

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF KWARA STATE OF NIGERIA

IN THE ILORIN JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT ILORIN

ON 24TH JANUARY, 2022

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

SUIT NO: KWS/136^C/2021

BETWEEN

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.....COMPLAINANT

VS

TIAMIYU HAMMED.....DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT

The charge against the Defendant is dated and filed 26th day of October, 2021 which reads as follows:

That you, **TIAMIYU HAMMED (Alias: Sarah Ben)**, sometimes between January and April, 2021, at Ilorin, within the Judicial Division of Kwara State High Court, did cheat by personation, when you pretended to be one **Sarah Ben**, a white female of Colorado vide Whatsapp number +1(970) 451-9375 and in that guise communicated with one **Todd Byers** whom you induced to part with property to wit; \$600 vide gift cards, a representation you knew to be false and thereby committed an offence contrary to Section 321 of the Penal Code and punishable under Section 324 of the same Penal Code.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge.


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

1. One Phone identified as Iphone 11 – Exhibit 1.
2. One Black Itel phone – Exhibit 2.

3. Two EFCC Telephone / Computer attestation forms in the name of Tiamiyu Ahmed – Exhibit 3A and 3B.
4. A bunch of computer generated documents together with a Certificate of Identification – Exhibit 4A and 4B.
5. Two Statements of Taimiyu Ahmed dated 9/8/21 and 11/8/21– Exhibit 5A and 5B.
6. The sum of \$600 U.S Dollars in \$100 denomination – Exhibit 6.

The defendant having confirmed to the court that his plea of guilty relates to the evidence reviewed by the prosecution, the court is satisfied based on the evidence of PW1 and exhibits tendered about the guilt of the defendant in respect of the charge before the court.

Accordingly, the provisions of Section 280 of the Kwara State Administration of Criminal Justice Law is hereby invoked and the defendant is convicted as charged.

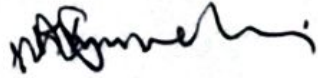


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SENTENCE: The convict is sentenced to six months imprisonment but with the option of the payment of fine of ₦150, 000 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira).

Exhibit 1 and 6 having been connected with the offence are ordered to be forfeited to the Federal Government.

Exhibit 2 having not been linked with the offence is ordered to be returned to the convict.



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APPEARANCES:

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