The Foundations of the Law of Evidence and Their Implications for Developing Countries

Chicago, Illinois
November 21-22, 2014

Friday, November 21

8:00 – 9:00 am: Continental Breakfast

9:00—9:45 am: Welcoming remarks from Dean Rodriguez, Chief Justice Othman, Director General Hoseah, Dr. Zhang, and themes of the conference, Prof. Ronald Allen

9:45 – 11:45 am: Foundations and Principles Guiding Reform of the Law of Evidence:

Moderator Thomas Geraghty, Class of 1967 James B. Haddad Professor of Law, Director, Bluhm Legal Clinic, Associate Dean of Clinical Education

Ronald J. Allen, John Henry Wigmore Professor of Law, Northwestern University School of Law

Paul Rothstein, Professor of Law, Georgetown University Law Center

Alex Stein, Professor of Law, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Michael Pardo, Henry Upson Sims Professor of Law, University of Alabama School of Law

11:45 – 1:00 pm: Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 pm: Working in Foreign Lands:

Moderator David Caruso, Foundation Director, Litigation Law Unit, Faculty of the Professionals, The University of Adelaide

Tom Geraghty, Class of 1967 James B. Haddad Professor of Law, Director, Bluhm Legal Clinic, Associate Dean of Clinical Education Northwestern University School of Law

Nachiketa Mittal, Assistant Professor of Law, National Law University of Odisha, Cuttack, India

Richard Wentzel, Dean, Haramaya University, Ethiopia

Juliet Sorensen, Clinical Associate Professor of Law, Northwestern University School of Law
2:30 – 3:00 pm: Coffee Break

3:00 – 4:30 pm: The Tanzania Project:
Moderator Ron Allen

Director General Edward Hoseah, Director, Prevention of Corruption Bureau, President’s Office, Tanzania

Chief Justice Mohamed Chande Othman,
Court of Appeals, Tanzania

Justice Aloysius K. Mujulizi, Judge of the High Court, Tanzania

Justice Ibrahim Juma, Court of Appeals, Tanzania

4:30 – 6:00 pm: Reform of the Legal System in China:
Moderator Michael Pardo

Dr. Zhang Baosheng, ZhengFa University, China

Dr. Zhang Zhong, ZhengFa University, China

Dr. Wang Zuhao, ZhengFa University, China

John Capowski, Professor Emeritus, Widener School of Law

Saturday, November 22

8:00 – 9:00 am: Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 10:45 am: The Federal Rules of Evidence as a Model for Reform
Moderator: Deborah Tuerkheimer,
Professor of Law, Northwestern University School of Law

Jennifer Mnookin, David G. Price and
Dallas P. Price Professor of Law, UCLA School of Law

Michael Risinger, John J. Gibbons Professor of Law,
Seton Hall University School of Law

Roger Park, Distinguished Professor of Law,
and James Edgar Hervey Chair in Litigation
UC Berkeley School of Law

Stephen Landsman, Professor of Law, DePaul College of Law
10:45 – 11:00 am: Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:45 pm: The “European” Experiences:

Moderator Alex Stein, Professor of Law,
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

Paul Roberts, Professor of Criminal Jurisprudence,
Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Nottingham, UK

Michele Taruffo, Professor of Civil Procedural Law,
Istituto Universitario di Studi Superiori di Pavia, Italy

Mahdi Naamneh, Visiting Scholar,
Northwestern University School of Law

Orion Vargas, Chief Master of Law of Evidence Programme,
Universidad de Medellín, Columbia

12:45 – 2:00 pm: Lunch: Remarks from Chief Justice Othman, Judge Zhou, Dr. Hoseah

2:00 pm – 3:45 pm: Reflections, Philosophical or Otherwise, on the Law of Evidence:

Moderator Robert Burns, Professor of Law,
Northwestern University School of Law

Ed Cheng, Professor of Law,
Tarkington Chair of Teaching Excellence, Vanderbilt Law School

Jay Koehler, Beatrice Kuhn Professor of Law,
Northwestern University School of Law

Dale Nance, John Homer Kapp Professor,
School of Law, Case Western Reserve University

Aviva Orenstein, Professor of Law and Val Nolan Faculty Fellow,
Maurer School of Law, Indiana University, Bloomington

Scott Brewer, Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

3:45 – 5:30 pm: Working meeting, Tanzanian and Chinese delegations, and other interested parties

5:30 – 7:00 pm: Closing Cocktail Party in honor of “The Team”