

## The 2023 Presidential **Election Petition**

The 2023 presidential election will be under scrutiny in a landmark legal battle where Peter Obi (LP), Atiku Abubakar (PDP), and the Allied Peoples Movement (APM) contest the victory of Tinubu at the Presidential Election Petition Tribunal.

The hearings will last three weeks (including Saturdays) from May 30th to June 23rd.

The petitioners have raised the following grounds challenging the validity of Tinubu's election and alleging various irregularities.

Grounds	A P M		
1	Mr. Ibrahim Masari's withdrawal, who was initially nominated as the Vice-Presidential candidate of the All Progressives Congress, APC, invalidated Tinubu's candidacy.	Tinubu's election was invalid due to the corrupt practices and non-compliance of INEC with the 2022 Electoral Act .	Tinubu's election is invalid due to INEC's non-compliance with the 2022 Electoral Act.
2	Tinubu's candidature had elapsed at the time he nominated Shettima as Masari's replacement.	Tinubu was not qualified to contest the election.	Tinubu was not qualified to contest the 2023 presidential election.
3	-	Tinubu was not duly elected by a majority of the lawful votes cast at the 2023 presidential election.	Tinubu was not duly elected by a majority of the lawful votes cast at the 2023 presidential election.
4	-	-	Tinubu's election is invalid by reasons of corruption.

## So far...

On Monday, June 19, President Bola Tinubu's attempt to dismiss the APM's petition challenging his qualification was unsuccessful. However, the APM, on Wednesday 21, 2023, closed its case with one witness, Ms Aisha Abubakar, who admitted that Kabiru Masari did not contest the presidential election but was a placeholder. The respondents; President Tinubu, Shettima, the APC, and Kabiru Masari all closed their cases against the APM. The court adjourned proceedings until July 14 for parties to adopt their final written addresses.

Meanwhile, the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and its presidential candidate, Atiku Abubakar, will close their case at the tribunal on Friday, June 30, 2023.

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