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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF KWARA STATE OF NIGERIA
IN THE ILORIN JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT ILORIN

ON 13TH OCTOBER, 2023

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON JUSTICE A.O. AKINPELU - JUDGE

SUIT NO: KWS/117^c/2023

BETWEEN

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ----- COMPLAINANT

VS

OYEDEPO OLAMILEKAN BENJAMIN ----- DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT

The charge against the defendant is dated 11th day of October, 2023 and filed 13th October, 2023 which reads as follows:

1. That you, **OYEDEPO OLAMILEKAN BENJAMIN**, sometime between March and April 2023 or thereabout, in Ilorin, Kwara State, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable Court, with intent to defraud, did cheat by personation when you pretended to be one **Ryan Upchuch**, a white man who wanted a sexual relationship with one **Jennifer Lean** and in that guise induced her to send you Bitcoin worth the sum of **\$457 (Four Hundred and Fifty Seven Dollars)** and thereby committed an offence contrary to Section 321 of the Penal Code Law and punishable under Section 324 of the Penal Code Law.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge.

The Prosecution thereafter reviewed the facts of the case and tendered the following items in evidence:

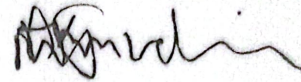
1. Two EFCC computer/Telephone ownership attestation forms in the name of **Oyedepo Olamilekan Benjamin** - Exhibits 1A & 1B
2. One black phone identified as Apple Iphone X - Exhibit 2
3. One HP Laptop - Exhibit 3
4. A bunch of computer generated documents together with a certificate of identification - Exhibits 4A & 4B
5. Two statements of **Oyedepo Olamilekan Benjamin** dated 12/5/23 and 25/5/2023 - Exhibit 5A & 5B
6. The sum of \$457 dollars - Exhibit 6

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Pursuant to the guilty plea of the defendant, the facts reviewed by the prosecution and the evidence before the court, the court is satisfied that the offence in issue is proved beyond reasonable doubt against the defendant.

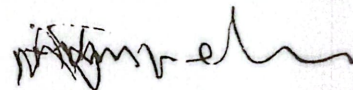
Accordingly, the provision of Section 280 of the Kwara State Administration of Criminal Justice Law is hereby invoked, and the defendant is found guilty in respect of the charge before the Court.



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SENTENCE: The convict is sentenced to Six months imprisonment but with the option of payment of a fine of ₦150,000 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira).

Exhibits 2 & 3 having been linked with the offence as instruments of crime and Exhibit 6, being a proceed of crime is ordered to be forfeited to the Federal Government.

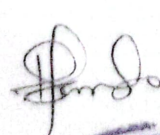


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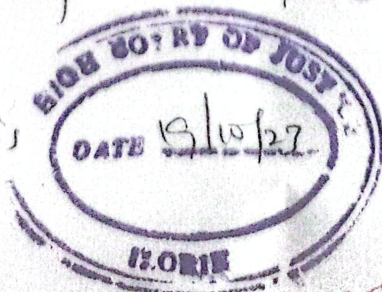
APPEARANCES:

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A.O. Abdul Esq. for the Defendant

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Hon Justice Akinpelu's
Court,
High Court of Justice,
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