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To Members of Gray's Inn, Inner Temple and Lincoln's Inn,

You will of course be aware that practitioners are required to attend a total of 9 hours of advocacy training and 3 hours of ethics training as part of the New Practitioners Programme (NPP) over the first three years of independent practice.

The Middle Temple offers these courses in a package of two courses mainly over a weekend: advocacy on Saturdays and ethics on Sunday mornings. Part of the advocacy course is a case analysis session which is held some two and a half weeks ahead of the programme; in addition, some written work is to be handed in. The advocacy course consists of a single exercise which will provide enough material for practical training throughout the day. Advocacy and ethics courses can be booked either individually or both on the same weekend.

We offer a choice of exercises for practitioners at the civil, criminal, employed or family Bar on the advocacy course, and a choice of exercises for the self-employed or employed Bar on the Ethics Course. Please see below what each course briefly entails:

- Civil** (action of negligence in a planning matter)
- Crime** (child abuse case)
- Family** (To develop the skills in respect of written and oral presentation of private law, children applications.)
- Employed Bar** (two exercises, relating to work in the public and private sectors respectively)

Case analysis sessions will be held before the course. The dates of these are marked clearly next to the course that you choose to sign up for, please make a note of the date of the relevant session for you in your diaries. You will also need to hand in a skeleton argument before the actual course. You will not need to hand in authorities etc. We will only need your written skeleton. You will be notified of the date this needs to be handed in when you receive your bundle.

The courses are accredited with the following hours:

- Advocacy: 9 hours of advocacy, 3 hours of case preparation**
- Ethics: 3 hours of ethics, 1 hour of case preparation**

There will be a fee towards the administrative cost of the programme, non-

refundable in case of cancellation of less than a week before the course date. The course fees are £50 for Advocacy and £30 for ethics respectively. Please note that bookings cannot be confirmed until payment has been received.

Places on all courses are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. Courses are usually held in February/ March, early summer and October/ November.

If you would like to book a place on any of the courses currently on offer, please complete and return the application form, together with your cheque, to me. If there is anything you would like to discuss in greater detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Stacey Brown
Education Officer**

Name: _____ Inn: _____

Address (Home or Chambers - whichever you would like correspondence to go to):

Chambers Tel: _____ Mobile Tel: _____
Home Tel: _____ Email: _____

I apply to attend the following course(s):

March 2012

Advocacy (Course fee £50) up to 9 hours advocacy + 3 hours CPD

- () Advocacy Course (criminal exercises) on Saturday 10th March 2012 (*Case Analysis 23rd February 2012 - 17:30-19:30*)
- () Advocacy Course (civil exercises) on Saturday 10th March 2012 (*Case Analysis Session 16th February 2012 -17:00-19:00*)
- () Advocacy Course (family exercises) on Saturday 10th March 2011 (*Case Analysis Session 16th February -17:00-19:00*)

Summer 2012

The Summer Criminal NPP course will take place on the evenings of 13th, 20th and 27th June 2012 with the case analysis session to be held on the 30th May 2012. This course is specifically for those practitioners who are unable (reason to be supplied) attend a Saturday course. If there is spare capacity consideration will be given to other candidates who are unable to attend or complete the earlier course due to preference.

All other courses (civil, family and employed Bar) in the Summer will take place over a weekend. The Ethics programme will continue to take place on Sundays. If you need to attend the mid week course (as you cannot attend a Saturday course) you can either complete the Ethics course in March 2012 or ask to be sent the form for June 2012 when booking opens.

*To request a Summer booking form please e-mail Stacey Brown on: s.brown@middletemple.org.uk
This can be sent to you once available.*

June 2012 NPP (Criminal exercises)

Advocacy (Course fee £50) up to 9 hours advocacy + 3 hours CPD

- () Advocacy Course (criminal exercises) on:
Wednesday 30th May 2012 (case analysis session 17:30-19:30)
Wednesday 13th June 2012 – 17:30-19:30
Wednesday 20th June 2012 – 18:00-20:00
Wednesday 27th June 2012 – 18:00-20:00

Please note that attendance at the case analysis sessions are compulsory. If you are unable to attend you will need to complete another course.

**MIDDLE TEMPLE NEW PRACTITIONERS' PROGRAMME
APPLICATION FORM**

Ethics (Course fee £30)

3 hours Ethics + 1 hours CPD

() Ethics Course (for the self-employed Bar) on Sunday 11th March 2012

I enclose a cheque, payable to The Hon. Society of the Middle Temple. The booking will not be confirmed before full payment has been received. If I cancel less than a week before the course, I forfeit the fee.

Signed:

Dated:

Please return to:

Stacey Brown, Middle Temple Advocacy, Treasury, Ashley Building, Middle Temple Lane, **London EC4Y 9AT**; Fax 020 7427 4801; email s.brown@middletemple.org.uk

The information provided on this application form, and any information provided in respect of your membership will be used for the purpose of considering your application. After the process is complete, the result and your attendance will be recorded on your membership record and, where payment is required, it will be administered by the Finance Department of the Inn. Fuller details of the processing carried out by the Inn and your rights in respect of that processing can be found on the website at www.middletemple.org.uk.