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## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **EASY AS ABC: RAIDING A NONCOMPLIANT BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENT**

**January 14, 2015**

**10:00 a.m.-12:00 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 will provide an overview of Alcohol and Beverage Control statutes and regulations. This presentation will also offer the basics of: an ABC investigation, searches, and referrals for enforcement action.

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

This program is intended for all government attorneys, space allowing.

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

**Michael I. Halfacre** was appointed Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control by Governor Chris Christie. He began his work as Acting Director on February 6, 2012 and, after New Jersey Senate confirmation, was sworn in as Director on March 30, 2012. Prior to his appointment as Director, Mr. Halfacre was in private practice, including having his own firm where he specialized in transactions, including sales and refinance of real estate and transfers of ABC licenses. During this time Director Halfacre also served as a municipal prosecutor in Little Silver and Rumson, where he argued for convictions for drunk drivers and adults who provided alcohol to underage drinkers. While in the private sector, Director Halfacre served as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, Ocean-Monmouth Legal Services and the Monmouth Bar Association. A lifelong resident of Fair Haven, Director Halfacre served in various elected and appointed positions in the municipality, including serving as Mayor from 2007 through his appointment as Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control. Director Halfacre earned his undergraduate degree in Political Science from Florida State University, where he was the co-captain of the varsity swimming team. He later earned his law degree from the University of Dayton. He was admitted to the New Jersey Bar in 1991.

**SDAG Kevin Marc Schatz, Acting Enforcement Bureau Chief** began his State service in 1991 at the Division of Law. In that capacity, he represented several state agencies, including the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (“ABC”), the Economic Development Authority, the Racing Commission and the Divisions of Taxation and Pensions and Benefits. From 1997-1999, Kevin was the first Supervisor of the Division of Purchase and Property’s Contract Compliance & Administration Unit. Kevin joined ABC in 1999 as the Assistant Enforcement Bureau Chief and was most recently appointed the Acting Enforcement Bureau Chief. He has successfully argued cases in State courts of every level, as well as the federal District Court and Third Circuit Court of Appeals. He received L.L.M. (Taxation) and J.D. degrees from the Widener University School of Law and an M.B.A. degree from the Widener University School of Management. He was the first Widener University student to earn both J.D. and M.B.A. degrees in three years. He also received a B.S. degree at St. Joseph’s University.

**Kevin T. Barber, Acting Chief Investigator of the Investigations Bureau** was hired by the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control as an Investigator in 1995. As an Investigator, he conducted retail compliance inspections and also participated in undercover operations for underage drinking. He also assisted in training seminars provided by the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control to license holders, their employees, and members of law enforcement. Kevin was recently appointed Acting Chief Investigator of the Investigations Bureau. In that capacity, he plans, coordinates, and directs Investigators performing investigations and inspections of prospective and current holders of retail and wholesale liquor licenses. He is a graduate of Rowan University with a B.A. degree in Law and Justice. He also completed Levels I, II, and III of the New Jersey Certified Public Manager Program.

### *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.

**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).

### **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. 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> 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.