

THE TRIAL COURT OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE TRIAL COURT

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VIA EMAIL

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Mr. Justin Silverman
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Dear Mr. Silverman,

Thank you for your letter of December 21, 2023, addressed to Chief Justice Jeffrey Locke regarding the online availability of criminal case information. As you know, his last day of service was the 21^{st} and I assumed the role of Chief Justice of the Trial Court the following day.

The Court Administrator and I agree that the Trial Court must comply with Trial Court Rule XIV: Uniform Rules on Public Access to Court Record -- and that our compliance to date is not complete.

We are working closely with the Judicial Information Services Department – and the Boston Municipal Court and District Court Departments – to ensure that the criminal case information outlined in the Rule is available remotely to the public. We have made this a priority and expect the information to be online by the end of this quarter.

We are pleased to provide this positive update and we appreciate your attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

Heidi E. Brieger

Chief Justice of the Trial Court