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FACULTY OF LAW

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

SECTION A

Students must attempt only Only question from this Section.

Question 1:

SECTION A(COMPULSORY)

QUESTION 1 (25 MARKS)

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Question 2:

SECTION A(COMPULSORY)

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SECTION B

Students must attempt only one question from the two questions in this Section.

Question 1:

SECTION B: *ANSWER ANY ONE OF THE TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION.*

QUESTION 3 (25 MARKS)

Distinguish between any five (4) of the following:

a) Common law system and Civil law system.
b) Municipal law and International law.
c) Criminal law and Civil law.
d) Substantive law and Procedural law.
e) Written law and unwritten law.

Question 2:

QUESTION 4 (25 MARKS)

Write short notes on any five of the following Cases:

(i) *Bruno Kiwuwa vs. Ivan Serunkuma & Juliet Namazzi* Civil suit No. 52 of 2006

(ii) *Rex v Amkeyo* 7 E.A.L.R. (1917).

(iii) Woolmington v DPP [1935] AC 462

(iv) Bwoye Ivan & Others v Makerere University MSC No. 252 of 2013.

(v) Miller v Minister of Pensions [1947] 2 ALL ER 372

(vi) Pius Nuwagaba v LDC Civil Application No. 18 of 2006.

Question 3:

QUESTION 5
(25 MARKS)

Write short notes on any five of the following:

a) Stare Decisis
b) Obiter Dictum
c) Ratio Decidendi
d) Common law and equity
e) Difference between round ( ) brackets and square [ ] brackets in law reports
f) Repugnancy test

Question 4:

QUESTION 6 (25 MARKS)

Write short notes on any five of the following Cases:

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SECTION C

Choose Two Questions from four Questions in this Section.

Question 1:

SECTION C: *ANSWER ANY TWO OF THE FOUR QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION*

QUESTION 6 (25 MARKS)

Discuss the idea of law as propounded by schools of legal thought, and critically examine their relevance to Uganda's legal regime.

Question 2:

QUESTION 7 (25 MARKS)

Authoritatively explain the hierarchy and jurisdiction of the Courts of Judicature in Uganda.

Question 3:

QUESTION 8 (25 MARKS)

With the aid of relevant authorities, discuss the law-making / legislative process in Uganda.

Question 4:

QUESTION 9

Article 79(1) of the 1995 Constitution of Uganda, as amended grants the Parliament of Uganda the powers to make laws. With reference to the relevant authorities, discuss the law-making process in Uganda, and what happens in the event that the president refuses to assent to the Bill, and what can be done to ensure that the bill becomes law. (25

Marks)

Question 5:

QUESTION 10

With reference to the relevant examples, discuss the doctrine of precedent in Uganda, while explaining the meaning, importance, types, and the modes of avoiding precedent. (25 Marks)