The Dred Scott Case and Its Legacy: Race, Law, and the Struggle for Equality
Washington University in St. Louis
1-3 March 2007

Thursday, 1 March 2007
4 – 5 pm  Keynote Speaker---Graham Chapel Assembly Series – Open to Public
Michael A. Wolff, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Missouri
Race, Law, and the Struggle for Equality: Missouri Law,
Politics, and the Dred Scott Case

5:15  Bus departs for Old Courthouse [Dred Scott Conference Speakers only]

6-7  Reception at Old Courthouse [Open to Public – Registration necessary]

7:00  Bus departs for Whittemore House [Dred Scott Conference Speakers only]

7:30-8:45  Supper at Whittemore House [Dred Scott Conference Speakers only]
Welcome remarks: Kent Syverud, Washington University Law

Friday, 2 March 2007 – Anheuser-Busch Hall
8-8:30  Welcome Coffee/Light Refreshments  – Foyer, Bryan Cave Moot Courtroom

8:30  Introduction and Opening Remarks: David Konig, Washington University

8:45-10:15  Session I – Emancipation and Memory
Moderator/Commentator: Michael Les Benedict, Ohio State University
Presenters:
Louis Gerteis, The Legacy of the Dred Scott Case: The Uneven Course of
Wartime Emancipation in Missouri
Lea VanderVelde, The Real Dred and Harriet Scott: Unsung Heroes in Their Own
Right(s)
James Simon, Lincoln, Taney, and Their Place in History

10:15-10:30  Break

10:30-12  Session II – Foundations of Personhood
Moderator/Commentator: Eric Claeys, Saint Louis University
Presenters:
Austin Allen, The Legacy of Substantive Due Progress
Dennis Boman, Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas on the Founders and
Slavery
Cheryl Harris, Enforced Belonging: Race, Nation & Citizenship from Dred Scott to the
Fourteenth Amendment

Noon-1:30  Lunch – Speakers to the Knight Center
Public: Please see available options on campus on information table.

1:30-2:45  Session III – Ambiguities: Race, Property, and Personhood
Moderator/Commentator: Mitch Crusto, Washington University Law
Presenters:
Daniel Hamilton, *The Dred Scott Case, Emancipation and the Rise of the Fifth Amendment*

Silvana Siddali, *Human Property*

William Wieck, *Emancipation & Equality: The Thirteenth Amendment & the Law of Personal Status*

2:45-3 Break

3-4:30 Session IV – Judicial Lessons, Learned and Ignored  
Moderator/Commentator: Jack Greenberg, Columbia Law School  
Presenters:  
Duane Benton, *Lessons Learned from the Missouri Supreme Court’s Role in the Dred Scott Case*  
Joseph Hylton, *From Taney to Hughes: Dred Scott in the United States Supreme Court, 1857-1934*  
Alexander Tsesis, *The Unalienable Core of Citizenship*

6:00 Cocktail Hour and Supper at Seven Gables Inn [Closed event for Speakers]

**Saturday, 3 March 2007 – Anheuser-Busch Hall**

8-8:30 Welcome Coffee/Light Refreshments – Foyer, Bryan Cave Moot Courtroom

8:30 Introduction, Opening Remarks – Mark Wrighton, Washington University

8:45-10 Session V – Law and Legitimacy  
Moderator/Commentator: Davison Douglas, Marshall-Wythe Law School  
Presenters:  
Mark Graber, *The Other Also Exists: John Brown & the Problem of Constitutional Evil*  
Lewis Perry, *Civil Disobedience and the Struggle Against Slavery*  
Michael Zuckert, *Legality & Legitimacy in the Dred Scott Decision*

10-10:15 Break

10:15-12 Session VI – Law and the Problematics of Achieving Justice  
Moderator/Commentator: Annette Gordon-Reed, New York Law School  
Presenters:  
Alfred Brophy, *Realizing Reparations: Of Monuments and Memory*  
Cecil Hunt, *No Right to Respect: Justice Taney, Dred Scott, and the Legacy of White Innocence*  
Leland Ware, *Dred Scott and the Enduring Marks of Inferiority*

12-1:30 Lunch – Speakers and Teachers to the Knight Center  
Participants and Invited K-12 St. Louis Public School Teachers  
Public: Please see available options on campus on information table.

1:30-2:30 Session VII: Roundtable: Turning Scholarship into Citizenship – The Ivy Tower, The Ivory Tower, the Courts, and the Education of Citizens  
Kenneth Winn, Missouri State Archivist

2:30-2:45 Break
2:45-4  **Session VIII: Judicial Roundtable**  
Moderator: Duane Benton, 8th Circuit Court of Appeals  
Panelists:  
Stephen Limbaugh, Supreme Court of Missouri  
Ray Price, Supreme Court of Missouri  
Mary Russell, Supreme Court of Missouri  
Laura Denvir Stith, Supreme Court of Missouri  
Richard Teitelman, Supreme Court of Missouri  
Michael Wolff, Supreme Court of Missouri

4-4:30  **Keynote Closing Remarks: Paul Finkelman, Albany Law School**

4:30-5:30  **Reception, Olin Library: Ginkgo Reading Room**  
Display of original Freedom Suit petition of Dred Scott to Missouri Circuit Court (1846) [Open to Public – Registration]

6-8  **Supper and Conference Reflection – Knight Center [Closed event for Speakers]**