ADDENDUM B: FACULTY RESOLUTION ON THE ALLOCATION OF SCARCE INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES

(OR HOW THE COURSE LOTTERY WORKS)

In May 1991 the Faculty adopted the following procedures for a computerized scheduling system to provide students with a fair opportunity to register for Law courses and seminars. In May 2007 the Faculty approved a modification to the Change of Program (“Add/Drop”) period that resulted in a 12-hour Wait-List notification period (see #8, below).

1. **The General Plan:** All students are first assigned a random position within their category (LL.M., 3L, 2L). Based on the position in their group, student selections are considered in the following order.
   a. Each LL.M. student obtains two choices (limited only by the competition of other LL.M. students and by a percentage limit, described below).
   b. Each 3L student obtains two choices (limited only by the competition of other 3L students and the preceding LL.M. preference).
   c. Each 2L student obtains one choice (in competition with other 2L students).
   d. Each LL.M. obtains a third choice.
   e. Each 3L obtains a third choice.
   f. Each LL.M. obtains a fourth choice.
   g. Each 3L obtains a fourth choice.
   h. Each 2L obtains second, third and fourth choices.

2. **The Lottery:** Within any category, competitive positions will be determined by the computer randomization (separate groups will be formed for LL.M., 3L and 2L students). Lottery positions will be reversed in the spring, so that persons with low numbers in the autumn will have high numbers in the spring and vice-versa. The lottery positions are also reversed on succeeding rounds, so that students who picked early for first offerings will pick late for second offerings with further reversals in succeeding rounds.

3. **LL.M. Students:** LL.M. students get first priority, subject to a single limitation. No more than 33% of the openings in a class can be filled by LL.M. students during the early rounds of the lottery. If the instructor wishes to allow a larger percentage of LL.M. students in a particular offering, she or he may do so by notifying the Office of Registration Services.

4. **Upper-class J.D. Students:** Next preference goes to 3Ls. For the most part, 2L selections are subordinated to LL.M. and 3L selections. The exception is that 2Ls receive a single selection in the third pass.

5. **Alternatives:** For each selection, students may offer an alternative to be used if the first choice is unavailable. If the first choice cannot be scheduled, the student will be put on the wait list for it and scheduled into the alternate, if possible.

6. **Conflicts:** The computer will not schedule a student into two classes that meet at the same time. Students will be put into the first class that the computer schedules.

7. **Scope:** The allocation procedure will apply to all courses and seminars except: (a) clinical seminars (which are subject to allocation by clinicians); (b) other seminars to which admission is allocated by instructors (subject to prior faculty approval); (c) Foundation courses.

8. **Wait List:** Students on wait lists will be promptly notified of openings for which they have priority. They will be given 12 hours after notification to register for the offering or the option will be automatically revoked and the class offered to the next student on the wait list. Notification will be by e-mail.