

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA – WESTERN DIVISION**

IN re COUNTRYWIDE  
FINANCIAL CORP. MORTGAGE  
BACKED SECURITIES  
LITIGATION

Case No. 2:11-MDL-02265-MRP (MANx)

**ORDER GOVERNING THE  
TREATMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL  
DISCOVERY MATERIAL**

Courtroom: 12  
Judge: Hon. Mariana R. Pfaelzer

ROYAL PARK INVESTMENTS  
SA/NV,

Plaintiff,

v.

BANK OF AMERICA  
CORPORATION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

SILVER ELMS CDO PLC, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

BANK OF AMERICA  
CORPORATION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Lead Case No. 2:13-CV-3295 MRP(MANx)

Consolidated with Case No:  
2:13-CV-03294-MRP (MANx)

Lead Case No. 2:13-CV-3296 MRP(MANx)

Consolidated with Case Nos.:  
2:13-CV-03299-MRP (MANx)  
2:13-CV-03300-MRP (MANx)

1 After considering the terms of the foregoing Stipulation Governing the  
2 Treatment of Confidential Discovery Material (“Stipulation”) by and among the  
3 parties to the above-captioned actions, and good cause appearing therefore, IT IS  
4 HEREBY ORDERED that:

5 1. The Order Governing the Treatment of Confidential Discovery  
6 Material (the “Order”) shall govern the disclosure and use of Confidential Discovery  
7 Material (as defined below) and all other discovery material (as applicable) provided  
8 during the course of the above-captioned actions (the “Actions”), by and among the  
9 parties (the “Parties”) to the Actions or by nonparties, either voluntarily or as  
10 required by requests for discovery made pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil  
11 Procedure, by subpoena, or by order of the Court.

12 2. Nothing in the Order shall apply to documents, information, material,  
13 or any portion thereof obtained by any Receiving Person on a non-confidential basis  
14 from an unrelated Person (“Independently Obtained Documents”), provided that if  
15 an Independently Obtained Document duplicates, in whole or in part, documents  
16 produced to the Receiving Person and designated as Confidential Discovery  
17 Material, and the Independently Obtained Document was obtained directly or  
18 indirectly by the unrelated Person as a result of discovery from any Producing  
19 Person or affiliated Person in any litigation or proceeding involving any Party or  
20 affiliated Person, such Independently Obtained Document, or the duplicative portion  
21 thereof, shall be treated by the Receiving Person as Confidential Discovery  
22 Material. Nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to relieve any unrelated Person  
23 from complying with its obligations under any agreement or court order that is  
24 otherwise applicable to that Person.

25 3. As used in the Order, “Person” includes any individual, entity, natural  
26 person, or any business, legal or governmental entity or association. “Producing  
27 Person” refers to any Person that produces discovery material. “Receiving Person”  
28 refers to any Person that receives discovery material subject to the Order.

1           4.     The Order designates as “Confidential Discovery Material” documents  
2 or discovery responses that may be produced during discovery that are designated as  
3 such by a Producing Person because they contain any of the following: confidential,  
4 sensitive, or nonpublic financial information and statements; proprietary business  
5 information, including business plans and records of internal deliberations and  
6 decision-making; policies and procedures not generally published, including those  
7 concerning business operations, employee benefits and risk management  
8 procedures; surveys concerning customers, competitors and employees; and  
9 individual personal information that is protected from disclosure under state, federal  
10 or foreign law, including identifying personal private information and personal  
11 financial information, about any Party, any employee of any Party, or any nonparty.  
12 It is possible that disclosure of this Confidential Discovery Material may cause harm  
13 to the Producing Persons and their employees, as well as to nonparties.

14           5.     The Order also designates as “Confidential Discovery Material” any  
15 document or other discovery material produced in the Actions pursuant to an  
16 agreement or order requiring the reproduction of such discovery material from other  
17 litigations or proceedings (the “Reproduced Discovery Material”) where such  
18 Reproduced Discovery Material was marked or designated confidential (or a similar  
19 designation) in the litigation or proceeding in which such Reproduced Discovery  
20 Material was originally produced.

