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# Fewer Rules, Better People: Why Discretion Makes For Better Decision-Makers

**Barry Lam | Professor of Philosophy,  
University Of California, Riverside**

**15:30, Wednesday, 23 April 2025**



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# A Word From Our Chairman



**Mike Wardle**

Chief Executive Officer  
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## Today's Agenda

- 15:30 - 15:05 Chairman's Introduction
- 15:05 - 15:25 Keynote Presentation – Professor Barry Lam
- 15:25 - 15:45 Question & Answer

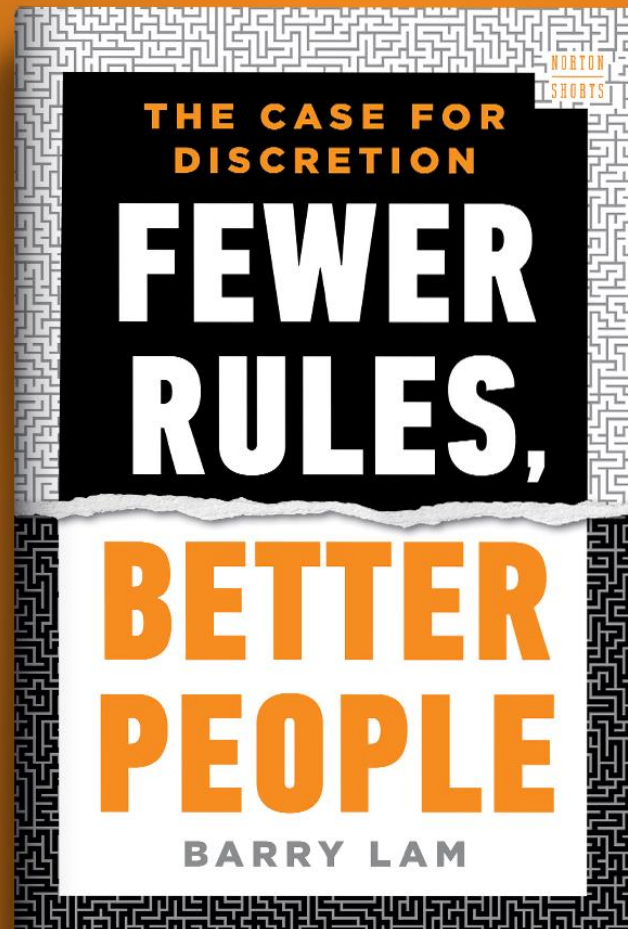


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# Today's Speaker



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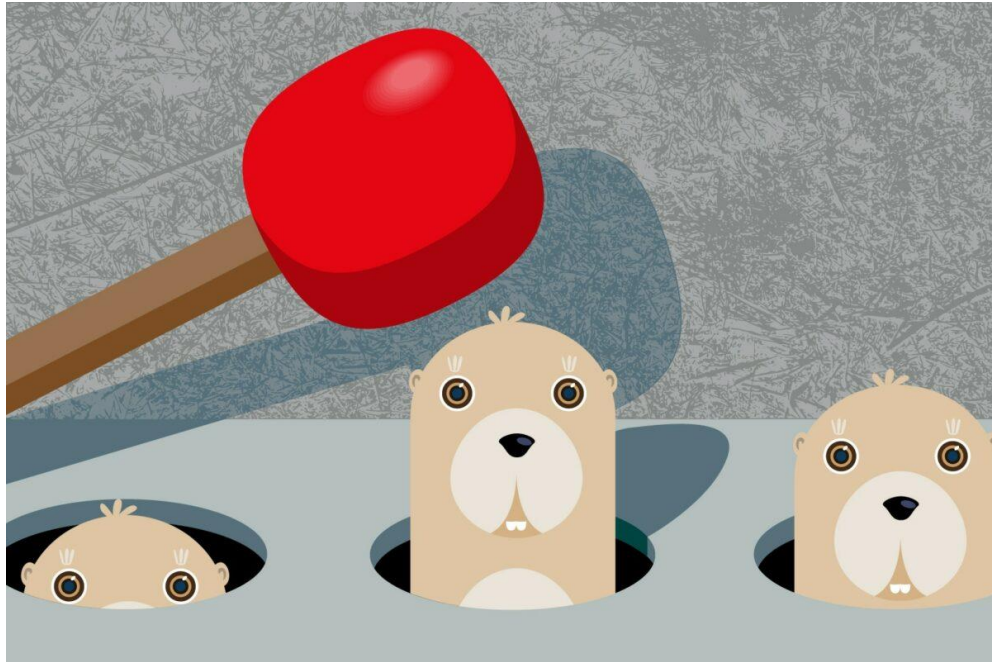




# Darcy and the Dishwasher



# Problems with Legalism



Precision Paradox



By the Book Bureaucrats



# The Laws of Bureaudynamics

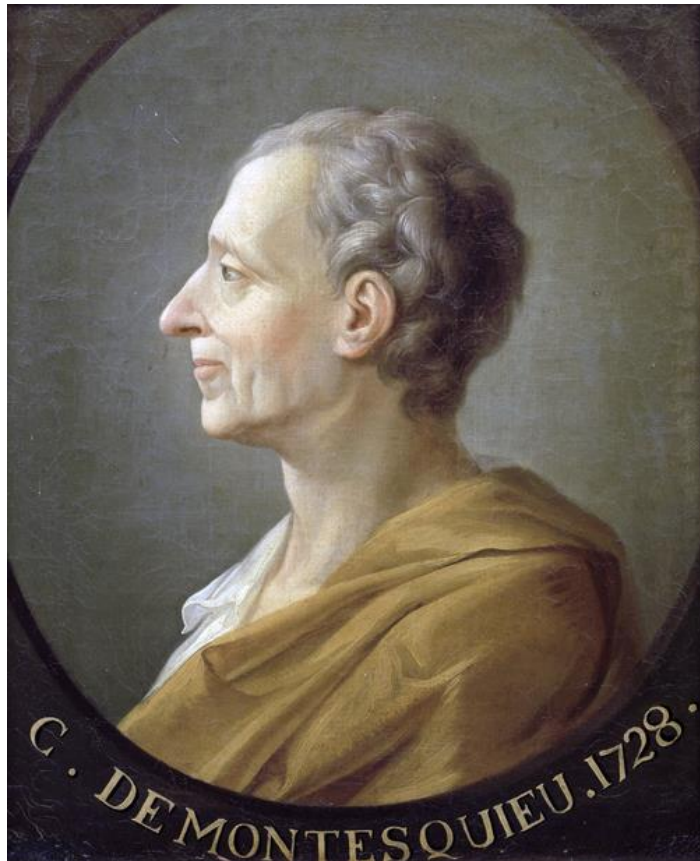


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# Two Justifications of Legalism





# Selective Discretion





# Interpretive Discretion



# Adjudicative Discretion



# Discretion Promotes Goods







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# Comments, Questions & Answers



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- Thursday, 24 April 2025 (09:00 - 09:45 BST) Launch Of Global Green Finance Index 15
- Wednesday, 30 April 2025 (10:00 - 11:00 BST) Taiwan's AI-Driven Financial Innovation & Digital Transformation
- Thursday, 29 May 2025 (09:00 - 09:30 BST) Launch Of Smart Centres Index 11

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