Research Roundtable Webinar on Biden Administration Antitrust Policy

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. CDT

Times listed below are CDT.

1:00 p.m. Welcome
Matthew L. Spitzer, Howard and Elizabeth Chapman Professor and Director, Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

1:05-2:40 Session One: Where Are We and How Did We Get Here?
Moderator: Daniel B. Rodriguez, Harold Washington Professor of Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law

- Does the law properly define the contours of antitrust liability, or have the courts raised the bar too high for plaintiffs?

- Has there been under-enforcement at the agencies?

- In the 1990s, a “hot topic” was whether antitrust was up to the task of addressing new technologies. We concluded they were up to the task. Were we correct then? Is anything different this time?

2:40-2:45 Break

2:45-4:00 p.m. Session Two: Where is Antitrust Enforcement Going?
Moderator: John O. McGinnis, George C. Dix Professor in Constitutional Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
• For over a decade there have been calls for “reinvigoration” of antitrust enforcement at the agencies—What does “more” enforcement mean?

• What problems would increase enforcement solve?

• Is legislation needed? What do the current bills do, and what are the good/bad ideas?

• What are the best approaches or tools for achieving better antitrust outcomes? What research is lacking? What tools need to be developed?

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

Participants (as of November 18, 2021)

1. **David Besanko**, IBM Professor of Regulation & Competitive Practices, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University
2. **Daniel A. Crane**, Frederick Paul Furth Sr. Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School
3. **Kirti Gupta**, Chief Economist, Qualcomm, and Senior Advisor, CSIS
4. **C. Scott Hemphill**, Moses H. Grossman Professor of Law, New York University Law School
5. **Erik Hovenkamp**, Assistant Professor of Law, USC Gould School of Law
6. **Louis Kaplow**, Finn M. W. Caspersen and Household International Professor of Law and Economics, Harvard Law School
7. **Avner A. Kreps**, PhD Student, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
8. **Francine Lafontaine**, Interim Dean, William Davidson Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, University of Michigan
10. **John O. McGinnis**, George C. Dix Professor in Constitutional Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
11. **A. Douglas Melamed**, Professor of the Practice of Law, Stanford Law
12. **Barak Orbach**, Professor of Law; Director, Business Law Program, University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law
13. **Randal C. Picker**, James Parker Hall Distinguished Service Professor of Law, The University of Chicago Law School
14. **Douglas Rathbun**, Public Policy, Facebook
15. **Daniel B. Rodriguez**, Harold Washington Professor of Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
16. **William Rogerson**, Charles E. and Emma H. Morrison Professor, Department of Economics, Northwestern University
17. **Nancy L. Rose**, Charles P. Kindleberger Professor of Applied Economics, MIT
18. **Carl Shapiro**, Transamerica Professor of Business Strategy, Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley
19. **Howard Shelanski**, Professor of Law, Georgetown University
20. **D. Daniel Sokol**, Professor of Law, USC Gould School of Law
21. **James B. Speta**, Senior Associate Dean for International Initiatives; Professor of Law, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
22. **Matthew L. Spitzer**, Howard and Elizabeth Chapman Professor and Director, Northwestern Center on Law, Business, and Economics, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
23. **Sean P. Sullivan**, Associate Professor of Law, The University of Iowa College of Law
24. **Xiaorui Yang**, Roundtable Rapporteur; J.D. Candidate, Class of 2022, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
25. **Christopher S. Yoo**, John H. Chestnut Professor of Law, Communication, and Computer & Information Science, University of Pennsylvania Law School