

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 2854 Disciplinary Docket No. 3
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Petitioner	:	No. 14 DB 2022
	:	
v.	:	Attorney Registration No. 90163
	:	
	:	(Perry County)
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MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY,	:	
	:	
Respondent	:	

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 26th day of April, 2022, upon consideration of the Verified Statement of Resignation, Michael E. Schechterly is disbarred on consent from the Bar of this Commonwealth. See Pa.R.D.E. 215. Respondent shall comply with the provisions of Pa.R.D.E. 217 and pay costs to the Disciplinary Board pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 208(g).

A True Copy Nicole Traini
As Of 04/26/2022

Attest: 
Chief Clerk
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

**BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF
THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL,	:	No. 2854 DD No. 3
Petitioner	:	No. 14 DB 2022
v.	:	Att. Reg. No. 90163
MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY,	:	(Retired)
Respondent	:	(Perry County)

**RESIGNATION
UNDER Pa.R.D.E. 215**

Michael E. Schechterly hereby tenders his unconditional resignation from the practice of law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in conformity with Rule 215, Pa.R.D.E. ("Enforcement Rules"), and further states as follows:

1. He is an attorney admitted in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having been admitted to the bar on or about December 10, 2002. His attorney registration number is 90163, and he is currently on retired status.
2. He desires to submit his resignation as a member of said bar.
3. His resignation is freely and voluntarily rendered; he is not being subjected to coercion or duress; and he is fully aware of the implications of submitting this resignation.
4. He is aware that there are allegations that he has been guilty of misconduct based upon his conviction of criminal charges as more

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Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

fully set forth in the Criminal Complaints, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit A".

5. On November 18, 2021, he entered a guilty plea and was convicted in the Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas-Criminal Division of the following criminal offenses: Corruption of Minors, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §6301(a)(1)(i), graded as a misdemeanor of the first degree; Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4952(a)(1), graded as a misdemeanor of the second degree; Official Oppression, in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5301(2), a misdemeanor of the second degree; and Obstructing Administration of Law or Other Governmental Function, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5101, graded as a misdemeanor of the second degree. These convictions constitute per se grounds for discipline under Enforcement Rule 203(b)(1). A true and correct copy of his Guilty Plea Colloquy and Guilty Plea Transcript are attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit B".

6. On February 1, 2022, he was sentenced to the following:

Docket 1354 CR 2021:

Count #1: Intimidation of Witness or Victim: Costs of prosecution, imprisonment for not less than 60 days, nor more than 23 months. Work Release is authorized and he was given time credit for eight days previously served.

Count #2: Official Oppression: Costs of prosecution and undergo a period of supervised probation for 12 months consecutive to the sentence imposed at Count #1.

Count #3: Obstructing the Administration of Law or other Governmental Function: Costs of prosecution and undergo a period of supervised probation for 12 months concurrently with the sentence imposed on Count #2.

Docket 2841 CR 2020:

Count #2: Corruption of Minors: Costs of prosecution, submit a DNA sample, and undergo imprisonment in the Cumberland County Prison for not less than 30 days, nor more than 12 months, concurrently with the sentence imposed at Docket 1354-2021. Work Release is authorized.

Special conditions: He is to be and remain on good behavior, comply with all written conditions of the Cumberland County Adult Probation & Parole Department, have no contact with any victim in these cases, no unsupervised contact with any person under the age of 18, and undergo a sexual offender evaluation and comply with any and all treatment recommendations resulting from the evaluation. He is permanently barred from holding any future judicial office in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. A true and correct copy of the Sentencing Order is attached hereto and made a part hereof as "Exhibit C".

7. He acknowledges he is guilty of misconduct, the nature of which allegations have been made known to him by service of DB-7 Request by Office of Disciplinary Counsel ("ODC").¹ A true and

¹ The DB-7 letter, at Paragraph 7, incorrectly stated that Respondent was to undergo a SORNA evaluation. This error was based on public reporting, as the plea to the Corruption of Minors charge was a non-sexual offense, it is an offense that does not require registration within the Commonwealth. However, the Court ordered Respondent to undergo a Sexual Offender Evaluation.

correct copy of ODC's DB-7 Request for a Statement of Respondent's Position letter is attached hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as "Exhibit D".

8. He submits the within resignation because the said convictions stand as per se grounds for discipline under Enforcement Rules 214(e) and 203(b)(1), and because he is guilty of the crimes.
9. He submits the within resignation because he knows that if charges were predicated upon the convictions, he could not successfully defend against them.
10. He is fully aware that submission of this Resignation Statement is irrevocable and that he can only apply for reinstatement to the practice of law pursuant to the provisions of Enforcement Rule 218(b) and (c).
11. He is aware that pursuant to Enforcement Rule 215(c), the fact that he has tendered this resignation shall become a matter of public record immediately upon delivery of the resignation statement to Disciplinary Counsel or the Secretary of the Board.
12. Upon entry of the order disbaring him on consent, he will promptly comply with the notice, withdrawal, resignation, trust accounting and cease-and-desist provisions of subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d) of Enforcement Rule 217.
13. After entry of the order disbaring him on consent, he will file a verified statement of compliance as required by Enforcement Rule 217 (e)(1).
14. He is aware that the waiting period for eligibility to apply for reinstatement to the practice of law under Enforcement Rule 218(b) shall not begin until he files the verified statement of compliance,

and if the order of disbarment contains a provision that makes the disbarment retroactive to an earlier date, then the waiting period will be deemed to have begun on that earlier date.

15. He acknowledges that he is fully aware of his right to consult and employ counsel to represent him in the instant proceeding. He has not retained, consulted with and acted upon the advice of counsel in connection with his decision to execute the within resignation.

