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I am reliably informed that the preparation of this new index has not been easy for many reasons including lack of national bibliographical control of publications emanating from the country. Thus the preparation brought home the need to have a legal bibliographical centre not only in name but also in deed. Therefore, it is my plea with all parties interested in law and legal publications that they should endeavour to pull all resources together to make the Institute a truly legal bibliographical centre for the country by sending all their publications to the Institute.

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The 1983 index has been useful to law researchers, it is hoped that the present index will even prove more useful to all interested in legal research for purpose of further dissemination or for information.

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PREFACE

In 1983 the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (hereinafter referred to as the Institute) library published the Index to *Nigerian Legal Periodicals, 1946-1981*. The cut off date was December 1981. The Institute library began in 1981 to publish *Subject Index to Legal Periodicals Received by the Library* twice a year in the months of June and December in order to assist the library patrons to exploit the contents of periodicals which are on the increase and it becomes impossible to read them. The present index - *Nigerian Legal Periodicals: A Subject Index, 1946-1988* is solely devoted to legal periodicals published in the country. The cut off date as the title suggests is December 31, 1988. This means that *The Gravitas Review of Business and Property* issue for December 1988 is indexed while *Nigerian Students' Law Reporter* which appeared in March 1989 does not fall within the cut off date.

The reasons for publishing the index are multifarious. It suffices to give two of them:

- (i) none of the legal periodicals has comprehensive index. Most of them have only tables of contents.
- (ii) the standard indexes published in foreign countries carry only few titles published in the country: *The Nigerian Bar Journal*, *Nigerian Law Journal* and the *Journal of Islamic and Comparative Law* are indexed in *Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals*, London; while the *Nigerian Law Journal* is the only Nigerian legal periodical indexed in *Index to Legal Periodicals*, New York.

Therefore the Institute perceives the publication of the index as a duty in the interest of legal research and administration of justice in general. The index thus fills one of the many gaps in Nigerian legal literature which make research into Nigerian law an unpleasant task to undertake. It has not been possible to index all issues of the journals listed because of non-availability of past issues which can be attributed to difficulties arising out of inadequacies of printing and publishing in the country since short runs often fail to meet demand. It is even very difficult to know which titles are "dead" or "alive" because of the sporadic way they appear. Honourable Justice Mohammed Bello, Chief Justice of Nigeria described the situation in his goodwill message on the occasion of the launching of *Law and Practice* in October 1988 by the Nigeria Bar Association:

"... All the foregoing publications, to the great expectation of their readers were launched with enthusiastic fanfare but most of them, to the disappointment of their beneficiaries, disappeared from the scene. The very few that have survived are being published irregularly."

When they are published they fail to meet with the International Standard Book Description for serials. The numbering of some of the issues is misleading and unconventional, for example *The Lawyer*, volume 10 number 1, 1980 suggests more than one issue in a year, but then no other issue was published and the next issue was numbered volume 11 number 1, 1981.

Such numbering system has resulted in endless and fruitless search for issues not even published. Furthermore, lack of national bibliographical control has resulted in duplication of titles for example "Lawyer" is the title of the journals of universities of Lagos which started in 1963; Bendel State 1986; and, Cross River State 1988 while "Jurist" is the title used by Universities of Ogun State and Ilorin.

Full bibliographical details of titles indexed have been given because it is considered that such information will be useful to new law libraries as source of acquisition. The

asterisk indicates the number of issues examined and indexed under each title.

As the title of the compilation suggests it is a subject index, for it is not unusual to forget the name of the author of a much needed article but the subject matter is vividly remembered. Hence the subject approach commends itself. The subject headings are arranged alphabetically. There is a personal name index. Each name is listed with a page reference to enable the user who knows the author to locate specific entries.

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v. 1— (1988)—
[Lagos]
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*v. 1(1), v. 1(2).
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Press for Nigerian Society of Interna-
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Lagos; London.
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Published and distributed by the Nige-
rian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies
in association with Sweet & Maxwell
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* 1982, 84, 85.

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Lagos: Nigerian Institute of Advanced
Legal Studies.
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Lagos: Nigerian Society of Contempo-
rary Law.
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Published by Nigerian Society of
Contemporary Law, Faculty of Law,
University of Lagos, Akoka, Lagos.
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Fourth Dimension press.
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