

Evans re-arraigned for murder of two policemen

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Chukwudumeme Onwuamadike, also known as Evans, was on Monday re-arraigned before the Lagos High Court sitting in Ikeja, for alleged murder.

The convict is facing a five-count charge, including murder, attempted murder, and conspiracy to commit kidnapping.

Evans, who pleaded not guilty to the charges, was arraigned in court by the Lagos State Government for his alleged involvement in the deaths of two police officers during a kidnapping operation in the state.

The matter was transferred to Justice Oyindamola Ogala from Justice Adenike Coker of the Lagos State High Court, Ikeja.

The State Prosecution Counsel, A. O. Azeez, announced appearance for the State government when the case was called up, while Charity. O represented Chief Emefo Etudo, on behalf of Evans and L.C Onyejiakor represented his co-defendant, Joseph Ikenna Emeka.

O. A. Azeez acknowledged that the case was a transferred matter and noted that the defendants should be re-arraigned, regardless of any plea bargain applications filed by the first defendant before Justice Coker.

The defendants are standing trial for an amended five counts of murder, attempt to murder, conspiracy to commit felony, kidnapping and attempt to murder.

Consequently, upon appearance, the charge was read to them, and

both defendants pleaded not guilty to the five-count charge.

During the proceedings, the defendants were alleged to have killed Peter Nwaeke on March 27, 2013 around 10:00pm along 3rd Avenue, Festac Town, within the Ikeja Judicial Division of Lagos State.

The offences contravene Section 221 of the Criminal Law of Lagos, 2011.

Evans is currently facing five different criminal cases involving kidnapping and murder, and has already been convicted in just two out of five cases.

Justice Ogala adjourned the matter to November 19, 2025, for hearing and issuance of witness summons.