# Law, Spaces, Cultures & Empire: Engagements & Legacies

# Pre-conference - 4 July 2012

3:30pm	Field Trip - Singapore's Historic Legal Buildings by Kevin Tan
	Please meet at the Lobby of Eu Tong Sen Building. Coach will depart at 3.45pm sharp from NUS, Faculty of Law (Bukit Timah Campus) (Further details will be provided to those who had registered via email in end Jun)

## **Day 1 – 5 July 2012**

7:45am	Shuttle Bus service will be arranged for those staying at Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Park Hotel Clarke Quay and Studio M Hotel. Please assemble at the lobby of the 3 hotels at least 10mins before the bus departure time.					
8–9am	Registration (Morning tea/coffee	e will be served outside Seminar Room	4-4, Level 4 at Block B)			
9:00-9:10am	Welcome and Housekeeping					
9:15-10:45am	Session A Session A					
	Judges and Judging in the British Empire	Imperial Subjectivities: Indigenous Peoples, Slaves and Outcastes in the Legal Margins of Empire	Interlegality and the Transference of Law and Legal Norms	Land across Empire		
	Venue: Executive Seminar Room (Level 3)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)		
	Chair: Philip Girard	Chair: Damen Ward	Chair: Jim Phillips	Chair: Victor Ramraj		

	Nandini Chatterjee, University of Plymouth, Cultural expertise and social vision: Justice Amir Ali's interpretation of Indian tradition	Aparna Balachandran, University of Delhi, Incorporated Subjects: Outcaste Tamils in Company Madras	Roshan de Silva Wijeyeratne, Griffith University The Mandala State in Pre-British Sri Lanka: The Cosmographical Terrain of Contested Sovereignty in the Theravada Buddhism Tradition	Pooja Parmar, University of British Columbia, Adivasi land claims and the legalities of "paper owners" in Kerala
	Catharine MacMillan, Queen Mary, University of London, Judah Benjamin and the Law of Empire	Lisa Ford, University of New South Wales, Protected Subjects: Slaves and Indigenous People under the Protectors	Fadzilah Yahaya, Princeton University, The Gorski-Alsagoff case in Singapore in 1890	Alexandre (Sandy) Kedar, Haifa University, The Enduring Legal Legacy of the British Empire: The British, Indian and Pakistani sources of the Israeli Absentee Property Act
	Bonny Ibhawoh, McMaster University, To Sit or not to Sit: The Debate over the Inclusion of Indigenous Judges in the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council	Miranda Johnson, University of Wisconsin-Madison, The Tribe as Corporation: A Case Study from New Zealand	James Jaffe, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Popular Tribunals and British Justice in Western India, 1800-1850	Kennedy Gastorn, University of Dar es Salaam, The Dynamics of Continuity and Change of British Colonial Legacy in Land Laws of Tanzania
10:45 – 11:15am	Morning tea at level 3, Outside Aud	ditorium Area		
11:15 – 12:45pm	Session B			
	White Man's Burden, or: How an English law professor drafted the constitutions of Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Nepal"	Litigation and Culture	Custom and Tradition	Lawyers and Law across Empire
	Venue: Executive Seminar Room (Level 3)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)
	Chair: Renisa Mawani	Chair: Wes Pue	Chair: John Orth	Chair: Stefan Petrow

