"ANNEXURE 11" IN THE HIGH COURT OF NAMIBIA

Case Title:	Case No: CA 55/2013
The State v Michael Walusiku	Leave to Appeal
	Division of Court:
	Northern Local Division
Heard before:	Delivered on:
Honourable Ms Justice Tommasi J <i>et</i>	31 January 2019
Honourable Mr. Justice January J	

Neutral citation: S v Walusiku (CA 55/2013) [2019] NAHCNLD 10 (31 January 2019)

The order:

1. The application for leave to appeal is refused.

Reasons for order:

JANUARY J (TOMMASI J concurring):

- 1. The respondent successfully appealed to this court against his conviction for a contravention of section 2(1)(a) of the Combating of Rape Act, Act 8 of 2000 Rape.
- 2. The court of appeal identified an irregularity in that the learned magistrate *mero motu* obtained a statement under oath from a person who did not testify in court. The magistrate enquired, after an inspection *in loco*, about the existence of a school nearby the scene of crime. The appellant was never afforded the opportunity to cross-examine the person who provided the statement.
- 3. The statement obtained reflects on the credibility of the applicant.

,-	4. This court is not convinced that another court would come to a different conclusion.		
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF NAMIBIA: NORTHERN LOCAL DIVISION

HELD AT OSHAKATI: 31 JANUARY 2019

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE MR JUSTICE JANUARY

In the matter between:

THE STATE

APPLICANT

V

MICHAEL WALUSIKU

RESPONDENT

Having considered the matter in chambers and having read the documents filed of record:

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The application for leave to appeal is refused.

BY ORDER OF COURT

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