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SCHOOL OF LAW
MAY/JUNE 2012 EXAMINATION**

LED 607 LEGISLATIVE STYLE, SYNTAX AND EXPRESSIONS (3 CR)
TIME ALLOWED: 3HRS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks

1. How do draftsmen begin the process of writing a legislative sentence and what are the guidelines to help them start?
2. What are the stages to decide on the components of a legislative sentence?
3. In drafting legislation as a draftsman, how do you decide on the principal predicate and what are the four considerations which you keep in mind?
4. In choosing appropriate auxiliary in drafting legislation discuss 3 types to draft a command and different auxiliaries needed to provide some result.
5. What are the functions of punctuation in legislation? Is punctuation part of syntax and what are the characteristics of punctuations?
6. In drafting legislation some can go wrong. Therefore some cases need special or particular care. Discuss.
7. In legislative drafting, syntax and style are interrelated. Discuss ten issues of style preferred.
8. Discuss 10 practices style that gets into the way of communication in a bill.

9. How can a draftsman make legislation comprehensive and concise in the contemporary world? Discuss 2 main points in detail.