

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS
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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING
File No. 3-15613

In the Matter of

JULIEANN PALMER MARTIN

ORDER ON CONFIDENTIALITY

The Securities and Exchange Commission (Commission) issued an Order Instituting Administrative and Cease-and-Desist Proceedings against Julieann Palmer Martin (Martin) on November 13, 2013. A hearing took place on September 2 and 3, 2014, and the parties have filed their opening post-hearing briefs.

On October 24, 2014, Martin filed a Motion for a Protective Order (Motion), pursuant to Commission Rule of Practice (Rule) 322 at the same time as she filed her Post Trial Brief. The Motion requests a protective order limiting public disclosure of confidential information contained in Exhibit A attached to the Post Trial Brief. Martin represents that Exhibit A contains financial information prepared in March 2014, in connection with her negotiation with the Division of Enforcement (Division); her financial situation has not materially changed since that time; and Exhibit A contains personally identifiable and confidential information. Motion at 1-2, Post Trial Brief at 8-9. The Division does not oppose the Motion.

Ruling

Rule 322(a) provides that a party to a Commission proceeding may file a motion requesting a protective order to limit from disclosure to other parties or to the public documents that contain confidential information. 17 C.F.R. § 201.322(a). The basis for granting such a motion must be a finding that the harm resulting from disclosure would outweigh the benefits of disclosure. 17 C.F.R. § 201.322(b).

The Motion is GRANTED. I find that the harm to Martin from disclosure would outweigh the benefits of disclosure. Exhibit A to Martin's Post Trial Brief shall not be available to the public, but will be available to the Division.

Brenda P. Murray
Chief Administrative Law Judge