

Legal Profession Admission Board

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Jurisprudence

Examiner's comments

General observations

1. As in past examinations, all topics in the course were covered in the examination questions, including the topic "HLA Hart & Dworkin's Theories of Legal Interpretation" and also "John Rawls and Theories of Justice" the latter of which was one of the questions in the compulsory assignment. Students were had to answer four of eight questions spread across the twelve main topics without an indication of which topics would appear. It was thus imperative that candidates covered the full range of Prescribed Topics in their study for this unit.
2. It was the expectation of the examiner that candidates would be conversant with the commentary and lecture synopses in the Law Extension Committee's subject guide together with the scholarly literatures in the *Supplementary Materials* and in the *Jurisprudence Materials*. In answering the questions, candidates generally displayed a sound understanding of the principles of conflict of laws and the practical application of those principles.
3. Thirty candidates sat the examination. Final marks were in the range 54% to 84%. Seventeen candidates were awarded a Pass Distinction grade, seven candidates were awarded a Pass Merit grade and one candidate was awarded a Pass grade. The final marks and grades were consistent generally with past examinations.
4. As the examination was a confidential examination, these comments cannot identify the specific issues in the questions.

Questions

The examination comprised eight questions. Candidates were required to attempt four questions each graded out of twenty.