

# Solving Legal Problems

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### Course Syllabus

This class meets once per week during the semester. All assignments must be completed for the week that they are assigned. You will take four (4) in-class three-hour performance tests. Tests will be held during classes #6, #9, #13, and #15. Please be prepared with your exam number, and ExamSoft, if necessary, in advance of the first exam. There will be no final exam.

To facilitate in-class participation, computers are not permitted in class, except on examination days or as indicated on the syllabus.

I reserve the right to modify exam dates, assignment deadlines, and general syllabus information throughout the semester.

Class	Topics	Assignments Due
Class #1 June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>* Introductions; purpose and structure of the course;</b> class meetings, weekly assignments, examinations, course grades.  <b>*Introduction to CPT;</b> examine each part of the test and skills/tips needed for each section	No assignment due
Class #2 June 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>*Attacking the Library;</b> picking out rules; writing rules in own words; organizing rules in organizational chart	* No assignment due
Class #3 June 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>*Attacking the File;</b> general approach to file; choosing material facts over red-herring facts; incorporating facts into organizational chart  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 1 (both organization and writing)
Class #4 June 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>*Creating the Organizational Chart – Objective Tests vs. Persuasive Tests;</b> approach sheet; organizing library/file; explanation gap;	* Complete full performance test 2 (both organization and writing) *Be sure to bring the organizational chart for the homework assignment. We'll use it in class.

<b>Class #5</b> <b>June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>*Writing – Objective vs. Persuasive;</b> review writing styles; in-class practice  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 3 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #6</b> <b>June 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Examination #1</b> - 3-hour in-class examination requiring the preparation of documents with an analytical component.  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 4 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #7</b> <b>June 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In-Class Activity</b>  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 5 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #8</b> <b>June 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>*Review of Examination #1</b>  <b>*Review / Approaches to the many different types of possible exam tasks, i.e. affidavits and opening statements.</b>  <b>*Where do we go from here?</b>  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 6 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #9</b> <b>July 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Examination #2</b> - 3-hour in-class examination requiring the preparation of documents with a persuasive component.  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* No assignment due
<b>Class #10</b> <b>July 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>*Review of Examination #2</b>  <b>In-Class Activity</b>  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 7 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #11</b> <b>July 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Class – Legislative Day - Thursday classes meet instead of Monday classes.</b>	
<b>Class #12</b> <b>July 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>In-Class Activity</b>  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* Complete full performance test 8 (both organization and writing)
<b>Class #13</b> <b>July 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Examination #3</b> – 3-hour in-class examination which may require the preparation of any document.  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	* No assignment due

<b>Class #14</b> <b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>*Review of Examination #3</b>  <b>*General Review</b>  <b>In-Class Activity</b>  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	<b>* Complete full performance test 9 (both organization and writing)</b>
<b>Class #15</b> <b>July 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>(Last Class)</b>	<b>Examination #4</b> – 3-hour in-class examination which may require the preparation of any document.  <b>Laptops allowed.</b>	<b>* No assignment due</b>
<b>Final Exam</b> <b>July 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>No Final Exam.</b>	