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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

If you have been given an Answer Booklet, follow the instructions on the front cover of the Booklet.

Write your Centre number, candidate number and name on all the work you hand in.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

Do not use staples, paper clips, highlighters, glue or correction fluid.

Answer **three** questions.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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 Katia has recently purchased a new washing machine. Last week the washing machine broke down. The engineer has told her that it is faulty and it will cost £500 to repair. The shop refuses to repair or replace it.

Advise her on how she may be able to recover her loss from the shop through the civil courts and critically assess the advantages of using the courts to solve disputes. [25]

- **2** Evaluate the different tools available to the judiciary when interpreting legislation and explain which of these tools you regard as the most useful. [25]
- 3 'Delegated legislation has an important role in the development of the law but it threatens democracy which is too high a price to pay for its contribution as a source of law.'

Critically assess this statement.

[25]

4 'The Magistrates' Court represents one of the main pillars of the English Legal System.'

Discuss the validity of this view.

[25]

- 5 'The contribution of Equity to the development of the law lies in the creation of new rights and remedies, but the maxims of Equity have also played an important role in many areas of law.'
 - Discuss this statement giving examples of rights, remedies and maxims introduced by Equity.

[25]

- **6** Frank aged 16 and Max aged 20 have both pleaded guilty to robbery before the Crown Court at Barchester. Neither has previous convictions but the circumstances of the robbery were serious.
 - Examine the sentencing options open to the judge and explain the principles that the judge should consider before passing sentence. [25]

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