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# What is NITA?

The National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA) originated the concept of rigorous learning-by-doing trial skills training in 1971. Since then we have continued to refine our unique learning-by-doing methodology. NITA's mission is to train and mentor lawyers and legal professionals in the art of effective and ethical advocacy in the pursuit of justice. We are a leading publisher of legal resources for law schools, practitioners, and libraries. As part of our mission, NITA provides scholarships and minimum tuition programs for public service attorneys.

# Why Do Law Schools Choose NITA Publications?

Our skills-based focus gives you the insight and experience necessary to take your advocacy to the next level.

Our publications are designed to help lawyers develop and refine their advocacy skills in every stage of litigation. Whether it's written discovery, e-discovery, deposition, trial preparation, appeals, or alternative dispute resolution, our books give you the tools to do it all with confidence.

If you're looking for practical skills advice, we have books ranging from how to handle an administrative agency case to preparing trial notebooks to winning appeals.

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# Dear Reader:

Throughout 2012, we'll be introducing you to new voices in advocacy skills and enhancing your practice and classroom experiences with updated titles that you have come to depend on. We continue to strive to bring you real-world experience from seasoned attorneys across a variety of practice areas to ensure that you are up to date in advocacy training and trends.

Last year, we expanded our library with advocacy books that took you into specific practice areas, like *International Commercial Arbitration Advocacy* and *Administrative Agency Litigation*. We introduced graduates to practical advice about finding their way in the world of big law in The Six-Minute Marathon. We brought students and young professionals a much needed guide on the ins and outs of preparing their first case for trial in *Trial Prep for the New Advocate*. And, of course, with the restyling of the Federal Rules of Evidence, we updated the *Practical Guide to Federal Evidence* and *Federal Rules of Evidence with Objections*.

This year, we'll bring you new perspectives on trial advocacy with books like *Inside Jurors' Minds*, a look into the psychology behind jury reasoning. And a series of helpful pocket guides from the author of *Effective Deposition* that covers deposition rules, expert rules, exhibit rules, and other vitally important rules and skills necessary for trial preparation. Also we're excited to present the much-anticipated new edition of *Effective Deposition* this fall.

If you're looking for the perfect case file to bring your classroom or training session to life, we're updating some of our most popular cases. *Potter v. Schrackle* and *Quinlan v. Kane* will be out later this year, and we're continuing to add new titles to our Practicum Series, which provides students with the problem and legal theory so they can focus on the advocacy skills you want them to learn. In addition, we'll introduce you to new cases like *State v. Bloodworth*, a murder prosecution stemming from an assault causing blunt force trauma that resulted in death three days later, and *Vrosnksy v. National Farm*, a products-liability case involving injuries sustained in a hay baler accident.

As you can see, we're working hard to provide you with the best skills development tools from the most experienced advocates. Over the last forty years, NITA has become the name you can trust in learning-by-doing advocacy training. Our publications are held to the same high standard as our in-person and online training programs, and we are committed to bringing you the best advocacy development resources to improve your practice, your classroom, and your reference library.

Warm Regards,

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# Federal Rules of Civil Procedure

2010 Edition



This handy guide compiles the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended through December 1, 2011. The small-format packaging is designed so you can easily tuck the book into a pocket or briefcase. The spiral binding allows you to place the book flat on a desk or table, so you can quickly reference pages without damaging the spine.

**\$20** | 268 PP. | 2010 | 978-1-60156-164-0

# Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure

2011 Edition



This edition of NITA's convenient pocket-size book incorporates the amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that went into effect December 1, 2011.

**\$20** | 150 PP. | 2011 | ISBN 978-1-60156-180-0

# Federal Rules of Evidence

2011 Edition



This handy guide compiles the Federal Rules of Evidence for U.S. Courts and Magistrates, as amended through December 1, 2011. The small-format packaging is designed so you can easily tuck the book into a pocket or briefcase. The spiral binding allows you to place the book flat on a desk or table, so you can guickly reference pages without damaging the spine.

**\$20** | 78 PP. | 2011 | 978-1-60156-178-7

# Federal Rules of Evidence with Objections

Tenth Edition



Federal Rules of Evidence with Objections contains the complete text of the Federal Rules of Evidence as amended to December 1, 2011. This useful guide is organized for quick reference, with an alphabetical section of major objections, and includes practical tips and legal interpretations for each rule. The small-format packaging is designed so you can easily tuck the book into a pocket or

briefcase. The spiral binding allows you to place the book flat on a desk or table, so you can quickly reference pages without damaging the spine.

In addition, the book lists key phrases for objections with thumb tabs for quick reference, and includes a mini-CD with the entire book in PDF format hyper-linked and bookmarked for ease of use.

**\$45** | 236 PP. WITH MINI-CD | 2011 | 978-1-60156-179-4

# **Objections at Trial**

Fifth Edition

Myron H. Bright, Ronald L. Carlson and Edward J. Imwinkelried

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NITA's invaluable handbook bridges the gap between knowing the rules of evidence and applying them in a judicial setting—and clearly identifies what proposed evidence is subject to exclusion by objection. This updated Fifth Edition provides the reader—judge, lawyer, or law student—with a primer on the fine art of making effective objections to inadmissible evidence. Objections at Trial,

based on the Federal Rules of Evidence, will also be useful in practice in the courts of all fifty states. Indeed, forty-one states now have evidence codes patterned directly after the Federal Rules. This updated edition includes a mini-CD with the entire book in PDF format hyperlinked and bookmarked for ease of use.

**\$35** 348 PP. WITH MINI-CD 2008 978-1-60156-073-5

# **Federal Trial Objections Ouick Reference** Card

Sydney A. Beckman



This handy four-panel reference card offers the student or trial attorney a guick reference to federal trial objections. An extensive list of objections, ranging from hearsay to confrontation clause issues, is categorized into sections for easy subject reference. Each objection is paired with the supporting rule(s) of evidence or procedure.

**\$9.95** | 2008 | 978-1-60156-082-7 Prepack of 25 cards is also available: \$248.75 | 978-1-60156-085-8

# Mock Trials: Preparing, Presenting, and Winning Your Case

Steven Lubet and Jill Trumbull-Harris



This trial advocacy textbook is designed specifically to educate undergraduate students on the methods and techniques needed to prepare and present a mock trial case for competition. Mock Trials addresses the essentials of trial persuasion and explains legal issues in terms easily understood by pre-law students.

**\$35** | 272 PP. | 2001 | 978-1-55681-713-7

# Trial Prep for Paralegals: Effective Case Management and Support to Attorneys in Preparation for Trial

Michael L. Coyne and Ursula Furi-Perry



Coyne and Furi-Perry have created the essential how-to quide for trial preparation. Paralegals will master every stage of litigation, from initial client interviews to pulling together the trial notebook. The book begins with overviews of the litigation process and the evidence rules. Practical skills for interviewing, handling discovery, preparing exhibits, and more are explained with examples.

# Problems and Cases in Interviewing, **Counseling & Negotiation**

Anthony J. Bocchino, Thomas F. Geraghty, Melissa Nelkin, and Mark K. Schoenfield



These materials are divided into two parts—exercises and problems. The introductory exercises are designed to focus attention on basic communications skills that are crucial in the interviewing/counseling or negotiation setting. The purpose of these exercises is to isolate and develop these basic communication skills before attempting full-scale

interviewing/counseling or negotiation problems. The exercises are followed by interviewing/counseling or negotiation problems. Some of them are based on the Potter v. Shrackle and State v. Diamond case files. Each problem contains basic information known to all participants. These problems are designed as tools for "learning by doing."

**\$45** | 292 PP. | 1986 | 978-1-55681-071-8

# The Six-Minute Marathon: A Guide to Life as a Lawyer

Andrew Hartman and Caren Ulrich Stacy



Transitioning from law school to law practice can be the most daunting thing you do in your professional career. The Six-Minute Marathon is your survival guide to thriving in BigLaw practice. Andrew Hartman advises the up-andcoming generation of attorneys with humor and practicality. Stories of failed associates and redeeming moments from

his twenty-plus years of practice will enlighten you as you venture into the world of law and learn to record your marathon of success in six-minute increments. As a bonus, Caren Ulrich Stacy provides insights from her own nearly twenty-year career in professional development. From the initial interview to dressing to impress to networking your way to the top, *The Six–Minute Marathon* will guide you around the pitfalls that ensnare so many of your unwary colleagues and lead you toward your BigLaw dreams.

