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: Motion of the Supreme Court,

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: On Appeal from:

OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI,

: Superior Court of New Jersey

Defendant-Movant.

Law Division - Mercer County Indictment No. MER-20-07-0221-I

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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On August 22, 2019, Trenton police issued Complaint Number 1111-W-2019-003689, charging Omar Vega-Larregui with controlled dangerous substance ("CDS") offenses, including possession of CDS (cocaine, third degree), possession with intent to distribute (second degree), and possession with intent to distribute within 500 feet of park property (second degree). (Da1-Da10). Defendant was also charged with two disorderly persons offenses for resisting arrest and obstruction (for failure to obey a "lawful command.")(Id.) Police issued defendant several motor vehicle summonses-principally parking in front of his own property, failure to exhibit documents and possession of CDS in a motor vehicle. (Da11-Da15).

On July 9, 2020, a Mercer County Grand Jury returned a four-count indictment charging defendant with possession of CDS (cocaine, third degree); possession with intent to distribute (second degree); possession with intent to distribute within 500 feet of park property (second degree) and obstruction (fourth degree). (Da16-Da19). On September 22, 2020, defendant entered a not guilty plea to the indictment. On November 10, 2020, defendant filed the instant motion to dismiss the indictment in the Law Division, Superior Court. (Da20-Da23).

On December 21, 2020, the Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers having obtained consent of the parties to file a brief

in support of defendant's motion was granted leave to appear as amicus curiae. (Aa9-Aa10).

On January 13, 2021, the Supreme Court exercised jurisdiction under Rule 2:12-1 to certify the motion unheard in the Law Division, by order of the same date. (Aa1-Aa4). This brief in support of defendant Omar Vega-Larregui's challenge to the constitutionality of the virtual grand jury follows.

STATEMENT OF FACTS¹

On August 22, 2019, Detective Stephen Szbanz was apparently on street patrol in the area of Furman and Turpin Streets in Trenton, which he identified as "known for open air narcotic sales and quali[t]y of life violations."² Turpin Street is actually a narrow alleyway between Second and Centre Streets in South Trenton, with traffic only permitted travel in the northerly direction.³

¹ The statement of facts is bifurcated, the first part based on information gleaned from police reports provided in discovery and a transcript of the grand jury proceedings of July 9, 2020. The second part recites facts relevant to the invocation and use of virtual grand juries to hear criminal matters during the Covid-19 pandemic.

² Grand jury transcript, pg. Aa133, line 25-pg. Aa134, line 2 (hereafter, simply, "Aa.") The transcript has been appended confidentially to the brief submitted by amicus curiae Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers of New Jersey, at Aa127-Aa144)

³ For a visual rendering, see Google Maps,
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During his patrol, Szbanz saw a silver pickup truck parked on a sidewalk "blocking numerous garages." (Aa134, 15-18). He entered the alleyway where he found three men, one of whom was the defendant standing near the truck. Vega-Larregui identified himself as the owner of the truck. Szbanz advised the nature of the violations and demanded documentation from the truck. Vega-Larregui allegedly became nervous, unlocked the truck's door, and began shuffling through papers in the glove compartment. (Aa134,19-Aa135,17). After some further allegedly nervous behavior, Szbanz ordered defendant out of the truck and searched it himself, claiming to have spied a single baggie in plain view under the driver's side floorboard. (Aa136, 2-20). The baggie weighed roughly one ounce, contained cocaine, with no other indicia of an intention to distribute found anywhere in the truck. (Aa138,2-Aa139,9).

Detective Szbanz offered an opinion that the amount of CDS in question was possessed with intent to distribute. The prosecutor asked another question, whereupon the following exchange took place:

- Q. And how did you come to that opinion?
- A. The way it was packaged, it was in a single bag tied off, there was no other drug paraphernalia, and

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that amount would be definitely for distribution. (Aa140, 16-19).

After testimony concluded, the grand jury, meeting virtually via Zoom link, reviewed the proposed indictment, deliberated, and returned an indictment consistent with the document presented. The details of that process are set forth verbatim in the transcript, including statements by various unidentified speakers that they either did or did not see the indictment, did or did not have questions, and did or did not have issues with the deliberation and voting. (Aa141,18-Aa144,9).

Separately, in March 2020, the New Jersey Supreme Court curtailed nearly all court operations, specifically including grand jury sessions, in response to the global pandemic. (Aall). The March Order effectively suspended the application of Rule 3:6-1, which requires "At least one grand jury [to] be serving in each county at all times."

