

# **PRESS RELEASE**

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History was made on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2017, when the former Secretary of the National Judicial Council Danladi Halilu, Esq., OON, who officially retired from active service formally, passed the baton over to Ahmed Gambo Saleh, Esq, as the incumbent Secretary of the National Judicial Council.



*Ahmed Gambo Saleh, Esq (left) and Danladi Halilu, Esq., OON (Right)*



*Ahmed Gambo Saleh, Esq., (NJC Secretary)*

Danladi Halilu, Esq., OON, on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2002, took over from Hajia Bilkisu Abdulmalik Bashir, OON, Secretary, Federal Judicial Service Commission, who was then coordinating the affairs of the National Judicial Council.

Ahmed Gambo Saleh, Esq., who until his appointment was the immediate past Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court of Nigeria,

holds first and second degrees in Law from Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto and Bayero University, Kano, respectively.

He worked briefly as a Private Legal Practitioner before joining the service of Jigawa State Ministry as a Senior State Counsel in 1998, where he rose to become Director of Legal Drafting in 2002.

Mr Saleh was a one time Chairman of Nigerian Bar Association, Dutse Branch in 2008.

In the later part of 2008, he was appointed a Special Assistant to former Chief Justice of Nigeria, Hon. Justice Idris Legbo Kutigi, GCON. In 2010, he was appointed the Deputy Director Litigation before his appointment as the 16<sup>th</sup> Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court of Nigeria.

It was during his tenure as the Chief Registrar, that the processes of Court Automation commenced, and the interviews of candidates who applied for conferment of Senior Advocate of Nigeria are streamed live on the website of the Supreme Court, to enable members of the public to view and access the suitability or otherwise of qualified candidates to forestall allegation of bias or preferential treatment.

He introduced technologies which has enable the Court rooms to connect to unified system that has a central repository for all audio/video recording of proceedings. This includes: the transcript, audio and video recordings of any hearing, appearances and Court room proceedings.

He also installed in the Court a device called the document camera with the capacity to display exhibits, which can be viewed by Judges, Registrars and lawyers. This device converts a paper document or physical exhibit to an electronic image with the ability to enlarge or reduce the image.

Mr Ahmed Gambo Saleh, Esq., is well travelled and well experienced Court administrator.

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