# HAMLINE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW
## STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER CLINIC SYLLABUS
## FALL SEMESTER 2010

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| I. August 26, 2010<br>Thursday<br><br>3:00-4:50 | **INTRODUCTION.** Course requirements and grading; office policies and procedures; prison practices and procedures as they relate to the clinic. |
| II. September 9, 2010<br>Thursday | **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY.** Discussion of common ethical dilemmas which confront the practicing attorney, including client confidentiality, conflicts of interest, zealous representation, and exercise of independent professional judgment.<br><br>**INTERVIEWING.** Discussion of interviewing techniques and interviewing in the correctional institutions.<br><br>**CASES:** Hand out students' cases and explain basic SPD file and file summary.<br><br>**Read Chapter 13 on Professional Responsibility and the Student Practice Rule.** (starts on page 158 of Student manual) |
| III. Time and<br>Place to be<br>Announced | **TOUR OF CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.** Students will tour one of the Minnesota Correctional Facilities at a time and place to be announced. |
| IV. Sept. 16, 2010<br>Thursday | **JAIL CREDIT AND RANDOLPH REQUESTS.**<br>Discussion of substantive and procedural issues related to these types of cases.<br><br>**Read Chapters 1-5 (pages 2-53).** |
| V. Sept. 23, 2010<br>Thursday | **DRAFTING AND CRIMINAL POSTCONVICTION MOTIONS.**<br>Discussion of the drafting of motions, correspondence and related documents and various post conviction issues.<br><br>**FILE SUMMARIES.**<br>Each student should hand in a written file summary and a first draft of their motion papers on their case. |

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| VI. Sept. 30, 2010 Thursday | **Interviews—No Class** |
| VII. October 7, 2010 Thursday | **DISCUSSION OF FIRST MOTION DRAFTS AND CASES.** Each student should hand in the second draft of their motion papers and be prepared to present their case to the class.<br><br>**APPELLATE PROCESS, SENTENCING APPEALS AND GUILTY PLEAS.** Discussion of substantive and procedural issues related to these subjects.<br><br>**Read Chapters 9-12.** |
| VIII. Oct. 14, 2010 | **Fall Break – No class** |
| IX. Oct. 21, 2010, Thursday | **CONDITIONAL RELEASE.** Discussion of substantive and procedural issues related to conditional release cases.<br><br>**Read Chapters 7 and 8.** |
| X. Oct. 28, 2010 | **Interviews – No class** |
| XI. Nov. 4, 2010 Thursday | **DISCUSSION OF SELECTED STUDENT CASES.** Each student should be prepared to present one of their cases to the class and to discuss any progress and problems.<br><br>**PAROLE REVOCATION PROCESS AND LAW.** Discussion of substantive and procedural issues related to parole revocation cases. |
| XII. Nov.18, 2010 Thursday | **WRAP UP.** Discussion of selected cases of the students. Discussion of future responsibilities. Evaluation of class. |

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