

MASS MEDIA AND SOCIETY

CONCEPTS 3

Intro to Media Law

On a separate sheet of paper type a brief description showing each of these concepts of media. (Untyped assignments will not be accepted. Clean up spelling and grammar.) Note: It generally is better to put more detail than not enough detail. Simply repeating key words does not show me you understand them. Note that some information you will need will come from the textbook, some from the lectures, some from both.

Concepts assignments should be completed BEFORE taking a test. Lecture material will be removed from the web site on the day of the test.

Remember, your job is to show me you UNDERSTAND the information, not just to repeat from my lectures or from the book.

Scoring for each answer:

Superior = 2 points

Adequate = 1 point

Inadequate = 0 points

1. Define the elements of libel.
2. Describe the defenses to libel.
3. Explain the principle that emanates from New York Times vs. Sullivan.
4. List and briefly explain the tort areas of privacy law. Give examples
5. Explain the principle that emanates from Miller vs. California.
6. Summarize the Ralph M. Brown Act and what it requires.
7. Describe the principle that emanates from the Hazelwood case and how it is applied. What is the law as it applies in California?
8. Define copyright protection and how it is gained.
9. Describe prior restraint
10. List and define the five clauses/areas of the First Amendment. Give examples.

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