SEALED, RESTRICTED & EX PARTE ORDERS/DOCUMENTS

The Court has issued <u>General Order 2025-13</u>, establishing the August 11, 2025, requirement for all sealed documents to be filed in paper format at the clerk's offices of the Eastern District of Washington. As a reminder of successful conventional (paper/non-electronic) filing practices:

- Wet signatures are required.
- Service is performed by the filer, outside of the Court's CM/ECF system.
- Filer is to provide copies to be conformed upon filing.
- Filer need only file one original with the Court.
- There will be no access to sealed documents in CM/ECF.

<u>NOTE: ***The filer MUST indicate the security level of the</u>
<u>document in the caption***</u>

DEFINITION OF SECURITY/RESTRICTION LEVELS

Sealed – Docket Entry (e.g., "Sealed Document", "Sealed Motion", "Sealed Order") appears on public docket.

Ex Parte – Docket Entry (e.g., "Ex Parte Document", "Ex Parte Motion", "Ex Parte Order") appears on public docket.

Restricted*** – Docket Entry does not appear on public docket.

Ex Parte Restricted*** – Docket Entry <u>does not</u> appear on public docket.