Colloquium on Legal & Constitutional History
New York University School of Law
William E. Nelson and John Reid, Moderators

Fall 2013 Schedule
Wednesdays at 2 PM, Room 202 Vanderbilt Hall

August 28, 2013  -  Intisar Raab, NYU School of Law & MEIS Department
“The Benefit of Doubt in Islamic Criminal Law” - Part I

Sept. 4, 2013  -  Intisar Raab, NYU School of Law & MEIS Department
“The Benefit of Doubt in Islamic Criminal Law” - Part II

Sept. 11, 2013  -  Matthew Axtell, Samuel Golieb Fellow 2013-2014, NYU School of Law
“Gaps in Law’s White Mountain: Black Riverboat Entrepreneurs, Mercantile Property, and Slavery's Liquidation, 1832-1866”

Sept. 18, 2013  -  Edward A. Purcell, Jr., Joseph Solomon Distinguished Professor of Law, New York Law School
“Paradoxes of Judge-Centered Legal History: Some Practical Values of Historical Understanding”

“Felix Frankfurter’s Lost Legacy, 1957-1962”

Oct. 9, 2013  -  Daniel Hulsebosch, Seligson Professor of Law, NYU School of Law
“The Revolutionary Portfolio: Constitution-making and the Wider World in the American Revolution”

Oct. 16, 2013  -  Frank H. Stewart, Professor Emeritus, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem Dept. of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies

Oct. 23, 2013  -  Associate Professor Ryan Bubb, NYU School of Law
“Choosing the Partnership: English Business Organization Law During the Industrial Revolution”

Oct. 30, 2013  -  William E. Nelson, Weinfeld Professor of Law, NYU School of Law

Nov. 6, 2013  -  Peter Pihos, Ph.D. Candidate, University of Pennsylvania History Dept.
“Policing and the Irony of Black Political Power”

Nov. 13, 2013  -  Dr. Darryl Li, Lecturer in Law, Columbia Law School
Nov. 20, 2013  Jeremy Kessler, David Berg Foundation Scholar, NYU School of Law
"The Civil Libertarian State: The Administrative Origins of Modern Civil Liberties Law in the World War I Draft"

(Lawrence, KS.: University Press of Kansas, 2000).

Dec. 4, 2013  Professor Bernard Freamon, Seton Hall Law School
“The Rise and Impact of Abolitionism: The Twin Tales of the Khedive and the Sultan”

Spring 2014 Schedule
Wednesdays at 2 PM, Room 201 Vanderbilt Hall

Jan. 22  William E. Nelson, Weinfeld Professor of Law, NYU School of Law
(Special time and location 1-3 PM Furman Hall 310)
“A Response: The Impact of War on Justice in the History of American Law”

Jan. 29  Peter Hoffer, Distinguished Research Professor, University of Georgia, History Dept
“The Federal Courts: An Essential History”

Feb. 5  Morton J. Horwitz, Charles Warren Professor of American Legal History,
Harvard Law School
“Citizenship, Capital Punishment, and Cruel and Usual Punishment”

Feb 12  Erin Braatz, 2013-2014 Samuel I. Golieb Fellow, NYU School of Law
“Transfer and Transformation: Penal Policy & State Building on the Gold Coast,
1844-1957” Chapter 1

Feb. 19  Erin Braatz, 2013-2014 Samuel I. Golieb Fellow, NYU School of Law
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1844-1957” Chapter 2

Feb. 26  Rebecca Rix, Asst. Professor of History, Princeton University
How Louis D. Brandeis Became a Progressive and the Founding Fathers Routed the Child Labor Amendment”

Mar. 5  Professor Felice Batlan, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology
Inventing Legal Aid in America: Lawyers, Social Workers, and the Poor, 1863–1945
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Mar. 26  Mary Anne Case, Arnold I. Shure Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School  
*The Ladies? Forget About Them. A Feminist Perspective on the Limits of Originalism*

April 2  Norman Williams, Ken & Claudia Peterson Professor of Law, Willamette University College of Law  
*“Nominating the President: Malapportionment and Political Equality”*

April 9  Jeremy Kessler, David Berg Foundation Scholar, NYU School of Law  
*“The Civil Libertarian Conditions of Conscription in World War II”*

April 16  William E. Forbath, Lloyd M. Bentsen Chair in Law, University of Texas Law School  
*“The Anti-Oligarchy Constitution”*

April 23  Matthew Axtell, 2013-2014 Samuel I. Golieb Fellow, NYU School of Law  
*“What is Still “Radical” in the Antislavery Legal Practice of Salmon P. Chase?”*

April 30  Joshua Lobert, NYU School of Law  
*“Law or Politics? The Meaning of ‘Reprisal’ During the Quasi-War: 1797-1804”*  
with  
Dimitris Nikiforos, LL.M., NYU School of Law  
*“For Which People and for which Era?”*  
and  
James Koffler, NYU School of Law  
*“New York Times v. Sullivan’s Implicit Simple Answer to Defamation in Political Campaigns – Fifty Years of ‘Let It Go’”*