Australian and New Zealand Law and History Society (ANZLHS) 2013 Conference

25th – 27th NOVEMBER 2013 UNIVERSITY OF OTAGO, DUNEDIN, AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

"People, Power and Place"

An opportunity to come together, share and be inspired about global, international comparative, national and local ideas of the role of law in configuring historical understandings of people, power and place. This will be an exciting interdisciplinary conference for all persons interested in the connections between law and history. A must attend event in the special place of Dunedin – home to Aoteaora New Zealand's oldest university, the University of Otago, the stunning new Toitū Otago Settlers Museum, and the much loved Hocken Library. The University of Otago Faculty of Law and Department of History look forward to hosting you in November 2013.

ALL WELCOME – A CALL FOR ABSTRACTS WILL BE MADE IN EARLY 2013

We are excited and honoured to confirm our following keynote speakers:

Chief Judge Wilson Isaac, Chief Judge of the Maori Land Court and Chairperson of the Waitangi Tribunal, Aotearoa New Zealand

Dr Mark Hickford, Crown Counsel at the Crown Law Office, Aotearoa New Zealand



Professor Lauren Benton, Affiliate Professor of Law, Professor of History and Dean of Graduate School of Arts and Science at New York University, United States of America



Professor Tony Ballantyne, Professor of History, Dean of the Department of History and Art History, and Director of the Research Centre for Colonial Cultures at the University of Otago, Aotearoa New Zealand



Professor Jeremy Finn, Professor of Law at the University of Canterbury, Aotearoa New Zealand



Dr Lisa Ford, Senior Lecturer, School of Humanities, University of New South Wales, Australia

Short biographies of our keynote speakers:

Professor Lauren Benton is a world-leading researcher on the legal history of European empires. She is interested in understanding how imperial legal conflicts helped to form and shape a global legal order. This broad topic has encompassed research on legal pluralism in empires; maritime law; the formation of imperial sovereignty; and the interactions of indigenous law and the law of colonizers. She has examined case studies from South Asia, Latin America, Africa, North America, and Australia. Professor Benton has published numerous books and peer-reviewed journal articles. Two of her books are of particular interest to us: *A Search for Sovereignty: Law and Geography in European Empires, 1400 – 1900* (Cambridge University Press, 2010) and *Law and Colonial Cultures: Legal Regimes in World History, 1400 – 1900* (Cambridge University Press, 2002) (note this book won the 2003 World History Association Book Award and the 2003 James Willard Hurst Prize).

Chief Judge Wilson Isaac was first appointed to the Maori Land Court and Waitangi Tribunal in 1994. Chief Judge Isaac has presided over many Tribunal hearings including the district inquires for Mohaka ki Ahuriri, Northern South Island and the National Park inquiry.

Professor Tony Ballantyne's research includes exploring the changing place of New Zealand within the British empire. Recent works include: "On Place, Space and Mobility in Nineteenth-Century New Zealand" (2011) 45 *New Zealand Journal of History*; "Placing Literacy Culture: Books and Civic Culture in Milton" (2010) 28 *Journal of New Zealand Literature*; and *Webs of Empire: Locating New Zealand's Colonial Past* (Bridget Williams Books, 2012).

Professor Jeremy Finn's research focuses on comparative colonial legal history, the transmission of legal ideas and information between jurisdictions, and the early legal history of Canterbury and the Canterbury Law School. Recent work includes "The Founders of the New Zealand Legal Profession: The First Cohort of Lawyers 1841-1851" (2012) 25(1) *New Zealand Universities Law Review* 24.

Dr Lisa Ford's research centres on ideas and practices of order in the post-1763 Anglophone world. Recent work includes *Settler Sovereignty: Jurisdiction and Indigenous People in America and Australia, 1788-1836* (Harvard University Press, 2010) (2008 Thomas J. Wilson Prize; 2010 Littleton-Griswold Prize, 2010, NSW Premier's History Award) and her edited book with Tim Rowse *Between Indigenous and Settler Governance* (Routledge, 2012).

Dr Mark Hickford has published extensively on Aboriginal title and customary rights. Recent work includes *Lords of the Land. Indigenous Property Rights and the Jurisprudence of Empire* (Oxford University Press, 2011).

We look forward to hosting you in Dunedin in November 2013. Please note that this event is timed to align to the biennial NZ History Association conference to be held in Dunedin on $20 - 22^{nd}$ November 2013. You could attend both events and spend the in between days partaking in adventure tourism and wine tours in the Queenstown region!

In early 2013, a call for abstracts will be made.

Ngā mihi, Dr Jacinta Ruru, Associate Professor of law, University of Otago, on behalf of the organising committee for the ANZLHS 2013 Dunedin conference (jacinta.ruru@otago.ac.nz).