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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF LAW

REGULAR PROGRAMME

CLS 413: THE RIGHTS OF A CHILD

Date: DECEMBER 2014Duration: 2 HoursINSTRUCTIONS: Answer THREE Questions . Question one is Compulsory

- Q1. Critically evaluate the principle of best interest of a child in a custody and maintenance case. (30 marks)
- Q2. You have been approached as the senior counsel to provide a legal opinion to Dr. Patel of India and professor Mary Anne of Texas USA who want to adopt baby V.K. a Kenyan. The child is 15 years old and has living parents.

Advice them of the position of the Law on how they can achieve their dreams of adopting Baby V.K. (20 marks)

- Q3, After your graduation and scoring a 1st Class, the Chief Justice appoints you as a children magistrate. Before you are litigants fighting for maintenance of their child. Critically discuss maintenance and the case Law you will rely on. (20 marks)
- Q4. Discuss in detail the differences between the United Nations Convention of the Rights of a child (U.N.C.R.C) and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the child (A.C.R.W.C) (20 marks)
- Q5. a) Discuss the provision of Juveline justice in child law (**10 marks**)

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b)Discuss the principle of parental responsibility and how courts determine the Question of paternity. (10 marks)

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