

RULE OF LAW MILESTONE

	NOVICE LEARNER	INTERMEDIATE LEARNER	COMPETENT LEARNER	EXCEPTIONAL LEARNER
KNOWLEDGE				
Independent Judiciary and Legal Profession	Demonstrates limited understanding of the function and significance of one or both an independent and impartial judiciary and an independent and self-regulated legal profession to the rule of law.	Demonstrates basic understanding of the function and significance of one or both an independent and impartial judiciary or an independent and self-regulated legal profession to the rule of law.	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to explain the function and significance of both an independent and impartial judiciary and an independent and self-regulated legal profession to the rule of law.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding and ability to explain the function and significance of both an independent and impartial judiciary and an independent and self-regulated legal profession to the rule of law.
Equality	Demonstrates limited understanding of the principle that no one is above the law and that laws should be applied equally to all members of society, including government officials serving executive, legislative, or judicial functions.	Demonstrates basic understanding of the principle that no one is above the law and that laws should be applied equally to all members of society, including government officials serving executive, legislative, or judicial functions.	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to explain the principle that no one is above the law and that laws should be applied equally to all members of society, including government officials serving executive, legislative, or judicial functions.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding and ability to explain the principle that no one is above the law and that laws should be applied equally to all members of society, including government officials serving executive, legislative, or judicial functions.
Human Dignity	Demonstrates limited understanding that the function of law is to protect the human rights and dignity of all members of society, including the autonomy of individuals to freely make decisions on actions that concern them.	Demonstrates basic understanding that the function of law is to protect the human rights and dignity of all members of society, including the autonomy of individuals to freely make decisions on actions that concern them.	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to explain how the law protects the human rights and dignity of all members of society, including the autonomy of individuals to freely make decisions on actions that concern them.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding and ability to explain how the law protects the human rights and dignity of all members of society, including the autonomy of individuals to freely make decisions on actions that concern them.
Transparency and Participation	Demonstrates limited understanding of the	Demonstrates basic understanding of the function	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding

	function and significance of one or both transparency, defined by the accessibility, clarity, and predictability of legal rules, and public participation, including both formal processes and informal practices, to the rule of law.	and significance of one or both transparency, defined by the accessibility, clarity, and predictability of legal rules, and public participation, including both formal processes and informal practices, to the rule of law.	explain the function and significance of both transparency, defined by the accessibility, clarity, and predictability of legal rules, and public participation, including both formal processes and informal practices, to the rule of law.	and ability to explain the function and significance of both transparency, defined by the accessibility, clarity, and predictability of legal rules, and public participation, including both formal processes and informal practices, to the rule of law.
Fairness and Consistency	Demonstrates limited understanding of fairness and consistency concepts and the importance of legal proceedings free from bias.	Demonstrates basic understanding of fairness and consistency concepts and the importance of legal proceedings free from bias.	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to explain the function of fairness and consistency concepts and the importance of legal proceedings free from bias.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding and ability to explain the function of fairness and consistency concepts and the importance of legal proceedings free from bias.
Due Process	Demonstrates limited understanding of procedural due process and the important role of lawyers in assuring access to justice.	Demonstrates basic understanding of either procedural due process or the important role of lawyers in assuring access to justice.	Demonstrates complete understanding and ability to explain both the purpose of procedural due process and the important role of lawyers in assuring access to justice.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding of and the ability to explain cogently and clearly the purpose of procedural due process and the important role of lawyers in assuring access to justice.
Historical and Critical Perspectives	Demonstrates limited understanding of primary historical and critical perspectives on the rule of law.	Demonstrates basic understanding of some of the primary historical and critical perspectives on the rule of law.	Demonstrates complete understanding of most of the primary historical and critical perspectives on the rule of law, including the ability to explain those perspectives.	Demonstrates sophisticated and nuanced understanding of most of the primary historical and critical perspectives on the rule of law, including the ability to explain those perspectives.
SKILLS				

Educate Others on Foundational Principles	Demonstrates limited ability to explain foundational principles and communicate with others about them.	Demonstrates basic ability to explain foundational principles and communicate with others about them.	Demonstrates thorough ability to explain foundational principles and communicate with others about them, including actively listening to the ideas of others.	Demonstrates sophisticated ability to explain foundational principles and communicate with others about them, including actively engaging with the ideas of others.
Identify Situations When Foundational Principles Have Not Been Achieved	Demonstrates limited ability to identify situations when foundational principles have not been achieved.	Demonstrates basic ability to identify situations when foundational principles have not been achieved.	Demonstrates thorough ability to identify situations when foundational principles have not been achieved.	Demonstrates sophisticated ability to identify situations when foundational principles have not been achieved.
Identify Actions That Violate Foundational Principles	Demonstrates limited ability to identify actions that violate foundational principles.	Demonstrates basic ability to identify actions that violate foundational principles.	Demonstrates thorough ability to identify actions that violate foundational principles.	Demonstrates sophisticated ability to identify actions that violate foundational principles.
Take Appropriate Actions to Address Shortcomings/ Violations of Foundational Principles	Demonstrates limited ability to identify or take appropriate actions to address shortcomings/violations of foundational principles.	Demonstrates basic ability to identify and take appropriate actions to address shortcomings/violations of foundational principles.	Demonstrates thorough ability to identify and take appropriate actions to address shortcomings/violations of foundational principles.	Demonstrates sophisticated ability to identify and take appropriate actions to address shortcomings/violations of foundational principles.
VALUES				
Integrate Personal and Professional Values to Support and Advance Rule of Law	Demonstrates limited ability to recognize and integrate personal values and the professional values relevant to practicing law in ways that support and advance the rule of law.	Demonstrates basic ability to recognize and integrate personal values and the professional values relevant to practicing law in ways that support and advance the rule of law.	Demonstrates complete ability to recognize and integrate personal values and the professional values relevant to practicing law in ways that support and advance the rule of law.	Demonstrates sophisticated ability to recognize and integrate personal values and the professional values relevant to practicing law in ways that support and advance the rule of law.
Act Consistently with Integrated	Demonstrates limited ability to act consistently	Demonstrates basic ability to act consistently with	Demonstrates complete ability to act consistently	Demonstrates sophisticated and steadfast ability to act

Personal and Professional Values to Support Rule of Law	with integrated personal and professional values to support the rule of law.	integrated personal and professional values to support the rule of law.	with integrated personal and professional values to support the rule of law.	consistently with integrated personal and professional values to support the rule of law, even when self-interest is at risk.
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