

OLABISI ONABANJO UNIVERSITY, AGO-IWOYE
CENTER FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION
FACULTY OF LAW
DIPLOMA IN LAW

2016/2017 RAIN SEMESTER EXAMINATION
DIL 111 - NIGERIAN LEGAL SYSTEM

DURATION: 2^{1/2} HOURS

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.

1. (a) As a general rule, transactions between Nigerians and non-Nigerians are not to be governed by customary law. On the other hand, transactions between Nigerians are to be governed by customary law, subject to some exceptions. **Explain the exceptions with the aid of relevant cases.**

(b) **Explain** the criteria used to determine the choice of customary law to be applied in disputes concerning land and succession cases.
2. A legal practitioner is a member of the noble profession and thereby owes certain duties to the Court, professional colleagues, clients, the general public and a duty to ensure professional dignity. **Discuss these duties.**
3. Explain what is meant by the term "Interpretation of statutes" and discuss the rules of interpretation known to you, citing relevant judicial decisions.
4. Discuss the concept of Legal aid in Nigeria, highlighting the importance of Legal aid, the statutory provisions regulating legal aid, the problems confronting the Legal Aid Council and possible solutions to the problem.
5. Discuss the jurisdiction and constitution of the following courts:
 - (a) The Supreme Court of Nigeria
 - (b) The Court of Appeal
 - (c) The Federal High Court
 - (d) State High Courts
6. Discuss the concept of clinical legal education highlighting the role, achievements and challenges of Olabisi Onabanjo University Law Clinic since its inception.
7. Write notes on any three of the following:
 - a. The Attorney-General
 - b. Judicial Immunity
 - c. The role of the Police in the administration of justice
 - d. The Director of Civil Litigation and the Director of Public Prosecution.