**\$12.95** | 168 PP. | 2011 | 978-1-60156-147-3



**\$35** | 238 PP. | 2009 | 978-1-60156-084-1

# **Alternative Dispute Resolution**

#### NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

### Advanced Negotiation and Mediation Theory and Practice: A Realistic Integrated Approach

Paul J. Zwier and Thomas F. Guernsey



Advanced Negotiation and Mediation Theory and Practice is an integrated, systematic guide to the styles and strategies of both adversarial and problem-solving negotiation and mediation approaches. Zwier and Guernsey provide the law school student with an outline to design and implement effective negotiation plans to achieve the best results.

**\$65** | 230 PP. | 2005 978-1-55681-950-6

# Alternatives to Litigation

Second Edition Andrea Doneff and Abraham Ordover



Alternatives to Litigation was first published in 1993 when alternate dispute resolution practice was in its infancy. Now over a decade later and in its Second Edition, this book reflects the growth in this field and also the growing interest and in some states mandatory use of ADR. Authors Andrea Doneff and Abraham Ordover explore key concepts and terms, and address practical how-to issues that

all attorneys need to recognize and master regardless of their field of expertise. Alternatives to Litigation includes appendices providing sample agreements, checklists, a model standard of conduct, commentary on ethical issues, and other useful resources.

**\$60** | 272 PP. | 2002 | 978-1-55681-749-6

#### NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

## Arbitration Advocacy

Second Edition John W. Cooley and Steven Lubet



A sensible quide to the arbitration process, Arbitration Advocacy explains how to get the best results for clients in all types of arbitration settings, from commercial to labor. Cooley, an experienced judge, trial attorney, arbitrator, and mediator, and Lubet, author of NITA's best-selling Modern Trial Advocacy, introduce students to every step of

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decision making, preparation, and advocacy in the hearing and prehearing stage of arbitrations. You will find specific, detailed advice on:

- Choosing when to arbitrate
- Delivering effective openings and closings
- Examining witnesses
- Arbitration strategy and tactics
- **\$75** | 598 PP. | 2003 | 978-1-55681-799-1

## The Arbitrator's Handbook

**Revised Second Edition** Hon. John W. Cooley



The Arbitrator's Handbook offers a full range of features geared to assist the arbitrator in performing his or her duties. Cooley defines the role, authority, and ethics requirements of the arbitrator. Chapters focus on providing basic information on the nature of arbitration, including a description of its stages and types, and its benefits

and limitations, describing the prehearing functions and duties of the arbitrator, focusing on the time of initiation of the arbitration as well as the preparation stage; the arbitrator's hearing functions and duties, and covers such topics as the arbitrator's opening statement, handling preliminary matters, a review of basic rules of evidence, and making rulings on motions and objections; the arbitrator's post-hearing functions and duties, and addresses such topics as ruling on posthearing motions, deciding the merits of the case, and drafting the award and the opinion supporting the award. The appendix also contains sample arbitration forms and rules from leading dispute resolution organizations, making this the most comprehensive text available for "hands-on" arbitration instruction.

**\$85** | 469 PP. | 2009 | 978-1-60156-105-3

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# The Art of Mediation

Second Edition Scott Hughes, Mark Bennett, and Michele Hermann



This workbook is designed for basic mediation training. Authors Scott Hughes, Mark Bennett, and Michele Hermann take NITA's performance-based training for trial lawyers and adapt it to training for mediators. The authors have used these materials extensively in their mediation training classes at law schools and in programs open to the public. The Art of Mediation, Second Edition sets the

mediation process in context, provides basic definitions, contrasts mediation with other forms of dispute resolution, describes varieties of mediation, and lays out roles and functions of the mediators. The book contains forms that illustrate sample agreements to mediate and final mediation agreements, plus a section containing hypothetical situations for performance training.

**\$65** | 312 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-865-3

# International Commercial **Arbitration Advocacy**

Hon. John W. Cooley, H. Roderic Heard, and Susan L.Walker



Authored by H. Roderic Heard, Susan L. Walker, and the late Honorable John W. Cooley, International Commercial Arbitration Advocacy is the first book of its kind to offer practical advice for American trial lawyers on advocacy in international arbitration. Unlike arbitration treatises, which typically are written from the perspective of the arbitrator, International Commercial Arbitration Advocacy explains

how experienced trial lawyers can tailor their advocacy skills to be more persuasive and ultimately successful in the international arbitration arena.

**\$65** | 264 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2011 | 978-1-60156-081-0

#### NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

# Mediation Advocacy

Second Edition John W. Cooley



This classic text includes sections on various mediation design processes and techniques. Cooley leads you step by step through the mediation process, likening lawyers to architects who design structural solutions to achieve clients' goals. The chapter on cybermediation presents a real-life scenario that takes students through the various stages of the process, including case and client preparation

and in-session and post-session advocacy. The appendix contains sample mediation forms and rules, lists of ADR providers, and a list of nonprofit organizations that study and promote the use of ADR.

**\$75** | 470 PP. | 2002 | 978-1-55681-780-9

## Mediation Representation: Advocating as a Problem-Solver in Any Culture or Country

Second Edition Harold I. Abramson



Representing clients effectively in mediations requires a set of problem-solving techniques that are different from those used in adversarial negotiation and arbitration. Abramson offers a new approach for your classroom, tailored to realize the full benefits of mediation practice. Mediation Representation contains checklists and appendices,

including samples of a briefing paper, opening statements,

agreements to mediate, a confidentiality agreement, mediation rules, and a detailed explanation of how to use decision trees.

**\$65** | 526 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2010 | 978-1-60156-108-4 Teaching materials available.



# The Mediator's Handbook

Second Edition John W. Cooley



*The Mediator's Handbook* explains the roles and functions of mediators with unrivaled diligence and clarity. It outlines the basics of mediation; essential communication skills; pre-conference, conference, and post-conference duties; and hybrid and cyber mediation. In *The Mediator's Handbook*, Cooley stresses that mediation skills training should address essential lawyering attributes that carry

over into every aspect of the practice of law.



# **Appellate Advocacy**

#### **BEST SELLER**

NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

# Winning on Appeal: Better Briefs and Oral Argument

Second Edition Hon. Ruggero J. Aldisert



First published more than a decade ago, *Winning on Appeal* has been adopted by many top-flight law schools for appellate advocacy courses. It also has become a popular desk reference on how to write an effective brief and deliver a persuasive oral argument. Aldisert has created a wonderfully instructive how-to manual for the appellate advocate. Throughout *Winning on Appeal*, nineteen

current chief justices of state courts, nine chief judges of U.S. courts of appeals, more than twenty U.S. circuit judges, and many state appellate judges contribute their thoughts on how to write a brief and how to argue a case—information that is not available in any other publication or resource. Judge Aldisert draws the perfect road map for the attorney who wants to win on appeal.

The Honorable Ruggero J. Aldisert received the 2008 Golden Pen Award from the Legal Writing Institute.

#### **\$75** | 500 PP. | 2003 | 978-1-55681-824-0

# Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure with Approved Forms



NITA's 4-by-6 inch volume contains the rules of appellate procedure as amended through December 1, 2007, which includes all updates to Rule 25.

**\$20** | 112 PP. | 2008 | 978-1-60156-030-8

# Statutory Interpretation: The Search for Legislative Intent

Second Edition Ronald Benton Brown and Sharon Jacobs Brown



Statute reading doesn't have to be arduous. Designed to be read with a particular statute in mind, this handy guide is perfect for attorneys preparing for litigation, judges who need to understand the required and prohibited methods for statutory interpretations when bound by decisions of higher courts, and students seeking the tools of statutory interpretation. The second edition has been revised to

respond to comments and suggestions received as well as to update developments since the publication of the first edition.

**\$35** | 220 PP. | 2011 | 978-1-60156-158-9

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# **Criminal Practice**

# Criminal Litigation & Legal Issues in Criminal Procedure: **Readings and Hypothetical Exercises** Third Edition

Brent F. Newton



Criminal Litigation & Legal Issues in Criminal Procedure is designed to incorporate the substantive law of criminal procedure into a trial advocacy course. The traditional trial advocacy course is concerned almost exclusively with "skills training" (e.g., learning techniques for crossexamining a witness), but does not incorporate much, if

any, substantive law. Conversely, a traditional substantive course on criminal law or criminal procedure focuses exclusively on legal principles and doctrine, but does not involve training students in courtroom advocacy skills concerning substantive law.

**\$45** | 236 PP. | 2009 | 978-1-60156-098-8

# **Criminal Procedure in Practice**

Third Edition Paul Marcus and Jack 7immermann



Criminal Procedure in Practice provides practical quidance for attorneys during each stage of a criminal case—from the police investigation to issues involving the double jeopardy clause. Authors Jack Zimmermann and Paul Marcus interpret constitutional principles and case law, and provide commentary that applies to both the prosecution and defense in federal, state, or military courts. It includes

a discussion of clemency and parole in the military justice system. The examination of Confrontation Clause issues reflects the Supreme Court's decision in Crawford v. Washington (and the cases that follow, including Giles v. California), which marked a significant change in the interpretation of that clause. The analysis of relevant case law includes important Supreme Court cases impacting the death penalty in non-homicide cases, the constitutionality of lethal injection, the application of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, and more.

**\$60** | 368 PP. | 2009 | 978-1-60156-060-5

#### NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

## **Practical Criminal Procedure:** A Constitutional Manual

Second Edition Brent E. Newton



Practical Criminal Procedure, Second Edition provides a comprehensive, yet easily accessible, manual of the constitutional rules of procedure. This pragmatic guide helps practicing lawyers understand complex legal issues in context—as they arise in real-world litigation. Law students can use this guide to get a practical perspective on relevant issues of criminal law. Newton shares his unique

perspective as both a practicing attorney and law school professor, examining the major topics in constitutional criminal procedure and including a reference to every significant decision of the United States Supreme Court.

**\$45** | 376 PP. | 2011 | 978-1-60156-106-0

# **Deposition and Pretrial**

# Administrative Agency Litigation

Chris McNeil



Whenever the government tries to deny a benefit or take away a license, the parties affected by the action have the right to a fair hearing before an impartial adjudicator. This book offers practical suggestions about how to prepare for agency hearings. It's a guide for lawyers, clinical assistants, law students, and laymen who want to gain an accurate understanding of what to expect in litigating

with a governmental agency. Written by an experienced administrative litigator and judge, the book explains why preparing for agency litigation is different from civil or criminal litigation. It provides a summary of the constitutional principles controlling agency action, a discussion about issues that are likely to arise in administrative hearings, and a review of the best practices for effective advocacy before governmental bodies. It explains how to avoid the trial-by-fire process that is common among agency hearings by giving specific suggestions on how to prepare your client, your judge, and yourself for agency adjudication.

**\$65** | 200 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2011 | 978-1-60156-144-2



# Deposition Evidence: Objections, Instructions Not to Answer, and Responses

Law and Tactics Anthony J. Bocchino and David A. Sonenshein



Deposition Evidence explores an attorney's role in dealing with evidentiary issues that arise when taking and defending depositions. It provides experienced insights into typical issues confronting attorneys during depositions, as well as guidance on tactical and professional responsibility issues. *Deposition Evidence* is designed to provide a ready

reference regarding a variety of evidentiary and practice-related issues such as:

- The law and tactics of making and curing objections
- Preparation of witnesses regarding objections
- Instructions not to answer on privilege or trial preparation material grounds and how to respond to such instructions
- Rule-by-rule practice guide (Federal Rules of Evidence) on how to make, respond to, and cure objections at deposition

**\$45** | 192 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-958-2

#### NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

# Fact Investigation: A Practical Guide to Interviewing, Counseling, and Case Theory Development

Paul J. Zwier and Anthony J. Bocchino



Fact Investigation focuses on the most effective modern methods and techniques for investigating a case, uncovering the critical facts, and developing a winning case theory. These methods help to narrow issues and focus litigation so that the attorney/counselor can gather, produce, and impart "practical wisdom" to the clients. Fact Investigation contains practical learning models tested by successful lawyers and

teachers for planning and decision making. Also included are three problems that demonstrate the practical use of the models and integrate them into the overall case planning and ethical issues of day-to-day lawyering. The three problems are: Quinlan v. Kane Electronics (business/contract case), Brown v. Byrd (auto accident and personal injury case), and *State v. Lawrence* (criminal robbery case).

# **Deposition Rules:** The Essential Handbook to Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How

Fourth Edition David M. Malone



Who may be deposed? Why depose your own witnesses? How do you object to opposing counsel's behavior? This handy reference quide asks and answers ninety common questions lawyers face in preparing, conducting, and defending depositions.

**\$35** | 206 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-955-1

# **BEST SELLER**

NITA PRACTICAL GUIDE SERIES

# The Effective Deposition: Techniques and Strategies That Work

**Revised Third Edition** David M. Malone, Peter T. Hoffman, and Anthony J. Bocchino



NITA programs and law schools nationwide have used The Effective Deposition for years so that attorneys and soon-to-be attorneys have all the essential knowhow in taking a deposition—the most critical step in discovery. The authors apply their expertise as attorneys and educators to bring the reader critical information on recent rules, information on the impact of technological

developments including e-discovery and digital transcription, along with new deposition techniques that you will not learn from any other text. Today, the goals in applying deposition skills remain important regardless of whether a case faces trial or alternative dispute resolution. In fact, with the increasing trend toward non-trial resolutions, depositions are used as much or more than in years past in the context of motions, negotiated settlements, mediations, arbitrations, and dismissals.

**\$85** | 432 PP. | 2007 | 978-1-60156-047-6





#### Facts Can't Speak for Themselves: Reveal the Stories That Give **Facts Their Meaning** Eric Oliver



Every decision maker is influenced by far more than his or her background and beliefs. Every decision maker has an imagination, and they use it to create many more than one version of your client's case story. Then, each judge, negotiator, mediator and juror settles on one private version of your story and decides your case from that version. Facts Can't Speak for Themselves offers trial

attorneys proven ways to uncover the full range of those "rewritten" stories in focus groups and how to take their best elements into court and other venues to deliver a story more likely to persuade than the one you thought you had. Highlights include:

- The importance of crafting and communicating a case to decision makers as a story and why it can be the most direct and influential way to address decision makers
- Which focus groups best reveal the range of story versions listeners can build from your case

Appendices include "function follows form," a glossary, sample opening statements, and small-group standards and guidelines.

**\$65** | 564 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-790-8

#### How to Do Your Own Focus Groups: A Guide for Trial Attorneys David Ball



This easy-to-follow book shows you how to organize and direct your own focus groups: deciding what kind of focus group best fits your case, selecting the focus jurors, and analyzing your conclusions. How to Do Your Own Focus Groups is designed so that attorneys can easily start conducting their own focus groups, and it also contains information about hiring trial consultants to run them

for you. The book includes a CD-ROM with sample schedules, letters, forms, and questionnaires that you can adapt to your focus group.



**\$55** | 184 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2001 | 978-1-55681-695-6

#### Legal Strategy Paul I 7wier



Legal Strategy describes pre-litigation, transactional, and negotiation processes in a way that brings together the basics of each discipline. It shows how to determine the end goal of your case, how to explore the facts, and procedural alternatives most likely to get you to your goal. By focusing lawyers in a continual exercise in deliberation on what matters most, Zwier sets forth three steps in

legal strategy: fact investigation, client counseling, and implementation of the client's decision.

**\$50** | 192 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-923-0

# Supervisory & Leadership Skills in the Modern Law Practice

Patricia Lucas and Paul J. Zwier



Are you looking for a fresh new take on law firm management and associate training? In this book, law firm management issues, often neglected in law school, are brought to the forefront. Supervisory & Leadership Skills in the Modern Law Practice shows you how to give your staff more effective feedback as well as teaches you the difficult delegation skills we all need to acquire. Paul Zwier and

Patricia Lucas recognize the need for supervisory lawyers to improve staff morale, maintain effective firm organization, and ultimately increase firm profitability and give students the tools to do it.

