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For Violin with 2nd Violin and/or Piano Accompaniment (Sold Separately)

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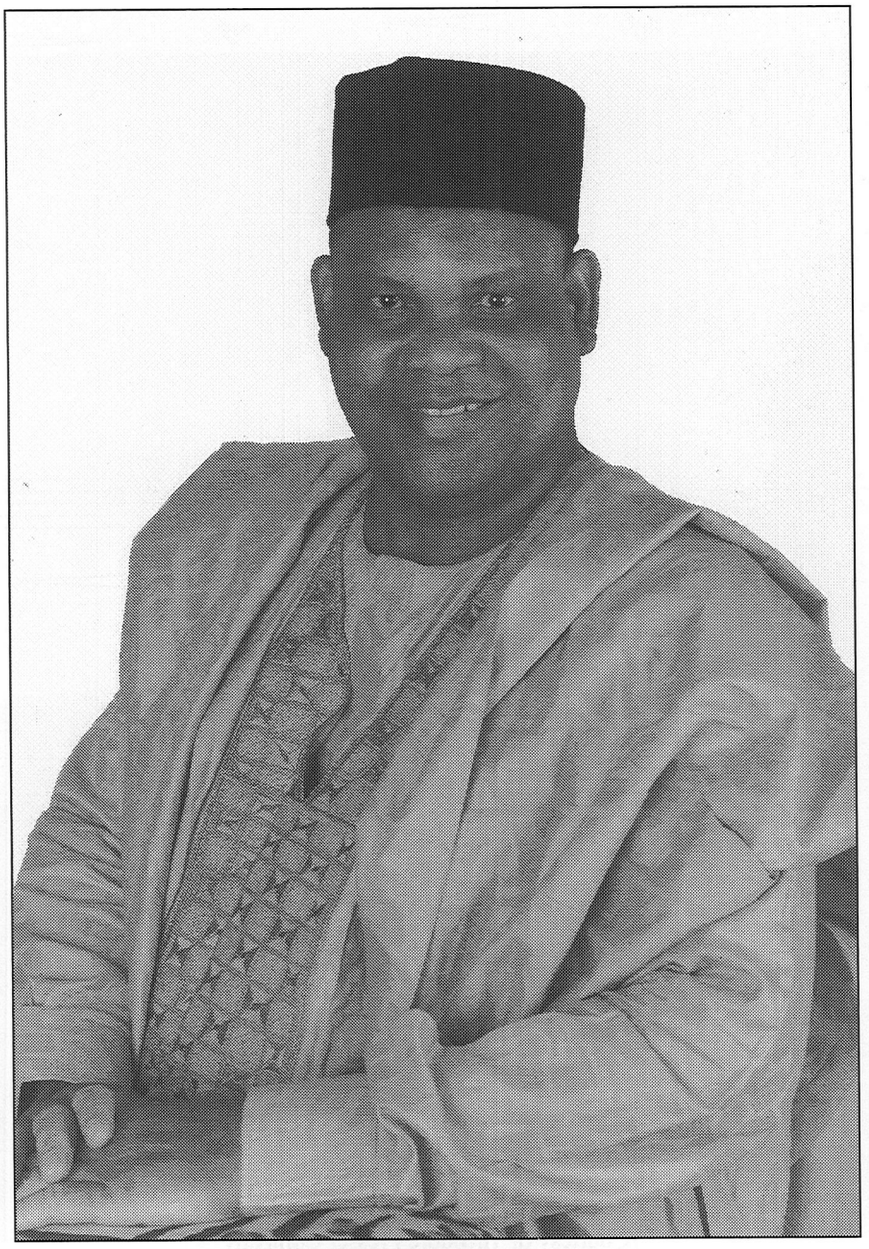
Godwin Sadoh

Godwin Sadoh (b. 1965) is a Nigerian-American composer, instrumentalist, choral conductor, and scholar. He was born in the city of Lagos in the West African country of Nigeria, where he attended the Eko Boys' High School Lagos and sang in the school choir. He eventually became the school organist and choirmaster there when he was just 16 years old. After graduating, Sadoh directed several choirs and performed piano throughout Nigeria. He also studied piano, organ, music composition, and African music traditions in Nigeria before moving to the United States for advanced music study.

