

Study Guide for Exam 1

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General Instructions: A detailed and thorough study and review of the following tasks will prepare you for our first (partial) exam.

Task 1

Be able to write a condensed summary from your paper on the history of a field of law in Mexico. Your condensed summary should certainly recount the general history of the field you selected, but it must focus on the present state of the legal field in Mexico. You should be able to write this condensed summary in both English and Spanish.

Task 2

Jargon is defined as the set of special words or expressions that are used by a particular profession or group and are difficult for others to understand. Answer the following related to jargon:

1. Why does jargon evolve in virtually any human endeavor?
2. Is legal language considered jargon? Explain.
3. Compare and contrast “good” and “bad” jargon.

Task 3

Using Cornell Law School's Legal Information Institute as reference
(https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/legal_systems),

1. Define the term, “legal system”.
2. What are the areas where legal systems differ?
3. Compare and contrast the system of civil law (the legal system in Mexico), and the common law system (the legal system in the US).

Task 4

The Diario Oficial de la Federación (DOF) is the official gazette of Mexico and publishes all new federal legislation. It also contains important announcements, notices, decrees, resolutions, tenders, proposed rules and regulations, and draft and final standards issued by the Mexican government and its agencies. The DOF is governed by federal law in, LEY DEL DIARIO OFICIAL DE LA FEDERACIÓN Y GACETAS GUBERNAMENTALES. Article 3 of this law stipulates what may be published in the DOF. Translate the third Article into English.

ARTICULO 3o.- Serán materia de publicación en el Diario Oficial de la Federación:

I.- Las leyes y decretos expedidos por el Congreso de la Unión, así como cualquier otro acto o resolución relativos a la actividad parlamentaria que sean de interés general;

II.- Los decretos, reglamentos, acuerdos y órdenes del Ejecutivo Federal que sean de interés general;

III.- Los acuerdos, circulares y órdenes de las Dependencias del Ejecutivo Federal, que sean de interés general;

IV.- Los Tratados celebrados por el Gobierno de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos;

V.- Los acuerdos y resoluciones de interés general emitidos por el Pleno de la Suprema Corte de Justicia de la Nación, el Consejo de la Judicatura Federal y el Tribunal Electoral del Poder Judicial de la Federación;

VI.- Las disposiciones jurídicas que la Constitución y las leyes ordenen que se publiquen en el Periódico Oficial;

VII.- Los acuerdos y resoluciones de carácter general que emitan los Órganos Constitucionales Autónomos que sean de interés general;

VIII.- Aquellos actos o resoluciones que por propia importancia así lo determine el Presidente de la República, y

IX.- Las fe de erratas que la autoridad estime necesarias.

Task 5

Using the information in WEX (Cornell's LII), Justia México, and Código Civil Federal, examine the law of lease termination in México and in the US for cases where there is a legally binding landlord-tenant contract in place. More specifically,

1. When does a tenant have the right to terminate a rental contract in México? In the US? Are tenants granted the same rights in both countries?
2. When does a landlord have the right to evict a tenant in México? In the US? Are landlords granted the same rights in both countries?
3. Compare and contrast the legal rights in México and the US for both tenants and landlords.