

Law and Governance in Britain
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Confirmed participants:

Donna T. Andrew, professor, Department of History, University of Guelph. Publications include *The Perreaus and Mrs Rudd: Forgery and Betrayal in Eighteenth-Century London* (Berkeley, 2001), co-authored with Randall McGowen, and numerous articles on charity, duelling, and suicide.

Victor Bailey, Charles W. Battey Distinguished Professor of Modern British History and director for the Hall Centre for the Humanities, University of Kansas. Publications include *This Rash Act: Suicide across the Life Cycle in the Victorian City* (Stanford, 1998). He is currently working on a book-length study entitled 'The Rise and Demise of Rehabilitation: Punishment, Culture, and Society in Modern Britain.'

Amy Helen Bell, assistant professor, Huron University College. Publications include *London was Ours: Diaries and Memoirs of the London Blitz* (Tauris, 2008). She is currently researching (and will be speaking on) suspicious deaths in London between 1933 and 1953.

J.M. Beattie, professor emeritus, Department of History, University of Toronto. Professor Beattie is author of *Crime and the Courts in England, 1660-1800* (Princeton, 1986), *Policing and Punishment in London, 1660-1750: Urban Crime and the Limits of Terror* (Oxford, 2001), and the award-winning article 'Scales of Justice' (*Law and History Review* 1993). He is currently working on a study of the Bow Street Runners.

Carolyn A. Conley, chair and professor of history, University of Alabama at Birmingham. Publications include *The Unwritten Law: Criminal Justice in Victorian Kent* (1991). She is currently working on a study of females tried for homicide in London between 1671 and 1913.

Jim Crimmins, professor of political theory, Department of Political Science, Huron University College. Professor Crimmins is an expert on Jeremy Bentham whose published works include *Secular Utilitarianism: Social Science and the Critique of Religion in the Thought of Jeremy Bentham* (Oxford, 1990) and *On Bentham* (Belmont, CA, 2004). His paper will consider the principles of utilitarian penal theory as evidenced in the work of Beccaria, Bentham and Mill.

Simon Devereaux, assistant professor, Department of History, University of Victoria. Professor Devereaux was co-editor, with Allyson May and Greg Smith, of *Criminal Justice in the Old World and the New: Essays in Honour of J.M. Beattie* (Toronto, 1998) and with Paul Griffiths of *Penal Politics and Culture, 1500-1900: Punishing the English* (2004). He has published articles on the reporting of trials heard at the Old Bailey and on various modes of eighteenth-century punishment; his monograph on the state's administration of justice, *Criminal Justice and English Government, 1750-1810*, is forthcoming with the University of North Carolina Press.

Rachael Griffin, PhD candidate, Department of History, University of Western Ontario. She will be giving a paper on the professional tensions between lawyers and doctors in the early nineteenth-century criminal courtroom.

C. Douglas Hay, professor, Osgoode Hall Law School and the Department of History, York University. Professor Hay's numerous publications include the most famous article on eighteenth-century criminal justice. 'Property, Authority, and the Criminal Law,' published in a collection of essays which had their origins in E.P. Thompson's Warwick seminar in the 1970s, remains the starting point for teaching of the subject. He has published more recently on master and servant law (UNC Press, 2004).

David Lemmings, Head of School, History and Politics, University of Adelaide. Professor Lemmings is an expert on the eighteenth-century legal profession and author of two key monographs on this subject: *Gentlemen and Barristers: The Inns of Court and the English Law, 1680-1730* (Oxford, 1990) and *Professors of the Law: Barristers and the Culture of English Law in the Eighteenth Century* (Oxford, 2000). He is currently working on crime and the press.

Michael Lobban, professor of legal history, Department of Law at Queen Mary, University of London. His many publications include the award-winning *The Common Law and English Jurisprudence, 1760-1850* (Oxford, 1991); he is currently part of a team working on the two Victorian volumes of the *New Oxford History of the Laws of England*.

Randall E. McGowen, professor, Department of History, University of Oregon. Like Beattie and Hay, Professor McGowen is one of the leading experts in eighteenth-century criminal justice history. He is co-author with Donna Andrew of *The Perreaus and Mrs Rudd* and has published extensively on the religious context of the eighteenth-century criminal law, on punishment, and on the crime of forgery.

Andrea McKenzie, associate professor, University of Victoria. Professor McKenzie is an expert on late seventeenth- and early eighteenth-century criminal biography. Her article on 'peine forte et dure' – the treatment of accused who stood mute in court – won both the Surrency prize for the best article published in the *Law and History*

Review in 2005 and the Sutherland prize for the best article in legal history published in that year. Her first monograph is titled *Tyburn's Martyrs: Execution in England, 1675-1775* (Hambledon, 2007).

Ruth Paley, section editor, *Lords 1660-1832, The History of Parliament (UK)*. Dr Paley has published numerous articles on policing in London pre-1829, and is currently working on a monograph on the subject co-authored with Elaine Reynolds (see below).

Elaine A. Reynolds, professor of history, William Jewell College, MO. Professor Reynolds is the author of *Before the Bobbies: The Night Watch and Police Reform, 1720-1830* (Stanford, 1998) and is currently researching a monograph on policing in London in the long eighteenth century, co-authored with Ruth Paley.

Martin Wiener, Mary Gibbs Jones Professor of History and Chair, Rice University History Department, TX. Professor Wiener is the author of *English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit, 1850-1980* (Cambridge, 1982, rev. ed. 2004); *Reconstructing the Criminal* (Cambridge, 1990); *Men of Blood: Violence, Manliness, and Criminal Justice in Victorian England* (Cambridge, 2003); and, most recently, *An Empire on Trial: Race, Murder, and Justice under British Rule, 1870-1935* (Cambridge, 2008).