TO: LAW&R II Students

FROM: Professor Cascino

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Congratulations on successful completion of your first semester of law school and welcome back. LAW&R II begins on Thursday, January 12th from 10:10 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in ROOSEVELT HALL room 10. Remember that LAW&R II, like LAW&R I, is designed to require the most work early in the semester. We will have a lot of work to do to ensure that we can finish the course early.

Throughout the regular semester, we will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10:10 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. in Room 10 in Roosevelt Hall (which is next to the law school). Note: on Friday, January 13, 2017, we will have an extra mandatory LAW&R II class from 10:10 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in room 205 of the law school.

Before our first class on January 12th, please do the following:
⇒ Purchase A Practical Guide to Appellate Advocacy (Fourth ed.), Mary Beth Beazley; we will use this book along with Neumann and the Bluebook throughout the semester.
⇒ Be certain to sign up for this class on TWEN.
⇒ Read the Course Syllabus carefully. It is posted on TWEN.
⇒ Complete the Student Information Sheet posted on TWEN, and bring the completed form to our first class.
⇒ You should bring all of your Assignment 3 and 4 materials from last semester to class with you since we will begin the process of turning this objective memo into a persuasive brief. For your planning purposes, please note that your Trial Memorandum will be due at the beginning of class on Thursday, January 19th.
⇒ Read Chapters 22-23 in the Neumann book as well as Appendix D. Prepare the Bradwyn exercise on page 262. I will not be collecting this exercise; we will go over it in class.
⇒ Read the Record from the Patterson case posted on TWEN.
⇒ Sign up for Lexis/Westlaw/ Bloomberg Refresher Classes: Lexis, Westlaw and Bloomberg will be holding refresher research classes at various times during the first few weeks of school. Students MUST sign up for each training session through the individual vendor’s website, not through the library.
You must attend all 3 classes, these classes are mandatory. Attendance is taken so I am able to check compliance. The schedule is as follows:

Lexis training weeks:
Week of Jan 16*, Feb 6

Bloomberg training weeks:
Week of Jan 23, Feb 13

Westlaw training weeks:
Week of Jan 30, Feb. 20*
*Monday holiday/no training

Training times will be determined by the vendor’s reps and students can sign up for training online at the websites below. Here are the links to sign up:
https://advance.lexis.com
www.bloomberglaw.com
www.lawschool.westlaw.com

Enjoy the rest of your break. I look forward to seeing you soon!