



APPOINTMENT OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS TO SUPERIOR
COURTS OF RECORD
CALL FOR COMMENTS

As a prelude to comprehensive reforms of Judicial Officers appointment process, the National Judicial Council (NJC) at its 108th Meeting held on 29 and 30 April 2025, approved a groundbreaking Policy to enhance transparency and accountability in the appointment process of Judicial Officers to Superior Courts of Record in Nigeria. The NJC introduced a Policy that, all memoranda on appointment of Judicial Officers from various Judicial Service Commissions containing the names of candidates recommended for appointment already pending before it, should be published in the first instance. However, henceforth, the Federal Judicial Service Commission, all Judicial Service Commissions or Committee of the FCT, shall publish the names of all candidates recommended for appointment.

The primary objective of this initiative is to solicit comments from the general public regarding the integrity, reputation, and suitability of these candidates for judicial office. By opening the process to public scrutiny, the NJC aims to gather valuable insights that will inform its final decisions and ensure that only the most qualified and candidates with impeccable character are appointed to the bench.

Below is the List of all the shortlisted candidates before Council for consideration:

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF JUDGE

S/N	NAME	JURISDICTION
1.	Hon. Justice Adekanye Lekan Ogunmoye	Ekiti
2.	Hon. Justice Ogunyemi Olusegun Isaac	Ekiti

LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT AS JUDGES OF THE HIGH COURTS, KADIS OF THE SHARIA COURTS OF APPEAL AND JUDGES OF THE CUSTOMARY COURTS OF APPEAL

S/N	NAME	COURT	JURISDICTION
1.	Glory Bassey Edu	High Court	Cross River
2.	Melody Bassey Irem	High Court	Cross River
3.	Ukuli Irene Boeye	High Court	Delta
4.	Otite Jonah Akporuaro	High Court	Delta
5.	Adamidenyo Otome Benjamin	High Court	Delta
6.	Sam-Oligida Jereoma	High Court	Delta
7.	Ogbimi Samuel Okpighe	High Court	Delta
8.	Etanabene Gloria Oghoteru	High Court	Delta
9.	Ojeikere Bridget Onome	Customary Court of Appeal	Delta
10.	Okah Stella Ovuorieroro	Customary Court of Appeal	Delta
11.	Okeri Efe	Customary Court of Appeal	Delta
12.	Tomoloju Ojigho Dorcas	Customary Court of Appeal	Delta
13.	Ogodo Lynda Nneka	Customary Court of Appeal	Ebonyi
14.	Amaka Dickson Edmund	Customary Court of Appeal	Ebonyi
15.	Nafisa Yusuf Hassan	High Court	Kano
16.	Halima Yahuza Ahmad	High Court	Kano
17.	Musa Ibrahim Umar	High Court	Kano
18.	Abdulkadir Mustapha	High Court	Kano
19.	Amina Bashir Albasu	High Court	Kano
20.	Abdullahi A. Bature	High Court	Kano
21.	Fadila Muhammad Dikko	High Court	Katsina
22.	Abdulrahman Yammama Shamsuddeen	High Court	Katsina
23.	Amina Ibrahim Danmusa	High Court	Katsina
24.	Maryam Umaru Abdullahi	High Court	Katsina
25.	Mustapha Hassan Ruma	High Court	Katsina
26.	Basira Umar Faruk	High Court	Katsina
27.	Abdur-rahman Umar	High Court	Katsina
28.	Abubakar Mohammed Dikko	High Court	Katsina
29.	Mutawakkil Mustapha Salis	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
30.	Isah Usman Ibrahim	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
31.	Uzairu Muhammad Dauda	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
32.	Ibrahim Abdullahi Yakubu	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
33.	Musa Sani Mara	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
34.	Bala Salisu	Sharia Court of Appeal	Katsina
35.	Ahmed Ndajiwo	High Court	Niger
36.	Sa'adatu Gambo	High Court	Niger
37.	Adamu Abubakar	High Court	Niger
38.	Suleiman B. Wushishi	High Court	Niger
39.	Isah Adamu Evuti	High Court	Niger


40.	Abdullahi Alkali	High Court	Niger
41.	Murtala M. B. Ibrahim	High Court	Niger
42.	Hauwa Kulu Isah	High Court	Niger
43.	Jibrin Alhaji Usman	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
44.	Hassan Ibn Muhammad	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
45.	Suleiman Ibrahim Muhammad	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
46.	Usman Abdulrahman Aboki	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
47.	Ya'aba Mohammed	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
48.	Muhammad Nasir Ibrahim	Sharia Court of Appeal	Niger
49.	Adebayo Julius Ojikutu	High Court	Ogun
50.	Adejumoke Oluwatoyin Adewole	High Court	Ogun
51.	Olyemisi Olukemi Adebo	High Court	Ogun
52.	Fatimat Adeola Daudu	High Court	Ogun
53.	Oludotun Olaniyi Osho	High Court	Ogun
54.	Olakunlehin Luqman Oke	High Court	Ogun
55.	Andrawus Maikai	High Court	Plateau
56.	Tongret N. Kparbong	High Court	Plateau
57.	Kingsley Mangai Mallan	High Court	Plateau
58.	Diane Ngummai Nkwap	High Court	Plateau
59.	John Ishaku Mantu	High Court	Plateau
60.	Gavou Bature Musa	High Court	Plateau
61.	Tapmwa Gotep	High Court	Plateau
62.	Eric Rinmial Naron	High Court	Plateau
63.	Pekes Habila Ezekiel	High Court	Plateau
64.	Dajan Manasseh Dakogol	High Court	Plateau
65.	Lyop Piyo	High Court	Plateau
66.	Zakka Dung	High Court	Plateau
67.	Badamasi Adam Kabir	Sharia Court of Appeal	Plateau
68.	Lawal Suleiman	Sharia Court of Appeal	Plateau
69.	Sirajo Garba Aliyu	High Court	Zamfara
70.	Rabi Bashir	High Court	Zamfara
71.	Nasiru Abdullahi	High Court	Zamfara
72.	Aishatu Jibrin	High Court	Zamfara
73.	Rukubatu Aliyu Kanoma	High Court	Zamfara
74.	Abubakar Aliyu Salisu	High Court	Zamfara
75.	Jibril Ibrahim	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara
76.	Sanusi Muhammad Magami	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara
77.	Sha'aban Mansur	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara
78.	Shafi'i Ibrahim Jangebe	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara
79.	Abdullahi Usman	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara
80.	Aliyu Muhammad Madacci	Sharia Court of Appeal	Zamfara

Key Guidelines for Public Participation:

- The NJC invites members of the public to submit comments on the shortlisted candidates based on their integrity, reputation and suitability for judicial appointment.
- All complaints or comments must be submitted in writing to the Office of the Secretary of the NJC or via email within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice.
- Each complaint/comment must be accompanied by a verifying affidavit deposed to by the author before a superior court of record in Nigeria or before any notary public. Accordingly, the Public is advised to guard against false and unsubstantiated complaint/comment as there will be consequences.
- Each complaint/comment must be precise and supported with sufficient particulars to enable the NJC accordingly determine it.

The NJC encourages all stakeholders and members of the public to participate actively in this process by providing constructive feedback on the shortlisted candidates.

For further information, please contact us on our website: www.njc.gov.ng


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