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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 Explain the reforms to the system of tribunals introduced by the *Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007*. Evaluate whether these reforms have improved the system. [25]

- 2 Precedent allows the law to develop in line with the needs of society.

Explain how precedent works and evaluate the methods used by the court to avoid a binding precedent. [25]

- 3 Explain the function of the Crown Prosecution Service. Evaluate whether it is an effective way to deal with the prosecution of offences. [25]

- 4 Describe the selection and training of lay magistrates. Assess the extent to which it is appropriate to allow a layperson to act as judge in the Magistrates' Court. [25]

- 5 Although delegated legislation is essential, it is important that it is controlled.

Explain the types of delegated legislation and assess whether the controls used by Parliament and the courts are sufficient. [25]

- 6 Lucy has been found guilty in the Magistrates' Court and sentenced to six months' imprisonment. She believes that the Magistrates have misunderstood the law and the sentence is too harsh.

Explain which routes of appeal may be available for her and assess how easy it might be to make an appeal. [25]

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