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COMMUNICATION SKILLS FOR LAWYERS LB101
CONVENTIONAL EXAMINATION 21 JUNE 2017
THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **any four (4)** questions from this paper. Each question carries equal marks.

Marks allocated to questions are indicated in brackets.

Candidates are not allowed to bring any material in the exam.

QUESTION 1

Identify different types of reading and discuss the suitability of each one of them to different reading situations and purposes particularly focusing on court cases and law journals.

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 2

Draft a legal opinion on the effectiveness of the legal aid system in Zimbabwe.

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 3

Discuss citing relevant examples the importance of the following in an essay:

- a) Introduction.
- b) Paragraph
- c) Conclusion
- d) Thesis statement
- e) Bibliography

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 4

Using examples, discuss what is expected of a legal practitioner in the following communication contexts

- a) Communication with clients
- b) Communication with fellow legal practitioners
- c) Communication with court officials
- d) Communication with community members in their area

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 5

With the aid of examples, discuss the importance of referencing in academic writing. [25 MARKS]

QUESTION 6

Discuss the barriers to listening and how you can overcome these barriers to achieve effective communication. [25 MARKS]

END OF QUESTION PAPER