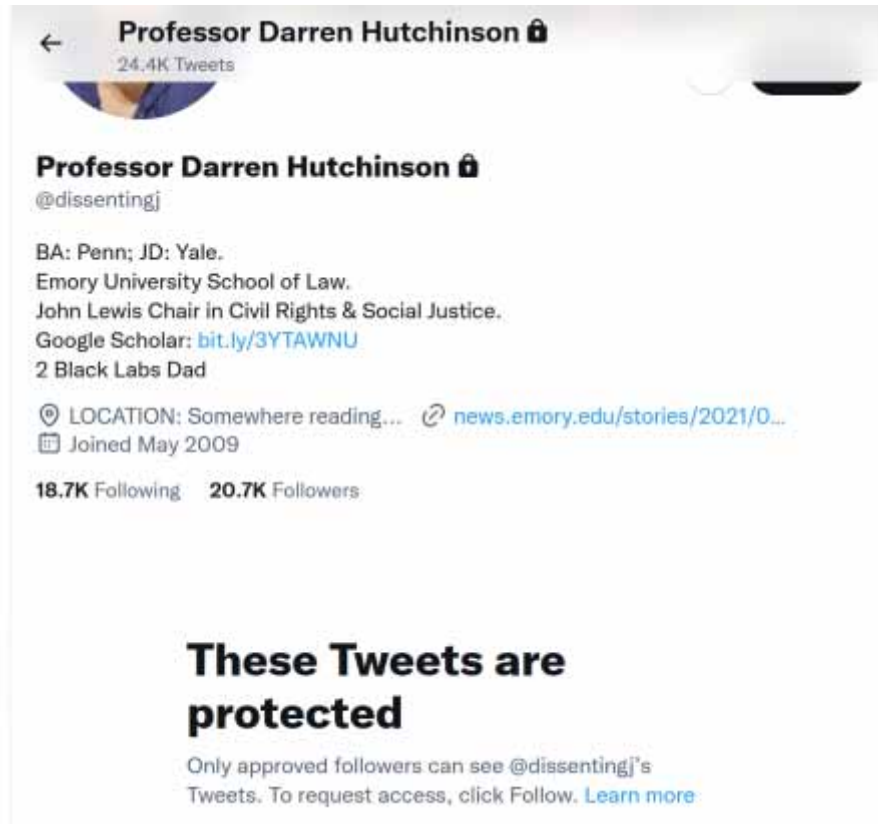


# The Attack on Scalia

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(Jan. 11, 2023) — Emory University law “professor” Darren Hutchinson recently slandered late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia as being “[basically a Klansman.](#)”

As George Washington University law professor Jonathan Turley accurately [points out](#), Hutchinson’s *ad hominem* attack on Justice Scalia is based on the mistaken belief that Scalia was the author of a case that Hutchinson doesn’t like.

Specifically, Hutchinson’s slander is based on the erroneous belief that Justice Scalia was the author of the majority opinion in [McClesky v. Kemp](#), a capital murder case which involved the use of a criminal statistical study analyzing race as a factor in sentencing, which Justice Lewis Powell rejected in the opinion *he – not* Justice Scalia – wrote.

Justice Scalia, along with Chief Justice Rehnquist and Associate Justices O’Connor and White, merely concurred in the opinion... again, authored by Justice Powell.

One is tempted to ask: does Darren (“[No-neck](#)” Hutchinson think that Brandon the Goof is also “basically a Klansman” because he considered Senator Robert (“KKK”) Byrd – Exalted Cyclops of the Sophia, West Virginia KKK – to be his [“friend,” “mentor” and](#)

[“guide”](#)? Hutchinson’s character assassination of a deceased Supreme Court Justice gives new meaning to the term “classless.” And dumb.

Moreover, given the [motto](#) of the institution where he “works,” – “*Cor prudentis possidebit scientiam* (“The wise heart seeks knowledge”) – he might want to bone up on who, exactly, wrote the opinion in the *Kemp* case before he attacks a different, deceased Supreme Court Justice. Yikes.

Finally, there is a particularly biting and generally unfair saying regarding workforce characteristics and teachers: “Those who can..., do; those who can’t..., teach.” While that is an unfair assessment of teachers as a general category, in this case, it is plainly *not* unfair.