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NATIONAL SUMMIT ON JUSTICE 2024

PROGRAMME OF EVENT

**Abuja, Nigeria
24TH - 25TH APRIL, 2024 | 8:00AM**

**Federal Ministry of Justice
In collaboration with
Nigerian Bar Association
and
National Judicial Council**
Welcomes you to the
National Summit on Justice 2024

Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR

President, Federal Republic of Nigeria.
Special Guest of Honour.

Senator Godswill Akpabio, CON

Senate President
Guest of Honour

Hon. Justice Olukayode Ariwoola, GCON

Chief Justice of Nigeria
Chairman

Lateef O. Fagbemi, SAN

Attorney General of the Federation & Minister of Justice
Chief Host

Ezenwo Nyesom Wike, CON, Life-Bencher

Hon. Minister, Federal Capital Territory

Mrs. Beatrice Jedy-Agba, OON, mni

Solicitor- General of the Federation and Permanent Secretary, Federal
Ministry of Justice

Mr. Yakubu Chonoko Maikyau, OON, SAN

President, Nigerian Bar Association
Co-Convener

Dr. Willy Munyoki Mutunga, EGH

Former Chief Justice of Kenya
Keynote Speaker



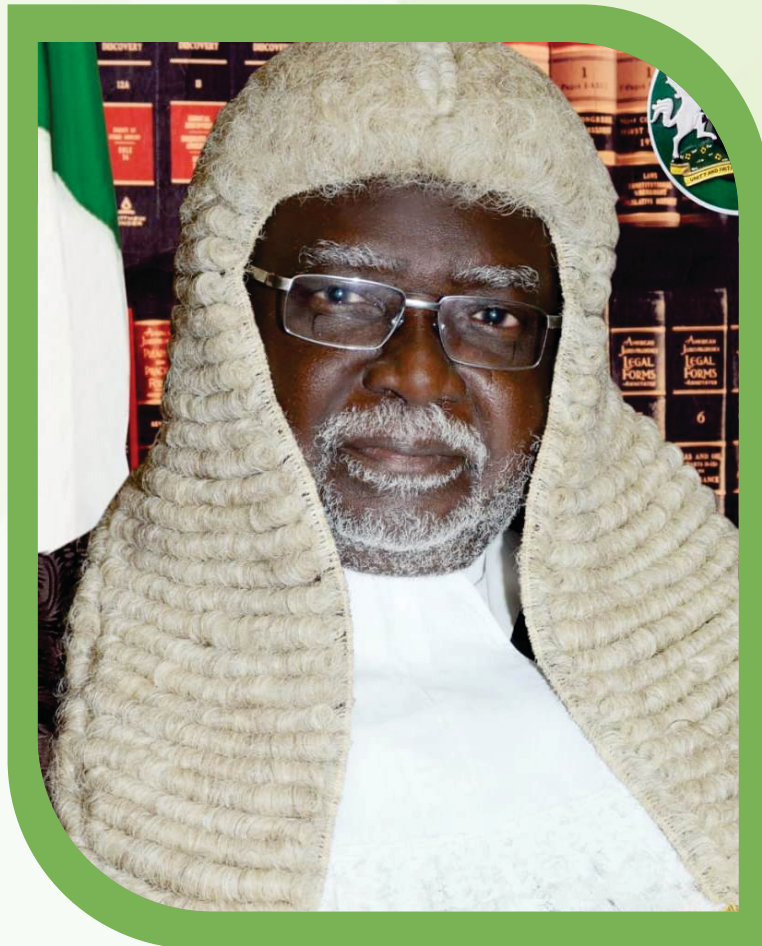


HIS EXCELLENCY
BOLA AHMED TINUBU, GCFR
PRESIDENT, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.



