Mzumbe University, Mbeya Campus College

Law 120 (Legal Methods I) Individual Assignment for LL.B I, 2022/23

Submission Date & Time : 9th Jan, 2023 at 08.30 am.

Instructions:

(i) Please take time to think through and map out well the organization of your answers before writing out in your answer sheet.

(ii) Your handwriting should be legible, and your answers lucid but concise. Avoid verbiage and unnecessary quotations.

QUESTION:

"Natural theorists claim that, necessarily, law is a rational standard for conduct: it is a standard that agents have strong, even decisive, reasons to comply with. This is the central thesis from which their developed theory of law takes its starting point…"Anonymous. In the light of this statement make clear how we might understand natural law theory's central thesis, how it can be deployed in fruitful theory of law and why one might take it to be true. Continue by first examining briefly the way that this thesis surfaces in the work of Thomas Aquinas, the paradigmatic natural law theorist and show the ambiguities and tensions in Aquinas' work that form the problematic of recent natural law thought.