In the U.S., Sadoh earned a master's degree in ethnomusicology, specializing in African music; a master's degree in organ performance and church music; and a doctoral degree in organ performance and composition. This made him the first African to earn a doctoral degree in organ performance from any institution in the world. He is also the first Nigerian to earn a doctoral degree in music performance on any instrument. Sadoh composes for diverse musical ensembles and styles, and his music has been performed in Africa, Europe, North and South America, the Middle East, Asia, and Australia. He has taught at universities throughout the United States, and he has written scholarly articles on modern African art music, organ building, church music, and organist-composers in Nigeria.



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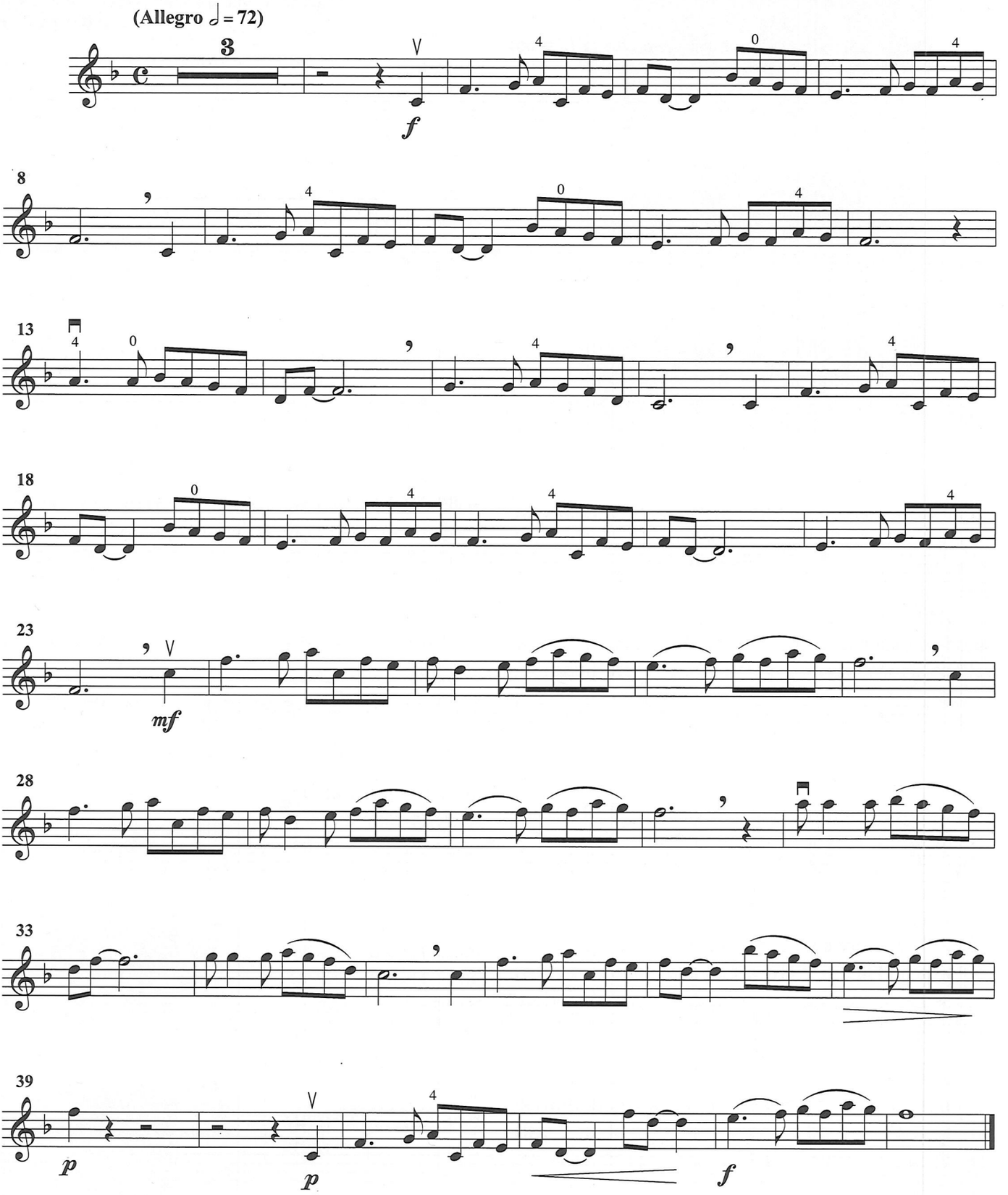

