



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Dissecting the Human Trafficking Prevention, Protection & Treatment Act

**February 24, 2022
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

WEBINAR

Program Summary

New Jersey has been described as a prime location for Human Trafficking, which is modern day slavery, human rights abuse, and a multi-billion dollar criminal enterprise. Although New Jersey had a human trafficking statute for over a decade, the 2013 enactment of the Human Trafficking Prevention, Protection and Treatment Act (HTPPTA) clearly reflected the State's resolve to address outstanding gaps in the previous law. Among its successes, the HTPPTA created new rights for victims, empowered law enforcement, and emphasized training as a valuable tool for the detection and prevention of human trafficking. This presentation will provide an overview of the HTPPTA; an update on the State's compliance with the Act; and a summary of New Jersey's efforts at combatting human trafficking.

Eligibility

This program is open to attorneys in the Department of Law and Public Safety and county prosecutors' offices. Registrants will receive the course materials prior to the program date.

Faculty

AAG Annmarie Taggart is a Deputy Director in the Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Criminal Justice, overseeing the Gangs and Organized Crime and Specialized Crime Bureaus. AAG Taggart serves as the Chairperson of the Attorney General's Human Trafficking Taskforce. The Taskforce raises awareness of human trafficking, trains and assists law

enforcement in best practices to disrupt human trafficking, coordinates statewide efforts to identify and provide services to human trafficking victims, and increases the successful interdiction and prosecution of individuals engaging in human trafficking. Prior to serving in this position, AAG Taggart was a Supervising Deputy Attorney General and Deputy Bureau Chief in the Gangs & Organized Crime Bureau in DCJ, where she prosecuted and supervised the prosecution of traditional and non-traditional organized criminal groups engaged in a variety of inter-related criminal activities, including human trafficking, racketeering, narcotics trafficking and weapons offenses. She is a graduate of Utica College of Syracuse University and holds a J.D from Albany Law School.

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 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.

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