

PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Election Training Introduction to Election Duty

May 7, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex Advocacy Institute Conference Center Fourth Floor, West Wing 25 Market Street, Trenton, New Jersey

*Note: This program will also be simulcast to Newark.

Program Summary

The Attorney General provides year-round representation to 21 county boards of elections and 9 county superintendents of elections. On the days of the primary and general elections, as well as during the early voting periods preceding each of those elections, deputy attorneys general throughout the Division of Law are assigned to county boards and superintendents of elections to provide legal advice as questions arise, and to appear in court on behalf of county election officials. Deputies usually report to county election officials' offices for in-person representation, but may also represent election officials by virtual appearance.

This program will familiarize deputies with the election process, including the clients they represent when assigned to election duty, the legal responsibilities and powers of those clients, what a deputy should expect when representing their county elections clients during election duty, and the duties and responsibilities of deputies during early voting and on election days.

Eligibility

This program is mandatory for Division of Law Deputy Attorneys General hired after October 2024 and deputies who have not attended *Introduction to Election Duty* in the last two years. Attendance is strongly recommended for deputies who have not been assigned to election duty in the last five years. Other Division of Law deputies are welcome to attend this program.

Faculty

AAG Susan Scott is the Assistant Attorney General in Charge of Elections in the Division of Law. She was previously the Section Chief of the Community Affairs, State and Elections Section and an Assistant Section Chief in the Tort Litigation and Judiciary Section. Prior to becoming an Assistant Section Chief, AAG Scott was a line deputy in the State Police, Employment and Corrections Section. Throughout her employment in the Division, she has handled all aspects of federal and State litigation, including a variety of high profile matters. Prior to joining the Department of Law & Public Safety, AAG Scott held a clerkship with the Honorable Jamie S. Perri, J.S.C. in the Monmouth Vicinage. She is a graduate of Rutgers University and the University of New Hampshire School of Law.

DAG Nicole Adams is the Section Chief in the Community Affairs, State and Elections Section of the Division of Law. She handles a variety of election matters, including client advice and litigation. Prior to becoming an Assistant Section Chief, she was a line deputy in the State Police, Employment and Corrections Section. During her time with the Division, DAG Adams has handled matters in both State and federal courts, including election law litigation, challenges to New Jersey statutes and various civil rights claims. Prior to joining DOL, DAG Adams held a clerkship with the Honorable Mark J. Fleming, J.S.C. in the Mercer Vicinage. She is a graduate of the University of Delaware and Drexel University 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 1.8 hours of total CLE credit. Of these, 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

Registration

Attorneys who are eligible to attend this program should fill out the registration form linked in the live program announcement email.