



*“Investing in Africa’s Future”*

**SCHOOL OF LAW**

**PBL102: AFRICAN LEGAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS**

**END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

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**DURATION: 3HRS**

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- 1. Do NOT write your name on the answer sheet**
- 2. Answer any 4 questions.**
- 3. Begin your answer for each question on a new page.**

### **Question 1**

Identify and briefly describe at least five basic types of legal systems found in Africa giving examples of African countries which follow those systems. **[25 marks]**

### **Question 2**

Discuss the sources of law in;

- a) Civil law legal systems; and
- b) Common law legal system.

**[25 marks]**

### **Question 3**

With reference to customary law as a legal system, discuss the its role in the modern society, challenges and its criticisms citing relevant authority. What is your view on the future of customary law in Africa? **[25 marks]**

### **Question 4**

Choose one country on the African continent (other than Zimbabwe) and discuss its legal system **[25 marks]**

### **Question 5**

Discuss the elements of a legal system under the following themes:

- a) Structure
- b) Substance
- c) Legal culture

**[25 marks]**

**END OF EXAMINATION**