WILLS & TRUSTS by Professor Stanley Johanson

Hour 1 **Execution of Wills:** Requirements for Validly Executed Will, Attestation Clause, What Constitutes Signing in Testator's Presence, Attorney Liability for Negligence in Preparation of Will, Interested Witness Statutes, Holographic Wills, Conditional Will**; Revocation of Wills:** What Constitutes a Valid Revocation, Presumptions Regarding Revocation, Dependent Relative Revocation

Hour 2 **Revocation of Wills (con't):** Changes on Face of Will After It Has Been Signed and Witnessed**; Beneficiary Dies During Testator's Lifetime:** Anti-Lapse Statutes, Lapse in Residuary Gift, Class Gifts, Deaths in Quick Succession**; Changes in Family After Will's Execution:** Testator Marries After Will Is Executed, Testator Divorces After Will Is Executed, Testator Has Child After Will Executed**; Problems Associated with Testamentary Gifts:** Abatement of Legacies to Pay Debts, Expenses, Specifically Devised Property Not in the Estate at Death, Statutory Exceptions to the Ademption Doctrine, Bequests of Stock or Other Securities

Hour 3 **Problems Associated with Testamentary Gifts (con't):** Specific Gifts of Property Subject to Lien**; Reference to Facts and Events Outside the Will:** Incorporation by Reference, Acts of Independent Significance Doctrine**; Other Wills Doctrines:** Mistakes or Ambiguities in the Will, Contracts Relating to Wills, Effect of Words of Disinheritance in a Will**; Intestate Succession:** Intestate Share of the Surviving Spouse, Inheritance by Descendants, Adopted Children, Children Born out of Wedlock, Lifetime Gifts to Heir or Will Beneficiary, Disclaimer by Heir or Will Beneficiary

Hour 4 **Elective Share Statutes; Will Contests:** Lack of Testamentary Capacity, Undue Influence**; Trusts:** Requirements for a Valid Trust

Hour 5 **Trusts (con't):** Revocable Trusts, Other Arrangements, Charitable Trusts, Honorary Trusts, Resulting Trusts, Constructive Trusts

Hour 6 **Trusts (con't):** Creditors' Claims and Spendthrift Trusts, Self-Dealing by Fiduciary, Trust Administration Problems, Early Termination of Trusts, Powers of Appointment