

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division

RAI STRATEGIC HOLDINGS, INC. AND R.J.
REYNOLDS VAPOR COMPANY,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ALTRIA CLIENT SERVICES LLC, PHILIP
MORRIS USA, INC., and PHILIP MORRIS
PRODUCTS S.A.,

Defendants.

1:20-cv-393 (LMB/WEF)

ALTRIA CLIENT SERVICES LLC, PHILIP
MORRIS USA, INC., and PHILIP MORRIS
PRODUCTS S.A.,

Counterclaim Plaintiffs,

v.

RAI STRATEGIC HOLDINGS, INC. AND R.J.
REYNOLDS VAPOR COMPANY,

Counterclaim Defendants.

ORDER

Counterclaim defendant, R.J. Reynolds Vapor Company (“Reynolds”) has filed a Motion to Redact Portions of the November 4, 2022, Hearing Transcript (“Motion”) on the ground that the portions “reflect confidential business information.” The Court has reviewed all of the proposed redactions, and finds that only the references to actual operating profits—on page 23, line 16, page 41, line 21, and page 44, line 4—qualify as “confidential business information.” All the other references deal with specific arguments the parties have over what a reasonable royalty would be or are what an expert opined, and the references to a product’s lack of profitability do not reveal a fact that could possibly put Reynolds at a competitive disadvantage.

For these reasons, Reynold's Motion [Dkt. No. 1437] is GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART, and it is hereby

ORDERED that the entire transcript except for the proposed redactions on page 23, line 16, page 41, line 21, and page 44, line 4 may be filed publicly.

The Clerk is directed to forward copies of this Order to counsel of record.

Entered this 15th day of November, 2022.

Alexandria, Virginia

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Leonie M. Brinkena
United States District Judge