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SEMESTER EXAMINATION

Programmes: **MLS & MPD & MLD**

Session: **2017/2018**

Semester: **2nd Semester**

Course Code: **MLS 802**

Course Title: - **Comparative Legislative Practice and Procedure**

Instructions: i. Answer **Question One (1) and any other three (3) questions.**

ii. Time allowed: **3hours.** iii. Write your Matriculation Number **Only.**

v. Orderly arrangement and good presentation of materials will be considered.

Question One

What do you understand by Presidential System of Government? In your answer compare and contrast it with a Parliamentary System of Government

(22 Marks).

Question Two

Critically examine the legislative functions and powers of the National and State Assemblies in Nigeria.

(16 Marks).

Question Three

Examine in detail the several stages a bill goes through to become a law in both National and State Assemblies in Nigeria

(16 Marks).

Question Four

Enumerate the various kinds of Committees that exist in a Parliament, and outline in detail the importance or advantages of such Committees in modern day legislative practice and procedure.

(16 Marks).

Question Five

The relationship between the Media and any Parliament must be complementary and symbiotic. Discuss this in the light of the fact that as the legislator looks to the media to give news of his performance to his people at home, in a similar manner, the Media looks to the Parliament to create news for their reportage in their respective outfits.

(16 Marks).

Question Six

Write short notes on the following:

- i. The role of a Mace in any Parliament.
- ii. The importance of a Gavel in parliamentary proceedings.
- iii. The functions of the Sergeant-at-Arms in a Parliament.

(16 Marks)