21           6.     Further, this Protective Order permits the designation as “Highly  
22 Confidential” or “Confidential – Attorneys and Experts Only” of documents or  
23 information produced during discovery that contain sensitive, proprietary,  
24 confidential, and personal information which a Producing Person in good faith  
25 believes constitute Confidential Discovery Material but for which “Confidential  
26 Discovery Material” status may not provide sufficient protection. Material that is  
27 designated “Highly Confidential” or “Confidential – Attorneys and Experts Only” is  
28 included in the term “Confidential Discovery Material” as used in this Order, and

1 shall be subject to all the protective terms applicable to “Confidential Discovery  
2 Material” as well as the more protective measures expressly set forth herein. The  
3 limitations set forth under this paragraph shall only be modified by agreement  
4 among the Parties and Order of the Court.

5 7. The Order hereby designates as “Confidential – Attorneys and Experts  
6 Only” any Reproduced Discovery Material where such Reproduced Discovery  
7 Material was marked or designated highly confidential (or a similar designation) in  
8 the litigation or proceeding in which such Reproduced Discovery Material was  
9 originally produced.

10 8. Documents may be designated as Confidential Discovery Material at  
11 any time. Without limiting the foregoing sentence in any way, a Producing Person  
12 may designate a document as Confidential Discovery Material after it was earlier  
13 produced without such a designation (or may upgrade a designation to “Highly  
14 Confidential” or “Confidential – Attorneys and Experts Only”), and such  
15 production, in and of itself, shall not prejudice or otherwise constitute a waiver of,  
16 or estoppel as to, any claim of confidentiality to which the Producing Person would  
17 otherwise be entitled. Any documents designated as Confidential Discovery  
18 Material prior to entry of this Order shall be treated the same in all respects as  
19 documents designated as Confidential Discovery Material after the entry of this  
20 Order. This Order also treats as Confidential Discovery Material oral  
21 communications designated as confidential either orally (provided that such  
22 designation was recorded by a court reporter) or in writing. Materials designated as  
23 “Confidential,” “Highly Confidential,” or “Confidential – Attorneys and Experts  
24 Only,” shall be designated and marked as follows:

25 (a) Documents or TIFF Images: Documents or TIFF images may be  
26 designated by placing the legend “CONFIDENTIAL,” “HIGHLY  
27 CONFIDENTIAL,” “CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS AND EXPERTS  
28 ONLY,” or an equivalent thereof, on any such document or image. Unless

1 the Parties otherwise agree, such legend shall be placed upon every page of  
2 each document or image containing Confidential Discovery Material. In lieu  
3 of marking the originals of documents, the disclosing party may mark the  
4 copies that are produced or exchanged. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Excel  
5 documents or any other type of electronically stored information produced in  
6 native format (together, “Natively Produced ESI”) containing Confidential  
7 Discovery Material need not be produced using a means sufficient to ensure  
8 that every page of such document, when printed, contains the appropriate  
9 mark or stamp. Instead, the disclosing party shall use reasonable means to  
10 designate as “CONFIDENTIAL,” “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL,” or  
11 “CONFIDENTIAL – ATTORNEYS AND EXPERTS ONLY” such Natively  
12 Produced ESI, including, where applicable and/or practicable, by  
13 (i) producing a TIFF placeholder image corresponding to the Natively  
14 Produced ESI that includes the applicable confidentiality legend;  
15 (ii) including the applicable confidentiality designation in the file name of the  
16 Natively Produced ESI; and/or (iii) including the applicable confidentiality  
17 designation on the label of the media or in the production letter for the  
18 Natively Produced ESI.

19 (b) Non-Paper Media: Where Confidential Discovery Material is  
20 produced in a non-paper medium (e.g., video tape, audio tape, computer  
21 disks, etc.) that does not include TIFF images, the appropriate confidentiality  
22 notice as described in Paragraph 8(a) above should be placed on the medium,  
23 if possible, and its container, if any, so as to give clear notice of the  
24 designation. To the extent that any Receiving Person prints any of the  
25 information contained on non-paper media that is designated as containing  
26 Confidential Discovery Material, such printouts shall be marked as described  
27 in Paragraph 8(a) above by the Receiving Person.  
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1 (c) Physical Exhibits: The confidential or highly confidential status  
2 of a physical exhibit shall be indicated by placing a label on said physical  
3 exhibit with the appropriate confidentiality notice as described in Paragraph  
4 8(a) above.

5 (d) Written Discovery: In the case of Confidential Discovery  
6 Material incorporated in answers to interrogatories, responses to requests for  
7 admission, or other written discovery, the appropriate confidentiality  
8 designation as described in Paragraph 8(a) above shall be placed on the first  
9 page of the document and on each page containing answers or responses that  
10 contain Confidential Discovery Material.

