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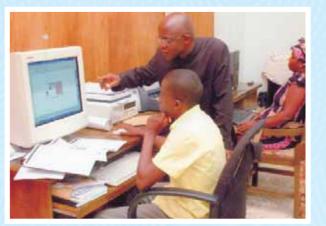
CONFERMENT OF HIGHER DEGREE AND AWARD OF POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA

CONFERMENT OF FELLOWSHIP
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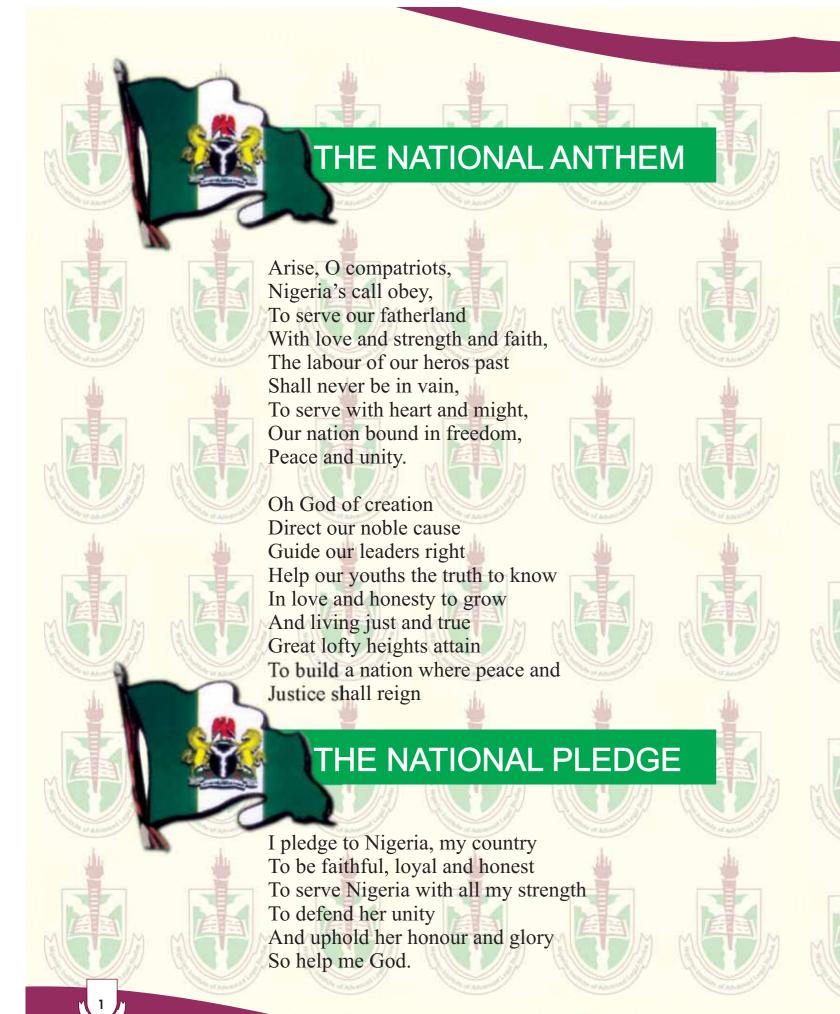


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#### MANAGEMENT OF THE INSTITUTE

The Institute functions under the general supervision of the Federal M i n i s t r y o f Justice while its general policy direction is provided by the Governing Council currently Chaired by the **Hon. Justice A.I. Katsina-Alu, JSC, CON, FNIALS.** The Director-General is responsible for the day to day administration and is supported by Principal Officers, among them, the Institute Secretary and Institute Librarian. The academic activities of the Institute are structured broadly into Studies and Research components and are supervised by the Directors of Research and Studies respectively.

#### **DEPARTMENTS AND CENTRES**

- 1. Directorate of Research
- 2. Directorate of Studies
- 3. Institute Secretary
- 3. Institute Library
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- 5. Audit Department
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- 12. Centre for Conflict & Dispute Resolution

#### **PROPOSED CENTRES**

The Institute has recently proposed the establishment of the following Centres:

- Abdullahi Ibrahim Centre for Litigation and Case Law
- George Etomi Centre for Strategic Investment and Corporate Governance
- Olisa Agbakoba Centre for Maritime Law
- Chief Gani Fawehinmi Centre for Human Rights Law
- Wale Babalakin Centre for Infrastructure Law
- The Centre for Environmental Law to be named after any interested Oil Company
- The Women and Children Rights Centre to be named after the Late Professor (Mrs) Jadesola Akande, OFR, FNIALS.
- Emmanuel Ukala Centre for democracy and Electoral Process.

