

## Agenda

### Saturday, March 15

4:30 – 5:00 pm Registration

5:00 – 5:45 pm **Session 1: Introduction to the Law & Political Economy Project**

**Todd J. Zywicki**, George Mason University Foundation Professor of Law and Director, LEC Project on Law & Political Economy, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment

Todd J. Zywicki, [\*The Law and Political Economy Project: A Critical Analysis\*](#), 20.1 J.L. ECON. & POL'Y (2024).

5:45 – 7:00 pm **Welcome Reception**

### Sunday, March 16

7:00 – 7:55 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 9:15 am **Session 2: Law and Economics Meets Law and Political Economy**

**Paper 1:** *Law and Political Economy: Missing Markets, Missing Law, and Missing Political Economy*

**Roger E. Meiners**, Goolsby-Rosenthal Chair in Economics and Law, University of Texas-Arlington

Reading Assignment

Roger E. Meiners and Andrew P. Morriss, [\*Law and Political Economy: Missing Markets, Missing Law, and Missing Political Economy\*](#), 20.1 J.L. ECON. & POL'Y (2024).

**Paper 2:** *Good Law & Economics, Bad Law & Political Economy*

**Rosolino A. Candela**, Program Director, Academic and Student Programs and Senior Fellow, F.A. Hayek Program for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Mercatus Center at George Mason University

Reading Assignment

Rosolino A. Candela and Peter J. Boettke, [\*Good Law & Economics, Bad Law & Political Economy\*](#), 20.1 J.L. ECON. & POL'Y (2024).

9:15 – 9:30 am **Break**

9:30 – 10:45 am

**Session 3: LPE Methodology and Fundamentals**

**Paper 3:** *Exploring Wealth Inequality*

**Ryan Bourne**, R. Even Scharf Chair for the Public Understanding of Economics, CATO Institute

Reading Assignment

Chris Edwards & Ryan Bourne, [Exploring Wealth Inequality](#), CATO INSTITUTE, November 5, 2019 (Policy Analysis No. 881).

**Paper 4:** Commentary

**Daniel L. Bennett**, Cobb Family Chair in Entrepreneurship and Assistant Director, Center for Free Enterprise, University of Louisville

**Todd J. Zywicki**, George Mason University Foundation Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment

Daniel L. Bennett, [Chapter 15: Economic Freedom and Inequality: A Survey of the Empirical Literature](#), in HANDBK. RES. ECON. FREEDOM. 208, 208-224 (Niclas Berggren ed., 2024).

Daniel L. Bennett & Boris Nikolaev, [Factor Endowments, the Rule of Law and Structural Inequality](#), 12.4 J. INSTITUTIONAL ECON. 773 (2016).

10:45 – 11:00 am

**Break**

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

**Session 4: Policy Questions for LPE**

**Paper 5:** *Law and Political Economy? A Solution in Search of a Problem*

**David E. Bernstein**, University Professor of Law and Executive Director, Liberty & Law Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment

David E. Bernstein, ["Law and Political Economy": A Solution in Search of a Problem](#), 20.1 J.L. ECON. & POL'Y (2024).

**Paper 6:** *LPE and the Disappearance of the Individual*

**Jeremy Kidd**, Professor of Law, Drake University Law School

Reading Assignment

Jeremy Kidd, [LPE and the Disappearance of the Individual](#), 20.1 J.L. ECON. & POL'Y (2024).

12:15 pm

**Adjourn for the Day**

**Monday, March 17**

**7:00 – 7:55 am**

**Breakfast**

**8:00 – 9:15 am**

**Session 5: Implications and Future Questions**

**Paper 7:** *The Future of LPE*

**Erin O’Hara O’Connor**, Dean and Donald J. Weidner Chair, Florida State University College of Law

**Paper 8:** Commentary

**Wayne Eastman**, Professor and Director of Academic Integrity, Rutgers Business School

**Jeffrey Manns**, Professor of Law, The George Washington Law School

Reading Assignment

Donald Devine, Dennis Dean Kirk & Paul Dans, *Central Personnel Agencies: Managing the Bureaucracy*, in MANDATE FOR LEADERSHIP: THE CONSERVATIVE PROMISE [69-86](#) (Paul Dans & Steven Groves eds., 2023).

Duncan Kennedy, *Form and Substance in Private Law Adjudication*, 89 HARV. L. REV. 1685-1687, 1713-1724, & 1751-1778 (1976).

Kevin D. Roberts, *Foreword* to MANDATE FOR LEADERSHIP: THE CONSERVATIVE PROMISE [1-17](#) (Paul Dans & Steven Groves eds., 2023).

Russ Vought, *Executive Office of the President of the United States*, in MANDATE FOR LEADERSHIP: THE CONSERVATIVE PROMISE [43-68](#) (Paul Dans & Steven Groves eds., 2023).

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**Break**

**9:30 – 10:45 am**

**Session 6: Brainstorming Session**

**10:45 am**

**Program Adjourns**