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16 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
 17 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

19 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, a municipal )  
 corporation, )  
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 Plaintiff, )  
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 v. )  
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 JPMORGAN CHASE & CO.; )  
 23 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.; and )  
 CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA, )  
 24 N.A., )  
 25 Defendants. )  
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No. 2:14-CV-04168-ODW (RZx)  
**[PROPOSED] PROTECTIVE  
 ORDER ON STIPULATION  
 REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL  
 INFORMATION**  
**DISCOVERY MATTER**

[PROPOSED] PROTECTIVE ORDER ON STIPULATION  
REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

1 The following terms of the Stipulation Regarding Confidential Information  
2 submitted by Plaintiff City of Los Angeles and Defendants JPMorgan Chase & Co.,  
3 JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Chase Manhattan Bank USA, N.A., meet with the  
4 approval of the court.

5 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

6 **PURPOSES AND SCOPE**

7 1. Disclosure and discovery activity in this Litigation are likely to involve  
8 production of confidential, proprietary, or private information of the parties and  
9 third-parties for which special protection from public disclosure and from use for any  
10 purpose other than prosecuting this Litigation is warranted. The unrestricted  
11 disclosure of such information would cause undue damage to the parties, their  
12 businesses, and third-parties. Accordingly, the parties in this action hereby stipulate  
13 to and petition the Court to enter the following Protective Order. The parties  
14 acknowledge that this Order does not confer blanket protections on all disclosures or  
15 responses to discovery, and that the protections outlined herein extend only to the  
16 limited information or items that are entitled to treatment as confidential under  
17 applicable legal principles.

18 2. The parties further acknowledge, as set forth in paragraph 16, that this  
19 Protective Order creates no entitlement to file Confidential Information, as defined in  
20 paragraph 4, under seal. Local 79-5.1 and the Pilot Project for the Electronic  
21 Submission and Filing of Under Seal Documents for the Central District of  
22 California, where applicable, set forth the procedures that must be followed, and  
23 reflect the standards that will be applied, when a party seeks permission from the  
24 Court to file material under seal.

25 3. This Order shall govern all materials produced as part of a party's Initial  
26 Disclosures under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(1), produced in connection  
27 with this Litigation, or produced in response to any discovery request in the  
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1 Litigation (including, but not limited to, documents, deposition transcripts,  
2 interrogatory responses, and responses to requests for admission) to any party or  
3 non-party subpoena; all information contained in those materials; and all copies,  
4 excerpts, or summaries of those materials (collectively, “Discovery Materials”).

#### 5 **DESIGNATING CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL**

6 4. Any party or non-party may designate as confidential (by stamping the  
7 relevant page “Confidential” or as otherwise set forth herein) any Discovery  
8 Materials which that party or non-party (“Designating Party”) considers in good faith  
9 are confidential because they include any of the following: (a) individual personal  
10 information that is protected from disclosure under state or federal law (including  
11 identifying personal financial information); (b) trade secrets; (c) confidential  
12 financial information that, if disclosed to the general public or competitors of the  
13 Designating Party, could reasonably be expected to cause identifiable, significant  
14 harm to the Designating Party; (d) confidential underwriting and pricing models or  
15 criteria; (e) competitive compensation structures or information regarding individual  
16 employee compensation; or (f) information that the Designating Party has a duty to a  
17 third-party or to the court to maintain as confidential (collectively, “Confidential  
18 Information”). The parties respectfully submit that good cause exists to protect these  
19 narrow categories of information as confidential. *See, e.g., Foltz v. State Farm Mut.*  
20 *Auto. Ins. Co.*, 331 F.3d 1122, 1134 (9th Cir. 2003) (protective order appropriate to  
21 protect “trade secrets, financial information, and third-party medical or personnel  
22 information”); *Humboldt Baykeeper v. Union Pac. R. Co.*, 244 F.R.D. 560, 563  
23 (N.D. Cal. 2007) (protective order appropriate where “disclosure ... would cause an  
24 identifiable, significant harm”); *Duling v. Gristede’s Operating Corp.*, 266 F.R.D.  
25 66, 73 (S.D.N.Y. 2010) (protective order appropriate to protect individuals’ personal  
26 information); *Star Scientific, Inc. v. Carter*, 204 F.R.D. 410, 415-16 (S.D. Ind. 2001)  
27 (protective order appropriate to protect “trade secrets and confidential information”  
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1 the “public dissemination” of which would cause “great economic harm”). The  
2 parties also respectfully note that this showing of good cause is identical to that in  
3 the entered protective order in the related lawsuit, *City of Los Angeles v. Wells Fargo*  
4 *& Co. and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.*, No. 13-cv-09007-ODW (RZx), in the Central  
5 District of California.

