

**FAMILY LAW  
LAWS 2110 01  
2018-2019**

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**MATERIALS**

Thompson and Chewter, *Family Law Materials, 2016-17*

*Statutory Supplement 2017-18*

class handouts, problems, extra cases

**EVALUATION**

100 per cent, 3-hour, *closed-book* examination

only Statutory Supplement and handouts from class

highlighting, underlining and tabbing permitted (5 words max, for labelling purposes)  
but NO marginal notations or other notes

*problem option*: do 3 problems of possible 4 (or your best 3 of 4 if you do them all),  
worth 30 per cent “failsafe” in final mark

*due at start of these classes*: January 24, February 26, March 14, March 28

**CLASS SCHEDULE**

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| Jan. 8:     | Preface, Legal Regulation, Ch. I                                      |
| Jan. 10:    | Constitutional Issues, Ch. II<br>Marriage, Ch. III                    |
| Jan. 15:    | Separation, Domestic Contracts, Ch. IV                                |
| Jan. 17:    | Divorce, Ch. V  |
| Jan. 22:    | Parenting: Basics, VI-1 to VI-45                                      |
| Jan. 24:    | Parenting: Relocation, VI-46 to VI-82<br>Relocation Problem (No. 1)   |
| Jan. 29:    | Parenting: Access/Time, VI-83 to VI-111                               |
| Jan. 31:    | Property Division: Basics, VII-1 to VII-31                            |
| Feb. 5:     | Property Division: Pensions, VII-32 to VII-47                         |
| Feb. 7:     | Property Division: Business Assets, Debts, Division, VII-48 to VII-80 |
| Feb. 12:    | Property Division: Common-Law Couples, VII-81 to VII-112              |
| Feb. 14:    | No class  |
| Feb. 19/21: | Break week  |
| Feb. 26:    | Property Division Problem (No. 2)                                     |

- Feb. 28: Child Support: Basics, Income, Tables, VIII-1 to VIII-28
- Mar. 5: Child Support: Special Expenses to Shared Custody, VIII-29 to VIII-69
- Mar. 7: Child Support: High Incomes to Stepparents, VIII-70 to VIII-96
- Mar. 12: Child Support: Stepparents to Retroactive Support, VIII-97 to VIII-136
- Mar. 14: Child Support Problem (No. 3)
- Mar. 19: Spousal Support: Entitlement, IX-1 to IX-42
- Mar. 21: Spousal Support: Advisory Guidelines, IX-43 to IX-76
- Mar. 26: Spousal Support: Variation, Support Agreements, IX-77 to IX-120  
Tax and Social Assistance, Ch. X
- Mar. 28: Spousal Support Problem (No. 4)
- Apr. 2: Adoption: Ch. XI  
Child Protection: Basics, Ch. XII
- Apr. 4: Child Protection: Ch. XII
- Apr. 16/17: Review Class
- Apr. 18: Final Examination**

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