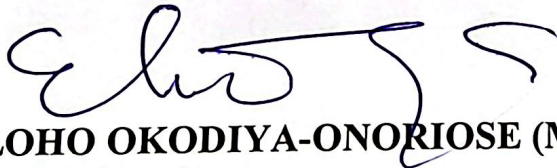


## **PRESS RELEASE ON**

### **LAUNCHING OF SMALL CLAIMS COURTS IN DELTA STATE**

The Delta State Judiciary has launched the Small Claims Courts across various Judicial Division in Delta State. The Honourable, the Chief Judge of Delta State has designated some Magistrate Courts in Delta State to hear and determine, liquidated monetary claims of N5million and below. To implement this, the HCJ signed the Delta State Judiciary Practice Direction on Small Claims 2023, which will guide the operations of these special courts.

The objective of this court is to improve the judicial process by making it easier to resolve liquidated debt recovery disputes involving small claims of Five Million Naira (N5million) or below. For all claims filed in a Small Court, judgments are expected to be delivered within 60 days, with an additional 30 days for enforcement. The Court also encourages self-representation and adheres to strict timelines for important court events.



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