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CASE INFORMATION

Cross Court Docket Nos: 1845 EDA 2017, 54 EDM 2017, 207 EAL 2019, 54 EDM 2017, 54 EDM 2017

Judge Assigned: Ransom, Lillian

Date Filed: 03/25/1953

Initiation Date: 03/25/1953

OTN: Z 000000-0

LOTN:

Originating Docket No:

Initial Issuing Authority:

Final Issuing Authority:

Arresting Agency: Philadelphia Pd

Arresting Officer: Affiant

Complaint/Citation No.: 5302000000

Incident Number:

County: Philadelphia

Township: Philadelphia City

Case Local Number Type(s)

Case Local Number(s)

STATUS INFORMATION

| <u>Case Status:</u> | <u>Status Date</u> | <u>Processing Status</u> | <u>Arrest Date:</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Closed | 09/20/2019 | Appeal Decided | 03/25/1953 |
| | 04/29/2019 | Awaiting Appellate Court Decision | |
| | 03/28/2019 | Appeal Decided | |
| | 06/05/2017 | Awaiting Appellate Court Decision | |
| | 06/02/2017 | Completed | |
| | 05/29/2017 | Awaiting Post Sentence Motion Hearing | |
| | | Disposition | |
| | 05/19/2017 | Completed | |
| | 05/17/2017 | Sentenced/Penalty Imposed | |
| | 05/17/2017 | Awaiting Sentencing | |
| | 05/17/2017 | Completed | |
| | 03/08/2016 | Awaiting PCRA Decision | |
| | 12/18/1953 | Sentenced/Penalty Imposed | |
| | 06/09/1953 | Awaiting Sentencing | |
| | 03/25/1953 | Awaiting Filing of Information | |

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CALENDAR EVENTS

| <u>Case Calendar</u> | <u>Schedule</u> | <u>Start</u> | <u>Room</u> | <u>Judge Name</u> | <u>Schedule</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------|--|-----------------|
| <u>Event Type</u> | <u>Start Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | | | <u>Status</u> |
| Formal Arraignment | 07/11/2016 | 11:00 am | 1104 | Vincent G. Petri | Scheduled |
| JLSWOP Status | 07/15/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Judge Lillian Ransom | Continued |
| JLSWOP Status | 09/23/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Senior Judge Kathryn Streeter Lewis | Continued |
| JLSWOP Status | 09/23/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Judge Lillian Ransom | Moved |
| JLSWOP Status | 10/28/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Senior Judge Kathryn Streeter Lewis | Continued |
| JLSWOP Status | 11/14/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Senior Judge Kathryn Streeter Lewis | Continued |
| JLSWOP Status | 12/02/2016 | 9:00 am | 1105 | Senior Judge Kathryn Streeter Lewis | Scheduled |
| JLSWOP Hearing | 03/06/2017 | 2:00 pm | 1105 | Senior Judge Kathryn Streeter Lewis | Scheduled |
| Status | 05/08/2017 | 9:00 am | 507 | Judge Barbara A. McDermott | Scheduled |
| JLSWOP Hearing | 05/17/2017 | 9:00 am | 507 | Judge Barbara A. McDermott | Scheduled |
| Motions Hearing | 01/27/2021 | 9:00 am | 504 | Judge Lillian Ransom | Scheduled |

DEFENDANT INFORMATION

Date Of Birth: 05/03/1938 City/State/Zip: Philadelphia, PA 19146

CASE PARTICIPANTS

Participant Type Name
Defendant Ligon, Joseph F.

CHARGES

| <u>Seq.</u> | <u>Orig Seq.</u> | <u>Grade</u> | <u>Statute</u> | <u>Statute Description</u> | <u>Offense Dt.</u> | <u>OTN</u> |
|-------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 1 | 1 | F | 18 § 4701 | Murder of the First and Second Degree | 02/20/1953 | Z 000000-0 |

DISPOSITION SENTENCING/PENALTIES

Disposition

| <u>Case Event</u> | <u>Disposition Date</u> | <u>Final Disposition</u> |
|--|--|-------------------------------|
| <u>Sequence/Description</u> | <u>Offense Disposition</u> | <u>Grade</u> <u>Section</u> |
| <u>Sentencing Judge</u> | <u>Sentence Date</u> | <u>Credit For Time Served</u> |
| <u>Sentence/Diversion Program Type</u> | <u>Incarceration/Diversionary Period</u> | <u>Start Date</u> |
| <u>Sentence Conditions</u> | | |

Guilty Plea

| | | |
|---|-------------|-------------------|
| Formal Arraignment | 06/09/1953 | Final Disposition |
| 1 / Murder of the First and Second Degree | Guilty Plea | F 18 § 4701 |
| Migrated, Judge | 12/18/1953 | |
| Confinement | LIFE | 12/18/1953 |

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| <u>Sentence/Diversion Program Type</u> | <u>Incarceration/Diversionary Period</u> | <u>Start Date</u> |
| <u>Sentence Conditions</u> | | |
| McDermott, Barbara A. | 05/17/2017 | |
| Confinement | 35 years to LIFE | 05/17/2017 |
| The Original Sentence of Life Without Parole on 12/18/1953 is Vacated | | |
| Credit for all original time awarded and all time previously served on this case | | |
| The defendant is eligible for parole. | | |

LINKED SENTENCES:

Link 1

CP-51-CR-0311352-1953 - Seq. No. 1 (18§ 4701 §§) - Confinement is Concurrent with

