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ENVIRONMENTAL LAW II

Spring 2008

Mondays & Wednesdays 1:30-2:45

Room 308

This seminar will examine the EPA's civil and criminal enforcement of environmental laws. The required casebook is JOEL A. MINTZ, CLIFFORD RECHTSCHAFFEN & ROBERT KUEHN, ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT, Carolina Academic Press 2007. I may also assign additional cases to read. On March 10th and 12th, Adjunct Professor Ann Navaro will present materials regarding the regulation of wetlands. She is currently the Assistant Division Counsel for the Great Lakes and Ohio River Division of the US Army Corps of Engineers and formerly a Senior Trial Attorney with the Environment and Natural Resources Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

This three-credit seminar fulfills one of your writing requirements. You must write a thirty page (including footnotes) paper. On March 3, 2008, you must meet with Professor Mank to discuss your paper topic. With my approval, you may write a paper on a wide range of environmental issues. During March, I expect you to begin research on your paper topic. You must give me a two-page outline by Monday, March 17, 2008 and discuss the outline with me. During April, you must "teach" a class and make a presentation lasting approximately 35-45 minutes, which will count for 25% of your overall grade in the course. Before giving your presentation, you must meet with Professor Mank at least one week earlier to discuss the cases and statutes in your draft and to give me copies of these materials. The paper will be due on the first day of examinations, 5:00 p.m. on Monday, May 5, 2008. For good cause and if your presentation is acceptable, I may grant an extension until the second deferred examination day, noon, on Thursday, May 15, 2008. All papers must be delivered to Professor Mank or the Registrar's Office.

I reserve the right to take class attendance, preparation, and performance into account in assigning a final grade. I reserve the right to fail without notice any student who has any unexcused absences. You may not record or tape my class without my permission.

Professor Mank's office hours (Room 425) are as follows: Mondays & Wednesdays: 2:45-3:15 & Thursdays: 12:45-2:00 p.m. He can also make appointments for other times.

First Assignment: For Monday, January 14th, please read pages 3-37 in the MINTZ book.

\* Note: The information contained in this syllabus is subject to change, and you are responsible for all revisions announced in class. The course outline is tentative and topics will be covered as time permits.