

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE  
700 STEWART STREET  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98101

**ROBERT S. LASNIK**  
DISTRICT JUDGE

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July 27, 2017

**Delivered Via CM/ECF**

RE: Heydlauff v. The Boeing Company, C17-687RSL  
Stipulated Protective Order

Dear Counsel:

On July 26, 2017, the Court received your proposed Stipulated Motion for Entry of Protective Order and Proposed Protective Order (Dkt. # 13).

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c), protective orders may be entered to protect confidential commercial information and/or to limit the scope of specific disclosures. Such protective orders may issue upon a showing of good cause. Although parties may agree on confidentiality among themselves, when they request that the Court be involved, the proposed order must be narrowly drawn, identifying both the type of information that is to be protected and, if not obvious, the reason such protection is warranted.

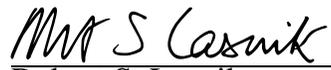
The stipulated protective order submitted in this case is deficient in the following respects:

Section 5.2(b) of the proposed order would allow a party to offer testimony in open court and then unilaterally designate some or all of the testimony as protected material. Documents presented or testimony offered in the courtroom are generally matters of public record. Access to the transcript of courtroom proceedings will be restricted only upon motion and a compelling showing that the need for confidentiality outweighs the public's right of access.

The stipulated protective order received by the Court will remain lodged in the file, but

will not be entered. The parties may resubmit a proposed order if they remedy the deficiencies identified in this letter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Robert S. Lasnik in black ink, written in a cursive style.

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Robert S. Lasnik

United States District Judge