

## WHO WE ARE

"Lawyers for children" (*Juristes pour l'enfance*) is a non-governmental organisation made up of lawyers who wish to use their expertise to defend and promote children's rights.

The association works in the legal field. It relies on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

A "Youth branch" brings together young people under the age of 18, who express their views on social projects to members of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC).

## WHAT DO WE WANT FOR CHILDREN?

We work for the respect of children's fundamental rights and needs by defending :

- Justice as the purpose of law
- The promotion of family stability for the growth and education of children
- The right of every child, to know and be cared for by his or her parents, as far as possible
- The respect for the time of childhood and the status of minority
- The respect for parental authority, parents being the first and foremost educators.

## WHAT DO WE DO?

- We take legal action to challenge regulations or administrative decisions that do not respect children's rights, put an end to violations of children's rights (publications, events, etc.), intervene in court cases where children's rights are threatened.
- We conduct studies and research that we disseminate to public opinion and public decisionmakers.
- We contribute to the development of fair standards for children : we draft reform proposals and analysis of draft legislation for members of Parliament, we are heard by various bodies involved in the legislative process, we submit reports to international bodies (UN, EU, Hague Conference)
- We are working to rebuild the law around justice : the law is going through a profound crisis and is increasingly reduced to a power struggle in which the first victims are the weakest, namely children. We therefore want to help to redirect the law towards its ultimate purpose, justice, so as to rebuild the social fabric on solid foundations because they are fair. We are promoting active research on this issue and training courses for legal professionals.

## DO YOU WANT TO HELP US?

The association's resources come exclusively from donations.

Your support is essential to us.

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