

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SOKOTO STATE
IN THE SOKOTO JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT SOKOTO

SUIT NO: SS/49C/2024
MOTION NO:SS/49C/2024

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.....COMPLAINANT

VS

ZAYYANU SANI MOH'D.....DEFENDANT

APPEARANCE

Habila Jonathan for the prosecution

A. Umar for the defendant

The defendant is before the court his understand hausa language. His is standing trial on one count charge for the offense of obtaining money by force pretence, Section 1 (1) (a) of the **Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act, 2006 And Punishable Under Section 1 (3) The Same Act**. Then we humbly apply subject to the permission of the court that one count charge to be read to the defendant for the purpose of his Fee. **COURT:** Permission granted. Charge read to the hearing and understanding of the defendant.

COURT: Do you hear wat was read to you.

DEFANDANT: Yes I had

COURT: Do you understand?

DEFENDANT: I understood

COURT: IS that true?

DEFENDANT: Yes I am guilty

PROSECUTION: Passion to plea of guilty of the defendant, we humbly apply that the Defendant be summarily convicted.

COURT: In the view of the plea of guilty by the defendant and the request of the prosecution for the defendant to be convicted summarily. I Here by convicted the defendant ass charge. I however reserve the sentence to 23/04/2024 He is to be the prison custody to the 23/04/2024 for sentence.

ALLOCUTUS: I want this court to temper mercy on me, I am a family man and I have parent I am taking care of, that I will pay this money very soon.

SENTENCE:

After taking the plea of guilty of the defendant and conviction, also the allocutus of the defendant before sentencing, the provision of the law is that, Section 1 (3) of the advance fee fraud Act 2006 provide, A person who commit an offence under sub section (1)or (2) of the section is liable on conviction to imprisonment for a term of not more than 20 years and not less than 7 years without the option of fine. The convict is hereby sentence to a fine of 200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand) and to pay the nominals complainant the outstanding balance of 500,000 (five hundred thousand naira) within the period of sixty days in default, He is to serve 7 years imprisonment.