

Kingsborough Community College of the City University of New York
Department of Business
BA 13 – Business Law II (3 credits/ 3 hours/ wk)
(Prerequisite: BA 1200)

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Catalogue Description: The legal principles of agency, partnership and corporations. Legal problems of corporate and non-corporate forms of organizations, consideration of rights, duties, obligations of employment and other special contractual and business relationships.

Text: Customized BA 13 textbook from the unabridged text Business Law, 11th edition; by Clarkson, Miller, Jentz, Cross, Published by Cengage.

Supplemental Readings: 1) www.eonews.com/Law.com, 2) www.abajournal.com/news/, 3) www.bloomberg.com/news/law/, 4) <http://online.wsj.com/public/page/news-law-legal.html>

Methods of Evaluation:

1. Midterm 1 (Chpts 1-4, tentatively)	20%
2. Midterm 2 (Chpts 5-8, tentatively)	20%
3. Class Participation/Attendance/Lateness	10%
4. Case Brief (Writing Assignment)	10%
5. Final Examination (Chpts 1-10, tentatively)	40%

Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of this course, you will have a strong fundamental and practical knowledge of agency relationships as well as employment and labor law and will be able to ascertain each side's rights, obligations and various duties. You will be able to identify and assess employment discrimination and related wrongful employer conduct. You will also have a detailed understanding of the structure and functionality of each type of business organization and will develop critical skills enabling you to determine what type of business organization is best suited for a particular venture.

Miscellaneous: 1) You are limited to six (6) absences and attendance will be taken daily! **Absences in excess of this limit will result in a “WU” grade** – in effect, an automatic administrative withdrawal from the course (no credit given regardless of work done or tests taken). Three (3) latenesses will result in one absence; 2) Assignments must be handed in by the due date- late submissions will result in a penalty; 3) **There are no make-up examinations** and no credit given for missed assignments; 4) Please be courteous to your instructor and fellow students- **NO CELL PHONES (Texting, Talking, Tapping) DURING CLASS.**

Office Hours: After class or by appointment in room M-355.

Course Transferability (3 credits): Baruch: LAW 3102; Brooklyn: ACCNT 41; CCNY: ECO 38100; Hunter: ECO 380; Lehman: ECO 337; Medgar Evers: LAW 211; Staten Island: BUS 260; York: BUS 284; BA13 transfers as an elective at Queens College.

Case Brief Assignment: Each student will be required to complete a written report (a “case brief”) on an appellate court opinion to be assigned. The case brief must be typed and must include each of following sections separated by paragraph:

1. The Case Title
2. The Date and Location of the Court
3. The Claims of the Respective Parties
4. The Lower Court Decision

5. The Appellate Court Decision and its Reasoning
6. Your Opinion of the Court's Decision and Reasoning

The case brief should be no more than one side of a page. Text should be 12-point font only, single spaced within each section and double-spaced between sections.

Course Schedule:

TOPIC	CHAPTER
AGENCY	
1. Agency Formation & Duties	1
2. Liability to 3rd Parties & Termination	2
EMPLOYMENT LAW	
3. Employment & Labor Law	3
4. Employment Discrimination	4
BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS	
5. Sole Proprietorship & Franchises	5
6. Partnerships & Special Business Forms	6
7. Corporations- Formation & Financing	7
8. Corporations- Directors, Officers & Shareholders	8
9. Corporations- Merger, Consolidation & Termination	9
10. Corporations- Securities Regulation	10
11. Limited Liability Companies and Limited Partnerships	11
12. Intellectual Property and Internet Law	12
Other topics we may get to, time permitting	
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	
13. Function & Creation of Negotiable Instruments	--
14. Transferability & Holder in Due Course	--
15. Liability, Defenses & Discharge	--
16. Checks & Banking in the Digital Age	--
CREDITOR'S RIGHTS & BANKRUPTCY	
17. Secured Transactions	--
18. Other Creditor's Remedies & Surety-ship	--
19. Bankruptcy Law	--

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Academic Dishonesty: You are expected to do your own work. If you cheat or copy someone else's work (or allow yours to be copied) you will be graded with ZERO or course failure. (KCC's plagiarism policy is at www.kingsborough.edu.)

Civility and respect for others is essential in an academic environment. Any acts of harassment and/or discrimination based on race, gender, age, sexual orientation, religion, or ability will not be tolerated.