

## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

# **Kinship Legal Guardianship: Making Eloquent Arguments for KLG**

November 23, 2021 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.\*

\*Students will receive a timed agenda prior to the program.

## **WEBINAR**

## **Program Summary**

This program will provide a primer on Kinship Legal Guardianship, including review of recent changes in law and policy. The speakers will present a general overview of statutory authority, case law and case practice related to KLGs, with tips and tools on how to commence a KLG proceeding and the paperwork necessary for the timely filing and granting of a KLG complaint. They will also review motions to amend and vacate KLGs and discuss KLG subsidies and the role of the client during the KLG court process.

### **Eligibility**

This program is only open to Deputy and Assistant Attorneys General in the Division of Law's DCF practice group and DCF agency attorneys invited to attend. Registrants will receive the course materials prior to the program date.

## **Faculty**

**DAG Nancy R. Andre** is an Assistant Section Chief in the DCF-South Section of the Division of Law. She supervises DAsG in Camden County in abuse/neglect and termination of parental rights matters. Prior to joining the Division of Law, she was a law guardian for Lawyers For Children, Inc., in New York. DAG Andre received an undergraduate degree from Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY and a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania.

Virginia "Ginny" Kenny, MSW is the Assistant Director overseeing Adoption Operations in the Department of Children and Families. As the Statewide Adoption Manager, she oversees statewide adoption staff who support the local office adoption units as well as Adoption and Kinship Legal Guardianship Subsidy. She received her Master's degree in Social Work from Monmouth University and an Adoption Certificate from Rutgers University.

**DAG Sara Gregory** is the Assistant Section Chief in the DCF Appeals Section of the Division of Law, where she supervises deputies and helps to oversee a large caseload of appellate and Supreme Court cases involving the Department of Children and Families. She has successfully represented DCF in numerous appeals and arguments before both the Appellate Division and the New Jersey Supreme Court. Before joining DCF Appeals, she was a line deputy in DCF North, where she handled protective services and guardianship cases and drafted and reviewed appeals in Hudson County while also covering caseloads in multiple counties. DAG Gregory earned a B.A. from Rutgers University and a law degree from Rutgers-Newark Law School and completed a clerkship with the Honorable Joseph L. Yannotti, P.J.A.D.

#### 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 3.2 hours of Alternative Verifiable Learning Format (AVF) total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

### Registration

This program will also be held on November 22, 2021. DCF leadership will assign deputies to a session. They should register using the link in their registration email. Registered students will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the program on their assigned date.

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.