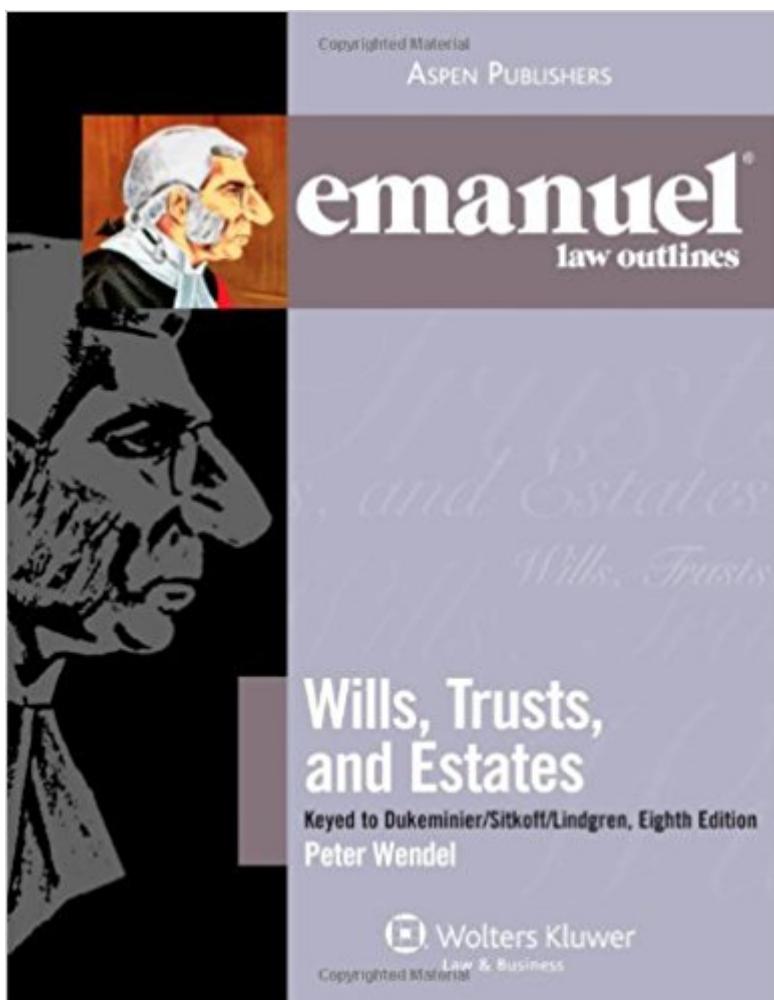


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Customer Reviews

If your casebook is the Dukeminier Wills, Trusts, & Estates 9th Edition, this is the best choice for a supplement. Although there is a newer edition of the Emanuel Outline available, that newer 2012 edition is keyed to other casebooks and (curiously) not to Dukeminier. I compared the Dukeminier 9th Edition casebook with both the 2010 (purple cover) and the 2012 (green cover) editions of the Emanuel Outlines. This 2010 Emanuel (purple), which was keyed to the prior Dukeminier 8th Edition, still covers over 90% of the cases in the Dukeminier 9th Edition that were on my course syllabus (which was pretty comprehensive). By contrast, the 2012 Emanuel (green cover) covered fewer than 10% of the cases in the Dukeminier 9th Edition casebook on my syllabus. The only topic in which the 2012 Emanuel (green cover) included more of the cases the Dukeminier 9th Edition casebook was the Admission of Extrinsic Evidence. I suggest that if you're looking for an Emanuel Outline and you're using the Dukeminier Wills, Trusts, & Estates 9th Edition, get this 2010 edition, but then just consult your law library for the 2012 edition when you get to the Admission of Extrinsic Evidence. P.S. This is a far better choice than Wills and Trusts in a Nutshell, which doesn't provide enough in-depth explanation that you'd need for a final exam or even a bar question.

I have a 1-year-old who's in my care 100% of the time I'm not in class. Doesn't leave much time to read for Trusts & Estates. I bought this book halfway through the semester after realizing I'd never catch up on the reading and it carried me through the remainder of the semester. **POSITIVES:** Keyed to the Dukeminier casebook, means you'll never be unprepared; clear, concise summaries of every concept; practice questions and detailed answers/explanations after each chapter; practical exam tips after each chapter; decent case summaries. **NEGATIVES:** A few areas are out of order as compared with the book, though not detrimentally; some cases are oddly omitted; occasional typos may frustrate the overly-critical reader (guilty); I personally dislike the index, which is organized by

large concepts with sub-concepts underneath, which can be frustrating when you need to quickly find "Power of Attorney" and can't get to it by looking under "P" because it's hidden under the "Incapacity" heading. **OVERALL:** Buy it. It will definitely help clarify those overly complex issues and save you the embarrassment of admitting to Teacher that you did not read *Matter of Martin B.* as assigned.

Great outline especially if you use the Dukeminier casebook. I skipped the last two months of the assigned readings and just read this supplement instead. Then I re-read this supplement - cover to cover - two more times before the final and pulled an A in the class. Yes, there are some typos but I counted no more than four and they are easy to spot and rectify. Also, the UPC intestacy distribution scheme is outdated but the current numbers are easy to obtain. Other than that, there are no mistakes. This is not such a tough class but there are just so many rules. This book helps organize the rules in a meaningful manner. Also, while the jurisdictions have different variations, your professor will probably expect you to learn the law in your state. We had to learn Texas law and I would find the way our law worked in the book. Simple. Also, I'm pretty sure our professor taught directly from this supplement because we covered topics in exactly the same order. No difference at all. Finally, this book covers topics such as partial revocation, migrating couples, and rule against perpetuities; all of which you are likely to see on your final. (I did). Overall, a great supplement and one I will keep.

Excellent supplement, especially if you have the casebook that it is keyed to. I used this supplement with a 9th edition of the casebook and it worked out great. It was only missing a few cases (prob a handful) and the chapters are in a diff order than the casebook, but it was really easy to find the right material I needed. The supplement laid out everything clearly and concisely, something casebooks tend to lack in. Even if you aren't using the casebook that the supp is keyed to, this is a very good supplement for wills and trusts since it breaks down difficult concepts and I especially liked how it was organized (good for us visual learners).

Unfortunately this edition is no longer keyed to the casebook. Unlike most new editions where the odd case is removed and a few new ones added, the publisher went for the 'let's move things around so page numbers won't even be close and make the last edition worthless' approach. Together with making the old edition worthless, they also messed up anyone using a supplement keyed to the casebook. Including this one, which is published by the same firm. As an

outline it is still very good. Be prepared for a little jumping around if your class is using Dukeminier's 9th edition.

I purchased this book to use in conjunction with the Dukeminier textbook for my Wills and Trusts class. My professor was not very good at explaining, well, anything, and this book was. The outline was clear, concise, and followed the book exactly. The front of the book has short outlines of each chapter's concepts, and then the rest of the book goes more in depth into the topics. There are brief, but helpful, summaries of all of the cases in the casebook. I found the casebook to be unhelpful, and I started to rely more on the Emanuel book. After exams, I quickly sold the casebook back to , but I am keeping the Emanuel book to use for Bar prep. Wills and Trusts is actually much more straightforward than other types of law. The casebook makes it seem convoluted, but the Emanuel breaks it down and makes it easier. This is a fantastic study aid, especially if your professor's lectures are difficult to follow.

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