



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Inmate Litigation

July 19, 2022
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Webinar

Program Summary

This presentation will provide an overview of prisoner civil rights litigation, with an emphasis on federal practice. The presenters will supplement a general overview of Section 1983 practice with the nuances and benefits of the PLRA. The presenters will also discuss the particular challenges of handling cases with incarcerated plaintiffs.

Eligibility

This program is open to attorneys in the Department of Law and Public Safety and county prosecutors' offices.

Faculty

DAG Joseph M. Micheletti is the Section Chief of the Tort Litigation and Judiciary Section of the Division of Law, where he manages a group of trial attorneys and handles the defense of complex tort and civil rights cases brought against State agencies and their employees. DAG Micheletti has extensive experience in all aspects of litigation. He previously served as a trial attorney and later an Assistant Section Chief in DOL's State Police, Employment and Corrections Section, where he represented State agencies and employees in complex employment and Section 1983 matters. DAG Micheletti has tried multiple matters before the New Jersey Superior and United States District Courts and has represented State agencies in front of administrative bodies including the Division of Civil Rights and the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. DAG Micheletti has briefed and argued multiple appeals before the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division and the United States Third Circuit Court of Appeals. He serves as a faculty member for New Jersey Attorney General's Advocacy Institute and the National Attorneys General Training and Research Institute. DAG Micheletti holds an undergraduate degree from Penn State University and a J.D. from Seton Hall Law School.

DAG Dianne Moratti is the Section Chief of the State Police, Employment and Corrections Section of the Division of Law. She primarily represents the Department of Corrections in federal civil rights lawsuits filed in both federal and State court. She was previously a member of the former FedCor Section of the Division of Law. DAG Moratti worked in private practice for several years before joining the Division. She completed a federal clerkship with the Hon. Jerome B. Simandle, U.S.D.J. and holds a J.D. from Rutgers Law School – Camden.

CLE Credit

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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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