

# PRESS RELEASE

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- *NJC recommends appointment of four (4) Heads of Court, (64) Sixty-four Judicial Officers for States and FCT High Courts and two (2) Kadis, Sharia Court of Appeal;*

The National Judicial Council under the Chairmanship of the Chief Justice of Nigeria, Honourable Dr. Justice I. T. Muhammad CFR, at its 91<sup>st</sup> Meeting held online, considered the list of candidates presented by its Interview Committee and resolved to recommend the under-listed names of Seventy (70) successful candidates to their respective State Governors for appointment as Heads of Courts and other Judicial Officers in Nigeria.

They are as follows:

- 1. APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT, COURT OF APPEAL**
  - i) Hon. Justice M. B. Dongban

**2. APPOINTMENT OF GRAND KADI, SHARIA COURT OF APPEAL, JIGAWA STATE**

i) Hon. Kadi Muhammad Sani Salihu

**3. APPOINTMENT OF GRAND KADI, SHARIA COURT OF APPEAL, SOKOTO STATE**

i) Hon. Kadi Muhammad Tambari Usman

**4. APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT, CUSTOMARY COURT OF APPEAL, OYO STATE**

i) Hon. Justice Aderonke Adekemi Aderemi

**5. APPOINTMENT OF EIGHT (8) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, LAGOS STATE**

i) Olatokun Dorcas Taiwo

ii) Oshoala Yhaqub Gbadebo

iii) Olukolu Rasul

iv) Oguntade Omotola Ibiro

v) Olaitan Sharafa Abioye

vi) Pokanu Adeniyi

vii) Ashade Ezekiel Oluwole

viii) Sule Amzat Olufunke

**6. APPOINTMENT OF FIVE (5) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, DELTA STATE**

- i) Aaron Ighoverio
- ii) Emmanuel Zimi Dolor
- iii) Onome Marshal Umukoro
- iv) Agboje Veronica Oka
- v) Enenmo Onyeawuli Ferdinard

**7. APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, JIGAWA STATE**

- i) Musa Ubale
- ii) Hussaina Adamu Aliyu

**8. APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, ABIA STATE**

- i) Chiemezie Chido Nwakanma
- ii) Philomena Onyeje Nweka

**9. APPOINTMENT OF FIVE (5) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, KWARA STATE**

- i) Olanipekun Sherifat Bola
- ii) Funsho Dada Lawal
- iii) Hussein Toyin Kawu

- iv) Nureni Kuranga
- v) Umar Zikki Jibril

**10. APPOINTMENT OF FOUR (4) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, KADUNA STATE**

- i) Amina Ahmad Bello
- ii) Ambo Yakubu John
- iii) Andow Edward
- iv) Rabi Salisu Oladoja

**11. APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) JUDGE, CUSTOMARY COURT OF APPEAL, ABIA STATE.**

- i) Phoebe Eva Alvan Okoronkwo

**12. APPOINTMENT OF THIRTY-THREE (33) JUDGES, HIGH COURT, FCT**

- i) Muhammad Mustapha Adamu
- ii) Madugu Mohammed Alhaji
- iii) Josephine Obanor Enobie
- iv) Kayode Agunloye
- v) Enenche Eleojo
- vi) Nwabulu Ngozika Chineze
- vii) Abubakar Babashani
- viii) Aminu Muhammad Abdullahi

- ix) Nwecheonwu Chinyere Elewe
- x) Ibrahim Mohammed
- xi) Sadia Mu'azu Mayana
- xii) Mimi Anne Katsina Alu-Apena
- xiii) Kanyip Rosemary Indinya
- xiv) Aliyu Yunusa Shafa
- xv) Mohammed Zubairu
- xvi) Binta Dogonyaro
- xvii) Christopher Opeyemi Oba
- xviii) Adeyemi Ajayi Jadesola
- xix) Abubakar Husseini Musa
- xx) Adelaja Oluyemisi Ikeolupo
- xxi) Mohammed Idris Sani
- xxii) Frances Erhuvwu Messiri
- xxiii) Fatima Abubakar Aliyu
- xxiv) Jude Ogor Onwuegbuzie
- xxv) Hamza Mu'azu
- xxvi) Edward Ajenu E. Okpe
- xxvii) Agashieze Cyprian Odinaka
- xxviii) Fashola Akeem Adebowale
- xxix) Aliyu Halilu Ahmed
- xxx) Hassan Maryam Aliyu

- xxxi) Hafsata Lawan Abba-Aliyu
- xxxii) Olufola Olufolashade Oshin
- xxxiii) Njideka K. Nwosu-Iheme

**13. APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, KATSINA STATE**

- i) Muhammad Ashiru Sani
- ii) Safiya Umar Badamasi

**14. APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) JUDGES, HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE, ADAMAWA STATE**

- i) Musa Usman
- ii) Kyanson Samuel Lawson

**15. APPOINTMENT OF TWO (2) KADIS SHARIA COURT OF APPEAL, KATSINA STATE**

- i) Adam Salihu Yarima
- ii) Muhammed Adam Makiyu

All recommended candidates are expected to be sworn-in after approval by the President, Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR and their respective State Governors and confirmation by the respective State House of Assembly.

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