September 15, 2015

Rejecting the Lochner Bogeyman: The Reemergence of Economic Liberty

Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm
Location: Silverman 240A

Please join the Federalist Society and the Institute for Justice’s Clark Neily, one of the leading litigators in Patel, for an illuminating discussion on the constitutional standard for economic freedom.

Pattaya Will Be Served! In a recent decision by the Texas Supreme Court, Justice Don Willett struck down state licensing requirements for eyebrow threaders. By adopting a stricter standard of review for potentially oppressive government regulations, the Court’s decision in Patel v. TX Department Licensing & Regulation rejects the perceived threat of Lochner and seeks to prevent the state from arbitrarily interfering with an individual’s right to work. Arguably, Patel and other state court decisions are setting the foundation for a revival of economic liberty as an essential constitutional right.

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