

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

In re:

Application of The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and The Washington Post for an Order Further Unsealing the Orders, Briefs, Transcripts, Docket, Record, and Party Names in In re Grand Jury Subpoena No. 7409.

Case: 1:24-mc-00115
Assigned To : Boasberg, James E.
Assign. Date : 9/13/2024
Description: Misc. Case (O-DECK)

Miscellaneous Action No. _____

Oral Argument Requested

**APPLICATION OF THE REPORTERS COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM OF THE PRESS
AND THE WASHINGTON POST FOR AN ORDER FURTHER UNSEALING THE
ORDERS, BRIEFS, TRANSCRIPTS, DOCKET, RECORD, AND PARTY NAMES IN
IN RE GRAND JURY SUBPOENA NO. 7409**

The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press (“Reporters Committee”) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to defending the First Amendment and the newsgathering rights of journalists. WP Company, LLC, d/b/a The Washington Post (the “Post”) is a news organization based in Washington, D.C. that, like the Reporters Committee, has a longstanding interest in advocating for government transparency, including for the rights of the press and public to access court records and proceedings. The Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and the Post, by and through their counsel, respectfully move this Court pursuant to Local Criminal Rule 57.6 for an order directing the further unsealing of documents filed in the civil contempt proceeding captioned *In re Grand Jury Subpoena No. 7409*, No. 18-gj-0041-BAH (D.D.C.). At a minimum, the Court, in conjunction with the government and the contemnor’s counsel, Alston & Bird LLP, should remove redactions concealing (1) the name of the contemnor, (2) any material that was redacted to protect the identity of the contemnor corporation and its country of origin, and (3) any material redacted to conceal the existence and nature of the investigation.

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For the reasons set forth above, and as explained more fully in the accompanying Memorandum of Points and Authorities In Support of Application of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and The Washington Post for an Order Further Unsealing the Orders, Briefs, Transcripts, Docket, Record, and Party names In *In re Grand Jury Subpoena No. 7409*, the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and the Post request that this Court grant this Application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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