NEW CONSTITUTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL BEGINNINGS:
THE FOURTH LATERAN COUNCIL AND MAGNA CARTA 800 YEARS LATER

A Conference held during the
Third Annual Symposium on Medieval and Renaissance Studies at Saint Louis University,
June 16-17, 2015

Co-Sponsored by ICMAC and the Saint Louis University Departments of History and of
Theological Studies, Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies, and College of Arts and Sciences

Please join us in Saint Louis for a conference celebrating two landmark events of the year 1215, both
of great legal importance in their respective contexts.

Noteworthy speakers include Kenneth Pennington (Catholic University of America, giving a
plenary address to the general Symposium), Joseph Goering (University of Toronto), Richard
Helmholz (University of Chicago Law School), Anthony Musson (University of Exeter), Charles
Donahue, Jr. (Harvard Law School), and Charles Reid (University of St. Thomas School of Law).

PROGRAM

Tuesday, June 16

10:45 a.m.: Plenary Lecture

2:15 p.m.: More than Law: Theology, Ecclesiastical Administration, and the Verbal Arts in
the Lateran IV Constitutions and Magna Carta
Brandon Parlopiano, “Sin and Consequences: The Connections Between Sickness and Sin in Canon
22 of Lateran IV and Beyond”
Atria A. Larson, “To Meddle or Not to Meddle?: The Papal Reception of Lat. IV cc.23-24 and Papal
Involvement in Episcopal Elections”
Jennifer Jahner, “Magna Carta's Poetry: Constitutional Thought and the Verbal Arts”

4:30 p.m.: Plenary Lecture
Richard Helmholz, “Magna Carta and the Law of Nature”

7 p.m.: Reception**

Wednesday, June 17

8:30 a.m.: Symposium Plenary Address
Kenneth Pennington, “The Fourth Lateran Council and the Development of Legal Procedure”
10:45 a.m.: The Legacy of Magna Carta in English and American Law
Charles Donahue, Jr., ““The whole of the Constitutional History of England is a commentary on this charter...”
Charles Reid, “Magna Carta Crosses the Atlantic: Magna Carta in American Constitutional and Legal Debate”

2:15 p.m.: Roundtable: The Bio-bibliographical Guide to Medieval Jurists: An Online Database and Research Tool for All Medievalists

This session introduces a database for medieval research. The database expands and updates Kenneth Pennington's widely used web pages on canonistic texts and canonists. The new, searchable database, made possible through the collaboration of the Ames Foundation at Harvard Law and St Louis University's Center for Digital Humanities, will benefit anyone whose research involves a text, manuscript, or person connected to civil or canon law.

Participants include:
Kenneth Pennington, Catholic University of America
Charles Donahue, Harvard Law School
Brandon Parlopiano, Loyola University Maryland
Atria Larson, Saint Louis University
James Ginther, Saint Louis University

4:30 p.m.: Plenary Lecture
Anthony Musson, “The Legacy of Magna Carta: The Paradox of the Jury”

Those who plan to attend should register for the Symposium on Medieval and Renaissance Studies (June 15-17). More information about the Symposium as a whole, including registration, lodging, travel, and complete schedule, can be found at smrs.slu.edu. Register by May 23, 2015 to avoid a $50 late registration fee.

**ICMAC members who plan to attend the conference should contact Fr. Steve Schoenig, SJ (sschoeni@slu.edu) or Atria Larson (atrialarson@slu.edu) to receive information about a reception for speakers and ICMAC members co-sponsored by ICMAC.