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## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

In re the Marriage of
Petitioner: AMBER LAURA DEPP
and
Respondent: JOHN CHRISTOPHER DEPP) II (AKA JOHNNY DEPP)

CASE NO. BD641052
[Assigned to Dept. 6,
Hon. Carl H. Moor]
[PROPOSED] ORDER AFTER HEARING
Date: $9-8$, 2016

Dept:

Respondent John Christopher Depp II's Request for Order came on for hearing in Department 6 of the above-entitled Court, the Honorable Canl. H. Moor, Judge presiding. Petitioner Amber Laura Depp was represented by her attorney of record, Samantha Spector, Esq., and Respondent was represented by his attorney of record, Laura A. Wasser, Esq.

The Court having read and considered all papers filed in connection with the Respondent's Request for Order, and the matter having been argued and submitted, and good cause appearing therefor, THE COURT ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. All documents produced by Respondent in this action and/or any third parties subpoenaed in this action, including Edward White \& Co., LLP, The Mandel Company, Inc., and United Talent Agency, LLC, shall be designated as "Confidential Information" herein.
2. Confidential Information, the information contained therein, and any summaries, copies, abstracts or other documents derived in whole or in part from Confidential Information, shall be used by the parties in this action only in connection with matters and/or issues relating to the subject litigation and for no other purpose.
3. If documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL are used as exhibits at a deposition, arrangements shall be made with the court reporter to separately bind such portions of the transcript or record containing documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL, and any testimony relating thereto, and to label such portions appropriately.
4. If documents designated as CONFIDENTLAL are used as exhibits in settlement conferences, mediation, arbitration or other dispute resolution, the documents shall be submitted in a confidential manner.
5. Confidential Information produced pursuant to this Order may be disclosed or made available only to the Court, to counsel for the parties in this action (including the paralegal, clerical and secretarial staff employed by such counsel), and to the "qualified persons" designated below.
a. A party, or an officer, director or employee of the party deemed appropriate by counsel to assist with respect to any matters and/or issues which are then pending or may arise in connection with the subject litigation;
b. Experts or consultants (together with their clerical staff) retained by such counsel to assist with respect to any matters and/or issues that are either pending or may arise in connection with the subject litigation;
c. Court reporter(s) employed in this action;
d. A witness at any deposition or other proceeding in this action; and
e. Any other person as to whom the parties agree in writing or the Court permits upon duly noticed Request for Order.
6. Prior to receiving any Confidential Information, each "qualified person" shall be provided with a copy of the Protective Order issued by the Court and shall execute a Non-Disclosure Agreement in the form of Attachment "A" hereto.
7. In the event any Confidential Information is used in any court proceeding in this action, it shall not lose its confidential status through such use. The parties hereto shall each bear the responsibility of maintaining the confidentiality of the Confidential Information both during such use and thereafter. In the event any of the parties hereto deem it appropriate, a request can be made to the Court to incorporate the terms of the Protective Order covering any particular document or information that constitutes Confidential Information.
8. The Subpoenas for Business Records served by Petitioner on third parties Edward White \& Co., LLP, The Mandel Company, Inc., and/or United Talent Agency, LLC shall be quashed to the extent that they seek to discover information that is overly broad, unduly burdensome, privileged and/or private, and/or not relevant to this matter, including records sought for several years prior to the parties' marriage.
9. The deadlines for Respondent and third parties subpoenaed to produce documents and responses shall be extended to ten days following the Court's ruling and execution of a protective order.

DATED: $\qquad$
THE HONORABLE CARL H. MOOR LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT

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## ATTACHMENT "A"

I, acknowledge receiving a copy of the Protective Order in the case entitled Marriage of Depp, bearing Case Number BD641052 in the files of the Los Angeles Superior Court, and hereby agree to comply with and be bound thereby.

Dated: $\qquad$


## NOTICE OF HEARING

1. TO (names)): AMBER LAURA DEPP AND HER ATTORNEYS OF RECORD
2. Petitioner
Respondent
Other Parent/Party
Other (specify):
3. A COURT HEARING WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:
a. Date:
$0-8-10 \quad$ Time: $8: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
[叉] Dept.: 6
(X) Room; 543
b. Address of court
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same as noted above $\square$ other (specify):
4. WARNING to the person served with the Request for Order: The court may make the requested orders without you if you do not file a Responsive Declaration to Request for Order (form FL-320), serve a copy on the other parties at least nine court days before the hearing (unless the court has ordered a shorter period of time), and appear at the hearing. (See form FL-320-INFO for mors information.)
(Forms FL-300-INFO and DV-400-INFO provide information about completing this form.)

