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## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

## PENNSYLVANIA BRIDGE THE GAP:
## ETHICS FOR NEW PENNSYLVANIA ATTORNEYS

**April 24, 2012**
**10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.[1]**
**Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex**
**Division of Criminal Justice Training Room**
**5th Floor, West Wing**
**25 Market Street**
**Trenton, New Jersey**

*Program Summary*

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has added a *Bridge The Gap* requirement for newly admitted lawyers. The program is designed to provide the type of information necessary to smooth the transition from law student to attorney. It is intended to give recent law school graduates the "know-how" which is otherwise learned through trial and error. The *Bridge The Gap* requirement must be fulfilled prior to a newly admitted lawyer's first CLE requirement deadline. This basic program will provide practical insight into key areas that new lawyers need to know in order to comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct and avoid potential malpractice claims. This seminar will fulfill the *Bridge the Gap* requirement for newly admitted Pennsylvania attorneys. A moderator will lead the discussion and answer participants' questions.

*Who Should Attend?*

This program is intended for newly admitted attorneys who must fulfill their mandatory Pennsylvania *Bridge the Gap* requirements.

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[1]     There will be a one-hour lunch break. Also, the Moderator will provide for additional breaks as needed within the program's time constraints.

## *Who Is the Faculty?*

**DAG Daniel F. Dryzga, Jr.** is Assistant Chief of the Education and Higher Education Section of the Division of Law for the State of New Jersey. The section provides counsel and representation to the Department of Education and includes litigation and appeals regarding State funding of education, charter schools, and special education. DAG Dryzga also served a Deputy Attorney General in the Corrections and State Police Section of the Division of Law where he defended lawsuits brought against members of the New Jersey State Police involving claims such as false arrest, malicious prosecution, illegal search and seizure and excessive use of force. In addition to his time with the Division of Law, DAG Dryzga also served with the Office of Government Integrity and the Division of Criminal Justice for the State of New Jersey. He has also served as an Assistant Inspector General in the New Jersey Office of the Inspector General. DAG Dryzga has significant experience in both state and federal courts. He is admitted to practice in the State of New Jersey, the U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. DAG Dryzga received his B.A. from Penn State University, and his J.D. from Rutgers University Law School- Newark.

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## *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 4.8 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 4.8 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism. These credits will **not** satisfy New Jersey's *Bridge the Gap* obligations.

**NY CLE Credit:** 4.5 ethics credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy). These will satisfy transitional and non-transitional ethics credits.

**PA CLE Credit:** 4.0 ethics credits ($6.00 mandatory registration fee required).