

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Case No. 16-cv-21199-ALTONAGA/O'SULLIVAN

ANDREA ROSSI and LEONARDO
CORPORATION,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THOMAS DARDEN; JOHN T. VAUGHN,
INDUSTRIAL HEAT, LLC, IPH
INTERNATIONAL B.V., and CHEROKEE
INVESTMENT PARTNERS, LLC,

Defendants.

ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court on the Defendants' Motion for a Protective Order Relating to Attorney-Client Privileged Communications (DE # 138, 2/14/17) and the Defendants'/Counter-Plaintiffs' Memorandum of Law Regarding Communications with Deep River Ventures that are Protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege and Work Product Doctrine (DE # 143, 2/16/17). Having reviewed the applicable filings and law, having held a hearing in this matter, and for the reasons stated on the record, it is

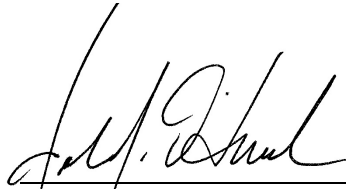
ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Defendants' Motion for a Protective Order Relating to Attorney-Client Privileged Communications (DE # 138, 2/14/17) is GRANTED. It is further

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Defendants'/Counter-Plaintiffs' Request to Have Communications with Deep River Ventures be Protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege and Work Product Doctrine (DE # 143, 2/16/17) is DENIED. On or before

5:00 PM on Friday, March 17, 2017, the defendants shall either provide the subject documents to the plaintiffs or advise the plaintiffs that the defendants will appeal the undersigned's ruling. Should the defendants not file an appeal with Judge Altonaga by 5:00 PM on Monday, March 20, 2017, they shall immediately provide the Deep River Venture documents to the plaintiffs. It is further

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the plaintiffs shall provide the defendants with the Leonardo New Hampshire and Leonardo Florida tax returns on or before 5:00 PM on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. If the aforementioned tax returns are not available for production by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, March 14, 2017, the subject tax returns shall be provided on or before 5:00 PM on Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami, Florida this 14th day of March, 2017.



JOHN J. O'SULLIVAN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Copies provided to:
United States District Judge Altonaga
All counsel of record