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2023_1 POP EXAMINATION...

COURSE CODE: PUL743 (for Faculty of Management Science Students)

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. In modern times, every nation has a well-articulated Constitution known to guide actions of government administrators and conduct of citizens in the respective countries. So government administrative actions that do not conform to the provisions of the Constitution are arbitrary and the citizens to whom such actions refer have the right to appeal against such actions following the doctrine of the rule of law. Discuss. (25 marks)
- 2. In pre-independence Nigeria, civil servants held their appointment at the pleasure of the Crown as confirmed in the leading case of *Dunn v. The Queen* (1896) 1 QB. 116). Discuss with reference to the present position. (15 marks)
- 3. The 1999 Constitution made it possible for any aggrieved person to seek redress in court for wrongs done against him by the state or government officials. The state, government or public officials may now be sued notwithstanding general defenses which avail to the state under the law. Discuss. (15 marks)
- 4. "Although there are numerous ways of appeals from various tribunals in this country, the general principle still applies to each and every one of them" Oluyede (1988). Discuss. (15 marks)
- 5. Write short notes on any two of the following:
 - (i) Sovereignty
 - (ii) Office of the Head of Service
 - (iii) Ombudsman (15 marks)
- 6.(a) The 5th Schedule to the 1999 Constitution specifies the Code of Conduct for public officers. List 10 (ten) of these public officers.

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(b) The 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria guarantees fundamental human rights. List 5 (five) of these rights.(15 marks)