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2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

MAIN EXAMINATION

FOR THE DIPLOMA IN JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

COURSE CODE: DCU 122

COURSE TITLE: MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION LAW

DATE: 18TH APRIL, 2023 TIME: 9.00 - 11.00AM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions.

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

a) Define media law. (2 marks)

b) Contrast man-made law with natural laws. (3 marks)

c) Discuss FIVE reasons why journalist should observe law in the execution of their duties.
(10 marks)

d) Differentiate between Law and Ethics. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Highlight four ways in which media stake holders regulator themselves. (8 marks)

b) Explain SIX journalistic ethics that a responsible journalist applies in execution of his/her duties. (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Explain FIVE ethical issues that negatively affect the practice of journalism. (10 marks)

b) Examine FIVE defences that may be pleaded by a journalist accused of infringing on a copyright. (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss in detail the law of contempt of court giving a case involving the press. (10 marks)
- b) Examine FIVE ways in which a journalist May show disrespect to parliament. (10 marks)