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COURSE BOOKS & MATERIAL

Required

- 1) Immigration and Nationality Law Handbook, 2019 Edition. Published by Lexis Nexis ISBN 978-1-5221-7479-0.
- 2) Others

You will be required to pull Volume 27 and the last two cases of Volume 26 of the Board of Immigration Appeals Decisions.

There will be other cases and other materials which you will also be required to read.

COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVE

DESCRIPTION:

This immigration LLM course assumes that the student has a solid foundation or more than a beginning knowledge of immigration and nationality law. We will be studying Volumes 27 and last two cases of Volume 26 of the Board of Immigration Appeals precedent decisions. Starting with the most recent case moving backwards to *Matter of Kim*, 26 I&N Dec. 912 (BIA 2017). This course is unlike other immigration courses in that we will not address immigration topics in any particular order but instead based on the randomness of the release of precedent decisions from the Board of Immigration Appeals. Because a different course is being offered this Fall 2019 semester on advanced immigration law practice, we will not be focusing on the practice of immigration law and any references to the practice of immigration law will be incidental.

Volume 27 covers the precedent immigration decisions from the present to April 2017 and the last two cases of volume 26, Matter of Flores-Abarca, and Matter of Kim cover up to January 20, 2017 or the first day of the Donald Trump presidency.

OBJECTIVE:

At the end of this course, the student should be familiar with every precedent board of immigration appeals' decision released during the Donald Trump Presidency in an effort to be current on immigration law.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

(1) Read and understand every Board of Immigration Appeals decision released during the Donald Trump presidency.

(2) Acquire significant knowledge of current United States immigration and nationality law.

(3) Be generally aware of the current events and developments involving immigration and nationality law since President Trump assumed office.

(4) Recognize the direction in which immigration law is developing and be cognizant of various possibilities for reform.

(5) Explain the process of seeking relief through appeals.

GRADING

PARTICIPATION, ATTENDANCE & PROFESSIONALISM

Every student is expected to participate during the class. Preparation for and participation in class is essential for students to master the materials which will be covered in class. Classroom discussions and working through hypotheticals are part of the legal process. It prepares the student for the class exams and the practice of law. If a student is unprepared in class on two occasions as evidence by responses to questions about assigned readings, their final grade will be reduced by half of a grade. For example, a C+ to a C. Subsequent unprepareds will further reduce the students' final grade.

Attendance will mirror the TMSLAW rules.

Class participation	5%
Final examinations	95%

THE FORMAT FOR YOUR FINAL EXAMINATION WILL BE Hypothetical Essays and Blue Books. This will be a timed in class examination. The date and time of the examination will be scheduled by the Dean's office.

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you desire, please notify me in confidence about any mental or physical impairment that might need special accommodations with Dean Mouton and direct her whether you want her to discuss these issues with me.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019–2020

FALL SEMESTER 2019 (SEVENTY-ONE DAYS OF CLASSES) Orientation Monday– Friday August 12–16, 2019 First Day of Class Monday August 19, 2019 Last Day to ADD/DROP Wednesday August 21, 2019 Labor Day (NO CLASSES) Monday September 2, 2019 Purge of all unpaid course selections Wednesday September 18, 2019 Mid Term Examinations Monday–Friday October 14–18, 2019 Last Day to Drop a Class Friday November 8, 2019 Last Day of Classes Tuesday November 26, 2019 First Year Professors' Grades due Tuesday November 26, 2019 Reading Period (NO CLASS) Wednesday November 27, 2019 Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday–Friday November 28–29, 2019 Reading Period (NO CLASS) Saturday–Sunday November 30–December 1, 2019 Final Examinations Monday–Friday December 2–December 13, 2019 Commencement Exercises Saturday December 14, 2019

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

You may not tape, record, or otherwise electronically record this class.

Cell phones, pagers, computer alarms, and other noise making devices must be turned off during class. Students who disrupt the class will be asked to leave and will be counted absent for that class.

This document is a living document and is subject to change by the professor without notice to the students.

READING ASSIGNMENTS

PLEASE READ AND COME PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING:

1) August 22, 2019 *L-E-A*, 27 I&N Dec. 581 (A.G. 2019). *D-A-C*, 27 I&N Dec. 575 (BIA 2019). *Zhang*, 27 I&N Dec. 569 (BIA 2019). *Navarro-Guadarrama*, 27 I&N Dec. 560 (BIA 2019). *Andrade Jaso and Carbajal Ayala*, 27 I&N Dec. 557 (BIA 2019).

2) August 29, 2019 *Thomas and Thompson*, 27 I&N Dec. 556 (A.G. 2019). *Miranda-Cordiero*, 27 I&N Dec. 551 (BIA 2019). *Pena-Mejia*, 27 I&N Dec. 546 (BIA 2019). *Mendoza-Hernandez and Capula-Cortes*, 27 I&N Dec. 520 (BIA 2019). *M-S-*, 27 I&N Dec. 509 (A.G. 2019).

