BLHC 2024: Insiders and Outsiders in the History of Law

Conference schedule

Day 1 – Wednesday 3 July

- 12 noon to 1 pm Registration and lunch
- 1 pm to 2 pm Panel session 1
 - o Panel A
 - Ciara Kennefick, Mathematicians and the Just Price in Contracts before European Codifications
 - Catharine Macmillan, Why English law is not codified: inside and outside the common law
 - o Panel B
 - Amanda Bevan, Invisible actors: litigants, deponents, commissioners
 - Charlotte Smith, Insiders, Outsiders, and the shaping of the archive: the Denning Committee on Legal Records (1963 – 1966)
 - o Panel C
 - Marie-Andrée Jacob, Priyasha Saksena and Amrita Limbu, Beyond Registration: Medical Refugees, Professional Organizations, and British Immigration Policy, 1932-1940
 - Christoph König, Double Lives in the Law: Reflections on the study of intellectual migration of legal thought to Britain
- 2 pm to 2:30 pm Break
- 2:30 pm to 4 pm Plenary session I Michael Lobban, *Political Murder, Extradition and Empire*
- 5 pm to 6 pm ECR networking event
- 6:30 pm Reception, Goldney Hall

Day 2 – Thursday 4 July

- 9:30 am to 11 am Panel session 2
 - o Panel A
 - Angharad Elias, Dr John David Rhys of Brecon (1533/4–c.1620) and Medieval
 Welsh Law
 - Sarah Elin Roberts, Friends and Strangers: Aliens in Medieval Wales
 - Thomas Glyn Watkin, "Alas! It Was Borrowed": Legal Knowledge in Renaissance Wales following the union with England
 - Panel B
 - Chloe Ingersent, Widows in the Star Chamber, c. 1558-1603
 - Emma Lyons, 'Why mourne you so, you that be widdowes?': Widows' inheritance of property in seventeenth-century Ireland
 - John Marshall, Partitioning a transnational inheritance in thirteenth-century Britain and Ireland: who's in and who's out?
 - o Panel C
 - TT Arvind, Agricultural debt and the law of contract in colonial India
 - Raymond Cocks, Combining Insider and Outsider Roles: Indian Lawyers in Late-Nineteenth Century British India
 - Victoria Lacis, William Empson, Colonial Legal Education, and the Roman Law
 - o Panel D
 - Niamh Howlin, Women as both Insiders and Outsiders in the History of the Legal Profession
 - Erika Rackley, Outsiders on the Inside: Women Judges on the Industrial Court
 - Harriet Samuels, Shaping the law from the outside in: The National Union of Women Teachers, Emily Phipps and the challenge to the marriage bar in the nineteen twenties
- 11 am to 11:30 am Break
- 11:30 am to 1 pm Plenary session 2
 - Krista Kesselring, Lawless Women in the Court of Star Chamber
- 1 pm to 2 pm Lunch
- 2 pm to 4 pm Panel session 3
 - o Panel A
 - Jennifer Aston, Domestic Abuse and Pregnancy in Marriage in England and
 Wales, 1858-1918: Evidence from the Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes.
 - Sara Butler, Regulating Pregnancy and Childbirth in Medieval Europe: Mapping Concerns about Women, Children, and their Bodies
 - Melissa Glass, Women as Tenants, Tenants as Political Actors: Women's Social Power and the Decline of the Manor Courts in Seventeenth-Century England
 - Anthony Musson, Inside and outside the palace: Henry VIII's queens at law
 - Panel B
 - Rosalind Acland, Edward Coke's Ciceronian Common Law

- Bruce Brasington, "Ivo Next Quoted and Abused." The Canonical Collections and Letters of Bishop Ivo of Chartres (+1115) in Seventeenth-Century English Legal Treatises
- Andrew Cecchinato, Constitution and Contemplation: Three Platonic Asides in John Selden
- Carolyn Sale, Preserving the Common: Coke's Report of Gateward's Case and Shakespeare's Coriolanus

Panel C

- Mark Coen, 'Unfit to face the moral dangers of life': Insiders and Outsiders in Ireland's Magdalene Laundry System
- Kevin Costello, The Domestic Servant and the County Courts 1846 to 1906
- Caroline Derry, *Insiders or outsiders?* Louise Mourey and her co-defendants
- Stephanie Dropuljic, The case of Margaret Ramsay (1662): do the archival materials reveal misconceptions?

o Panel D

- Nicole Breault, Quotidian Legal History: Local Policing in Eighteenth-Century Boston
- Joshua Getzler, The Gove Land Rights Case revising the history of native title
- Ruth Ginio, Keeping Colonial Subjects Outside the French Legal system: The Jeandet Affair and the colonization of West Africa at the late 19th Century
- Benjamin Hingley, Enemy Subjects: First Nations People and the Law in 1820s
 New South Wales
- 4:15 pm to 5:30 pm Plenary session 3
 - Bristol: facing its histories?
 - o Roundtable with Foluke Adebisi, Edson Burton, and Richard Stone
- 6 pm –Reception, Royal West of England Academy

Day 3 - Friday 5 July

- 9:30 am to 11 am Panel session 4
 - o Panel A
 - Philip Handler, Judicial Insiders: the Coleridge Dynasty
 - Ashley Hannay, Sir John Vavasour (d. 1506): Lawyer, Judge, Northerner
 - Patricia McMahon, Law Reform in the Age of Henry Brougham: A Legal Biographical Interpretation
 - Panel B
 - Graham Moore, How to get away with murder: tracing the jurisdictional limits of the seventeenth-century High Court of Admiralty
 - Ted Powell, How do you solve a problem like the Hanse? Litigation against
 Alien Merchants in Fifteenth Century England
 - Fleur Stolker, Breaking into the Inner Circle: Merchant Strangers and Cross-Border Insolvency in Early Modern England

Panel C

- Sally Hadden, Lawyers and Access to Law Books in Eighteenth-Century Boston, Philadelphia, and Charleston: Differing Resources for Attorneys of Different Means
- David Hoffman, Insiders and Outsiders on the Northern Circuit of the Bar in the 18th Century
- Catriona Mullay, Insiders and Outsiders: Who Practised Law at the Edge of Scotland?