6 5. Where a document or response consists of more than one page, the first  
7 page and each page on which Confidential Information appears shall be so  
8 designated. The parties agree, however, that confidentiality designations initially  
9 may be made at the document level, not the page level (each page of any documents  
10 so designated shall still be stamped “Confidential”). If a party challenges all or any  
11 part of the confidentiality designation with respect to any Discovery Materials, or if a  
12 party provides notice that it intends to file any Discovery Materials, the Designating  
13 Party shall re-designate such Discovery Materials, as appropriate to address the non-  
14 disclosing party’s challenge or notice, on a page-by-page basis with respect to any  
15 portion to be designated “Confidential.” If the Designating Party does not re-  
16 designate such Discovery Materials on a page-by-page basis within 15 business days  
17 of receiving the non-disclosing party’s challenge or notice of intent to file, then the  
18 confidentiality designation shall be deemed withdrawn. If a party is producing a  
19 large volume of multi-page consumer loans documents likely to contain Confidential  
20 Information, in circumstances in which it may impose an undue burden to conduct a  
21 page-by-page or document-by-document review for Confidential Information, the  
22 Designating Party may designate all such documents as Confidential, subject to  
23 challenge and notice as set forth herein.

24 6. The Designating Party may designate information disclosed by it during  
25 a deposition or in response to written discovery as “Confidential” by so indicating in  
26 said responses or on the record at the deposition. Additionally the Designating Party  
27 may designate in writing, within 30 days after service of said responses or receipt of  
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1 the deposition transcript for which the designation is proposed, that specific pages of  
2 the transcript and/or specific responses be treated as Confidential Information. Any  
3 other party may object to such proposal, in writing or on the record. Deposition  
4 transcripts shall be treated in their entirety as Confidential Information for 30 days  
5 after receipt, unless a motion is due to be filed, in which case the 30-day period  
6 expires five days prior to the motion filing deadline. If a transcript is received within  
7 five days prior to a motion filing deadline, the transcript shall be treated as  
8 Confidential Information until two court days prior to the motion filing deadline. All  
9 parties shall affix the Confidential legend required by paragraph 4 on each page of  
10 the deposition transcript designated Confidential Information at the deposition or by  
11 subsequent written notice.

12 7. In the event that a party believes that any Discovery Materials produced  
13 by a Designating Party contain its own Confidential information, such party (the  
14 “Designating Party”) may request, by notice in writing to the parties, that such  
15 documents be considered Confidential under the terms of this Protective Order.  
16 Absent any challenges to said request, such documents shall be considered so  
17 designated. Any challenges to such designation shall follow the procedure outlined  
18 below and shall in all respects be considered as if the Designating Party produced the  
19 material in the first instance with the designation.

20 8. To the extent that information stored or recorded in the form of  
21 electronic or magnetic media (including information, files, databases, or programs  
22 stored on any digital or analog machine-readable device, computers, discs, networks  
23 or tapes) (“computerized material”) is produced in a native or other form such that it  
24 cannot be stamped as described in the preceding paragraphs, the Designating Party  
25 may designate such matter as Confidential by cover letter referring generally to such  
26 matter and by labeling such media accordingly.



