

U.S. LAW AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

POL 5515 01

Week 1

Course Overview

What is Law, and the Origin of Law in the U.S.

Session 1 08/27 Readings:

Introduction to Law and the Legal System: Chapter I. Introduction. Pages 1-25 (before “Due Process”).

Principles of Legal Research: Introduction: Context and Framework, pages 1-5.

Preamble, U.S. Constitution.

Session 2 08/29 Readings:

Introduction to Law and the Legal System: Chapter I. Introduction. Pages 25-52.

Principles of Legal Research: Chapter 1, Research Methods and Process.

Assignment 1: Briefing a case: Brett Jones v. Mississippi (Due on Sep 6 11:59 p.m.)