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Oil marketer jailed 21 years for stabbing partner to death

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For stabbing his partner to death with a knife, Justice Raliat Adebiyi of the Lagos High Court, Ikeja, yesterday sentenced an oil marketer, Abubakar Samaila, to 21 years imprisonment. He was guilty of stabbing 33-year-old Sanni Mohammed to death.

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doctor (name withheld).

She said the doctor rejected the oil because it was mixed with water. According to her, the deceased later gave the oil to another person who sold it back to the doctor.

The prosecutor said: “When the convict confronted the deceased on the sale of the oil, an argument ensued that led to a fight.

“The convict took out a knife and stabbed the deceased on the left side of his chest during the fight. The man died not too long after the stabbing.”

Justice Adebiyi in her verdict convicted the defendant for involuntary manslaughter. She said: “The court hereby finds you, Abubakar Samaila, guilty of involuntary manslaughter and convicts you in accordance with the provisions of Section 222 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State 2011.

“The defendant is hereby sentenced to 21 years imprisonment. The sentence shall commence from the date of his remand at the Ikoyi Medium Prison.”

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