

**Ollscoil na hÉireann, Gallimh**  
**National University of Ireland, Galway**

**SEMESTER 1 Examinations, 2004/2005**

<b>Exam Code(s)</b>	1BA6, 1EM, 1OA
<b>Exams(s)</b>	First - Bachelor of Arts, Public & Social Policy. Erasmus & Occasional
<b>Module Codes(s)</b>	LW103.I
<b>Module(s)</b>	Irish Legal Systems
<b>Paper No.</b>	
<b>Repeat Paper</b>	No
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<b>Instructions</b>	Answer <b>THREE</b> Questions
<b>Duration</b>	<b>TWO</b> Hours.
<b>Department</b>	Law
<b>Requirements:</b>	
<b>Handout</b>	
<b>MCQ</b>	
<b>Statistical Tables</b>	
<b>Graph Paper</b>	
<b>Log Graph Paper</b>	
<b>Other Material</b>	The Irish Constitution 1937

**PTO**

1. Irish law is really only a development of Norman law.  
Discuss.
2. Outline the sources of Irish law, primary and secondary,  
commenting on the importance of each.
3. Describe the operation of precedent, explaining *stare decisis*,  
*ratio decidendi* and *obiter dicta*. Illustrate your answer where  
possible with reference to decided cases.
4. Describe the influence of European Union law on Irish law,  
and illustrate with reference to some leading cases.
5. Explain the terms monism and dualism and their significance  
for the Irish legal system.
6. Write about any two of the following:
  - (a) the principles of constitutional interpretation
  - (b) delegated legislation
  - (c) the term local and limited jurisdiction
  - (d) Article 26 reference

**END**