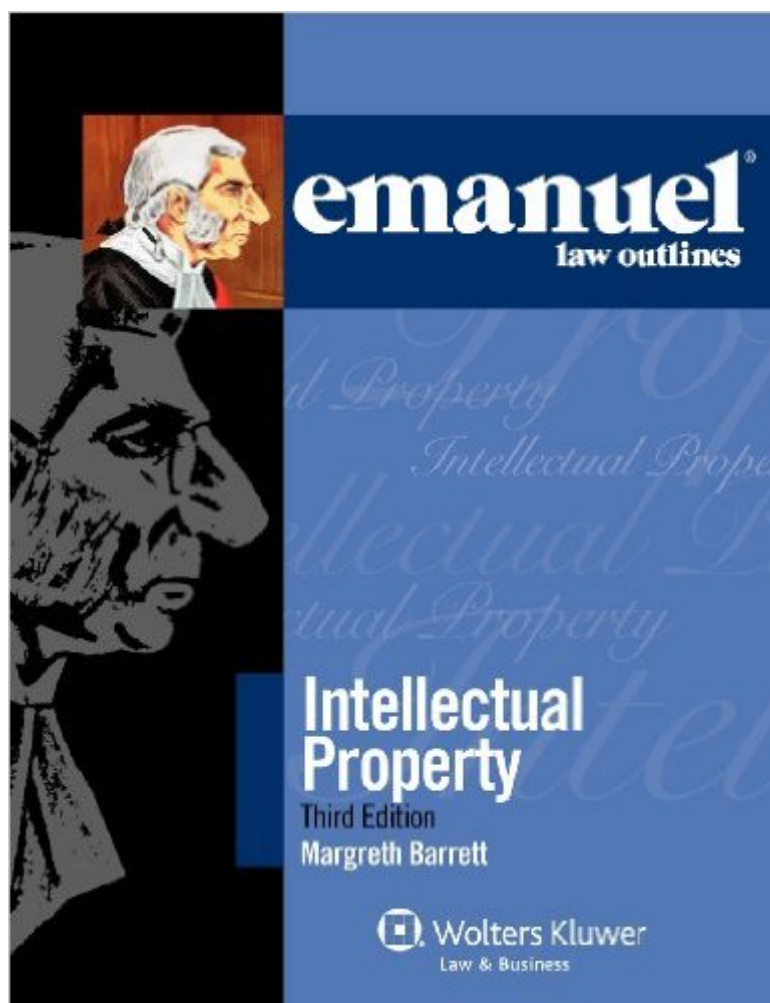


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# Emanuel Law Outlines: Intellectual Property



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## Customer Reviews

I used this supplement in conjunction with the barrett casebook and found it extremely useful. My course was a four unit ip survey class covering trade secrets, patents, copyright, trademark, and the law of undeveloped ideas. We didnt tackle right to publicity or other ip topics, but what we did cover was extensively outlined in this supplement. The supplement is conveniently keyed to other ip casebooks as well. What I really liked with this supplement is the generally straightforward way it's laid out and the amount of black letter law it includes. Sometimes certain sections were slightly repetitious, but on the whole this supplement was great. The only reason it's not a five star for me is that it's missing a few recent cases that change the law and there is no info on the Aspen site the

book tells you to reference to find out about updates. Previously I've only used the understanding series and examples and explanations, but after my experience with this supplement I'll certainly be considering Emanuel for any future purchases as well. In reflection, I could have skipped paying 170 for the casebook and just paid 40 for this supplement and been absolutely fine.

This supplement is very helpful and a life-saver. I am currently taking both Trademark and Patent Law, and this book helps me understand the concepts in a much more organized way. I plan to use this book when I take Copyright Law. A must need for IP law.

Summary: the worst Emanuel outline  
Disclaimer: I am a longtime Emanuel user and prefer it to Gilberts. However, this book is incredibly disappointing for 3 primary reasons:  
1. It gives an incredibly superficial treatment to even the most complicated subjects. Example: the "utility" standard - discussed in 35 U.S.C. 101 and 102, is given LESS THAN ONE (1) PAGE of discussion. Disclosure, 35 U.S.C. 112, is given ONE AND A QUARTER (1.25) PAGES of discussion. This is simply unacceptable to anybody wanting to know more than a cocktail discussion's worth of information.  
2. It provides scant case law support. Much of the information is presented without citing to cases or statutory authority - the author merely gives a proposition, but gives no history, facts, or cites to cases or statutes to support that conclusion. Those reading this book have most certainly taken civil procedure, so I give this analogy: the author's methodology would lose to a 12(b)(6) motion because it relies so much on conclusory allegations that were so disfavored in Twombly/Iqbal. Example: the "utility" section mentioned in my #1 CITES ONLY TWO (2) CASES in the entire section. There are easily 10+ important cases in this area that are critical.  
3. Poor organization: this outline is more blocks of text than any kind of outline. There are too many uniform text paragraphs and not enough organization and breakdowns of how topics flow together. This defeats the "outline" portion of Emanuel Outlines.

This book will lead you wrong. According to the book, "to constitute a trade secret, the information must be substantially secret and have commercial value to the claimant that can be attributed to the fact that the claimant has it and its competitors do not". However, the generally accepted definition of a trade secret is information that (a) derives independent economic value from not being generally known to the public or to other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and (b) is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy. To a lay person, the difference may seem trivial, but to someone using this book (a law student

using it to supplement his/her studies), the difference is between an A grade and a C or lower. It's like having brain surgery and having the surgeon ask the nurse for "one of those sharp things on that tray."

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