

Kogi State indigene, Nathaniel Benjamin, for illicit use of police uniform without being a member of the Force.

Nathaniel was alleged to have taken over his late younger brother police uniform and was using same to get free ride in public buses.

But the suspect told *PUNCH Metro* he had not done anything wrong, insisting that he only used the uniform for free transport while looking for employment.

He said, "My brother, Samuel, who died in a motor accident, owned the uniform. He was a constable in Niger State before his untimely death. When I lost my job as a bank security guard in January and I didn't get another job for two months, I decided to start wearing the uniform.

"I was only using it for free transport. When the police accosted me for using the uniform, I told them I had not committed any crime. I didn't run away. I am not a criminal."

The Commissioner of Police, Lagos State, Fatai Owoseni, advised members of the public to be wary of impersonators, adding that the command would go after people who gave the Force a bad name.