

KAMPALA

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Marriage dispute: Ugandan woman sues American husband

A Ugandan woman has sued her American husband, accusing him of getting involved in another relationship.

Rachael Kalule dragged Cunningham Greg, the father of their four children, together with a Ugandan woman, Dorah Nampijja, to the family court.

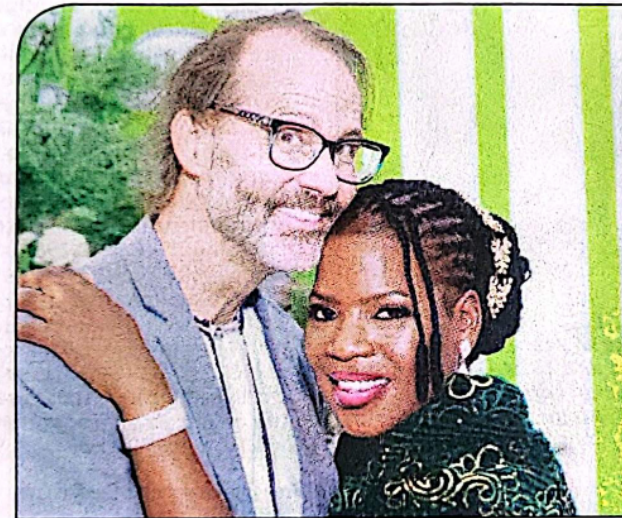
Kalule is accusing Greg of bigamy (entering into a valid marriage with one person while still legally married to another) and eloping (leaving home secretly to get married) with Nampijja when they are still married.

This is after it emerged that Greg was reportedly introduced by Nampijja, with a view to marrying her, yet he (Greg) is still married to Kalule.

New Vision has learnt that the bigamy and elopement case registered as number 0144 of 2026 is scheduled for hearing at the family court tomorrow (Tuesday).

'JUST A COURTESY VISIT'

Through Twagira and Birungi Company Advocates, Greg states that he does not deny being the lawful husband to



Cunningham Greg and Dorah Nampijja

Kalule, but denies being married to Nampijja. According to the law firm, Greg and Nampijja are friends based on the fact that Kalule had filed a divorce petition against Greg.

The lawyers from the law firm state that Greg only paid a courtesy visit to the parents of Nampijja, but there was no marriage conducted. "What makes a customary marriage is



Rachael Kalule and her American Husband Cunningham Greg

the payment of bride price and registration of the marriage, but none of these was done," the law firm states in a letter addressed to the officer in charge, Masanafu Police Station, Rubaga division in Kampala.

The letter written in response to a complaint lodged by Kalule alleging elopement contrary to Section 114 of the Penal Code

Act is dated May 5 and copied to Ssemakula and Company Advocates, the law firm representing Kalule.

PROVING BEYOND PHOTOS

The offence of elopement carries a maximum penalty of one year's imprisonment or a fine of sh480,000, upon conviction.

The lawyers from the law firm

tasked Kalule with proving her allegations beyond mere photos, which can be manipulated, that there was a customary marriage between Greg and Nampijja.

They stated that Kalule has already filed a case at Makindye Chief Magistrates' Court alleging elopement and bigamy against Greg and Nampijja and seeking orders that the alleged marriage between the two, which is non-existent, be declared null and void.

CONJUGAL RIGHTS

According to Greg, whatever transpired between him and Nampijja did not amount to a marriage, but communication with prospective in-laws and that Kalule ended the relationship in November 2024 and vacated the home they had been sharing. Greg further alleges that Kalule denied him conjugal rights. He further states that the separation remained unchanged thereafter.