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14 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
15 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

16 DIANA HOLMES,

17 Plaintiff,

18 vs.

19 BELLAGIO, LLC, a Nevada limited liability
20 company; MGM RESORTS
21 INTERNATIONAL, a foreign corporation; *et*
22 *al.*,

23 Defendants.

Case No.: 2:20-cv-00576-RFB-BNW

STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER

24 Plaintiff Diana Holmes (“Plaintiff”) and Defendants Bellagio, LLC d/b/a/ Bellagio Hotel and
25 Casino (“Bellagio”) and MGM Resorts International (“MGMRI”) (collectively, “Defendants”), by and
26 through their respective counsel of record, hereby submit the following Stipulated Protective Order
27 regarding the confidentiality of discovery materials.

28 Disclosure and discovery activity in the above-captioned action are likely to involve the
production of confidential, proprietary, or private information for which special protection from
public disclosure and use for any purpose other than prosecuting this litigation may be warranted.
The parties acknowledge that this protective order does not confer blanket protection for all

1 disclosures or responses to discovery and that the protection it affords from public disclosure and use
2 extends only to the limited information or items that are entitled to confidential treatment under the
3 applicable legal principles.

4 **1. Definition of “Confidential Information.”** “Confidential Information,”
5 which may be designated as provided in paragraph 5 below, is defined as follows: trade secrets,
6 protected contacts, business contacts, business practices, procedures and processes, non-public
7 customer information (e.g., customer lists, customer names and contact information, play history,
8 etc.), financial information (players’ gaming history, profits information, gaming projections, etc.),
9 contractual relationships, marketing practices and procedures, management policies and procedures,
10 sensitive personnel information including terms of employment, salary, bonus agreements, and
11 confidential or private personal information.

12 **2. Use Limitations.** All Confidential Information produced in the course of
13 discovery proceedings herein shall be used only for the purpose of preparing for and conducting this
14 litigation (including appeals) and not for any other purpose whatsoever.

15 **2.1 Limitations on Disclosure of Confidential Information.**

16 Confidential Information shall not be given, shown, or made available or
17 communicated in any way to anyone except persons specified in paragraph 6 below who have read
18 and are bound by the terms of this Protective Order, and to whom it is necessary that such
19 Confidential Information be given or shown for the purposes permitted under this paragraph. The
20 Parties agree that materials subject to this Order which are marked “Confidential” and/or
21 “Confidential – Attorneys’ Eyes Only” will be treated as such, subject to the resolution of any
22 motion filed pursuant to paragraph 7. Before any party includes any information or material marked
23 “Confidential” and/or “Confidential – Attorneys’ Eyes Only” in any pleading, motion, notice,
24 memorandum filed with the Court that the party cannot or will not redact, the party first must file a
25 motion seeking leave to file under seal the portion of such materials marked “Confidential” and/or
26 “Confidential – Attorneys’ Eyes Only” in accordance with the standard articulated in *Kamakana v.*
27 *City and County of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172 (9th Cir. 2006), along with the Local Rules of the
28 United States District Court for the District of Nevada. Treatment of the material as Confidential

1 will continue at a minimum until the Court resolves the issue.

2 **2.2 Advice to Client Based on Confidential Information.**

3 Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Protective Order shall bar or otherwise
4 restrict any attorney herein from rendering litigation advice to his/her client, and in the course thereof,
5 referring to or relying upon the attorney's examination of designated information.

6 **3 Scope of Protection/Disclosure of Confidential Information in Other**
7 **Proceedings.** This Protective Order governs the handling of all Confidential Information, including
8 documents, testimony, and other information, including all copies, excerpts, and summaries thereof,
9 produced, given, or filed during discovery and other proceedings in this action, including
10 Confidential Information produced, given, or filed prior to the date of this Protective Order.

11 **3.1** If any party to another legal proceeding, or a court or an
12 administrative agency, through discovery, subpoenas, or orders, demands production of
13 Confidential Information, the party receiving such demand for Confidential Information shall
14 promptly, and before producing Confidential Information to such other party, court, or
15 administrative agency, notify (1) the requesting party, court, or administrative agency of this
16 Protective Order; and (2) the party whose Confidential Information is being sought.

17 **3.1.1** The party whose Confidential Information is being sought
18 shall have the obligation of defending against such subpoena, order, or demand, and the person or
19 party receiving the subpoena, order or demand shall be entitled to comply with it except to the extent
20 the producing party is successful in obtaining an order modifying or quashing the subpoena, order
21 or demand.

22 **4. Confidential Information Produced by Third Parties.** This Protective Order
23 shall apply to the parties to this action, and also to any other person producing or disclosing
24 Confidential Information in this action who agrees or is ordered to be bound by this Protective Order.
25 Accordingly, as used herein, the term "person" includes both the named parties in this civil action, and
26 third parties who have agreed or been ordered to be bound by this Protective Order. If, in the course
27 of this action, information is sought from a third party which would require such person to disclose
28 and/or produce Confidential Information, such third party may obtain the protections of this Protective

1 Order by agreeing in writing to produce information pursuant to this Protective Order and to be bound
2 by it. No further order of this Court shall be necessary to extend the protections of this Order to third
3 parties.

