

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE F.C.T.

IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT KUBWA, ABUJA

ON WEDNESDAY THE 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2022

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE K. N. OGBONNAYA
JUDGE

SUIT NO.: FCT/HC/CV/747/2019

BETWEEN:

1. THE REGISTERED TRUSTEES OF AMEN
CHRIST HOLY COVENANT CHURCH
 2. AMADEN MOTOR LIMITED
 3. CONSQUARE NOMINEES LIMITED
 4. THE REGISTERED TRUSTEES OF ASSOCIATION
FOR REPRODUCTIVE AND FAMILY HEALTH
- } CLAIMANTS

AND

HOUSES FOR AFRICA NIGERIA LIMITED --- DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT

It has been a global trend and has been adopted by this Court as far back as 2004 that wearing parties can on their own volition decide to explore and where possible settle their differences in their own terms and conditions outside the Court. This can be done no matter the stage of the case. Once that is done, the parties can pen down the Terms of Settlement, file same in Court and appear before the Court to adopt the Terms of Settlement as agreed by

them. Once that is done, the only duty of the Court is to chorus a judicial “Amen” to the Terms and then enter same as the Consent Judgment of the parties.

Once the Terms of Settlement are so entered, it is binding on the parties and it has the same efficacy and tenacity as a Judgment gotten after the treacherous and rancorous hearing. It can be enforced as any such Judgment gotten after full hearing.

The joy of the settlement of case out of Court is that the parties hardly challenge the Terms. Again, study had shown that once parties have agreed to settle, they oftentimes enforce same before the Terms are even entered as Consent Judgment and they have joy in their heart that they did.

In this case, the parties who have been in Court since 2019 had today followed the line of the global trend by settling their dispute, penning down the Terms and had adopted same today, urging Court to enter it as their Consent Judgment.

This Court is glad they did settle. Giving the name of the Applicant – Registered Trustees of Amen Christ Holy Covenant Church it shows that they as Christians have followed the line of the Bible which provides that Christians should make peace with all men. To that I say “glory be to God.”

Since the parties had decided to bury the hatchet, this Court hereby said the judicial Amen to their prayers. By that the Court will hereby enter the said Terms of Settlement as Consent Judgment of the parties after reading it out to the hearing of all present.

Having read the Terms of Settlement out today, this Court hereby enter same as Consent Judgment of the parties today the 14th day of September, 2022.

This is the Bench Judgment of this Court.

Delivered today the ____ day of _____ 2022 by me.

K.N. OGBONNAYA
HON. JUDGE