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### PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

#### PROSECUTING THE DRUG-IMPAIRED DRIVER

May 29, 2015 Registration: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Program: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Ocean County College
1 College Drive
Toms River, NJ 08754
(Room 104 at the Gateway Lecture Hall - First Floor)

### **Program Summary**

This program will examine prosecuting the drug-impaired driver from soup to nuts. The program will take an in-depth look at the Drug Recognition Expert training program, the 12-step Drug Influence Evaluation, and the scope of testimony a Drug Recognition Expert can provide. We will also discuss how biological samples obtained during the Drug Influence Evaluation are tested by the Office of Forensic Science; with topics to include what substances are tested for and how the test results are reported. Legal and practical issues involving the prosecution of the drug-impaired driver will additionally be addressed, with a focus on which witnesses to call, questions to ask such witnesses, arguments to make, and case law to rely upon.

# Who Should Attend?

This program is solely open to assistant and municipal prosecutors. Please DO NOT attempt to register for this program is you ARE NOT an assistant or municipal prosecutor.

#### Who Is the Faculty?

**Prosecutor Joseph D. Coronato** graduated from Upsala College in East Orange, New Jersey, receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree in June 1972; graduated from North Carolina Central University Law School in Durham, North Carolina receiving his Juris Doctor Degree in May 1975; was admitted to the New Jersey Bar and the U. S. District Court in 1975; to the Washington, D.C. Bar in 1979; to the U. S. Court of Appeals Federal Circuit in 1985, and to Practice in U. S. Court Supreme Court in 1991. In 1976, Prosecutor Coronato was appointed a

Deputy Attorney General and assigned to the Division of Criminal Justice working in the Special Prosecutions/Organized Crime Section; in 1981, he was employed as an Assistant Prosecutor at the Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office assigned to the Major Crime and Trial Units. In 1984 Prosecutor Coronato established a private practice in Toms River. Once in private practice, he became a Municipal Prosecutor in at least 15 towns in Ocean County. Prosecutor Coronato has tried/prosecuted cases on the local, county, state and federal level. On March 22, 2013 he was sworn in as Prosecutor, the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in Ocean County, New Jersey.

**Lieutenant Christopher Dudzik** has been employed by the Toms River Police Department for the past twenty years. He began as a patrolman assigned regular patrol work then was assigned to the Traffic Safety Bureau in 1999. He remained in the Traffic Safety Unit until June 2008 when he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant. As Sergeant, he supervised patrol officers on all shifts before moving to Special Operations where he oversaw all aspects of Traffic Safety and directly supervised the Traffic Safety Unit, Motorcycle Unit, and Crossing Guards. In 2014 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Lieutenant Dudzik has extensive training in Crash Investigation and is a certified Accident Reconstructionist. He is an active radar instructor for the Toms River Police Department and serves as an instructor for the Ocean County Police Academy. He also is an instructor for Kean University teaching advanced Crash Investigation courses. He is an active member of the New Jersey Association of Accident Reconstructionists (NJAAR) and former member of the International Association of Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA). Lieutenant Dudzik also has extensive training in DWI detection and investigation. During his career, he has made several hundred DWI arrests, averaging approximately 30 arrests per year. He is trained in Breathalyzer and Alcotest Operation, Standardized Field Sobriety Testing, and has undergone training as a Drug Recognition Expert. He is also currently a DRE Instructor and President of the New Jersey DRE Association. He has instructed for the DRE Program across the country. He is a former Field Training Officer and is still an Emergency Medical Technician.

Lieutenant Dudzik holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Delaware with double minors in Sociology and History. He is currently working towards his Masters in Administrative Science from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

**Trooper I Michael P. Gibson** is currently assigned to the Alcohol/Drug Testing Unit based out of the Hamilton Headquarters. He is the Breath Test Coordinator for several municipalities in Camden, Burlington, and Gloucester Counties. He has been a Trooper since 2004. As a Coordinator, Trooper Gibson's duties include inspecting and re-calibrating Alcotest instruments assigned to NJSP stations and local Police Department and also provides expert testimony in DWI cases in municipal court. He assists with training officers throughout the State of New Jersey in the fields of Driving While Intoxicated and Drug Recognition Expert (DRE). Trooper Gibson attended the DRE Instructor Train-the-Trainer Course and has been an instructor as well as lead instructor for several DRE classes. He additionally assists the DRE State Coordinator with the re-certification of DRE's and conducts presentations to promote the DRE Program. Trooper Gibson graduated from West Chester University in 2000.

