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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

INDUSTRIAL QUICK SEARCH, Inc., MICHAEL MEIRESONNE, MEIRESONNE & ASSOCIATES, Inc.,

Plaintiff(s),

VS.

Civil Action No. 1:09-cv-01340-SLT-JO

MILLER, ROSADO & ALGOIS, LLP, CHRIS ROSADO and NEIL A. MILLER, ESQ.,

Defendant(s).

DEPOSITION OF

CHRISTOPHER ROSADO

October 26, 2011 11:00 a.m.

Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP 77 Water Street New York, New York

Before Margaret Eustace, a Shorthand Reporter and notary public, within and for the State of New York.



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1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK 3 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED INDUSTRIAL QUICK SEARCH, Inc., 4 that all objections, except as to the form of MICHAEL MEIRESONNE, MEIRESONNE & 5 the questions, shall be reserved to the time ASSOCIATES, Inc., 6 of the trial: 7 IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED Plaintiffs, Civil Action No. that the within examination may be subscribed -against-1:09-cv-01340-SLT-JO and sworn to before any notary public with the 9 10 same force and effect as though subscribed and MILLER, ROSADO & ALGOIS, LLP, CHRIS ROSADO and NEIL A. MILLER, ESQ., 3.1 sworn to before this court. Defendants. 12 13 14 DEPOSITION OF CHRISTOPHER ROSADO, a Defendant herein, taken by Plaintiffs, 15 pursuant to Notice, at the offices of Lewis 16 Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, 77 Water 17 Street, New York, New York, on Wednesday, October 26, 2011, at 11:00 a.m., before 18 Margaret Eustace, a Shorthand Reporter and 19 notary public, within and for the State of New 20 21 22 23 24 25 1 APPEARANCES: 2 (January 28, 2003 letter was SECREST WARDLE premarked Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1 Attorneys for Plaintiffs -3 Pro Hac Vice 4 for identification.) 2025 East Beltline SE, Suite 209 5 5 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546 6 (E-mail chain was premarked as (616) 285-0143 7 Plaintiffs' Exhibit 2 for 6 BY: HENRY EMRICH, ESQ. identification.) 8 7 9 LEWIS BRISBOIS BISGAARD & SMITH LLP 8 10 (Neil Miller's time records Attorneys for Defendants 77 Water Street, Suite 2100 New York, New York 10038 11 were premarked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 3 for identification.) 12 10 (212) 232-1370 13 BY: PAULA GILBERT, ESQ. 11 12 14 (Invoices were premarked as ALSO PRESENT: MICHAEL MEIRESONNE 15 Plaintiffs' Exhibit 4 for 13 16 identification.) 14 17 15 18 Whereupon. 16 17 19 CHRISTOPHER ROSADA, 18 after having been first duly sworn, was 20 19 examined and testified as follows: 21 20 22 **EXAMINATION** 21 22 23 BY MR. EMRICH: 23 24 Q. Good morning, Mr. Rosada. 24 My name is Henry Emrich. We are here 25



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C. Rosada 1 2 in the matter pending against your law firm Company, and, I believe, Meiresonne & 6 Have you ever had your deposition 7 taken before? A. Yes. 9 Q. How many times? 10 A. Once. 11 12 13 that? 14 A. It was a medical malpractice action. Q. Could you provide for me a brief 15 discussion of your background prior to becoming a lawyer? 17 A. I don't understand your question. 18 Q. You don't understand my question? 19 20 A. Yes. 21 Q. Where did you go to college? 22 A. Harvard. 23 Q. And what did you study at Harvard? A. I was an economics major. 25

3 arising out of the representation of your firm of Mr. Meiresonne and Industrial Quick Search 6 Associates, that occurred a few years ago. 7 8 9 10 11 Q. What were the circumstances regarding 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 2.4 Q. Where did you go to law school? 25 6 C. Rosada 1 1 A. Harvard. 2 3 Q. When did you graduate from Harvard? 3 4 5

Q. Any other degrees? 6 A. No. Q. After graduating from Harvard, where 8 did you go to work? 9 A. I worked for a law firm Haythe, H.A.Y.T.H.E., & Curley, C.U.R.L.E.Y. Q. Where was Haythe & Curley located? 11 A. In Manhattan. 12 Q. Are they still in existence today? 13 14 A. No. Q. What did you do there? 15 A. I was an associate. 16 Q. How long did you work there? 17 A. Approximately four and a half years. 18 Q. What kind of things did you work on 19 20 there? 21 A. Litigation and bankruptcy matters. 22 Q. With regard to the litigation, what kind of litigation did you work on? 23 A. All forms of commercial litigation. 24 25 Q. Any particular kind of commercial

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2 litigation?

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A. No.

Q. And after leaving Haythe & Curley,

where did you go to work?

A. I started my own practice.

Q. Why did you leave Haythe & Curley?

A. I wanted to work for myself.

Q. So when did you start your own

practice?

A. I believe in April 2002 or 2000 --

I'm sorry, 1992. Excuse me.

Q. Do you live here in New York?

A. Yes.

Q. Where do you live?

A. Laurel Hollow.

Q. What is your address there?

A. 101 Holly Lane.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes.

Q. How long have you been married?

A. Since 1999.

Q. Children?

A. Yes.

Q. How many children?

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A. Two.

Q. And their ages?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. 8 and 10.

Q. When you started your own practice in 6

April of 1992, did you start on your own? 7

A. Yes.

Q. Was that here in Manhattan? 9

10 A. No.

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11 Q. Where was it?

A. In Mineola. 12

Q. I'm not from here; where is Mineola? 13

14 A. On Long Island.

Q. Is that a city or township? 15

A. It's a village. 16

Q. What did you do in Mineola? 17

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. When I began my own law practice? 19

Q. In regard to your law practice. 20

21 A. When I first started?

22 Q. Yes.

A. General practice. 23

Q. What did that involve?

25 A. Commercial litigation.



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Q. Any particular kind of commercial

3 litigation?

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A. No.

Bankruptcy work.

Q. That was your specialty?

A. I wouldn't call it a specialty.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

Q. Just something you worked on

10 primarily?

A. I never said I worked on it

primarily. You asked what I practiced. I am 12

trying to tell you. 13

Q. Did that compose the primary part of 14

your practice or the majority? 15

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Which one, bankruptcy?

Q. Yes.

19 A. No.

20 Q. What did --

A. I am not sure this was the primary 21

22 focus at that point in time.

Q. Did your work ever involve litigation 23

of intellectual property matters? 24

25 A. Yes.

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time 2003 rolled around in these particular 2

areas of copyright infringement or patent

infringement, or you didn't work in patent

infringement, but copyright infringement, and

6 those types of matters?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. I didn't hear the date. I'm sorry.

Q. Prior to 2003, how many matters would

10 you have tried involving copyright

11 infringement.

12 A. None.

Q. How about any unfair business 13

practice? 14

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15 A. Also none.

Q. Did you advertise at all in your 16

17 practice as you began your private practice?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did you hold yourself as any kind of

21 specialist in any of these areas that we have

22 talked about?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

24 A. Not that I recall.

Q. When did you first become affiliated

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Q. What kind of intellectual property

3 matters?

A. I had been involved in several copyright infringement and/or unfair

5 competition cases. Both at the firm I told

you about and then on my own. 7

Q. How about patent infringement matters?

9 A. No patent infringement matters. 10

Q. Unfair competition matters?

A. Yes.

Q. Specifically what kind of unfair

14 competition matters?

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. Any particular kind of unfair

competition matters? 17

18 A. No.

Q. Just general practice? General in 19

20 that field?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. If I understand your question, the

answer is yes, people were asserting unfair 23

competition claims. 24

Q. How many cases had you tried by the

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with Mr. Miller?

A. I am not sure I understand the

question entirely.

Q. When did you first meet Mr. Miller?

A. Sometime in the early '90s.

6 7 Q. What were the circumstances regarding

your meeting? 8

A. He was a suite mate, we were both in 9

the same suite in the same building. 10

Q. When did you and Mr. Miller become

connected in practicing law together?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Sometime in the '90s I used Neil to 14

15 work on some files of mine. I can't recall

the precise date. 16

Q. What kind of files?

18 A. Always litigation.

Q. When did the law firm of Miller 19

Rosado and -- how do you pronounce that last 20

name? 21

A. Algios. 22

23 Q. Algios.

-- when did that firm begin?

A. I don't recall if it was January of



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2000 or January 2001. I believe -- I think it

was January 2000, but I am not sure.

Q. And how did you meet Mr. Algios?

A. He was also a suite mate of mine.

Q. So the three of you decided to form a 6 practice together?

A. Essentially.

Q. Was it formed then in 2001?

10 A. Like I said, I don't remember if it

was January 2000 or January 2001, but I 11

believe one of those dates. 12

13 Q. Fair enough. 14

Was it an LLP at that time?

15 A. Yes.

Q. And did it only involve the three of 16

17 you?

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A. Yes.

19 Q. Were there any other associates in

20 the firm?

A. At any time?

22 Q. From 2001 to 2003.

A. We did have an associate at one

point. I don't know if she was there in that

time frame.

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Q. And in 2003, were there other

employees in your firm? 3

A. Yes.

Q. And how many?

A. I believe there were three.

7 Q. What were their names and roles?

A. We had a secretary, Regina Allen,

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A.L.L.E.N. we had a paralegal Bonnie,

B.O.N.N.I.E., Siegel, S.I.E.G.E.L., and I

don't remember who our third employee was at 11 the time. 12

Q. So Ms. Siegel was a paralegal?

A. Yes. 14

Q. And the third employee, what was --15

was it a him or a her? 16

A. It was her.

18 Q. What was her function?

A. She would have been a legal

20 secretary.

21 Q. What kind of litigation background

22 did Mr. Miller have?

23 A. I don't know.

Q. Did you ever learn what kind of 24

litigation background he had?

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2 A. Yes. I shouldn't say I don't know.

I don't recall. I know he did litigation but

I don't recall, sitting here today, what his 5

background was. 6

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Q. What kind of litigation did he work on?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

A. I just said I don't recall.

Q. You don't know as you sit here today

what his background was?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

13 A. By background, I assume you are asking what his pedigree was, and no, I don't. 14

Q. What kind of legal matters, 15

substantive legal matters did he handle or he 16 have a particular expertise in handling? 17

A. To my knowledge, he was working on

commercial litigation. 19

> MR. EMRICH: Counsel, you just had an off-the-record communication with your

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Did you want to take a break and talk

2.4 with your client? 25

MS. GILBERT: No, please continue.

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BY MR. EMRICH:

Q. Did Mr. Miller have any training

background or expertise in handling of

copyright infringement matters? 5

A. I don't recall.

7 Q. Did he have expertise in handling

patent litigation matters?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did he have any experience in

handling unfair business practice litigation?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Mr. Rosada, prior to today's

deposition, how did you to prepare for it? 14

A. I met with my counsel earlier today.

Q. Was that the first time?

A. That I met with my counsel?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. That you met with them.

A. No. I think I met with Mr. Anesh at

21 the inception of the litigation.

Q. So you have met with your counsel

23 twice in this matter?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

25 A. Yes.



17 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 2 today. I made sure he was covering. 2 Q. When you say you met with your counsel this morning before this deposition, 3 Q. Something that you were to cover? that would have been Mr. Anesh? 4 A. It was one of my matters, correct. 5 Q. So he had to cover it for you? 5 A. And Ms. Gilbert. A. Correct. 6 6 Q. I was going to ask you that. 7 Q. Was that all that you discussed with 7 How long did you spend with them? Mr. Miller when you talked with him about this A. A little over an hour. 8 9 deposition? 9 Q. Had you talked to them prior to meeting with them today about today's MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 10 10 I want to caution the witness not to deposition? 11 11 A. I don't believe so. 12 reveal any privileged communications he 12 13 had with Mr. Miller. Q. So no communication with them? 13 BY MR. EMRICH: A. I didn't say that. You asked if I 14 14 Q. Was that the only thing that you 15 spoke to them. 15 talked about? 16 Q. So you did not speak with them? 16 17 A. I believe so. 17 A. Correct. Q. Did you look at any documents? 18 18 Q. Did you have communication with them? A. When I came to speak with my lawyers 19 A. Yes. 19 20 Q. How many times? 20 this morning. Q. That would have been the first time A. I don't recall. 21 21 Q. How did that communication occur? 22 you looked at any documents? 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 23 24 Q. You didn't look at any documents with 24 A. I believe it was by e-mail. Q. Did you talk with Mr. Miller about Mr. Miller? 25 25 18 C. Rosada 1 1 C. Rosada today's deposition? 2 A. No. 3 A. Yes. 3 Q. Specifically with regard to what you looked at this morning, was that the first 4 Q. When did you talk with him? 5 A. Yesterday. time and the only time you have looked at Q. Was that the only time you talked 6 documents prior to your deposition in order to 6 with him about today's deposition? 7 get ready or prepare for your deposition? 7 8 A. Yes. 8 A. No. 9 Q. What specifically did you look at? Q. How many other times have you talked 9 A. I looked at the retainer letter, I with him? 10 10 looked a several e-mails. I looked at certain A. I think one before. 11 11 Q. Where did those discussions take pleadings. 12 12 Q. Which pleadings? 13 place? 13 A. I looked at, I believe, the complaint 14 A. In our offices. 14 15 Q. Why did you talk with him? 15 in this action. 16 A. I just told him that I was --16 Q. Anything else? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 17 A. I think I looked at the second 17

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A. -- being deposed.

