

(c) *Motion to Seal or Otherwise Restrict Public Access.* A party's request to file materials under seal must be made by formal motion, separate from the motion or other pleading sought to be sealed, pursuant to LCvR 7.1. Such motion must be filed electronically under the designation "Motion to Seal." The motion must set forth:

- (1) A non-confidential description of the material sought to be sealed;
- (2) A statement indicating why sealing is necessary and why there are no alternatives to filing under seal;
- (3) Unless permanent sealing is sought, a statement indicating how long the party seeks to have the material maintained under seal and how the matter is to be handled upon unsealing; and
- (4) Supporting statutes, case law, or other authority.

Local Rule 6.1. It appears that the requirements of Local Rule 6.1(c)(1) through (4) have been adequately met.

By the instant motion, the United States seeks to seal Exhibits 3, 8, 20, 21, 25, and 26 (Document Nos. 25-1, 25-2, 25-3, 25-4, 25-5, and 25-6) to its Motion for Summary Judgment because it contends that these documents "include payment histories, bank statements, and tax returns that contain financial information protected from disclosure to the public by the Privacy Act." (Document No. 23, p. 1). Defendants consent to the United States' Motion to Seal.

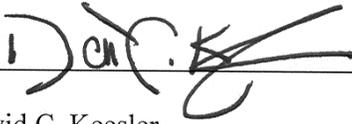
Having considered the factors provided in Local Rule 6.1(c), the Court will grant the motion to seal. Noting that the time for public response has not run to this motion, the Court will consider any objection to this Order from non-parties as an objection to the motion, requiring no additional burden for any non-party under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. See Local Rule 6.1(e).

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the "United States' Motion For Leave To File

Exhibits Under Seal” (Document No. 23) is **GRANTED**. Document Nos. 25-1, 25-2, 25-3, 25-4, 25-5, and 25-6 shall remain under **SEAL** until otherwise ordered by this Court.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: November 17, 2021



David C. Keesler
United States Magistrate Judge

