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

15 THOMAS AVERY and KURT STABEL,
 16 Plaintiffs,
 17 v.
 18 SANFORD BARSKY, M.D.,
 19 Defendant.

CASE NO.: 3:12-cv-000652-MMD-WGC

**REVISED STIPULATED
 PROTECTIVE ORDER**

20 SANFORD BARSKY, M.D.,
 21 Third-Party Plaintiff,
 22 v.
 23 VENTANA MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC., a
 Delaware corporation; and OHIO STATE
 24 UNIVERSITY, an Ohio state institution,
 25 Third-Party Defendants.

1 Plaintiffs THOMAS AVERY and KURT STABEL, by and through their attorneys of
2 record, Maddox, Isaacson & Cisneros, LLP and Allan, Nava, and Glander, PLLC; Defendant and
3 Third-Party Plaintiff, SANFORD BARSKY, M.D., by and through his attorneys of record, Maupin,
4 Cox & Legoy, and Third-Party Defendants, VENTANA MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC., by and
5 through its attorneys of record, FENNEMORE CRAIG JONES VARGAS, hereby stipulate to the
6 entry of this Revised Stipulated Protective Order as follows:
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8 **1. Classified Information**

9 “Classified Information” means any information of any type, kind, or character that is
10 designated as “Confidential” or “For Counsel Only” by any of the supplying or receiving
11 persons, whether it be a document, information contained in a document, information revealed
12 during a deposition, information revealed in an interrogatory answer, or otherwise.
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14 **2. Qualified Persons**

15 “Qualified Persons” means:

16 a. For information designated as “For Counsel Only”:

- 17 i. retained counsel for the parties in this litigation and their representative
18 staff;
- 19 ii. actual or potential independent experts or consultants (and their
20 administrative or clerical staff) engaged in connection with this litigation
21 (which shall not include the current employees, officers, members, or
22 agents of parties or affiliates of parties) who, prior to any disclosure of
23 Classified Information to such person, have signed a document agreeing
24 to bound by the terms of this Protective Order (such signed document to
25 be maintained by the attorney retaining such person) and have been
26 designated in writing by notice to all counsel;
- 27 iii. this court and its staff and any other tribunal or dispute resolution officer
28 duly appointed or assigned in connection with this litigation.

b. For information designated as “Confidential”:

- i. the persons identified in subparagraph 2(a);

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- ii. the party, if a natural person;
- iii. if the party is an entity, such officers or employees of the party who are actively involved in the prosecution or defense of this case who, prior to any disclosure of Confidential information to such person, have been designated in writing by notice to all counsel and have signed a document agreeing to be bound by the terms of this protective order (such signed document to be maintained by the attorney designating such person);
- iv. litigation vendors, court reporters, and other litigation support personnel;
- v. and person who was an author, addressee, or intended or authorized recipient of the Confidential information and who agrees to keep the information confidential, provided that such persons may see and use the Confidential information but not retain a copy.

c. Such other person as this court may designate after notice and an opportunity to be heard.

3. **Designation Criteria**

a. *Nonclassified Information.* Classified Information shall not include information that either:

- i. is in the public domain at the time of disclosure as evidenced by a written document;
- ii. becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the recipient, as evidenced by a written document;
- iii. the receiving party can show by written document was in its rightful and lawful possession at the time of disclosure; or
- iv. lawfully comes into the recipient's possession subsequent to the time of disclosure from another source without restriction as to disclosure, provided such third party has the right to make the disclosure to the receiving party.

b. *Classified Information.* A party shall designate as Classified Information only such information that the party in good faith believes in fact is confidential. Information that is

1 generally available to the public, such as public filings, catalogues, advertising materials, and
2 the like, shall not be designated as Classified.

3 Information and documents that may be designated as Classified Information include,
4 but are not limited to, trade secrets, confidential or proprietary financial information,
5 operational data, business plans, and competitive analyses, personnel files, personal information
6 that is protected by law, customer data, and other sensitive information that, if not restricted as
7 set forth in this order may subject the producing or disclosing person to competitive or financial
8 injury or potential legal liability to third parties.

