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Introduction

This Supplement is designed to be used, along with the casebook, *MENTAL DISABILITY LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS* (2d edition, 2005), as sources for a course in *Lawyering Skills in the Representation of Persons with Mental Disabilities*. The authors of this Supplement created this course as part of New York Law School's Online Mental Disability Law Program, and we have prepared this volume to focus on certain areas in that course that were not included in the casebook (e.g., interviewing and counseling; issues of proof in mental disability law cases; dealing with expert witnesses) and other areas that, for reasons of space limitations, were not dealt with extensively (e.g., outpatient commitment; conditions in forensic facilities).

We believe these materials, along with the casebook, can be used in law schools either as part of the NYLS online program, or can be used in a free-standing course on the same topics.