IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF:

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MICHAEL JAMES GRIFFIN, Petitioner/Former Husband,

NADIA K. DAUGHTREY CLERK OF COURTS

and

Case No.: 2018-DR-0000508 AX

SARAH COURTNEY GRIFFIN, Respondent/Former Wife

ORDER DETERMINING CONFIDENTIALITY OF COURT RECORDS AND DIRECTING CLERK TO FILE CERTAIN RECORDS UNDER SEAL

This matter is before the Court on its own motion. On June 25, 2019, Former Husband filed a Request for Admissions, with exhibits. In response to the Request for Admissions, on August 23, 2019, Former Wife filed a Motion for Relief. In an earlier Order, the Court directed the Clerk to redact certain portions of both of these pleadings. The Court recognizes that a strong presumption of openness exists for all court proceedings. Upon further consideration, however, and pursuant to Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.420, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

- A. This is a domestic relations case.
- B. The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and the parties hereto.
- C. There are no parties' names determined to be confidential.
- D. There no progress dockets or similar records determined to be confidential.
- E. The following documents filed with the Clerk of Court are determined to be confidential and shall be filed under seal:
 - 1. Request for Admissions, filed June 25, 2019
 - 2. Motion for Relief, filed August 23, 2019.

- F. The following persons are permitted to view the documents sealed by this order:
 - 1. The Court
 - 2. Counsel of Record
- G. The basis for confidentiality is that the subject pleadings have the potential to cause substantial injury to innocent third parties and to the parties to the case, all of whom are afforded a right to privacy by Article I, Section 23 of the Florida Constitution. *Barron v. Florida Freedom Newspapers, Inc.*, 531 So. 2d 113, 118 (Fla. 1988).
- H. The degree, duration, and manner of confidentiality ordered is no broader than necessary to protect the interests of the parties and third parties.
- I. The Court retains jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action and the parties hereto to enter such other and further orders as the Court deems just and equitable.
- J. The Clerk of Court is directed to publish this order in accordance with Fla. R. Jud. Admin. 2.420(e)(4).

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, in Arcadia, DeSoto County, Florida, on this day of September 2019.

Don T. Hall Circuit Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this ______ day of September 2019, copies of the foregoing Order were furnished by U.S. Mail/hand delivery and/or electronic mail to:

Nadia K. Daughtrey, Clerk of the Circuit Court for DeSoto County, 115 East Oak Street, Room 101, Arcadia, Florida 34266

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