

BYU Law Review Symposium on

Contemporary Conflict of Laws Issues in Family Law

Rm. 472, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Friday, 1 February 2008

Tentative Program

Registration: 8:30-9:00 472 JRCB

Welcome: 8:50 – 9:00 a.m.

Professor Lynn D. Wardle, Dean Kevin J. Worthen, Heather Jacques (BYU Law Review)

Session 1: Same-Sex Marriage & Contemporary Conflict of Laws Issues in the US & Canada
9:00 – 11:00 a.m., 472 JRCB

Session I Moderator:

Thomas Lee, Professor, BYU Law School

Patrick Borchers, Professor of Law & Vice-President, Academic Affairs, Creighton University

The Coming Collision: “Romer” and State Defense of Marriage Acts

Jeff Rensberger, Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law

Interstate Pluralism: The Role of Federalism in the Same Sex Marriage Debate

Lynn D. Wardle, Bruce C. Hafen Professor of Law, Brigham Young University Law School

**Interjurisdictional Issues Regarding Controversial Domestic Relations:
From Slavery to Same-Sex Marriage**

Martha Bailey, University of Toronto

Same-sex Relationships Across the Canada/US Border

Comments & Questions

Session 2: Adoption and Child-Related Conflict of Laws Issues in the US & Russia

11:15 a.m. – 12:40 p.m., 472 JRCB

Session 2 Moderator:

Carolina Nunez, Professor, BYU Law School

Mark Strasser, Trustees Professor of Law, Capital University Law School, Columbus, Ohio

**Interstate Recognition of Adoptions:
On Jurisdiction, Full Faith and Credit, and Potential, Future Difficulties**

Olga A. Dyuzheva, Moscow State University Faculty of Law

Intercountry Adoption in Russia: Pluses and Minuses of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption

Galina Y. Fedoseeva, Professor, Moscow State Legal Academy

Protection of Children's Rights in the Private International Law of Russia

Comments & Questions

Lunch 12:45-1:45 p.m. WSC Skyroom (Presenters, Moderators, CLE Registrees, & Invitees)

Session 3: American Conflicts Issues Regarding Marital Property and Abortion

2:00 – 3:30 p.m., 472 JRCB

Session 2 Moderator:

Monte Stewart, Director, Marriage Law Foundation (former Professor BYU Law School)

Thomas Oldham, John Freeman Professor of Law, University of Houston

What if the Beckhams Move to L.A. and Divorce?

Marital Property Rights of Mobile Spouses When The Divorce in the U.S.

Joseph W. Dellapenna, Villanova University School of Law

Abortion Across State Lines

Comments & Questions

Adjourn Symposium at 3:30 p.m.

Tour of BYU Museum of Art: Meet in law school main 3d floor foyer at 3:50 p.m. to walk to MOA (five minutes); all presenters and participants are invited; no cost.