

Princess Ocansey Acquitted and Discharged of Human Trafficking Charges

Princess Ocansey, falsely accused of human trafficking, after 17 court appearances with no witnesses and complainants, was acquitted and discharged in Ghana.

ACCRA, GHANA, April 19, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- ACCRA – April 19, 2014 – Princess Asie Ocansey, has been acquitted and discharged of all human trafficking and false charges of fraud in the case of 'The Republic vs Naa Asie Ocansey' involving one Eugenia Mensah Plange.

The case was presented to the court by the Anti-Human Trafficking Unit of the CID, headed by Supt. Patience Quaye, who indicated that it was the US Embassy that sent a letter to report this said Human Trafficking case in November 2012, though no letter from the US Embassy was tendered.

The accused was also said to have falsely stated that Eugenia Plange was an employee of Nekotech, an NGO owned by the accused. However, all documents tendered stated that Eugenia Mensah Plange worked for PZ Cussons, with forms filled in her own handwriting. There were no documents tendered to support the accusation that Eugenia Mensah Plange worked for Nekotech.

In the ruling by Her Lordship (SGD) Ms. Sedina Agbemava, the circuit court Judge on the case, after clearly defining Section 1 of the Human Trafficking Act, 2005, Act 694 as amended Act 784, read as follows: 'Having looked at the above definition, I am unable to call upon the accused to open her defense. The prosecution has been unable to lead an iota of evidence leading that a prima facie case has been made out against the accused.'

Princess Ocansey, a woman of God, a Professional Engineer and Migration Expert- is a graduate of the USA Rutgers University College of Engineering, Wesley Girls High School, Cape Coast and Canadian Institute's Temporary Foreign Workers Program, in Alberta, Canada. She is the founder of Nekotech Center, Ada – an NGO, and SOS Labour, a duly registered international job placement agency, and a radio show hostess of: 'Travelling Overseas God's Way', a weekly radio program which advocates against illegal migration and teaches legal migration. She is the recipient of several awards including the USA Ron Brown International Business Award, USA White House Recognition for her humanitarian HIV/AIDS work co-founded with US Film Star Steven Seagal–'Save a Million Lives'- in partnership with the USA Student National Medical Association, which was also awarded an MBE in Buckingham Palace via Mr. Bailey.

This has been over a year long, high profile court case, which went viral before it was sent to court and was on all social media networks and on TV and radio stations locally and globally. Princess Ocansey was represented by the renowned Lawyer Yonny Kulendi (Kulendi@Law), who told the court on the first day, that the charges were false and bizarre.

The ruling indicated that the accused person had been charged with an attempt to commit crime to wit human trafficking contrary to Section 18 of the Criminal Offenses Act, Act 29 of 1960 and section 2(1) of the Human Trafficking Act, Act 694 as amended.

After 17 appearances in court by the accused, the said complainants, the US Embassy and Eugenia

Mensah Plange, did not testify for the prosecution, and never once showed up at the court. Evidence from the trial shows that the said Eugenia Plange went for the visa interview through another company, Youth Enhancement, where she herself misrepresented information in her visa application. Others who passed the interviews, are now working in the US at the State Department approved Program.

In her ruling, the Judge, Her Lordship Sedina Agbemava asked: 'One would wonder what happened to the rest of the group who went with Eugenia for the interview and passed and were issued visas? Were they also victims of human trafficking? The group went through the same procedure so why was the present supposed victim singled out?' asked Her Lordship Agbemava in her judgement.

This critical question posed by Her Lordship Agbemava, about this Anti-Human Trafficking submission, headed by Director, Supt. Patience Quaye, remains unanswered. The Judge made one key point: This is not a case of human trafficking.

In the final statement, the ruling read: 'I will therefore uphold the submission and acquit and discharge the accused person. She is acquitted and discharged,' concluded the ruling by Her Lordship Ms. Sedina Agbemava.

'The Glory belongs to God,' concluded Pastor Arthur of CUP.

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