

Grading Rubric for Legal Case Brief

Objective/Criteria	Performance Indicators			
	Excellent	Good	Poor	Unacceptable
Facts State Briefly the essential facts of the case. Tell the story of the case.	(5 points) All relevant facts, including the actual circumstances, events, or occurrences, are concisely and accurately articulated.	(3 points) Most relevant facts, including the actual circumstances, events, or occurrences, are somewhat articulated.	(1 points) Relevant facts, including the actual circumstances, events, or occurrences, are either missing or inaccurately articulated.	(0 points) No facts were identified.
Decision of the Trial Court State the decision in the lower courts(s). Who is suing whom for what? Is this case ultimately decided after full trial, or is it based on some preliminary motion?	(3 points) The parties were identified. The courts were identified. The decision(s) of the court(s), lower to highest were presented (if applicable)	(2 points) The parties were identified. Some of the courts were identified. Partial decisions were presented.	(1 point) The parties were identified. Only one court and one decision was presented	(0 points) No decision was presented.

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	Very Good	Good	Poor	Unacceptable
Issue(s) State the issue(s) raised in originally filing, and on appeal (if appropriate). When a case involves constitutional, statutory or regulatory provisions, note what these are here.	(5 points) The issue(s) (disputed point(s) or question(s) of law on which the legal action is based) is(are) concisely and accurately articulated. All applicable legal issues were addressed.	(3 points) The issue(s) (disputed point(s) or question(s) of law on which the legal action is based) is(are) somewhat articulated. Certain legal issues were not addressed.	(1 point) The issue(s) (disputed point(s) or question(s) of law on which the legal action is based) is(are) not adequately or inaccurately articulated. Several legal issues were not addressed.	(0 points) The issue(s) (disputed point(s) or question(s) of law on which the legal action is(are) based) was(were) not identified.
Holding(s) State the disposition(s) throughout the case.	(1 point) The holding/disposition of the court(s) were presented.	(1 point) The holding/disposition of the highest court was presented.	(0 points) No holding or disposition was presented	(0 points) No holding or disposition was presented

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Analysis The ruling(s) of the court(s). What was the courts reasoning, etc.	(9 points) A complete analysis of each step of the case was presented. The analysis consisted of all courts which heard the case, the decision of each court and why each court ruled as it did. Also included the differences found at each court level.	(7 points) The case was analyzed with all courts hearing the case presented. The analysis included the decision of each court with supporting evidence provided for each court decision.	(4 points) The case was analyzed with the highest court decision hearing the case presented. Facts were presented on why the highest court agreed or disagreed with other courts within the case.	(0 points) No analysis was presented.
Scope of holding ID the jurisdiction and population addressed by the court.	(1 point) The jurisdiction the ruling court has over other courts is described.	(1 point) The jurisdiction the ruling court has over other courts is described.	(0 points) A jurisdiction is listed but no accurate.	(0 points) No jurisdiction is presented.
Dissenting opinions Explains the issues on which the judges disagreed.	(1 point) If available, dissenting opinions were listed. If no dissenting opinion was available, the point is earned.	(1 point) If available, dissenting opinions were listed. If no dissenting opinion was available, the point is earned.	(0 points) No dissenting opinions were listed. If no dissenting opinion was available, the point is earned.	(0 points) No dissenting opinions were listed. If no dissenting opinion was available, the point is earned.
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Scoring Rubric for Effectiveness Plan

Total Points	Effectiveness Plan Score
23-25 PTS (92% - 100%)	4 (Exceeds Expectations)
21-22 PTS (85% - 91%)	3 (Meets Expectations)
19-20 PTS (78%-84%)	2 (Meets Some Expectations)
17-18 PTS (71%-77%)	1 (Does Not Meet Expectations)
16 PTS or Below (70% or Below)	0 (Unacceptable)