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Course Materials

• Epstein, Markell, Nickles & Ponoroff, BANKRUPTCY: DEALING WITH
  FINANCIAL FAILURE FOR INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES (4th ed.) (West 2015)

• Bankruptcy Code and Related Source Materials (West Academic)
  David G. Epstein and Steve H. Nickles

Reading Assignments

Please read the Bankruptcy Code sections discussed in the reading materials and as set forth below in the reading assignments. The Bankruptcy Code sections are in Bankruptcy Code and Related Source Materials.

The reading assignments are intended as background for the concepts that we will be discussing in class. Please do not feel obligated to outline the cases in the textbook. For the most part, we will spend a lot of our class time doing what lawyers do—working through problems to see how various rules apply to realistic fact scenarios. I strongly encourage you to spend some time working through the problems in advance. We will work through a number of these problems in class, although we will not have time to address every problem in the assigned reading.

Reading Assignment for Class 1 (January 15, 2019)

1. Introduction to Bankruptcy
   a. Pages 34-36, 18-30, 87-89 (up to problem 4-1)
   b. Bankruptcy Code §§ 101(13), 109, 301, 303
   c. Official Form No. 1

2. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Claims
   a. Official Form 6F
   b. Pages 58-59, 131-34 (through problem 5-22); Bankruptcy Code §§ 101(5), 501, 502(a), (b)(1), (2), (6), 1111(a)
   c. Pages 136-39 (omit problem 5-27); Bankruptcy Code §§ 507(a)(1), (2), 503(b)(1), (2), (9), 707(a)(3)

3. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Secured Claims
   a. Official Form 6D
   b. Pages 73-78 (through problem 3-18); Bankruptcy Code § 506(a)(1)
Reading Assignment for Class 2 (January 22, 2019)

1. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Secured Claims (continued)
2. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Equality of Distribution
   a. Pages 51-52
3. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Property of the Estate
   a. Official Forms 6A and 6B
   b. Pages 52-57 (up to problem 3-12)
   c. Bankruptcy Code §§ 541(a)(1),(3), (5), (6), 1115, 1306
4. Basic Bankruptcy Concept: Stay
   a. Pages 107-110, 118-121 (omit problems 5-11 and 5-12)
   b. Bankruptcy Code §§ 362(a)(1)-(7), (b)(2), (c)(1), (2)
   c. Serial bankruptcy filings – Bankruptcy Code §§ 362(c)(3), (c)(4)