

# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JUDICATURE IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GHANA ACCRA-AD 2024

SUIT NO.: 1/6/2025

# WRIT TO INVOKE THE ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OF THE SUPREME COURT UNDER ARTICLES 2(1)(B) AND 130(1)(A) OF THE 1992 CONSTITUTION

BETWEEN		
SHAFIC OSMAN	)	Plaintiff
Libya Quarters	)	
Madina, Accra	)	
AND		
BOARD OF GOVERNORS WESLEY GIRLS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Kakumdo, Cape Coast	)	1 <sup>st</sup> Defendant
EDUCATION SERVICE Ministries, Accra	)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Defendant
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL The Law House Accra	)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Defendant

# TO:

- BOARD OF GOVERNORS, WESLEY GIRLS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Kakumdo, Cape Coast
- EDUCATION SERVICE Ministries, Accra
- THE ATTORNEY GENERAL The Law House, Accra.

IN THE NAME OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA, you are hereby commanded within fourteen (14) days after the service on you of the statement of the Plaintiff's case inclusive of the day of service, that you are to file or cause to be filed for you a statement of the Defendant's case in an action at the suit of:

# **SHAFIC OSMAN**

#### THE NATURE OF THE RELIEFS SOUGHT IS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A declaration that the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant's policy prohibiting the belief, practice and observance of Islam by Muslim students on its campus is contrary to and inconsistent with articles 12,17(1) and (2), 21(1)(b),(c),(e) and 26 of the 1992 Constitution and International Human Rights cognisable under Article 33(5) of the Constitution of Ghana, 1992.
- A declaration that the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant's policy compelling and requiring the practice of a compulsory school religion in a public school is contrary to and inconsistent with Articles 21(1) (b) (c) and Article 26.
- 3. A declaration that 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant's policy prohibiting Muslim students from exercising their religious rights is unlawfully discriminatory and a violation of Article 17(2) of the Constitution of Ghana, 1992.
- 4. A declaration that the limitations on Muslim students in 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant school undermines the welfare of Muslim students under International Human Rights of the Child cognisable` under Article 33(5) of the Constitution of Ghana, 1992.
- 5. A declaration that 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant's policy compelling the practice of Methodism by all students is an establishment of religion in violation of Article 21(1) (c) and Article 56 of the Constitution of Ghana, 1992.
- 6. A declaration that by allowing the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant's policy of compelling the practice of Methodism by all students, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Defendant has unlawfully allowed the imposition of a common religious program in violation of Article 56 of the Constitution of Ghana, 1992.
- 7. An order perpetually restraining the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Defendants, with immediate effect from further administering the impugned policy in the 1<sup>st</sup> Defendant school or similar policies in any other school.
- 8. An order directing the 2<sup>nd</sup> Defendant to enact constitutionally compliant guidelines for the regulation of religious practice and observance for all public schools in Ghana.
- 9. Any other order(s) that this honourble court may deem fit.

# THE CAPACITY IN WHICH THE PLAINTIFF BRINGS THIS ACTION:

The Plaintiff brings this action as a citizen of Ghana

#### THE ADDRESS FOR SERVICE OF THE PLAINTIFF IS AS FOLLOWS:

KPEMKA & CO PRUC First Floor, Joshua Towers, Odotei Tsui Avenue, Dzorwulu, Accra

#### THE ADDRESS FOR SERVICE OF PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL IS AS FOLLOWS:

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THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF PERSONS AFFECTED BY THIS WRIT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- BOARD OF GOVERNORS, WESLEY GIRLS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Kakumdo, Cape Coast
- EDUCATION SERVICE Ministries, Accra
- THE ATTORNEY GENERAL The Law House, Accra.

DATED THIS 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2024 AT KPEMKA & CO PRUC FIRST FLOOR, JOSHUA TOWERS, ODOTEI TSUI AVENUE, DZORWULU, ACCRA

Victor Nsoh Azure, Esq Lic No.eGAR05881/24 Counsel for Plaintiff

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# AND FOR SERVICE ON:

- 1) THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, WESLEY GIRLS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL KAKUMDO, CAPE COAST
- 2) EDUCATION SERVICE, HEADQUARTERS, MINISTRIES, ACCRA
- 3) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE LAW HOUSE, ACCRA.

TO:

THE REGISTRAR
THE SUPREME COURT
ACCRA