ROSE ORIARAN-ANTHONY PROMISES TO WORK WITH PROFESSIONALISM AND INTEGRITY AS SHE TAKES OATH OF OFFICE FOR SECOND TERM AS SECRETARY

The Secretary to the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC), Mrs. Rose Oriaran-Anthony, has promised not to abuse the confidence reposed in her by the Commission in reappointing her for a second and final term of 4 years.

Mrs. Oriaran-Anthony also assured the Chairman of the Commission, Prof. Mahmood Yakubu and members of the Commission that she would discharge her duties with the utmost professionalism and integrity.

She gave the assurance at a brief swearing-in ceremony held on Wednesday at the INEC headquarters in Abuja.

Mrs. Oriaran-Anthony was reappointed by the Commission on November 24, 2022, and her second and final term took effect on December 7, 2022.

The Acting Chairman of the Commission, Mohammed K. Haruna, before administering the oath of office on behalf of the Chairman of the Commission, extolled the stellar qualities of the Secretary, which warranted an unprecedented re-appointment.

The Acting Chairman said the Secretary has her work cut out for her with the 2023 General Election fast approaching, adding that “her office is more or less the engine room of the Commission so there is a lot for her to do.”

He congratulated her for making history as the first Secretary to the Commission to be reappointed.
On her part, Mrs. Rose Oriaran-Anthony said “it is an honor and a privilege to be re-appointed for a second tenure in this Commission, the first of its kind. Mr. Chairman, my debt to your courage, industry, and vision is immeasurable. I resolve to follow in your strong footsteps in order to collectively build a legacy.

“In order to meet the mandate and expectations of Nigerians, we will need to muster the human, institutional, and intellectual resources and organize them properly.” "To this I commit myself, with the support of the Commission Members and the Directors.”

She continued, “I will do my part in meeting the administrative goals of the Commission and the imperatives of a dignified Commission with an improved working environment that will translate to a cordial working relationship between management and staff.” "We achieved this during my first tenure, and we will build on our successes and do more.”