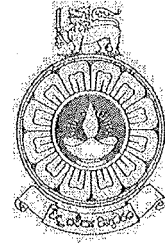


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LLB (HONOURS) DEGREE PROGRAMME- LEVEL 3
CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT TEST I - 2022/2023
LLU3406 - INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES AND DOCUMENTS



DURATION- 1 (ONE) HOUR

DATE: 22 August 2023

TIME: 1.30 p.m – 2.30 p.m

Total number of Questions: 2 (Two)

Answer ONE (01) question only.

Candidates will be penalized for illegible handwriting.

01. 'The primary objective of interpretation of statutes is to uncover the true intention of the legislature. However, this has been subjected to many philosophical and jurisprudential debates.'

Write your opinion on the 'intention of the legislature', with reference to the above statement considering the relevant jurisprudential debates.

Support your opinion with relevant authorities.

(20 marks)

02. Some legal scholars argue that strict adherence to the exact wording of laws can lead to potential injustices.

Do you agree with this argument? Discuss with reference to the literal approach to statutory interpretation. Your discussion must be supported with case law examples.

(20 marks)