



ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



JUDICIAL BRANCH
TEMPLE OF JUSTICE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

IN THE HONOURABLE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF LIBERIA SITTING IN ITS OCTOBER TERM, A.D. 2017.

BEFORE HIS HONOR: FRANCIS S. KORKPOR, SR.....CHIEF JUSTICE
BEFORE HIS HONOR: KABINEH M JA'NEHASSOCIATE JUSTICE
BEFORE HER HONOR: JAMESETTA H. WOLOKOLIE.....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
BEFORE HIS HONOR: PHILIP A.Z. BANKS, III.....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
BEFORE HER HONOR: SIE-A-NYENE G. YUOH.....ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

Patrick Bowah, Representative Candidate (LTP),
Konoboh District, Grand Gedeh County.....Appellant)

Versus)

APPEAL

The National Elections Commission (NEC).....1st Appellee)

AND)

George Boley 2nd Appellee)

GROWING OUT OF THE CASE:)

APPEAL

Patrick Bowah, Representative Candidate (LTP),
Konoboh District, Grand Gedeh County.....Appellant)

Versus)

The National Elections Commission (NEC).....1st Appellee)

AND)

George Boley..... 2nd Appellee)



ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



JUDICIAL BRANCH
TEMPLE OF JUSTICE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

JUDGMENT

When this case was called for hearing, Counsellor Amos Y. Bartu of Legal Consultants, Inc., appeared for the appellant. Counsellor Joseph N. Blidi, In-House Counsel of the National Elections Commission (NEC), and Counsellors F. Musah Dean, Jr., and C. Alexander B. Zoe, appeared for the 1st appellee. Counsellor J. Laveli Supuwood appeared for the 2nd appellee.

After having carefully examined the facts as contained in the records, listened to the arguments on both sides, and considered the evidence and the laws relevant thereto, it is hereby

ADJUDGED:

That the filing of the appeal with the Elections Magistrate by the appellant, did not constitute filing as contemplated by the elections law;

That the filing of a bill of exceptions through email is *ultra vires* because the law does not allow the electronic filing of court orders, or notices, or other official court documents; and

That the appellant having failed to comply with the provisions of the law regarding filing of an appeal with the Board of Commissioners of the NEC, renders the appeal of the appellant dismissible;

Accordingly, the appellant's appeal is hereby denied and dismissed. The Clerk of this Court is ordered to send a mandate to the NEC to resume jurisdiction over this case and enforce this judgment. IT IS SO ORDERED.



ASSOCIATE JUSTICE
SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA



JUDICIAL BRANCH
TEMPLE OF JUSTICE
MONROVIA, LIBERIA

GIVEN UNDER OUR HANDS AND
THE SEAL OF THE SUPREME
COURT OF LIBERIA THIS 13th DAY
OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2017

Francis Korkpor Sr.
CHIEF JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA

Kabineh M. Ja'neh
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA

Jamesetta H. Wolokolie
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA

Philip A.Z. Banks, III.
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA

Sie-A-Nyene G. Yuoh
ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF LIBERIA