

**AGENDA FOR THE
WORKSHOPS ON METIS SELF-GOVERNMENT AND THE CONSTITUTION**

Workshop Co-Facilitators: Noble Shanks and Albert Robillard

Friday, January 31, 1992, 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon

"Toward a Metis Constitution: Self-Government Through Education."

1. Introduction of the workshop sessions.
2. Clem Chartier: Chairman of the Metis Commission on the Canadian Constitution, December, 1991: "An Interim Report".
3. Paul Chartrand, Member of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples: "The Royal Commission's Terms of Reference and Related Matters."
4. Questions, Discussion.

Saturday, February 1, 1992

"Metis Self-Government and the Canadian Constitution"

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

1. Introduction and Acknowledgements.
2. "Metis Self-Government: Shaping the Future of the Metis Nation"
Resource Person: Clem Chartier
3. Discussion and Resolutions
Resource Persons: The Conference Delegates

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Coffee

10:45 - 12:00 noon

"The Place of the Metis Nation in Canada's Constitution: Discussion and Resolutions"
Resource persons: The Conference Delegates

Biographical Notes on the Workshop Presentors are attached.

CLEM CHARTIER: BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Clem Chartier was born and raised in the Buffalo Narrows area, took his early schooling there, and then went on to study at Notre Dame College, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree (B.A.) from the University of Ottawa in 1967.

Later he studied law at the University of Saskatchewan, and graduated with a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree in 1978. Mr. Chartier has lectured on the subjects of law and aboriginal justice at the University of Saskatchewan, and at the University of Regina. He has also lectured for the Gabriel Dumont Institute Human Justice Program.

Mr. Chartier is the author of two major works, Louis Riel: Justice Must Be Done, (1979) and In the Best Interest of the Metis Child, (1988). He has also published several articles in law and justice in professional journals such as the Saskatchewan Law Review and the Canadian Legal Aid Bulletin.

During the '80's, Mr. Chartier served as a spokesman for the Metis National Council, and as the President of the Canadian Indian Lawyers Association; he also served as President of the World Council of Indigenous Peoples (1984 - 87).

Mr. Chartier was appointed Chairman of the Metis Society of Saskatchewan Commission on the Canadian Constitution in 1991.

Mr. Chartier resides in Saskatoon and also maintains a private practice as a consultant in justice and aboriginal affairs.

PAUL CHARTRAND: BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Paul Chartrand was born in the historic Metis community of Saint-Laurent on July 27, 1943, one of twelve children in the family of J. Aime Chartrand, a Metis trapper and fisherman. He received his early schooling at Saint-Laurent; later he graduated from the Manitoba Teachers College in Winnipeg.

After teaching some years in Manitoba, he moved to Australia where he studied law and graduated with an honours degree from the Queensland University of Technology. He taught law in Brisbane before returning to Canada. He studied law specializing in Native Law at the University of Saskatchewan, where he earned a Master of Laws (LLM) degree.

In 1983 he was appointed as Head of the Department of Native Studies at the University of Manitoba, a position he held until 1990, when he was appointed to the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. During his term on the Royal Commission, Mr. Chartrand continues his association with the University of Manitoba as an Assistant Professor.

Mr. Chartrand is the author of Manitoba's Metis Settlement Scheme of 1870, and has published several articles on law and Native Studies in a number of learned journals. He has served as an advisor to the Manitoba Metis Federation, the Metis National Council, the Law Reform Commission of Canada, and several other organizations.

Mr. Chartrand is also a keen competitive sportsman.