Tricycle rider charged with killing man

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A 28-year-old tricycle rider, Joseph Edet, is on trial at a Tinubu Magistrate's Court, Lagos State, for allegedly killing one Sunday Adikun.

Edet was arraigned on two counts of manslaughter.

The incident was said to have happened along Kuboye Street, Oniru in Victoria Island area of Lagos.

The defendant was said to have rode the commercial motorcycle "in a dangerous manner on the public highway" and hit the deceased, killing him due to the reckless riding.

The charges read in part, "That you, Joseph Edet, on November 1, 2013 at 9am, along Kuboye Street, Oniru Victoria Island, Lagos in the Eti-Osa Local Government Area, within Lagos Magisterial District, being the rider of a tricycle with Registration Number EPE 713 QA, did ride in a dangerous manner on the public highway and thereby committed an offence contrary to Section 18 (1) of Road Traffic Regulation Laws of Lagos State, Nigeria 2012."

The defence counsel urged the court to grant bail to Edet. He assured the court that he would always be in court and would not jump bail.

The magistrate, Mrs. O.M Ajayi, who stood in for the resident magistrate, Mrs. A.T Omoyele, admitted the defendant to bail in the sum of N250,000 with two sureties each in like sum.

The matter was adjourned till November 20 for advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecution.

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