Program
Saturday, March 22, 2003

8:50 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks
Deborah L. Forman, Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Children’s Rights, Whittier Law School

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Legal and Ethical Issues in Special Needs Adoption
Ted Youmans, Esq., Van Deusen, Youmans and Walmsley — Adopting a Special Needs Child
Amy Pellman, Esq., Director, Alliance for Children’s Rights — The Challenges of Concurrent Planning
Madelyn Freundlich, M.S.W., J.D., L.L.M., Policy Director, Children’s Rights, Inc. — Ethical Issues in the Use of Media and Technology to Facilitate Adoption

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Post-Adoption Contact
William W. Patton, J.D., Professor of Law, Whittier Law School — Sibling Rights After Adoption
Joan Hollinger, J.D., Lecturer in Residence, Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California, Berkeley

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch — provided with Registration

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Special Education and Other Services for the Special Needs Child
Meredith Goetz, Ph.D., J.D., Clinical Instructor, Whittier Law School — Advocating for Special Needs Children in the Educational System
Cristi Chastain, M.S.W., Adoption Program Director, Olive Crest Children’s Home — Preparing Families to Adopt Special Needs Children
Michelle Morris, Adoptive Parent and Activist — The Family Nobody Thought Of: The Parental Perspective
Kathy Johnson, Graphic Artist, Adoptive Mother and Volunteer, Kidsave International — The Special Needs of Internationally Adopted Children

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Clinical Issues Associated with Placement of Older Children in Pre-Adoptive Homes Before Termination of Parental Rights
Jill Waterman, Ph.D. (Clinical Psychology), Clinic Coordinator, UCLA Psychology Clinic
Susan Edelstein, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., Director, T.I.E.S. for Adoption, UCLA
Dorli Burge, Ph.D. (Clinical Psychology), Chief Psychologist, T.I.E.S. for Adoption, UCLA

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Medical, Psychosocial and Legal Issues related to Drug-Exposed Infants
Sharyn Konick, M.S.W., Kinship Center — Intervening on Behalf of the Most Vulnerable Children-Substance-Exposed 0-5 Awaiting Permanence
Xyline Bean, M.D., Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science — Medical Issues for Drug-Exposed Infants
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