CP-51-CR-0311332-1953 - Seq. No. 1 (18§ 4701 §§) - Confinement

COMMONWEALTH INFORMATION

Name: Philadelphia County District Attorney's
Office
Prosecutor

Supreme Court No:

Phone Number(s):
215-686-8000 (Phone)

Address:
3 South Penn Square
Philadelphia, PA 19107

ATTORNEY INFORMATION

Name: Defender Association of
Philadelphia
Public Defender

Supreme Court No:

Rep. Status: Active

Phone Number(s):

Address:

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| 1 | 03/25/1953 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Original Papers Received from Lower Court | | | |
| 1 | 06/09/1953 | | Migrated, Judge |
| Guilty Plea | | | |
| 1 | 12/18/1953 | | Migrated, Judge |
| Order - Sentence/Penalty Imposed | | | |
| 1 | 03/08/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| PCRA - Juvenile Life Sentence Without Parole | | | |

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| 2 | 07/11/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 1 | 07/12/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Corrective Docket Entry | | | |
| 3 | 07/12/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 3 | 07/15/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 4 | 07/15/2016 | | Ransom, Lillian |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |
| 2 | 08/17/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 3 | 09/23/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 4 | 09/23/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |
| 3 | 10/28/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 4 | 10/28/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |
| 5 | 10/28/2016 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |

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| 1 | 11/02/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Scheduling Conference Resentencing Hearings | | | |
| 1 | 11/10/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order to Comply | | | |
| 3 | 11/14/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 4 | 11/14/2016 | 11/10/2016 | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |
| 1 | 11/16/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order to Comply | | | |
| 1 | 11/22/2016 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Case Correspondence | | | |
| 1 | 11/28/2016 | | Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 2 | 11/28/2016 | | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 1 | 11/29/2016 | | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 1 | 11/30/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order to Comply | | | |
| 1 | 12/02/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 2 | 12/02/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |

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| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 3 | 12/07/2016 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 1 | 12/16/2016 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order to Comply | | | |
| 1 | 01/06/2017 | | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania |
| Memorandum of Law | | | |
| 2 | 01/06/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Memorandum of Law | | | |
| 1 | 02/10/2017 | | Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office |
| Reply Brief Filed | | | |
| 2 | 02/10/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Reply Brief Filed | | | |
| 3 | 02/10/2017 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Scheduling Hearing | | | |
| 1 | 02/16/2017 | | Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office |
| Reply Brief Filed | | | |
| 1 | 03/06/2017 | | Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| Order Granting Motion for Continuance | | | |
| 1 | 04/13/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. Minehart, Jeffrey P. Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| En Banc Panel Decision | | | |
| 1 | 05/10/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |

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| Answer/Response | | | |
| 1 | 05/15/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 2 | 05/15/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 3 | 05/15/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Miscellaneous Motion Filed | | | |
| 6 | 05/15/2017 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 1 | 05/16/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. Minehart, Jeffrey P. Lewis, Kathryn Streeter |
| En Banc Panel Decision | | | |
| 2 | 05/16/2017 | | Superior Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Superior Court Order | | | |
| 1 | 05/17/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order Granting PCRA - Juvenile Life Sentence Without Parole | | | |
| 2 | 05/17/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order Granting Motion to Vacate Illegal Sentence and to Impose Legal Sentence | | | |
| 3 | 05/17/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order - Sentence/Penalty Imposed | | | |
| 4 | 05/17/2017 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Court Commitment State or County Correctional Institution | | | |
| 5 | 05/17/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order Entering an Exhibit | | | |

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| 6 | 05/17/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order to Correct Defendant's Name and Information | | | |
| 1 | 05/19/2017 | | Superior Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Appeal Discontinued | | | |
| 1 | 05/29/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Motion for Modification of Sentence | | | |
| 1 | 06/02/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order Denying Motion for Modification of Sentence | | | |
| 1 | 06/05/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Notice of Appeal to the Superior Court | | | |
| 1 | 06/08/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Order Issued Pursant to Pa.R.A.P. 1925(b) | | | |
| Defender Association of Philadelphia | | | |
| 06/08/2017 | First Class | | |
| Ligon, Joseph F. | | | |
| 06/08/2017 | Certified | | |
| Philadelphia County District Attorney's Office | | | |
| 06/08/2017 | Attorney Box | | |
| 1 | 06/22/2017 | | Defender Association of Philadelphia |
| Statement of Matters Complained on Appeal | | | |
| 1 | 07/11/2017 | | McDermott, Barbara A. |
| Opinion | | | |
| 1 | 10/27/2017 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Case Correspondence | | | |
| 1 | 01/17/2018 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Appeal Docket Entries and Served | | | |

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| 2 | 01/17/2018 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Certificate and Transmittal of Record to Appellate Court | | | |
| 1 | 03/28/2019 | | Superior Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Superior Court Decision | | | |
| 2 | 03/28/2019 | | Superior Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Superior Court Opinion | | | |
| 3 | 03/28/2019 | | Superior Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Judgement of Sentence Affirmed | | | |
| 1 | 04/29/2019 | | Supreme Court of Pennsylvania - Eastern District |
| Petition for Allowance of Appeal Filed - Supreme Court | | | |
| 3 | 01/27/2021 | | Court of Common Pleas - Philadelphia County |
| Hearing Notice | | | |
| 4 | 01/27/2021 | | Ransom, Lillian |
| Order Granting Motion for Parole | | | |