

Ralph Marnham represented the Children's Guardian and Michael Edwards represented the Secretary of State for the Home Department in an application for the recognition of a Nigerian Adoption Order.

25th March 2025

This matter concerned an application for the recognition of a Nigerian Adoption Order made by the Family Court of Edo State on 5 December 2023. Ralph Marnham represented the Children's Guardian, who supported the application, and Michael Edwards represented the SSHD, who intervened in the proceedings. The court recognised the adoption order, finding that the adoptive parents' domicile was Nigeria, despite them spending a significant proportion of their time in the UK.

Read the judgment [here](#).