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GERALD McC. FRANKLIN (State Bar No. 40171) JAN 10 2005 4 GARY M. BLAIR, Executive Officer Senior Deputy District Attorney By Carried Wagner 5 1112 Santa Barbara Street CARRIE L. WAGNER, Deputy Clerk Santa Barbara, CA 93101 Telephone: (805) 568-2300 6 FAX: (805) 568-2398 7 8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 9 FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA SANTA MARIA DIVISION 10 11 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. 12 No. 1133603 Plaintiff. PLAINTIFF'S NOTICE OF 13 MOTION FOR ORDER DIRECTING THAT PLAINTIFF'S 14 MOTION FOR ORDER 15 ALLOWING USE OF EXPERT TESTIMONY RE: CHILD ABUSE 16 EXPERT TESTIMONY BE MAINTAINED UNDER SEAL MICHAEL JOE JACKSON. 17 UNTIL FURTHER ORDER OF COURT: DECLARATION OF 18 Defendant. GERALD McC. FRANKLIN IN SUPPORT OF SEALING: MEMORANDUM OF POINTS 19 AND AUTHORITIES 20 DATE: January 12, 2005 TIME: 8:30 a.m. DEPT: TBA (Melville) 21 22 23 24 TO: MICHAEL JOE JACKSON, AND TO THOMAS A. MESEREAU, JR., 25 ROBERT SANGER AND BRIAN OXMAN, HIS ATTORNEYS OF RECORD, AND TO 26 THEODORE J. BOUTROUS, JR., ESQ., GIBSON, DUNN & CRUTCHER, L.LP: 27 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on January 12, 2005, at 8:30 a.m. or as soon 28 thereafter as the matter may be heard, in Department SM 2, Plaintiff will, and hereby does,

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PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST TO SEAL MOTION RE CHILD ABUSE TRAUMA EVIDENCE

move for an order directing that Plaintiff's Motion for Order Allowing Use Of Expert

Testimony On The Subject Of Child Abuse Trauma, Etc., filed contemporaneously with this

Request for Conditional Sealing, be maintained under conditional seal pending further Order

of Court, pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 243.1 et seq.

The motion will be made on the ground that the facts, as established by the accompanying declaration of Gerald McC. Franklin, are sufficient to justify sealing the specified motion pursuant to California Rules of Court, rule 243.1 et seq.

The motion will be based on this notice of motion, on the declaration of Gerald McC. Franklin and the memorandum of points and authorities served and filed herewith, on the records and the file herein, and on such evidence as may be presented at the hearing of the motion.

DATED: January 10, 2005

THOMAS W. SNEDDON, JR.

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DECLARATION OF GERALD McC. FRANKLIN

- I, Gerald McC. Franklin, say:
- 1. I am a lawyer admitted to practice in the State of California. I am a Senior Deputy of the District Attorney of Santa Barbara County. I am one of the lawyers of record for the People, Plaintiff in this action.
- 2. This motion to conditionally seal Plaintiff's Motion for Order Allowing Use Of Expert Testimony On The Subject Of Child Abuse Trauma, Etc. is made on the ground that the Motion discusses evidence not previously released to the public and makes reference to the names of certain witnesses.
- 3. I believe that the interest of each party to a fair trial overrides the public's prompt access to Plaintiff's Motion for Order Allowing Use Of Expert Testimony On The Subject Of Child Abuse Trauma, Etc., until the appropriateness of the release of a redacted version of the Motion is determined by the court.
- 4. I believe an order maintaining this Motion under seal in the interim would avert the probability of prejudice, and that no more narrowly tailored order with respect to that pleading could be drafted to achieve the overriding interest in a fair trial.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of California that the foregoing is true and correct, except as to matters stated upon my information and belief, and as to such matters I believe it to be true. I execute this declaration at Santa Barbara, California on January 10, 2005.

Gerald McC. Franklin

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

The procedure for sealing records under California Rules of Court, rule 243.1 et seq. applies only to records that are deemed public. (Id., rule 243.1(a)(2).) Motions and responsive pleadings in criminal cases are, ordinarily, "public" records of the court.

Rule 243.1(d) provides that

The court may order that a record be filed under seal only if it expressly finds facts that establish:

- (1) There exists an overriding interest that overcomes the right of public access to the record;
 - (2) The overriding interest supports sealing the record;
- (3) A substantial probability exists that the overriding interest will be prejudiced if the record is not sealed;
 - (4) The proposed sealing is narrowly tailored; and
 - (5) No less restrictive means exist to achieve the overriding interest.

Rule 243.1(e) provides, in pertinent part:

(1) An order sealing the record must (i) specifically set forth the facts findings that support the findings and (ii) direct the sealing of only those documents and pages, or, if reasonably practicable, portions of those documents and pages, that contain the material that needs to be placed under seal. All other portions of each documents or page must be included in the public file.

Rule 243.2(b) provides, in pertinent part, that "Pending the determination of the motion [of a party to file a record under seal], the lodged record will be conditionally under seal."

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DATED: January 10, 2005 Respectfully submitted. THOMAS W. SNEDDON, JR., DISTRICT ATTORNEY County of Santa Barbara · 5 Attorneys for Plaintiff PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST TO SEAL MOTION RE CHILD ABUSE TRAUMA EVIDENCE

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I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the County aforesaid; I am over the age of eighteen years and I am not a party to the within-entitled action. My business address is: District Attorney's Office; Courthouse; 1112 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101.

On January 10, 2005, I served the within PLAINTIFF'S REQUEST FOR ORDER DIRECTING THAT PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ORDER ALLOWING USE OF EXPERT TESTIMONY ON THE SUBJECT OF CHILD ABUSED TRAUMA BE MAINTAINED UNDER CONDITIONAL SEAL PENDING FURTHER ORDER OF COURT on Media's counsel and on Defendant, by THOMAS A. MESEREAU, JR. and ROBERT SANGER and BRIAN OXMAN, by personally delivering a true copy thereof to Mr. Sanger at his office in Santa Barbara, then faxing a true copy to other counsel at the facsimile number shown with the address of each on the attached Service List (except Mr. Sanger and Mr. Oxman), and then by causing to be mailed a true copy to each counsel (except Mr. Sanger and Mr. Oxman) at that address.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at Santa Barbara, California on this 10th day of January, 2005.

Gerald McC. Franklin

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