CONTRACTS SYLLABUS

PROFESSOR DAVIS Fall 2019

Typical assignment: Prepare to discuss two cases per class hour including associated text and notes. Cases designated “covered by lecture” should be treated as text. Assignments also include all cited sections of the Restatement 2d of Contracts and all cited sections of the Uniform Commercial code. The Restatement and Uniform Commercial Code are found in Selections for Contracts. Read all pages not omitted.

Class Hour Omit pages

1-9 Ch 1 34-43; 136-141. (Cases covered by lecture White, p 31, Morris. P 27, Harrington p. 78, Feinberg 125-126; Cohen 133-135; Cotnam 144-147; Peatte 152- 157.)

10-18 Ch 2 297-323 (Cases covered buy lecture Hill 292- 96.; Lefkowitz 194-196; Evertite 215-217; Itoh 269- 271)

19-20 Ch 3 375-380; 387-397;405-410

21-24 Ch 4 426-433; 481-483 (Cases covered by lecture Howe 461-465 and Vokes 483-485.)

25-29 Ch 5 544-558; 575-584 (Cases covered by lecture Bollinger 503-04; Raffles 559-560; Trident 520-523)

30-34 Ch 6 601-606;616-633;646-672; 689-697; 700-716; 746-754 (Cases covered by lecture Tuckwiller 598- 600; Balla 730-732.)

35-43 Ch 7 786-796; 853-857; 875-881 (Cases covered by lecture Hicks775-777; McKenna 838-839; Iron Trade 843-845)

44-49 Ch 8 895-900;923-932;947-954; 970-979; 991-1019 (Cases covered by lecture No Delaware 900-901; Newsome 989-991)

50-54 Ch 9 1026-1029;1066-1068;1074-1087;1094-1106 (Case covered by lecture: Canadian Alcohol 1072.)

## Academic honesty:

Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code at <http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php>.

## Grading information and grading scale:

The Levin College of Law’s mean and mandatory distributions are posted on the College’s website and this class adheres to that posted grading policy. The following chart describes the specific letter grade/grade point equivalent in place:

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| Letter Grade | Point Equivalent |
| A (Excellent) | 4.0 |
| A- | 3.67 |
| B+ | 3.33 |
| B | 3.0 |
| B- | 2.67 |
| C+ | 2.33 |
| C (Satisfactory) | 2.0 |
| C- | 1.67 |
| D+ | 1.33 |
| D (Poor) | 1.0 |
| D- | 0.67 |
| E (Failure) | 0.0 |

The law school grading policy is available at: <http://www.law.ufl.edu/student-affairs/current-students/academic-policies#9>.

## Accommodations:

Students requesting accommodation for disabilities must first register with the Disability Resource Center (<http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/>). Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the Assistant Dean for Student Affairs (Dean Mitchell) when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Attendance

Per ABA requirements, please attend all classes, unless you e-mail me in advance with a legitimate excuse. Requirements for class attendance and make-up exams, assignments, and other work in this course are consistent with university policies that can be found at: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>.

Class Preparation

It is anticipated that you will spend approximately 2 hours out of class reading and/or preparing for in class assignments for every 1 hour in class.

Learning Outcomes

After completing the class, students should be able to:

1. Describe and apply the national common law of Contracts, including the law of contract formation, the statute of frauds, doctrines that police the enforceability of agreements, contract interpretation, performance and nonperformance, contract remedies, and defenses.

2. Describe and apply the national law of Sales of Goods under Article Two of the Uniform Commercial Code with particular emphasis on those areas in which that law deviates from or expands upon the common law of contracts.

3. Analyze contracts cases critically, identifying issues therein, extracting the common law rules therefrom, and criticizing the courts’ reasoning and outcomes where appropriate.

4. Analyze hypothetical factual scenarios, identifying factual and legal issues, articulating the applicable law and the arguments germane to the issues.

5. Appreciate the importance of contract law in regulating commerce.