HAMLINE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
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COURSE SYLLABUS

Course: **Accounting for Lawyers**

Professor: **Mark L. Geier**
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Meeting Dates: **Thursday Evenings Beginning August 26, 2010**

If I need to cancel a class, make-up classes will be held on days that I announce. If make-up classes are needed, it is likely that they will be held on Thursday evenings at the Meeting Times indicated below.

Meeting Times: **6:00 p.m. – 8:40 p.m.**
Meeting Place: **To Be Announced**
Textbook: **Charles H. Meyer, Accounting and Finance for Lawyers (4th Edition 2009)(Thomson West); ISBN: 978-0-314-20787-6.**

Supplement: **Mark L. Geier, Accounting for Lawyers Fall 2010.**

Course Objective: **To familiarize law students with basic accounting concepts so that they better understand financial statements when they are practicing law.**

Reading Assignments: **For Class 1, read chapters 1 through 3 in the textbook, and skim the Supplement. Reading assignments for future classes will be announced in class.**

Grades: **Grading will be based on a Final Exam that, at this point, I expect will be a take-home exam. Grades will be assigned on a "pass/fail" basis. If the Final Exam is a take-home exam, you will need to pick up the exam IN PERSON in the Law School Registrar's Office. All answers to the Final Exam must be legibly written in a blue book. IF THEY ARE NOT, YOU WILL RECEIVE AN "F" FOR THE COURSE.**

Attendance: **The ABA requires that all law students regularly attend classes. Since this course meets only once a week and for only approximately one-fourth of the semester, missing one (1) class is the same as missing three (3) or four (4) weeks of classes. As a result, if you miss a class and/or expect to miss a class, please see me to determine whether the absence is or will be excused. If you do miss a class, YOU are responsible to obtain from your classmates the material that we had covered in your absence.**

Computer Use: Students may use computers during class; provided, however, that such use is limited to work pertinent to this class.