IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA EASTERN DISTRICT

IN RE: ADOPTION OF M.X.G., S.G. AND: No. 111 EAL 2007

J.G.

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PETITION OF: J.G. : Petition for Allowance of Appeal from the

: Order of the Superior Court

<u>ORDER</u>

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 19th day of September, 2007, the Petition for Allowance of Appeal is **GRANTED** and the Order of the Superior Court is **REVERSED** in light of our decisions in In re Adoption of Charles, E.D.M. 708 A.2d 88, 92 (Pa. 1998) (indicating that, "[o]nce the evidence establishes a failure to perform parental duties or a settled purpose of relinquishing parental rights, the court must engage in three lines of inquiry: (1) the parents explanation for his or her conduct; (2) the post abandonment contact between parent and child; and (3) consideration of the effect of termination of parental rights on the child...);" and In re Adoption of JJ. 515 A.2d 883 (Pa. 1986)(noting that unless the Orphan's Court abused its discretion or committed an error of law, its findings are entitled to the same weight as a jury verdict).