

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF CARVER

DISTRICT COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
PROBATE DIVISION

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In Re: Estate of:

Court File No. 10-PR-16-46

Prince Rogers Nelson,  
Deceased.

**INTERIM ORDER ON CONTEMPT AND  
RELATED MOTIONS**

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The above entitled matter came before the undersigned on May 20, 2019 pursuant to Comerica Bank & Trust, N.A.'s motion for an order finding Gregg Walker in contempt of court, Michael Lythcott's motion for return of a flash drive, and Omarr Baker and Alfred Jackson's motion to reinstate Mr. Lythcott as their advisor and for an order restricting the use of documents produced in response to the Court's Order filed February 13, 2019. Appearances were noted on the record.

Each of the motions presently before the Court relates directly or indirectly to concerns over maintaining the confidentiality of Estate documents and information. These concerns are not new, and were touched on in the Court's Order filed April 23, 2019 as follows:

“The Court is still smarting from the alleged intentional and outrageous violation of the rules of non-disclosure by the Court appointed Heir's representatives who appear to have, with the knowledge and conspiracy of some of the Heirs, disseminated confidential information for the purpose of circumventing the role of the Personal Representative and to enrich themselves. Unless a viable alternative is presented by the Heirs to replace the current Personal Representative, the Court will view further discord with a leaning toward limiting the authority of the Heirs to participate in the administration of this Estate, not limiting the authority of the Personal Representative.”

The Court continues to be deeply concerned about the alleged non-disclosure violations and the advisors apparent refusal to cooperate and comply with Court orders. While reserving ruling on the specifics of the parties' current motions, the Court deems it appropriate in the interim to direct the parties to mediate the issues of which documents must be disclosed for the protection of the Estate. Therefore, the Court makes the following:

**ORDER**

1. The Personal Representative and Messrs. Lythcott and Walker shall mediate the issue of which documents in the control of the advisors and/or contained on Mr. Lythcott's flash drive presented to the Court must be disclosed to the Personal Representative for the protection of the Estate with Justice Gilbert. Mediation shall occur if at all possible no later than June 21, 2019, and be conducted with an eye toward reducing costs to the Estate.

2. The flash drive previously provided to the Court by Mr. Lythcott shall be placed in an envelope marked as Exhibit 001 from the hearing on May 20, 2019, and shall be kept in the Court's evidence room pending further order of the Court.

3. The parties' motions otherwise remain under advisement.

BY THE COURT:

Dated: May 21, 2019

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Kevin W. Eide  
Judge of District Court

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