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| STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY | IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION  \_\_\_\_ CVS \_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,  Plaintiff(s),  v.  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,  Defendant(s). | **ORDER DIRECTING CLERK OF COURT TO SEAL FILINGS PENDING FURTHER ORDERS OF THE COURT** |
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1. THIS MATTER is before the Court *sua sponte*.
2. The parties have filed several motions to seal that are currently pending before the Court (the “Pending Motions”). In the Pending Motions, the parties seek permission to file documents allegedly containing confidential information under seal.
3. The Court enters this interim order directing the Clerk of Superior Court for \_\_\_\_\_ County to permit the parties to file under seal documents requested by one or more of the parties in the Pending Motions to remain under seal pending further orders of the Court. The parties shall provide to the Clerk of Court envelopes bearing appropriate language describing the documents contained therein and indicating that the filings are to remain under seal by order of the Court until determined otherwise.
4. THEREFORE, the Court ORDERS the Clerk of Superior Court for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County to permit the parties to file documents under seal.
5. These documents shall remain under seal pending further orders of the Court.
6. This Order is not, and shall not be construed to be, a ruling on the merits of the Pending Motions.

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| SO ORDERED, this the [DAY] of [MONTH], [YEAR]. |

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