

14 December 2010

Dear Member

APIL CHILD ABUSE GROUP - AN INVITATION

We would like to invite you to attend the forthcoming child abuse special interest group meeting which is taking place at Ramada Jarvis Piccadilly Hotel:

Date: Thursday, 20 January 2011

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Venue: Ramada Jarvis Piccadilly Hotel
Portland Street, Manchester M1 4PH

We are pleased to welcome **Malcolm Johnson, Elizabeth-Anne Gumbel QC, Justin Levinson** and **Richard Scorer** who will be speaking at the meeting. Please see the enclosed flyer for further details on the speakers and topics and how to register.

This meeting has been accredited with 1CPD hour, reference 2027/APIL.

If you have not yet been to an APIL child abuse special interest group meeting, please do try to attend as they are an invaluable source of information and an excellent chance to network. Members wishing to bring along a guest may do so at the cost of £15.00 + VAT per guest. Each guest must be sympathetic to the aims of the association and considering taking up membership themselves. Numbers are limited and therefore members will take precedence.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely

Paul Durkin
Co-ordinator

Tracey Storey
Secretary

**APIL CHILD ABUSE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP
THURSDAY, 20 JANUARY 2011**

“6 hot topics in child abuse litigation”

Speakers:



Malcolm Johnson, Malcolm Johnson & Co Solicitors

Malcolm is a member of the Law Society's Personal Injury Panel as well as a Fellow of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers. He lectures for Central Law Training on Claims against the Motor Insurers' Bureau. Malcolm also holds a Diploma in Trusts and Estates from the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners.

Elizabeth-Anne Gumbel QC, 1 Crown Office Row

Lizanne Gumbel's work mainly involves clinical negligence and personal injury claims for catastrophically injured claimants. She also has extensive experience in multi-party actions arising out of child abuse in institutions.



Justin Levinson, Barrister, 1 Crown Office Row

Justin Levinson has a specialist personal injury practice focussing on compensation claims arising out of childhood sexual abuse. He is recognised to have particular expertise in claims against the Catholic Church and other religious institutions, having been in most of the leading cases in this area. He also has considerable experience of claims against care homes, schools, social services departments and youth groups.



**Richard Scorer, Partner & Head of the Serious Injury Division at
Pannone LLP**

Richard specialises in personal injury compensation cases including head and spinal injury cases, child abuse cases, claims on behalf of military service personnel and human rights cases. Richard is named as a 'Leader in the field' of personal injury in Chambers Guide to the Legal Profession 2011 Legal directory.



They are the authors of a forthcoming new and updated book on child abuse claims. The book is called "Abuse Compensation Claims".

This new edition (previously published as Child Abuse Compensation Claims) is a practical guide providing lawyers with all the information they need to undertake compensation claims for clients who have suffered from physical, sexual and emotional abuse. It has been written specifically for personal injury lawyers by practitioners with direct experience of the field. This new edition has been extensively revised and rewritten and now includes guidance on: Claims against the Church, Abuse of the elderly and vulnerable people, Funding and enforcement.

FOLLOWED BY:



Jonathan Wheeler, APIL Fellow & EC Officer
Speaking on: "Current EC activities within APIL"

Jonathan is an APIL fellow, and was elected to APIL's executive committee in 2008, following a stint as the co-ordinator of the child abuse SIG. He is also the treasurer of the Association of Child Abuse Lawyers, and a member of the Official Solicitor's Users Group Committee.

Chaired by:

Paul Durkin, Abney Garsden McDonald, APIL child abuse special interest group co-ordinator

Tracey Storey, Irwin Mitchell LLP, APIL child abuse special interest group secretary

Teas and coffees will be served. Members wishing to bring along a guest may do so at the cost of £15.00 + VAT per guest. Please complete the slip below and return it to the APIL office.

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Please reserve a place at the above meeting for:

Name: Membership number:

Firm/chambers:

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