

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR
ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2023-CA-015851-O

CHRISTINA KAE HILL,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MEDTRONIC, INC., a foreign corporation,
RYAN ARING, individually, and ADVENTIST
HEALTH SYSTEM SUNBELT
HEALTHCARE CORPORATION, a Florida
corporation,

Defendants.

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AGREED ORDER GRANTING THE PARTIES'
JOINT MOTION TO DESIGNATE NOTICE OF DISMISSAL AS CONFIDENTIAL

THIS CAUSE, having come before the Court upon Plaintiff Christina Kae Hill and Defendant Medtronic, Inc.'s Joint Motion to Designate the Notice of Dismissal as Confidential (the "Motion"), and the Court having reviewed the Motion, and being otherwise duly advised in the premises, it is hereby ORDERED:

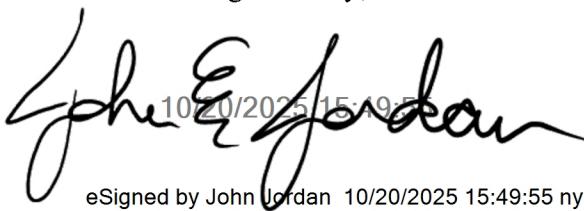
The Motion is GRANTED. The Notice of Voluntary Dismissal with Prejudice (the "Notice") filed by Plaintiff's counsel on February 25, 2025, shall be designated as CONFIDENTIAL, pursuant to Rules 2.420(c)(9)(A)(v), (vi), and (vii) of the Florida Rules of General Practice and Judicial Administration. The parties have adequately demonstrated that confidentiality of the Notice is required to (1) avoid substantial injury to innocent third parties, *see Fl. R. Gen. Prac. Jud. Admin. 2.420(c)(9)((A)(v))*; (2) avoid substantial injury to a party by disclosure of matters protected by a common law or privacy right not generally inherent in the specific type of proceeding sought to be closed, *see id. at 2.420(c)(9)((A)(vi))*; and (3) comply with

established public policy set forth in the Florida and United States Constitution, statutes, Florida rules, and case law, *see id.* at 2.420(c)(9)((A)(v). *Barron v. Florida Freedom Newspapers, Inc.*, 531 So. 113, 118 (Fla. 1988) (recognizing that trial courts may exercise their power to close all or part of a proceeding in limited circumstances).

On February 25, 2025, Plaintiff mistakenly filed the Notice, which contains confidential information that is highly prejudicial to the Defendant. The correct Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice was subsequently filed on February 27, 2025. Allowing public access to the Notice, which was erroneously filed, serves no legitimate public interest and contradicts the Court's interest in maintaining a fair and accurate docket, particularly where, as here, a corrective document has been properly filed. The degree, duration, and manner of confidentiality ordered by the Court are no broader than necessary to protect the interests set forth in Rule 2.420(c)(9)(a), and no less restrictive measures are available to protect the interests set forth therein. *Id.* at 2.420(c)(9)(B) and (C).

The Court hereby **GRANTS** the Motion and **ORDERS** the Notice be removed from the docket for this matter, or in the alternative, be designated as **CONFIDENTIAL**, with restricted access to the Notice on the docket. The clerk of the Court is directed to publish and comply with the order in accordance with Rule 2.420(e)(5). Clerk to Close the File.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Orange County, Florida



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HONORABLE JOHN E. JORDAN
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The foregoing was filed with the Clerk of Court by using the Florida Courts E-filing Portal System. Accordingly, a copy of the foregoing is being served on this day to all attorneys/interested parties identified on the E-Portal Electronic Service List via transmission of Notices of Electronic Filing generated by the E-Portal System.

Moving Counsel shall notice any/all parties not on the E-Portal within 3 days with proof to the Clerk of the Court.

Cathy Stephens, Judicial Assistant