

Food Impact Litigation
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Readings:

Class I: Intro to Industrial Animal Ag and Its Consequences and Their Causes

1. Leah Douglas, *Consolidation and Mergers Are Eating Our Farm and Food Economy*, Pacific Standard (May 10, 2016), <https://psmag.com/news/consolidation-and-mergers-are-eating-our-farm-and-food-economy>;

2. Watch: Pew, *The Rise of Industrial-Scale Chicken Production* (Jul. 26, 2011), <https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/video/2011/the-rise-of-industrial-scale-chicken-production>;

3. Excerpts from USDA, *U.S. Hog Production From 1992 to 2009: Technology, Restructuring, & Productivity Growth*, pp. 5-6, 10-15, 17-27, 33-36 (Oct. 2013), https://www.ers.usda.gov/webdocs/publications/45148/40364_err158.pdf?v=0;

4. Elsadig Elsheikh, *Race and Corporate Power in the US Food System: Examining the Farm Bill, Dismantling Racism in the Food System* (Summer 2016), <https://foodfirst.org/publication/race-and-corporate-power-in-the-us-food-system-examining-the-farm-bill/> (must download pdf. from this website to get full article)

Focus: How has the food industry changed in recent decades? What has driven these trends? What are the consequences?

Discussion topics: What should food litigation seek to accomplish? Why? How are our hands tied by the laws we work under?