

**IN THE FEDERAL HIGH COURT OF NIGERIA
IN THE ASABA JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT ASABA
ON WEDNESDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2021
BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP, THE HON. JUSTICE F. A. OLUBANJO
JUDGE**

CHARGE NO: FHC/ASB/28C/21

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA COMPLAINANT

AND

JONATHAN QUEEN DEFENDANT

Defendant in court

K.Y Bello for the Prosecution

I.B Igbuan for the Defendant

PROSECUTING COUNSEL: This matter was adjourned till today for tendering of the statement of account. We have it with us My Lord.

[Statement of account shown to the court]

COURT:

On 1st November, 2021, the defendant pleaded guilty to the essential element of the amended charge dated 25th October, 2021 in which she stands charged for the offense of impersonating another person living or dead with intent to gain advantage for herself. The prosecution presented the facts of the case through PW1 and Exhibit P1 to P14. The court was thereafter urged to convict the defendant and sentence her in line with the plea bargain agreement. My task at this stage is to determine whether or not the prosecution has proved its case. Having carefully considered



the evidence before the court through the testimony of PW1 and Exhibit P1 to P14, this court finds the defendant guilty as charged.

DEFENDANT COUNSEL: The defendant pleaded guilty at the earliest opportunity. We pray that the court temper justice with mercy. She is a student who is just catching her fun without knowing the implication of what she is doing. She has been remorseful and has cooperated with the prosecution all through. We urge the court to give her an option of fine so that she can continue with her education which has been halted since March, 2021

COURT: The convict and the prosecution having entered into a plea bargain agreement filed on 29th October, 2021, the convict is sentenced to 3 years in the custody of the Nigeria Correctional Service with option of 200,000 fine. It is further ordered that she shall forfeit the Infinix Hot 8 phone as well as the contents of GTB account number 0461422239 and Zenith branch account number 2388960280 to the Federal Government through EFCC. In the event that the need arises to do so in future, the EFCC may apply to court for the forfeiture of any other assets traced to the convict as proceeds of the crime stated in the charge dated 25th October, 2021. The fine shall be paid into the account in which fines levied by this court are paid

PROCEEDINGS PREPARED & ARRANGED BY

ADEWUMI O.F

OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

3rd Day of November, 2021

