smell from the apartment.

Courts shuts down, as gunmen kill lawyer in Imo

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WERRI— IMO courts remained shut in part of Imo State following the gruesome murder of a legal practitioner, Mr Chinefu Nwowu. at Mgbidi, Oru West local council area of the state.

A lawyer, who spoke to Vanquard on condition of anonymity, said: "This sad incident has created a high degree of panic and apprehension among lawyers in the state, especially as nobody has been able to say why he was assassinated.

"The first information report I got was that the lawyer was driving home, Tuesday evening, when a gang of armed hoodlums over took and blocked his vehicle at Mgbidi, his home town.

"He was shot at point-blank