



The Advocacy Institute, in Conjunction With the County Narcotics Commanders Association of NJ, The County Prosecutor's Association of NJ, The NJ State Police, The Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office, The Middlesex County Fire Academy & The Mid-Atlantic Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network (MAGLOCEN), Is Pleased to Announce

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

TOP GUN CLASS 40 - INVESTIGATING AND PROSECUTING GANG & DRUG CASES

**September 23 - 30, 2011
Middlesex County Fire Academy
1001 Fire Academy Drive
Sayreville 08872**

Program Summary

Top Gun is an intensive 6-day program designed to train police officers and prosecutors on substantive legal and practical skills using an effective combination of classroom lectures and practical exercises. Top Gun trains law enforcement officers and prosecutors *together*, so that each can understand the needs, problems, and concerns of the other. Each class consists of approximately 90 State, county and federal law enforcement officers and 16 State and county prosecutors, who receive classroom instruction together and are then divided into 8 Squads for practical exercises. The practical exercises are designed to challenge the students to apply their experience and the classroom knowledge in a real world setting. Each class requires nearly 70 faculty members drawn from many State, county, municipal and federal agencies.

Who Should Attend?

State, county and federal law enforcement officers and State and county prosecutors.

Who Is the Faculty (CLE-Eligible Courses Only)?

See Attached for Details

How Do I Register?

County and municipal personnel must register with their County Gang, Gun and Drug Task Force Commander, in the County Prosecutor's Office. State and federal personnel must register with SDAG Philip S. Aronow, at the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. Space is limited and allocated by county and certain agencies. Pre-registration is mandatory - there is no registration at the door. Questions should be directed to SDAG Aronow at aronowp@njdcj.org.

Those seeking CLE credits must register on our web page after being selected for the program as follows: 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 (See attached for details)

NJ CLE Credit: Up to 5.9 substantive credits

NY CLE Credit: Up to 6.0 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

PA CLE Credit: Up to 4.5 substantive credits (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee for **each** credit)

CLE - ELIGIBLE MODULES & FACULTY BIOGRAPHIES

Presentation Title: *Legal Issues Concerning Informants*

Date & Time: September 23, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Presenter: Assistant Prosecutor Gennaro Rubino has been an Assistant Prosecutor for the Hudson County Prosecutor's Office since 1996. He served in the Appellate Section, Juvenile Section, Adult Trial Team, and Task Force as a trial prosecutor. Currently, Assistant Prosecutor Rubino is an investigative legal advisor overseeing the Prosecutor's Office Narcotics, Municipal and Gang Task Forces, as well as the coordinator and advisor for the Arson Unit. He also consults the Homicide Unit on select cases. Assistant Prosecutor Rubino is responsible for assisting the Hudson County Prosecutor and the Chief of Investigations in developing police policy and procedures throughout the County. He is also responsible for preparing media press releases and coordinating press conferences for the Prosecutor. **This is a 60-minute module.**

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 credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

PA CLE Credit: 1.0 substantive credit (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee required)

Presentation Title: *Search Warrants*

Date & Time: September 27, 2011 from 9:20 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

Presenter: Assistant Prosecutor Joel Aronow is the supervising attorney in charge of the Narcotics Unit of the Camden County Prosecutor's Office. Joel is a 1982 graduate of Rider College (now Rider University), earning his undergraduate degree in Business Administration. He graduated from The Delaware Law School (now Widener University School of Law) in 1985. Joel started his legal career in private practice in Camden City until joining the Camden County Prosecutor's Office for the first time in 1988. Joel served in various assignments as an assistant prosecutor before reentering the private practice of law in 1992. Joel returned to the Camden County Prosecutor's Office in 1995, where he remains a committed career prosecutor first returning to the trenches on an adult trial team until a short stint in the Child Abuse Unit in February 1997. In September 1997, Joel was assigned to the Special Prosecutions Unit of the Prosecutor's Office. He spent the next seven years prosecuting large white collar crime and corruption cases, including an assignment with a corruption task force working with investigators from his office, the Division of Criminal Justice, the New Jersey State Police and the F.B.I.. During his tenure in Special Prosecutions, Joel was promoted to the rank of Deputy Section Chief. In October 2004, Joel transferred to the Career Criminal Unit targeting repeat offenders of the criminal justice system. When that unit merged with another unit within the office, Joel took advantage of an opening in the Narcotics Unit in April 2005, where Joel first served as the Deputy Section Chief and then in December 2009, was promoted to Section Chief. The Camden County Prosecutor's Office Narcotics Task Force was already a recognized component of the Philadelphia/Camden High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (H.I.D.T.A.) Task Force. Joel was assigned as the prosecutor/legal advisor on

multiple long-term narcotics investigations resulting in multiple convictions of large scale drug trafficking organizations in mostly Camden City. He has successfully handled/tried multiple cases involving everything from juvenile cases to homicides. Joel has been certified by the New Jersey Police Training Commission as an Instructor and has taught police recruits and career officers on issues involving search and seizure, corruption and narcotics. **This is a 60-minute module.**

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 credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

PA CLE Credit: 1.0 substantive credit (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee required)

Presentation Title: *Search & Seizure Update*

Date & Time: September 28, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. and 9:40 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

Presenter: **AAG Ron Susswein** is an Assistant Attorney General in the Division of Criminal Justice. Mr. Susswein graduated with honors from the Georgetown University Law Center. He was appointed as Deputy Attorney General and later promoted to Assistant Attorney General in the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. He served as the Deputy Director for Policy and more recently as Deputy Director for Major Crimes, where he supervised the Division's Organized Crime and Racketeering Bureau, Major Narcotics Bureau, Appellate Bureau, Casino Prosecution Section, Office of Bias Crimes and Community Relations and Computer Analysis and Technology Unit (cyber crimes). **This is a 100-minute module.**

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, 0.0 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 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

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

Presentation Title: *Courtroom Testimony*

Date & Time: September 30, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Presenter: **James P. Lynch** has been an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office (New Jersey) since 2006. Prior to this position, he was the First Assistant Prosecutor in the Camden County Prosecutor's Office, having been appointed in 1996. Jim also served as the First Assistant Prosecutor in Gloucester County and was an Assistant Prosecutor in Camden from 1982-1994. During his tenure as a prosecutor, Jim served as Trial Team Leader and as Chief of: the Major Crimes Unit, the Homicide Unit and the Narcotics Task Force. His extensive prosecutorial experience encompasses a vast array of cases. Over his career, Jim has successfully tried several very high profile cases, and his experiences are invaluable for the students. **This is a 75-minute module.**

NJ CLE Credit: This program had been approved by the Board on Continuing Legal Education of the Supreme Court of New Jersey for 1.5 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 1.5 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

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

PA CLE Credit: 1.0 substantive credit (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee required)