IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA EASTERN DISTRICT

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, : No. 407 EAL 2016

Petitioner

Petition for Allowance of Appeal from

the Order of the Superior Court

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RICHARD BROWN,

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Respondent

<u>ORDER</u>

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 1st day of February, 2017, the Petition for Allowance of Appeal is **GRANTED**. The issue, as framed by Petitioner, is as follows:

Did the Superior Court err by dispensing of the requirement that a defendant show prejudice to succeed on an ineffectiveness claim where counsel failed to meet with him?