

Man, 54, docked for allegedly killing his wife in Ebonyi

A 54-year-old man, Ezeni Chima was, yesterday, docked before an Abakaliki Magistrate's Court for allegedly killing his wife, Ugochukwu Chima.

Chima is facing a count charge bothering on murder.

The Magistrate, Chinedu Agama did not take the plea of Chima for want of jurisdiction.

The magistrate directed the police to send the case file to the Director of Public Prosecutions, DPP, for advice.

Agama adjourned the case until December 31, for further hearing.

Earlier, the Prosecutor, Emmanuel Monday told the court that the defendant allegedly committed the offence on September 4, at 60 Ogbaga Road, Kpirikpini in Abakaliki Local Government Area in Ebonyi State.

Monday alleged that Chima, did caused the death of the deceased by beaten her with iron rods.

He told the court that the defendant had allegedly beaten his wife with iron rods until she died.

Monday said the offence was punishable under Section 319 (1) of the criminal code law, cap 33, Vol 1, laws of Ebonyi, 2009.

Defence counsel, Daniel Onuoha appealed for bail of his client but it was rejected because the court lacked jurisdiction over the case.