



The Indigenous Bar Association's 19th Annual Fall Conference

The IBA and the College of Law
University of Victoria present:

Indigenous Laws: Practice, Conflict and Harmonization: Indigenous Law and Territorial Dispute Resolution

October 25-27, 2007 ▪ Fairmont Empress Hotel ▪ Victoria, BC

Thursday, October 25th, 2007

- 9.00 AM** **Aboriginal Student Day Activities Commence (Saanich Room – Victoria Conference Centre)**
Federal Court Liaison Sub-Committee Meeting Commences – Open to Conference Delegates
(The Library Room)
- 5.30 PM** **Reception (Royal British Columbia Museum, First People's Gallery & Hunt House)**
*(*Please note: Guests should arrive in the glass lobby of RBCM and at 5:45 will be escorted en mass to the First People's Gallery. Hors d'oeuvre and a cash bar will be available at the Reception)*
- 6.05 PM** **Opening Prayer:**
• Elder (TBA)
- 6.10 PM** **Introduction of Lieutenant Governor:**
• Jeffery Hewitt, President, IBA
- 6.15 PM** **Opening Address for Conference**
• Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Steven Point
- 6.25 PM** **Welcoming Remarks:**
• Dianne Corbiere, Conference Chair
• Shawn A-in-chut Atleo, Regional Chief, BC Assembly of First Nations
• Andrew Petter, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria
- 6.45 PM** **Cultural Evening & Reception**
- 7.30 PM** **Reception Closes**

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DAY ONE
Friday, October 26th, 2006

- 7.30 AM** **Cultural Ceremony:** Conference guests welcome
- 8.00 AM** **Registration (Palm Court)**
- 8.30 AM** **Opening Prayer (Crystal Ballroom):** Elder
- Welcoming remarks:** Dianne Corbiere, Conference Chair
- 9.00 AM** **Opening Address:**
- Living with Indigenous Law in Community**
- Mary-Ellen Turpel Lafond
- 9.45 AM** **Nutrition Break**

Day One: Morning Session

Indigenous Laws in Legal Practice: Understanding and Applying Indigenous Law

Chair: Judge Marion Buller Bennett, Provincial Court of British Columbia

- 10.00 AM**
- Professor June McCue (Ned'u'ten)
 - Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, Haida Gwaii
 - Professor Darlene Johnston, Anishinabek
 - Jean Teillet, Metis
- Questions and Answer Period**
- 12.00 PM** **Lunch**
- **Bank of Montreal Presentation**
 - **Indigenous Law Journal, University of Toronto, Presentation**
 - **Award of IBA Law Student Scholarship in Memory of Ronald Peigan**
 Professor John Borrows, Chair
 Indigenous Bar Association Law Student Scholarship Foundation
- 1.15 PM** **Break**

Day One: Afternoon Session
Indigenous Laws & Legal Pluralism: Making Room

Chair: Gerald Morin, Provincial Court of Saskatchewan (Cree Court)

2:00 PM

- Professor John Borrows, University of Victoria
- Professor Gord Christie, University of British Columbia
- Professor Jacinta Ruru, Maori Law

Questions and Answer Period

4.00 PM

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GALA BANQUET AND AWARDS CEREMONY
-Crystal Ballroom-

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6.30 PM

Opening Remarks:

- Jeffery Hewitt, President, Indigenous Bar Association
- Mayor Alan Lowe Representative of Council, Victoria
- Andrew Petter, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Victoria

Presentations:

- Presentation of Indigenous Peoples' Counsel (I.P.C.) Distinction

DRAFT AGENDA DAY TWO

Saturday, 27th October, 2007

9.00 AM **Opening Remarks (Crystal Ballroom):**
 Dianne Corbiere, Conference Chair

Day Two: Morning Session

Indigenous Traditional & Dispute Resolution: Designing Resolution Processes

Chair: Justice Tony Mandamin, Federal Court of Canada

9.15 AM **Traditional Laws: Land and Resource Sharing**
 • **Glen Williams, Gitanyow**

10.15 AM **Nutrition Break**

10.30 AM **Chair:** Mark Stevenson
Indigenous Laws & Overlap Resolution: Examining Practical Models

- Professor Val Napoleon, Faculty of Law, University of Alberta and Don Ryan (Treaty 8)
- Gerald Wesley (Tsimshian)
- Roy Francis (Sliammon)

12:00 PM **Lunch**

Speaker

UN Declaration of Indigenous Peoples
Ed John, Hereditary Chief (Akile Ch'oh) of Tl'azt'en Nation

Day Two: Afternoon Session
Harmonization: Doctrinal Developments & Indigenous Legal Systems

2.00 PM

WORKSHOPS

Living Together: Indigenous and Canadian Legal Systems

- Sarah Morales: Salish Law and Conflicts of Law (St. James Room)
- Professor Val Napoleon (Confirmed) & Don Ryan: Territory Overlap Dispute Resolution (Buckingham Room)
- Chief Sharon Stinson Henry and Chief Sophie Pierre: Nation-to-Nation Relationship and Business Development (Kensington Room)
- John Borrows & Kinwa Bluesky: Anishinabek Art and Law (Balmoral Room)
- Professor Jacinta Ruru & Michael Stevens: Maori Legal Systems of Governance (Crush Room)

3.30 PM

Closing Plenary Discussion

4.00 PM

Closing Remarks (Crystal Ballroom): Conference Chair and IBA President

4.30 PM

Closing Prayer: Elder

Sunday, October 28th, 2007
IBA COMMITTEE MEETINGS,
ELECTIONS AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
-The Library Room-
Fairmont Empress Hotel, Victoria, BC

The Annual General Meeting for members of the Indigenous Bar Association will begin at **8:30 AM**.