## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

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V.

\* SA-98-CA-859

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UNITED SERVICES INVESTMENTS, INC.,

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Defendant.

## ORDER

On this day came on to be considered the defendant's motion for protective order and the intervenor-plaintiff's response thereto. Upon consideration, the Court is of the opinion that the motion should be denied.

This Court retains jurisdiction while the case is in arbitration. Making federal discovery procedures available to the parties to the extent necessary for the presentation of the case to arbitration effectuates the policy favoring arbitration. *Int'l Assoc. of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers v. Leona Lee* Corp., 434 F.2d 192 (5th Cir.1970).

Accordingly, the defendant's motion for protective order shall be **DENIED** at this time. So **ORDERED** this 21st day of April, 1999.

H. F. GARCIA

U.S. District Judge

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