

## American Legal Studies

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### Required Books

(Bring to ALL class sessions)

- Pieper, *Core Legal Doctrines*
- Emanuel & Walton, *Strategies & Tactics for the MBE* (Aspen)

### Recommended Books

- Darrow-Kleinhaus, *The Bar Exam in a Nutshell* (West)
- Riebe & Schwartz, *Pass the Bar* (Carolina Academic Press)

### Additional Resources

- TWEN: Handouts, distributed in class, will generally be posted on TWEN
- NYS Bar Examinations, February 2000 through July 2008 (Questions and Sample Answers), available on official NY Bar website: [www.nybarexam.org](http://www.nybarexam.org) and on [www.seperac.com/bar/](http://www.seperac.com/bar/)
- National Conference of Bar Examiners website: [www.ncbex.org](http://www.ncbex.org) [OPE I and OPE II]
- [www.seperac.com/bar/](http://www.seperac.com/bar/)

### Course Description/Requirements

The objective of this course is to help prepare you for the July Bar Examination. The course is designed as a supplement to your American Legal Studies class in that we will be utilizing, for practical purposes, the substantive law that you are learning from Professor Pieper.

You are expected to **attend all class sessions** and are required to **submit all assignments**. Your assignments will not involve independent reading but will be based upon the material you have been assigned by Professor Pieper in your ALS course. Assignments will consist of multiple-choice and essay questions, all from the “real” NY Bar Examination. Fifty (50) percent of your grade will be based upon the timely submission of all assignments as well as your consistent attendance and participation in our sessions. The other fifty (50) percent of your grade will be based upon your performance on a final examination, to be administered at the last in-class session. The final examination will consist of twenty five (25) multiple choice questions and one essay question – a mini bar exam.

For the first class session, please familiarize yourself with the websites listed above, especially the seperac site.