It is understood that the statements made herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S., Section 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

Signed this 26th day of March, 2022.


MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY

WITNESS: 

Print Name: DAVID SCHECHTERLY

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February 2, 2022

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Michael E. Schechterly
Cumberland County Prison
1101 Claremont Road
Carlisle, PA 17015

Re: Complaint of Office of Disciplinary Counsel
File No. C3-21-840
DB-7 REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF RESPONDENT'S POSITION

Dear Mr. Schechterly:

This inquiry has been initiated by the Office of Disciplinary Counsel based upon its own motion.

The alleged facts presently under consideration are as follows:

Docket Number CP-21-CR-1354-2021

1. Between the dates of February 2013 and February 2015:
 - a. The Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) began investigating complaints against a constable who worked out of your Magisterial District Office;
 - b. This investigation concerned the constable attempting to trade sex in exchange for official action, such as serving an arrest warrant.
 - c. You became aware of these complaints against the constable.

- d. On February 25, 2013, you summoned the victim to appear in your office.
 - e. This summons was conducted using your official authority as a judge.
 - f. This victim had open dockets over which you were presiding.
 - g. You, sitting in your capacity as a Magisterial District Judge, directed the victim to cease any further complaints against the constable.
 - h. You also told the victim that if she ever made these allegations again against the constable that charges could be brought against her.
 - i. You retained jurisdiction, authority and control over this victim's dockets until 2015.
 - j. The victim was also a corroborating witness in the ongoing investigation of the constable's alleged criminal conduct with other women.
2. On July 20, 2021, a criminal information was filed against you charging you with Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4952(a)(1), Official Oppression, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5301(2), and Obstructing Administration of Law or Other Governmental Function, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5101.

Docket Number CP-21-CR-2841-2020

3. On March 2, 2019, PSP at Newport received information from the Perry County District Attorney's Office initiating a criminal investigation of you having inappropriate contact with minor children at your residence and at your district court office.

- a. This information came from a man who stated that an underage child made unprovoked statements about you concerning your behavior with the underage child.
- b. This child was interviewed at Children's Resource Center (CRC) and stated that he saw you lying down in your underwear "scratching" your private parts while the underage child was at your residence.
- c. On May 28, 2020, PSP received additional complaints regarding your ongoing contact with minors, including having children in your district court office during the COVID-19 shutdown.
- d. A secretary from your district office observed two young boys at your office, and became alarmed when you followed one of the boys to the bathroom.
- e. Through investigation, it was learned that these boys, who are not related to you, were also sleeping over at your residence.
- f. On June 3, 2020, a search warrant was executed for surveillance video from your office.
- g. Through this surveillance video, it was learned that you had children, who are no relation to you, at your district court office outside of normal operating hours while no other adult was present.
- h. This video also showed you holding two male children under 10 years of age on your lap.

- i. On June 30, 2020, PSP interviewed you in reference to this investigation, and you:
 - i. admitted to PSP that juvenile males slept over;
 - ii. admitted to touching the groin area of an underage boy on one occasion; and
 - iii. could not say you had never masturbated while a child was in your care.
4. On January 13, 2021, a criminal information was filed against you charging you with Unlawful Contact with a Minor, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §6318(a), Corruption of Minors, 18 Pa. C.S.A. §6301(a)(1)(i), and Indecent Assault, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §3126(a)(7).

GUILTY PLEA & SENTENCING

5. On November 18, 2021, you pled guilty on Docket 2841 CR 2020 to Count 2, Corruption of Minors, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §6301(a)(1)(i), with Counts 1 and 3 being dismissed. You also pled guilty on Docket 1354 to an amended Count 1, Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims (amended to a misdemeanor of the 2nd degree), 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4952(a)(1), Count 2, Official Oppression, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5301(2), and Count 3, Obstructing Administration of Law or Other Governmental Function, 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5101.
6. On February 1, 2022, you were sentenced to the following:¹

¹ This office sent a Request for Statement of Respondent's Position on February 1, 2022, to you at your address of record. This letter has been updated to reflect the sentencing information and your current location.

Docket 1354 CR 2021:

Count #2: Official Oppression: 60 days to 23 months of incarceration, with work release eligibility, followed by 12 months of supervised probation, consecutive to incarceration;

Count #3: Obstructing Administration of Law: 12 months of probation, concurrent with probation at Count #2; and

Count #4: Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims: no further sentence.

Docket 2841 CR 2020:

Count #2: Corruption of Minors: 12 months of probation.

7. You were also ordered to have no contact with victims from either case, to have no unsupervised contact with anyone under the age of 18, to undergo a SORNA evaluation, and to be removed from elected office and forever barred from holding office in Pennsylvania.
8. You did not self-report these convictions to ODC within 20 days, as required by Pa.D.R.E. 214(a).

If the above allegations are true, you have violated the following Rules of Professional Conduct and Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement: RPC 8.4(b), Pa.R.D.E.203(b)(1), and Pa.R.D.E. 214(a).

You should also understand that Rule 214(e), Pa.R.D.E. provides that a certificate of conviction of an attorney for a crime shall be conclusive evidence of the commission of that crime in any disciplinary proceeding instituted against the attorney based upon the conviction.

In addition to responding to the allegations in Paragraphs 1 through 8, and the alleged rule violations identified above, please provide any additional information or documentation you feel is relevant to the action to be taken, or the disposition or sanction to be recommended for this violation. You should be careful to be accurate in your factual statements which will be verified. Additionally, you may wish to consult with counsel before replying.

