

## Agenda **Economics Institute for Judges**

Sunday, September 10 through Thursday, September 14, 2023

## Sunday, September 10

3:00 - 4:00 pm Registration

4:00 - 5:00 pm**Class 1: The Economic Perspective: Incentives Matter** 

Donald J. Kochan, Professor of Law and Executive Director, Law & Economics Center,

George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

**Reading Assignment:** 

HENRY N. BUTLER ET. AL, Chapter I: The Economics Perspective: Incentives Matter, in

ECONOMIC ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS 3-53 (3rd ed. 2014).

5:00 - 5:15 pm **Break** 

5:15 - 6:30 pmClass 2: Supply, Demand, and Mutually-Beneficial Exchange

John M. Yun, Associate Professor of Law and Executive Director, Global Antitrust Institute,

George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER ET. AL, Chapter II: Markets and the Price System, in Economic Analysis

FOR LAWYERS 55-79, (3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion:

Peevyhouse v. Garland Coal & Mining Co., 382 P.2d 109 (Okla. 1962): 69-73.

6:30 - 9:00 pm Welcome Reception & Dinner

(Guests Welcome)

The History of the Law & Economics Center | Kochan

## Monday, September 11

6:30 – 7:40 am Breakfast (on own at the hotel)

7:40 – 8:00 am Walk from hotel to Antonin Scalia Law School

8:00 – 9:15 am Class 3: Fundamentals of a Market Economy and Economic Growth

**Donald J. Boudreaux**, Senior Fellow, FA Hayek Program for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics and Martha and Nelson Getchell Chair for the Study of Free Market Capitalism, Mercatus Center; Professor of Economics, George Mason University

Reading Assignment:

Deidre Nansen McCloskey, *How Growth Happens: Liberalism, Innovism, and the Great Enrichment*, Economic History Seminar at Northwestern University (2018).

Paul G Mahoney, *The Common Law and Economic Growth: Hayek Might Be Right*, 30 THE J. OF LEGAL STUDIES 503 (2001).

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 4: Fundamental Principles of Economics | Boudreaux

Reading Assignment:

Armen Alchian, Property Rights, CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ECON. (2008)

David R. Henderson, *Demand*, CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ECON. (2008)

Steven E. Rhoads, Marginalism, CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ECON. (2008)

Michael Munger, Division of Labor, CONCISE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ECON. (2008)

Donald J. Boudreaux, Comparative Advantage, Concise Encyclopedia of Econ. (2008)

Donald J. Boudreaux, Information and Prices, Concise Encyclopedia of Econ. (2008)

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 5: The History, Evolution, and Perils of Regulation

**Douglas H. Ginsburg**, Judge, US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

12:15 – 12:30 pm Break

12:30 – 2:00 pm Working Lunch and Class 6: Markets in Action

**James Cooper**, Professor of Law and Director of Program on Economics & Privacy, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University

Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER ET. AL, Chapter II: Markets and the Price System, in Economic Analysis For Lawyers 62-72, 89-108 (3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion:

Complaint, State v. Medina (Fla. Cir. Ct. 2005).

M. Kraus & Bros., Inc. v. United States, 327 U.S. 614 (1945): 99-104.

2:00 pm Adjourn for Day: Afternoon Study Session

Tuesday, September 12

6:30 – 7:40 am Breakfast (on own at the hotel)

7:40 – 8:00 am Walk from hotel to Antonin Scalia Law School

8:00 – 8:05 am Welcome

Ken Randall, Allison and Dorothy Rouse Dean and George Mason University Foundation

Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

8:05 – 9:15 am Class 7: Market Dynamics | Yun

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER ET. AL, Chapter II: Markets and the Price System, in Economic Analysis

FOR LAWYERS 62-72, 89-108 (3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion:

Competitive Enterprise Institute v. NHTSA, 956 F.2d 321 (1992): 89-98.

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 8: Property Rights, Externalities, and the Coase Theorem

Caroline Cecot, Associate Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law

School

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter I: The Economics Perspective: Incentives Matter and Chapter IV: Externalities, in Economic Analysis for Lawyers 17-32, 185-229 (3rd ed.

2014).

Case Discussion:

Wronski v. Sun Oil, 279 N.W.2d 564 (1979): 22-24.

10:45 - 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 9: Property Rights and Exchange | Cecot

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter I: The Economics Perspective: Incentives Matter and Chapter IV: Externalities, in Economic Analysis for Lawyers 17-32, 185-229 (3rd ed.

2014).

Case Discussion:

Fountainebleau Hotel Corp. v. Forty-Five Twenty-Five, Inc., 114 So. 2d 357 (1959): 30-33.

Spur Industries, Inc. v. Del E. Webb Development Co., 494 P.2d 700 (1972): 213-217.

12:15 – 12:30 pm Break

12:30 – 2:00 pm Working Lunch and Class 10: Law and Economics: A View from the Bench | Ginsburg

2:00 pm Adjourn for Day: Afternoon Study Session

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6:30 – 7:40 am Breakfast (on own at the hotel)

7:40 – 8:00 am Walk from hotel to Antonin Scalia Law School

8:00 - 9:15 am Class 11: Risk, Injury, and Liability | Cecot

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter VI: Risk, in ECONOMIC ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS 291-361

(3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion:

United States v. Carroll Towing Co., 159 F.2d 169 (1947): 328–335.

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 12: Labor Markets – Risk, Injury, and Compensating Wage Differentials

Nuno Garoupa, Professor of Law and Faculty Director of Graduate Studies,

George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter VIII: Labor Markets, in ECONOMIC ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS

421-477 (3rd ed. 2014) (skim).

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am - 12:15 pm Class 13: Competition and Monopoly | Yun

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter IX: Market Structure and Antitrust, in Economic Analysis

FOR LAWYERS 481-562 (3rd ed. 2014) (skim entire chapter).

12:15 – 12:30 pm Break

12:30 – 2:00 pm Working Lunch and Class 14: Cartels and Predatory Pricing

Henry N. Butler, Henry G. Manne Professor of Law and Economics and

Chairman, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter I: The Economics Perspective: Incentives Matter, in

ECONOMIC ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS 45-51 (3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion:

Matsushita Elec. Indus. Co. v. Zenith Radio Corp., 475 U.S. 574 (1986): 12–17, 515-517.

2:00 pm Adjourn for Day: Afternoon Study Session

## Thursday, September 14

6:30 – 7:40 am Breakfast (on own at the hotel)

7:40 – 8:00 am Walk from hotel to Antonin Scalia Law School

8:00 – 9:15 am Class 15: The Welfare Costs of Tariffs, Monopolies, and Theft | Butler

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter III: The Legislative Process and the Courts and Chapter IX: Market Structure and Antitrust, in Economic Analysis for Lawyers 130-147, 517-523 (3rd

ed. 2014).

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Class 16: Economics of Information | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter V: Information Costs and Transaction Costs, in Economic

ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS 233-263 (3rd ed. 2014).

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Class 17: Agency Costs and Contracting | Butler

Reading Assignment:

HENRY N. BUTLER, ET AL., Chapter V: Information Costs and Transaction Costs, in Economic

ANALYSIS FOR LAWYERS 241-263 (3rd ed. 2014).

Case Discussion

Corenswet, Inc. v. Amana Refrigeration Inc., 594 F.2d 129 (1979): 254-266.

12:15 pm Program Adjourns

Participants depart at their leisure