

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR LAKE
COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 35-2020-CA-001754-AXXX-
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DAIZABEL ORTIZ as Personal Representative of the
ESTATE OF LUIS CINTRON, deceased,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DON MEALEY AUTOMOTIVE LLC. a Florida
Limited Liability Company doing business as DON
MEALEY CHEVROLET; DON MEALEY
CHEVROLET, INC. a Florida Profit Corporation and
BRANDON MATTHEW WELCH,

Defendants.

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DETERMINE CONFIDENTIALTY OF
COURT RECORDS AND FOR AN ORDER TO SEAL SAID COURT RECORDS**

This cause came on for hearing on the Plaintiff's Motion to Determine Confidentiality of Court Records and for an Order to Seal Said Court Records, the Court having heard argument of counsel and being otherwise fully advised in the premises, it is hereby

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. In accordance with Rule 2.420(e)(3) of the Florida Judicial Administration Rules, the Court finds the following:
 - a. That the instant case is a wrongful death negligence case arising out of a traffic collision.
 - b. That Rule 4-1.5(f)(4)(D)(iii) of The Rules Regulating the Florida Bar specifically allows this Court to order that Plaintiff's Ex-Parte Sworn Petition for Approval of Division of Attorneys' Fees in Contingency Fee Contract be sealed.
 - c. That no party's name is determined by the Court to be confidential.

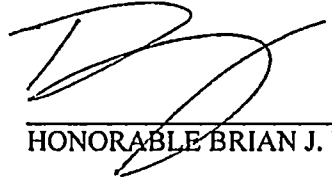
- d. That the progress docket or similar records generated to document activity in the case are not determined by this Court to be confidential.
- e. That the particular information is determined by this Court to be confidential:
 - i. The Ex-Parte Sworn Petition for Approval of Division of Attorneys' Fees in Contingency Fee Contract and Exhibit "A" thereto (the Authority to Represent); and
 - ii. The Order of this Court pertaining to the relief requested in the Ex-Parte Sworn Petition for Approval of Division of Attorneys' Fees in Contingency Fee Contract.
- f. That the identification of persons who are permitted to view the above-referenced confidential information without further order of this Court are limited to the Plaintiff and her attorneys.
- g. That the Court finds that:
 - i. The degree, duration and manner of confidentiality ordered by the Court are no broader than necessary to protect the interests set forth in Rule 4-1.5(f)(4)(D)(iii) of The Rules Regulating the Florida Bar; and
 - ii. No less restrictive measures are available to protect the interests set forth in Rule 4-1.5(f)(4)(D)(iii) of The Rules Regulating the Florida Bar.
- h. That the Clerk of the Court is directed to publish this Order in accordance with Rule 2.420 of the Florida Judicial Administrative Rules.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

- 1. That the Ex-Parte Sworn Petition for Approval of Division of Attorneys' Fees in Contingency Fee Contract is to be sealed by the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Neither the Ex-Parte Sworn Petition or the Order are to be disclosed to anyone other than the Plaintiff and her attorneys without prior Court approval. A copy of the Authority to Represent that is attached to the said Ex-Parte Sworn Petition is also incorporated into this Order by reference, and it is to be kept

sealed and not disclosed to any individuals or party for any reason whatsoever, absent written Order of this Court.

DONE AND ORDERD in Chambers in Lake County, Florida, this 17 day of December, 2020.



HONORABLE BRIAN J. WELKE

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