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STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF CARVER

DISTRICT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

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In Re:

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CARVER COUNTY COURTS

Case Type: Special Administration Court File No.: 10-PR-16-46

Judge: Kevin W. Eide

Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson, Decedent,

ORDER SEALING CERTAIN DOCUMENTS

Before the Court is the January 19, 2017 "Supplemental Objections to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and Discharge of Special Administrator" and the Exhibits A through D of the "Affidavit of Steven H. Silton in Support of Supplemental Objections to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and Discharge of Special Administrator." Also before the Court are Exhibits A-F of the "Attorney Fee Affidavit of Laura E. Halferty In Support of Request to Approve Payment of Special Administrator's and Attorneys' Fees and Costs Through December 31, 2016." Parties to this proceeding seek to file these documents under seal. Therefore, the Court makes the following:

FINDINGS

- 1. The "Supplemental Objections to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and Discharge of Special Administrator" contain a discussion of a confidential business transaction that is the subject of ongoing settlement discussions and a release of the information could negatively impact the resolution of that dispute and a portion of the document should appropriately be redacted.
- 2. Exhibits A through D of the "Affidavit of Steven H. Silton in Support of Supplemental Objections to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and Discharge of Special Administrator" contain a discussion of a confidential business transaction that is the subject to ongoing settlement discussions and a release

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of the information could negatively impact the resolution of that dispute. The entire documents should

remain under seal.

3. Exhibits A-F of the "Attorney Fee Affidavit of Laura E. Halferty In Support of Request to Approve

Payment of Special Administrator's and Attorneys' Fees and Costs Through December 31, 2016" reference

confidential attorney/client discussions, attorney work product or reference to confidential negotiations

and portions of the Exhibits should appropriately be redacted.

ORDER

1. The un-redacted "Supplemental Objections to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account

from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and

Discharge of Special Administrator" shall be filed and kept under seal until further Order of the Court, with

the understanding that the redacted version of the Supplemental Objections will be filed publicly.

2. Exhibits A through D of the "Affidavit of Steven H. Silton in Support of Supplemental Objections

to Final Account Through 11/30/16, Final Account from 12/1/16 through 12/31/16, and Petition for Order

Approving Accounting, Distribution of Assets, and Discharge of Special Administrator" shall be filed under

seal.

3. The Un-redacted Exhibits A-F of the "Attorney Fee Affidavit of Laura E. Halferty In Support of

Request to Approve Payment of Special Administrator's and Attorneys' Fees and Costs Through December

31, 2016" shall be filed and kept under seal until further Order of the Court, with the understanding that

the redacted version of Exhibits A-F will be filed publicly.

DATED: January 25, 2017

in W. Eide

Judge of District Court