Study Guide #3

You are responsible for all lectures, in-class videos, and reading assignments since the last exam. And you are responsible for the Thanksgiving week Blackboard Assignment, “Surveillance.”

1. Crime and the Criminal Justice System.

a. Definition of crime (influence of power), types of crime (and examples), demographics of those who commit crimes, comparison, and perception and treatment of street crime.

b. “Unjust system of justice”: laws, police, judicial process, adversary system, jury, sentencing, race, bail, grand juries.

c. War on Drugs: consequences, SWAT, public health approach as solution.

Terms: political crime, white collar crime, crimes against the moral order, organized crime, plea bargaining,

UCR, NCVS, “if it bleeds, it leads,” mandatory and determinate sentencing, institutional racism, exculpatory evidence, wrongful convictions, “cradle to prison pipeline,” suborning perjury, jail house snitch, civil asset forfeiture, Annenberg study,

2. Corporate crime.

a. Definition, types, examples, and consequences (Ford Pinto as ideal typical corporate crime).

b. Perception and treatment: media, politicians, civil trials and punishment, regulatory agencies.

Terms: tort reform, gag orders, cost-benefit analysis, “revolving door,” human rights, regulatory agencies, deferred prosecution agreements, paramilitary, National City Lines, mandatory arbitration, wage theft.

3. War and Social Problems

a. The costs of war: human costs (deaths, casualties, post-war problems), financial costs, blowback.

b. Terrorism: what is terrorism, domestic terrorism, war on terror, costs, consequences, sacrifices?

c. War on Terror and democracy: idea of freedom, Bill of Rights, due process, WWI, WWII, Cold War,

Vietnam War, Military Commissions Act, Patriot Act, National Defense Authorization Act.

Terms: “Four Freedoms”, Sedition Act, EO9066, Bill of Rights, depleted uranium, agent orange, genocide, ethnic cleansing, PTSD, shake and bake, enemy combatants, Military Commissions Act, FISA court, sneak and peak, dirty tricks, COINTELPRO, Patriot Movement, Bush Doctrine, preventive war, pre-emptive war, Great Writ.