Elementary Training on the Ethical Representation of Children in Malaysia

28 June 2018 (Thursday) I 9:00 am to 5:30 pm

Vistana City Centre Jalan Teluk Sisek 25000 Kuantan, Pahang

Registration fee | RM30 (0% GST)

Article 12 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child states:

- 1. States Parties shall assure to the child who is capable of forming his or her own views the right to express those views freely in all matters affecting the child, the views of the child being given due weight in accordance with the age and maturity of the child.
- 2. For this purpose, the child shall in particular be provided the opportunity to be heard in any judicial and administrative proceedings affecting the child, either directly, or through a representative or an appropriate body, in a manner consistent with the procedural rules of national law.

The Bar Council Child Rights Committee ("CRC") firmly believes that all children should be entitled to legal representation in court. To this end, the CRC invites members of the Pahang Bar to participate in this elementary course on the representation of children in Malaysia. The one-day event will cover the following modules:

Module 1: Introduction and Approaches to Representing a Child

Module 2: Representing a Child in Conflict with the Law

Module 3: Sexual Offences Against Children / Special Guidelines Module 4: Representing a Child in Family Custody Proceedings

The updated training modules will provide participants with an overview of the Sexual Offences Against Children Act 2017 as well as the Special Guidelines to be utilised in the Court for Sexual Offences Against Children. This elementary course will pave the way for an intensive training session aimed at developing child rights practitioners and future trainers.

Feedback from past participants

- "Very insightful."
- "Gained more knowledge on custodial issues."
- "A very comprehensive and interactive course."
- "Loved it!"
- "Very good, timely and appropriate."
- "The elementary course was conducted professionally and effectively."
- "A paradigm shift!"
- "Kudos to the speakers for the interesting and lively presentation."
- "I recommend this to be carried out in every state."





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Registration for the event will begin at 8:30 am

About the Trainers

Ajeet Kaur, Messrs Gerard Samuel & Associates

Ajeet Kaur is a graduate of the University of London and was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1996. Ajeet is well-rounded in her practice in civil, commercial and family litigation. She is a partner at Messrs Gerard Samuel & Associates, Co-Chairperson of CRC since 2016, and member of the Bar Council Court Liaison Committee. Ajeet was selected by the Malaysian Government to be on the special task force to advise on the drafting of laws, policies and standard operating procedures to ensure protection of children in Malaysia. Ajeet has been trained as a trainer under the Training of Trainers for Ethical Representation of Children in Conflict with the Law, and for Custody and Adoption Proceedings ("Training of Trainers") organised by the United Nations Children's Fund ("UNICEF") in collaboration with the Bar Council, and conducted by the Canadian Bar Association. She has conducted training sessions throughout Malaysia for Members of the Bar, the public, legal officers, and judges.

Srividhya Ganapathy, Messrs Muhendaran Sri

Srividhya Ganapathy is a graduate of the University of Glamorgan, and was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 1996. Her areas of legal practice include civil litigation, family law, and conveyancing. She has a passion for child rights, and has been the Co-Chairperson of CRC since its inception in 2016. She is a member of the special task force formed by the Government to improve child protection in Malaysia, and advises on reforms to the laws on child protection in Malaysia. She has been an active member of the Bar Council Court Liaison Committee since 2014. She has been involved in conducting training sessions and seminars, and has been invited as a speaker for various organisations.

Lee Teong Hooi, Messrs Lee Tan & Associates

Lee Teong Hooi is a graduate of the University of London and was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 2005. His areas of legal practice include general matters, and family and criminal litigation. Teong Hooi is an active member of CRC. He was part of the inaugural group that attended the Training of Trainers.

Debbie Wong, Messrs Debbie Wong & Associates

Debbie Wong is a law graduate of the University of Otago, New Zealand, and was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 2003. Her areas of legal practice include family law litigation, civil litigation, and corporate advisory. She has been an active member of the Bar Council Family Law Committee since 2014, and was previously a member of the CRC. She has a passion for child rights, and has been trained to provide training in child rights law. She was part of the inaugural group that attended the Training of Trainers.

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- (1) Direct deposit to Hong Leong Bank Berhad (Account No: 002-00-76064-5); or
- (2) Cheque or bank draft, payable to "Malaysian Bar"; or
- (3) Cash payment (up to RM250 only), at the ground floor of the Bar Council Secretariat.

All payments must be made in advance of the event, and include all bank charges. Registration will be confirmed once proof of payment is provided by email or fax, and full payment is received.

Only **24 places** are available and registration is on a first come, first served basis.

Cancellations must be made in writing. There will be no refunds for cancellations made after **22 June 2018 (Friday)** but substitutions are allowed. The organiser reserves the right to modify, cancel or postpone the event, should circumstances arise that make such action necessary, whereupon all registration fees paid will be refunded.

- (1) Materials (if any) will be emailed only. No printed notes will be provided.
- (2) No recording of the event is permitted via any means at any time.
- No part of the event content may be used / reproduced in any form without the written and explicit consent of the Bar Council and speaker(s).

Points for the Continuing Professional Development ("CPD") Scheme will not be awarded to Members of the Bar and pupils in chambers who arrive more than 15 minutes late, are not present throughout the event, or leave before its scheduled end.

Please direct all correspondence (including completed registration forms and proof of payment) and enquiries to:

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