Q. Why did you talk with him?

talked about was with regard to this

A. I told him I was being deposed.

Q. So in two conversations that all

A. It was about scheduling as well.

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amended complaint in the underlying Thomas

underlying Thomas action. And I looked at

A. I may have looked at some of our

action. I looked IQS's answer in the

discovery compliance in this action.

Q. What would that have been?

some billing records.

Q. Anything else?

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1 C. Rosada	1 C. Rosada
2 A. I believe it was responses to	about. These are your productions, you
3 interrogatories.	3 can ask the witness about them.
4 Q. Anything else?	4 MR. EMRICH: Okay.
5 A. Not that I recall.	5 MS. GILBERT: February 4, 2003 from
6 Q. When you say you looked at some	6 Mr. Rosada to Mr. Meiresonne, looks like a
	7 string from February 4, 2003, string of
The state of the s	8 e-mails.
8 at?	
9 A. Several e-mails from 2003 and some	in a zim norn maro you produced ances
other e-mails from, I believe, 2006.	10 e-mails previously?
Q. Were these e-mails from your firm?	MS. GILBERT: You have produced
A. Some of them may have been. I don't	12 these.
think there were any general one way or	MR. EMRICH: Okay, go ahead.
14 another.	MS. GILBERT: February 5, 2003 from
Q. Do you have those e-mails with you	15 Mr. Meiresonne to Mr. Rosada.
16 today?	16 MR. EMRICH: Okay.
A. I don't have them, but my counsel has	MS. GILBERT: February 6, 2003 from
18 them.	18 Mr. Meiresonne to Mr. Rosada.
MR. EMRICH: Do you have them here	February 11, 2003 from Mr. Meiresonne
20 with you today?	20 to Mr. Rosada.
MS. GILBERT: They were produced by	February 12, 2003 from Mr. Meiresonne
plaintiff in this action.	22 to Mr. Rosada.
MR. EMRICH: Could we identify on the	February 13, 2003 from Mr. Meiresonne
record what e-mails he looked at, please.	24 to Mr. Rosada.
MS. GILBERT: Off the record for a	MR. EMRICH: And that's it?
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2 second.	2 MS. GILBERT: No, I am looking
3 MR. EMRICH: Sure.	through. I want to make sure what I am
4 (Discussion held off the record.)	4 giving you is accurate.
5 MR. EMRICH: Back on the record.	5 February 18, 2003 from Mr. Meiresonne
6 I would like the date of the e-mail	
7 and the parties to the e-mail and the	10 1111 1100 1101,
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in a summary gaing to	9 MR. EMRICH: What was the date of
describe what it is regarding. I will	10 the last one?
give you the date of the e-mail and	MS. GILBERT: March 10, 2003.
12 parties name though.	Some of these the dates are cut off.
MR. EMRICH: Go ahead.	13 If it would be easier off the
14 I want to know what specific e-mails	14 record.
he reviewed, please.	15 (Discussion held off the record.)
MS. GILBERT: Absolutely. January	MR. EMRICH: The record should
27, 2003 is the date of the first e-mail	reflect counsel and their client left the
from Mike Meiresonne I apologize if I	room to have a conference and we are now
am mispronouncing that to Chris Rosado.	19 back on the record.
20 MR. EMRICH: What does that e-mail	MS. GILBERT: So I have agreed to
21 relate to?	give you range of pages from your disk
22 MS. GILBERT: I don't want to put on	that you produced, plaintiffs' production,
the record what it relates to. You can	that's the easiest way to identify.
the record what it relates to. You can ask him about these e-mails. I am not	that's the easiest way to identify. MR. EMRICH: Do you have a clean copy of those documents with you today



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2	here in this office somewhere?	2	information.
3	MS. GILBERT: I have the disk. I	3	BY MR. EMRICH:
4	don't want to interrupt the deposition to	4	 Q. Without revealing privileged
5	take time	5	information, any particular reason why you
6	MR. EMRICH: I want to see what	6	reviewed the e-mails?
7	specific documents that he reviewed prior	7	 Because my counsel showed them to me.
8	to today. Whether we have them or not is	8	Q. Fair enough.
9	really irrelevant. I want to know what he	9	 Q. Did you review any correspondence in
10	reviewed, and if we can't identify them, I	10	this case prior to today's deposition?
11	would like to see them.	11	A. Other than e-mails?
12	MS. GILBERT: Okay.	12	Q. Yes, sir.
13	MR. EMRICH: We can do it at a	13	A. I don't believe so.
14	break.	14	Q. Would that also be true for any other
15	MS. GILBERT: At a break I will go	15	correspondence or any correspondence reviewed
16	and print them and we can continue at this	16	by you related to this matter prior to today's
17	point with the deposition.	17	date irrespective of whether or not it was
18	MR. EMRICH: That's fair, okay.	18	reviewed in preparation for your deposition?
19	BY MR. EMRICH:	19	MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.
20	Q. So were those the only e-mails you	20	A. As I indicated, counsel, I didn't
21	would have reviewed, Mr. Rosada, prior to	21	review anything before I came here today.
22	today's deposition?	22	Q. We were talking again about things that you would have reviewed.
23	MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.	23	•
24	A. The ones that my counsel showed me? Q. Yes.	25	Did you review any expert reports prior to today's deposition?
25	Q. Yes.	25	prior to today's deposition?
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2	A. Yes.	2	A. No.
2 3	A. Yes.Q. You have not reviewed any other	2 3	A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert
2 3 4	A. Yes.Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails?	2 3 4	A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports
2 3 4 5	A. Yes.Q. You have not reviewed any othere-mails?A. My answer remains the same, no.	2 3 4 5	A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall.
2 3 4 5 6	A. Yes.Q. You have not reviewed any othere-mails?A. My answer remains the same, no.Q. Do you recall the last date of any	2 3 4 5	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to
2 3 4 5	 A. Yes. Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails? A. My answer remains the same, no. Q. Do you recall the last date of any e-mail that you would have reviewed prior to 	2 3 4 5	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to today's deposition?
2 3 4 5 6 7	A. Yes. Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails? A. My answer remains the same, no. Q. Do you recall the last date of any e-mail that you would have reviewed prior to today's deposition?	2 3 4 5 6 7	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to today's deposition? A. Not that I recall.
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	A. Yes. Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails? A. My answer remains the same, no. Q. Do you recall the last date of any e-mail that you would have reviewed prior to today's deposition? A. I don't understand the question.	2 3 4 5 6 7 8	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to today's deposition? A. Not that I recall. Q. Did you review any deposition
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	A. Yes. Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails? A. My answer remains the same, no. Q. Do you recall the last date of any e-mail that you would have reviewed prior to today's deposition? A. I don't understand the question. Q. Do you recall what the last date or	2 3 4 5 6 7 8	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to today's deposition? A. Not that I recall. Q. Did you review any deposition testimony prior to today's deposition?
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2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	A. Yes. Q. You have not reviewed any other e-mails? A. My answer remains the same, no. Q. Do you recall the last date of any e-mail that you would have reviewed prior to today's deposition? A. I don't understand the question. Q. Do you recall what the last date or the date on the last e-mail you reviewed prior to today's deposition in terms of a	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	 A. No. Q. Have you ever seen any expert reports A. Not that I recall. Q related to this matter prior to today's deposition? A. Not that I recall. Q. Did you review any deposition testimony prior to today's deposition? A. No. Q. Did you discuss with Mr. Miller his
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29 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 have any experience in terms of producing your firm at the present time? 3 documents? A. No. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 4 Q. Have there been any other lawyers 5 A. I don't know. working in your firm since 2003? 6 Q. Do any of them have experience with A. Yes. 6 7 Bates stamping of documents? 7 Q. And the names of those persons? A. Yes. 8 A. We had an associate for a brief time, Q. Which one? Preeti, P.R.E.E.T.I., Kohli, K.O.H.L.I. 9 10 A. Bonnie Siegel. 10 Q. What was the last name? Q. Do you know how long she has had the A. K.O.H.L.I. 11 11 ability or knowledge to Bates stamp documents? Q. Anyone else? 12 12 13 A. No. 13 A. No. Q. Is it a recent development for her or 14 Q. When was that person employed by the 14 something she has always had? 15 firm? 15 A. I don't know. 16 A. I don't recall. 16 17 Q. Describe for me the hierarchy of the 17 18 firm. Are you all equal partners? 18 documents? 19 19 A. Yes. A. I don't know. 20 20 Q. Do any of you hold any particular 21 21 titles in the firm? 22 A. No. 22 Q. Is there a managing partner? 23 23 24 (Witness complies.) A. No. 25 A. Okay. 25 Q. Has there ever been a managing 30 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 partner? 2 3 3

A. No. Q. No officers, then, in the firm among the three of you? A. No. 6 7 Q. Are your interests in the firm equal? 8 A. I don't understand your question. 9 Q. Do you all have the same interest in relation to the other partners --10 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 11 12 Q. -- or does one person have a greater ownership interest in the firm than the 13 others? 14 15 A. No, it is all equal. Q. Do you still have three nonlawyer personnel working for you? 17 18 A. Yes. 19 Q. The same persons as in 2003? 20 A. Two of them. Q. Which person is no longer working

there, the one that you couldn't come up with name of? A. Correct. Q. Do any of these nonlawyer personnel

Q. Do you know if she ever received any specific training regarding Bates stamping of Q. Mr. Rosada, I am going to show you

what I have marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1. I ask you to take a look at that.

Q. Have you seen this before?

A. Yes.

Q. What is that, sir? 4

A. It is a retainer letter between my 6 firm and Industrial Quick Search.

Q. That letter was authored by you? 7 8

A. Yes.

9 Q. Does that describe the parameters of the work to be done in this case? 10

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

12 A. No.

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Q. Does it describe the scope of the 13 representation? 14

A. It contains the parameters of our 15 representation of Industrial Quick Search, 16 17 yes.

18 Q. In the first paragraph of that letter 19 it indicates you are going to be primarily 20 responsible for the handling of this matter; is that correct?

22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It says I will have primary responsibility for your representation.

Q. So I am correct in what I said?

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A. I don't believe you are.

Q. Tell me why I am not correct. You

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A. Essentially what it is saying is that I am going to have the prime responsibility

for client contact with Mr. Meiresonne.

Q. I am going to ask you to take a look 8 at that letter and I want you to read for me 9 10 the -- or I want you to go down to the seventh

11 sentence or line, correct?

A. Yes.

Q. And I want to go over to the sentence starting with "I." And I am going to read

it. I want you to listen to me. 15

> "I will have primary responsibility for your representation although I may consult

and utilize other attorneys and legal 18 assistants in the best exercise of my 19

20 professional judgment."

> Is that correct? Did I read that correctly?

A. You did.

Q. I've heard counsel describe a number of e-mails between you and Mr. Meiresonne

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following the date of that letter, going

through a period at least until March 10, 2003 3

where you and Mr. Meiresonne had contact,

5 correct?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. That you heard it, yes, I guess you did hear it.

Q. I heard your counsel read those into the record as e-mails you read, correct?

A. That I reviewed, correct.

Q. So were you handling this matter for Mr. Meiresonne?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. The answer is no.

Q. You were not?

A. Was I handling it, no. My firm was 17

handling it. 18

Q. Did you ever have a discussion with 19 Mr. Meiresonne about who was to handle the 20

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A. Yes, absolutely.

Q. What did you tell him? 23

A. That Neil Miller would be primarily

responsible for the litigation. 25

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Q. When did you tell him that?

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Q. Why would you send a letter out, if I

may ask, Mr. Rosada, and state in that letter

that you were going to have primary

7 responsibility for your representation when, 8

in fact, you were not?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I disagree with what is your

characterization. What was meant by that, is 11 that I would be the primary client contact on 12

this litigation. And I was. I was 13

14 responsible for billing because I had brought

Industrial Quick Search to the firm and that I 15

would have contact with Mr. Meiresonne. 16

Q. What does the term primary 17 responsibility for your representation mean to 18

vou? 19 20 A. What I just told you.

Q. So at some point then did you stop 21

22 working on the file?

A. No.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

Q. Was there a point where you worked on

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2 the file?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. At what point did you work on the

file?

A. Intermittently throughout the

7 representation.

Q. Did you communicate with the client

9 throughout the representation? 10

A. I don't recall.

Q. I will show you what we have marked 11

as Exhibit 2. Take look at that if you would. 12

(Witness complies.)

A. Okav.

Q. Is that an e-mail from you to

16 Mr. Meiresonne?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It appears to be.

Q. And date of that e-mail is?

20 A. It says March 27, 2003.

Q. With regard to the second paragraph

of that e-mail, could you read that into the 22

record, please? 23

A. "We will discuss a discovery strategy

in the very near future. Normally federal



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courts are strict about compliance with the

discovery schedule. Although I believe we 3

will have some ability to put matters off

short term due to our substitution."

