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To: **New York State Law Enforcement Executives**

From: **Office of Public Safety, James Hogencamp**

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Subject: **Extremist Hate Group Seminar**

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The NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services periodically trains police officers in designated IMPACT counties and surrounding areas to achieve and sustain long term crime reduction. In a cooperative effort between the Division and the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) there will be a series of one-day "Extremist Hate Group" Seminars. This training is designed primarily for police officers, correction officers and community corrections personnel.

This course presents an overview of hate crimes from the legal perspective. The presenters will include ADL's Northeastern Investigative Researcher and Eastern States Civil Rights Counsel. The following topics will be discussed:

- Identify the various right wing extremist groups active in New York State
- Defining a hate crime
- Steps to investigating a hate crime
- Determining what evidence is needed to prove a hate crime
- Identifying hate crimes by bias indicators
- Offender profiles and typologies
- Victim and community impact
- Currently active extremist groups in New York State
- Recruiting tactics of extremist groups
- Extremist groups use of the internet
- Review of relevant New York State and Federal Laws

Although we have planned for large enrollment, seats are limited. Therefore, you must receive confirmation on attendance. Please fax back the application enclosed. **Please return the application no later than the date specified.**

If you have any questions concerning the training, please contact Senior Training Technician Matthew Slater at the address in the letterhead, by email at [matthew.slater@dcjs.state.ny.us](mailto:matthew.slater@dcjs.state.ny.us) or by telephone at 518-485-5115.

