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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer three questions.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].



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Answer **three** questions.

1 It is often claimed that juries get too many decisions wrong.

Explain the role of both civil and criminal juries and assess the validity of the statement above.

[25]

2 Discuss the contribution of Equity to the legal system today. [25]

- 3 Explain the composition and work of tribunals. Assess the advantages and disadvantages of the tribunal system.
- 4 The creation of the Human Rights Act 1998 has been considered an important step in the protection of the rights of individuals.

Explain the rights protected by this legislation and assess the extent to which it has been successful. [25]

- 5 Explain the sentences available to the court following the conviction of a young offender for a serious offence. Justify which of the aims of sentencing a court might wish to achieve in this instance. [25]
- 6 Explain the training and role of a solicitor. Discuss the problems that might be faced by someone intending to enter this profession. [25]

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