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**BY ECF**

Patricia S. Dodszuweit, Clerk  
U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit  
U.S. Courthouse  
601 Market Street, Room 21400  
Philadelphia, PA 19106-1790

**Re: *United States v. Mack et als.*, No. 19-3841**

Dear Ms. Dodszuweit:

Appellant, the United States of America, respectfully requests that this Court stay the issuance of a briefing schedule. The Solicitor General must personally approve this Government appeal before it may proceed. *See* 28 C.F.R. § 0.20(b). The process of securing such approval, however, entails multiple levels of review and is still ongoing. Thus, to conserve resources, we ask this Court to stay the issuance of a briefing schedule until the United States either (1) notifies this Court that the Solicitor General has approved this appeal or (2) moves to withdraw the appeal under Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 42(b).

We thank the Court for its consideration.

Very truly yours,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that I today caused the foregoing Letter to be [1] electronically filed with the Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit through the Court's CM/ECF system, and [2] served on counsel for Appellant, Bruce L. Throckmorton, Esq., through the Notice of Docketing Activity generated by this Court's CM-ECF system.

Executed On: January 9, 2020

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