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Eastern Explores the World of Mergers and Acquisitions

Willimantic, Conn. – The Honorable James J. O’Connell Jr., deputy chief of staff for the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, will speak at Eastern Connecticut State University on Oct. 24.

O’Connell’s address, sponsored by the Chase Free Enterprise Institute, begins at 11 a.m. and will take place in the Paul E. Johnson Sr., Community Conference Room of the J. Eugene Smith Library, located on Eastern’s north campus. Admission is free and the public is invited.

The lecture will focus on the impact of mergers and acquisitions and recent competitive trends in both the domestic and international economy.

O’Connell received a bachelor of science degree in industrial management and economics from Carnegie Mellon University and a Juris Doctor degree, with distinction, from the Emory University School of Law.

Throughout his career, he has been very active in global antitrust and regulatory issues. O’Connell was appointed to his current position in June 2006 by Assistant Attorney General Thomas O. Barnett for whom he served as counsel prior to his promotion.

As deputy chief of staff, he is responsible for matters related to enforcement of antitrust laws, including civil merger and non-merger investigations, criminal investigations, appellate and international matters, competition advocacy efforts, and policy initiatives.

O'Connell currently serves as co-chair of the federal Civil Enforcement Committee of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association. He is also a member of the bars of the U.S. Supreme Court, the State of New York and the District of Columbia.

For more information regarding this event, please contact Jean Stencel, secretary for the Department of Economics, at (860) 465-4620 or email stencel@easternct.edu.

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