EXHIBIT B

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY

TERRY GENE BOLLEA, professionally known as HULK HOGAN,

Plaintiff,

No. 12-012447-CI-011

vs.

HEATHER CLEM; GAWKER MEDIA, LLC, aka GAWKER MEDIA, et al.,

Defendants.

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DEPOSITION OF: MICHAEL F. FOLEY

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1	MICHAEL F. FOLEY,		
2	the witness herein, being first duly sworn on oath, was		
3	examined and deposed as follows:		
4	DIRECT EXAMINATION		
5	BY MR. SULLIVAN:		
6	Q. Could you state your full name for the		
7	record, please, and spell your last name?		
8	A. Michael Frances Foley, F-o-l-e-y.		
9	Q. Mr. Foley, my name is Michael Sullivan with		
10	the firm of Levine Sullivan Koch and Schulz. We		
11	represent the Gawker defendant in this case.		
12	Have you ever had your deposition taken		
13	before?		
14	A. I have.		
15	Q. Okay. And when was that?		
16	A. Wow, I don't have the dates.		
17	Q. Just approximately.		
18	A. It had to be 25 years ago probably.		
19	Q. Okay. What proceeding was that in connection		
20	with?		
21	A. It was a libel case brought against the Times		
22	Publishing Company.		
23	Q. And were you a defendant in the case?		
24	A. I don't think I was named as a defendant. I		
25	honestly can't remember.		

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1
         0.
              Were you involved in the reporting that was
2
    at issue?
3
         Α.
                   I was the managing editor.
4
              And what became of that case?
         Q.
5
         Α.
              We won.
6
         Q.
              At the trial?
7
         Α.
              Trial.
8
              Or preliminary motion?
         Q.
9
         Α.
              At trial.
10
              I've been deposed at least one other time in
11
    a libel case brought by a doctor. I can't remember his
12
    last name. That never made it to trial.
13
         Ο.
              Did you testify at trial?
14
         Α.
              No.
15
         Q.
              And who was the plaintiff in that case?
16
         Α.
              The name Bonati comes to mind, but I'm not
17
    positive.
18
              And just very, very briefly, what was the
19
    gist of the dispute?
20
              You're testing my memory today. I think, as
21
    best as I can recall today, he had sued us because we
22
    had written some stories about his medical or
23
    chiropractic -- I can't remember exactly which --
24
    practice.
25
         Q.
              So he was a medical professional?
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- 1 Α. I believe so. 2 All right. And then you mentioned that Ο. 3 you've been deposed one other time, I believe. 4 Those are the two. Α. 5 Those are the two? Both in connection --Ο. 6 Α. I wasn't deposed in that other case. I was 7 in court for that. I was at the defense table. 8 first one I was deposed for was Bonati. And I was 9 deposed in another one. It just occurred to me. 10 station, a local TV station sued the paper for 11 something, and I was deposed in that case also. 12 Okay. And when was that? 0. 13 Α. Around the same -- I was managing editor, as 14 my exhibit will tell you, from 19 -- in the '80s. 15 was managing editor for eight years and executive 16 editor for two. So it was during that period. 17 And you indicated that it was a TV station Ο. 18 that sued the paper?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Was this like an intellectual property beef?
- A. No. It was over defamation, I believe. It's really, really fuzzy. That's a long time ago.
 - Q. You indicated that case went to trial?
- A. No. The libel case that I wasn't deposed in -- I was just at defense table -- that went to

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1
    trial.
             That was a six-week trial in Tampa.
2
         Ο.
              I see. Did you testify in that case?
3
         Α.
              No.
4
              You just sat at the table as the
         Q.
5
    representative for the defendant?
6
        Α.
              I sat at the table in the John Short
7
    defamation trial. I was deposed in the Channel 10, I
8
    believe, defamation trial. And I was deposed in the
9
    Bonati -- if it was Bonati -- defamation trial.
10
    sorry. I was confused. It's a long time ago.
11
         Q.
              Right.
12
              And the John Short trial was also a
13
    defamation case?
14
         Α.
              Yes.
15
         0.
              Any other occasions?
16
              I can't recall.
         Α.
17
              Any other trials that you've participated in,
         Q.
18
    media-related trials?
19
         Α.
              No, I don't think so.
20
         Q.
              What we're going to do this morning is I'm
21
    going to ask you questions about the case. And I ask
22
    that you listen carefully to my questions and answer to
23
    the best of your ability.
24
              Will you do that?
25
         Α.
              Yes.
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1 Q. All right. And if you don't hear one of my 2 questions, just tell me and I'll be happy to repeat it 3 or the court reporter can reread it for you. 4 right? 5 Α. Yes. 6 Q. If you don't understand one of my questions, 7 please tell me and we'll see if we can't make it more 8 clear. Is that acceptable? 9 Α. Yes. 10 Q. And during the course of the deposition, I 11 will from time to time mark certain documents as 12 exhibits and I'll show you those and ask that you look 13 those over before answering. 14 Will you do that? 15 Α. Yes. 16 All right. Are you on any kind of Q. 17 medications that would impair your ability to think 18 clearly or recall events? 19 Α. No. 20 If at any time during these proceedings you Q. 21 want to take a break, get a drink, use the facilities, 22 stretch your legs, whatever, you just let us know and 23 you'll be welcome to do that. All right? 24 Α. Yes. 25 MR. SULLIVAN: I'll ask the court reporter to

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1
        mark as -- I think the next exhibit is Defendant's
2
        Exhibit 158. It's a multi-page document and it
3
        appears to be a copy of the report that was
4
        produced in this matter, your report.
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              THE WITNESS:
                            Okav.
6
              (Exhibit No. 158 marked for identification.)
7
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
8
              If you could, just take a moment and look
9
    that over. I don't need you to read it, but just so
10
    you understand what has been placed before you.
11
              Let me see if I can save you time. Literally
12
    I just want to -- so you can see what, okay, he's given
13
    me a complete copy of my report.
14
              What I'm going to do, Professor Foley, is
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    direct your attention to the last part of it. There's
16
    like an attachment that gives your background,
17
    professional and educational and what have you.
18
              Have you had an opportunity to look over
19
    Exhibit 158?
20
             The exhibit?
        Α.
21
        Q.
             Yes, sir.
22
        Α.
              Okay.
23
              Do you see the last three pages of
        Q.
24
    Exhibit 158 starting with page 1 of that portion that's
25
    titled Exhibit? Do you see that?
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1 Α. Yes. 2 And those last three pages, could you Ο. 3 identify that for the record, please? 4 Α. I'm not sure I know what you mean. I just want -- so the record is clear what 5 0. 6 we're looking at, I'll tell you what to me it looks 7 like. As I indicated, it looks like a summary of your 8 professional and educational background, those last 9 three pages. Is that fair? 10 That is correct. Α. 11 Q. Okay. Super. 12 Now, it appears to me -- as I read it, it 13 appears to be kind of a general summary of your 14 education and work history. 15 Now, do you also -- in addition to that 16 document that's attached to your report, do you also 17 have a more what I will call traditional curriculum 18 vitae or resumé? 19 Α. I have a resumé. I don't have an academic 20 CV. I have a regular resumé. 21 Okay. Does that resumé give kind of a 22 chronological presentation of your work history and 23 educational background? 24 Α. Yes.

When was that resumé prepared?

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Q.

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1
         Α.
              In 1999.
2
              It's a tad bit old. Do you have any kind of
         Ο.
3
    more recent, like I say, kind of a traditional
4
    presentation of your background?
5
              MR. HARDER: Asked and answered.
6
              THE WITNESS: I have a bio that I use for
7
         various -- when I'm doing a public speaking job,
8
         they'll ask for a bio like for introductory
9
         purposes. But that's -- it's not a formal CV.
10
         It's also on the college website.
11
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
12
              What I'm going to do then is kind of walk
         0.
13
    through the information that's set forth here and see
14
    if we can't kind of put it in a chronology, get some
15
    dates, establish the order of things. Okay?
16
         Α.
              Uh-huh. (Indicates affirmatively.)
17
              All right. So I see here that you went to do
         Ο.
18
    your undergraduate work at the University of Florida,
19
    correct?
20
         Α.
              Correct.
21
         Ο.
              And when did you start at the University of
22
    Florida?
23
         Α.
              1968.
24
         Q.
              And you received a degree from that
25
    university?
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1
         Α.
              I did.
2
              What year did you graduate?
         Q.
3
         Α.
              1970.
 4
              1970?
         Q.
 5
         Α.
              '70.
 6
              Okay. So you graduated in two years?
         Q.
7
         Α.
              I was a transfer student.
8
         Q.
              I see.
9
              Where did you go for your initial
10
     undergraduate education?
11
         Α.
              University of South Florida.
12
              And when did you start there?
         Q.
13
         Α.
              1964.
14
              And how long did you study at the University
         0.
15
     of South Florida?
16
         Α.
              I don't remember what the length of time was,
    but two semesters. I don't know whether it was two
17
18
     quarters, two trimesters. I can't remember. The state
19
     was switching back and forth then.
20
         Q.
              So did you complete your freshman year?
21
         Α.
              I did.
22
              And then where did you go for your sophomore
         Q.
23
     year?
24
              The Clearwater branch of St. Petersburg
         Α.
25
     Junior College.
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- Q. And why did you leave the University of South Florida after one year?

 A. It was more expensive than junior college, and I had a girlfriend in Clearwater.
 - Q. Okay. Tell me this. When did you start at the Clearwater branch?
 - A. 19 -- I guess it would be the fall of '65.
 - Q. And did you complete your sophomore year there?
- 10 A. I did. I believe so.

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- Q. So then what did you do after that?
- A. I went back to the University of South Florida, I believe in 1966.
- Q. And did you do your junior year there? How long did you spend there?
 - A. In the meantime, I got married in 19 -- November of 1966. And I dropped out of school.
 - Q. Okay. And what did you do while you were out of school?
 - A. I'm trying to think. I don't know if I dropped out that year or not. It may have been I dropped out in -- I'm starting to go fuzzy on that now. I was pretty good for a while. I know that after I dropped out in 1968, I got drafted.
 - Q. This was not a good time to drop out, I take

1 it. 2 Α. It was the worst possible time. 3 0. So when you dropped out in '68, that was from 4 which college? 5 USF, University of South Florida. Α. 6 Q. And you got drafted? 7 Α. Yes. 8 Q. And then what did you do? 9 Α. I was rejected for military service. 10 Q. I take it medical issue. 11 Α. Blood pressure. 12 So then what did you do next then? Q. 13 Α. Enrolled at the University of Florida. 14 0. You went back to University of Florida, okay. 15 And then what year would you have been in your college 16 education? 17 Α. I believe I was a junior, but it was kind of 18 muddled because of all the transfers and changes in --19 I think I was a junior for one semester or something 20 like that. 21 Let me ask you this. All along from the time 22 you started college and you went to the different 23 schools and what have you, were you pursuing a career 24 in journalism? 25 Α. No.

