

**2008 Joint Annual Meetings of Law and Society Association
and Canadian Law and Society Association
May 29 - June 1
Montreal, Quebec, Canada**

Friday 8:15 – 10:00 am

2104 CRN23 – International Human Rights – International Law, Legal Pluralism and Legal Consciousness (Conference Room 04)

Paul Schiff Berman, University of Connecticut
Chair/Discussant

Roderick A. Macdonald, *McGill University*
Non-Chirographic Legal Pluralism

Sally Engle Merry, New York University and **Balakrishnan Rajagopal**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
International Law and Global Legal Pluralism

Tehila Sagy, Stanford University
Privatization and Disorder: the Role of Social Structure and the State in Creating Disorder in Buduburam Refugee Camp

Galit A. Sarfaty Harvard Law School/Univ. of Chicago
Why Culture Matters in International Institutions: The Marginality of Human Rights at the World Bank

Friday 10:15 – 12:00 pm

2222 – Indigenous Legal Theory: Inside Out (Conference Room 22)

Valerie R. Napoleon, *University of Alberta*
Chair

Colette M. Arcand, University of Alberta
The Nature of Law in Indigenous Societies

John Douglas Crookshanks, University of Alberta
Diversity and Marginalisation in Indigenous Legal Theory

James A. Hill, University of Alberta
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3133 Legal Pluralism and Indigenous Legal Traditions (Conference room 33)

Erik Larson, Macalester College

Chair/Discussant

Sébastien Grammond, University of Ottawa

Inuit Identity and the Law: A Case of Legal Pluralism?

Kirsten McKillop, Monash University

Legal Provision for Indigenous “Customary Adoptions” in Australia, New Zealand, and Canada

Sarah N. Morales, University of Victoria

Legal Landscapes: The Importance of Land to the Continuance of Indigenous Legal Traditions

Austin R. Power, American University in Cairo

Disingenuous Rights: The Minimal Standard of Rights for Indigenous Peoples

Saturday 8:15 – 10:00 am

3113 Post-Coloniality: Building Bridges between Modern Law and Non-Western Legal Cultures (Conference room 13)

Natalie B. Oman, Memorial University

Chair/discussant

Karine Bates, Université de Montréal

Acquiring a Rational Legal Identity : Hindu Women's Access to State Legal Bureaucracy in India

Adetola Odubajo, University of Fribourg

Alternative Future of Political Power-Sharing in Africa: A Case-Study of Nigeria and Kenya

Saturday 10:15 – 12:00 pm

3228 Engaging in Deep Comparisons across Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Legal Cultures: Concepts, Methods, Prospects (Conference room 28)

Jeremy Webber, University of Victoria

Chair

Andrée Boisselle, University of Victoria

The Meaning of “Constitution”: What Are We Made Of?

John Borrows, University of Victoria and Jeremy Webber, University of Victoria

Teaching Indigenous Peoples Law in Canadian Law Schools

Sari M. Graben, York University

Institutionalizing Indigenous Legal Traditions or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the State

Valerie R. Napoleon, University of Alberta

Learning from Practice and Conflict: Working Within and Across Indigenous Legal Traditions

Jeremy Webber, University of Victoria

Customary Law, Pragmatist Interpretations, and Invocations of the Sacred

Saturday 4:30 – 6:15 pm

3518 – Treaty Histories and Indigenous Rights in Hawaii, Canada and the United States

(Conference room 18)

Jacinta A. Ruru, University of Victoria

Chair/Discussant

Bethany R. Berger, University of Connecticut

Tribal Rights, civil Rights and Williams v. Lee

Matthew Fletcher, Michigan State University and **Kate Fort**, Michigan State University

The Cherokee Freedmen: Orphans of Federal Indian Law

Karine Gentelet, Université de Montréal

The Evolution of Aboriginal Political Rights Issues in Canada over Two Decades (80s and 90s)

David Keanu Sai, University of Hawaii, Manoa

Continuity of Hawaiian State Sovereignty