	Mara Malagodi, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, Constitutionalising Democracy? Sir Ivor Jennings in Nepal (28 March-24 April 1958)	National U	line Cody, Australian  Jniversity, White e Trial of Mrs	Thomas Rufner, Univ Trier, "Chinese Law" Colonial Courts of Hor and Kiautschou	in the	Constance Backhouse, University of Ottawa, Paths Taken and Paths Not Taken: Career Opportunities for Early Francophone Women Lawyers in Quebec, Canada
	Madurika Rasaratnam, London School of Economics, Power and Resistance: The Perverse Politics of Colonial Constitutions, Anti- colonial Nationalism and Post- colonial State Formation	University of Singapore, The Nadra Case: Colonialism, Religion and Legal Conflict in 1950s Singapore		Nik Haslinda bt Nik Hussain, Universiti Sains Malaysia and Carol Tan, SOAS, Man and Land: The Fate of Customary Land Law Laws during the Light Administration in Penang		Peter Moore, Independent Scholar, New South Wales, Lawyers of the Empire or Empire Lawyers? Reflections from a South Australian Sample
	Martin Lau, SOAS, The Law of Coup d'etat: Sir Ivor Jennings' Contribution to the Break-up of Pakistan's First Constitutional Machinery	University commodity cinematogr Cinematog	non Mannil, Delhi c, "This curious called caph"- Law and the raph exhibitions in a, (1926-27)	David Williams, Univ Auckland, The 'invent tradition' and colonial Tanganyika	tion of	Jeremy Finn, University of Canterbury, New Zealand, Spreading the word: exploring the transmission of legal information through the British Empire
12:45-1:45pm	Lunch at Level 2, Staff Lounge			I		
1:45 – 3:15pm	Session C					
	The Legal Processes of the British	n Empire	Writing the Legal His Localism in an Imper		The Legal	Profession in Empire
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level	4)	4) Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)		Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)	
	Chair: John Orth		Chair: Shaunnagh Dorsett		Chair: Jeremy Finn	
	Stacey Hynd, University of Exete Laws of the Land': The Gold Coast Aborigines' Rights Protection Socio Opposition to the Crown Lands Bill 1902	ety and	<b>Jim Phillips, Universi</b> British North American		expatriate Empirical	hlon, Serenus Thinking, From barrister to Cabinet Minister: An Analysis of the Evolution of the Attorney General in Australia

	David Schorr, Tel Aviv University, The Role of the Society for Comparative Legislation in Imperial and Colonial Law Making	Phil Girard, Dalhousie University, Empires, Law, and First Nations in Northern North America, 1500-1760	Stefan Petrow, University of Tasmania, 'Sharp practicing gentry': Lawyers in Van Diemen's Land 1825 to 1855			
	John Strawson, University of East London, Translating the Hedaya: Colonial Foundations of Islamic Law	Blake Brown, St. Mary's University, 'The harshness and injustice of the common law rule has frequently been commented upon': Debating Tort Law in Canada, 1900-1950	Grant Morris, Victoria University of Wellington, How and Why Did we Get to Yes? Towards a history of alternative dispute resolution in New Zealand			
3:15 – 3:45pm	Afternoon Tea at level 3, Outside Auditorium A	Area				
3:45 – 5:15pm	Session D					
	Thomas B. Macaulay and Imperial Legal History	Settler Colonies and their Historiographies	Family and Family Law			
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)			
	Chair: James Jaffe	Chair: Lee Godden	Chair: Deborah Bernstein			
	Ian Leader-Elliott, University of Adelaide, Macaulay's Penal Code, Adam Smith and the Jurisprudence of Resentment	Richard Boast, Victoria University of Wellington, Doctrine and History in the Native Land Court	Jenny Anderson, University of Melbourne, Children's Courts and Empire Building: Australia and Britain, 1890-1910			
	Barry Wright, Carleton University, Macaulay: Liberal Imperialist or Progressive Law Reformer? The India Penal Code and Labour	Russell Smandych, University of Manitoba, Settler Colonialism and Its Legacies in Australia and Western Canada	Orit Rozin, Law, Tel-Aviv Univeristy, Israel's Age of Marriage Law: Memory, Belonging and Longing			
	Greg Taylor, Monash University, Macaulay's Code: Reception by Contemporaries and Near Contemporaries	Guy Charlton, Auckland University of Technology, Aboriginal Rights and Political Conflict: The recognition of Aboriginal Common Law and Treaty Rights in the Settler Colonies of Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States	Juliette G. Duara, National University of Singapore, Women's Inheritance Rights under the British in India, Singapore and Hong Kong			

5:30pm	Plenary Session @ Seminar Room 4-4, Level 4	
	Martin J. Wiener, Rice University, Common Issues in the New Legal Histories of the British Empire Chair: John McLaren, University of Victoria, Canada	
7:00pm	Cocktail Reception at Level 2, Staff Lounge	
9:00pm	Bus departs from pick up point to Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Studio M Hotel and Park Hotel Clarke Quay.	