1 **PERMISSIBLE DISCLOSURES**

2 13. Discovery Materials designated Confidential Information in accordance  
3 with the terms of this Protective Order shall not be disclosed to any person other than  
4 the following, and only to the extent necessary in connection with this Litigation or  
5 Related Litigation, as defined in paragraph 12:

6 a. counsel for the parties to this Litigation or Related Litigation,  
7 including in-house counsel, co-counsel, and their associated attorneys, paralegals,  
8 and other professional personnel provided they are assisting such counsel with this  
9 Litigation or Related Litigation, are under the supervision or control of such counsel,  
10 and who have been advised by such counsel of their obligations hereunder;

11 b. persons or entities that provide litigation support services (*e.g.*,  
12 photocopying; e-discovery processing and hosting vendors; videotaping; translating;  
13 preparing exhibits or demonstrations; organizing, storing, or retrieving data in any  
14 form or medium; etc.) and their employees and subcontractors, provided they are  
15 assisting with this Litigation or Related Litigation, and have been advised by such  
16 counsel of their obligation hereunder;

17 c. any officer, employee, or contractor of a party, to the extent  
18 deemed necessary by counsel for the prosecution or defense of this Litigation or  
19 Related Litigation;

20 d. outside consultants or expert witnesses retained or consulted in  
21 connection with this Litigation or Related Litigation and individuals employed or  
22 engaged by them, provided that each such person shall execute a copy of the  
23 certification annexed to this Protective Order as Exhibit A before being shown or  
24 given any Confidential Information;

25 e. other witnesses who may testify at a deposition, hearing, or at  
26 trial, provided that such witnesses shall execute a copy of the certification annexed to  
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1 this Protective Order as Exhibit A before being shown or given any Confidential  
2 Information;

3 f. an officer before whom a deposition is taken, including  
4 stenographic reports and any necessary secretarial, clerical, or other personnel of  
5 such officer;

6 g. the original authors or recipients of the Confidential Information;

7 h. the Court, court personnel, and court reporters; and

8 i. any other person provided that (i) the Designating Party has  
9 consented in writing to disclosure to such other person(s) and (ii) such person(s)  
10 shall execute a copy of the certification annexed to this Protective Order as Exhibit A  
11 before being shown or given any Confidential Information.

#### 12 **RESOLVING DISPUTED CLASSIFICATIONS**

13 14. Should a party wish to object to a confidential designation of any  
14 Discovery Materials (the “Objecting Party”), the Objecting Party shall notify the  
15 Designating Party in writing of the basis for the dispute (the “Designation  
16 Objection”). In its Designation Objection, the Objecting Party shall particularly  
17 identify the specific Discovery Materials as to which the designation is disputed (*i.e.*,  
18 by document bates numbers, deposition transcript page and line reference, or other  
19 means sufficient to locate such materials).

20 a) Within 10 business days of receiving the Designation Objection,  
21 the Designating Party and the Objecting Party shall meet and confer in good faith to  
22 attempt to resolve the dispute without involvement of the Court.

23 b) If no resolution is reached, this Order shall be without prejudice  
24 to the right of the parties (i) to bring before the Court through a jointly filed  
25 stipulation, pursuant to Local Rules 37-1 and 37-2 governing discovery disputes, at  
26 any time the question of whether any particular document or information is  
27 confidential or whether its use should be restricted or (ii) to present a motion to the  
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1 Court under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c) for a separate protective order as to any particular  
2 document or information, including restrictions differing from those as specified  
3 herein. This Order shall not be deemed to prejudice the parties in any way in any  
4 future application for modification of this Order.

5 c) Pending a ruling by the Court, the disputed designation shall  
6 continue to be treated as Confidential Information under the terms of this Protective  
7 Order. Nothing in this Protective Order shall be deemed to prevent the Designating  
8 Party from arguing during the determination process for limits on the use or manner  
9 of dissemination of Discovery Materials that is found to no longer constitute  
10 Confidential Information.

#### 11 **SUBPOENA BY OTHER COURTS OR AGENCIES**

12 15. If at any time any Confidential Information is subpoenaed by a court,  
13 administrative or legislative body, or by any other person or entity purporting to have  
14 authority to require the production of such information, the person to whom the  
15 subpoena is directed shall give written notice thereof to the Designating Party within  
16 five business days. After receipt of the notice specified under this paragraph, the  
17 person seeking to maintain confidentiality shall have the sole responsibility for  
18 obtaining any order it believes necessary to prevent disclosure of the Confidential  
19 Information that has been subpoenaed. If the person seeking to maintain  
20 confidentiality does not move for a protective order or other legal intervention within  
21 the time allowed for production by the subpoena (or within such time as a court may  
22 direct or as may be agreed upon between the designating person and the subpoenaing  
23 party) and give written notice of such action to the subpoenaing party and the person  
24 to whom the subpoena is directed, the person to whom the subpoena or other request  
25 is directed may commence production in response thereto.

