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## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

**April 8, 2013**

**5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center  
25 Market Street  
Trenton, New Jersey**

**Simulcast: to 124 Halsey Street  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room (10C)  
Newark, New Jersey**

### *Program Summary*

The Attorney General's Advocacy Institute is proud to host Governor Chris Christie on Monday, April 8, 2013 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center, 25 Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey. We will simulcast in Newark at 124 Halsey Street on the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room (10C). **This is a non-credit program.** Seats are limited at both locations, therefore, please make sure you register on the AGAI Registration website as per our Registration Instructions below.

### *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?*

**Governor Chris Christie** was sworn in as Governor of New Jersey on January 19, 2010.

Since taking office, Governor Christie has taken action on an aggressive reform agenda to restore fiscal integrity and accountability to state and local government, combat New Jersey's highest in the nation property taxes, institute historic reform of the state's pension and health benefits system, and bring about necessary changes to public education in order to identify and turn around failing schools and give every child access to a quality education.

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 30 years, three balanced budgets that did not raise taxes, and \$2.35 billion in job creating tax cuts. After years of decline, New Jersey has created tens of thousands of private sector jobs under Governor Christie. In July 2012, Governor Christie fought for and signed into law bipartisan legislation to fundamentally change the way New Jersey deals with drug-addicted criminals by putting in place a statewide mandatory drug court program for nonviolent offenders to reclaim their lives through treatment, rather than being warehoused in prison. 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 systems 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.

Under Governor Christie, New Jersey has drawn national attention for taking on the biggest, toughest challenges facing the state with real solutions and bipartisan cooperation.

A lifelong New Jerseyan, Governor Chris Christie, 50, has a deep affection for and strong commitment to the state in which he has spent his entire life. Born in Newark and raised in Livingston, Governor Christie has lived in New Jersey his entire life, except to attend college at the University of Delaware. Chris and his wife, Mary Pat have been married since 1986 and now reside in Mendham, where they are raising their four children, Andrew (born 1993), Sarah (born 1996), Patrick (born 2000), and Bridget (born 2003). 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 for the District of New Jersey in 2002. As the chief federal law enforcement officer in New Jersey, earning praise from leaders in both parties and drawing national attention for his efforts in battling political corruption, corporate crime, human trafficking, gangs, terrorism and environmental polluters. Christie led a widely acclaimed charge against public corruption, racking up an astonishing record - winning convictions or guilty pleas from over 130 public officials - both Republican and Democrat - without losing a single case.

Some of Christie's most notable cases involved some of the worst in New Jersey. He fought against gang violence when he prosecuted 45 members of the Double II Bloods; he fought against child pornography when he helped bring down 1500 child pornographers worldwide; and he stood up to polluters who neglected their obligation to our environment. One of Christie's finest moments was when he led the team that thwarted terrorists' plans to attack our military men and women at Fort Dix. While each of Christie's cases made a difference for New Jersey, he earned widespread praise for standing up to the dirty practices of the political elite and made clear that stealing from New Jersey taxpayers or abusing power would not be tolerated.

When Christie left the U.S. Attorney's office on December 1, 2008, every major newspaper in the state applauded his term as New Jersey's U.S. Attorney.

## *CLE Credit*

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### *How Do I Register?*

#### **State Employees**

Most State employees are able to register for this course by going to <http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2> 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 <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.

#### **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](mailto: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 <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.