## VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENT

## COMMONWEALTH VS. \_\_\_\_\_ (Defendant Name) DOCKET NUM.

As the victim of a crime you have a right to provide the judge with a victim impact statement. This form is completely voluntary and is NOT REQUIRED. If you choose, please complete and return this form within 15 days of receiving it. It will help the sentencing judge have a clear understanding of the ongoing effect the crime has had on you and your family. A copy of this form will also be given to the prosecuting attorney/defendant and the probation department.

If you need assistance or more information regarding your victim impact statement, please call the Victim Witness Office at (570) 837-4232. Use additional paper as needed.

- 1) Please tell the court how this crime has impacted you and your family.
- 2) Please describe any emotional changes you have noticed that have occurred which are a direct result of the criminal act and indicate if you are receiving or have had therapy or counseling.
- As a result of this crime were you physically injured? If yes, please describe the extent of 3) your injuries and medical treatment prescribed.
- 4) The court is interested in your opinion about sentencing. What would you like to see happen to this defendant?
- 5) Do you agree for the offender to have WORK RELEASE? If NO please explain why, as your decision is important to our office.

Signature:\_\_\_\_