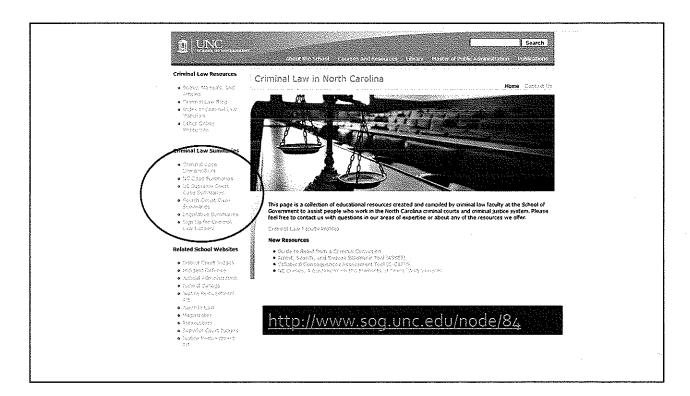
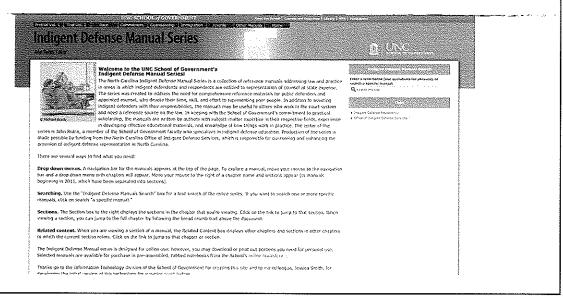
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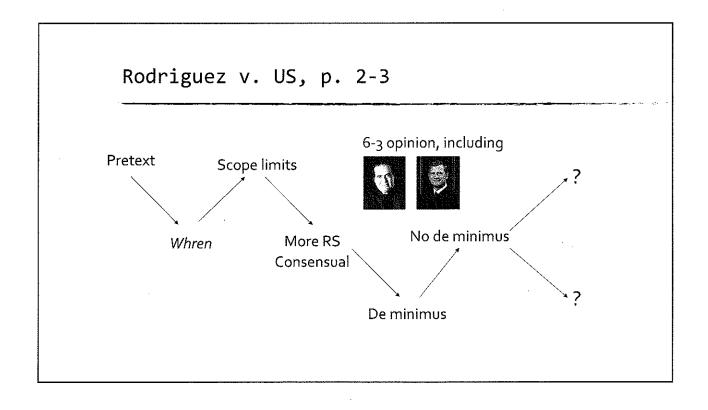
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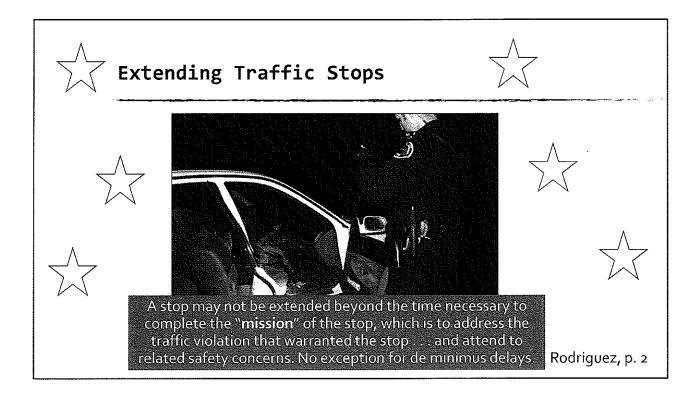
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SEIZURES





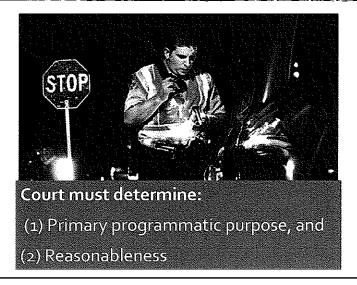


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Activities related to the "mission" of an ordinary traffic stop include:

