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### **QUESTION 1**

X copies a watch made by Y. Assess the legal position regarding the copying of shapes in terms of the law of unlawful competition, and indicate the legal position of the parties.

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# **QUESTION 2**

ORLANDO PIRATES is a famous soccer team. The mark is registered. Their owner finds out that a new soccer team, SOWETO PIRATES, has filed a trade mark application for the latter. What principles will be applicable in the process of the comparison of marks?

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## **QUESTION 3**

HH commences use of the trade mark MAZDA in relation to scate boards. Mazda Motor Company, the owner of the MAZDA trade mark, wishes to interdict this use. Consider and evaluate the protection that might be available under the "unfair advantage" rubric in section 34(1)(c) of the Trade Marks Act 194 of 1993, with reference to overseas case law. The decision in <a href="Laugh It Off Promotions CC v South African Breweries International (Finance) BV t/a Sabmark International and Another">Laugh It Off Promotions CC v South African Breweries International (Finance) BV t/a Sabmark International and Another</a> [2005] ZACC 7 is NOT applicable.

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## **QUESTION 4**

X wishes to register the shape of an object as a design. Analyse the possible exclusions from registrability as a design with reference to case law.

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### **QUESTION 5**

Analyse the reasoning of the court in the decision of <u>Kumalo v Cycle Lab (Pty) Ltd</u> [2011] ZAGPJHC 56 in coming to its decision.

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