U.S. DISTRICT COURT - N.D. OF N.Y. FILED March 24, 2015 LAWRENCE K. BAERMAN, CLERK

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

## IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT DISCLOSURE OF TRUTH VERIFICATION EXAMINATION RESULTS AND SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT RECORDS AS ADOPTED BY THIS COURT

## **GENERAL ORDER #53**

The Northern District of New York Board of Judges hereby authorizes the U.S. Probation Office to disclose truth verification examination results, including but not limited to Polygraph and Computer Voice Stress Analysis examinations, of any sex offender under supervision, to their current sex offender treatment provider. The Probation Office either contracts for or conducts such examinations which causes the details of the examination to become the property of the Court. Further disclosure of the examination details would otherwise require the Court's permission. Since these examination results are a valuable part of the ongoing sex offender treatment process and are used to address issues specific to each examination, the Board of Judges adopts this disclosure policy.

Further, the Northern District of New York Board of Judges authorizes the U.S. Probation Office to disclose pertinent sex offender treatment records to the truth verification examiner for use in preparation for the examination. The Probation Office contracts for sex offender treatment which causes the details of treatment to become the property of the Court. Further disclosure of treatment records would otherwise require the Court's permission. Since treatment records are a valuable part of the information gathering process in preparation for any truth verification examination, the Board of Judges adopts this disclosure policy.

## IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015, at Syracuse, New York.

District Court