Q. As you sit here today, do you recall

what you meant by a discovery strategy?

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Q. Did you ever have a discussion with

him about your discovery strategy? 10

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you ever communicate anything in

writing to him about a discovery strategy? 13

A. I don't recall.

Q. As you sit here today, what would you mean by discussing a discovery strategy as set

forth in that e-mail? 17

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. What would that have entailed? MS. GILBERT: Objection.

A. I don't recall.

Q. In the course of your representation

of Mr. Meiresonne and IQS, do you recall

sending him any letters? 24

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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A. I don't recall.

Q. Do you recall ever sending him what we refer to as a litigation hold letter?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you have any discussions with him specifically about discovery preservation or document preservation?

A. Yes, I believe so.

Q. When did you have that discussion?

A. It would have been in our initial

12 meeting.

Q. What would you have told him?

A. My custom and practice is whenever we are engaged in the firm upon my initial meeting with the client, I go over some ground rules. One of the ground rules is -- I

usually go over three points. 18

19 The first thing I talk about is I 20

sort of analogize a litigation to a war. And I say in any war there will be some battles

you will lose and some casualties you will take. If you are not prepared to lose some

battles and take some casualties, don't get

involved in the war.

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2 My second point is I instruct the

client not to have discussions with anybody

about this case or to take any action in this 4

case without consulting with us. I obviously

6 tell them not to discuss the matter with

7 anybody because whatever they discuss with

8 somebody else might be discoverable.

The third instruction I always give is not to destroy anything or do anything again without discussing with us.

That's my custom and practice.

13 I specifically remember when we first met, because it was a Saturday and both Neil 14

15 and I were there, which was fairly unusual,

16 and Mr. Meiresonne and one of his daughters

17 were there, and I remember asking his daughter

18 to leave the conference we were in for one

19 second to have a discussion with

Mr. Meiresonne. I don't recall the 20

particulars of what was said, but given that I 21

asked his daughter to leave, given my custom 22

and practice, I believe that's exactly what I 23

would have done. That's what I do with all my 24

25 clients.

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C. Rosada Q. Would you have billed for this

3 conversation?

A. Yes. It was probably -- if we had 4 the initial meeting, it would have been part

of that billing. Q. So Mr. Miller would also have billed

for this meeting?

A. We never double bill in my firm.

Q. So only one of you would have billed? 10

11 A. Absolutely.

Q. Would the bill reflect what was 12

13 talked about?

A. Just initial consultation.

Q. Do you recall the date of this

meeting? 16 17

A. I don't.

Q. Did you then follow-up those 18

instructions in any kind of correspondence to 19

20 Mr. Meiresonne?

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Is it your custom and practice to do

23 that?

24 A. No.

Q. Why not?



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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

3 A. I don't know how to answer that question. 4

- Q. It is not something you do then? 5
- 6 A. I said no.

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- Q. At the time of your initial
- representation of Mr. Meiresonne, was there a
- 9 particular individual in your firm who would
- 10 have been familiar with or qualified to handle document production? 11

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 12

- A. I don't understand your question.
- Q. Was there someone in your firm with 14
- particular knowledge or expertise in the 15 protocols for handling the production of 16
- documents? 17
- 18 A. I was proficient. Mr. Miller was 19 proficient.
 - Q. Anyone else?
- A. Not that I recall. 21
- Q. Did you involve any paralegal or 22
- legal assistants in the document production or 23
- 24 review?
- 25 A. Not that I recall.

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- Q. Was it your custom and practice to
- review any documents produced by your clients 3
- 4 for privilege?
- MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.

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- A. Can you repeat it?
- 7 Q. Was it your custom and practice to
- review any documents that your clients would 8
- 9 produce to the other side in litigation?
- MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 10
- 11 A. Read the question back.
- (Record read.) 12
- A. It would depend on the matter. 13
- Q. What do you mean by that? 14
- 15 A. I don't know how else to say it.
- 16 Q. Was it your custom and practice to
- review a document to be produced to the other 17
- side in discovery for privilege before turning 18
- it over to the other side? 19
 - MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.
- Q. Yes or no, it is a simple answer. 21
- A. It is not a simple answer, but I 22
- think the answer is probably yes. 23
- 24 Q. Was it your custom and practice if
- you were producing numerous documents and you

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were to withhold a document, would you prepare 2

- a privilege log?
 - A. If I was doing it personally?
- MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 5
- 6 Q. If you were doing it personally, was
- 7 it your custom and practice?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. How about Mr. Miller?
- 10 MS. GILBERT: Objection to form.
 - A. I don't know.
- 12 Q. At the time you undertook
- 13 representation of Mr. Meiresonne, were you
- familiar with Bates stamping of documents? 14
- A. You keep saying I undertook. It was 15
- the firm that undertook representation of 16
- 17 Mr. Meiresonne.
- 18 Q. Well, whether it was you or whether
- 19 it was the firm, I am asking you were you
- 20 familiar with what Bates stamping involved?
- 21 A. You don't have to scream. I do know,
- 22 yes.

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- 23 Q. That would have been true -- I am not
- screaming. 24
 - That would have been true in January

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- 2 of 2003?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. Would that have been true when you
- 5 had this conversation with Mr. Meiresonne in
 - your offices --
 - MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.
- 8 Q. -- with Mr. Miller present that you
- referred to this discussion about war? 9
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 - MS. GILBERT: Object.
 - A. That I was familiar with Bates
- 12 stamping?
 - Q. Yes. Would you have discussed it
- 14 with him?
 - A. I don't think I would have discussed
- 15 Bates stamping in particular, no. 16
 - Q. Is it your custom and practice, sir,
- 17 to inventory documents before they are 18
- produced to the other side in discovery? 19 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 20
 - A. No.
- Q. It is not? 22
- 23 A. Not to inventory them, no.
 - Q. What is your custom and practice in
 - terms of keeping track of documents produced

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. When we get a discovery demand in a

particular matter, we provide that discovery

demand to the client, we discuss the

particular demand with the client. The client

then produces whatever documents he or she or

it has in its possession. We review them, 9

whichever ones are responsive to the demand, 10

we provide, and the ones that aren't 11

responsive, we either return to the client or 12

in some instances we retain documents we have 13 but were not produced. 14

Q. What you are telling me is it is your custom and practice when you send out a

document request to the client that you 17

received from the other side to get documents

back and review them? 19

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know. If a client produces 21 them, I am not sure of the logistics of it 22 all, if I am understanding the question.

> Q. You told me the standard procedure is you send a document production request to

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MS, GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. So the answer is yes?

A. No, it would depend on the matter.

Q. Do you discuss the issue of privilege?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. If it is relevant.

Q. Do you advise the client what privilege is?

A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. So I am assuming, then, if there are 13 privileged documents you would advise the 14 client of what is privileged and what isn't 15 privileged, correct? 16

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Yes.

Q. And I take it you would also discuss such concepts as relevance, correct?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. Would you explain to the client what

is a relevant document? 24

A. It would depend on the matter.

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clients, correct?

A. Correct.

Q. Presumably that production, request

for production is accompanied by a letter, 6

correct?

A. I am sure accompanied by some

8 communication. 9

Q. And that communication would say what typically?

A. I am not sure there is a typical letter, but there is some kind of communication regarding it.

Q. Do you advise the client of the type of documents that are to be supplied?

A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. Do you advise the client of the parameters of what is to be produced insofar as documents are concerned?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. Do you discuss with them any

particular description of the scope of what the client is supposed to produce in response

to those document requests?

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Q. Would you expect that that would be 2 something that you would do as a matter of 3 your custom and practice? 4

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. So there are matters where you tell a client to produce documents without discussing relevance?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

That's not what he said.

A. I don't recall. But if it was

relevant, I would discuss it with the client.

Q. Is it your job as a lawyer to explain to the client what is relevant?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Is that part of your custom and practice, sir?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It depends on the matter.

Q. There are matters, then, that you

would not tell your client what is relevant? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23

A. I just answered that question. 24

Q. Is it your custom and practice to



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49 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 MR. MEIRESONNE: Henry, can we take explain privilege in the context of a 2 particular document production? 3 a minute? MR. EMRICH: Let's take a short MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 4 5 5 Asked and answered. 6 (Discussion held off the record.) 6 A. It would depend on the matter. 7 MR. EMRICH: Back on the record. Q. When a document production request is 7 8 Q. Mr. Rosada, is it your expectation 8 sent to the client such as in this case, do that any attorney what handles a matter for a 9 vou discuss with the client or advise the 9 10 client about specific procedures with regard 10 client on behalf of your firm, is it your to producing documents in response to that 11 expectation that they follow the same custom 11 12 and practice with regard to document request? 12 production as you would? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 13 13 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. I didn't handle document production 14 14 A. I don't know. 15 in this case. 15 Q. You don't know that? 16 16 Q. I am asking about your custom and 17 A. I would assume that they would do 17 practice. 18 something similar, if not identical. 18 Is it your custom and practice to 19 give instructions to the client about what 19 Q. You would certainly expect them to they are to do insofar as production of the 20 adhere to the standard of care for the 20 documents responsive to that production 21 production of documents, correct? 21 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. request? 22 23 A. If I understand your question, yes. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 Q. So it wouldn't matter who handled the A. It would depend on the matter. 24 24 matter, a legal matter, on behalf of a client Q. Is it your practice to give the 25 25 50 52 1 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada client advice about document retention? in your firm, you would expect them to adhere

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Say the question again.

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Q. Is it your practice to give the client instruction regarding document storage or document retention?

A. I don't know about document storage, but I told you before that when we are initially engaged, during the initial client meeting, I have this broad overview with the client. Among other things that I talk about is document retention.

Q. So what kind of things do you talk about in connection with document retention?

A. Pretty basically not to destroy or get rid of anything without discussing it with us first.

Q. Do you discuss with them whether or 19 not a client has a document retention policy? 20

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Do you ever request if a client has a document retention policy?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

3 to whatever that standard of care was for the

4 production of documents?

5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. In your conversations with 8

Mr. Meiresonne, were you ever made aware that

any documents have been discarded or 9 10

destroyed?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. After the fact.

Q. I am talking about in your

14 discussions prior to, let's say, March 31,

15 2003.

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A. No.

17 Q. As a matter of practice and a matter

of your custom and practice, if a client were

to tell you that documents, potentially 19

relevant documents had been destroyed or 20

discarded, what would you do? 21

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

23 A. I would inquire further.

Q. What particular steps would you take?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 25



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C. Rosada 1 A. I would try and ascertain what 2 documents were destroyed. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 4 5 Q. Why?

A. Because it might be relevant to the litigation.

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A. For the reasons that occurred here, that there might be spoliation.

Q. I take it that would be true for any lawyer handling a matter on behalf of your

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I can't speak for the other lawyers 15 in the firm. 16

Q. Would you expect that as a matter of custom and practice?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I can't speak for the other lawyers in the firm.

Q. When Miller Rosado & Algios handles a matter, are there different standards of care for handling these issues depending on who the

lawyer might be handling the case?

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2 matters would you give or want to determine the names of those persons involved in the 3 production or preservation of documents?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know if it would depend on a matter as opposed to the circumstances of a particular action.

Q. So, in other words, you might have communication with persons in a company who might be responsible for or involved with the production and preservation of documents?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I might.

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Q. Was there a particular point in this case where you turned over responsibility of the file to Mr. Miller?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Mr. Miller was responsible for the 19 litigation from inception. 20

Q. So he was involved with this matter from the time you met with Mr. Meiresonne in your office?

23 24 A. Correct.

Q. And he would have been responsible

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not to my knowledge.

Q. Do you or any other member of your firm send out specific instructions to clients about the instruction for discarding or preservation of documents?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know what the other lawyers in my firm do, but I do not.

Q. Is there a reason why you do not?

12 A. No.

> Q. Do you make any attempt to identify who might be the key players in a company that you are representing or a client that you are representing with regard to the production or preservation of documents?

> > MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depends on the matter.

Q. What situations would you then -would you expect to have those kinds of conversations with?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. I don't even understand the question.

Q. If you learned -- what kind of

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for handling matters in this litigation from

that time? 3

> A. To the extent I understand the question, yes.

Q. Along with you?

A. To a lesser degree, correct.

8 Q. Did there come a time where he took over primary responsibility of the handling of 9 10

this matter on behalf of the firm?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. From the inception.

Q. So you are telling me, as you sit here today, then you would have been responsible or had primary responsibility for handling this matter all throughout the litigation?

> MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. That's not what he said.

A. I would have primary responsibility for client contact between Mr. Meiresonne and 21 the firm. 22

Q. I am talking about handling the matters with regard to the litigation.

A. Mr. Miller was responsible for the



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underlying litigation from inception of the

Q. What exactly was your role then?

Explain to me what your role was.

A. I would have billed Mr. Meiresonne.

I would have communicated with Mr. Meiresonne

if he wanted to speak about the matter, he

wanted to call the firm. He could have called

and asked for me. I would have discussed

whatever concerns he had.