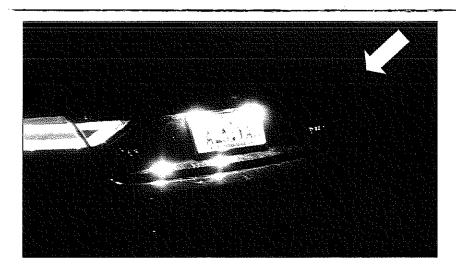
- 1. Check license, registration, and insurance
- 2. Decide whether to issue traffic ticket
- 3. Check for outstanding warrants against driver
- 4. Ping test to see if marijuana stored in tires
- 5. All of the above
- 6. 1-3 only.

Checkpoint



McDonald, p. 3

Heien, p. 6



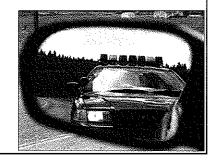
Mistake of Law

- Meh (at least as a legal matter)*
- Law at issue must be "so doubtful in construction" that a reasonable judge could agree with officer (Justice Kagan, concurring)
 - State v. Coleman, 743 S.E.2d 62 (N.C. App. 2013): not reasonable mistake of law
- Mistake must be objectively reasonable; subjective understanding is irrelevant

*An expression of indifference or boredom

Car Stops

- Weave plus (Wainwright, p. 3)
- "Evasive" Acts (McKnight, p. 4)
 - Must be nexus between act and police presence
- Collective Knowledge (Shaw, p. 5)



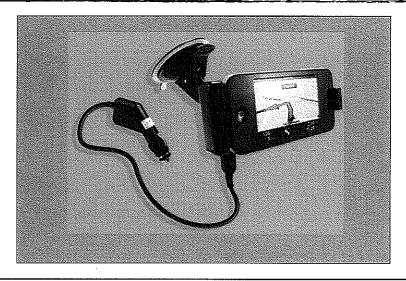
Plain View Doctrine:

- Plain View
 Grice, p. 3
- 1) Officer has right to be there
- 2) Immediately apparent evidence of crime
- Officer has lawful right of access to evidence
- 4) Inadvertent discovery of evidence (??)

SEARCHES

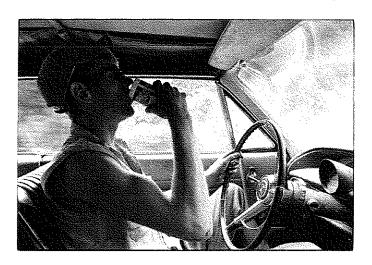


Riley v CA



Clyburn, p. 7

Vehicle Search Incident to Arrest



Fizovic, p. 7

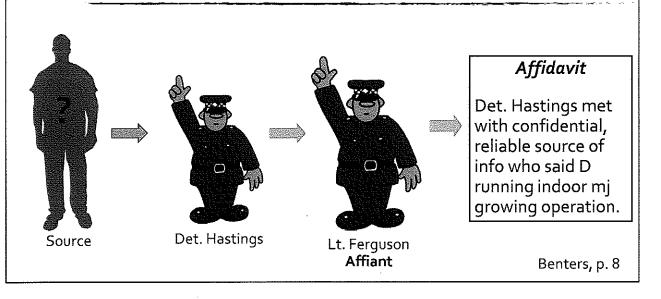
Vehicle Search

Officers may search passenger compartment incident to arrest of occupant only if:

- Arrestee is unsecured and within reaching distance of passenger compartment at time of search, OR
- 2) Reasonable to believe evidence relevant to open container? might be found in vehicle

AZ v. Gant, 556 US 332 (2009)

Search Warrant: Sufficiency of Affidavit



RIGHT TO COUNSEL



Counsel's Obligations to Client

- Is employment of a prosecution witness a conflict?
 - S v. Johnson, p. 15-16
- Does counsel have to ask questions on cross wanted by the client but not by counsel?
 - S v. Floyd, p. 16

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Does counsel have to ask the questions?

