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To: C_Law Class SP14: Hester - Statutory Interpretation and Regulation
Subject: Statutory interpretation -- reading panel for Feb. 6

Instead of appointing our usual reading panel, tomorrow's discussion will involve the entire class. The doctrines that we'll review are indispensable for your future work to interpret statutes and regulations, and everyone needs to have them firmly in hand. We'll return to our usual reading panel procedure next week.

Please be prepared to apply each of the linguistic canons to example statutory language, including the questions on pp. 278-279. We will also discuss the Dictionary Act (and its Texas cousin) and its deeper implications for the role of the judiciary in interpreting statutes.

See you tomorrow.

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