

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CIVIL DIVISION**

UNIVERSAL HEALTH SERVICES, INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MEDICAL FACULTY ASSOCIATES, et al.,

Defendants.

2024 CAB 002082

2024 CAB 002307

2024 CAB 002631

Consolidated Cases

Judge Yvonne Williams

**ORDER GRANTING UHS' UNOPPOSED MOTION TO SEAL AND REDACT ORDER
COMPELLING ARBITRATION AND STAYING CASES**

Before the Court is Universal Health Services, Inc., UHS of D.C., Inc., UHS Capitol Acquisition LLC, and District Hospital Partners, L.P. (collectively, "UHS")' Unopposed Motion to Seal and Redact Order Compelling Arbitration and Staying Cases ("Motion"), filed on September 6, 2024, in *2024 CAB 002082*.¹ The George Washington University and Medical Faculty Associates, Inc. (collectively, "GWU") consents to the relief requested. For the reasons set forth below, the Motion is **GRANTED**.

Rule 5-III establishes that "no case or document may be sealed without a written court order." D.C. Super. Ct. Civ. R. 5-III(a)(1). The factors the Court considers when determining whether to grant a motion to seal include:

(1) the need for public access to the documents at issue; (2) the extent to which the public had access to the document prior to the sealing order; (3) the fact that a party has objected to disclosure and the identity of that party; (4) the strength of the property and privacy interests involved; (5) the possibility of prejudice to those opposing disclosure; and (6) the purpose for which the documents were introduced.

J.C. v. District of Columbia, 199 A.3d 192, 207 (D.C. 2018).

¹ In case *2024 CAB 002307*, GWU, *et al.* are Plaintiffs, and UHS, *et al.* are Defendants. In the other two consolidated cases, the position of the Parties is the opposite. The styling of the Parties in the caption here reflects their positions in the lead case, case *2024 CAB 002082*.

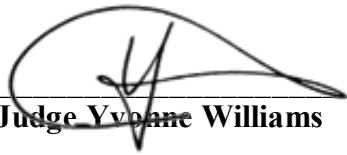
Through the instant Motion, UHS requests that the Court redact a portion of the Order Granting in Part GWU’s May 13, 2024 Motion to Compel Arbitration, which the Court entered on August 28, 2024 (“August 28, 2024 Order”). Mot. at ¶ 9. UHS represents that the Court’s August 28, 2024 Order contains quotations from and references to the Operating and Academic Affiliation Agreement (“OAAA”), which is subject to a Confidentiality Agreement between the Parties. *Id.* at ¶ 7. Per the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement, the Parties have agreed to not disclose the specific percentage of Designated Facilities Net Patient Service Revenue that UHS has agreed to pay GWU, which the Court’s August 28, 2024 Order explicitly references in the second full sentence of the second paragraph of page 2. *Id.* at ¶ 7. GWU consents to the relief requested. *Id.* at 5. Upon consideration of UHS’ representations in the Motion, and with GWU’s consent, the Court finds good cause for the relief requested. As such, the Motion is granted and the Civil Clerk’s Office shall redact the quotation contained between “equal” and “OAAA § 11.2.1(a)” within the second sentence of the second paragraph on Page 2 of the Court’s August 28, 2024 Order.

Accordingly, it is this 10th day of September, 2024, hereby,

ORDERED that Universal Health Services, Inc., UHS of D.C., Inc., UHS Capitol Acquisition LLC, and District Hospital Partners, L.P.’s Unopposed Motion to Seal and Redact Order Compelling Arbitration and Staying Cases is **GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED that the Civil Clerk’s Office shall **REDACT** on the docket the quotation contained between “equal” and “OAAA § 11.2.1(a)” within the second sentence of the second paragraph on Page 2 of the Court’s August 28, 2024 Order Granting in Part GWU’s May 13, 2024 Motion to Compel Arbitration.

IT IS SO ORDERED.


Judge Yvonne Williams

Date: September 10, 2024

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