Q. Did you have regular communication with Mr. Meiresonne?

A. I don't think that I had regular, but

Q. And you said you billed him.

How would you have known what to bill if you weren't working on the matter?

A. We have a billing program.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Describe that for me.

A. We have an Amicus Attorney Program,

which is a calendar and billing program, and

Mr. Meiresonne's matter was entered into that

program.

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C. Rosada Q. In connection with your

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A. No.

Q. So you would not have reviewed what Mr. Miller was doing with regard to the

handling of the litigation?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I didn't say that.

Q. Did you have oversight?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. The answer is no.

Q. Did you involve yourself in any aspect of the handling of the litigation at any point after March of 2003?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

18 A. When you say did I involve myself, 19

no. But I was asked to participate in certain parts of it.

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Q. What were those parts?

A. Generally I would review any material document that went out, such as a pleading or

response to discovery, some motion. I would

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review it for sense and sensibility. And 2

there were several occasions during the course 3

of retention that I had discussions with Neil

5 and/or Mike regarding strategy.

Q. Specifically?

A. The only one I specifically recall is

the issue about damages after the spoliation

9 decision came down.

Q. That would be after the hearing?

A. It was after the decision, so it

would have been after the hearing. 12

Q. Were you ever involved in providing

any privilege or preparing any privilege log 14

for Mr. Meiresonne? 15

A. No.

Q. Were you ever involved in actually 17

reviewing documents that were to be produced? 18

A. No.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Were you ever involved in trying to 21

determine what documents were subject to 22

production and what documents were not subject 23

24 to production?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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A. No.

Q. Did you ever review any documents for 3

privilege?

5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Were those tasks that were assigned

to Mr. Miller?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 9

10 A. Yes.

Q. And performed by Mr. Miller? 11

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know.

Q. Did you specifically ever provide any 14

assistance to Mr. Meiresonne in producing any 15

16 documents?

A. No.

Q. Did you ever answer any questions 18

that Mr. Meiresonne may have asked Mr. Miller

or the firm about production of documents? 20

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did you ever come out to

Mr. Meiresonne's business to review any

25 documents?



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Q. Did you ever come out to

Mr. Meiresonne's business at all?

A. No.

Q. Again, were those things being

handled by Mr. Miller?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

9 A. What things?

Q. The production of documents, the

review of documents, the review of documents 11 12 for privilege?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Document production was handled by Mr. Miller.

Q. That's something you would expect him to handle?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Again, would you expect him as a

member of your firm to review documents that 21

22 were to be produced for privilege?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

24 A. It would depend on the matter.

Q. Would you expect him to review

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documents as to whether they are relevant?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depends on the matter.

Q. Just out of curiosity, what matters

can you think of involving document

production, what circumstances, what matters

would give rise to you not reviewing a

document to determine if it was relevant? 9 10

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. As you sit here, you say it depends on the matter when I ask these questions as to whether you review them for privilege.

What particular matters can you think of where you would not review a document to

17 determine if it was privileged before

producing it? 18

19 A. I don't know if it was one issue or if it is litigation globally. It would depend

21 on the facts and circumstances of that

particular action on how we approach the

23 document production.

24 Q. Are there matters that you can tell

me about as you sit here today where you have

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produced documents without reviewing them for

3 privilege?

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

6 Q. How about as to whether or not the 7 documents subject to -- are relevant or

8 discoverable?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

10 A. Not that I recall.

Q. You certainly don't leave those kinds

12 of determinations to the client, do you?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. Do you leave to the client as a 15

matter of your custom and practice a decision 16

17 as to what document is discoverable?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I still don't understand the

question.

21 Q. Do you leave it to the client to

determine what documents should be produced? 22

A. To some degree you have to.

2.4 Q. Do you leave it to the client to

determine what document is privileged?

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not generally.

Q. So that's something you make a

decision on, correct?

A. I don't have access to all the files

7 for all clients. I can only review what they

provide to me. That's why I don't understand

9 certain your questions. Certainly, it has not

been my custom and practice in document 10

11 production for me to review every document a

client may have in his office or offices from 12

13 the beginning of time until then.

14 That's why I send the discovery

15 demand to them, and as the matter dictates,

discuss where I think it is appropriate to 16

17 discuss it with them.

Q. And then, again, when you turn over

documents, I take it, you review them before

20 they get turned over?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

22 A. It would be my custom and practice

whatever documents were produced to me by the

client, I would review them before they were

turned over.



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65 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 A. Not that I recall. Q. And I take it that that would be a 2 2 Q. Any of the other attorneys in custom and practice for your firm as well, 3 3 4 Mr. Rittenger's law firm? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 5 5 A. Not that I am aware of. 6 A. I can't speak for other people in my 6 7 Q. With regard to this particular 7 matter, do you know why your firm was hired? 8 Q. Would you expect that other people in 9 A. You would have to ask Mr. Meiresonne. 9 your firm who are attorneys in the State of Q. I am asking you if you know as you 10 New York practicing in this particular area, 10 sit here today any particular reason why he would it be your expectation that each of them 11 would adhere to the same custom and practice 12 came to your firm? 12 as you with regard to production of documents? 13 A. I don't. 13 Q. Any particular reason why you ended MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 14 14 15 up taking the matter in or taking A. I can't speak for other employees in 15 responsibility for the matter? 16 16 my firm. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. Mr. Rosada, as I have listened to you 17 17 A. I don't understand the question. 18 18 today I get the impression that you and Q. In your firm, did you get some kind 19 Mr. Miller were interchangeable in terms of 19 special credit for bringing in a matter? the handling of this matter for 20 20 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Mr. Meiresonne; is that correct? 21 21 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 22 A. When you say special credit, what do 22 23 you mean? I don't understand the guestion. A. That's not correct at all. 23 24 Q. From a billing standpoint, from a Q. Why isn't that correct? What is not 24 25 compensation standpoint? correct about that? 25 66 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 2 A. Mr. Miller was assigned 2 A. Yes. 3 responsibility for handling the underlying 3 Q. Tell me about that. 4

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Q. Did you ever send a letter out to Mr. Meiresonne telling him that?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. No.

Q. Did vou ever send an e-mail to Mr. Meiresonne telling him that?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. There was no reason to. He was told that in the initial meeting. That's why Mr. Miller was there.

Q. Mr. Rosada, did you have any prior experience with the -- with Mr. Rittenger's law firm prior to this particular case?

A. I don't believe so.

Q. How about Mr. Miller?

A. I don't know. 20

> Q. Did you have any connection or relationship with Mr. Rittenger?

23 A. No.

24 Q. So you had not known him prior to

this case?

A. Our general policy is whoever brings

the client to the firm takes 25 percent of the

billing and the rest is firm income.

7 Q. Was that the situation here?

A. Yes.

9 Q. So you brought the client to the

10 firm?

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11 A. I was the client -- he contacted me.

but if I understand your question --12

Q. Do you know why he contacted you?

A. I believe he was referred to me by 14

15 another client.

16 Q. Mr. Rosada, I ask you to take a look at what I have marked as Exhibit 4 and ask you 17

if those look familiar. 18

(Witness complies.)

20 A. Okav.

Q. Have you had a chance to look at 21

those, sir? 22

A. I looked through. I didn't review 23

each and every time entry. 24

Q. Do they look familiar? 25



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A. They appear to be either time entries

or bills rendered by the firm to

Mr. Meiresonne on this matter.

Q. For work done by your firm?

A. Correct.

Q. I notice at the top of every bill where the time entries appear there is the name Chris Rosada.

Why is that, sir?

A. That's just the way the Amicus program prints.

Q. Are these particular bills then sent out under your signature?

A. There is no signature.

Q. Are they sent out by you?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. So you review each of these bills before they get sent out?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. My custom is to review bills before they are sent out. 22

Q. Why?

A. To make sure they are accurate.

Q. What do you look at?

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Anything else?

Q. Before those time records are

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produced, how was time logged in your firm?

6 A. It is put directly in the Amicus 7

program. 8

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Q. So into a computer?

A. Correct.

Q. So each of you had a computer that 10

you would have entered time into? 11

12 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

What time are you talking about?

Q. In 2003. 14

A. Yes. 15

Q. And then are monthly performance 16

17 produced or computer sheets showing the time

that has been entered? 18

A. No.

Q. What is produced?

A. What is produced when? 21

Q. After the time has been entered, how 22

does time end up onto your bills? 23

2.4 A. I run a report.

Q. What kind of report?

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A. To make sure there is not some mistake when somebody types something in. 3

Q. Anything else?

A. It would depend on the matter, I guess.

Q. Specifically with respect to this matter, did Mr. Miller review the bills before 9 they went out?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Just so I understand, how would you know they were accurate?

A. When you say how would I know they 14 were accurate --15

Q. You said you wanted to review them for accuracy?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. If I saw that somebody misplaced a decimal and somebody spent 24 hours on document production doing a pleading, I could see that that's a typo, so I would know that.

I will generally be familiar with the matters, what's going on generally. That would be another way I would know.

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A. A time report.

Q. Is that a computer report?

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A. From Amicus.

Q. Is that a computer program?

A. Amicus Attorney is a computer

7 program.

> Q. So you are able to pull that out --MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. -- from the Amicus program?

A. I am able to pull out the time

entries from the computer program, correct. 12

Q. Okay, not a problem for you?

14 A. When you say not a problem I don't

know what you mean.

Q. You are able to do that as a member 16 of your law firm with that program in place? 17

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It is one of the points of the

20 program.

Q. It is a simple question. I am just

22 trying to ascertain --

A. And I am just trying to answer.

Q. Now, I am going to show you what we

24 have marked as Exhibit 3 and ask you to take a

75 73 C. Rosada C. Rosada I 1 Q. And he would do that on his computer? look at those. 2 2 (Witness complies.) 3 You would have to ask Mr. Miller. 3 4 Q. I am asking if you know as the keeper 4 A. Okav. of this program as or the one who maintains 5 Q. What are those? this program and the one who sent these bills 6 A. They appear to be certain invoices 6 7 out? 7 from the firm. 8 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 8 Q. That's different from what we just A. IT maintains the computers. I don't 9 9 looked at that was sent to Mr. Meiresonne, 10 10 maintain the computers. correct? MS. GILBERT: Meaning Plaintiffs' 11 Q. Who was the IT guy in 2003? 11 12 A. I don't know. 12 Exhibit 4? 13 Q. Who is the IT guy today? MR. EMRICH: Yes. 13 A. Michael Delaura, D.E.L.A.U.R.A., I 14 A. If you are asking if they are IQS 14 bills, no, they don't appear to be. 15 believe. 15 Q. How long has he been your IT guy? Q. They are other client matters? 16 16 A. I don't know. 17 17 A. They appeared to be. Q. Is he with a company? 18 Q. Are these pulled from the same 18 19 program? 19 A. Yes. A. Some of them. 20 Q. What is the name of the company? 20 21 A. Binary --21 Q. What about the others? 22 Q. B.I --22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 A. N.A.R.Y. Q. Where do the others come from? 23 Q. Just Binary? 24 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 24 25 A. I am going to finish. 25 A. I don't know. 74 76 C. Rosada 1 1 C. Rosada 2 Q. When was the Amicus program in place? Q. I am sorry. I apologize? A. Platform. Platform or Platforms. I 3 A. I don't know. 3 4 Q. Was it in place in 2003? don't know if it is singular or plural. 5 A. Yes. 5 Q. And what is the address of Binary Q. So you had the ability to access that Platform? 6 6 program for billing information pertinent to a 7 7 A. I don't know. particular client? Q. Are they here in New York? 8 8 9 A. No. 9 A. Yes. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 10 Q. Any particular part of New York? 10 Q. What information could you access and A. They are on Long Island. 11 11 how could you access it? Q. Is that where we are today on Long 12 12 A. Some of my other partners didn't use 13 13 Island? the Amicus program for billing purpose, I did. 14 14 A. No, we are in Manhattan. 15 Q. Did Mr. Miller use the Amicus 15 Q. I don't know, that's why I am asking. program? 16 A. I don't know anything west of the 16 A. Not to my knowledge. 17 17 Hudson so... MS. GILBERT: In 2003. 18 18 Q. So I take it that your firm is in A. For billing purposes in my matter, in Long Island? 19 19 a matter that I brought into the firm, I input A. Yes. 20 20 that matter into the Amicus Attorney so I Q. I just know it is big, this place we 21 21 establish a matter because it is a calendering 22 22 are at. and billing program. If Mr. Miller worked on 23 23 A. Certainly a lot of people.

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that matter, he would input time right into

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Q. By virtue of the fact that the

records, the time records that you have there

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are different and they are represented to us

as being Mr. Miller's time records for matters

4 he handled in the time frame from April 1,

2003 through September 1, 2003, I take it he

6 was using a different billing system for other

viclients of his than was used in this

8 particular case?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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Q. That was because this was your matter, Mr. Rosada, that you brought in?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. The difference in bill was

15 historical.

Q. There is no need to be defensive. I am trying to understand why we have so many

18 different billing forms in this particular

19 case.

A. I am not being defensive. When I

21 said it's historical, I am trying to explain.

