

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT

STANDING PROTECTIVE ORDER
Effective April 20, 2010

It is hereby ordered by the Court that the following shall apply to information, documents and excerpts from documents supplied by the parties to each other as initial disclosure and in response to discovery requests:

- (a) Counsel for any party may designate any document or information contained in a document as confidential if counsel determines, in good faith, that such designation is necessary to protect the interests of the client. Information and documents designated by a party as confidential will be labeled “CONFIDENTIAL — PRODUCED PURSUANT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER.” “Confidential” information or documents may be referred to collectively as “confidential information.”
- (b) Unless ordered by the Court, or otherwise provided for herein, the confidential information disclosed will be held and used by the person receiving such information solely for use in connection with the action, in which this Order issued.
- (c) In the event a party challenges another party’s confidential designation, counsel shall make a good faith effort to resolve the dispute in accordance with Rule 37(a) of the Local Rules of the District Court for the District of Connecticut, and in the absence of a resolution, the challenging party may thereafter seek resolution by the Court. Nothing in this Protective Order operates to create an admission by any party that confidential information disclosed in this case is relevant or admissible. Each party specifically reserves the right to object to the use or admissibility of all confidential information disclosed, in accordance with applicable law and Court rules.
- (d) Information or documents designated as “Confidential” shall not be disclosed to any person, except:
 - (1) The requesting party and counsel of record;
 - (2) Employees of such counsel assigned to and necessary to assist in the litigation;
 - (3) Consultants or experts to the extent deemed necessary by counsel; (4) Any person from whom testimony is taken or is to be taken in these actions, except that such a person may only be shown that confidential information during and in preparation for his/her testimony and may not retain the confidential information; and
 - (4) The Court or the jury at trial or as exhibits to motions.
- (e) Prior to disclosing or displaying the confidential information to any person,

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EXHIBIT A

I have been informed by counsel that certain documents or information to be disclosed to me in connection with the matter entitled _____
_____ have been designated as confidential. I have been informed that any such documents or information labeled —CONFIDENTIAL PRODUCED PURSUANT TO PROTECTIVE ORDERII are confidential by Order of the Court.

I hereby agree that I will not disclose any information contained in such documents to any other person. I further agree not to use any such information for any purpose other than this litigation.

_____ DATED: _____

Signed in the presence of:

(Attorney)