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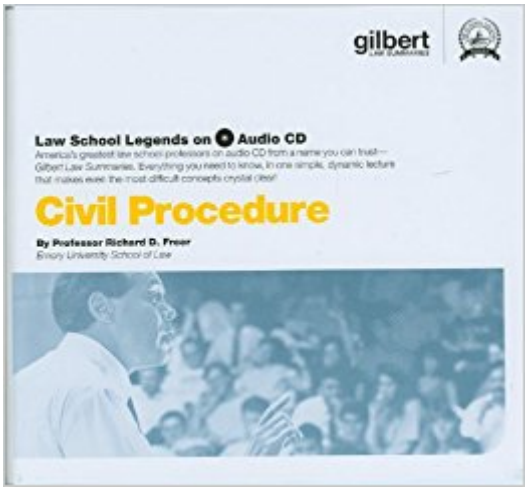

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Synopsis

This audio lecture covers subject matter jurisdiction, personal jurisdiction, long arm statutes, and constitutional limitations. It also discusses in rem and quasi in rem jurisdiction, service of process, venue, transfer, forum non conviens, removal, waiver, governing law, pleadings, and joinder of claims. Also included are permissive and compulsory joinder of parties, counterclaims and cross-claims, ancillary jurisdiction, impleader, class actions, discovery, pretrial adjudication, summary judgment trial, post trial motions, appeals, res judicata, and collateral estoppel. The new edition has references to all the newly restyled Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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Customer Reviews

I used the Law School Legends Torts, Contracts, Civil Procedure and Constitutional Law CD’s during my first semester of 1L year. Here’s what I thought:Civ Pro: AWESOME. Richard Freer is a great teacher, the lectures are easy to follow, and it genuinely helped my studies.Con Law: useful. Didn’t go into the nuts and bolts we covered as much, but it gave some good deeper insights into Con Law.Contracts: kinda helpful. K’s is a pretty case/teacher-specific course, where the cases your prof uses really matter to them. He covered a lot of our material, but it wasn’t always on point, and his voice is very distracting.Torts: kinda helpful. He simplifies the concepts and pretty accurately predicts what issues will be most tested, but as torts is so fact and rule-specific, I found regular old studying more helpful than listening to the CD.

A friend bought this series and I bought the sum and substance CDs. By far this one was superior in its presentation and explanations. Freer is excellent in his presentation and obviously shows his enthusiasm of the Civil Procedure subject matter. I would recommend this to any 1L for an additional study aid. Only 1 complaint; some sections are long and its time consuming to zero in on something you wish to review. Otherwise it was excellent study aid for long commutes or to listen to in your MP3 player.

This course on CD covers thoroughly the basics of civil procedure. All major topics are touched-upon: federal subject matter jurisdiction, including diversity of citizenship jurisdiction and "arising under" (federal question) jurisdiction; the constitutional common law of personal jurisdiction; long arm statutes; venue; pleading; motions; discovery; impleader and interpleader; service of process; rule 11 sanctions; collateral estoppel and res judicata; etc. The lecturer’s intonation and speech volume are steady and easily audible. He also has a sense of humour, in an appropriate way, and a way of teaching that make the subject matter memorable. This product was a good resource for me as a law student and it helped me on the bar exam. But I actually recommend this for non-lawyers too, at least in the United States. It has some fundamental legal concepts, applicable in a common law country such as the United States. Learn more about the legal systems of the United States. Includes foundational constitutional concepts relating to jurisdiction and federal jurisdiction. Some technical stuff, but it’s mostly presented in an accessible way.

I had a civil professor that was very old school and very intimidating. He clearly knew his stuff but failed to actually explain any of it so us students grasped it. I spent several days listening to this audio and outlining from it and it make everything click! Between this and the E&E book I finally understood civil procedure and even got an A in the class!

This is a well-presented and pretty comprehensive study aid. It seemed to address most of the important cases that were commonly taught in class, and I felt like Freer did a much better job explaining them than my professor did. He speaks clearly and in a way that commands your attention. I am very much an auditory learner, and I felt like this is one of the better auditory supplements I’ve tried.

These CDs are the best especially if you are a high auditory learner! I pop it in my car and just listen to them over and over. This is the best one of the series I think, but I think I just like the speakers

voice and teaching style.

I was one of the many who had a mental block as to learning Civil Procedure in law school. I have been getting ready for the Bar Exam and realized that I needed to relearn the entire subject in order to prepare. This set of discs has given me a mastery of the subject that I never expected to have. Just following along and outlining it with him will impart a good bit of knowledge and you will automatically have an outline that is less than 17 pages of the entire subject in addition to a segment on Conflicts of Laws. If you listen to it twice, then you are ready for anything to do with Civ Pro. I wish this set of discs had been recommended in time for me to use during my actual law school class my 1L year. If so, I would have aced the class. This is one of the greatest tools I know for a civ pro student who is having trouble. It is 10 hours long, but you get the entire class. Somebody could just listen to the hour sections as it came up in class to supplement their learning and I bet it would it would be incredible.

Professor Freer presents an informative and well-craft lecture. I think he particularly does a good job of pointing out areas of civil procedure that some professors choose to focus upon. My only real criticism is that some of the material is outdated. After only two weeks of class, I have noted several differences between the information presented in this lecture and the information presented in my class. I would still recommend this lecture, but I would also caution any law student using this product to keep and eye out for updates in the law.

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