11 9. Confidential Discovery Material also includes those portions of any  
12 notes, work papers or other work product that contain information from documents  
13 designated as Confidential Discovery Material without the need for a separate  
14 confidential designation on the notes, work paper, or other work product.

15 10. If discovery material is inspected at the Producing Person's choice of  
16 location, all such discovery material shall be presumed at such inspection to have  
17 been designated as Confidential Discovery Material by the Producing Person until  
18 such time as the Producing Person provides copies to the Party that requested the  
19 discovery material. Production of Confidential Discovery Material for inspection  
20 and copying shall not constitute a waiver of confidentiality.

21 11. Nonparty Borrower Information Designation. The Parties have agreed  
22 to produce or have served or intend to serve document requests, interrogatories or  
23 other requests, and/or have issued or intend to issue subpoenas to nonparties for  
24 documents and other information, which require production of certain records  
25 relating to individual mortgage loans ("loan files") and/or to the servicing of those  
26 loans ("servicing records"). The loan files, servicing records, and related documents  
27 contain non-public personal information and/or other sensitive personally  
28 identifying information pertaining to individual borrowers, and information that

1 constitutes “nonpublic personal information” within the meaning of the Gramm  
2 Leach Bliley Act, 15 U.S.C. § 6802, *et seq.* and its implementing regulations,  
3 including, but not limited to, any portion of a loan file or other document which  
4 includes financial and/or credit information pertaining to individual borrowers  
5 (including any credit history, report or score obtained on any such borrowers to  
6 determine the individual’s eligibility for credit) together with personally identifying  
7 information with respect to such borrowers, which may include, but is not limited to,  
8 names, addresses, Social Security numbers, telephone numbers, and places or  
9 positions of work (“Nonparty Borrower Information”).

10           (a) Any Person (including nonparties) producing materials through  
11 discovery may designate loan files, servicing records, or related documents  
12 that it discloses during discovery in this matter, including, but not limited to,  
13 the Nonparty Borrower Information contained therein, as Confidential  
14 Discovery Material because the materials constitute, contain, reveal or  
15 evidence “non-public personal information.”

16           (b) Any Person (including nonparties) receiving non-public  
17 personal information consisting of, derived from, or related to loan files or  
18 servicing records produced in discovery, regardless of whether such material  
19 is designated with the appropriate designation, shall use that material solely  
20 for the purpose of conducting these Actions. Notwithstanding the foregoing,  
21 nothing in this Order shall require any Receiving Person to disregard or  
22 violate any order, direction, or regulatory requirement of any governmental  
23 authority, subject to the provisions set forth in Paragraph 18.

24           (c) In order to expedite production of loan files and servicing  
25 records, a Producing Person may, at its sole option, produce materials without  
26 a detailed or any review, subject to the “clawback” procedures in this Order  
27 (Paragraph 19) or as otherwise agreed to. In doing so, the Producing Person  
28 may designate the contents of loan files, servicing records, or related

documents that by their nature contain Nonparty Borrower Information with the appropriate designation even if some of the documents in the collection may not, considered individually, qualify for such designation.

(d) The Producing Person shall designate Nonparty Borrower Information material as follows:

(i) In the case of information in documentary form, the Producing Person shall designate the documents as Confidential Discovery Material in the manner described above [or 8], except that bulk productions may be designated as set forth in Paragraph 11(d)(iii).

(ii) Nonparty Borrower Information may be used in depositions. The Party using such information in a deposition shall designate any portion of the deposition testimony discussing such information as CONFIDENTIAL pursuant to the procedure outlined in Paragraph 14.

(iii) Any Nonparty Borrower Information produced in a non-paper media (*e.g.*, computer disks or drives) and/or bulk productions in native format or without Bates numbers may be designated as such by affixing the legend CONFIDENTIAL in a prominent place on the exterior of the container in which the information is stored and/or on the first page of a document and/or on the relevant page(s) of the document. In the event a Receiving Person generates any electronic copy, hard copy, transcription, or printout from any such designated non-paper media, that Receiving Person must treat each copy, transcription, or printout as confidential pursuant to the terms of this Order.

12. Treatment of Confidential Discovery Material. Confidential Discovery Material shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(a) Confidential Discovery Material shall be used solely for the



1 purpose of preparing for, and conducting, the prosecution or defense of the  
2 Actions, including any appeals thereof, and shall not be used by the Parties or  
3 any other Person for any commercial, business, competitive or other purpose.  
4 Absent consent from a Producing Person, which shall be given solely in that  
5 Producing Person's discretion, no Confidential Discovery Material produced  
6 by such Producing Person may be used in connection with any other  
7 litigation, matter, or proceeding.

