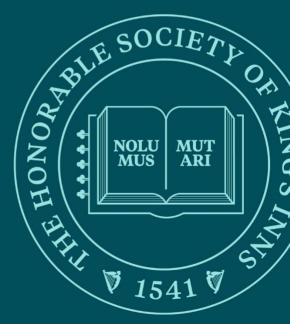
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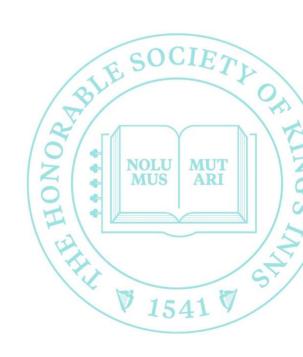
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Syllabus 2023.

- 1. Negligence
 - The Duty of Care
 - Historical Evolution
 - Historical Development in England and Wales
 - Historical Development Ireland
 - Current Position in England & Wales and Ireland
 - o Commonwealth Perspectives (Canada, Australia and New Zealand)
 - Policy Considerations and the Imposition of the Duty of Care (Barrister's Immunity and Wrongful Life / Conception actions in relation the recent developments in England & Wales))
- 2. Negligent Misstatements
- 3. Negligent Infliction of Psychiatric Damage ("Nervous Shock")
- 4. Pure Economic Loss
- 5. Liability of Public Authorities and Breach of Statutory Duty
- 6. Occupier's Liability
- 7. Liability of Vendors, Lessors and Builders for Quality Defects and Fitness of Premises
- 8. Professional and Medical Negligence
- 9. Product Liability
- 10. Employer's Liability
- 11. Affirmative Duties / Liability for Negligent Omissions
- 12. Vicarious Liability
- 13. The Standard of Care
- 14. Causation and Remoteness of Damage
- 15. Joint and Several Tortfeasors
- 16. The Doctrine of Res Ipsa Loquitur
- 17. Nuisance, Private and Public
- 18. Trespass to Land



- 19. The Rule in Rylands v Fletcher
- 20. Liability for Unintended Fire Damage
- 21. Liability for Animals
- 22. Fatal Injuries
- 23. Limitation Periods
- 24. Defences
 - Civil Liability Act, 1961+++++
 - Contributory Negligence
 - Volenti non fit injuria
 - Illegality
- 25. Defamation and Defences to Defamation
- 26. Deceit and Injurious Falsehood
- 27. Abuse of Process
- 28. Trespass to the Person
 - False Imprisonment
 - Assault
 - Battery
 - The Rule in Wilkinson v. Downton (Intentional Infliction of Emotional Suffering)
- 29. Trespass to Goods
- 30. Detinue, Conversion and Passing Off
- 31. Damages

Reading List 2023.

Essential Reading

McMahon & Binchy, Law of Torts, Fourth Edition, 2013, Bloomsbury.

Other Recommended Reading

Quill, Torts in Ireland, 4th Ed, 2014, Gill & Macmillan.

Healy, Principles of Irish Torts Law, Clarus Press, 2006.

Street On Tort, 14th Edition, 2015, OUP.

Winfield and Jolowicz On Tort, 19th Edition, 2014, Sweet & Maxwell.



Fleming, The Law of Torts, 10th Edition, 2011, Thompson Rueters.

Salmond and Hueston, Law of Torts, 21st Edition, 1996, Sweet & Maxwell.

+++++ The Civil Liability and Courts Act, 2004 affects a number of areas of civil liability and damages. Candidates ARE EXPECTED to be familiar with these changes / developments in the Law of Torts.

Examination Format 2023.

Candidates are obliged to answer question 1 which is compulsory and carries 50 Marks.

Candidates are obliged to answer 2 questions from the remaining questions on the paper and 25 marks are available for each of the two questions attempted.

There are a total of 5 questions on the paper.

The examination will be marked out of 100 marks.

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