

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Announce

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

2011 ETHICS FEST - CRIMINAL

November 1, 2011
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Training Center
North Patrol Road
Edison, N.J.

Program Summary

This program is intended to provide attorneys with an excellent opportunity to obtain up to six Continuing Legal Education ethics credits for attending three presentations. Those interested in attending this program may seek to register for one, two or all three presentations, the descriptive summaries of which are attached.

Who Should Attend?

This program is intended for attorneys handling criminal matters, others may find one or more of the presentations of interest.

Who Is the Faculty?

See attached.

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 **up to** 6.0 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, **up to** 6.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and **up to** 6.0 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

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

PA CLE Credit: Up to 4.5 ethics credits (\$1.50 mandatory registration fee required per credit).

COURSE DESCRIPTION & FACULTY INFORMATION

LEGAL ETHICS & SOCIAL MEDIA: DON'T LOL...THIS IS SERIOUS STUFF

This 2-hour course explores ethical issues that the social media explosion is causing in the courtroom, from jurors obtaining information on their smart phones to lawyers "friending" judges that they appear before in court. This training uses real world examples to explain the social media impact and to make attorneys aware of RPC issues created by this technology. (10:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.)

DAG Lori Linskey serves as a Senior Counsel within the NJ Division of Criminal Justice. In this capacity, DAG Linskey provides legal analysis on such issues as the Code of Ethics for County Prosecutors, eyewitness ID procedures, and firearms regulations.

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

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

CURRENT ISSUES IN ETHICS

This presentation will focus on conflict of interest issues, communications with those presented by counsel, and special responsibilities of criminal prosecutors. These issues will be discussed in terms of recent cases and news items. (12:30 p.m. to 2:10 p.m.)

Assistant Prosecutor Brian D. Gillet is the Chief of the Appellate/PCR Unit, Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office. He has lectured for the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office Training Center Police Internal Affairs as well as for the Institute for Continuing Legal Education (ICLE) and lectured on attorney ethics for numerous Bar Associations. He has served as an adjunct faculty member at The College of New Jersey in the Department of Criminology & Justice Studies as well as at Brookdale Community College in the Department of Criminal Justice. He received his J.D. in 1982 from Seton Hall University School of Law and his B.A. in 1979 in Political Science and French from Northwestern University.

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FROM THE COURTROOM TO THE SCREENING ROOM:

What Movies Can Teach Us About Attorney Ethics

Crime stories have been a staple of the American movie industry. Nothing can be more compelling than a good courtroom scene with attorneys battling for the hearts and minds of their jury panel. Movies such as *Anatomy of a Murder* have been dissected by legal ethicists over the years regarding how the attorney movie characters respond to the ethical challenges they face. This program will be an interactive session where participants will view some classic movie courtroom scenes. Students will be asked to identify the ethical issues that are raised and explain how they would resolve the ethical dilemma that is posed. (2:20 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

Robert D. Laurino has been a member of the Essex County Prosecutors Office since 1980, where he is currently the Acting First Assistant Prosecutor. He has served in every administrative position within the Office, from general trial attorney to Acting Essex County Prosecutor. He has completed over 100 jury trials, and handled thousands of cases involving sexual violence. Mr. Laurino has served as a faculty member for the National District Attorneys Association and AEquitas: The Prosecutors' Resource on Violence Against Women, where he has taught trial advocacy courses on matters concerning sexual assault and DNA evidence. He has lectured nationally on sexual violence, forensic evidence, attorney ethics, and the abuse of individuals with disabilities. A *cum laude* graduate of Villanova University, Mr. Laurino received a master's degree from Rutgers University. Mr. Laurino graduated from Seton Hall University School of Law, where he was an editor of *The Law Review*. He is a member of the bars of New Jersey and New York.

Hilary Brunell, Esq. graduated with honors from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University and earned her law degree at George Washington University in 1978. Following graduation, she clerked for the Honorable John F. Crane of the New Jersey Appellate Division and then joined the Essex County Prosecutor's Office. In 1983, she became the Deputy Director of the Appellate Section, resigning her full-time position two years later to raise a family. In 1998, she returned full-time to the position of Deputy First Assistant Prosecutor and in1999, she was named Executive Assistant Prosecutor. As part of the Prosecutor's Executive Staff, Ms. Brunell was responsible for the Continuing Legal Education of a staff of over 140 attorneys. Ms Brunell was also responsible for the supervision of the Police Legal Advisor and Municipal Prosecutors, and the Appellate, Forfeiture, and Pre-Trial Intervention & Expungement Units. She was the Civil Litigation Liaison for the Office and the Prosecutor's Ethics Officer. She prepared the first Standard Operating Procedures Manual and the first Criminal Trial Manual for the Essex County Prosecutor's Office. In 1994, she received the Regional Vice-President's Award for excellence in appellate advocacy from the Association of the Government Attorneys for Capital Litigation. She has served as guest faculty for Widener Law School, Seton Hall Law School, the National College of District Attorneys, and the National Advocacy Center in South Carolina. In September 2008, she lectured on Evidence at the New Jersey County Prosecutors College and again in October of 2008 for the NDAA in Mesa,

Arizona. Her publications include *Crawford v. Washington, The Chronicle* (Essex County Bar Association 2004) and *How Appealing is Your Case: Eight Considerations that May Influence a Decision to Appeal, The Appellate Prosecutor* (Prosecution Services, LLC 2005). After retiring on June 30, 2010, from the Prosecutor's Office, Ms. Brunell became of counsel to the firm of Nuzzi and Mason in Dover, New Jersey. She continues to be actively involved in attorney education and regularly lectures at the New Jersey Attorney General's Training Institute and the Essex County Prosecutor's Office.

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