Thereafter, in its Second Omnibus Order, dated April 24, 2020, the Supreme Court ordered judiciary and stakeholders to meet "to explore potential options for conducting virtual grand jury selections and sessions..." (Aa13).

The mechanics for summoning, charging, and conducting grand jury sessions have historically been provided by the

Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). On December 22, 2006, the Honorable Philip S. Carchman, J.A.D., and Acting Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts, issued Directive 23-06, entitled *Grand Jury Standards-Implementation and Questionnaire*, promulgating standards for statewide grand jury use after approval of the Judicial Council in October of that year. The Directive covered, *inter alia*, standards for orientation, jury charges, and secrecy oaths.

Judge Carchman's Directive remained undisturbed until May 2020, as the Supreme Court grappled with an effective response to a public health emergency, whose duration remained difficult to predict. On May 14, 2020, the Court announced that it had convened a Working Group on Remote Grand Jury Operations (Working Group) to study the prospects for remote grand juries. As a result of that study, the Court ordered modifications to Rule 3:6 (Grand Jury) to accommodate technological adjustments to grand jury operations in pursuit of an effective virtual platform. (Aa28-Aa33). The same Order authorized pilot virtual grand juries in Bergen and Mercer Counties, provided that presentations were undertaken with a defendant's consent. (Id.)

The following day, the Honorable Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D., and current AOC Director, issued a supplement to Directive 23-06 designed to implement the May 14th Order entitled COVID-19-

Virtual Grand Jury Pilot Program-(1) Supplement to the Grand Jury Charge and (2) Supplement to the Oath of Secrecy.

On June 4, 2020, the Supreme Court issued another Order modifying the terms of its May 14, 2020 Order, because "The requirement that a defendant consent to presentation of charges to a grand jury convening remotely (rather than in person) has inhibited bringing cases before those ready grand juries."

(Aa34). This permitted the pilot program prosecutors to present more cases and collect data.

On July 24, 2020, the Court entered an Order expanding the virtual grand jury program to all counties and State Grand Jury. (Aa36-Aa44). On July 27, 2020, more than two months after approval of the grand jury pilot program, Judge Grant issued a report, entitled Virtual Grand Jury Pilot Program, detailing progress and evaluation of the virtual grand jury experiment. The report illustrated the myriad of affirmative steps and precautions taken to address concerns of discriminate access, secrecy, and program integrity.

On September 30, 2020, Judge Grant issued an "updated" supplement to Directive 23-06, which implemented the Court's prior Order to move the two-county pilot program to all 21 counties.

On July 9, 2020, defendant's case was presented to a virtual grand jury in Mercer County. (Aa127-Aa144). Defendant

was arraigned on September 22, 2020. After arraignment, defendant requested discovery, to include a copy of the video recording of the virtual presentation and a copy of the charge given to virtual grand jurors. (Da24). Defendant received discovery. No video or specific charging information has been supplied to date.

LEGAL ARGUMENT

AN INDICTMENT RETURNED BY A VIRTUAL GRAND JURY VIOLATES A DEFENDANT'S RIGHT TO A FUNDAMENTALLY FAIR GRAND JURY PROCEEDING.

Since the earliest days of the Republic, courts have dealt with exigencies that seem to have been invented to frustrate the orderly administration of justice. World and civil wars rank among the greatest challenges overcome in the past. Surely a global pandemic has earned its place in the pantheon of unforeseen circumstances.

Technology offers material aid to those charged with crafting novel solutions to our collective inability to congregate, but technology has its limits. In the argument below, defendant advances the claim that the grand jury is not a suitable forum for experimentation. The practical problems with guaranteeing a fundamentally fair presentation are simply too daunting to countenance compromise in the name of expediency. The model created in New Jersey possesses insufficient

safeguards against improper influences on grand jurors, fails to adequately protect grand jury secrecy, and cannot guarantee grand jurors have been properly informed of the evidence presented in any given case.

I. The New Jersey Constitution grants to all defendants a right to indictment by grand jury.

The grand jury occupies "a high place as an instrument of justice" unique to our criminal justice system. State v. Hogan, 144 N.J. 216, 225 (1996) (internal citations omitted). The history of the grand jury is rooted in the common law and "made a part of the law of this State by virtue of ... the Constitution of 1776." State v. Shaw, 241 N.J. 223, 237 (2020) (internal citations omitted). A prohibition against criminal informations was later incorporated in the Constitution of 1844 Bd. of Health of Weehawken Twp. v. N.Y. Cent. R.R. Co., 10 N.J. 294, 304 (1952). Our modern constitution carried over substantially the same language and provides,

No person shall be held to answer for a criminal offense, unless on the presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases of impeachment, or in cases now prosecuted without indictment, or arising in the army or navy or in the militia, when in actual service in time of war or public danger.

