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Table 25 Properties of the three types of definitive frame of reference in society.
Ethical frames of reference, which are needed to judge whether conduct is just, are pentadic authorities formed by conjoining five adjacent types of rule. See text for details and explanation.

Pentad No. (Levels)	1 (L's 1-5)	2 (L's 2-6)	3 (L's 3-7)
Types of Frame of Reference	The Custom	The Law	The Morality
Function	To enable judgements of conduct which define what has always been taken as right.	To enable judgements of conduct which define what must now be taken as right.	To enable judgements of conduct which define what ought to be taken as right.
Time Perspective Social Reality	Past Practical & communal	Present Institutional & societal	Future Aspirational & theoretical
Generator Primal Authority	Popular sympathies & emotions Community as a whole	Legal reasoning & the intellect The law itself	Moral imagination & intuitions Ethical teaching/ultimate values
Justice Judging Body Judicial Style Proceedings Methods	Substantive Adjudicator(s) forming a Tribunal Pragmatic & prudential Inquisitorial – investigative Negotiation & mediation	Formal Judge(s) in a Court of Justice Procedural & technical Accusatorial – adversarial Representation & advocacy	Solomonic Sage in a sacralized setting Dogmatic & educational Revelatory – experiential Inspiration & illumination
Focus Control Authority Freedom Type of Power	Situational & fuzzy Outer & informal Traditional Restricts Economic & physical	Objective & comprehensive Outer & formal Rational Protects Political & coercive	Subjective & symbolic Inner/outer & informal/formal Religious Defines Integrative & humanistic
Social Form Societal Epitome	The People Chief/Prime Minister	The Government Judge	The Official Religion Spiritual Head of State/Monarch
Main Advantage Main Limitation Main Danger	Practicality Ignores the individual Mob law or blood feuds	Values individuals Bound by precedent Expensive, lengthy, incomprehensible cases	Provides hope for a better world Impracticality Extremist utopianism

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