

Antitrust Fall 2012
Law 607-001-12C
Silverman 240A
MW 3:00-4:20

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M 10:15-12:00
or by appointment

Book: Andrew Gavil, William Kovacic, and Jonathan Baker, *Antitrust Law in Perspective: Cases, Concepts, and Problems in Competition Policy*, 2nd ed., Thomson/West (2008).

Attendance: You should probably come to class.

Participation: Class will be more fun(ish) if you are prepared for the readings and participate in class discussions.

Grading: Your grade will be entirely determined by your performance on the final exam scheduled by the law school. The exam will be open book/notes/etc.

Schedule:

Antitrust Goals and a Primer on Microeconomics

September 10: casebook pp. 2-86
September 12:
September 14: Make-up (9-11 in Silverman 240A)
September 17:
September 19:
September 24: No class (as scheduled by law school)

Horizontal Mergers

September 26: Clayton Act §§ 7-16; casebook pp. 431-462
October 1: No Class (to be made up)
October 3: Horizontal Merger Guidelines (§§ 1-5)
October 5: Make-up (2-4 in Silverman 240A): Horizontal Merger Guidelines (§§ 6-10)
October 8: Unilateral Effects: *FTC v Staples*
October 10: Coordinated Effects: casebook pp. 518-535; pp. 235-247
October 12: Make-up (2-4 in Silverman 240A): *FTC v Whole Foods*
October 15: No Class (to be made up)
October 17: No Class (to be made up)
October 22: *FTC v Polypore*

Horizontal Restraints

October 24: casebook pp. 88-165

October 29:

October 31: casebook pp. 165-187; pp. 205-211; American Needle Inc v. National Football League

November 5: FTC v. Polygram; FTC v. Realcomp

November 7: casebook pp. 253-283 and Figure 3-4 (pp. 310-311)

Monopolization & Exclusionary Conduct

November 12: Raising Rivals Costs: casebook pp. 45-53; pp. 906-907; pp. 588-598

November 14: Monopoly Power: casebook pp. 582-621; pp. 905-907

November 19: Concerted Refusal to Deal/Boycotts: casebook pp. 138-153; pp. 768-788

November 21: Unilateral Refusal to Deal/Boycotts: casebook pp. 622-637; pp. 706-722

November 26: Exclusive and Exclusionary Contracts: casebook pp. 822-851

November 28: Tying: casebook pp. 788-822

December 3: No class (to be made up)

December 5: Predation and Discounting: casebook pp. 659-699