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PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

ETHICS OF PLEA NEGOTIATIONS

March 16, 2012

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**New Jersey Department of Transportation
David J. Goldberg Transportation Complex
Multi-purpose Room
1035 Parkway Avenue
West Trenton, New Jersey**

Program Summary

This presentation will discuss ethical issues that can arise in connection with the plea bargaining process, and will also discuss some practical matters concerning the disposition of Graves Act and school zone cases.

Who Should Attend?

While this program is intended for county assistant prosecutors and deputy and assistant attorneys general handling criminal matters, others may find it of interest. **This program is recommended for those who have some knowledge of the plea negotiation process.**

Who Is the Faculty?

AAG Ron Susswein has served for a combined 29 years as a DAG/AAG in the Division of Criminal Justice and the Union County Prosecutor's Office. During his career, AAG Susswein helped to draft many of the Attorney General directives and guidelines that are designed to channel a prosecutor's plea bargaining discretion, including the policies concerning "Brimage," "Graves Act," "NERA," and public corruption cases.

How Do I Register?

Most State and some county employees will be able to register for this course by going to <http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2> and creating an account. (Your computer must be attached to the government's Garden State Network.). If you are unable to access the above link kindly email the Advocacy Institute at: AdvocacyInstitute@lps.state.nj.us for an authorization code

to allow you access to the registration system through the My New Jersey portal. Once you receive the authorization code you will be prompted to go to the My New Jersey portal at <http://www.state.nj.us/> and create an account, if you do not already have one. Once you do, you then will be able to register through the portal at <http://www.state.nj.us>.

CLE Credit

NJ CLE Credit: This program had been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 2.0 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 2.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 2.0 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

NY CLE Credit: 2.0 ethics credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

PA CLE Credit: 1.5 ethics credits (\$3.00 mandatory registration fee required).