

Bluebook Session In-Class Practice

Part 1: Case Names

- 1.) Matsushita Electric Industrial Company, Limited, petitioner, versus Zenith Radio Corporation, respondent

- 2.) Sheila J. Bell, plaintiff–appellant, versus Ohio State University, defendant-appellee

- 3.) John A. Thompson, appellant, versus West American Insurance Company, appellee

- 4.) In re The Knoxville News-Sentinel Company, Incorporated

- 5.) Antonio Brown, plaintiff, versus Advantage Engineering, Incorporated, defendant

Part 2: Full Citations

[case name], [reporter volume number] [reporter abbreviation] [first page on which the case appears],
[pin cite] ([court name] [year]).

NC State Case:

6.) Cite the case below to pages 914 to 915.

<p>903 So.2d 913 Supreme Court of Florida.</p> <p>CRESCENT MIAMI CENTER, LLC, Petitioner, v. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, Respondent.</p> <p>No. SC03-2063. May 19, 2005.</p>

7.) Cite the case below to page 502.

<p>132 S.W.3d 501 Court of Appeals of Texas, Houston (1st Dist.).</p> <p>Michael Marvin McKITTRICK, Appellant, v. The STATE of Texas, Appellee.</p> <p>No. 01-03-00056-CR. Feb. 19, 2004. Petition for Discretionary Review Refused Aug. 31, 2004.</p>

8.) Cite the case below to page 1042.

959 F.Supp. 1040
United States District Court, E.D. Wisconsin.

Carol RUSHMAN, Plaintiff
v.
CITY OF MILWAUKEE, Defendant.

Civil Action No. 95–C–1096. | March 27, 1997.


9.) Cite the case below to page 210.

930 F.2d 204
United States Court of Appeals,
Second Circuit.

Marshall RATTNER, Marshall Rattner Inc., National Limousine Service, Inc., and
Professional Indemnity Agency, Plaintiffs–Appellants,
v.
Malcolm NETBURN, John B. Farrington, and The Incorporated Village of Pleasantville,
Defendants–Appellees.

No. 178, Docket 90–7317. | Argued Oct. 1, 1990. | Decided April 9, 1991.

10.) Cite the case below to pages 99-100.

 **Bush v. Gore**
Supreme Court of the United States | December 12, 2000 | 531 U.S. 98 | 121 S.Ct. 525 | 148 L.Ed.2d 388 | [See Additional Citations](#) (Approx. 3)

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121 S.Ct. 525
Supreme Court of the United States

George W. BUSH, et al., Petitioners,
v.
Albert GORE, Jr., et al.

No. 00-949. | Argued Dec. 11, 2000 | Dec. 12, 2000.

FL State Citations- Different than the Bluebook!

- Florida state appellate courts:
 - [case name], [volume number] So. 2d(or 3d) [first page number], [pin cite] (Fla. [Court number] DCA [year]).
- Florida state trial courts:
 - 1991 or before: [case name], [volume number] Fla. Supp. [first page number], [pin cite] (Fla. [Court number] Cir. Ct. [year]).

- o After 1991: [case name], [volume number] Fla. L. Weekly Supp. [first page number], [pin cite] (Fla. [Court number] Cir. Ct. [year]).

FL State Example:

Part 3: Short Form Citations

[Party name], [reporter volume number] [reporter abbreviation] at [pin cite].

Id.

Id. at [pin cite].

Practice short form:

Directions: Cite short forms of the cases in part 2, following the directions for each problem.

- 11.) You cited to case 6 on a previous page in your memo. You want to cite to the same case eight citations later, but to page 920. What should the citation look like?

- 12.) You just cited to case 7. The next citation is to the same page of this case. What should the citation look like?

- 13.) You cited to case 8 at the beginning of your memo. At the end of your memo, you want to cite it again to the same page. There are many citations between. What should this citation look like?

- 14.) You just cited to case 9. The next citation is to the same case, but to pages 214 to 215. What should this citation look like?

- 15.) You just cited to case 10. The next citation is to the same case, but to page 101. What should this citation look like?
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Part 4: Signals

Draft the citations that should follow your statements in each of the following scenarios.

- 16.) In a brief to the Supreme Court of Nebraska, you write that “alimony is exempt from garnishments authorized by federal law.” You inferred this exemption from a statement in Mary Jo Kropf, Appellee, versus Frederick J. Kropf, Appellant. This is a 1995 Supreme Court of Nebraska case reported in volume 538 of the *North Western Reporter*, Second Series. The opinion begins on page 496, and your inference is drawn from material on page 500.
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- 17.) In a brief to the federal district court for the District of Kansas, you assert, “Parental rights, not the child's best interests, control in custody disputes between parents and non-parents where the parent is fit.” This proposition is clearly supported though not directly stated in a Supreme Court of Kansas case, In the Matter of the Guardianship of Nollynn Glendon Williams, a minor child. This is a 1994 case reported in volume 869 of the *Pacific Reporter*, Second Series. The opinion begins on page 661, and your inference is drawn from material on page 661.
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- 18.) In an office memo you write for a partner in your law firm, you analogize between the facts of your case and the facts of Lisa Michelle Phillips versus Jack Lawrence Phillips. This is a Court of Civil Appeals of Alabama case decided on October 31, 1997, and reported in volume 705 of *Southern*

Reporter, Second Series. The opinion begins on page 512, and the facts you use to make your analogy come from page 513.

19.) In a brief to the federal district court for the Southern District of Indiana, you analogize between the facts of your case and the facts of *Goble Jessup*, plaintiff–appellee, versus Robert Luther, defendant-appellee. This case was decided by the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals in 2001 and is reported in volume 277 of the *Federal Reporter*, Third Series. The opinion begins on page 926, and the facts you use to make your analogy come from page 929.

20.) In *Dorothy Jenke*, plaintiff–appellant, versus William Decker, defendant–appellee, the Supreme Court of North Carolina states that “75% of law students participate in the graduate and professional student basketball campout.” This case was decided in 2013 and reported in volume 750 of the *South Eastern Reporter*, Second Series. The opinion begins on page 1, and the above quote is found on page 5. In a memo you write to a senior associate in your law firm, you rely on the Supreme Court’s statement to write, “The graduate and professional student basketball campout is a popular activity among Duke Law students.”
