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This journal is absolutely devoted to the study, dissemination and exchange of knowledge and information in all aspects of the law. The topics published in this volume are highly stimulating and educative. They are written in a most scholarly and highly captivating manner and the legal principles enunciated therein are clearly and lucidly rendered. The journal marks the dawn of a new era in this University since it enables the Bola Ajibola College of Law to fully participate in aiding the esoteric business of lawyers, legal scholars and jurists through the effective publication of legal materials that are of immense value to the public at large.

This volume contains - to a reasonable extent – inestimable source of practical information on all topics discussed. It is in-depth in scope, content and analysis. Hence, I seize this opportunity to thank those contributors in addition to the members of staff of this College for their scholarly and highly stimulating contributions which are deeply appreciated.

Lastly, I want to place on record, the successful efforts of members of the editorial board for vetting the manuscripts on time despite their respective tight schedules. I am grateful to you all without exception.

I therefore whole-heartedly and without any iota of reservation, recommend this publication for wide readership among Students, Legal practitioners, the Bench and members of the public at large.

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