

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA

TERRY GENE BOLLEA professionally
known as HULK HOGAN,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Case No. 12012447-CI-011

HEATHER CLEM, *et al.*,

Defendants.

MOTION TO DETERMINE CONFIDENTIALITY OF COURT RECORDS

Pursuant to Rule 2.420 of the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration and this Court's Agreed Protective Order Governing Confidentiality dated July 25, 2013 (the "Confidentiality Order"), Defendants Gawker Media, LLC, Nick Denton and A.J. Daulerio ("Daulerio") (collectively, the "Publisher Defendants"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby move to determine the confidentiality of Exhibits A, B and G to their Motion for Continuance ("Motion"). As grounds for this motion, the Publisher Defendants state as follows:

1. Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.420(c)(9)(A)(iv) provides that certain court records are confidential if the Court determines that confidentiality is required in order to "obtain evidence to determine legal issues in a case."

2. This Court's Confidentiality Order provides that both the parties and non-party witnesses may designate testimony and/or documents as "confidential" if their substance falls into certain enumerated categories.

3. Plaintiff Terry Gene Bollea designated two November 10, 2014 letters from Charles J. Harder, Esq. to David M. Hardy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Susan B.

Gerson of the Department of Justice as “*Highly Confidential – Attorney’s Eyes Only*,” which are attached as Exhibit A to the Motion

4. The Motion also attaches as Exhibit B a November 24, 2014 letter from Michael Berry, Esq. to Charles J. Harder, Esq., which quotes the letters attached as Exhibit A.

5. Finally, the Motion attaches as Exhibit G an email thread between David Houston and unknown persons at the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the United States Attorney’s Office, which was produced to Gawker and its counsel pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and United States Attorney’s Office. The parties have agreed that any document obtained via that FOIA request shall be treated as confidential for the first thirty days (30) after receipt.

6. Counsel for Gawker certifies that this motion is made in good faith and is supported by a sound factual and legal basis. Without conceding that Plaintiff has properly designated these documents as “Confidential,” or “*Highly Confidential – Attorney’s Eyes Only*,” Gawker is filing this motion in compliance with Rule 2.420 and this Court’s Confidentiality Order.

WHEREFORE, the Publisher Defendants respectfully request that this Court determine the confidentiality of Exhibits A, B, and G to the Motion.

Dated: June 29, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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