## IN THE MAGISTRATE COURT OF RIVERS STATE OF NIGERIA IN THE PORT HARCOURT MAGISTERIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT PORT HARCOURT BEFORE HIS WORSHIP NNEKA E. EZE-OBUZOR SITTING ON THE 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025 AT THE SMALL CLAIMS COURT 4 PORT HARCOURT

SUIT NO: PMC/SCC/296/2024

BETWEEN:

MR MONDAY JOHN AFRICA

CLAIMANT

AND

MR SAMUEL EGEGE

NNEKA E. EZE-OBUZOR, ESQ.

(SENIOR MAGISTRATE)

DEFENDANT

## STRUCK OUT ORDER

UPON THIS MATTER coming up for Judgment in this Honourable Court before His Worship NNEKA EZE -OBUZOR, ESQ. SENIOR MAGISTRATE sitting at Small Claims Court 4, Port Harcourt and after hearing the application of K. O. Odu Esq. for Claimant/Respondent and C. C. Okparaolu Esq. for defendant/Applicant holding brief of V.C. MacFriday Esq.

## IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

In the absence of any proof of acknowledgement before the expiration of 5 years, this application succeeds as no court has jurisdiction to hear a matter that is statute barred.

Accordingly, this suit is struck out for want of jurisdiction.

PORT HARCOURT under the seal of the Court and the hand of the presiding Senior Magistrate this 27th day of February, 2025.