Advanced Evidence

November 9- 12, 2026
Philadelphia

Tuition: $1,979
Conference Fee: $549

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This course is a must for judges and adjudicators who want to improve their evidentiary rulings.

The expert faculty will review recent cases that impact evidentiary rulings, address problematic areas under the Federal Rules of Evidence, and explore the impact of these on evidentiary issues in state and administrative courts. After attending this course, you will be able to rule on evidentiary issues with greater accuracy and confidence.

The course will take a deep dive into the evidentiary issues judges face everyday, including relevance, impeachment & rehabilitation, character evidence, hearsay, opinion and expert evidence, and authentication. In addition, faculty will review constitutional evidence issues. The 2026 course has also been revamped to focus more on AI including authentication failures, deep fakes, shifting burdens of proof and more.

"Excellent! This is one of the most comprehensive evidence trainings I have received in over 40 years as a lawyer and 10 years as a judge."

- 2024 Participant

More info:

judges.org/courses/advanced-evidence-js-617-2/

Objectives

- Ensure that baseline relevancy issues are met to ensure the probative value outweighs unfair prejudice;
- Outline an analytical scheme for ruling on hearsay objections and the exceptions;
- Effectively handle Confrontation and Crawford issues;
- Analyze when character evidence and prior bad acts are admissible;
- Confidently rule on issues relating to lay and expert opinion testimony;
- Rule on impeachment objections after analyzing the bias, capacity, and prior inconsistent statement rules; and
- Address the nuances of electronic/ digital evidence.

Established in 1963, the NJC is a nonprofit organization and the only educational institution in the U.S. that teaches judges of all types from across the 50 states, Indian Country and abroad.

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