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SCHOOL OF LAW
JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: LAW212

COURSE TITLE: NIGERIAN LEGAL SYSTEM II

TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION: Answer any 5 questions. All questions carry equal marks

1. Borrow Borrow approached Richie to sell him some goods on credit. When Richie expressed his doubt about Borrow Borrow's ability to pay, Tafia said that he knows Borrow Borrow very well and that he is reliable and wholly credit worthy. Acting on the strength of Tafia's statement, Richie sold goods to Borrow Borrow who defaulted and could not pay. As a result, Richie suffered loss and sued Tafia. Tafia argued that there was not contractual relationship between himself and Richie and so he cannot be held responsible. Advise the parties.
2. Define possession and give 5 attributes of possession
3. With reference to relevant authorities, discuss the doctrine of legal personality as it relates to corporate bodies, particularly when a is begins, when it ends and implications of legal personality for corporate bodies.
4. Mama Stella is an indigent trader who has been severely humiliated by the Market Women's Association for failure to pay her monthly contribution. She has heard that the Government has provided avenues for indigent litigants to seek legal redress and has come to you for help. Advise her on:
 - i. The matters for which she may be granted aid by Government
 - ii. The challenges that she may encounter if granted aid by the government
 - iii. Matters for which no aid is available
5. Trace the development of general customs in the chiefly and chiefless societies of Nigeria
6. With the aid of present day examples, give 6 characteristics of customary law.
7. The role of the judiciary is to adjudicate and nothing more. Discuss with supporting authorities.

8. State the features of Islamic / Customary Law as practised in Northern Nigeria
9. With reference to relevant authorities, discuss the elements of possession.