

United States District Court
For the Northern District of California

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN JOSE DIVISION

GOOD TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION and GOOD TECHNOLOGY SOFTWARE, INC.,)	Case No. 5:12-cv-05826-PSG
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Plaintiffs,)	OMNIBUS ORDER RE: MOTIONS TO SEAL
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v.)	(Re: Docket Nos. 314, 316, 317, 330, 333, 340, 344)
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MOBILEIRON, INC.,)	
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Defendant.)	

Before the court are seven administrative motions to seal 49 documents. “Historically, courts have recognized a ‘general right to inspect and copy public records and documents, including judicial records and documents.’”¹ Accordingly, when considering a sealing request, “a ‘strong presumption in favor of access’ is the starting point.”² Parties seeking to seal judicial records relating to dispositive motions bear the burden of overcoming the presumption with “compelling reasons” that outweigh the general history of access and the public policies favoring disclosure.³

¹ *Kamakana v. City & County of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178 (9th Cir. 2006) (quoting *Nixon v. Warner Commc’ns, Inc.*, 435 U.S. 589, 597 & n. 7 (1978)).

² *Id.* (quoting *Foltz v. State Farm Mut. Auto. Ins. Co.*, 331 F.3d 1122, 1135 (9th Cir. 2003)).

³ *Id.* at 1178-79.

1 However, “while protecting the public's interest in access to the courts, we must remain
2 mindful of the parties' right to access those same courts upon terms which will not unduly harm
3 their competitive interest.”⁴ Records attached to nondispositive motions therefore are not subject
4 to the strong presumption of access.⁵ Because the documents attached to nondispositive motions
5 “are often unrelated, or only tangentially related, to the underlying cause of action,” parties moving
6 to seal must meet the lower “good cause” standard of Rule 26(c).⁶ As with dispositive motions, the
7 standard applicable to nondispositive motions requires a “particularized showing”⁷ that “specific
8 prejudice or harm will result” if the information is disclosed.⁸ “Broad allegations of harm,
9 unsubstantiated by specific examples of articulated reasoning” will not suffice.⁹ A protective order
10 sealing the documents during discovery may reflect the court’s previous determination that good
11 cause exists to keep the documents sealed,¹⁰ but a blanket protective order that allows the parties to
12 designate confidential documents does not provide sufficient judicial scrutiny to determine whether
13 each particular document should remain sealed.¹¹

16 In addition to making particularized showings of good cause, parties moving to seal
17 documents must comply with the procedures established by Civ. L.R. 79-5. Pursuant to
18 Civ. L.R. 79-5(b), a sealing order is appropriate only upon a request that establishes the document

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20 ⁴ *Apple Inc. v. Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.*, 727 F.3d 1214, 1228-29 (Fed. Cir. 2013).

21 ⁵ *See id.* at 1180.

22 ⁶ *Id.* at 1179 (internal quotations and citations omitted).

23 ⁷ *Id.*

24 ⁸ *Phillips ex rel. Estates of Byrd v. Gen. Motors Corp.*, 307 F.3d 1206, 1210-11 (9th Cir. 2002);
see Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c).

25 ⁹ *Beckman Indus., Inc. v. Int’l Ins. Co.*, 966 F.2d 470, 476 (9th Cir. 1992).

26 ¹⁰ *See Kamakana*, 447 F.3d at 1179-80.

27 ¹¹ *See Civ. L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(A)* (“Reference to a stipulation or protective order that allows a party to
28 designate certain documents as confidential is not sufficient to establish that a document, or
portions thereof, are sealable.”).

1 is “sealable,” or “privileged or protectable as a trade secret or otherwise entitled to protection under
2 the law.” “The request must be narrowly tailored to seek sealing only of sealable material, and
3 must conform with Civil L.R. 79-5(d).”¹² “Within 4 days of the filing of the Administrative
4 Motion to File Under Seal, the Designating Party must file a declaration as required by subsection
5 79-5(d)(1)(A) establishing that all of the designated material is sealable.”¹³

6 With these standards in mind, the courts rules on the instant motions as follows:

<u>Motion to Seal</u>	<u>Document to be Sealed</u>	<u>Result</u>	<u>Reason/Explanation</u>
314	Good’s Reply to its Motion to Strike Portions of Defendant’s Expert Report Regarding Defendant’s Infringement Counterclaims	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 314-4 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
316	Good’s Opposition to MobileIron’s Motion to Exclude certain opinions of Good’s experts	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 316-5 SEALED EXCEPT pages 2:18-19, 15:13-16, 19:19-20 UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
316	Declaration of Ira Cook	UNSEALED.	Not narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
316	Exhibit 1	SEALED EXCEPT page 1 at Docket No. 316-8 UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
316	Exhibit 2	SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.

