1 2 3 FILED CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT 4 February 3, 2015 5 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 11 DAMION RAMIREZ, Case No. SACV14-302 MMM (RNBx) Plaintiffs, [Proposed] PROTECTIVE ORDER 12 PERSONNEL INFORMATION 13 -VS-CITY OF LA PALMA, Officer Won 14 Koh, Chief Eric Nunez, and Does 1-15 Defendants. 16 17 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, following stipulation of counsel, as follows: 18 Plaintiff seeks discovery of confidential police personnel records relating to 19 defendant Officer Won Koh and responses thereto on behalf of Officer Koh, 20 consisting of statements made in the Internal Affairs investigation of citizen 21 complaints made on behalf of Damion Ramirez and on behalf of Laine Jackson 22 along with the confidential POST record of training for Officer Koh. Such 23 documents shall be subject to this Protective Order as follows: 24 25 1. The protected documents will be clearly designated prior to the 26 disclosure or production of such Protected Documents, and will bear the notation 27 of "Confidential" on each page provided the notation does not obscure or 28 obliterate the document's contents. All Protected Documents shall be subject to

this Protective Order as follows.

- 2. Each person receiving any of the Protected Documents shall not disclose to any person or entity, in any manner, including orally, any of the Protected Documents or any of the information contained therein, except when used for purposes of this litigation pursuant to this protective order.
- 3. The Protected Documentws and all information contained therein, may only be disclosed to the following "qualified" persons:
 - (a) Counsel of record for the parties to this civil litigation;
- (b) Paralegal, stenographic, clerical and secretarial personnel regularly employed by counsel referred to in subparagraph (a); and, investigators, expert witnesses and other persons legitimately involved in litigation-related activities for the counsel of record; and
- (c) Court personnel, including stenographic reporters engaged in such proceedings as are necessarily incidental to preparation for the trial of this action.
- (d) With the exception of the Court and court personnel (who are subject only to the Court's internal procedures regarding the handling of material filed or lodged, including material filed or lodged under seal), all persons receiving a copy of the Protected Documents shall, before receiving such protected information, be given a copy of this Protective Order and a compliance agreement (in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A") and shall execute the compliance agreement, and return the original of the compliance agreement to the attorney who gives him/her the protected information. It shall be the responsibility of the respective attorneys to distribute compliance agreements, and then collect and maintain custody of the executed originals of the compliance agreements.
- 4. The confidential information may be disclosed to the Court and court personnel, in connection with this litigation. Protected Documents that a party intends to use in support of or in opposition to a pre-trial filing with the Court must be filed in accordance with the Central District of California Local Rules

relating to under seal filings, including Local Rule 79-5. Counsel intending to use information from Protected Documents must both (a) apply to submit unredacted documents containing information from Protected Documents under seal and (b) file public versions of the same documents with the information from Protected Documents redacted.

- 5. In the event this matter proceeds to trial, to the extent that any of the Protected Documents are offered into evidence, those Protected Documents will become public, unless sufficient cause is shown in advance of trial to proceed otherwise.
- 6. The court reporter, videographer, and audiographer, if any, who record all or part of any deposition in this matter, which include Protected Documents or descriptions thereof shall be subject to this Order and precluded from providing any portions of the original deposition videotape, audiotape, or exhibits which relate to the Protected Documents or information to any persons other than counsel of record, absent order of the court.
- 7. Those attending any future deposition(s) shall be bound by this Order and, therefore, shall not disclose to any person or entity, in any manner, including orally, any reference to the Protected Documents or content thereof made by such person during the course of said depositions.
- 8. At any future deposition(s), should there be persons in attendance who are not authorized to access to the Protected Documents or information, such persons shall be removed from the deposition room at any time information relating to the Protected Documents or protected information is disclosed or discussed.
- 9. The Protected Documents shall be used solely in connection with the preparation and trial of this action, entitled <u>Damion Ramirez v. City of La Palma</u>, <u>et al.</u> bearing case number SACV14-302 MMM (RNBx), or any related appellate proceeding, and not for any other purpose, including, without limitation, any other

litigation or administrative proceedings or any investigation related thereto.

- 10. This Order may not be modified unless by written consent of the parties and approval of the Court. Any party may move for a modification of this Order at any time. Upon receipt and review of the documents produced pursuant to this protective order, any party may move to remove the confidential designation of any document after meeting and conferring with opposing counsel and pursuant to the procedures governing discovery motions set forth in Local Rule 37.
- 11. This Order is made for the purpose of ensuring that the Protected Documents will remain confidential, unless otherwise ordered by the Court or in response to a successful motion by a party made pursuant to Paragraph 10.
- 12. At the conclusion of this litigation, upon request of defense counsel, plaintiff's counsel shall return the Protected Documents to Mark D. Rutter, Esq., Carpenter, Rothans & Dumont, 888 S. Figueora Street, Suite 1960, Los Angeles, California 90017. Alternatively, the receiving parties and every other person and/or entity who received originals or copies of the protected information may destroy all such material and material derived therefrom within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of this case. Additionally, within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of this case, counsel for the receiving parties shall send a signed declaration stating that such material has been destroyed pursuant to this Protective Order.
- 13. Nothing in this Order shall be construed as authorizing a party to disobey a lawful subpoena issued in another action.

GOOD CAUSE

The parties submit that GOOD CAUSE exists to enter the proposed protective order to balance the defendants' concerns that the documents consist of statements from confidential police personnel records and private information concerning a party to this litigation, as well as individuals who are not parties to

1	this litigation, as protected by the official	information privilege, law enforcement
2	privilege and the right to privacy, as protected by the California and United States	
3	Constitution, with plaintiff's right to discovery in this litigation. The parties agree	
4	that all documents marked confidential and produced pursuant to this protective	
5	order are subject to the terms of this protective unless otherwise ordered by the	
6	Court.	
7	IT IS SO ORDERED.	
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