1 **FILING DOCUMENTS UNDER SEAL**

2 16. No Confidential Information shall be filed in the public record without  
3 the written permission of the Designating Party, or a court’s order. The parties shall  
4 comply with L.R. 79-5.1 and the Pilot Project for the Electronic Submission and  
5 Filing of Under Seal Documents for the Central District of California, where  
6 applicable.

7 17. Copies of any pleading, brief, or other Discovery Materials containing  
8 Confidential Information which are served on opposing counsel shall be delivered in  
9 a sealed envelope stamped:

10 **CONFIDENTIAL PURSUANT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER**

11 and shall be treated in accordance with the provisions of this Protective Order.

12 **CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AT TRIAL OR HEARINGS**

13 18. The restrictions, if any, that will govern the use of Confidential Material  
14 at trial or hearings, will be determined at a later date by the Court, in consultation  
15 with the parties.

16 **INADVERTENT DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

17 19. If a party or its counsel inadvertently discloses Confidential Information  
18 to persons who are not authorized, pursuant to this Order, to use or possess the  
19 Confidential Information, the party who inadvertently disclosed the Confidential  
20 Information shall (i) provide prompt written notice of the disclosure to the  
21 Designating Party upon learning of its inadvertent disclosure; and (ii) seek the  
22 immediate return of the Confidential Information from the unauthorized party in  
23 possession of the Confidential Information or secure their agreement to abide by the  
24 protections of this Order.

1           **ACTIONS TO PROTECT AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF**  
2                                   **PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION**

3           20.    In the event that the Court determines that there is an actual or  
4 threatened breach of this Order by a party who received Confidential Information  
5 that contains personally identifiable information (*e.g.*, private contact information,  
6 personally identifiable financial information, etc.), the parties agree that the  
7 Designating Party would not have an adequate remedy at law regarding the  
8 unauthorized disclosure of such personally identifiable information and would be  
9 entitled to specific performance, and/or injunctive relief, to enforce the terms of this  
10 Order, in addition to any other remedy the party may be entitled at law or in equity.

11                                   **NON-TERMINATION**

12           21.    All provisions of this Protective Order restricting the communication or  
13 use of Confidential Information shall continue to be binding after the conclusion of  
14 this Litigation. Upon the conclusion of the Litigation, including any appeals, a party  
15 in the possession of Confidential Information, other than that which is contained in  
16 pleadings, correspondence, work product, and deposition transcripts, shall either (a)  
17 return such documents no later than 60 days after conclusion of this action to counsel  
18 for the Designating Party, or (b) destroy such documents within 60 days, and certify  
19 in writing to the Designating Party that the documents have been destroyed.  
20 Notwithstanding this provision, counsel are entitled to retain an archival copy of all  
21 pleadings, motion papers, transcripts, legal memoranda, correspondence, or attorney  
22 work product, even if such materials contain Confidential Information. Any such  
23 archival copies that contain or constitute Confidential Information remain subject to  
24 this Order for so long as the copies are maintained. If any Confidential Information  
25 has been furnished under this Order to any expert or other third-party, counsel for the  
26 party furnishing the Confidential Information shall request in writing that all such  
27 Confidential Information, other than that which is contained in pleadings,  
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1 correspondence, work product, and deposition transcripts, be returned to counsel or  
2 destroyed.

3 **MODIFICATION PERMITTED**

4 22. Nothing in this Protective Order shall prevent any party or other person  
5 from seeking modification of this Protective Order.

6 **NO WAIVER OF OBJECTIONS**

7 23. Nothing in this Protective Order shall constitute a waiver of a party's  
8 right to object to any Discovery Materials on any grounds or to object to the  
9 admission in evidence of Discovery Materials at any motion hearing or trial.  
10 Nothing in this Protective Order shall be deemed to expand or limit the permissible  
11 scope of discovery in this Litigation.

