

The screenshot shows the website for Mishcon de Reya Solicitors. The main navigation bar includes links for Home, Services, About Us, People, News and Events, Join Us, and Contact Us. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with categories: Business, Real Estate, Dispute Resolution, and Personal. A search bar is also present. The main content area features a 'Firm News' section with the headline 'Government urged to introduce compulsory therapy following parental separation' and a release date of 16 November 2009. The article text describes a study of 4000 parents and children commissioned by family lawyers at Mishcon de Reya to mark the 20th anniversary of the Children Act 1989. It mentions a public debate held at Westminster on 9 November, chaired by Natasha Philips, with a panel including Sandra Davis, Tim Loughton, Lords Justice Wall and Munby, Earl Listowel, and Bob Reitmair. The article concludes with a link to a policy briefing paper.

Firm News

Government urged to introduce compulsory therapy following parental separation

Release Date: 16 November 2009

A study of over 4000 parents and children was commissioned by family lawyers at Mishcon de Reya to mark the 20th anniversary of the Children Act which was implemented in November 1989 to improve the welfare of youngsters caught in the middle of parental separation.

The research highlighted the detrimental effect on children of litigation following parental separation and led to Mishcon de Reya hosting a public debate on the issue held at Westminster on 9 November. The debate, chaired by Natasha Philips, comprised a panel including Sandra Davis, Tim Loughton (Shadow Children's Minister), Lords Justice Wall and Munby, Earl Listowel and Bob Reitmair (CEO of The Children's Society). The debate was attended by Members of Parliament, representatives from the Department for Children, Schools and Family, CAFCASS and various NGOs, charities and not for profit organisations.

At the conclusion of the debate, Mishcon de Reya's proposals for compulsory attendance at "conflict clinics" as a pre-requisite to any subsequent litigation was released. For a copy, [click here](#).

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