SENATOR GODSWILL AKPABIO, CON
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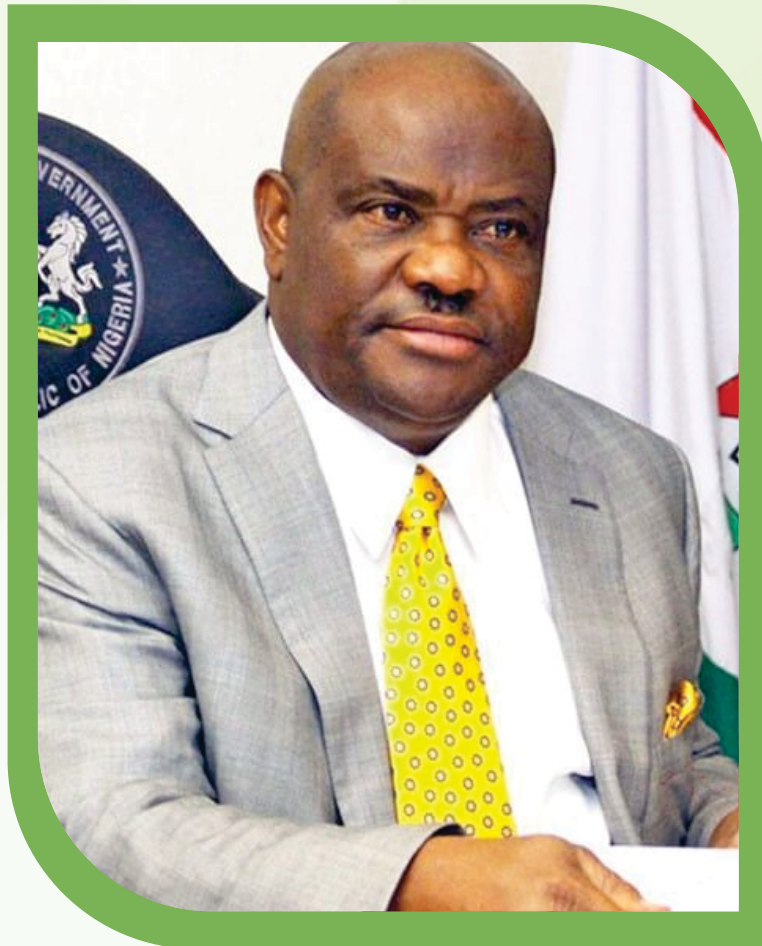




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DR. WILLY MUNYOKI MUTUNGA, EGH
FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE OF KENYA

DAY ONE

1. **8:00am - 9:00am**
Arrivals and Registration

2. **9:00am - 9:05am**
National Anthem

3. **9:05am - 9:25am**
Welcome Address
Hon. Attorney General of the Federation
Comperes
Ebere Young/
Akorede Habeeb
Lawal

4. **9:25am - 9:45am**
Welcome Address
NBA President
Comperes
Ebere Young/
Akorede Habeeb
Lawal

5. **9:45am - 10:05am**
Welcome Address
Chief Justice of Nigeria
Comperes
Ebere Young/
Akorede Habeeb
Lawal

6. **10:05am - 10:45am**
Keynote Address
Dr. Willy Mutunga, Former Chief Justice of Kenya
Comperes
Ebere Young/
Akorede Habeeb
Lawal

7. **10:45am - 11:30am**
Presentation of and Deliberation on the Revised
Draft National Policy on Justice
Prof. Mohammed Tabiu, SAN; Prof. M. T. Ladan
Technical Expert
Mr. Felix
Ota-Okojie

8. **11:30am - 11:40am**
Presentation of the Revised Draft National Policy
on Justice for Validation and Adoption
Hon. Attorney General of the Federation
Technical Expert
Mr. Felix
Ota-Okojie



9	11:40am - 11:50am Goodwill Message Ibrahim Sesay, Chief Child Protection, UNICEF	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
10	11:50am - 12:00pm Goodwill Message Dr. Oliver Stolpe, Representative UNODC	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
11	12:00pm - 12:05pm Goodwill Message Roba Sharamo, Director Africa and West Asia region, IIDEA	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
12	12:05pm - 12:10pm Goodwill Message Samuela Isopi, Ambassador of the European Union, EU delegation to Nigeria	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
13	12:10pm - 12:20pm Remarks Speaker of the House of Representatives	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
14	12:20pm - 12:30pm Remarks The Senate President	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
15	12:30pm - 12:40pm Formal Opening H. E. The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria	Comperes Ebere Young/ Akorede Habeeb Lawal
16	12:40pm - 12:45pm Departures	
17	12:45pm - 1:30pm LUNCH	



SESSION ONE (TECHNICAL SESSIONS)

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1:30pm - 3:00pm

Judicial Appointments/Selection:

1. Assessing the Performance of the NJC in Discharging its Responsibility for Judicial Appointments into the Superior Courts of Record.

