

Agenda Workshop on the Law & Economics of Privacy for State Attorneys General and Solicitors General

Wednesday, April 17 through Friday, April 19, 2024

Wednesday, April 17

5:50 – 6:00 pm Registration

6:00 – 7:00 pm Welcome Reception

Thursday, April 18

6:30 – 7:30 am Breakfast, on own at hotel

7:30 – 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 Session 1: Introduction to the Economics of Information

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

University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

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 Session 2: Economics of Information 2: Disclosure, Signaling, and Screening

John M. Yun, Associate Professor of Law, 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.

F. A. Hayek, The Use of Knowledge in Society, The American Economic Review, Vol. 35, No. 4

(September, 1945): 519-530.

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Session 3: Economics of Advertising: Remedies & Ad Substantiation | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

Pauline M. Ippolito and Alan D. Mathios, "Information, Advertising and Health Choices: A Study of the Cereal Market," *The RAND Journal of Economics* (1990).

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 – 2:00 pm Working Lunch and Session 4: Economics of Privacy | Cooper

Reading Assignment:

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

2:00 pm Adjourn for the Day

Friday, April 19

6:30 – 7:30 am Breakfast, on own at hotel

7:30 – 8:00 am Walk from hotel to Antonin Scalia Law School

8:00 – 9:15 am Session 5: Privacy & Competition | Yun

Reading Assignment:

James C. Cooper & John M. Yun, Antitrust & Privacy: It's Complicated, 2022 U. III. J.L. Tech. & Pol'y 343 (2022).

Alex Marthews & Catherine Tucker, Privacy, Policy and Competition, Econ. Stud. at Brookings, Dec. 2019.

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Session 6: Data Security I

Sasha Romanosky, Senior Policy Researcher, RAND Corporation; Professor of Policy Analysis, Pardee RAND Graduate School

Reading Assignment:

Alessandro Acquisti and Sasha Romanosky, "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).

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

10:45 - 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Session 7: Data Security II | Romanosky

Reading Assignment:

Continuation of Previous Assignment.

12:15 pm Program Adjourns, Participants depart at their leisure