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2020_1 EXAMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF JURISPRUDENCE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW
FACULTY OF LAW
COURSE CODE: JIL 515
COURSE TITLE: JURISPRUDENCE AND LEGAL THEORY 1
COURSE UNIT: 4
TIME: 3 Hour

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION 1 AND ANY OTHER 3. QUESTION NO. ONE IS COMPULSORY

1. Using Hans Kelsen's theory of legal personality, explain the legal personality of the following persons.
 - i. President Muhammadu Buhari as president and Commander-in-Chief of the Nigerian Armed forces and the Legal personality of the Queen of England. 5 Marks
 - ii. An unborn child who is still in the mother's womb. 5 Marks
 - iii. Corporation sole and corporation aggregate. 5 Marks
 - iv. Animals in Zoo, animals in the forest and domestic animals. **10 Marks**

Total Marks 25
2. It is interesting to note that there is no single definition of the word Law and without law the society will be in anarchy or there will be no society at all. Critically examine jurisprudentially the role and characteristics of law in a contemporary society. **15 Marks**
3. In everyday life you will hear Laymen, Lawyers, Judges, Politicians, Engineers, Doctors even in the media, people advocating and clamoring for justice all over the world. What then is justice and explain five types of Justice. **15 Marks**
4. Ethics or moral philosophy is a branch of philosophy that involves systematizing, defending, and recommending concepts of right and wrong conduct. Applied ethics, concerning what a person is obligated or permitted to do in a specific situation or a particular domain of action. Consequently, Lawyers throughout the world are specialised professionals who place the interests of their clients above their own, and strive to obtain respect for the Rule of Law.

Respect for the courts, and the legitimate aspiration to maintain a reasonable standard of living.

Discuss professional ethics in the Legal profession with specific reference to key ethical standard. **15 Marks**

5. Despite the fact that law has been a vehicle for social change in all societies. There are limitation of law in effecting changes in society either political, economic, social or otherwise. What are the factors of limitations of social change? **15 Marks**

6. Jurisprudentially describe the Legal status of the following persons.

i.A minor

ii.A Lunatic

iii.A drunk person

iv.A dead body. **15 Marks**