

Law and Economics Seminar
Harvard Law School
Fall 2008 (Course #96200A)

Meetings in Fall, 2008, will be on Tuesdays in Griswold 110 from 5:00-6:30 pm. The authors (presenters are in bold) and their papers are as follows.

- Sept. 9: **Cass Sunstein** (Harvard) and David Weisbach (Chicago), Climate Change and Discounting the Future: A Guide for the Perplexed
- Sept. 16: **Jennifer Bethel** (Babson), **Allen Ferrell** (Harvard), and Gang Hu (Babson), Law and Economic Issues in Subprime Litigation
- Sept. 23: **J.J. Prescott** (Michigan) and Jonah Rockoff (Columbia), Do Sex Offender Registration and Notification Laws Affect Criminal Behavior?
- Sept. 30: **John Coates** (Harvard), Regulation of Mutual Funds and Other Collective Investments
- Oct. 7: Henry Butler (Northwestern) and **Jason Johnston** (Penn), Consumer Harm Acts? An Economic Analysis of Private Actions under State Consumer Protection Acts
- Oct. 14: Dhammika Dharmapala (Connecticut) and **Vikramaditya Khanna** (Michigan), Corporate Governance, Enforcement, and Firm Value: Evidence from India
- Oct. 21: No Class – Fly-Out Week
- Oct. 28: **Steven Shavell** (Harvard), On the Design of the Appeals Process: The Optimal Use of Discretionary Review versus Direct Appeal
- Nov. 4: Gary Libecap (Santa Barbara) and **Dean Lueck** (Arizona), The Demarcation of Land: Patterns and Economic Effects
- Nov. 11: **Louis Kaplow** (Harvard), Collusion in Antitrust Law
- Nov. 18: **Nuno Garoupa** (Illinois) and Tom Ginsburg (Illinois), Reputation and the Industrial Organization of the Judiciary
- Nov. 25: **Mark Ramseyer** (Harvard), **Eric Rasmusen** (Indiana), and Manu Raghav (Washington and Lee), Convictions versus Conviction Rates: The Prosecutor's Choice
- Dec. 2: **Mark Roe** (Harvard), Does Delaware Compete?

Also, two evening sessions for the students will be held on Thursday, Oct. 2, and on Thursday, Nov. 13, from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Pizza will be served at these sessions.

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Thursday evening sessions

Oct. 2: **Daniel Kelly**, The “Public Use” Requirement in Eminent Domain Law: A Rationale Based on Secret Purchases and Private Influence

Daniel Chen and John Horton, The Deterrent Effect of The Death Penalty: Evidence from British Commutations During World War I

Nov. 13: **Holger Spamann**, “Legal Origins” of Crime and Punishment

Michael Carey, Piercing the Veil When Corporate Subsidiaries Commit Torts

* Those not enrolled in the seminar can download the paper at the course website, <http://myhls.harvard.edu/icb/icb.do?keyword=k39591>. Select “Course Documents” for papers and the course schedule or contact Sarah Murphy (smurphy@law.harvard.edu, 617-496-1670).