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Criminal and Civil Law

Packet Questions

Define the following terms…

**Criminal Law Defendant Infraction**

**Felony Misdemeanor Miranda Warning**

**Preponderance of Evidence Clear and Present Danger Beyond a Reasonable Doubt**

**Statute of Limitations**

Answer the following questions as you read through the packet…

1. How does criminal law differ from civil law? What are the two elements that make up an illegal offense? Explain.
2. Create a chart showing the difference between an infraction, misdemeanor, and felony.
3. List and explain each of the Miranda Rights. Be sure to cover the basics of each.
4. When must the police read you your rights? What happens if they don’t? Explain.
5. What two ways can a defendant choose to be tried? Explain.
6. Does everyone get a trial by jury? Explain.
7. What is “burden of proof?”
8. What must a prosecutor prove in order to convict a person? Explain.
9. Draw a chart showing the difference between the statue of limitations for federal and state crimes.