TRIAL ADVOCACY II CRIMINAL SECTION

Joel L. Sogol
811 21st Ave
Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401
ph B 345-0966
fx B 345-0971
email: jlsatty@wwisp.com

CLASSROOM

All classes will be conducted in Room

CLASS MEETING

Wednesdays from 5:30 to 8:20 p.m.

TEXT MATERIALS

ALABAMA RULES OF EVIDENCE Each student will be responsible for reviewing and knowing the rules applicable for each class.

ALABAMA RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE Each student will be responsible for reviewing and knowing the rules applicable for each class.

IMWINKELRIED, EDWARD J., EVIDENTIARY FOUNDATIONS

COURSE REQUIREMENTS/ATTENDANCE

Attendance for all classes is mandatory as required by the Trial Advocacy Program. This course involves the participation of each class member in discussions and exercises.
Any absence from class, other than unexpected emergencies or illnesses, must be approved in advance by the instructor. Any unexcused absence will result in the lowering of the student’s grade.

If a student finds it necessary to miss a class, that class must be made up by attending another instructor’s class and notifying me of the date and time of attendance.

**GRADING**

This course is a Pass/D/Fail course. The instructor therefore has three options. While students expect and generally do in fact receive a grade of pass in this course, a D or failing grade will be awarded to students who are absent from class without permission; who fail to perform an assigned exercise; or who show a general lack of participation in class activities.

**COURSE METHODOLOGY**

The methodology for this course will be a mixture of lecture, discussion, demonstration (both live and videotape) and simulated skills exercises. Students will be expected to be actively involved in each week's class.

**CLASS EXERCISES**

Exercises for this semester will be drawn primarily from handouts. Exercises will generally be based on the class material from the previous week.

**WEEK ONE: AUGUST 19, 2015**

Trial proceedings and motions. Class exercise - I know it when I hear it

**WEEK TWO: AUGUST 26, 2015**

Evidence and objections. Class exercises.

**WEEK THREE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2015**

Jury selection and voir dire. Capital cases - Death Is Different, even in jury selection. Class exercises
WEEK FOUR: SEPTEMBER 9, 2015
Opening statements. Class exercises

WEEK FIVE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2015
Exhibits. Class exercises

WEEK SIX: SEPTEMBER 23, 2015
Direct Examination. Class exercises

WEEK SEVEN: SEPTEMBER 30, 2015
Cross examination. Videos

WEEK EIGHT: OCTOBER 7, 2015
Cross examination continued. Impeachment. Class exercises

WEEK NINE: OCTOBER 14, 2015
Experts, children and the problems they cause

WEEK TEN: OCTOBER 21, 2015
Closing Statements. Class exercises

WEEK ELEVEN: NOVEMBER 4, 2015
Verdicts and appeals. Class exercises

WEEK TWELVE: NOVEMBER 11, 2015
Trials
WEEK THIRTEEN: NOVEMBER 18, 2015

Class Assignment: Prepare a critique of Trial Ad II class