

JUS5680 2015 Term Paper Assignment

Please choose one of the following alternatives:

Alternative 1

Task: Choose an area of traditional “hard” law (eg, intellectual property law, data privacy law, private international law) and discuss how governance of critical Internet infrastructure (eg, governance of the Domain Name System (DNS)) impacts upon that area of law, focusing on several concrete points of contention.

Alternative 2

Background information

ICANN’s new gTLD Applicant guidebook foresees a string confusion objection procedure in Module 3. Three expert panels have reached opposing conclusions with respect to the potential string confusion based on the similarities of the two applied-for gTLD strings <.car> and <.cars>. The cases were decided by confusion panels at the International Centre for Dispute Resolution.

- Charleston Road Registry v. DERCars ([link](#))
- Charleston Road Registry v. Koko Castle ([link](#))
- Charleston Road Registry v. Uniregistry ([link](#))

All expert determinations are available on ICANN’s web page ([link](#)).

Task

Discuss the difference of outcomes in these cases in light of requirements for procedural justice. In your paper please draw lines of comparison to contention over the Uniform Dispute Resolution Procedure (UDRP).