# IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

**CRIMINAL DIVISION** 

V.

CP-20-CR-0000227-2024

SHAWN C. CRANSTON,

Defendant.

PROPOSED VOIR DIRE QUESTIONS

Filed on behalf Defendant, Shawn C. Cranston

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AND NOW, comes the Defendant, Shawn C. Cranston, by and through his Attorney of Record, Louis W. Emmi, Esquire, and files the within Proposed Voir Dire Questions for potential jurors in the above-captioned matter.

- 1. Do any of you know each other before this morning? If so, would your acquaintance with the other juror affect your ability to deliberate and to reach your own independent decision as a juror in this case?
- 2. Are you familiar with the Defendant in this case? Personally, or through other parties?
  - 3. Do you have any knowledge of this case from any source whatsoever?
- 4. Scientific evidence is introduced in this case. Do you have any open mind to there being errors or the reliability of such tests?
  - 5. Do any of you or any of the members of your family have legal training?
- 6. Do you have any strong feelings regarding the type of this case that this is that would prevent you from giving the Defendant a fair trial?

- 7. Do you have a belief, whether religious or philosophical, which makes it difficult for you to sit in judgment in another?
  - 8. Have you ever visited the site where the alleged crime was to occur?
- 9. Do you believe that the complaint is not evidence of guilt that it is simply a charging document and it has no bearing on the Defendant's guilt or innocence?

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 2-26-2025

Downs W. Emmi, Esquire Counsel for the Defendant,

Shawn C. Cranston

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Louis W. Emmi, Esquire hereby certify that on the 20th day of February, 2025, a true and correct copy of the Proposed Voir Dire Questions were served upon the following individuals in the manner indicated below.

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I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Public Access Policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non-confidential information and documents.

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