PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

The Advocacy Institute Is Pleased to Present

Using Area Searches to Assist in Investigations

February 18, 2025
12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

WEBINAR

Program Summary

This program will provide prosecutors with an understanding of the elements required for efficient and effective area searches and will equip law enforcement officers in their offices with the necessary skills to conduct area searches efficiently and effectively.

Eligibility

This program is open to County Prosecutors and Assistant Prosecutors, Assistant and Deputy Attorneys General in the Department of Law and Public Safety's Division of Criminal Justice and law enforcement officers in their respective offices.

Faculty

Mark Chiavola is a Chief Assistant Prosecutor in the Intelligence and Counterterrorism Squad of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office. He is the assigned Assistant Prosecutor for the Crime Reduction Task Force and also supervises the Legal Advisor Program. Chief Assistant Prosecutor Chiavola has worked in the Special Victims Unit, Trial Section, and Juvenile Unit of the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office. He clerked for the Honorable Edward Jerejian in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Bergen Vicinage. Chief Assistant Prosecutor Chiavola received a B.A. from Montclair State University and a J.D. from Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law School.

Heather Norman is a Senior Criminal Intelligence Analyst with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office. She is assigned to the Intelligence and Counter-Terrorism Unit, providing intelligence and analysis support for ongoing investigations. She has been qualified as an expert witness, providing testimony on the interpretation of historical call details records and historical cell site location

analysis in Bergen County Superior Court. Prior to joining the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, Ms. Norman worked as a Criminal Intelligence Analyst with the Elkhart County Prosecutor's Office in Indiana. Ms. Norman holds a B.A. in Political Science from Grove City College in Grove City, Pennsylvania and an M.S. in Applied Intelligence from Mercyhurst University's Institute for Intelligence Studies in Erie, Pennsylvania.

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 total 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.