

## **Best Practices:**

## Representing Children in Care Proceedings via the Tandem Model

## MONDAY, 9 OCTOBER 2023 at 6:00pm to 9:00pm

Coram Children's Legal Centre
Slone & Fielding Rooms - Queen Elizabeth II Centre
41 Brunswick Square, London WC1N 1AZ

You are cordially invited to attend a training event/panel discussion in respect of Best Practices in Care Proceedings via the Tandem Model of Representation (a.k.a., *Everything That You Wanted To Know But Were Afraid To Ask*...). Information will be provided about best practices in respect of Children's Guardians and Solicitors for Children working together to secure children's best interests.

Gordon Reed (Chief Assessor of the Law Society's Children Law Accreditation Scheme) will present summary information about the accreditation scheme.

## • THE PANELISTS:

- <u>MELINDA CASSEL</u>: Melinda is a Service Manager of CAFCASS. She has been a service manager for 6 years. Her team is one of two teams now covering the Central London Family Court. Melinda has worked for CAFCASS for 11 years across Public and Private law teams.
- MAUD DAVIS (Panel Facilitator): Maud is solicitor at Bindmans. She specialises in children law and represents children in complex care cases. She is an experienced advocate and deals with hearings at all levels, including the Court of Appeal.
- <u>ZOE EVANS</u> Zoe is a Children's Guardian working in Public Law in London. Zoe has worked for CAFCASS for just over a year. Prior to this, she worked in the North West in both child protection and adoption teams.
- <u>FAUZIA MUMANI:</u> Fauzia is solicitor at Duncan Lewis who specialises in child care law. She recently received accreditation via the Law Society's Children Law Accreditation Scheme.
- <u>GORDON REED:</u> Gordon Reed is a consultant at Sternberg Reed. He is the
  Chief Assessor for the Law Society's Children Law Accreditation Scheme and
  sits as a Recorder. He has specialist expertise in children's cases. He has been
  a Higher Court Advocate (Civil) since 2004.

FREE Event. Doors open at 6:00pm. Event commences at 6:30pm 1.5 training hours

Please obtain a free e-ticket via the Eventbrite QR-Code below:



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