25 ¹² Civ. L.R. 79-5(b). In part, Civ. L.R. 79-5(d) requires the submitting party to attach a “proposed order that is narrowly tailored to seal only the sealable material” which “lists in table format each document or portion thereof that is sought to be sealed,” Civ. L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(b), and an
26 “unredacted version of the document” that indicates “by highlighting or other clear method, the
27 portions of the document that have been omitted from the redacted version.”
28 Civ. L.R. 79-5(d)(1)(d).

¹³ Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).

1	316	Exhibit 3	UNSEALED.	Not narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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3	316	Exhibit 4	Pages 20:16-21:23 at Docket No. 316-11 SEALED; page 28:22-25 at Docket No. 316-11 SEALED; pages 42:18-44:2 at Docket No. 316-11 SEALED; page 44:4, 44:14 at Docket No. 316-11 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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8	316	Exhibit 5	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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10	316	Exhibit 6	Page 28:11-12 at Docket No. 316-13 SEALED; page 29:14-25 at Docket No. 316-13 SEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information. ¹⁴
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13	317	MobileIron's Opposition to Good Technology Plaintiffs' Motion to exclude opinions of MobileIron's proposed experts Richard Eichmann, Earl Sacerdoti, Stephen Gray and Peter Reiher	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 317-5 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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18	317	Exhibit 1	¶¶ 43, 47-48, 52(b), 59, 61-63, 69-76, 85 and 89-90 at Docket No. 317-6 SEALED; footnote 17 at Docket No. 317-6 SEALED; the table after ¶ 58, the table after ¶ 62 and the table after ¶ 88 at Docket No. 317-6 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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22	317	Exhibit 3	Page 33:2 at Docket No. 317-7 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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24	317	Exhibit 4	SEALED EXCEPT page 1, ¶¶ 45-64 at Docket No. 317-7 UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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¹⁴ Page 29:26-28 could not be considered because it was not submitted to the court.

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21	317	Exhibit 15	SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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23	317	Exhibit 16	SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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25	317	Exhibit 17	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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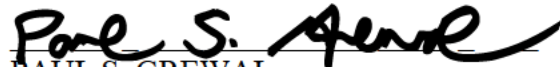
1	317	Exhibit 18	SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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7	317	Exhibit 21	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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10	317	Exhibit 22	SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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12	317	Exhibit 23	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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15	317	Exhibit 24	All monetary values at Docket No. 317-9 SEALED; ¶¶ 112-113 at Docket No. 317-9 SEALED; all other requests UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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17	317	Exhibit 25	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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20	317	Exhibit 26	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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23	317	Exhibit 28	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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25	317	Exhibit 33	UNSEALED.	Not narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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1	317	Exhibit 34	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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3	330	MobileIron's Reply in Support of Motion to Exclude the Opinions and Testimony of Good's Experts, Mr. Roy Weinstein and Dr. Hugh Smith	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 330-5 SEALED EXCEPT pages 7:21, 8:1, 15:13-14 UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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5	330	Exhibit 25	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 330-6 SEALED.	Narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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7	330	Exhibit 26	UNSEALED.	Not narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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9	330	Exhibit 27	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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11	330	Exhibit 28	Section titled "Good License Agreements" on pages 9-10 at Docket No. 330-9 SEALED; all other requests UNSEALED.	Only sealed portions narrowly tailored to confidential business information.
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13	333	Plaintiff Good Technology Corporation and Good Technology Software, Inc.'s Reply in Support of Motion to Exclude Opinions of MobileIron's Proposed Experts Richard Eichmann, Earl Sacerdoti, Stephen Gray and Peter Reiher	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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15	333	Exhibit 2	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
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17	340	Exhibit A	Designations highlighted in yellow at Docket No. 340-3 SEALED EXCEPT lines 7:21, 8:1, 15:13-14 UNSEALED.	Sealed consistent with ruling re Docket No. 330-5.
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7 8 9	344	Exhibit D	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).
10 11 12	344	Exhibit E	UNSEALED.	No declaration in support filed with the court as required by Civ. L.R. 79-5(e)(1).

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14 **SO ORDERED.**

15 Dated: June 12, 2015

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17 PAUL S. GREWAL
18 United States Magistrate Judge