**TORTS: COHORT B – PROFESSOR WILLBANKS**

**Assignment for Monday, August 24, 2020**

1. Enroll in Torts Fall 2020 Professor Willbanks on TWEN

 See the syllabus for information about TWEN

2. Post a short Introduction on the TWEN forum at: Welcome and Introductions

 This will help us get to know each other

3. Introduction to Tort Law and Battery: Intent to Contact

 Required Reading: text pages 1-23

 Suggested Reading: Anatomy of a Lawsuit (A PowerPoint Presentation) Elements of a Case Brief

 How to Read a Legal Option

 All are on TWEN @ Supplemental Readings

 Be prepared to discuss these questions:

 What are the three basic categories of tort law?

 What are three rationales for tort law?

 Which rationale do you think is the most important?

 Be prepared to discuss Waters v. Blackshear at page 16 by briefing that case.

 Be prepared to discuss Polmather v. Russ at page 18 by briefing that case.

 Be prepared to discuss the problems at pages 22-23.

 What are the elements of a cause of action for battery?

 What element(s) were at issue in Waters?

 What element(s) were at issue in Polmather?