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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

STEPHANIE JOSEPH, *et al.*

5:16-cv-01907-JLS

v.

QUALITY DINING, INC., *et al.*

FILED

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KATE BARKMAN, Clerk
Dep. Clerk

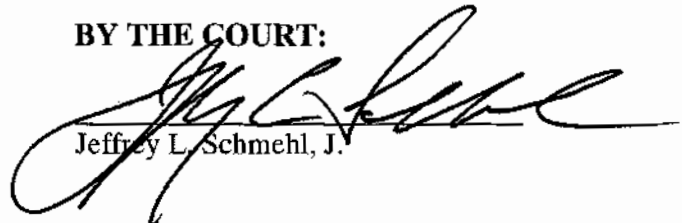
ORDER

NOW, this 18th day of August, 2017, having been informed

during an August 15, 2017 telephonic conference that (i) this Fair Labor Standards Act (“FLSA”) action, which the Court previously compelled to arbitration and closed, see Docs 58-59, has been settled and (ii) the parties wish to obtain judicial approval of the settlement in due to various decisions mandating judicial approval of FLSA actions, see, e.g., Kraus v. PA Fit II, LLC, 155 F. Supp. 3d 516, 522-23 (E.D. Pa. 2016), it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. The Clerk of Court shall **RE-OPEN** this action for the sole purpose of enabling the Court to determine whether approval of the settlement is warranted;
2. A hearing addressing settlement approval will be conducted on September 29, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 1 of the United States District Court, 400 Washington Street, Reading, PA 19601; and
3. Having been informed that two of the 15 settling plaintiffs are parties to a similar District of New Jersey action (currently stayed pending arbitration proceedings) styled Cicero v. Quality Dining, Inc., 1:16-cv-05806-NLH, this Court will address and rule upon the fairness of the settlement as to the two Cicero plaintiffs if the Cicero action is transferred to this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a).

BY THE COURT:



Jeffrey L. Schmehl, J.

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