

VOTE OF THANKS BY HIS LORDSHIP, THE HONOURABLE, THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF NIGERIA, HON. JUSTICE MAHMUD MOHAMMED, GCON ON THE OCCASION OF THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION DINNER HELD AT THE NATIONAL JUDICIAL INSTITUTE, ON 5 FEBRUARY 2015 AT 7:00 PM

In the name of ALLAH, the Most Gracious, the most Merciful.

Let me begin by acknowledging the presence of my Learned Brother, the Chief Justice of Ghana, Hon. Justice Georgina T. Wood and thanking his Lordship for making time to be part of this special occasion. You are most welcome.

I would like to thank the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), under the able leadership of Augustine O. Allegeh, SAN for the honour bestowed upon me. Indeed I have been made to feel like a “BAR” man in the truest sense of the word.

I would also like to thank the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the NBA for the well organized events of the past two days, which saw the legal profession take concrete steps towards improving the administration of justice in Nigeria. It is my hope that the NBA NEC and indeed all members of the BAR shall continue to play their part as Ministers in the Temple of Justice.

The events of the past couple of days could not have taken place in a more serene environment. Credit must therefore go to whom it is due and I wish to heartily commend the Administrator and Staff of the Institute for working assiduously and tirelessly in supporting all events, including this Dinner.

As we leave here tonight, it is my earnest hope that we shall all gather again soon to discuss the progress that we have made individually and collectively to give our people the justice system they deserve.

I wish you all the best of the evening and may Almighty Allah grant everyone journey mercies to their respective destinations.

Thank you.

MAHMUD MOHAMMED, GCON,
Chief Justice of Nigeria