## COURT ORDER

(FOR COURT USE ONLY)

## It is ordered that:

4. Time $\square$ for service until the hearing is shortened. Service must be on or before (date):
5. A Responsive Declaration to Request for Order (form FL-320) must be served on or before (date):
6. The parties must attend an appointment for child custody mediation or child custody recommending counseling as follows (specify date, time, and location):
7. $\square$ The orders in Temporary Emergency (Ex Pate) Orders (form FL-305) apply to this proceeding and Priest ier served with all documents filed with this Request for Order.
8. Other (specify):

Date:

## PETITIONER: AMBER LAURA DEPP <br> RESPONDENT: JOHN CHRISTOPHER DEPP I (aka JOHNNY DEPP) <br> CASE NUMBER: <br> BD641052 <br> OTHER PARENT/PARTY:

## REQUEST FOR ORDER

Note: Place a mark $X$ in front of the box that applies to your case or to your request. If you need more space, mark the box for "Attachment." For example, mark "Attachment 2a" to Indicate that the list of children's names and birth dates continues on a paper attached to this form. Then, on a sheet of paper, list each attachment number followed by your request. At the top of the paper, write your name, case number, and "FL-300" as a title. (You may use Attached Declaration (form MC-031) for this purpose.)

1. $X$ RESTRAINING ORDER INFORMATION

One or more domestic violence restraining/protective orders are now in effect between (specify):
$X$ Petitioner $X$ Respondent Other Parent/Party (Attach a copy of the orders if you have one.) The orders are from the following cout or courts (specify county and state):
a. Criminal: County/state (specify):
b. $X$ Family: County/state (specify): Los Angeles, CA
Case No. (if known):
c. $\square$ Juvenile: County/state (specify):
Case No. (if known):
BD641052
d. Other: County/state (specify):
Case No. (If known):
Case No. (if known):
2. $\square$ CHLLD CUSTODY

VISITATION (PARENTING TIME)
a. Irequest that the court make orders about the following children (specify):

Child's Name Date of Bith
Child's Name Date of Bith

Legal Custody to (person who decfdes: health, education, etc):

I request temporary emergency orders

Attachment 2as
b. $\square$ The orders / request for child custody visitation (parenting time) are:
(1) $\square$ Specified in the attached forms:
$\square$ Eorm FL-305 Form FL-311 $\square$ Form FL-312 $\square$ Form FL-341(C)
(2)
$\square$ As follows (specify):
4 Attachment 2b.
c. The orders that | request are in the best interest of the children because (specify):

Attachment 2c,
d. This is a change from the current order for $\square$ child custody visitation (parenting time).
(1) The order for legal or physical custody was filed on (date);
. The court ordered (specify)
(2) The visitation (parenting time) order was filed on (date):

The cout ordered (specify):

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## 3. $\square$ CHILD SUPPORT

(Note: An earnings assignment may be issued. See Income Withholding for Support (form FL-195)
a. I request that the court order child support as follows:

Child's name and age $\square$ irequest support for each Monthly amount (\$) requested
child based on the child support guideline. (if not by guideline)
b. I want to change a current court order for child support filed on (date):

The coutt ordered child support as follows (specify):
c. I have completed and fited with this Request for Order a current income and Expense Declaration (form FL-150) or 1 filed a current Financial Statement (Simplified) (form FL-155) because I meet the requirements to file form FL-155.
d. The court should make or change the support orders because (specify):

- Attachment 3d.

