

# Policeman kills judicial institute staff

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A yet to be identified policeman yesterday shot and killed a staff of National Judicial Institute (NJI) Nasir Gidado Omar, 33, at Wuse Market Abuja.

Late Gidado who hailed from Nasarawa State left his abode at Maitama Abuja was a close relative to Justice Mahmood Mohammed of the Supreme Court and was just employed by the NJI where he resumed duties on the first of this month as a research fellow.

A witness who was travelling in the same vehicle (Taxi) with the deceased at the time of the incident said: "I was sitting at the back of the same taxi with Gidado. When we approached Wuse junction, a mobile policeman ordered the driver to pull over and without hesitating for a moment shot the deceased at a close range."

"As I was dodging, the bullet that pierced through him hit my

left arm. As the policeman scampered to safety the driver assisted me to the Zankli medical centre to receive treatment. He waited in his car while I went in for treatment. Unfortunately, when I came out from the hospital I discovered that the taxi man had made away with the body of Nasir."

Madu Emezie, image maker NJI, said the Director of Finance and Administration of the Institute Mr. Ibrahim Tama Gambo on hearing the debilitating news on behalf of the Administrator Justice Umaru Eri, rushed to the Divisional Police Headquarters, Wuse Zone 3 to see the D.P.O. Mr Zubairu Sabo on the issue.

Mr Zubairu told the director that the body of late Gidado had been found. It was gathered that mobile policemen on patrol of Jabi axis discovered the body abandoned at an open place near Jabi market. The body was later conveyed to the National Hospital for autopsy.

A medical doctor on duty Dr Jubrin Paul was emphatic that under no circumstance would the warrant to bury the dead be

issued without the autopsy. He promised to conduct the autopsy within three hours to enable them bury the dead despite the fact that the doctors are on strike.

Meanwhile, Justice Mahmood Mohammed of the Supreme Court, a relative of the dead promised to see to the end of the matter.

Already, the Commissioner of police FCT and the Inspector General of Police Mr Ogbonna Onoyo have been contacted on the matter. Confirming, FCT Police Public relations Officer Moshood Jimoh said the matter was being investigated by the Police.

According to the Police, somebody shot from nowhere and the taxi driver escaped with the corpse which was later abandoned at Mabushi Ultra model Market.

Late Nasir Gidado Omar, a graduate of Islamic Studies at the University of Maiduguri, is survived by a wife and two children. He has been buried according to Islamic rite in Abuja.