

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT

UNITED STATES ex rel.  
ERVIN AND ASSOCIATES,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
THE HAMILTON SECURITIES GROUP,  
INC., et al.,  
  
Defendants.

Civil Action No. 96-1258(SS)

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ORDER

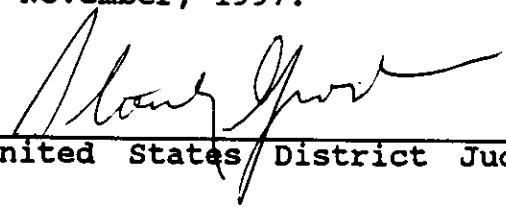
The Court having considered the application by the United States of America ("United States") for partial lifting of the seal, good cause having been shown,

it is hereby ORDERED that said motion is GRANTED, and

it is further ORDERED that the seal in this matter is partially lifted to allow the United States to approach defendant Hamilton Securities Group, Inc. and discuss with them the underlying allegations, and if necessary disclose to them the complaint in this action and the identity of the relator.

Except as provided in this Order, the complaint and all filings in this case otherwise shall remain UNDER SEAL.

So ORDERED, this 18 day of November, 1997.

  
United States District Judge

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