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## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

*The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present*

### IMMUNITIES AND DEFENSES UNDER THE NEW JERSEY TORT CLAIMS ACT

May 4, 2021  
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## WEBINAR

### *Program Summary*

This presentation will review immunities and other defenses provided by the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, which most frequently arise in litigation matters defended by attorneys in the Division of Law.

### *Eligibility*

Registration for this program is limited to Deputy and Assistant Attorneys General in the State Police, Employment and Corrections and Tort Sections of the Division of Law. Registrants will receive the course materials prior to the program date.

### *Faculty*

**Daniel M. Vannella** is an Assistant Attorney General with the Litigation Practice Group in the Division of Law. Prior to that, he was the Chief of the Tort Litigation & Judiciary Section, as well as a deputy and then an Assistant Chief with the Corrections & State Police Section. AAG Vannella has handled and supervised a large number of state/federal litigation and appellate matters involving constitutional, civil rights, and tort issues. He has argued before the Supreme Court of New Jersey, Third Circuit, and Appellate Division, and defended five jury trials before the U.S. District of New Jersey. AAG Vannella previously worked for the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office, in private practice, and as a law clerk for the Honorable Richard J. Geiger, J.S.C. He obtained his B.A., *magna cum laude*, from The College of New Jersey, and his J.D. from William & Mary Law School.

**DAG Robert Preuss** is a member of the State Police, Employment and Corrections Section of the Division of Law. His extensive trial experience includes defending litigation brought against the New Jersey State Police, handling employment law cases filed against State agencies, colleges and universities, and defending matters brought against the Department of Corrections. Prior to joining DOL, DAG Preuss was in private practice, where he litigated civil and criminal matters. He holds a B.A. in English from Colgate University and a J.D. from New York University 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 1.2 hours of Alternative Verifiable Learning Format (AVF) total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

### *Registration*

Those who are eligible to apply should use the Zoom Webinar registration link in the Program Announcement email. Students who are registered will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the program.

**Students must download Zoom before the webinar in order for the AGAI to record polling responses that are required for attendance verification and CLE credit.**

The AGAI will be unable to verify attendance or grant CLE credit to students who have not downloaded Zoom before the webinar.