# **Alternative Families Seminar**

"The Kids Are All Right" - A Psychological and Legal Perspective



# 24th May 2012

Crowne Plaza, London the City (Blackfriars)

Registration 5.30pm Talks from 6pm – 7.30pm Followed by a drinks reception

1.5 CPD – BTM/CHLS £35 per delegate

The recent Court of Appeal cases of A v B and C [2012] EWCA Civ 285, in which Alex Verdan QC and Charles Hale represented the successful appellant and T v T (Joint Residence) [2010] EWCA Civ 1366 [2011] 1 FCR 267, in which Alex Verdan QC and Sam King represented the successful Respondent, have highlighted again the complicated and important legal issues arising in children cases in alternative families, in particular, the relationship of such children with their fathers, the significance of pre birth parenting agreements and the sharing of parental responsibility. The Court of Appeal acknowledged that the courts continue to struggle to evolve a principled approach to cases such as these. It has previously been observed that this is "still new territory" where conventional models would not necessarily work and "a distinct concept of parenting and parental roles" was maybe necessary. Sam King and Charles Hale will be addressing the legal issues. We are delighted that Dr Sturge, a recognised expert in the field, will be our guest speaker and addressing the psychological issues.

#### Chair:

Alex Verdan QC

## **Speakers:**

Dr Claire Sturge, Consultant Psychiatrist Sam King Charles Hale

## **Your Programme**



**5.30pm** Registration

**6.00pm** Opening of the Seminar by Alex Verdan QC

**6.10pm** Dr Claire Sturge, Consultant Psychiatrist

The Psychological perspective regarding children

in alternative family cases

**6.40pm** Sam King and Charles Hale

Current Legal issues regarding children in

alternative family cases

**7.10pm** Questions and Answer Session

**7.30pm** Close of Seminar

**7.30 – 9pm** Drinks Reception

This seminar will be accredited with 1.5 CPD.

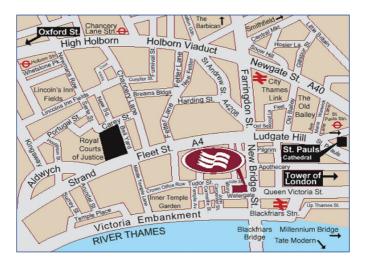
Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

### Your Venue



#### The Venue

Crowne Plaza, London the City (Blackfriars) 19 New Bridge Street London EC4V 6DB



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