

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS SCHOOL OF LAW JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2013 EXAMINATION

LAW 111 - LEGAL METHODS I

INSTRUCTION: Answer five questions in all

TIME: 3 Hours

- 1. 'The prophecies of what the courts will do and nothing more pretentious is what I call law'. Discuss
- 2. Discuss the origin of English law up till the creation of equitable principles.
- 3. With the aid of relevant authorities, critically examine the mischief rule of statutory interpretation.
- 4. Define the term 'subordinate legislation'. Pointing out the chief forms of subordinate legislation that you know.
- 5. Arrange the following parts of a Bill in the correct order and point out their uses.

Preamble

**Enacting Formula** 

Long Title

Short title

Purpose Clause

Commencement

- 6. State the characteristics of the Constitution
- 7. A State High Court can hear and determine all matters whether original, appellate and supervisory. Discuss.

- 8. 'Whether long or short, a bill must be arranged in a logical order according to segments and titled accordingly. Discuss pointing out the usual segments in a bill.
- 9. Discuss the different stages of the drafting process.