

ZIMBABWE EZEKIEL GUTI UNIVERSITY

HUMAN RIGHTS LAW

LLB 209

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION – JULY 2018

3 HOURS

DATE 24 JULY 2018

Instructions

- i. Answer three questions.
- ii. Answer two questions from Section A. Question 1 is compulsory.
- iii. Answer one question from section B
- iv. Students may carry unannotated copies of the Constitution of Zimbabwe, 2013 and the Electoral Act
- v. Write legibly

Section A: Answer Two Questions

Question 1

Discuss three interrelated and interconnected rights or freedoms in the Declaration of Rights that can be classified as human rights, giving the basis for the inter-relationships and interconnections.

Your answer must illustrate the meaning of the right, its importance to human rights protection and limitations. **(25 marks)**

Question 2

Discuss the role of the judiciary, the Gender Commission and the Zimbabwe Human Rights Commission in the protection and protection of human rights in Zimbabwe **(25 marks)**

Question 3

With reference to EITHER the land reform programme OR previous presidential and parliamentary election periods, discuss the main human rights issues and violations and debates that have arisen, giving suggestions on how they can be addressed. **(25 marks)**

SECTION B

This question is compulsory

Question 4

The residents of Chiwaridzo suburb in Bindura has approached you for advice in relation to a confrontation with the municipal authorities in Bindura. Firstly, in the previous rainy season, a cholera outbreak cost the lives of five people as uncollected refuse and other dirty dump sites remained unattended. Six months ago, burst pipes and malfunctioning sewerage works led to a typhoid and dysentery outbreak claiming the lives of seven more people. The argument by the municipal authorities is that they lack resources to ensure satisfactory service delivery. Consequently, dirty brown water is used for drinking and other domestic purposes by ordinary

residents. A month ago, the Chief Executive Officer of Bindura municipality used residents rates and funds to purchase a top of the range Range Rover costing a total of US\$150 000-00, if shipping costs are factored in. Two days ago, the environmental authorities declared that various areas of Chiwaridzo are environmentally dangerous and hazardous, and urged the municipal authorities to attend to hazardous spots. Representatives of Chiwaridzo have approached you for advice and assistance based on these issues.

4(a) Advise the residents on at least four human rights violations evident in the given paragraphs and justify your answer **(10 marks)**

4(b) Critically analyse the justification by the Bindura municipality that they lack financial resources to attend to the problems pointed out **(10 marks)**

4(c) What measures can be taken by the Chiwaridzo residents to alleviate their plight and improve their situation, if the municipality is unable to attend to the problems

(5 marks)