Q. Explain it for me.

A. The different billing packages were

historical. Before we were a firm, each of us

used a different billing software and then we

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carried it over to when we became a firm.

Q. Is that still the way you do things today?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Less so today.

Q. Just so I am clear and I can

understand why there are several different

formats that appear in that sheaf of bills for

Mr. Miller is because he used different

billing formats depending on a particular

12 client; is that correct?

A. If I understand the question yes.

Q. So some of the formats are

typewritten and some of them are handwritten, correct?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I think part of this -- I don't think

there would be handwritten bills. I think

20 these are supporting entries.

Q. That's how he logs his time when he creates a particular entry or performs the

23 service?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the matter.

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Q. What would depend on matter? What do

3 you mean by that?

A. If I brought a client to the firm,

5 that client would be automatically entered

6 into the Amicus program. Anybody in the firm

7 who worked on the program, whether Neil or I,

8 on a very rare occasion our other partner Lou,

9 that time would be entered directly in the

10 Amicus program.

Q. With regard to Mr. Miller's

12 professional --

A. Finish your question.

Q. With regard to Mr. Miller's rendering

professional services, it depended on thematter as to how he would keep track of th

matter as to how he would keep track of the time?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Again, if I understand your question,

o if Mr. Miller brought a client to the firm,

how he rendered his bills, I don't know

22 entirely what his custom and practice was in

23 **2003.**

Q. As you look at the bills in that time

frame, that spans the bills in front of you in

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Exhibit 3, does that account for why there are

3 so many different formats?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. When you say so many --

Q. Or several formats?

7 A. Again, if I understand your question,

8 the answer is yes.

Q. Thank you.

And I take it because of that you are

not able to get an idea or you are not able to use this Amicus to get a handle on what each

particular attorney is working on at any given

14 time; is that correct?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. That's correct.

Q. I am just trying to understand some

things, Mr. Rosado, that's all.

Mr. Rosada, with regard to the work

20 done by the Miller Rosado & Algios firm in

this particular case back in 2003, there was

22 pending in I believe the Federal District

Court for the Southern District of New York;

24 is that correct?

25 A. That's correct.



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2 Q. The particular matter that we are in today, involved in today taking your deposition, is in a different District Court?

A. Is that a question?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Yes.

A. Yes. 8

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9 Q. And it's the Eastern District; is 10 that correct?

A. That's correct.

Q. As a litigator, as an attorney 12 practicing in this particular area, have you 13 had experience in both courts? 14

15 A. Yes.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Does your custom and practice in 17 terms of how you handle a matter or how your 18 firm handles a matter differ depending on 19 20 whether it is the Federal District Court for the Southern District of New York or the 21 Federal District Court for the Eastern 22 District of New York? 23

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't believe so.

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as the matter your firm was retained to handle 2 on behalf of Mr. Meiresonne and his companies?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand the question.

6 Q. Are you familiar with the what

7 standard of care is for attorney handling the matter?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. What don't you understand about my question?

13 A. When you say standard of care, I am not sure what you are referring to. 14

Q. The standard of care handling a 15 matter for an attorney, that governs an 16 attorney's actions, governs his contact? 17

A. I don't understand.

Q. As to whether it meets the standard 19 of care? 20

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. You don't know what standard of care

23 is for an attorney practicing law in either of 24 these districts?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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Q. Would that be true with regard to your firm's handling of client matters?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. If there is distinction between Eastern District and Southern District?

7 Q. Yes, in terms of your custom and 8 practice.

A. I don't believe so.

Q. Okav.

Q. Would that also hold true for any 11 other attorney handling a matter in either the 12

Eastern District or Southern District?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know.

Q. Is the standard of care applicable to an attorney handling a matter on behalf of a client in either district court the same, as far as you know?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. To the extent I understand your question, it is the same.

Q. Are you familiar, sir, with what the 23 standard of care is or was in 2003 for an 24 attorney of your firm handling a matter such

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A. About having professional competent 2 representation? 3

4 Q. You certainly know what I am asking you, don't you?

A. No. Don't testify for me, sir.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Is it your opinion that an attorney 8 should have competence in handling a 9

substantive issue in the courts, in either 10

11 court that we have mentioned?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

14 Q. Again, do you know what that standard 15 of care is?

16 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

17 A. I don't understand your question, I'm sorry. 18

Q. Did you consider yourself competent 19

to handle the particular matter on behalf of 20

Mr. Meiresonne and his companies back in 2003? 21

A. Me, myself? 22

Q. Yes. 23

24 A. Yes.

Q. Did you consider Mr. Miller competent



85 1 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 2 to handle the matter back in 2003? 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3 A. Yes. 3 A. Correct. Q. Do you have any knowledge as to Q. Did you consider your firm competent whether or not there were any departures from to handle the matter on behalf of Mr. Meiresonne and his companies back in 2003? 6 the standard of care by Mr. Miller in regard 6 A. Yes. 7 to the two matters you just mentioned? 8 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 8 Q. I asked you previously if you had 9 reviewed any of the expert reports in this A. What two matters? Q. Regarding handling of the document case and you indicated that you had not; is 10 10 production and handling of the evidence at the 11 that correct? 11 12 A. I said not that I recall. 12 hearing. Q. Did you ever have any discussions 13 MS. GILBERT: Objection. 13 A. Not to my knowledge. with your expert that has been retained to 14 Q. That knowledge would come from what? 15 review the work done in this case? 15 A. My general understanding of the A. Not that I recall. 16 16 Q. Any communications of any kind with 17 17 cases. 18 Q. But not a review of anything that them? 18 19 happened during the critical times? 19 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 20 A. Not that I recall. 20 A. When you say critical times, I am not Q. Did anyone ever tell you what that 21 21 person's opinions were? 22 sure what you mean. Q. Let's say March 2003 until August of 23 MS. GILBERT: Objection. 23 2003. 24 A. Not that I recall. 24 25 Q. How about with regard to plaintiffs' 25 A. Okay. 86 1 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 2

expert, did anyone ever discuss with you those opinions?

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A. Not that I recall.

Q. Do you have any knowledge or understanding of what plaintiffs' claims are with regard to the allegations of negligence

on the part of Mr. Miller? 8

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. What is your understanding of what those allegations of negligence relate to?

A. My understanding of the claims in this action is that the plaintiffs are

alleging that Mr. Miller didn't adequately

supervise document production and/or didn't

introduce certain evidence in the damages 17 portion that would have changed the outcome of 18

the matter.

Q. Is that the extent of your knowledge?

A. That's my general understanding.

Q. I've heard you testify today that you

23 didn't review any correspondence or any other

e-mails other than what you have testified to

earlier, correct?

Q. Any idea what Mr. Miller did at that

time insofar as the production of documents? 3 4

A. Not that I recall sitting here today.

Q. Did you ever read the hearing

transcript in this case? 6

7 A. Not that I remember.

Q. So it would be your position that

your firm, Mr. Miller or your firm, did

nothing negligent in the handling of

11 Mr. Meiresonne's matter?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 12

A. Absolutely.

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14 Q. Absolutely what?

A. Absolutely not.

Q. Mr. Rosada, when was the first time 16

you were aware that there had been a problem

with regard to the production of documents in 18

19 this particular case?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

21 A. The date?

22 Q. Yes, sir.

A. I don't recall. 23

Q. Approximately. 24

A. I don't recall the date. 25



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Q. Do you have any approximate idea of the time when you first became aware of it?

MS. GILBERT: Objection.

He said he doesn't recall.

A. It would have been after the plaintiffs made their spoliation motion.

Q. So that would have been what,

,sometime in September or October 2003?

A. I don't know.

Q. How did you become aware of it?

12 A. Mr. Miller told me.

Q. What did he tell you?

A. That the plaintiffs had made a 14 spoliation motion. 15

Q. What specifically did he tell you? Did you read the motion?

A. At some point I read the motion.

Q. Would it have been in connection with 19 20 that conversation?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Or conversation shortly thereafter.

Q. Did you have any discussion with

Mr. Miller about that particular motion and

basis for the motion?

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2 would have told you no, what I reviewed today.

If you asked me any e-mails at any time, I

would have told you I don't recall.

Q. Did you and Mr. Miller communicate at all in writing about what had transpired?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't believe so.

Q. Did you and Mr. Miller communicate by computer about what had transpired?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't believe so.

13 Q. Did he send you a copy of a motion by computer to look at or did you pull it out of 14 the file? 15

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall.

Q. What did you do when you found out that the spoliation motion had been filed?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

I don't understand your question.

Q. After you found out that the

23 spoliation motion had been filed and related

24 to the document production that occurred

sometime in August 2003, what did you do?

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2 A. I am sure I did, but I don't recall 3 the particulars.

Q. Did you ask him what he had done in connection with the document production?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you ask him if he could -- if there were any -- did you look at any

9 correspondence in the time frame from March 2003 to the time that motion was filed? 10

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't believe so.

Q. And you didn't review any e-mails during that time frame?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall.

Q. When you said earlier you hadn't reviewed any e-mails except e-mails that the attorney produced, correct?

A. You were talking about in preparation for the deposition.

Q. I asked you previously whether you 22 reviewed any e-mails at any time. 23

24 A. If your question was any e-mails at any time in connection with this deposition, I C. Rosada

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall in particular, but I

probably discussed the matter with Neil.

Q. Is that the only person you discussed it with?

A. I am sure I discussed it at some

point with Mr. Meiresonne. Q. Why did you discuss it with

Mr. Meiresonne?

A. I was part of the case.

Q. Well, you weren't involved in that document production, were you? 13

A. No. I was not.

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. You told me Mr. Miller had been

supervising it, correct?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Yes.

20 Q. Why did you have a discussion with 21 Mr. Meiresonne?

A. Why?

23 Q. Yes.

A. Because I was part of the case.

Q. What do you remember about that

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A. I don't remember the particulars of

the conversation or conversations. It may 4

5 have been more than one.

Q. Did you ask him what had happened?

A. I don't believe I was the person

doing the questioning and answering.

Q. Who was?

A. Probably Mr. Miller.

Q. So if Mr. Miller was doing the

questioning and answering, why would you have 12

talked to Mr. Meiresonne? 13

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I was part of the conference call.

Q. As you sit here today, what do you

recall specifically about what gave rise to

the motion for spoliation motion? 18

A. My recollection is that there were 19 20

allegations that Mr. Meiresonne destroyed

documents in 2001 and again in 2003. 21

Q. When in 2003?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you have any conversations with 24

25 him about that?

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

3 A. I believe I did.

Q. What do you recall about those

conversations?

A. I don't recall the specifics of the

conversation.

Q. Did you provide any advice to

Mr. Meiresonne about the particular motion

that had been filed?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Independent of Mr. Miller, I don't 12

believe so.

Q. Did you provide any recommendations

to Mr. Meiresonne as to how he should respond to that motion or how your firm should respond

to that motion?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Independent of Mr. Miller, I don't

2.0 believe so.

Q. Did you provide any indication to

22 Mr. Meiresonne whether or not the motion was

something that he should concern himself with? 23

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall.

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Q. Did you have any discussion with

Mr. Meiresonne about whether or not there was 3

a document retention policy in place at his

company at that time?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you ever ask him to explain to

you what had happened with regard to the 8

documents that were allegedly destroyed in

July 2003 or in 2001? 10

> A. I don't know if I ever asked that question, but it was surely discussed.

Q. Do you ever recall telling him that

based on what he told you that it sounded like 14 a typical or normal way for a business person 15

to handle the discarding of documents? 16

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall ever having that

conversation. 19

Q. Is it possible you had that

conversation? 21

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

 Anything is possible, but certainly 23

24 doubtful.

Q. Why is that, sir?

A. Because that's not something I think

2 I would have said based on the facts as I

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understand them.

Q. Did you go back and review any of the

e-mails or correspondence leading up to the

document inspection that occurred at his

business in August of 2003? 8

A. Not that I recall.

10 Q. Did you ever make any inquiries about

11 that particular document inspection?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand your question.

Q. Did you ever ask Mr. Meiresonne about 14

that particular document inspection that 15

16 occurred at his business in August of 2003?

A. Like I said, during these conference

calls, one or more conference calls we 18

certainly discussed the background of the 19

document production, but I don't remember the 20

21 particulars of what was discussed.

22 Q. Did you discuss the aspects of that 23 document inspection at Mr. Meiresonne's

24 business in August of 2003 with Mr. Miller?

