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MISSIONER OF POLICE

8th of January, 2024

The Commissioner of Police Lagos State Police Headquarters

Ikeja, Lagos State

Dear Sir,

PETITON AGAINST SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE KINGSLEY FOR HARASSMENT, INTIMIDATION, BATTERY AND ASSAULT, PUBLIC RIDICULE, ILLEGAL ARREST, DETENTION, TORTURE AND CONDUCT, CONDUCT OCCASIONING BODILY HARM, BRUTALIZATION, THREAT TO LIFE OF BARRISTER OLAKUNLE OLANREWAJU ESQ AT THE BEHEST OF IYORAH ODIANOSEN MCSTEPHEN AND AJAYI ADESOJI

We are Solicitors to Mr. Olakunle Olanrewaju Esq. hereinafter referred to as "our Client" and on whose instruction we write this letter.

Our Client is a legal practitioner of impeccable character, a distinguished member of the Nigerian Bar Association and was the Personal Assistant/Legal Adviser to the former Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice, Lagos State.

It our brief that on the 28th December, 2023,-Superintend of Police Kingsley (Surveillance Department), Ogudu Police Station acting in concert with some touts parading themselves as land agents attacked, assaulted, beat up and made a public ridicule/mockery of our Client at "The Place Restaurant" Ogudu, Lagos. In the process of assaulting our Client they tore his clothing aided by their cohorts-the land agents Odianosen Mcstephen and one Ajayi Adesoji.

Subsequently our Client was arrested and detained at the Ogudu Police Station Client. We have on good authority that Superintend of Police Kingsley (Surveillance Department) is on retainer/frequently engaged by the so-called land agent to harass, intimidate, illegally arrest and detain innocent citizens in matters that have no element of criminality i.e. civil matters.

Our Client's law firm was engaged by a Client based in the United States of America via an agent based in the United Kingdom to assist in purchasing a property at Ogudu, GRA, Lagos. Our Client wrote several letters (offer letters, counter offer etc) and subsequently had a meeting with one Ifeanyi Philips who claimed to be the main agent for the seller/owner of the property- Mr Adeyinka Adekunle Ilori.

Our Client was focused on conducting a due diligence on the property and ensuring he carried out the duty imposed on him as a lawyer to protect his Client's interest. Our Client had a meeting with the Seller's main agent- Ifeanyi Philips who came with Odianosen Mcstephen and one Ajayi Adesoji. At the meeting- Odianosen Mcstephen became violent, threatened our Client and the buyers' agent at meeting which made our Client adjourn the meeting. Our Client in a bid to resolve any misgiving between the agents (sellers/buyers agents) invited the said lyorah Odianosen Mcstephen to our office but lyorah Odianosen Mcstephen refused to honor the invitation.

Our Client proceeded with the transaction further to the instruction of the buyer-the Client) of the property. Our Client visited Ogudu GRA, Lagos and had several meetings with Ifeanyi Phillips thereafter for the completion of the transaction.

Unfortunately on the 28th of December, 2023 your officer/Kingsley in company with the land agents lyorah Odianosen Mcstephen stormed The Place Restaurants. Ogudu, Lagos and assaulted, beat up, brutalized, traumatized, abused our Client. Your officer assaulted our Client in the public view. Unfortunately when the assault, torture and ridicule was too overwhelming for our Client to bear your officers still dragged him outside the Place Restauraunt Ogudu, Lagos to further ridicule, humiliation, embarrassment and shame.

It is sad that the event was brought to the notice of the Divisional Police Officer, Ogudu, Lagos State who interviewed our Client and confirmed our Client is a member of the legal profession but still permitted the further harassment, detention and humiliation of our Client.

It is on record that there was no time the Divisional Police Officer invited our Client before the illegal arrest, assault and dehumanization of our Client.

While your officer was assaulting our Client, your officer Kingsley boasted that he had the backing of his bosses and no sanction would be meted out against him. While in detention, the agents and your officer were making plans to execute the illegal arrest of another individual. This clearly is their stock-in-trade and in our opinion violates the various laws, regulations and policy that governs the Nigerian Police.

Unfortunately the video recording of the incident has gone viral totaling tarnishing the image of our Client as members of the public mistook him for a common criminal in view of the harassment, humiliation, assault, attacks he received from your officer.

Subsequently the Director of Public Prosecution of Lagos State; Dr. Jide Martins, Special Assistant to the Attorney General of Lagos; Mrs Bola Akinsete and some members of the Nigerian Bar Association visited the Police Station and had a meeting with the Area Commander. The Area Commander interviewed the parties and concluded the matter was a civil matter.

Unfortunately on the 7th of January, 2024 lyorah Odianosen Mcstephen commenced threatening our Client and promised to use the Police to harass, intimidate, brutalize, dehumanise, traumatise, attack our Client. lyorah Odianosen Mcstephen continues to threaten our Client's life.

We have our Client's instruction to demand for the following:

- 1. A public apology (to be published in two Newspapers by your office and officers)
- 2. The sum of N100,000,000 (One Hundred Million Naira) as damages.
- 3. An investigation of the incident and prosecution of Iyorah Odianosen Mcstephen and Adesoji Ajayi.

Yours faithfully,

BLUEFIELD ATTORNEYS

Felix Omosele

CC:

- The President Federal Republic of Nigeria Aso Rock Villa, Abuja
- The National Assembly of Nigeria
 Three Arms Zone, Abuja Federal Capital Territory.

- The Inspector General of Police, Nigeria Police Headquarters, Louis Edet House Shehu Shagari Way, Central Area, Abuja, Nigeria
- 4. The Chairman House Committee on Police Affairs, House of Representatives, National Assembly Abuja.
- 5. Senate Committee on Police Affairs, National Assembly Abuja,
- The Honourable Minister of Police Affairs,
 The Ministry of Police Affairs,
 10th & 11 Floor, Federal Secretariat complex, Phase 3, Shehu Shagari Way,
 Maitama, Abuja
- 7. Police Service Commission, Corporate Headquarters, Plot 64, Cadastral Zone B16, Sector Centre B, Jabi, Abuja
- 8. The Chief Justice of Nigeria, Three Arms Zone Abuja
- 9. The Honourable Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Nigeria
- 10. The Honourable Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice, Lagos State , Alausa, Ikeja
- 11. The President of the Nigerian Bar Association
- 12. The National Human Right Commission