# LAW & ECONOMICS CENTER, GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW Henry G. Manne Program in Law & Economics Studies Thirty-Fourth Economics Institute for Law Professors

Sunday, June 16 through Friday, June 28, 2019

Hotel & Classes: The Stanley Hotel, 333 East Wonder View Avenue, Estes Park, CO 80517

# **Agenda**

Sunday, June 16 Arrival

### Monday, June 17

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am	Breakfast, Pinon Room
8:00 – 9:15 am	<b>WELCOME</b> *Henry N. Butler, Dean and Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School
	CLASS 1: Economics in Action   Butler
	Reading Assignment: Butler, Drahozal, and Shepherd, <i>Economic Analysis for Lawyers</i> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> ed., Carolina Academic Press (2014): Chapters I and II
9:30 – 10:45 am	CLASS 2: Economics in Action   Butler
	Reading Assignment: Heyne, Boettke, and Prychitko, <i>The Economic Way of Thinking</i> , 13 <sup>th</sup> ed., Pearson (2014): Chapter 1
11:00 am – 12:15 pm	CLASS 3: Economics in Action   Butler
	Reading Assignment: Heyne, et al, Chapters 2 and 6
12:15 – 1:00 pm	Lunch, Presidential Patio
1:15 – 2:30 pm	CLASS 4: Individual Choice, Demand, and Welfare *John M. Yun, Associate Professor of Law and Director of Economic Education, Global Antitrust Institute, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School
	Reading Assignment: Heyne, et al, Chapter 3
2:45 – 4:00 pm	CLASS 5: Cost, Production, and Supply *Murat C. Mungan, Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School
	Reading Assignment: Heyne, et al, Chapter 4
	Alchian, "Costs", Economic Forces at Work, Liberty Fund (1977), pp 180-201
4:15 – 5:30 pm	CLASS 6: Equilibrium, Markets, and Prices   Yun
	Reading Assignment: Heyne, et al, Chapter 5
6:30 – 7:15 pm	Reception, Music Room Veranda
7:15 – 9:00 pm	Dinner, Music Room

#### Tuesday, June 18

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast. Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 7: Transaction Costs and the Nature of the Firm | Yun

Reading Assignment: Alchian & Demsetz, "Production, Information Costs, and Economic

Organization," American Economic Review 62, pp. 777-795 (1972)

Lafontaine & Slade, "Vertical Integration and Firm Boundaries: The Evidence", 45 Journal of

Economic Literature 629 (2007)

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 8: Monopoly and Perfect Competition | Mungan

Reading Assignment: Butler, et al, Chapter IX

Heyne, et al, Chapter 9

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 9: Monopolist Competition and Oligopoly | Yun

Reading Assignment:

Klein, "Brand Names," from The Concise Encyclopedia of Economics

Carlton & Peltzman, "Introduction to Stigler's Theory of Oligopoly", 6 Competition Policy

International 237 (2010)

12:15 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Wednesday, June 19

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 10: Economics of Innovation and Dynamic Competition | Yun

Reading Assignment: Ginsburg & Wright, "Dynamic Analysis and the Limits of Antitrust

Institutions", 78 Antitrust Law Journal 1 (2012)

Baumol et al, Good Capitalism, Bad Capitalism, and the Economics of Growth and

Prosperity (2007), pages 15-59

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 11: Differential Pricing and Welfare | Mungan

Reading Assignment: Varian, "Differential Pricing and Efficiency," First Monday 1, pp. 1-10

(1996)

Stigler, "United States v. Loew's Inc.: A Note on Block-Booking," The Supreme Court

Review 1963, pp. 152-157

Global Antitrust Institute Comment on the Canadian Competition Bureau's White Paper,

"Big Data and Innovation: Implications for Competition Policy for Canada" (2017), pp. 9-12

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 12: Economics of Intellectual Property | Yun

Reading Assignment: Posner, "Intellectual Property: The Law and Economics Approach",

