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## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

*The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present*

### **LAWYER WELL-BEING AND ITS EFFECT ON PROFESSIONALISM AND ETHICS**

**June 17, 2019**

**1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

**N.J. Forensic Science & Technology Center**

**1200 Negron Drive**

**Hamilton, 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***

The law is a helping profession, but one that can challenge even the most competent of practitioners. The hours are long, the clients often difficult, and the workload is sometimes crushing. Those issues, coupled with pressures from personal obligations, can weaken a lawyer's well-being, making him or her susceptible to depression, anxiety and addiction. These conditions can undermine a lawyer's competency, skill and professionalism, and possibly expose an attorney to malpractice liability and disciplinary measures. Professionals from the New Jersey's Lawyers Assistance Program will examine the importance of well-being in the practice of law, discuss recent reports on lawyer well-being compiled by the ABA, and provide attendees with practical strategies to achieve balance in their personal and professional lives.

#### ***Who Should Attend?***

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

#### ***Who Is the Faculty?***

**William John Kane, Esq.** is the Director of the New Jersey Lawyers Assistance Program. He has served on faculty of the Rutgers Center of Alcohol Studies since 1981, teaching “Alcoholism and the Law” and “Counseling the Professional Client.” He has also served as a federal confidentiality specialist in the public and private sectors and as a consultant to student assistance programs. Kane has implemented some of the first employee assistance programs for several national corporations and was among the nation’s first Certified Employee Assistance Professionals. When in private practice, he specialized in health issues and served as an adjunct professor and lecturer at several local universities. Kane is a graduate of Seton Hall Law School and is also a Certified Social Worker. Kane’s professional honors include the NJ State Bar Foundation’s Medal of Honor for “significant contribution as an attorney toward improving our New Jersey justice system”, the Justice William J. Brennan award for Citizenship and Leadership, the Commission on Professionalism’s 2001 Lawyer of the Year Award, the Canadian Bar Association’s Cushman-MacDonald Award, and the Diskin Memorial Award for Significant Clinical Contributions. He was also named “Person of the Year” by the NJ Council on Compulsive Gambling.

**Noreen Braman** is the Communications Manager for the New Jersey Lawyers Assistance Program. She is a strategic communications professional and the author of “Treading Water,” a collection of her humor columns and essays. Noreen is a member of the Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor (AATH), a practitioner of Laughter Yoga and a teacher of Laughter Wellness Training. Noreen provides employers with innovative solutions for a happier, healthier, more connected workplace. She has presented “Laughter for the Health of It” to a wide range of groups, including lawyers, professional mediators, technology employees, dentists, banking professionals, caregivers, cancer survivors, and senior citizens.

### *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, 2.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

**NY CLE Credit:** 2.0 Ethics Credits (pursuant to the approved jurisdiction policy).

**PA CLE Credit:** 1.5 Ethics 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: [njagai@njoag.gov](mailto: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.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.