



Human &  
Environmental  
**DEVELOPMENT AGENDA**

**30th September, 2019**

**The Chairman  
Code of Conduct Bureau  
5th Floor, Federal Secretariat  
Church Gate Tower  
Central  
Abuja**



**Dear Sir,**

**VIOLATION OF THE 1999 CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC  
OF NIGERIA – JUSTICE ALFA BELGORE (Rtd)**

The above subject matter refers and it is anchored on the report published by PremiumTimes on the 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2019<sup>1</sup>, titled, ***"Exclusive: \$9.6 Billion Judgement Debt: How Former CJN helped P&ID to Defeat Nigeria"***

The report confirmed that the former Chief Justice of Nigeria between 2006 and 2008, Retired Justice Alfa Belgore, who is still a member of the National Council of State and Chairman of the Nigerian National Honours Award Committee. He was allegedly reported to have testified as an expert witness before an arbitration tribunal in the UK's Business & Property Courts, for an Irish firm, P&ID. It was reported that as a result of his expert advice, in which he laid claims to painstaking analysis of the Nigeria's laws and exploiting its shortcomings, cited case laws for the benefit of the firm resulted in a humongous arbitral award leading to judgement debt of \$9.6 billion (N3.2 trillion) against Nigeria.

It was reported that the genesis of the award commenced from the accusation laid against the Nigeria Government by Process and Industrial Developments Limited (P&ID) for breaching a 2010 Gas Contract agreement. According to the report, it was based on the allegations, that the UK tribunal accepted Mr.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.premiumtimesng.com/news/headlines/352204-9-6billion-judgment-debt-how-former-cjn-helped-pid-to-defeat-nigeria.html>

*"(1) Where the Tribunal finds a public officer guilty of contravening any of the provisions of this Act, it shall impose upon that officer any of the punishments specified under subsection (2) of this section.*

*(2) The punishment which the Tribunal may impose shall include any of the following-*

*(a) vacation of office or any elective or nominated office, as the case may be;*

*(b) disqualification from holding any public office (whether elective or not) for a period not exceeding ten years; and*

*(c) seizure and forfeiture to the State of any property acquired in abuse or corruption of office".*

Based on the above stated provisions, we hereby demand the following:

1. That he should be investigated and prosecuted immediately for violating Section 5 of the Code of Conduct for Public Officers.
2. That as a result of this breach and upon conviction, the former CJN be removed with immediate effect as Chairman of the National Merit Honour Committee

Our demand is hinged on our resilient and persistent demand for democracy, accountability, transparency and ultimately preservation of the rule of law.

We appreciate your prompt action in this regard.

While thanking you, do accept our sincere regards.

Yours faithfully,

**Olanrewaju Suraju**  
Chairman