4. $\square$ SPOUSAL OR DOMESTIC PARTNER SUPPORT
(Note: An Eamings Assignment Order For Spousal or Pariner Support (form FL-435) may be issued.)
a. Amount requested (month'y): \$
b. I want the court to change The court ordered \$ per month for support.
c. This request is to modify (change) spousal or partner support after entry of a judgment. I have completed and attached Spousal or Partner Support Declaration Attachment (form FL-157) or a declaration that addresses the same factors covered in form FL-157.
d. I have completed and filed a current income and Expense Declaration (form $\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{b}}-150$ ) in support of my request.
e. The court should make, change, or end the support orders because (specify):
$\square$ Attachment 4 e.
5. $\square$ PROPERTY CONTROL
a. The petitioner respondent $\square$ other parent/party control of the following property that we $\square$ own or are buying

- I request temporary emergency orders be given exclusive temporary use; possession, and lease or rent (specify):
b. The $\square$ pettioner $\square$ respondent other parent/party be ordered to make the following payments in debts and liens coming due while the order is in effect:

| Pay to: |
| :---: |
| Pay to: |
| Pay to: |
| Pay to: |

c. $\square$ Thls is a change from the current order for property control filed on (date):
d. Specify in Attachment 5d the reasons why the court should make or change the property control orders.

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6. $\square$ ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS
| request attorney's fees and costs, which total (specify amount): \$
I filed the following to support my request:
a. A current income and Expense Declaration (form EL-150).
b. A Request for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment (form FL-319) or a declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form.
c. A Supporting Declaration for Attorney's Fees and Costs Attachment (form_FL-158) or a declaration that addresses the factors covered in that form.

## 7. $\square$ DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDER

- Do not use this form to ask for domestic violence restraining orders! Read form DV-505-1NFO, How Do I Ask for a Temporary Restraining Order, for forms and information you need to ask for domestic violence restraining orders.
- Read form DV-400-INFO, How to Change or End a Domestic Violence Restraining Order for more information.
a. The Restraining Order After Hearing (form DV-130) was filed on (date):
b. I request that the court $\square$ change $\square$ end the personal conduct, stay-away, move-out orders, or other protective orders made in Restraining Order After Hearing (form DV -130). (If you want to change the orders, complete 7 c .)
c. I request that the court make the following changes to the restraining orders (specify):

Attachment Tc.
d. I want the court to change or end the orders because (specify):

II Attachment Fd
8. $X$ OTHER ORDERS REQUESTED (specify):

X Attachment 8.
That the Court issue a protective order regarding all confidential information in this action and quash subpoenas in part as set forth in Attachment 8 hereto.
9. $\square$ TIME FOR SERVICE / TIME UNTH HEARING I urgently need:
a. To serve the Request for Order no less than (number):
court days before the hearing.
b. The hearing date and service of the Request for Order to be sooner.
c. I need the order because (specify):
$\square$ Attachment 9 c .
10. $\mathbb{X}$ FACTS TO SUPPORT the orders 1 request are listed below. The facts that I write in support and attach to this request cannot be longer than 10 pages, unless the court gives me permission. $\square$ Attachment 10 . See attached Memorandum of Points and Authorities and Declaration of Laura A. Wasser, Esq.

I deciare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this form and all attachments is true and correct.

(Signature of amelicand

## Requests for Accommodations

Assistive listening systerns, computer-assisted real-time captioning, or sign language interpreter services are available if you ask at least five days before the proceeding. Contact the clerk's office or go to www, courts:ca.govforms for Request for Accommodations by Persons With Disabilities and Response (form MC-410). (Civ. Code, § 54.8.)

