IN THE COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

No. 587 MD 2014

WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT, et al.,

Petitioners,

v.

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, et al.,

Respondents.

RESPONSE OF THE EXECUTIVE RESPONDENTS TO PETITIONERS' APPLICATION TO SCHEDULE STATUS CONFERENCE AND SET SCHEDULE FOR DISCOVERY AND TRIAL

Governor Tom Wolf, Secretary of Education Pedro Rivera,¹ and the Pennsylvania Department of Education (together, the "Executive Respondents"), by and through their undersigned counsel, in response to Petitioners' Application to Schedule Status Conference and Set Schedule for Discovery and Trial (the "Application"), state that the Executive Respondents do not oppose the Application.

¹ Reference to the Secretary of Education is to the Office of the Secretary and not Secretary of Education Pedro Rivera as he has abstained from participation in this matter on the ground that he has previously served as Superintendent of The School District of Lancaster, one of the petitioner school districts in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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