Conflict of Laws (#257) – Professor Michael S. McGinniss

The required Textbook is KERMIT ROOSEVELT, CONFLICT OF LAWS (2d ed. 2014) (Foundation Press), and the required Casebook is ROBERT L. FELIX & RALPH U. WHITTEN, AMERICAN CONFLICTS LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS (6th ed. 2015) (LexisNexis) (please note the 6th edition; bound & looseleaf editions are available from publisher). 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, responsive analysis for the assigned Problems, and other materials of interest. Finally, please be advised that I have adopted a “No Laptops” policy for Conflict of Laws, 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—Tuesday, January 10

Conflict of Laws: Introduction and Overview
Textbook: 1-7
Casebook: 1-12; Prob. 1.1-1.2 (p.12)

Class 2—Thursday, January 12

Choice of Law: Traditional Approach
“Vested Rights” & the First Restatement; Torts, Contracts, etc.
Textbook: 8-15, 29-30
Casebook: 13-27; Prob. 2.1 (p.27)