19 Journal of Economic Perspectives 57 (2005)

12:15 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Thursday, June 20

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 - 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room 8:00 - 9:15 am CLASS 13: The Social Cost of Monopoly | Butler 9:30 - 10:45 am CLASS 14: Vertical Restraints | Butler Reading Assignment: Ramseyer and Rasmusen, "Exclusive Dealing: Before, Bork, and Beyond," Journal of Law and Economics 57, pp. S145-S160 (2014) Carlton and Heyer, "Extraction vs. Extension: The Basis for Formulating Antitrust Policy Towards Single-Firm Conduct," Competition Policy International 4, pp. 285-305 (2008) 11:00 am - 12:15 pm CLASS 15: Horizontal Mergers – Market Definition and Fundamentals | Mungan Reading Assignment: Demsetz, The Market Concentration Doctrine: An Examination of Evidence and a Discussion of Policy (1973) Baker, "Market Definition: An Analytical Overview", 74 Antitrust Law Journal 129 (2007) 12:15 - 1:00 pm Lunch, Presidential Patio 1:15 - 2:30 pm CLASS 16: Horizontal Mergers - Competitive Effects, Entry, & Efficiencies | Yun Reading Assignment: Werden, "Unilateral Competitive Effects of Horizontal Mergers I: Basic Concepts and Models", 2 Issues in Competition Law and Policy 1319 (2008) Carlton, "Barriers to Entry", in 1 Issues in Competition Law and Policy 601 (2008) 2:45 - 4:00 pm CLASS 17: Economics of Network Effects and Power | Yun Reading Assignment: Evans, "The Antitrust Economics of Multi-Sided Platform Markets," Yale Journal of Regulation 20, pp. 325-381 (2003) Liebowitz & Margolis, "Network Externality: An Uncommon Tragedy," Journal of Economic Perspectives 8, pp. 133-150 (1994) 4:15 - 5:30 pm CLASS 18: Big Data, Barriers to Entry, and Market Power | Yun Reading Assignment: Global Antitrust Institute Comment on the Canadian Competition Bureau's White Paper, "Big Data and Innovation: Implications for Competition Policy for Canada" (2017) Wright and Dorsey, "Antitrust Analysis of Big Data," Competition Law & Policy Debate 2, pp. 35-41 (2016) Lambrecht & Tucker, "Can Big Data Protect A Firm from Competition," Competition Policy International (2017) 6:30 - 7:15 pm Reception, Longs Peak Lawn 7:15 - 9:00 pm Dinner, Presidential Patio

#### Friday, June 21

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 19: Crime and Punishment | Mungan

Reading Assignment: Posner, An Economic Theory of the Criminal Law,

85 Columbia Law Review 1193 (1985)

Butler, et al, Chapter VII

Mungan, "Positive Sanctions versus Imprisonment", George Mason Law & Economics

Research Paper No. 19-03 (January 17, 2019), available at: https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\_id=3317552

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 20: Crime and Punishment | Mungan

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 21: Crime and Punishment | Mungan

12:15 – 1:00 pm Lunch, Presidential Patio

1:15 – 2:30 pm CLASS 22: The Basic Economics of Externalities and the Environment | Butler

Reading Assignment: Butler, et al, Chapter IV

Heyne, et al, Chapter 10

2:45 – 4:00 pm CLASS 23: Free Market Environmentalism: Hats Matter

\*Terry L. Anderson, Senior Fellow, Property and Environment Research Center (PERC),

and John and Jean DeNault Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University

Reading Assignment: Anderson, Terry, and Donald Leal, eds. *Free market environmentalism for the next generation*. Springer, 2015: Chapter 1 "Visions of

Environmentalism"

4:15 – 5:30 pm CLASS 24: Is Government Regulation the Solution? | Anderson

Reading Assignment: Anderson, Terry L., and Gary D. Libecap. *Environmental markets: a property rights approach*. Cambridge University Press, 2014: Chapter 2, "Is Government

Regulation the Solution?" and Chapter 5, "The Politics of Property Rights"

5:30 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Saturday, June 22

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 25: There Ain't No Such Thing as an Externality | Anderson

Reading Assignment: Anderson, Terry L., and Gary D. Libecap. *Environmental markets: a property rights approach*. Cambridge University Press, 2014: Chapter 3, "Property Rights

for the Common Pool"

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 26: The Evolution of Property Rights | Anderson

Reading Assignment: Anderson, Terry L., and Peter J. Hill. *The Not so Wild, Wild West: Property Rights on the Frontier.* Stanford University Press, 2004: Chapter 2, "The

Institutions that Tamed the West"

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 27: Applications of the Property Rights Approach: Land, Water, Wildlife, and

Air | Anderson

Reading Assignment: Anderson, Terry L., and Gary D. Libecap. Environmental markets: a property rights approach. Cambridge University Press, 2014: Chapter 6, "From Property

Rights to Markets"

