Assignments for — Wednesday, August 21
Friday, August 23

You might want to prepare both of these classes during the August 17–18 weekend, or even earlier.

Read the syllabus after printing it from the school’s assignment webpage. After August 9, go to the basement copy room in the law school and get a copy of the photocopy supplement (explained on page 2 of the syllabus).

For Wednesday, August 21, read pages 1–22 in the photocopy supplement. In class, we’ll work out how to interpret the contract provisions on pages 13–16. For each sentence in those contracts, decide whether it contains —

- a covenant — a promise to do or not do something
- discretionary authority — the power to do something
- a declaration — a statement of fact by both parties
- a condition attached to a covenant, discretionary authority, or a declaration
- a warranty — a promise by one party to the other that a statement of fact is true
- a representation — a statement by one party, relied on by the other party

This is difficult material. Try to understand as much as you can before class, but if you find yourself not understanding all of it, don’t panic. Class will help, and you’ll go over the material again afterward (see the next paragraph).

After the August 21 class, reread pages 1–12. When you read them again after class, that material will become more understandable. Law school generally works this way. You read before class and don’t understand everything. But things become clearer if you’re actively engaged during class — and if you go over the material again afterward. Learning the material usually takes three efforts — read, then class, then reread.

For Friday, August 23, prepare the following —

1. photocopy supplement — pp. 23–32 — in class, we’ll do the case on pp. 26–29
2. rules supplement — pp. 1–4(middle), 105–107(top), 131–133(middle), 179–181(top)
3. casebook — pp. xxix–xxxii
4. casebook — p. 1 — do Problem 1 but ignore the Lucy case