Aside giving deserved honour, the Centres will further enhance collaboration between the Institute and other stakeholders. The Centres when operational, will be situated in different geopolitical zones of the country to enhance the desired spread of the Institute and to avail its services closer to the people. For purpose of emphasis, the anticipated Centres will not affect the present academic departments as they will operate independently of each other.

#### **FELLOWS OF THE INSTITUTE**

As part of her efforts to promote excellence in law and the legal profession, the Institute has, over the years, conferred its prestigious Fellowship on a selected few of Nigeria's leading legal scholars and jurists. They are (in the order in which it was conferred):

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#### **BOOK PRESENTATION**

The Director-General will rise and announce the completion of a Research Project on the Rule of Law and the intention of the Institute to publicly present the Report of the project to the members of the public in form of a book.

Tittle:

RULE OF LAW AND GOOD GOVERNANCE

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## PROGRAMME of EVENTS

#### 1997/98 - 2006/07 COMBINED CONVOCATION CEREMONIES

Tuesday, December 8, 2009 - Pre-Convocation News Conference

**Time:** - 11.00am

Venue - Ayo Ajomo Auditorium, NIALS, Lagos

Friday, December 11, 2009 - Adolphus Godwin Karibi-Whyte Lecture

Topic - "Dissenting Judgement and Judicial

Law Making"

Guest Lecturer - Honourable Justice George Adesola

Oguntade, JSC, CON, FNIALS

Time - 4.00pm Prompt

Venue - Ayo Ajomo Auditorium, NIALS, Lagos.

Saturday, December 12, 2009 - Congregation for the Conferment of Higher

Degrees, and the Award of Postgraduate

Diplomas in Legislative Drafting

**Time** - 11.00am

Venue - Ayo Ajomo Auditorium, NIALS, Lagos.

#### **Congregation for the:**

- (i.) Conferment of Fellowships of the Institute.
- (ii.) Conferment of Master of Laws Degree in Legislative Drafting.
- (iii.) Award of Postgraduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting.
- (iv.) Presentation of Book being a research project report, to the members of the public.

#### NIGERIAN INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES

Congregation for the Conferment of Higher Degrees, and the Award of Postgraduate Diplomas in Legislative Drafting

#### **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

Saturday, December 12,2009

#### **PROCESSIONS:**

11.00am

The Processions will enter the Auditorium in the following order: (As the Chairman of the Governing Council's procession is about to enter the Hall a fanfare will be played, at the sound of which the Assembly is required to stand)

#### (I) THE COUNCIL PROCESSION

The Attorney-General of the Federation The Chairman of the Governing Council The Director-General

#### (ii) THE FELLOWS PROCESSION

Fellows

#### (iii) STUDENTS' PROCESSION

Students

#### (iv) ACADEMIC PROCESSION

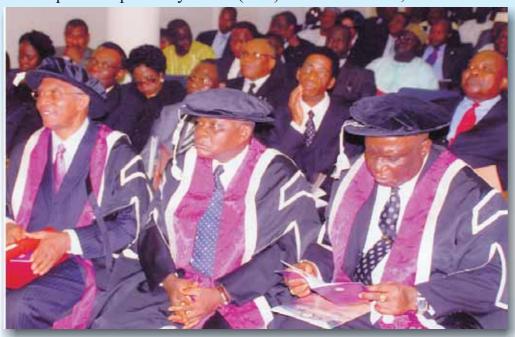
- 1. Institute Librarian
- 2. Institute Secretary
- 3. Directors
- 4. Research Fellows
- 5. Fellows

After the members of the Council's procession have taken their places on the platform, the National Anthem will be played, after which the Assembly shall be seated.



