IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF LYCOMING COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

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vs. : NO. 96-11, 696

: CRIMINAL LAW DIVISION

STEVEN EVICCI,

Defendant : P.C.R.A. APPEAL

Date: February 20, 2001

OPINION IN SUPPORT OF ORDER IN COMPLIANCE WITH RULE 1925(a) OF THE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE

BEFORE THE COURT is Defendant Steven Evicci's appeal of the denial of his

Petition for Post-Conviction Collateral Relief dated December 22, 2000. Defendant contends that the P.C.R.A. court erred when it determined that trial counsel was not ineffective for failing to introduce evidence that Defendant was not infected with gonorrhea. Defendant further contends that the P.C.R.A. court erred when it determined that trial counsel was not ineffective for failing to properly investigate and/or present exculpatory testimony that Defendant was not infected with gonorrhea. The Court examined both of these issues at length

in its supporting Opinion and Order of December 22, 2000 and accordingly relies on the

BY THE COURT:

William S. Kieser, Judge

cc: Court Administrator
District Attorney
George Lepley, Jr., Esquire
Judges
Jeffrey L. Wallitsch, Esquire
Gary L. Weber, Esquire (Lycoming Reporter)

reasoning and findings set forth thereof.