12 **RESPONSIBILITY OF ATTORNEYS**

13 24. The counsel for the parties are responsible for employing reasonable  
14 measures, consistent with this Protective Order, to control duplication of, access to,  
15 and distribution of copies of Confidential Information.

16 25. The counsel for the parties are responsible for administering and  
17 keeping the executed original copy of Exhibit A pursuant to ¶¶ 10(d), (e), (f), and (i)  
18 above.

19 **SHIPPING PROTECTED MATERIAL**

20 26. When any party physically ships any Discovery Materials containing  
21 personally identifiable information to others designated in this Order as authorized to  
22 receive such Discovery Materials, the receiving party will encrypt such electronic  
23 data (if the Discovery Materials are in that format) and supply the password in  
24 separate correspondence to the recipient. If the Discovery Materials containing  
25 personally identifiable information are in hard copy/paper form, the receiving party  
26 will ship the Discovery Materials using secure packaging and a tracking number. If  
27 the receiving party learns at any time that such Discovery Materials may have been  
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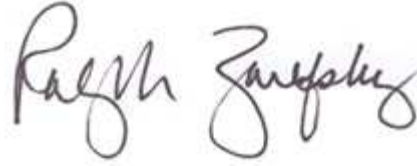
1 improperly viewed by unauthorized parties during shipment, it will promptly notify  
2 the Designating Party and take reasonable measures to retrieve the improperly  
3 disclosed Discovery Materials. This Paragraph does not apply to the exchange of  
4 Discovery Materials via e-mail or other electronic transmission.

5 **NO WAIVER**

6 27. Nothing herein shall be deemed to waive any applicable privilege, work  
7 product protection, or other legal or statutory protection from or prohibition of  
8 disclosure, or to affect the ability of a party to seek relief for an inadvertent or  
9 unintentional disclosure of Discovery Materials protected by any privilege, work  
10 product protection, or other law or statute. Pursuant to the Court's authority under  
11 Federal Rule of Evidence 502 and any other applicable law, rule, or legal principal,  
12 the inadvertent or unintentional production of Discovery Materials subject to the  
13 attorney-client privilege or work-product immunity shall not waive the privilege or  
14 immunity in this proceeding or any other federal or state proceeding, either as to  
15 specific information in the Discovery Materials or as to any other Confidential  
16 Information relating thereto or on the same or related subject matters, if a written  
17 request for the return of such documents or information (the "Identified Materials")  
18 is made promptly after the producing party or the Designating Party learns of its  
19 inadvertent or unintentional production. Upon such a written request, the receiving  
20 party shall return to the Designating Party the Identified Materials. The contents of  
21 the Identified Materials shall not be disclosed to anyone who was not already aware  
22 of the contents of them before the notice was made.

23 28. Nothing contained in this Protective Order and no action taken pursuant  
24 to it shall prejudice the right of any party to contest the alleged relevancy,  
25 admissibility, or discoverability of Discovery Materials, whether designated  
26 Confidential Information or not.

1 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**



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3 DATED: February 18, 2015

By: \_\_\_\_\_

4 HONORABLE RALPH ZAREFSKY  
5 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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1 EXHIBIT A

2 ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

3 I, \_\_\_\_\_ declare under penalty of perjury that  
4 I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that was  
5 issued by the United States District Court for the Central District of California in the  
6 case of *City of Los Angeles v. JPMorgan Chase & Co., et al.*, Case No. 14-CV-  
7 04168. I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the terms of this Stipulated  
8 Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that failure to so comply could  
9 expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of contempt. I solemnly  
10 promise that I will not disclose in any matter any information or item that is subject  
11 to this Stipulated Protective Order to any person or entity except in strict compliance  
12 with the provisions of this Order. I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the  
13 United States District Court for the Central District of California for the purpose of  
14 enforcing the terms of this Stipulated Protective Order.  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on February 2, 2015, I electronically filed the foregoing document using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the e-mail addresses registered in the CM/ECF system, as denoted on the Electronic Mail Notice List.

\_\_\_\_\_  
/s/ Andy Katz  
Andy Katz