

**DePaul School of Law**  
**Wills & Trusts**  
**Professor Hood**  
**Fall 2008 Syllabus**

(In general, we will cover 25-30 pages per 50 minutes of class time.). Unless otherwise announced in class the materials will be covered in the following order:

Date	Topic	Duke Pages	Il. Probate Code Section
Mon., 8/25	Constitutional and Public Policy Issues; Administration Overview	1-10; 20-26 30-40	N/A N/A
Wed. 8/27	Intestacy-The Basic Scheme —surviving spouse	59-62 63-65	§5/2-1 to 5/2-9
Wed. 9/3	Intestacy Continued – surviving spouse; descendants; ancestors and collaterals	66-72 73-83	§5/2-1; 5/3- 1  5/2-1
Mon., 9/8	Intestacy: Transfers to Children	83-101 101-114 (skim)	§5.2-1 to 5.2-4
Wed. 9/10	Cont: Advancements; Guardianship and Conservatorships of minors; Bars to Succession; Disclaimers	114-120;  126-131; 132-140	§5.2-5 §5.2-6 to 5.2-6.6
Mon, 9/15	Wills-Intro; Capacity; Insane Delusion	141-145;145, Note 2; 148-154;155-n 2 & 3	§5.4-1
Wed. 9/17	Undue Influence	158-176; For your reading enjoyment, see pp 176-185	§5.4-1
Mon. 9/22	Fraud, Duress Execution of Contested Wills	186-189; 194-197; 202-218	§5.4-3
Wed. 9/24	“ “	202-225	§5.4-3
Mon. 9/29	Curative Doctrines; Codicils	225-278 226-251	NA
Wed. 10/1	Components of Wills; Contracts re: wills	271-278 287-290	750 ICLS 10/4
Mon. 10/6	Revocation; Revival; DRR	251-257; 269-270 259, 264-268	5/4-7

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Wed. 10/8	Construction of Wills: Problem w/ Language; Types of Gifts	365-383; 387-388	NA
Mon. 10/13	Lapse; Anti-lapse; Class gifts	392-395; 398-399; 399-405	5/4-11
Wed. 10/15	Ademption; Satisfaction; Exoneration; Abatement Distribution	405-406; 409n.3-410n.5; 411n.2; 413-414	5/24-3
Mon. 10/20	Nonprobate Transfers: Intro Insurance Pensions	295-298;  322-324; 333-336	TBA
Wed. 10/22	JT Property; Accts Incapacity	341-345; 345-350	TBA
Mon. 10/27	Incapacity - Cont. Trust: Intro	350-360; 485-493	TBA
Wed. 10/29	Creation: Intent; Res.	498-508; 508-512	
Mon. Nov. 3	Beneficiaries; Writing; Trust types	508-528; 528-533	TBA
Wed. Nov. 5	Rights of Beneficiaries; Rights of Creditors	533-543; 543-547	TBA
Mon. Nov. 10	Creditors cont. Modif. of Trusts	547-569; 572-578	TBA
Wed. Nov. 12	Term. of Trust Trustees duties: Loyalty	580-587; 779-789	TBA
Mon. Nov. 17	Trustee duties: Prudence; Diversification Delegation + Impartiality	798-802; 805-816; 818-830	TBA
Wed. Nov. 19	Charitable Trusts Cy Pres; Limitation of transfer rights – Omitted issue	729-734; 737-750; 473-479	TBA
Mon. Nov. 24	Omitted Spouse Statutory Rights Elective Share	462-465; 417-427; 422-423; 425- 426	TBA
Wed. Nov. 26	Prop. Subject to E/S	438-450	TBA
Mon, Dec. 1	Cont.		TBA

