

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

United States of America	)	
	)	
v.	)	Case No. 1:25CR272-MSN
	)	
James B. Comey, Jr.	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

MOTION TO SEAL

Pursuant to the Protective Order entered in this matter, ECF No. 40, James B. Comey, Jr. moves this Honorable Court to seal the redacted portions of his Motion to Disclose Grand Jury Proceedings (“Grand Jury Disclosure Motion”). The redacted portions of the Grand Jury Disclosure Motion contain information that the government may argue is subject to the Protective Order and required to be filed under seal. *See* ECF No. 40.¹

The Court has the inherent power to seal materials submitted to it. *See Times Mirror Company v. United States*, 873 F.2d 1210 (9th Cir. 1989); *United States v. Hubbard*, 650 F.2d 293 (D.C. Cir. 1980); *In re Braughton*, 520 F.2d 765, 766 (9th Cir. 1975).

¹ The government designated discovery containing some of the information in these sentences as Protected Materials under the Protective Order in this case. Although the defense sees no reason why this information cannot be made public, out of an abundance of caution, the defense is requesting sealing in the first instance.

A proposed Order is attached for the consideration of the Court.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 30th day of October I filed the foregoing pleading through the ECF system, which shall then send an electronic copy of this pleading to all parties in this action.

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ORDER ON SEALING

The Court has reviewed and considered James B. Comey, Jr.'s Motion to Seal the redacted portions of his Motion to Disclose Grand Jury Proceedings. For the reasons stated therein, the Motion to Seal is GRANTED.

It is hereby ORDERED that the redacted portions of Mr. Comey's Motion to Disclose Grand Jury Proceedings shall be sealed and remain under seal permanently absent further Order of this Court.

Date

Michael S. Nachmanoff
United States District Judge