WATER RESOURCES LAW
SYLLABUS
SCHOOL OF LAW
GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY

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Course No. 225-001
Room 432C, Hazel Hall, Arlington Campus
6:00pm-7:50pm
Tuesday & Thursday

Summer 2014

Required Texts:

Highly Recommended Text:

This course is a writing course. 25 percent of the grade will be based on a critical book review (5 pages, double-spaced) on *Unquenchable*, and 75 percent of the grade will be based on a paper on a topic agreed upon between the student and instructor, 20 pages (double-spaced) in length. Both the review and paper should be in 12-point type, Times New Roman.

The book review will be due June 17th. The paper will be due by July 11th with a summary or outline due to the instructor for approval no later than June 15th. Students will make a 10-15 minute presentation to the class during the last week of class.

STUDENTS SHOULD COMMENCE READING *UNQUENCHABLE* IMMEDIATELY, BEFORE CLASSES START, IN ORDER TO AVOID TIME COMPRESSION DURING THE TERM ITSELF.

Students will be assigned specific cases in the casebook to present to class. From time to time, guest lecturers will be invited to discuss the US water law regime and related matters.
Please note the specific dates and class assignments below.

**May 20**

Chapter 1, pp. 1-15  
Chapter 2, pp. 16-54

**May 22**

Chapter 2, pp. 55-104

**May 27**

Chapter 2, pp. 104-161

**May 29**

Chapter 2, pp. 161-203

**June 3**

Chapter 2, pp. 203-246  
Chapter 3, pp. 247-291

**June 5**

Chapter 3, pp. 291-354

**June 10**

No class. Make-up class to be scheduled.

**June 12**

Chapter 7, pp. 630-637 (Sporhase v. Nebraska ex rel. Douglas)  
Chapter 4, pp. 355-448

**June 17**

Chapter 4, complete chapter  
Chapter 6, pp. 495-532
June 19

Chapter 7, pp. 680-726

June 24

Catch-up
Discussion of Unquenchable.

June 26

Chapter 5, pp. 449-494

July 1

Catch-up
Student presentations and discussion.

July 3

Student presentations and discussion.
Lincoln on the law.

I am available to meet in person or by phone with any student at any mutually convenient time and place.

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