First Week Assignments

**Advanced Legal Ethics** (#236) – Professor Michael S. McGinniss

The required textbook (“Text”) is Daniel R. Coquillette, R. Michael Cassidy, & Judith A. McMorroW, Lawyers and Fundamental Moral Responsibility (LexisNexis 2d ed. 2010). The assigned readings will often include the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct (“MR”), which are available online at http://www.americanbar.org/groups/professional_responsibility/publications/model_rules_of_professional_conduct/model_rules_of_professional_conduct_table_of_contents.html. If you prefer to use a paper copy, I recommend Lisa G. Lerman, Philip G. Schrag, & Anjum Gupta, Ethical Problems in the Practice of Law: Model Rules, State Variations, and Practice Questions (2015-2016 ed.). On Friday, January 6, via Campus Connection I plan to email to students registered for the course the password for accessing (on TWEN) the Syllabus and other materials of interest. Finally, please be advised that I have adopted a “No Laptops” policy for Advanced Legal Ethics, meaning that you are not permitted to use a laptop computer, iPad, smartphone, or similar technology during our class sessions unless I have specifically requested or authorized you to do so.

**Class 1**

**Monday, January 9**

**Lawyers and Fundamental Moral Responsibility**

Professional/Personal Responsibility

Karl N. Llewellyn, *The Bramble Bush*

Carl Sandberg, *The Lawyers Know Too Much*

**Text:** Preface (v-vi); pp. 1-14; Q4-5, p. 14; Sandberg poem (on TWEN)

**MR:** Preamble [1]-[13], Scope [14]-[16], 1.2(b), 1.16(b)(4), 2.1

**Class 2**

**Wednesday, January 11**

**The Moral Person**

Niccolo Machiavelli, *The Prince*

Plato, *The Apology of Socrates*

W.H. Auden, *Law Like Love*

**Text:** pp. 32-36; Q1-5 p. 36; pp. 14-32; Q1-3, pp. 31-32; Problem II, p. 7

Auden poem (on TWEN)

**MR:** 2.1, 5.1, 5.2