

IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATE'S COURT OF ANAMBRA STATE OF NIGERIA  
IN THE EKWUSIGO MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT  
HOLDEN AT OZUBULU  
BEFORE HIS WORSHIP, V.O. AGU ESQ. CHIEF MAGISTRATE GD.I  
ON THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> OF SEPTEMBER, 2019

MOZ/122C/19

C.O.P Vs  
Obinna Valentine Nwosu

The defendant is present  
ASP Emmanuel Ukwa appears for the prosecution  
No Counsel for the defendant.

**COURT** - The prosecutor applies to amend the section of the charge in counts 1, 2 and 3 to read Section 460 of the C.C Cap 36 Vol. 2 law of Anambra State.

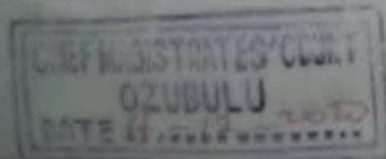
Charge is hereby read over to the defendant in English language to the satisfaction of the court. The defendant pleads as follows:

- Count I: The Defendant pleads guilty
- Count II: The Defendant pleads guilty
- Count III: The Defendant pleads guilty
- Count IV: The Defendant pleads guilty

**Facts of the Case:**

The prosecutor informs the court that between January, 2017 and August, 2019 presented himself before the C.M.C. Ozubulu and before the C.M.C. Nnewi and before the Nnewi High Court on several occasions as a legal practitioner representing different individuals in different capacities filed several processes and with the popular name, O.V. Nwosu Esq. collecting several professional fees as a lawyer from innocent Nigerians following he has no degree certificate and knowing he attempted the University and dropped at 200 level and that he was never called to Bar. Based on this information to Nnewi Bar Association a complaint was made to the Nnewi Police Station through a petition. The defendant was arrested. He was cautioned accordingly and he made a statement. A search warrant was executed in his apartment and a lawyer's gown and gown wig were recovered in his apartment.

Prosecutor applies to tender the wig and gown recovered in the plaintiff's apartment as Exhibits.



COURT - Wig and Gown recovered in the defendant's apartment are tenderly admitted as exhibits A and B respectively. He also applies to tender the statement of the defendant to the police as an exhibit.

COURT - Statement of the defendant to the police dated 30/8/19 is admitted as exhibit C.

He also applies to tender impersonation letter written by Chairman of Nnewi Bar Association as an exhibit.

COURT - Letter of impersonation by Chairman of Nnewi Bar dated 29/06/19 is admitted as exhibit D.

**Allocutus -**

The defendant pleads for leniency because he committed the offence out of frustration because his mum was sick and nobody to take care of her and he was the only son. He pleads with the court to temper justice with mercy as his wife is in labour room now and that he has 2 kids now and nobody to take care of them.

COURT - In passing sentence on the defendant, I'll put the following into consideration:

- 1) The fact that he told the court the truth.
  - 2) The fact that he is still a young man with wife and children and still has a future.
- I will temper justice with mercy and instead of sentencing the defendant to 3 years imprisonment which is the maximum punishment for the offence, the defendant is hereby sentenced to 1 year imprisonment or in the alternative for him to pay a fine of ₦80,000.00.

Sgd:

V.O. Agu Esq. (Mrs.)

(Chief Mag. GD. I)

05/09/19.

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