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February 2, 2022
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The Office of Disciplinary Counsel will make no recommendation for the disposition of this complaint until you have been afforded an opportunity to state your position with respect thereto within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter. Please note that failure to respond to this request for your statement of position without good cause is an independent ground for discipline pursuant to Rule 203(b)(7) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement. The Office of Disciplinary Counsel will only agree to a limited extension of the thirty-day deadline when the request is made for specific reasons constituting good cause. If you do not respond or provide good cause for failing to respond within thirty (30) days, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel may seek to impose discipline for your violation of Pa.R.D.E. 203(b)(7).

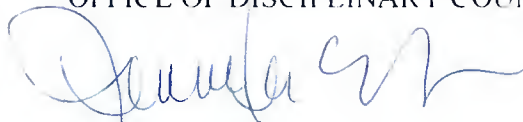
Because Pa.R.D.E. 214(f)(1) provides that in those matters where formal proceedings are commenced, the hearing "shall be deferred until sentencing and all direct appeals from the conviction have been concluded," you may include in your response a statement explaining whether any appeal has been filed and the status of any such appeal, and an identification of the appellate court and docket number.

If we do not hear from you within thirty (30) days, we will make our recommendation for an appropriate disposition on the basis of the information and material contained in our file

If you have any questions, you or your counsel should not hesitate to contact this office. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and assistance in this important matter. We look forward to receiving your response.

Very truly yours,

OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL



Jennifer E. Tobias
Disciplinary Counsel

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Enclosure:
Notice of Criminal Conviction and Exhibit

Regular First-Class Mail
and
CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Prothonotary
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
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414 Grant Street
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Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Attention: John A. Vaskov, Esquire
Deputy Prothonotary

RE: In the Matter of Michael E. Schechterly
2854 DD3
14 DB 2022

Dear Prothonotary:

By letter dated January 31, 2022, Office of Disciplinary Counsel filed a notice of criminal conviction and request for a rule to show cause. Since that filing, Mr. Schechterly was sentenced on February 1, 2022 to the following:

Docket 1354 CR 2021:

Count #2: Official Oppression: 60 days to 23 months of incarceration, with work release eligibility, followed by 12 months of supervised probation, consecutive to incarceration;

Count #3: Obstructing Administration of Law: 12 months of probation, concurrent with probation at Count #2; and

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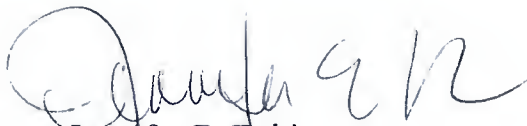
Count #2: Corruption of Minors: 12 months of probation.

Mr. Schechterly was also ordered to have no contact with victims from either case, to have no unsupervised contact with anyone under the age of 18, to undergo a SORNA evaluation, and to be removed from elected office and forever barred from holding office in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Schechterly is currently in the Cumberland County Prison. I am attaching a Proof of Service showing that a copy of the January 31, 2022 filing and its attachments, and a copy of this letter and its attachments, are being served on Mr. Schechterly by regular mail at his current address of Cumberland County Prison, 1101 Claremont Road, Carlisle, PA 17015.

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer E. Tobias
Disciplinary Counsel

Attachments

cc: (w/attachments)

Michael E. Schechterly, Respondent
Marcee D. Sloan, Board Prothonotary
Thomas J. Farrell, Chief Disciplinary Counsel

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DIII- Raymond S. Wierciszewski (acting)
DIV- James M. Fox

January 31, 2022

Prothonotary
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Western District Office
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Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Attention: John A. Vaskov, Esquire
Deputy Prothonotary

RE: Notice of Criminal Conviction
Michael E. Schechterly
Attorney Registration No. 90163 (Retired status)
ODC File No. C3-21-840

To the Prothonotary:

Based on Respondent's criminal acts, detailed below, Office of Disciplinary Counsel requests that the Court, pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 214(d)(1), enter a Rule to Show Cause why Michael E. Schechterly (hereinafter "Respondent") should not be temporarily suspended. Respondent's criminal behavior demonstrates knowing misconduct in total disregard of the law, an intentional intimidation of a victim and witness, and the corruption of a minor.

John A. Vaskov, Esquire
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Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 214(c), attached hereto as Exhibits A and B are certified copies of the November 18, 2021 convictions, together with the corresponding transcript of the proceeding in *Commonwealth v. Michael E. Schechterly*, No. CP-21-CR-1354-2021 and No. CP-21-CR-2841-2020. The Respondent is scheduled for sentencing on February 1, 2022.

On November 18, 2021, Respondent pled guilty in case No. CP-21-CR-1354-2021 to Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §4952(a)(1), amended to a second-degree misdemeanor¹ (“the Defendant with the intent to or with the knowledge that his conduct would obstruct, impede, impair, prevent or interfere with the administration of criminal justice, he intimidates or attempts to intimidate any witness or victim to refrain from informing or reporting to any law enforcement officer, prosecuting official or judge concerning any information, document or thing relating to the commission of a crime”), Official Oppression, in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5301(2), a second-degree misdemeanor (“the Defendant did act or purported to act in an official capacity or took advantage of such actual or purported capacity if, knowing that his conduct was illegal, he denied or impeded another in the exercise or enjoyment of any right, privilege, power or immunity”), and Obstructing Administration of Law or Other Governmental Function, in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §5101, a second-degree misdemeanor (“the Defendant did intentionally obstruct, impair or pervert the administration of law or other governmental function by force, violence, physical interference or obstacle, breach of official duty, or any other unlawful act...”).

