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COURSE CODE: LAW 112 (JIL 112)

COURSE TITLE: LEGAL METHODS II

CREDIT UNIT: 4

TIME ALLOWED: 2 ½ HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS ONLY. QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY

1. Mr. Temidire has desired to be a judge right from his youth. He began his legal career by attending the prestigious Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria. From there, he gained admission into the Nigerian Law School, Bwari from where he was called to bar in 1992 after having passed his Bar final examinations. He has since then being in active legal practice and has appeared in various courts. On 10th July, 2007 he was appointed a Judge of a High Court in Kogi State where he hails from. As a member of the Bench for five years running, kindly advise him on the roles he is expected to perform as a Judge.
2. XYZ wants to be a lawyer when he grows older. He is currently seeking admission into The Best University. He wants to know what being a legal practitioner in Nigeria entails. He decided to pay a visit to the Law library of The Best University. On getting there, he went to the periodicals section of the library and requested for a copy of the law governing general legal practice in Nigeria to broaden his knowledge. Advise him.
3. Why do you think it is important to study the sources of law? Give reasons.
4. Write short notes on the following –
 - i. Encyclopedia
 - ii. Precedent books
 - iii. Digests
5. Oye went to the reserve section of the University of Lagos Law library with his younger brother Wale after being asked by his lecturer to do some research on the topic: Law and the Constitution. Wale was prevented from entering the reserve section as he was unauthorised to do so. Oye then requested for a copy of Constitutional Law in Nigeria written by Kehinde Mowoe. After doing about two hours of research work, he decided to take a break and call it a day. He approached the library assistant with the book asking whether he could borrow the book for two days. His request was declined. Advise him.

6. The library catalogues is the key to the library holding since it contains entries, representing each material in the library. It is a vital tool to the use of the library because of the functions it performs. Discuss.