PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

THE BUDGET CYCLE

August 20, 2018
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
New Jersey Governor’s Office
5th Floor, Conference Room 1
225 West State Street
Trenton, New Jersey

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 covers the State’s budget cycle from the creation of the Governor’s Annual Budget Message to the Legislature’s enactment of the Annual Appropriations Act. Topics include: the significance of the budget to the conduct of State government; the history of the constitutional provisions governing the State’s fiscal structure; the key players in the process; the four requirements of the constitutional mandate; what happens if an annual appropriations act is not enacted by the beginning of the fiscal year; recent case law involving challenges to budgetary actions; and the current fiscal challenges and problems facing the State.

Who Should Attend?

Registration for this course is limited to those who have been selected to participate in the State House Series programs. Please do not attempt to register if you have not been notified of your eligibility for this series.

Who Is the Faculty?

Robert Garrenger is the Governor’s Senior Special Counsel–Finance. Mr. Garrenger serves as a member of the Governor's budget team and oversees the legal sufficiency of the structure and contents of the annual State budget. Mr. Garrenger commenced his State service in 1995 as a Deputy Attorney General in the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety. As a DAG, Mr. Garrenger represented the State of New Jersey and various State officials, including the
Governor and the State Treasurer, in a variety of civil litigation. Since 1999, Mr. Garrenger has served in various legal positions in the Office of the Governor, including Senior Associate Counsel, Deputy Chief Counsel, Assistant Counsel, and Special Budget Counsel. Prior to his service in State government, Mr. Garrenger worked as an associate in the Washington, D.C. firm of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan, LLP, and served as a law clerk to the Honorable John C. Lifland of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey. Mr. Garrenger received his Bachelor of Arts degree, cum laude, from Yale University in 1989, and earned his Juris Doctorate degree, cum laude, from the University of Michigan Law School in 1992.

**Matt Platkin** is Chief Counsel to Governor Philip D. Murphy. He previously served as Policy Director for the Governor’s campaign, managing the campaign’s internal research and policy team and coordinating substantive positions taken by the candidate. Before joining the campaign team, he served in a similar role for New Way for New Jersey. Matt was an attorney at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in New York, where his practice focused on criminal and regulatory investigations. He also maintained an active pro bono practice, representing indigent clients facing criminal and removal proceedings in federal and immigration court. Matt began his career working on economic policy at The Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C., where he advised members of Congress on policies to promote economic recovery and job growth in the wake of the 2008 financial crisis. Matt holds a B.A. with distinction and Phi Beta Kappa from Stanford University, and a J.D. from Stanford Law School, where he earned pro bono distinction, served as President of the American Constitution Society and as an Editor of the Stanford Law Review.

**CLE Credit**

**NJ CLE Credit:** This program has 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](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](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: njagai@njoag.gov 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.dej.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.