UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

Hydrafacial LLC v. Aesthetic Management Partners, LLC and Aesthetic Management Partners Inc.

Hydrafacial · No. 2:24-cv-02480-SHL-tmp · Decided March 24, 2026

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee denied as moot Hydrafacial LLC's motion for leave to file a memorandum under seal. Because the underlying hearing transcript had been unsealed, the court ordered the memorandum unsealed in accordance with the policy favoring public access to court records.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Sheryl H. Lipman
JURISDICTION	United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee
DECIDED	March 24, 2026
DOCKET	2:24-cv-02480-SHL-tmp
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Plaintiff moved for leave to file under seal a memorandum quoting a transcript of a previously sealed hearing.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unknown

TOPICS

civil procedure · commercial litigation

PRACTICE AREAS

commercial litigation · civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether Hydrafacial's motion for leave to file its memorandum under seal remained justiciable after the underlying hearing transcript was unsealed.
2. Whether the memorandum should be unsealed in light of the public policy favoring open court records.

HOLDINGS

1. The motion for leave to file the memorandum under seal was moot because the underlying transcript that the memorandum quoted had been unsealed.
2. The court ordered Hydrafacial's memorandum unsealed, citing the strong public policy favoring open court records.

KEY QUOTATIONS

> *"Given the strong public policy favoring open court records, see Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. v. FTC, 710 F.2d 1165, 1176–79 (6th Cir. 1983), Hydrafacial's memorandum (ECF No. 86) shall be unsealed."*

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Hydrafacial's memorandum quoted the transcript of a July 25, 2025 hearing. The transcript was initially sealed but was unsealed on October 30, 2025, eliminating the asserted basis for keeping the memorandum under seal.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Hydrafacial filed a motion for leave to file its memorandum under seal on August 1, 2025. After the motion was filed, the underlying July 25, 2025 hearing transcript was unsealed on October 30, and the court denied the motion as moot while ordering the memorandum unsealed.

DISPOSITION

other

CASES CITED

- Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. v. FTC, 710 F.2d 1165, 1176-79 (6th Cir. 1983)

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