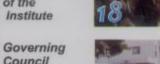


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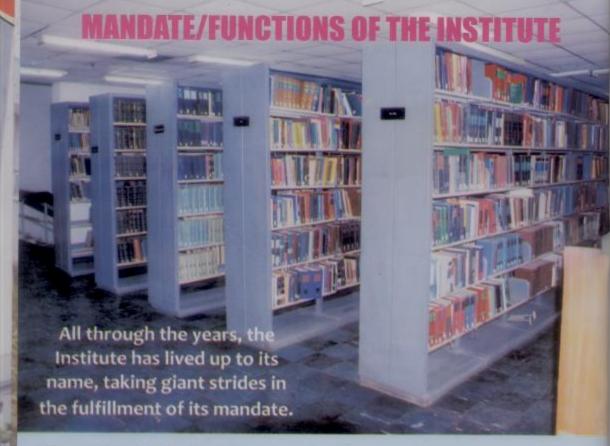
Dear Students.

The Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies is Nigeria's apex institution for research and advanced studies in law. It was a brainchild of the legal academic community established in March 1979. One of the main ideas in founding the Institute was to establish it as a centre for advanced legal research for all the Nigerian universities with Faculties of Law, so that all postgraduate work could be undertaken there under the joint auspices of the most experienced and learned academic lawyers available in the country, whether indigenous or foreign. The Library would be the best equipped collection of law books and publications. This would, no doubt, assist in resolving the difficulties hampering the organization of postgraduate studies needed to fill in the gaps in the training of Nigerian lawyers at the time.

At inception, the Institute was funded with generous financial and academic support from external agencies such as the Ford Foundation and the Commonwealth Secretariat. Such assistance, however, declined over time. The National Universities Commission also funded the Institute through the University of Lagos until 1984 when by virtue of Decree No. 18 of June 27, the Institute became autonomous under the supervision of the Federal Ministry of Justice. This development greatly enhanced the mandate and institutional capacity of the Institute to discharge its functions.

Additionally, in 1995 the enabling law of the Institute, now fully incorporated into the Laws of the Federation 2004 as section 4(c), Cap. N112, was amended to mandate the Institute to run post-graduate courses in legislative drafting. Consequently, the Institute's Post-graduate School (PGS) was established in 1997 as the Post-graduate Studies Unit with the sole aim of running a Post-graduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting (PGDLD) and Masters Degree in Legislative Drafting (M. LD.). This was the first of its kind, not only in Nigeria but in Africa. The Institute has also recently commenced a PhD Programme in Legislative Drafting.

Professor Epiphany Azinge (SAN)
Director-General



The mandate and functions of the Institute as set out in it enabling law include –

- (a) providing information, supervision, guidance and advice to post-graduate students and other researchers who are working for post-graduate degree of any University in the field of law and related subjects;
- conducting research into any branch of the law or related subjects with a view to the application of the results thereof in the interest of Nigeria;
- conducting courses of instruction in legislative drafting leading to the award of post-graduate diploma or a post-graduate degree;
- regularly organizing, hosting, arranging and conducting national and international seminars, symposia, conferences, workshops and lectures on any branch of the law or related subjects;
- preparing and publishing books, records, reports, journals as may seem desirable for the dissemination of research findings, seminars,

- symposia, conferences, findings of workshops and lectures;
- (f) co-operating with Nigerian universities, the Nigerian Law School, the Nigeria Law Reform Commission and such other bodies, within and outside Nigeria, engaged in any major field relating to law reform, development or research in the mobilization of Nigeria's research potentials for the task of national development and dissemination of research findings for the use of policy makers at all levels;
- carrying out other activities as are necessary and expedient for the full discharge of any of its functions as provided in the enabling law.

As can be seen from the foregoing, the statutory functions of the Institute emphasize the need to conduct research into legal and related matters to enhance national development and the application of the results of such research to the country's needs. Of particular importance is the task of disseminating "research findings for the use of policy makers at all

levels." The Institute, therefore, has the mandate to plan legal research and relate it to both the long and short term socio-developmental aspirations of the country.

The Institute thus occupies a strategic place within the scheme of things to re-orient legal research and in particular, reflect the changing tendencies, perspectives and philosophies that define Nigeria's and Africa's role in the international economic and political order.

Consequently, the Institute's research ultimately not only contributes to policy making but also helps to build a body of knowledge of the legal order tailored towards meeting Nigeria's needs.

All through the years, the Institute has lived up to its name, taking giant strides in the fulfillment of its mandate. Its anniversary, the highlight of which is usually an anniversary lecture delivered by a renowned national or foreign legal luminary is marked every year. In May 2009, the Institute celebrated Its 30° Anniversary in a grand style. Highlights of the event included, among others—

- An anniversary lecture delivered by one of Africa's foremost constitutional law experts, Professor Ben Nwabueze, on the topic "Judicialism and Good Governance in Africa";
- A week long arts exhibition focused on Nigeria's constitutional history at the end of which cash awards were given to the best three artists;
- · The Fourth Institute Fellows Dialogue;
- Public presentation of the two volumes of the first part of the Laws of Nigeria's Project on the Criminal Justice Administration Sector;
- An Anniversary Dinner.

Since the inception of the new management headed by Professor Epiphany Azinge, SAN in May 2009, a host of innovations have come into place. A few of which are outlined below:

The Institute in recent times has engaged other institutions outside the country in collaborative undertakings such as the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, London; the British Institute for International and Comparative Law; the School of Oriental and African Studies and the University of Southampton. Within the country, the Institute is partnering with a number of institutions such as the National Industrial Court, the Nigerian Communications Commission and

the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission.

Convocation

On the 12" of December 2009, the Institute held its first ever convocation ceremonies for the award of post-graduate degree and diploma to all the students that had graduated from the PGS from 1997 – 2007. The award ceremonies were preceded by the Hon. Justice Adolphous G. Karibi-Whyte Convocation Lecture titled "Dissenting Judgments and Judicial Law Making." The lecture was delivered by Hon. Justice George A. Oguntade, JSC, CON, FNIALS on the 11" of December, 2009, at the Ayo Ajomo Auditorium of the Institute, under the distinguished chairmanship of the then. Hon. Attorney-General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Chief Michael Kaase Aondoakaa, SAN, who also delivered the keynote address at the award ceremonies.

As part of the ceremonies, the Institute Fellowship was conferred on two distinguished and deserving members of the legal profession, Chief Mrs. Folake Solanke, the first female Senior Advocate of Nigeria and the late Hon. Justice Olakunle Orojo. The occasion was also used to unveil and present to the public, Institute's latest book project on, "The Rule of Law and Good Governance." This work is Institute's contribution to the ongoing discuss on "the Rule of Law", one of the key aspects of the present government's Seven-Points agenda . The work examines the concept of the rule of law and good governance from different perspectives constitutional, economic and developmental as well as the role of the judiciary and access to justice. The beauty of this contribution is that it examines the concept of the rule of law more from its practical application, than mere expositions of conceptual and academic issues.

The Institute under the new leadership has initiated a number of roundtables in different areas of the Law as part of its contribution to the development and shaping of government policies and plans. Examples of the Roundtables include: the Roundtable on Terrorism in the Aviation Industry, Roundtable on Evaluation of judicial Integrity Assessment Index Since 1999 in Nigeria; Frontloading: Challenges and Implications for the Speedy Dispensation of Justice; Kidnapping and abduction: Challenges for National Security; Telecommunication Offences: Unveiling of Borderless Criminality and the Legal Dynamics of Investment in Solid Minerals in Nigeria.

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The Federal Government has appointed a new Chairman Governing Council for the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, He is Honourable Justice Dahiru Musdapher, JSC, CON, he took over from the Chief Justice of Nigeria, Honourable Justice Aloysius Katsina-Alu, JSC, CON, FNIALS, who until his assumption of office as the CIN, was the Chairman Board of Governing Council of the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.

Honorable Justice Dahiru Musdapher, JSC, CON, was conferred with an award of the Commander of the Niger (CON) in 2003 by the President and Commander in Chief of Federal Republic of Nigeria.















- t. The Outgoing Council Chairman, Hon. Justice A. I. Katsina-Alu, CON, FNIALS with Council members
- The D.G. Prof. Azinge, SAN with the Chairman Governing Council, Hon. Austice A. I. Ketsina-Alu, CON, FNIALS.
- 3. Prof. E. I. Nwagugu with the Director-General, Prof. Azinge, SAN
- 4. The Chairman with Dr. Ken Nwogu
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- 9. The Chairman with Mr. Idowu Adegbite
- to. The Chairman with Prof. K. L. Igweike
- 11. The Chairman with Miss O. Omo-Osogie
- 12. Some Council Members pose with the Chairman (middle) in a group photograph.











5. CHUKWUDIFU OPUTA CENTRE FOR FORENSIC STUDIES

Forensic Science developed as a means to solve crimes objectively, efficiently and accurately. Forensic law is an integrated area of study which includes Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Geology, Psychology, Sociology, Communication and Law. Forensic evidence is used throughout the criminal justice process to support warrants, obtain convictions and is part of prosecution and defence theories at trial. Solving crimes and applying the law to those crimes involves effective team work.

There have been so many unraveled crimes in our country due mainly to difficulties in obtaining evidence for their effective prosecution. A centre for forensic research and studies will fill this yearning gap in our criminal justice system.

This centre will work with investigators and lawyers using forensic data, helping them to build the logic, experience and skills needed to identify and prosecute crime suspects. It will also research and train on analytical ability, creativity and problem solving ability which are essential skills for crime solving.

The ability to supply the criminal justice system with accurate and objective information that reflects the events that occurred at a crime scene is an essential skill for the forensic scientist. There is bound to be a lot of collaborative work between the centre and multi disciplinary professionals as well as with the CENTRE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

ABDULAIHI IBRAHIM CENTRE FOR LITIGATION AND CASELAW

Under our Constitution the judiciary is an arm of government with powers of interpreting the law and applying it to resolution of disputes. The Nigerian legal system follows the British model. It adopts and follows the rule of precedent where decisions of superior courts are followed in similar situations by inferior courts. For an inferior court to be able to follow decisions of a superior court such decisions should be accessible.

A centre for litigation and case law would be concerned with reviewing decisions of superior courts in Nigeria and making both the decision and review available to judges, lawyers and academics and indeed all who are interested in judicial matters. In fact such a centre is indispensable to an Institution such as the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.

There have been several landmark decisions in Nigeria in recent times especially in election petitions and constitutional issues. Some of them, very controversial and requiring in-depth analysis by legal scholars. This centre promises to be an invaluable resource to all law practitioners.

BABATUNDE ADEJUMO CENTRE FOR INDUSTRIAL AND LABOUR LAW

Industrial and labour laws are the varied body of laws applying to employment, remuneration, conditions of work, trade unions, relationship between workers and management, health and safety at work unfair dismissals etc. These matters are so recognized in the Nigerian legal system that a distinct court – THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL COURT has been created to adjudicate on them.

Labour and industrial issues are very rife in Nigeria. Only recently the universities were on strike for over three months. The Nigerian Labour Congress has championed strikes in Nigeria. There are also a lot of industrial concerns – poor work environment, poor pay, lack of safety at work. The concerns are indeed many.

There would be a lot for this centre to do such as harmonizing local laws and practices with International laws, norms and practices. Working towards a harmonious labour and industrial environment in Nigeria is a challenge that if met would transform the Nigerian State.

8. WOLE OLANIPEKUN CENTRE FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Alternative Dispute Resolution ADR is a process of conflict resolution using means other than the traditional court system. It uses a hybrid of means and mechanisms to effect justice in particular cases. The processes are less formal than the traditional court processes.

The goals of ADR are speedy resolution of dispute, community involvement in dispute resolution and dispensation of particularized substantial justice. ADR is actually an African thing. This centre would

take ADR to the world by fine tuning the concept, processes and mechanisms. Given the trial delays in the traditional court system ADR has a lot to offer.

9. OLISA AGBAKOBA CENTRE FOR MARITIME LAW

Maritime law is a distinct body of law. It governs maritime issues and offences. It comprises both domestic and private international law governing the relationship between private entities which operate vessels on oceans. It deals with matters including marine commerce, marine navigation, shipping, sailors, transportation of passengers and goods by sea. Also land based activities that are maritime in character are also covered by maritime law.

it is no secret that Nigeria engages in a lot of maritime activities. Exportation of its crude oil is done through the sea as well as importation of nearly all its imports. Nigeria has over 10,000 km of navigable waterways from Nigeria/Niger and Cameroon border to the Atlantic ocean. The inland waterways consist of 27 rivers, 36 lagoons/creeks/ canais and 2 lakes linking cities/commercial centres in all the 6 geo political zones. Most of the rivers are navigable only during the flood season and landing facilities are almost absent. Nigeria has a total of 8 ports delineated into 25 terminals -18 at the Lagos and Rivers Ports and 7 at Warriand Calabar.

There are a number of laws governing maritime activities in Nigeria as well as a number of regulatory institutions. Despite the huge potential for maritime practice in Nigeria the country is yet to take full advantage of the opportunities. The enactment of the CABOTAGE ACT which is aimed at giving Nigerians an advantage has not provided the expected results. A lot, therefore, needs to be done in this area in the field of research and collaborative work with stakeholders with a view to expanding and disseminating knowledge in the area as well as create opportunities and investment for the locals.

10. AFE BABALOLA CENTRE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTYLAW

Intellectual property rights now encompass all areas of human endeavors. The most popular forms are copyrights -comprising literary, musical, and artistic works, films, broadcasts including performances and expressions of

folklore; and industrial property comprising patents, trademarks and industrial designs.

The philosophy behind intellectual property rights protection is that a labourer is entitled to the fruits of his labour albeit mental or intellectual labour. There is a lot of copyright infringement in Nigeria. The music and movie producers have always lamented their plight and seek for solution to their loss. Intellectual property rights protection has a lot of international law input and components.

The centre will be engaged in a lot of collaborative work with stakeholders and relevant agencies both locally and internationally. The results of its work will impact greatly on affected industries as well as the entire economy.

11. GANI FAWEHEMI CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Human Rights refer to the basic rights and freedoms to which all humans are entitled. Human rights include civil, political, social and cultural rights. Human rights law is a system of laws, both domestic and international designed to promote human rights.

The enforcement of international human rights law is the primary responsibility of the nation state and its primary responsibility is to make human rights a reality. If statistics are to be believed Nigeria has a poor human rights record. The Human Rights Centre is to work with both State and non State actors to Improve the Human rights profile of Nigeria. It will also partner with independent international organizations such as Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, International Federation of Human Rights, and World Organisation against Torture. The result will be a better understanding and appreciation of human rights issues, documentation of human rights abuses and efforts and pressure at enforcing human rights law.

12 JADESOLA AKANDE CENTRE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN RIGHTS

Women and children issues are most times lost or forgotten in discussion of mainstream human rights issues, hence the need to stand them apart so that proper attention can be given to them. The issue is not that women and children rights are not human rights but that there is a failure to respond to the distinct experiences of injustice meted out to women and children.

This centre will serve as a resource centre for women and children rights; documenting all such distinct experiences that needs be addressed and acting as an advocate for the recognition and implementation of women and children rights. Given the cultural diversity of Nigeria and the state of some of our cultures and tradition this centre has a lot to do.

BAYO OJO CENTRE FOR AVIATION AND TRANSPORTATION LAW

Transportation is the movement of people and goods from one location to another. Over time the economic wealth and military power of a nation have been closely tied to efficient methods of transportation. Reliable transportation allows a population to expand throughout a country's territory and live comfortably in remote areas thereby stemming migration to urban centers. Transportation provides access to natural resources and promotes trade, allowing a nation to accumulate wealth and power. Transportation is key to the economy; reducing the costs of transporting natural resources to production sites and moving finished goods to the market is one of the key factors in economic competition. Transportation law is the area of law dealing with transport. It includes regulations for operators including vehicles and infrastructure as well as the contract of carriage. Aviation is a specialized transport system that caters for movement of people and goods by Air. Aviation law governs the operation of aircrafts and the maintenance of aviation facilities.

At present the Nigerian transport sector is in a state of chaos. The legal and regulatory environment is replete with duplication and services provided fall below standard. There is a lot to be done in this area.

WALE BABALAKIN CENTRE FOR INFRASTRUCTURELAW

Infrastructure is the basic physical and organizational structure needed for the operation of a society or enterprise, or the services and facilities needed for the operation for an economy to function. The term technically refers to the technical structures that support a society such as roads, water supply, sewer, power grids,

telecommunications etc. Infrastructure covers all broad heads such as transportation, energy, water management facilities, waste management facilities etc.

All Governments the world over have realized that they cannot solely provide these amenities. Partnering with the private sector is now the inthing. This is known as Public Private Partnership - PPP. Nigeria is not left behind. A number of PPP projects are going on in the country. Also the recently created infrastructure, Concession and Regulatory Commission is aimed at strengthening this initiative.

The centre working along with the Commission and other stakeholders will have a lot to do in this area. Being a new initiative in Nigeria the law and policy are largely undeveloped. The Centre will provide a lot of policy input in the area of corporate governance for operators, protection of investors, applicable agreements etc. It is a Centre whose time is now.

GEORGE ETOMI CENTRE FOR STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND CORPORATE

Investment is concerned with wealth creation. It is the active redirection of resources: from being consumed today to creating benefits in the future. Strategic investment concerns investment in key sectors or areas of needs that would usher in development. In Nigeria investments in sectors such as power, transportation, infrastructure, communication, real estate, agriculture, rural development would qualify as strategic investment.

A lot of issues are involved – funding, management style and acumen, risks etc. There is thus need for proper corporate governance. Corporate governance is a system of structuring, operating and controlling a company with a view to achieving long term goals to satisfy all stakeholders. It also entails complying with the legal and regulatory requirements for operating or doing business and also meeting environmental and local community needs. Good corporate governance is a tool for sustained socio-economic development. The crisis in the banking industry today is linked to poor corporate governance.

This centre will have a lot to do in fashioning policy documents to assist the corporate world

in making its contribution to the development of the nation in a structured and sustained fashion.

ODEIN AJUMOGOBIA CENTRE FOR OIL AND GAS LAW

Crude Petroleum is the mainstay of the Nigerian Economy accounting for over 90% of its foreign exchange earnings. Oil and gas are products of crude petroleum. The law and policy in this area is recently being reviewed. The Petroleum Industry Bill is before the National Assembly, it is generating some tension especially on its deregulation stance. There is also a lot of tension associated with exploration of oil in Nigeria as well as the impact on the environment.

Given the central place of this sector in our economy its relevance and place cannot be over emphasized.

17. O.C.J. OKOCHA CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Closely allied to issues of oil and gas in Nigeria is the environmental law issues and practices connected therewith. The discord in the Niger Delta is linked to the environmental degradation brought about by oil exploration activities in the region. Environmental issues are of concern to all human beings. There can be no sustainable development without a healthy environment.

Environmental law is a complex and interlocking body of statute and common law, treaties, conventions and policies which operate to regulate the interaction of humans and the rest of the world; with the aim of reducing or minimizing impacts of human activity both on the natural environment and humanity itself. Certain principles are central to a good environmental culture. These include conservatism, stewardship, responsibility and sustainability. It is no secret that Nigeria is not doing well in these areas.

The centre in conjunction and collaboration with stakeholders will have a lot to do to awaken awareness and reverse the gloomy situation for the good of all and sundry.

18. SARKI MUKTAR CENTRE FOR LAW AND SECURITY

Security as a national condition was defined in a 1986 UN study as a state at which countries

think that there is no danger of military attack, political pressure or economic coercion, so that they can develop and progress freely. Security is therefore central to development. Security is encompassing and applies to all aspects of endeavour.

Nigeria is currently going through a period of acute security crises. Militancy in the Niger Delta and other areas, kidnappings which is fast becoming a way of life, armed robbery and grand thefts, killings, rituals; in fact the list is endless. One just needs to look at the papers to see the gory tales of insecurity in our land.

There is need for structures and processes that improve the security condition in our land. This would be the challenge for the centre working in conjunction and collaboration with relevant stake holders.

19. GABRIEL SUSAN CENTRE FOR SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW

There is need for some leisure in our lives. All the hard stuff we engage in is bound to weigh us done. Entertainment is any activity which provides a diversion or permits people to amuse themselves in their leisure time. Sports on the other hand are an organized, competitive and skillful physical activity requiring commitment and fair play. Today sports and entertainment are big business requiring and entailing professionalism and thereby governed by laws, rules and practices.

A sports and entertainment law centre will educate the populace especially lawyers on the legal principles and transaction aspects of sports and entertainment. It will also provide a platform for discussion affecting these fields and foster excellence in the practice of law in these fields.

Given the interest in sports especially football in Nigeria and the need for relaxation and the tourism potential of these activities, the centre will indeed have much to engage it.

20. CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMISSION CENTRE FOR REGULATION OF CORPORATE POWER

Government regulates business and the business environment for the good of all and the society at large. The recent economic meltdown the world over and the consequent

2010 LECTURES

Founders' Day Lecture Dr. Chun Hung Lin Title: Overview of Right To Communicate: 17th March, 2010

Under the Trend of Universal Recognition

New Frontiers Lecture - Dr. R. Nwabueze 18" May 2010

Southampton University, U.K.
Title: Africa on the Cusp of Biotechnology:
The Legal and Ethical Aspects of Genetics.

Taslim Elias Memorial Lecture - Prof McCorquodale
Director, British Institute of
International and Comparative

International

Diaspora's Scholars Lecture - Prof Baderin 4" August 2010

Dean of Law

School of Oriental & African

Studies

University of London, UK

Inaugural Lecture - Prof B. Owasanoye 30" Sept 2010

Director of Research Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, NIALS

Fellows Lecture - Chief Mrs. Folake Sholanke, SAN, FNIALS 9" Nov 2010

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SMA Belgore Chair on Law and

Lecture - SMA Belgore Chair on Law and Development, NIALS

Distinguished Alumni Lecture 3rd Dec 2010

THE NIALS LECTURE

The Institute will be introducing the NIALS Lecture Series which will be held annually. The Lecture will be recognizing outstanding interests and involvement in various disciplines and in particular, link academics with other professionals.

The aim of the Lecture will be to contribute to information sharing and public discourse of contemporary issues and to explore new avenues in the thinking and conceptualisation of modern day challenges, while benefitting from the input

of distinguished practitioners and experts in any field of discipline. The Lecture series will be particularly interesting for all professionals working with or interested in international activities. These would include lawyers, diplomats, journalists, NGO representatives', academics, as well as distinguished experts.

The Lecture series will be a collective effort of the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and the research centers and would be inviting both local and international outstanding scholars of

ACADEMICS AND RESEARCH

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The Postgraduate School

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Prior to the introduction of these programmes, the Institute had, since 1985, run a ten week course in legislative drafting. This was done in response to requests from various governments in the federation who were having difficulty sending their personnel outside the country for such training.

Since the inception of the PGS, hundreds of lawyers have graduated from the School as specialist legislative draftsmen. The Institute has thus, saved the nation a huge amount in foreign exchange, which would have been spent in accessing similar courses in the United Kingdom or other overseas countries. The programme has also assisted in streamlining the standard of



legislative drafting in the country in a way that meets the requirement of national development. What obtained prior to this time was a wide variety of styles and approaches to legislative drafting arising from the fact that Nigerian drafters were sent to different countries for training.

The vision, mission and objectives of the PGS are as follows –

Vision: To be the best provider of the highest quality post-graduate education in legislative drafting in the English Speaking Africa.

Mission: To provide courses of instruction and other facilities in the pursuit of high quality post-graduate programmes in legislative drafting and other courses of national and international interest as the Institute may be mandated by law to administer.

Objectives: The School aims at providing systematic academic, research and practical legislative drafting programmes geared towards the high level needs of the parliamentary arms of the three tiers of government in Nigeria and other English Speaking African countries. The programmes seek, among other things, to redress the shortage of skilled and motivated drafters in the country.

So far, the beneficiaries of the Courses have been nominated by the National Assembly, Ministry of Justice, and State Houses of Assembly in the six geopolitical regions of Nigeria. A few local government Counsels and private legal practitioners have equally attended the Courses.

Students' enrolment so far is as shown below:



Year	Masters	Diploma	Total	
1997/1998		34	34	
1998/1999		11	11	
1999/2000	5		5	
2000/2001	15	12	27	
2001/2002	11		11	
2002/2003	16	21	37	
2003/2004	12	19	31	
2004/2005	17	13	30	
2005/2006	18	13	31	
2006/2007	17	13	30	
2007/2008	17	13	30	
2008/2009	18	11	29	
2009/2010	26	7	33	
Grand Total	172	167	339	

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LLM AND PH.D PROGRAMME

In 1997, the institute carefully structured Postgraduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting. As a result of the success of this pilot scheme, the institute introduced a 12-month LL.M Degree, Programme in Legislative Drafting in 1999 to run alongside the Diploma Course. Institutions therefore have the option of Sponsoring students for either of the courses, depending on logistics and other relevant considerations. The LLM is, as should be expected, substantially more enhanced and deeper in coverage than the diploma programme. In 2009 the Governing Council of the Institute, in accordance with the Institute enabling law, approved the commencement of a PhD programme in Legislative Drafting. This is the first of its type in Africa.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The objectives for the proposed M.Phil and PhD programme in legislative Drafting include:

- To consolidate the over 12 years achievement of the Institute in the field of human capital development in legislative drafting at both Postgraduate Diploma and LL.M levels.
- To assist the nation in producing Legislative Drafting academics at the level of M.ID, M. Phil and PhD.
- To help in meeting the deficit in the demand and supply for future trainers of legislative drafting.

- To encourage the nation to save foreign exchange as far as overseas training of Draftmen at PhD level is concerned.
- To gradually turn Nigeria into the hub for the training and development of high level Manpower in legislative drafting in Africa.
- To indirectly assist the Nigerian and African emerging democracies in producing high quality legislations through the production of competent and highly qualified legislative draftmen.
- To produce highly skilled M.PhII and PhD in Legislative drafting holders for Nigerian Universities that may need to build their academic in Law Faculties as appropriate.
- Introduce participants to the advantages and complementary uses of computers and other novel devices in legislative drafting.
- Encourage law officers in the various drafting services to develop appropriate responses to legislative drafting as a carrier.

Duration

Research Degrees Time	Full Tir	ne Part
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) M.Phil M.LD Diploma	3 years 1 year 1 year	5 years 2 years 2 years

- Full- Time Admission: Offered only to students that are not in employment and are not undertaking full-time studies elsewhere during the study period.
- Part-Time Admission: Offered to students who may be in employment and/or undertaking studies elsewhere during the period of study.

ENTRY AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

M.Phil Entry requirements

To be eligible for admission into the M.Phil in Legislative Drafting, intending candidate must possess the following:

- 1. LL.M in Legislative Drafting of the NIALS
- LL.M from any other recognized University from the Commonwealth Law System of America.
- Any additional candidates are expected to have the basic requirements of
 - (a) LL.B
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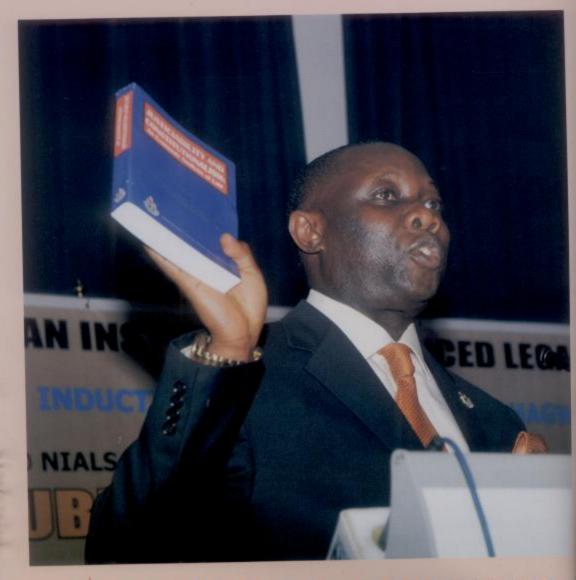
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10. Accessories after the fact

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 quilty 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 quilty 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 quilty by receiving or assisting her in order to enable her to escape punishment.

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

Notes

Section 10

- For definition of "person" see s. 1 of this Code.
- For definition of "offence": see a 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 Code.

Cross Reference

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 ss. 519, 520 and 521 of this Code.

Section 10

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) ANLE 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 Enaboro 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 & Anor vs. 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)

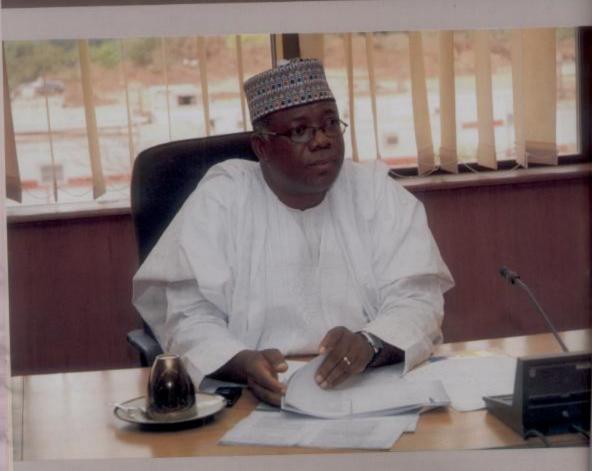
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he first Professorial Chair at the Institute took off in October 2009. The Chair known as S. M. A. Belgore Professorial Chair in Law and Development is occupied by Professor Nnamdi Aduba of the University of Jos. Justice Belgore endowed the Chair as a result of his keen interest in the rule of law, fairness and transparency in the administration of justice.

CONVOCATION



A cross section of the Graduands.



The Fellows Procession led by Chief (Mrs) Folake Solanke, SAN followed by the D.G., Prof. E. Azinge, SAN.



The Director of Research, Prof. B. Owasanoye making his speech.

