



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

A Reasonably Accommodating Primer on The Americans with Disabilities Act

**November 2, 2023
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex
Advocacy Institute Conference Center
Fourth Floor, West Wing
25 Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey***

*** This program will also be simulcast as a webinar.**

Program Summary

This program will provide attorneys with practical advice for navigating the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. It will cover the purpose and scope of Title I of the ADA, who it protects, and what is required of the reasonable accommodation process. This course will also discuss ADA issues that commonly arise in the workplace, including:

- What words supervisors and managers should be listening for that technically trigger the ADA when uttered by employees;
- The usefulness of insulating supervisors/managers from medical information, and how they should be trained to avoid “regarding” an employee as disabled;
- The interface of the ADA with the FMLA and the recently enacted Pregnancy Workers Fairness Act;
- Whether attendance, conduct and performance standards can be enforced; and
- The elements that should be included in a reasonable accommodation policy.

Eligibility

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

Faculty

Deputy Commissioner Bonny Fraser is with the Department of Children and Families Office of Policy, Legal Affairs and Compliance where she is responsible for legislative, legal and policy research and providing legal support for the agency. She renders advice and counsel in the areas of OPRA, HIPAA, Inter-agency MOU's, Litigation, Regulations, Policy, EEO, Ethics and Employment Law and specializes in ADA-related issues. Ms. Fraser conducts seminars and in-house trainings on the ADA and is *ADAPT* certified by the National Employment Law Institute.

Prior to her position with DHS, Ms. Fraser was the Assistant Commissioner for Legal Affairs at the Department of Human Services. While at DHS, Ms. Fraser was the ADA Coordinator for the department and directed the Department's implementation and compliance efforts. She has also served as an attorney with the New Jersey State Ethics Commission, the Office of Information Technology, and the Department of Environmental Protection. Ms. Fraser is a graduate of Wheaton College and holds both a J.D. and an M.S. from Vermont 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 2.2 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

PA CLE Credit: 1.5 substantive credits (\$3.00 mandatory registration fee required).

Registration

Attorneys who are eligible to attend this program should fill out the registration form linked in the live program announcement email.