# **Carleton University**

# **Course Outline**

Department of Law

Course: LAWS 3003 A - Contracts

TERM: Summer 2010

Prerequisites: LAWS 2003

CLASS: Day & Time: Mondays & Wednesdays – 1805-2055

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### **REQUIRED TEXT:**

Christine Boyle and David R. Percy, Contracts: Cases and Commentaries, 7th Edition (Toronto: Carswell, 1999)

**EVALUATION**: (All components must be completed in order to pass this course)

Mid-term Examination 50% Final Exam 50%

Each examination will be two hours in length. Each examination will be closed book.

The mid-term examination will be held in June, 2010

The final Examination will be held in June 2010

ALL STUDENT WORK IS SUBJECT TO THE CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE CARLETON UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE CALENDAR (2009-2010) AND TO THIS COURSE OUTLINE.

# May 10 INTRODUCTION

### May 12 THE FORMATION OF A CONTRACT – OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE

Ch. 2 Canadian Dyers Association Ltd v. Burton (BP 17)

Pharmaceutical Society v. Boots (BP 17)

Rose & Frank Co. (BP 263)

Carlillo v. Carbolic Smoke Ball Co. (BP 25)

Goldthorpe v. Logan (BP 30)

Blair v. Western Mutual Benefit Assn. (BP 48)

Livingstone v. Evans (BP 57)
Balfour v. Balfour (BP 258)
Thornton v. Shoelane (BP 514)
Harvela Investments (BP 33)
R. v. Ron Engineering (BP 35)

MJP Enterprises (BP 39)

Williams v. Carwardine (BP 51)

R. v. Clarke (BP 52)

### May 17 THE FORMATION OF A CONTRACT

Ch. 2 Butler Machine Tool Co. v. Ex-Cell-O Corp. (BP 59)

Tywood Industries v. St. Anne-Nackawic Pulp and Paper Co. Ltd. (BP 61)

Felthouse v. Bindley (BP 76)

St. John Tug Boat Co. V. Irving Refinery Ltd. (BP 79)

Re Reitzel (BP 123)

# May 19 THE FORMATION OF A CONTRACT

Ch. 2 Brinkibon Ltd. v. Stanug Strahl (BP 89)

Household v. Grant (BP 98)

Holwell Severities v. Hughes (BP 103)
Byrne v. Van Tienhoven (BP 106)
Dickenson v. Dodds (BP 108)
Errington v. Errington (BP 112)
Barrick v. Clark (BP 114)

# May 26 THE FORMATION OF A CONTRACT:

Ch. 4 Certainty of Terms and the Enforcement of Promises

R. v. Cae Industries Ltd. (BP 126)

Hillasand Co. Ltd. v. Acros Ltd. (BP 134)

Empress Towers Ltd. v. Bank of Nova Scotia (BP 158)

<u>Lampleigh</u> v. <u>Brathwait</u> (BP 185) Thomas v. Thomas (BP 186)

B (D.C.) v. Arkin (BP 189)

Pao On v. Lau Yiu Long (BP 193)

Gilbert Steel Ltd. v. University Construction Ltd. (BP 197)

Williams v. Roffey (BP 202)

### May 31 THE FORMATION OF A CONTRACT: The Enforcement of Promises

### Ch. 4 Foakes v. Beer (BP 207)

Re Selectmove Ltd. (BP 210)

High Trees (BP 216)

D & C Builders Ltd v. Rees (BP 222)

Saskatchewan River v. Maritime (BP 225)

International Knitware v. Kabob (BP 230)

W. J. Alan & Co. v. (BP 232)

Societe Italo v. Palm (BP 236)

Petridis v. Shabinsky (BP 239)

Robichaud v. Caisse Populaire (BP 242)

Combe v. Combe (BP 243)

Royal Bank v. Kiska (BP 272)

Delglman v. Guaranty Trust (BP 282)

Thompson v. Guaranty Trust (BP 288)

### Ch. 5 PRIVITY OF CONTRACT

Tweedle v. Atkinson (BP 298)

Dunlop v. Selfridge (BP 299)

Beswick v. Beswick (BP 305)

London Drugs v. Kuehne & Nagel International Ltd. (BP 320)

Edgeworth Construction Ltd. v. N.D. Lea and Associates Ltd. (BP 330)

Fraser River Pile v. Can-Drive (BP 332)

#### June 2 MID-TERM EXAMINATION

# June 7 CONTRACT: Representations and Terms

Redgrave v. Hurd (BP 379)

Smith v. Land and House Property Corp. (BP 382)

Bank of Montreal v. Wren (BP 384)

Kupchak v. Dayson (BP 387)

