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The Honourable,
Honourable Chief Justice Kudirat M. O. Kekere-Ekun GCON
The Chief Justice of Nigeria,
Three Arms Zone,
Abuja.

CONDOLENCE LETTER

We, at African Bar Association received with shock but with gratitude to God, the news of the demise of Late Justice Mohammed Lawal Uwais (CJN RTD).

This is a man that served Nigeria with dignity, courage and integrity at the Supreme Court of Nigeria as a justice and reaching the apex as Chief Justice of Nigeria.

He was a golden gift to the judiciary. He carried out his judicial functions bearing in mind that justice matters. In the administration of the affairs of the Supreme Court, he displayed frugality and accountability in financial matters.

He was a very good friend and partner of the Bar, and worked harmoniously even after retirement to establish and propagate the ideals of the legal profession.

The legal profession has lost one of its finest to the cold hands of death though inevitable.

We mourn with you and other serving and retired colleagues in the Supreme Court of Nigeria, we mourn with the immediate family starting with our colleague Maryam Uwais, his amiable wife and other dutiful children left behind.

As we mourn, we remember his legacies of judicial uprightness, his judgments which are not only telling truth to power but also gives justice deservedly.

We will all miss him, but consoled that he lived a fulfilled life and exiting at a good ripe age. We pray that Aljana Firdausi be his lot and that Almighty Allah forgive him his trespasses.

High Chief Ibrahim Eddy Mark

President