First Assignment (Class #1: 1/20/21)

Welcome to Antitrust and Technology Platforms!  I'm looking forward to teaching the class and getting to know you.  Below is the initial reading – and listening – for our first class. Most of the resources are hyperlinked.  If there isn't a link (such as with cases), you can find the resource in the "Files" tab in the class bCourse site.

You will see that some "Optional Reading" always appears below the reading assignments for each class. **Optional Reading really is optional.** I won't be covering it during class, and don't expect you to be familiar with it. I include this material because you may find it interesting to check out or useful for further inquiry.

*Listening:*

* NPR Planet Money, Antitrust 3:*“*[*Big Tech (Links to an external site.)*](https://www.npr.org/sections/money/2019/02/22/697170790/antitrust-3-big-tech)*”*(Feb. 22, 2019) (also available on various podcast apps, e.g., via [Apple (Links to an external site.)](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/antitrust-3-big-tech/id290783428?i=1000430442353) ) – 23 mins.

*Reading:*

* *United States v. Microsoft,*253 F.3d 34 (DC Cir. 2001) – read only Part I(B) (pp. 48-50), and Part II(B) subparts 1-5 (pp. 58-78)
* *Verizon v. Trinko,*540 U.S. 398 (2004) – read only pp. 402-418
* Lina Khan, [*The New Brandeis Movement: America’s Antimonopoly Debate* (Links to an external site.)](https://academic.oup.com/jeclap/article/9/3/131/4915966)*,*Journal of European Competition Law & Practice, Volume 9, Issue 3, March 2018, pp. 131–132

*Optional Reading and Listening:*

* Richard M. Steuer*,*[*The Simplicity of Antitrust Law* (Links to an external site.)](https://www.law.upenn.edu/journals/jbl/articles/volume14/issue2/Steuer14U.Pa.J.Bus.L.543%282012%29.pdf)*,*14 U. Pa. J. Bus. L. 543 (2012)
* Laura Phillips Sawyer, [*US Antitrust Law and Policy in Historical Perspective* (Links to an external site.)](https://www.hbs.edu/faculty/Publication%20Files/19-110_e21447ad-d98a-451f-8ef0-ba42209018e6.pdf)*,*Harvard Business School Working Paper (2019)
* Steve Lohr, [*5 Lessons From Microsoft’s Antitrust Woes, by People Who Lived It (Links to an external site.)*](https://www.nytimes.com/2019/06/23/technology/antitrust-tech-microsoft-lessons.html)*,*The New York Times (June 23, 2019)
* NPR Planet Money, Antitrust 1:*“*[*Standard Oil (Links to an external site.)*](https://www.npr.org/sections/money/2019/02/15/695131832/antitrust-1-standard-oil)*”*(Feb. 20, 2019) – 23 mins., and Antitrust 2:*“*[*The Paradox (Links to an external site.)*](https://www.npr.org/sections/money/2019/02/20/696342011/antitrust-2-the-paradox)*”*(Feb. 21, 2019) – 19 mins.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

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