Criminal Law & Civil Procedure

Economic Theory of Criminal Law (Chapter 11)
Why do we need criminal law?
What is the goal of criminal law?
What are the five differences between civil and criminal law?
How can we structure criminal punishment (fines) to achieve deterrence?
Math of rational crime
Can a corporation be held criminally liable?

State of Minnesota v. Christy Pontiac
Optimal deterrence
Private deterrence

Read all of chapter 11 except pp.499-501 (Applying Rational Crime to Public Policy) and pp. 502-510 (Diminished Rationality; Civility).


Topics in Criminal Law (Chapter 12 and outside readings)
San Francisco dog case
Legalization of prostitution
Three strikes
Fines vs. prison

Tate v. Short
Gun control (handguns)

Skim pages 519-542 for background information.
Death penalty (pp. 542-551) and legalization of drugs (pp. 552-556) are topics for the paper assignment and will not be covered on the exam.

Civil Procedure (Chapter 10)
Loser Pays All
Pages 455-457
Problems 10.24, 10.25

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