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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION 333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

March 21, 2006

Honorable John L. Heaton, Secretary Board of Pardons 333 Market Street, 15th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Regulation #56-3 (IRRC #2525) Board of Pardons

Representation of Applicant

Dear Secretary Heaton:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

John R. McGinley Jr., Esq.

Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee Honorable Jay Costa, Jr., Minority Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee Honorable Dennis M. O'Brien, Majority Chairman, House Judiciary Committee Honorable Thomas R. Caltagirone, Democratic Chairman, House Judiciary Committee

INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held March 21, 2006

John R. McGinley Jr., Esq., Chairman Alvin C. Bush, Vice Chairman Arthur Coccodrilli John F. Mizner, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq.

Regulation No. 56-3 Board of Pardons Representation of Applicant

On February 9, 2006, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this regulation from the Board of Pardons. This rulemaking amends 37 Pa. Code § 81.282. Notice of proposed rulemaking was omitted for this regulation; it will become effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

This regulation clarifies that persons who are unable to apply for clemency due to mental incompetence or mental disability may be represented by a legal guardian, next friend or other person authorized by law to act on behalf of the applicant.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board of Pardons (71 P.S. § 299(c)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.



John R. McGinley Jr., Esq., Chairman