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SCHOOL OF LAW
JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: LAW 244

COURSE TITLE: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II

TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours

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

1. Define and briefly discuss the following terms:
 - i) The doctrine of ripeness
 - ii) Parliamentary supremacy
 - iii) Retrospective legislation
2. Discuss the major differences between decree 1 of 1966 and its corresponding provision of the 1984 Constitution.
3. Discuss the factors which influenced the drafting of decree 1 of 1966.
4. What are the major attributes of a state of martial law? Discuss.
5. Plea bargaining is unconscionable and incompatible with the traditional notion of justice. Substantiate your answer with relevant examples and with reference to decided cases.
6. Enumerate various stages of legislative process for enacting a law.
7. What is the ratio in the case of *Lakanmi & ano. V. A.G. (Western State) & ano.* Describe the major attributes of a state of martial law?
8. Outline the political objectives of Nigeria as a nation state in promotion of its motto "Faith & Unity, Peace and Progress" according to S.14(1) of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.
9. "Retroactive legislation is not practiced in Nigeria". Analyze this statement with reference to decided cases.