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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System **October/November 2017**

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 'Their Lordships regard the use of precedent as an indispensable foundation upon which to decide what is the law.' Lord Gardiner – Practice Statement 1966

Explain how precedent works and critically consider whether it is an 'indispensable foundation'. [25]

2 The tribunal system handles over a million cases every year.

Explain how tribunals work and discuss why they have proved so popular. [25]

3 It is essential that law reflects the needs of society.

Describe the role of the formal law reform bodies and consider how successful they have been in reforming the law. [25]

4 Ahmed has been found guilty of assault in the Magistrates' Court. He was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He now believes that the law was not used properly by the magistrates and he wishes to appeal against both his conviction and sentence.

Outline Ahmed's possible routes of appeal and advise him as to the difficulties he may face. [25]

5 Describe the education, training and work of solicitors. Discuss why potential candidates might be deterred from entering the profession. [25]

6 Explain the composition and role of the jury in both civil and criminal cases. Discuss the arguments for reform of the jury and consider any possible alternatives. [25]

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