

ANTONIN SCALIA LAW SCHOOL, GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
Professional Responsibility Fall 2021
Law 298/73896
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Class Information:
Wednesdays, 6:05 p.m. – 8:05 p.m.

Texts:

- Ethical Problems in the Practice of Law, Concise Fourth Edition, Lerman and Schrag
- ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct

Class Schedule/Assignments (assignments are subject to change)

Class Information/Topic	Reading Assignment
Wednesday, August 25 Introduction	Introduction
Wednesday, September 1 The Regulation of Lawyers	Chapter 1
Wednesday, September 8 Lawyer Liability	Chapter 2
Wednesday, September 15 Confidentiality	Chapter 3
Wednesday, September 22 Relationship between Lawyers and Clients	Chapter 5
Wednesday, September 29 Conflicts	Chapter 6

Wednesday, October 6	Chapters 7 and 8
Conflicts	
Wednesday, October 13	Chapter 9
Conflicts	
Wednesday, October 20	Chapter 11
Lawyers' Duties to Courts	
Wednesday, October 27	Chapter 12
Lawyers' Duties to Adversaries and Third Parties	
Wednesday, November 3	Chapter 14
The Legal Profession	
Wednesday, November 10	
Catch up	
Wednesday, November 17	
Exam Review	
Saturday, December 4, noon	
FINAL EXAM	

Information Required by GMU Law School:

OFFICE HOURS/AVAILABILITY TO STUDENTS OUTSIDE CLASS MEETING TIMES: Please arrange by email.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

By the end of the course students should have acquired/be able to:

- Be familiar with the most important Rules of Professional Conduct
- Understand and be able to identify conflicts of interest
- Understand attorneys' ethical responsibilities to clients, including confidentiality, competence and diligence

BASIS OF EVALUATION & ASSESSMENTS

- Grades will be based on final examinations. Class participation MAY be used to bump up students' grades. Final exam will be long answer/identification and analysis of issues in fact patterns.

ATTENDANCE: Regular and punctual attendance are required to earn academic credit. Attendance requirements for academic credit will follow the policies set forth in Academic Regulation 4-1. Should a student anticipate the possibility of missing a substantial number of class sessions (e.g. a serious illness), please immediately contact the Assistant Dean, Student Academic Affairs.

- Attendance will be monitored by roll call being taken during classes.

CLASS RECORDINGS PROHIBITED: Pursuant to Academic Regulation 4-2.2, no portion of a class session or an examination may be preserved by means of a recording device such as an audio recording device or camera. Any exceptions to this policy must be expressly permitted in writing by me.