

14 August 2012

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 The Renaissance:

Date: Thursday, 20 September 2012  
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Venue: The Renaissance  
Blackfriars Street, Manchester, M3 2EQ

We are pleased to welcome **David McClenaghan, Justin Levinson & Tracey Emmott** 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. Established practising barristers can count this 1 hour towards their unaccredited CPD allowance.

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 SEPTEMBER 2012**

***“Criminal Convictions in Compensation Claims – using a defendant’s convictions to prove your claim”***

**Speakers:**



**By David McClenaghan, Solicitor – Advocate, Bolt Burdon Kemp**

David is a Solicitor-Advocate specialising in compensation claims on behalf of victims of abuse. David’s practice covers the entire range of abuse claims, including claims against churches, schools, individuals, local authorities, the scouts and other voluntary organisations. Advocacy forms a significant

portion of David’s work and he regularly appears on behalf of his clients in the High Court. He is asked to provide articles and comment to the mainstream and legal media on issues surrounding child abuse law and regularly speaks on the topic.

***“Claims against abusers themselves”***



**By Justin Levinson, Barrister, One 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.

***“Jersey Historic Abuse Redress Scheme – the long road to redress”***



**By Tracey Emmott, Emmott Snell Solicitors**

Tracey Emmott is a solicitor with over 10 years’ experience in personal injury law. Tracey is a former partner of a regional law firm in the Home Counties and has a regional and national reputation. Tracey has appeared on TV, radio and in the national press.

Tracey is also:

- a Panel member of the Association of Child Abuse Lawyers
- a member of the Law Society’s Personal Injury Panel
- a Senior Litigator of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers
- a Parent Governor of Newnham Middle School, Bedford

**FOLLOWED BY:**

**Neil Sugarman, APIL Fellow & EC Officer**

**Speaking on: “Current EC activities within APIL”**

**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: .....

Please return to Kelly Barton at APIL, 3, Alder Court, Rennie Hogg Road, Nottingham. DX 716208  
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