N.J. Const. art. I, \P 8.

For more than 200 years, the right to indictment by grand jury has provided, "fundamental protection in the charging process." In re Grand Jury Appearance Req. by Loigman, 183 N.J.

133, 138 (2005). The grand jury acts as a "constitutional bulwark against hasty and ill-founded prosecutions and continues to lend legitimacy to our system of justice by infusing it with a democratic ethos." State v. McAllister, 184 N.J. 17, 36 (2005) (internal citations omitted). The institution was not meant to exist as a "rubber stamp of the prosecutor's office." Hogan, 144 N.J. at 236. As the United States Supreme Court explained:

The grand jury does not determine only that probable cause exists to believe that a defendant committed a crime, or that it does not. In the hands of the grand jury lies the power to charge a greater offense or a lesser offense; numerous counts or a single count; and perhaps most significant of all, a capital offense or a noncapital offense—all on the basis of the same facts. Moreover, the grand jury is not bound to indict in every case where a conviction can be obtained.

Vasquez v. Hillery, 474 U.S. 254, 263 (1986) (internal citations omitted). The grand jury has long occupied a protected place in New Jersey's hierarchy of constitutional values, and it is entitled to considerable deference. We should tread lightly before profoundly altering how it functions to "protect[] citizens against unfounded criminal prosecutions", Branzburg v. Hayes, 408 U.S. 665, 686-7 (1972). Indeed, the integrity of the grand jury system demands our vigilance.

II. The doctrine of fundamental fairness prohibits indictment by virtual grand jury.

The Court honors its commitment to fundamentally fair grand

jury presentations through its supervisory powers. Hogan, 144 N.J. at 231-32; Shaw, 241 N.J. at 242. In this regard, the Court "extend[s] greater protections to defendant's rights than . . . the federal courts." Hogan, 144 N.J. at 231. The doctrine of fundamental fairness is "an integral part of due process that is often extrapolated from or implied in other constitutional guarantees." State v. Saavedra, 222 N.J. 39, 67 (2015) (internal citations omitted).

The doctrine, while used sparingly, has been invoked to require prosecutors to advise the court of "evidence of [a grand juror's] partiality or bias." State v. Murphy, 110 N.J. 20, 33 (1988). Fundamental fairness imposes a duty on prosecutors to present evidence to the grand jury "that both directly negates the guilt of the accused and is clearly exculpatory." Hogan, 144 N.J. at 237. Fundamental fairness demands that a grand juror must have been present for or informed of the evidence from each session in order to vote to indict. State v. Del Fino, 100 N.J. 154, 164-65 (1985). Most recently, the Court invoked the doctrine to place certain limits on re-presentations when the grand jury declines to indict. Shaw, 241 N.J. at 242-43.

The doctrine of fundamental fairness likewise requires grand jury sessions be held in person to preserve the integrity of the grand jury process. Virtual grand juries, in which jurors participate from home through videoconferencing, are

fundamentally unfair to defendants, because there are insufficient safeguards to ensure an impartial and unbiased jury, ensure grand jury secrecy and ensure jurors were present for, or informed of, the evidence presented.

A. Virtual grand jury practice lacks sufficient safeguards to ensure an impartial and unbiased jury.

The New Jersey Constitution, art. 1, para 8 guarantees an individual the right to have his case considered by an impartial and unbiased grand jury. Murphy, 110 N.J. at. 29-30. Conducting grand jury sessions on a virtual platform jeopardizes this right, as the setting is fraught with the potential for abuse. A corollary to the convenience of remote access is a corresponding inability to oversee the conduct of not only grand jurors but remote witnesses as well. There exists a palpable risk for jurors to be conducting their own factual and/or legal research online related to the matters before them. Likewise, there are insufficient safeguards against participation by third parties in the grand jurors' or witnesses' locations during the virtual session.

