

REVISED Syllabus –Legal Ethics
(Spring 2013 - Wednesdays 4:40-6:30 p.m.)

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Office Hours: By appointment. Phone or email consultation works best. We can also meet in my office at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP downtown. Time will be reserved for guidance on the paper each student will be writing.

Attendance: Attendance is important. More than one unexcused absence can affect your final grade. While promptness is important, because we are meeting only once a week, if you are delayed unexpectedly, you should nevertheless attend.

Grading: Your grade will be based on a take home essay examination. You will have 48 hours from the time you pick up the examination to complete it and turn it in. Class participation can impact your grade, either positively or negatively.

Text:

- Martyn and Fox, Traversing the Ethical Minefield, 3rd Ed.
- Martyn, Fox and Wendel, The Law Governing Lawyers, 2012-2012 Ed.

Class: The casebook includes a good mix of resources and provides problems based on the resources. These problems will provide the core material for class discussion.

Reading (Subject to change as we go); all references to Martyn & Fox, Traversing the Ethical Minefield, 3rd Ed.:

1/23/2013 Chapter 1: Lawyers, Role and Law (pp. 3-21)
Chapter 2: Judicial and Professional Regulation of Lawyers (pp. 23-54)

1/30/2013 Chapter 3: Beginning the Client-Lawyer Relationship (pp. 57-84)
Chapter 4: Control and Communication (pp. 85-127)

2/6/2013 Chapter 5: Competence (pp. 129-161)

2/13/2013 Chapter 6: Confidentiality (pp. 163-210)

- 2/20/2013 Chapter 7: Confidentiality Exceptions: Physical and Financial Injury (pp. 211-258)
- 2/27/2013 Chapter 8: Confidentiality Exceptions: Lawyer Interests and Compliance with Other Law (pp. 259-299)
- 3/6/2013 Chapter 8: Confidentiality Exceptions: Lawyer Interests and Compliance with Other Law (pp. 259-299)
- 3/13/2013 Chapter 9: Conflicts of Interest: Loyalty and Independent Judgment (pp. 301-343)
- 3/20/2013 Spring Break
- 3/27/2013 Chapter 10: Conflicts of Interest: Specific Rules, Problems 10-1 through 10-4 (pp. 347-389)
- 4/3/2013 Chapter 11: Conflicts of Interest: Former, Prospective, Imputed, and Government Clients (pp. 391-436)
- 4/10/2013 Chapter 12: Fees and Client Property (p. 437-485)
- 4/17/2013 Chapter 13: Ending the Client-Lawyer Relationship, Problems 13-1 and 13-5 (pp. 487-524)
- 4/24/2013 Chapter 14: The Bounds of the Law (pp. 527-559)
Chapter 15: Professional Regulation (pp. 563-603)
- 5/1/2013 Review Session