Filed in Supreme Court

197 MM14

JAN 7 2015

Middle FILED UNDER SEAL

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA

IN RE:

SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA NO. 176 M.D.D MISC. KT 2012

THE THIRTY-FIFTH STATEWIDE INVESTIGATING GRAND JURY

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMON PLEAS

M.D. 2644-2012

ANSWER OF SPECIAL PROSECUTOR TO THE MOTION TO FILE UNDER SEAL THE QUO WARRANTO ACTION OF ATTORNEY GENERAL KATHLEEN G. KANE, INDIV.

Thomas E. Carluccio, Special Prosecutor to the Investigatory Grand Jury hereby answers the *Motion to File under Seal the Quo Warranto Action* filed by, Attorney General Kathleen G. Kane, Indiv., and states in support thereof as follows:

- 1. Admitted in part and Denied in part. It is admitted that Attorney General Kane, Indiv., has filed a Quo Warranto Action seeking, among other things, to quash the appointment of a Special Prosecutor to the Thirty-Fifth Statewide Investigating Grand Jury. However, any assertion that the said Action, and legal arguments thereunder, represents law that is dispositive to the underlying claims are denied.
- 2. Admitted in part and Denied in part. It is admitted that all proceedings associated with the Thirty-Fifth Statewide Investigating Grand Jury together with pleadings presented to both the Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania and this Honorable Court, which all effectively seek to challenge the establishment of the said Investigating Grand Jury and the appointment of the Special Prosecutor are under seal. It is denied that in the public interest

Received in Supreme Court

Page:1

JAN 7 2015

Middle

all such pleadings should remain under seal, and the Special Prosecutor advocates that such pleadings be made available to the public.

3. The representation in this Paragraph 3 merely references the Attorney Verification annexed to the Motion, and no response is required.

WHEREFORE, the Special Prosecutor advocates that the Motion to File under Seal the Quo Warranto Action (and its accompanying Memorandum of Law in Support thereof) be denied, and that all pleadings of record challenging the establishment of the said Investigating Grand Jury and the appointment of the Special Prosecutor be made available to the public.

Thomas E. Carluccio, Esquire

Attorney I.D. No. # 81858

Plymouth Greene Office Campus 1000 Germantown Pike, Suite D-3

Plymouth Meeting, PA 19464-2484

(484) 674-2899

Special Prosecutor of Investigating Grand Jury No. #35

DATED: 1/2/15

VERIFICATION

I, Thomas E. Carluccio, Esq. as Special Prosecutor to the Investigating Grand Jury No #35 appointed by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, hereby state that after due diligence and investigation into the operative events underlying the subject matter of the *Motion to File under Seal the Quo Warranto Action (and its accompanying Memorandum of Law in Support thereof)* filed of record with the Court by Attorney General Kathleen G. Kane, Indiv., I hereby represent that the averments set forth in the foregoing Answer to the said Motion are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S.A. §4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Thomas E. Carluccio, Esquire

Attorney I.D. No. # 81858

Plymouth Greene Office Campus

1000 Germantown Pike, Suite D-3

Plymouth Meeting, PA 19464-2484

(484) 674-2899

Special Prosecutor of Investigating Grand Jury No. #35

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA

IN RE:

SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA NO. 176 M.D.D MISC. KT 2012

THE THIRTY-FIFTH STATEWIDE INVESTIGATING GRAND JURY

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMON PLEAS M.D. 2644-2012

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Thomas E. Carluccio, Esquire do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Answer of Special Prosecutor to the Motion to File under Seal the Quo Warranto Action has been filed of record with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, and a copy of which has been directed on the 7th day of January, 2015 by first class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to all parties in interest, as follows:

Amil M. Minora, Esq. 700 Vine Street Scranton, PA 18510

Gerald L. Shargel, Esq. 200 Park Avenue New York, NY 10166 The Hon. William R. Carpenter Court of Common Pleas of Montgomery County P.O. Box 311 Norristown, PA 19404-0311

Thomas E. Carluccio, Esquire Attorney I.D. No. #81858

Plymouth Greene Office Campus 1000 Germantown Pike, Suite D-3

Plymouth Meeting, PA 19464-2484

(484) 674-2899

Special Prosecutor of Investigating Grand Jury No. #35