COURSE NAME: Federal Jurisdiction

COURSE NUMBER: 8765

PROFESSOR: Steve Wolfe

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: Civil Procedure I

COURSE BOOK: Federal Courts: Cases, Comments and Questions (authored by Martin Redish and Suzanna Sherry) 6th Edition

Supplemental materials will also be assigned and distributed via TWEN.

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE: Final Exam and Class Participation

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: A practical and theoretical examination of the limits and extent of federal judicial power (or, in simpler terms, when cases can and cannot be in federal court).

COURSE CONTENT: Examines Constitutional and statutory provisions and judicial decisions regarding federal judicial power. Class will also examine supplemental materials compiled by the instructor to illustrate practical implications of those provisions.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: Every litigator develops a firm desire to have their cases in federal court . . . or not. This class addresses the theories and methods governing when a case may or must be in one court or the other.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR BAR EXAM: Students taking the course have advised me there are some questions on the exam that relate to the subject matter. This anecdotal evidence is all I have to offer.