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Examination Paper

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Programme : Diploma In Mass Communication (DMCN)

Course : COM1104: Media Law And Ethics

Date of Examination : December 7, 2015

Time : 2.00pm – 4.00pm Reading Time : Nil

Duration : 2 Hours

Special Instructions :

Section A: Answer any **FIFTEEN (15)** terms.

Section B: Answer any **THREE (3)** short answer questions.

Section C: Answer any **TWO (2)** essay questions.

Materials permitted : Nil

Materials provided : Nil

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SECTION A: 30 marks

Instructions: Defining terms. This section contains TWENTY (20) TERMS.
Define **FIFTEEN (15)** terms out of the **TWENTY (20)** terms.
All questions carry equal marks of 2 marks each.

1. Stare decisis
2. Judicial Review
3. Locus standi
4. Res judicata
5. Ultra vires
6. Federal law
7. Judicial decisions
8. Subsidiary legislation
9. Official secret
10. Contempt of Court
11. Alternative dispute resolution (ADR)
12. Remedy
13. Injunction
14. Specific performance
15. In camera
16. Writ of Habeas Corpus
17. Innuendo
18. Fair comment
19. Trade mark
20. Patent

SECTION B: 30 marks

Instructions: Answer any **THREE (3)** out of **FIVE (5)** short answer questions.
All questions carry equal marks of 10 marks each.

Question 1

State and briefly explain with examples the various classifications of law in Malaysia.

Question 2

State **FIVE (5)** examples of documents that automatically qualify as an 'official secret' under the Official Secrets Act 1972.

Question 3

Define Defamation and explain the **THREE (3)** elements that must be established to prove defamation.

Question 4

State the requirements for a particular work to be eligible for protection under the Copyright Act 1987.

Question 5

Define obscenity and indecency respectively and briefly explain any **TWO (2)** laws related to obscenity or indecency in Malaysia.

SECTION C: 40 marks

Instructions: Answer any **TWO (2)** out of **THREE (3)** essay questions.
All questions carry equal marks of 20 marks each.

Question 1

“The right to freedom of speech is an absolute right in Malaysia.”

Do you agree or disagree with the above statement? Discuss the right to freedom of speech in Malaysia and the relevant laws that relate to freedom of speech in Malaysia.

Question 2

“Advertisements pervade modern society. They use persuasion and suggestion based on motivational research to influence consumers to act or think in certain ways.”

In view of the above statement, discuss the various *guidelines* that regulate advertisements in Malaysia in relation to *Children and Young People* under the *Malaysian Code of Advertising Practice*.

Question 3

The advancement of modern technology over the last decade have brought about new legal issues related to the privacy of individuals. With reference to the relevant law and cases, discuss the various aspects of privacy and the right to privacy in Malaysia.

~THE END~

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