

# Elementary Training on the Ethical Representation of Children in Malaysia

19 Mar 2018 (Monday) | 9:00 am to 5:30 pm

Grand Margherita Hotel  
Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman  
93100 Kuching, Sarawak

**Registration fee | RM30**  
(inclusive of 6% GST)

Only 24 places are available

**Registration for the event will begin at 8:30 am**

*"Malaysia, having ratified the Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1995, is obliged to take all available measures to make sure that children are protected, and their rights are respected and upheld. To achieve this ... our social services, educational, health and legal systems, as well as the levels of funding, must be assessed. All necessary steps must be taken to help families protect children's rights and create an environment where children can grow in good health and safety."*

Malaysian Bar press statement entitled "Heed Wake-Up Call to Establish a Comprehensive National Child Protection Policy" dated 11 June 2016

The Bar Council Child Rights Committee ("CRC") invites lawyers and judicial officers in Sarawak to participate in an 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

This course aims to equip practitioners with the basic tools required to represent children in either criminal or civil proceedings and, in particular, to assist lawyers in holding watching briefs and providing, where necessary, *pro bono* support to such 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."
- ❖ "Overall all the trainers are well equipped with knowledge."
- ❖ "Loved it!"
- ❖ "Very good, timely and appropriate."
- ❖ "The elementary course was conducted by speakers 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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## About the Trainers

### Ajeet Kaur, Messrs Gerard Samuel & Associates

Ajeet Kaur is a graduate of the University of London and was called to the Malaysian Bar 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 the CRC and member of the Bar Council Court Liaison Committee. Ajeet was part of the inaugural group that attended 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 been a trainer at previous sessions of the Elementary Course on the Representation of Children in Malaysia.

### Srividhya Ganapathy, Messrs Muhendaran Sri

Srividhya Ganapathy is a law graduate from the United Kingdom and was admitted to the Malaysian Bar in 1996. Her areas of legal practice include family law litigation, civil litigation, and conveyancing. She has been an active member of the Bar Council Court Liaison Committee since 2014. She has a passion for child rights, and has been trained to provide training in child rights law. She is currently Co-Chairperson of the CRC and was part of the inaugural group that attended the Training of Trainers.

### Pushpa Ratnam, Messrs Hakem Arabi & Associates

Pushpa Ratnam was admitted to the Malaysian Bar in 1994. She served the London Judiciary as a Legal Adviser to Magistrates from 1989 to 1994. During her five years in service, she gained significant experience in the area of family and criminal law in the United Kingdom. This has been enhanced by her continued assistance in various local and international women's groups and organisations, and continued practice in the area of family law. In the course of legal practice, she has presented several papers at national forums, and spoken at various forums organised by State Bar Committees and the Bar Council, on issues relating to family law, domestic violence, and gender. She was part of the inaugural group that attended the Training of Trainers.

### Lee Teong Hooi, Messrs Lee Tan & Associates

Lee Teong Hooi is a graduate of the University of London and was called to the Malaysian Bar in 2005. His areas of legal practice include general matters, and family and criminal litigation. Teong Hooi is an active member of the CRC. He was part of the inaugural group that attended the Training of Trainers.

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I would like to register for the event (all fields must be completed):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Tick where applicable)

Lawyer       Pupil in Chambers       Non-Lawyer

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Firm / Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name for GST Tax Invoice: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The personal information that you provide to the Bar Council, whether now or in the future, may be used, recorded, stored, disclosed or otherwise processed by or on behalf of the Bar Council for the purposes of facilitation and organisation of this event, research and audit, maintenance of a participant database for the promotion of this event, and such ancillary services as may be relevant.

Payment options:

- (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 **16 Mar 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) No recording of the event is permitted via any means at any time.
- (2) 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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