8 (b) Confidential Discovery Material shall not be given, shown,  
9 made available or communicated in any way to anyone except those Persons  
10 specified in subparagraph (c) below to whom it is reasonably necessary that  
11 such Confidential Discovery Material be given or shown for the purposes  
12 permitted under subparagraph (a) above, and shall not be disclosed by them,  
13 subject to the provision at the end of this Paragraph governing further  
14 restrictions on dissemination of material designated Confidential – Attorneys  
15 and Experts Only.

16 (c) Confidential Discovery Material may be disclosed, for the  
17 purposes set forth in subparagraph (a) above, only to a "Qualified Person,"  
18 defined as follows:

19 (i) counsel of record for the Parties, and attorneys, paralegal,  
20 clerical and other staff employed or retained by such counsel who are  
21 assisting in the conduct of the Actions;

22 (ii) those officers, directors, and representatives (including  
23 legal representatives) of the Parties deemed necessary to aid counsel in  
24 the conduct of the Actions;

25 (iii) witnesses or prospective witnesses at or in preparation for  
26 any deposition or hearing in the Actions, *provided, however*, that the  
27 witness shall not retain any documents marked as Confidential  
28 Discovery Material;

1 (iv) consultants, experts, and investigators (including their  
2 professional and support staffs) retained by the Parties, or their  
3 respective counsel, as they in good faith deem necessary to provide  
4 assistance in connection with the conduct of the Actions;

5 (v) the Court, court personnel, and jurors, potential jurors or  
6 alternate jurors;

7 (vi) court reporters and videographers used in connection with  
8 the conduct of the Actions;

9 (vii) outside photocopying services, graphic production  
10 services, litigation support services, and document hosting vendors  
11 retained by the Parties, or their respective counsel, as they in good faith  
12 deem necessary to provide assistance in connection with the conduct of  
13 the Actions;

14 (viii) persons who are or were authors or recipients of the  
15 Confidential Discovery Material;

16 (ix) any Person carrying on an insurance business that may be  
17 liable to satisfy part or all of any judgment which may be entered in the  
18 Actions or to indemnify or reimburse for payments made to satisfy a  
19 judgment;

20 (x) mediators, arbitrators, or discovery masters (and their  
21 support staff), if any, assisting in these Actions;

22 (xi) any non-party reasonably believed to have originated a  
23 loan at issue in the Actions or to be in possession, custody, or control of  
24 a loan file at issue in the Actions, but such non-party may only receive  
25 the specific Nonparty Borrower Information it represents is necessary  
26 for it to locate the loan file; and

27 (xii) any non-party reasonably believed to have conducted due  
28 diligence on the securitizations or mortgage loans at issue in the

1           Actions or to be in possession, custody, or control of documents related  
2           to such due diligence, but such non-party may only receive the specific  
3           Nonparty Borrower Information that it represents is necessary for it to  
4           locate documents relating to such due diligence.

5           (d)       Documents or information designated as Highly Confidential or  
6           Confidential – Attorneys and Experts Only shall be disclosed only to  
7           attorneys of record and in-house or other retained counsel for the Parties to  
8           the Actions, the authorized secretarial and legal assistance staff of such  
9           attorneys and counsel, photocopying and litigation support services as  
10          provided in paragraph 12(c)(vii), witnesses as provided in paragraph  
11          12(c)(iii), the Court and Court personnel as provided in Paragraph 12(c)(v),  
12          and, subject to Paragraph 12(c)(iv), to consultants, experts, and their staff  
13          retained by the Parties or their attorneys for purposes of these Actions. No  
14          documents or information designated as Highly Confidential or Confidential –  
15          Attorneys and Experts Only shall be disclosed to any nonparty or to any Party  
16          to the Actions, other than the Producing Person, except by written consent of  
17          the Producing Person, by order of the Court, or as otherwise provided herein.  
18          Documents or things designated as Highly Confidential or Confidential –  
19          Attorneys and Experts Only shall not be retained, filed, or stored on the  
20          premises of any Party.

