

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

APPLIED SYSTEMS, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

PBC CONSULTING INC., and ARDENT
LABS, INC., d/b/a COMULATE,

Defendants.

No. 25 CV 14251

Judge Manish S. Shah

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION ORDER

Having considered the briefs and supporting materials, the Court finds:

- 1) Applied Systems, Inc. has demonstrated a likelihood of success on the merits of its claim against PBC Consulting Inc. and Ardent Labs, Inc., d/b/a Comulate for breach of contract (Count II);
- 2) Applied is likely to suffer irreparable harm in the absence of preliminary relief; and
- 3) The balance of equities, including the public interest, favors preliminary relief.

It is therefore **ORDERED**, that Applied's Motion for a Preliminary Injunction is **GRANTED**.


Defendant Ardent Labs, Inc. d/b/a Comulate shall, within 7 days of the entry of this Order:

- 1) Cease use of any information, including documents, information, and data, obtained by PBC/Comulate through PBC's access to Applied's Epic software system or software development kit; and
- 2) Immediately cease the sale or provision of any products developed, tested, or trained using information, including documents, information, and data, obtained by PBC/Comulate through PBC's access to Applied's Epic software system or software development kit to any entities other than existing joint customers of Applied and Comulate.

Applied shall post \$1,000,000 (cashier's check or bond) with the Clerk of Court to secure this injunction. The security shall be deposited within 7 days of the entry of this Order.

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Date: February 11, 2026



Manish S. Shah
United States District Judge