

NAGALRO SPRING CONFERENCE

in association with NYAS

12 March 2007 (10.30 am to 4.15 pm)

St Catherine's College, Oxford

The Future Of Children's Representation: Tandem To Unicycle?

The future of children's representation has been thrown into doubt by the Carter report on legal aid funding, the DCA consultation on separate representation for children and CAFCASS budget cuts. This conference will provide legal, practice and research perspectives on the consequences for children's rights and representation.

Topics will include:

- What is happening to Children's Rights in the Courts?
- Can the tandem model survive the impact of Carter legal aid proposals?
- Will children's separate interests still be safeguarded?
- The impact of CAFCASS' new professional direction and budget constraints on quality of service for children, their families and the Courts
- The role of the Guardian and Child's solicitor in enabling the child's voice to be heard - implications for best practice.

Speakers:

Jane Fortin, Professor of Law, Kings College London and author of Children's Rights and Developing Law

Ian Robertson, Solicitor, Griffiths Robertson, founder Chair of ALC, member of Law Society Children Committee

Debbie Singleton, Solicitor, NYAS

Judith Timms OBE, NYAS Trustee, CAFCASS Board member

Judy Tomlinson, Children's Guardian and Independent Social Worker

Chair of the conference: **The Honorable Mr Justice Sir Roderick Wood**
Cafcass Liaison Judge

The Conference will be of interest to academics, barristers, solicitors, family court reporters, children's guardians, judges, administrators, magistrates, social workers, mediators, researchers and IROs.

It will attract 6 hours CPD Credit from the Law Society and the UK College of Family Mediators.pto/

Application Form for NAGALRO National Conference
held in association with NYAS (National Youth Advocacy Service)
Monday, 12 March 2007: 10.30 am to 4.15 pm
(AGM for Full Members 9.30 am – 10.15 am)
St Catherine's College, Oxford

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Occupation

Name of your organisation

Region (if applicable)

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I am a Full Member of NAGALRO and wish to attend the AGM at 09.30 am.....

I belong to the following category (please tick as appropriate)

Cost (includes refreshments and lunch):

- Full member of NAGALRO (£95.00)
- Associate member of NAGALRO (£120.00)
- Family Court Advisers (£120.00)
- Other participants (£145.00)

Application forms to be returned as soon as possible to
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(confirmation of booking and venue details will be sent by email)

Please note that numbers are limited. No refunds due to cancellation can be made after 25 February 2007 and all applications for refund are subject to a small administrative charge.