Moderator

Mrs. Funke
Adekoya, SAN

Panelists

1. Hon. Justice Umaru Abdullahi, PCA (Rtd.)
2. Hon. Justice Benedict Kanyip, PNIC
3. Dr. Oliver Stolpe
4. Prof. Ameze Guobadia
5. Dr. Muiz Banire, SAN

3:00pm - 4:30pm

2. Examining the Structure and Role of the State Judicial Service Commissions in the Judicial Appointments Process.

Moderator

Dr. Uju
Agomoh

Panelists

1. Justice Alaba Omolaye-Ajileye, PhD (Rtd)
2. Prof. Oyelowo Oyewo, SAN
3. Mr. Wale Fapohunda, SAN
4. Dr. Musa Aliyu

4:30pm - 6:00pm

3. Philosophical Underpinnings of the Judicial Appointments Process: Structural and Constitutional Dimensions and the Proposals for Constitutional and Legislative Reform

Moderator

Prof. Dakas C. J.
Dakas, SAN

Panelists

1. Dr. Olisa Agbakoba, SAN
2. Dr. Jan van zyl Smit
3. Prof. Yusuf Ali, SAN
4. Mr. Joseph Otteh

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6:00pm - 6:10pm

Closing Remarks



DAY TWO

1. **8:00am - 9:00am**
Arrivals and Registration

2. **9:00am - 9:05am**
National Anthem

SESSION TWO

3. **9:05am - 10:35am**
Examining the Efficiency of the Current Constitutional Framework for the Funding, Administration and Budgeting for the Judiciary in the Allocation of Resources and Accountability on the part of the Judiciary.

Moderator

Mr. Etigwe
Uwa, SAN

Panelists

1. Hon. Justice Isa Ayo Salami, PCA (Rtd.)
2. Hon. Justice Oludotun Adefope-Okojie, JCA (Rtd.)
3. Mr. Robert Emukpoeruo, SAN

4. **10:35am - 11:00am**
Tea Break

5. **11:00am - 12:30pm**
Examining Various Models for Professionalising the Administration of the Courts, whilst ensuring the Independence of the Judiciary and Proposals for Constitutional and Legislative Reform

Moderator

Dr. Babatunde
Ajibade, SAN

Panelists

1. Hon. Justice Kashim Zannah
2. Dr. John Sorabji (UCL)
3. Professor Bolaji Owasanoye, SAN



6 **12:30pm - 1:30pm**

Lunch

SESSION THREE

7 **1:30pm - 3:00pm**

Eradicating Delays in the Administration of Justice:
Agenda for Leveraging the Rules of Procedure and
Effective Case Management in Nigeria:
Focus on the Administration of Criminal
Justice Act/Laws and the Administration of
Civil Justice Law

Moderator

Prof. Peter
Akper, SAN

Panelists

1. Mr. Isaiah Bozimo, SAN
2. Mr. Babatunde Fagbohunlu, SAN
3. Mr. Fernandez Marcus-Obiene

8 **3:00pm - 4:30pm**

Discipline at the Bar and on the Bench - The case for
Enhanced Disciplinary Powers, Performance,
Management and Court Monitoring

Moderator

Chief Anthony
Idigbe, SAN

Panelists

1. Hon. Justice Mohammed L. Garba, JSC
2. Justice Olusola Williams (rtd.)
3. Ms. Hadiza Usman
4. Prof. Yemi Akinseye-George, SAN

9 **4:30pm - 4:40pm**

Vote of Thanks

Moderator

Dr. Balkisu
Saidu

10 **4:40pm - 5:00pm**

Communiqué

Moderator

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