

Legal Analysis Review Spring 2011

Course Schedule and Assignments

CLASS	TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	READING ASSIGNMENTS	OTHER TASKS
Week 01 Jan 14	Introduction to Course and Course Material Essay Bar Exam Questions in General	Review of Basic Methods of Preparing for Essay Bar Exam Questions Student Assessment of His or Her Current Levels of Strengths and Weaknesses re Exam Prep and Writing		1 st Student Self-Assessment of Exam Writing Strengths and Weaknesses.
Week 02 Jan 21	Essay Bar Exam Questions	Effective Organization of MPT and Essay Answers Effective Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC Format	Hand-outs	In Class Essay Exam Organization Exercises MPT Question organization and Answer

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Week 03 Jan 28	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Contracts	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Walton: "Strategies and Tactics: Contracts," pp. 71-84 K Question K Materials Outline Review	Review of MPT Writing Exercises In Class Essay Quiz #1 – Contracts In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Contracts Submission of Written Contracts Question for critique
Week 04 Feb 4	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Torts	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Walton: "Strategies and Tactics: Torts," pp. 339-348 Torts Question Torts Outline Review	Return and review of critiqued Contracts Essay Exam Answers In Class Quiz #2 – Torts In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Torts Submissions of Torts Essay Exam Answers for critique

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Week 05 Feb 11	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Civil Procedure	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Civ Pro Outline Substantive Review Materials to be handed out	Return and review of Torts Essay Exam Answers In Class Quiz #3 – Civil Procedure In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Civil Procedure Submission of Civil Procedure Essay Exam Answers for Critique
Week 06 Feb 18	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Crim Law and Procedure	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Crim Law and Procedure,” pp. 137-146 Crim Law Crim Pro Substantive outline review	Return and review of Civil Procedure Essay Exam Answers In Class Quiz #4 – Crim Law Crim Pro In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Crim Law Crim Pro Submissions of Written and Exam Soft Crim Law Essay Exam Answers for Critique

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Week 07 Feb 25	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Evidence	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Evidence,” pp. 207-216	Return and review of Crim Law Essay Exam Answers In Class Quiz #5 – Evidence In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Evidence Submissions of Written Evidence Essay Exam Answers for Critique
Week 08 March 4	Essay Bar Exam Questions: Property	Effective Organization of Essay Answers Uses of Introductory Paragraphs and Effective Use of IRAC	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Property,” pp. 271– 282	Return and review of Evidence Essay Exam Answers 2 nd Student Self-Assessment In Class Quiz #6 and In Class Essay Exam Writing Exercises – Property Submissions of Written and Exam Soft Property Essay Exam Answers for Grading
Week 9 March 11	MBE Questions	Understanding the MBE	Walton: “About the MBE,” pp. vii – xxxix K Questions: do pp. 85-98, review answers following, pp. 99-136	Return and review of Property Essay Exam Answers In Class MBE Practice—K questions.

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Week 10 March 18 NO CLASS	MPT	Answer additional timed MPT question		MPT Question (handed out last week)
March 25	Spring Break			
Week 11 April 1	MBE—Torts	Practice MBE Effective analysis of MBE Torts questions	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Torts,” questions pp. 349-410	Return and review of MPT In Class MBE Practice—Torts questions.
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Week 12 April 8	MBE—Criminal Law	Practice MBE Effective Analyses of MBE Criminal Law Questions	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Criminal Law,” questions pp. 147- 206	In Class MBE Practice—Criminal Law Questions
Week 13 April 15	MBE—Con Law	Practice MBE	Walton: “Strategies and Tactics: Constitutional Law,” questions pp. 19-70	In Class MBE Practice—Constitutional Law Questions

Final Exam: 25 MBE-type questions (1 hour), 1 MPT (90 minutes), 2 Essays (45” each). Additional Essays for students taking exam in jurisdiction not requiring MPT’s. Exam during regular exam period.