# American Society for Legal History



Historia Omnium Legum

Twelfth Annual Meeting at The Marriott St. Louis, Missouri on October 22-23, 1982

## Program

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## Registration Beginning at 8:30 a.m., October 22, 1982 Hawthorne Foyer

Friday, October 22

## Anglo-American Commercial Law in Historical Perspective

9:00 a.m., Hawthorne 4

Chair: Francis N. Stites San Diego State University

Special Juries: Nineteenth-Century Usage and Reform

> James C. Oldham Georgetown University Law Center

Anglo-American Law in Historical Perspective

Charles A. Bane Isham, Lincoln & Beale, Chicago

Comment: Richard H. Kilbourne, Jr. Paul M. Herbert Law Center Comment: Alan Schwartz University of Southern California Law Center

## Panel Discussion: Teaching Legal History

9:00 a.m., Hawthorne 5

Chair: Maxwell H. Bloomfield Catholic University

Panelists: Barbara A. Black Yale University Law School John V. Orth University of North Carolina School of Law Phyllis S. Lachs Bryn Mawr College Donald W. Sutherland University of Iowa Friday, October 22

## **Brief Communications**

11:15 a.m.

1. Hawthorne 4

Early English Contract Law

Chair: Kathryn L. Reyerson University of Minnesota

Evidentiary Concerns and the Evolution of Contract Law

> Kevin M. Teeven Bradley University

2. Hawthorne 5

Civil Liberties in Time of Emergency

Chair: Stanley I. Kutler University of Wisconsin

The Impact of the Vietnam War on American Civil Liberties

> Michal R. Belknap University of Houston College of Law

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Judicial Biography

Chair: Kermit L. Hall University of Florida

Thomas Ruffin

Walter F. Pratt, Jr. Duke Law School

## Panel Discussion: The Married Women's Property Acts — A Comparative View

2:30 p.m., Hawthorne 4 Joint session with the Society for the Study of Women in Legal History

Chair: Nancy S. Erickson Ohio State University College of Law

Panelists: Mississippi

Lucie R. Bridgeforth Memphis State University

New York

Norma Basch Rutgers University College

Ohio

Michele Hilden Willard Columbus, Ohio

## The Influence of Jeremy Bentham: A Sesquicentennial View

2:30 p.m., Hawthorne 5

Chair: Richard A. Cosgrove University of Arizona

Bentham's Visions, Chadwick's Deeds: How 'Utilitarian' was the Victorian Revolution in Government?

> Anthony Brundage California Polytechnic State University – Pomona

Bentham in America: The Early Nineteenth Century

Charles M. Cook New England Association of Schools and Colleges

Comment: Richard A. Cosgrove University of Arizona Gerard W. Gawalt Library of Congress Friday, October 22

#### Reception

5:30 p.m.

## Rotunda, Old Court House

Site of the Dred Scott Trial

By special permission of the National Park Services

Across the street from Marriott Hotel

Saturday, October 23

## **Outsiders View Legal Historians**

9:00 a.m., Hawthorne 4

Chair: Tony Freyer University of Alabama

An Outsider Looks at Legal Historians

Edward Pessen City University of New York

Comment: Stephen Botein

Michigan State University Mark V. Tushnet Georgetown University Law Center

## Origins of Public-Private Doctrine in the Middle Ages

9:00 a.m., Hawthorne 5

Chair: Richard Fraher Harvard University

Law and the Commonweal in Early Medieval Europe

> Michael H. Hoeflich University of Illinois College of Law

Legal Origins of the Private-Interest Doctrine

John F. McGovern University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Comment: Brian P. Levack University of Texas at Austin Kenneth Pennington Syracuse University Saturday, October 23

## **General Address**

11:15 a.m., Hawthorne 4

Why the History of Western Law is not Written

Harold J. Berman Harvard Law School

## Luncheon

12:30 p.m., Pavilion E

Presiding: Morris S. Arnold University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law President American Society for Legal History

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Saturday, October 23

## The Law of Slavery: A Comparative View

2:30 p.m., Hawthorne 4

Chair: Walter Ehrlich University of Missouri-St. Louis

Race & Law in the Antebellum North: Some Reconsiderations of the Status of Free Blacks Two Decades After Leon Litwack

> Paul Finkelman Fellow, Harvard Law School

Direction & Development in the Law of Slavery – More and Less Interesting Explanations of the Peculiar Social Relationships

> A.E. Keir Nash University of California, Santa Barbara

Slavery in Ancient Rome

Alan Watson University of Pennsylvania Law School

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