4 **5. Designation of Confidential Information.** Any person who produces, gives, or
5 files Confidential Information may designate information as Confidential Information if it meets the
6 definition stated in paragraph 1; provided, however, that any designation of Confidential Information
7 shall not constitute an admission by any other party that such Confidential Information is confidential
8 or trade secret information as defined under applicable legal standards. Filing a motion under the
9 Local Rules requesting leave to file information or material under seal or subsequently filing any
10 document containing information designated “Confidential” under seal pursuant to paragraph 2.1,
11 shall not constitute an admission by the filing party that such Confidential Information of another
12 party is confidential or trade secret information as defined under applicable legal standards.

13 The Parties agree that for a document or deposition testimony to be designated as
14 “Attorneys’ Eyes Only,” the designating party must reasonably believe disclosure would create a
15 substantial risk of serious financial or other injury if disclosed to persons other than those permitted
16 to receive Attorneys’ Eyes Only materials pursuant to this Stipulated Protective Order, and that such
17 risk cannot reasonably be avoided through other, less restrictive means.

18 **5.1 Designation of Documents.** Documents may be designated as
19 Confidential Information by stamping “Confidential” (or similar designation) on each page prior to
20 production. To the extent documents containing Confidential Information subject to this Protective
21 Order were previously produced without any designation of confidentiality, such documents shall be
22 stamped “Confidential” and reproduced.

23 **5.2 Designation of Deposition Testimony.** Deposition testimony may be
24 designated, in whole or in part, as Confidential Information by oral designation on the record, or within
25 ten (10) days after receipt of the transcript with designations as specified below. If made on the record,
26 the person making the designation shall instruct the Court Reporter to bind the “Confidential” portions
27 of the deposition transcript separately and to stamp the word “Confidential” (or similar designation)
28 as appropriate, on each transcript page so designated. All deposition testimony shall be treated as

1 “Confidential” pending expiration of the ten (10) day period after receipt of the transcript.

2 **6. Persons to Whom Confidential Information May be Disclosed.**

3 **6.1 “Confidential Information.”** Except as otherwise provided by this
4 Protective Order, information designated as “Confidential” shall be disclosed only to:

5 **6.1.1** Counsel of record for the parties in this action, and other
6 attorneys, clerical, paralegal, and other staff employed by counsel of record;

7 **6.1.2** Independent experts or independent consultants who are
8 assisting counsel of record for the parties in this action in the prosecution or defense of this action.
9 Before access is given, each such independent expert or independent consultants shall agree in writing
10 to be bound by this Protective Order by completing and signing the form attached hereto as Exhibit A
11 and advised that violation of the terms of this Protective Order (by use of the Confidential Information
12 for business purposes or in any other impermissible manner) may constitute contempt of Court.

13 **6.1.3.** Individuals named as parties, and such officers, directors, or
14 employees of the parties, as counsel requires to provide assistance in the prosecution or defense of this
15 action, and for no other purpose;

16 **6.1.4** The Court and court personnel;

17 **6.1.5** Any other Person as to whom the producing Person agrees in
18 writing.

19 **6.1.6** Witnesses at deposition or trial qualified under paragraphs
20 6.4.1 and 6.4.2; provided, however, that before access is given, each such witness shall have agreed in
21 writing to be bound by this Protective Order by completing and signing the form attached hereto as
22 Exhibit A and advised that violation of the terms of this Protective Order (by use of the Confidential
23 Information for business purposes or in any other impermissible manner) may constitute contempt of
24 Court; and

25 **6.1.7** Court reporters employed in connection with this action.

26 **6.2 “Confidential - Attorneys’ Eyes Only” Information.**

27 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Protective Order, information designated as “Confidential
28 - Attorneys’ Eyes Only” shall be disclosed *only* to the following:

1 **6.2.1** Persons described in paragraph 6.1.1.

2 **6.2.2** Persons described in paragraph 6.1.4, provided that the
3 documents are handled consistent with paragraph 2.1 above.

4 **6.2.3** Persons described in paragraph 6.1.5.

5 **6.2.4** Witnesses and independent experts or consultants (as defined in
6 paragraph 6.1.2) at deposition or trial, provided that the producing person agrees in writing, and that
7 such witness and/or independent expert or consultant (as defined in paragraph 6.1.2) shall have agreed
8 in writing to be bound by this Protective Order by completing and signing the form attached hereto as
9 Exhibit A.

10 **6.3 Disclosure of Confidential Transcripts to the Deponent.**

11 Deposition transcripts containing Confidential Information may be shown to the deponent for
12 the purpose of correction, but the deponent may not retain a copy of the transcript unless the deponent
13 agrees to be bound by this Protective Order by signing a copy of the acknowledgment form attached
14 as Exhibit A, or is a person identified in Paragraph 6.1 and would be permitted to retain the
15 Confidential Information pursuant to this Order.

