

OGALA J

IN THE HIGH COURT OF LAGOS STATE
IN THE IKEJA JUDICIAL DIVISION
HOLDEN AT IKEJA

BETWEEN

OLOYE SALAMI OLUWASEUN

AND

MR. GANIYU OYEBANJO

LORDS TEMPLE
ATTORNEYS' SOLICITORS' ARBITRATORS

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SUIT NO: ID/ADR/3352/25

CLAIMANTS

DEFENDANTS

STATEMENT OF DEFENCE

1. The Defendant denies each and every statement in the Statement of Claim except such as are specifically herein admitted.
2. The Defendant was a Special Adviser to the Executive Chairman, Kosofe Local Government Council on Boundary Matters.
3. Contrary to paragraph 1 of the Statement of Claim, the Claimant is not a Chieftain of the All Progressive Congress in Kosofe Local Government, Lagos State nor a prominent grassroots politician and political figure whose contribution to the development of his community, Local Government and Lagos State at large.
4. According to a publication in the Kosofe Post dated 5th September 2025 and captioned KOSOFE LEGISLATIVE CRISIS, the Claimant was identified as a "Social Commentator".
5. The Claimant does not and has never held any political appointment or recognition in All Progressive Congress Party in Kosofe Local Government of Lagos State and puts the Claimant is to strict proof of his claim of being a prominent grassroots politician and political figure in Kosofe Local Government Council.
6. The Claimant is not a Traditional Title Holder and the Claimant is put to strict proof thereof.
7. The Claimant is not a successful businessman and philanthropist nor a well respected resident of Anthony Village as he resides at Oworonsoki as confirmed by the Claimants Written Deposition on Oath in this suit; and not Anthony Village as he would want the court to believe.
8. The Claimant has no basis to claim he has an unblemished reputation, integrity and political sagacity that must be safe-guarded at all times both within and outside the shore of Nigeria as he has not contested for or held any political position in Kosofe Local Government Council.
9. The Claimant does not maintain a good and cordial relationship with all political leaders in Kosofe Local Government including the current Executive Chairman

of Kosofe Local Government Council, Moyosore Ogunlewe and the Claimant is put to strict proof thereof.

10. The Defendant admits being the Special Adviser to the Executive Chairman, Kosofe Local Government Council on Boundary Matters but vehemently denies being removed for insubordination, gross misconduct, disruptive behavior and dereliction of duty as stated in paragraph 5 of the Statement of Claim, and put the Claimant to strict proof thereof.
11. Issues relating to the Defendants illegal and unlawful suspension as Special Adviser are subject of litigation in Suit No. ID / 1305 / GCMW / 2025 between **GANIYU OLAMIJI OYEBANJO V MOYOSORE OGUNLEWE & KOSOFE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL** before Justice Afeez of the Lagos State High Court, Holden at Ikeja, Lagos.
12. The Defendant admits having an online presence to the extent of having a Facebook account and other social media accounts in his personal name, in addition to being a member of numerous Whatsapp Groups.
13. The Defendant further admits that he regularly publishing Islamic teachings and admonitions, political and developmental initiatives on "Kosofe Headlines" which is a Facebook Group and "Kosofe Voice" which is a Whatsapp Group widely recognized by politicians in Kosofe Local Government.
14. The Defendant is not the Convener / Creator of the Facebook page known as "Kosofe Headlines" as falsely stated and published by the Claimant on numerous Facebook and Whatsapp Groups.
15. The Defendant admits paragraph 7 of the Statement of Claim only to the following extent:
 - I. That he published the write up titled "Operation Time Pass" in the Whatsapp Group "Kosofe Voice" and "Kosofe Headlines", in response to the Claimants malicious and defamatory statements against him on the same platforms.
 - II. That the statements in the write up "Operation Time Pass" in the Whatsapp Group "Kosofe Voice" and "Kosofe Headlines" are fair comments and the opinion of the Defendant in view of the statements and allusions of the Claimant published in "Kosofe Headlines" on Facebook and in the Whatsapp Group "Kosofe Voice" against him.
16. The Claimant had previously made and published the following false, malicious and defamatory statements concerning the Defendant in "Kosofe Headlines" on Facebook and in the Whatsapp Group "Kosofe Voice" in the following terms:

Oluwaseyi Salami: Ganiu Oyebanjo is hiding under the finger of the "Kosofe Headlines" to post nonsense; everybody knows Ganiu is behind the page. Nobody should take the monster called Ganiu Oyebanjo serious again. He is a wounded lion and a drowned man.

