# First Assignment

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### Required Text/Reading

- You should refer to the USPTO Trademark Manual of Examining Procedure (TMEP) found here http://tmep.uspto.gov/RDMS/detail/manual/TMEP/current/d1e2.xml, when working on cases and completing assignments. You will find the answer to any TM questions in the TMEP, so you should be familiar with accessing it and searching through it when you have a question. We also have our own TM Manual found on the Student Network and TWEN, which is a very mini version of the TMEP and should serve as a checklist of issues. You will be required to refer to the TM Manual when completing your First Assignment Worksheet. Don’t use the TM Manual as a substitute for the full TMEP found on the uspto.gov website.  

- Practical Law is a great resource that has many different types of agreement templates. For access to Practical Law Company materials go to Westlaw Next and click on the Practical Law Company link on the main page. You will be given reading assignments in Practical Law throughout the semester.  

--ENTREPRENEURIAL VENTURES LEGAL SERVICES PROJECT (EVLS) Readings  
(see attached) - IIP is crucial to EVLS and we have many requests from startups for IP help. In order to get a better understanding of the world of start-ups as a whole, it will be essential for you to understand the differences between different business entities. It is also essential that all trademarks be filed in the name of the correct owner, which can be a business entity, individual or two or more individuals (i.e., partnership), so, again, it is very important that you have some background in the differences in business entities. You will be working with the Clinic students from the Investor Justice Clinic (IJC) who will be handling business entity filings and agreements, while we will be handling IP matters, Non-Disclosure Agreements, Terms of Service, Privacy Policies, Work-For-Hire Agreements, and more.  

### 1st Assignment

**First Assignment TMEP Readings:** DUE FIRST DAY OF CLASS January 9  
You need to be familiar with the resources you have at hand. This is a practical learning experience, and you may not learn everything you need to know in class. One of the most valuable skills as a lawyer is the ability to spot the issues and know where to find the answer, if you do not know it right away. The Trademark Manual of Examining Procedure (TMEP) is an amazing resource that has all information you need to know about prosecuting trademarks. You have to be used to referring to the TMEP when you have a question (believe me, you will find the answer in the TMEP). Please find the manual by searching through the USPTO website at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov). A link to the TMEP along with many other valuable trademark resources is found at [www.uspto.gov/trademark](http://www.uspto.gov/trademark). For the first class on Thursday, January 9, 2020, please read the following sections in the TMEP: 1207.01; 1207.01(a);
1207.01(a)(i); 1207.01(a)(ii); 1207.01(a)(iii); and 1207.01(b) through 1207.01(b)(v).

**First Assignment-Using Practical Law: DUE FIRST DAY OF CLASS**
For the first day of class, go to Practical Law and start to search for documents or notes regarding topics that you believe would be important for you to know as a start-up lawyer working for a new company. List the title of 3 documents that you found in your search, browse through the documents, and provide your reasoning as to why you believe such information is important for you to know as a lawyer for a start-up company.

**First Assignment-Understanding Likelihood of Confusion-Carls Jr. v AKM Food and In re Luna Cycle: DUE FIRST DAY OF CLASS**
After reading the TMEP sections, read the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB) decisions in Carl’s Jr. v. AKM Food and In re Luna Cycles (see attached).

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**First Assignment-Understanding Different Business Entities: REFERENCE FOR CLINIC**
Please review the basic overview of business entities (attached) and refer to it throughout the Clinic. Again, it is essential that you understand basic business entity differences.

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**TM Clearance Exercise—DUE MONDAY, JANUARY 13** You MUST complete the Trademark Clearance and Office Actions Required Assignment by no later than Monday, January 13 by 11:59 pm by emailing Professor Fajfar at jlfajfar@usfca.edu. This assignment will take quite some time to complete and you should allocate about 6 hours to completing the assignment. You must do the assignment in order from top to bottom or else you will miss certain steps. If you do not complete the full assignment by the due date you will not receive credit for the course. We suggest that you complete at least half before the first day of class. And please do not rush through this assignment, as this will lay a foundation for all cases this semester. If you have any questions about the assignment, you must contact Prof. Jessica Fajfar at jlfajfar@usfca.edu BEFORE the due date. No extensions will be granted.

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**Note to Students**
Please contact the Clinics office at 415-422-6752 if you have questions or email Prof. Jessica Fajfar at jlfajfar@usfca.edu or our Clinic Administrator, Heide Tate, at lawclinic@usfca.edu.