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Propositions:

- 1. A theory of harm is a narrative that demonstrates the anticompetitiveness of a practice in question within the scope of competition law. (Chapter 2)
- 2. The different institutional settings of the EU competition law regime (at the Union level) and the Chinese Anti-Monopoly Law (AML) regime induce different dynamics between the courts and the public enforcement agencies. (Chapters 3, 4, 7)
- 3. When applying Article 102 TFEU, the CJEU is disinterested in adding more economic considerations than necessary to the production of theories of harm. (Chapters 5 and 7)
- 4. While subject to the CJEU's judicial control, the Commission also exerts counter-constraints by forcing the CJEU to look at the economic input that it preemptively added to the production of theories of harm. (Chapters 5 and 7)
- 5. The General Court does the messy work (of economic analyses) with its hands tied. (Chapters 5)
- 6. Because of the dual-track AML institutional setting, the courts have produced inconsistent and economically untenable theories of harm at a higher rate and to a more serious extent than the agencies have done. (Chapters 3, 6, and 7)
- 7. The fact that the AML agencies produce higher-quality theories of harm than the courts do is of limited value to the regime as a whole, because of the agencies' inadequate enforcement and their susceptibility to uncertain policy influences. (Chapters 6 and 7)
- 8. Self-empowerment is knowing that the real antagonist in The Devil Wears Prada is not Meryl Streep's character; it is the selfish boyfriend and judgmental friends.