

STATE OF MINNESOTA
IN SUPREME COURT

C4-85-1848

OFFICE OF
APPELLATE COURTS

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ORDER REGARDING ACCESSIBILITY TO
IDENTITY OF PERSONS RESPONDING TO
PUBLIC TRUST SURVEY

WHEREAS, as part of a nationwide effort to improve public trust and confidence in the courts, this Court has directed the State Court Administrator's Office to conduct a statewide telephone survey on public trust and confidence in the courts ("Statewide Survey"); and

WHEREAS, the integrity and success of the survey process requires that the identity of persons responding to the survey be inaccessible to the public and to court personnel;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the inherent authority of the Minnesota Supreme Court to regulate access to records maintained by the judicial branch, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. the identities of persons responding to the Statewide Survey shall not be disclosed to the public or to any court personnel; and
2. the State Court Administrator's Office shall implement appropriate safeguards, through contracts and other appropriate means, to ensure the confidentiality provided by this order.

Dated: February // , 1999

BY THE COURT:


Kathleen A. Blatz
Chief Justice