

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Three's Company: Ethical and Professional Strategies to Navigate Managing the Court, the Client and the Adversary

November 20, 2023 11:10 a.m. - 12:25 p.m.

WEBINAR

Program Summary

This program will offer ethical and professional strategies to help deputies manage difficult situations with the client, their adversaries and the court. The presenters will identify common challenges that deputies face and provide practical and effective strategies for navigating them that comply with the Rules of Professional Conduct.

Eligibility

This program is only open to Deputy and Assistant Attorneys General in the DCF practice group.

Faculty

DAG Amanda DeVault is a member of the DCF South Section of the Division of Law. She has handled all aspects of DCF trial and appellate litigation in multiple counties. Prior to joining the Division of Law, she was a solo practitioner handling criminal, family and municipal court matters. DAG DeVault is an adjunct professor at Rowan College of Burlington County, where she teaches criminal justice courses. She also mentors new deputies, is a member of the DCF South Section's Procurement Workgroup and the Salem County Race Equity Subcommittee. She holds a B.A. from Rowan University in Law/Justice studies and a J.D. from Rutgers University-Camden.

DAG Sara Bennett is an Assistant Section Chief in the DCF-Metro section of the Division of Law. She was previously a member of the DCF Newark Northeast Local Office and the DCF Essex Section, where she represented the Newark Center City Local Office. She started her career with DCF as a law assistant in the DCF North Section. DAG Bennett also worked on the Safe Babies

Court Team Program in Essex County. She holds an undergraduate degree from Indiana University, a Master's Degree in African American Studies from Columbia University, and is a graduate of the J.D./M.S.W. dual degree program at Rutgers, where she was an Eagleton Fellow.

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 1.5 hours of Alternative Verifiable Learning Format (AVF) total CLE credit. Of these, 1.5 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.

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