

Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School *of* Law

# **ENTERTAINMENT LAW** COURSE NO. 791, SECTION ONE FALL 2019 SEMESTER

PROFESSOR

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#### NOTE FROM THE PROFESSOR:

Welcome to Entertainment Law, your educational introduction to the Entertainment Industry. We will discuss current entertainment news at the beginning of each class, as a precursor to your syllabus and lesson plans. Entertainment is a way of life and the digital world makes it accessible, beyond measure.

Looking forward to making your classroom experience, intellectually stimulating.

Attorney Ricky Anderson

## **COURSE BOOKS & MATERIAL**

Book: Entertainment Law Author: Ricky Anderson Publisher: Wolters Kluwer

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION & OBJECTIVE**

#### **DESCRIPTION:**

This is a short topical seminar on Entertainment Law.

#### **OBJECTIVE:**

We will accomplish two goals, namely, presenting an overview of a dynamic field of entertainment law.

## **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Providing an in-depth understanding of litigation and entertainment law controversy.

Entertainment Law

## GRADING

Class Attendance 10%

Class Participation 20%

Term Paper 40%

Final Exam 30%

## 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/accomodations-handbook.pdf

### **PARTICIPATION, ATTENDANCE & PROFESSIONALISM**

#### **PARTICIPATION:**

Daily class participation, class discussion of case book reading material and daily updates of current entertainment news.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

The Student Rules and Regulations do <u>**not**</u> provide for excused absences under any circumstance(s).

Students are provided a certain number of absences per class, per semester that may be used/taken for any reason whatsoever. The allowed absences follow this formula: [number of credit hours x 2] – 1, (Example: 3(hrs.) x 2 = 6 - 1 = 5 allotted absences for a three hour course for the entire semester).

Once the allotted number of absences are exceeded, a student's grade may be reduced. To this affect, a list of each student's name and the number of absences is submitted to the Office of the Dean at the end of each semester. As such, a scale is applied in order to calculate the grade reduction so that the rule is implemented in a uniform manner.

#### **PROFESSIONALISM:**

#### CLASS DECORUM

This is a PROFESSIONAL Entertainment Law course. Course faculty strive to create a positive educational environment so that all students can achieve their potential. In turn, students are expected to conduct themselves with the utmost honor and integrity, and behave and perform as professionals-in-training, i.e., demonstrate respect for course instructors, their peers and themselves; participate in all course activities with purpose and a positive attitude; and abide by course and Thurgood Marshall School of Law policies.

#### COMMUNICATION

Students are expected to conduct communication, verbal, written, and electronic, in a professional manner. Instructors, co-instructors, and guests should be addressed with their professional title, (unless permission is given otherwise) and treated courteously. Address recipients of electronic communication professionally (e.g., Dear Dr. Johnson; write in a respectful tone; be professional; use proper grammar, punctuation, and spelling.) Finally, proofread your electronic messages before you hit the "Send" key.



## TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY THURGOOD MARSHALL SCHOOL OF LAW \*\*\*\*\*TENTATIVE \*\*\*\*\*ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019– 2020

#### FALL SEMESTER ACCELERATED (TURBO) COURSE

First Day of Accelerated Summer	Monday	August 5, 2019
Last Day to Add/Drop Classes	Monday	August 5, 2019
Last Day of Classes	Friday	August 16, 2019

#### FALL SEMESTER 2019 (SEVENTY 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	Mon – Fri	October 14-18, 2019
Last Day of Classes	Monday	November 25 <i>,</i> 2019
Last Day to Drop a Class	Monday	November 25, 2019
First Year Professors' Grades due	Monday	November 25 <i>,</i> 2019
Reading Period (NO CLASS)	Tue- Wed	November 26-27, 2019
Thanksgiving Holiday	Thurs – Fri	November 28-29, 2019
Reading Period (NO CLASS)	Sat- Sun	November 30 –Dec 1, 2019
Final Examinations	Monday - Friday	December 2 -Dec. 13, 2019
Commencement Exercises	Saturday	December 14, 2019

#### SPRING SEMESTER 2020 (SEVENTY DAYS OF CLASSES)

School Opens	Thursday	January 2, 2020
First Day of Class	Monday	January 13, 2020
Last Day to ADD/DROP	Wednesday	January 15, 2020
M L K Holiday (No Classes)	Monday	January 20, 2020
Purge of all unpaid course selections	Friday	February 7, 2020
Mid Term Examinations	Mon – Fri	March 9-13, 2020
Spring Break	Mon – Fri	March 16 – 20, 2020
Spring Break (University Closed)	Wed-Fri	March 18- 20, 2020
Good Friday (No Classes)	Friday	April 10, 2020
Last Day of Classes	Friday Tuesday	<b>April 10, 2020</b> April 28, 2020
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Last Day of Classes	Tuesday	April 28, 2020
Last Day of Classes Last Day to Drop a Class	Tuesday Tuesday	April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020
Last Day of Classes Last Day to Drop a Class First Year Professors' Grades due	Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday	April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020
Last Day of Classes Last Day to Drop a Class First Year Professors' Grades due Reading Period ( <b>No Classes</b> )	Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday Wed – Sun	April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020 April 29 - May 3, 2020
Last Day of Classes Last Day to Drop a Class First Year Professors' Grades due Reading Period ( <b>No Classes</b> ) Final Examinations	Tuesday Tuesday Tuesday Wed – Sun Mon- Fri	April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020 April 28, 2020 April 29 - May 3, 2020 May 4 – May 15, 2020

Please note that the calendar events and /or dates are subject to change. Updated April 2019

## **POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Please reference the Thurgood Marshall School of Law <u>Student Rules and Regulations</u> <u>Handbook</u>.

## **READING ASSIGNMENTS**

DATE	ТОРІС		
		SCHEDULE READING	ASSIGNMENT
Monday	Introduction	None	Buy book
8/19/2019			Entertainment Law
			Wolters Kluwer
			(Think about a topic form term paper)
Monday	Entertainment Law	Chapter 1	Submit a topic (typed)
8/26/2019	Generally	Page 60	with an explanation re: relevancy importance, controversy, etc.
Monday	Entertainment Law	Chapter 2	Be prepared to discuss
9/9/2019	Practice Generally	Page 166	cases
Monday	The Music Industry	Chapter 3	Class Discussion
9/16/2019		Page 288	
Monday	The Movie Business	Chapter 4	Be prepared to discuss
9/23/2019		Page 362	cases
Monday	Television	Chapter 5	Submit detailed outline;
9/30/2019		Page 440	be prepared to discuss cases
Monday	Radio	Chapter 6	Class Discussion
10/7/2019		Page 550	
Monday	Copyright In Films, TV	Chapter 7	Class Discussion
10/14/2019	and Radio	Page 706	
Monday	Copyright In Films, TV	Chapter 7	Be prepared to discuss
10/21/2019	and Radio	Page 706	cases.

Monday	Copyright and Music	Chapter 8	Class Discussion
10/28/2019		Page 806	
Monday	Entertainment Laws in	Chapter 9	Class Discussion
11/4/2019	Cyberspace	Page 922	
Monday	Globalization	Chapter 10	Revised, final detailed
11/11/2019			outline due.
,,,			Including a notated
			bibliography (at least 20
			cases). Be prepared to
			discuss cases.
Monday		Class Discussion	Class Discussion
11/18/2019		Semester Recap	
Monday		1	I
11/25/2019	FINAL EXAM AND WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT DUE		