

## **Torts Fall 2025: First Assignment**

**Welcome:** Welcome to Scalia Law! Please read carefully and follow the instructions in the memo you received prior to Orientation.

**TWEN.** I will use TWEN [The Westlaw Educational Network] to post class assignments and materials. TWEN information and access will be provided at Orientation. The name of the course on TWEN is “Torts (Fall 2025)”. You will receive the passwords for Westlaw and for the course’s webpage (together with a tutorial) during Orientation. You can also receive the password from Ms. Kristin Motley (office 407, [kmotley@gmu.edu](mailto:kmotley@gmu.edu)). For more instructions regarding TWEN, please consult with the syllabus and the library.

**Materials & Deadline.** After signing up for the course on TWEN, and no later than Monday, August 11 at noon, you must pick up from Ms. Motley: (i) the syllabus, (ii) a reading packet, and (iii) the class schedule (with cancellations and make up classes). *Completing these tasks (i.e., signing up for the course on TWEN and picking up the materials)—is a precondition to entering class.*

**Casebook:** The casebook for our class is Franklin & Rabin, Tort Law and Alternatives: Cases and Materials (11th Ed. 2021) (available in the bookstore).

**First Class- Early Start.** Our first class will take place on Wednesday, August 20 and it will start earlier than usual—at 9am (not 9:50am). Make sure to arrive on time (see syllabus for attendance policy).

**First Class Reading Assignment:** You have a reading assignment for our first class. The reading assignment is posted on TWEN. To be able to complete the first-class assignment you will need access to TWEN as well as the syllabus that you picked up from Ms. Motley. *Please make sure to carefully read the assigned materials and come prepared to discuss.*