1 Q. Did your majors change? 2 Α. It changed to journalism when I went to 3 University of Florida. 4 In '68? Q. 5 Α. Yes. 6 Q. What had it been before that? 7 Math, psychology, maybe sociology. I can't Α. 8 remember. 9 Ο. Okay. Now, when you came back to the 10 University of Florida in 1968, you were focused on 11 journalism? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Ο. And did you have to declare a major at that 14 point? 15 Α. I did. 16 Is there a specific journalism school, a Q. 17 formal journalism school? 18 Α. The college of journalism. At that time it 19 was the school of journalism. 20 Q. Okay. All right. And then you told us that 21 you graduated in 1970. 22 Α. Yes. 23 Q. What was your degree in? 24 Α. Bachelor of Science in journalism. 25 Q. All right. Now, upon your graduation, did

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1
    you immediately -- I notice here that you at some point
2
    got a Master's. Did you immediately go into the
3
    Master's program?
4
                   I got my Master's in 2004.
         Α.
              No.
5
         Ο.
              All right. And you got your Master's at
    Florida as well?
6
7
         Α.
              I did.
8
              All right. Let's do this then. While we're
         Q.
9
    on education, let's just wrap up your education.
10
              You obtained a Master's, as I understand it.
11
    The Master's, was it in journalism?
12
         Α.
              Mass communication.
13
         Ο.
             Mass communication.
14
              Is it not possible to get a Master's in
15
    journalism?
16
        Α.
              That's what it was called, Master of Arts in
17
    mass communication.
18
              And when did you receive that, did you say?
         Q.
19
         Α.
              2004, I believe.
20
         Q.
              All right. And tell me this. Why at that
21
    point in 2004 did you decide to seek a Master's degree?
22
         Α.
              It was essential to be put on the faculty.
23
         Ο.
              At the University of Florida?
24
         Α.
              That is correct.
25
         Q.
              Now, do you have a doctoral degree?
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- A. I do not.
- Q. I noticed in your -- the exhibit here that gives your professional and educational background, it refers to a degree. I guess that's an honorary doctorate?
- A. Yes.

- Q. Is that truly, as the name would suggest, an honorary kind of thing?
- A. I gave the commencement speech for Tampa College.
 - Q. And then they gave you an honorary Ph.D.?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- Q. All right. Professor Foley, in the course of your studies when you were pursuing journalism studies, did you ever take any courses in law?
 - A. I can't remember the exact name of it, but a requirement for graduation in the Bachelor's degree was law of mass communication.
 - Q. And was that kind of a general survey level course touching on kind of the law generally as it applies to media?
 - A. Yes. It had history and legal process, the famous cases.
- Q. And did it touch on a variety of areas? For example, for students that were going to pursue

journalistic careers in broadcasting, did it touch on FCC stuff?

- A. A little, yes. It's a long time ago.
- Q. Right. Fair enough.

For students that were going to pursue public relations, that end of the media, did it touch on like advertising law and things like that?

- A. I think as it pertained to these significant cases.
- Q. Okay. All right. Then did it touch on what I would call your kind of core areas of defamation, invasion of privacy, prior restraint, things like that?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. All right. Now, since then, perhaps when you were pursuing your Master's, did you take any courses in just media law?
- 17 A. I don't think so.
 - Q. All right. What I'd like to do now is kind of shift gears and focus on your history as a professional journalist, the work history part of that portion of the document. All right?
 - A. Okay.
 - Q. What was your first job as a working journalist?
- A. I was a reporter for the Evening Independent.

1 Ο. And what -- I'm not real familiar with the 2 papers at the time. What was the Evening Independent 3 and what was its area? 4 Α. The Evening Independent was the afternoon 5 newspaper owned by the Times Publishing Company that 6 covered local news primarily. 7 0. And did the Times Publishing own a morning 8 daily as well? 9 Α. It also owned the St. Petersburg Times. 10 Q. And that was the morning paper? 11 Α. That is correct. 12 All right. What year did you begin as a Q. 13 reporter for the Evening Independent? 14 Α. 1970. 1.5 0. And were you a beat reporter? 16 Α. I was a general assignment reporter for less 17 than six months. Then I was assigned to beat. 18 Ο. And what was your beat? 19 Α. It was covering the cities of Pinellas Park 20 and Kenneth City. 21 Ο. What was the second one? 22 Α. Kenneth City. 23 Ο. Kenneth. Thank you. 24 And what type of reporting did you do there, just general municipality coverage?

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1
         Α.
              Yes.
2
         Q.
              City government?
3
         Α.
              City government.
 4
              Police matters?
         Q.
5
              Not so much police, but city government
         Α.
 6
    primarily.
7
         0.
              All right. And how long did you do that?
8
              I'm going to say eight months, but that's an
         Α.
9
     approximation.
10
         Q.
              Okay. And then what was the next position
11
     you held?
12
              I became beat reporter for the St. Petersburg
         Α.
13
     city government.
14
              For the same paper?
         Ο.
15
         Α.
              Yes.
16
         Q.
              I take it that was a promotion.
17
         Α.
              Yes.
18
              And how long did you hold that position?
         Q.
19
         Α.
              I'm going to approximate again. A couple of
20
     years.
21
         Q.
              Was your title during this period just beat
22
     reporter?
23
         Α.
              Yes.
24
         Q.
              And then what was the next position you held?
25
         Α.
              Assistant city editor.
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1
         0.
              Professor Foley, when would you have become
2
    the assistant city editor?
3
              Wow, that goes way back. Maybe 1973, '74.
         Α.
4
              Let me ask you this. During the time that
         Q.
5
    you were a reporter, did you -- were you sued for any
6
    kind of -- any claims lodged against you, legal claims?
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              MR. HARDER: Objection to the term "you."
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              MR. SULLIVAN: I do mean him personally.
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              MR. HARDER: Okay.
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              THE WITNESS: No, not that I can recall.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              And then following up on Mr. Harder's point,
         Q.
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    was the paper sued for any of your reporting?
14
              For my reporting?
         Α.
15
         0.
              Yes, sir.
16
         Α.
              No.
17
         Q.
              Now, I'm going to move over to the work you
18
    did as an editor in just a minute, but before we move
19
    on, I'd like to ask you this.
20
              Did you receive any professional awards as a
21
    result of your work as a reporter?
22
              I was named the staff writer of the year at
23
    the Evening Independent for the year 1971.
24
         Q.
              1971?
25
         Α.
              Correct.
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- Q. Any other professional awards?
- A. Not that I can recall.

