

# **Term Limits II: Express and Implied Terms**

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#### ABSTRACT

It is customary to distinguish express and implied terms. There is, however, surprisingly little analysis of what the distinction between these categories is. 'Implied' terms are often defined by contrast with 'express' terms—and the latter category is never defined. They are also often spoken of in metaphorical terms, as where Lord Neuberger talks of 'implying additional words' to an instrument. This paper considers the distinction in more detail, arguing that there are two possible conceptions of the express/ implied distinction in the literature—but that these may, on the best view, both be right.

#### **ABOUT THE SPEAKER**



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