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**Onkoba v Republic (Criminal Petition E012 of 2025)
[2025] KEHC 13952 (KLR) (6 October 2025) (Ruling)**

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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT AT KIBERA
CRIMINAL PETITION E012 OF 2025
DR KAVEDZA, J
OCTOBER 6, 2025**

BETWEEN

WYCLIFFE OGETO ONKOBA PETITIONER

AND

REPUBLIC RESPONDENT

RULING

1. The Petitioner was charged and convicted of the offence of defilement contrary to section 8(1) as read with 8(3) of the *Sexual Offences Act*, No. 3 of 2006. He was sentenced to serve twenty five (25) years imprisonment. His appeals before this Court and the Court of Appeal were dismissed.
2. The Petitioner has now filed the present petition dated 18th July 2025 seeking sentence review. The grounds raised in support of the petition are that the he should have been sentenced to fifteen years as per the law. The sentence imposed by the trial court was in error. He urged the court to review his sentence.
3. I have considered the petition, the grounds in support and the applicable law. From the record of the trial court, the court considered the applicant's mitigation, and that he was a first offender before sentencing. Having considered the petition in its totality. The sentence imposed was also legal in the circumstances of the case.
4. In my view I find no good cause or reason to revise the sentence imposed by the trial court. The petition is dismissed for lacking in merit.

Orders accordingly.

RULING DATED AND DELIVERED VIRTUALLY THIS 6TH OCTOBER 2025

D. KAVEDZA

JUDGE

