

**ADDRESS BY THE HONOURABLE CHIEF JUDGE OF ADAMAWA STATE
HON. JUSTICE HAFSAT ABDULRAHMAN ON THE OCCASION OF THE
INAUGURATION OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF SMALL CLAIMS COURTS FOR ADAMAWA STATE,
HELD ON THE 17TH APRIL, 2024 AT THE CHAMBERS OF THE HON. CHIEF
JUDGE , HIGH COURT COMPLEX**

PROTOCOL:

It is with gratitude to God that I address you on this landmark occasion of the inauguration of the Steering Committee for the establishment of Small Claims Court for Adamawa State.

The objectives of the Small Claims Procedure is to provide easy access to an informal, inexpensive and prompt resolution of simple debt and liquidated money demand, not exceeding Five Million Naira (N5, 000, 000.00k).

The Small Claims Court will enhance access to justice and accord legal inclusiveness to aggrieved persons/small business owners and also for quick dispensation of commercial disputes characterized by use of plain language and relax rules of evidence. The court when established will

make debt recovery in Adamawa State less cumbersome and easily accessible.

Consequently, in the exercise of the powers conferred on me by Section 274 of the Constitution of Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended) and by virtue of all other powers enabling me, I hereby constitute the Steering Committee for the Establishment of Small Claims Court for Adamawa State, the Committee comprise of personalities with knowledge and experience in adjudication and conflict resolution, I am confident that they will justify the confidence imposed on them.

Accordingly the Chairman and Members of the Steering Committee are

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| 1. Hon. Justice Kyanson Lawanson Samuel | - | Chairman |
| 2. Dauyina Baba Wathi | - - - - - | Member |
| 3. Blessing Ishaya Dabari- | - - - - - | Member |
| 4. Aishatu Hamidu | - - - - - | Member |
| 5. Kabiru Musa | - - - - - | Secretary |

On this note, it is my honour to formally inaugurate the Steering Committee for the Establishment of the Small Claims Court for Adamawa State.

Thank you and God bless us all.


Hon. Justice Hafsat Abdulrahman
Chief Judge