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## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

# TOP GUN CLASS 42 - INVESTIGATING AND PROSECUTING GANG & DRUG CASES

October 4 and 5 and October 9-12, 2012 Middlesex County Fire Academy 1001 Fire Academy Drive Sayreville, New Jersey

# **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?

See Attached for Details.

### 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 7.4 hours of total CLE credit. Of these 0.0, qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 7.4 qualify as hours of credit toward certification

in criminal trial law.

**NY CLE Credit:** 7.0 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

**PA CLE Credit:** 6.0 substantive credits (\$9.00 mandatory registration fee required).

# How Do I Register?

# **State Employees**

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 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 through the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute's Course Registration Program after being selected for the program as follows:

# **State Employees**

Most State employees are able to register for this course by going to <a href="http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2">http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2</a> and creating an AGAI Course Registration account. To do so, your computer **must** be attached to the government's Garden State Network. 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 user name and password. Once you create your account, you can access the AGAI Course Registration System at <a href="http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2">http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2</a> to register for future courses or to manage your account. Please retain your user name and password for your records.

# Non-State Employees or State Employees not Connected to the Garden State Network

If you are not a State employee, or are otherwise unable to access the AGAI Course Registration System through the Garden State Network, kindly email the Advocacy Institute at: AdvocacyInstitute@lps.state.nj.us for an authorization code to allow you access to the AGAI Course Registration System through the My New Jersey portal. Setting up your account through the portal is a two-step process, the details of which are set forth in the next two paragraphs.

Once you receive the portal authorization code you will be prompted to go to the My New Jersey portal at <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/">http://www.state.nj.us/</a> 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 <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/">http://www.state.nj.us/</a>. 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 <a href="http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2">http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2</a> to register for future courses or to manage your account. Please retain your user name and password for your records.

## **CLE - ELIGIBLE MODULES & FACULTY BIOGRAPHIES**

Presentation Title: Legal Issues Concerning Informants

October 4, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

This presentation will discuss the use of confidential informants and cooperating witnesses in gang and narcotics investigations, and the legal implications arising therefrom. Particular emphasis will be placed on preserving the integrity of the investigation, safeguarding the informant, and the discovery implications related to the use of informants.

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 credit (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

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

Presentation Title: Communications Data Warrants and Technical Issues

October 5, 2012 from 2:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

This presentation is an overview of the law as it currently applies to Electronic surveillance and CDWs in New Jersey. This presentation will discuss the law, both statutory and caselaw, as well as the procedures in place in New Jersey under the Administrative Office of the Courts and the New Jersey Attorney General's Office.

**Presenter: SDAG Mark Eliades** is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General presently serving as Bureau Chief of Gangs & Organized Crime within the Division of Criminal Justice. He also serves as the Attorney General's Counsel on Wiretapping & Electronic Surveillance issues and is the liaison with the Administrative Office of the Courts on those issues as well. SDAG Eliades is a 1989 graduate of Trenton State College and a 1992 graduate of Seton Hall University School of

Law. Mr. Eliades also received his MBA with honors in Accounting from Montclair State University and holds the Certified Fraud Examiner designation. SDAG Eliades has been a member of the Adjunct Faculty of the National White Collar Crime Center since 1999, instructing on Financial Records Examination and Analysis. SDAG Eliades served a judicial clerkship for the Honorable Burrell Ives Humphreys, Assignment Judge of the New Jersey Superior Court, Essex County, and then began his career with the Attorney General's Office.

**Detective Jan-Michael Monrad** is employed by the Morris County Prosecutor's Office, assigned to the Special Operations Division, Narcotics Unit and Technical Assistance Response Unit (TARU), and has been so assigned since April 2002. His current responsibilities include undercover and surface investigations involving Gang, Gun and Drug violations and working in partnership with the Morris County Prosecutor's Office Intelligence Crime Task Force. The overall focus is targeting our most violent offenders. Detective Monrad was previously employed by the Boonton Township Police Department, from February 1995 – April 2002, where he was assigned to both Patrol and the Detective Bureau.

In addition to his experience as a law enforcement officer, he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina. In total, he has been a law enforcement officer for over seventeen years, during which time he has conducted numerous investigations pertaining to homicide, attempted homicide, "murder for hire", home invasion, bank robbery, arson, aggravated assault, child abuse, domestic violence, larceny, property damage, burglary, fraud, counterfeit currency and narcotics violations. During his tenure as a narcotics detective, Detective Monrad has participated in many facets of narcotics investigations, including the execution of search and arrest warrants, raid planning, mobile and stationary surveillance, marijuana eradication, processing evidence, hundreds of surface and undercover operations, and serving as the case agent, Affiant and Plant Manager during wiretap investigations.

Detective Monrad has attended numerous educational programs and has received certifications in the field of narcotic, gang and gun enforcement from courses given by the New Jersey Statewide Narcotics Task Force, the New Jersey Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association, the Northeast Counterdrug Training Center, the New Jersey Gang Investigators Association and the Drug Enforcement Administration. Although he is assigned to the Narcotics Unit when needed, Detective Monrad's primary responsibility at this time is to the Technical Assistance Response Unit (TARU) in the field of electronic surveillance and the technical installation of equipment. Detective Monrad has installed numerous devices for Federal, State and local law enforcement agencies. Detective Monrad has sat on panel discussions on behalf of the FBI regarding electronic surveillance. **This is a 75-minute module.** 

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

**Presentation Title:** Search Warrants

October 9, 2012 from 9:20 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

This presentation will teach students about drafting search warrants and related affidavits. Emphasis will be placed on the description of the property to be searched, officer qualifications as they relate to specific warrants, and the probable cause aspects of gang and narcotics warrants. Students will also learn about related issues such as "anytime of the day or night", "no knock" warrants, the use of distraction devices and other issues related to execution of the warrant, and the proper procedures for inventory and return.

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. Thereafter, Joel started his legal career in a private practice law firm in Camden City until joining the Camden County Prosecutor's Office for the first time in 1988. As an assistant prosecutor Joel started in the Motions Unit handling search and seizure issues then progressed to the Juvenile Unit, adult Trial Team Unit and Grand Jury Unit until 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 cases and corruption cases including an assignment with a corruption task force working with investigators of his office, the Division of Criminal Justice, New Jersey State Police and the F.B.I. targeting then Camden Mayor Milton Milan and his associates. 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. That unit was merged with another unit within the office and 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.

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

Presentation Title: Search & Seizure Update

October 10, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m. and 9:40 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

This presentation will give students a broad and comprehensive update on the latest judicial developments as they affect search and seizure law in New Jersey. Emphasis will be placed on cases impacting most directly on gang and narcotics investigations.

**Presenter:** AAG Ron Susswein. has served for a combined 30 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. **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

October 12, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

This presentation will instruct students on preparing for trial, direct and cross examination, demeanor and the nuanced effect of clear, concise and honest testimony on the court and jury.

**Presenter:** As of this posting, the scheduled presenter's availability has not been confirmed. We will post this information soon. **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:** 1.5 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy)

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