

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF LAW

**HEALTH CARE LIABILITY (Law 815) – Spring 2021
Mon 5:30 – 7:20, Room 175**

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FIRST ASSIGNMENT

TEXTS: Hall, Orentlicher, Bobinski, Bagley & Cohen Medical Liability and Treatment Relationships (Aspen 4th ed. 2018) (“Hall”, in the syllabus below)

Supplemental materials available on TWEN course website (“TWEN”, in the syllabus below, and subject to additions, subtractions and general updating on the TWEN course website).

TWEN Website:

<https://lawschool.westlaw.com/manage/HomePage.aspx?courseid=295346>

Please register for the TWEN website as soon as possible. Course materials, including materials for the first class, will be on the site.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
January 11	<u>Introduction, Overview and Basic Themes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hall 1 – 10, 13 – 14, 15 – 24, 26 – 29, and 36 – 50• Hecht, <i>Miracle of the Fifteen Murderers</i> (TWEN)*• Ruggieri, <i>The White Coat Code of Silence</i> (from CONFESSIONS OF A SURGEON) (TWEN)*• Wachter & Shojania, <i>The Wrong Patient</i> (from INTERNAL BLEEDING: THE TRUTH BEHIND AMERICA’S TERRIFYING EPIDEMIC OF MEDICAL MISTAKES) (TWEN)*

NOTE: Do not be intimidated by the amount of reading for the first assignment. All of this is primarily for environmental background and stage-setting and does not need to be read for detail. It does need to be read, but mostly as you would read a magazine article or really long blog post.