

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
ATLANTA DIVISION**

**MAID OF THE MIST
CORPORATION and MAID OF
THE MIST STEAMBOAT
COMPANY, LTD. ,**

Plaintiffs

v.

1:09-cv-01543-WSD

**ALCATRAZ MEDIA, LLC,
ALCATRAZ MEDIA, INC. and
WILLIAM M. WINDSOR,**

Defendants.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendant William M. Windsor's Motion for Protective Order as Government Witness [172]. In the motion, Windsor requests the Court to order the United States Marshals Service to provide him with protective services because he has information that he is the target of an assassination plot by a law enforcement agent employed either by the Department of Homeland Security or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Windsor's grounds for requesting protective services is a phone call he received from an undisclosed radio talk show host. The talk show host reported she had received a call from the

spouse of a federal inmate. The caller warned that the inmate had been told by an unidentified law enforcement official, with either the Department of Homeland Security or the Federal Bureau of Investigation, that Windsor had been targeted to be shot.


The information upon which Windsor bases his motion is four times removed from the source. The information source purports to be a federal inmate who reported to his wife who also in turn reported to the talk show host who in turn reported to Windsor that a Department of Homeland Security or Federal Bureau of Investigation agent had threatened Windsor's life. Windsor has not disclosed the source of the information he received other than to say it was a "talk show host." The information is too unreliable to support the relief Windsor requests.

Windsor reports that he has met with Cobb County law enforcement personnel and will meet with officials with the Federal Bureau of Investigation to report the information he received about the threat against him. By reporting this event to Cobb County Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Windsor is in communication with officials who can best assess whether there is a credible threat against him. So that the Court may request the United States Marshals Service to coordinate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Cobb County

law enforcement, Windsor is directed to advise the Court as promptly as possible, but no later than noon on May 17, 2011, of the names of the Cobb County and Federal Bureau of Investigation personnel with whom he met. The Court directs that a copy of this Order be hand-delivered to the United States Marshal for our district for her review. The Court requests that the United States Marshal, or her designee, contact those law enforcement officials identified by Windsor as the persons with whom he has spoken about this matter.

Based on the unspecific, attenuated information Windsor provided to the Court as the basis for his motion, the Court is required to deny Windsor's request for protection. For the purposes of this Order the Court has allowed Windsor's Motion for Protective Order as Government Witness [172] to be filed.

SO ORDERED this 16th day of May, 2011.


WILLIAM S. DUFFEY, JR.
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE