

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE THIRD CIRCUIT

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PETITIONS FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS  
PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 3771(d)(3), CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS ACT

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**ORDER**

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Present: Scirica, Chief Judge, Sloviter, Roth, McKee, Rendell, Barry, Ambro, Fuentes,  
Smith, Fisher, Van Antwerpen, Chagares, Circuit Judges

A petition for writ of mandamus filed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3771(d)(3), the Crime Victims' Rights Act, shall bear the caption "PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. § 3771(d)(3), CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS ACT." Before filing such a petition, the petitioner's counsel, or the petitioner if appearing pro se, must notify the clerk's office of the Court of Appeals that such a petition will be filed, and must make arrangements for filing and immediate service of the petition on this court and the relevant parties. Such notification must be by telephone (215-597-2995). The clerk will notify the government when a petition is received. The government shall file a response to the petition within twenty-four hours of notification by the clerk unless the clerk directs otherwise. The government is responsible for notifying additional victims of the proceedings. Any additional victims wishing to join in the action, must file their petitions within twenty-four hours of case opening.

A failure to notify this court ahead of time that such a filing is being made will constitute consent to the five day continuance permitted in 18 U.S.C. § 3771(d)(3) and may be construed as a waiver of the time limits prescribed by the statute.

**PER CURIAM**

Date: June 1, 2006

Attest: /s/ Marcia M. Waldron

Marcia M. Waldron, Clerk

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