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## PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

*The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present*

### **Evidence Rules for Criminal Litigators**

**April 9, 2024**

**1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

### **WEBINAR**

#### *Program Summary*

Trial work requires knowledge of the New Jersey Rules of Evidence and the application of the rules. This presentation will help you enhance your trial skills with the evidence rules you need to know for your next criminal trial, including tips on pretrial motions in limine, navigating hearsay and handling trial testimony.

#### *Eligibility*

This course is designed for Division of Criminal Justice Deputy Attorneys General and County Prosecutors and Assistant Prosecutors. However, other Department of Law and Public Safety DAsG and AAsG are eligible to attend.

#### *Faculty*

**DAG Heather Hausleben** is a member of the Division of Criminal Justice's Trial Bureau, where she oversees and participates in trials across the Division's bureaus and handles complex cases. She was previously the Deputy Chief of the Office of Public Integrity and Accountability's Corruption Bureau, where she oversaw the investigation and prosecution of crimes committed by and involving public officials. Before serving in OPIA, DAG Hausleben was assigned to the Gangs and Organized Crimes Bureau of the Division of Criminal Justice, handling cases involving racketeering, distribution of controlled dangerous substances, weapons offenses, and human trafficking. Following her graduation from law school, she served as a law clerk for Camden County Superior Court Judge Samuel Natal. DAG Hausleben holds a Bachelor's of Arts in Philosophy from the University of South Florida and a Juris Doctor from Seton Hall Law School.

**DAG Cassandra Montalto** is the Deputy Chief in the Major Threats Fentanyl Reduction Unit of the Division of Criminal Justice. She oversees complex opioid investigations. Before that, she was the Deputy Chief of the Gangs and Organized Crime Bureau, where she supervised complex wiretap investigations involving racketeering, violent crime, narcotics distribution and weapons offenses. She started her career as a DAG in the Gangs and Organized Crime Bureau, where she prosecuted and tried complex cases involving racketeering, the distribution of controlled dangerous substances, weapons offenses, human trafficking, and the smuggling of contraband into correctional facilities. DAG Montalto received a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from Muhlenberg College and a Juris Doctor from Rutgers Law School Newark.

### *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, 2.0 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law, 2.0 qualify as hours of credit towards newly admitted lawyers' requirements/criminal trial preparation and 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.