



The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

AN OVERVIEW OF THE NEW JERSEY SEXUAL PREDATORS ACT

**February 6, 2017
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**

PLEASE READ: NOTICE REGARDING COURSE MATERIALS

All materials for New Jersey Attorney General's Advocacy Institute continuing legal education courses are now available electronically through the Advocacy Institute website: www.njadvocacyinstitute.com. Materials will be posted to the website approximately forty-eight (48) hours prior to the course date.

The institute will no longer provide paper copies of course materials. This policy is effective immediately and is within the guidelines of the New Jersey Board of Continuing Legal Education and the Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education Board. Please follow the procedure below to obtain course materials:

- Click on the Course Information tab.
- Select Course Materials from the drop-down menu.
- Click on the course that you are registered for. Courses are listed alphabetically by title.
- Most courses will have two files; a file containing class materials that you should bring to the session and a file with reference materials such as statutes, regulations and cases.
- Print the documents in the class materials file and bring them with you to the session.
- You have the option of printing the documents in the reference materials file or downloading them to a computer or mobile device.

Program Summary

This presentation will discuss the Sexually Violent Predators Act (SVPA) and how Sexually Violent Predator cases are handled in New Jersey. This presentation will also review the various steps of Sexually Violent Predator litigation as well as some provisions of the New Jersey Criminal Code addressing sexual offenses and the psychology involving the various diagnoses used for sexual offenders. Finally, this presentation will discuss published appellate decisions involving Sexually Violent Predator cases.

Who Should Attend?

This presentation is open to all government attorneys, space allowing.

Who Is the Faculty?

SDAG Mark H. Singer is currently Lead attorney with the Division of Law's Health and Human Services, Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) unit, wherein he oversees three attorneys and three paralegals which represent the Attorney General in all phases of litigation regarding the commitment of sexually violent predators. His litigation responsibilities include the review of files of prisoners convicted of sexual crimes and the selection of those prisoners who are most likely to sexually reoffend for civil commitment to treatment units. He is the Attorney General's representative on the Governor's Advisory Council Against Sexual Violence. Prior to being the lead attorney in the SVP Unit, he worked in the Tort Litigation and the Department of Youth and Family Services Sections. Prior to joining the Division of Law, he worked with the Burlington County Prosecutor's office. He received his Juris Doctorate from Rutgers School of Law, Camden and a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Montclair State College.

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 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://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: 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://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.