**ASSIGNMENT #1:**

**LEGAL MEMORANDUM RUBRIC**

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| **KNOWLEDGE  (  /5)** | **Level  4** | **Level  3** | **Level 2** | **Level 1** | **Below level 1** | **Comments** |
| Demonstrates knowledge of case fact scenario and legal issues including   * **Identifying and applying the relevant torts to the case fact scenario** * **Demonstrated grasp and knowledge of how the relevant principles of tort law apply to the identified parties in the case fact scenario** * **Identifying and applying relevant case law and/or legislation to the case fact scenario** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **APPLICATION  ( /5)** | **Level  4** | **Level  3** | **Level 2** | **Level 1** | **Below level 1** | **Comments** |
| Demonstrates a clear understanding and application of the relevant law to the case fact scenario including   * **Identifying the relevant parties in the case fact scenario** * **Ability to explain why and how the relevant tort law principles and concepts apply to the case fact scenario** * **Identifying and applying relevant case law and/or legislation in explaining which principles of tort law apply to the case fact scenario** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **THINKING  (     /5)** | **Level  4** | **Level  3** | **Level 2** | **Level 1** | **Below level 1** | **Comments** |
| Uses critical legal thinking skills to   * **provide clear support for your reasoning as to why the tort law principles and applicable case law and/or legislation you have identified and applied to the case fact scenario supports your conclusions as to what the likely outcome should be** * **demonstrate your ability to identify which parties have a claim and which parties are exposed to legal** **liability based on the facts provided and the relevant case law and/or legislation that applies to the case fact scenario** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **COMMUNICATION  ( /5)** | **Level  4** | **Level  3** | **Level 2** | **Level 1** | **Below level 1** | **Comments** |
| Legal reasoning & application of the relevant tort law principles to the case fact scenario are effectively organized and applied including   * **title page and clear headings (titles and subtitles)** * **use of appropriate academic and legal vocabulary** * **use of concise, clear, coherent and effective language** * **proper use of grammar and spelling** * **proper use and application of research skills and the sources cited which incorporate and use relevant primary and secondary sources** * **proper use of MLA or APA citation** |  |  |  |  |  |  |