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August 29, 2018

**VIA EFILING AND U.S. MAIL, FIRST CLASS:**

Scott S. Harris, Clerk of Court,  
Supreme Court of the United States  
1 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20543

*Re: Doherty, et al. v. Allstate Indemnity Co.*  
U.S.S.C., No.: 18-246

Dear Mr. Harris:

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 37.2(a), this Letter serves as the parties' blanket consent to *Amicus Curiae* Briefs and that all parties consent to the filing of these briefs in support of either or neither party. Enclosed is correspondence confirming the parties' Agreement, and we ask that it be noted on the Court's Dockets accordingly.

By way of this letter, Appellants notify Respondent of the forgoing.

Very truly yours,  
**MIRARCHI LEGAL SERVICES, P.C.**  
  
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Enclosure:

cc: Brian Madden, Esquire;  
Mary Lou Doherty, Esquire;  
James Doherty; and  
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**From:** Brian Madden <bmadden@donnellyandassociates.com>  
**To:** Joe <jqmlegalservices@aol.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate  
**Date:** Thu, Aug 23, 2018 6:08 am

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No issue with Amicus briefs.

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**From:** Joe [<mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 22, 2018 9:40 AM  
**To:** Brian Madden  
**Subject:** Re: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate

Hi Brian:

I am finishing the Petition and it will be filed by tomorrow.

On this issue of Amicus, can we agree to a blanket consent to amicus briefs?

If so, I can submit the letter with the Petition.

Also, kindly note that as of today, I do not have anyone confirmed to be filing Amicus.

I have spoken to many people.

They require to review the Petition first.

Let me know when you can.

Thanks.

**Joe Mirarchi, Esquire**  
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To: Joe <[jqmlegalservices@aol.com](mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com)>

Sent: Thu, Aug 16, 2018 12:56 pm

Subject: RE: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate

Joe-

Ok, thanks for the update. I look forward to reading your petition and any associated submissions.

Thanks

Brian

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**From:** Joe [<mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 16, 2018 12:44 PM

**To:** Brian Madden

**Subject:** Re: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate

Hi Brian:

I'm following up on your second question from the other day.

I reached out to FINRA, and other Organizations Governmental and Non-Profit (such as PID and the Pennsylvania

Association fo Justice), to see if there was any interest in the matter because of the numerous issues arising in the summary judgment and the appeal. FINRA determined that the matter addresses concerns, or goals of its Organization and the public interest that it is obligated to serve. I was not given a specific reason for the interest but was told that the matter is a case of interest and for reasons are separate from those of my Clients.

And for reasons, FINRA will brief the matter objectively and accordingly within 30 days of the docketed Petition.

I must admit, as I have never dealt with FINRA before, my curiosity has been raised in light of the fact that I am still working my Petition for Review. In doing so, I am taking the Application that I forwarded to PID and FINRA and expanding on it.

I got the forgoing response from FINRA because I followed up with it and posed your question. The representative sounded as if they are waiting to see what is in my Petition for Writ. I also got the impression that I should have not been asking the question since there was no objection to the Amicus.

Needless to say, I now have to learn about some new things and law.

Thanks.

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To: Joe Mirarchi <[jqmlegalservices@aol.com](mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com)>  
Sent: Wed, Aug 15, 2018 9:16 am  
Subject: RE: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate

Joe-

Also, I'm researching what impact FINRA would have on the insurance industry. Can you please let me know of any cases in PA state court or the Eastern District that stand for the proposition that FINRA has regulatory power over a homeowners insurance carrier? My understanding is that FINRA is the successor entity to NASD and is charged with overseeing compliance in the broker/dealer world of securities.

Thanks

Brian

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**From:** Joe Mirarchi [<mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 14, 2018 10:31 AM  
**To:** Brian Madden  
**Subject:** Re: Amicus, FINRA—Doherty v. Allstate

Hi Brian:

Sorry to email you initially over the weekend with this Request. I am following up with you now. Can you let me know Allstate's position at your earliest convenience?

The Dohertys requested the amicus assistance of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) to assist in the resolution of the controversy.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 37.2, kindly advise me of Allstate's Position on such involvement.

Thanks.

Joe

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 11, 2018, at 10:46 PM, Joe Mirarchi <[jqmlegalservices@aol.com](mailto:jqmlegalservices@aol.com)> wrote:

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Joe-

In light of the unsuccessful appeal to the 3d Circuit, please advise when we can expect your check for the bills of costs.

Thanks

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HS: Host Send PL: Polled Local EC: Error Correct TS: Terminated by System  
HR: Host Receive PR: Polled Remote MP: Mailbox Print RP: Report  
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