

DOCKET NO. HHD-FA15-5039554-S : SUPERIOR COURT  
LAUREN SEDER : J. D. OF HARTFORD  
V. : AT HARTFORD  
ROBERT M. ERRATO : DECEMBER 7, 2021

**ORDER RE CONFIDENTIAL AGREEMENT AND CLOSED HEARING**

This court has received information from the self-represented parties in this contested post-judgment hearing concerning a confidential settlement agreement in an arbitration ordered in the federal court. The court on its own motion determined that an order to seal and limit disclosure of that arbitration settlement agreement and supporting documentation between the defendant in this matter and Amex in the case of Amex v. Errato et al, previously pending in the Federal District Court for the District of Connecticut, bearing Docket Number 3-2108-CV 0134, would be appropriate. In addition, any testimony concerning these matters should also be closed to the public.

The court finds, from the testimony to date, that the privacy and contractual financial interests of this family outweigh the public interest in one small financial detail in this post-judgment family hearing concerning various financial arrangements between the parties. Subject to the required hearing, the court finds that the proposed relief to close only that small portion of the hearing regarding the direct and cross-examination of any witnesses concerning this matter and for the exhibits, if any, to remain sealed is indicated. The request


is narrowly tailored to be the least intrusive and most protective of the public nature of these proceedings. To seal a few documents out of many and close approximately one hour of a six day trial demonstrates that finding. The court finds that the interests of justice and judicial economy provide good cause to take such action.

**ORDER**

The court hereby orders that notice of the proposed closed hearing and the sealing of the documents filed under seal be published for December 21, 2021 at 10 a.m.

The published notice shall state the name of the case, the date and time of the hearing, as well as how to gain remote access to the hearing. It shall further advise that the motion is to seal a confidential court-annexed arbitration settlement agreement and related documents between the defendant Richard Errato in the case of Amex v. Errato et al, previously pending in the Federal District Court for the District of Connecticut, bearing Docket Number 3-2108-CV 0134 and now dismissed with prejudice, and to close the portion of this family hearing relating to testimony concerning these matter to the public.

BY THE COURT



Hon. Barbara M. Quinn, J.T.R.