The criminal conduct underlying Respondent’s convictions in this case is that Respondent learned complaints of a sexual nature were made against a constable assigned to his Magisterial District Court office. Respondent, using his official authority as a judge, summoned the victim to his office in District Court 41-3-04. In his capacity as a Magisterial District Judge, Respondent then directed the victim to cease any further complaints against the constable, stated the incident never occurred, and threatened the victim by saying charges could be brought against her if she ever made those allegations again. Respondent learned of the complaints in early 2013, and retained jurisdiction, authority and control over the intimidated

¹ This was originally graded as a second-degree Felony, but was amended as part of the plea negotiation.

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victim's dockets until 2015. This victim was also a corroborating witness in the ongoing investigation of the constable's alleged criminal conduct with women. These actions by Respondent impaired or prevented the reporting of the complaints against the constable, thereby denying the victim the right to provide information to law enforcement and impeding the investigation by law enforcement.

Also on November 18, 2021, Respondent pled guilty in case No. CP-21-CR-2841-2020 to Corruption of Minors, in violation of 18 Pa.C.S.A. §6301(a)(1)(i), a first-degree misdemeanor ("the Defendant...whoever, being of the age of 18 years and upwards, by any act corrupted or tends to corrupt the morals of any minor less than 18 years of age...commits a misdemeanor of the first degree"). Pursuant to the negotiated plea agreement, the charges of Unlawful Contact with a Minor and Indecent Assault were withdrawn.

The criminal conduct to which Respondent admitted in this case is that Respondent was present in his underwear in the presence of children not his own. These children were staying at Respondent's residence.

Respondent's mailing address of record is:

Michael E. Schechterly
20 N. 6th Street
Newport, PA 17074

Respondent was admitted to practice on December 10, 2002 and is currently on retired status. He has no prior convictions and no history of discipline. Brian Perry, Esquire, represented Respondent in his criminal matter. Respondent did not timely report his conviction to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel as required by Pa.R.D.E. 214 (a) and (i).

I respectfully and strongly recommend in this particular instance that the Supreme Court enter a rule directing Respondent to show cause why he should not be placed on temporary suspension due to the seriousness of the crimes he has committed. He demonstrated a disregard for the rights of victims, minor children,

John A. Vaskov, Esquire
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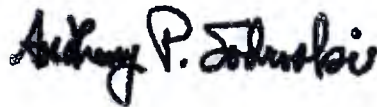
and the legal system. Respondent's egregious misconduct is clear evidence of his unfitness to practice law. I am attaching an appropriate form of order.

Pursuant to Pa.R.D.E. 214(f)(1) and the explanatory note thereto, if the Court temporarily suspends Respondent's license, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel will institute formal proceedings before a hearing committee by filing a petition for discipline with the Disciplinary Board.

This letter should serve as notice to Respondent, Mr. Schechterly, that conforming copies of all filings with the Court are to be served upon Jennifer E. Tobias, Disciplinary Counsel, District III Office, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, PA Judicial Center, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 5800, PO Box 62675, Harrisburg, PA 17106.

I certify that I have this day sent a copy of this letter and its attachments to Mr. Schechterly at the address stated above.

Respectfully submitted,



Anthony P. Sodroski
Disciplinary Counsel-In-Charge,
Special Projects

Attachments

cc: (w/attachments)
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: (Court of Common Pleas of
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: No. CP-21-CR-1354-2021 and
: No. CP-21-CR-2841-2020)
:
: Attorney Registration No. 90163
:
: (Perry County)

RULE TO SHOW CAUSE

PER CURIAM:

AND NOW, this _____ day of _____, 2022,
having pled guilty in the Court of Common Pleas of Cumberland County to
intimidation of witnesses or victims, official oppression, obstructing
administration of law or other governmental function, and corruption of
minors, a Rule is issued upon Michael E. Schechterly to show cause why he
should not be placed on temporary suspension. *See* Pa.R.D.E. 214(d)(1).

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: No. CP-21-CR-2841-2020)
:
: Attorney Registration No. 90163
:
: (Perry County)

VERIFICATION

The statements contained in the foregoing Notice of Conviction are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief and are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

DATE January 31, 2022

By: 

Jennifer E. Tobias
Disciplinary Counsel
Attorney Registration No. 82816

Exhibit

A

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY

CP-21-CR-1354-2021

CP-21-CR-2841-2020

GUILTY PLEA COLLOQUY

COUNT CHARGE(S)

GRADE

MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT

- (A) 1. Intimidation of W/N 18 § 4952(a)(1) m2 2 yrs / \$5,000
2. Official oppression 18 § 5301(a) m2 2 yrs / \$5,000
3. Obstruction of Govt. Function 18 § 5101 m2 2 yrs / \$5,000

- (B) 2. Corruption of minors (non-sexual) m1 5 yrs / \$10,000
18 § 6301(a)(1)(i)

A TRUE COPY FROM RECORD
in testimony whereon, I have used set my hand
and the seal of said Court of Common Pleas, PA.

This 3rd day of December 2021
Judy Hoffman, Deputy
Clerk of the Court
Cumberland County

PLEA OF DEFENDANT

The Defendant, being advised of the offense(s) charged in the information(s) and of
Defendant's rights hereby in open court enters a plea of Guilty to
the charge(s) of

Section & Subsection

- (A) 1. Intimidation of witness (m2) 18 § 4952(a)(1)
2. Official oppression (m2) 18 § 5301(a)
3. Obstruction of Govt. Function 18 § 5101
(B) 1. Corruption of minors (non-sexual) (m1) 18 § 6301(a)(1)(i)

Defendant

Attorney for the Commonwealth

Attorney for the Defendant

Date

Restitution Amount/Payable to: \$:

There may be significant costs associated with this plea, determined by the Clerk of Court.

