[J-60-2003] IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA MIDDLE DISTRICT

BRIAN KENNEDY AND SUSAN : No. 187 MAP 2002

KENNEDY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, v.

UPPER MILFORD TOWNSHIP ZONING : Appeal from the Order of the

HEARING BOARD, RICHARD C. DEAN, Commonwealth Court entered on July 12, ROBERT SALASKI, T. RICHARD 2001, at 1753 C.D. 2000, reversing the PARKER, MARYLOU STEFANKO, Order of the Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County entered on June 30, 2000,

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE : at 199-C-0362 & 199 -C-0706

COMMISSION

BRIAN KENNEDY AND SUSAN : 779 A.2d 1257 (Pa. Cmwlth. 2001)

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APPEAL OF: THE PENNSYLVANIA :

TURNPIKE COMMISSION : ARGUED: May 13, 2003

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CONCURRING OPINION

Decided: October 27, 2003

MR. CHIEF JUSTICE CAPPY

I join the majority's decision to reverse the order of the Commonwealth Court. I write separately to emphasize that more specifically and respectfully, I join the majority opinion insofar as it concludes that the Upper Milford Township Zoning Hearing Board (Board) is a

quasi-judicial body; that the Board held an executive session within the meaning of Section 708(5) of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. §708(5), when it engaged in quasi-judicial deliberations during its recess; and that the evidence of record did not support the Commonwealth Court's conclusion that the Board took unlawful official action during that recess.

Messrs. Justice Castille and Nigro join this concurring opinion.