

Agenda George Mason Law Review Twenty-Eighth Annual Antitrust Symposium

Friday, February 21, 2025

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8:00 – 8:50 am **Breakfast**

9:00 – 9:10 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

Samuel Stoner, Symposium Editor, George Mason Law Review

Donald J. Kochan, Professor of Law and Executive Director, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

9:10 – 10:30 am Panel 1: Google Ad Tech Trial Fallout

Kathleen W. Bradish, Vice President and Director of Legal Advocacy, American Antitrust Institute

Maureen Ohlhausen, Partner, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

Barak Orbach, Robert H. Mundheim Professor of Law and Business, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law

Bilal Sayyed, Counsel, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP; Senior Competition Counsel, TechFreedom; Adjunct Professor, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Moderator: Alden Abbott, Senior Research Fellow, Mercatus Center at George Mason University

Reading Assignment:

Alden Abbott, *Justice Department's Google Adtech Antitrust Suit Does Not Add Up*, TRUTH ON THE MARKET (Sept. 16, 2024),

https://truthon the market.com/2024/09/16/justice-departments-google-adtech-antitrust-suit-does-not-add-up/.

Alden Abbott et al., *US v. Google (Again): A Post-Trial Analysis of the Ad Tech Case*, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION FOUNDATION (Oct. 30, 2024), https://itif.org/events/2024/10/30/us-v-google-post-trial-analysis-of-ad-tech-case/.

The DOJ's Ad Tech Antitrust Case Against Google: A Brief Overview, CONG. RSCH. SERV. (May 5 2023), https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/LSB/LSB10956.

Press Release, American Economic Liberties Project, US v. Google AdTech Closing Arguments: Reality Is On DOJ's Side (Nov. 25, 2024),

10:30 – 10:50 am

Break

10:50 - 12:10 pm

Panel 2: The Clash of AI Competition and Copyright Law

Mark Gray, Copyright Policy Counsel, OpenAI

Daryl Lim, H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law; Associate Dean for Research and Innovation; Director, Intellectual Property (IP) Law and Innovation Initiative, Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law

Elena Ponte, Attorney, Bureau of Competition, US Federal Trade Commission

Kristian Stout, Director of Innovation Policy, International Center for Law & Economics (ICLE)

Moderator: Ai Deng, Director, Advanced Analytics Lab, Berkeley Research Group; Lecturer, Johns Hopkins University; Editor, American Bar Association; External Expert; Romanian National Council for Scientific

Reading Assignment:

Gil Appel et al., *Generative AI Has an Intellectual Property Problem*, HARV. BUS. REV. (Apr. 17, 2023), https://hbr.org/2023/04/generative-ai-has-an-intellectual-property-problem.

Daryl Lim & Peter K. Yu, *The Antitrust–Copyright Interface in the Age of Generative Artificial Intelligence*, 74 EMORY L.J. (forthcoming 2025, https://ssrn.com/abstract=4746385.

12:10 – 12:35 pm

Lunch

12:35 – 1:55 pm

Luncheon Panel 3: Content Moderation & the First Amendment

Sally Broughton Micova, Associate Professor in Communication Policy and Politics, University East Anglia

Jennifer Huddleston, Senior Fellow in Technology Policy, Cato Institute

Dawn C. Nunziato, The Pedas Family Endowed Professor of IP and Technology Law, Co-Director, Ethical Tech Initiative, and Co-Director, Global Internet Freedom & Human Rights, The George Washington University Law School; Chair, TikTok Content Advisory Council

Christopher S. Yoo, Imasogie Professor in Law and Technology; Founding Director, Center for Technology, Innovation & Competition, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School

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

Reading Assignment:

Section 230: An Overview, CONG. RSCH. SERV. (Jan. 4, 2024), https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R46751.

David Morar & Bruna Martins dos Santos, Online Content Moderation Lessons From Outside the U.S., BROOKINGS (June 17,

2020), https://www.brookings.edu/articles/online-content-moderation-lessons-from-outside-the-u-s/.

Dawn Carla Nunziato, *The Digital Services Act and the Brussels Effect on Platform Content Moderation*, 24 CHI. J. INT'L. L. 115 (2024), https://cjil.uchicago.edu/sites/default/files/2023-07/24ChiJIntlL115.pdf.

2:05 - 3:25 pm

Panel 4: What's Next for the Antitrust Agencies with a New Administration?

Dennis W. Carlton, Senior Managing Director, Compass Lexecon; David McDaniel Keller Professor of Economics *Emeritus*, The University of Chicago Booth School of Business

Debbie Feinstein, Partner, Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP

W. Robert Majure, Vice President, Cornerstone Research

Moderator: Abbott (Tad) B. Lipsky, Jr., Assistant Professor; Director of Competition, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

Brian Albrecht et. al,. Al *Labor Monopsony and Antitrust Enforcement: A Cautionary Tale*, ICLE (May 1, 2024), https://laweconcenter.org/resources/labor-monopsony-and-antitrust-enforcement-a-cautionary-tale/.

Dennis W. Carlton, *The 2023 Merger Guidelines: A Critical Assessment*, 65 REV. INDUS. ORG. 125 (2024), https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11151-024-09962-0.

A. Douglas Melamed & Nicolas Petit, *The Misguided Assault on the Consumer Welfare Standard in the Age of Platform Markets*, 54 REV. INDUS. ORG. 741 (2019), https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11151-019-09688-4.

3:25 – 3:45 pm

Break

3:45 – 4:45 pm

Fireside Chat with Commissioner Holyoak

Douglas H. Ginsburg

Melissa Holyoak, Commissioner, US Federal Trade Commission

4:45 – 4:55 pm

Closing Remarks & Announcements