IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE EDO STATE OF NIGERIA IN THE BENIN JUDICIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT BENIN CITY

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP HONOURABLE JUSTICE EFE IKPONMWONBA – JUDGE ON MONDAY THE 18TH DAY OF JULY, 2022

BETWEEN:

SUIT NO. B/CD/EFCC/98/22:

F. R. N.

Complainant

Vs.

Eze Solomon

Defendant

JUDGMENT

The Defendant is charged in one count with fraudulent representation contrary to Section 484 of Criminal Code. He pleaded Guilty to the charge.

The Court is informed that the Defendant entered a Plea Bargain Agreement with the Commission of his own volition and is aware that this Court is not bound by any sentence recommendation therein.

In pleading for the Defendant, Learned Counsel has appealed to the Court to be lenient and sentence him taking into consideration the Plea Bargain Agreement.

In sentencing the Defendant, I have taken into consideration, the plea of the Defendant which has saved the Court, time it would have spent on the matter.

I have also considered the plea of Learned Counsel and the Plea Bargain Agreement dated 21/06/2022. Recognizing that I am not bound by the agreement, I have examined it and find it satisfactorily.

Accordingly the Defendant is sentenced to three years in Correctional Centre or pay a fine of N300,000.00.

The Iphone 13 promax recovered from the Defendant is hereby forfeited to the Federal Government of Nigeria through the EFCC.

The Defendant will enter an undertaking to be of good conduct and desist from such fraudulent acts in future. His passport photograph is to be attached.

EFE IKPONMWONBA