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on

"Patent law and the Theory of the Firm: Economic Analysis Beyond Incentive Theory"

delivered by

Professor Dan L. Burk

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Recent scholarship has begun to assess the role of intellectual property rights in the theory of the Coasean firm. Some of this scholarship has looked at the effects of intellectual property, especially patents, on decision to "make or buy" inputs to production. Several scholars have suggested that patents and related rights allow firms to outsource many production functions. Other scholarship has looked at the effects of intellectual property on allocation of resources between employees and the firm, particularly on facilitating "team production." Such studies suggest that the allocation of intellectual property is not limited to the widely accepted rationale of incentive theory, but may be justified as a tool to modulate the size and structure of firms and of particular industries.

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Dan L. Burk is Chancellor's Professor of Law at the University of California, Irvine, where he is a founding member of the law faculty. An internationally prominent authority on issues related to high technology, he lectures, teaches, and writes in the areas of patent, copyright, electronic commerce, and biotechnology law. He is the author of numerous papers on the legal and societal impact of new technologies, including articles on Internet regulation,

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