

University of California  
Hastings College of the Law

Fall 2017

**GRADED FINAL EXAM: COMMUNITY PROPERTY  
(Course # 26411)**

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**EXAM DATE: December 7, 2017  
TIME: 2 HOURS AND 30 MINUTES**

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**LIMITED OPEN BOOK**

**Internet research is NEVER allowed during an in-class exam per UC Hastings exam regulations.**

**A calculator is not necessary.**

**This is a Limited Open Book exam.**

**Students may bring in an authorized hardcopy of Carrillo, CASES AND MATERIALS ON CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY PROPERTY LAW 11<sup>TH</sup> EDITION and a one-page 8½" by 11" cribsheet.**

**Handwriting or printing is allowed on both sides of the cribsheet.**

**Handwritten notes are allowed in the casebook, but only in the blank areas of the casebook or on standard sized 3" by 3" (or smaller) post-it notes. Students may tab the book. No handwritten, printed or published materials may be pasted over any printed or blank casebook page. No other materials of any kind are allowed into the exam.**

**Violations shall be reported to the Academic Dean's office.**

**This exam consists of 30 Multiple Choice Questions, each with a short answer component.**

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**To receive full credit for the *exam*, students must substantially answer both parts of the exam.**

**To receive full credit for a *question*, students must (a) fill in the best or most plausible answer on the Scantron answer sheet and (b) compose a two sentence *legal* explanation, typed into Exemplify or written in bluebooks.**

**GENERAL EXAM INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS**

**If you are using bluebooks, please write on one side only of each page and double-space your responses.**

**Please write legibly. If your response cannot be deciphered, it cannot be given full credit. Number your bluebooks.**

**If you are using Exemplify on a computer, your exam will be formatted automatically to double-space.**

**If the exam calls for a Scantron, use score sheet side & #2 pencil. For ID# use your 4-digit EXAM#, flush left, no 0s.**

**Test form: A. Exam#: 1. For Name: print your professor's name. Subject: course name. Leave date blank.**

**Erase incorrect answers completely.**

**ALL exam materials including scratch paper must be turned in to the proctor at the end of the exam.**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Please read each question carefully. Provide a best answer for the exact question asked. A “best answer” is the most specific, plausible answer to the call of the question.
2. The exam covers basic principles and applications of California community property law. If you keep your focus on the precise question posed, the exam should be a straightforward exercise.
3. Use the facts in the question. Do not ignore material facts in the question. Do not fabricate facts. It is never my intention to trick you.
4. Unless otherwise indicated, all parties are domiciled in California.
5. You have two hours and thirty minutes total in which to complete thirty (30) questions.
6. No calculations are required.
7. Each question stands on its own, however some questions involve the same parties and underlying facts, as indicated.
8. The exam is comprised of thirty (30) equally weighted multiple-choice questions. Each correct answer earns one (1) point. Each write-in answer can earn one (1) point.
9. For full credit on a question do the following:
  - a. On the Scantron answer sheet, fill in the best multiple choice answer; and
  - b. In your bluebook or Exemplify answer, rewrite your multiple choice answer (i.e. the letter you chose) followed by a two sentence legal rationale. Only the first two sentences of the write-in portion of the answer earn credit.
10. For full credit for the exam itself, you must substantially answer both parts of the exam -- the Scantron part and the write-in part.
11. Remember, it is not my intention to trick you.
12. Please respect our mutual obligation to keep the grading process anonymous. You may, of course, write notes to me, but please do not identify yourself by name, year, seating location, etc.

GOOD LUCK TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU

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