

John Marshall Law School
Real Property I
Fall 2012
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Day Section A
Mondays and Wednesdays 10:00-11:30
Room 609

Required Text: JOSEPH SINGER, PROPERTY LAW: RULES, POLICIES, AND PRACTICES (5th Ed. 2010)(Aspen)(Casebook)

Recommended: JOSEPH SINGER, INTRODUCTION TO PROPERTY(3d. Ed. 2010)(Aspen)(Treatise: available in the law library)

Revised First (and Second) Assignment

1. At Orientation you should receive a Westlaw number. Please use it to register on the The West Education Network (TWEN) site for the course before the first class. The syllabus for the semester will be posted on the TWEN site by August 9. You should read it by the first class on August 13.

1. Read Casebook, "A Guide to the Book," pp. xxxix-l. This Section will give you a helpful overview of the themes that will inform the materials throughout the course.

2. Read Casebook, "How to Brief a Case and Prepare for Class," pp. li-lv.

3. Practice Singer's prescription for briefing cases by preparing a written brief of *Wollums v. Horsley*, 20 SW 781, 14 Ky. L. Rptr. 642, 93 Ky. 582 (1892), the only case you are assigned to read for the first class. The case is not in your casebook. You may access the case by direct internet search; by reading it in print at a law library; or by reading it on the TWEN site for this course. You may e-mail me for a copy at hdhlaw@bellsouth.net. We will discuss this case during the first class.

4. I highly recommend that you read the outline on logical reasoning and logical fallacies posted on the TWEN site. You should familiarize yourselves with the underlying principles and methods of legal reasoning and the most common logical fallacies and errors in thinking that will likely plague you during the first year of learning to "think like a lawyer."

For those of you who wisely want to read ahead, here is your second assignment:

Class 2, August 15: Chapter 1: Trespass 1-16