

Sovereignty and Property

Conference Abstracts

Columbia Law School

September 25-26, 2015

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER

Arrival, Welcome 9.00 – 9.30 am

ORIGINS: IS PROPERTY A LIMIT ON OR THE PRODUCT OF SOVEREIGNTY?

PANEL A: 9.30 – 11.00 AM

**Sovereignty over Property:
Informational Constraints and the Importance of Possession**

Thomas Merrill

The Dialectics of Sovereignty and Property

Sergio Dellavalle

15 min. Coffee Break

PANEL B: 11.15 – 12.45

The Human Right to Private Property

Hanoch Dagan and Avibay Dorfman

**Sovereignty, Property And Colonization: Outsourcing government and
England's Expansion in 17th and 18th centuries**

Martti Koskenniemi

LUNCH 12.45 – 2.00 PM

ANALOGY: PRIVATE LAW CONCEPTS & SOVEREIGNTY

PANEL A: 2.00 – 3.30 PM

Property's Sovereignty

Larissa Katz

**Autonomy: Sovereignty Stakes in the
Religious Freedom and Accommodation Debates**

Jean L. Cohen

15 min Coffee Break

PANEL B: 3.45 – 5.15 PM

Property and Sovereignty: How to Tell the Difference

Arthur Ripstein

Exclusion: Property Analogies in the Immigration Debate

Jeremy Waldron

DINNER 7.00 PM Venue TBA

SATURDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER

**COMPETITION: CONFRONTATION BETWEEN PROPERTY AND
SOVEREIGNTY**

Panel A: 9.00 – 10.30 AM

Property and Sovereignty Imbricated

Joseph William Singer

Who Owns National Territory? Who Owns the City?

Saskia Sassen

Coffee Break 15 min.

PANEL B: 10.45 – 12.15 PM

Property and Sovereignty: Should Government Forbear?

Laura S. Underkuffler

**Neither Property nor Sovereignty: Understanding the Human-Rights Based
Territorial Entitlements of Peoples**

Robert Howse and Ruti Teitel

Lunch 12.15 – 1.30 pm

PANEL C: 1.30 – 3.00 pm

Territory v. Money: The Changing Sources of Wealth and Power

Katharina Pistor

Sovereignty and the Politics of Property

Eyal Benvenisti

Final Discussion over Coffee

Conference Closes at 4.00 pm