LAW 2997 ~ COMPLEX INSURANCE LITIGATION

SYLLABUS

WEEK ONE

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSS

TOPIC:

CONSTRUCTION OF AN INSURANCE POLICY FOCUSING ON GRANT OF COVERAGE, DECLARATIONS PAGE, LIMITS, SELF INSURED RETENTIONS,

EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS,

CONTRA PROFERENTUM

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 19 - 42

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

LISTEN AND DISCUSS

WEEK TWO

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

SUDDEN AND ACCIDENTAL POLLUTION EXCLUSION AS IT RELATES TO UST'S AND AST'S

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 145 - 163

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

LISTEN AND DISCUSS

WEEK THREE

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

A DISCUSSION OF THE LEGAL OR

EQUITABLE NATURE OF THESE

COSTS "AS DAMAGES"

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 43 - 72

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: POLLUTION EXCLUSION

HALF ARGUE FOR THE INSURER,

HALF FOR THE INSURED - NEW YORK

LAW TO BE APPLIED

WEEK FOUR

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

NUMBER OF OCCURENCES AND SIR

ISSUES

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 91 – 94; 106 - 118

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: COSTS AS DAMAGES

BENCH MEMORANDUM SURVEYING

LAW THROUGHOUT THE NATION

WEEK FIVE

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

OWNED PROPERTY AND MITIGATION

LANGUAGE

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 163 - 173

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES

ORAL ARGUMENT ON TENSION BETWEEN LOUSIANA LAW AND ACTUAL POLICY LANGUAGE

WEEK SIX

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FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

ALLOCATION AND TRIGGER ISSUES

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 94 – 106; 119 - 128

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: OWNED PROPERTY

DRAFT PUBLIC POLICY PORTION OF

BRIEF ON MITIGATION ISSUE

WEEK SEVEN

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

"END USE" ENDORSEMENT AND

BATCHING CLAUSE

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 176 - 186

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: ALLOCATION AND TRIGGER

ISSUES

MEMORANDUM OF LAW ON ISSUE

UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW

WEEK EIGHT

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

POLLUTION BUY BACK AND

IMPOSSIBILITY

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 7 - 18

WEEK ELEVEN

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FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

CHOICE OF FORUM AND

ARBITRATION CLAUSE

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 243 - 263

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: OCCURRENCE, PUBLIC POLICY

AND INTENTIONAL TORTS

ORAL ARGUMENT ON PUBLIC

POLICY ISSUES, FOR AND AGAINST

COVERAGE

WEEK TWELVE

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

NOTICE AND CONDITIONS

PRECEDENT, PREJUDICE

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 186 - 193

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: CHOICE OF FORUM AND

ARBITRATION

DRAFT RECOMENDATION LETTER TO

CLIENT ANALYZING SHORT TERM/LONG TERM GAINS

WEEK THIRTEEN

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

RESERVES, CLAIMS HANDLING AND

DENIALS

READING:

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS TO BE SUPPLIED ON RESERVING PRACTICES

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: NOTICE AND CONDITIONS

JUDICIAL ANALYSIS AND OPINION WRITING (DRAFT OPINION) UNDER

TEXAS LAW

WEEK FOURTEEN

FORMAT:

LECTURE AND DISCUSSION

TOPIC:

CUSTOM AND USAGE AND

INSURANCE EXPERTS

READING:

ABRAHAM PAGES 26 - 42

STUDENT

INVOLVEMENT:

RE: RESERVES, CLAIMS HANDLING

RECOMMENDATION LETTER TO CLIENT WEIGHING POTENTIAL ADMISSIONS VS. FIDUCIARY

OBLIGATIONS