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10 Correspondence and other communications between the parties or with nonparties may
11 be designated as Classified Information if the communication was made with the understanding
12 or reasonable expectation that the information would not become generally available to the
13 public.

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15 c. *For Counsel Only.* The designation “For Counsel Only” shall be reserved for
16 information that is believed to be unknown to the opposing party or parties, or any of the
17 employees of a corporate party. For purposes of this order, so-designated information includes,
18 but is not limited to, product formula information, design information, non-public financial
19 information, pricing information, customer identification data, and certain study methodologies.

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21 d. *Ultrasensitive Information.* At this point, the parties do not anticipate the need
22 for higher levels of confidentiality as to ultrasensitive documents or information. However, in
23 the event that a court orders that ultrasensitive documents or information be produced, the
24 parties will negotiate and ask the court to enter an ultrasensitive information protocol in advance
25 of production to further protect such information.

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4. Use of Classified Information

All Classified Information provided by any party or nonparty in the course of this litigation shall be used solely for the purpose of preparation, trial, and appeal of this litigation and for no other purpose, and shall not be disclosed except in accordance with the terms hereof.

5. Marking of Documents

Documents provided in this litigation may be designated by the producing person or by any party as Classified Information by marking each page of the documents so designated with a stamp or label indicating that the information is “Confidential” or “For Counsel Only”. In lieu of marking the original of a document, if the original is not provided, the designating party may mark the copies that are provided. Originals shall be preserved for inspection.

6. Disclosure at Depositions

Information disclosed at (a) the deposition of a party or one of its present or former officers, directors, employees, agents, consultants, representatives, or independent experts retained by counsel for the purpose of this litigation, or (b) the deposition of a nonparty may be designated by any party as Classified Information by indicating on the record at the deposition that the testimony is “Confidential” or “For Counsel Only” and is subject to the provisions of this Order.

Any party may also designate information disclosed at a deposition as Classified Information by notifying all parties in writing not later than 30 days of receipt of the transcript of the specific pages and lines of the transcript that should be treated as Classified Information thereafter. Each party shall attach a copy of each such written notice to the face of the transcript and each copy thereof in that party’s possession, custody, or control. All deposition transcripts

1 shall be treated as if designated "For Counsel Only" for a period of 30 days after initial receipt
2 of the transcript.

3 To the extent possible, the court reporter shall segregate into separate transcripts
4 information designated as Classified Information with blank, consecutively numbered pages
5 being provided in a nondesignated main transcript. The separate transcript containing Classified
6 Information shall have page numbers that correspond to the blank pages in the main transcript.

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8 Counsel for a party or a nonparty witness shall have the right to exclude from
9 depositions any person who is not authorized to receive Classified Information pursuant to this
10 Protective Order, but such right of exclusion shall be applicable only during periods of
11 examination or testimony during which Classified Information is being used or discussed.

12 **7. Disclosure to Qualified Persons**

13 a. *To Whom.* Classified information shall not be disclosed or made available by the
14 receiving party to persons other than qualified persons except as necessary to comply with
15 applicable law or the valid order of a court of competent jurisdiction; *provided, however,* that
16 in the event of a disclosure compelled by law or court order, the receiving party will so notify
17 the producing party as promptly as practicable (if at all possible, prior to making such
18 disclosure) and shall seek a protective order or confidential treatment of such information.
19 Information designated as For Counsel Only shall be restricted in circulation to Qualified
20 Persons described in subparagraph 2(a).

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22 b. *Retention of Copies During this Litigation.* Copies of For Counsel Only
23 information shall be maintained only in the offices of outside counsel for the receiving party
24 and, to the extent supplied to experts described in subparagraph 2(a)(ii), in the offices of those
25 experts. Any documents produced in this litigation, regardless of classification, that are
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1 provided to Qualified Persons shall be maintained only at the office of such Qualified
2 Person(s) and only necessary working copies of any such documents shall be made. Copies of
3 documents and exhibits containing Classified Information may be prepared by independent
4 copy services, printers, or illustrators for the purpose of this litigation.

