

## COURSE SYLLABUS

<b>LAST REVIEW</b>	Spring 2021
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	Litigation II
<b>COURSE NUMBER</b>	PRLG 0232
<b>DIVISION</b>	Social and Behavioral Sciences & Public Services
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Paralegal
<b>CIP CODE</b>	22.0302
<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>	3
<b>CONTACT HOURS/WEEK</b>	Class: 3
<b>PREREQUISITES</b>	PRLG 0132
<b>COURSE PLACEMENT</b>	Students must meet the correct placement measure for this course. Information may be found at: <a href="https://www.kckcc.edu/admissions/information/mandatory-evaluation-placement.html">https://www.kckcc.edu/admissions/information/mandatory-evaluation-placement.html</a>

### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

In this continuation of Litigation I, emphasis will be on the trial and appellate stages of civil litigation. Students will study an actual case through discussion of all the steps involved before, during, and after trial.

### **PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES**

1. Demonstrate the ability to identify case issues and analyze court opinions.
2. Explain basic procedural and substantive law concepts
3. Demonstrate clear and concise writing ability in preparation of office memoranda, client correspondence, and basic legal documents
4. Demonstrate ability to conduct legal interviewing, preliminary investigation and basic research
5. Evaluate scenarios relevant to ethical standards for paralegals in law office.

### **Institutional Learning Outcomes**

- Communication
- Computation and Financial Literacy
- Critical Reasoning
- Technology and Information Literacy
- Community and Civic Responsibility
- Personal and Interpersonal Skills

### **TEXTBOOKS**

<http://kckccbookstore.com/>

### **METHODS OF INSTRUCTION**

A variety of instructional methods may be used depending on content area. These include but are not limited to: lecture, multimedia, cooperative/collaborative learning, labs and demonstrations, projects and presentations, speeches, debates, panels, conferencing, performances, and learning experiences outside the classroom. Methodology will be selected to best meet student needs.

### **COURSE OUTLINE**

#### I. Fact Brief

- II. Final Trial Preparation
  - A. Strategy
  - B. Pretrial Conferences
  - C. Preparing Clients, Witnesses, Exhibits

- III. Structure of a Civil Trial
  - A. Preliminary Conference
  - B. Jury Selection
  - C. Stages of Trial
  - D. Jury Deliberations

IV. Post-trial Motions

V. Judgments

VI. Appeals

VII. Settlements, Releases, Dismissals

VIII. Dominiquez Trial

### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will:

- A. CLO #1      The student shall be able to prepare fact briefs.
- B. CLO #2      The student shall be able to explain the process of a civil trial, from jury selection through verdict.
- C. CLO #3      The student shall be able to describe motions that may be made after trial.
- D. CLO #4      The student shall be able to explain options available to a litigant if (s)he is unhappy with a judgment.

### **ASSESSMENT OF COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Student progress is evaluated through both formative and summative assessment methods. Specific details may be found in the instructor's course information document.

### **COLLEGE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

*Student Handbook*

<https://www.kckcc.edu/files/docs/student-resources/student-handbook-and-code-of-conduct.pdf>

*College Catalog*

<https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/catalog/index.html>

*College Policies and Statements*

<https://www.kckcc.edu/about/policies-statements/index.html>

*Accessibility and Accommodations*

<https://www.kckcc.edu/academics/resources/student-accessibility-support-services/index.html>