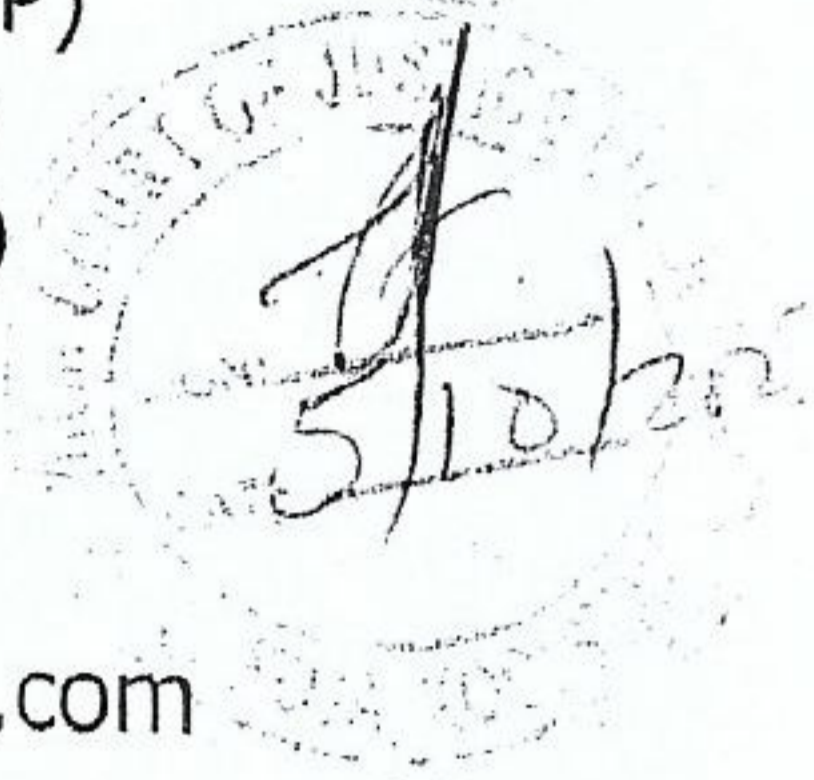
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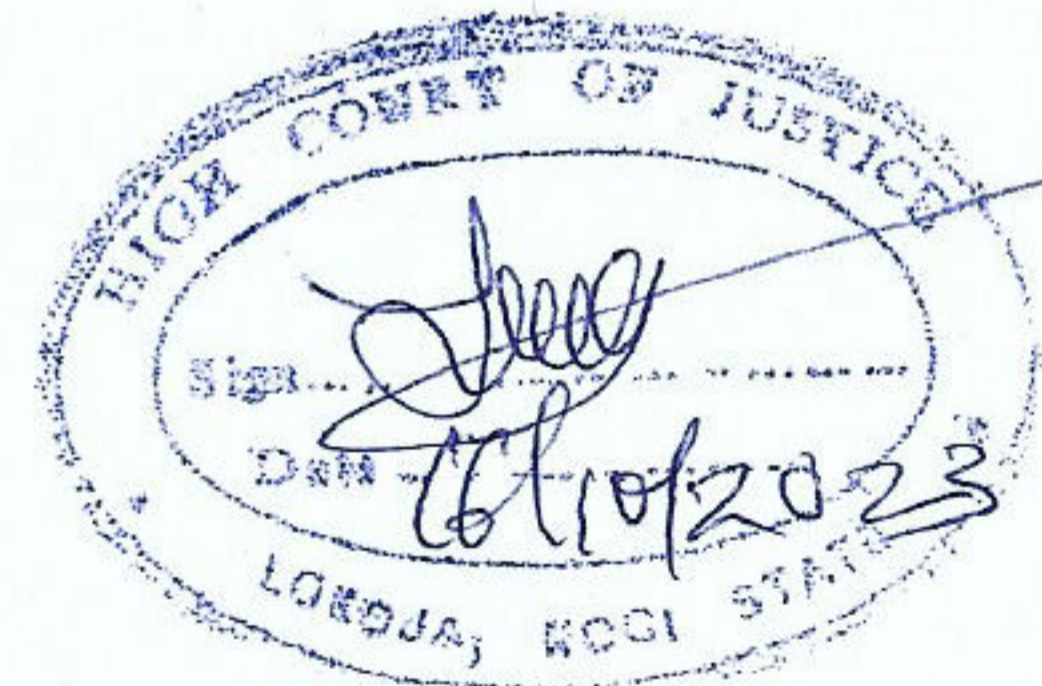
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