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of
Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts that require filing confidential information and
documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Signature: [Signature]

11/18/21

EMAIL to Brewster's
Law Clerk @ MKudrick@CCPA.net

GUILTY PLEA COLLOQUY

If you are pleading guilty, complete each question on this form. None of the lines should be left blank. If there is anything in this form you do not understand, discuss it with your attorney, and your attorney or the judge will explain it to you completely, making sure you understand your rights. After you have finished reading this form and completing all the questions, sign the form on the last page, on the line indicating "Defendant." You should also initial each page at the bottom, indicating you read and understand the page.

1. Print your full name: Michael E. Schechterly
2. Age: 59 Date of Birth: 7-4-62
3. How far did you go in school? LAW Degree / Masters of Science (MS)
4. Can you read, write and understand the English Language? yes
5. By pleading guilty you are giving up many important constitutional rights.

(a) You have a right to a trial by a jury of 12 people. This means you may participate in the selection of a jury with your attorney. This involves exercising both peremptory and cause challenges. The jury is randomly selected from a cross section of residents throughout Cumberland County. You are presumed innocent until the Commonwealth proves every element of each offense beyond a reasonable doubt, and you have a right to remain silent during all proceedings. The jury will listen to the facts and based on the evidence all 12 jurors must agree unanimously as to your guilt beyond a reasonable doubt of each and every element of the crimes charged before they can convict.

(b) You have a right to a non-jury trial if the Commonwealth agrees. This means a judge listens to the facts and must be convinced of your guilt beyond a reasonable doubt before you can be found guilty.

Do you understand that by pleading guilty you are giving up your right to a trial (jury and non-jury) and all the included rights described above? yes

6. By pleading guilty you give up your right to litigate and appeal you pre-trial and trial rights:

(a) The right at trial to cross-examine all of the Commonwealth's witnesses. ✓

(b) The right at trial to testify and present evidence on your behalf and your lawyer can require witnesses to come to court to testify in your case. You cannot be forced to testify at trial. ✓

By pleading guilty to this crime, you are admitting to the Court that you committed the crime. That is why you do not have many rights after a guilty plea. Do you understand? yes

7. Do you realize that by pleading guilty, you are giving up any possible defense that may apply in your case such as: self-defense, alibi, insanity? yes

8. There is very little that you can appeal after a guilty plea. You cannot appeal the fact that you are guilty. You cannot appeal on the basis that your rights have been violated. You can only appeal the following things:

- (a) That you did not understand what you were doing when you pled guilty. ✓

Defendant's Initials: ME

(b) That the Cumberland County Court did not have jurisdiction over your case. ✓

(c) Whether your lawyer was effective. ✓

(d) Whether your sentence was lawful. ✓

Do you understand? yes

9. You have been charged with the crimes outlined on page one (1) of this colloquy.

(a) Do you understand the nature of the charges against you? yes

(b) Do you understand the possible maximum penalties? yes

10. You have the right to be represented at a trial, or at this guilty plea by a lawyer. If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you free of charge. Do you understand? yes

11. Are you currently on probation or parole? NO

12. Do you understand a guilty plea may mean a violation of the terms of your probation or parole and you may be separately sentenced in a separate proceeding on that matter? N/A

13. Do you understand that entering a plea may have collateral consequences (such as immigration)? yes

14. Have any threats or promises been made to you to persuade you to enter a plea of guilty (other than any plea agreement that has been negotiated for you by yourself or your lawyer)? NO

15. The decision to plead guilty is your decision to make and not your lawyer's decision. It is your lawyer's job to advise you and help you make this decision. Do you understand? yes

16. Considering all the information on this form, do you want to plead guilty? yes

I affirm that I have read the above document in its entirety and I understand it. I wish to enter a plea of guilty to the offense or offenses specified. I also affirm that my answers are true and correct.

[Signature]
Defendant's Signature

11/15/21
Date

I, Brian W. PERRY, Esquire, Attorney for
Michael E. SUBBENTREY state that I have reviewed this document with my
client and I have advised my client of the contents and meaning of this document.

[Signature]
Attorney for Defendant

Attorney Identification Number: 75897

Defendant's Initials: MSL

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: IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
: CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
: THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

: ~~CP-21-CR-1354-2021-3~~

: CHARGES: (1) INTIMIDATION OF
: WITNESSES OR VICTIMS
: (2) OFFICIAL OPPRESSION
: (3) OBSTRUCTING
: ADMINISTRATION OF LAW
: OR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL
: FUNCTIONS

: AFFIANT: TPR. KYLE TOBIN
: OTN: R143374-0

: CP-21-CR-2841-2020

: CHARGES: (2) CORRUPTION OF MINORS

: AFFIANT: CPL. KYLE TOBIN

MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY

: OTN: U929903-2

IN RE: GUILTY PLEA

ORDER OF COURT

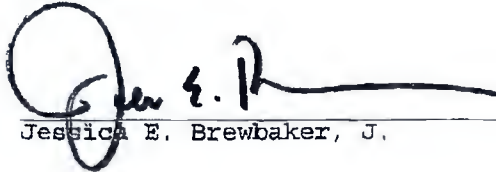
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A sentencing report is ordered, and the Defendant is directed to appear for sentencing in person on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom Number 5 of the Cumberland County Courthouse.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have unto set my hand
and the seal of said Court at Carlisle, PA.
this 3rd day of December 2021
Jury Ho [Signature] Deputy
[Signature] Clerk of the Court
Cumberland County

CP-21-CR-2841-2020
CP-21-CR-1354-2021

By the Court,


Jessica E. Brewbaker, J.

Daniel Dye, Esquire
Office of the Attorney General

Brian Perry, Esquire
For Defendant

District Attorney

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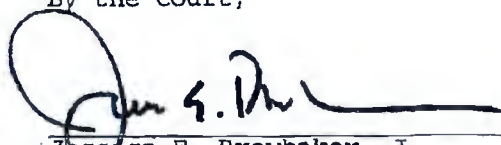
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IN RE: AMENDMENT TO COUNT 1

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, this 18th day of November, 2021, upon
agreement of the parties, the grading of Count 1 is amended to
reflect a grade of a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree.

By the Court,



Jessica E. Brewbaker, J.

Daniel Dye, Esquire
Office of the Attorney General

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**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

vs.

MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY,

Defendant

NO. CP-21-CR-1354-2021

INFORMATION

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by this Information, charges that, between February 2013 and February 2015, Newport Borough, Perry County, Pennsylvania, the above-captioned Defendant committed the crimes indicated herein, to wit:

**COUNT 1: INTIMIDATION OF WITNESSES OR VICTIMS –
REFRAIN FROM REPORTING
18 Pa.C.S.A. §4952(a)(1)–(F-2)**

On or about said date, the Defendant with the intent to or with the knowledge that his conduct would obstruct, impede, impair, prevent or interfere with the administration of criminal justice, he intimidates or attempts to intimidate any witness or victim to refrain from informing or reporting to any law enforcement officer, prosecuting official or judge concerning any information, document or thing relating to the commission of a crime. To Wit: The accused did impede with the administration of justice by intimidating the victim / witness from reporting information to law enforcement for investigation.

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**COUNT 2: OFFICIAL OPPRESSION –
DENY RIGHTS / PRIVILEGES
18 Pa.C.S.A. §5301(2) – (M-2)**

On or about said date, the Defendant did act or purported to act in an official capacity or took advantage of such actual or purported capacity if, knowing that his conduct was illegal, he denied or impeded another in the exercise or enjoyment of any right, privilege, power or immunity. To Wit: The accused did deny the victim the right to provide information to law enforcement and engage in free speech.

**COUNT 3: OBSTRUCT ADMINISTRATION OF LAW OR
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTION
18 Pa.C.S.A. §5101 – (M-2)**

On or about said date, the Defendant did intentionally obstruct, impair or pervert the administration of law or other governmental function by force, violence, physical interference or obstacle, breach of official duty, or any other unlawful act, except that this section does not apply to flight by a person charged with crime, refusal to submit to arrest, failure to perform a legal duty other than an official duty, or any other means of avoiding compliance with law without affirmative interference with governmental functions. To Wit: The accused did obstruct law enforcement in the administration of law by preventing the victim / witness from reporting crimes for investigation and did impede an investigation by law enforcement.

ALL OF WHICH is against the Act of Assembly and the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

**JOSHUA D. SHAPIRO
ATTORNEY GENERAL**

By: Daniel J. Dye /s/
DANIEL J. DYE
Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General
Attorney I.D. # 205638
Criminal Prosecutions Section
Office of Attorney General
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MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY

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: CHARGES: (2) CORRUPTION OF MINORS
: AFFIANT: CPL. KYLE TOBIN
: OTN: U929903-2

IN RE: GUILTY PLEA

ORDER OF COURT

AND NOW, this 18th day of November, 2021, the Defendant having appeared via videoconference with counsel, Brian Perry, Esquire, after having waived his right to be physically present in court due to the issues surrounding COVID-19, and having tendered knowing, intelligent, and voluntary pleas of guilty at Docket CR-2841-2020, to Count 2, Corruption of Minors, a misdemeanor in the 1st degree, and at Docket CR-1354-2021, to Count 1, Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, to Count 2, Official Oppression, a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, and to Count 3, Obstructing the Administration of Law or Other Governmental Functions, a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, in full satisfaction of all charges at both dockets, his pleas of guilty are accepted and recorded.

A sentencing report is ordered, and the Defendant is directed to appear for sentencing in person on Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom Number 5 of the Cumberland County Courthouse.

A TRUE COPY HEREOF
is testimony and is to be filed
and the seal of said Court is hereby

This 3rd day of December 21
Judy Hoffman, Deputy
Clerk of Court
Cumberland County

CP-21-CR-2841-2020
CP-21-CR-1354-2021

By the Court,



Jessica E. Brewbaker, J.

Daniel Dye, Esquire
Office of the Attorney General

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

vs.

MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY,
Defendant

NO. CP-21-CR-2841-2020

INFORMATION

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by this Information, charges that, on or about 2011 through 2012, the above-captioned Defendant, at 22 North 6th Street, Newport Borough, Perry County, Pennsylvania, committed the crimes indicated herein, to wit:

COUNT 1: UNLAWFUL CONTACT WITH MINOR
18 Pa.C.S.A. §6318(a) (1)-(F-3)

On or about said date, the Defendant commits an offense if he is intentionally in contact with a minor, or a law enforcement officer acting in the performance of his duties who has assumed the identity of a minor, for the purpose of engaging in an activity prohibited under any of the following, and either the person initiating the contact or the person being contacted is within this Commonwealth: (1) Any of the offenses enumerated in Chapter 31, TO WIT: The Defendant did touch the genital area / penis of a 12 year old child identified as K.C.K. (D.O.B. 6/19/2000).

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COUNT 2: CORRUPTION OF MINORS
18 Pa.C.S.A. §6301(a)(1)(i) – (M-1)

On or about said date, the Defendant, except as provided in subparagraph (ii), whoever, being of the age of 18 years and upwards, by any act corrupted or tends to corrupt the morals of any minor less than 18 years of age, or who aided, abetted, enticed, or encouraged any such minor in the commission of any crime, or who knowingly assisted or encouraged such minor in violating his or her parole or any order of court, commits a misdemeanor of the first degree. TO WIT: The Defendant did touch the genital area / penis of a minor child identified as K.C.K. and/or did touch his genitals in the presence of the child.