16 **6.4 Limited Exceptions:**

17 **6.4.1 Persons Previously Having Access to Confidential**
18 **Information.** A producing party's Confidential Information to which a present or former employee,
19 consultant or agent has had access during the period of his employment or association with the
20 producing party may be disclosed to that present or former employee, consultant or agent.

21 **6.4.2 Witnesses.** If a document designated as Confidential
22 Information refers to the conduct or affairs of a witness, the parties' attorneys may discuss such
23 conduct or affairs with the witness without revealing the document.

24 **6.4.3 Certain Information Not Subject to Scope of Order.** The
25 restrictions of this Protective Order shall not apply to information which (a) was, is, or becomes public
26 knowledge, not in violation of this Protective Order, or (b) was or is acquired from a third party
27 possessing such information and having no obligation of confidentiality to the designating party, or
28 (c) the receiving party can establish was in its rightful and lawful possession at the time of disclosure

1 or was developed independently by the receiving party without the use of Confidential Information.

2 **7. Resolution of Disputes.** Whenever a party objects to the treatment of a
3 document or transcript as “Confidential” as defined in paragraphs 1 and 5 herein, it shall, in writing
4 or on the record in any proceeding herein, so inform the party seeking “Confidential” treatment. The
5 failure of a party to object in a timely manner shall not constitute a waiver. The party proposing such
6 treatment may thereafter apply to the Court by motion for a ruling that the document or transcript shall
7 be treated as “Confidential” in the manner described in paragraphs 1 and 5 herein. Such motion shall
8 be made within a reasonable period of time after notice of the objection to a “Confidential” designation
9 is given. Upon such application, the party asserting confidentiality bears the burden to establish same.
10 Until the Court enters an Order changing the designation of the document or transcript which is to be
11 the subject of the application, it shall be afforded the “Confidential” treatment described in paragraphs
12 1 and 5 herein.

13 **8. Disposition of Confidential Information Following Conclusion of**
14 **Litigation.** Within thirty (30) days of the conclusion of this litigation (i.e., upon entry of a final order,
15 or when all appeals have been exhausted, whichever occurs later), all copies of all documents or
16 transcripts designated “Confidential” and any copies thereof, shall either be destroyed or returned to
17 the party or person producing same.

18 **8.1** Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, counsel of record may maintain
19 one complete set of pleadings, deposition transcripts and exhibits, and trial transcripts and exhibits
20 following conclusion of this litigation, pursuant to their obligations under the Nevada Rules of
21 Professional Conduct, Rule 1.15, and the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules, Rule 11(e).

22 **9. Unauthorized Disclosure or Inadvertent Production.** If either party learns
23 that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed Confidential Information to any person or in any
24 circumstance not authorized under this protective order, the receiving party must immediately (a)
25 notify the designating party in writing of the unauthorized disclosure, (b) use its best efforts to retrieve
26 all unauthorized copies of the confidential material, (c) inform the person(s) of the terms of the
27 protective order, and (d) request such person(s) execute Exhibit A. Pursuant to Federal Rule of
28 Evidence 502(d) and (e), attorney-client, work product, or any other privilege will not be waived by

1 disclosure connected to this litigation. As a result, the parties agree that nothing in this protective order
2 will be deemed to limit or waive the attorney-client, work product, or any other privilege.

3 **10. Continuing Obligation, Retention of Jurisdiction.** This Order shall
4 continue to be binding after the conclusion of this litigation, and the Court shall retain limited
5 jurisdiction over the parties hereto for purposes of enforcing any obligations imposed hereby.

6 **11.** Until such time as this Protective Order has been entered by the District Court,
7 the parties agree that upon execution by the parties, it will be treated as though it has been “So
8 Ordered.”

9 Dated: May 20, 2020

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11 **JONES LOVELOCK**

**BELLAGIO, LLC AND MGM RESORTS
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12 By: /s/Stephen A. Davis

By: /s/Kelly R. Kichline

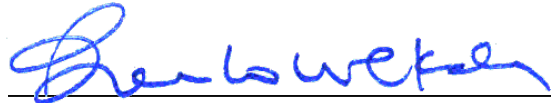
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20 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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22 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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24 Dated: 5/21/2020

EXHIBIT A

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

I, _____ of _____
[print or type full name], [print or type full address],

declare under penalty of perjury that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that was issued by the United States District Court for the District of Nevada in the case of *Diana Holmes v. Bellagio, LLC et al*, Case No. 2:20-cv-00576-RFB-BNW (D. Nev.).

I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly promise that I will not divulge any documents or copies of documents, designated "Confidential" or "Confidential - Attorneys Eyes Only" obtained pursuant to such Protective Order, or the contents of such documents, to any person other than those specifically authorized by the Protective Order. I shall not copy or use such documents except for the purposes of this action and pursuant to the terms of the Protective Order. As soon as practical, but no later than 30 days after final termination of this action, I shall return to the attorney from whom I have received them, any documents in my possession designated "Confidential" or "Confidential - Attorneys Eyes Only," and all copies, excerpts, summaries, notes, digests, abstracts, and indices relating to such documents. I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada for the purpose of enforcing the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after termination of this action.

Date: _____ City and State where sworn and signed: _____

Printed name: _____

Signature: _____