

University of Arkansas at Little Rock William H. Bowen School of Law
CONFLICT OF LAWS
Fall 2009, 3 credits
Rm. 505, M, W, F, 10:55-11:50 AM
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FIRST ASSIGNMENT

NOTE: First class meeting is THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

Required book: Currie, Kay, Kramer, Roosevelt, Conflict of Laws (7th Edition)

Recommended book: Richman and Reynolds, Understanding Conflict of Laws (3rd Edition)

General Information:

Attendance

All students are expected to attend class and to be on time. Each student is permitted 6 hours of absences. Students who miss more than 6 hours of class will have their grades lowered by one step on the grading scale for each absence. An attendance roster will be circulated during each class period. Each student is responsible for initialing the roster prior to the conclusion of the class period.

FIRST READING ASSIGNMENTS

Hour No. Pages

Part I—CHOICE OF LAW

Chap. 1 The Traditional Approach To Choice of Law

A Bit of History and The Basic Theory

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| 1 | Preface plus 1-17 (place of wrong—torts) |
| 2 | 17-25 (place of contracting) |
| 3 & 4 | 25-39 (situs of property; domicile in estate and family cases; some misc. rules) |

So-called “Escape Devices” and Special Problems

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| 5 | 39-48 (characterization) |
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- 6 48-61(substance vs. procedure)
- 7 61-70 (“renvoi”)
- 8 & 9 70-90 (public policy; penal laws; tax claims; pleading and proving “foreign law”)