**Brian W. Mason** is a municipal prosecutor in: Mount Olive Township, Chester Township and Denville Township. He previously worked in the Essex County Prosecutor's Office; first in the Appellate Section and thereafter in the Forfeiture Section. Prosecutor Mason clerked for the Honorable Joseph M. Thuring, J.S.C in Hudson County from 1984-1985. He is a graduate of Brown University (1981) and Seton Hall University School of Law (1984).

**Robyn Mitchell** is a Deputy Attorney General with the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. DAG Mitchell joined the Division in January 2000, where she worked in the Legislation Section until 2003, and in the Appellate Bureau between 2003 and 2011. Assigned to the Prosecutors Supervision & Training Bureau since March 2011, DAG Mitchell handles matters involving DWI and Alcotest-related issues, and provides legal guidance and support to assistant and municipal prosecutors in the prosecution of DWI cases. She started her career in 1991 as a Staff Attorney in the Criminal Defense Division of The Legal Aid Society in Manhattan. She received her B.A. degree in 1988 from Rutgers College and her J.D. in 1991 from The University of Maryland School of Law in Baltimore, Maryland.

Monica do Outeiro is a Special Deputy Attorney General/Acting Assistant Prosecutor in the Appellate Section of the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office. She graduated *magna cum laude* from Hamilton College and subsequently attended Quinnipiac University School of Law. During her tenure in law school, AP do Outeiro worked for the Public Safety Unit of the Connecticut Office of the Attorney General, which defended members of the Connecticut State Police and Department of Corrections in both state and federal civil lawsuits. In 2006, she began working for the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office as a legal assistant in the Appellate Section. AP do Outeiro was sworn in as an Assistant Prosecutor in 2007, and after brief stints in the Family Unit prosecuting juvenile and domestic violence cases, was again assigned to the Appellate Section. She acts as the Municipal Prosecutors Supervisor. In this capacity, she has been responsible for developing case law involving the Alcotest. AP do Outeiro is also a Police Training Commission Certified Instructor, who regularly teaches at the Monmouth County Police Academy and at various in-service trainings for municipal police officers.

Assistant Prosecutor Elizabeth R. Rebein has been a member of the Appellate Section of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office since 2011. She graduated from the University of Kansas School of Law in 2007. Throughout law school, she worked as a law clerk in the Kansas Office of the Disciplinary Administrator. After graduation, AP Rebein clerked for Kansas Supreme Court Justice Lawton R. Nuss. Upon completion of the clerkship, she worked as an associate in the matrimonial law firm of Manson & Karbank P.A. in Kansas City. She is a member of the Bergen County Bar Association's Criminal Practice Committee and the Justice Morris Pashman Inn of Court. AP Reibin also teaches as an adjunct professor in the English Department at Passaic County Community College.

Monica L. Tramontin is a Forensic Scientist III at the New Jersey State Police Office of Forensic Sciences at the Central Regional Laboratory in Hamilton. She is a qualified and has testified as an expert witness in Superior and Municipal Courts in: Bergen, Passaic, Morris, Union, Hudson, Sussex, Middlesex, Somerset, Mercer and Warren Counties. Prior to working for the New Jersey State Police, Ms. Tramontin worked at the New Jersey Medical Examiner's Office. She has certifications in Blood Alcohols, General Toxicology, Drug Analysis and Alcotest. Ms. Tramontin is a 1984 graduate of Douglass College/Rutgers University.

#### 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 6.0 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as

hours of credit for ethics/professionalism, and 6.0 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law.

**NY CLE Credit:** 6.0 substantive credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

**PA CLE Credit:** 5.0 substantive credits (\$7.50 mandatory registration fee required).

# How Do I Register?

# **State Employees**

Most State employees are able to register for this course bv 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 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 <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/">http://www.state.nj.us/</a> 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 <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/">http://www.state.nj.us/</a>. 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 <a href="http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2">http://reg.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/login.aspx?portalid=2</a> to register for future courses or to manage your account. Please retain your user name and password for your records.