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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DIPLOMA IN JOURNALISM AND MASS  
COMMUNICATION**

**DJMC 0223: MEDIA LAW AND ETHICS**

**STREAMS:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 23/03/2021**

**8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer three questions**

**Question one is compulsory and carries 30 marks**

**All other questions carry 20 marks each**

1. (a) Justify communication ethics as basis for media law. [10 marks]  
(b) Identify and explain five constitutional provisions that pertain to media freedom and expression in Kenya. [10 marks]  
(c) Explain the following concepts in the context of law. [10 marks]
  - (i) Ethical communication
  - (ii) Media law
  - (iii) Legal breach
  - (iv) Intrusion into privacy
  - (v) Constitutionalism
  
2. Explain;
  - (a) 5 elements that are common in both defamation and copyright law. [10 marks]
  - (b) Identify and clearly explain five defenses in breach of defamation law. [10 marks]
  
3. Make a five point discussion of contempt of court. How does this compare with parliamentary contempt. [20 marks]

4. (a) Explain the basis for media codes of conduct the world over. [5 marks]

(b) Select any five codes of media practice in Kenya and explain their applicability. [15 marks]

5. Identify five courts within the Kenyan judicial structure and explain two functions for each. [20 marks]

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