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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, COOK DIVISION

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

MICHAEL JOSEPH JACKSON,

Defendant.

) Case No. 1133603

) EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR AN
) ORDER THAT REPLY TO THE DISTRICT
) ATTORNEY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION
) FOR RECUSAL BE FILED UNDER SEAL

) Honorable Rodney S. Melville

) Date: TBA
) Time: 9:30 a.m.
) Dept: SM 8

TO THE CLERK OF THE ABOVE ENTITLED COURT:

Defendant requests that the Court issue an order that the pleading entitled REPLY TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR RECUSAL and accompanying

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1 documents be filed under seal and for such other such further relief as the Court may deem just and
2 proper. This request is based on the overriding interests of Mr. Jackson's rights to due process and
3 a fair trial under the Fifth, Sixth and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution and
4 Article I, Sections 1, 7, and 15 of the California Constitution.

5 Dated: February 17, 2005

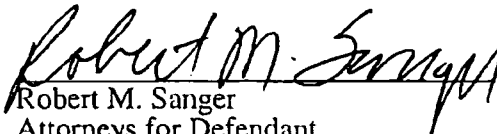
6 Respectfully submitted,

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1 States Constitution and Article I, Sections 1, 7, and 15 of the California Constitution. Material
2 contained the exhibits pertains to evidence and the testimony of witnesses that, if made public,
3 would compromise Mr. Jackson's these rights and would result in prejudice to Mr. Jackson. In
4 order to protect these overriding interests, it is necessary that the exhibits be filed under seal.

5 CONCLUSION

6 For the reasons stated above, Mr. Jackson requests that the Court issue an order that
7 **REPLY TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR RECUSAL** and
8 accompanying documents be filed under seal.


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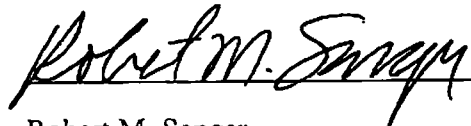

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DECLARATION OF ROBERT M. SANGER

I, Robert Sanger, declare:

1. I am an attorney at law duly licensed to practice law in the courts of the State of California, a partner in the law firm of Sanger & Swysen, and co-counsel for Michael Jackson.
2. It is necessary that Mr. Jackson's pleading entitled REPLY TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OPPOSITION TO MOTION FOR RECUSAL and accompanying documents, be filed under seal in order to protect the overriding interests of Mr. Jackson's rights to due process and a fair trial, as well as to prevent the disclosure of witnesses, potential witnesses and potential evidence.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed this 17th day of February, 2005 at Santa Maria, California.



Robert M. Sanger

PROOF OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned declare:

I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action. I am employed in the County of Santa Barbara. My business address is 301 East Cook Street, Suite A, Santa Maria, California 93454.

On February 17, 2005, I served the foregoing document EX PARTE APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER THAT REPLY TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OPPOSITION TO RECUSAL BE FILED UNDER SEAL on the interested parties in this action by depositing a true copy thereof as follows:

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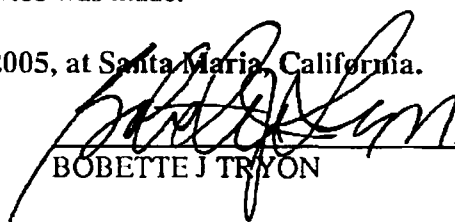
BY FACSIMILE - I caused the above-referenced document(s) to be transmitted via facsimile to the interested parties at the above-referenced numbers.

BY HAND - I caused the document to be hand delivered to the interested parties at the address above.

STATE - I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

FEDERAL - I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the Bar of this Court at whose direction the service was made.

Executed February 17, 2005, at Santa Maria, California.



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