

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS**

THIEN BUI,

Plaintiff,

v.

**CREDIT CONTROL, LLC, FIRST STEP
GROUP, LLC, AND CACH, LLC,**

Defendants.

Case No. 19-02755-JAR-GEB

NOTICE OF UNSEALING AND ORDER

The Court filed today’s Memorandum and Order ruling on Defendant Credit Control, LLC’s motion for judgment on the pleadings under seal given its references to a confidential document filed under seal. This status is temporary until the Court can determine the extent to which its order should be redacted, if at all. Federal courts “recognize a general right to inspect and copy public records and documents, including judicial records and documents.”¹ The Court, however, does have “discretionary power to control and seal, if necessary, records and files in its possession.”² “In exercising this discretion, [the court] weigh[s] the interests of the public, which are presumptively paramount, against those advanced by the parties.”³ “The party seeking to overcome the presumption bears the burden of showing some significant interest that outweighs the presumption.”⁴

Consistent with these standards, the Court adopts the following procedure:

¹*Nixon v. Warner Commc’ns, Inc.*, 435 U.S. 589, 597 (1978).

²*Crystal Grower’s Corp. v. Dobbins*, 616 F.2d 458, 461 (10th Cir. 1980).

³*Id.*; *United States v. Apperson*, 642 F. App’x 892, 899 (10th Cir. 2016).

⁴*Mann v. Boatright*, 477 F.3d 1140, 1149 (10th Cir. 2007).

- (1) The parties shall forthwith meet and confer to determine whether any part of the Court's Memorandum and Order should be redacted under the standards set forth above.
- (2) By no later than April 2, 2021, the parties shall jointly file a motion for leave to file a redacted version of the Court's Memorandum and Order, explaining why the proposed redactions are necessary, and attaching a proposed redacted version for the Court's review. The parties also shall email a copy of the proposed order to ksd_robinson_chambers@ksd.uscourts.gov.
- (3) After reviewing the parties' motion and proposed order, the Court will rule on the request. If the parties do not file a motion for leave to seal as set forth above on or before April 2, 2021, the Court will unseal the entire Memorandum and Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 22, 2021

S/ Julie A. Robinson
JULIE A. ROBINSON
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE