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2012/2013 EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: SUPPLEMENTARY

TITLE OF PAPER: MEDIA LAW

COURSE CODE: JMC 311

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer THREE questions.

Spelling and grammar will count in grading.

Use your own examples to illustrate your answer(s).

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QUESTION 1

Swazi Law and Custom, it is argued, stifles press freedom. Do you agree? Discuss, aiding your answer with examples.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Discuss the laws that impact on broadcasting in Swaziland.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 3

Media commentators argue that self-regulation is better than statutory regulation. Do you support that argument? Discuss, giving examples to illustrate your answer.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 4

Explain the sources of media law giving examples to illustrate your answer.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 5

i) Explain the following terms.

- a) Libel
- b) Slander

(6 Marks)

ii) Detail two recent court cases where the press was taken to court for defamation.

(14 Marks)

QUESTION 6

Explain the aims and objectives of the following bills and their likely impact on the media landscape.

- a) Swaziland Public Broadcasting Bill 2013
- b) Swaziland Broadcasting Bill 2013

(20 Marks)