Civil Procedure

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ID: ______ Points: _____

Final Examination

Question 1___

Subject Matter Jurisdiction

- Limited SMJ of federal courts
- Never waived

Diversity: § 1332

- · Citizens of Different States
 - Complete diversity
 - Individual: Domicile
 - · Residence with intent to remain indefinitely
 - · Corporation: State of Incorp. & PPB
 - · Nerve center test
- Amount in Controversy Exceeds \$75,000
 - · Legal certainty test

Analysis

- · Citizenship
 - · Harold: CA
 - Whispering Glades: PA
- Amount in Controversy
 - Monetary Loss: \$500
 - · Treble Damages = \$1500
 - Emotional Distress
 - · Unclear if available under statute
 - · Attorney's Fees
 - · Unlikely to be enough

Question 2 ___

Erie

- · Source of federal rule is not FRCP or statute
- Substance v. Procedure
 - Outcome determinative
 - Forum shopping & inequitable admin. of the laws
- Countervailing federal interest

Hanna

- Source of federal rule is FRCP or statute
- · Direct conflict between state and federal rule
- Valid under REA

Analysis

- Applicable FRCP: Rule 8 & 35
- Direct conflict: Inconsistent provisions
- Valid under REA: Time & manner of presenting evidence

Question 3 ____

Rule 8(a)(2)

· Short and plain statement showing entitlement to relief

Rule 12(b)(6)

- · Insufficient allegations to establish elements
- No such claim

Twombly/Iqbal

- · Distinguish factual allegations from legal conclusions
- · Assume factual allegations are true
- · Factual allegations must plausibly state a claim
 - Inferences
 - Plausibility

Analysis

- Elements & Allegations
 - Seller advertised goods or services
 - · Paras. 7 & 12
 - With intent not to sell them as advertised
 - · Para. 12: conclusory
 - Seller did not provide goods or services as advertised
 - · Paras. 9 & 13
 - Plaintiff lost money or property as a result
 - · Paras. 8 & 13