INTRO TO LEGAL ANALYSIS FEEDBACK SHEET

Student ____________________
Question ____________________
Score ______________________
Grader Initials ________________

ISSUE IDENTIFICATION

_____ 1 Good issue spotting
_____ 2 Missing minor issues
_____ 3 Missing major issues and/or many issues
_____ 4 Many non-issues discussed/too much time spent on minor issues
_____ 5 All facts from the fact pattern should be used in your answer
   (if you didn’t use the facts, you probably missed points)

RULE

_____ 6 Good rule statements
_____ 7 Need accurate and complete rule statements
_____ 8 Your issue heading/statement should be followed by a statement of the rule

ANALYSIS

_____ 9 Good analysis
_____ 10 Analyze each issue/legal concept separately, don’t blend them together
_____ 11 Use all available facts to analyze each element or rule
_____ 12 Analysis must explain how or why the facts prove or disprove the element/rule. Reciting the
   applicable facts alone is not enough
_____ 13 When a rule has elements, and more than one of the elements is at issue, analyze each element
   that is at issue in its own paragraph
_____ 14 Where the exact language is important, don’t summarize the facts or change the language
   from the fact pattern
_____ 15 Analyze the elements of a rule in the same order listed in the rule
_____ 16 Analysis must explain the significance of the facts (how the facts relate to the rule).
_____ 17 Analysis fails to apply the rule correctly

CONCLUSION

_____ 18 Make sure you have a conclusion
_____ 19 Don’t conclude until you have done the analysis
_____ 20 Don’t be so attached to your conclusion that you write yourself out of the question and miss
   other issues. If there are facts still remaining, be sure to use them
_____ 21 Did not conclude correctly, which was required for an issue

ORGANIZATION/FORMAT

_____ 22 Well organized
_____ 23 Your writing is hard to read
_____ 24 The answer does not follow the call of the question
_____ 25 Clearly label all issues and sub issues, use issue headings
_____ 26 Be sure to allocate your time wisely, you spent too much time on minor or non-issues (which
   are worth fewer points) and did not cover the major issues sufficiently
ESSAY FEEDBACK

Student ____________________
Question ____________________
Score ________________________
Grader Initials ________________

ISSUE

_____ 1  Good issue spotting
_____ 2  Missing minor issues
_____ 3  Missing major issues and/or many issues
_____ 4  Many non-issues discussed/too much time spent on minor issues
_____ 5  All facts from the fact pattern should be used in your answer
       (if you didn’t use some of the facts, you missed some of the issues)

RULE

_____ 6  Good rule statements
_____ 7  Need accurate and complete rule statements
_____ 8  The first line following your issue heading/statement should be a statement of the rule

ANALYSIS

_____ 9  Good analysis
_____ 10 Analyze each issue/legal concept separately, don’t blend them together
_____ 11 Use all available facts to analyze each element or rule
_____ 12 Analysis must explain how or why the facts prove or disprove the element/rule. Reciting the
       applicable facts alone is not enough
_____ 13 When a rule has elements, analyze each element separately in its own paragraph
_____ 14 Use the exact facts directly from the fact pattern, don’t summarize them or change the
       language, especially where the exact language is important
_____ 15 Analyze the elements of a rule in the same order listed in the rule
_____ 16 Analysis must tie the facts back to the rule. Try the formula:
       Here, rule because fact.
_____ 17 Analysis fails to apply the rule correctly

CONCLUSION

_____ 18 Have a conclusion
_____ 19 Do not conclude until you have done the analysis
_____ 20 Don’t be so attached to your conclusion that you write yourself out of the question and miss
       other issues. If there are facts still remaining, use them
_____ 21 Did not conclude correctly, which was required for an issue

FORMAT

_____ 22 Well organized
_____ 23 Your writing is hard to read
_____ 24 The answer does not follow the call of the question
_____ 25 Clearly label all issues and sub issues, use issue headings
_____ 26 Skip a line between issues
_____ 27 Start a new paragraph with your analysis section