21          (e)       Each Person described in subparagraph 12(c)(iii), (iv), (ix), (x),  
22          (xi) and (xii) to whom Confidential Discovery Material is disclosed shall first  
23          be advised that such material is being disclosed pursuant and subject to the  
24          terms of the Order and that it may not be disclosed other than pursuant to the  
25          terms hereof. Prior to disclosing Confidential Discovery Material to any  
26          Person described in subparagraph 12(c)(iii), (iv), (ix), and (x) above, counsel  
27          shall cause each such Person to execute a certificate in the form annexed  
28          hereto as Exhibit A, although no Exhibit A shall be required from Persons

1 that receive only such Confidential Discovery Material to which they are  
2 reasonably believed to have had prior access. Counsel shall be responsible  
3 for retaining executed certificates. Any Person receiving Confidential  
4 Discovery Material is enjoined from disclosing that information to any other  
5 Person, except in accordance with this Order.

6 13. Inadvertent Disclosure of Confidential Discovery Material. If any  
7 Receiving Person inadvertently discloses Confidential Discovery Material to  
8 Persons who are not Qualified Persons, counsel for the Receiving Person shall make  
9 all reasonable efforts to retrieve the Confidential Discovery Material and to obtain  
10 the agreement of Persons to whom inadvertent disclosure was made to treat the  
11 Confidential Discovery Material in accordance with the terms of the Order. Such  
12 disclosure shall also be reported in writing, via overnight delivery service or email,  
13 to the Producing Person who produced such inadvertently disclosed Confidential  
14 Discovery Material promptly, and in no event later than three business days from the  
15 discovery of such disclosure.

16 14. Confidential Discovery Material and Depositions. Information or  
17 testimony disclosed at a deposition may be designated as Confidential Discovery  
18 Material by the Person providing such testimony, by a Party or its counsel, or by a  
19 Producing Person by either:

- 20 (a) identifying on the record at the deposition those portions of the  
21 testimony that are designated as Confidential Discovery Material; or  
22 (b) providing written notification to all Parties within thirty days of  
23 the court reporter's release of the transcript of the deposition as to those  
24 portions of the transcript that are designated as Confidential Discovery  
25 Material.

26 If Confidential Discovery Material that was produced by a Person not present  
27 or represented at a deposition is used or discussed at the deposition, counsel for the  
28 examining Party shall designate all testimony concerning such Confidential

1 Discovery Material with the same confidentiality designation given to the material  
2 by the Producing Person. Except to the extent the Parties otherwise agree, the entire  
3 transcript of any deposition shall be treated as Confidential Discovery Material until  
4 thirty (30) days after the court reporter's release of the transcript of the deposition.  
5 The deposition transcript that contains Confidential Discovery Material designated  
6 pursuant to subparagraph (a) above shall be stamped, as set forth in paragraph 8  
7 above, by the court reporter or by counsel. If counsel for any Party believes that a  
8 question put to a witness being examined in deposition will disclose Confidential  
9 Discovery Material, or that the answer to any question or questions requires such  
10 disclosure, or if documents to be used as exhibits during the examination contain  
11 such Confidential Discovery Material, such counsel may so notify the examining  
12 counsel, and, in that event, that portion of the deposition shall be taken in the  
13 presence only of counsel, Parties to the Actions, the court reporter, video operator  
14 and their assistants. The court reporter shall indicate in the transcript the portion of  
15 the transcript that is to be kept confidential, and shall mark the cover page of the  
16 transcript accordingly.

17 15. Filing Confidential Discovery Material. In the event that any Person  
18 discloses Confidential Discovery Material in any pleading, court filing, attachment  
19 or exhibit thereto, or other papers filed with the Court prior to trial, the disclosing  
20 Person shall conditionally file the documents containing Confidential Discovery  
21 Material under seal with the Clerk of this Court pursuant to Local Rule 79-5. The  
22 Parties understand that designation of materials as Confidential Discovery Material  
23 or as Confidential – Attorneys and Experts Only does not automatically entitle the  
24 Parties to have such information kept under seal and that any submission of  
25 documents under seal should seek to file under seal only those portions of the  
26 documents that contain Confidential Discovery Material, *see, e.g., Kamaka v. City*  
27 *& County of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178-81 (9th Cir. 2006), and should be made  
28 to the judicial officer presiding over the proceedings in question. To the extent

1 documents containing Nonparty Borrower Information are to be filed with the Court  
2 or used as exhibits in any hearing, unless otherwise ordered by the Court, the filing  
3 Person must either exclude from the exhibits or redact any Nonparty Borrower  
4 Information sufficiently to ensure that nonparty borrower identities, or information  
5 from which their identities could be ascertained, is masked and not discernible. This  
6 Order does not address the use of Confidential Discovery Material for use at trial.  
7 The Parties agree to meet and confer regarding use of Confidential Discovery  
8 Material in connection with trial and to raise the issue with the Court at an  
9 appropriate time.