The addictive power of smartphones and their impact on jury conduct was examined as early as 2010 in the Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review:

Jurors have become so accustomed to readily accessing information that the immediate need for that information sometimes causes them to go to great lengths to get it, even if it requires ignoring orders

from the court. A juror's disobedience of the judge's instructions, then, may be partly due to these addictions. "We [have become] so hooked on . . . instantaneous communication . . . [that] we can't seem to drop it even for a short period of time in order to discharge a civic duty."

Amanda McGee, Juror Misconduct In The Twenty-First Century: The Prevalence Of The Internet And Its Effect On American Courtrooms, 30 Loy. L.A. Ent. L. Rev. 301, 310 (2010).

A decade later, McGee's analysis carries even greater poignancy. See Riley v. California, 573 U.S. 373, 395

(2014) ("nearly three-quarters of smart phone users report being within five feet of their phones most of the time, with 12% admitting that they even use their phones in the shower") (internal citations omitted). See also D. Dreher, Help for a Smartphone-Addicted Generation, Psychology Today (posted July 8, 2019) (available at https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/your-personal-renaissance/201907/help-smartphone-addicted-generation/) (last visited Jan. 27, 2021); S. Shoukat, Cell phone addiction and psychological and physiological health in adolescents, 18 EXCLI Journal at 47-50 (Feb. 4, 2019) (available at https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6449671/) (last

Defendant's concerns do not exist in isolation. In a July 2020 memorandum, the County Prosecutors Association of New

visited Jan. 27, 2021).

Jersey reaffirmed its May 3, 2020 formal written objection to virtual grand juries, originally submitted to the Supreme Court Working Group. (Aa 69-73). Among the litany of reasons advanced to support their Constitutional objections, prosecutors recognized the difficulty policing the unauthorized use of smart phones:

Jurors could look up online news stories in real time about cases being presented, interfering with the fair and recorded process by which evidence is presented to the Grand Jury. With traditional grand juries, steps are taken to prevent the unauthorized use of phones and other technology prior to the session—a practice that would be impossible to monitor or enforce in a virtual platform.

(Aa71). The Court's cell phone policy prohibits the use of electronic devices in the grand jury room. See New Jersey Court's Policy Regulating Jurors' Use of Electronic Devices

During Juror Service (promulgated July 24, 2018). In Mercer County, grand jurors must deposit their phones in a dedicated cabinet inside the grand jury room prior to their participation.

Prohibiting electronic devices in the grand jury room is not uncommon, despite its controlled setting. A number of federal courts bar jurors from bringing electronic devices into the grand jury room. See, e.g., Local Rules for U.S. Dist. Ct. D.N.J., Rule 501.1(f)(2)(D)("Grand jurors in possession of electronic devices will surrender these devices to court staff prior to entering the Grand Jury room"); Local Crim. Rules for

U.S. Dist. Ct. E.D. La., Rule 6.1 ("No person shall introduce or possess any . . . electronic device in the grand jury room");

U.S. Dist. Ct. Rules N.D.N.Y., Gen. Order 26 (2011) ("Grand Jurors will be instructed by the Clerk of Court not to bring their cell phones, kindles, other tablet devices or laptop computers to the Courthouse"); Local Rules for U.S. Dist. Ct. D.Vt., Rule 83.2(b) (4) (E) ("Grand jurors may not use or possess any electronic device during or in connection with any proceeding"); Local Rules for U.S. Dist. Ct. N.D.W.Va, Rule 85.03 ("Electronic devices of any kind are not permitted in the grand jury rooms"); U.S. Dist. Ct. Rules M.D.Pa., Standing Order 05-03 ("Grand jurors in possession of electronic devices will surrender these devices to court staff prior to entering the Grand Jury room").

To be certain, requiring jurors to surrender their phones while in the grand jury room reflects the collective wisdom that the oath alone is an insufficient safeguard, notwithstanding the prosecutor's ability to fully observe grand jurors during the presentation. By contrast, remote settings remove almost all control. In a virtual environment, at best prosecutors observe no more than a thumbnail of each jurors' head and shoulders. No one is physically present with jurors to remind, let alone command them to comply. It is hardly a leap of logic to conclude the oath alone, in whatever form, is an insufficient safeguard

in a virtual setting.

In short, there exists an inherent danger of introducing extraneous information to one or more grand jurors. Plainly, an instruction and oath (delivered remotely, no less) will not suffice. The start of every court session in every county and in every municipality begins with an instruction to everyone to silence their cell phones. And yet when court begins, they ring.