**\$25** | 176 PP. | 2006 | 978-1-55681-991-9



# Written and Electronic Discovery: Theory and Practice

Fifth Edition John Hardin Young, Terri A. Zall, and Alan F. Blakley



A comprehensive and practical guide, *Written and Electronic Discovery: Theory and Practice* leads the reader through the entire discovery process—from the crucial planning stages through the initial 26(f) planning conferences, mandatory disclosures (including experts), interrogatories, production, depositions, admissions, subpoenas, and the ultimate use of the fruits of discovery at trial. Special attention is given

to the area of electronically stored information—including issues of retaining and accessing electronic information, expense of discovery versus value in litigation, cost-shifting, metadata, working with IT departments and other computer experts, and automated litigation support. With its unique blend of theory and practical advice, this book is a must for any litigation professional.

**\$75** | 460 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2009 | 978-1-60156-056-8

# Evidence

### 100 Vignettes for Improving Trial Evidence Skills

David A. Sonenshein, Anthony J. Bocchino, and JoAnne Epps



100 Vignettes for Improving Trial Evidence Skills is designed to raise evidentiary issues in the context in which they occur. The vignettes are examples of how specific issues arise at trial and provide a context for a better understanding of the rules of evidence as they are applied. These materials are designed to be used in both an evidence or trial advocacy class.

**\$55** | 270 PP. | 2005 | 978-1-55681-888-2 Teaching materials available

# California Evidence Code with Objections

Anthony Bocchino, Allen Snyder, and David Sonenshein



At 4-by-6 inches, this complete guide to California evidence travels easily to the courtroom or classroom. This handy pocket-size book lets you:

- Quickly reference objections and responses during trial through the use of thumb tabs
- Instantly consult the relevant California rule
- Gain insight from crucial practice tips and legal interpretations
- Access the rules when you need them most—this pocket-size guide is always at hand

The new edition reflects the changes made to the evidence code by the California legislature through January 2009.

**\$35** | 448 PP. WITH MINI CD-ROM | 2009 | 978-1-60156-006-3

# Colorado Rules of Evidence with Objections

Fourth Edition

Anthony J. Bocchino, Hon. William G. Meyer, and David A. Sonenshein



At 4-by-6 inches, this complete reference guide to Colorado evidence travels easily to the courtroom or classroom. NITA's handy guide enables you to quickly reference objections and responses during trial. Objections, followed by the accurate responses, are listed alphabetically with thumb tabs so that you can go right to them. Instantly consult the relevant section of the *Colorado Rules of* 

*Evidence*, reproduced in its entirety in the last section of the book. Gain insight from crucial practice tips and legal interpretations. Access the rules when you need them most—this pocket-size guide is always at hand.

**\$30** | 248 PP. | 2007 | 978-1-60156-042-1

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#### BEST SELLER

### **Evidence in Context:** A Trial Evidence Workbook

Fourth Edition Robert P. Burns, Steven Lubet, and James H. Seckinger



Evidence in Context encourages active learning by requiring students to invoke what they know about a complex factual pattern before making their arguments in favor of, or against, admissibility—just like a competent trial advocate. Learning evidence within the context of complex fact patterns illustrates the way in which the choices an attorney makes about theory of the case and theory of admissibility

can critically affect the admissibility of evidence. The material contains two complex case files and over 290 problems. All exhibits are included on a CD-ROM.

**\$60** | 292 PP. WITH CD-ROM | 2010 | 978-1-42249-166-9 Teaching materials available

# Florida Evidence Code with Objections

Anthony J. Bocchino, Teresa Davenport, and David Sonenshein



At 4-by-6 inches, this complete reference guide to Florida evidence travels easily to the courtroom or classroom. NITA's handy guide, compiled by David Sonenshein, Anthony Bocchino, Teresa Davenport, and Lisa Hirsch, enables you to quickly reference objections and responses during trial. Objections, followed by the accurate responses, are listed alphabetically with thumb tabs so that you can

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Anthony J. Bocchino and Donald H. Beskind

Contributing authors include: Kenneth S. Broun, Steven Lubet, John M. Maciejczyk, Louis M. Natali, Frank D. Rothschild, James H. Seckinger, Deanne C. Siemer, Edward R. Stein, and Warren Wolfson.



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are called to Maria Pena's residence after Ricky and Eva were found requesting food from a neighbor, claiming they had none in their house. There are five witnesses in the case. The second problem of the case file involves a delinquency petition filed against eight-year-old Eva, who is charged with assault of a foster child in the foster home where she is placed. She claims she learned this behavior by watching violent television programming. The second part of the file includes seven witnesses.

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Richard T. Cozzola, Timothy McDonald



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Sasha and Loren Slovin, a six-year-old boy and a ten-year old girl, are the center of their parents' custody battle. Slovin v. Slovin addresses not only this custody battle but also two other matters between Michael and Rita Slovin: divorce on the grounds of adultery and/or cruel and inhuman conduct and a domestic tort (battery). The divorce case includes three witnesses for the plaintiff

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# **Civil Rights**

#### **EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE**

# James v. Colt

Hon, Andrew P. Rodovich



After serving time in prison for selling cocaine, Bart James has several run-ins with his arresting officer, John Colt, who subsequently arrests him again. James is shot during the arrest. The plaintiff argues Colt sought him out to make another arrest and then used excessive force. The defendant claims that James made several threatening remarks to him justifying the arrest. This case file provides nine witnesses

and instructs the student to select three to develop his case.



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# Contracts

#### **CORPORATE MISAPPROPRIATION**

Bio-Solutions, Inc. v. O'Malley

William R. Hinchman



Focusing on the current issue of medical research and misappropriation of company funds, *Bio-Solutions, Inc.* v. O'Malley is a case file designed for any law school classroom focused on civil litigation and/or trial advocacy. The case involves the facts surrounding Bio-Solutions, Inc.'s development of a DNA breast-cancer vaccine and the duties

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balanced and provides ample material for basic and advanced advocacy training.



#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT**

# Cosmopolitan Life Insurance Co. v. Jordan and Moore

Hon. Andrew P. Rodovich



Arthur Moore was found dead with a single bullet wound in his chest only minutes after visiting an ATM and speaking to his mistress, Amy Jordan, on the telephone. The case involves a dispute between the decedent's mistress and his wife over who deserves the funds from a life insurance policy. Cosmopolitan Life Insurance Company has filed an interpleader action and deposited the proceeds from the life insurance policy with the clerk. There are four witnesses for both Sandra Moore and Amy Jordan. The companion criminal case file, State v. Jordan, involves the alleged murder of Arthur Moore by Amy Jordan.

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*Cranbrooke v. Intellex* is an excellent case file for advocacy courses focusing on intellectual property or international law. This case file is designed so liability and damages can be tried separately. Cranbrooke Industries, PLC is suing Intellex, Inc. on the basis that they violated a contractual agreement that allowed Cranbrooke exclusive distribution rights of Intellex's video gaming products. Intellex is a

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Dependable Bank claims that one of its officers, Alice Aldrich, is quilty of misappropriation of trade secrets, breach of loyalty, and business disparagement. Allegedly, Aldrich misappropriated confidential client information when she became president of ABC Asset Management Co. There are four witnesses for the plaintiff and the defendant. There are two witnesses for ABC Asset Management.

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT** (COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY FOCUS)

# Dixon v. Providential Life Insurance Co.

Original case file by James H. Seckinger Adapted by Edward R. Stein and Frank D. Rothschild



Judge John Dixon's dead body was found with a gunshot wound in the head. His wife, the plaintiff, demands that Providential Life Insurance Company pay on Dixon's life insurance policy, but Providential refuses. The coroner, Dixon's personal physician, determined the death was accidental, but Providential claims the coroner's conclusion

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Flinders Aluminum Fabrication Corporation burned to the ground on the night of November 16. George Avery, an employee of the plant, died inside. Plaintiff Arthur Jackson, the sole stockholder of the company, has filed a civil action law suit to recover the \$1,667,000 in damages owed from the policy issued by defendant Mismo Fire Insurance Company. The defendant has refused to pay, claiming that

the fire was the work of an arsonist, thus indicating deliberate fraud. Mismo asserts that Jackson conspired with others to burn the plant in order to collect what was promised in the insurance policy. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant. A companion criminal case file, State v. Jackson, involves the charge of arson against Arthur Jackson.

