



1 filed under conditional seal, remain under seal and for such other such further relief as the Court may  
2 deem just and proper. This request is based on the overriding interests of Mr. Jackson's rights to  
3 due process and a fair trial under the Fifth, Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States  
4 Constitution and Article I, Sections 1, 7, and 15 of the California Constitution.

5 Dated: September 14, 2004

6 Respectfully submitted,

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EX PARTE APPLICATION TO FILE UNDER SEAL

1 **MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

2 I.

3 **THE COURT HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ORDER THAT**  
4 **A RECORD BE FILED UNDER SEAL**

5 Pursuant to California Rule of Court 243.1(d), the Court has the authority to order a  
6 record be filed under seal if it expressly finds that:

- 7 1. There exists an overriding interest that overcomes the right of public access to the  
8 record;
- 9 2. The overriding interest supports sealing the record;
- 10 3. A substantial probability exists that the overriding interest will be prejudiced if the  
11 record is not sealed;
- 12 4. The proposed sealing is narrowly tailored; and
- 13 5. No less restrictive means exist to achieve the overriding interest.  
14 (California Rule of Court 243.1(d).)

15 II.

16 **OVERRIDING INTERESTS EXIST THAT MEETS THE ABOVE CRITERIA FOR**  
17 **SEALING A RECORD**

18 It is necessary to seal the record pursuant to California Rule of Court 243.1(d) based on  
19 the overriding interests of Mr. Jackson's rights to due process and a fair trial under the Fifth,  
20 Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and Article I, Sections 1, 7,  
21 and 15 of the California Constitution.

22 An inspection of the exhibits will reveal that they disclose the testimony of witnesses or  
23 potential witnesses and disclose possible evidence, the admissibility of which, is yet to be  
24 determined.

25 The overriding interests of Mr. Jackson's rights to a fair trial and due process would be  
26 compromised if the exhibits are not filed under seal. A person accused of a crime is entitled to  
27 due process and a fair trial under the Fifth, Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United  
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1 States Constitution and Article I, Sections 1, 7, and 15 of the California Constitution. Material  
2 contained the exhibits pertains to evidence and the testimony of witnesses that, if made public,  
3 would compromise Mr. Jackson's these rights and would result in prejudice to Mr. Jackson. In  
4 order to protect these overriding interests, it is necessary that the exhibits be filed under seal.

5 **CONCLUSION**

6 For the reasons stated above, Mr. Jackson requests that the Court issue an order that each  
7 of the the 48 EXHIBITS admitted into evidence at the hearings held July 27, 2004, August 16-  
8 17, August 19-20, and August 23, 2004, remain under seal.

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