**CAPTION:** (Case name, court, year & page in casebook)

**Relevant Facts:**

* Facts discussed by the court
* Facts that impact the outcome, statute, or rule

**Procedural Posture/History/Status of the Case:**

* Who are the parties? (Who sued whom?)
* What were the plaintiff’s legal claims? Defendant’s response?
* What did the court below, if any, decide?
* If this in an appellate case, who appealed? On what ground?

**Issue(s):**

* The legal question(s) the court must decide/determine in order to reach its conclusion.

**Holding:**

* The court’s decision in the case/resolution of each issue

**Analysis/Court’s Reasoning:**

* What are the relevant rules of law?
* How did the court apply the rules to reach its holding?
* Did the court specifically reject any arguments?

**Optional:**

* DISSENT/CONCURRENCE – Separate opinions with differing reasoning
* DICTA – Discussion of legal theory that falls outside of the case’s central point and does not carry the weight of precedent
* DEFINITIONS – technical legal terms properly defined

**CLASS NOTES:**