

Murder trial of Oyo senatorial aspirant, bodyguard moves to High Court

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An Iyaganku Chief Magistrates' Court in Ibadan on Tuesday adjourned the murder case involving Oyebisi Ilaka, a PDP aspirant for the Oyo Central Senatorial District seat.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that the Chief Magistrate, Mrs Jejelola Ogunbona, adjourned the case till Sept. 28 for the report on the arraignment of Ilaka and his bodyguard, Temitayo Alamiyo, at the Oyo State High Court.

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The defendants were arraigned on a five-count charge of conspiracy, causing death, unlawful attempt to kill, unlawful possession of firearms

and possession of a pump action rifle.

The Police Prosecutor, Matthew Ojeih, had earlier told the court that Ilaka and Alamiyo conspired to commit felony and attempted murder.

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Ojeih said that Alamiyo on Sept. 8 unlawfully caused the death of Toheeb Olanrewaju, 20, Modinat Adeyemi, 55, and Tijani Lateef, 35, by shooting them with a pump action gun.

He also alleged that Alamiyo unlawfully attempted to kill one Isiaka Afolabi, 47, by shooting him in the right eye with a pump action gun.

The offences, he said, were committed on Sept. 8 at about 4.00 p.m. at the palace of the Alaafin of Oyo.