Panel D

- Lorren Eldridge, Inside Legal History and Outside Law: Susan Reynolds and the History of Corporations
- Steve Hedley, 'Waiting for the barbarians': Structure and Function in English Private Law Theory, 1920 to present
- Poppy Kershaw, Toward unknown regions: Peeling back the hard rind of legal history in F.W. Maitland
- 11 am to 11:30 am Break
- 11:30 am to 12:45 pm Plenary session 4
 - o Carissa Harris, Ancillary Histories: Ancilla Beyond the Law
- 12:45 pm to 1:45 pm Lunch
- 1:45 pm to 3:15 pm Panel session 5
 - Panel A
 - Paul Cavill, The problem with purgation: clerks convict in Tudor England
 - Jennifer Pearce, Canon Law and Religious Minorities in the Latin East (1099-1350)
 - Karl Shoemaker, The Devil before the Law in the Middle Ages
 - o Panel B
 - Sarah Ailwood, Eighteenth-century women's legal memoirs
 - Clare Egan, 'Libellous Articles' and 'Scandalous Interrogatories': Defamatory Manipulations of Early Modern Law from Outside and Inside

 Laura Flannigan, Commonplacing the law: lay legal literacy in late medieval and early modern England

o Panel C

- Justine Collins, The Issue of Private Bill Passing in Colonial Jamaica, 1700
- Marissa Jackson Sow, The Auntie-Canon and the Curious Case of Irene Morgan
- Joy Porter, The Laws of War and Peace in North America

o Panel D

- Martin O'Donoghue, Outsiders turned insiders? Revolutionaries, parliament and the 1922 Irish constitution
- Rhiannon Ogden-Jones, Insiders and Outsiders in drafting the National Park and Access to the Countryside Act 1949
- Anat Rosenberg, Cultural Legal History and the Boundaries of Law
- 3:15 pm to 3:45 pm Break
- 3:45 pm to 5:15pm Panel session 6
 - Panel A
 - Coleman Dennehy, 'I stepped out and she stepped in again, learning to dance to English law': othering, assimilation, and civilisation through the law
 - Nicholas Le Poidevin, Jurisdictional boundaries and judicial policing in late medieval England
 - Attilio Stella, Local customs and central powers in the 'long twelfth century'.
 Italy and England compared

Panel B

- Daniel Gosling, Libellous Letters and Gender Nonconformity: the Chevalier d'Eon in the English law courts, 1763-77
- Emily Ireland, Legal Personhood and Subordination Under the English Common Law, 1689-1760
- Neil Jones, 'Insiders' and 'Outsiders' in the Early-Modern Court of Chancery

o Panel C

- Jonathan Ainslie, The Creation and Crystallisation of Jus Quaesitum Tertio:
 Stair and the Dutch-Roman Law
- Lukasz Korporowicz, An Outsider in the Privy Council: The Debate about the Roman-Dutch Law Expert in the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the late 19th Century
- Alice Krzanich, Insiders and Outsiders in Emotional Injury Claims: Solatium under Scots Law for Death of a Relative

o Panel D

- Kay Crosby, The Jury System of Bristol, 1919-1939
- Stephen Kos, Unhappy History: Criminal Appeals in New Zealand
- Henry Mares, New Light on Larsonneur's Case
- 6 pm Conference dinner, Bristol Museum and Art Gallery

Day 4 – Saturday 6 July

- 9:30 am to 11 am Panel session 7
 - o Panel A
 - Jonathan Rose, Lawyers and the Legal Profession: A Historical Perspective on Honor and Loyalty
 - Ryan Rowberry, Judges as Outsiders: Judicial Writs and Court Sealing Practices 1272-1327
 - Ian Williams, Insider Training? Star Chamber and Precedent in Early-Modern Equity
 - Panel B
 - Henry Kha, Wife Sales and Legal Responses in Colonial Australia
 - Piotr Michalik, Application of the Institution of Consent to a Jewish Civil Marriage in the Free City of Cracow (1815-1846)
 - Rebecca Probert, 'Bigamy with adultery': inside divorce law and outside the criminal law
 - o Panel C
 - Donal Coffey, Constitutional Law and civil servants in the British Empire, 1900-1950
 - Assaf Likhovski, Early Twentieth-Century Scholars of Ancient Constitutional History: Indians, Westerners, and the Hindu Polity Literature
 - Geetanjali Srikantan, Imperial Strategies in Interwar Indian Constitutional Reform: Examining the Language of Inclusion and Exclusion in the Simon Commission Report
- 11 am to 11:30 am Break
- 11.30 am to 12:30 pm Plenary session 5
 - o Insiders and outsiders in the history of law
 - o Roundtable with Joanna McCunn, Gwen Seabourne, and David Sugarman
- 12:30 pm -Lunch