USF School of Law  
Fall 2021 – First Assignment

Course:
Torts Sections 2 and 3

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Course Materials:
Please reference the booklist on the USF Law Registrar’s Course Resources page here.

First Assignment:

All the following assignments come from our casebook, Franklin, Rabin, Green & Geistfeld, Tort Law & Alternatives, 11th ed. We will also utilize the einstruction “clicker” in class. I recommend, but do not require Kenneth Abraham, The Forms and Functions of Tort Law as a supplement. You can use any edition of this book, and you can probably share a copy with a classmate.

Class #1 Introduction. Introduction to liability for unintended injury and the litigation process. Read pages 1-20 in the casebook. Please come prepared to fully discuss the facts, procedural posture, issue presented and holding of Hammontree v. Jenner. Assign Torts Exercise #1.

Class #2 Torts Exercise #1: Torts in the Big Picture of the Legal System. Begin Strict Liability (read pp. 528-533 in the casebook, including the notes).

Class #3 Strict Liability, cont’d. Read pages 533-545.

Class #4 Negligence: The Central Concept - Introduction to reasonable care and BPL; Role of Judge and Jury. (pp. 46-55, 68-69 notes 2-3). In-class, do Betty v. Caller. Assign: Toddler v. Toy Horse.

Additional Notes: