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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT SEATTLE

8 ALLSTATE PROPERTY AND CASUALTY
9 INSURANCE COMPANY, *et al.*,

10 Plaintiffs,

11 v.

12 JEFFREY BELL, *et al.*,

13 Defendants.

Case No. C16-0844RSM

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO FILE
UNDER SEAL

14 THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion to Seal. Dkt.
15 #20. The parties ask the Court to seal the Complaint, First Amended Complaint and Second
16 Amended Complaint, as they contain extensive content discussing prior, confidential
17 arbitration proceedings. *Id.* The Court has reviewed the motion, along with the documents
18 at issue, and agrees that the Complaint (Dkt. #1), Amended Complaint (Dkt. #4) and
19 Second Amended Complaint (Dkt. #13), all contain allegations relating to private
20 arbitration proceedings. The Court further agrees that because these proceedings were
21 never meant to be open to the public, the nature of the allegations therein are potentially
22 damaging to the parties involved.

23 Accordingly, the Court hereby ORDERS:

- 24 1. The parties' Motion to Seal (Dkt. #20) is GRANTED. The Clerk shall
25 immediately seal Dkts. #1, #4 and #13. However, the motion itself does not
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1 contain confidential material and should not have been sealed. Accordingly, the
2 Clerk shall also immediately UNSEAL the parties' motion at Dkt. #20.

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4 2. Further, Plaintiff shall file a public, redacted version of the Second Amended
5 Complaint (Dkt. #13) **no later than five (5) days from the date of this Order.**

6 DATED this 11 day of April, 2017.

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10 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
11 CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
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