

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE:

CONFIDENTIALITY AND PROTECTIVE ORDERS IN CIVIL MATTERS

ORDER

AND NOW, this 27TH day of January 2005, as APPROVED by the Board of Judges on January 26, 2005,

It is hereby ORDERED that effective July 1, 2005, any provision in a Confidentiality or Protective Order filed prior to June 30, 2005 that permits the parties to designate documents as confidential and file said documents with the Court under seal is NULL and VOID.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that for Confidentiality or Protective Orders filed on or after July 1, 2005, the Court will not recognize any provision of said orders which allow for the automatic sealing of documents that are filed with the Court.

On or after July 1, 2005, parties wishing to file documents under seal must obtain prior leave of Court for each document that is requested to be filed under seal.

Donetta W. Ambrose Chief
U.S. District Judge