

DRAFT SYLLABUS (always subject to change):

Monday, August 26

Class Procedures

The Structure of the Court Systems (Federal, New Jersey)

Wednesday, August 28

The Structure of the Court Systems (Federal, New Jersey) - conclusion

Federalism and Appellate Advocacy

Monday, September 2

[*No class - Labor Day*]

Wednesday, September 4

Case Analysis

Monday, September 9

Introductory Oral Argument

Wednesday, September 11

Term assignments given out - **NO WITHDRAWAL FROM CLASS AFTER THIS DATE**

Appealability - Theory and Practice [*Read Chapters 2, 3 & 18*]

Monday, September 16

Appellate Brief Writing - Part I [*Read Chapter 23*]

Wednesday, September 18

Oral Argument in the Appellate Courts - Part I [*Read Chapter 26*]

Monday, September 23

Due: Procedural History draft [*Review 23:2-1(f)*]

Oral Presentation, Procedural History

Wednesday, September 25

Review of Procedural History

Monday, September 30

Research Methodologies

Wednesday, October 2

Due: Statement of Facts draft [*Review 23:2-1(g)*]

Oral Presentation, Statement of Facts

Monday, October 7

Oral Presentation, Statement of Facts - conclusion

Wednesday, October 9

Review of Statement of Facts

Monday, October 14

Computer research refresher

Wednesday, October 16

Standards of Review [*Read Chapters 33 & 34*]

Monday, October 21

Appellate Procedures [*Review Part IV, especially Chapters 18-20*]

Wednesday, October 23

Ethical Advocacy

Monday, October 28

Due: Legal Issue #1 draft [*Review 23:2-1(h)*]

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #1

Wednesday, October 30

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #1

Monday, November 4

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #1 - continued

Wednesday, November 6

[*No class*]

Monday, November 11

Brief Writing/Oral Argument II

Wednesday, November 13

Due: Legal Issue #2 draft

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #2

Monday, November 18

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #2 - continued

Wednesday, November 20

Oral presentation of Legal Argument on Issue #2 - continued

Saturday or Sunday, November 23-24

Optional help session

Monday, November 25

Due: Final Briefs

Wednesday, November 27

[*No class - Friday schedule*]

Final arguments

Monday, December 2 - Thursday, December 5