

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/134^C/2021

BETWEEN

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.....COMPLAINANT

VS

KAMARUDEEN OLANREWAJU IBRAHIM.....DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT

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

1. That you, **KAMARUDEEN OLANREWAJU IBRAHIM**, sometimes between 17th November, 2020 and 23rd December, 2020, at Ilorin, within the Judicial Division of Kwara State High Court, did knowingly have under your control the gross sum of N457, 274.33 (Four Hundred and Fifty Seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Seventy Four Naira, Thirty Three Kobo) which you knew to be unlawfully obtained and paid into your Zenith Bank account number 2285247187 and thereby committed an offence contrary to and punishable under Section 319 (a) of the Penal Code.
2. That you, **KAMARUDEEN OLANREWAJU IBRAHIM**, sometimes between 16th March, 2021 and 26th June, 2021, at Ilorin, within the Judicial Division of Kwara State High Court, did knowingly have under your control the gross sum of N679, 450.00 (Six Hundred and Seventy Nine Thousand, Four Hundred and Fifty Naira) which is reasonably suspected to have been unlawfully obtained and paid into your Zenith Bank account number 2285247187

and thereby committed an offence contrary to and punishable under Section 319 (a) of the 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 Promax – Exhibit 1.
2. One HP Laptop– Exhibit 2.
3. Two EFCC Telephone / Computer attestation forms in the name of **Kamarudeen Olanrewaju Ibrahim** – Exhibit 3A and 3B.
4. A bunch of computer generated documents together with a Certificate of Identification – Exhibit 4A and 4B.
5. Statements of **Kamarudeen Olanrewaju Ibrahim** dated 23/7/21, 29/7/21, 2/8/21, 8/8/21, 3/8/21, 12/8/21, 16/8/21, 9/9/21 and 21/10/21– Exhibit 5A – 5I.
6. A letter dated 30th July, 2021 issued by Zenith Bank and addressed to the Zonal Commander EFCC, Ilorin to which statement of account of **Ibrahim Olanrewaju Kamarudeen** and other documents are attached – Exhibit 6.
7. An Access Bank manager's cheque dated 24/10/2021 issued in the name of EFCC for the value of Four Hundred Thousand Naira – Exhibit 7.

The defendant having confirmed to the court that his plea of guilty is in respect of the facts just reviewed by the prosecution, the court is satisfied that the prosecution has discharged the onus of proof on them in respect of the offences charged.

Accordingly, the provision of Section 280 of the Kwara State Administration of Criminal Justice Law is hereby invoked and the defendant is found guilty of the two counts of charges against him.



HON JUSTICE A.O. AKINPELU

JUDGE

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SENTENCE: The convict is sentenced to six months imprisonment on each of the offences (both sentences to run concurrently) but with the option of the payment of fine of N100, 000 (One Hundred Thousand Naira) for each of the offences.

Exhibits 1, 2 and 7 also having been connected with the offences in issue are ordered to be forfeited to the Federal Government.



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APPEARANCES:

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