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CS PART II SECTION 4

CORPORATE SECRETARIAL PRACTICE

THURSDAY: 26 November 2015. Time Allowed: 3 hours. Answer ALL questions. Marks allocated to each question are shown at the end of the question. QUESTION ONE Define the following terms as used in the law of trusts and executorships: (a) Estate administration. (i) (2 marks) (ii) Exemplification. (2 marks) (iii) Intestate. (2 marks) (iv) Probate. (2 marks) Differentiate between "ordinary resolution" and "special resolution" in relation to meetings. (b) (4 marks) Explain the consequences of reduction of the number of members of a company below the legal minimum. (c) (4 marks) Summarise four circumstances under which the certificate of incorporation could be withdrawn. (d) (4 marks) (Total: 20 marks) **QUESTION TWO** Explain four circumstances under which the object clause of memorandum of association might be altered. (4 marks) The Companies Act prohibits the appointment of a person who has attained the age of 70 years as a director of a (b) company. In relation to the above provision, explain three exceptions to the rule. (6 marks) The provisions of the Companies Act have placed final responsibility for declaration of dividends on directors. (c) Justify the above statement. (6 marks) Highlight four benefits to the employer of setting up an employee share ownership scheme. (d) (4 marks) (Total: 20 marks) QUESTION THREE Discuss four statutory provisions which govern the payment of compensation to directors for loss of office. (8 marks) Distinguish between "winding up" and "dissolution" of a company. (b) (4 marks) The Companies Act makes provision for removal of a company secretary. (c) Advise the board of directors on the procedure to be followed when removing a company secretary. (4 marks) (d) Explain the following terms: (i) Insider trading. (2 marks) (ii) Bank run. (2 marks) (Total: 20 marks)

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QUESTION FOUR A qualified and trained corporate secretary is an asset to the company. Justify the above statement. (10 marks) Argue the case against merging of companies. (b) (10 marks) (Total: 20 marks) QUESTION FIVE Describe five exceptions to the rule in Foss Vs Harbottle. (a) (10 marks)

Discuss five factors that might lead to corporate boards to take a greater interest in business ethics.

(b)

(Total: 20 marks)

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