

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

In Re:

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DISCLOSURE OF SEALED DOCUMENTS
IN CRIMINAL CASES

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MISC NO. 00-308

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STANDING ORDER 2012-10


In order to better protect the confidentiality of sealed supplements to plea agreements filed under seal in criminal cases, it is now

ORDERED that any sealed supplement to a plea agreement that either is or is intended to be filed under seal in a criminal case, and/or any copies of such document, shall not be provided to defendants or former defendants for their private review and/or retention. Defendants and former defendants may possess sealed supplements only in the immediate presence of a judge, prosecuting counsel, defense counsel, a U.S. Probation Officer, and/or the Warden (or designated employee) of a detention or correctional facility in which the defendant or former defendant is then housed. While allowed to possess sealed supplements in the presence of those persons designated above, defendants and former defendants may not possess such documents, or copies thereof, outside the presence of at least one of the above designated persons absent an explicit court order so authorizing.

This Order is effective immediately.

DATED this 7th day of November, 2012.

BY THE COURT:


Deborah K. Chasanow
Chief United States District Judge