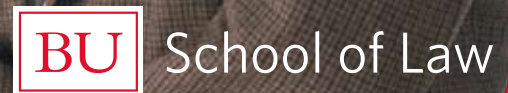


BU Law Congratulates Professor Keith N. Hylton

Honorable Paul J. Liacos Professor of Law

In recognition of distinguished contributions to legal scholarship, Dean Maureen A. O'Rourke has announced the appointment of Professor Keith N. Hylton to a chaired professorship at Boston University School of Law. Professor Hylton was named the Honorable Paul J. Liacos Professor of Law to acknowledge his scholarly achievements in the fields of antitrust, tort and labor law.



The Honorable Paul J. Liacos Professorship of Law

The Paul J. Liacos Professorship of Law was established to honor a distinguished former faculty member, acclaimed jurist and Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Court.

“Chief Justice Liacos was a dedicated scholar, jurist and champion of individual rights. We are delighted to honor his memory through the chaired professorship established in his name by his colleagues and friends.”

-Dean Maureen A. O'Rourke

Keith Hylton is one of the nation's leading law and economics scholars. His main areas of interest are tort law, antitrust law and employment law, and he has numerous publications in American law journals and peer-reviewed journals. Professor Hylton's torts scholarship spans the methodological range from traditional case law discussion involving corrective justice issues, to empirical analysis, to mathematical models of the liability system. Among his torts articles are titles such as "Implications of Mill's Theory of Liberty for the Regulation of Hate Speech and Hate Crimes," "The Influence of Litigation Costs on Deterrence Under Strict Liability and Under Negligence," "Preemption and Products Liability: A Positive Theory," "Torts and Choice of Law: Searching for Principles" and "Should Tort Damages Be Multiplied?" Professor Hylton's torts scholarship combines the standards of rigorous interdisciplinary scholarship with a lawyer's sense of the issues that matter. As a leading theorist on tort damages, he has been asked by litigants in major United States Supreme Court cases (*State Farm v. Campbell*; *Philip Morris v. Williams*) to submit amicus briefs to the Court on the theory of deterrence and damages. He is a former chair of the American Association of Law School's Torts and Compensation Systems Section, currently serves as editor of the Social Science Research Network's *Torts and Products Liability Abstracts Journal*, and is in the process of writing a book on tort law.

In antitrust, Professor Hylton has published a leading textbook and is currently serving as co-editor of *Competition Policy International*. Yale's senior law and economics scholar, Professor George Priest, describes Hylton's antitrust textbook as "the single best one-volume discussion of modern antitrust law available, encyclopedic in coverage, but deeper than a treatise because it is informed at every step with the best and most systematic current economic and legal analysis." In addition to his book, Professor Hylton has published influential articles on antitrust intent, monopolization law and tying doctrine.

Professor Hylton published a string of articles early in his career setting out a positive theory of labor law doctrine. Those articles use economic principles to rationalize the rules created by the National Labor Relations Board.

There are several other topics in addition to tort law, antitrust law and employment law in which Professor Hylton has published substantially, including arbitration, urban development lending, biomedical ethics and the intellectual history of law and economics. Professor Hylton hopes to publish books in some of these areas in the future.



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