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- Q. Did you win any -- now I'm expanding to your entire career as a working journalist. Did you receive any professional awards as a result of your work as a journalist?
- 7 A. Several -- well, let me make sure. One as a professional journalist.
 - Q. And what was that?
- A. Wait, I take it back. I take that back. I'm sorry. I'm confusing things here. No, I did not.
- 12 Q. All right.
- A. I don't know if this counts. I was named distinguished alumnus of the University of Florida while I was at the newspaper in 1994.
 - Q. And was that in recognition of your work as a journalist or your -- I'm sorry.
- A. At least in part certainly. It was in relation to my achievements, I believe, at the St. Petersburg Times.
- Q. Rather than for recognition of your standing in the community or something like that?
- A. I believe I was a corporate vice president at the time I got that award.
- Q. Were you ever nominated for a Pulitzer Prize?

A. No.

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- Q. Now, as I mentioned a moment ago, I would like to kind of shift our focus and look at and talk about your work serving in an editorial role. Okay?
- A. All right.
 - Q. Now, you mentioned that in 1973, you were promoted to assistant city editor. How did that come about?
 - A. The Evening Independent had not had an assistant city editor and the city editor needed help, and I was given that job. I filled a position that had not existed prior to that.
- Q. So it was a new position?
- A. I think it was a new position. If not, it
 was a re-upping of an old position that had not been in
 existence in my time at the paper.
 - Q. I take it that was viewed as a promotion.
 - A. It was.
- 19 Q. Were you happy to move into that new role?
- 20 A. Yes.
 - Q. The reason I'm asking is because some reporters just want to stay as reporters. The last thing they want to be is an editor. You know what I mean?
- 25 A. Yes.

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1
         Q.
              All right. Now, just so I'm clear, that is
2
    still at the Evening Independent?
3
         Α.
              Yes.
4
         Q.
              And then what were your duties in this new
5
    position?
6
         Α.
              I would edit copy, discuss with the city
7
    editor story ideas, help plan coverage, help evaluate
8
    staff writers.
9
              I have a frog in my throat. Sorry.
10
         Q.
              And how old were you at the time?
11
         Α.
              1973 -- I started at the Independent when I
12
    was 24. So I was about 27 or 28.
13
         Ο.
              Professor, how long did you hold that
14
    position?
15
         Α.
              Maybe a year.
16
         Ο.
              And then what happened?
17
         Α.
              I became an assistant metro editor at the
18
    St. Petersburg Times.
19
         Ο.
              And that would have been roughly when?
20
              '74, '75.
         Α.
21
              Okay. Again, I take it that was -- you
22
    viewed that as a promotion.
23
         Α.
              I did.
24
              And then what were your duties as an
25
    assistant metro editor?
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- A. I worked nights, weekends, holidays. I was in charge of coverage when the other editor -- when the metro editor and others went home. On weekends I was in charge of the coverage, local coverage.

 Q. Now, in that position, I take it that was
 - Q. Now, in that position, I take it that was full-time editing. You weren't also reporting. You didn't have some limited beat that you were trying to cover, did you?
 - A. No, I did not.
- Q. When you served in that capacity as assistant metro editor at the St. Petersburg Times, any of -- were you involved in any legal claims that were asserted against the paper for stories that you had a hand in?
- MR. HARDER: Just let me object. Vague and ambiguous on "had a hand in."
- Go ahead.
- 18 BY MR. SULLIVAN:

- Q. Do you know what I mean by that?
- A. I don't know what you mean. I know what I would mean.
 - Q. You tell me what you mean.
 - A. Being sued for stories that I edited or assigned or handled.
- 25 Q. Yes, sir.

- 1 Α. I don't recall any. I don't recall any. 2 All right. Now, what -- how long did you Ο. hold that position, assistant metro editor? 3 4 I truly don't recall. Α. 5 Okay. Do you have -- can you give us a rough 0. 6 sense? Are we talking a few months or years? 7 Α. It was at least -- at least a year and No. 8 maybe two. 9 Ο. All right. What was your next position at 10 the paper? 11 Α. City editor. 12 And when were you -- when did you become city Q. 13 editor? 14 I truly cannot recall the exact years, but it Α. would be mid to -- '76, '77, something like that. 15 16 Ο. That's helpful. I'm just trying to get a 17 sense of how this developed. 18 Α. That's fine. I haven't thought about this 19 for a long time. 20 Q. Sure. 21 Now, how did you come to become the city
 - A. I think I did a very good job as assistant metro editor.

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editor?

Q. So I take it that, too, was a promotion.

A. Yes.

- Q. Once you moved into the city editor position, what were your duties in that capacity?
- A. I was in charge of the day Times shift. I would make sure the reporters were assigned coverage, that events were covered, that the staff was working on stories. I edited -- I did the first edit on a number of stories. I worked Monday through Friday.
 - Q. I take it that beats nights and weekends.
- A. And holidays. I was involved in some projects, too, you know, special projects, bigger stories.
- Q. Would these be -- when you say projects or bigger stories, are you referring to like investigative pieces?
 - A. Not so much investigative, but you have minor investigations, smaller investigations, and series of stories, longer term projects.
 - Q. Any other duties you had in that position?
 - A. I did the schedules for the reporters. I interviewed potential job candidates. I would evaluate --
 - Q. So I take it in that capacity, you also had or undertook kind of a management role at the paper.
- A. Yes.

