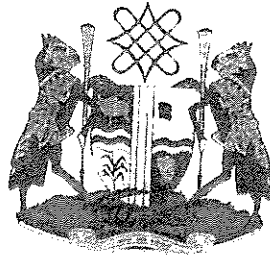


**A LAW TO AMEND THE DISTRICT COURTS LAW  
CAP 46 LAWS OF KADUNA STATE 1991**



Kaduna State of Nigeria

Law No. *28* ..... 2018

(*1<sup>st</sup>* December 2018)

Date of Commencement

**BE IT ENACTED** by the House of Assembly of Kaduna State as follows:-

Enactment

1. This Law may be cited as the District Courts (Amendment) Law, 2018.

Short Title

2. This Law shall come into operation on the .....<sup>*1<sup>st</sup>*</sup>..... day of .....  
*December*..... 2018.

Commencement

3. "Principal Law" means the District Courts' Law Cap 46 Laws of Kaduna State as amended by edict No. 7 of 1994.

Interpretation

4. Section 13(1) of the Principal Law is amended by deleting the words "Five Hundred Thousand Naira" and inserting the words "Five Million Naira" wherever they occur.

Amendment of Section 13(1) of the Principal Law

5. (1) Section 13A is amended by deleting the words "Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira" and inserting the words "Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Naira" wherever they occur.

Amendment of Section 13A of the Principal Law


(2) (i) Paragraph (c) of Section 13A is hereby repealed.

(ii) The existing paragraphs "d", "e" and "f" are renumbered to read paragraphs "c", "d" and "e" respectively.

6. Section 13B of the Principal Law is amended by deleting the words "Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira" and inserting the words "Four Million Naira" wherever they occur. Amendment of Section 13B of the Principal Law
7. Section 13C of the Principal Law is amended by deleting the words "Three Hundred Thousand Naira" and inserting the words "Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Naira" wherever they occur. Amendment of Section 13C of the Principal Law
8. Section 14 of the Principal Law is hereby substituted with the following new section: Substitution of Section 14 of the Principal Law
- "Section 14. District Judges of the first and second grades shall have and exercise jurisdiction in civil causes or matters similar in all respects to that set out in subsections (1) and (2) of Section 13 save that jurisdiction shall be limited to causes or matters where the amount claimed or the value of the subject matter of the proceedings or where the subject matter is land, the capital value of such land does not exceed Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira in the case of a District Judge of the first grade and Five Hundred Thousand Naira in the case of District Judge of the second grade. Jurisdiction of District Judges of First and Second Grades
9. Section 15 of the Principal Law is hereby substituted with the following new section: Substitution of Section 15 of the Principal Law
- "Section 15. Where in any action the debt or demand consists of a balance not exceeding: Jurisdiction of District Court Judges where there is set off.
- (a) Two Million and Five Hundred Thousand Naira;
  - (b) Two Million Naira;
  - (c) One Million Five Hundred Thousand Naira;
  - (d) One Million Naira;
  - (e) Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira;
  - (f) Five Hundred Thousand Naira;

After an admitted counter claim is set off of any debt or demand claimed or recoverable by the defendant from the plainliff, a District Judge shall have jurisdiction and power to hear and determine such action within the limits of his jurisdiction and power.

**DATED AT KADUNA** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2018.

  
**Nasir Ahmad el-Rufa'i, OFR**  
Governor of Kaduna State


**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note does not form part of this Law and has no legal effect).

The purpose of this Law is to amend the District Courts Law CAP 46 Laws of Kaduna State, 1991.

This printed impression has been carefully compared with the Bill which has passed the Kaduna State House of Assembly and found to be true and correctly printed copy of the said Bill.

  
**HON. AMINU ABDULLAHI SHAGALI**  
(Speaker)

  
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(Clerk to the Legislature)