

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF LAGOS STATE**  
**HOLDEN AT LAGOS JUDICIAL DIVISION**  
**SITTING AT COURT NO. 13 SPECIAL OFFENCES COURT**  
**BEFORE THE HON. JUSTICE M.A. DADA (MRS.) – JUDGE**  
**TODAY THURSDAY THE 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2018.**

SUIT NO: ID/6241C/17

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ..... COMPLAINANT/RESPONDENT

AND

OKOLONTA CHUKWUDI FELIX ..... DEFENDANT/APPLICANT

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**JUDGMENT**

The Defendant was arraigned on a 1 Count Amended Information dated 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 for the Offence of Possession of a document containing false pretence contrary to **Section 320 of the Criminal Laws of Lagos State, No.11, 2015** to which he pleaded guilty pursuant to a Plea Bargain Agreement dated 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 and filed on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2018. By the Review of the facts of the Case of same date the Prosecution states that it received a Petition on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 that there were some “Internet fraudsters” at different apartments located at different apartments located at No.9, Ifeanyi Anyachukwu Street, Off Chijoke Akwukwurma Steet, Bakare Estate/Chevy view Estate, Chevron, Lekki, Lagos who were suspectedly living far beyond their means of livelihood.

The Case was assigned to Team C, Cyber Crime Section of the Commission for investigation. On 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 the Defendant herein was arrested by the operatives of Economic And Financial Crime.

During the arrest, several items were confiscated one of which is a HP Macbook Air Laptop with Model Number: A1465 belonging to the Defendant. The Laptop was analysed and scam documents which the Defendant duly acknowledged ownership were printed from it.



During the interview, the Defendant claimed the ownership of the said Laptop. He also confessed that his E-mail addresses are hickskeelah@gmail.com, busymooreanthony@gmail.com and officialonika04@mail.com all of which have the same password, Crimson55. On 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2018, in the presence of the Defendant, several documents containing false pretence were printed from the said E-mail from his HP Laptop through printer (HP Laser Jet Professional P1102w) attached to the Cybercrime Laboratory of the Commission.

Among the said documents is a document titled "EMD RECEIPT CONFIRMATION" which contains a false pretence that same was a receipt of \$100,000USD received from Jason B. Gonzalez and Sara H Gonzalez by Blue Title LLC, a company in Florida, USA.

The Defendant was interviewed on this and the other documents. He responded in writing. He volunteered a statement after words of caution was administered to him by the operatives of the Commission. He admitted the documents to have contained false pretence and that the documents have been used in his fraudulent activities on internet.

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Investigation therefore reveals that he used this document to represent himself as an official of Blue title LLC, a company in Florida, USA issuing receipt to his unsuspected (sic)victims.

The Prosecution tendered from the Bar the Petition dated August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, the Defendant's 3 extra-judicial statements dated 30/09/2017, 05/10/2017 and 11/10/2017 with the Admission of Confessional Statement Form dated 12/10/2017 together with a copy of the document printed from the Defendant's e-mail attached with the Prosecution's Certificate of Identification which are **Exhibits 1-7 respectively**.

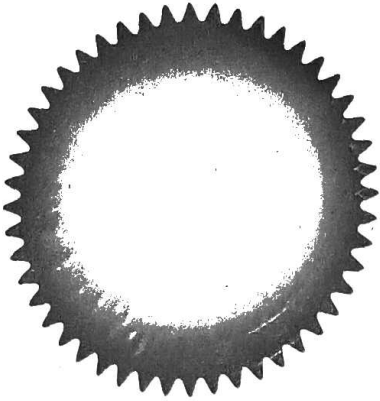
Following conclusive investigation, a 3 Count Charge of Possession of Document containing False Pretence contrary to **Section 6, 8(b) & 1(3) of the Advance Fee Fraud and other Related Offences Act, 2006** was filed against the Defendant before this Court. However, the Defendant by his letter dated 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 approached the Prosecution for a plea bargain agreement. This necessitated the amendment of the Information and the Plea Bargain Agreement the Prosecution tendered.

Consequently, the Defendant having pleaded guilty to the one count charge on the Amended Information, is hereby convicted as Charged.



The Sentence Agreement that the term of one year imprisonment be imposed to take effect concurrently from the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 being the date the Defendant was first arraigned and remanded in prison custody is hereby adopted as the Judgment of this Court.

This is the Judgment of the Court.



*M.A. Dada*

HON. JUSTICE M.A.DADA  
JUDGE  
(19/04/18)

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Defendant Present

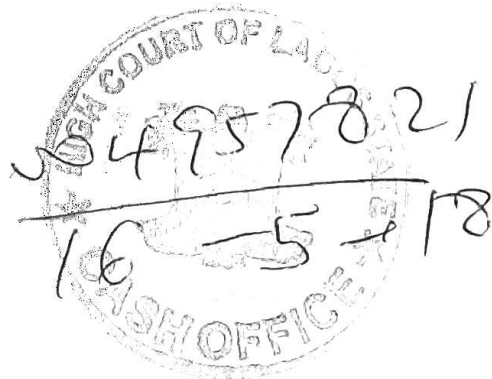
A.A. Adebayo for the Prosecution.

Osahon Ukponahusi with M.K.O. Audu for the Defendant.

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Commissioner For Oaths  
High Court Of Lagos, Ikeja



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