

THE OPIOID CRISIS

COMPETING VALUES IN THE REGULATORY STATE

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COMPETING VALUES





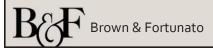
COMPETING VALUES - THE WINNER IS ...

THIS VALUE OR ...

- Medical Autonomy and Privacy
- Self-Regulation of the Medical Profession
- Capitalism
- Public Health and Safety
- Rehabilitation
- Criminal Controls

THIS COMPETING VALUE?

- Regulation
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- Free Market/Capitalism
- Incarceration
- Regulation (Civil Penalties)



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ALLOCATION



OF AUTHORITY

REGULATORY CRIMINAL PRIVATE

FDA: Various Agencies: Medical Community

Pre-Marketing vs. FBI, DEA, DOJ: "Big Pharma"

Post-Marketing Discretion vs. Individuals

Mandatory Penalties



THE FIRST OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN AMERICA: THE CIVIL WAR

- 10 million opium pills used by the Union Army during the War
- 80 tons of opium powders and tinctures (e.g., laudanum)





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