

# Continuing Legal Education for Dependency Attorneys

## *REPRESENTING THE CHILD IN DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS*



## Course Curriculum

**3 hours State Bar of California approved MCLE credit**

### **Child's Right to Representation**

- *Legal competence and training requirements*
- *Additional competencies: child development, age-appropriate language, attachment and bonding issues.*

### **Ethical Issues**

- *Welf. & Inst. Code §317*
- *ABA Standards for Representation of Children*
- *Attorney's Role as CAPTA guardian ad litem*

### **Duties**

- *Investigation*
- *Client contact*
- *Client in Court*
- *Preparing the client for testimony*
- *Protecting the client's interests*

### **Specific Issues**

- *Placement & Visitation*
- *Indian Child Welfare Act*
- *Continuances*
- *Siblings*
- *Parentage*
- *Psychotropic Medications*
- *Services*
- *Privileges*
- *Special Immigrant Juvenile Status*
- *Writs and Appeals*

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