

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

PROSECUTION BY ALGORITHM: UNDERSTANDING RISK ASSESSMENTS IN BAIL REFORM

November 1, 2017
3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex
6th Floor Point Meeting Area – Attorney General's Library
25 Market Street
Trenton, New Jersey

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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 take an in depth look at the Public Safety Assessment (PSA), the risk assessment tool currently being utilized by police, prosecutors, and the courts to frame decision-making in Bail Reform. In addition, the seminar will include an analysis of the Ontario Domestic Assault Risk Assessment (ODARA), which was recently designated as the risk assessment tool for utilization by law enforcement statewide in certain domestic violence incidents and will be deployed on November 1, 2017. Items to be discussed will include the research behind the tools, specific risk factors addressed, and scoring methodologies. The presenters, AAG Geoffrey Soriano and DAG Joseph Walsh, have been deeply involved with the drafting of Attorney General Directive 2016-6 (Establishing Interim Policies, Practices, and Procedures to Implement Criminal Justice Reform Pursuant to P.L. 2014, c. 31) as well as the recent modifications to this Directive.

Who Should Attend?

This program is mandatory for all Division of Criminal Justice Deputy Attorneys General hired after January 1, 2015. The Division of Criminal Justice has notified those attorneys who are required to attend this program. Other attorneys 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

Who Is the Faculty?

Geoffrey D. Soriano is an Assistant Attorney General in the Division of Criminal Justice. Mr. Soriano is a 1986 graduate of Brown University, majoring in Political Science and Organizational Behavior and Management. He earned his juris doctorate degree, cum laude, from the Seton Hall University School of Law in 1989. Following his formal education, Mr. Soriano clerked for the Honorable Wilfred P. Diana during the 1989-1990 court term. A private practitioner for 20 years with 18 years of experience as a municipal court prosecutor, Mr. Soriano served as the County Prosecutor for Somerset County from October 21, 2010 to March 7, 2016. During his time with the Division of Criminal Justice, Mr. Soriano's responsibilities have primarily focused upon the myriad of issues associated with Criminal Justice Reform.

Joseph F. Walsh is a Deputy Attorney General assigned to the Prosecutors Supervision and Training Bureau of the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice. Mr. Walsh is a 1983 graduate of Drexel University, earning his undergraduate degree in Business Administration-Accounting. He next graduated from the Rutgers University School of Law-Camden in 1986, earning his Juris Doctorate with high honors. Mr. Walsh is a graduate of the Burlington County Police Academy and a Police Training Commission Certified Instructor.

Prior to joining the Division of Criminal Justice, Joseph Walsh served as a police officer in Moorestown Township, retiring in 2015 as a Sergeant. He was assigned for sixteen years as a supervisor in both the Patrol Division and the Detective Bureau. He has also served as an Assistant County Prosecutor in both Camden County and Burlington County.

As a Deputy Attorney General assigned to the Prosecutors Supervision and Training Bureau, Mr. Walsh assists with the coordination of the twenty-one County Prosecutor's Offices, as well as with law enforcement training statewide. Recently, the Bureau has been working on numerous projects, including Body Worn Cameras (BWCs), Conducted Energy Devices (CEDs), Training for Law Enforcement Officers in Dealing with Mentally III Individuals, and Criminal Justice Reform. Mr. Walsh is presently serving as the Acting Administrator of the New Jersey Police Training Commission.

CLE Credit

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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.