



***Judge Jennifer Coate, President of the Children’s Court of Victoria talks about “The Future of Group Conferencing and the Children’s Court” hosted by the Victorian Association for Restorative Justice***  
***(Participants will be able to view the new Koori Court before the talk.)***

*The recent Children’s Bill exposure draft introduced group conferencing into legislation in Victoria for the first time. How will it operate and what are the issues remain to be worked through.*

When; 4.30 pm – 5.30pm, Wednesday, November 23rd 2005 (for those wishing to visit the Koori Court this will be open at 4pm)  
 Where; Childrens Court 477 Little Lonsdale Street, Melbourne 3000  
 Cost: No charge.  
 Drinks and Eats: Drinks and light refreshments will be available after the talk at the court with a gold coin donation to the work of VARJ.

Her Honour Judge Jennifer Coate has been a Senior Magistrate at the Children’s Court since December 1995 and in September 1996 was promoted to the position of Deputy Chief Magistrate. From 1993 to 1996 Her Honour was on the Violence Against Women Task Force of the Attorney-General’s Community Council Against Violence. She is currently the Chairperson of the Health Services for Abused Children Committee. She is also on a number of boards and committees including:

- the University of Melbourne Criminal Justice and Forensic Psychology Advisory Board;
- the Family Violence Protocols Committee chaired by the Family Court; and
- the Board and Council of the Australian Institute of Judicial Administration.

On 23 June 2000 Her Honour was appointed as a judge of the County Court and on 26 June 2000 as the first President of the Children’s Court of Victoria.  
 In October 2001, Her Honour was appointed as a part-time Commissioner to the Victorian Law Reform Commission.

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