



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
Faculty of Social Sciences
Dept of Mass Communication
September/October, 2016 Examinations

COURSE CODE: JLS 712

COURSE TITLE: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS

TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION: Answer any four questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Are Nigerian journalists practising their profession according to Plato's Virtues? Give reasons for your answer. **17 Marks**
2. Describe the evolution and struggle for a free press in Nigeria in relation to the practice of journalism in today's Nigeria. **17 Marks**
3. Enumerate and explain in detail the steps someone would take before establishing a broadcast medium in Nigeria. Explain why those steps are necessary. **17 Marks**
4. What do you understand by **SEDITION**? Should the law be retained in Nigeria? Give cogent reasons. **17 Marks**
5. A. With examples, distinguish between a Public Officer and a Public Figure
B. Explain the concept of National Interest. **17 Marks**
6. **"The power to perform my duties is constitutionally guaranteed."** Explain this claim by a Nigerian journalist. With evidence, agree or disagree with him. **17 Marks**