Oluwaseyi Salami: Ganiu Oyebanjo is a drowned man, he should come out from hideout to defend himself before the public opinion. He continues to use his facebook page (Kosofe Headlines) to taunt all personalities and defame the Council Chairman.

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GANIU OYEBANJO: A DEFINITION OF A SOUR WINE IN A GOLDEN APC KOSOFE BOTTLE:

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GANIU OYEBANJO: A MAN WHO IS DANCE ON SOCIAL MEDIA BUT CRY UNDER HIS SELF IMPRISONMENT

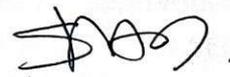
17. All the above statements of the Claimants contained in paragraph 16 above were published on-line on Facebook and numerous Whatsapp Groups; are not only false and without factual basis but malicious in all material respects.
18. The false, reckless and malicious statements of the Claimants referred directly and unequivocally to the Defendant by name, with his photograph attached and leaves no room for any doubt or ambiguity but point directly to the

Defendant in the eyes of any reasonable man as a:

- I. A person of questionable character
 - II. A person to be avoided and shunned by the All Progressive Congress and the society at large.
 - III. A person of unstable mind.
19. The Defendant denies "being behind" "Kosofe Headlines" Facebook Page according to allegations made by the Claimant in the defamatory publications and the Claimant is put to strict proof thereof.
 20. The statements in the write up titled "Operation Time Pass" and published by the Defendant are true and fair comments in response to the Claimants malicious statement listed particularly in paragraph 16 of this statement of Defense.
 21. The Defendant denies knowledge of paragraph 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 of the Statement of Claim and shall adduce evidence at the trial of this suit to disprove them.
 22. The Defendant admits receiving a letter from the Claimants Legal Counsel and states that since the Claimant did not propose to retract and apologies for false, malicious and defamatory statement made against him (Defendant), he ignored the said letter.
 23. The comments made by the Defendant are fair comments in response to the gravity of the Claimant false, malicious and defamatory statement made against him (the Defendant).
 24. The Defendant reasonably believed that the false allegation initially made by the Claimant against him on the same fora is tacit consent that the Claimant expected the Defendant to respond to him on the same social media platform where he previously defamed the Defendant.
 25. The Defendant states that the only condition on which the statement he published could be retracted and apologized for is that the Claimant shall first retract all his publication and apologize to the Defendant for the false, malicious and defamatory statement made against him; particularly that he was behind "Kosofe Headlines" page on Facebook and other vile statements.
 26. The Defendant shall at the trial of this suit rely on documents generated electronically which are pleaded in relation to the Claimant's publication and plead as follows:
 - I. The said electronically generated document was produced by a computer during the period over which the computer was used regularly to store and process information.
 - II. That information of the kind was regularly supplied to the computer in ordinary course of those activities.

- III. That the computer was operating properly throughout the material period the document was generated from the electronic gadget.
27. The Defendant prays the Court to dismiss the Claimants suit on the following grounds:
- I. The Claimant had previously published false, malicious and defamatory statement made against the Defendant.
 - II. The publications were fair comment and honest opinion held by the Defendant in response to the Claimants false, malicious and defamatory statement made against the Defendant earlier.
 - III. The fair comment and honest opinion, even though harsh or exaggerated are based on facts that are true and not malicious.
28. The alleged particular defamatory statement on which the Claimant bases his claim in this suit contained in paragraph 8 of the Statement of Claim are fair comments and reasonable opinions held by the Defendant based on reasonable grounds which include:
- I. The Claimant had written several provocative write-ups about the person of the Defendant without any reasonable basis.
 - II. The Claimant is a chronic alcoholic who is perpetually drunk to the perception of the Defendant.
29. The Defendant prays the Honourable Court to dismiss the Claimant's suit as it does not disclose a reasonable cause of action in the face of the Defendants defense.

