

PRINCIPAL COURT CLERK SAMPLE QUESTIONS

The questions shown below are for illustrative purposes only. They are examples of the different question types and formats that candidates may encounter on the multiple-choice examination. Questions that appear on the actual examination vary in difficulty and may be easier or more difficult than the questions illustrated below.

SAMPLE QUESTIONS:

Part 202.8 of the Uniform Rules for NYS Trial Courts states that parties may stipulate to the adjournment of a motion without prior approval of the court no more than:

- A. two times for a total period of 60 days
- B. two times for a total period of 120 days
- C. three times for a total period of 60 days
- D. three times for a total period of 90 days

The answer to the Sample Question is C. According to Part 202.8 of the Uniform Rules for NYS Trial Courts, "No more than three stipulated adjournments for an aggregate period of 60 days shall be submitted without prior permission of the court."

Upon a verdict of complete acquittal, the court must immediately:

- 1. discharge the defendant if the defendant is in the custody of the sheriff
 - 2. exonerate the bail if the defendant is at liberty on bail
 - 3. commit the defendant to the custody of the sheriff for a period not to exceed five days awaiting a probation report
 - 4. receive a probation report before exoneration bail.
- A. 2 and 3, but not 1 or 4
 - B. 1 and 4, but not 2 or 3
 - C. 1 and 3, but not 2 or 4
 - D. 1 and 2, but not 3 or 4

The correct answer to this Sample Question is D. According to CPL 330.10, upon a verdict of complete acquittal, the court must immediately discharge the defendant if he is in the custody of the sheriff, or, if he is at liberty on bail, it must exonerate the bail.

According to Article 8 of the FCA and section 205.74 (c) (5) of the Court Rules, the maximum amount of restitution a respondent may be ordered to pay **shall not** exceed _____.

- A. \$5,000
- B. \$7,500
- C. \$10,000
- D. \$5,000 but only when the respondent is under the age of eighteen years

The correct answer to this Sample Question is C. According to Court Rules 205.74 (c), "An order of protection entered in accordance with section 841(d) of the Family Court Act may, in addition to the terms and conditions enumerated in sections 842 and 842-a of the Family Court Act, require the petitioner, respondent or both, or, if before the court, any other member of the household, to: ... (5) pay restitution in an amount not to exceed \$10,000"