COUNT 3: INDECENT ASSAULT
18 Pa.C.S.A. §3126(a)(7) – (M-1)

On or about said date, the Defendant did have indecent contact with a complainant, namely (minor child identified as K.C.K. 10 to 12 YOA at the time of the offense), or did cause the complainant to have indecent contact with the defendant, without the complainant's consent, in violation of Section 3126(a)(1) of the PA Crimes Code. TO WIT: The Defendant did touch the minor child's penis / genital area and/or cause the child to touch the Defendant's penis / genital area.

ALL OF WHICH is against the Act of Assembly and the peace and dignity of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JOSHUA D. SHAPIRO
ATTORNEY GENERAL

By: /s/ Daniel J. Dye
DANIEL J. DYE
Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General
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Date: December 10, 2020

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v

MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY

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: CUMBERLAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
: THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
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: AFFIANT: CPL. KYLE TOBIN
: OTN: U929903-2

IN RE: GUILTY PLEA PROCEEDINGS

Proceedings held before the HONORABLE
JESSICA E. BREWBAKER, J., Cumberland County
Courthouse, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, on
November 18, 2021, in Courtroom Number 5,
via Zoom.

APPEARANCES:

ORIGINAL

Daniel Dye, Esquire
Office of the Attorney General
For the Commonwealth

Brian Perry, Esquire
For the Defendant

1 THE COURT: I will confirm before we officially
2 start that Mr. Schechterly is waiving his right to be
3 physically present so we can proceed on Zoom. And, Mr. Perry,
4 you're muted so if you can unmute so he can --

5 MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor. He is present and is
6 willing to waive his right to be present in court.

7 THE COURT: Okay.

8 THE DEFENDANT: That's correct, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. And, Mr. Dye, you
10 can proceed with calling the cases.

11 MR. DYE: All right. Your Honor, we are present
12 before the Court for a pretrial list today. However, the
13 Defendant is prepared to enter a plea of guilty on Docket
14 2841 of 2020, Commonwealth versus Michael Schechterly, and on
15 Docket 1354 of 2021.

16 On Docket 2841 the Defendant will be entering a
17 plea to Count 2, Corruption of Minors, a misdemeanor of the
18 1st degree. Pursuant to our agreement, the Commonwealth will
19 dismiss Count 1 and Count 3.

20 On Docket 1354 of 2021, the Commonwealth, pursuant
21 to this agreement, will amend the grading of Count 1,
22 Intimidation of a Witness or Victim, to a misdemeanor of the
23 2nd degree, and with that amendment the Defendant will be
24 pleading guilty to all three counts on that docket. I'll move
25 --

1 THE COURT: Wait. I'm going to interrupt real
2 quick because I need to do an order:

3 AND NOW, this 18th day of November, 2021, upon
4 agreement of the parties -- this is at Docket 1354 of 2021 --
5 the grading of Count 1 is amended to reflect a grade of a
6 misdemeanor in the 2nd degree.

7 MR. DYE: Thank you, Your Honor. This Defendant
8 is still technically a District Judge from Perry County.
9 This matter was moved to Cumberland County by AOPC, I think
10 for the purpose that a Common Pleas Judge would specially
11 preside who was not from Perry County. However, it has
12 received a Cumberland County docket number and exists as a
13 Cumberland County case.

14 As such, the Defendant is acknowledging that
15 Cumberland County -- he's willing to enter this plea in
16 Cumberland County and granting Cumberland County any necessary
17 jurisdiction, and will not challenge jurisdiction in any way.
18 With that being said, he is prepared to enter the plea as I
19 delineated it.

20 I will note on Docket 2841 of 2020, that
21 misdemeanor of the 1st degree is not a SORNA offense. It does
22 not require registration. The factual basis on that offense
23 is that the Defendant did -- was present in underwear in the
24 presence of children who were not his own who were staying at
25 his residence, and the factual basis on the other docket --

1 THE COURT: Wait, wait, wait, wait, wait. For
2 that one I need a date and a location so we have the
3 jurisdiction, and then I need to ask him if that's what he
4 did. So we got the present in his home in his underwear with
5 children present. Date and location, please?

6 MR. DYE: Correct. 22 North 6th Street, Newport
7 Borough, Perry County, Pennsylvania in a timeframe between
8 January 1st, 2011, through December 31st, 2012.

9 THE COURT: Okay. So, Mr. Schechterly, did you
10 hear what the Attorney General said that you did in that case?

11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: And you understand that if you did
13 those things that that would constitute the crime of
14 Corruption of Minors?

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: And do you agree that you did those
17 things?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Okay. So let's hear about the other
20 docket.

21 MR. DYE: Between February 1st, 2013, and
22 February 28th, 2015, at the District Court Office in Newport
23 Borough, Perry County, Pennsylvania, the Defendant did impede
24 the administration of justice by intimidating a victim or
25 witness from reporting information to law enforcement, and did

1 deny the victim the right to provide information to law
2 enforcement and did obstruct an investigation by law
3 enforcement by calling an individual who had made complaints
4 against a constable for sexual impropriety and potential
5 crimes, called her before him as a District Judge into his
6 courtroom using his official power to instruct her to not make
7 complaints against the constable.

8 THE COURT: And was she his employee or not?

9 MR. DYE: She was not his employee. She did have
10 open dockets before him, and he had jurisdiction over her
11 dockets.

12 THE COURT: Understood. Okay. So,
13 Mr. Schechterly, did you hear what the Attorney General said
14 in this case?

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Is that what you did?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: And do you understand that that would
19 make out the crimes of Intimidation of Victim or Witness,
20 Official Oppression, and Obstruction of the Administration of
21 Law?

