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Medical doctor docked over pedestrian's death

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A 34-year-old medical doctor, Ndubuisi Nma Monica, was on Thursday arraigned before an Abuja Chief Magistrate's Court for allegedly causing the death of a pedestrian, Castol Aloysious, with her car while allegedly driving dangerously along

Aso Drive, Asokoro, Abuja.

Dr Monica was arraigned for causing death by dangerous driving, an offence punishable under Section 27 of the Road Traffic Act.

Prosecutor Philips Akogwu, an inspector, told the court that on December 23, 2010, the accused person who was in-

charge of one Toyota Camry with registration number, FL 302 ABJ, drove the said vehicle along Udi Street, Asokoro Abuja, in a dangerous manner and hit the pedestrian.

He said the victim was rushed to a hospital at Asokoro, where he was confirmed dead, adding that investigations revealed that

the accused hit the deceased out of reckless driving.

When the one-count charge was read to the accused, she pleaded not guilty while her counsel made an oral application for her bail.

Chief Magistrate Azubuike Okeagu granted the accused bail in the sum of N250,000

with two reliable sureties in like sum.

The magistrate also ruled that one of the sureties must be a civil servant of not below grade level 14 and that the two sureties must reside within the court's jurisdiction.

The case was adjourned to March 1 for hearing.