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This paper consists of 2 pages.

1. **ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS**

2. **READ THE QUESTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE ANSWERING THEM**

**Question 1**

1.1 What according to you are the reasons for the loss of ethical direction within the legal profession?  
1.2 What is ethics?  
1.3 What according to you is the relation between ethics and a code of conduct?  
1.4 What is the purpose of a code of conduct?  
1.5 Ethical responsibility involves more than a strict compliance with rules. Discuss  
1.6 Morally good lawyers argue that they only play a role as legal practitioners. Discuss  
1.7 Explain how post modern ethics differs from the traditional approach to legal ethics  
1.8 Which philosophical approach to ethics could according to you solve the ethical problems in the profession?  

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Question 2

Clients are the basis of the legal profession. There is a difference between advocates and attorneys where clients are concerned. Discuss the lawyer’s relationship with clients and refer to:

2.1 The acceptance of a mandate from clients
2.2 A trust banking account
2.3 Confidentiality and
2.4 Recourse for clients who are not satisfied with a lawyer’s work

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Question 3

The court has an inherent common law power to regulate the legal profession. Refer to case law in your discussion of the power of the court to:

3.1 Admit prospective legal practitioners
3.2 Strike errant legal practitioners off the roll, and
3.3 Reinstate legal practitioners who have been struck off the roll

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Question 4

“More difficult to enforce, though not less worthy of pursuit, is the maintenance of impeccable court manners — even under the most provocative circumstances” (Du Plessis “The Ideal legal practitioner (from academic angle)” Sept 1981 De Rebus at 425)

Discuss

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