## ATTACHMENT 8 TO FORM FL-300

## OTHER ORDERS REOUESTED

## RESPONDENT REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING ORDERS AT THE TIME OF HEARING:

1. That all documents produced by Respondent in this action and/or any third parties subpoenaed in this action, including Edward White \& Co., LLP, The Mandel Company, Inc., and United Talent Agency, LLC, shall be designated as "Confidential Information" herein,
2. That Confidential Information, the information contained therein, and any summaties, copies, abstracts or other documents derived in whole or in part from Confidential Information, shall be used by the parties in this action only in connection with matters and/or issues relating to the subject litigation and for no other purpose.
3. That if documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL are used as exhibits at a deposition, arrangements shall be made with the court reporter to separately bind such portions of the transcript or record containing documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL, and any testimony relating thereto, and to label such portions appropriately.
4. That if documents designated as CONFIDENTIAL are used as exhibits in settlement conferences, mediation, arbitration or other dispute resolution, the documents shall be submitted in a confidential manner.
5. That Confidential Information produced pursuant to this Order may be disclosed or made available only to the Court, to counsel for the parties in this action (including the paralegal, clerical and secretarial staff employed by such counsel), and to the "qualified persons" designated below.
a. A party, or an officer, director or employee of the party deemed appropriate by counsel to assist with respect to any matters and/or issues which are then pending or may arise in connection with the subject litigation;
b. Experts or consultants (together with their clerical staff) retained by such counsel to assist with respect to any matters and/or issues that are either pending or may arise in connection with the subject litigation;
c. Court reporter(s) employed in this action;
d. A witness at any deposition or other proceeding in this action; and
e. Any other person as to whom the parties agree in writing or the Court permits upon duly noticed Request for Order.
6. That prior to receiving any Confidential Information, each "qualified person" shall be provided with a copy of the Protective Order issued by the Court and shall execute a Non-Disclosure Agreement in the form of Attachment "A" hereto.
7. That in the event any Confidential Information is used in any court proceeding in this action, it shall not lose its confidential status through such use. The parties hereto shall each bear the responsibility of maintaining the confidentiality of the Confidential Information both during such use and thereafter. In the event any of the parties hereto deem it appropriate, a request can be made to the Court to incorporate the terms of the Protective Order covering any particular document or information that constitutes Confidential Information.
8. That the Subpoenas for Business Records served by Petitioner on third parties Edward White \& Co., LLP, The Mandel Company, Inc., and/or United Talent Agency, LLC be quashed to the extent that they seek to discover information that is overly broad, unduly burdensome, privileged and/or private, and/or not relevant to this matter, including records sought for several years prior to the parties' marxiage.
9. That the deadlines for Respondent and third parties subpoenaed to produce documents and responses be exteaded to ten days following the Court's ruling and execution of a protective order.
10. Such other and further orders as are reasonably required to fully implement such orders as are made by the Court herein.

## ATTACHMENT "A"

I, $\qquad$ , acknowledge receiving a copy of the Protective Order in the case entitled Marriage of Depp, bearing Case Number BD641052 in the files of the Los Angeles Superior Court, and hereby agree to comply with and be bound thereby.

Dated: $\qquad$

## MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Respondent John Christopher Depp II ("Johnny") submits the within Memorandum of Points and Authorities in support of his request that the Court issue a protective order and quash subpoenas in part.

## I.

## INTRODUCTION

Johnny and Petitioner Amber Laura Depp ("Amber") were married for less than 1.5 years. They have no children together. Amber initiated this dissolution action on May 23, 2016. She issued substantial discovery requests in June, including a Demand for Production and Inspection of Documents, Form Interrogatories, a Demand for Preliminary Declaration of Disclosure, and Deposition Subpoenas for Production of Business Records from Johnny's past and present financial advisors as well as his talent agents.

Both the discovery requests and the subpoenas encompass comprehensive financial information, including business and personal income tax returns, bank and brokerage statements, general ledgers, balance sheets, and credit catd records. Johnny does not dispute that Amber is entitled to the majority of the information sought in her discovery requests and subpoenas. He is willing to produce the documents necessary for Amber's evaluation of the relevant issues in this case, such as division of the community estate and spousal support. He has asked, however, that a confidentiality agreement be executed prior to the production of documents in order to protect the parties' privacy. This case has been extraordinarily public since its inception. There have been daily axticles in the domestic and foreign press about this proceeding and the parties' lives. Every detail of this action has been chronicled by the media and it has become one of the most heavily publicized celebrity divorces in recent memory.

Amber's need for financial information to resolve this case is distinct from the public's appetite for information about celebrity divorces. Yet Amber has inexplicably refused to sign any agreement to maintain confidentiality in this action. Johnny has proposed two different versions of a confidentiality agreement and has expressed his willingness to consider revisions and/or an alternate agreement drafted by Amber's counsel. No such revisions nor alternate agreement has been provided. Amber
and/or her counsel have already participated in at least one media story which contained specific provisions from prior settlement communications. Johnny is therefore asking the Court to issue a protective order as set forth in Attachment 8 which will require that the parties maintain the privacy and confidentiality of the financial information produced in this matter.

Johtray is also asking the Court to quash the subpoenas issued to the extent they are overly broad, unduly burdensome, seek private and/or privileged information, and/or seek information not relevant to this action. The time period for the documents encompassed by the subpoenas begins before the parties married, in some instances several years. The subpoenas encompass extraordinarily voluminous records given the complexity of Johnny's financial estate. They also encompass Johnny's employment contracts and agreements with movie studios and fashion designers which involve proprietary information and therefore particular privacy and confidentiality issues regarding various trade secrets. Furthermore, the subpoenas encompass financial records of third parties, such as Johnny's bandmates, which are not only private but also irrelevant to the instant dissolution proceeding.

