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SEMESTER EXAMINATION

Programmes: MLS, MPD
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Course Title: **Constitutional Law**

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Instructions:

- i. Answer **Four (4)** Questions, **Question One** is compulsory
- ii. Time allowed: **3 hours** iii. Write your **Name and Matriculation Number Only**
- iv. Orderly arrangement and good presentation of materials will be considered.
- v. Cross out any unused sheet(s) in your answer booklet before you submit it.

Question One

In *Introduction to the Study of the Law of the Constitution*, A V Dicey considered the Rule of Law as "one of the most marked peculiarities of English life" which has remained "full of vagueness and ambiguity".

Of what relevance then, if any, is the concept under the Nigerian Constitutional Law?

(25 marks)

Question Two

Discuss, with concrete illustrations, how any one modern constitutional doctrine of your choice operated in any one pre-colonial system of your choice in Nigeria **(15 marks)**

Question Three

In what ways did the military regimes impact the application of basic constitutional doctrines in Nigeria? **(15 marks)**

Question Four

Discuss the key features of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999.

(15 marks)

Question Five

What are the sources of the constitutional law of Nigeria? **(15 marks)**

Question Six

Would you, like MOA Alabi (2021) argue that notwithstanding that no express use of the term could be found in the document, the doctrine of 'Separation of Powers' remains the cornerstone of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999? **(15 marks)**