

Summer 2020 – On-Demand Law Preview Schedule

Location: Recorded at University of Southern California Gould School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

Day / Date	Topics	Times	Lecturer(s)	Reading Assignments (complete before class)
DAY 1	Introductory Comments & Welcome Success Tactic 1: Case Briefing & Case Law Analysis Contracts I Contracts II	2.5 Hours 2 Hours 4 Hours	Mr. Don Macaulay Prof. Anita Ramasastry (UW) Prof. Anita Ramasastry (UW)	- Law School: A Practical Overview, pp. 2-22 - Academic Success, pp. 23-27 - Case Briefing, pp. 28-41 - Study Aids, pp. 42-48 - Organization of the Federal Judiciary, pp. 98-99 - An Overview of Civil Procedure, pp 101-110 - Contracts, pp. 191-220
DAY 2	Success Tactic 2: Academic Success in Law School Property I Property II	2.5 Hours 2 Hours 4 Hours	Mr. Don Macaulay Prof. Scott Altman (USC) Prof. Scott Altman (USC)	- Property, pp. 243-256
DAY 3	Success Tactic 3: Outlining & Employment Torts I Torts II	2.5 Hours 2 Hours 4 Hours	Mr. Don Macaulay Prof. Zahr Said (UW) Prof. Zahr Said (UW)	- Torts, pp 257-285
DAY 4	Criminal Law Civil Procedure	4 Hours 4 Hours	Prof. Laurie Levenson (Loyola) Prof. Bob Pushaw (Pepperdine)	- Criminal Law, pp. 225-239 - Civil Procedure, pp. 111-121
DAY 5	Constitutional Law Success Tactic 4: Exam-Taking Strategies	4 Hours 4 Hours	Prof. Bob Pushaw (Pepperdine) Mr. Thomas Holm	- Constitutional Law, pp. 151-179 (read only – do not brief cases) - Exam-Taking Strategies, pp. 49-97 - Answer Torts Practice Question (Appendix C)
DAY 6	Legal Writing LexisNexis Online Legal Research Training	3 Hours 4 Hours	Mr. Thomas Holm LexisNexis Staff	- No reading assignments LRW supplement available as download and hardcopy.

We have structured the course materials with two goals in mind. First, we want to acquaint you with law school and how best to succeed while there. To do this, we wrote Chapters II-VII – Law School: A Practical Overview; Academic Success; Briefing Cases; Study Aids; Exam-Taking Strategies; and Organization of the Federal Judiciary. In these pages, you will find a description of what happens during law school, how best to learn the law while you are there and a brief overview of the federal court system. Second, we want to expose you to the substantive law that you will study during your first year of school – no matter which school you attend. Therefore, we selected court cases and other legal materials in six areas of law that you will study as a first-year student: Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Contracts, Criminal Law, Property, and Torts.

To learn the most from our classes, it is imperative that you keep up with the readings. Your professors will expect that you have read the cases in their subject area, and they will ask questions about them during class. In addition, you should brief every case prior to attending class, using the format we have described in Chapter IV: Briefing Cases, which we will further explain during the Success Tactic Lecture #1 on Monday. Then, at the end of each substantive law lecture, log into your BARBRI student account to download model case briefs for the cases you covered so that you can compare your progress as you hone your case-briefing skills. Do not become discouraged if your first attempts at briefing are less than optimal. The point of the exercise is to begin reading and analyzing cases in a thoughtful manner and not necessarily writing the perfect case brief your first time around.