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Course Description: We would like to take this opportunity to welcome students to this course. New York Practice focuses on civil litigation in New York State courts. It provides an overview of the New York State Court system and explores the operation of the New York Civil Practice Laws and Rules in a number of selected areas. The subjects that we will cover are outlined below and are subject to change throughout the semester.

Grading Policy: We will be administering two (2) take home writing exercises and a final assignment in this course. The details for each will be discussed during our first class. The writing assignments each will constitute 25% of your final grade and the final assignment will constitute 40% of your final grade. The other 10% of your final grade will be for class evaluation, participation and attendance.

Attendance: As you may or may not know, the New York Court of Appeals, the State Bar Association and Hofstra University require all registered students to remain in good standing with respect to their attendance. You are all adults and should treat this course, just as any, like your professional career. In addition, at the end of each class we will write a question that may be on the final exam.

Materials: The casebook for this course is Chase and Barker Civil Litigation in New York (6th ed.). It is also mandatory to have a CPLR Manual. Although we do not require everyone to purchase Professor Siegel’s treatise, New York Practice (5th ed.), this book clearly explains and clarifies the issues that we will be discussing and may be crucial to understanding the topics discussed. You must be one assignment ahead of us at all times.

January 12, 2015: Subject Matter Jurisdiction (“SMJ”) (pages viii-x, 122-154) CPLR 325

January 20, 2015: SMJ continued

Pleadings, Amendments and Venue (“PAV”) (pages 175-180; 531-578;579-592; 155-164/ CPLR Manual §§ 101-107, 325; 304, 305, 2101 (c), (d) and (f); 1024, 3011, 3013-17, 3020, 3024, 3211 (a)(7); 3012-a(a); 3018, 3019, 3017(a), 3025(c), 3026, 3025, 3041-44, 501-503, 507-10 and 513]

January 26, 2015: PAV continued.

February 9, 2015: Personal Jurisdiction (“PJ”) [pages 1-122/CPLR §§ 105(p), 301, 302(a) 302(a)(4), 302(b), 303, 304, 310, 313, 314 (1), 314 (2)(3), 318, 1025, 1051, 1052, and 5201(b)]

February 23, 2015: PJ continued.


March 9, 2015: SOL continued. Discuss second writing exercise.

March 16, 2015: Discovery [pages 593-650] CPLR §§ 3101, 3106-3117, 3130-3133, 3120-3123, 3121

March 23, 2015: Discovery continued

March 30, 2015: Motion Practice (“MP”)[pages 475-490; 653-694/CPLR Manual §§ 2211, 2212, 2214, 2215, 2217, 2218, 2219, 2220, 2221, 3211, 3212, 3213 and 3215]

April 13, 2015: Provisional Remedies [pages 491-529 CPLR § 6201, 6210, 6211, 6212, 6213, 7102, 7103, 7108, 7109, 6301, 6401, 8004, 2104, 4507, 5003-A, 3403, 3402 and 3406(A)]
April 20, 27, 2015: Provisional Remedies continued, Article 78 and review

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