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U. S. DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DIST. OF ALA.

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION**

NASH J. COOLEY)

Plaintiff)

vs.)

CASE NO. 02-A-1069-N

STERLING BANK,)

SYNOVUS FINANCIAL CORP. OF)

ALABAMA)

Defendants.)

ORDER

This cause comes before this Court based on Plaintiff's Motion to Compel production of documents propounded to Defendants. This Court has heard oral arguments from the parties and after having considered same, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. That the subject information sought and referred to in Plaintiff's Motion to Compel contains certain confidential information and the parties have shown good cause for the issuance of a protective order governing the requested information.

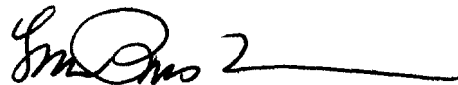
2. That Sterling Bank is to produce to Plaintiff documents from every Sterling Bank in Montgomery, Alabama pertaining to unsecured loan applications of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars or more including, but not limited to, all documents relevant to the credit worthiness of said loan applications, including credit reports, financial statements, tax returns, any credit memorandums evaluating credit worthiness and all documents showing the notes and terms of the loans which were in existence on the following dates: January 1, 2000; April 1, 2000; July 1, 2000; October 1, 2000; January 1, 2001; April 1, 2001; July 1, 2001; October 1, 2001; January 1, 2002; and April 1, 2002.

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3. That all information ordered to be produced by Defendants is subject to this Court's Protective Order.

4. That Defendants are instructed to redact any and all information which specifically identifies the loan applicant, including the applicant's name, address, telephone number, social security numbers and account numbers. However, unredacted copies of such documents shall be maintained by the Defendants throughout the course of the litigation of this case, including any appeals which may be taken by either party.

DONE this 27th day of June, 2003.



JUDGE SUSAN RUSS WALKER