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Preface

This book, *Administration of Justice and Good Governance in Nigeria* explores different cross cutting themes on governance and the dispensation of justice. It is the result of meticulous work and research by selected intellectuals who are academic

members of staff of the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies. The topics discussed have been carefully selected to aggregate views on every aspect of law and governance in Nigeria. They reflect varied viewpoints and perspectives on diverse subjects of contemporary relevance to law and the administration of justice in Nigeria. The authors have carefully taken account of recent and insightful developments relevant to these topics. All the chapters have been subjected to in-depth peer review.

This book is a tribute to the Honourable Justice Aloysius Iyorgyer Katsina Alu, GCON, FNIALS, the Chief Justice of Nigeria who whilst he was Chairman of the Institute's Governing Council, displayed fatherly support and unalloyed commitment to the progress of the institute. Although relatively short, his stint as the head of the Nigerian Judiciary witnessed landmark developments in law and the administration of justice. During his stewardship Justice Katsina Alu brought to bear a wealth of experience and commitment to service.

The Institute congratulates the Honourable Justice Katsina Alu on the successful completion of this judicial career and wishes him profound happiness in the years ahead.

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From the Editor's Desk

Postscript

This book was at the last stage of editing when news broke out that Mrs. Mimidoo Victoria Katsina-Alu, wife of the Chief Justice of Nigeria, Hon. Justice Katsina-Alu, died in a tragic incident in their home country at Lessel, Ushongo Local Government Area of Benue state.

We share in the grief of the Katsina-Alu family and offer our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to our former Chairman of Governing Council, Hon. Justice Aloysius Katsina-Alu, Chief Justice of Nigeria,

The importance and essence of this book cannot be diluted by this unaccepted turn of events. However, the book will rather serve a much more edifying purpose of consoling our amiable Hon. Justice Katsina-Alu at this hour of his grief. It is on this note that this book is fittingly dedicated to the memory of Late Mrs. Victoria Mimidoo Katsina-Alu.

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