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Paper 1 Structure and Operation of the English Legal System

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**1 hour 30 minutes**

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet/Paper

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**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.

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.

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- 1 Identify the legal personnel you would find in the Magistrates' Court and consider critically the part that they play in criminal proceedings. [25]
  
- 2 'It seems to me that, in such circumstances, the fact that a detention and training order is not available indicates that Parliament intended that generally a non-custodial sentence should be passed.' R v Southampton Youth Court ex parte W (2002).  
What does the above observation tell us about the role of the judge in the interpretation of statutes? [25]
  
- 3 To what extent would you agree that the principle of *stare decisis* has handicapped the development of English law? [25]
  
- 4 'The development of equity has made the law more fair.' Discuss. [25]
  
- 5 Leanne, who is 17, has been convicted of unlawful wounding at the Barchester Youth Court. What matters should the magistrates consider before deciding upon her sentence? Critically evaluate the adequacy of the range of sentences open to them. [25]
  
- 6 Critically analyse the statutory powers of the police in England and Wales. [25]

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