#### CONFERMENT OF FELLOWSHIPS

- 1. Citations of Recipients
- 2. Conferment of the Fellowship by Chairman of Governing Council, Honourable Justice A.I. Katsina-Alu, JSC, CON, FNIALS
- 3. Acceptance Speech by Chief (Mrs) Folake Solanke, SAN



A cross section of NIALS Fellows at one of the Institute's functions



#### 2. CONFERMENT OF HIGHER DEGREES AND AWARD OF POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS

Conferment of Master of Laws Degree in Legislative Drafting and award of PGD in Legislative Drafting.

#### (i) SECRETARY'S STATUTORY PRONOUNCEMENT

#### The Institute Secretary will say:

"The Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Act, 1984, empowers the Institute to grant Degrees, Postgraduate Diplomas in Legislative Drafting. It also provides that the Chairman of the Governing Council shall preside at all meetings of Congregation held for confering Degrees".

"I humbly invite the Governing Council Chairman to constitute this Assembly as a Congregation for conferring Degrees, awarding Postgraduate Diplomas in Legislative Drafting.

#### (ii) CHAIRMAN'S CONSTITUTION OF CONGREGATION

#### The Chairman of the Governing Council will say:

"I hereby constitute this Assembly as a Congregation of the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies for the purpose of conferring Degrees, awarding Postgraduate Diplomas in Legislative Drafting.

#### (iii) THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Attorney -General of the Federation and Minister of Justice will read his address

#### (iv) THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S ADDRESS

The Director-General will read his address

#### (v) PRESENTATION OF ALL GRADUANDS

The Director of Studies will rise, doff his hat to the Chairman and say:

"Chairman Sir, I have the honour to present to you those members of the Postgraduate School who have qualified for degree of this Institute in the 1997-2007 Sessions, those present and those who are unavoidably absent whose names appear on this list and for whom I stand proxy."

The Director of Studies then requests the graduating students of the Institute who are present and whose names appear on the relevant pages of the Convocation Order of Proceedings to stand up, doff their caps and remain standing until they are admitted to their degrees by the Chairman.



#### vi) CONFERMENT OF HIGHER DEGREE

The Chairman will say:

By the authority of the Governing Council I admit you all and severally to the degree of:

Master of Las (LL.M) in Legislative Drafting.

#### The graduating students will then bow and resume their seats

The Director of Studies will then read names of the Recipients of Masters Degree who are present and as he presents each graduating student, he/she will come forward to the Chairman, doff his/her hat, receive the Chairman's handshake and return to his/her seat.

#### As the Chairman gives each graduating student a handshake, he will say:

"I confer on you the Degree of Master of Laws in Legislative Drafting of the Institute."

After the graduating students of the Institute have been presented, one of them will deliver a speech on their behalf.

#### (vii) AWARD OF POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA

Similar procedure in (vi) above will be conducted, with variation for PGD graduands.

#### (viii) CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS AND DISSOLUTION OF THE CONGREGATION

The Chairman will then address the Assembly.

After the Address, the Chairman will then dissolve the Congregation, saying:

#### "I hereby declare the Congregation closed".

The Assembly will then rise and the National Anthem will be played. The Council's Chairman's procession will leave in reverse order preceded by the Mace, followed by the other processions.

(The Assembly is requested to remain standing until the processions have left the Hall).

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- (3) TAJUDEEN MUHAMMAD ABDULGANIYU
- (4) ADERONKE ADEKEMI ADEREMI
- (5) OYEWUMI OYEJOJU BOLA
- (6) SABITIYU KIKELOMO GRILLO (MRS)
- 7) SA'IDU YAHAYA KABIR
- (8) HARUNA ISIY AKUMANI

#### 1998/1999 SESSION

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- (8) AUGUSTINE E. AKPAN
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#### 2000/2001 SESSION

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- (5) UNEGBE U. IKECHUKWU
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- (4) ETIM DANIEL OKON
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#### 2002/2003 SESSION

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#### 2004/2005 SESSION

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#### 2004/2005 SESSION

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#### 2005/2006 SESSION

#### MASTER OF LAWS DEGREE IN LEGISLATIVE DRAFTING (LL.M)

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#### SAMPLE

#### Criminal Code Act

#### 10. Accessories after the fact

A person who receives or assists another who is, to his knowledge, guilty of an offence, in order to enable him to escape punishment, is said to become an accessory after the fact to the offence."

