

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

THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2023

BEFORE: HON. JUSTICE A. B. ABDULLAHI (JUDGE)

BETWEEN

SUIT NO. KTH/32C/2023

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA - COMPLAINANT

VS

ABDULLAHI SULEIMAN LAWAL - DEFENDANT

RULING

This court is certainly invoked by the personate plea for leniency on the convict by the defence counsel same will, certainly work in the mind of the court in deciding the punishment to be peruse by the court on the convict, mostly especially the fact that the proceed of the crime having been restored by the convict. It is on this premised among other consideration this court hereby grant the convict an option of fine instead of imprisonment.

The section under which the convict is tried and found guilty and convicted and punished not less than 10 years imprisonment or an option of fine of not less than N500,000:00. This court had decided to give the convict an option of fine instead. The court hereby sentence the convict to a fine N300,000:00 in defaulting payment of which the convict shall serve (5) five years imprisonment.

The court hereby ordered the prosecution and money of the EFCC to return the amount of the crime already recovered, the sum of N800,000:00 to the normal complainant Mr. Ismaila Kabir Badaru.

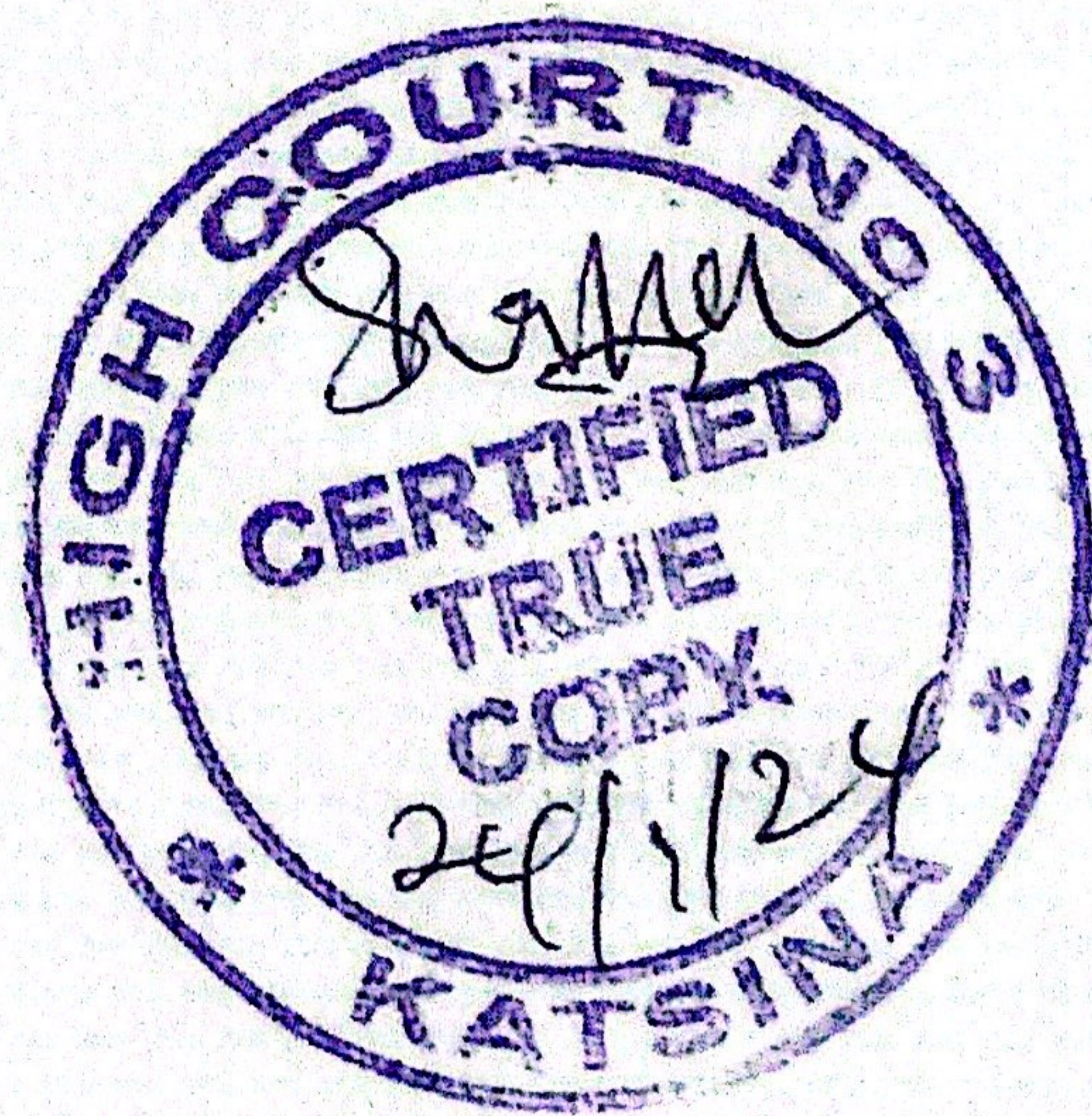
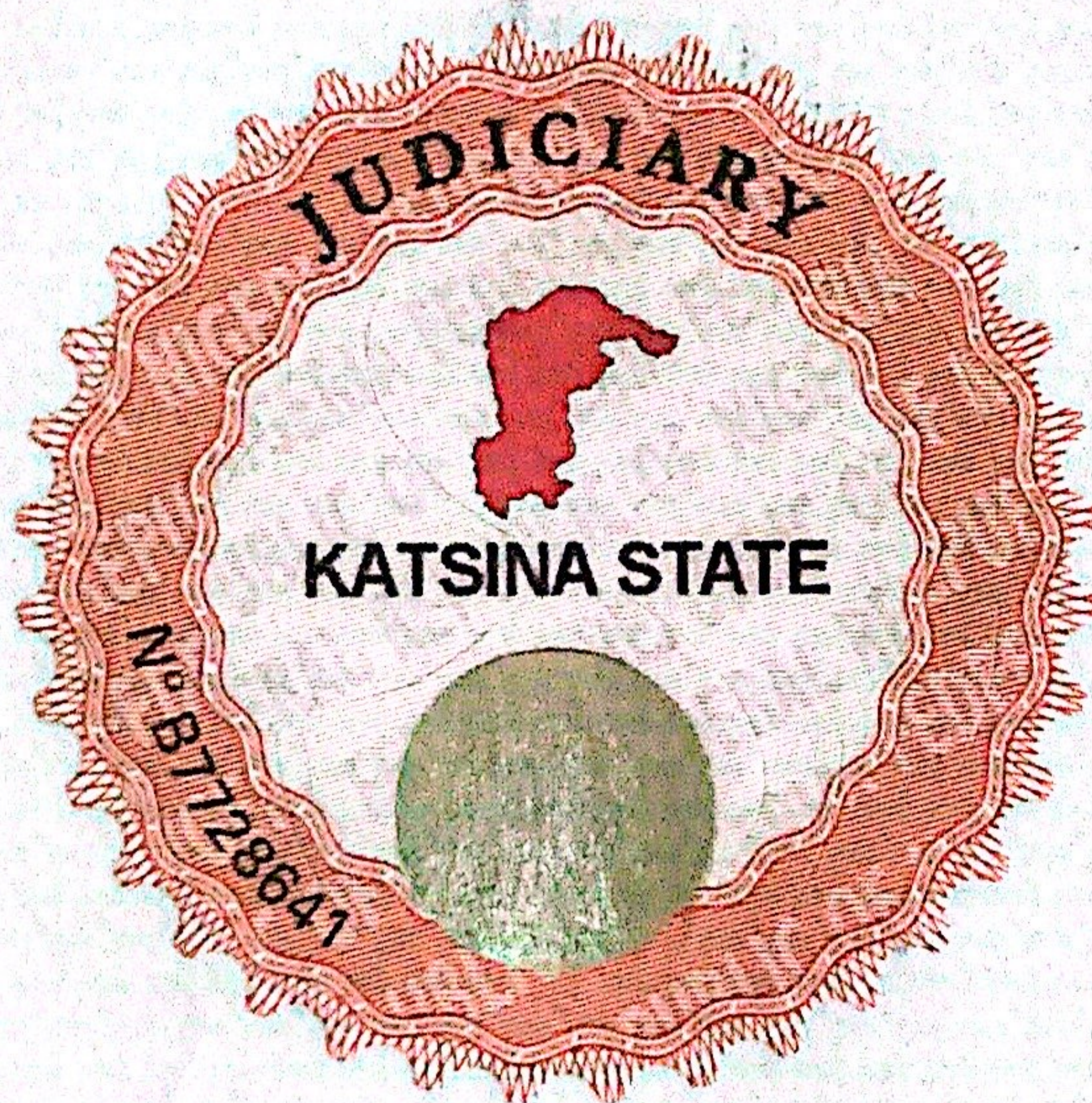
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Court: Appeal is open within 90 days from date by person aggrieved with the decision of this court.

Signed.

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90 days from date

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