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PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO FEDERAL PRETRIAL PRACTICE

June 18, 2012

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex

25 Market Street

6th Floor Point Meeting Area, Attorney General's Library

Trenton, New Jersey

Program Summary

This program will involve a discussion of the pretrial process in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. Among the topics that will be highlighted are the Rule 16 conference, presentation of discovery disputes, certain Local Rules of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, and the Final Pretrial Order.

Who Should Attend?

This program is open to deputy attorneys general, assistant attorneys general and volunteer attorneys, **only**. Please do not attempt to register for this program if you are not a DAG, AAG or volunteer attorney.

Who is the Faculty?

Judge Patty Shwartz, U.S.M.J. has served as a Magistrate Judge on the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey since 2003. She also teaches as an adjunct professor of law at Fordham University School of Law, where she has taught since 2009. Judge Shwartz was born in Paterson, New Jersey. She received her B.A. in 1983 from Rutgers University, graduating with highest honors. Judge Shwartz received her J.D. in 1986 from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she was named the Outstanding Woman Law Graduate of her class.

After graduating from law school, Judge Shwartz was an associate at Pepper, Hamilton & Scheetz (now Pepper Hamilton LLP) before serving as a law clerk to the Honorable Harold A. Ackerman of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey from 1987 to 1989. In 1989, Judge Shwartz joined the United States Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey, where she prosecuted a wide range of criminal cases. During her time at the United States Attorney's Office,

Judge Shwartz held the following leadership positions: Deputy Chief of the Criminal Division, from 1995 to 1999; Chief of the Criminal Division, from 1999 to 2001 and again from 2002 to 2003; and Executive Assistant United States Attorney, from 2001 to 2002.

Since becoming a Magistrate Judge in 2003, Judge Shwartz has handled more than 4,000 civil and criminal cases. She has issued opinions and orders resolving pre-trial disputes in civil cases, written reports and recommendations to district court judges on a variety of issues, conducted preliminary proceedings in criminal cases, and presided over 14 trials with the consent of the parties. In October 2011, President Obama nominated Judge Shwartz to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

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 hours of total 1.2 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 civil trial law.

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

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Once you receive the portal authorization code you will be prompted to go to the My New Jersey portal at <http://www.state.nj.us/> and create a portal account. This is Step 1 of the process, which you need only do once.

Upon setting up your portal account, you need to set up your AGAI Course Registration System account. This is Step 2. To do so, log on to the My New Jersey Portal <http://www.state.nj.us/>. Upon opening the AGAI Course Registration System home page, you will see the Create Account link in the Login Box. Click on it and create your account, which will include you selecting a new user name and password. Once you create your account, you can access the AGAI Course Registration System at <http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2> to register for future courses or to manage your account. Please retain your user name and password for your records.