A wife does not become an accessory after the fact to an offence of which her husband is guilty by receiving or assisting him in order to enable him to escape punishment; nor by receiving or assisting, in her husband's presence and by his authority, another person' who is guilty of an offence' in the commission of which her husband has taken part, in order to enable that other person to escape punishment; nor does a husband become accessory after the fact to an offence of which his wife is guilty by receiving or assisting her in order to enable her to escape

In this section the terms "wife" and "husband" mean respectively the wife and husband of a Christian marriage.

#### Section 10

- For definition of "person" see s. 1 of this Code. For definition of "offence": see s. 2 of this Code, see also
- s. 2(1) Criminal Procedure Act Cap C41 LFN 2004.
- For definition of "Christian Marriage": see s. 1 of this

#### Cross Reference

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For other provisions relating to the protection of spouses of a Christian marriage see ss. 33, 34 and 36 of

Evidence Act Cap E14 LFN 2004.

For punishment of accessories after the fact see as, 519, 520 and 521 of this Code.

This section is concerned with giving assistance or protection to a known offender after he has committed the offence, and for the purpose of enabling him to escape punishment - Ededy vs. The State (1972) ANLR 16 S.C.; Jibrin Okabichi vs. The State (1975) ANLR 69 S.C.; "Principals in the second degree" has a recognized meaning in English law. It is not used in Chapter II of this Act and consequently has no meaning in Nigerian Law - R. vs. Ede Okpalu & 2 Ors () 2 WACA 345.

#### Section 10

An accused person is not an accessory after the fact if he neither received nor assisted any one of the principal offenders in order to enable him to escape punishment. Anthony Eronsele Enahoro vs.The State (1965) NSCC 98 S.C.

#### Section 10

A witness may rank as an accomplice if he assists a culprit to escape punishment and is an accessory after the fact in that sense -Edem Ekpa Ekpo & Anorvs. The State (1964) NSCC 280 S.C.

For Further Reading see: Osipitan Taiwo- "Accomplice Evidence: Is an Accessory After the Fact an Accomplice" The Nigerian Journal of Contemporary Law, Vol. 15 (1988) pp. 84-97; M. Adekunle Owoade - "Some Aspects of Criminal Law Reform in Nigeria"The Nigerian Bar Journal, Vol. 16 (1980)

pp. 25-31; Yemi Osinbajo and Tokumbo Akomolafe- "Reform of the Criminal Law of Evidence in Nigeria" Justice Vol. 2 No. 4 (1991) pp.

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- (3) Intensive Course in Legislative Drafting (4 weeks programme, since 2006).

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In fulfillment of its mandate, the Institute among other things, conducts research, organizes, national and international seminars, symposia, conferences, as well as workshops and lectures on any branch of law and related disciplines as part of her continuing legal education services. It also serves as a think-tank and major policy analyst for government on legal issues. The mandate of the Institute under the 1984 Law was expanded in 1995 to include Postgraduate training in Legislative Drafting. This led to the introduction of the Postgraduate Diploma (1997) and Master of Laws Degree (1999) Programmes in Legislative Drafting. The introduction of these programmes by the Institute has saved the country scarce foreign exchange which would otherwise have continued to be expended on such training abroad. Indeed, from 1997 to 1998, the Institute in collaboration with the National Assembly, carried out a nation-wide training for Legislative Draftsmen in the National Assembly and all the State Legislative Houses in the six Geo-Political Zones of the country as part of capacity building in preparation for the return to democratic rule in 1999.

The Post-graduate programme seeks, among other things, to redress the shortage of skilled andmotivated drafters in the country. Its broad objectives are to:

- -provide a basic foundation and a practical grounding in drafting skills with aview to enhancing job performance;
- expose students to desirable procedures and practices in Legislative Drafting;
- -encourage law officers in the various drafting services to develop appropriate response to legislative drafting problems and infrasutuctural inadequacies, with a view to sustaining continued interest in legislative drafting as a career.
- introduce participants to the advantages and complementary uses of computers and other novel devices in legislative drafting.

The Continuing Legal Education programmes of the Institute are constantly reviewed in response to the identified needs of lawyers in both the public and private sectors.

