

EXAM INSTRUCTIONS
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAW
SPRING 2005
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1. This is a closed book exam.
2. You have 2 hours to complete this exam.
3. The exam consists of two essay questions.
4. You are free to allocate your time as you wish.
5. Question one is worth 50 points. Question two is worth 50 points.
6. Answer essay questions in blue books; please write every other line, on only one side of the page.
7. Be sure to write your exam number on your exam envelope, blue books and on the exam question. **DO NOT** use your name, student ID number or Social Security Number on any exam materials.
8. At the conclusion of the exam, return all test materials, including blue books, scratch paper and this exam packet to the envelope and submit it to the proctor. **DO NOT** seal the envelope. Students who do not return all exam materials at the end of the exam may not be graded.

GOOD LUCK!

QUESTION 1:

The 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution states that "...No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protections of the law." The protections of the 14th Amendment often become an issue when challenging law enforcement's response to domestic violence. For example, what happens when the police fail to act?

- A. Does a state have a duty to provide protection to domestic violence victims?
- B. Is the state's duty different if the domestic violence victim has a restraining order?

QUESTION 2:

During the semester we discussed how domestic violence is addressed in different areas of the law. Pick **one** of the following areas of law and discuss the legal issues unique to that topic: criminal prosecution, family law, immigration or civil litigation.

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