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More on drone law

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With all the talk here on the VC recently about [drones](#) and [drone law](#) and the like, I thought some readers might be interested in [the next version of the very interesting “We Robot” conference series](#), coming up this spring at the University of Washington Law School. We Robot has become the main gathering place for those who are thinking about these questions from a legal/policy standpoint, and, having attended [the most recent version in Miami last spring](#), I can tell you it’s a pretty engaging crowd and a very stimulating discussion.

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it’s a very hard one to walk, and he does it quite well.

I particularly recommend [his recent piece on the truly outrageous “civil asset forfeiture” regime](#) that prevails in many local law enforcement agencies around the country these days. I’ll have more to say shortly about the [strictly legal issues involved in the IJ’s recently-filed action in Philadelphia](#) challenging the practice on constitutional grounds. But sometimes, legalisms aside, the issue really is simple – this is legal extortion by people with guns and the power to imprison against innocent people, and Oliver’s addition to the mounting chorus of outrage (see especially [Sarah Stillman’s wonderful article in the New Yorker](#) and [an excellent series of Washington Post articles](#) about the practice) against it is very welcome.

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