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CIRCULAR NO. 1 2021

To:

All Superior Court Judges

The Hon. Attorney General and Commissioner of Justice

All Management Staff

All Magistrates and Area Court Judges

Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Jos, Bukuru, Pankshin and Shendam Branch

Staff of the Judiciary

General Public.

- i. WHEREAS by the reason of the strike action by the Judiciary Staff Union of Nigeria (Known as JUSUN strike) which affected Court Proceedings and filing of processes in Court for the period from the 6th day of April, 2021 to the 14th day of June, 2021.
- ii. AND WHEREAS it has become essential to make a circular to provide guidelines for the computation of time for the payment of default fees for extension of time for filing of processes in the Plateau State High Court of Justice for that period.

Now therefore, **I, Yakubu Gyang Dakwak**, the Honourable, Chief Judge of Plateau State High Court of Justice pursuant to the powers conferred on me by Section 254 of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999 (as amended) and pursuant to the

provisions of Order 48 Rule 4 of the High Court of Plateau State (Civil Procedure) Rules, 2020, hereby issue the following circular:

1. **COMPUTATION OF TIME FOR FILING OF COURT PROCESSES AND PAYMENT OF DEFAULT FEES FOR EXTENSION OF TIME.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Order 48 Rule 4 of the High Court of Plateau State (Civil Procedure) Rules, 2020 on computation of time for filing of Court processes or doing an act as provided by the Rules and payment of default fees for extension of time thereof, the period covering the JUSUN strike action, being from the 6th day of April, 2021 to the 14th day of June, 2021, is hereby exempted.

2. **APPLICABILITY:**

These circular shall, save to the extent or as may be otherwise directed by the Chief Judge, apply to both Criminal and Civil Cases and matters in the High Court.

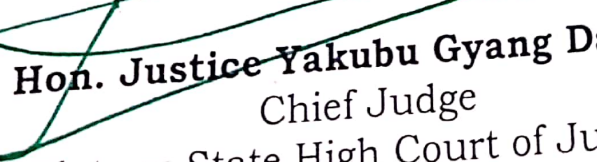
3. **CITATION:**

These circular shall be cited as the High Court (Exemption of Payment of Default Fees for Filing of Processes) circular (No.1) 2021.

COMMENCEMENT:

These circular shall come into effect from Tuesday, the 15th day of June, 2021.

Dated this 15th day of June, 2021.


Hon. Justice Yakubu Gyang Dakwak
Chief Judge
Plateau State High Court of Justice.