

WRIT OF SUMMONS

UNDEFENDED LIST

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY  
IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION  
HOLDEN AT ABUJA

SUIT NO: FCT/HC/CV/ 3212 /2025

BETWEEN

NKEMAKOLAM S.C. OKORO, ESQ ..... CLAIMANT

AND

HON. BENJAMIN KALU - - - DEFENDANT

TO THE DEFENDANT:

**Hon. Benjamin Kalu, CFR**  
Deputy Speaker, House of Representatives,  
National Assembly Complex,  
Three Arms, Zone,  
Abuja.



You are hereby commanded within fourteen (14) days of the service of this writ on you, inclusive of the day of such service, that you do cause an appearance to be entered for you in an action at the suit of **Nkemakolam S.C. Okoro, Esq**, and take notice that in default of your so doing, the Claimant may proceed therein and judgment may be given in your absence.

**Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025.**

*File 820*  
*18/8/25*

**REGISTRAR**  
*18/08/25*

**MEMORANDUM TO BE SUBSCRIBED ON THE WRIT**

**NB:**

This writ is to be served within three calendar months from the date thereof, or if renewed, within three calendar months from the date of the last renewal, including the day of such date, and not afterwards.

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**AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF WRIT OF SUMMONS**

I, Nkemakolam S.C. Okoro, Esq., adult, male, Christian, and a Nigerian citizen of Suite F37, Melita Plaza, Area 11, Garki, Abuja, do hereby make oath and state as follows:

1. That I am the Claimant in this suit, by virtue of which I am conversant with the entire facts and circumstances of this matter.
2. That I depose to this affidavit from facts within my knowledge except where otherwise expressly stated herein.
3. That I am a legal practitioner of 19 years standing at the Nigerian Bar, and I live and practice in Abuja, the Federal Capital Territory.
4. That the Defendant is a Nigerian citizen, a member of the National Assembly, and the Deputy Speaker, of the House of Representatives.
5. That, sometime in October, 2021, the Defendant engaged my professional services, to file a suit on his behalf, and on behalf of other Honourable members, whom together with the Defendant herein, were dissatisfied, with the way and manner they were treated by Azman Air Services Ltd.
6. That I also had several conversations and communications with the Defendant, wherein his instructions were made clear. Copies of WhatsApp communications between me and the Defendant is herein attached and marked as **Exhibit 1**.



7. That following the clear instructions of the Defendant herein, I filed a writ of summons, with **Suit No: FCT/HC/CV/2884/2021**, between **Alhaji Rijau Shehu Saleh & 8 Ors V. Azman Air Services Limited**, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021. Copy of the writ of summons is attached herein and marked as **Exhibit 2**.

8. That I mobilized the Bailiff of the court, to serve the said writ on the airline, and upon receipt of service, the airline filed their memorandum of appearance and statement of defence. Copy of the said memorandum of appearance and statement of defence of the airline is herein attached and marked as **Exhibit 3**.
9. That from the day the Defendant herein briefed me to handle the matter, till date, the Defendant refused, neglected, and failed, to pay for my professional fees, despite repeated demands, both orally, and via WhatsApp conversations. A copy of WhatsApp message of demand for payment of professional fees, is herein attached and marked as **Exhibit 4**.
10. That my professional fees, for the legal services rendered to the Defendant, is **N3,000,000.00 (Three Million Naira)**.
11. That having waited for so long, without any positive steps taken by the Defendant herein, to pay for my professional fees, that I wrote a letter of demand to the Defendant herein, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2025, wherein my bill of professional charge was highlighted, and wherein I demanded of the Defendant to pay my professional fees without further delay. Copy of the said letter duly acknowledged by the Defendant is herein attached and marked as **Exhibit 5**.
12. That despite the letter of demand, the Defendant willfully neglected, refused, ignored, and failed to pay my professional fees.
13. That I know as a matter of fact, that I am entitled to be paid my professional fees.
14. That I know as a matter of fact, that I have suffered tremendous and unquantifiable inconveniences and losses, as a result of the deliberate actions of the Defendant, by refusing to pay my professional fees.
15. That I verily believe that the Defendant has no defence to this action.
16. That I know as a matter of fact that it shall serve the best interest of justice if the reliefs sought in this action by me, are granted as prayed.
17. That I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing same to be true and in accordance with the Oaths Act, LFN, 2004.