



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF LAW
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC LAW

2023_1 POP EXAMINATION.

COURSE CODE: PUL844

COURSE TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

CREDIT UNITS: 3

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. Shehu is a Policeman serving in Lagos Command. During patrol of Shonibare street at midnight on 22nd of March, 2019 he apprehended two boys with dreadlocks on the suspicion that they are yahoo boys. The boys attempted to escape and made a run for their dear lives. The police officer apprehended them and took them into custody. After two weeks in detention they were charged with the offence of disrupting public peace.
 - (a) If one of the boys died during an attempted escape from custody, will Shehu be held liable for depriving him of his life?
 - (b) Determine the legality of the two weeks detention and the rights that has been breached by Shehu. - **25 marks**

2. Write short notes on the following:
 - (i) Administrative Procedure
 - (ii) Natural Justice - **15 marks**

3.
 - (a) Differentiate public law from private law.
 - (b) What are the sources of global administrative law? - **15 marks**

4. There has never been any serious doubt that administrative law is primarily concerned with the control of power. With the increase in the level of state involvement in many aspects of everyday life during the first 80 years of the twentieth century, the need for a coherent and effective body of rules to govern relations between individuals and state became essential. Discuss. - **15 marks**

5. Briefly explain the following:
 - (i) Prerogative Writs
 - (ii) Equitable Remedies - **15 marks**

6.
 - (a) Identify the reasons for the creation of administrative tribunals.
 - (b) Do you think the Public Complaints Commission is of any relevance in the present day Nigeria? Give reasons. - **15 marks**