Redican v. Nesbitt (BP 394)

Heilbut, Symons and Co. v. Buckleton (BP 398)

Leaf v. International Galleries (BP 404)

Dick Bentley v. Harold Smith (BP 402)

B.C. Hydro and Power Authority v. B.G. Checo International Ltd. (BP 421)

Hawrish v. Bank of Montreal (BP 438)

Bauer v. Bank of Montreal (BP 441)

Gallen v. Butterley (BP 448)

### June 9 STANDARD FORM CONTRACTS AND EXCLUSION CLAUSES

Thornton v. Shoe Lane Parking Ltd. (BP 514)

Interfoto v. Stiletto (BP 517)

McCutcheon v. David Mac Brayne Ltd. (BP 522)

Tilden Rent-a-Car Co. v. Clendenning (BP 527)

Delaney v. Carcade River Holidays Ltd. (BP 531)

Photo Sales v. Securicor (BP 545)

Hunter Engineering Co. Inc. v. Syncrude Canada Ltd. (BP 552)

Davidson v. Three Spruces Realty Ltd. (BP 577)

Fraser Jewellers Ltd. v. Dominion Electric (BP 577)

# June 14 Mistake

**Ch. 9** Glasner v. Royal Lepage Real Estate Services Ltd. (BP 595)

R. v. Ron Engineering & Construction Ltd. (BP 596)
Calgary v. Northern Construction Co. (BP 600)

Bell v. Lever Brothers Ltd. (BP 607)

Ch. 9 Toronto Dominion Bank v. Fortin (No. 2) (BP 618)

Solle v. Butcher (BP 626) Lewis v. Avery (BP 629)

<u>Saunders</u> v. <u>Anglia Building Society</u> (BP 637) Marvco Color Research Ltd. v. Harris (BP 639)

Bercouici v. Palmer (BP 649)

### June 16 Frustration

Ch. 10 Paradine v. Jane (BP 667)

Taylor v. Caldwell (BP 668)

<u>Claude Neon Gen</u>. v. <u>Sing</u> (BP 672) Maritime Fish v. Ocean Trawlers (BP 668)

Atlantic Paper v. St-Anne (BP 696)

# Ch. 12 The Protection of Weaker Parties

Pao on v. Yiu Long (BP 716) Gordon v. Roebuck (BP 718)

Geffen v. Goodman Estate (BP 724)

Morrison v. Coast Finance Ltd. (BP 741)

Hart v. O'Connor (BP 766)

June 14 Damages McRae v. Commonwealth (BP 834)

<u>Chaplin</u> v. <u>Hicks</u> (BP 855) Hadley v. Baxendale (BP 901)

Victoria Laundry v. Newman (BP 903)

Koufos v. Czarnikow (BP 910)

White and Caster v. McGregor (BP 923)

Semelhago v. Paramadevan (BP 926)

Exam review

# **READING LIST**

The following list contains a selection of the major monographs and textbooks about the Law of Contract which are available int the MacOdrum Library. Although not required reading, students may find these books of use in researching topics of particular interest.

## I. History and Therory of the Law of Contract:

- Peter Benson (ed.), <u>The Theory of Contract Law. New Essays</u>, (Cambridge U.P., 2001)
- . Roger Brownsword, <u>Contract Law. Themes for the Twenty-First Century</u>, (Butterworths, 2000)
- . Hugh Collins, <u>The Law of Contract</u>, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., (Butterworths, 2003)
- . Charles Fried, Contract As Promise, (Harvard U.P., 1981)

# **LAWS 3003B**

- . A.T. Kronman and R.A. Posner, <u>The Economics of Contract Law</u>, (Little, Brown & Co., 1979)
- . O.L.R.C., Report on Amendment of the Law of Contract, 1987
- Barry J. Reiter and John Swan, <u>Studies in Contract Law</u>, (Butterworths, 1980)
- Stephen Waddams, <u>Dimensions of Private Law. Categories and Concepts in Anglo-American Legal</u>
  Reasoning, (Cambridge U.P., 2003)

### II. Textbooks:

- (a) English:
  - Cheshire, Fifoot and Furmston's <u>Law of Contract</u>, 14<sup>th</sup> ed., (Butterworths, 2001)
  - . Chitty on Contracts, 28<sup>th</sup> ed., (Sweet and Maxwell, 1999)
  - G.H. Treitel, The Law of Contract, 11<sup>th</sup> ed., (Sweet and Maxwell, 2003)
- (b) Canadian:
  - . G.H.L. Fridman, <u>The Law of Contract</u>, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., (Carswell 1999)
  - S.M. Waddams, <u>The Law of Contracts</u>, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., (Canada Law Book, 1999)