

## **BEST PRACTICES:**VULNERABLE PARTIES & INTERMEDIARIES IN CARE PROCEEDINGS

## **WEDNESDAY, 17 MAY 2017 at 6:30pm**

7 DIALS CLUB, Covent Garden Community Centre 42 Earlham Street, London WC2H 9LA

Naomi Mason of Communicourt: Naomi originally qualified as a Speech and Language Therapist and worked with people with a Learning Disability and Mental Health difficulties within the NHS, including supporting families where the parents themselves had communication difficulties. In 2006 she left the NHS to specialise in working in the family and criminal court systems. Challenged by the lack of an adequate intermediary service for respondent parties in family courts and defendants in criminal courts she set up Communicourt in 2011.

Communicourt is now a nationwide Intermediary Service which trains, employs, and manages intermediaries who work in courts across England and Wales. www.communicourt.co.uk

**Sarah Branson of Coram Chambers:** An accomplished and energetic family law barrister, Sarah specialises in acting for children, vulnerable parents, and local authorities in public law proceedings. Sarah has experience of acting at all levels of court, regularly appears in the High Court, and has successfully brought a member of cases to the Court of Appeal.

Sarah draws on the skills which she learned as a teacher to explain complex legal issues in simple language to vulnerable clients, those with learning difficulties, and those from different ethnic backgrounds. Described as creative and a keen fighter, she is direct in her manner, straight-forward, and feisty. She is an approachable 'people person'. Sarah has tremendous rapport and empathy with clients from all walks of life. She practices in the following areas: Children; International; Dispute Resolution; and Adult Care.

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## For Information and R.S.V.P.:

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2 CPD Points – Accredited by the Solicitors Regulation Authority Registration open at 6:00pm. Event commences at 6:30pm. Free Event. All are welcome to attend however RSVP is requested.