

1 This court will comply with any orders of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, but a Petition filed
2 there should not control scheduling here.

3 Under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(c)(1), “the court may, for good cause, issue an
4 order to protect a party or person from annoyance, embarrassment, oppression or undue burden
5 or expense” It is difficult to see from the documents filed how disclosure of financial
6 information by a publicly-traded company would cause that company serious harm, beyond,
7 perhaps, some annoyance and, perhaps, embarrassment. Nevertheless, restrictions on the use and
8 dissemination of any information learned at Mr. Kimble’s deposition can be protected under one
9 or more of the alternatives listed in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(c) (1). Commonly, such
10 an order would limit access to, and use of, the results of the deposition to counsel and to expert
11 witnesses working on the subject of the financial material that the defendant wishes to protect.
12 The court would entertain a stipulation to that effect, or an appropriate motion.

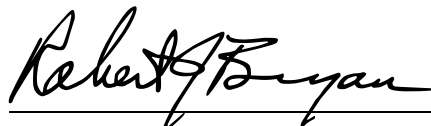
13 In their filings in regard to this motion, the parties have raised or referred to a number of
14 side issues. The court declines to make any rulings beyond disposition of the motion.

15 Therefore, it is now

16 ORDERED that Defendant’s Motion for Limited Protective Order Regarding Deposition
17 of Ryan Kimble (Dkt. 190) is hereby DENIED.

18 The Clerk is directed to send uncertified copies of this Order to all counsel of record and
19 to any party appearing pro se at said party’s last known address.

20 Dated this 13th day of May, 2019.

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22 ROBERT J. BRYAN
23 United States District Judge
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