A. Independently of Mr. Meiresonne?



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3 for that document production? 4 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 5 Q. Or inspection? 6 A. I found out subsequent that he was not present at the production in Michigan. 7 Q. How did you find that out? 8 9 A. I believe Mr. Miller told me. Q. Did that cause you any concern? 10 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 11 12 A. No. 13 Q. It didn't cause you any concern? 14 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 15 16 Q. Why not? 17 MS. GILBERT: Objection. A. I don't know how to answer that 18 19 question. 20 Q. You didn't see any reason for him to be present at that document production? 21 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 22 23 A. Not based on the conversations I had 24 with Mr. Miller. Q. What conversations did you have with 25 C. Rosada 1 Mr. Miller? 2 A. He told me at some point what went on 3 with the document production. 5 Q. What did he tell you? 6 A. I don't remember the particulars. 7 Q. Did you write it down? A. No. 8 Q. Did you have any communication with 9

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Q. Did you determine if he was present

Q. So how were you able to render an opinion if you didn't know what the facts were? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. Who said I didn't know what the facts were Q. Did you know what the facts were? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. I knew what they explained to me and I rendered an opinion --Q. What did they explain to you? A. I don't recall the particulars of the conversations. Q. Do you recall the generalities? A. Yes. Q. What do you recall? A. I recall discussing the spoliation motion. Q. Did you ask Mr. Miller about how he handled the document inspection at Mr. Meiresonne's business in August of 2003?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. No.
Q. Did you make any claim or give notice of any kind to your insurance carrier following the filing of this motion?
MS. GILBERT: Objection.
A. No.
Q. Why not?
MS. GILBERT: Objection.
A. I didn't think I had reason to.
Q. And you don't recall looking at any of the communications that went back and forth between Mr. Meiresonne and Mr. Miller?
MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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this motion for spoliation motion?



A. I don't recall.

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Q. In the days leading up to that

document production --3

MS. GILBERT: Objection.

A. The answer is still going to be no.

6 Q. Did you have any involvement with the preparation of the response for the motion?

A. Other than probably reviewing it once

9 Neil drafted it, no.

10 Q. What exactly would you review it for 11 if you didn't know what had happened?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

13 A. I can still read it for persuasive

grammar, various other issues to see whether

or not it was legally persuasive and cited the 16 law correctly, et cetera.

17 Q. Did you have any communications with

18 Mr. Rittenger or anyone from his firm after

the motion had been filed? 19

A. Regarding the motion?

Q. Yes, sir. 21

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23 Q. Regarding what led to the motion?

24 A. No.

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Q. Did you play any role in the hearing

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that was held after the motion was filed?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Why not?

A. Because Mr. Miller was handling the 5

matter for the firm.

7 Q. Did you provide any advice to

Mr. Meiresonne about how that hearing should 8

9 be handled?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

11 A. Not that I recall.

12 Q. Did you discuss with Mr. Miller any

13 aspects of the introduction of evidence at

14 that hearing?

A. Not that I recall.

Q. After the decision by the judge came

down, did you have any involvement in this 17

18 matter?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. What was your involvement in this

matter at that point?

23 A. I believe I had subsequent

24 conversations with Mr. Meiresonne and

Mr. Miller regarding the ramifications of the

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2 decision.

3 Q. What do you recall discussing with

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A. I don't think I recall the

6 particulars.

Q. Did you write any letters or other

8 correspondence to Mr. Meiresonne about what he

should or shouldn't do?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 10

11 A. Not that I recall.

12 Q. Did you discuss with him whether or

13 not he should appeal the matter?

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did you discuss either of the those 15

16 concepts with Mr. Miller?

17 A. Not that I recall.

18 Q. Did you ever research the matter to

determine if, in fact, he had a basis for 19

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21 A. I don't think I did any research.

Q. Did Mr. Miller? 22

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23

24 A. I don't know.

Q. Would that have been something you

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would have discussed with Mr. Miller?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3

A. It may have.

Q. Did you have any discussions with

Mr. Rittenger or anyone from his firm after

the decision came down?

A. I believe so.

Q. What were the circumstances

surrounding those executions? 10

A. I believe I had one or two

conversations with Mr. Rittenger about trying 12

13 to settle the action.

14 Q. And what do you remember about those

discussions? 15

A. I don't remember anything about them.

Q. What did he tell you in response to 17

those communications? 18

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't remember.

Q. Why would you have been discussing it

22 with Mr. Rittenger if Mr. Miller had been

handling it? 23

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know why I participated in



107 105 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 this particular aspect of it. I don't know. 2 about what happened that gave you a basis or I don't recall I should say. 3 4 A. I knew what happened based on reading Q. Had you talked to Mr. Meiresonne the decision and reading the papers. I am a about settlement before talking to 5 6 fairly strong negotiator so I think the point Mr. Rittenger? 6 was have me at least broach the subject with 7 7 A. Absolutely. 8 8 Q. Did you have specific authority? 9 Q. Before you bothered to broach the 9 A. I don't think we discussed a number. 10 I think we were trying to broach the subject 10 subject of settlement with Mr. Rittenger, did 11 you review anything or come to any conclusions 11 of settlement. 12 about what Mr. Meiresonne's exposure was in 12 Q. So you had no authority to --13 the case? specific authority on settlement, but you just 13 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. wanted to discuss with Rittenger whether or 14 14 A. Like I said, we certainly reviewed 15 not he would settle? 15 the decision and the underlying motion papers. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 16 16 Do I remember the details of 17 17 A. Not what I wanted to do. 18 everything, no. I do not. 18 Q. Who wanted to do that? Q. You didn't really answer my question. 19 A. The client. 19 20 Q. So you are telling me it was his 2.0 A. I certainly did. 21 Q. Before you had this discussion about 21 decision to settle? 22 settlement with Mr. Rittenger, did you make 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 any -- did you investigate what the potential 23 A. It is always the client's decision at 24 exposure to Mr. Meiresonne was? the end of the day to take certain steps in 24 25 A. Did I personally? 25 litigation. 106 108 1 C. Rosada I C. Rosada 2 I am trying to talk and you are 2 Q. Yes. sir? interrupting. 3 A. No, I didn't personally. 3 4 Q. My apologies, go ahead and talk. 4 Q. Did Mr. Miller? 5 A. I remember having a discussion with 5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Mr. Meiresonne after the decision came down 6 A. I know that there was an 6 7 and at some point the issue about settlement 7 investigation about damages. I don't know came up, and it was decided that I would make when that occurred. 8 8 Q. Who did the investigation on damages? the overture and call Mr. Rittenger just to 9 9 broach the subject about settlement, to feel 10 A. Mr. Miller. 10 them out. There was no settlement authority, 11 Q. Did you review that? 11 A. At some point in time, ves. there was no nothing, just to open up dialogue 12 Q. Did you agree with it? 13 about settlement. 13 14 Q. Again I am curious why you had that 14 A. I don't recall. 15 discussion? 15 Q. Did you then go back to 16 A. I don't remember, but it was a joint 16 Mr. Meiresonne and discuss with him what his decision. I think Mr. Meiresonne, Mr. Miller potential exposure was? 17 17 and myself had a discussion and they said why A. I don't remember the sequence. I 18 18 don't you give Mr. Rittenger a call. don't know if I had a discussion with him 19 19 Q. Did you have some particular or 20 before, after. I don't remember. 20 unique expertise or quality that allowed you Q. Let me ask you: When you first took 21 21 to discuss this matter with Mr. Rittenger? this matter on, did you have any discussions 22 22

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A. No.

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Did you have any particular knowledge

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with Mr. Meiresonne about the exposure to his

company presented by that lawsuit?

A. I don't recall.

Christopher Rosado October 26, 111 109 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 Q. Again, specifically with regard to 2 Q. Is that something that as a matter of 2 your custom and practice you would do? this settlement, the settlement overtures and this negotiating that you were going to do A. It would depend on the matter. with Mr. Rittenger, you don't recall having Q. In this matter, is it something that 5 6 any specific authority? 6 you would expect to do? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 7 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 7 8 A. I don't recall. Q. Based on your custom and practice? 8 9 Q. Did Mr. Rittenger ever indicate to MS. GILBERT: Objection. 9 you what their position was regarding A. I don't think in the initial meeting 10 1.0 settlement? 11 we discussed damages. We didn't have the full 11 A. I am sure they did at some point, but file. We didn't have all the facts at hand. 12 12 At the time we probably just had the summons 13 I don't recall when that was. 13 Q. Did he ever make a demand to you? 14 and complaint, maybe the answer, so I don't 14 A. I don't remember him ever making a 15 recall. 15 demand to me personally, no. Q. So do you know this Mr. Schaefer, the 16 16 gentleman who wrote some memorandums about 17 Q. Did there ever come a time when you 17 copyright law on behalf of your firm in July made an attempt to determine what 18 Mr. Meiresonne's exposure was and advise him and August 2003? 19 accordingly? A. Do I know him, no. 20 20 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 21 21 Q. Did you ever have any dealings with 22 him? 22 A. Did I? Q. Yes. 23 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 24 A. He dealt pretty much exclusively with 24 A. No. 25 Mr. Miller. 25 Q. Did Neil Miller ever do that? 110 112 1 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. Did you read the memorandums he had 2 prepared? 3 A. I believe so. A. Yes. 4 Q. Was that something you were privy to? 4

Q. At the time he prepared them, was he

a lawyer? 6

A. No.

8 Q. What was he?

9 A. He was a law student.

Q. Do you know what year he was in or 10

11 had finished?

12 A. I don't recall.

Q. Does first year ring a bell?

14 A. I don't recall.

15 Q. Was he someone who did research for

your firm?

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A. He did some work for Mr. Miller.

Q. Not for you? 18

A. Not for me directly. He did it at

20 the request of Mr. Miller.

Q. Was he on salary or was he paid by

the firm, an employee of the firm or an

23 independent contractor?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. He wasn't an employee of the firm.

5 A. I don't understand the question.

Q. Was it something you were aware of? 6 7 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

8 A. That Mr. Miller was taking account of

9 the damages, yes, sir.

10 Q. Did you ever make an offer to

11 Mr. Rittenger?

A. I don't believe I did. 12

Q. Who did?

A. I don't know if anybody did, but I 14

don't believe I did, though. 15

MR. EMRICH: Let's take a short 16

17 break.

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18 (Recess taken.)

MR. EMRICH: Back on the record.

Q. Mr. Rosada, I would like to ask you

21 some questions about the specifics of the

22 billing in this case.

A. Okay.

Q. You talked about the fact that you 24

were able to or that because you brought this



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113 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 2 Q. Did he replenish any retainers that matter to the firm you received 25 percent of all billings; is that correct? 3 needed to be replenish when he was asked to 3 replenish them? A. Net billings. 5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. What does that mean? 5 6 A. He was never asked to replenish a A. Less disbursements on the case. 6 7 retainer. Q. Do you have any idea what is billed 7 Q. Did he pay any retainer you asked him 8 in this case over the course of the 8 to pay in a timely manner? 9 9 representation? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 10 A. No. 10 A. I believe the only one I asked him to Q. Does \$450,000 ring a bell? 11 11 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 12 pay was the initial one. 12 13 Q. Do you know if other retainers were 13 paid? 14 Q. With respect to the billing, 14 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 15 according to your letter, billings were to be 15 A. I believe Mr. Meiresonne advance paid 16 sent on a monthly basis; is that correct? 16 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 17 fees. 17 Q. And at whose request was that? 18 18 A. I don't remember if it is a periodic MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 19 basis. 19 Q. So, again, if it says that in your 20 A. It would have been at 20 letter, is that something that again doesn't 21 Mr. Meiresonne's request. 21 Q. Do you know why? 22 mean what it says? 22 A. When you say again doesn't mean what 23 A. I do not know why. 23 24 Q. So there no issues with regard to it says, I don't know what you mean by that. 24 payment in this case by Mr. Meiresonne? 25 Q. I am sure you don't? 25 114 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection. 2 MR. EMRICH: I will withdraw the 3 A. Not that I recall. 3 4 comment. 4 5 BY MR. EMRICH: Q. As part of your responsibilities in 6 6 this case with billing, did you determine or 7 attempt to determine if bills were sent on a 8 monthly basis? 9 9 A. I don't recall. 10 10

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. Were there any billing disputes with Mr. Meiresonne in this case? A. I don't believe there was a billing dispute. I believe that there was a mistake on one of the bills that sometime during the course of our representation our hourly rate had changed and the default rate was with what started to get billed to Mr. Meiresonne. The 11 new higher default rate started getting billed 12 to him by accident. It was an oversight on 13 our part. Mr. Meiresonne noted it at one 14 15 point and we refunded the discrepancy. 16 Q. So in other words, you were over 17 billing him? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 18 A. No, we were not purposely over 19 billing him. It was a mistake. 20 Q. Let me ask you this --21 A. I am trying to answer. 22 MS. GILBERT: Please let him finish 23 24 MR. EMRICH: My apologies.

A. As I explained to you, during the

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A. I don't recall.

A. I don't believe so.

A. I don't believe so.

Q. Do you know if they were?

Q. If the letter that you sent, marked

as Exhibit 1, says bills were to go out on a

Q. Were all of your bills paid in a

timely fashion by Mr. Meiresonne?

you asked for in a timely fashion?

monthly basis and they didn't, why would that

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Q. Did he provide you whatever retainers

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't believe they were.

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hourly rate increased. That increase is

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entered into the Amicus program. Somehow,

again I am not expert on the program, that got

carried over to his bill. So for part of the

time entries he got billed at the higher rate,

and I did not realize it when the bill went

out. Mr. Meiresonne picked it up and he was

10 correct and I refunded the error to him

11 immediately.

> Q. So, in other words, you were billing him more than you had agreed to bill him?

> > MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

15 A. Again, not on purpose.

Q. I don't care whether it was on

17 purpose on not. 18

A. I am explaining to you. You keep interrupting me. It makes it very difficult

to testify. I don't interrupt you when you

are asking questions. 21

Q. My apologies.

A. Like I told you, we had a new rate

that got entered as a default rate in the program. That default rate got applied to his

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bill at that juncture. That's what occurred.

Q. This was again something that would have appeared in the bills that you reviewed

5 for accuracy before they went out? 6

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would have been in the bills that I reviewed, correct.

Q. Apparently you didn't catch it? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I apparently did not catch it, correct

Q. Did you ever have any discussions with Mr. Meiresonne or were you ever privy to any discussions with Mr. Meiresonne where he asked you not to pursue a particular task due to the cost of that task?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. With me, not that I recall.

Q. So far as you know, that was not an issue with any matters that you were doing?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

23 A. I said I never had a conversation 24 with Mr. Meiresonne to that effect.

Q. Did anyone else in the firm?

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know.

4 Q. With regard to your firm's computer

system, who was responsible for maintaining

6 this in 2003?

A. I don't recall.

8 Q. Among the three of you, were either

of you -- did you have any particular

responsibility with regard to the maintenance 10

of the computer system? 11

12 A. No.

13 Q. So neither you nor Mr. Miller nor

Mr. Algios had any particular specialized

knowledge in dealing with it? 15

A. No.

17 Q. Did you have an IT person on staff?

A. No.

Q. You had this Mr. -- what was his name 19

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21 A. Delaura.

22 Q. Was he in place back in 2003?

23 A. I don't know.

24 Q. Do you know who was?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

C. Rosada A. I don't recall.

Q. What kind of computer system did you

have back in 2003?

5 A. I don't know.

Q. Is it the same system that's in place

7 today?

A. I don't believe so.

9 Q. When was it replaced?

10 A. I don't recall.

11 Q. What kind of system was put in?

12 A. I don't know.

Q. What kind of -- does your firm --

14 strike that.

Does your firm have a policy 15

regarding the preservation of any electronic 16 data or information on your computer system? 17

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand the question.

Q. How are the electronic communications

that occur on your computer preserved? 21

A. E-mails?

Q. Any electronic communications? 23

A. I don't understand electronic

25 communication.



123 121 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 2 That's not what he said. 2 Q. Let's start with e-mails. A. We have a hosting service. 3 A. I didn't say that at all. Q. Who hosts it? 4 Q. What is the policy? 5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. I believe it is called Web Host. 6 A. Again, we retain -- when you are 6 Q. How long have they hosted it? 7 talking about -- I don't understand the term 7 A. I don't recall. electronic communication entirely. But we Q. Do you back up your computer system 9 retain things on our backup drive. They are 9 on a regular basis? saved to our server. I don't believe e-mails 10 A. Yes. 10 are saved to our server. And we have a backup 11 Q. How long has that been done? 11 12 A. I don't recall. 12 of that server. 13 Q. Was it being done in 2003? 13 Q. Did you, yourself, ever make any attempt to recover any e-mails that may have A. I don't recall. 14 14 15 gone back and forth between Mr. Miller and 15 Q. Are those records maintained by 16 Mr. Meiresonne going back to 2003 to present? anvone? 16 17 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 17 A. When you say maintained by anyone --18 A. Yes. Q. The data backup. 18 19 Q. What efforts did you take? 19 A. We have a backup drive or server, 20 something like that. 20 A. I looked at our web hosting to see 21 Q. Who maintains that? 21 whether or not I had an e-mail. 22 A. Currently? 22 Q. Would that have been true with regard 23 Q. Yes. 23 to any e-mails between you and Mr. Miller? 24 A. There were no e-mails between me and A. Mr. Delaura. 24 Mr. Miller. Q. Who would have maintained it back in 25 25 122 124 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 2003? 2 Q. So there was a particular document 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3 3 that you looked at? A. Whoever the IT guy was in 2003. 4 4 A. No. 5 Q. How did you maintain any client 5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 6 documents that were stored on those computers? 6 A. I think my counsel asked me if I had 7 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 7 any e-mails regarding this matter, and I 8 A. I don't understand the question. looked on my e-mail host to see if I had any. 8 Q. Is there any policy for preserving 9 9 Q. Were you ever aware that what's on your computer system, client 10 10 Mr. Meiresonne had communicated to Mr. Miller that a number of documents had been discarded 11 materials, documents or like? 11 in 2001? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 12 12 13 A. We have a backup server. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 13 Q. Do you retain tapes, do you retain A. Ever at any time? 14 14 15 disks, anything of that sort? 15 Q. Yes, sir. 16 A. I don't know what the standard 16 A. Yes. 17 practice is. Q. When were you made aware of that? 17 18 Q. Who would know in your firm? A. I believe sometime after the 18 A. The IT person. He is not with our spoliation motion. 19 19 firm, but the IT person would know. Q. Did you ever determine when that 20 20 Q. What I am hearing you say then is 21 21 disclosure was made to Mr. Miller? that there really isn't an established firm A. I believe it was sometime after the 22 22 23 policy for preserving electronic data at your spoliation motion. 23 24 firm? 24 Q. Did you ever see any e-mails between MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Mr. Meiresonne and Mr. Miller that would have 25 25



125 C. Rosada 1 been dated in March or April 2003 in which Mr. Meiresonne indicated to Mr. Miller that certain documents had been discarded at some point in time prior to that date? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 6 7 A. Not that I recall. 8 Q. Do you know if Mr. Miller was ever made aware or ever acknowledged being aware of 9 those facts in March or April 2003? 10 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 11 12 A. I didn't understand the question. 13 Can you read that back? 14 (Record read.) 15 A. Not to my knowledge. Q. With respect to the handling of the 16 defense of this case, did you and Mr. Miller 17 discuss strategy? 18 A. On occasion. 19 Q. Do you recall specifically what was 20 discussed? 21 22 A. I do not. 23 Q. In the e-mail of March 27th that you 24 sent to Mr. Meiresonne that we talked about earlier that's marked Exhibit 2, and we talked 126

127 C. Rosada It's hard to understand your questions. 3 MR. EMRICH: Strike that. Q. Let's do this: Would you agree that 4 it is reasonable and prudent to advise a client to not destroy potentially relevant 6 7 documents? 8 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 9 A. It would depend on the matter. Q. I am talking about a matter such as 10 this matter that you were retained to handle 11 pending in these courts, in this court that it 12 13 was pending in in 2003? 14 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. During the pendency of the 15 litigation? 16 Q. Yes, sir. 17 A. Yes. 18 19 Q. You had told us that was done in this conversation that you allegedly had with Mr. Meiresonne; is that correct? 21 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 22 A. Absolutely. 23 Q. You have told me it is not your 24

practice to send a litigation hold letter; is

1 C. Rosada about a discovery strategy, was that ever 3 discussed with Mr. Meiresonne by you? 4 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 5 A. No. Q. Again, what kind of strategy would 7 you have followed in this particular case? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 8 A. I would have to review documents 10 again. I don't recall. 11 Q. Again, there is no dispute in your mind that an attorney such as yourself 12 practicing in 2003 in this area who -- strike 13 14 that. 15 Let me ask you this: There is no dispute in your mind that Mr. Meiresonne or 16 any other client that you handled a matter for should be advised that any and all documents 18 in their possession that may or may not be 19 relevant to a case should be preserved; is 20 21 that correct? 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 If you can understand it, you can

A. Can I have the question read back.

1 C. Rosada that correct? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3 4 A. That's correct. Q. And do you know if Mr. Miller ever 5 sent such a letter here? 6 7 A. I don't know. 8 Q. Is it his practice to do that? 9 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. You would have to ask Mr. Miller. 10 11 Q. Does the firm have a different practice in regards to sending litigation hold 12 13 letters? 14 A. Not to my knowledge. Q. As a matter of your custom and 15 practice in the course of handling matters such as the matter in this case, that you 17 learn in the course of that matter that your 18 client has destroyed or discarded potentially 19 relevant documents, what is your -- what do 20 21 you do? 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 23 Q. What action do you take? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It depends on the matter.

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Q. Is it your custom and practice in a

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the particulars of the matter.

Q. What particulars would warrant your participation?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. The size of the discovery, the location of the client, what the client's desires were.

Q. The size, explain that for me. MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. How voluminous the production was or wasn't.

Q. If it is voluminous, would you want to be present?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't know, but that would be a consideration.

Q. And when you said the location of the client, what does that have to do with it?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Whether the client would be willing to incur the cost of me going to wherever he

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Q. Assuming that would be?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. That would be one of the factors we consider.

Q. If they were willing to have you present, I take it you would be present?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

That's not what he said.

A. How many times am I going to tell you that it's the totally of the circumstances.

It depends on the facts of a particular 13

matter. I don't know how to answer any other 14 15 way.

Q. If a client didn't want you to be 16 present, what steps would you take with 17

respect to a document inspection or client

documents being reviewed by the other counsel? 19

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

21 A. It would depend on the particulars of 22 the matter.

Q. Would you advise them as to how to 23

handle inspection or production of documents 24 for inspection? 25

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MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the particulars of 3 the matter. 4

Q. Would you provide advice to them as to how that is to be handled?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

8 A. It would depend on the particulars of 9 the matter.

Q. What particulars?

MS. GILBERT: Objection.

A. Do they have other counsel, how extensive the production was, how meritorious other case was, what is at issue. There are so many different facts that would go into it. It is not a one size fits all philosophy.

Q. So are you telling me then that whether or not you advise a client about a particular inspection would depend on the factors that you have just indicated?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Amonast others.

Q. What are the others?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 24

A. I don't know.

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Q. Let me ask you, can you envision a 2 situation where you would allow a substantial 3 number of documents, say 30,000 documents or more, to be inspected at your client's place of business by the other side where you would

not be present? 7 8

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. It would depend on the particulars of the matter.

11 Q. I asked you to envision where you wouldn't want to be present. 12

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Lunderstand what you said. I gave 14 you the answer. 15

Q. All right. Would you instruct your 16 client to not produce documents or not allow 17 the other side to take the documents that were 18 inspected if you were not there? 19

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. It would depend on the particulars of 22 the matter what my instructions would be.

Q. Have you ever turned over documents to the other side in a litigation without reviewing them?



139 137 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 MR. EMRICH: Sure (handing). 2 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. Have you ever seen that document A. Not that I recall. 3 3 4 Q. I want you to assume that your client told you they did not want to pay for you to 5 A. Not that I recall. 5 6 Q. Do you know what it is? be there for this document production. I want 7 A. It's an article. you to assume that they did not have other Q. Where does that article appear? 8 counsel working on the matter. I want you to 9 A. I have no idea. assume that the client was looking to you or 10 Q. Does it say on the article where it your firm or whoever is handling the matter on 10 appears? your behalf with respect to how a document 11 A. There is a name on it. I don't know production or inspection at their place of 12 12 business by other side was to be handled, what 13 where it appeared. 13 14 Q. What is the name? would you do, what steps would you take? 14 A. Are you going to ask me to read the MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 15 15 New York Law Journal? 16 A. It would depend on the particulars of 16 Q. Is the New York Law Journal an 17 17 the matter. authoritative publication? 18 18 Q. What advice would you give? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 19 19 MS, GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. I have no idea. A. It would depend on the particulars of 20 20 Q. If I were to tell you that that 21 the matter. 21 22 document was provided by your law firm in Q. What particulars of the matter would 2.2 response to a document production that we sent 23 guide your advice? 23 to your firm, do you have any idea or 24 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 24 A. There are a myriad of factors. explanation why it would be in the file? 25 25 138 140 C. Rosada C. Rosada 1 1 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 2 2 Q. What are the factors? 3 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3 Q. I am going to read a statement to you A. You keep asking me the same question 4 and I am going to ask you if you agree with it 5 over and over and over, and you are going to from this document. get the same answer. 6 6 7 Would you agree with me that the 7 Q. Okay. document is entitled, "Spoliation of Evidence: Do you have any idea in this case 8 Attorneys Beware," correct? what was reviewed by counsel for the other 9 9 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. side in the document production at issue in 10 10 A. That's what it looks like. this case in August of 2003? 11 11 Q. Do you know Edward Spiro? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 12 12 A. No. 13 A. No. 13 Q. Do you have any knowledge as to Q. Do you have any idea who he is? 14 14 A. The answer would still be no. whether there was any recording or 15 15 inventorying of what was reviewed by the other 16 Q. Do you know of the law firm Morvillo 16 Abramowitz Grand Iason & Silberberg? 17 side? 17 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 18 A. No. 18 Q. Have you ever read his publication, 19 19 A. No. "Civil Practice in the Southern District of (NY Law Journal Article was 20 20 New York, Second Edition"? marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 5 21 21 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 22 for identification.) 22 Q. Mr. Rosada, I am going to show you 23 A. Not that I recall. 23 Q. Is the Southern District of New York what I have marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 5. 24

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MS. GILBERT: Do you have a copy?

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A. Are you talking about the Thomas
matter?