10       16.   Objections to Confidential Classification. No Party concedes that any  
11 discovery material designated by any other Person as Confidential Discovery  
12 Material under any provision of the Order in fact contains or reflects trade secrets,  
13 proprietary or confidential information, or has been properly designated as  
14 Confidential Discovery Material, and entering into the Stipulation shall not  
15 prejudice the right of a Party to seek, at any time, a determination by the Court of  
16 whether any particular document or information should be subject to the terms of  
17 the Order. Nor does the availability of Confidential Discovery Material status,  
18 Highly Confidential status or Confidential - Attorneys and Experts Only status  
19 suggest that all documents or other materials are properly discoverable, and shall not  
20 affect any other valid objection to production of documents or other materials.

21       A Receiving Person shall not be obliged to challenge the propriety of a  
22 designation of documents or other material as Confidential Discovery Material at  
23 the time made or thereafter, and failure to do so shall not preclude a subsequent  
24 challenge thereof. If at any time a Receiving Person objects to a designation under  
25 the Order (an “Objecting Party”), the Objecting Party shall notify the Producing  
26 Person in writing. The Objecting Party shall identify the information in question  
27 and shall specify in reasonable detail the reason or reasons for the objection, and  
28 shall otherwise comply with Local Civil Rule 37-1. Within ten (10) calendar days

1 of the receipt of such written notice, the Producing Person and Objecting Party shall  
2 meet and confer in an effort to resolve their differences. If the disagreement cannot  
3 be resolved, the Objecting Party may apply to the Court within ten (10) calendar  
4 days for an order overruling the Producing Person's designation. The application of  
5 the Objecting Party shall comply with Local Civil Rules 37-2 and 37-3, and the  
6 Producing Person shall have the burden of demonstrating that the document or  
7 material designated as Confidential Discovery Material is deserving of confidential  
8 treatment or other protection under the terms of the Order. If the Objecting Party  
9 does not make such an application to the Court, the documents or material to which  
10 an objection was directed will still be considered Confidential Discovery Material  
11 under the Order. While any such application is pending, the documents or material  
12 subject to that application will remain Confidential Discovery Material until the  
13 Court rules.

14         Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, no Person shall challenge  
15 in any way any confidentiality designation placed on Reproduced Discovery  
16 Material if such designation was previously challenged and upheld in the matter in  
17 which it was originally produced. With respect to Reproduced Discovery Material  
18 that is subsequently designated confidential (or highly confidential or any similar  
19 designation) in the litigation or proceedings in which such Reproduced Discovery  
20 Material was originally produced, the Producing Person shall promptly notify any  
21 Receiving Person of such subsequent designation. In such case, within 14 days of  
22 such subsequent designation, the Producing Person shall provide the Receiving  
23 Person with corrected copies of such Reproduced Discovery Material, with the  
24 subsequently designated confidentiality designation. If any Person challenges any  
25 confidentiality designation placed on Reproduced Discovery Material, the Parties  
26 shall cooperate to accommodate the terms of the protective order or confidentiality  
27 stipulation that governed in the litigation or proceeding in which such Reproduced  
28 Discovery Material was originally produced, but the Court will ultimately apply this

1 Protective Order to Confidential Discovery Material produced in the Actions.

2 17. Breach of Confidentiality. In the event that the Court determines that  
3 there is an actual or threatened violation of this Order by a Receiving Person, the  
4 Parties agree that the Producing Person would not have an adequate remedy at law  
5 and would be entitled to specific performance, and/or injunctive relief, to enforce  
6 the terms of the Order, in addition to any other remedy to which the Producing  
7 Person may be entitled at law or in equity.

