IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

NO. 438

IN RE: PRACTICE OF LAW BY AND : QUALIFICATIONS OF LAW CLERKS : EMPLOYED IN THE UNIFIED JUDICIAL :

JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION

SYSTEM OF PENNSYLVANIA

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:

ORDER

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 11th day of December, 2014, **IT IS ORDERED** pursuant to Article V, Section 10 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania that this Court's *Per Curiam* Order dated December 21, 2004 is amended to provide as follows.

All law clerks employed in the Unified Judicial System are prohibited from appearing as counsel in the division/section of the court in which they are employed or in which the judge by whom they are employed serves. Further, in courts which have no formally established divisions or sections, the law clerks are prohibited from appearing as counsel in the court itself. *See also* Pa.R.A.P. 3121 (prohibiting the practice of law by appellate court staff except in limited circumstances).

Any outside employment or commercial activities by law clerks must be reported in writing in advance to their employing judge or supervisor and to the Chief Justice or president judge, depending on which court employs the law clerk.

Law clerks must either be members of the Bar of Pennsylvania, or must have received without exception an earned Bachelor of Laws or Juris Doctor degree from a law school that was an accredited law school at the time the law clerk matriculated or graduated.

This **ORDER** shall be processed in accordance with Pa.R.J.A. No. 103(b), and shall be effective nine months from the date of this **ORDER** for all current and future law clerks.