B. Virtual grand jury practice does not sufficiently protect grand jury secrecy.

Grand jury proceedings have long been conducted in secret. Since the 17th Century, "[they] have been closed to the public, and records of such proceedings have been kept from the public eye." Douglas Oil Co. of California v. Petrol Stops Northwest, 441 U.S. 211, 218 n. 9 (1979). The United States Supreme Court has recognized that "the proper functioning of our grand jury system depends upon the secrecy of grand jury proceedings." Id. at 218 (citing United States v. Proctor & Gamble Co., 356 U.S. 677 (1958). See, also, State v. Doliner, 96 N.J. 236, 246-47 (1984).

The rule of secrecy exists to ensure the freedom of action necessary for the grand jury to effectively discharge its duties. *Id.* at 247 (internal citations omitted). It prevents coercion of grand jurors through outside influence and

intimidation, it protects the reputation of persons considered by the grand jury but not indicted, it prevents disclosure to those who are under investigation, and it permits witnesses to appear without fear of retaliation. *Id*.

The New Jersey Rules of Court incorporate grand jury secrecy in Rules 3:6-6 and 3:6-7. Rule 3:6-6 provide, "[n]o person other than the jurors, the prosecuting attorney, the clerk of the grand jury, the witness under examination, interpreters when needed and, for the purpose of recording the proceedings, a stenographer or operator of a recording device may be present while the grand jury is in session." R. 3:6-6. During the grand jury's deliberation, only "the jurors, the clerk, the prosecuting attorney and the stenographer or operator of the recording device may be present." Id. Rule 3:6-7 imposes an obligation of secrecy upon grand jurors and those present other than witnesses. R. 3:6-7.

Virtual grand juries are incompatible with grand jury secrecy rules. There are insufficient safeguards to prevent participation by third parties in the grand jurors' or witnesses' locations during the virtual session and to prevent the simultaneous recording of the grand jury proceeding. The County Prosecutors Association of New Jersey identified these concerns:

Simply stated, there is no way to ensure Grand Jury

confidentiality with remote video-conference sessions. Individuals can discreetly take screen shots of materials depicted on a video-record content on a separate computer or tablet.

(Aa71). Separately, the Mercer County Prosecutor described an instance during the pilot program where one grand juror had her grandson help her connect to the proceedings. (Aa82).

Irrespective of the anecdotes, all of which merely serve to illustrate the permutations of inefficacy when trying to maintain secrecy in remote proceedings, the imperative remains: secrecy as a bedrock of grand jury practice should never be aspirational. And while efforts to secure virtual platforms have been laudable, they have also fallen short. If the resort to virtual grand juries will be temporary, the harm to our constitutional values will be permanent.

C. Virtual grand jury practice lacks sufficient safeguards to ensure jurors were present for or informed of the evidence presented.

The doctrine of fundamental fairness demands that a necessary number of grand jurors be present for or informed of the evidence before voting to indict. Del Fino, 100 N.J. at 164-65; State v. Ciba-Geigy Corp., 222 N.J. Super. 343, 354 (App. Div. 1988). "To permit otherwise would be to disregard the [United States Supreme Court's] mandate . . . that a grand jury determine if a 'charge is founded upon reason.'" Id. (quoting Wood v. Georgia, 370 U.S. 375, 390 (1962)).

A virtual grand jury proceeding fails to ensure this

Constitutional right. Again, the County Prosecutors Association

of New Jersey raised this concern in their July 2020 statement,

opposing virtual grand juries:

[S]ome people have speedy connections that work well with live streams and others do not. Entire portions of critical testimony or legal argument can get lost to a temporary technical "glitch" even when a signal is otherwise strong. This concern is especially important because if a grand juror misses a portion of the prosecutor's presentation, they cannot participate in the deliberations, thereby creating another issue that impedes a full, robust and representative Grand Jury. . . Finally the only way we will know of any "glitches" is if the grand juror self-reports the issue(s).

(Aa72). In fact, the Mercer County Prosecutor's office reported various technical problems during the pilot program:

We've had several examples here where the grand juror has either dropped off completely or they couldn't hear a witness's testimony, and that's very concerning to us because the grand jury panel isn't getting the entire flavor for the case.

(Aa82). The presentation in defendant's case illustrates the difficulties encountered with even the most basic task of showing the grand jury a document:

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay. I'm going to share the screen. Can everyone see the indictment?

GRAND JURORS: No.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: How about now?

GRAND JUROR: No.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No? Okay. Let me see.

UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yeah, but that's not it, though. Was that it? How's that, do you see it?

UNIDENTIFED SPEAKER: Yup.

(Aa142). This exchange raises a host of questions, the answers to which are not readily decipherable from the transcript. Among them, who are the unidentified speakers?

The transcript further notes "no audible response" when jurors were asked if they experienced technical difficulties or had questions. (Aa142, 143, 144). The state's reliance on verbal communication brings the fundamental dilemma of virtual proceedings into sharp relief: if a grand juror cannot hear a portion of the presentation, he or she presumably cannot hear the question asking if he or she heard that portion of the presentation. There remains a fundamental flaw in the virtual approach, that is, the absence of a mechanism for verifying that grand jurors saw and heard all of the testimony and exhibits.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Defendant respectfully submits conducting grand jury sessions on a virtual platform is unconstitutional and therefore the indictment must be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMITMENT COMPLAINT NUMBER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY 1111 W 2019 003689 PREFIX COURT CODE SEQUENCE NO. YEAR OMAR E VEGA-LARREGUI TRENTON MUNICIPAL COURT **ADDRESS** 544 PROSPECT AVE 225 N CLINTON AVE TRENTON 08607-0000 NJ 609-989-3700 COUNTY OF: MERCER PA 19067-0000 MORRISVILLE # of CHARGES CO-DEFTS POLICE CASE #: **DEFENDANT INFORMATION** 19010327 SEX: M EYE COLOR: BROWN DOB: 01/03/1977 COMPLAINANT STEPHEN DL STATE: DRIVER'S LIC. #. SZBANZ NAME: 225 NO CLINTON AVE SOCIAL SECURITY #: SBI#: ATTN: WARRANTS TELEPHONE #: () TRENTON NJ 08607 LIVESCAN PCN #: To any Law Enforcement Official of New Jersey, You are commanded to transport this defendant to the Warden of this county who is required to keep the defendant in custody until a release or detention decision is made. Offense Aux Offense Drug Code Degree Offense Description 1. 2C:35-10A(1) 3 POSS CDS/ANALOG 09 2. 2C:35-5B(2) 2 CDS - MANU/DIST 09 3. RESIST ARR/ELUD 2C:29-2A(1) 2C:29-1A OBSTRUCT ADMIN D Commitment Reason: Criminal Justice Reform You will be notified of your Central First Appearance/CJP date to be held at the Superior Court in the county of **MERCER** at the following address: MERCER COUNTY SUPERIOR CT 400 SOUTH WARREN ST. NJ 08650-0000 TRENTON Phone: 609-571-4000 08/22/2019 Date of Arrest: 08/22/2019 LOURDES COSME JUDICIAL OFFICER Signature and Title of Judicial Officer Issuing Warrant Date COMMITMENT

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Affidavit of Probable Cause COMPLAINT NUMBER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY 1111 W 2019 003689 VS. COURT CODE SEQUENCE NO PREFIX YEAR OMAR E VEGA-LARREGUI TRENTON MUNICIPAL COURT ADDRESS 544 PROSPECT AVE 225 N CLINTON AVE TRENTON 08607-0000 NJ COUNTY OF: MERCER PA 19067-0000 609-989-3700 MORRISVILLE # of CHARGES CO-DEFTS POLICE CASE #: DEFENDANT INFORMATION DOB: 01/03/1977 19010327 SEX: M EYE COLOR: BROWN COMPLAINANT STEPHEN DL STATE: SZBANZ DRIVER'S LIC. #. NAME: 225 NO CLINTON AVE SOCIAL SECURITY #: SBI#: ATTN: WARRANTS TELEPHONE #: TRENTON NJ 08607 LIVESCAN PCN # Purpose: This Affidavit/Certification is to more fully describe the facts of the alleged offense so that a judge or authorized judicial officer may determine probable cause. 1. Description of relevant facts and circumstances which support probable cause that (1) the offense(s) was committed <u>and</u> (2) the defendant is the one who committed it: On Thursday August 22, 2019 at approximately 1752 hours I (Szbanz) was investigating a parking violation in front of 46 Turpin Street. Vega-Larregui was on scene and advised the undersigned that he had parked the vehicle on the sidewalk and blocked