8 18. Legal Process. If any Receiving Person (a) is subpoenaed in another  
9 action or proceeding, (b) is served with a demand in another action or proceeding to  
10 which he, she, or it is a party, or (c) receives a demand or request for documents  
11 from a legal or regulatory organization with jurisdiction over it, and such subpoena,  
12 demand, or request seeks Confidential Discovery Material produced by another  
13 Person, the Receiving Person shall (unless prohibited by law or regulation) give  
14 written notice, by hand or by e-mail, within the earlier of (i) seven business days of  
15 receipt of such subpoena, demand, or request for documents or (ii) no fewer than  
16 seven business days before any response to the subpoena, demand, or request is due,  
17 to all Parties, and to any nonparty who produced or designated the discovery  
18 material as Confidential Discovery Material, and in no event shall produce such  
19 requested material prior to providing such notice. Any Party or Producing Person  
20 may seek a protective order or other relief to prevent the requested production.  
21 Should a Party or Producing Person seek a protective order or other relief, then the  
22 Receiving Person shall not produce any of the Producing Person's Confidential  
23 Discovery Material, until a final decision that is no longer subject to appellate  
24 review orders such production, provided that a Party or Producing Person must file  
25 any appeal or motion for permission to appeal from such an order within 30 days  
26 after the order is entered and available to the Party or Producing Person. If a  
27 Receiving Person is subpoenaed or requested to produce Confidential Discovery  
28 Material by a regulatory or self-regulatory agency with jurisdiction over it, through



1 a process which by law, regulation, interpretive letter, regulatory policy, or  
2 compulsory process requires the Receiving Person to produce requested materials  
3 without objection, without notice to other Parties, or without delay, the Receiving  
4 Person shall be permitted to do so notwithstanding any provisions of this Order,  
5 including the advance notice provisions, to the contrary.

6 19. Clawback of Protected Produced Documents. Upon notification that a  
7 document or other discovery material has been inadvertently produced and/or that a  
8 claim of attorney-client privilege, attorney work product, or other applicable  
9 privilege or protection will be made with regard to such document or other  
10 discovery material, the Party receiving such notice shall promptly return or, at the  
11 Producing Person's option, destroy any and all copies of such document or other  
12 discovery material and shall refrain from reading or reviewing said document or  
13 discovery material beyond the extent necessary to identify it as the inadvertently  
14 produced material, or from utilizing it in any manner or form including without  
15 limitation, use during the course of a deposition, review with witnesses, use by  
16 counsel or otherwise to prosecute this or any other action, or any other use,  
17 disclosure or review whatsoever. The Receiving Person shall also remove all  
18 references to such material from any attorney work product. The inadvertent  
19 production of any document or discovery that is subsequently retrieved or destroyed  
20 pursuant to this paragraph shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the claim of  
21 privilege or protection asserted in these Actions or in any other proceeding,  
22 including in Federal or State proceedings. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing  
23 in this paragraph shall prevent a Receiving Person, after promptly returning or  
24 destroying the discovery material, from challenging the Producing Person's  
25 designation of the document or discovery as subject to attorney-client privilege,  
26 attorney work product, or other applicable privilege or protection or otherwise not  
27 subject to production, provided that (a) such challenge complies with Local Rules  
28 37-1 through 37-4, (b) any review by the Court of the materials in question is

1 conducted *in camera*, and (c) the challenge shall not assert as ground or basis that  
2 the Producing Person waived any privilege or protection because of the inadvertent  
3 disclosure.

4 A Receiving Person may obtain from a Producing Person any privilege log(s)  
5 relating to any Reproduced Discovery Material, but only to the extent such privilege  
6 log exists, and the Producing Person shall use its best efforts to provide such  
7 privilege log(s) to the Receiving Person within 14 calendar days of production of the  
8 Reproduced Discovery Material or within 14 calendar days of when a privilege log  
9 is provided in the litigation or proceeding in which such Reproduced Discovery  
10 Material was originally produced. A Receiving Person may not demand the creation  
11 of a privilege log in connection with Reproduced Discovery Material, nor shall a  
12 Producing Person be required to create any such privilege log, and the failure to  
13 create or provide one shall not constitute a waiver of any privilege or protection.  
14 Any challenges to privilege log(s) relating to any Reproduced Discovery Material or  
15 any designation of Reproduced Discovery Material as subject to the attorney-client  
16 privilege, attorney work product, or any other privilege or protection, or as  
17 otherwise not subject to production shall be consistent with the Court's statements  
18 during the May 10, 2013 11:07 a.m. status conference held in *In re Countrywide*  
19 *Fin. Corp. Mortgage-Backed Securities Litigation*, Case No. 2:11-cv-2256-MRP  
20 (MANx). With respect to Reproduced Discovery Material that is subsequently  
21 designated as privileged or otherwise not subject to production in the litigation or  
22 proceedings in which such Reproduced Discovery Material was originally produced,  
23 the Producing Person shall promptly notify any Receiving Person of such  
24 subsequent designation, and such Receiving Person shall, within 14 calendar days,  
25 destroy all such subsequently designated Reproduced Discovery Material and certify  
26 to the Producing Person that it has done so.

