



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Rolling the Dice: An Overview of Casino Licensing and Regulation

**May 1, 2025
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

WEBINAR

Program Summary

The Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Gaming Enforcement is a specialized law enforcement agency which regulates all aspects of casino and sports wagering in New Jersey. This program will provide an overview of the casino and employee licensing processes, as well as a review of the service industry licensing process, including iGaming and sports wagering entities. The presenters will delve into the application and hearing processes and provide practical tips for practitioners. The presenters will also discuss the regulatory violation, enforcement and prosecution issues faced by both the Division and casino industry that arise from the daily 24/7 operation of a licensed casino, sportsbook or mobile gaming website.

Eligibility

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

Faculty

DAG Jamie McKelvey is the Assistant Bureau Chief for the Technical Services Bureau and Revenue Certification- Legal and serves as the Responsible Gaming Coordinator at the New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement. She oversees the Revenue Certification Unit and Technical Services Bureau, manages background investigations, and handles regulatory and litigation matters related to internet gaming, retail and mobile sports wagering. As Responsible Gaming Coordinator, DAG McKelvey leads the development and oversight of New Jersey's responsible gaming programs, ensuring they reflect evolving research and effective regulatory strategies to strengthen problem gambling protections. She played a key role in enhancing self-exclusion processes and data-driven regulatory approaches. She previously served as a DAG in the Division

of Criminal Justice and as an Assistant Prosecutor in Atlantic County. DAG McKelvey earned a J.D. from Rutgers School of Law – Camden and an undergraduate degree from Rutgers University – New Brunswick.

DAG Jennifer Russo-Belles is an Assistant Section Chief with the Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Gaming Enforcement. She supervises the Regulatory Prosecutions Bureau of the Division, where she primarily focuses on the enforcement and prosecution of violations of the Casino Control Act and the Division's Regulations. These matters often include violations pertaining to the rules of the games, gaming equipment, regulations of Casino, Hotel, Alcohol Beverage Controls, underage gambling and drinking, exclusion list violations, and patron complaints. Prior to joining DGE, DAG Russo-Belles was a member of the Division of Law's Child Protection and Permanency Section. Before joining LPS, she was an associate at Barry, Corrado, Grassi and Gibson. DAG Russo-Belles clerked for the Honorable George L. Seltzer, J.A.D. in the Chancery and Appellate Division in Atlantic County. She earned a J.D. from Rutgers School of Law – Camden and an undergraduate degree from Stockton University.

DAG Jordan Hollander is an Assistant Section Chief with the Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Gaming Enforcement's Casino Licensing Bureau. He works on matters related to casino licensing, racetrack sports wagering licensing, online gaming and sports wagering employee licensing, legislation and litigation impacting upon the New Jersey gaming industry, OPRA, gaming authority and law enforcement requests, and special research assignments. He was the lead DAG on the initial casino licensing of the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Atlantic City, for which he was a recipient of an Attorney General's Team Award for Excellence in an Administrative or Regulatory Proceeding. He has published law review articles on casino and gaming law and was recognized as an "Emerging Leader(s) of Gaming 40 under 40" in 2018. Prior to joining LPS, he was an associate in the Newark office of Genova Burns LLC. DAG Hollander clerked for the Hon. Francis J. Vernoia, then Presiding Criminal Judge, Monmouth Vicinage. He holds a LL.M. in Gaming Law and Regulation from the William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV, a J.D., summa cum laude, from Rutgers Law School - Camden, a M.Sc. in Comparative European Politics from Trinity College, Dublin, and a B.A., summa cum laude, in Political Science, International Studies, and French from Lycoming College.

CLE Credit

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