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**SCHOOL OF LAW**  
**JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATIONS**

**COURSE CODE: LAW 243**

**COURSE TITLE: CONSTITUTIONAL LAW 1**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours**

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

1. Judicial decisions can be developed into Constitutional Law in England. (Watson V. Walter 1868.) Is this position true/false? Briefly discuss with the aid of decided cases.
2. State and briefly describe four sources of the Nigerian Constitution.
3. With the aid of relevant authorities, discuss in detail the theory of separation of powers.
4. Under the military rule as experienced in Nigeria the doctrine of Separation of powers was maintained. Discuss the veracity or otherwise of this statement with the aid of decided cases.
5. "Alleged police brutality is a matter of Administrative procedure and should be treated as such by the Courts". Is this statement true, discuss with the aid of decided cases and make your suggestions.
6. The potential for abuse of power exists in every individual so vested. Briefly discuss this position with regards to None's theory.
7. Briefly State and describe three matters each which are exclusive to the:
  - i. Executive List
  - ii. The Concurrent List
8. Alex has finished secondary school. He parents cannot afford to send him to the university. What is the position theoretically under the 1979 constitution?
9. State and briefly discuss five duties and functions of the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as outlined in the 1999 Constitution.

