

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY
IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT COURT 4 MAITAMA, ABUJA
BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE U. P. KEKEMEKE
THIS 18TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023**

SUIT NO. FCT/HC/CV/816/2022

BETWEEN:

**THE INCORPORATED TRUSTEES OF THE
NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION CLAIMANT**

AND

DAME PAULINE TALLEN, OFR, KSG DEFENDANT

COURT ORDER

**UPON READING THE ORIGINATING SUMMONS DATED
14/12/2022 AND THE AFFIDAVIT in Support, praying
this Honourable Court for the following reliefs:**

1. A DECLARATION that the Defendant's statement that:
"The ruling that sacked Aishatu Binani, the only female
governorship candidate in the country is a kangaroo
judgment that should be rejected by well-meaning
Nigerians. The Court is declaring that the party has no
candidate. This is unacceptable, it is like a kangaroo
judgment, but we will not give up" made on the 15th
day of October 2022 at the sidelines of the First
Global Reunion and yearly meeting of the Federal
Government Girls' College, Bida Old Girls
Association, in Abuja, within the jurisdiction of this
Honourable Court, in reference to a Judgment of
Court in reference to a judgment of the Federal High
Court is unconstitutional, careless, reckless,
disparaging, a call to disobey the Judgment of Court
and therefore contemptuous of the Federal High Court
of Nigeria.

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2. A DECLARATION that by virtue of the aforesaid statement of the Defendant referring to the Judgment of Court as kangaroo, the Defendant is thereby unfit to hold or continue to hold the respected and distinguished office of the Honourable Minister of Women Affairs and Social Development of the Federal Government of Nigeria or any public office of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

3. A DECLARATION that by virtue of the Defendant being a public officer and a minister of the Federal Republic of Nigeria who swore to uphold and defend the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, her statements inciting the public against the Judgment of the Federal High Court is a flagrant breach of her oath of office and disregard to the provisions of the said Constitution, particularly Sections 287 (3) of the 1999 Constitution thereof.

4. AN ORDER directing and compelling the Defendant to forthwith publish a personally signed apology letter to Nigerians and the Judiciary on a full page of the Guardian and Punch Newspapers respectively.

5. AN ORDER of perpetual injunction restraining the Defendant from holding any public office in Nigeria by reason of her conduct complained of unless she purges herself of the ignoble conduct by publishing a written apology which must be published on a full page each of both the Guardian and Punch Newspapers.

6. AND for such further or other Orders as the Honourable Court may deem fit to make, to give effect to the reliefs granted by this Court.

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AND UPON READING the Affidavit and Exhibits attached therein in support of the Motion paper sworn to by NWABUEZE OBASI-OBI, the Technical/Personal Assistant to the NBA President.

AND THE COURT AFTER HEARING and considering the Written Arguments of ANNE AGI, ESQ., Counsel to the Claimant, praying the Court to grant the reliefs as contained in the Motion paper.

AND THE COURT being satisfied that there is merit in the reliefs sought.

DOETH HEREBY ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

1. IT IS HEREBY DECLARED that the Defendant's statement that the Ruling that sacked Aishatu Binani, the only female governorship candidate in the country should be rejected and referring same as a kangaroo Judgment is unconstitutional, careless, reckless, disparaging, a call to anarchy, therefore contemptuous of the High Court of Nigeria.
2. IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that by virtue of the aforesaid statement, the Defendant is hereby declared unfit to hold and continue to hold any public office.
3. IT IS DECLARED that the aforesaid statement is tantamount to inciting the public against the Judgment of the Federal High Court which is a breach of her oath of office and Section 287 (3) of the 1999 Constitution.

4. The Defendant is hereby ordered to forthwith publish an apology letter signed by her to Nigerians and the judiciary on a full page of the Punch and Guardian Newspapers respectively and if Defendant fails to obey Order 4 above within 30 days from now,

5. AN ORDER OF PERPETUAL INJUNCTION is hereby granted restraining her from holding any public office in Nigeria by reason of her conduct complained of.

ISSUED AT ABUJA UNDER THE SEAL OF THIS
HONOURABLE COURT AND THE HAND OF THE
PRESIDING JUDGE THIS 18TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.



HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FCT Abuja

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