COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

Suffolk, ss.

No. SJ-2017-0347

COMMITTEE FOR PUBLIC COUNSEL SERVICES, et al., Petitioners,

v.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MASSACHUSETTS, et al., Respondents.

STIPULATION CONCERNING HAMPDEN COUNTY

Consistent with this Court's order of November 2, 2017, counsel for the District Attorney of Hampden County conferred with counsel for the petitioners, and they have identified cases where there is agreement to vacate convictions and dismiss with prejudice. Specifically, the District Attorney of Hampden County and the petitioners agree to vacatur and dismissal with prejudice of all district court and juvenile court drug convictions in Hampden County involving alleged drug samples in which Sonja Farak signed the certificate of analysis, with the exception of convictions where the drug certificate postdates the defendant's guilty plea, as discussed in *Commonwealth v. Ruffin*, 475 Mass. 1003 (2016). The District Attorney for Hampden County estimates that this will result in the dismissal of approximately 3,940 cases.

This stipulation is not conditioned on the relinquishment or cancellation of any other right, argument, or duty of the parties in this litigation. For example, petitioners enter into this stipulation without conceding the accuracy or completeness of any case list compiled by the Hampden County District Attorney, and without relinquishing their request that all Farak-involved convictions—including Superior Court cases and those resulting from litigation post-dating Farak's arrest—be dismissed.

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