Q. Yes.
A. Yes.

Q. I will read this statement to you,
"This standard places a heavy burden" -MS. GILBERT: Sorry to interrupt,
but where you are reading from?

MR. EMRICH: I am reading from the second paragraph in the right-hand column of the article on the first page of the article.

Q. "This standard places a heavy burden on potential litigants to identify and preserve potentially relevant documents at the earliest sign that litigation is likely."

Would you agree with that statement?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

Are you trying to ask me to comment

A. Are you trying to ask me to comment on a line taken out of context in an article I've never read or seen before?

I want to make sure I understand thequestion.

Q. Yes, I am asking would you agree with

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Q. You would not agree with that?

3 A. No.

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4 Q. Okay.

Q. When did you put your insurancecarrier on notice of the claim in this case?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall.

Q. Would you have been the one that did that?

A. I don't recall.

Q. Did you ever discuss with

13 Mr. Meiresonne the possibility that your firm

had a conflict of interest after thespoliation motion had been filed?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did you ever have this discussion

19 with him at any time?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Could you envision any circumstance arising that would have prevented your firm

from continuing with the matter after that

spoliation motion was filed based on a

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2 that?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I guess on the most general level, I

5 would say yes.

Q. "Companies that have document retention destruction policies must ensure that documents which would be destroyed in the

that documents which would be destroyed in theordinary course of business are retained and

careful attention must be paid to preserving electronic evidence, including e-mails and

other information stored on backup tapes."

Would you agree with that statement? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. You can answer.

A. I don't know how I would answer that.

Q. So no agreement or disagreement?

A. Yes, I don't know how I would answer that question.

Q. Would you agree with this statement, "It is not sufficient for an attorney merely

to inform his or her client of the duty to

23 preserve evidence"?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

25 A. No.

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conflict of interest?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

If you understand, you can answer.

A. I don't know how to answer that question.

Q. I may have asked you this, but did you review the transcript of the hearing in

9 this case?

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did you ever ask Mr. Miller if the

12 court asked him at the hearing whether or not

13 he was aware that documents had been destroyed

14 by Mr. Meiresonne?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. Not that I recall.

Q. Did Mr. Miller ever tell you that he

18 had told the court that he was never not aware

of documents having been destroyed?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't understand the question.

Can you repeat it?

23 (Record read.)

Q. That he was not aware of documents

25 having been destroyed.



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2	A. I don't recall.	2	MR. EMRICH: I sure will. It is
3	Q. You brought with you a folder today?	3	part of a chain of e-mails. It looks like
4	A. Yes.	4	it is dated
5	Q. What is in that folder?	5	THE WITNESS: It is impossible to
6	A. Some client documents.	6	tell, but the top date is February 12,
7	Q. So it doesn't have anything to do	7	2003.
8	with this case?	8	BY EMRICH:
9	A. Nothing.	9	Q. On the other side of that it
10	MR. EMRICH: Why don't we take a	10	indicates Mike is telling this other lawyer
11	recess and you can get the e-mails that we	11	that you are to be the lead attorney on the
12	talked about and I will review my notes	12	file when it comes over to your firm.
13	and we can decide where we are going.	13	Do you see that in that e-mail?
14	(Recess taken.)	14	A. I do.
15	(E-mails were marked as	15	Q. Would that describe your role in this
16	Plaintiffs' Exhibit 6 for	16	case?
17	identification.)	17	MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.
18	MR. EMRICH: Mr. Rosada, we are	18	A. The answer is no.
19	going back on record for just a couple	19	Q. Fine.
20	more questions.	20	Now, with respect to the invoices
21	Q. Mr. Rosada, I am going to show you	21	that we have looked at, are you able in
22	what we have marked as Exhibit 6. Your	22	looking at those, can you tell me how much
23	counsel provided those to me and indicated to	23	Mike would have paid your law firm in, let's
24	me that those are copies of the e-mails that	24	say, 2003?
25	you would have reviewed prior to today's	25	A. Not easily. I would have to go back
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149 1 C. Rosada 2 was having retainers for some reason. Q. You certainly keep track of those? 3 A. Correct. 5 Q. They are kept track on the bills to 6 show him what his account balance is, retainer 7 balance is? A. Right. 8 Q. Do they show that? 9 A. There are balances the retainer 10 11 showed. 12 Q. Consistent with the numbers that I 13 have given you? 14 A. I don't know. I can't tie it into 15 the numbers you gave me.

Q. Do the bills in front of you reflect 16

a payment \$50,000 made on December 15, 2003? 17 18

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

19 A. Again, it wouldn't have been a payment on a particular bill. Mike was paying 20

advance retainers. 21

22 Q. So how can I find out, if I can't

23 look at your bills, how much you would have

24 billed Mike for your firm's services?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

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A. You can certainly see how much we billed him.

Q. By looking at those documents?

5 A. Yes.

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6 Q. Can you tell us what you billed? 7 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

8 A. You want me to go bill by bill?

9 Q. However you want to do it. Just tell 10

11 A. On the bill on April 2, 2004 we billed him \$95,125 in legal fees --12

Q. Is that your first bill?

14 A. You keep interrupting me.

15 Q. I'm sorry.

16 A. -- and \$6,248 in disbursements. I don't know what my first bill was or wasn't. 17

MR. MEIRESONNE: Off the record. 18 19

(Discussion held off the record.)

20 A. All I know is these are bills we had we produced in discovery.

22 Q. Looking at those bills again, can you 23 tell me coming back what each bill and what

you billed reflects? 25

A. The summary page is in front and the

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2 time charges are in back.

3 Q. Tick off what each bill provides.

MS. GILBERT: What are asking,

total?

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6 BY MR. EMRICH:

Q. Read the amounts billed in a

8 particular bill.

A. On April 2, 2004 billed \$95,125.

10 Q. Does it say the period that included?

A. It tells when it's through, March 31.

12 2004. The first time charges on that one is

August 4, 2003.. 13

Q. Okav?

15 A. The next one --

Q. Before you go to the next one, I take 16 it then there wouldn't have been monthly bills 17 18

from August of 2003 to April 2004?

MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form.

A. I don't recall.

Q. Okav. 21

22 A. The next bill -- I mean, these bills

23 are not sequential. They are not in time

order. But there is, I think, an overall bill

from the inception of the litigation that we

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did some kind of aggregate to Mike at his

request apparently. 3

Q. What is the date of that?

A. April 12, 2007.

Q. What does it say?

7 MS. GILBERT: Identify the Bates

8 number.

9 A. 00022, April 12, 2007, it says total

amount remitted to Miller Rosado & Algios.

Those would have been monies that he put into 11

escrow with us, advance retainers. We put it 12

into an interest bearing account, and interest 13

14 accrued on it.

And we refunded part of the retainer to him in the amount of 200,000, and the fees 16 and expenses that were billed through March

18 31, 2006, \$201,605.50. 19

Q. You say you refunded \$200,000 to him?

A. That's what I said.

21 Q. I am just asking you.

A. And I am just answering you.

23 Q. I know you are.

After that, were there additional

25 bills?



153 155 1 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 2 MS. GILBERT: After April 12, 2007? 2 And there are time sheets in back. MR. EMRICH: Yes. 3 Q. So if my math is it correct, I have 3 somewhere in the neighborhood of \$278,000 in A. That's the summary statement. The 4 5 legal fees billed; is that correct? 5 bill on April 12th talks about the current 6 A. I didn't do the math. balance of retainer 54,000, a bill of 7 53,462.50 for legal fees. MS. GILBERT: Objection. 7 8 Q. Okay, you can back to the record and 8 MS. GILBERT: What's the Bates 9 number? 9 look at it later. 10 THE WITNESS: 23. 1.0 MR. EMRICH: Mark that, please. 11 (Bill was marked as 11 BY MR. EMRICH: 12 Plaintiffs' Exhibit 7 for 12 Q. Would that be in addition or over and identification.) above the \$201,000 you referenced? 1.3 13 Q. I am going to show you what we have A. Yes. 14 14 marked Exhibit 7? Q. What was that amount again? 15 15 MS. GILBERT: We will have to make a A. 54,787.75 -- I'm sorry, that was the 16 16 balance of the retainer. It was 53,462.50 and 17 copy for you. 17 Q. Take a look at that, Mr. Rosada. 18 \$347.46 for disbursements. 18 19 Q. Thank you. 19 (Witness complies.) 20 Any other bills after that point? 20 Q. What date is on that bill or what is A. After April 12, 2007? 21 it? 21 22 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 22 Q. Yes. 23 Q. What is it? A. No, the other bills are prior to. 23 A. It's a bill. Q. I'm sorry, they are not in sequential 24 24 Q. And the date of bill? 25 order. If you would just go through them. 25 154 156 1 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 2 A. There is a June 4, 2007 bill. 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection to form. 3 Q. That would have been before the 3 A. August 18, 2003. 4 August bill? 4 Q. What period does it cover? 5 A. That would have been after. The last 5 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. bill that we just talked about was April. 6 6 A. January 27, 2003 through July 31, 7 This would have been after. 7 2003. 8 Q. All right. 8 Q. Would that be your initial bill? A. \$10.687.50 in legal feels and \$948 in MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 9 9 disbursements, Bates number 37. 10 10 A. I don't recall. There was a July bill showing a Q. How much did you bill for legal 11 11 previous balance and then legal fees of 12 12 services in that bill? 13 \$9,625. And that's it. 13 A. My firm billed \$24,187.50 in legal 14 Q. Okay. 14 fees and \$62 in disbursements. 15 MS. GILBERT: That's Miller 41? 15 Q. Thank you. MR. EMRICH: Yes. Do you know when your firm's services 16 16 17 BY MR. EMRICH: were terminated in this case? 17 Q. Anything after that? A. No, I don't recall. 18 18 A. There is an August bill showing a Q. Just so I am clear and understanding 19 19 prior balance and then legal fees of what your arrangement was in your firm, you 20 20 \$1,187.50. would have received 25 percent of any of those 21 21 There is an October 1st bill showing 22 22 amounts that were billed? 23 legal fees of \$125. 23 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. It is out of sequence, September 4, 24 24 A. Not for disbursements. 2007, legal fees of \$2,000. Q. 25 percent of the legal services



Christopher Rosado 157 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 2 particular time frame, let's say 2007, from billed: is that correct? January 1st to December 31, 2007, from your MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. computer system, from the information 4 A. Yes. backed up, what do you do to obtain it? 5 5 Q. We talked a little bit about your MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 6 backup system at your firm for your electronic 6 7 A. I would ask my IT guy. e-mails that we talked about and some other Q. You don't know how it is kept or 8 things that you back up. 9 recorded? 9 Do you preserve the disks that are backed up in any kind archive? 10 10 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 11 physically. 11 12 Q. That's fair. 12 A. I don't know what disks you are 13 13 talking about. Q. Any backup disks. 14 15 Do you back up information on to a 15 16 disk? 16 17 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 17 18 18 A. I don't know. 19 A. No. 19 MR. MEIRESONNE: Off the record. 20 (Discussion held off the record.) 20 21 questions. 21 Q. Do you back up your hard drive on 22 disks at your firm? 22 23 23 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 24 24 A. I don't know how the backup is done. Q. Is that something done by the IT 25 158 C. Rosada 1 C. Rosada 1 person? 2 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 3 3 A. I believe he is the one that set it or IQS?

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A. I don't know how it is done I think I asked this before, I apologize if I did, but do you know how many documents were removed from Mr. Meiresonne's business by plaintiffs' counsel in August of 2003 when they inspected the documents? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. Mr. Rosada, I just have a couple last As you sit here today knowing what you know and looking at what you have looked at, do you believe that your firm committed any departure from the standard of care in any 160 aspect with any aspect of the handling of that particular matter on behalf of Mr. Meiresonne MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 5 6 A. No. 7 Q. How about the same question with 8

5 up. Q. Do you archive any of the backup 6 information? 7 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 8 9 A. I don't understand your question. Q. Do you put it in any kind of an 10 archive? Do you catalog it? Do you save it in any kind of repository after it is backed 12 up? 13 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 14 Q. Is that a matter of firm's policy? 15 MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. 16 17 A. I still don't understand your question. 18 19 Q. What do you do with the backup? A. I don't understand how this thing is backed up. I know we have a backup server. 21 What happens after that, I am not aware of 22 exactly the procedure. 23 24 Q. Let's ask this: If someone asked you to produce certain information from a

regard to yourself? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. Q. How about the same question with regard to Mr. Miller? MS. GILBERT: Objection to the form. A. No. (Continued on next page to include signature and jurat.)



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ı	4	to Mr. Meiresonne?	4	
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ı	6	A. No.	6	Reporter and notary public, within and for the
ı	7	MR. EMRICH: Thank you.	7	State of New York, do hereby certify:
ı	8	That's it.	8	That CHRISTOPHER ROSADA, the
ı	9	(Time noted: 2:15 p.m.)	9	witness whose examination is hereinbefore set
ı		(Time noted. 2.15 p.m.)	10	forth, was first duly sworn by me, and that
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ı	12	CHRISTOPHER ROSADA	13	I further certify that I am not
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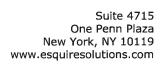
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