### **Day 2 – 6 July 2012**

8.30am	Shuttle Bus service will be arranged for those staying at Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Park Hotel Clarke Quay and Studio M Hotel. Please assemble at the lobby of the 3 hotels at least 10mins before the bus departure time.
9:00-11:00am	Blue Ribbon Panel - Chair: David Williams, Auckland University
	John McLaren, University of Victoria, Canada, Chasing the Chameleon: the Rule of Law in the British Empire
	Bridget Brereton, University of the West Indies, Trinidad, A Judicial Maverick: John Gorrie at Large in the Victorian Empire
	<b>Shaunnagh Dorsett, University of Technology, Sydney</b> , Networks, Trajectories and Comparative Legal History: Burton's Draft 1838 Act for the Amelioration of the Aboriginal Natives
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-4 (Level 4)
11:00 – 11:30am	Morning Tea at level 3, Outside Auditorium Area

11:30 – 1:00pm	Session E						
	<b>Constructing Race in Colonized Societies</b>	Criminal Law and Justice – Palestine	Crown and Colonies				
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)				
	Chair: Russell Smandych	Chair: Thomas Rüfner	Chair: Richard Boast				
	Allison Mileo Gorsuch, Yale University, Legacies of Empires: Race and Labor Contracts in the Upper Mississippi River Valley, 1808-1837	Binyamin Blum, Hebrew University, The CSI Effect in Mandate Palestine: Forensic Technology, Surveillance and Empire	Lee Godden, University of Melbourne and Niranjan Casinader, Loyola College and University of Melbourne, The Kandyan Convention: consolidating the British Empire in colonial Ceylon				
	Lyndsay Campbell, University of Calgary, Race, Law, and the Early Canadian State	Deborah Bernstein, University of Haifa and Badi Hasisi, Hebrew University, Multiple Voices and the Force of Custom in the trial of Family Honour Killings in Mandate Palestine	W.A.M. (Mieke) van der Linden, Tilburg University, New Imperialism on the African Continent: Territorial Acquisition by Illegal Cession?				
	Shelley Gavigan, Osgoode Hall, York University, Finding Indigenous Women and Girls in Criminal Law on the Nineteenth Century Canadian Plains	Orna Alyagon Darr, Carmel Academic Center, Proving Sex Offences in Mandate Palestine (1918-1948)	Janna Promislow, Thompson Rivers University, British Columbia, Empire and Honour of the Crown				
1:00 – 2:00pm	Lunch at Level 2, Staff Lounge						
2:00 – 3:30pm	Session F						
	Custom, Religion and Imperial Law	Company Colonies	War and Disputation				
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)				
	Chair: Carol Tan	Chair: John Williams	Chair: Jeremy Finn				

	Charlotte Smith, University of Reading, Constructing Authority in Questions of Ecclesiastical Law: the Experience of the Church of England at Home and Abroad  Soumen Mukherjee, Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin, Social Welfare and Religious Authority in the Ismaili Imagination: The Lineages of a Cluster of Ideas and Actions in Our Times		Hudson Janisch, University of Toronto, Laws on the Island of St Helena under the English East India Company, 1659-1834  Dale Gibson, University of Manitoba, Company Justice on the British North American Plains 1835-1870		Georgina Fitzpatrick, University of Melbourne, Cutting the Apron Strings? Australian and British War Crimes Trials at Singapore, 1946-48  Maartje Abbenhuis, University of Auckland, A global thalassocracy: neutrality, war and the British empire, 1856 – 1914	
	Stephanie Po-yin Chung, HK Baj University, Understanding "Chines Customs": the Irish Judges and the disputes in the Straits Settlements, 1870s	se Sinchew	Victor V. Ramraj, National University of Singapore, The Fall and Rise of Company Rule and the Future of State Law		Marian Walker, University of Tasmania, 'Saving' Appleland': The Tasmanian Navigation Act dispute 1900-1935	
3:30 – 4:00pm	Afternoon Tea at level 3, Outside A	Auditorium	Area			
4:00 – 5:30pm	Session G					
	<b>Death and Discretion in Empire</b>	Making E	Empires	Thinking With Jurise	diction	Ideology and Political Thought in Empire
	Venue: Executive Seminar Room (Level 3)	Venue: Se (Level 4)	eminar Room 4-1	Venue: Seminar Roo (Level 4)	m 4-2	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)
	Chair: Stefan Petrow	Chair: Sh	aunnagh Dorsett	Chair: Andrew Harding		Chair: Catherine McMillan
	David Plater, and Sue Milne, University of South Australia, Launched into Eternity: the exercise of the Prerogative of Mercy in early colonial Australia, death by Lottery	Ian Duncanson, Griffith University, Two Empires, Supremacy and Sovereignty		Zülâl Muslu, Max-Pl Institute, Frankfurt/l Ouest La DéfenSe Un judiciary tool of a "hy The example of the Ot mixed commercial cou late 19th century	Paris niversity, A po-colony": toman	David Bell, University of New Brunswick, Law-making for an "Asylum of Loyalty": Loyalist New Brunswick, 1784-96

