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DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF CARVER

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FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Court File No.: 10-PR-16-46

In the Matter of:

Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson,

Decedent.

**ORDER SEALING GRAY
PLANT MOOTY'S UNREDACTED
MEMORANDUM OF LAW AND
THE AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW SHEA**

The above-entitled matter came on before the Court on February 13, 2017, without a hearing, pursuant to Gray Plant Mooty's ("GPM") motion allowing for filing under seal the Unredacted Memorandum of Law in Support of GPM's Motion for Approval of Payment from the Estate for Services that Benefitted the Estate as a Whole ("Memorandum") and the supporting Affidavit of Matthew Shea ("Shea Affidavit"). GPM filed publicly a partially redacted version of the Memorandum and Shea Affidavit, and under seal an unredacted version of these documents.


The Court is persuaded that the content that remains redacted from the partially redacted and publicly available version of the Memorandum and Shea Affidavit should remain under seal based on the standard set forth in *Minneapolis Star & Tribune v. Schumacher*, 392 N.W.2d 197 (Minn. 1986). The redacted content: (a) is derived entirely from attorney billing records that make reference to attorney-client communications or work product; and (b) relates to subjects or activities, including confidential business negotiations impacting the Estate, that have not been made part of the public record. If disclosed publicly, this information could negatively impact

the Estate, impede its efficient administration, or devalue its assets. For these reasons, the Court makes the following:

ORDER

The unredacted version of the Memorandum of Law in Support of Gray Plant Mooty's Motion for Approval of Payment from the Estate for Services that Benefitted the Estate as a ^(Document No. 987) Whole and the supporting Affidavit of Matthew Shea ^(Document No. 989) has been filed and shall be kept under seal until further Order of this Court.

Dated: February 13, 2017


Kevin W. Eide
Judge of District Court

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