

LEH355/PHI365 – LEGAL REASONING – FALL 2015

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ASSIGNMENT #5 – DUE NOV 16

Please bring a hard copy to class. No late assignments are accepted.

Mock trial court case analysis Read carefully the US Sup. Ct. decision relevant for your mock trial. Write 2-3 page note about the case, divided in sections (a) through (f). *No essay format please.*

- (a) The question (or questions) at issue about which the court was asked to decide
- (b) The undisputed facts of the case
- (c) The law applying to the case
- (d) The decision of the court, i.e. how it answered the question (or questions) at issue
- (e) The motivations/reasons offered in support of the decision
- (f) If a judge in the court dissented from the majority, the reasons for the dissent

NB: *Keep in mind that you are analyzing an appellate decision.*