

Dear Contracts Professor:

We are pleased to introduce the 7th Edition of Farnsworth, Young, Sanger, Cohen and Brooks, *Contracts: Cases and Materials*, available this summer, in time for fall term adoptions. Although Allan Farnsworth is no longer with us, his influence remains strong and we are confident that those who have used an earlier edition will find the book to be comfortably familiar. The book remains even-handed and eclectic in tone and coverage, allowing professors to choose areas of emphasis as they like.

At the same time, we have updated each chapter and lightly reorganized several in ways that we think makes the book more effective. There is also somewhat greater attention to UCC Article 2 and a more sophisticated, but quite accessible, treatment of the economics of contract law, particularly in the chapter on remedies. We were aided in preparation of the new edition by responses of many of our users to a questionnaire we sent out last summer, as well as by the participation of two new authors, Neil Cohen of Brooklyn and Rick Brooks of Yale.

Many standard features of the 6th Edition remain, such as the Notes and Problems following many of the cases. We have also retained the biographies of judges and other important figures in the development of law, recognizing that in an age of Google, students *could* look them up, but we are not sure they would.

We proceed by way of an annotated Table of Contents, highlighting certain new material as well as indicating the revised structure. Of course, the presentation of the chapters is not fixed. As in the previous edition, each chapter

is self-contained so that professors may order the presentation of subjects to suit their preferences.

We have also prepared a new 2008 Edition of the paperback *Selections for Contracts* to accompany the 7th Edition. It, too, is slightly restructured. Based on the expanded and updated 2007 Edition of the *Selections* (which included the actual contracts in several of the principal cases), the 2008 *Selections* has been augmented by the inclusion of additional black letter provisions and comments from the Restatement, Second, of Contracts, as well as the Statute of Frauds provisions from the Restatement of Suretyship and Guaranty. We think these changes make it a more interesting and useful teaching tool. The Table of Contents of the new *Selections* is also provided below. A revised Teachers Manual for the casebook will also be available in the summer.

Page proofs of the 7th Edition in PDF form will be available upon request in early June to all professors teaching contract law this fall.

Professors adopting the 7th Edition of *Contracts: Cases and Materials* are invited to request expedited delivery (UPS 2nd Day Service) of their complimentary copy of the casebook, the *Selections for Contracts 2008*, and the *Teacher's Manual*.

In either case, simply contact Foundation Press by phone [800.328.9352] or email [Foundation-Press@thomson.com].

Best wishes,

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