

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

DEALING WITH JURY QUESTIONS

September 7, 2017 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.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

You will receive the course materials approximately forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of the course. The materials will be contained in an email attachment.

Program Summary

This presentation will discuss how to handle common questions asked by juries during both trial and deliberations. This presentation will also cover questions and concerns that prosecutors should have during the jury selection process, including potential bias.

Who Should Attend?

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

Who Is the Faculty?

DAG James Ruberton is the Deputy Attorney General in charge of the Attorney General's Atlantic City Task Force. He has been a prosecutor for almost 22 years. Jim was law clerk to the Honorable Albert J. Garafolo, Presiding Criminal Judge in Atlantic County in 1995 and then served as Assistant Atlantic County Prosecutor before joining the Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ) in 1998. At DCJ, Jim worked for 10 years in the Casino Prosecution Unit. He also worked in the Gangs and Organized Crimes Bureau, and the former Major Crimes Bureau before starting the Task Force five years ago. He has tried numerous cases, including attempted murder, kidnapping, weapons offenses, and casino crimes. Jim has supervised several wire-tap

investigations and has been a member of the Attorney General's Shooting Response Team for more than ten years. Jim is an adjunct professor and teaches Trial Advocacy for the Attorney General's Advocacy Institute.

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://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>njagai@njoag.gov</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.