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## MAIN EXAMINATION

### JANUARY - APRIL 2014 TRIMESTER

# FACULTY OF LAW

### **REGULAR PROGRAMME**

CLS 413: RIGHTS OF A CHILD

Date: APRIL 2014 Duration: 2 Hours
INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and ANY OTHER TWO Questions

Q1. Swaleh Mdoe and Fauzia Lilly are the biological parents of Bright Spencer Mdoe. Fauzia after separating with Mdoe goes to the children's court for orders of custody and maintenance. The matter is before Magistrate Kelly. What principles will Magistrate Kelly apply in determining this case?

(30 marks)

- Q2. John Muller and Mary Jones both American citizens want to adopt a Kenyan child. They have written to you wanting you as the expert in children Law to advice them the whole process of adoption. Kindly but candidly discuss the adoption process. (20 marks)
- Q3. Discuss in detail the principle "THE BEST INTEREST OF THE CHILD" as it is applied in the international and national laws in all aspects of a child.

  (20 marks)
- Q4. Critically discuss at least **SIX** rights of a child as provided by the statutory law. (20 marks)
- Q5. Discuss briefly the following:
  - a) guardianship

(5 marks)

b)	effect of adoption	(5 marks)
c)	child offenders	(5 marks)
d)	protection and care cases	(5 marks)

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