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*The Advocacy Institute, in Conjunction with the County Prosecutors Association of New Jersey,  
Is Pleased to Announce*

## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **PROSECUTORS' OVERNIGHT MEETING**

**May 2, 2012  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
The Breakers  
1507 Ocean Avenue  
Spring Lake, New Jersey 07762**

#### ***Program Summary***

This program is intended for County Prosecutors and others who have been invited to attend. The program will consist of two CLE-eligible sessions. Please see attached for a description of each presentation and faculty biographies.

#### ***Who Should Attend?***

This program is intended for County Prosecutors and others invited to attend this program. Please do not attempt to register for this program if you are not a County Prosecutor, or a person otherwise invited to attend.

#### ***Who Is the Faculty?***

See attached.

#### ***How Do I Register?***

Only those Participants who have been invited to this program should register. If you were not invited to attend, please do not attempt to 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](mailto: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 up to 3.2 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and up to 3.2 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

**NY CLE Credit:** Up to 3.0 Substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

**PA CLE Credit:** Up to 2.5 Substantive credits (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee per credit required).

## **PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS AND FACULTY BIOGRAPHIES**

### **WHAT PROSECUTORS REALLY NEED TO KNOW ABOUT “DRUG COURT” AND THE GOVERNOR’S INITIATIVE TO MANDATE TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN NON-VIOLENT ADDICTS (9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.)**

This interactive presentation will trace the history and key features of New Jersey’s Drug Court program, focusing on legal issues and the critical role played by prosecutors. This program will examine existing impediments to Drug Court expansion, and will discuss how those barriers might be addressed by the Governor’s proposal to impose “mandatory treatment” to break the vicious cycle of crime and addiction so as to reduce recidivism and thereby promote public safety. This program will be presented by Assistant Attorney General Ron Susswein, who in 1986 drafted the statute, N.J.S.A. 2C:35-14, that authorizes drug treatment in lieu of an otherwise mandatory term of imprisonment. In 1992, Mr. Susswein drafted the “Model Criminal Justice Treatment Act” for the President’s Commission on Model State Drug Laws, and more recently helped to draft the Report of the Sentencing and Corrections Task Force of the Government Efficiency and Reform (G.E.A.R.) Commission, which recommended mandatory Drug Court participation for certain non-violent offenders. He had served for a number of years as the Attorney General’s representative on the Governor’s Drug Court Steering Committee, and presently serves as the Attorney General’s representative on the Supreme Court’s Drug Court Advisory Committee.

**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.

**NJ CLE Credit:** This program had been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 1.2 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 1.2 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

**NY CLE Credit:** 1.0 Substantive credit (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

**PA CLE Credit:** 1.0 Substantive credit (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee required).

### **CONDUCTED ENERGY DEVICE USE OF FORCE TRAINING (10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)**

This program will identify situations where a CED may be justified or may not be justified in accordance with the Attorney General's Conducted Energy Device Policy of 2010. This course will include a review the Attorney General's Use of Force Policy of June 2000, and provisions of the

Attorney General's Conducted Energy Device Policy of 2010. This course will also cover practical application proficiency with the officer's designated CED.

**SDAG Philip S. Aronow** is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General assigned as Chief of the Training Bureau with the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. Phil started with the Division as a DAG with the Organized Crime and Racketeering Bureau as part of the newly formed New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission Initiative, and later became the Chief of that Unit. Phil authored the training materials for that initiative and continues to teach on behalf of the Division in the field of Document Fraud and Identity Theft. He will be responsible for statewide training in anticipation of the upcoming Operation Facial Scrub 2012 (FS-12) Initiative. SDAG Aronow is a Police Training Commission Certified Instructor and has taught as an Instructor and Guest Lecturer for various law schools as well as for military and law enforcement personnel throughout the state. He is a Faculty Member and Coordinator for the Division for the Top Gun Training Program, the Undercover Narcotics Investigative Training (UNIT School), and the Supervisors Training (DELTA School). Phil is the Coordinator and Project Director on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office for the series of Fugitive Safe Surrender Programs held across the state of New Jersey over the past four years and planned for Atlantic City in April, 2012. Phil is charged with oversight responsibilities for law enforcement training statewide, which includes the Division of Criminal Justice Academy and the New Jersey Police Training Commission. SDAG Aronow is the Coordinator for the statewide implementation of Conducted Energy Devices and Less Lethal Ammunition. Phil also serves as Liaison to the New Jersey State Parole Board and is the Coordinator for the statewide SWEEP (Summer Warrant Effective Enforcement Program) / Shock Wave Initiatives.

**DAG Robert Czepiel** has been a prosecutor at the county and state levels in New Jersey for over 14 years. Mr. Czepiel has been employed at the New Jersey Office of Attorney General-Division of Criminal Justice in the Official Corruption Bureau for the seven years. Since September 2011, he has also worked for Police Training Bureau. His current responsibilities include updating pre-existing Police Training Commission course objectives, creating training programs, and training recruits, law enforcement officers, and prosecutors on numerous criminal, legal, and other issues in programs offered by the Division of Criminal Justice Police Academy and the Police Training Commission. Previously, he was employed as an Assistant Prosecutor at the Burlington County Prosecutor Office for seven years. His experience as an Assistant Prosecutor and Deputy Attorney General in the Corruption Bureau includes the prosecution of multiple complex white collar crimes in the field of public corruption; street crimes such as homicides, aggravated sexual assault, robbery, and drug distribution cases; family matters such as domestic violence and juvenile delinquency cases; and appellate matters. He has appeared before the Superior Court of New Jersey both Law and Appellate Division, and the Supreme Court of New Jersey. He has successfully tried numerous high profile cases to verdict. He was the recipient of the 2008 "Excellence in Legal Support Award" by the New Jersey Office of Attorney General for the trial and conviction of the former chief of staff of the New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission for multiple counts of Official Misconduct. He is a member of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Jury Selection. Additionally, he is an adjunct professor of law at Widener University School of Law in Delaware having taught white collar/corruption and trial advocacy courses. He is a volunteer instructor with the Intensive Trial Advocacy Program through Widener Law School. He is also an adjunct professor at Burlington County College having taught law and criminal justice related courses. He has taught numerous courses at the New Jersey Attorney General Advocacy Institute and the Police

Training Commission in the field of trial advocacy; search and seizure; search warrants; white collar and corruption prosecutions/investigations; use of force; and the basic course for prosecuting attorneys. He has also taught at the NAGTRI Mobile Advocacy Institute in Princeton, New Jersey, and has been NITA certified for several years. He graduated from Widener Law School in Harrisburg and was admitted to the New Jersey Bar in 1997.

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