

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION

DOROTHY RIVERA, EDDY OMAR RIVERA, :
KATHLEEN O’CONNOR, : NO. 2017-04992
ROSEMARIE O’CONNOR, :
THOMAS O’CONNOR, and :
STEVEN CAMBURN :
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v. :
 :
BOROUGH OF POTTSTOWN and :
KEITH A. PLACE, in his official capacity :
as Pottstown Director of Licensing and :
Inspection :

ORDER

AND NOW, this 14th day of October, 2020, upon consideration of Defendants’ Motion for a Protective Order or for Extraordinary Relief, Plaintiffs’ response thereto, and the recommendation of the Discovery Master, William Pugh, IV, Esquire, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that said Motion is **DENIED**.

It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that Plaintiffs shall select a computer forensics expert trained in the area of data recovery to produce a digital mirror image of all computers and portable hard drives that have responsive information in Defendants’ custody, possession, or control since 2014, including but not limited to the Borough’s GIS/CMIS systems. Once the expert is chosen, Plaintiffs shall notify the Defendants, and the expert shall agree to submit to the jurisdiction of this Court. Defendants shall then make all the computer equipment described above available to Plaintiffs’ expert at their place of business or residences at the earliest mutually agreeable times. After the inspection and imaging, Plaintiffs’ expert may perform the

remainder of his or her responsibilities outside Defendants' premises. It is **FURTHER ORDERED** that William Pugh, IV, Esquire is appointed as the discovery master to supervise discovery disputes and make recommendations to the court.

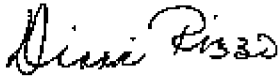
BY THE COURT:



Richard P. Haaz,

J.

This Order has been e-filed on 10/14/20.
Service via e-filing by the Prothonotary to the parties of record.
Emailed to:
Jackie McAllister, Court Administration, Civil Equity Division
William Pugh, IV, Esq., Discovery Master



Secretary