5 c. Each party's outside counsel shall maintain a log of all copies of For Counsel
6 Only documents that are delivered to Qualified Persons.
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8 **8. Unintentional Disclosures**

9 Documents unintentionally produced without designation as Classified Information later
10 maybe designated and shall be treated as Classified Information from the date written notice of
11 the designation is provided to the receiving party.

12 If a receiving party learns of any unauthorized disclosure of Confidential information or
13 For Counsel Only information, the party shall immediately inform the producing party of all
14 pertinent facts relating to such disclosure shall make all reasonable efforts to prevent disclosure
15 by each unauthorized person who received such information.
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17 **9. Documents Produced for Inspection Prior to Designation**

18 In the event documents are produced for inspection prior to designation, the documents
19 shall be treated as For Counsel Only during inspection. At the time of copying for the
20 receiving parties, Classified Information shall be marked prominently "Confidential" or "For
21 Counsel Only" by the producing party.
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23 **10. Consent to Disclosure and Use in Examination**

24 Nothing in this order shall prevent disclosure beyond the terms of this order if each party
25 designating the information as Classified Information consents to such disclosure or if the
26 court, after notice to all affected parties and nonparties, orders such disclosure. Nor shall
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1 anything in this order prevent any counsel of record from utilizing a document with any person
2 that created or received the document. Nor shall anything in this order prevent any counsel of
3 record from utilizing Classified Information in in trial if the Court allows the usage after the
4 parties have had an opportunity to raise any concerns.

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6 **11. Challenging the Designation**

7 a. *Classified Information.* A party shall not be obligated to challenge the propriety
8 of a designation of Classified Information at the time such designation is made, and a failure to
9 do so shall not preclude a subsequent challenge to the designation. In the event that any party
10 to this litigation disagrees at any stage of these proceedings with the designation of any
11 information as Classified Information, the parties shall first try to resolve the dispute in good
12 faith on an informal basis, such as by production of redacted copies. If the dispute cannot be
13 resolved, the objecting party may invoke this Protective Order by moving the court for an order
14 changing the designated status of the disputed information. The disputed information shall
15 remain Classified Information unless and until the court orders otherwise.

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17 b. *Qualified Persons.* In the event that any party in good faith disagrees with the
18 designation of a person as a Qualified Person or the disclosure of particular Classified
19 Information to such person, The parties shall first try to resolve the dispute in good faith on an
20 informal basis. If the dispute cannot be resolved, the objecting party shall have 14 days from
21 the date of the designation or, in the event particular Classified Information is requested
22 subsequent to the designation of the Qualified Person, 14 days from service of the request to
23 move the court for an order denying the disposed person (a) status as a Qualified Person, or (b)
24 access to particular Classified Information. The objecting person shall have the burden of
25 demonstrating that disclosure to the disputed person would expose the objecting party to the
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1 risk of serious harm. Upon the timely filing of such a motion, no disclosure of classified
2 information shall be made to the disputed person unless and until the court enters an order
3 preserving the designation.

4 **12. Manner of Use in Proceedings**

5 In the event a party wishes to use any Classified Information affidavits, declarations,
6 briefs, memoranda of law, or other papers filed in this litigation, the party shall do one of the
7 following: (1) with the consent of the producing party, file only a redacted copy of the
8 information; (2) where appropriate (e.g., in connection with discovery and evidentiary
9 motions) provide the information solely for *in camera* review; or (3) file such information
10 under seal with the court consistent with the sealing requirements of the court.

11 **13. Filing Under Seal**

12 Unless otherwise permitted by statute, rule or prior court order, papers filed with the
13 Court under seal shall be accompanied by a contemporaneous motion for leave to file those
14 documents under seal, and shall be filed consistent with the court's electronic filing procedures
15 in accordance with Local Rule 10-5(b). Notwithstanding any agreement among the parties, the
16 party seeking to file a paper under seal bears the burden of overcoming the presumption in
17 favor of public access to papers filed in Court. *Kamakana v. City and County of Honolulu*, 447
18 F.2d 1172 (9 Cir. 2006).

