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# PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

### INVESTIGATION AND PROSECUTION OF MULTI-DEFENDANT CASES

June 29, 2016 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.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 designed for less experienced prosecutors who are acquiring more complex multi-defendant matters on their case list. The presentation examines various legal issues that arise in prosecuting multi-defendant cases including Bruton issues, Motions to Sever, plea strategy, practical advice for file organization and indictment, contingent/conditional plea offers, and proffers. The latter part of the presentation discusses what factors, if present, can convert a large-scale conspiracy into a racketeering enterprise and why the racketeering statute is one of the most valuable prosecutorial tools available-if used in the appropriate circumstances.

#### Who Should Attend?

While this program is intended for less experienced prosecutors handling multi-defendant cases, it is open to all government attorneys, space allowing.

#### Who Is the Faculty?

**SDAG Jill Mayer** is a Supervising Deputy Attorney General and Chief of the Specialized Crimes Bureau with the Division of Criminal Justice. SDAG Mayer is a 1990 graduate of Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, with a B.A. in Political Science and is a 1994 graduate of Widener University School of Law, Delaware Campus. Upon graduating 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. SDAG Mayer has been with the Division for 21 years and began her career with DCJ in the Casino Prosecution Bureau. After serving in that unit for five years, she joined the Gangs, Organized Crime and Racketeering Bureau where she spent 13 years prosecuting narcotics and weapons offenses and several racketeering cases involving the use of electronic surveillance. In 2012, SDAG Mayer became Chief of the

Specialized Crimes Bureau. As Chief of Specialized Crimes, she oversees several units including the Atlantic City Violent Crimes Task Force, Motor Vehicle Commission, Labor Prosecutions, Interstate Theft, Environmental Crimes, ABC, Bias Crimes, and Casino Prosecutions. SDAG Mayer is on the faculty of the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute and has lectured on Cooperating Witnesses, and Multi-Defendant Prosecutions. She is also part of the Top Gun faculty and teaches Communication Data Warrants. SDAG Mayer is admitted to the New Jersey and Pennsylvania bars.

#### 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 able to register for this course are by going to http://reg2.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/lpcreg/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://reg2.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/lpcreg/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: <u>AdvocacyInstitute@lps.state.nj.us</u> 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 <u>http://www.state.nj.us/</u> 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 <u>http://www.state.nj.us/</u>. 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 <u>http://reg2.dcj.lps.state.nj.us/lpcreg/login.aspx?portalid=2</u> to register for future courses or to manage your account. Please retain your user name and password for your records.