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# Homestead Property v. Manhattan Fire & Casualty Co.

Donald H. Beskind, Anthony J. Bocchino, Paul Marcus, Frank D. Rothschild, Deanne C. Siemer, Samuel H. Solomon, Edward R. Stein, and Paul Zwier



Termites destroyed the walls of many Homestead Properties homes during their construction phases. Homestead feels strongly enough about the damage done to its newly built homes that it demands its insurance company, Manhattan Fire and Casualty, pay for damages. Manhattan asserts that the policy does not cover this loss and denies the claim. This contract file is designed to teach students not only general advocacy skills but also effective use of focus groups and courtroom technology. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant. The case file includes a CD containing exhibits.

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT**

# Jerry's Wiring Inc. v. Smith Construction Co.

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#### Nita City Housing Authority v. Johnson Mark S. Caldwell



*Nita City Housing Authority v. Johnson* is an action for eviction. Ladonna Johnson and her two grandchildren and great grandchild live at Nita Gardens, Nita City's only public housing project. Grounds for the eviction are based on Ms. Johnson's grandson's alleged criminal gang activity. However, Ms. Johnson believes the eviction is in retaliation for her formation of a tenant action committee requesting

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Paul J. Zwier



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with him and instead gave the contract to the defendant's employer, Ross Construction Company. There are three witnesses for the plaintiff and five witnesses for the defendant. The case file contains ample material for motion practice.

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT/ARSON**

### Nita Fire & Casualty Company v. Rubino & Son

Anthony J. Bocchino and Louis M. Natali, Jr.



The plaintiff, Nita Fire and Casualty Company, brought this lawsuit to recover an amount paid to the defendant, Anthony J. Rubino, on a fire insurance policy on Rubino's business, Rubino and Son, Dry Cleaners. A fire at the defendant's plant resulted in a total loss. The fire marshal reported that the fire was caused by spontaneous combustion. Relying on the report, the plaintiff paid the

defendant's claim of \$300,000.00. After paying the claim, the plaintiff learned that the fire possibly was caused by arson. After it conducted an independent investigation, the plaintiff decided that the fire was set deliberately. Rubino has denied the allegation of arson.



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#### BREACH OF CONTRACT AND FRAUDULENT INDUCEMENT

# Paul v. Dynamo Sporting Goods, Dillon, and Hanson

Second Edition Morgan Cloud



This pretrial case file features a breach of contract focusing on evidentiary privileges, professional responsibility, and client misconduct. Michelle Paul seeks to recover the unpaid sum of \$2.8 million from Arthur Dillon, the buyer of her former business, Sportslifeware. After the sale, Paul started a new company, Sportigue Clothing, and hired two

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT**

# Rogers v. Midstate University

John Sonsteng, Linda Thorstad, Jennifer Miller



This dispute centers around the discharge of an employee, Pat Rogers, by Midstate University. The University alleges Pat Rogers violated the Rules of Employment and Management of the Off Campus Liquor Store by knowingly selling alcohol to an intoxicated person and terminated Rogers. The employee's union (SPEU) filed a grievance on behalf of the

employee. The Union has requested an expedited arbitration hearing pursuant to Article 28 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement permit the employee to bypass arbitration and elect to have a trial before a judge or jury. This case file has both arbitration and trial versions.



#### ARBITRATION

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#### BREACH OF CONTRACT (COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY FOCUS)

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At what point does a friendly conversation end and a business consultation begin? That is a question to which neither Roberta Quinlan nor Brian Kane knows the answer. In this business contracts case, the plaintiff demands a broker fee of \$300,000 that she is convinced she is entitled to be paid. The defendant, however, maintains that Quinlan simply offered friendly advice on the sale of his business, Kane Electronics, to Nita Computer World and therefore owes her no fee. There are two witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT** (NONCOMPETE EMPLOYMENT CLAUSE)

# Superior Speech and Hearing, Inc. v. Baines

John Sonsteng, Linda Thorstad, Jennifer Miller



Jillian Baines had an employment contract with Superior Speech and Hearing Center ("Superior") and worked for Superior for a year. Marty Allen is the owner and director of Superior. Jillian's contract included a noncompete clause. After her contract expired, she continued with Superior to train a replacement. Baines recently left Superior to work for her husband's company, River Island View

Audiologists, P.A. ("River Island"). River Island is Superior's biggest competitor. Superior had a renewable contract with Independent School District 100A ("School District"), which has expired. The school system decided not to renew the contract with Superior. River Island has just been awarded the contract. Superior filed a summons and complaint in state court, and the defendant, Jillian Baines, answered. In the complaint, the plaintiff is asking for a permanent injunction to enforce the noncompete clause of the employment contract and for other relief. The matter is now before the court in regard to a temporary injunction (restraining order) to prevent Jillian Baines from working with River Island until the permanent injunction matter can be heard.

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#### **BREACH OF CONTRACT**

# Vending Operator, Inc. v. Nita Department of Transportation

Third Edition/Advanced Steven Lubet



Nita's transportation department claims that Vending Operator materially breached a contract to build and maintain vending stations along state highways. This trial case file is suited to train students to try both the liability and damages phases of civil actions. Impeachment issues give students the opportunity to practice examination skills. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the

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# Discrimination

#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

# Adams v. Corr-Train, Inc.

Andrea Curcio and Deborah Young



The plaintiff accused her former supervisor of sexual harassment and is now suing Corr-Train, Inc. for damages. There are three potential claims: hostile environment/ sexual harassment, quid pro quo (her refusal to have sex resulted in a tangible job action), and unlawful retaliation for reporting sexual harassment. The case file was

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# Green v. Hall and Rose

Sixth Edition (Advanced) Kenneth S. Broun



Initially designed as a case file for a fair housing clinic, *Green v. Hall and Rose* is an excellent case file not only for fair housing study but also racial discrimination. With special emphasis on discovery exercises, this case file focuses on Richard and Martha Green's trouble with buying a home in the Beverly Hills area of Nita City. The Greens

allege that homeowner and defendant, Elizabeth Hall, refused an offer made by the Greens' realtor, Sylvia Rose, because of the Greens' race. There are two witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendants including an expert real estate appraiser and an expert medical psychiatrist.

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#### AGE DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE

# Jarvis v. Columbia Breweries, Inc.

Hon. Andrew P. Rodovich



Ted Jarvis, a loyal fifty-seven-year-old employee of Columbia Breweries, claims he was discharged from his position because of his age. The president of Columbia Breweries, a family-owned business, will testify that the termination was based on poor work performance. The case file presents students with the challenge of determining which witnesses best support their theory of the case. The

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#### **ADA ACTION**

# Jones v. Kids-R-Ours, Inc.

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After suffering a seizure at work, the plaintiff, Jean Jones, was suspended without pay from the Kids-R-Ours day care where she worked. Jones suffers from epilepsy, which is a qualified disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act. This, however, did not stop the defendant from suspending, demoting, and then firing the plaintiff. Kids-R-Ours claims that their action was justifiable since

Jones was a threat to the children. This is a well-balanced file where the verdict could easily be won by either party. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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After Maggie Polisi, an associate at the law firm of Parker & Gould, breaks off a relationship with a partner, Simon Clark, she is denied partnership. Polisi sues Clark and the firm for gender discrimination, sexual harassment (guid pro quo and hostile work environment), and defamation. This case file is designed to teach advanced trial skills in

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#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

# Taylor v. Pinnacle Packaging Products, Inc

Second Edition Hon, Andrew P. Rodovich



The plaintiff, Jamie Taylor, was hired by the defendant, Pinnacle Packaging Products, Inc., to work in the warehouse. During her employment, the plaintiff claims she was sexually harassed by the warehouse manager, John Hamilton, who repeatedly asked the plaintiff to go out with him. Taylor was fired by Hamilton during her probation period. The plaintiff

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#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

# Rowe v. Pacific Quad, Inc.

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"Looks like you're getting a little behind in your work," James Schmit, operations manager at Pacific Quad, said to the new hire, Alice Rowe. "I'd sure like to get a little behind in mine." Rowe sues Pacific Quad for sexual harassment, claiming this and other lewd behavior at Pacific Quad created a hostile work environment and forced her to quit. She previously filed a claim against a professor when she was in college. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### **SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

## Williams v. Simonson

Anthony J. Bocchino and David A. Sonenshein



Mary Anne Williams is suing the defendants, David A. Simonson, Christine Jefferson, Nita University, and The Patterson Institute, and is seeking to recover damages for gender discrimination and the tort of defamation. There are five potential claims: gender discrimination, quid pro quo sexual harassment, hostile work environment, intentional infliction of emotional distress, and wrongful termination.

