

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF ENUGU STATE OF NIGERIA  
IN THE ENUGU JUDICIAL DIVISION  
HOLDEN AT ENUGU  
BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP HON. JUSTICE A. A. NWOBODO  
ON MONDAY THE 18TH DAY OF MARCH, 2019.  
BETWEEN: SUIT NO. E/81C/2019**

**FRN  
VS  
MYKE ARISA ONYIKE**

Parties: Defendant in court.

Appearances: Anaso Henry O. PDS EFCC for prosecution.

K. O. Opara for defence.

Charge is read and explained to the defendant to the satisfaction of the court.

The defendant has pleaded guilty to the charge.

Following the plea of guilty by the defendant, the prosecution calls his witness to review the fact of the case.

PW1 affirms to tell the truth and states in English language as follows:

My name is Usman Saheed Abawa. I am a staff of EFCC. I am attached to the capital market and Insurance Fraud Section. My schedule of duties includes investigation of cases assigned to me by my superiors and any other duty which may be assigned to me within the ambit of the law.

I know the defendant.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of February, 2019, the defendant Myke Arisa (Aka Alexander Okoro) and one Sunday Ikoro Kalu approached our office with a view of securing one of suspects in custody by the name Ndidi Kalu. The defendant presented himself as Alexander Okoro a staff of ministry of Agriculture Umuahia, Abia State, and that he is an Assistant Director in the ministry. He made application for the bail and attached his letter of appointment, letter of promotion to the rank of Assistant Director, and a copy of I.D Card all bearing Alexander Ebia Okoro.

We decided to verify his identity by conducting a B.V.N search using one of his phone numbers on the B.V.N, portal.



His pictures appeared with the name Mike Arisa Onyike. When we confronted him with the print out from the B.V.N portal he admitted that his name is Myke Arisa Onyike and not Alexander Ebia Okoro. And that he is not a staff of Ministry of Agriculture Umuahia, Abia State.

He further said that he is using the document for the purpose of securing bail for people.

When we asked the suspect he came to bail, she told us that she paid the sum of N50, 000= for him to bail her.

We searched his pocket and found the sum of N15, 000= which he said is part of his share of the sum of N30, 000= paid by the suspect on that day, which he shared with his friend.

His friend's name is Sunday Ikoro Kalu with whom he is in business together. The money is still in our custody. We obtained his statement and he was detained. We continued our investigation by writing a letter of investigation to the ministry of Agriculture Umuahia, Abia State. Attached to our letter were the letters of appointment and promotion of the defendant.

Ministry of Agriculture Umuahia responded and confirmed that Alexander Ebia Okoro is not their staff and the attached documents did not emanate from them.

One Opara Christopher who signed the letter also made a statement .we concluded our report and forwarded same to our legal unit.

These are the documents I mentioned in the court of my evidence. They are tendered in evidence as Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H respectively.

**Court:** Following the plea of guilt entered by the defendant the review of the facts of the case by the prosecution witness.

The defendant is hereby found guilty as charged.

Prosecution counsel says the defendant applied for a plea bargain which led to the plea bargain agreement dated 5/3/19.

He has urged the court to consider the plea bargain.

Mr. Opara says the defendant is a first time offender and has been in E.F.C.C custody since his arrest. He appeals to the court to be merciful to the defendant and sentence the defendant in accordance with the plea bargain agreement.

Court: Pursuant to the plea Bargain agreement between the prosecution and the defendant dated 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 and filed before this court, the defendant is hereby sentenced to 28 days imprisonment with hard labour with effect from the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

Signed  
**A. A. Nwobodo**  
Judge