

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES, EX REL. ERVIN  
AND ASSOCIATES, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE HAMILTON SECURITIES GROUP,  
INC., et al.,

Defendants.

~~UNDER SEAL~~

Civil Action No. 96-01258  
(CRR)

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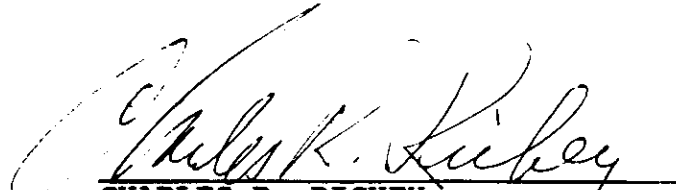
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U.S. DISTRICT COURT

ORDER

On December 19, 1996, Judge Sporkin of this Court held a status conference in the above-captioned matter on behalf of the undersigned member of this Court. At that time, the United States indicated that its criminal investigation related to the civil claims asserted in this case was proceeding expeditiously, but it was not in a position to provide the Court with a date when it would know whether to intervene in this case. Upon consideration of the entire record herein, it is, by the Court, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1996,

ORDERED that the United States and the relator in this case, Ervin & Associates, Inc., shall appear before the Court at 10:30 a.m. on March 10, 1997, and the United States shall then and there be prepared to discuss the status of its criminal investigation and when it will be prepared to intervene or notify the Court that it declines to do so; and, it is

FURTHER ORDERED that the Complaint and all other filings shall remain under seal until further Order of this Court.

  
CHARLES R. RICHEY  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE