

CONSTITUTIONAL LAW - Courts - Appellate powers - Basis - Appellate powers of appellate courts are traceable to specific statute - And do not arise from the courts' inherent jurisdiction (H1) Umaru v. Aliyu p. 513

CONTRACTS - Agency - Contract on behalf of principal - Liability for breach - Where an agent makes a contract on behalf of a principal - Such agent may be held liable for the breach of that contract (H1) Cameroon Airlines v. Otutuizu p. 373

COURT MARTIAL - Jurisdiction - Improper constitution - Effect - Where improperly constituted - It lacks jurisdiction to try appellant - And any process issued or trial conducted by it - Is a nullity ab initio (H5) Agbiti v. Nigerian Navy p. 339

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - Rape - Testimony of victim - Source of corroboration - Court may seek corroboration from doctor's report - Or other real evidence - Like the torn dress of victim - As was done in this case (H8) Posu v. State p. 477

EVIDENCE - Documents - Exhibit - Admissibility - Being evidence in a previous proceedings - Which can only be admissible under the provisions of s. 34 (1) of Evidence Act - Having not met the requirements - It was wrongly admitted (H9) Onwubuariri v. Igboasoiiyi p. 449

LAND LAW - Title - Proof - Duty on claimant - There are five methods of proving title to land - And a claimant is not required to prove more than one of the methods - To succeed in his claim (H12) Onwubuariri v. Igboasoiiyi p. 449

PLEADINGS - Averments - Bad traverse - Defendant's averment to put the plaintiff to the strictest proof without more is a bad defence - And is deemed an admission by inference - In the absence of a clear denial (H2) Cameroon Airlines v. Otutuizu p. 373