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Transactional Research Resource Quiz

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This quiz was used as a low-stakes assessment following a brief reading, classroom instruction, and hands-on exercises focused on transactional legal research resources. The reading was taken from Principles of Legal Research (West Academic 2020) and classroom instruction and exercises included free and fee-based transactional research resources. Class outline and slides also available by request.

Assignment #1 (Due 2/14 at 11:59pm)

Started: Feb 23 at 3:54pm

Quiz Instructions

This exercise is designed to assess your ability to identify useful practice aids and transactional research resources. You will need to use Bloomberg Law, Lexis, and Westlaw, along with some resources available on the open web. You will be tasked with finding useful resources to meet the information needs described in each question. You will also be asked to compare and evaluate available resources.

Question 1	2 pts

Your law firm represents several large retail chains doing business throughout the U.S. One of your clients has a number of stores located in California and is re-working their employee handbook to include a number of new policies. You've been asked to draft a face covering policy for the employees working in those stores. The policy must be consistent with California law. You should explore the resources on both Bloomberg Law and Westlaw and select either drafting guidance or a sample policy to begin your drafting.

Download the guidance or document that you believe will be most useful in drafting this policy. Then upload the document as your response to this question.

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Question 2	2 pts

Your firm has been retained by Anheuser-Busch InBev (ABInBev) to complete the due diligence associated with a potential acquisition of Boston Beer Company. This

will be your first experience with due diligence for an M&A transaction and you want to make sure you're identifying all of the essential documents for the transaction. You remember seeing an M&A due diligence checklist in your legal research class, but that was on Westlaw and your firm only has subscriptions to Bloomberg Law and Lexis.

Select either Bloomberg Law or Lexis and identify a sample due diligence checklist you can work from. Download a copy of the checklist and then upload the document as your response to this question.

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Question 3   2 pts

You have customized the due diligence checklist identified above and have submitted it to the firm representing Boston Beer Company. The firm has not yet returned any of the requested documentation to you, but your supervising attorney has asked you to go ahead and gather some of the essential information ASAP for an upcoming meeting with ABInBev. One of the items you've been asked to produce is Boston Beer Company's most recent annual report (form 10-K).

A. Describe two methods of retrieving this document.

B. Identify at least one advantage of each method described in part A of this question.

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Question 4 2 pts

Eager to impress your supervising attorney and feeling out of your depth in your first M&A transaction, you decide to identify a treatise that will help you refresh your understanding of M&A practice generally. Identify a treatise using any of the methods discussed in class. Then provide the following information about the treatise:

1. What is the title of the treatise?
2. Is it available in print in our law library?
3. Is it available electronically through Bloomberg Law, Lexis, or Westlaw? If so, which platform?
4. Does the treatise you identified include guidance related to conducting due diligence? If so, what chapter or section of the treatise includes this guidance?

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Question 5   2 pts

You've passed the bar (with flying colors!) and have been hired by a firm specializing in labor and employment law. You've been asked to draft an employment agreement for a C-suite executive for a retail clothing corporation that includes non-competition, non-solicitation, and non-disclosure provisions. It should be governed by New York Law. Your firm has examples of similar employment agreements, but none of them relates to the retail clothing industry.

Using Bloomberg Law's Transactional Precedent Search, identify an employment agreement for a C-suite executive that meets the requirements listed above and comes from the retail clothing industry. Download the agreement, then upload the document as your response to this question.

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Question 6   2 pts

Think about the types of practice aids and transactional research resources covered in the assigned reading and in class #3. Using no more than 250 words, describe the resource or process that was most interesting and/or useful to you. You can see your word count by clicking on the word Tools right next to the formatting options above the box.

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Question 7   3 pts

This question is included so that I can assign points for the "News You Can Use" discussion board. Just include the title of the news item you selected in the text box below. Assuming you made a good faith effort to participate in the discussion board assignment and submitted your news item by the due date and time stated, you will receive full credit.

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