

Joseph F. Rice School of Law

## Legal Research, Analysis, and Writing I Fall 2025 Syllabus Sections 9 & 10 Professors Virzi & Maxwell

## **Texts**

Print (You'll need these both semesters. Renting them twice is more expensive than buying.):

- 1. Coughlin, Rocklin & Patrick, A Lawyer Writes: A Practical Guide to Legal Analysis (4th 2024).
- 2. The Bluebook (22nd ed. 2025). Hard copy only, not the digital subscription.
- 3. Enquist & Oates, Just Writing: Grammar, Punctuation, and Style (6th ed. 2022).

## Online:

- 1. Core Grammar for Lawyers, <a href="https://coregrammarforlawyers.com/">https://coregrammarforlawyers.com/</a>.
- 2. LRAW Research Fall 2025 ("LRAW Research") at http://guides.law.sc.edu/LRAWFall

## **First-day Reading**

Thurs., Aug. 21 ☐ Blackboard: Read the first four pages of the Syllabus and the Course Policies at the end.  Both sections 9 and 10 will meet together at 9:10 a.m. in Room 389 on the first day.    A Lawyer Writes: Introduction, pp. xxi-xxii; Intro to Ch. 3 (Reading for Comprehension), pp. 33-34; Ch. 3.2 Part I, pp. 45-48; Subparts B & C pp. 52-54; & Table 3.2-H on p. 56.    Blackboard: Read the first four pages of the Syllabus and the Course to see its layout and content. Blackboard: Download & complete the Information Sheet, upload it in Word format to the Assignment Drop Box.    Your Legal System Quiz becomes available today at 2:40 p.m. and is due by 2:40 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 23.	Date	Read	Complete
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