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         Q.
              Given that, I take it by the same token, you
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    weren't reporting, hands-on reporting; you weren't
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    doing -- you didn't have some limited beat that you
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    were responsible --
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         Α.
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         Q.
              -- for? Okay.
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              MR. HARDER: Let him finish the question and
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         then answer, because otherwise, she's typing part
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         of a question, answer, rest of the question.
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              THE WITNESS:
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              MR. SULLIVAN:
                             Thanks.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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         Ο.
              All right. Now, how long did you serve as
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    the city editor?
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         Α.
              About five years.
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         Ο.
              So that would take us up to the early '80s?
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         Α.
              Yes.
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              And just so we're clear, all of these roles,
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    you were city editor for the St. Petersburg Times?
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         Α.
              I was.
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              You never -- just so we know and we don't
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    have to keep going over it, you never went back to the
23
    Evening Times at some point?
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         Α.
              Evening Independent, no.
25
         Q.
              Sorry. Evening Independent. Okay.
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All right. So what was your next position
then with the paper?

A. I believe I was metro editor.

Q. And was that a promotion as well?

A. It was.

Q. What is the difference between -- if you can just explain for us, what's the difference between what you did as city editor and what you did as metro editor?

- A. City editor primarily was responsible for St. Petersburg and southern Pinellas County. Metro editor took on some of the responsibility for the various news bureaus in outlying areas.
 - Q. So it was a larger scope of responsibility?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. And then what did you do when you served in that capacity?
- A. The city editor reported to me. I honestly can't recall how much -- I know that I dealt with the entire local news report, and that included bureaus in Clearwater, Pasco, Hernando, and some Citrus County.
 - Q. And how long did you serve as metro editor?
 - A. I'm going to guess. Maybe two years or so.
 - Q. So that takes us to the mid 1980s?
- A. I believe so. Maybe earlier than that. I'm

fuzzy on the math.

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- Q. I may have mis-added. Maybe like 1983?
- A. Early '80s, I believe.
 - Q. All right. So what -- I take it you advanced yet again at the paper.
- A. I did.
- Q. Okay. And what was your new position?
 - A. I took over the features department of the paper, the news features department, and was promoted to assistant managing editor.
- Q. And how long did you hold that position?
- 12 A. One year.
- O. So does that now take us to the mid '80s?
- 14 A. Probably 1984.
 - Q. All right. What were your duties as the assistant managing editor and the person in charge of the features department?
 - A. I was in charge of Section D of the paper, which was a features section that had a staff of writers, copy editors, designers, plus our food section, our weekly food section, other special sections.
- Q. Professor Foley, when you say features, and
 you gave food as an example, is this -- would this be
 what some metropolitan papers would refer to as kind of

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    a style section?
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              It would touch on movies perhaps,
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    entertainment matters?
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              Entertainment, fashion, advice.
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         Q.
              Okay. And anything else that was within
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    your -- the scope of your duties?
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              Photos, illustrations.
         Α.
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         0.
              All right. Anything else?
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         Α.
              Well, you know, I was responsible for the
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    staff evaluations, critiques.
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              So you had a management role as well?
         Q.
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         Α.
              Yes.
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              Okay. And then did you say you held that
         0.
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    position for about a year?
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         Α.
              Yes.
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              And let me just ask you this. In any of
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    these positions that you held as an editor from the
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    first one, which I asked you about subsequent to that,
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    any lawsuits in which you were involved because of your
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    role as an editor?
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         Α.
              I don't recall.
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         Ο.
              Then what was the next position you held at
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    the paper?
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         Α.
              I was named managing editor.
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1 Q. And that was another promotion? 2 Α. Yes. 3 How long did you serve as managing editor? Ο. 4 I think it was seven or eight years. Α. 5 math is really getting fuzzy now. 6 Q. I think now by my calculations you're about 7 98 years old. I'm just kidding you. 8 Let me ask you this. So you were managing 9 editor roughly seven or eight years? 10 Α. (Indicates affirmatively.) 11 Q. What were your duties as the managing editor? 12 I reported to the editor. I was in charge of Α. 13 everything in the paper except the ads and the 14 editorials. 15 Ο. So you had responsibility for the complete 16 news side; is that correct? 17 News, features, photos, illustrations --Α. 18 Q. Okay. 19 Α. -- correspondence, sports, budgets. 20 Q. All right. Any other duties when you served 21 in that capacity? 22 Α. I was a member of a couple -- I represented 23 the paper to the Associated Press Managing Editors 24 Association and the American Society of Newspaper 25 Editors.

1 Q. So you were the rep for ASNE? 2 Α. ASNE, APME. 3 In all seriousness, I think the years are a Ο. 4 little off because that would take us up to like '92 or 5 something. 6 Α. The years are off. We can work back, because 7 after that I became executive editor. 8 Q. Okay. Fair enough. 9 Your next position then was executive editor? 10 Α. Right. 11 Q. At the St. Petersburg Times? 12 Α. Correct. And do you know when that happened? 13 Ο. 14 I believe that was through '92. Α. 15 Q. When did you become --It would have been '90. So we would have to 16 Α. 17 work back and redo the math. Sorry. 18 We can figure it back. So 1990, you became Q. 19 executive editor? 20 I believe that's correct. Α. 21 And if you could, explain to us what your 22 duties were in that capacity. 23 Α. About the same except that we had a managing 24 editor who reported to me.