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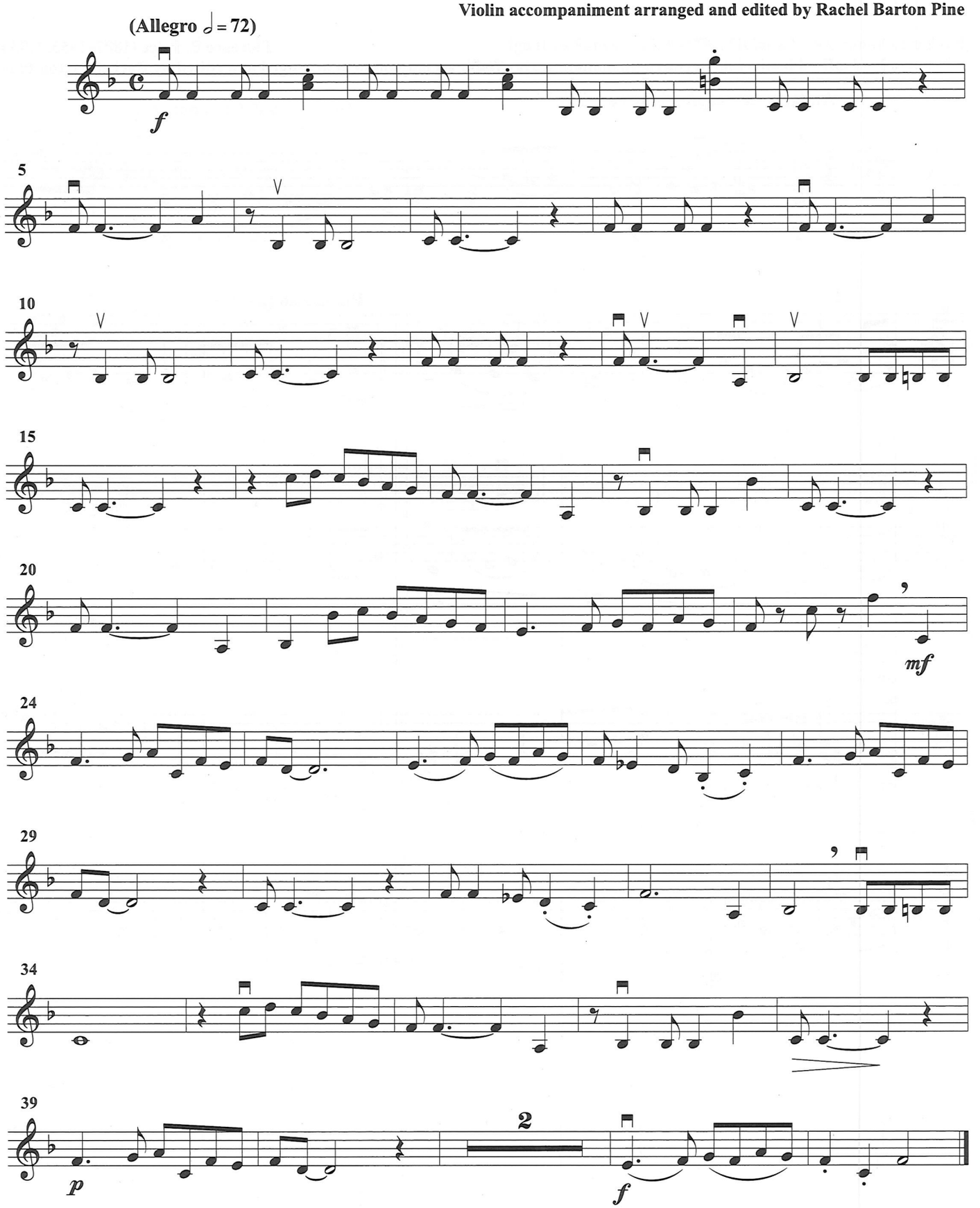

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