

A Civil Action
LS 3113 Assignment
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20 points possible. After watching the film, answer the following in your own handwriting, to be turned in at the next class session.

1. Discuss how delays result in lost time and money for all parties.
2. How do the personalities of those involved affect the process and the result?
3. Does “the system” favor one side or another? Which side? Who are the sides?
4. Describe the Discovery Process, specifically, how are Depositions handled?
5. Describe the Discovery Process, specifically, how are requests for documents handled?
6. Describe the Discovery Process, specifically, how are inspections of physical items handled?
7. The movie shows several different settlement conferences, some very formal, some very informal. Which type do you think is most realistic?
8. How are Pre-trial motions handled? Is this what you expected from reading the textbook?
9. Would you have taken the settlement offer of \$20,000,000 in the hallway? Why or why not?
10. Explain the effect of multiple defendants involved in the process.