

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
EL PASO DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

v.

PATRICK WOOD CRUSIUS,

Defendant.

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EP-20-CR-00389-DCG

ORDER REGARDING CERTAIN SEALED DOCKET ENTRIES

In compliance with the Court’s prior Order,¹ Defense Counsel have filed a list of docket entries to which they have no objection to unsealing.²

Some of the documents that Defense Counsel have included in their list “were filed *ex parte*”—which means “that the Government has no idea what those documents contain.”³ Thus, as the Court stated in its prior Order, “the Court will give the Government” copies of all “*ex parte* filings on Defense Counsel’s list” “before unsealing any filings” on that list.⁴ “The Court will then give the Government time to review all the *ex parte* and non-*ex parte* documents on Defense Counsel’s list and determine whether the prosecution has any objections of its own.”⁵

¹ See generally Order, ECF No. 329.

² See Def.’s List, ECF No. 330, at 4–5.

All page citations in this Order refer to the page numbers assigned by the Court’s CM/ECF system, rather than the cited document’s internal pagination.

³ Order at 4.

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ *Id.*

Accordingly, the Clerk of Court **SHALL PROVIDE COPIES** of the following *ex parte* and/or highly-sensitive docket entries to the Government:

- ECF No. 14 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 25 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 29-35 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 45-46 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 51-53 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 57 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 63 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 75 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 98 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 102 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 109 (Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 113 (Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 120 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 124 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 132 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 138 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 141 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 149 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 154 (*Ex Parte*; Highly Sensitive Document);
- ECF No. 169 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF No. 175 (*Ex Parte*);

- ECF Nos. 189-191 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 192-194 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 202-203 (*Ex Parte*);
- ECF Nos. 209-212 (*Ex Parte*); and
- ECF No. 230 (*Ex Parte*).

The Government **SHALL** then **REVIEW** the documents listed above, as well as the non-*ex parte* sealed filings identified in the following bulleted list:

- ECF No. 170;
- ECF No. 184;
- ECF Nos. 244 & 244-1;
- ECF No. 245;
- ECF Nos. 250 & 250-1;
- ECF No. 251;
- ECF No. 253;
- ECF No. 260, Pages 7-10; and
- ECF No. 282.

The Government **SHALL** then **INFORM** the Court by **October 20, 2025** whether the prosecution has any objections to unsealing any of the documents identified in the two bulleted lists above.

Additionally, in light of Defense Counsel's non-opposition to unsealing the documents that the Government has moved to unseal,⁶ the Court **GRANTS** the Government's "Motion to Unseal" (ECF No. 308). The Court thereby **UNSEALS** the following docket entries:

- ECF No. 73, **BUT NOT** the unredacted documents at ECF Nos. 73-1, 73-2, 73-3, or 73-4;
- ECF Nos. 233-235; and
- ECF Nos. 246-249.

The **UNREDACTED** documents at ECF Nos. 72-1 through 72-4 and ECF Nos. 73-1 through 73-4 **SHALL REMAIN UNDER SEAL**.

The Clerk of Court **SHALL POST** the **REDACTED** versions of those documents, which are located at ECF Nos. 308-1, 308-2, 308-3, and 308-4, **ON THE PUBLIC DOCKET**.

The Court will consider whether it is proper to unseal additional docket entries once the Court receives the Government's response to this Order.

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 18th day of September 2025.



DAVID C. GUADERRAMA
SENIOR U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

⁶ Compare Def.'s List at 5, with Gov't's Proposed Order, ECF No. 308, at 6.