

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF CARVER

DISTRICT COURT  
PROBATE DIVISION  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

In re the Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson,  
Deceased.

Type: Special Administration  
Judge: Kevin W. Eide  
File No. 10-PR-16-46

**OBJECTION TO PHOTOGRAPHY, VIDEO, OR  
AUDIO RECORDING OF PROCEEDINGS**

Darcell Gresham Johnston objects to media requests for still photography, video recording, and audio recording of the June 27, 2016 hearing and requests the Court issue an Order denying the same.

**I. Because this Case Involves Paternity Proceedings, Audio or Visual Coverage of the June 27, 2016 Hearing is Not Allowed.**

Numerous members of the media have filed Notices of Audio/Video Coverage Requests pursuant to Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 4.03(a). Rule 4.02(c) of the Minnesota General Rules of Practice provides in relevant part:

A judge may authorize...without the consent of all parties in civil proceedings, the photographic or electronic recording and reproduction of appropriate court proceedings under the following conditions:

...

**(vi) There shall be no audio or video coverage in cases involving...paternity proceedings.**

Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 4.02(c) (emphasis added). Because the purpose of the June 27, 2016 hearing is to hear objections to the Special Administrator's implementation of this Court's Order regarding claims pursuant to the Parentage Act, this case undoubtedly involves paternity

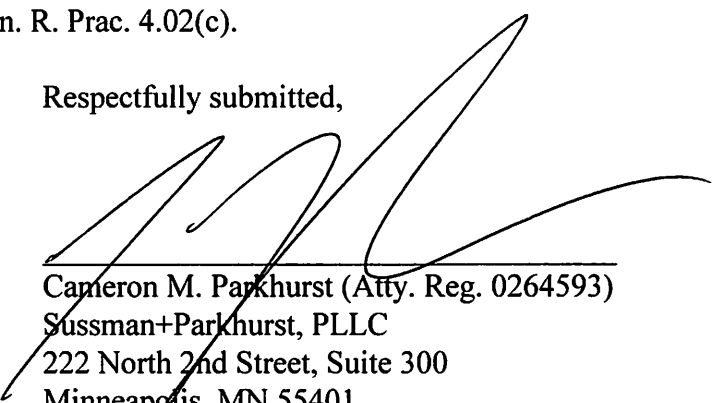
proceedings, and consequently under Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 4.02(c), audio or visual coverage of the hearing should not be allowed.

## II. Conclusion

Because the purpose of the June 27, 2016 hearing in this matter is to hear objections to the Special Administrator's implementation of this Court's Order regarding claims pursuant to the Parentage Act, Darcell Gresham Johnston respectfully requests that no photographic, audio or visual coverage be allowed pursuant to Minn. Gen. R. Prac. 4.02(c).

Respectfully submitted,

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