Anderson, Terry, and Downey, Hannah. "Hunting Can Be Good for Lions and Elephants." *Wall Street Journal*. New York, N.Y.: Dow Jones & Company Inc, November 29, 2017 <a href="https://www.hoover.org/research/hunting-can-be-good-lions-and-elephants">https://www.hoover.org/research/hunting-can-be-good-lions-and-elephants</a>

Anderson, Terry. "Sea Level Rise is Pushing Coastal Property Owners to Seek Higher Ground" CNN. June 3, 2018 <a href="https://www.cnn.com/2018/06/03/opinions/sea-level-rise-coast-property-opinion-anderson/index.html">https://www.cnn.com/2018/06/03/opinions/sea-level-rise-coast-property-opinion-anderson/index.html</a>

12:15 pm Adjourn for the Weekend

Sunday, June 23 No Scheduled Events

#### Monday, June 24

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 to 9:15 am CLASS 28: Experimental Economics

\*Kathryn M. Zeiler, Nancy Barton Scholar and Professor of Law, Boston University School

of Law

Reading Assignment: Croson, "Why and How to Experiment: Methodologies from Experimental Economics," *University of Illinois Law Review* 2002, 921 (2002)

Zeiler, "Cautions on the Use of Economics Experiments in Law," 166 Journal of

Institutional and Theoretical Economics 178 (Vol.1, 2010)

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 29: Behavioral Law & Economics | Zeiler

Reading Assignment: Zamir and Teichman, Behavioral Law and Economics. Oxford

University Press, (2018): Chapter 2, Chapter 3, and Chapter 4

Wright and Ginsburg, "Behavioral law and economics: Its origins, fatal flaws, and

implications for liberty" 106 Nw. UL Rev. 1033 (2012)

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 30: Behavioral Law & Economics | Zeiler

12:15 – 1:15 pm Lunch, Presidential Patio

1:15 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Tuesday, June 25

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 31: Transaction Costs, Contracting, and Theory of the Firm

\*Scott E. Masten, Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy, Ross School of

Business, University of Michigan

Reading Assignment: Masten, excerpts from "Introduction," Case Studies in Contracting

and Organization (1996), pp 3-25

Ellickson, "A Hypothesis of Wealth-Maximizing Norms: Evidence from the Whaling Industry", 5 *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 83 (No. 1, Spring 1989)

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 32: Transaction Costs, Contracting, and Theory of the Firm | Masten

Reading Assignment: Lake River Corp. v Carborundum. Co., 769 F.2d 1284 (1985)

(abridged, with cost and profit worksheet)

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 33: Transaction Costs, Contracting, and Theory of the Firm | Masten

Reading Assignment: PSI Energy v Exxon Coal USA, 991 F.2d 1265 (1993)

12:15 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Wednesday, June 26

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 34: Risk, Injury, Liability, and Insurance | Mungan

Reading Assignment: Butler, et al: Chapter VI

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 35: Risk, Injury, Liability, and Insurance | Mungan

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 36: Risk, Injury, Liability, and Insurance | Mungan

12:15 pm Adjourn for the Day

#### Thursday, June 27

All classes held in the Billiard Room

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast, Pinon Room

8:00 – 9:15 am CLASS 37: Public Choice Economics: Interest Group Theory

\*Todd J. Zywicki, George Mason University Foundation Professor of Law, George Mason

University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment: Stearns, Zywicki, and Miceli, Law and Economics: Private and

Public (West Academic Publishing, 2018): Chapters 11 and 12

9:30 – 10:45 am CLASS 38: Public Choice Economics: The Legislature | Zywicki

Reading Assignment: Stearns, Zywicki, and Miceli: Chapters 17 and 18

11:00 am – 12:15 pm CLASS 39: Public Choice Economics: The Executive Branch and Agencies |

Zywicki

Reading Assignment: Stearns, Zywicki, and Miceli: Chapters 19 and 20

12:15 – 1:15 pm Lunch, Presidential Patio

1:15 – 2:30 pm CLASS 40: Labor Economics | Mungan

Reading Assignment: Butler, et al: Chapter VIII

Mungan, "Statistical (and Racial) Discrimination, 'Ban the Box', and Crime Rates", 20

American Law and Economics Review 512 (Issue 2, Fall 2018), available at:

https://academic.oup.com/aler/article/20/2/512/5123595

2:45 – 4:00 pm CLASS 41: Labor Economics | Mungan

4:15 – 5:30 pm CLASS 42: Labor Economics | Mungan

6:30 – 7:15 pm Reception, Concert Hall Veranda

7:15 – 9:00 pm Dinner, Concert Hall

## Friday, June 28

Departure