

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

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In the Matter of	)	
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Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board,	)	Docket No. 9374
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Respondent.	)	
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**SECOND ORDER ON NON-PARTIES'  
MOTIONS FOR *IN CAMERA* TREATMENT**

By Order issued March 29, 2021, the motions for *in camera* treatment filed by non-parties on March 12, 2021 were granted. Motions that had previously been filed by three non-parties shortly before the Commission stayed this proceeding on August 5, 2019 were not included in that Order. Neither party opposes these motions. The three motions are now reviewed under the standards set forth in the March 29, 2021 Order.

**MyAMC, LLC (“MyAMC”)**

MyAMC seeks *in camera* treatment for a period of ten years for two documents that it asserts constitute competitively sensitive confidential business documents. MyAMC supports its motion with a declaration from its vice president of licensing and compliance. The declaration explains that the documents contain specific information about MyAMC transactions including customers, fees, costs and margins, and that such information is competitively sensitive. The declaration also describes in detail the significant steps it takes to protect the documents from disclosure and maintain their confidentiality.

MyAMC has met its burden of demonstrating that these documents are sufficiently secret and sufficiently material to its business that disclosure would result in serious competitive injury. However, these documents consist of ordinary business records, and not trade secrets, and are not entitled to an extended period of *in camera* treatment. Accordingly, *in camera* treatment for a period of five years, to expire on April 1, 2026, is GRANTED for the documents identified as RX0611 and RX0612.

### **ServiceLink Valuation Solutions, LLC (“ServiceLink”)**

ServiceLink seeks *in camera* treatment for a period of five years for five documents that it asserts constitute competitively sensitive confidential business documents. ServiceLink supports its motion with a declaration from its chief valuation officer. The declaration explains that the documents contain information reflecting ServiceLink’s confidential and proprietary customary and reasonable fees methodology; detailing ServiceLink’s confidential internal processes for assigning appraisers to appraisal projects; and reflecting ServiceLink’s product mix and sales figures. The declaration also describes in detail the significant steps it takes to protect the documents from disclosure and maintain their confidentiality.

ServiceLink has met its burden of demonstrating that these documents are sufficiently secret and sufficiently material to its business that disclosure would result in serious competitive injury. Accordingly, *in camera* treatment for a period of five years, to expire on April 1, 2026, is GRANTED for the documents identified as CX3291, CX3292, CX3294, RX0705 and RX0706.

### **United States Appraisals (“US Appraisals”)**

US Appraisals seeks permanent *in camera* treatment for two documents that it asserts constitute competitively sensitive confidential business documents. US Appraisals supports its motion with a declaration from its chief executive officer. The declaration explains that the documents include customer lists, pricing data, and profit data, and that such information is competitively sensitive. The declaration also describes in detail the significant steps it takes to protect the documents from disclosure and maintain their confidentiality.

US Appraisals has met its burden of demonstrating that these documents are sufficiently secret and sufficiently material to its business that disclosure would result in serious competitive injury. However, these documents consist of ordinary business records, and not trade secrets, and are not entitled to indefinite *in camera* treatment. US Appraisals has not demonstrated that the need for confidentiality of the material is not likely to decrease over time. Accordingly, *in camera* treatment for a period of five years, to expire on April 1, 2026, is GRANTED for the documents identified as RX0742 and RX0743.

ORDERED:



D. Michael Chappell  
Chief Administrative Law Judge

Date: April 1, 2021