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THE HUMAN RIGHTS JOURNAL is a publication of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC). The Journal is usually published annually. The present plan is to make it a bi-annual publication which will also be published on the Commission's website and shared with several online platforms. To this end, the Commission is inviting scholarly articles in all spheres of human rights.

Thematic Areas to Consider include but not limited to:

- ❖ Nexus between Election and Human Rights
- ❖ Institutional Arrangements for Election and Human Rights Education for the Electorates
- ❖ Affirmation Rights of Women to Political Participation
- ❖ Youth Participation in Elections and Human Rights Protection
- ❖ Human Rights and Sustainable Development
- ❖ Human Rights and Electoral Crimes
- ❖ Human Rights as a Driver of Good governance
- ❖ Electoral Tribunal, Election Petition and Human Rights Education
- ❖ Human Rights and the Protection of the Rights of citizens in era of COVID-19
- ❖ Harmful Traditional Practices and the Rights of Women in Nigeria
- ❖ Equality Rights and the Rights of Women to Inheritance in Nigeria.
- ❖ Human Rights and the Rights of the Internally Displaced Persons
- ❖ Juvenile Justice System, the Courts, Prisons and the Rights of the Juvenile
- ❖ Business and Human Rights
- ❖ Nexus between Human Rights and Security
- ❖ National Human Rights Institutions and the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights

Note: the list is not exhausted, as prospective Authors can explore other thematic areas.

Guideline for Authors

- i. The manuscript should be in Microsoft Format and in United Kingdom English, double line spaced and font size 12, Times New Roman, with all references in footnotes on A4 format.
- ii. Articles should range from 15-20 pages. Short notes should not exceed 3,500 words. Case law reviews and commentaries should not exceed 2500 words. Book reviews should not exceed 1500 words. These are inclusive of relevant footnotes, which must be numbered consecutively throughout the text with Arabic numeral.

- iii. Authors should also submit an abstract of not more than 250 words, with keywords not more than 5.
- iv. The name, postal address, mobile phone and e-mail address of the corresponding author of the papers should be clearly indicated on the first page of the paper. Preferably under footnote
- v. Prospective Authors are allowed to use only footnote style of referencing akin to NALT- OSCOLA adapted style.
- vi. Paper submitted for publication in Journal must not have been submitted or published elsewhere.

Format for Structuring Articles for Journal Publication

Body of topic for articles should be divided into sections of sub-main titles, which should not be more than six (6) main parts, and be assigned with Arabic numeral-1,2,3... This is followed by sub-titles and sub-sub-titles if any, following logical order.

The possible contents are as indicated below:

1. Introduction
2. Some definitions theoretical foundation and conceptual clarification of the topic
3. Constituent Elements of the main topic which can run into 2-4 main topics
4. Conclusion/Recommendations.

Note all main topics are to be in capital letters while the sub- and sub-sub-topics are to be in initial capital except; 'the' 'and', or, 'their'.

The sub-topics are also assigned numbers. e.g. Subtitles should be numbered consecutively (1., 1.1., 1.2., 2., 2.1., 2.2., etc.). Note, this can be repeated for other sub-main topics throughout the text

Quotations

1. Less than 4 lines quotation should be within the text with quotation marks beginning and end
2. Long quotation should be a block indent both side of not 2 steps each without quotation marks

Footnote Citation Guide

Textbooks: Bethel Uzoma Ihugba, *Introduction to Legal Research Method and Legal Writing* (Malthouse Press, 2020)

Articles in Journals: EI Alemika, 'Criminal Justice System and Respect for Human Rights: Problems and Imperative for Reform'. *Human Rights Review: An International Human Rights Journal* [2011] (12) (2)25.

Periodicals/Dailies-Newspapers/magazines: JN Aduba, 'Constitutionalism and Citizenship: What is the Way Forward?' *New Era Magazine* (Lagos, 13 October 2012)10

Citation of cases: *Okoye v Lagos State Govt.* [1990] 3 NWLR (Pt 136) 115;

Note: Only names of cases that should appear within the text. The rest information such as years, the law report and pages, etc., should go to footnote.

Articles for the Journal should be submitted to The Editor-in-Chief.

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