IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA WESTERN DISTRICT

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, : No. 252 WAL 2019

Respondent

: Petition for Allowance of Appeal

: from the Order of the Superior Court

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JAMES PAUL FINNECY,

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Petitioner

<u>ORDER</u>

PER CURIAM

AND NOW, this 11th day of February, 2020, the Petition for Allowance of Appeal is **GRANTED**. The issue, rephrased for clarity, is:

Does a single, past conviction for a violent crime constitute a "history of present or past violent behavior" for purposes of the Recidivism Risk Reduction Incentive Act ("RRRI Act"), 61 Pa.C.S. §§ 4501-4512?

Moreover, the parties are directed to address the following threshold issue as well:

Does a court's failure to apply a RRRI minimum sentence implicate the legality of sentence?