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Paper 1 Essay Questions

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Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

**1 hour 30 minutes**

**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 on both sides of the paper.  
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.

Answer any **three** questions.

- 1 Assess the contribution made by lay people to the administration of criminal justice in England and Wales.
- 2 Critically consider whether the doctrine of *stare decisis* allows the law to adequately develop. Would the law be improved if the Court of Appeal could overrule its previous decisions? [25]
- 3 'Delegated legislation enables the fine tuning of the primary rules to take place, without encumbering Parliament as a whole'. (Hilaire Barnett: Constitutional and Administrative Law 2002).  
  
Discuss the accuracy of this description of delegated legislation. Do the advantages of delegated legislation outweigh the disadvantages? [25]
- 4 'Equity was nothing more than a gloss on the common law'.  
  
Critically evaluate this statement and assess the past and present contributions of equity to the growth of the common law. [25]
- 5 Compare and contrast the roles of the various agencies of law reform. [25]
- 6 How does a judge approach the task of sentencing a defendant in a criminal trial? [25]

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