



TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY
THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL *of* LAW

SPORTS LAW

COURSE NO. 789 – SECTION 1

FALL 2017

**PROFESSOR
WALTER CHAMPION**

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COURSE BOOKS & MATERIAL

Champion's Sports Law: Cases, Documents, and Materials (2nd ed., 2014 Aspen)

[Supplemental reading: Champion's Sports Law in a Nutshell (5th ed., 2017)]

COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVE

DESCRIPTION:

Overview of sports law with emphasis on contracts and new developments in Antitrust. We will cover all 13 chapters of my case book.

OBJECTIVE:

To give an overall review of Sports Law and provide discussion into current topics such as the collective bargaining wars, Lance Armstrong, the bounty scandal, Sterling's fiasco, and the NCAA "woes". Also, to provide practical insight into drafting professional sports employment contracts and to understand the commissioners' power in football, baseball, and basketball to penalize alleged wrongdoers.

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you require special accommodations, please fill out the necessary forms with the Dean's office. Your application and documentation will remain confidential. Your prompt attention will allow the law school to accommodate you, as soon as it has been made aware of your situation.

Please see:

http://www.tsulaw.edu/student_affairs/docs/2011-2012AccommodationsHandbook.pdf

ATTENDANCE

You are allowed to have six unexcused absences. After four, you will have a mandatory counseling session. Any absences after the sixth will result in a loss of points in your grade calculation.



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2017 – 2018

FALL SEMESTER 2017 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

Orientation	Monday-Friday	August 14-18, 2017
First Day of Class	Monday	August 21, 2017
Last Day to ADD/DROP	Friday	August 25, 2017
Labor Day (NO CLASSES)	Monday	September 4, 2017
<i>Purge of all unpaid course selections</i>	Thursday	September 20, 2017
Mid Term Examinations	Mon – Fri	October 16 -20, 2017
VETERANS DAY (NO CLASSES)	Friday	November 10, 2017
Thanksgiving Holiday	Thurs – Fri	November 23-24, 2017
Last Day of Classes	Thursday	November 30, 2017
Last Day to Drop a Class	Thursday	November 30, 2017
First Year Professors' Grades due	Thursday	November 30, 2017
Reading Period (NO CLASS)	Friday - Sunday	December 1-3, 2017
Final Examinations	Mon –Fri	December 4 -Dec. 15, 2017
Commencement	Saturday	December 16, 2017

SPRING SEMESTER 2018 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

School Opens	Tuesday	January 2, 2018
First Day of Class	Monday	January 8, 2018
Last Day to ADD/DROP	Friday	January 12, 2018
M L K Holiday (No Classes)	Monday	January 15, 2018
<i>Purge of all unpaid course selections</i>	Wednesday	February 7, 2018
President's Day Holiday (No Classes)	Monday	February 19, 2018
Mid Term Examinations	Mon – Fri	March 5–9, 2018
Spring Break	Mon – Fri	March 12 – 16, 2018
Good Friday (No Classes)	Friday	March 30, 2018
Last Day of Classes	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
Last Day to Drop a Class	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
First Year Professors' Grades due	Wednesday	April 25, 2018
Reading Period (No Classes)	Thur. – Sun	April 26 - 29, 2018
Final Examinations	Mon- Fri	April 30 – May 11, 2018
Hooding Ceremony	Friday	May 11, 2018
Commencement	Saturday	May 12, 2018

Please note that the calendar events and /or dates are subject to change.

TMSLAW REGISTRAR
Approved 5/31/2017

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Please reference the Thurgood Marshall School of Law [Student Rules and Regulations Handbook](#).

READING ASSIGNMENTS

Week One

8/21/17

Chapter 1 & 2,

Introduction & Contracts

Week Two

8/28/17

Chapter 2

Contracts

Week Three

9/4/17

Chapter 3

Agents

Week Four

9/11/17

Chapter 4

Labor Law

Week Five

9/18/17

Chapter 4, 5

Antitrust

Week Six

9/25/17

Chapter 5

Antitrust

Week Seven

10/2/17

Chapter 6

Torts

Week Eight

10/9/17

Chapter 6, 7

Criminal Liability

Week Nine

10/16/17

Chapter 8

Week Ten

10/23/17

Chapter 9

Criminal Liability

Week Eleven

10/30/17

Chapter 10

Athletic Eligibility

Week Twelve

11/6/17

Chapter 11

Discipline

Week Thirteen

11/13/17

Chapter 12

NCAA

Week Fourteen

11/20/17

Chapter 13 & Review

Women & Sports

~ FINAL EXAMS ~

NOTE: Final Exam is a 100 question multiple-choice exam on date, time and place as scheduled).