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ABIA STATE REGULATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF PRIVATE CONSULTANTS/AGENTS FROM THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INCOME TAX

A Regulation made for the Prohibition of Consultants and other third parties from assessing and collecting personal income taxes on behalf of Abia State

1. Authority and Commencement

Section 1: In execution of the powers conferred upon me by the Abia State Tax (Codification and Consolidation) Law, Law No. 7 of 2020, with the approval of HE the Executive Governor of Abia State Dr. Okezie Victor Ikpeazu and all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I, the Executive Chairman of Abia State Internal Revenue Service hereby make the following regulations.

2. Prohibition of Consultants and other third parties from assessing and collecting personal income taxes on behalf of Abia State.

Section 2: From the date of commencement of this Regulation, all services hitherto rendered by consultants on behalf of the State, through arrangements or agreements related to the assessment and collection of personal accome taxes in the State are hereby prohibited and terminated apart from ICT Consultants whose services are used as part of the process of the assessment and collection of Personal Income Taxes.

3. Authority to assess and collect Personal Income Taxes:

Section 3: Pursuant to the provision of Section 2 of this Regulation, and Sections 8(1) and 16(5) of Abia State Tax (Codification and Consolidation) Law, Law No. 7 of 2020, the Abia State Internal Revenue Service (ABIRS) shall henceforth have the exclusive powers and therefore assume sole authority and responsibility of assessing and collecting all Personal Income Taxes (PITs) in the State, as intended under the Law.

4. Taxes covered by this Regulation:

Section 4: The taxes contemplated under this Regulation are personal income taxes as defined under the Personal Income Tax Act 2004 (as Amended); Abia State Tax (Codification and Consolidation) Law, Law No 7 of 2020 and other revenue laws as may be passed by the State House of Assembly.

5. Review of the Regulations:

Section 5: This Regulation is subject to review as the need arises by the Executive Chairman, ABIRS periodically in liaison with HE the Executive Governor of Abia State.

6. Interpretation

Section 6: In this Law, unless the context otherwise requires interpretation:

"Board" means the State Board of Internal Revenue establishes under Section 4(1) of Abia State Tax (Codification and Consolidation) Law, Law No. 7 of 2020.

"Executive Chairman" means the Chairman of the Service/Board appointed pursuant to Section 2 of Abia State Tax (Codification and Consolidation) Law, Law No. 7 of 2020;

"Consultants" include accountants, legal practitioners or any other recognized professionals that have been certified by Chartered Institute of Taxation of Nigeria, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria or other relevant professional bodies in Nigeria, as the case may be.

"Agents" includes all persons who are involved in the provision of assessment and or collections services in respect of PIT and who are not consultants as defined above.

"MDA" means Ministry, Department or Agency charged with responsibility for revenue generation in Abia State:

7. Citation:

Section 7: This Regulation may be cited as the Abia State Regulation (Assessment and Collection of Personal Income Tax) and shall come into force on 30th April 2021.

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Ag. Chairman/Chief Executive