



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Evidentiary Issues

**October 22, 2024
1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.**

WEBINAR

Program Summary

This program will introduce new prosecutors to the proper techniques for introducing and authenticating various types of evidence at trial. The presenters will also cover relevant hearsay exceptions, confrontation clause issues, the differences between intrinsic evidence and “other-crimes” evidence under N.J.R.E. 404(b), the scope of N.J.R.E. 608 and N.J.R.E. 609, commonly-raised objections to the introduction of evidence, and appropriate legal bases for defending against those objections.

Eligibility

This program is mandatory for new assistant prosecutors and Division of Criminal Justice deputies hired after October 2023 who have been selected to attend by each county prosecutor’s office or the Division of Criminal Justice. Other assistant prosecutors and Division of Criminal Justice deputies are welcome to register.

Faculty

DAG Heather M. Hadley is the Bureau Chief for the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit in the Office of the Insurance Fraud Prosecutor. Prior to joining OIFP, DAG Hadley was an Assistant Prosecutor in the Mercer County Prosecutor’s Office, where she served as the Chief Assistant Prosecutor for the Grand Jury, Human Trafficking, Bias Crime, Megan’s Law and Insurance Fraud Units. She has tried homicide, Megan’s Law, and Insurance Fraud cases and supervised complex homicide and human trafficking investigations. Before that, DAG Hadley worked for the Native American Rights Fund in Boulder, Colorado and the Washington D.C. office of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, representing her Indian tribe, the Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut, and numerous other tribes on important State and Federal issues facing Native Americans. DAG Hadley clerked for the Honorable Robert Longhi (retired) and earned a B.A. from Fairfield University and a J.D. from Syracuse University School of Law.

Executive Assistant Prosecutor Tim Ward oversees the Trial, Grand Jury, and Detention Units of the Mercer County Prosecutor's Office. In his 18 years at the MCPO, he has worked in the Juvenile, Trial, Economic Crimes, Domestic Violence and Homicide Units, and in the Special Victims Unit, where he served as the Chief Assistant Prosecutor for five years. He earned a B.A. from American University and a J.D. from Rutgers-Camden School of Law.

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 total CLE credit. Of these, 1.5 qualify as hours of credit toward certification in criminal trial law, 1.5 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.