

The Chief Magistrate Court at Kmapala, Uganda

271/2007

State v Kamya Alex

Court : Commercial Court
Case : Criminal
Date of Judgement : March 15, 2017
Plaintiff : The Sate
Defendant : Kamya Alex
Concept : Copyright Unlawful Conduct
Statue : Section 47 of the Copyright & Neighbouring Rights Act, 2006

Panel of Justices

Amabilis Stella ESO

Case Background

The state brought charges against the Defendant on accounts of pirating of music video and audio C/Ds and in possession of music home theatre, key board, a supra DVD player, a monitor and CPU used for reproduction of artist wok without rights to do so.

Procedural History

The Chief Magistrate Court gave a judgement on the case.

Issue

Whether the accused did unlawfully reproduce, translate, adapt and distribute copyrighted/ artistic works for sell.

Rational

The accused pleaded guilty to three counts of dealing in pirated goods in contravention of section 47 of the Copyright Act. The court imposed a monetary fine or in the alternative, imprisonment for a period of one year for each of the three counts.

Keywords

Infringement, reproduction, distribution,