



Witnessing a Riba-based contract

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Q 1: My uncle asked me to bear witness in one of the banks for a loan. This loan contains Riba (usury/interest). Moreover, my father and uncle are co-partners in this loan. I abstained from bearing witness for borrowing that loan. But this abstention caused some problems between my family and I. Therefore, I bore witness. But I am not satisfied with bearing witness for the loan or with myself. I am in great distress and confusion. What is the ruling on this case?

A: It is prohibited to bear witness for a Riba-based contract. You have to repent to Allah and seek His forgiveness for what you have done of this testimony for this usurious loan.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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