	Carolyn Strange, Australian National University, Pardoning in the Empire State: Colonial Legacies in Republican Discretionary Justice, New York, 1777-1846	Christopher Tomlins, UC Irvine, Freedom Bound, after Two Years: Intention, Reception, Revision, Contribution	Guillemette Crouzet, Sorbonne, Paris, "A Slave Trade Jurisdiction": Attempt against the slave trade and the making of a space of rights in the Arabo- Persian Gulf, the Indian Ocean and the Red Sea (1820-1900)	Subhasree Ghosh, Independent Scholar, Kolkata, Ideology and Law-Making: British India in the Nineteenth Century		
6.00pm	Conference Night at the Newton Hawker Market. Buses provided from conference venue to markets. Please note that this is an optional event.  Bus departs from pick-up point to Newton Hawker Market and for those returning back to Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Studio M Hotel and Park Hotel Clarke Quay.					

#### **Day 3 – 7 July**

8.30am	Shuttle Bus service will be arranged for those staying at Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Park Hotel Clarke Quay and Studio M Hotel. Please assemble at the lobby of the 3 hotels at least 10mins before the bus departure time.						
9:00-10:30am	Session H						
	Subjects in Empire	Slavery and Servitude	Constitution and Heritage in Empire				
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)				
	Chair: Lisa Ford	Chair: Christopher Tomlins	Chair: John McLaren				
	Michel Morin, Montreal, Becoming a British Subject in a French-Speaking Colony – Quebec, 1764-1775	Dana Rabin, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Empire on Trial: Slavery, Villeinage and Law in Imperial Britain	Adrien Rodd, University of Versailles- Saint Quentin-en-Yveslines, A "foreign flower"? The British legal heritage in the Pacific				

	<b>Zealand</b> , Territory, Jurisdiction and Emergency. Colonial governance and the		Chicago, The Legacies of British Colonial		<b>Thomas Mohr, University College Dublin</b> , The Imperial Conference in the History of the British Empire	
	Gregory Rawlings, University of Protected Persons, Protected States Citizenship: British Nationality La Indigenous Statelessness in Vanuar Hebrides), 1906–1980	s and w and	Patricia Hagler Minter, Western Kentucky University, The Evolution of "the State of Slavery": Somerset, The Slave Grace, and the Rise of Anti-Slavery Constitutionalism in the Nineteenth-Century Atlantic World		Benjamin Saunders, University of Melbourne, Parties, Oppositions, Responsible Government and the Australian Constitution	
10:30-11:00am	Morning Tea at level 3, Outside An	uditorium Aı	litorium Area			
11:00 – 1:00pm	Session I					
	Travelling Legacies: Mobility, Translation and Transformations of Law in the British Empire	Economy Palestine:	the Colonial in Mandatory Transplantation, n, Disregard	Identities in Empire		English Law and Empire
	Venue: Executive Seminar Room (Level 3)	Venue: Se (Level 4)	minar Room 4-1	Venue: Seminar Room (Level 4)	n 4-2	Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)
	Chair: Antoinette Burton	Chair: Ro	b McQueen	Chair: Shelley Gavigan		Chair: Gail Pearson
	Iza Hussin, University of Chicago, Two Trajectories of Law on Islam in the British Empire	Ron Harris, Tel Aviv University; Michael Crystal, QC London, Legislation and Case Law in the Transplantation of British Company Law in Post- Ottoman Palestine		Peter Prince, Australian National University, "You can never make a Britisher of a Chinaman": Misunderstanding, Misuse and Manipulation of the term "Alien" in Australian law and history		John Orth, Univ. North Carolina, The Common Law in North Carolina

