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STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF CARVER

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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

In the Matter of:

Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson,

Decedent.

[PROPOSED] 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 \_\_\_, 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 10-PR-16-46

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

Whole and the supporting Affidavit of Matthew Shea has been filed and shall be kept under seal

until further Order of this Court.

Dated: February \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2017

Kevin W. Eide

Judge of District Court

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