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Patent Failure: How Judges, Bureaucrats, and Lawyers Put Innovators at Risk

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Professor Meurer will discuss how the US patent system largely fails as a property system and generally acts as a tax on innovation. In particular, the system fails to provide clear notice to innovators of the existence and scope of patent-based property rights of others.

Thursday, January 29, 2009 | Noon to 1:30 p.m.

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Michael J. Meurer is the Michaels Faculty Scholar and Professor of Law at Boston University. His research and teaching concerns patent law, law and economics, antitrust law, copyright law, contract law, and regulation. Before joining Boston University School of Law, he was an economics professor at Duke University and later a law professor at the University at Buffalo. He also taught short courses in American intellectual property law at the law faculties of the University of Victoria and the National University of Singapore.

Professor Meurer has received numerous grants and fellowships, including the David Saul Smith Award from Boston University School of Law, a grant from the Pew Charitable Trust, a Ford Foundation grant, an Olin Faculty Fellowship at Yale Law School, and a postdoctoral fellowship at AT&T Bell Labs.

Professor Meurer served as the director of the Boston University School of Law Institute for Business, Law, and Technology, is on the editorial advisory board of the *Journal of Public Policy and Marketing*, has served on NIH and NSF grant panels, and has organized several economics and law conferences.



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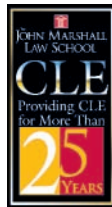
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