Williams seeks back pay, lost pay, damages, and reinstatement. Designed for advanced advocacy training, this case file involves difficult legal and factual issues for jury resolution and requires the examination of expert witnesses. There is one witness for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendants.

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#### **RESCISSION AND CONVERSION**

#### Armistead v. Fortune Fidelity Bank Donna S. Harkness



In this elder law case, Wendy Carmichael, the plaintiff, alleges that the defendant, Fortune Fidelity Bank, unlawfully converted funds belonging to her great-aunt, Abigail Armistead, for whom she was appointed conservator. The facts involve a simple joint bank account that Armistead opened with her realtor, Joe Wasterland, for the purpose of cashing and depositing a large check representing proceeds

from the sale of a parcel of land. The plaintiff alleges that the great-aunt either lacked capacity or was the victim of exploitation by a much younger man at the time of this transaction. This case illustrates the litigation issues involved in attempting to achieve civil redress for victims of elder financial fraud and exploitation.

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#### PERSONAL INJURY AND WRONGFUL DEATH

# Estate of Bracher v. Tranquil Glen Assisted Living

Donna S. Harkness



*Estate of Bracher v. Tranquil Glen Assisted Living* is a case file describing the civil action brought by Mona Bracher Dietrich against Tranquil Glen Assisted Living, Inc., to recover damages for the personal injury and wrongful death of Edith Bracher, the plaintiff's mother. After participating in an experimental physical therapy program, Edith

Bracher suffered a broken arm, which may have further caused the stroke that killed Ms. Bracher at the age of eighty-three. The defendant denies any liability and alternatively, if the employee did cause injury to Ms. Bracher, the defendant is relieved from any liability by virtue of consent. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### WILL CONTEST

# Estate of Quanderry v. Davidson

Donna S. Harkness



Dr. Cheryl Davidson, granddaughter of decedent Peter Quanderry, is contesting his will against her uncle, James Quanderry, alleging that the will submitted for probate is invalid. She alleges that her uncle and his wife unduly influenced her grandfather in the writing of his will resulting in their benefit and her detriment. A \$4.2 million estate is at stake. This case file was written to provide law

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#### **ELDER ABUSE**

#### State v. Cooper

Donna S. Harkness



Ethan Eldermahn is a sixty-year-old man with Parkinson's disease who has been found unconscious in his backyard. He suffered heatstroke and severe sunburn and has suspicious bruises on his arms and legs. The defendant, Calvin Cooper, has been charged with two counts of elder abuse and neglect. Cooper denies ever physically abusing Eldermahn and asserts that he was in the care

of the housekeeper, Greta Mayerson, at the time the alleged neglect took place. The defendant claims he was the victim's friend and companion and was neither licensed nor employed as a caretaker. There are six witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendant.

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# Malpractice

#### MEDICAL MALPRACTICE

# Steele v. Kitchener

Dennis Turner



This case involves the alleged negligent misreading of a biopsy tissue sample by the defendant, Susan Kitchener, M.D. After examining the tissue sample from the plaintiff, Dr. Steele, the defendant concluded that the lesion was benign. Seven months later, Steele's lesion had grown and the analysis of the biopsy at that time concluded that the lesion had actually been malignant melanoma. Two years

later, Steele developed brain lesions and died. The patient's widow, Linda Steele, seeks to recover damages for wrongful death from Kitchener and her employer, Pathology Labs. There are two witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### Brown v. Byrd

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Kenneth Brown claims he can't engage in any strenuous exercise. He also claims that a muscle relaxant his doctor prescribes does not allow him to drink any alcohol. Both of these inconveniences, Brown is convinced, are results of being rear-ended by the defendant, Robert Byrd. However, Brown has been observed exercising and drinking alcohol. Byrd maintains that the collision was in no way serious

enough to cause Brown's alleged injuries. There are two witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### WRONGFUL DEATH

# Constantine v. Prince and Worldwide Footwear, Inc.

William S. Bailey



This is a wrongful death case involving bicyclist George Constantine, who, while working for a bicycle messenger service, was hit by motorist Richard Prince. The decedent's estate seeks to recover damages from the defendant, alleging that he was going too fast and not keeping a proper lookout. Plaintiff further claims co-defendant and Prince's employer, Worldwide Footwear, Inc., failed

to properly train, supervise, or discipline Prince who had received a number of speeding tickets without consequence prior to the fatal collision. The case utilizes computer animations in support of the testimony of both the plaintiff's and defendants' accident reconstruction experts. There are ten witnesses for the plaintiff and seven witnesses for the defendants.

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#### **PERSONAL INJURY/NEGLIGENCE**

# Darngood v. Landers and PUDS

John Sonsteng, Linda Thorstad, Jennifer Miller



The plaintiff, Helen Darngood, was struck by a Picket Up Delivery Services van driven by the defendant, Mel Landers. A negligence action has been brought by Helen Darngood against Mel Landers and Picket Up Delivery Services. They claim that the vehicle driven by Landers entered the intersection on a yellow light, that the vehicle proceeded through the intersection as permitted by law, and that

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A high-school football star, John Fulbright, is thrown from his motorcycle and severely injured when it collides with a Cadillac that just pulled out of a parking lot. Most of the witnesses say Fulbright was speeding and not wearing a helmet, but a fourteen-year-old boy says otherwise. There is evidence that the Cadillac's driver, Andrew Parker, an

Americraft employee, had been drinking. The plaintiff claims he became an epileptic as a result of his injuries. There is not a helmet law in the State of Nita. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendants.

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#### WRONGFUL ACT (DAMAGES)

## Lang v. Anderson

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The plaintiff, Jeffrey B. Lang, seeks to recover damages based upon a claim that the defendant, Jennifer L. Anderson, owner of Mr. Gatsby's Restaurant, by serving and selling alcoholic beverages to Butch Turner, caused the intoxication of Butch Turner, and that Butch Turner injured the plaintiff while in this intoxicated condition.

The defendant denies that, as a result of beer consumed at Mr. Gatsby's Restaurant, Butch Turner became intoxicated. The defendant claims that the plaintiff provoked the fight with Turner. The defendant asserts that she, therefore, is not liable for the plaintiff's injuries. This file is intended to be used for a bench trial or a short jury trial. The trial may be limited to the issue of liability; however, adequate materials are included to allow the issue of damages to also be tried. Each side should be permitted to call only two witnesses.

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WRONGFUL DEATH (TRAFFIC ACCIDENT)

## Potter v. Shrackle and The Shrackle Construction Co.

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Was the light red or green? Charles Shrackle's truck strikes and kills Katherine Potter as she is crossing an intersection in Nita City. Her estate brings a wrongful death action against Shrackle and his company. This classic file is ideal for teaching basic trial skills. It has been updated to reflect today's pertinent issues. Was the accident caused by the use of a cell phone? Was Jeffrey Potter involved in an affair

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#### TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

## McLain v. Barber

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#### DUTY OF CARE IN EMERGENCY (TRAFFIC ACCIDENT)

## Scruggs v. Snyder

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A six-year-old child ran across a busy highway. Lynn Snyder was driving along that highway and struck the child, possibly causing him to suffer a severe closed-head injury. Moments prior to the accident, a number of motorists including Snyder noticed the boy fidgeting by the fog line of the road. The defendant denies negligence on his part, and the state

patrol officer who investigated the accident determined that there was not enough time for Snyder to stop before making contact with the child. The plaintiffs, supported by a number of eyewitnesses, claim that there was more than enough time for the defendant to avoid hitting the child. Both the plaintiffs and the defendant rely heavily on demonstrative evidence in this case. *Scruggs v. Snyder* includes a DVD containing expert witness reconstruction of the accident for both sides and a video walk-through of the accident site. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiffs and the defendant.