## II.

## A PROTECTIVE ORDER IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PRIVACX RIGHTS OF JOHNNY AND THIRD PARTIES

## A. Amber is seeing private financial information.

The documents Amber seeks from Johnny and/or third parties encompass private financial information. One of the fundamental rights protected by the California Constitution is the right of privacy. Article I, Section I of the California Constitution declares the right to privacy to be one of the enumerated rights which are "inalienable" under Califonnia law. Personal financial information falls within the scope of such privacy rights. Valley Bank of Nevada v. Superior Court (1975) 15. Cal.3d 652; Moskowitz v. Superior Court (1982) 137 Cal. App.3d 313. California courts have consistently relied upon both those constitutional protections and the statutory restrictions on discovery imposed by California law to approve limitations on access to financial information. See, e.g., Moskowitz v. Superior Court, supra; Richards v. Superior Court (1978) 86 Cal. App.3d 265.

Amber's discovery requests and subpoenas served upon third parties involve not only Johnny's private financial information but also the private financial information of third parties, such as his bandmates. In Moskowitz v. Superior Court, supra, the Court held that third parties whose financial records are sought are presumptively entitled to a protective order preserving the confidentiality of those records.
B. Johnny will comply with Amber's discovery requests once an order is executed limiting the use of information and documents produced to this dissolution action.

Amber's requests include Johnoy's personal and business income tax returns, general ledgers, balance sheets, bank and brokerage records, and employment contracts and agreements, among other items. Johnony does not dispute that Amber and her attorneys and accountants have a right to review the majority of these documents in conjunction with this dissolution proceeding. He is not trying to prevent Amber from accessing the financial information she needs to determine relevant issues, such as the division of the community estate and spousal support.

Johnny is merely trying to protect the documents and information Amber seeks from unwarranted disclosure to the media and other individuals not involved in this case. He respects Amber's need for the information. The protective order Johnny seeks with respect to the discovery requests served upon him is intended only to prohibit the parties from using the information and documents produced for purposes outside of this dissolution action.
C. The subpoenas issued upon third parties should be quashed in part as they are overly broad, unduly burdensome, and seek private and/or privilege information, as well as information not relevant to this dissolution action.

Amber has served subpoenas for business records upon Johnny's past and present financial advisors as well as his talent agents. In these subpoenas, she seeks the entirety of each third party's file with respect to Johnny. Responsive documents necessarily include much of the financial information already requested in discovery Amber issued upon Johnny. The documents requested are voluminous and encompass tens of thousands of pages. They encompass private financial records of third parties, such as the members in Johnny's band. Certainly, the personal finances of these band members are not relevant to Amber and Johnny's divorce. Moreover, the subpoenas encompass documents which are
confidential and privileged, such as employment agreements containing express confidentiality provisions to protect proprietary information and industry trade secrets. The subpoenas also improperly reach back several years before the parties manried. The Court has jurisdiction only over issues arising during the parties' marriage.

The Court has clear authority to quash part or all of the requests in Amber's subpoenas. California Code of Civil Procedure section 1985.3 (g) provides that the party whose personal records are being sought may bring a motion to quash or modify the subpoena at any time prior to the date specified in a subpoena duces tecum for the production of documents. Code of Civil Procedure section 1987.1 then authorizes the trial court to modify the subpoena or direct compliance with it upon such terms or conditions as the Court shall declare, including protective orders. Section 1987.1 expressly provides that the Court may make orders that it deems to be appropriate to protect the parties' rights of privacy.

Both Johnny's own privacy and the privacy rights of third parties are implicated by the subpoenas. Johnny is therefore requesting that the Court not only issue a protective order to maintain the confidentiality of all documents produced in this action, but also quash in part the Deposition Subpoenas for Production of Business Records served upon Edward White \& Co., LLP; The Mandel Company, Inc.; and United Talent Agency, LLC, as follows:

1. All requests be quashed to the extent that they seek records before the parties' date of marriage on February 3, 2015.
2. All requests be quashed to the extent that they seek records involving the financial affaixs of third parties.
3. All requests be quashed to the extent that they seek Johnny's employment contracts or other agreements which contain confidential information and privileged trade secrets.
