

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL, DEPARTMENT
OF LEGAL AFFAIRS,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2018-CA-001438

PURDUE PHARMA L.P.,
PURDUE PHARMA, INC., THE
PURDUE FREDERICK COMPANY, INC.,
ENDO HEALTH SOLUTIONS INC.,
ENDO PHARMACEUTICALS INC.,
JANSSEN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.,
JOHNSON & JOHNSON, CEPHALON, INC.,
TEVA PHARMACEUTICALS USA, INC.,
ALLERGAN FINANCE, LLC,
ACTAVIS PHARMA, INC., ACTAVIS LLC,
INSYS THERAPEUTICS, INC.,
AMERISOURCEBERGEN DRUG
CORPORATION, CARDINAL HEALTH,
INC., MCKESSON CORPORATION,
MALLINCKRODT LLC, WALGREEN CO.,
CVS HEALTH CORPORATION, and
CVS PHARMACY, INC.,

Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO DETERMINE
CONFIDENTIALITY OF COURT RECORDS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH RULE OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION 2.420(c)(8) & (9)**

THIS CAUSE is before the Court on Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion to Determine Confidentiality of Court Records filed by Plaintiff State of Florida, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Legal Affairs (Plaintiff) pursuant to Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420(c)(8) and (9)(A)(iv), filed March 24, 2022 (Plaintiff's Motion), and the protective order governing this case, *see* Stipulated Protective Order ¶ 63 (Feb. 7, 2019) (Protective Order), for an Order sealing the following information in this civil action:

1. Particular information within and attached to Plaintiff's Motion for Leave and the attached Opposition to Defendants' Motion *In Limine* to Preclude Evidence, Argument, and Testimony Comparing Defendants' Conduct to Wars, National Tragedies, Terrorist Attacks, The Tobacco Industry, Or Any Comparison of Defendants to Such Actors filed March 24, 2022 (Plaintiff's Opposition), located at:

- a. Exhibit A, Page 1, lines 21-24;
- b. Exhibit A, Page 2, lines 1-7, 10-11, 25-29; and
- c. Exhibits 1-3.

2. There are no affected non-parties to be notified of Plaintiff's Motion. Plaintiff's Motion was not contested and a hearing was not conducted.

3. Upon agreement of the parties, and having considered Plaintiff's Motion, legal authorities, and otherwise being fully advised in the premises, the Court **GRANTS** Plaintiff's Motion as follows:

4. Confidentiality of the information enumerated in paragraph 1 of this Order is required in accordance with Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420(c)(8) and (9)(A)(iv) to comply with the Protective Order and to protect the following interest: obtaining evidence to determine the legal issues in a case.

5. The Court further finds that no less restrictive measure is available to protect these interests, and that the degree, duration, and manner of confidentiality ordered herein are no broader than necessary to protect these interests.

Wherefore, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

In accordance with Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420 and the Standards for

Access to Electronic Court Records and Access Security Matrix, the Clerk of the Court is hereby directed to maintain as confidential the materials enumerated in paragraph 1 of this Order.

The file and progress docket shall otherwise remain available to the public.

It is further **ORDERED** that any materials sealed pursuant to this Order shall be conditionally disclosed upon the entry of a further Order by this Court finding that such opening is necessary for purposes of judicial or governmental accountability or First Amendment rights.

It is further **ORDERED** that, within ten (10) days of the date of this Order, the Clerk of the Court shall post a copy of this Order on the bulletin board of the Sixth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Pasco County, Florida and the Clerk's website for a period of thirty (30) days to provide public notice.

It is further **ORDERED** that the Clerk of the Court is hereby authorized to unseal any materials sealed pursuant to this Order for the purpose of filing, microfilming or imaging files, or transmitting a record to an appellate tribunal. The materials shall be resealed immediately upon completion of the filing.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at New Port Richey, Pasco County, Florida, this ___ day of March, 2022.



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Honorable Kimberly Sharpe Byrd
Circuit Court Judge

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