Dated this 2nd day of Oct 2025



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If you like, post more voice chats of your colleagues, you will never return to that seat again.

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Oluwaseun Salami

This post and many to come as we approach another LG election in lagos cannot stop the reelection of Barr Moyosore Ogunlewe for another 4years term. APC leaders are not bothered about those sore losers and snake within that are written all these sorts of rubbish to taint the image of the chairman, At appropriate time when the sour wine cup is over full, we will spill those political imbecile out and place them where they truly belong. A popular yoruba Adage says "Toju ba sepin,a fun han ni"

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Comment as Ibraheem Oyebanjo

18 July 2024

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I have tried to ignore Ganiu Oyebanjo but since he has dances naked in the market square Hence the reason for this responding write up.

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It is important and imperative to appeal to the party members and general public to ignore a man that always bites the fingers that feed him and a perpetual beaker of the ladders that lift him up.

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It is pertinent to make it known to all and sundry that the sour wine of GANIU OYEBANJO is already full, and the time to spill him out and place him where he belongs



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← Oloye Salami Oluwase...



A man that has refused to contribute to the team progress of the APC Kosofe Local Government chapter since he crossed over to the party. An unrepentant snake in the party team and growing thorn in the party flesh.

On this note, I want to passionately appeal and inform the self-exile GANIU OYEBANJO that I am not the architect of his calamity, he deliberately brought it upon himself and I will advise you as a brother to be courageous enough to honor the police invitation at Ogudu or better still he should continue to pursue his petition at the Lagos state police command rather than cowardly abandoned your beautiful case and choose running from the pillar to poles.

Enough is Enough, GANIU. This time, your cup is over full, and your over flatted egoistic size has punctured!

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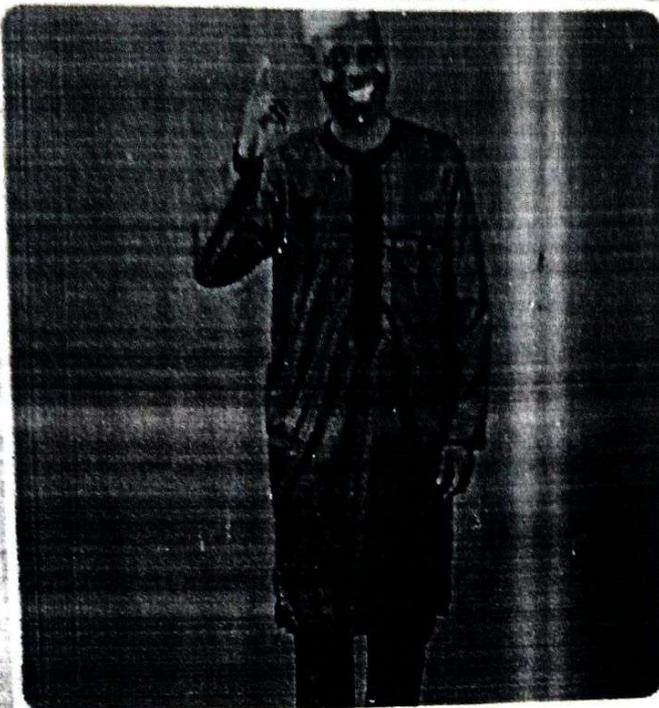
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At this juncture, I have listened to different progressive advices and yielded to the appeals by the respected stakeholders and party members to allow the monster to continue ranting, languish and suffering in his self-inflicted sorrows and pains.

Ganiu Oyebanjo is a mentally disabled man with records of

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prevails and persuade the family of Ganiu Oyebanjo to show empathy and compassion with him by paying special attention to his health and seek for a medical assistant to ascertain his health status because investigation shows that he is suffering from a brain cancer and diarrhea of the mouth, they must take him to a nearest government medical facility in psychiatric hospital in Yaba or Aro in Abeokuta for a brain investigation scan and mental stability test not until he finally enter markets.

Ganiu Oyebanjo is dancing on social media daily but crying silently at the corner of his **Self- House Arrest.**

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Oloye Salami Oluwaseun

11:46 am

Thanks 1:09 pm

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