19 **14. Return of Documents**

20 Not later than 120 days after the conclusion of this litigation and any appeal related to it,
21 any Classified Information, all reproductions of such information, and any notes, summaries,
22 or descriptions of such information in the possession of any of the persons specified in
23 paragraph 2 (except subparagraph 2(a)(iii)) shall be returned to the producing party or
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1 destroyed, except as this court may otherwise order or to the extent such information has been
2 used as evidence at any trial or hearing. Notwithstanding this obligation to return or destroy
3 information, Counsel may retain attorney work product, including document indices, so long as
4 that work product does not duplicate verbatim substantial portions of the text of any classified
5 information.

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7 **15. Ongoing Obligations**

8 Insofar as the provisions of the Protective Order, or any other protective orders entered
9 in this litigation, restrict the Communication and use of the information protected by, such
10 provisions shall continue to be binding after the conclusion of this litigation, except that (a)
11 there shall be no restriction on documents that are used as exhibits in open court unless such
12 exhibits were filed under seal, and (b) a party may seek the written permission of the producing
13 party or order of the court with respect to dissolution of modification of this, or any other,
14 protective order.

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16 **16. Advice to Clients**

17 This order shall not bar any attorney in the course of rendering advice to such attorneys
18 client with respect to this litigation from conveying to any party client attorneys evaluation in a
19 general way of Classified Information produced or exchanged under the terms of this order;
20 provided, however, that in rendering such advice and otherwise communicating with the client,
21 the attorney shall not disclose the specific contents of any Classified Information produced by
22 another party if such disclosure would be contrary to the terms of this Protective Order.

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24 **17. Duty to Ensure Compliance**

25 Any party designating any person has a Qualified Person shall have the duty to
26 reasonably ensure that such person observes the terms of this Protective Order and shall be
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1 responsible upon breach of such duty for the failure of such person to observe the terms of this
2 Protective Order.

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4 **18. Waiver**

5 Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502, neither the attorney-client privilege nor work
6 product protection is waived by disclosure connected with this litigation. Moreover the parties
7 specifically include this “Clawback” Provision to expedite and facilitate the production of
8 electronic and hard copy data, information and documents, and to protect against inadvertent
9 disclosure of attorney-client privileged communications or work product materials. The
10 inadvertent disclosure or production of any information or document that is subject to an
11 objection on the basis of attorney-client privilege or work-product protection, including but not
12 limited to information or documents that may be considered Confidential Information under the
13 Protective Order will not be deemed to waive a party’s claim to its privileged or protected
14 nature or estop that party or the privilege holder from designating the information or document
15 as attorney-client privileged or subject to the work product doctrine at a later date. Any party
16 receiving any such information or document shall return it upon request from the producing
17 party. Upon receiving such a request as to specific information or documents, the receiving
18 party shall return the information or documents to the producing party within five (5) business
19 days, regardless of whether the receiving party agrees with the claim of privilege and/or work-
20 product protection. Disclosure of the information or document by the other party prior to such
21 later designation shall not be deemed a violation of the provisions of this Order.
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25 **19. Modification and Exceptions**
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1 The parties may, by stipulation, provide for exceptions to this order and any party may
2 seek an order of this court modifying this Protective Order.

3 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

4 DATED this ____ day of _____, 2014. DATED this 22nd day of January, 2014.

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ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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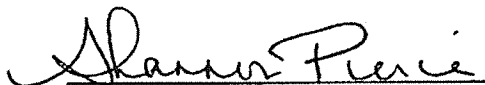
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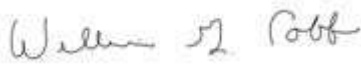
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20 **ORDER**

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24 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

25 DATED: February 6, 2014