



---

## **PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT**

*The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present*

The DOL Basic Civil & Administrative Practice Series (“BCAP”)

### **Election Training, Part I Introduction to Election Duty**

**April 19, 2023  
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

## **WEBINAR**

### *Program Summary*

The Attorney General provides year-round representation to 21 county boards of elections and 9 county superintendents of elections. On the days of the primary and general elections, as well as during the early voting periods preceding each of those elections, deputy attorneys general throughout the Division of Law are assigned to county boards and superintendents of elections to provide legal advice as questions arise, and to appear in court on behalf of county election officials. Deputies usually report to county election officials’ offices for in-person representation, but may also represent election officials by virtual appearance.

This program will familiarize deputies with the election process, including the clients they represent when assigned to election duty, the legal responsibilities and powers of those clients, what a deputy should expect when representing their county elections clients during election duty, and the duties and responsibilities of deputies during early voting and on election days.

### *Eligibility*

This program is mandatory for Division of Law Deputy Attorneys General hired after October 2022 who have not previously completed the Basic Civil and Administrative Practice (BCAP) series of courses. DOL deputies who are required to take this program must register for all BCAP sessions.

Other Division of Law deputies are welcome to attend this program.

### *Faculty*

**DAG Dominic Giova** is the Assistant Section Chief of the Community Affairs, State, and Elections Section, where he provides counseling on election law and litigates election matters. DAG Giova clerked for the Honorable George S. Leone, J.AD. (ret.) in the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. He holds an undergraduate degree from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (now Stockton University) and a J.D. from Rutgers School of Law.

**SDAG George Cohen** is a member of the Community Affairs, State and Elections Section of the Division of Law. He has provided legal guidance to a host of State agency clients, including years of hands-on experience with New Jersey's election laws. SDAG Cohen has handled sensitive election law cases addressing the adequacy of electronic voting machines, an attack on statutory voter registration deadlines and a constitutional challenge to residency and registration requirements for persons circulating nominating petitions. He holds a B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania and a J.D. from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law of Yeshiva University.

### *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 1.8 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.