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## LEC Workshop for Law Professors on the Introduction to the Economics of Information, Advertising, Privacy, and Data Security

Henry G. Manne Program in Law & Economics Studies

**Program on Economics & Privacy** 

Law & Economics Center Antonin Scalia Law School George Mason University

Wednesday, May 18 through Sunday, May 22, 2022

Omni Amelia Island Resort, 39 Beach Lagoon Rd, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

## Wednesday, May 18

5:00 – 6:00 pm Registration

6:30 – 9:00 pm Welcome Reception and Dinner

## Thursday, May 19

7:00 - 7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 – 9:15 am Class 1: Introduction to Economics of Information

James C. Cooper, Associate Professor of Law; Director, Program on Economics & Privacy, George Mason University

Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

Harold Demsetz, "Information and Efficiency: Another Viewpoint," 12 Journal of Law & Economics 1 (1969)

Howard Beales, Richard Craswell, and Steven C. Salop. "The Efficient Regulation of Consumer Information," The

Journal of Law & Economics 24, (no. 3, December 1981): 491-539.

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 2: Economics of information 2: Disclosure, Signaling, and Screening

John M. Yun, Associate Professor of Law; Director of Economic Education at the Global Antitrust Institute, George Mason

University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

Henry N. Butler, et al, Economic Analysis for Lawyers (3rd Edition, 2016), Chapter V: Information Costs and

Transaction Costs, pp 231-241

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 3: Economics of Advertising and Remedies | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

Pauline M. Ippolito and Alan D. Mathios, "Information and Advertising: The Case of Fat Consumption in the United States," *The American Economic Review* (1995)

In the Matter of POM Wonderful LLC and Roll Global LLC, Docket No. 9344, (Federal Trade Commission, 2013)

James C. Cooper and Bruce H. Kobayashi, "Equitable Monetary Relief Under the FTC Act: An Opportunity for a Marginal Improvement," 83 *Antitrust Law Journal* 645 (2021)

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm Working Lunch / Class 4: Big Data and the Economics of Platforms | Yun

Reading Assignment:

John M. Yun, "Antitrust After Big Data," 4 Criterion Journal on Innovation 407 (2019)

Marc Rysman, "The Economics of Two-Sided Markets," 23 Journal of Economic Perspectives 125 (2009)

1:30 pm Adjourn for the Day

Friday, May 20

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 – 9:15 am Class 5: Economics of Privacy | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

Alessandro Acquisti, Curtis Taylor, & Liad Wagman, "The Economics of Privacy", 54 *Journal of Economic Literature* 442 (2016)

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 6: Algorithmic Bias

Jane Bambauer, Professor of Law, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law

Reading Assignment:

Sandra G. Mayson, "Bias In, Bias Out," 128 Yale Law Journal 2122 (No. 8, June 2019)

Julia Angwin, et al, "Machine Bias," *ProPublica* (May 23, 2016). Accessable at: <a href="https://www.propublica.org/article/machine-bias-risk-assessments-in-criminal-sentencing">https://www.propublica.org/article/machine-bias-risk-assessments-in-criminal-sentencing</a>

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 7: Privacy & Competition | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

Alessandro Acquisti, Curtis Taylor, & Liad Wagman, "The Economics of Privacy", 54 *Journal of Economic Literature* 442 (2016)

James C. Cooper and John M. Yun, "Antitrust & Privacy: It's Complicated," *University of Illinois Journal of Law, Technology & Policy* (forthcoming 2022)

12:15 pm - 1:30 pm Working Lunch/Class 8: Content Moderation | Bambauer

Reading Assignment:

Evelyn Douek, "Content Moderation as Administration," 136 Harvard Law Review (forthcoming, 2022)

Mark A. Lemley, The Contradictions of Platform Regulation," 1 *Journal of Free Speech Law* 303 (Symposium: Free Speech and Social Media Platform Regulation, 2021)

1:30 pm Adjourn for the Day

Saturday, May 21

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 – 9:15 am Class 9: Data Security 1: Framework

Sasha Romanosky, Senior Policy Researcher, RAND Corporation

Reading Assignment:

Sasha Romanosky and Alessandro Acquisti, "Privacy Costs and Personal Data Protection: Economic and Legal Perspectives," 24 Berkeley Technology Law Journal 1060 (No. 3, 2009)

Sasha Romanosky, *Are Firms Investing Enough in Data Security?*, Program on Economics & Privacy White Paper (January 10, 2019)

Sasha Romanosky, David Hoffman & Alessandro Acquisti, "Empirical Analysis of Data Breach Litigation," 11 *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies* 74 (Issue 1, March 2014)

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 10: Data Security 2: Topics | Romanosky

Reading Assignment:

Continuation of Previous Assignment

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 11: First Amendment | Bambauer

Reading Assignment:

Jane Bambauer, "Is Data Speech?," 66 Stanford Law Review 57 (January, 2014)

Katja Kukielski, "The First Amendment and Facial Recognition Technology," 55 Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review 231 (No. 1, 2022)

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12:15- 6:30 pm Afternoon Break

6:30 – 9:00 pm Closing Reception and Dinner