

# Introduction to Intellectual Property Law

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Dear Students—

Welcome back to law school! I hope you had an enjoyable summer break.

The required casebook for this class is *Intellectual Property: Cases and Materials* by Lange, LaFrance, and Myers (Thomson/West Publishing, 3rd ed. 2007). Make sure you are using the new Third Edition of the casebook.

For the first day of class, please review and be prepared to discuss everything on the syllabus through the “Authorial Originality” heading, including:

- The pertinent text of the Constitution (Art. I, § 8, cl. 8);
- *Baker v. Selden* (pp. 2–7 of your casebook); and
- *Feist Publications v. Rural Telephone Service* (pp. 761–73).

Additionally, you might want to begin reading the next assigned case after *Feist*, which is *Eldred v. Ashcroft*. We will not be discussing *Eldred* during the first class meeting, but you might want to get a head start because it’s such a lengthy opinion (almost certainly the longest case we will read all semester).

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