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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Answer **three** questions.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.



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Answer **three** questions.

1 Consider the effectiveness of the system of precedent in the development of the law. [25]

2 There have been a number of burglaries in Newton. Tim is stopped in the street by a police officer who insists that he has the right to search him. Nothing is found but Tim is taken to the police station.

Discuss whether the police officer has acted within his powers under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 and consider whether the Act adequately protects the liberty of citizens. [25]

3 Describe and comment critically on the training and work of barristers and solicitors. [25]

4 There are two major criticisms made of lay magistrates; firstly that the method of selection does not produce a representative panel and secondly that their training is inadequate.

Consider to what extent these criticisms could be justified. [25]

5 Explain the various forms of delegated legislation and consider whether the available controls are adequate. [25]

6 Andy, aged 32, has been found guilty in Barchester Crown Court of assaulting Bill and causing him serious injury.

Briefly explain the types of sentence the court may decide to impose and discuss which aims they may be trying to achieve. [25]

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