On Thursday August 22, 2019 at approximately 1752 hours I (Szbanz) was investigating a parking violation in front of 46 Turpin Street. Vega-Larregui was on scene and advised the undersigned that he had parked the vehicle on the sidewalk and blocked the driveway/garage. Vega-Larregui opened the passenger door of the vehicle to retrieve the registration and insurance card. While attempting to locate his documents he appeared extremely nervous as his hands were shaking. After a few minutes of looking around the interior compartment of the vehicle and reaching underneath the seats and opening several compartments I advised him to stop reaching inside the vehicle. He refused to comply with my lawful commands and began to reach toward the driver's seat. It was at this time I observed suspected CDS (Cocaine) on the floorboard in front of the driver's seat in plain view. I advised Vega-Larregui he was under arrest and to step out of the vehicle. He again refused to comply with my orders and tensed his body preventing me from pulling him from the vehicle. After a brief struggle he was placed under arrest. The item recovered was approximately thirty one (31) grams (over 1/2oz) of suspected CDS (Cocaine). The amount of suspected CDS (Cocaine) was a distributable amount and was within 500' of the Juan Martinez Memorial Park.

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Affidavit of Probable Cause COMPLAINT NUMBER THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY VS. 1111 2019 W 003689 OMAR E VEGA-LARREGUI PREFIX 2. I am aware of the facts above because: (Included, but not limited to: your observations, statements of eyewitnesses, defendant's admission, etc.) I am the investigating officer and was on scene. 3. If victim was injured, provide the extent of the injury: Certification: I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment. Signed: STEPHEN SZBANZ LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER Date: 08/22/2019 **Affidavit of Probable Cause**

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THE UNDERSIGNED CERTIFIES THAT
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□ 3-76.2f Failure to wear seatbelt □ 8-4 Failure to make repairs
4-81 Failure to observe signal 4-98 Speeding MPH in a MPH zone
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THE UNDERSIGNED FURTHER STATES THAT THERE ARE JUST AND REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE THAT YOU COMMITTED THE ABOVE
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MERCER COUNTY PROSECUTOR MERCER COUNTY COURT HOUSE TRENTON, NEW JERSEY TELEPHONE (609) 989-6305

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY MERCER COUNTY LAW DIVISION - CRIMINAL

FILE NO.

19-2952

INDICTMENT NO.: 20-07-02211

THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

STATED SESSION: February 2020

TERM:

July 2020

Plaintiff,

v.

OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI,

Defendant.

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COUNT I POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE (THIRD DEGREE)

The Grand Jurors of the State of New Jersey, for the County of Mercer, upon their oaths, present that OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI

on or about the 22nd day of August, 2019, in the City of Trenton, in the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did knowingly or purposely possess, actually or constructively, a controlled dangerous substance, to wit: cocaine, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10(a)(1), and against the peace of this State, the Government and dignity of the same.

COUNT II POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE (SECOND DEGREE)

The Grand Jurors of the State of New Jersey, for the County of Mercer, upon their oaths, present that OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI

on or about the 22nd day of August, 2019, in the City of Trenton, in the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did knowingly or purposely possess or have under his control with intent to distribute a controlled dangerous substance, to wit: cocaine, in a quantity of one-half ounce or more but less than five ounces, including any adulterants or dilutants, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5(a)(1) and N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5(b)(2), and against the peace of this State, the Government and dignity of the same.



COUNT III POSSESSION OF A CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE WITH INTENT TO DISTRIBUTE ON OR NEAR A PUBLIC FACILITY (SECOND DEGREE)

The Grand Jurors of the State of New Jersey, for the County of Mercer, upon their oaths, present that OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI
on or about the 22nd day of August, 2019, in the City of Trenton, in the County aforesaid, and within the jurisdiction of this Court, did, within five hundred feet of a public park, namely, Juan Martinez Memorial Park, Trenton, New Jersey, knowingly or purposely possess or have under his control with intent to distribute a controlled dangerous substance, to wit: cocaine, in a quantity of one-half ounce or more but less than five ounces, including any adulterants or dilutants, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7.1(a), N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5(a)(1) and N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5(b)(2),

and against the peace of this State, the Government and dignity of the same.



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COUNT IV OBSTRUCTING THE **ADMINISTRATION** OF LAW OR **OTHER**

GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTION (FOURTH DEGREE)

The Grand Jurors of the State of New Jersey, for the County of Mercer, upon their oaths,

present that OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI

on or about the 22nd day of August, 2019, in the City of Trenton, in the County aforesaid, and

within the jurisdiction of this Court, did purposely obstruct, impair, or pervert the administration

of law or other governmental function, or did prevent or attempt to prevent a public servant from

lawfully performing an official function by means of flight, intimidation, force, violence, or

physical interference or obstacle, or by means of any independently unlawful act, specifically by

refusing to comply with the lawful commands of Trenton Police Detective Stephen Szbanz, a law

enforcement officer, contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:29-1(a), and against the peace of

this State, the Government and dignity of the same.

