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## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **CROSSING THE DEFENSE EXPERT**

**March 4, 2015**

**4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

**Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex  
6th Point Meeting Area-Attorney General's Library  
25 Market Street  
Trenton, New Jersey**

#### *Program Summary*

Cross-examination of experts can be challenging to conduct, but can be highly effective when done right. Various strategies of cross-examining an expert will be reviewed in detail. This will include how to prepare for the cross-examination, how to challenge qualifications on voir dire to limit scope or exclude the expert, and how to diminish the weight of the expert testimony using methods like attacking assumptions or showing dependency on other fact witnesses.

#### *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?*

**AAG Christine A. Hoffman** is a Deputy Director of the Division of Criminal Justice and former Chief of the Division's Corruption Bureau. AAG Hoffman previously served as Deputy Chief of the Division's Major Crimes Bureau and Assistant Prosecutor with the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office. AAG Hoffman is a member of the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute faculty, and is a member of the National Attorneys General Training and Research Institute faculty.

## *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 1.8 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 1.8 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

**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> 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.