

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

THE OPEN PUBLIC RECORDS ACT - 2019 UPDATE

July 30, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. New Jersey Governor's Office 225 West State Street 5th Floor, Conference Room 1 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

As society continues to rapidly evolve in today's electronic age, responding to public record requests has become increasingly complex and frequently presents novel issues. This program will provide a broad overview of recent OPRA case law developments and offer practical suggestions to better assist with counselling client agencies. It will offer a common sense approach to striking an appropriate balance between transparency and the legitimate need for confidentiality to foster the efficient operation of government and to protect the security and privacy interests of our citizens.

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?

AAG Raymond R. Chance, III is the AAG in charge of the Division of Law's Public Records Advice and Disputes Practice Group. He has overall responsibility for the supervision of DAsG throughout the Division who provide advice to various State agencies. AAG Chance has directly handled many significant OPRA cases in the Supreme Court, Appellate Division, and trial

courts. He was previously the Section Chief of the Banking and Insurance Section. Prior to joining LPS, AAG Chance worked at the former Horn Goldberg Gorny Daniels Paarz Plackter & Weiss (now Fox Rothschild) law firm in Atlantic City, where he handled complex asbestos litigation and other insurance defense cases. AAG Chance is a graduate of the Dickinson School of Law and the University of Colorado at Boulder.

DAG Valentina DiPippo is the Assistant Section Chief of the Division of Law's Public Records Advice and Disputes Section. She supervises OPRA advice, litigation, and administrative matters before the Government Records Council for clients throughout the State. She was previously a member of the Division of Law's Community Affairs, State, & Elections Section, where she represented client agencies, including the Council on Affordable Housing, the State Planning Commission, the Racing Commission, the Civil Service Commission, and the Department of Community Affairs, in administrative matters and litigation. She started with the DOL as a deputy in the Transportation Construction & Condemnation Section, where she handled construction litigation. Prior to joining the DOL, DAG DiPippo served as a law clerk for the Honorable Philip S. Carchman, P.J.A.D. (retired on recall to Law Division) and in the Chancery Division, General Equity Part, for the Honorable Mary C. Jacobson and the Honorable Paul Innes, P.J.Ch. She received a B.A. from Wesleyan University and J.D. from Brooklyn Law School.

Heather Taylor, Esq. is the Chief Ethics Officer in the Governor's Office. She is also the Custodian of Government Records for the Office. Prior to her service in the Governor's Office, she was an AAG in the Corruption Bureau in the Division of Criminal Justice and a partner at two law firms in Newark where she specialized in civil litigation. Heather holds a B.S. from Syracuse University and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

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 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.