ENDORSED AS A TRUE BILL:

S/A Lucille Mirando

Foreperson

S/A Angleo J.Onofri

Mercer County Prosecutor

DATE: July 9, 2020

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Attorneys for Defendant, Omar Vega-Larregui

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

LAW DIVISION – CRIMINAL PART

MERCER COUNTY

Plaintiff, .

INDICTMENT NO: 20-07-0221-I

v. PROS. FILE NO.: 19-2952

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OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI, . NOTICE OF MOTION TO

DISMISS INDICTMENT,

Defendant. R. 3:10-2

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TO: Scott Gershman, Assistant Prosecutor

Mercer County Prosecutor's Office

P.O. Box 8068

Trenton, New Jersey 08650-0068

SIR:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on a date and time to be set by the Court, defendant will move through his attorneys before the Honorable Darlene J. Pereksta, J.S.C. for an order dismissing indictment, pursuant to R. 3:10-2.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that counsel will rely upon the attached certification, legal memorandum to be submitted in accordance with a briefing schedule set by the court, and requests oral argument in support of this motion.

FURLONG AND KRASNY

Attorneys for Defendant, Omar Vega-Larregui

Dated: November 9, 2020 By: //s// John S. Furlong

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, LAW DIVISION – CRIMINAL PART

MERCER COUNTY

Plaintiff,

INDICTMENT NO: 20-07-0221-I

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OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI, . ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO

DISMISS INDICTMENT,

Defendant. R. 3:10-2

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This matter having been opened to the court on the application of defendant, through his attorneys for an order dismissing the indictment, John S. Furlong, Esquire, Furlong and Krasny, appearing on defendant's behalf, Scott Gershman, Assistant Prosecutor, appearing on behalf of the State of New Jersey, and the Court, being satisfied that good cause has been shown for dismissing the indictment:

It is on this day of , 2020

ORDERED that defendant's motion be and hereby is GRANTED.

DARLENE PEREKSTA, J.S.C.

CERTIFICATION AS TO FILING AND SERVICE

I hereby certify that the originals of the within notice of motion, supporting certification, and proposed order were submitted by eCourts this date for filing, and copies thereof were forwarded by electronic mail to Scott J. Gershman, Assistant Prosecutor (sgershman@mercercounty.org); and by electronic service on the Honorable Darlene Pereksta, J.S.C., (via e-mail, harrison.colby@njcourts.gov).

FURLONG AND KRASNY Attorneys for Defendant, Omar Vega-Larregui

Dated: November 10, 2020 By: //s// John S. Furlong

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CERTIFICATION IN SUPPORT

OMAR VEGA-LARREGUI, . OF MOTION TO

DISMISS INDICTMENT,

Defendant. R. 3:10-2

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I, JOHN S. FURLONG, do hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I am an attorney-at-law, licensed to practice in the State of New Jersey, and as such I have represented the defendant since in or about August 2019.
- 2. On July 20, 2020, a Mercer County (virtual) Grand Jury returned an indictment against defendant.
- 3. I have attached the grand jury transcript which contained presentation of facts and law, as more fully set forth in Exhibit "A."
- 4. I contend the indictment should be dismissed for failure to adhere to constitutional norms for grand jury presentations, and for failure to present clearly exculpatory information.
- 5. I seek from the court a briefing schedule and return date for this motion. I certify that the foregoing statements by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

Dated: November 9, 2020

By: //s// John S. Furlong

JOHN S. FURLONG

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September 29, 2020

Via E-Mail at sgershman@mercercounty.org

Scott Gershman, Assistant Prosecutor Office of the Mercer County Prosecutor 209 South Broad Street – 3rd Floor P.O. Box 8068 Trenton, New Jersey 08650-0068

> RE: State v. Omar Vega-Larregui Indictment No.: 20-07-0221-I Prosecutor's File No.: 19-2952

Dear Mr. Gershman

Please forward a grand jury authorization letter, together with a copy of the video displayed to them for virtual grand jury presentation, and a copy of any charge given to them as part of their virtual grand jury service.

Very truly yours,

//s//John S. Furlong

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