## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA EASTERN DISTRICT

IN RE: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No. 125 EM 2019

OF THE OFFICE OF THE PHILADELPHIA

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

PETITION OF: MAUREEN FAULKNER,

WIDOW OF DECEASED POLICE OFFICER

DANIEL FAULKNER

## **ORDER**

AND NOW, March 27, 2020, it is ordered as follows:

- 1. That by email dated March 21, 2020, counsel for the District Attorney's Office ("DAO") requested leave to respond to the Court's March 6, 2020 order, which directed that certain information be filed under seal, by instead serving the Court and counsel with their response by email, given the coronavirus restrictions currently in place which limit the ability to file documents under seal. This order confirms the direction given by the Court to counsel by email which authorized their March 22, 2020 response to be served on counsel by email and to be treated by all counsel as though it had been filed under seal, with the additional direction that the DAO's March 22, 2020 response be filed under seal when circumstances permitted.
- That counsel for Petitioner subsequently filed a motion in response to the DAO's filing of March 22, 2020, requesting that the Court direct the DAO to clarify its response in a way that complies with the instructions for providing the information in the format as directed in the Court's March 6, 2020, order. The Petitioner's motion is GRANTED, and an amended response shall be filed on or before April 1, 2020.
- 3. That given the unusual circumstances presented by the directive of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and the Governor concerning access to the court system

and the practice of law, the Court will consider any reasonable requests for accommodation to the schedule previously set in the March 6, 2020 order. To assure an accurate public record of these proceedings is maintained, all such requests should be made in the form of a motion unless some exigency requires otherwise.

BY THE COURT:

John M. Cleland, S.J.

Specially Presiding