

COMMUNICATIONS LAW

FALL SEMESTER 2004

Adjunct Professor Berresford

The reading assignments for each Topic will be in Professor Berresford's casebook, COMMUNICATIONS LAW, which will be available at the Copy Center on August 1.

<u>Class Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Tuesday August 17	Introduction and Topic 1 - What is Competition?
Thursday August 19	2. Why is Competition Good and Monopoly Bad?
Tuesday August 24	3. Economic Regulation – the 1934 Communications Act
Thursday August 26	4. Competition Among Networks and Interconnection
Tuesday August 31	5. Setting Prices
Thursday September 2	6. De-Regulating Prices
Tuesday September 7	7. Geographic Limits of Regulatory Authority
Thursday September 9	8. Functional Limits of Regulatory Authority
Tuesday September 14	9. The 1996 Telecommunications Act
Thursday September 16	10. Universal Service
Tuesday September 21	11. The Radio Frequency Spectrum: Basics
Thursday September 23	12. Spectrum Management
Tuesday September 28	13. Setting Technical Standards
Thursday September 30	14. Old-Fashioned Broadcasting: A Sacred Trust or a Toaster with Pictures?
Tuesday October 5	15. Regulatory Procedure
Thursday October 7	16. The Long Term Effects of Regulation

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Thursday October 14	17. Section 1 of the Sherman Act
Tuesday October 19	18. Section 2 of the Sherman Act
Thursday October 21	19. Horizontal Mergers
Tuesday October 26	20. Vertical Mergers
Thursday October 28	21. The First Amendment
Tuesday November 2	22. Suppressing Bad Speech and Promoting Good Speech
Thursday November 4	23. International
Tuesday November 9	24. International Mergers
Thursday November 11	25. The Internet
Tuesday November 16	26. Intellectual Property
Thursday November 18	27. Industrial Planning
Tuesday November 23	28. Open Access to Broadband Systems