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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ORDER

Counsel for the plaintiff and the government appeared before the Court on July 1, 1996 for a status conference in the above-captioned matter. At that time, the Court held a colloquy with the counsel for the plaintiff and the government regarding the amount of time necessary for the government to determine whether or not to elect to intervene in the above-captioned matter. Accordingly, it is, by the Court, this day of July 1, 1996,

ORDERED that the government shall have until 4:00 p.m. on August 19, 1996 to elect to intervene in the above-captioned matter; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED that the counsel for the plaintiff and the government shall appear before the Court at 2:00 p.m. on August 19, 1996, for a status conference in the above-captioned matter; and it

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夕 引 FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(2), the above-captioned matter shall remain UNDER SEAL until further Order of this Court.

CHARLES R. RICHEY

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE