

## CLAIRE PRIEST

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### EDUCATION

**Yale Law School**, J.D. 2001

Prizes: John M. Olin Prize (best paper on law, economics, and public policy);

Joseph Parker Prize (best paper on legal history);

*Yale Law Journal*: Articles Editor, 1999-2000; Symposium Committee Chair, 1998-99;  
Editor, 1997-98;

Director, Yale Legal History Forum, 1999-2000;

John M. Olin Fellow in Law and Economics, 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99;

*Yale Journal on Regulation*: Lead Editor and Editor 1995-96, 1996-97.

**Yale Graduate School of Arts & Sciences**, Ph.D. 2003 (History)

Prizes: Yale Graduate School's George Washington Egleston Prize for the best  
dissertation in American History (2003);

Economic History Association's Allan Nevins Prize for the best dissertation in  
American or Canadian Economic History (2003).

**Yale College**, B.A. 1994, with Distinction in History.

### EXPERIENCE

**Northwestern University School of Law**, Chicago, IL, Associate Professor of Law,  
2006-; Assistant Professor, 2002-06;  
Joint Associate Professor of History, 2006-; Joint Assistant Professor of History, 2005-;

**Hon. Jon O. Newman, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit**  
Law Clerk, 2001-02;

**New York University School of Law**  
Samuel I. Golieb Fellow in Legal History, 2000-01;

**Yale Law School Center for Law, Economics, and Public Policy**  
Full-time summer fellow 1998 and 1999;

**Davis, Graham & Stubbs**, Denver CO  
Summer Associate, 1997 (offer extended);

**Davis Polk & Wardwell**  
Summer Associate, 1996 (offer extended);

**Hon. Danny J. Boggs, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit**  
Summer Intern, 1995.

## **PUBLICATIONS AND COMMITTED ARTICLES**

*Law and Commerce*, in THE CAMBRIDGE HISTORY OF LAW IN AMERICA (draft completed, forthcoming);

*Lawyers and Legal Change*, LAW & HIST. REV. (book review of Martha J. McNamara, *From Tavern to Courthouse, Architecture and Ritual in American Law, 1658 to 1860*) (draft completed, forthcoming);

*Creating an American Property Law: Alienability and Its Limits in American History*, 120 HARVARD L. REV. 385 (2006);

*To Borrow Money on the Credit of the United States*, in THE HERITAGE GUIDE TO THE CONSTITUTION (2005);

*Currency Policies and the Nature of Litigation in Colonial New England*, 64 J. ECON. HIST. 563 (2004);

*The Nature of Litigation in Early New England*, 111 YALE L.J. 1881 (2002);

*Currency Policies and Legal Development in Colonial New England*, 110 YALE L.J. 1303 (2001);

*Colonial Courts and Secured Credit: Early American Commercial Litigation and Shays' Rebellion*, 108 YALE L.J. 2413 (1999).

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

*The Ideological Origins of America's First Disclosure Regime: The Colonial Land Title Registries* (article-in-progress);

CREATING AN AMERICAN PROPERTY LAW: THE COLONIAL TRANSFORMATION OF PROPERTY AND INHERITANCE LAW AND THE FORMATION OF AN AMERICAN LEGAL ORDER, 1650-1850 (book project);

*Rethinking 19<sup>th</sup> Century Common Law Privacy and Public Nuisance Doctrines: The Protection of Animals on Private Property* (article-in-progress)

## PRESENTATIONS

### **Bankruptcy and Economic Development**

Comment, American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting (November 18, 2006)

### **Creating an American Property Law: Alienability and Its Limits in American History**

University of Toronto Faculty of Law, Law and Economics Workshop (November 1, 2006);

Columbia Law School, Law and Economics Workshop (October 23, 2006);

University of Texas School of Law, Friday Colloquium (October 20, 2006);

Harvard Law School, Legal History Colloquium (October 9, 2006);

Economic History Association Annual Meeting (September 16, 2006);

American Bar Foundation Workshop Series (September 6, 2006);

UC Berkeley, Boalt Hall, Law and Economics Workshop (August 28, 2006);

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting (May 5, 2006);

UCLA Law School and Economics Department, Co-sponsored Workshop in Legal and Economic History (February 15, 2006);

Northwestern University School of Law, Faculty Workshop (February 7, 2006);

NYU Law School, Legal History Colloquium (February 1, 2006);

Stanford Law School, Faculty Workshop (January 25, 2006);

University of Florida Fredric G. Levin College of Law, Faculty Workshop (December 1, 2005);

Chicago Legal History Seminar (November 17, 2005);

American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting (November 11, 2005);

University of Illinois College of Law, Faculty Workshop (September 15, 2005);

Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture Annual Conference (June 25, 2005);

Harvard University, Conference on *Atlantic Legalities* (organized by Bernard Bailyn, April 16, 2005);

### **Law and Commerce, 1580-1815**

University of Chicago, Mellon Conference entitled *Modernizing Politics?* (May 21, 2005);

American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting (November 14, 2003);

### **Currency Policies and the Nature of Litigation in Colonial New England (Ph.D. Dissertation)**

Northwestern University Economic History Seminar, Economics Department (October 2, 2003);

Plenary Dissertation Session of the Economic History Association's Annual Conference, presented as a finalist for (and ultimately the winner of) the Allan Nevins Dissertation Prize (September 20, 2003);

### **Currency Policies and Legal Development in Colonial New England (Article)**

Georgetown Law Center, John M. Olin Workshop in Law and Economics, (April 14, 2003);

American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting (May 11, 2001);

American Society for Legal History Annual Meeting (October 20, 2000).

**Solicited Participation:**

Liberty Fund Conference, "Property Rights, Freedom and Responsibility: The Contributions of Armen A. Alchian," Los Angeles, CA (April 22-25, 2004);

Liberty Fund Conference, "Free Market Environmentalism in Theory and Practice," Bozeman, MT (September 25-28, 2003).

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Governing Council, University of Illinois Legal History Forum;  
American Society for Legal History;  
American Law and Economics Association;  
Economic History Association.