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## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **ELECTION ADMINISTRATION LAW**

**December 21, 2012  
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
New Jersey State House  
Counsel's Office Conference Room, 1st Floor  
125 West State Street  
Trenton, New Jersey**

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

This course provides an overview of the law concerning the administration of elections. Major relevant law and other sources of legal guidance such as federal election laws, New Jersey election laws, rules and regulations, Attorney General opinions, consent orders and court decisions that impact the administration of elections will be explored. Additionally, this course will examine the legal authority and proper roles of state and county level election administrators.

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

Only those persons already selected to attend this program should register. Please do not attempt to register for this program if you have not already been selected to participate. Also, those of you who normally attend the State House Series program may not be eligible to attend this program.

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

**Governor Chris Christie** was sworn in as Governor of New Jersey on January 19, 2010. Since taking office, Governor Christie fought for and achieved passage of a 2 percent cap on property taxes, landmark public employee pension and health benefit reforms that will save taxpayers over \$130 billion over the next 3 years, three balanced budgets that did not raise taxes, and \$2.35 billion in job creating tax cuts.

In addition, Governor Christie has made education reform a top priority of his administration, putting forward and working for the passage of proposals to turn around failing schools, improve accountability, create a fair and meaningful evaluation system for teachers and principals, and increase school choice in the state's worst performing districts. Governor Christie provided

millions of dollars in additional state aid for New Jersey schools, increasing state education funding to higher levels than the day he took office. In August 2012, Governor Christie signed into law landmark bipartisan tenure reform, modernizing the nation's oldest tenure law to increase teacher effectiveness and accountability in the classroom.

A lifelong New Jerseyan, Governor Chris Christie was born in Newark and raised in Livingston. He has lived in New Jersey his entire life, except to attend college at the University of Delaware. After graduating college in 1984, Christie attended Seton Hall University School of Law graduating in 1987 and joined a Cranford law firm, where he was soon named a partner. He was elected a Freeholder in Morris County, and served as Director of the Board in 1997. Christie was named U.S. Attorney General for the District of New Jersey in 2002.

**Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno** was elected New Jersey's first Lieutenant Governor in November 2009 and was sworn into office on January 19, 2010. In addition to serving as the Lt. Governor, Kim Guadagno serves as the 33<sup>rd</sup> Secretary of State.

Lt. Governor Guadagno is leading the Christie Administration's efforts to improve New Jersey's economic vitality, encourage job growth, streamline government, and make business feel welcome again in New Jersey. The Lt. Governor chairs the Red Tape Review Commission, which is engaged in an ongoing review and reform of the State's regulatory process.

Lt. Governor Guadagno also oversees the New Jersey Partnership for Action (PFA), the State's comprehensive economic development strategy. Designed to serve businesses of all sizes and development stages, the PFA provides access to a variety of resources to ensure business success. It is a three-pronged public-private approach to economic development and the starting point for all initiatives, policies, and efforts to grow New Jersey's economy and create quality, sustainable jobs in our communities. The three elements of the PFA include the Business Action Center, which reports directly to the Lt. Governor and provides the business community with a single point of contact; the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, serving as the state's "bank for business;" and Choose New Jersey, an independently funded and operated 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation created to encourage and nurture economic growth throughout New Jersey.

As the Secretary of State, Lt. Governor Guadagno is New Jersey's chief election official, overseeing promotion of the state's \$38 billion tourism industry and administers programs related to the arts, culture and history.

Lt. Governor Guadagno began her public service career as a federal prosecutor with the Organized Crime & Racketeering Strike Force in Brooklyn, New York. She later married and moved to Monmouth County. At that time, Guadagno became an Assistant United States Attorney in Newark. She was awarded the nation's highest honor for her prosecutions of two separate corrupt public officials. After her federal service, Guadagno served as a ranking member of the State of New Jersey Attorney's General's Office. In 2001, Kim Guadagno left the public sector to practice law closer to home and became a teacher at Rutgers University School of Law-Newark. She was also appointed to the Monmouth Beach planning board and was elected as a Borough Commissioner in 2005.

In 2007, Kim Guadagno was elected as the first woman sheriff in Monmouth County's history. As Sheriff, she managed a 650-member law enforcement agency encompassing the county jail, the county 911 communications center and a law enforcement department of 100 men and women. She left both the Office of Sheriff and her position as a teacher at Rutgers Law School upon being Lt. Governor.

Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno was born in Waterloo, Iowa and is a cum laude graduate of Ursinus College in Collegeville, Pennsylvania. She received her juris doctorate degree, cum laude, from the American University Washington College of Law in Washington, DC. Lt. Governor Guadagno and her husband currently reside in Monmouth Beach with their three sons.

#### ***CLE Credit***

**NJ CLE Credit:** This program has 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 civil 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).