



LawShelf Educational Media

Commercial Payments

Course Description

The Commercial Payments course is a comprehensive course on Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) Banking Law. It focuses on the laws under the UCC's Articles 3, 4, and 5 that affect commercial paper, negotiable instruments, and other payment systems.

Course Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Define negotiable instruments and differentiate between the various types of instruments;
- Determine the liabilities and responsibilities of various parties to instruments and notes;
- Describe the process of settling and collecting on a check;
- Apply the UCC rules on electronic fund transfers, credit and debit cards;
- Explain letters of credit and the UCC rules and regulations that govern them.

Final Exam

Grades and credit recommendations are based solely on a final exam. When students are ready to take the final exam, they should register for a LawShelf account (or simply log in, for those with existing accounts). Go to the video-course page and click "Take the Final Exam" and pay the exam fee, where applicable. Students will be given instructions on how to take the exam. All exams are proctored by the Voice Proctor® proctoring system. An overview of the system is [provided here](#) and it requires no training or learning curve. Grades of 70% or above are considered passing grades and qualify for recommended transfer credit.

The final exam is based on the video course modules. Additional resources detailed in this syllabus are helpful for background and for building greater understanding of the course materials.

Inquiries can be made through the LawShelf Contact form on our website by clicking the "email us" button that appears at the bottom of most LawShelf pages. Transcripts can be ordered via Parchment, as detailed on our website.

Case Studies

Many LawShelf video courses include case studies. These do not necessarily teach new material but are meant to demonstrate how the materials covered in the course are applied by various courts. Concepts covered in the case studies are covered on the final exam; so watching the case studies is necessary before taking the exam. However, it is unnecessary to memorize the facts and details of the cases covered in these case studies.

Self-Quizzes

Video-course modules and case studies feature self-quizzes that consist of practice questions on the materials covered in the videos. These questions are presented for the benefit of the student and are **important to review before taking the final exam** because they are similar in style and substance to the questions on the final exam. These quizzes are not graded or monitored and there is no record of how students answer these questions. Students may answer these questions as many times as they like and are encouraged to keep re-taking the quizzes until they have mastered all the questions.

Study Guide

Video Course Modules

These videos constitute the main part of the course and are they sources of the questions on the final exam.

Commercial Payments Introduction

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursescontentview/commercial-payments>

Negotiable Instruments - Module 1 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/negotiable-instruments-module-1-of-6>

Liability and Negotiable Instruments - Module 2 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/liability-and-negotiable-instruments-module-2-of-6>

The Check Collection Process - Module 3 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/the-check-collection-process-module-3-of-6>

Electronic Funds Transfers and Other Payment Systems - Module 4 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/electronic-funds-transfers-and-other-payment-systems-module-4-of-6>

Allocation of Loss in Commercial Payments - Module 5 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/allocation-of-loss-in-commercial-payments-module-5-of-6>

Letters of Credit - Module 6 of 6

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/letters-of-credit-module-6-of-6>

Case Study: Bank of North Carolina v. Rock Island Bank

<https://lawshelf.com/videocoursesmoduleview/case-study-bank-of-north-carolina-v-rock-island-bank>

Supplemental Suggested Readings

These materials enable students to achieve a deeper understanding of the course materials and in applying the course to real-life situations.

Read the following articles:

Scope of Article 3 and Types of Commercial Paper and Parties

https://saylordotorg.github.io/text_law-of-commercial-transactions/s25-02-scope-of-article-3-and-types-o.html

Bank Deposits and Collections

<https://uknowledge.uky.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=3261&context=klj>

Negotiable Instruments

http://web.nacm.org/pdfs/educ_presentations/Principles_Ch16_v3.pdf