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## First Semester MBL Degree Examination, July 2009 Paper I – GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CONTRACT

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. a) "The idea of mutual assent however elusive in practice is still the basis of the contract" – Explain.

OR

- b) Define consideration. State the exceptions to the rule that an agreement without consideration is void.
- 2. a) "A contract shall not be enforced if the contract regards it as opposed to public policy" Explain.

OR

- b) State the basis rules governing the assessment of damages for breach of contract.
- 3. a) Discuss the condition for imposing criminal liability for dishonour of cheques under the Negotiable Instruments Act.

OR

- b) Under what circumstances is a banker justified in refusing payment of cheques drawn upon him? What risks does he run in case of an unjustified dishonour?
- 4. a) Explain the nature of continuing guarantee. Discuss the rules relating to continuing guarantee referring to case law.

OR

- b) Explain the essentials of a contract of bailment. Discuss the rights of a finder of lost goods.
- 5. a) "Although sharing of profits is an essential element of partnership, it is not the sole test" Comment.

OR

b) What is meant by "implied authority" of a partner? What are the limitations to the exercise of a partner's implied authority?

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