

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT KISII

CORAM : R.E. OUGO J

CRIMINAL CASE NO 15 OF 2019 (MURDER)

REPUBLIC.....PROSECUTION

VERSUS

GEOFFREY MAYAKA MARITA.....ACCUSED

SENTENCING

The accused **Geoffrey Mayaka Marita** pleaded guilty to manslaughter and admitted the facts as read to him. He has been convicted on his own plea of guilty. The accused is a first offender. His mitigation is that he was under the influence of alcohol when he committed the offence. The pre-sentence report indicates that the accused is known to be humble and that he used to drink alcohol and that his family is ready to assist him in rehabilitation. The deceased's family as per the report is still quite bitter. The facts show that the accused strangled the deceased after a quarrel with his wife. A life was lost through strangulation. He has been out on bond.

Considering all the above facts. I sentence the accused person **Geoffrey Mayaka Marita** to six (6) years imprisonment. He has a right of appeal within 14 days.

Dated, Signed and delivered at Kisii this 3rd day of December 2019.

R.E. OUGO

JUDGE

In the presence of;

Accused	Present
Mr. Kaburi	For the Accused
Mr. Otieno	Senior Prosecution Counsel office of the DPP
Ms. Rael	Court Clerk