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THE IJC - A CASE STUDY IN THE SUCCESSFUL MANAGEMENT OF BOUNDARY AND TRANSBOUNDARY WATERS

The lecture will briefly discuss the role of the IJC and its establishment pursuant to the Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909. Two basic responsibilities of the IJC mandated by the Treaty will be introduced, namely investigations and reports under Article IX References from governments, as well as Orders of Approval in response to Applications for structures in boundary or transboundary waters. Specific examples of two References and an existing IJC Order of Approval currently being reviewed by the Commission will be discussed in some detail, all with a view to discussing how Canada might handle possible growing pressure for water from the US and such key issues as decision-making in an international organization, public involvement in resource planning, governance and adaptive management.

Dr. Clamen completed his undergraduate studies in Civil Engineering in 1970 at McGill University and his Ph.D. in 1973 at Imperial College, London, England, in Civil Engineering Hydraulics. He is a registered professional engineer with extensive experience in international water resource studies, environmental assessments and policy development; consultative processes and program management. As Secretary he is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Canadian Secretariat, acts as senior financial officer and manages the assigned resources. Dr. Clamen provides policy advice on all Treaty matters and consults with a broad range of government and non-government stakeholders on behalf of the Commission.

Friday, September 18th, 2009

McGill Macdonald Campus, Macdonald-Stewart Building,
Room MS2-022 A (Faculty Lounge)

10:30 am - 11:30 am

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