

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY

IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT MAITAMA

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE Y. HALILU

COURT CLERKS : JANET O. ODAH & ORS

COURT NUMBER : HIGH COURT NO. 22

CASE NUMBER : CHARGE NO: CR/30/2017

DATE: : WEDNESDAY 24TH MARCH, 2021

BETWEEN:

**COMMISSIONER OF POLICE } COMPLAINANT
/RESPONDENT**

AND

**1. SAAOR LIAM }
2. MICHAEL JOSEPH } DEFENDANTS/APPLICANTS
3. BABANGIDA MADAKI }**

RULING

The Applicants approached this Honourable Court and sought for the following:

1. An Order of this Honourable Court admitting the 1st and 2nd Defendants/Applicants to bail pending the determination of the charge against them.
2. And for such further Order(s) as this Honourable Court may deem fit to make in the circumstances.

In support of the application is 8 paragraph affidavit deposed to by one Evelyn Enenyi Esq., a legal practitioner in the law firm of the counsel for the Applicant. Wherein the Applicants through their counsel urged the court to grant them Bail.

Bail is the fundamental right of any Defendant arraigned before a court in view of the presumption of innocence under section 36 (5) of the 1999 constitution as amended.

An accused person who would not jump bail, who has no record of any criminal conviction, nor interfere with investigation and would provide surety shall be granted bail. ***COP VS SULEMAN.***

After hearing learned counsel Evelyn move the said application for bail, considering the protracted time prosecution has taken and still taking to attend this court for the purposes of prosecuting this case, I shall admit the Defendants on Bail pending the determination of their guilt.

Bail is granted Defendants on the following terms and conditions.

- a. Defendants shall provide two sureties who must be residents of the FCT and Civil Servant.
- b. Sureties shall make written undertaking to ensure Defendant attend their trial.
- c. Sureties shall furnish the registrar of this court with evidence of their residency.

Justice Y. Halilu
Hon. Judge
24th March, 2021

APPEARANCES

Evelyn Enenyi– for the 1st and 2nd Defendants

Prosecution not in court and nothing explaining reason for absence.