



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW
2023_2 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: PUL743

COURSE TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

CREDIT UNITS: 2

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION 1 (ONE) AND ANY OTHER 3 (THREE) QUESTIONS. (QUESTION 1 (ONE) ATTRACTS 25 MARKS WHILE OTHERS ARE 15 MARKS EACH)

1. (a) A review of one of the definitions of Administrative Law proffered by Sir Ivor Jennings indicates that the subject deals with the organization, powers and duties of administrative authorities. Trace the origin of administrative law in Nigeria. **15 marks**

(b) Does law serve any purpose in the society? **10 marks**
2. The President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, is the Number One citizen of Nigeria and Head of the executive branch of Government. He appoints Ministers and Chairmen and members of certain Federal Executive Bodies. Mention 10 of these bodies established by Section 153(1) of the 1999 Constitution. **15 marks**
3. According to Oluyede (1988):
“although the President or Governor may assign to Ministers/Commissioners responsibilities for any Business of the government including the administration of any department or ministry of government, in reality the responsibility of the Minister/ Commissioner is no more than mere advice”.

Analyse the above statement. **15 marks**
4. Mallam Dikko is a staff of YKX parastatal under Z Ministry. He was accused of insubordination and fraud by Mallam Shehu, his immediate boss. He was issued with a letter terminating his appointment signed by Mallam Shehu without the approval of Z Ministry as required by law. Advise Mallam Dikko on his chances in court. **15 marks**
5. The courts which are custodians and protectors of human rights are adept in constitutional interpretation of human rights. However, in any society, certain conditions must be present in order for the rule of law to thrive. Discuss. **15 marks**
6. (a) Write short note on right of appeal in a Tribunal
(b) Discuss two (2) problems associated with Tribunals **15 marks**