AGENDA: Celebrating the Centennial of the Antiquities Act

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Celebrating the Centennial of the Antiquities Act

Keynote Address: Honorable Bruce Babbitt, Former Secretary of the Interior

October 9, 2006 University of Colorado School of Law, Wolf Law Building

For 100 years, the Antiquities Act has been used by nearly every President in the 20th century to set aside and protect lands threatened with privatization and development. The list of lands first protected under the Antiquities Act – and that might never have been protected without it – is truly remarkable. Many of our most treasured national parks including the Grand Canyon, Olympic, Zion, Arches, Glacier Bay, and Acadia, began as national monuments. All told, Presidents have issued 123 proclamations setting aside millions of acres of land under the Antiquities Act. The Natural Resources Law Center and the Center of the American West are honored to celebrate the centennial of 100th anniversary with former Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and a host of other distinguished speakers. We hope you can join us.

8:45 a.m.
Welcome
Dr. Patty Limerick, Center of the American West
Professor Mark Squillace, Natural Resources Law Center

9:00 a.m.
The Early Struggle to Adopt the Antiquities Act,
Dr. Francis P. McManamon, Chief Archeologist of the National Park Service
The “Lacey Act”: Its Founder, Its Siblings, and Its “Orphaned” Offspring
Dr. Richard West Sellars, Historian, National Park Service

10:15 a.m.
BREAK

10:45 a.m.
“Historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest”: Understanding the Scope of the Antiquities Act and Other Legal Issues
Professor James Rasband, Brigham Young University School of Law
Professor Mark Squillace, University of Colorado School of Law

11:45 a.m.
Lunch: Barbecue on the Patio
Hosted by the Environmental Law Society

1:00 p.m.
Theodore Roosevelt’s America: The Legacy of the Antiquities Act
Professor Douglas Brinkley, Tulane University

The Alaska Monuments
Professor John Freemuth, Senior Fellow, Cecil Andrus, Center for Public Policy, Boise State University

The Antiquities Act Revival and the Clinton Monuments
The Honorable Bruce Babbitt, Former Arizona Governor and Interior Secretary
Professor John Leshy, University of California, Hastings College of Law

2:00 p.m.
BREAK

3:00 p.m.
The Future of the Antiquities Act: Management, Planning, Future Monuments, and the Prospects for Amendments
Dr. Patricia Limerick, Center of the American West

7:00 p.m.
Celebrating the Centennial of the Antiquities Act
The Honorable Bruce Babbitt, Former Arizona Governor and Secretary of the Interior

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