

# MURDER: Attorney General Assures of Justice Over Murder Of Barber In Uyo

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The Akwa Ibom State attorney general, Barr. Uwemedimo Nwoko, has assured members of the public that justice would prevail in the gruesome murder of a barber, late Daniel Bassey.

Daniel, until his death was a native of Ifiayong Usuk of Uruan local government area of the state.

He was killed by Stephen Anona, who dismembered his body including the head, hands and legs, before dumping it on the roadside.

Anona, a native of Njikoka in Anambra State allegedly killed Daniel whom he opened a barber shop for in Urua Ekpa Road over alleged N750,000 debt.

Speaking with newsmen after the hearing on the matter at the high court, Uyo, attorney general of the state and commissioner for Justice, Barr. Uwemedimo Nwoko, condemned the act.

Nwoko, who is the prosecution counsel in the matter, said the evidence

and testimony given by the two prosecution witnesses was an indication that there was light at the end of the tunnel.

He said no one has the right to take the life of anyone, hence, perpetrators of crime must face the full weight of the law to serve as deterrent to others.

The first prosecution witness in the witness is the wife of the deceased, Victoria Willie, while the second prosecution witness is Mr Celestine Akpan, the landlord of the house where the barber was murdered.

Akpan was cross examined by the new counsel to the accused person, Dr. E. S. C. Obiora, who tried to confuse and attempted to establish the innocence of the accused, but the witness who spoke through an interpreter was quick to respond to the lawyer's questions.

Willie had told the court that her husband had a barbing business agreement with Anona to pay N750,000, which she said was paid, only for her husband to be murdered while taking over the shop.

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