
Assessing and determining children's best interests in the flood of family violence claims



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Full day preconference Institutes

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Stalking and persistent harassment

Dr Lorraine Sheridan

Domestic violence, child abuse, abduction risk, Oh my!!

Dr Robert Simon and Dr Phil Stahl

Rebuilding relationships after a DV incident

Dr Lyn Greenberg

The magic tool box – understanding the strengths and limits of psychological testing

Dr Phil Watts

Plenary sessions

Treatment outcomes for those who are violent towards family members

Professor Michael Daffern

Children's best interests where there are allegations of family violence: Does the legislative framework support good decision making?

Chief Justice Diana Bryant, Professor Richard Chisholm, Dr Rae Kaspiew, Mr Rod Hooper SC and Ms Robin Cohen

Coordinating responses - plugging the gaps in the system

Judge Tom Altobelli, Professor Heather Douglas, Dr Phil Watts, Ms Anne Marie Rice, Ms Pam Hemphill

Stalking and family violence: Course, nature, and interventions

Dr Lorraine Sheridan

Workshops

Flashpoints in Family Law: When current models of risk assessment fail

Dr Simon Kennedy, Dr Jennifer Neoh and Ms Manuela Galvao

Family reports and family violence

Ms Zoe Rathus

The challenges of dealing with family violence allegations at interim hearings in the Federal Circuit Court

Panel session

Judge Alexandra Harland, Mr Stephen Page, Dr Jacoba Brasch QC, Judge Kevin Laphorn

Engaging and intervening with at-risk male clients: Practical 'How Tos' and 'How Not Tos'

Mr Tony Christie and Mr Owen Pershouse

Evidentiary and empirical standards in family law interventions and assessment

Dr Robert Simon and Dr Phil Stahl

Interpersonal violence

Dr Lyn Greenberg

Domestic and family violence and self-represented litigants: Can we address the power imbalances?

Dr Jacoba Brasch QC

Risk assessment for lawyers

Ms Leanne Sinclair and Ms Allyson Forster

Stepping Stones: Legal barriers to economic equality after family violence

Ms Emma Smallwood

The refugee and asylum seeker context

Ms Lois Whiteman

'Best interests of the child'

How has this term been interpreted under the Family Law Act 1975 (Cth) in the context of family violence and have the 2011 reforms made any difference?

Dr Renata Alexander

Flashpoint, self-care, and managing your own risk

Dr Phil Watts

Breadth, depth and universality in whole of family risk screening

Putting the Family Law DOORS into practice

Dr Claire Ralfs, Dr Jamie Lee

Risk Assessment

Ms Manuela Galvao, Dr Ben Jones

Check out the wonderful program that promises to provide some thought provoking and informative sessions at
<http://afccnet.org.au/afcc-2016-conference/>

Follow registration prompts to choose workshops.

We are also including a range of networking dinners at Aquitaine Brasserie, Popolo, Ahmet's, Ole with a choice of French, Italian, Turkish and Spanish cuisine ranging from \$76 to \$125 per head.

Accommodation options include

nearby Rydges and the Mantra on Southbank, both having easy access to the Brisbane Conference and Entertainment Centre.

There will of course be the AFCC signature hospitality suite

which will be situated in a lovely open area overlooking Southbank and open from 6 pm on Thursday 18 August 2016 after the Preconference Institutes to welcome delegates and presenters.