

2nd half of 1st 8 weeks - midterm prep.

Due Oct 7 at 11:59pm	Points 100	Questions 50	Available Oct 7 at 5:53pm - Oct 7 at 11:59pm 6 hours and 6 minutes
Time Limit None			

Instructions

Do not be late on test date:

As you have 8 weeks to prepare there will be no make-ups allowed without extenuating circumstances, as determined by the instructor. On the exam date, the doors lock at 08:30. **DO NOT BE LATE - LEAVE EARLY IF NEEDED.**

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Keep in mind this is to help you diagnose your own strengths and weaknesses. Do not cheat yourself. This is not for points so much as to help you diagnose. There are no shiny gold stars for achieving 100%, there are however opportunities to identify your strengths and weaknesses.

1. You will have the opportunity to use your books on the exam, great.
2. Don't get stuck seeking every answer, answer those you know from having read and worked through the chapters.
3. The questions that you do not know, use your book for those, move quickly but be accurate.

You have already covered chapters:

1, 2, 4, and 11.

You will have 1.5 hours to complete the practice exam. The covered chapters for this practice will include and 50 (randomly chosen) questions worth 2 points a piece:

- _____ (Week 7; 1-7 Oct 2023) Chapter 5 Working with Windows and CLI Systems
- _____ (Week 5; 17-23 Sep 2023) Chapter 14 Report Writing for High-Tech Investigations
- _____ (Week 6; 24-30 Sep 2023) Chapter 15 Expert Testimony in Digital Investigations
- _____ (Week 6; 24-30 Sep 2023) Chapter 16 Ethics for the Expert Witness

Attempt History

	Attempt	Time	Score
LATEST	Attempt 1	11 minutes	12 out of 100 *

* Some questions not yet graded

Score for this quiz: **12** out of 100 *

Submitted Oct 7 at 12:32pm

This attempt took 11 minutes.

Correct!

Question 1

2 / 2 pts

Which outcome, when caused by an ethical lapse, could effectively be a death sentence for a career as an expert witness?

☐ Identification

☒ Disqualification

☐ Conflicting out

☐ Discrimination

Question 2**Not yet graded / 2 pts**

What are some of the factors courts have used in determining whether to disqualify an expert?

Your Answer:

Courts will assess whether the expert witness has a conflict of interest that could affect their objectivity or credibility. If the court determines that the expert lacks the necessary qualifications or expertise to testify on the subject matter in question, they may be disqualified. Courts may disqualify an expert witness if there is evidence of bias, prejudice, or a lack of impartiality.

Question 3**Not yet graded / 2 pts**

Why is it difficult to enforce any professional organization's ethical guidelines?

Your Answer:

Professional organizations often have a degree of autonomy and self-regulation. They create and enforce their own ethical guidelines. This autonomy can sometimes lead to leniency or conflicts of interest when it comes to disciplining their own members. These organizations typically lack the legal authority to enforce ethical guidelines with the same rigor as a government regulatory agency.

Question 4**2 / 2 pts**

Experts should be paid in full for all previous work and for the anticipated time required for testimony.

☐ False

☒ True

Correct!**Question 5****Not yet graded / 2 pts**

What are some of the most obvious ethical errors?

Your Answer:

Computer forensic experts should maintain impartiality and objectivity throughout the investigative process. Altering, deleting, or manipulating digital evidence is a grave ethical violation. Gaining access to computer systems or data without proper authorization is unethical and may be illegal.

Question 6**2 / 2 pts**

Which of the following options would represent a valid retainer?

Correct!

- ☒ 2 to 8 hours of your usual billable rate
- ☐ A complete discussion of an ongoing case
- ☐ A verbal agreement
- ☐ Dissemination of evidence

Question 7**2 / 2 pts**

As an expert witness, you can't testify if you weren't present when the event occurred.

Correct!

- ☒ False
- ☐ True

Question 8**2 / 2 pts**

Which organization has stated that, unlike attorneys, expert witnesses do not owe a duty of loyalty to their clients?

Correct!

- ☐ ISFCE
- ☐ HTCIA
- ☒ ABA
- ☐ IACIS

Question 9**2 / 2 pts**

Requesting which of these will deter attorneys from communicating with an investigator solely for the purpose of disqualifying that investigator?

Correct!

- ☐ A juror list
- ☒ A retainer
- ☐ A certification
- ☐ A case list

Question 10**Not yet graded / 2 pts**

Briefly describe the issues related to an attorney's "opinion shopping."

Your Answer:

Opinion shopping undermines the impartiality and objectivity of expert witnesses, as it suggests that they are willing to tailor their opinions to align with the client's desired outcome.

Expert witnesses have a duty to provide impartial and honest opinions based on their expertise. Opinion shopping can lead to an abuse of this role, where experts become advocates rather than neutral evaluators.

Question 11**0 / 2 pts**

Which Federal Rule of Evidence is used to determine whether the basis for testimony is adequate?

☐ 701☐ 700☐ 703**Correct Answer****You Answered**☒ 702**Question 12****Not yet graded / 2 pts**

Describe some of the traps for unwary experts.

Your Answer:

Providing inconsistent opinions or testimony in different cases or at different times can undermine an expert's credibility and be used to impeach their testimony.

Failing to maintain open and clear communication with the attorneys who retained them can lead to misunderstandings and ineffective collaboration.

Failing to maintain objectivity is a significant trap. Experts must provide impartial and unbiased opinions based on facts and their expertise, rather than being swayed by the interests of the party that retained them.

Quiz Score: 12 out of 100