



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Election Cash Crash Course: Campaign Finance Rules and Regulations in New Jersey

March 20, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

WEBINAR

Program Summary

This program will explore the function and purpose of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), including an overview of the State's campaign finance laws and regulations. The presenters will detail the campaign finance reporting requirements for New Jersey candidates, political committees and lobbyists and explain how ELEC exercises its enforcement powers. The presenters will also highlight the newly adopted Election Transparency Act and describe the State's unique public financing program.

Eligibility

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

Faculty

Aurea Vazquez-Alexander manages ELEC's Compliance program, including the processing, review, and disclosure of reports filed by regulated entities, such as candidates, committees, governmental affairs agents, represented entities, business entities contracting with the State, and professional campaign fundraisers. She also administers the Gubernatorial Public Financing Program, directs the training of participating candidates and campaigns, and interprets statutory and regulatory requirements for participants, treasurers, and legal counsel. Additionally, she is the Commission's Open Public Records Act Custodian. Ms. Vazquez-Alexander spent over 15 years in legal and compliance leadership roles at several Fortune 500 companies. She has also served in all three branches of State government, as Counsel to three New Jersey Governors, Counsel for the New Jersey Senate, and Staff Counsel in the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts. Ms. Vazquez-Alexander received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Boston College and a Juris Doctor from Suffolk University School of Law.

Scott Miccio is the Deputy Legal Director for the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission. He prosecutes alleged violators of State campaign finance laws and assists with oversight of the Commission's Review & Investigations Department. He has spent his legal career representing New Jersey municipalities and State agencies in both a private and public capacity. Mr. Miccio received a B.A. in Professional Writing from The College of New Jersey and a J.D. from Rutgers 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 1.2 hours of 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.