



Hon Justice Kashim Zannah, OFR, is the Chief Judge of the High Court of Borno State, Nigeria. Called to the Bar in the year 1984, his career spans public prosecution, magistracy, judicial administration and elevation to the High Court bench in the year 1997 and appointment as Chief Judge on the 3rd day of January 2006.

His lordship is active on several international bodies in the field of judicial education and justice generally. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Global Judicial Integrity Network (GJIN) under the auspices of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). He serves on the Boards of Directors of the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law (ISRCL), Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute (CJEI), International Institute for Justice Excellence (IJE), The Hague and is Deputy President of the International Organisation for Judicial Training (IOJT).

He partnered with UNODC in undertaking evidence based judicial reform in Borno State starting with a baseline assessment in the year 2002 and second assessment in 2007. A few measures were implemented until a third assessment, planned for the year 2012 was interrupted by the Boko Haram insurgency.

At the national level, he sits on the National Judicial Council committee on the Implementation of Transparency and Anti-Corruption Policy and the Corruption Trials Monitoring Committee (COTRICOM). He also chairs the Judicial Information Technology Policy Committee (JITPO-COM) of the National Judicial Council, the committee implementing a nationwide project for the automation of court processes.