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PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

COOPERATING WITNESSES

December 18, 2013
4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex
6th Floor Point Meeting Area – Attorney General’s Library
25 Market Street
Trenton, New Jersey

Program Summary

This presentation is intended to provide guidance when dealing with cooperating witness. This presentation will discuss the various types of cooperating witnesses and how they can be used to further an investigation - i.e. testifying vs. non-testifying, how to strategically determine which individuals within a large multi-defendant case could be your best cooperator and how to formulate cooperation agreements and conduct proffer sessions. This presentation will also highlight issues regarding your discovery obligations and how a DAG determines what the appropriate consideration is in exchange for a witness’s cooperation.

Who Should Attend?

This program is intended for newly hired deputy attorneys general within the Division of Criminal Justice. The Division of Criminal Justice has selected those attorneys who must attend this program. Others within the Department of Law and Public Safety are welcome to attend space permitting. Please do not attempt to register for this program if you are not within the Department of Law and Public Safety.

Who Is the Faculty?

Jill Mayer is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General and Chief of the Specialized Crimes Bureau within the Division of Criminal Justice. She has been with the Division for 18 years. Prior to becoming Chief of the Specialized Crimes Bureau, she served as a Deputy Attorney General in the Casino Prosecutions Bureau and Gangs/Organized Crime South Bureau. While with the Gangs/OC Bureau, SDAG Mayer prosecuted several Racketeering cases and supervised numerous wiretap investigations. SDAG Mayer is a 1990 graduate of Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania and a 1994 graduate of Widener University School of Law, Delaware Campus. Upon graduation from law school, SDAG Mayer served as a law clerk to the
Honorable Albert J. Garofolo, Presiding Judge, Superior Court, Criminal Division in Atlantic County. She was then hired by the Attorney General’s Office after serving her clerkship term.

**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 up to 1.8 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

**NY CLE Credit**: 1.5 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

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

**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](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](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** 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/](http://www.state.nj.us/) and create a portal account. Once your portal account is created you are prompted to enter your authorization code. This is Step 1 of the process, which you need only do once.

**If you have already been issued an authorization code in the past you do not need to request another one.** You can log into your account on the Garden State Network at [http://www.state.nj.us/](http://www.state.nj.us/) and under the heading NJ L&PS Applications you will see the Attorney General’s Advocacy Institute’s Registration System. Click on that and log into your account on our system.
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.