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#### BATTERY AND NEGLIGENCE (GUNSHOT WOUND)

## Strange v. Wrigley

Second Edition Hon. Andrew P. Rodovich



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file examines issues of self defense and comparative fault and is a good practice for the beginning student in developing basic trial skills. There are two witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant and four additional witnesses either party may call.

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#### TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

## Williamson v. Shrackle

Molly Townes O'Brien, Steven Friedman, and Kevin L. Prins



Professor Fergus D. Williamson was crossing the street when he was struck by the company pickup truck of Charles T. Schrackle. Williamson has filed a civil negligence suit with the Nita State courts, claiming that Shrackle's negligence caused him severe injury and disability. Shrackle admits to hitting Williamson but claims that he was

crossing in the middle of the street, not the crosswalk, and that Williamson did not look before entering the road. The defendant denies negligence, instead alleging contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff. There are three witnesses for the plaintiff and four for the defendant.

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Anne Farrell's husband, Nathan, died after a heart transplant. There is reason to believe the equipment used in the surgery was defective and led to Nathan's untimely death. Anne is seeking damages from both the hospital and Dr. Madden claiming negligence and medical malpractice. Additionally, the plaintiff is suing Strong Line claiming both

negligence and product liability due to the defective suture. All three defendants refute this claim and are contesting the amount of damages the plaintiff is seeking, maintaining that she cannot affirm that her husband's quality of life would have remained intact postsurgery. The professor will have choices for students to work with multiple defendants to complicate the charges. There are eight witnesses for the plaintiffs and five witnesses for the defendants.

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## Garcia v. Vertex Manufacturing Company

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In this products-liability case involving the tip-over of an extended-reach personnel lift, a shipyard worker falls seventy feet when the lift he's in tips over. He suffers broken ankles in the fall and claims that he sustained a closed head injury. He sues Vertex Manufacturing, the maker of the lift, claiming negligent design. Experts will testify for both sides on the lift's design safety and industry

standards. The defendant alleges that the lift was within industry standards and that it tipped over because of the plaintiff's employer's failure to properly train its workers. Defendant also disputes plaintiff's claims of a head injury and personality change. If tried for liability only, there are three witnesses for the plaintiff and two for the defense. If damages are pursued, then there are five witnesses for the plaintiff and three for the defense. A CD-ROM containing photos of the accident scene and equipment, medical reports, and computer graphics is included.

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## World Oil Co. v. Northeast Shipbuilding, Inc., and Toiler Salvage Co.

Fourth Edition Thomas F. Geraghty



One dark night the J.B. John Northeast Shipbuilding tanker grounded and broke in half spilling 230,000 tons of crude oil into the water and subsequently Nita's shore. Now, an action for indemnification and contribution has been filed for the plaintiff who is seeking to recover \$1.2 billion in damages. This is not the first suit surrounding this accident. The State of Nita, Nita residents, and various other businesses

sued World Oil for damages and were awarded a total of \$1.2 billion. There are ten witnesses for the plaintiff and five witnesses for the defendants, including several experts. This file is recommended for use in advanced advocacy courses.

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This case file contains a four-count disciplinary action brought by the Nita State Bar against the respondent, Harriet Cooperman, a member of the Nita State Bar. The Bar alleges that Cooperman failed to adequately consult with her client, David Engles, during the course of his action against the Acme Paper Company. The Bar also states: Cooperman failed to adequately explain the contents of her fee agreement; she represented clients with conflicting interests without first obtaining the informed consent; and finally, she represented a client against a former client in a cause of action. The appendix contains the American Bar Association Rules of Professional Conduct applicable to this case. There are three witnesses for both the State Bar and the respondent.

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# Case files criminal

#### **MURDER/SUICIDE**

## Gilbert v. O'Neil

Joseph E. Taylor



Six-year-old Julie Gilbert, the daughter of rock star Charlie Gilbert, sues her mother, Cally O'Neil, through her guardian ad litem, alleging that the defendant caused the death of the rock star by conspiring with her lover, Buster Adams, to kill Gilbert. The plaintiff alleges that O'Neil and Adams injected Gilbert with a lethal dose of drugs, fatally shot him, and then staged his suicide. The defense claims that

Gilbert died of suicide by a self-inflicted gunshot. Based on the Kurt Cobain murder/ suicide case, this case file includes depositions from nine witnesses, including expert testimony from doctors, forensic experts, and a handwriting expert.

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## BEST SELLER

FIRST-DEGREE MURDER (SELF-DEFENSE)

## State v. Baker

Second Edition Joseph E. Taylor



Sarah Baker has been charged with the first-degree murder of her husband, who was a well-known news anchor. The State alleges that Baker intended to divorce her husband and cut him out of her will, and that he was going to sue her for a large portion of the estate. Baker claims she shot him to protect herself when he advanced toward her with a kitchen knife threatening to kill her. The case features the

use of expert forensic pathology, criminalistics, DNA testimony, and the defense of sel-defense. There are five witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendant.

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## State v. Burns

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for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### FIRST-DEGREE MURDER (TWO COUNTS)

State v. Casey Joseph E. Taylor



The defendant has been charged with first-degree murder in the deaths of his stepfather Bill Melton and his half-brother Stephen Melton. Michael Casey confessed to Detective Stevens but later contends that it was his mother who shot them to collect \$500,000 in insurance money. Both the defense and the prosecution agree that Bill and Stephen Melton were murdered in their home with Bill's

own shotgun. The defense and prosecution do not agree on who pulled the trigger. The prosecution stands by their case that Michael killed both victims and would have killed his own mother if he hadn't run out of bullets. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant including a forensic scientist and coroner.

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#### **BATTERY OF A POLICE OFFICER**

## State v. Chambers

Joseph E. Taylor and Lincoln N. Mintz



Officer Goodfellow pulled over Mark Chambers for suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol. Chambers, although he did pull over, responded by battering Goodfellow. The defendant was arrested on two charges; however, those charges were severed and in this case file, Chambers is only being charged with battery. Chambers filed a complaint against Officer Goodfellow for

misconduct, but a hearing determined that the complaint was unfounded. Based on an actual case, *State v. Chambers* focuses on many controversial issues making this an extraordinary case file for any law school course. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant including two expert witnesses.

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#### FIRST-DEGREE MURDER (SELF-DEFENSE)

State v. Cole Second Edition Michael S. Sands



Walter "Wally" Cole shoots and kills Donald Abbott, the husband of Cole's former lover. Is it murder, a lesser offense, or a justifiable killing in self-defense? This case file presents expert testimony, photographs, diagrams, items of physical evidence, and many interesting tactical questions and evidentiary issues. There are four witnesses for both the

plaintiff and the defendant including a pathologist and criminologist.

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#### ROBBERY

### State v. Delaney

Second Edition Joseph E. Taylor



The State of Nita has charged Ardell Delaney, a professional baseball player, with robbing at gunpoint Lexi Waitkus, the assistant manager of Miller's Fine Jewelers. The defendant contends that this is a case of mistaken identification, and he claims that at the time of the robbery he was having his car checked for smog certification. This case file includes five witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the

defendant including an eyewitness and expert witness on both sides.

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FIRST-DEGREE MURDER

## State v. Diamond

**Fifth Edition** James H. Seckinger



Officer Diamond finished his last shift at the Nita City Police Department and headed over to the Truck Stop Café to visit his girlfriend. A grand jury has charged Diamond with first-degree murder in the death of his girlfriend, Trudi Doyle, even though Diamond maintains the shooting was accidental. Despite Diamond's pleas and the unusable fingerprints on the gun, the remaining evidence points

to Diamond. There are four witnesses for the plaintiff and three witnesses for the defendant, including an expert, who are available to testify.

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#### SECOND-DEGREE MURDER

## State v. Donaldson

Joseph E. Taylor and Michael S. Sands



Six-month-old Cara O'Neil died from a mysterious head injury. The State of Nita has charged Stephen Donaldson with murder in the second degree, but he claims he did nothing more than comfort and care for his stepdaughter after she fell out of her crib days before her death. There are five witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendant. The trial includes a battle of expert forensic

pathologists, presentation of an unavailable witness' testimony through video, and a number of visual aids including a video of the scene.

