

LAWWA 602 – Law & Religion

Class Meetings: Th 8 PM-9:50 PM/online

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Course Website: <http://www.wneclaw.com/lawandreligion/>

Required Course Reading: A series of PDFs will be posted on the course website that contain the course reading. Chapters will be posted as soon as they are available. No reading material must be purchased. However, students are required to print out the assigned cases so it is easy to write marginal notes and underline key passages in preparing for class as well as to more effectively participate in class discussions.

Chapter I contains the reading for the first 2 classes. Chapter I is available on the course website. The direct link to the Chapter is

<http://www.wneclaw.com/lawandreligion/Ch1EarlyEstabCICases.pdf>

First Assignment for Class on Sept. 1:

1. Pages 1-22 of Chapter I (first three cases: Everson, McCollum, Zorach)
2. In the cases read for this course, you should pay attention to the facts of the case as well as the legal analysis and the reasons why the Supreme Court applies that analysis. More than many other areas of constitutional law, even minor factual differences can impact the outcome of cases under the First Amendment Establishment and Free Exercise Clauses.

The Virtual Classroom: In order to facilitate a Zoom classroom environment that has some similarity to in-person learning, all students are expected to turn on their video cameras so they can be seen as well as heard by other members of the class. This is an important requirement in a small class. Students who have technological difficulties meeting this requirement should let me know. Sign-in information for Zoom will be distributed to students in advance of the first class. Please write to me at lharpaz@lharpaz.com if you do not receive this information at least several days before the first class.

Class Participation: This class is a small online seminar limited to 15 students. Class participation by all class members is important.

Questions About the Class:

If you have questions about the class that you would like answered before the semester begins on Sept. 1, please write to me at lharpaz@lharpaz.com.