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NEW DATE FOR BARNES FOUNDATION MATTER UNDER JUDGE OTT IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT

(NORRISTOWN, Pennsylvania, USA—March 25, 2011) The Barnes Foundation matter that was to take place in Montgomery County Orphans' Court on Friday, March 18, 2011 at 9:30 am has been continued to Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at 9:30am.

On February 22, 2011, County Orphans' Court **Judge Stanley R. Ott** issued a Rule to Show Cause to the Barnes Foundation and the Pennsylvania Attorney General by Preliminary Decree to "show cause why the (Barnes) matter should not be reopened." The order is in response to a Petition filed in Orphans' Court on February 17 by **Samuel C. Stretton, Esquire** on behalf of Friends of the Barnes Foundation and Barnes Watch.

That petition asks the Court to reopen the Barnes matter and grant standing to the Friends, stating that that Court was misled about a) improper activities of then-Pennsylvania

Attorney General Mike Fisher and former Governor Ed Rendell and b) about public funds available for the Barnes Foundation project.

The petition, exhibits, and the Preliminary Decree of Judge Ott are available on the website of Friends of the Barnes Foundation at <a href="http://barnesfriends.org/files/legal\_matters.html">http://barnesfriends.org/files/legal\_matters.html</a>

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