



Press Release

THE JUDICIARY

Plot 2, The Square High Court Building
P. O. Box 7085, Kampala Uganda

IN ANY CORRESPONDENCE ON
THIS SUBJECT PLEASE QUOTE NO.

26 July 2019

PS Bigirimana Transferred to Judiciary

KAMPALA: Mr. Pius Bigirimana, the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, has been transferred to the Judiciary as the Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Judiciary.

He replaces Mr. Kagole Expedito Kivumbi, who has been sent on forced leave to pave way for the conclusion of the ongoing investigations into the audit queries raised in the 2017/18 FY Auditor General's Report.

According to the letters signed by the Head of Public Service, Dr. John Mitala, on 26th July 2019, both Mr. Bigirimana's transfer and Mr. Kivumbi's leave are with immediate effect.

"The Appointing Authority has directed that you be transferred...On receipt of this letter, prepare to handover your office within the existing regulations and report to your new station without delay," Dr. Mitala's letter to Mr. Bigirimana, reads in part.

A separate letter to Mr. Kivumbi, who has served in the position since November 2016, directed him to proceed on forced leave.

In the Public Service, forced leave simply means that a public officer is directed to step aside to pave way for an ongoing investigation until it is concluded.

Mr. Kivumbi has already handed over the office to a Caretaker, Dr. Stephen Opio Okiror, the Commissioner, Human Resource Management.

Wrote Mr. Kivumbi in his handover letter: "I am writing to inform you that the Appointing Authority has directed that I proceed on forced leave with effect from today 26th July 2019.

"I am tasking you the responsibility to prepare a draft of my handover notes and make arrangements for the incoming Permanent

"Justice for All"

Secretary/Secretary to the Judiciary, expected to assume duty on Monday 29th July 2019.”

Dr. Okiror, the caretaker PS/SJ has urged the Judiciary staff to “receive the changes with calm and continue executing their normal duties in preparation to receive and support the incoming PS/SJ”.

Media contact

Solomon Muyita

Senior Communications Officer

Judiciary Headquarters,

Tel: [+256\(0\) 41 425 8240](tel:+2560414258240)

Email: media@judiciary.go.ug

Website judiciary.go.ug

Join the conversation [Tweets by @JudiciaryUG](#)