22 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Okay. And I wanted to also clarify, I
24 was a former Magisterial District Judge. I don't think I knew
25 you personally, but I want to make sure that you are agreeing

1 that I can preside over your cases?

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Okay. So in both cases,
4 Mr. Schechterly, do you understand that by pleading guilty
5 you're giving up your right to have trials and to contest
6 these charges?

7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: And you understand if you did have a
9 trial that the Commonwealth would -- that the Commonwealth,
10 the Attorney General, would have the burden of proving you
11 guilty beyond a reasonable doubt?

12 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Did you have sufficient time to
14 discuss your case with Mr. Perry?

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, I have.

16 THE COURT: And did you review the rights you are
17 giving up by entering guilty pleas?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes. Yes, Your Honor, I did.

19 THE COURT: Okay. Do you have any questions about
20 those rights?

21 THE DEFENDANT: No, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: In either case, were any threats or
23 promises made to make you plead guilty?

24 THE DEFENDANT: No, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: And you understand that you are

1 pleading open so sentencing is at my discretion?

2 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Okay. At Docket 2841 of 2020, to
4 Count 2, Corruption of Minors, a misdemeanor in the 1st
5 degree, how do you wish to plead?

6 THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

7 THE COURT: And at Docket 1354 of 2021, to
8 Count 1, Intimidation of Witnesses or Victims, a misdemeanor
9 in the 2nd degree, how do you wish to plead?

10 THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

11 THE COURT: To the charge of Official Oppression,
12 a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, how do you wish to plead?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

14 THE COURT: And to the charge of Obstructing the
15 Administration of Law or Other Governmental Functions, also a
16 misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, how do you wish to plead?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Guilty.

18 THE COURT: I will accept your pleas.

19 AND NOW, this 18th day of November, 2021, the
20 Defendant having appeared via videoconference with counsel,
21 Brian Perry, Esquire, after having waived his right to be
22 physically present in court due to the issues surrounding
23 COVID-19, and having tendered knowing, intelligent, and
24 voluntary pleas of guilty at Docket CR-2841-2020, to Count 2,
25 Corruption of Minors, a misdemeanor in the 1st degree, and at

1 Docket CR-1354-2021, to Count 1, Intimidation of Witnesses or
2 Victims, a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, to Count 2, Official
3 Oppression, a misdemeanor in the 2nd degree, and to Count 3,
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6 satisfaction of all charges at both dockets, his pleas of
7 guilty are accepted and recorded.

8 A sentencing report is ordered, and the Defendant
9 is directed to appear for sentencing in person on --

10 How is February 1st, Mr. Perry?

11 MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor, we'll make that work.

12 THE COURT: On Tuesday, February 1, 2022, at
13 9:30 a.m., in Courtroom Number 5 of the Cumberland County
14 Courthouse.

15 MR. PERRY: Your Honor, one other point. Your
16 Honor mentioned it, but I don't think we ever asked
17 Mr. Schechterly about the jurisdictional issue. We probably
18 should have done that before the plea, but maybe we should
19 clear that up before we end.

20 THE COURT: Okay. So, Mr. Schechterly, it appears
21 that maybe the way Cumberland County acquired jurisdiction is
22 not the way that it should properly be done, but are you in
23 agreement with Cumberland County having jurisdiction and
24 having acquired jurisdiction in the manner in which we did?

25 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, Your Honor, I am.

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THE COURT: Okay.

MR. PERRY: Thank you, Your Honor.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Perry, we are going to
virtually put you in a breakout room with Probation. They
will get some information from him then.

MR. PERRY: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you.

(The proceedings concluded.)

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the proceedings are contained fully and accurately in the notes taken by me on the above cause, and that this is a correct transcript of same.



Michele A. Eline
Official Court Reporter

The foregoing record of the proceedings on the hearing of the within matter is hereby approved and directed to be filed.

1/3/2012
Date


Jessica E. Brewbaker, J.
Ninth Judicial District

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In the Matter of : No. Disciplinary Docket No. 3
:
MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY : No. 14 DB 2022
:
: (Court of Common Pleas of
: Cumberland County,
: No. CP-21-CR-1354-2021 and
: No. CP-21-CR-2841-2020)
:
: Attorney Registration No. 90163
:
: (Perry County)


PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I am this day serving a copy of Notice of Criminal

Conviction upon the person and in the manner indicated below:

Service by first-class U.S. Mail and certified
mail, return receipt requested, as follows:

Michael E. Schechterly
20 N. 6th Street
Newport, PA 17074

DATE 1.31.22 By: 
Anthony P. Sodroski, Disciplinary
Counsel-in-Charge, Special Projects
Attorney Registration No. 32463
Office of Disciplinary Counsel
1601 Market Street, Suite 3320
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Anthony.Sodroski@pacourts.us
(215) 560-6296

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

Submitted by: Office of Disciplinary Counsel

Signature: 

Name: Jennifer E. Tobias

Attorney No. (if applicable): 82816


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

In the Matter of : No. 2854 Disciplinary Docket No. 3
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MICHAEL E. SCHECHTERLY : No. 14 DB 2022
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: (Court of Common Pleas of
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: Attorney Registration No. 90163
:
: (Perry County)

VERIFICATION

The statements contained in the foregoing letter are true and correct to the best of my knowledge or information and belief and are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. §4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

DATE 2/2/2022

By: 
Jennifer E. Tobias
Disciplinary Counsel
Attorney Registration No. 82816

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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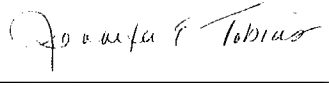
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