

## **PRACTICE DIRECTION 17B – RULE 1.2 REPRESENTATIVES**

*This practice direction supplements Part 17 of the Court of Protection Rules 2017*

1. Section 2 of Part 17 contains rules about the appointment of an accredited legal representative or a representative for P. This Practice Direction is made under rule 17.14 and provides guidance on the appointment and removal of an accredited legal representative or a representative pursuant to Part 17.

2. Rule 17.10 provides that an accredited legal representative or representative may be appointed for P.

3. An application for—

- (a) the appointment of an accredited legal representative, or a representative pursuant to rule 17.10;
- (b) directions pursuant to rule 17.11; or
- (c) for an order under rule 17.12

should be made by filing an application in Form COP 9 under the procedure in Part 10.

4. In respect of an application pursuant to rule 17.10 or for the substitution of an accredited legal representative or a representative in place of an existing one pursuant to rule 17.12, the evidence in support must satisfy the court that the conditions in rule 17.9 are met.