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KERN COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT  
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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF KERN

**IN RE: DESIGNATION OF CIVIL  
DOCUMENT AS CONFIDENTIAL IN  
E-FILING SYSTEM**

MISCELLANEOUS NO.: STO-24-0003

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

Except as provided in California Rules of Court, rules 2.500 through 2.507, an electronically filed document is a public document at the time it is filed. In order to ensure immediate confidentiality upon electronic filing, the filing parties/attorneys must designate documents that are required to be kept confidential by law as such by selecting "confidential" in the security field when prompted by the Court's electronic filing system. The document must also include the word "confidential" in the caption with the statutory authority, or be subject to rejection.

However, the filer cannot establish a document's security level. Rather, a document designated as "confidential" will only become confidential pursuant to legal authority or the Court's determination. Court records are presumed to be open to the

1 public unless confidentiality is required by law. CRC 2.550(c).

2 Documents that are not required to be maintained confidentially, as determined  
3 by the Court, will not be classified as such and will be available to public review  
4 regardless of how they were marked by the party/attorney at time of filing.

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6 THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 2024.

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8 Dated: April 5, 2024

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11 J. Eric Bradshaw, Presiding Judge  
12 Kern County Superior Court  
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