Jabil Inc. v Mavenir Sys., Inc.
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Judge: Andrea Masley
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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK: COMMERCIAL DIVISION PART 48

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JABIL INC.,

Plaintiff,

- v -

MAVENIR SYSTEMS, INC.,

Defendant.

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MOTION SEQ. NO. 008

DECISION + ORDER ON MOTION

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HON. ANDREA MASLEY:

The following e-filed documents, listed by NYSCEF document number (Motion 008) 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 107, 108, 109, 111, 113

were read on this motion to/for SEAL.

In motion sequence 008, defendant Mavenir Systems, Inc. (Mavenir) moves pursuant to the Uniform Rules of the New York State Trial Courts (22 NYCRR) § 216.1 to seal/redact the following documents (*see* NYSCEF Doc. No. [NYSCEF] 113, Amended Order to Show Cause):

1. December 2025 to January 2026 Email Chain (NYSCEF 51[1]);
2. Master Services Agreement (NYSCEF 52[2]);
3. Addendum to Master Services Agreement (NYSCEF 53[3]);
4. Statement of Work (NYSCEF 54); and

[1] Proposed redactions are filed under seal at NYSCEF 97. A publicly redacted version is available at NYSCEF 98.
[2] Proposed redactions are filed under seal at NYSCEF 99. A publicly redacted version is available at NYSCEF 100.
[3] Proposed redactions are filed under seal at NYSCEF 101. A publicly redacted version is available at NYSCEF 102.

5. Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion to Compel (NYSCEF 56[4]).

Specifically, Mavenir argues that good cause exists to seal these documents because they contain "competitively sensitive" information that Mavenir has a "compelling business interest in maintaining confidential." (NYSCEF 95, Daniél[5] aff ¶¶ 4-7.) The motion is unopposed. There is no indication that the press or public have an interest in this matter.

Legal Standard

"Under New York law, there is a broad presumption that the public is entitled to access to judicial proceedings and court records." (*Mosallem v Berenson*, 76 AD3d 345, 348 [1st Dept 2010] [citations omitted].) The public's right to access is, however, not absolute, and under certain circumstances, "public inspection of court records has been limited by numerous statutes." (*Id.* at 349.) For example, § 216.1(a) of the Uniform Rules for Trial Courts, empowers courts to seal documents only upon a written finding of good cause. It provides:

> "Except where otherwise provided by statute or rule, a court shall not enter an order in any action or proceeding sealing the court records, whether in whole or in part, except upon a written finding of good cause, which shall specify the grounds thereof. In determining whether good cause has been shown, the court shall consider the interests of the public as well as of the parties. Where it appears necessary or desirable, the court may prescribe appropriate notice and opportunity to be heard." (Uniform Rules for Trial Cts [22 NYCRR] § 216.1 [a].)

The "party seeking to seal court records has the burden to demonstrate compelling circumstances to justify restricting public access" to the documents.

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[4] Proposed redactions are filed under seal at NYSCEF 103. A publicly redacted version is available at NYSCEF 104.

[5] Cary Daniél is the in-house counsel of Mavenir. (NYSCEF 95, Daniél aff ¶ 1.)

(*Mosallem*, 76 AD3d at 349 [citations omitted].) Good cause must "rest on a sound basis or legitimate need to take judicial action." (*Danco Lab Ltd. v Chemical Works of Gedeon Richter, Ltd.*, 274 AD2d 1, 8 [1st Dept 2000] [internal quotation marks and citation omitted].)

Discussion

Mavenir seeks to redact NYSCEF 51, 52, 53, and 56 on the grounds that these documents (i) reference "specific radio wavelength band associated with certain of the radios that Mavenir purchased from Jabil" and disclosure of such information could be commercially harmful to Mavenir, and (ii) contain commercial terms that could harm Mavenir's negotiating position if made publicly available. (NYSCEF 95, Daniél aff ¶¶ 4-6.) Courts have sealed records containing "sensitive proprietary and business information … [when] [t]he parties had an interest in protecting these documents and there was no countervailing public interest that would be furthered by their disclosure." (*Jetblue Airways Corp. v Stephenson*, 31 Misc 3d 1241[A], 2010 NY Slip Op 52405[U], *7 [Sup Ct, NY County 2010], *affd* 88 AD3d 567 [1st Dept 2011]; *see also Dawson v White & Case*, 184 AD2d 246, 247 [1st Dept 1992].) Similarly, courts have sealed records where the disclosure of documents "could threaten a business's competitive advantage." (*Mosallem*, 76 AD3d at 350-351 [citations omitted].) The proposed redactions are warranted so that Mavenir does not suffer competitive harm, especially since there is no public interest in these documents. Therefore, NYSCEF 51, 52, 53, and 56 shall remain sealed.

