Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date due \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Score /10 **Use notes #**

You will create a legal case that is civil or criminal in nature. You will then write your answers in the spaces below being sure to use and define at least 4-5 legal vocabulary terms in your answers.

1. Create a scenario that deals with a civil lawsuit or criminal case. Describe the background of the incident and what forced the case to go to court.
2. Explain the two sides of the case. What does the plaintiff/prosecutor have to say? What does the defendant have to say about the situation?
3. Detail the steps your case goes through on its way to trial.
4. What is the outcome of your case and why? (settle/plea or trial and outcome)

**Possible legal vocabulary**: defs of criminal v. civil law, plaintiff, prosecutor, defendant, complaint, answer, discovery, settle, plea bargain, trial, verdict, liable/not liable, damages, convicted/acquitted, sentence etc.

What happened:

Who is involved:

When and Where did this happen?

**Why** is it a civil or criminal case?

How will this case proceed through the court system?