Prior to 1997, legislative draftsmen had to be trained abroad in the West Indies and the United Kingdom. The introduction of these programmes by NIALS has saved the country scarce foreign exchange which would otherwise have been expended on such training. Apart from existing courses on her Continuing Legal Education Mandate, a few more programmes have been designed in response to identified needs of the legal profession in Nigeria. These include a Certificate Course in Comparative Company Law, an Intensive Certificate Course in Legislative Drafting as well as training in International Criminal Justice. The last has been designed to prepare Nigerian Lawyers to be able to take up job offers available in the International Criminal Court. It is also meant to equip legal practitioners with the skills required to practice before that court. The training will, in addition, provide all those involved in peace keeping and other humanitarian operations the knowledge required to carry out those operations in accordance with internationally acceptable standards. It would also help them avoid the adverse consequences that may flow from breaches of international obligations undertaken under the Rome Statute. The Comparative Company Law Course is designed to expose Nigerian Lawyers who increasingly advise multinational companies on salient issues in company law across jurisdictions. In addition to these three courses a fourth course in Legal Writing and Communication Skills for Law Academics and Legal Practitioners is slated for the last quarter of this year. Apart from these recently added courses, NIALS retains the capacity and continues to fashion out programmes to meet the constantly increasing needs of the legal profession.

In the period under review, the Institute under my leadership has set about attracting and engaging experienced and qualified professional and academic staff to fill in the gaps in areas like Islamic Law, Institute Secretary, Bursary, five (5) Professors, including the S.M.A Belgore Professor of Law and Development.

#### Academic Programmes

In line with the mandate of the Institute, we have continued to carry out Continuing Legal Education Programmes in various aspects of the Law. The Institute in the year under review intensified efforts at revamping its Continuing Legal Education Programmes and marketing them effectively.

#### 1. PH.D Programme

The Institute has continued to admit students into its postgraduate diploma or post graduate degree programmes in Legislative Drafting. The Institute also recently established a PH.D Programme in Legislative Drafting, the first of its kind

in Africa.

#### 2. Research Projects

In fulfillment of its research mandate, the Institute has carried out several group and individual research projects which have also resulted in publications. Among these projects are:

- a) The Law and Population Project
- (b) Human Rights and the Administration of Criminal Justice Project (1988-1991)
- (c) The Rights of the Child Project (1991-1995)
- (d) The Nigerian Court Procedures Project (1999-2001)
- (e) The Judicial Integrity and Capacity Assessment Project (2002-2003)
- (f) The Laws of Nigeria Project: The Annotation of the Federal Statutes in Force (begun in 1992)
  - (g) The Uwais Court Project (2006)
  - (h) The Appraisal of the 1999 Constitution in Operation (2007).

In line with government policy, the Institute in the last five months has carried out research study on the "Rule of Law" which will be presented to the public on the 12th December, 2009. Research is underway for regulatory framework for Private Partnership Project(PPP) and Concession Agreements. The Institute has taken delivery of the Laws of Nigeria (Annotated) Criminal Justice Administration Vols I and II of the Laws of Nigeria Project. Work is nearing completion on both Banking and Matrimonial Causes Enactment set of the Laws of Nigeria Project. The Institute apart from researching into the justiciability of Chapter 2 of the Constitution is also engaging in ground breaking research on RESTATEMENT OF CUSTOMARY LAW IN NIGERIA.

The SMA Belgore Chair in Law and Development, endowed by Honourable Justice S.M.A. Belgore (Retired CJN) in 2007 has been filled by Professor Nnamdi Aduba of the University of Jos

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In its 30 years of existence, the Institute has published a wide range of books, monographs and journals on different areas of law. Among these are:

#### 3. The Annual Lecture Series

This comprise:

- (a) the Founders Day Lectures instituted in commemoration of the establishment of the Institute:
- (b) the Taslim Elias Memorial Lecture instituted in memory of the Late Judge Taslim Olawale Elias for his pioneering role in the establishment of the Institute
- (c) the Distinguished Fellows' Lecture instituted in 2006.

