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ATTORNEYS

PROGRAMME

DAY 1:

TIME 30 mins	8:00 - 8:30	Registration	
5 mins	8:30 – 8:35	Chair’s welcome	Beverley Clark, Clarks Attorneys
25 mins	8:35 – 9:00	Keynote address Unreasonable Chastisement: Why the common law defence of reasonable and moderate parental chastisement is inconsistent with the provisions of Sections 10 and 12(1)(c) of the Constitution.	The Honourable Judge Raylene Keightley
30 mins	9:00 – 9:30	Working but at What Ethical Cost: How a code of practice changed the profession.	Sarah Anticoni UK Solicitor, Collaborative Lawyer and Mediator
10 mins	9:30 – 9:40	Q & A	
25 mins	9:40 – 10:05	Children’s Rights: Fact or Fiction Are we guilty of using the “best interests of the child” as a convenient tool?	Professor Sonia Human University of Stellenbosch
10 mins	10:05 – 10:15	Q & A	
30 mins	10:15 - 10:45	Coffee	
45 mins	10:45 – 11:30	Therapeutic Jurisprudence: An Interdisciplinary Approach Examining the role of the parenting coordinator in bringing about therapeutic outcomes for parties to their post-divorce disputes Parenting Co-ordination – a 21st Century possibility? How you can integrate Parenting Coordination into your Practice.	Dr Astrid Martalas Counselling Psychologist, Accredited Mediator and Parenting Coordinator With Craig Schneider Attorney at Craig Schneider Associates

10 mins	11:30 – 11:40	Q & A	
25 mins	11:40 – 11:55	Effective Pleading in Divorce Actions which Involve Trusts	Advocate Liza Segal The Maisels Group
10 mins	12:05 – 12:15	Q & A	
20 mins	12:15– 12:35	Contending with Secondary Trauma Suffered by Our Profession: the importance of a solution focused stance.	Dr Jacqui von Cziffra-Bergs Psychotherapist and Psychology CPD & CEU workshop Facilitator Director of the Solution Focused Institute of South Africa
10 mins	12:35 – 12:45	Q & A	
60 mins	12:45 - 13:45	Lunch	
10 mins	13:45 – 13:55	The Plight of the Family Advocate’s Office: A desperate need to reform an unsustainable situation.	Advocate Petunia Seabi-Mathope Chief Family Advocate National Office, Pretoria
5 mins	13:55 – 14:00	Q & A	
25 mins	14:00 – 14:25	Hot Topics in English Family Law The current hot issues in England and Wales: the status of pre-nuptial contracts, transparency in the press in high profile cases, arbitration and no fault divorce.	Suzanne Kingston UK Solicitor, Collaborative Lawyer, Mediator and Arbitrator
10 mins	14:25 – 14:35	Q & A	
20 mins	14:35 – 14:55	Public Policy in Agreements about Spousal Maintenance	Professor Elsje Bonthuys University of the Witwatersrand
5 mins	14:55 – 15:00	Q & A	
30 mins	15:00 - 15:30	Tea	
120 mins	15:30 – 17:30	Annual Case Law Update Q & A and Debate	Advocate Tanya Eichner-Visser Group Twenty One
	17:30	End of Day 1	
	17:30	Drinks reception	ALL WELCOME

DAY 2:

TIME 30 mins	8:00 - 8:30	Registration	
35 mins 20 mins + 15 mins	8:30 – 9:05	My Battle with the Department Home Affairs: How government bureaucracy violated my human rights. Fighting for the Practical Implementation of LGBTQ Rights: A commentary on case No 38909/17 GPCM v Minister of Home Affairs	Ms GPCM With Advocate Emma Webber Victoria Mxenge Group of Advocates
10 mins	9:05 – 9:15	Q & A	
40 mins	9:15 – 9:55	The Proper Role of an Expert Witness: What is expected of experts involved in disputes relating to the interests of minor children?	Advocate Liezl Haupt SC Brooklyn Advocates Chambers
10 mins	9:55 – 10:05	Q & A	
25 mins	10:05 -10:30	Locating Lacunae: Guidelines on the critical examination of expert evidence offered by psychologists in care and contact evaluations.	Anthony Townsend Clinical Psychologist
10 mins	10:30 - 10:40	Q & A	
30 mins	10:40 – 11:10	Coffee	
25 mins	11:10 – 11:35	Confusion and Chaos: Making sense of the Children’s Act when it comes to medical, therapeutic and assessment interventions, with particular reference to the Health Professions Council’s rules.	Advocate Tessa Halgryn Island Group of Advocates
10 mins	11:35 – 11:45	Q & A	
30 mins	11:45 - 12:15	Effective Listening: Learning to draw out information and focus on the real issues.	Suzy Power UK Family Consultant and Mediator
10 mins	12:15 - 12:25	Q & A	
25 mins	12:25 - 12:50	Payment of Child Maintenance from Retirement Funds: Practical ways to use pensions to satisfy maintenance claims and the legal framework around it.	Clement Marumoagae Senior Lecturer, University of the Witwatersrand and practising attorney at Marumoagae Attorneys
10 mins	12:50 - 13:00	Q & A	

20 mins	13:00 – 13:15	The Right to Dignity: South Africa must take the lead in legalising euthanasia	Advocate Tseliso Thipanyane CEO of the South African Human Rights Commission
10 mins	13:15 – 13:25	Q & A	
5 mins	13:25 - 13:30	Close	Beverley Clark, Clarks Attorneys
	13:30	End of Day 2	
3 hours	14:30 – 17:30	OPTIONAL WORKSHOP The Practice of Collaborative Law and its Future in South African Family Law What is collaborative divorce? Are you ready for it? Can you increase the profitability of your practice while saving money for your clients?	Suzanne Kingston UK Solicitor, Collaborative Lawyer, Mediator and Arbitrator and Suzy Power UK Family Consultant and Mediator

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