

National Advocacy Training Program



Join us this fall for an exclusive members-only Advocacy Training Program

The American Inns of Court is pleased to offer a national advocacy training program for Inn members within their first five years of practice. Inns are encouraged to sponsor a young member to attend this program.

Reserve your seat now—registration is limited to 16 participants.

Overview

The American Inns of Court National Advocacy Training Program is an intensive two-day program sponsored by the American Inns of Court in conjunction with the Advocacy Training Council of London. The Advocacy Training Council, established by the four Inns of Court in London, is comprised of leading barristers and judges who provide guidance and training in the pursuit of excellence in advocacy. The involvement of the Advocacy Training Council makes this program unlike any other offered in the United States. It is through our close relationship with the Inns of Court in London that the American Inns of Court is able to offer this truly unique opportunity to our members and further our mission to inspire the legal community to advance the rule of law by achieving the highest level of professionalism through example, education, and mentoring. All participants will receive a certificate of completion.

Methodology

Training is conducted in a courtroom with two small groups of six to eight participants. Two barristers lead each group using the six-step Hampel method of advocacy training—a best practice adopted by the Bar of England and Wales.

The training is based on a case set before the International

Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague, which involves the prosecution of a public figure for crimes against humanity under the substantive law and procedures of the court. The program features a mock trial and includes skills such as direct-examination, cross-examination, and opening and closing arguments. Participants learn methods for dealing with a hostile witness, overcoming objections to the phrasing of questions, dealing with arguments over the exclusion of evidence, refreshing memory, and other "tools of advocacy".

When and Where

The program will be held **September 22–23, 2016 from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. at the James A. Byrne U.S. Courthouse**, 601 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

Tuition

\$500 due upon registration and no later than May 2, 2016. Confirmation e-mails will be sent in early May. Cancellations received after confirmation are non-refundable.

Travel and Hotel Accommodations

Participants are responsible for their travel and hotel accommodations. Rooms are available near the courthouse at the Hotel Monaco for a special rate of \$279 per night.