- 1. No, because the client only decides major matters, such as taking stand.
- 2. No, because the client only decides major matters and whether to keep or strike jurors.
- 3. No, because the questions were frivolous.
- 4. Yes, because an attorney is the client's agent even on tactical matters.

CRIMES



Resist, Delay, Obstruct Assault Inflicting Physical Injury on Officer

• Failure to identify self can be RDO



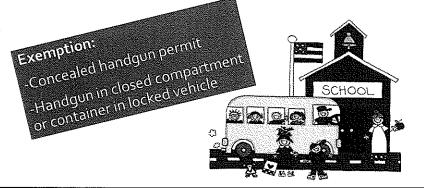
 Assault officer: not limited to situation where officer carrying out lawful duty



Friend, p. 26

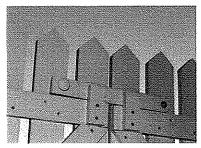
Possess Weapon Educational Property

- State must prove D
 - knowingly possessed weapon, and
 - knowingly entered educational property with weapon

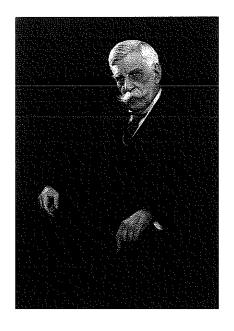


Huckelba, p. 24:





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"Detached reflection cannot be demanded in the presence of an uplifted knife."

"Concrete cases or illustrations stated in the early law . . . have had a tendency to ossify into specific rules without much regard for reason."

Brown v. United States, 256 U.S. 335 (1921)

Pick a Horse? (Hinnant, p. 13-14)

Perfect/imperfect Self-defense

- Perfect if
 - 1) believed it necessary to kill,
 - 2) belief was reasonable
 - 3) not aggressor, and
 - 4) force not excessive
- Imperfect
 - No. 1) and 2), but
 - 3) aggressor without murderous intent or 4) excessive force

Culpable Negligence/Accident

- Involuntary manslaughter if
 - 1) killing was unintentional and
 - (a) unlawful act not ordinarily dangerous to human life or (b) culpable negligence
- Accident if
 - 1) killing was unintentional,
 - 2) lawful conduct, and
 - 3) no culpable negligence

S v. Stepp, p. 12-13

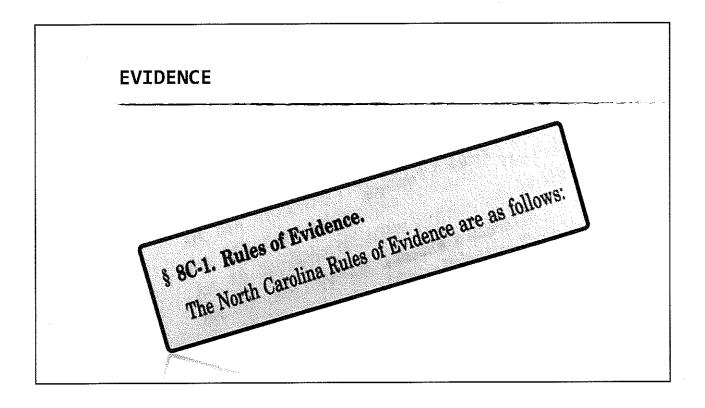
- Is hygiene an accepted medical purpose?
- G.S. 14-27.1 defines a "sexual act" as
 - "penetration, however slight, by any object into the genital opening of another person's body: provided, that it shall be an affirmative defense that the penetration was for accepted medical purposes"

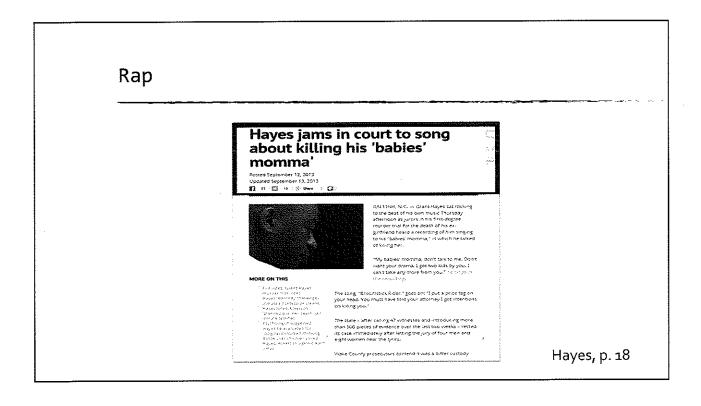
Additional Punishment

"Unless the conduct is covered under some other provision of law providing greater punishment . . ."

- 14:-32.4(a): assault inflicting serious bodily injury
- 14-33(c): assault on female
- 50B-4.1: habitual violation of DVPO
- Coakley (p. 24), Baldwin (p. 29): more serious assaults
- Jones (p. 26): habitual misdemeanor assault
- Jones (p. 26): interference with witness

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Authentication

Foundation for admissibility of video recording:

- (1) whether the camera and recording system were properly maintained and properly operating when made,
- (2) whether video recording accurately presents events depicted, and
- (3) whether there is an unbroken chain of custody.

Snead, p. 21

OTHER EVIDENCE CASES

- 404(b) cases
 - "Too much" evidence (S v Hembree, p. 20)
 - "No connection" to evidence (S v McKnight, p. 22)
- No judicial notice of SBI protocols on appeal
 - S v James, p. 15

SENTENCING & PROBATION



Tolling Donut Hole (Sitosky, p. 36)

- Jamie Markham, Sitosky Update: The Latest on Probation Tolling
 - http://nccriminallaw.sog.unc.edu/sitosky-update-the-latest-on-probation-tolling/
- Probation may have expired and so may not be revocable, despite purported tolling by new offense, if
 - offense was committed before Dec. 1, 2009
 - person was placed on probation before Dec. 1, 2011
 - probation hearing occurred on or after Dec. 1, 2009

BONUS MATERIAL







Sex Offenses (S v. Hicks, p. 14)

G.S. 14-27(a)(1)

14-27.4A

- Statutory sex offense
 - Child is under 13
 - Defendant is at least 12
 - Defendant is 4 or more years older
- Sex offense with child by adult
 - Child is under 13
 - Defendant is at least 18

"[W]e strongly urge the General Assembly to consider reorganizing, renaming, and renumbering the various sexual offenses to make them more easily distinguishable from one another. . . . We do not foresee an end to this confusion until the General Assembly amends the statutory scheme for sexual offenses."

Sex Offender Requirements

- S v Moore, p 30-31: no showing of delivery for verification form
- S v Barnett, p. 31: insufficient evidence that defendant changed his address
- In re Hall, p. 31: SORNA applies
- State v. Crockett, p. 32: homeless person liable for listing address where he couldn't live
- State v. Davis, p. 33: Offense not aggravated because committed before 10/1/2001 effective date
- Grady v. NC, p. 34: SBM is search

More Evidence Cases

- Admissibility of expert opinion when State doesn't comply with discovery
 - S v Davis, p. 18
- Good character evidence
 - S v Walston, p. 23

Police Dogs

- Dog sniff of luggage in a public place
 - <u>not</u> a search (*Place*, 1983)
- Dog sniff of exterior of vehicle (highway checkpoint or lawful traffic stop)
 - <u>not</u> a search (Edmond, 2000; Caballes, 2005)
- Dog sniff of home and immediate surroundings
 - search (Jardines, 2013)

Miller, p. 7

IMPAIRED DRIVING

- Sisk, p. 27
 - Statutory right to be re-advised of implied consent rights before blood draw was not triggered where D volunteered to submit
- Roberts, p. 27
 - Use of breath test result to establish factual basis for plea and to support aggravating factor to enhance punishment did not violate double jeopardy
- Chavez, p. 27-28
 - Right to have witness for blood alcohol testing performed under G.S. 20-16.2 does not apply to blood draws taken pursuant to a search warrant
 - Failure to allow witness to be present for the blood draw did not violate constitutional rights