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Professor Smith's research interests include the history of Anglo-American criminal justice administration, the history of intellectual property law, and the legal regulation of self-help. His most recent paper, "The Presumption of Guilt and the English Law of Theft, 1750-1850," was selected for presentation at the 2004 Interdisciplinary Law & Humanities Junior Scholar Workshop and will be published in early-2005 in *Law and History Review*, where it will be the subject of a scholarly forum. He is currently revising his dissertation for publication as a book, tentatively entitled *Summary Justice: Magistrates and Criminal Procedure in London, 1760-1860*.

In 2003-04, Professor Smith presented papers at the 2003 J. Willard Hurst Summer Institute in Legal History, which he attended as a fellow; at the annual meetings of the American Society for Legal History, the American Association of Law Schools, the North American Conference on British Studies, the Midwest Conference on British Studies, and the Pacific Coast Conference on British Studies; and at seminar meetings of the Toronto Legal History Group, the British History in the Long Eighteenth Century Seminar at the Institute of Historical Research of the University of London, and the Research Seminar Program at University College Northampton.