27 20. The Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of a Producing  
28 Person to seek further limits on disclosure or protections for the confidentiality of

1 any discovery material (whether or not designated as Confidential Discovery  
2 Material) in addition to the limits and protections provided herein, including,  
3 without limitation, that access to or disclosure of any discovery material be limited  
4 solely to counsel for a Party or to other specified Persons and without prejudice to  
5 the rights of any other Person to contest such application.

6 21. Any additional parties that join or are joined in the Actions, may have  
7 access to materials produced pursuant to this Order only after the party executes and  
8 files with the Court a stipulation agreeing to be fully bound by the Order.  
9 Nonparties producing discovery materials may gain the benefits of this Order with  
10 respect to any discovery materials they produce by designating as  
11 “CONFIDENTIAL,” “HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL,” or “CONFIDENTIAL –  
12 ATTORNEYS AND EXPERTS ONLY” the discovery material they produce.

13 22. Final Disposition. Unless otherwise ordered or agreed in writing by the  
14 Producing Person, within sixty (60) days after the final termination of the Actions in  
15 which a Producing Person produced discovery materials pursuant to this Order,  
16 including any appeals, each Receiving Person must, at its option, take commercially  
17 reasonable efforts to either return all Confidential Discovery Material to the  
18 Producing Person, or destroy it. Notwithstanding this provision, counsel for the  
19 Parties may retain an archival copy of all pleadings, motion papers, transcripts, legal  
20 memoranda, correspondence, or attorney work product, even if such materials  
21 contain Confidential Discovery Material. Any such archival copies that contain or  
22 constitute Confidential Discovery Material remain subject to this Order until the  
23 Producing Person agrees otherwise in writing or this Court orders otherwise.

24 23. This Order shall survive the termination the Actions. No part of the  
25 restrictions imposed by this Order may be waived or terminated, except by written  
26 stipulation executed by counsel for each Producing Person or by an Order of the  
27 Court.

28 24. The Parties may jointly seek to amend or modify the Stipulation and

1 this Order, subject to Court approval.

2 25. Notwithstanding any provision contained herein, nothing in this Order  
3 shall restrict in any way the right of a Party to make use of its own discovery  
4 material in any way it deems fit.

5 26. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed a waiver of any of the Parties'  
6 rights to oppose any discovery on any grounds or to object on any ground to the  
7 admission in evidence at any motion hearing or the trial of these Actions of any  
8 matter discovered.

9 27. Disclosure of Nonparty Borrower Information. To the extent any  
10 federal or state law or other legal authority governing the disclosure or use of  
11 Nonparty Borrower Information ("Nonparty Borrower Information Law") permits  
12 disclosure of such information pursuant to an order of a court, this Order shall  
13 constitute compliance with such requirement. To the extent any Nonparty Borrower  
14 Information Law requires a party to obtain a court-ordered subpoena or give notice  
15 to or obtain consent, in any form or manner, from any Person before disclosure of  
16 any Nonparty Borrower Information, the Court finds that, in view of the protections  
17 provided for the information disclosed in this Order, the volume of documents to be  
18 produced and the ongoing oversight of the Court, there is good cause to excuse such  
19 requirement, and the Court hereby **Orders** that the party is exempted from obtaining  
20 a court-ordered subpoena or having to notify or obtain consent from any Person  
21 prior to the disclosure of Nonparty Borrower Information. To the extent that any  
22 Nonparty Borrower Information Law requires that any Person be notified prior to  
23 disclosure of Nonparty Borrower Information except where such notice is prohibited  
24 by court order, the Court hereby **Orders**, in view of the protections provided for the  
25 information disclosed in this Order, the volume of documents to be produced and  
26 the ongoing oversight of the Court, that the Parties are explicitly prohibited from  
27 providing such notice; *provided, however*, that this Order shall not prohibit any  
28 party from contacting any Person for any other purpose. Any Producing Person may

1 seek additional orders from this Court that it believes may be necessary to comply  
2 with any Nonparty Borrower Information Law.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 Dated: September 30, 2014

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Mariana R. Pfaelzer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mariana" being the most prominent part.

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6 Hon. Mariana R. Pfaelzer  
7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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