

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
May 14, 2009**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

MediciNova, Inc.

File No. 1-33185 – CF#23427

MediciNova, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 8-K filed on March 30, 2009.

Based on representations by MediciNova, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.1 through March 30, 2019

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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