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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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1 The true value of the jury must be measured against the alternative that might be put in its place.

Discuss the selection and role of the jury in criminal trials and any alternatives that could be used to replace it. [25]

- 2 How can we account for the growth in Equity? Assess its relevance to the law today. [25]
- 3 Parliament makes law; it is the duty of judges to interpret it.

Critically discuss the role of judges in the interpretation of statutes.

[25]

- **4** Explain the different methods of alternative dispute resolution and assess whether they are preferable to civil litigation. [25]
- The main aims of sentencing should be denunciation of and retribution for the crime. Considering the range of aims of sentencing, to what extent do you agree with this statement? [25]
- Bansal, aged 21, was found guilty by Dunchester Crown Court of robbery, an indictable offence. He had threatened a passer-by with a knife and took his mobile phone. Bansal said he only wanted to borrow it to telephone his girlfriend to tell her that he would be late getting home. The court imposes a prison sentence of a year. He wishes to appeal.

Identify to which court such an appeal would lie and on what grounds. Critically assess whether the appeal system properly protects defendants. [25]

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