3) September 5, 2019
A. Vasquez, 27 I&N Dec. 503 (BIA 2019).
A.J. Valdez and Z. Valdez, 27 I&N Dec. 496 (BIA 2018).
Castillo-Perez, 27 I&N Dec. 495 (A.G. 2018).
Song, 27 I&N Dec. 488 (BIA 2018).
J-R-G-P, 27 I&N Dec. 482 (BIA 2018).

4) September 12, 2019
Negusie, 27 I&N Dec. 481 (A.G. 2018).
M-A-C-O-, 27 I&N Dec. 477 (BIA 2018).
M-S-, 27 I&N Dec. 476 (A.G. 2018).
M-G-G-, 27 I&N Dec. 475 (A.G. 2018).
Velasquez-Rios, 27 I&N Dec. 470 (BIA 2018)

5) September 19, 2019 *S-O-G-* & *F-D-B-*, 27 I&N Dec. 462 (A.G. 2018). *Valenzuela Gallardo*, 27 I&N Dec. 449 (BIA 2018) *Bermudez-Cota*, 27 I&N Dec. 441 (BIA 2018) *J.M. Acosta*, 27 I&N Dec. 420 (BIA 2018) *L-A-B-R- et al.*, 27 I&N Dec. 405 (A.G. 2018). 6) September 26, 2019
Medina-Jimenez, 27 I&N Dec. 399 (BIA 2018).
Ortega-Lopez, 27 I&N Dec. 382 (BIA 2018).
A-B-, 27 I&N Dec. 316 (A.G. 2018)
A-C-M-, 27 I&N Dec. 303 (BIA 2018).
Ding, 27 I&N Dec. 295 (BIA 2018).

7) October 3, 2019 *Castro-Tum*, 27 I&N Dec. 271 (A.G. 2018) *L-M-P-*, 27 I&N Dec. 265 (BIA 2018). *Sanchez-Lopez*, 27 I&N Dec. 256 (BIA 2018). *Marquez Conde*, 27 I&N Dec. 251 (BIA 2018). *Cervantes Nunez*, 27 I&N Dec. 238 (BIA 2018).

8) October 10, 2019 *Rosa*, 27 I&N Dec. 228 (BIA 2018). *E-F-H-L-*, 27 I&N Dec. 226 (A.G. 2018) *Mendez*, 27 I&N Dec. 219 (BIA 2018). *J-C-HF-*, 27 I&N Dec. 211 (BIA 2018). *Siniauskas*, 27 I&N Dec. 207 (BIA 2018).

9) October 17, 2019
Castillo Angulo, 27 I&N Dec. 194 (BIA 2018).
W-Y-C& H-O-B-, 27 I&N Dec. 189 (BIA 2018).
Jasso Arangure, , 27 I&N Dec. 178 (BIA 2017).
Obshatko, 27 I&N Dec. 173 (BIA 2017).
J-A-B- & I-J-V-A-, 27 I&N Dec. 168 (BIA 2017).

10) October 24, 2019 Kelley, 27 I&N Dec. 146 (BIA 2017). Tavdidishvili, 27 I&N Dec. 142 (BIA 2017). Vella, 27 I&N Dec. 138 (BIA 2017). Pangan-Sis, 27 I&N Dec. 130 (BIA 2017). Rehman, 27 I&N Dec. 124 (BIA 2017).

11) October 31, 2019
D-R, 27 I&N Dec. 105 (BIA 2017).
Delgado, 27 I&N Dec. 100 (BIA 2017).
Mohamed, 27 I&N Dec. 92 (BIA 2017).
J-G-D-F-, 27 I&N Dec. 82 (BIA 2017).
N-A-I, 27 I&N Dec. 72 (BIA 2017).

12) November 7, 2019 Izaguirre, 27 I&N Dec. 67 (BIA 2017). Deang, 27 I&N Dec. 57 (BIA 2017). Falodun, 27 I&N Dec. 52 (BIA 2017). Alday-Dominguez, 27 I&N Dec. 48 (BIA 2017). M-B-C-, 27 I&N Dec. 31 (BIA 2017).

13) November 14, 2019 *J.M. Alvarado*, 27 I&N Dec. 27 (BIA 2017). *Chairez*, 27 I&N Dec. 21 (BIA 2017). *W-Y-U-*, 27 I&N Dec. 17 (BIA 2017). *Wu*, 27 I&N Dec. 8 (BIA 2017). *Jimenez-Cedillo*, 27 I&N Dec. 1 (BIA 2017).

14) November 21, 2019 *Calcano De Millan*, 26 I&N Dec. 904 (BIA 2017). *Kim*, 26 I&N Dec. 912 (BIA 2017). *Flores-Abarca*, 26 I&N Dec. 922 (BIA 2017).