



**OFFICE OF THE HONOURABLE PRESIDENT  
CUSTOMARY COURT OF APPEAL  
FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY JUDICIARY**

In the exercise of the powers conferred on me by the provisions of Section 269 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), Section 20 of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja Customary Court of Appeal Degree No. 30 of 1991, and by virtue of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, HON. JUSTICE ADEKUNLE STANLEY LAWAL, FICMC, F.DRI, President of the Customary Court of Appeal of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, hereby issue the following Practice Directions:

**1. Applicability:**

This Practice Direction shall, save as may otherwise be directed by the Hon. President, apply to all Affidavits and depositions made at the Customary Court of Appeal of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja as well as the Customary Courts of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, the Customary Court of Appeal, Abuja Desk offices at both the Nigerian Immigration Services Headquarters, Sauka, Abuja and the Nigerian Immigration Services Passport Office, Gwagwalada, FCT.

**2. Objective and Guiding Principles:**

**The purpose of this Practice Direction is to streamline and bring to the attention of the general public, fees payable for affidavits and other depositions at the Customary Court of Appeal of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, as well as the Customary Courts of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, and Customary Court of Appeal Desk Offices at both the Nigerian Immigration Services Headquarters, Sauka, Abuja and the Nigerian Immigration Services Passport Office, Gwagwalada, FCT.**

**3. Directions**

- 3.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Oaths Act, 2004, and/or any other statute in that regard, all Affidavits emanating from the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja Customary Court of Appeal, shall be valid and legal only when it emanates from the Oaths Department, through officers of the Department stationed at the various locations as mentioned above.
- 3.2 The affidavit shall be in an electronic format imbued with features as may be approved by the FCT Customary Court of Appeal, with a view to ensuring authenticity and to prevent as much as is practicable, forgery.
- 3.3 All Affidavits must be commissioned by a Commissioner for Oaths appointed for that purpose and sworn by the Hon. President.
- 3.4 That the Software for the E-Affidavit of the FCT Customary Court of Appeal, shall be domiciled with the Consultants engaged for the purpose of design, maintenance and necessary upgrade, until such a time when the Court will be sufficiently ready to take over its maintenance.

**4. Fees**

All affidavits shall be paid for and the fees payable upon the coming into effect of this Practice Direction, shall be =N=2,000.00 (Two Thousand Naira) only.

**5. Verification**

All Affidavits of the Customary Court of Appeal shall be verifiable using this link: <https://comis.fctca.gov.ng>.

**6. Review**

The Hon. President may review this Practice Direction and/or issue further directives as prevailing circumstances may dictate.

**7. Citation**

This Practice Direction shall be cited as the FCT Customary Court of Appeal (Electronic Affidavit) Practice Direction No. 2 of 2026.

**8. Commencement.**

This Practice Direction shall commence and come into effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2026.

Dated this <sup>6<sup>th</sup></sup> day of February, 2026.



**Hon. Justice Adekunle Stanley Lawal, FICMC, F.DRI**  
Hon. President  
Customary Court of Appeal, FCT-Abuja.