#### **New Proposed Lectures**

- (a) Chike Chigbue Memorial Lecture
- (b) New Frontiers Lecture
- (c) Inaugural Lecture
- (d) Diaspora Lecture

These lectures provide platforms for incisive analysis of legal and allied topical issues to discerning members of the public (a mixed audience of the cream of the legal profession, key functionaries of government and members of the diplomatic corps among others). Speakers who have delivered one or other of these lectures include Professor Ben O.Nwabueze, SAN, Africa's best known scholar in Constitutional Law. He delivered the 10th Anniversary Lecture and has the distinction of having also been invited to deliver the 2009 Founders' Day Lecture to mark the 30th Anniversary of the Institute; Honourable Justice A.G. Karibi-Whyte; *CFR* Honourable Justice E.O. Ayoola, *CON* of the I.C.P.C.; Honourable Justice M.L. Uwais, *CON*, *GCON*; former Chief Justice of Nigeria; Professor E.l. Nwogugu; Professor Cheryl Saunders and Ian Brownlie CBE, QC.

#### 4. The Nigerian Current Law Review

This peer review journal, the Institute's main Journal, began as a quarterly publication in 1982. It is now published annually. It contains scholarly researched articles by various contributors and provides current information on statutes and cases.

#### 5. Nigerian Contemporary Legal Problems.

Introduced in 1983 to publish the seminar presentations of academic staff of the Institute.

#### 6. The NIALS Conference Series

This series consists of compilations of the proceedings of national and international conferences organized by the Institute. Publication of the series began in 1991 with Tax Law and Tax Administration in Nigeria by M. A. Ajomo and O. Akanle. Others in the series include Regulation of Trade and Investment in an Era of Structural Adjustment: the African Experience by M. A. Ajomo and O. Akanle; Legal Education for Twenty-First Century Nigeria by I. A. Ayua and D. A. Guobadia; Nigeria: Issues in the 1999 Constitution by I. A. Ayua and D. A. Guobadia etc.

#### 7. NIALS Research Series:

This series comprise the published results of empirically based research carried out under the coordination of the Institute such as the Technical Report on the Court Procedures Project (2001).

#### 8. The Institute Library

Named after Dr. T. O. Elias, the Institute's Library, a veritable aid for research is second to none in the country and its collections rank amongst the very best in Sub-Saharan Africa.

#### 9. The Institute's honorary Fellowship

As part of efforts to acknowledge service rendered to the Institute and distinction attained, a prestigious order of Fellows of the Institute was established in 1981. The Fellowship has been conferred on a very distinct group of Nigeria's leading legal scholars and jurists. In the 30 year history of the Institute, only thirty-two persons have been so honoured.

#### 10. International Links

To enhance its relevance and efficiency, NIALS has established links with similar Institutions and relevant agencies in other jurisdictions. They include, the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, London; the British Council; the Ford Foundation amongst others. It is also a corporate member of a number of learned societies including:

- The International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law since 2006.
- The African Network for Constitutional Law (ANCL) since 2007.
- The International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL) since 2006
- The Nigerian Bar Association Section on Business Law-since its inception in 2006.

The Institute has renewed old ties and relationships with organisations that have provided technical and financial assistance to it in the past such as the British Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), the University of Southampton amongst others. NIALS already working on areas of common interest in which it intends to engage in serious collaborative academic understanding such as exchange programmes for Research Fellows with these Institutions.

#### Collaboration

NIALS has in recent times reached out to a number of organisations such as the Nigerian for Communications Commission, the National Industrial Court and the National Judicial Institute collaboration in different aspects of legal research and continuing education. The Institute has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Infrastructure Concession Regulation Commission (ICRC).

#### 11. Creation of New Centres for Research

The Institute has recently established the following Centres:

Abdullahi Ibrahim Centre for Litigation and Case Law, George Etomi Centre for Strategic Investment and Corporate Governance and Olisa Agbakoba Centre for Maritime Law. Others include, Chief Fawehinmi Centre for Human Rights Law and Wale Babalakin Centre for Infrastructure Law. The Centre for Environmental Law is to be named after any interested oil company, while the Women and Children Rights Centre will be named after the Late Prof. (Mrs) Jadesola Akande. Aside giving deserved honour, the Centres will further enhance collaboration between the Institute and other stakeholders. The Centres, when operational, will be situated in different geopolitical zones of the country to enhance the desired spread of the Institute and to a avail its services close to the people. For purpose of emphasis, the anticipated Centres will not affect the present academic departments as they will operate independently of each other.

#### 12. Permanent Site

The Institute has been able to resolve the issue surrounding its permanent site and has been allocated a parcel of land measuring about 10.5 Hectares for building its permanent site along the Airport Road, Abuja.

