

DISTRICT COURT, CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, STATE OF COLORADO 1437 Bannock Street Denver, CO 80202	DATE FILED: January 5, 2024 11:47 AM CASE NUMBER: 2023CV32810
Petitioner: COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION v. Respondent: SUZANNE TAHERI	<p style="text-align: center;">Δ COURT USE ONLY Δ</p> Case No.: 2023CV32810 Division: 209
ORDER RE: PETITION TO RESTRICT DISCLOSURE OF DOCUMENTS	

This matter is before the Court on Petitioner’s Petition to Restrict Disclosure of Documents, filed September 26, 2023. On January 2, 2024, the Court ordered that Petitioner provide the withheld documents for *in camera* review. Petitioner provided the documents to the Court on January 3, 2024. The Court has conducted its *in camera* review of the documents and ORDERS as follows:

The Court finds that the documents at issue in this case are subject to the deliberative process privilege. The Department of Higher Education is required to withhold documents that are subject to the deliberative process privilege from any Colorado Open Records Act (“CORA”) requests. *See* C.R.S. § 24-72-204(3)(a)(XIII). As such, Petitioner does not have to provide these documents pursuant to any CORA requests made by Respondent.

Based on the foregoing, the Court GRANTS Petitioner’s Petition to Restrict Disclosure of Documents.

DATED: January 5, 2024.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sarah B. Wallace". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Sarah B. Wallace
District Court Judge