

Isaac Royall, Harvard Law School, and New England's Slavery Heritage

1L Reading Group Professor Janet Halley Fall 2019

Meeting 1: Getting Started.

Tuesday September 17, 5:15-6:15, Areeda 120

Janet Halley, "My Isaac Royall Legacy," 24 *Harvard Blackletter Law Journal* 117 (2008).

To be shown at our meeting: Janet Halley, Slide Show of Images Relating to HLS and Isaac Royall

Meeting 2: Tour of the RH&SQ.

Wednesday, October 3, 4-6pm, Lobby of WCC (near the south elevators; please be on time)

No readings.

Meeting 3: Tour of the Casperson Room and Memorial Plaque.

Thursday October 10, Noon – 1pm, Hauser 400 (We'll have lunch first then go on our walking tour)

Lunch will be provided. All students will make their 1pm classes on time.

Please read these before we meet:

Exhibit Cards in the HLS Shield Exhibit, available at
<http://exhibits.law.harvard.edu/hls-shield-exhibit>

Report of the Mann Committee: Main Report and A Different View

Meeting 4: Belinda

Wednesday, October 23, 5:15-6:45, Hauser 400

Daniel R. Coquillette and Bruce A. Kimball, *On the Battlefield of Merit: Harvard Law School, The First Century* (Cambridge: Harvard Univ. Press, 2016), Chapter 3, "Founding a University Professional School of Law, 1782-1829," pp. 75-97.

Color Copies of the Original Petitions of Belinda Sutton

Transcription of Belinda's First Petition, available at <https://royallhouse.org/belinda-suttons-1783-petition-full-text/>

Please study Belinda's First Petition and compare the script version closely with the printed transcription. This will give you an "eye" for the handwriting of the un-transcribed petitions. We will spend much of our time together working on transcriptions of the later petitions.