THE GLOBALIZATION OF CLASS ACTIONS

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12, 13 & 14 December 2007

AGENDA

Wednesday 12 December 2007

1830 Opening Reception

Ashmolean Museum, Beaumont Street, Oxford
Speaker: Professor Timothy Endicott, Dean of Law, University of Oxford

Thursday 13 December 2007

Gulbenkian Lecture Theatre, Law Faculty, Manor Road

9:00 Welcome

Professor Denis Galligan; Director, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Oxford
Professor Deborah Hensler, Associate Dean, Stanford Law School

9:15– 10:00 Overview: The Global Status of Class Actions & Group Litigation

Professor Deborah Hensler; Judge John W. Ford Professor of Dispute Resolution, Stanford Law School

10:00 – 10:15 Coffee Break

10:15 - 11:45 Representation & Conflicts of Interests in Class Actions and Other Group Actions

Chair: Professor Samuel Issacharoff; Bonnie and Richard Reiss Professor of Constitutional Law, New York University Law School and Chair, American Law Institute Project on Aggregate Litigation

Panellists:
Chief Justice Warren Winkler; Toronto, Ontario
Alan Morrison; Special Counsel to the Attorney General for the District of Columbia
Dr Peter Cashman; Commissioner, Victoria Law Commission, Australia
Dr Dietmar Baetge; Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg
Professor Jan Kleineman; Stockholm University
Professor Burt Neuborne; Inez Milholland Professor of Civil Liberties, New York University, New York

11:450 – 12:30 Hon Catherine McGuinness
      President, Law Reform Commission, Dublin

12:45 – 14:00 **Lunch, St Catherine’s College**

14:15 – 15:45 **Funding Issues and Alternative Financial Frameworks**

**Chair:** Professor Herbert M. Kritzer; William Mitchell College of Law, Saint Paul, Minnesota

**Panellists:**
Hon. Justice Raymond Finkelstein, Federal Court of Australia (Victoria), Melbourne
Michael Napier QC CBE; Executive Committee, Civil Justice Council, England
Matias Cortes; Alcaino, Azola & Cortes, Santiago, Chile
Mas Achmad Santosa, United Nations Development Program, Indonesia
Professor Geoffrey Miller, New York University Law School, New York
Rob Ferguson, IMF (Australia) Ltd. Sydney, Australia

15:45 – 16:00 Tea

16:00 - 17:30 **Negotiating Resolution**

**Chair:** Professor Francis McGovern, Duke University

**Panellists:**
Leonard Böhmer, CMS Derks Star Busman, Netherlands
Steven E. Fineman; Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP, New York
Alejandro Ferreres Comella; Uría Menéndez, Barcelona, Spain
Steve Susman; Susman Godfrey L.L.P.
Sheila Birnbaum; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, New York

18:30 – 21:00 **Dinner, New College Hall, Holywell Street**

**Speaker:** Judge Lee Rosenthal, U.S. District Court and
      Chair, Judicial Conference Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure
Friday 14 December 2007  Gulbenkian Lecture Theatre, Law Faculty

9:00 – 10:30  **Crafting Remedies & Administering Enforcement**

*Chair:* Professor Mark Mildred; Nottingham Trent University

*Panellists:*
Justice Clive Plasket; South Africa
Henrik Saugmandsgaard Øe, Consumer Ombudsman, Copenhagen, Denmark
Dr Peretz Segal; Ministry of Justice, Tel Aviv, Israel
Hector Meiral; Meiral O’Farrell, Argentina
Paul Balen; Freeth Cartwright, Nottingham, UK
John P Brown; McCarthy Tétrault, Toronto; Chair, IBA Task Force on Global Enforcement of Class Actions

10:30 – 10:45  Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:45  **Objectives and outcomes: compensation, regulation, public enquiry, changing behaviour**

*Chair:* Dr Christopher Hodges, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Oxford University

*Panellists:*
John Beisner; O’Melveney & Myers LLP, Washington DC
Stephen Burbank, David Berger Professor for the Administration of Justice, University of Pennsylvania Law School
Steve Berman, Hagens, Berman, Sobol, Shapiro LLP, Seattle, Washington
Professor Geraint Howells; Lancaster University
Richard H. Murray; Managing Director & Chief Claims Strategist, Swiss Re, Zurich
John Pickering; Irwin Mitchell, and President, PEOPIL
Allen Waxman; General Counsel, Pfizer Inc

13:15  **Lunch, St Catherine’s College**

[Afternoon - Editorial Meeting for subsequent publications: Chairs and others as invited by the Editors]

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