

Housewife To Die By Hanging For Killing Husband In Nasarawa

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The High Court 1 sitting in Lafia, Nasarawa State capital, on Tuesday sentenced one Mrs. Ijeoma Okoli, 47-year-old housewife to death by hanging for killing her husband.

Mrs. Ijeoma Okoli killed her husband, Innocent Okoli in 2013.

The presiding Judge, Justice Suleiman Umar Dikko, while delivering the judgment said the mother of three daughters was guilty of culpable homicide.

The Chief Judge cited Section

221 of the penal code of Northern Nigeria applicable to Nasarawa State that the accused be sentenced to death by hanging.

Justice Dikko averred that Ijeoma was convicted and sentenced to death by hanging based on the evidences before him.

Mrs. Okoli who denied the allegations leveled against her said, she didn't kill her husband but investigations and subsequent trials on the matter revealed that Mrs. Okoli killed her husband.

Through circumstantial evidence, it was gathered that she was the killer because she was the last person that was with him

when the incident occurred.

Justina Alkali Ally who represented the State Attorney General and Commissioner of Justice, Abdulkarim Kana, on the matter thanked the court for granting justice to the deceased.

"We are grateful that the court used the law appropriately for Justice," she said.

Counsel to the defendant, Marcus Abbu of Justice Advocates Abuja, pleaded for allocutus, that the judge should temper justice with mercy, considering that the accused has children to care for, hence it should be reduced to life imprisonment to enable her children visit her.

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