

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY

HOLDEN AT MAITAMA ABUJA

DATE: 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2023  
BEFORE: HON. JUSTICE M. A. NASIR  
COURT NO: 5  
SUIT NO: PET/144/2021

**BETWEEN:**

ULONNA ODOCHI INYAMA EZEObI --- PETITIONER  
**AND**  
JUDE OBIORA EZEObI --- RESPONDENT

**JUDGMENT**

This Petition was presented by the Petitioner for a decree of nullity of her marriage to the Respondent on the ground that the Respondent was, at the time of the marriage, lawfully married to are Chiamaka Marylin Ezeobi.

Upon receipt of the Notice of Petition, the Respondent filed an Answer and Cross Petition on the 2/3/2022 wherein he also prayed the Court for decree of Nullity of the marriage on the ground that he was legally married before the Petitioner craftily drafted him into a marriage with her. He also wants the Court to direct the Petitioner to forthwith stop using his surname 'Ezeobi'.

The Petitioner filed a Reply to the Respondents Answer on the 3/11/2022.

The Petitioner testified on the 12/1/2023. She adopted her witness statement on oath and tendered the following documents:

