

Uganda Versus Mulondo Daniel and Another Court Case File No. 683 of 2023

In October 2020, a victim filed a complaint with the Capital Markets Authority (CMA), alleging that the suspects had misled him into investing in their company, Nile One Limited. They promised returns on his investment through interest once the company was listed on a securities exchange. The victim invested Ugshs. 8,300,000 (Uganda Shillings Eight Million Three Hundred Thousand) by purchasing an investment contract issued by the company. However, the company was never listed as promised, and the victim did not receive either his principal investment or the expected profits.

Following this, the CMA conducted internal investigations, which revealed that the company had violated the CMA's legal framework. The case was then referred to the Criminal Investigations Directorate of the Uganda Police, which completed its investigations and charged the suspects with acting as unlicensed investment advisors under Section 50 of the CMA Act, Cap 64, and obtaining money by false pretenses under Section 285 of the Penal Code Act, Cap 128.

During the trial, the accused was granted bail and an opportunity to settle the matter out of court. This led to the victim receiving a refund of the full investment amount of Ugshs. 8,300,000 (Eight Million Three Hundred Thousand). As a result, the victim ceased attending the subsequent court hearings, and the accused also violated their bail conditions. Consequently, the case was dismissed on 11th July 2024 pending the rearrest of the accused.