Mavenir further seeks to seal NYSCEF 54 on the grounds that the Statement of Work (i) contains commercial terms that could competitively harm Mavenir and plaintiff if

publicly disclosed, and (ii) has been designated 'confidential' by both parties. Though courts have sealed records where the disclosure of documents "could threaten a business's competitive advantage" (*Mosallem*, 76 AD3d at 350-351 [citations omitted]), wholesale sealing is generally disfavored (s*ee Applehead Pictures LLC v Perelman*, 80 AD3d 181, 192 [1st Dept 2010] [citation omitted]). The law requires that "any order denying access must be narrowly tailored to serve compelling objectives." (*Danco Lab, Ltd.*, 274 AD2d at 6.) Accordingly, Mavenir must "propose and justify targeted redactions that satisfy the requirements of 22 NYCRR § 216 [a] and applicable case law" for the court to grant sealing of the Statement of Work. (*Intl. Bus. Machs. Corp. v GlobalFoundries U.S. Inc.*, 2023 NY Slip Op 30203[U], *3 [Sup Ct, NY County 2023] [internal quotation marks and citation omitted]; *see also Danco*, 274 AD2d at 8 [holding that the "failure to target precise areas where redaction should occur violated section 216.1(a)"].)

Moreover, the parties' "designation of [] materials as confidential . . . is not controlling on the court's determination whether there is good cause to seal." (*Eusini v Pioneer Elecs. (USA), Inc.*, 29 AD3d 623, 626 [2d Dept 2006]; *see also In re Will of Hofmann*, 284 AD2d 92, 93-94 [1st Dept 2001] ["[c]onfidentiality is clearly the exception, not the rule, and the court is always required to make an independent determination of good cause."]; *see also Abad v iAero Group Holdco 2 LLC,* 2022 NY Slip Op 32982[U], *4 [Sup Ct, NY County 2022] ["a party's reliance on the parties' confidentiality provision is insufficient to support sealing of a document."].)

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that motion sequence 008 is granted, in part, as to NYSCEF 51, 52, 53, and 56, and denied, in part, as to NYSCEF 54; and it is further

ORDERED that the County Clerk, upon service of this order, is directed to seal NYSCEF 51, 52, 53, 56, 97, 99, 101, and 103; and it is further

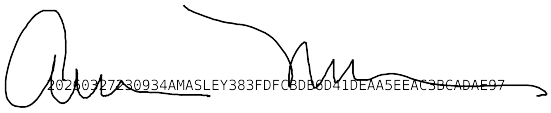
ORDERED that the County Clerk shall restrict access to the sealed documents with access to be granted only to authorized court personnel and designees, the parties and counsel of record in this action, and any representative of a party or of counsel of record upon presentation to the County Clerk of written authorization from counsel; and it is further

ORDERED that Mavenir shall serve a copy of this order on the County Clerk in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Protocol on Courthouse County Clerk Procedures for Electronically Filed Cases (accessible at the “E-Filing” page on the court’s website at the address www.nycourts.gov/supctmanh); and it is further

ORDERED that leave is granted to refile an application within 10 days of the date of this decision to seal the portions of NYSCEF 54 that contains private, financial, or competitive business information; if such an application is not timely made, NYSCEF 54 will be unsealed. The parties shall comply with Part 48 procedures in this regard; and it is further

ORDERED that if any party seeks to redact identical information in future filings that the court is permitting to be redacted here, that party shall submit a proposed sealing order to the court (via sfc-part48@nycourts.gov and NYSCEF) instead of filing another seal motion; and it is further

ORDERED that this order does not authorize sealing or redacting for the purposes of trial or other court proceedings on the record, e.g. arguments on motions.



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ANDREA MASLEY, J.S.C.

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