

THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF LEGAL EXECUTIVES UNIT 9 – CIVIL LITIGATION*

Time allowed: 1 hour and 30 minutes plus 15 minutes' reading time

Instructions to Candidates

- You have been provided with a clean copy of the case study materials for you to use in this examination.
- You have **FIFTEEN** minutes to read through this question paper and the case study materials before the start of the examination.
- It is strongly recommended that you use the reading time to <u>read</u> this question paper fully. However, you may make notes on this question paper or in your answer booklet during this time, if you wish.
- All questions are compulsory. You must answer ALL the questions.
- Write in full sentences a yes or no answer will earn no marks.
- Candidates must comply with the CILEx Examination Regulations.
- Full reasoning must be shown in answers. Statutory authorities, decided cases and examples should be used where appropriate.

Information for Candidates

- The mark allocation for each question and part-question is given and you are advised to take this into account in planning your work.
- Write in blue or black ink or ballpoint pen.
- Attention should be paid to clear, neat handwriting and tidy alterations.
- Complete all rough work in your answer booklet. Cross through any work you do not want marked.

Do not turn over this page until instructed by the Invigilator.

^{*} This unit is a component of the CILEx LEVEL 3 PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS and LEVEL 3 LEGAL SERVICES KNOWLEDGE QUALIFICATIONS

Question 1

Reference: Question relates to **Documents 1 and 2** of the case study materials and is concerned with the **Doina Firea** file.

(a) Explain the procedure to be followed in this case, if liability is accepted by the employer.

(7 marks)

Unfortunately, liability is denied and despite following the appropriate procedure, the matter cannot be settled. You issue proceedings.

(b) How long does the defendant have to submit a Defence?

(2 marks)

The defendant files a Defence, however it is unclear and confusing.

(c) Explain what procedure you will adopt to clarify matters, including the contents of any documents to be drafted.

(6 marks)

The matter proceeds to trial and your client is **not** successful.

(d) Explain fully how the matter of costs is likely to be dealt with by the court.

(5 marks)

(Total: 20 marks)

Question 2

Reference: Question relates to **Documents 1 and 3** of the case study materials and is concerned with the **Peter Armitage** file.

Peter Armitage has some concerns in respect of funding the claim.

(a) Explain the methods of funding that would be appropriate in these circumstances.

(6 marks)

The witness, who also drives for QuickerbyRoad Ltd, has indicated that he is not prepared to attend court.

(b) Explain how you would ensure that the witness attends.

(4 marks)

The case proceeds in the Fast Track and is approaching trial.

(c) Give **four** examples of the matters considered in the Listing Questionnaire (Pre-Trial Checklist) form.

(4 marks)

(Total: 14 marks)

Question 3

Reference: Question relates to **Documents 1 and 4** of the case study materials and is concerned with the **Harry Bridges** file.

Colderidge House is a member of a trade body which provides an arbitration service between members and consumers.

(a) Explain **two** advantages of Harry Bridges using arbitration in this particular case.

(4 marks)

Your client has declined the offer of arbitration and has instructed you to issue proceedings.

(b) Advise Harry Bridges of the potential effects of refusing to go through arbitration on any claim he may bring.

(5 marks)

Having already sent a Letter of Claim, you issue proceedings on behalf of Harry Bridges. The case is subsequently allocated to the Fast Track.

(c) Explain how directions will be dealt with in this case and list **three** relevant directions.

(4 marks)

(d) Explain what effect, if any, that a failure to comply with directions would have on either party.

(5 marks)

(Total: 18 marks)

Question 4

Reference: Question relates to **Documents 1 and 5** of the case study materials and is concerned with the **Felicity Stone** file.

(a) Draft the key points of the Defence Statement on behalf of Felicity Stone.

[NOTE TO CANDIDATES: Do not draft the formal parts of the Defence Statement, such as headings.]

(7 marks)

Having filed the Defence, you are of the opinion that the claim is weak.

(b) Explain how an application for Summary Judgment is made.

(6 marks)

The application for Summary Judgment is **not** successful and the case is allocated to the Multi Track.

(c) Explain how the matter of costs would be dealt with throughout the case up to, but not including, the final hearing.

(5 marks)

(Total: 18 marks)