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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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1 hour 30 minutes

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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** Equity is based on fairness.

Describe the development of Equity and assess how far the statement above is true. [25]

- 2** Ishmael has been convicted of burglary at the Crown Court. He has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment. The prosecution considers this sentence too lenient and Ishmael insists that he is innocent.

Outline the routes of appeal open to the prosecution and defence. Discuss the factors likely to be considered when deciding whether or not to appeal. [25]

- 3** Explain the role and work of the Law Commission. Evaluate its contribution to the development of the law. [25]

- 4** There are advantages to using magistrates to administer justice but such vital matters should only be dealt with by those who are legally qualified.

Describe both the civil and criminal role of magistrates and assess how far the statement above is true. [25]

- 5** Explain the various forms of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) and evaluate their effectiveness in resolving civil disputes. [25]

- 6** Describe the education and training of solicitors and assess how well it prepares them for the work they do. [25]

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