
Commentary: *Eric Cheyfitz*, Department of English, Cornell University and *Paul Williams*, Attorney for Six Nations Grand River Territory, Ontario

10:30 Coffee Break

10:45 Native Water Rights, Present and Future

Judith Royster, University of Tulsa College of Law
Title: "Tribal Water Rights in Eastern States"

Dan McCool, University of Utah

Title: "The Politics of Life Blood: Protecting Indian Water Rights"

Steve Moore, Native American Rights Fund, Colorado

Title: "Water Challenges of the Kansas Kickapoo"

Commentary: *Stephen J. McHugh*, Senior Counsel, Holland & Knight, LLP and *Keith Porter*, Director, New York State Water Resources Institute

12:30 Lunch - Cornell Law School Atrium

Luncheon Keynote Address: *Henry Lickers*, Director of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Department of the Environment

Title: "If Water Flows Downhill, Why is its Protection an Uphill Fight?"

2:00 Practitioners Look at Transboundary Water Challenges

Moses Haia, Native Hawaiian Legal Corporation

Title: "Wailuanui Valley, Maui: Where History, Culture and the Law Converge"

Greg Haller, Snake River Basin-Nez Perce Tribal Office of Natural Resources

Title: "Snake River Basin Adjudication - Nez Perce Tribe Water Rights Settlement"

Paul Williams, Attorney for Six Nations Grand River Territory, Ontario

Title: "Principles and Performance"

Commentary: *Jeffrey Rachlinski*, Cornell Law School and *Neil Patterson*, Tuscarora Representative to the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force

3:30 Interactive Plenary

Presiding: *Henry Lickers*, Director of the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Department of the Environment

Points of Discussion: Summary of issues, unanswered questions and looking forward

4:30 Traditional Closing, Kyrie Ransom, American Indian Program

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Program

Day One – G85 and G90, Law School

8:00 Continental Breakfast & Registration

8:30 Traditional Blessing and Cornell Welcome

Ronald Seeber, Cornell Vice-Provost for Land Grant Affairs
Barbara Holden-Smith, Associate Dean, Cornell Law School
Troy Richardson, Department of Education, Cornell University

9:00 Thinking Like a Watershed

Robert Porter, Director of the Center for Indigenous Law, Syracuse University
Title: “Land, Water and the Pesky Matter of Indigenous Survival”

Frank Ettawageshik, Native Representative to the Great Lakes Regional Commission (US & Canada) and Tribal Chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Michigan
Title: “Water, Treaty Rights, and Native Traditions in Multi-Sovereignty Environments”

10:15 Coffee Break

10:30 Native Education, Law, Culture, and Water

Dan Hill, Cayuga Nation Representative to the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force
Title: “Water and Natural Law”

Scott Frazier, Director, Native Waters/Project WET
Title: “Teaching Water: West Meets East?”

Troy Richardson, Department of Education, Cornell University
Title: “The Challenge of Bringing Native Perspectives into School Curricula”

Commentary: *Maria Maybee*, Great Lakes United Board Member and Heron Clan, Seneca Nation, and *Scott Peters*, Department of Education, Cornell University

12:30 Lunch

1:00 Luncheon Keynote Address: *Dan McCool*, Department of Political Science and Director of the American West Center and the Environmental Studies Program at the University of Utah
Title: “Reservation Rivers: Can they be Restored?”

2:00 Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Watershed Issues: Surveying Native Community Experiences

Neil Patterson, Tuscarora Representative to the Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force
Title: “Niagara River Water Treaties”

Tony David, Environmental Division, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe
Title: “Challenges of Better Standards (under Clean Water Act Amendments) at Home”

Joyce King, Director, Haudenosaunee Environmental Task Force
Title: “A Seaway of Water Issues for Native People”

Commentary: *Sharon Anderson*, Watershed Steward, Cayuga Watershed Network and *Chris Andronicos*, Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Cornell University

3:30 Coffee Break

3:45 Reflections and Perspectives on Water, Law, and Education

Joe Heath, Attorney, Onondaga Nation
Stephen J. McHugh, Senior Counsel, Holland & Knight, LLP
Barbara Holden-Smith, Associate Dean, Cornell Law School
Rebecca Schneider, Associate Professor & Department Extension Leader, Department of Natural Resources, Cornell University

5:00 Reception, Cornell Law School Atrium

Day Two – G85 and G90, Law School

8:30 Continental Breakfast

9:00 Law across Time, Place, and Culture

Hosts: *Leslie Saint*, Editor in Chief, *Journal of Law and Public Policy* and *Summer Sylva*, Symposium Event Editor, *Journal of Law and Public Policy*

9:15 Recent Milestones in Federal Indian Law

John LaVelle, University of New Mexico School of Law
Title: “Advocating a Return to Indian Law Principles: An Old Game in a New Court”

Robert Clinton, Arizona State University College of Law
Title: “New Indian Treaty Federalism”
