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**DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION**

**EXAMINATION: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MASS COMMUNICATION**

**SESSION: 2015/2016**

**SEMESTER: SECOND**

**COURSE CODE: MAC411**

**UNIT: 3**

**COURSE TITLE: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**

**Each question carries 17½ Marks**

**TIME: 3HOURS**

1. Every University offering Mass Communication must compel her students to study Media Law and Ethics. Of what value do you think the knowledge of this course is to the journalistic profession? Discuss this in light of the laws of Privacy.
2. As a seasoned journalist working for a very reputable firm in town, your Director has confronted you with a case of Libel against the organisation. Advise him on the defences available to a journalist or organisation accused of Libel.
3. Several facts need to be established before a media house is assumed guilty of Seditious publications. Discuss these facts in detail.
4. The laws of Defamation comprises both Libel and Slander. Does the journalist have any respite when accused of the infringement of these laws? What are the defences available to him?
5. Media personnel need TO observe the NUJ Code of Conduct. What do you understand by the term **Code of Conduct**? Enumerate and discuss at least five of them.
6. Write short notes on any **four** (4) of the following:
  - i Free press in Nigeria
  - ii The concept of National Interest
  - iii False light
  - iv Copyright
  - v Private facts
  - vi Public figure

