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GERALD McC. FRANKLIN (State Bar No. 40171) OCT 0.8 2004 4 Senior Deputy District Attorney GARY M. BLAIR, Executive Officer 1112 Santa Barbara Street 5 Carried wagner Santa Barbara, CA 93101 CARRIE L. WAGNES Debuty Clark Telephone: (805) 568-2300 6 FAX: (805) 568-2398 7 8 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA 9 SANTA MARIA DIVISION 10 11 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. No. 1133603 12 Plaintiff. PLAINTIFF'S NOTICE OF 13 REQUEST FOR ORDER DIRECTING THAT PLAINTIFF'S 14 v. RESPONSE TO COURT-ORDERED DISCOVERY COMPLIANCE AND 15 STATUS REPORT BE MAINTAINED UNDER 16 MICHAEL JOE JACKSON CONDITIONAL SEAL; DECLARATON OF GERALD 17 Defendant. McC. FRANKLIN IN SUPPORT 18 THEREOF: MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES 19 UNDER SEAL 20 DATE: October 14, 2004 TIME: 8:30 a.m. 21 DEPT: TBA (Mclville) 22 23 TO: MICHAEL JOE JACKSON, AND TO THOMAS A. MESEREAU, JR., 24 STEVE COCHRAN, ROBERT SANGER AND BRIAN OXMAN, HIS ATTORNEYS OF 25 RECORD, AND TO THEODORE J. BOUTROUS, JR., ESO., GIBSON, DUNN & 26 CRUTCHER LLP: 27 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 14, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. or as soon 28 thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Department to be assigned, Plaintiff will, and

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ORDER SEALING RESPONSE TO COURT-ORDERED DISCOVERY STATUS REPORT

hereby does, move for an order directing that Plaintiff's Response to Court-Ordered Discovery Compliance And Status Report, filed contemporaneously with this Request for Conditional Sealing, be maintained under conditional seal until 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 Response 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 Response.

DATED: October 8, 2004

THOMAS W. SNEDDON, JR.
District Attorney

By:
Gerald McC. Franklin, Scnior Deputy

Attomeys for Plaintiff

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I, Gerald McC. Franklin, say:

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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 Scal Plaintiff's Response to Court-Ordered Discovery Compliance And Status Report, filed contemporaneously with this Motion, is made on the ground that the Response makes reference to evidentiary facts not yet made public and the name of certain potential witnesses.
- 3. I believe that the interest of each party to a fair trial overrides the public's prompt access to Plaintiff's Response until the appropriateness of the release of a redacted version of the Response is determined by the Court.
- 4. I believe an order maintaining our Response under scal 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 October 8, 2004.

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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(c) provides, in portinent part:

(1) An order sealing the record must (i) specifically set forth the facts findings that support the findings and (ii) direct the scaling 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 scal. 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 scal], the lodged record will be conditionally under seal."

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DATED: October 8, 2004 Respectfully submitted, THOMAS W. SNEDDON, JR., DISTRICT ATTORNEY County of Janta Barbara McC. Franklin, Senior Deputy Attorneys for Plaintiff

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COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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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; 1105 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101.

On October 8, 2004, I served the within PLAINTIFF'S MOTION THAT PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO COURT-ORDERED DISCOVERY COMPLIANCE AND STATUS REPORT BE MAINTAINED UNDER SEAL on Media's counsel and on Defendant, by THOMAS A. MESEREAU, JR., STEVE COCHRAN, ROBERT SANGER and BRIAN OXMAN, by personally delivering a true copy to Robert Sanger's Office and then transmitting a true copy to Defendant's co-counsel and to Media's counsel at the facsimile number shown with the address for counsel on the attached Service List, and then causing that copy to be mailed to each at the address shown on the Service List.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Santa Barbara, California on this 8th day of October, 2004.

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