

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 TUESDAY THE 4TH DAY OF MAY, 2023

BETWEEN:

SUIT NO. B/CD/EFCC/70/23:

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Applicant

Vs.

Jonathan Ibhazeh

Defendant

JUDGMENT

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

The Court is informed that the Defendant applied for a plea deal and this later resulted in a Plea Bargain Agreement being entered into of his own volition and knowing the import.

I have listened to the facts as presented by the prosecution. I have taken into consideration the fact that by pleading guilty, the Defendant has saved the time of the Court. I have also considered the fact that he is a 1st offender and is remorseful.


Recognising that this Court is not bound by the recommendation in the Plea Bargain Agreement, I have examined the Agreement and I find it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Defendant is sentenced to a term of 2 years or pay a fine of N200,000. The Defendant shall forfeit the following to the Federal Government of Nigeria through the EFCC.

1. His Iphone X.
2. One play station 5 with 2 pads and a blue tooth sound bar.

His account no. 2029968826 domiciled in Kuda Bank is to be closed permanently and any amount in there, forfeited.

The Defendant will enter a written undertaking to be of good conduct and his passport photograph will be attached to it.


EFE IKPONMWONBA
JUDGE