



**Republic v Wanangwe (Criminal Case 40 of 2020)
[2026] KEHC 1290 (KLR) (10 February 2026) (Ruling)**

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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
IN THE HIGH COURT AT KAKAMEGA
CRIMINAL CASE 40 OF 2020
AC BETT, J
FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

BETWEEN

REPUBLIC PROSECUTION

AND

JOHN WANANGWE ACCUSED

RULING

1. I have considered the evidence adduced by the Prosecution. There is evidence that there was a confrontation with the deceased that culminated in a fight.
2. The Pathologist’s report confirms that the deceased died as a result of severe head injury secondary to sharp force trauma following assault.
3. Without delving into the evidence in depth, I hold that the prosecution has established a prima facie case.
4. The Accused is placed on his defence.

DATED, SIGNED, AND DELIVERED AT KAKAMEGA, THIS 10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026.

A. C. BETT

JUDGE

In the presence of:

Ms. Chala for the State/Prosecution

Ms. Wanyonyi for the Accused

Court Assistant: Polycap

