

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE OF LAW
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Internal Assessment Examinations – May 2025

I LLM

Subject: Judicial and legislative process

Max Marks: 10

Time: 1 Hr

Instructions:

1. Answer any one essay type questions from Part A and any one short note questions from Part B.
2. Essay type question carries 7 marks and the short note question carries 3 marks.

PART A

7 x 1 = 07

1. Examine the extent to which judicial creativity can be exercised within statutory and codified legal systems. What are the boundaries of such creativity, and how do judges use legal reasoning to promote the evolution of law without disrupting legal certainty and consistency? Illustrate your answer with appropriate case laws and examples.

Or

2. Analyze judicial review as a distinctive aspect of the judicial function in constitutional cases. Discuss how courts utilize various methods and strategies to shape public policy and exercise judicial creativity in the process of constitutional interpretation.

PART B

3 x 1 = 03

3. Write a short note on concept of ratio decidendi and obiter dicta.

Or

4. Write a short note on judicial activism.