

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation,)	
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Plaintiff,)	Civil Action No: 1:21-cv-01346 (LMB) (TCB)
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v.)	
)	
JOHN DOES 1-2, Controlling a Computer Network Thereby Injuring Plaintiff and Its Customers,)	FILED UNDER SEAL PURSUANT TO LOCAL CIVIL RULE 5
)	
Defendants.)	
)	
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**ORDER GRANTING MICROSOFT’S MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER
TEMPORARILY SEALING DOCUMENTS**

Before the Court is Microsoft’s Motion for a Protective Order Temporarily Sealing Documents. Upon consideration of the Motion, the pleadings filed herein, and the arguments of counsel, the Court finding that the requirements of the applicable rules and precedent are satisfied, that the requested order is the least restrictive means available to protect the interests of Microsoft and the public, and that there is a compelling need to enter a temporary sealing order,

Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the following documents be filed and maintained UNDER SEAL in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(c)(1) and Local Civil Rule 5, pending execution of the *ex parte* relief requested in Microsoft’s *Ex Parte* Motion to Supplement Preliminary Injunction filed contemporaneous with this Motion:

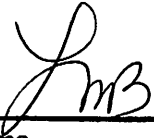
1. The Motion for Protective Order Sealing Documents and accompanying documents, including the Brief in support of the Motion;
2. The declaration of Kayvan M. Ghaffari in Support of Motion for Protective Order Sealing Documents;

3. Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Motion to Supplement Preliminary Injunction and accompanying documents;
4. The declaration of Christopher Coy in Support of Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Motion to Supplement Preliminary Injunction and and attachments thereto;
5. [Proposed] Supplemental Preliminary Injunction Order and accompanying documents.
6. The Supplemental Preliminary Injunction Order and accompanying documents and the instant Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, immediately upon execution of the *ex parte* relief disabling the domains set forth at **Appendix A** to the Supplemental Preliminary Injunction Order sought in Microsoft's *Ex Parte* Motion to Supplement Preliminary Injunction, Microsoft shall file with the Clerk of the Court a Notice that the Supplemental Preliminary Injunction Order has been executed. Upon such filing, the case and the foregoing documents shall be immediately unsealed and the Clerk of the Court upon receiving such Notice shall unseal the case and file the foregoing documents on the public docket. Upon the filing of the foregoing notice, the case and all filed documents in the case shall be deemed unsealed and Microsoft shall be permitted to disclose any such material as deemed necessary to commence its efforts to provide Defendants notice of any further hearings and service of pleadings associated with Microsoft's *Ex Parte* Motion to Supplement Preliminary Injunction.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Entered this ^{dh} 28 day of February, 2022

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Leonie M. Brinkema
United States District Judge