Trial Practice - Criminal Defense Friday 1:30 - 4:30

Spring 2011 Syllabus

Week 1 Themes, Theories, and Brainstorming 1/21

Pozner & Dodd (P&D) Chap. 2

Theory of Defense - Lindsay

Brainstorming - Mickenberg

Be prepared to brainstorm and develop a Theory of Defense for Hypo #2 Lewis and Hypo #4 Sage. The Hypos are found on TWEN.

Read the Trial Practice Spring 2011 material on TWEN

Review the Court Observation Form also located on TWEN

Week 2 Client Interviewing 1/28

P&D Chap. 4

Client in Crisis

Denise DeLa Rue Interviewing Materials

Week 3 Voir Dire 2/4

P&D Chap. 5

Voir Dire - Bennet

Voir Dire - Hirshorn

Look at the Voir Dire list serve questions on TWEN

Week 4 Opening Statement 2/11

P&D Chap. 7

Thoughts on Opening and Closing - Glass

Art of Opening - Kelly

Week 5	Cross Examination	2/18	
	P&D Chap. 6		
	Why Johnny Can't Lead - Dantzler		
	Prepare Short Cross Problems		
Week 6	Cross Examination/Impeachment		2/25
	P&D Chap. 8		
	Paper Training Puppies - Dantzler		
	Long Cross Problems		
Week 7	Impeachment	3/4	
	P&D Chap. 9		
	Review Impeachment Chart		
Week 8	Direct Exam	3/11	
	P&D Chap. 10		
	Direct - MacCarthy		
Week 9	Closing Argument	3/18	
	P&D Chap. 11		
	Closing Argument - Kelly		
	Closing Argument - Cobb		
	Review <i>Thoughts about Opening and Closing</i> by Glass found under the "opening" materials.		

Week 10	Objections	4/1	
	P&D Chap. 12		
	Do you hear what I hear? - Lindsay		
	Tiered Objections - Farmer		
Week 11	Demonstrative Exhibits and Evidence	4/8	
	P&D Chap. 14		
	Demonstrative Evidence - LaVigne		
	Demonstrative Evidence - Rench		
Week 12	Pre-Trial Motions	4/15	
	P&D Chap. 13		
Week 13	Jury Instructions	4/22	Last Class
	Art of Drafting Jury Instructions - Aprile		
	Review the Norman White Indictment and Jury Instructions individually and the side-by-side to get a sense of how the instructions control to some extent the indictment and the evidence introduced at trial.		

P&D refers to Cross Examination Skills for Students.

The other articles are on TWEN under the appropriate week/subject. I've given you the general name of the article and the author. For some topics you find additional reading on the TWEN. These are not required, but may be helpful.

We will discuss specific problems you will need to prepare as progress dictates.

Review the "Theory of Defense" instruction.

Please do not wait until the end of the semester to complete your court observation. You are at the mercy of the docket and may find there are no trials in the few days you have available if you wait until the last couple of weeks of the semester.