## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS GENERAL ORDER 16 - 0015

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA LAW SCHOOL TO ACCESS RECORDS OF THE EXPIRED 2013 MASTER JURY WHEEL UNDER 28 U.S.C. § 1868

IT APPEARING THAT, through a letter to the Clerk of Court dated June 27, 2016 (which is attached to this General Order), the University of Pennsylvania Law School has requested access to the records of the Court's expired jury wheels; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING THAT THE University of Pennsylvania Law School's June 27, 2016 letter constitutes a "petition . . . in writing setting forth the reasons for requesting access" in compliance with § 10(b) of the Court's *Plan for Random Selection of Jurors* (rev. 2012); and

IT FURTHER APPEARING THAT the University of Pennsylvania Law School is requesting access to expired master jury wheel records for the purpose of academic research concerning the jury pool in the U.S. District Courts in compliance with 28 U.S.C. § 1868;

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Clerk shall make available to the University of Pennsylvania Law School's designated representative the AO-12 forms for the 2013 jury wheel for the Eastern and Western Divisions in effect from May 2013 through September 2015.

**ENTER:** 

FOR THE COURT

Chief Judge

Dated at Chicago, Illinois this 6 day of July, 2016



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June 27, 2016

Dear Mr. Bruton,

Taylor Dow, a research assistant working on my behalf here at Penn Law School, has forwarded me an e-mail message from you (via Annette Panter) requesting I write you directly, on official University letterhead, to request a copy of the most recent AO-12 form ("Report on Operation of the Jury Selection Plan") from the most recently emptied jury wheel, for each active jury division in the Court's District, for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

I would very much appreciate your providing me with a copy of the aforementioned AO-12 form or forms.

If you have any questions for me regarding this request, please feel free to email me directly at jgelbach@law.upenn.edu.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jonah Gelbach

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