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#### FIRST-DEGREE ASSAULT

## State v. Harris

Second Edition Laurence M. Rose



In this adaptation of NITA's civil case file, *Fordyce v. Harris and Felson*, defendant Gerald Harris is charged with first-degree assault with a deadly weapon. On the night of March 2, Henry Fordyce and his friend Eva Long were having drinks at Gus' Bar & Grill in Nita City. Fordyce claims Gerald Harris and Edward Felson were also at the bar and spent much of their time harassing Fordyce and Long while

they drank at the bar and then later beat him outside the bar—Felson with his boots and Harris with both a broom and his boots. There are five witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendant.

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#### ARSON

## State v. Jackson

Third Edition Laurence M. Rose, Rebecca Sitterly, and Frank Rothschild



On November 16, Flinders Aluminum Fabrication Corporation burned to the ground, killing George Avery, an employee trapped inside. Arthur Jackson, the owner of Flinders, and Sonia Peterson, Jackson's former employee, have both been charged with commercial arson. The case went to trial but remained undecided because of a mistrial and a hung jury. In the post-trial proceedings, Sonia

Peterson pled guilty to conspiracy to commit felony and agreed to testify against Arthur Jackson. The State and the defendant each have four witnesses. The civil action version of this case file is titled *Flinders Aluminum Fabrication Corporation v. Mismo Fire Insurance Company.* 

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#### SEXUAL ASSAULT

## State v. Johnson

Jean Montoya



Edward Johnson has been charged with the rape of Amanda Smith, a woman he claimed to have met in a bar the night the alleged rape occurred. Johnson, the defendant, is pleading not guilty, asserting that while the pair did engage in sexual intercourse, the relations were consensual. Smith, contrarily, claims that she gave the defendant a ride home from the bar, and upon arrival at his

apartment, he seized her keys and forced her to come upstairs. Each party is required to submit to examinations and alcohol/toxicology inspections at the laboratory. There are five witnesses for the plaintiff and four witnesses for the defendant.





#### **FIRST-DEGREE MURDER**

### State v. Jordan

Hon. Andrew P. Rodovich



At 5:32 p.m. Amy Jordan left her apartment. At 5:44 p.m. Arthur Moore turned to leave an ATM, only to be shot and killed. At 6:02 p.m. Amy Jordan returned to her apartment. Is it convenient or a coincidence that Amy's .38 caliber handgun was reported stolen eight days prior? According to the State of Nita it is not a coincidence but rather a fact that Amy shot her boyfriend, Arthur, in order to receive the

proceeds of a life insurance policy. The case is complicated by the fact that Arthur's wife, Sandra, was the beneficiary for the remainder of the estate. There are four witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant—each of whom present largely circumstantial evidence.

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#### ROBBERY

### State v. Kartal

John Sonsteng, Linda Thorstad, Jennifer Millers



John Paul Kartal has been charged by criminal complaint with a number of crimes, including burglary, robbery, and assault, that arose from an incident the home of Sarah Ramsey. On the evening of the incident, Ramsey arrived home and encountered a person inside her house. At a lineup that was held later at the police station, Sarah Ramsey identified John Paul Kartal as a person who "looked

like" the burglar she saw running from her home.

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### State v. Lawrence

Second Edition Frank D. Rothschild, Deanne C. Siemer, and Anthony J. Bocchino



As Gale Fitzgerald walked toward her house from the bus stop, she felt a sharp tug on her purse, and after a short struggle, she was thrown to the ground while her attacker ran off with her purse. On July 15, the defendant, James Lawrence, was arrested while attempting to snatch the purse of off-duty officer Sonia Henderson. The defendant has now been charged with theft and robbery for Gale

Fitzgerald's mugging. Lawrence waived his Miranda rights, and gave a statement saying he was on a date the night of the incident, a story which Chelsea Williams corroborated. He still stands trial for theft, which is a felony punishable by up to ten years in jail. This is a good file for the basic trial advocacy classroom. There are two witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant.

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#### FIRST-DEGREE MURDER

### State v. O'Neill

**Revised Fifth Edition** James H. Seckinger



Helen O'Neill stood on the front porch of her stepmother's home only to be shot and killed. The grand jury believes her stepmother's claims that Joseph O'Neill, Helen's estranged husband, drove up to the house and fired the deadly shot. Joseph pleads not quilty, and a jury is unable to find a verdict. The result: the State retries this case as told in *State* 

v. O'Neill. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant along with one optional witness for either side.

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#### ATTEMPTED MURDER (DOMESTIC VIOLENCE)

## State v. Patterson

Hon, Andrew P. Rodovich



On April 16, the defendant, Allen Patterson, shot and killed his wife, Molly Patterson, in their family-owned liquor store, Al's Ales. Patterson is charged with murder in the first degree. He told the police, however, that he shot at an armed robber and instead accidentally shot and killed his wife. The crime remained unsolved for over one year until someone else was arrested on unrelated charges

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## State v. Peyton

Elizabeth I. Boals



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#### **FIRST-DEGREE MURDER (GANGS)**

## State v. Sanchez

**Revised Edition** Elizabeth I. Boals



Ernesto Sanchez admits to fatally stabbing Patrick Connor during a street fight between two Nita City gangs. Sanchez pleads self-defense, and the circumstances surrounding the stabbing are complicated by the testimonies of other gang and community members. This case file is particularly unique because of its focus on gang activity and its use of non-traditional experts with specialized knowledge of gang

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#### State v. Skywolf Joseph E. Taylor



Andrew "Eagle" Skywolf has been charged with firstdegree murder in the death of Officer Dan Lockman. This is the first NITA case file to incorporate Native American culture and its unique historical background in a significant way in a case file. There are four witnesses for the prosecution and four for the defense. Expert testimony is presented on both sides. The prosecution relies on expert

witnesses and incorporates DNA evidence as important proof of guilt in this case. The defense calls on experts that question the professionalism of the investigating team and the interpretation of the evidence. Expert testimony is also given by a Native American Studies expert. Includes a CD-ROM containing exhibits, sample PowerPoint presentation, and suggested PowerPoint slides for impeachment.

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#### AGGRAVATED ROBBERY AND POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE

## State v. Southley

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*Southley* contains witness examination problems centered on criminal procedure motion practice, as well as on the criminal trial.

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#### RAPE

## State v. Stone

Revised Fourth Edition James H. Seckinger



The State has alleged that the victim, Marilyn Miller, was awakened from a nap by a noise in her apartment and saw a man standing in her bedroom. She screamed, and the man leaped on her and threatened her with a knife. He turned her over on her stomach, covered his face with a bandanna, and then removed her clothing. He then raped her. The defendant, James Stone, has been charged with

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#### **BURGLARY (PRETRIAL)**

State v. Tyler



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## State v. Wyatt

David S. Rudolf and Thomas K.Maher



The University of Nita City won the NCAA championship on this rainy, foggy night. UNC students are notorious for partying in the streets after such an event and this night was no exception; just ask Gary Gilbert. Gilbert remembers the game and the party, but he doesn't remember being hit by a white Miata and immediately suffering a closed head injury. After Gilbert woke from his coma days later, he

learned that James Wyatt, the manager of Pizza Pub, had been arrested and charged with reckless driving and felony hit-and-run. There are three witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant, none of whom are experts, making this an excellent case file for a basic course.

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#### FEDERAL PROPERTY CRIME INVOLVING DNA EVIDENCE

## United States v. Clark

Donald Q. Cochran



*United States v. Andre Clark* involves Andre Clark, one of three defendants charged with bank robbery. The State's main witness is a co-defendant who will testify to Clark's involvement in addition to circumstantial evidence. The defendant has an alibi witness and the lack of DNA evidence in support of his innocence. The case file contains several photographs, diagrams, and an expert report for use

at trial. A CD-ROM contains bank surveillance photographs and aerial photos from the robbery. The case file provides a balance of three potential witnesses for both the plaintiff and the defendant, including a DNA expert.

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