



PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Effective Closing Arguments

**November 6, 2024
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**

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

*** This program will also be simulcast as a webinar.**

Program Summary

This program will focus on how to present an effective closing argument that leaves a lasting impression. The presenter will help students develop a closing that integrates the legal, factual and persuasive elements of their case theory, captures the jury's attention, summarizes the testimony and evidence and persuades the jury to find in favor of their side.

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 and the Division of Criminal Justice. Other assistant prosecutors and deputy and assistant attorneys general in the Divisions of Criminal Justice and Law are also welcome to register.

Faculty

AAG Erik Daab is a Deputy Director in the Division of Criminal Justice. He oversees DCJ's violent crime units and complex criminal litigation. He previously served as Chief of the Specialized Crimes Bureau, prosecuting multi-jurisdictional criminal cases, and cases referred by

State agencies including the Division of Gaming Enforcement. Prior to that, he served as Deputy Chief of the Gangs and Organized Crime Bureau, prosecuting large-scale narcotics and weapons trafficking cases. He also served as Chief of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, and in the Appellate and Corruption Bureaus. AAG Daab started his career prosecuting death penalty cases for the Tennessee Office of the Attorney General and was the State Witness for the execution of the first inmate executed in Tennessee in forty years. He is a graduate of Seton Hall University School Law School.

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 toward certification in civil trial law, 1.5 qualify as hours of credit towards newly admitted lawyers' requirements/criminal or civil trial preparation, and 0.0 qualify as hours of credit for ethics/professionalism.

PA CLE Credit: 1.0 substantive CLE credits (\$1.50 mandatory CLE credits)

Registration

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