	Michael Gilsenan, New York University, Translating Colonial Fortunes: Dilelmas of inheritance in Muslim and English laws across a nineteenth century diaspora	Adam S. Hofri-Winogradow, Hebrew University, Colonial Subversion: the Subversive Uses of Trust-forms in the Late British Empire	Eve Lester, University of Melbourne, Finding the figure of the foreigner in (migration) law: legacies of Empire	Ann Hunter, University of Western Australia, Who Decides? Whose testimony? The role, composition and use of grand juries in British legal cultures:-Singapore and Australia in the nineteenth century	
	Renisa Mawani, University of British Columbia, Mobilities of Law in South Asian Migration: Race, Indigeneity, and Imperial Citizenship, 1914	Avital Margalit, Sapir College of Law, Co-operative Societies in Mandatory Palestine: Legal and Cultural Transplantation	Mohammad Shahabuddin, Jahangima University, Bangladesh, Historicizing 'Law' as a Language of Civilisation and Identity Construction	Gail Pearson, University of Sydney, A single site for modernising nineteenth century law: India and the UK	
	Riyad S. Koya, University of California at Berkeley, Indian Diaspora and Personal Law: From Imperial to National Citizenship	Assaf Likhovski, Tel Aviv University, Two Models of Taxation and Tax "Law" in 1940s Palestine	David McCallum, Victoria University, Melbourne, Liberal Governance and knowing the Australian aborigine	Ronnie Edward, University of Victoria, Canada, The Adoption of English Law and Legal Systems in Sarawak	
	Rohit De, Princeton University, The Imperial Journeys of Constitutional Law	Commentator: Rob McQueen, Monash University, Australia			
	<b>Discussant:</b> Antoinette Burton, University of Illinois, Urbana- Champaign				
1:00-2:00pm	Lunch at Level 2, Staff Lounge				
2:00 – 3:00pm	Plenary Justice Andrew Phang, Singapore Court of Appeal Which Road to the Past? Some Personal Reflection on Legal History				
	Chair: Andrew Harding, National University of Singapore  Venue: Seminar Room 4-4, Level 4				

3:00-4:30pm	Session J					
	Law and Medicine	Criminalising the Other	The Demands of, and Resistance to, English Property Law Venue: Seminar Room 4-3 (Level 4)			
	Venue: Seminar Room 4-1 (Level 4)	Venue: Seminar Room 4-2 (Level 4)				
	Chair: David Williams	Chair: Damen Ward	Chair: Grant Morris			
	Tim Fadgen, University of Auckland, A Critical Review of Colonial and Post- Colonial Mental Health Law Transfer in the Antipodes: Samoa's Mental Health Legacy	Stephen L. Keck, American University of Sharjah, Defining the Dacoits: Towards a Legal History of Colonial Burma	Matthew Stubbs, University of Adelaide, The Impact of the Lands Clauses Consolidation Act 1845 (Eng) upon the Australian Colonies			
	Yu Xiuling, SOAS, The 'Rule of Law' and the Marginalisation of Chinese Medicine: Looking again as the legal status of Chinese medicine in colonial Hong Kong	Sugata Nandi, West Bengal State University, Kolkata, Inventing Extraordinary Criminality: A Study of Criminalization by the Calcutta Goondas Act	Andrew Buck, Australian Catholic University, The English Inheritance: Primogeniture in the British Empire			
		Takashi Miyamoto, University of Tokyo, Evolution of a Progressive Stage System in Prisons of the North Western Provinces of India	Nancy Wright, University of Queensland, The Colonial Widow: Dower in the British Empire			
4:30-4:45pm	Working Coffee Break at level 4, outside Seminar Room 4-4, Level 4					
4:45pm	Concluding Comments and Close @ Seminar Room 4-4, Level 4					
6:00pm	Bus departs from pick up point to Hang-out @ Mt Emily, Studio M Hotel and Park Hotel Clarke Quay.					