

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

CHARLES H. MAGEE

v.

MANCHESTER, INC. and
GILES E. RICHARD

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CIVIL ACTION

NO. 97-5165

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

Fullam, Sr. J.

November , 1997

The parties have submitted a “Confidentiality Stipulation and Protective Order” for approval. For the following reasons, I decline to approve the stipulation:

1. No genuine need for a protective order has been shown.
2. The proposed protective order is entirely too broad, indeed, all-encompassing.
3. The proposed protective order seems likely to infringe the public’s right of access to matters of public record, such as lawsuits.
4. Carrying out the terms of the proposed protective order would impose excessive and unnecessary burdens upon the clerk’s office.

An Order follows.

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AND NOW, this day of November 1997, IT IS ORDERED:

That the proposed "Confidentiality Stipulation and Protective Order" is DISAPPROVED, without prejudice to (a) a more narrowly-drawn protective order, upon a showing of need; or (b) implementation of the parties' own agreements, without Court involvement.

John P. Fullam, Sr. J.