Any other duties that you held in that

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1 capacity? 2 At some point I was appointed to the board of 3 directors of the Times Publishing Company. 4 Q. Do you remember when that was? 5 Α. 1988 perhaps. 6 Q. And then how long did you serve as executive 7 editor? 8 Α. Two years. 9 0. Two years. 10 What happened at the end of the two years? 11 Α. I moved from the news department to the 12 corporate side of the paper. 13 Ο. Now, did you seek to move to the corporate 14 side? 15 Α. It's a difficult question because I made it 16 clear to the boss, the editor of the paper and CEO, 17 that I did not want to be the CEO. 18 Q. Had you been asked to be the CEO? 19 Α. And that's what -- this is fuzzy because No. 20 I recall the conversation something along the lines of 21 I like being number two. 22 Who was that conversation with? 23 Α. Andrew Barnes. I believe he was editor and 24 president at the time, or he was CEO. I can't remember 25 exact titles.

- Q. And who then took your position as executive editor?
 - A. I don't remember.

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- Q. I'll see if -- I saw some kind of a little news blurb that indicated that a Paul Tash -- does that refresh your recollection?
- A. I believe he eventually became executive editor. I don't know if it was right away.
- Q. He might have not stepped right into the position?
- A. (Indicates affirmatively.)
- Q. Okay. Now, if you could, what was your new position?
 - A. I was director of I believe either community affairs or community relations.
 - Q. And that took place in 1992?
- 17 A. I believe so.
- Q. What were your duties in that capacity?
- 19 Α. I was the face of the newspaper, of the Times 20 Publishing Company. I was in the community. I served 21 on various boards in the community. I represented the 22 paper at functions. I did a lot of public speaking 23 explaining the newspaper and what journalism is to 24 various groups. I was in charge of all the trademarks, 25 logos. I was in charge of community events that we

1 sponsored. I was in charge of promotion of community 2 events that we sponsored. I oversaw the Times 3 scholarship and grants program. And I was still on the 4 board of directors. 5 All right. You indicated that you 0. 6 represented the paper at functions. What kind of 7 functions? I emceed a lot of charity events. 9 In your report, you indicated that you were 10 in charge of corporate giving. 11 Α. Yes. 12 Is that money the paper would contribute to 13 local charities, things like that? 14 Α. Yes. 15 0. I take it from the broad scope of those 16 duties that this was not a substantive news role. Ιs 17 that fair? 18 Α. It was not -- there was no news role at all. 19 Q. All right. 20 Except, as I said, to explain to the public Α. 21 what we did and why we did it. 22 Ο. Okay. So no reporting involved at all? 23 Α. No. 24 No editing involved at all? Q. 25 Α. I was the official spokesman for the

1 paper, for the Times Publishing Company. 2 When you say spokesman, if somebody wanted to 3 get a quote for a story another paper were reporting 4 and the Times were somehow involved, would you be the 5 person they would come to? 6 Α. Yes. 7 0. Let me ask you this. Did you miss being on 8 the news side? 9 Α. I think the first hurricane, I missed the 10 action. After that I got fully into this role. I 11 became a corporate vice president after that in terms 12 of community affairs, community relations. I can't 13 remember which. Or maybe both at one time or at 14 separate occasions. 15 0. And how long did you serve as director of 16 community relations? 17 Α. I think that was about maybe a year. Then I 18 was named the vice president. 19 Q. Okay. So then after that your title would have been vice president? 20 21 Α. Uh-huh. (Indicates affirmatively.) 22 Ο. In charge of what? 23 Α. Same thing. It was the same role, but

Vice president in charge of community

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relations?

- A. Or community affairs. Again, as I said, the titles had changed. I don't remember which was which.
- Q. All right. When you moved into that position, did your duties change?
- A. I don't believe so. I had a full staff of event planners and other things. We did events and gave grants and scholarships throughout our entire circulation area.

I also was the moderator for our monthly company forums. We would do one in the downtown office for the staff and then we would do one in each of the bureaus. This would bring together executives of the paper to talk to -- interact with the staff and report on finances and everything like that.

I also -- excuse me. One other thing. I was in charge of sponsorships when we became the sponsor of, say, the baseball team and the hockey team.

- Q. Now, how long did you serve as vice president of community relations or community affairs?
 - A. I think that went until 1997 or '8.
 - Q. And then what did you do?
- A. Then I went back to being director of I think community affairs and spokesman.
- Q. And how did that come about?

- 1 Α. A marketing person was brought in, I believe. 2 I can't remember. Again, this is some time ago and, again, it's fuzzy. They wanted more of a marketing 3 4 expertise and I didn't have a lot of marketing 5 expertise. 6 So the marketing person took over that 7 portion of your duties? 8 Α. Took over the department. 9 Okay. When you moved back to become director 10 of community affairs and spokesman, did you view that 11 as a demotion? 12 Α. Kind of. 13 Ο. Let me ask you this. Did they cut your 14 compensation? 15 Α. Yes. 16 Ο. And then what were your -- when did -- you 17 said '97 or '98. 18 Α. Yeah. 19 Ο. What were your duties in that new position? 20 Α. Similar to the old position. I was still 21 spokesman for the paper. I had a hand in events and 22 giving away money, scholarships. 23 All right. And then how long did you serve Ο.
 - A. Until September 1999.

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1 Q. And what did you do in September 1999? 2 Α. I left the paper. 3 Were you asked to leave? Q. 4 My job was eliminated. Α. 5 All right. Who on behalf of the paper were 0. 6 you dealing with at that point? 7 Α. I don't remember his title, but he was the 8 marketing kind of expert who was brought in. 9 acting at the -- at the -- what's the word? 10 request of the publisher. 11 Q. Okay. When they eliminated your job, did 12 they offer you any other position on that community 13 relations side of the operation? 14 Α. No. 15 0. Did they offer you an opportunity to go back 16 over to the news side where you had worked for many 17 years? 18 Α. I don't think so, no. 19 Q. Did you at any point request to go back over 20 to --21 Α. No. 22 Ο. -- the news side? 23 MR. HARDER: Wait for him to finish the 24 question. 25 THE WITNESS: Sorry.

1 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 2 So, Professor, what did you do then? Ο. 3 Α. Put together my resumé. 4 MR. HARDER: 1999, that's it. 5 THE WITNESS: I spent several months meeting 6 with various contacts in the community that I had 7 made over the years. I had a year's worth of 8 professional employment counseling paid for by the 9 Times Publishing Company. 10 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 11 Q. Is that designed to help you find a new 12 position? 13 Α. That's correct. 14 Did you avail yourself of that? 0. 15 Α. I spent a year looking -- I had a number of 16 consulting jobs as a -- public relations consulting, 17 one or two for a year. And then I was contacted by the 18 journalism department chair at the University of 19 Florida. 20 Did you -- during that period when you were Ο. 21 doing the professional employment counseling, did you 22 consider going back into the news side perhaps with 23 another paper? 24 I would have considered it, but it just Α. didn't happen. The Times was the Times.

- Q. I'm not following you, if you mean the times being our times generally or the Times, the paper?
- A. The St. Petersburg Times is one of the best newspapers in America. Time magazine called it one of the top ten. And I just didn't have that kind of desire anymore.
- Q. Just before we move into your work as a professor, did you consider being involved in any other kinds of publishing, for example, giving your -- giving a shot at magazine publishing or something like that?
 - A. I don't recall I did.

- Q. All right. So you were contacted by the department chair for the journalism department at the University of Florida. And what -- how did that go?

 What --
- A. I knew him for quite some time. I had been on the advisory council of the journalism department for maybe 20 years, and I had hired him during breaks in the school year. He was a very skilled copy editor. So he called me and asked me if I would be interested in teaching.
 - Q. And what did you say?
- A. I said I'd like to give it a try. However, I lived in St. Petersburg and Gainesville is 155 miles away. He said, you can stay at my house two nights a

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    week and let's give it a try.
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    a half years. I would drive up on Tuesday morning,
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    drive back on Thursday night.
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              So you left the paper in 1999, and you took a
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    year and looked into -- explored other options?
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         Α.
              Uh-huh.
                      (Indicates affirmatively.)
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              And then would it have been in 2000 that you
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    started teaching?
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         Α.
              It was the spring of 2001.
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         Q.
              And that was when you were doing the -- where
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    you would go up for two days --
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         Α.
              That's correct.
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         Ο.
              -- stay at his house, teach the class?
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              Yes.
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              How many classes were you teaching?
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         Α.
              Two.
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              Which two classes?
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              Two sections of reporting, the reporting
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    labs.
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              I'd like to go into a little more detail on
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    the teaching, but I just wanted to wrap up our
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    discussion of your career in journalism. All right?
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              As I tally this, it looks like you spent your
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    entire career as a journalist, about 22 years, in
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    newspapers, correct?
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1 Α. A total of 29 plus at the newspapers. 2 Q. Okay. 3 Α. 1970 to 1999. 4 That's fair. Q. Right. 5 But as an actual practicing journalist, it 6 would be --7 Α. 22 years. 8 Q. -- 22 years. 9 Α. Yes. 10 Q. And that 22 years as a practicing journalist 11 would have been in print journalism? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Ο. In other words, newspaper journalism? 14 Α. I did do appearances and for a while a small 15 spot on a weekly TV show that we sponsored. 16 Ο. All right. As of 1992, you were out of the 17 newsroom, correct? 18 Α. Correct. 19 Q. Okay. And you never worked on a magazine, 20 correct? 21 Α. In what time period? 22 Ο. During the period up to the year 2000. 23 Α. When I was managing editor, we started a 24 weekly entertainment magazine that I was one of the 25 founders of.

- 1 Q. Okay. And what was your role? 2 Α. I would oversee it. But with the editor of 3 that magazine, we decided what it would be and I 4 critiqued it on a regular basis. 5 Okay. Did you serve as one of the editors of 0. 6 the magazine? 7 Α. Direct editor, no. 8 Q. Okay. Did you ever write for the magazine? 9 Α. I don't believe so. 10 Q. Okay. And during your period working with 11 the St. Petersburg Times, I take it you didn't work in 12 online publishing. 13 Α. I don't believe so. 14 0. Have you ever worked for a web-based 15 publisher? 16 Α. No. 17 Professor Foley, what online publications do Q. 18 you read on a regular basis? 19 Α. I read all my newspapers online. 20 Q. In other words, I take it what you're telling 21 me is -- I think I saw somewhere in your report that
- A. The St. Petersburg Times, the Gainesville Sun, U.S.A. Today.

you read, for example, the New York Times.

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Q. You indicated that you read those on your

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              I do.
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              Okay. Do you read any what I will call
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    specialty online publishers or people that are only
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    online, blog, folks like that?
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         Α.
              From time to time, yes.
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              To give you a concrete example, the
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    Huffington Post, do you read that?
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         Α.
              From time to time.
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         Q.
              I take it you don't follow it on a daily
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    basis.
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              I guess I look at something every day online.
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         Ο.
              How about something like Talking Points Memo,
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    do you read that?
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         Α.
              (Indicates negatively.)
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         Q.
              Do you read like Buzz Feed?
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         Α.
              I have.
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              Again, from time to time you look at that?
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         Α.
              (Indicates affirmatively.)
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              MR. HARDER: You have to answer with words.
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              THE WITNESS: Yes.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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         0.
              Okay. Now, going back to your career as an
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    educator, you indicated that three and a half years you
    did the thing where you went up and taught the two
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days. What happened after that?

- A. After a year of teaching those two courses, I was named course director. In addition to doing the two writing labs, I oversaw all the other labs. There were -- depending on the semester, they varied from ten to eight, ten in the fall, eight in the spring and five in the summer. Then I did the two writing labs, but I also did the lecture in the course that all of the lab students attended.
 - Q. What was that course called?
- A. Reporting, news reporting.
- Q. Is that what is referred to in your report there as basic reporting?
- 14 A. That is correct.
 - Q. Then I saw that you also referred to advanced reporting.
 - A. I started that class when I joined the faculty.
 - Q. When did you join the faculty?
 - A. I joined the faculty before I got my Master's degree with the condition that I get my Master's degree. So I think it was 2003 that I became a master lecturer.
- Q. And what does the advanced reporting course entail?

- 1 Α. It's a senior level capstone course. 2 students are required to take one capstone course to 3 fulfill their degree requirements. And this consists 4 of in-depth writing. I don't grade papers. 5 them. And they are rewritten until I'm satisfied. 6 And then you indicated in your report that Q. 7 you teach basic media law in your basic reporting 8 course. 9 Α. I have a lecture I do on media law. 10 Q. And what --11 Α. I teach actually two lectures, one on libel 12 and one on ethics. 13 Ο. All right. So do you -- you teach libel. 14 You do one class on libel? 15 Α. One lecture on libel. 16 Q. Do you teach a class on invasion of privacy? 17 It's part of the ethics class. Α. 18 Okay. Q. 19 Α. The ethics lecture.
- Q. So the ethics is journalism ethics?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. And you include privacy in that?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you include -- is this legal privacy? Are you telling students about the law of privacy, or are

you telling students about the concept of being sensitive to people's privacy interests?

- A. I'm not a lawyer. We do have two lawyers on the faculty and they teach a course in law of the press. And another course is taught in ethics. Mine is just it's to give the students an awareness of the fact that these things exist and that journalists adhere to these principles.
- Q. Okay. When you say these things exist, what things are you talking about?
- A. Invasion of privacy, freebies. The other escapes me right now, but it's a number of things that they need to be aware of before they move on and as they're writing stories for publication.
- Q. Do you cover the subject of misappropriation?

 And what I mean by that is, do you talk to these students about taking somebody's photograph, for example, and putting it on an advertisement for somebody's Internet service, things like that?
- A. We have photo courses that they take that talk about that. But, yeah, I talk about -- I'm not sure I understand the question.
- Q. That's fair. That wasn't the best question.

 Let me see. The people that are in your

 class are true folks hoping to be working journalists,

I take it. This is a reporting class?

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- A. The reporting class is required of all journalism, public relations and now, as of last summer, all television -- we call it telecom and radio news students.
- Q. Then I misunderstood. I figured it was just students that wanted to be reporters and that wouldn't have the public relations people involved.
- A. Public relations. And these are students who write for the student newspaper, for a newly-formed public relations and advertising agency that we are starting, that write for a website that we have on a daily basis.
 - Q. All right.

MR. HARDER: Mike, I just want to mention, we've been going for about an hour and 15 minutes, so whenever you think would be a good time for a break.

MR. SULLIVAN: Let me see. I'll tell you what. I can probably in five or ten minutes get through the rest of this stuff on the teaching and then -- but if you want a break now, I'm happy to do it.

MR. HARDER: I usually break every hour just so that we don't feel like it's an endurance test.

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              MR. SULLIVAN: Sure. I gotcha. I'm happy to
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         take a break now.
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              MR. HARDER: Okay.
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              (Recess taken from 11:13 a.m. to 11:22 a.m.)
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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         Q.
              Professor, I just wanted to clear up one
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    thing.
             When you started teaching in 2001, I think you
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    said you handled two sections of reporting labs.
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              That's correct.
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         Q.
              How many students would be in each of those
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    labs, just roughly?
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              20.
         Α.
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              Okay. And then if I understood correctly, at
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    some point when you went on the faculty, you became the
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    course director and you would have supervised all of
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    the folks teaching labs.
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              I became course director a year after I
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    started in 2002. The --
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              Okay. In that capacity, did the individuals
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    who were doing the separate individual labs, did they
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    then report to you?
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         Α.
              Yes.
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         Q.
              Did you -- as course director, were you the
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    person responsible for lecturing to all of the
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    students?
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A. Yes.

- Q. And so if we took all the labs together, how many were in the basic reporting course altogether?
- A. It varied from semester to semester, but the usual amount in those early days was 220 in the fall, 200 in the spring, and 80 to 100 in the summer.
- Q. All right. Now, going back to when you were teaching basic reporting and when you were the course director, that period, what textbook did you use?
- A. At first, I used Melvin Mencher's News Reporting and Writing.
 - Q. How do you spell his last name?
- A. M-e-n-c-h-e-r, I believe. He's a professor emeritus at Columbia University.
 - Q. Okay.
 - A. And I also used the Associated Press Style
 Book. That was required. I also recommended When
 Words Collide. It's basic grammar and punctuation and
 such. I can't remember when I started recommending a
 dictionary, but that was part of it. That's the early
 days. Later, after I got my Master's degree, I
 required a course pack that consisted of my Master's
 project as part of it.
 - Q. What do you mean by a course pack?
 - A. It's something that -- you gather up material

from various sources. It would include the course -it's a bound book, paperback, eight and half by 11.

- Q. Like Xerox -- like photocopied materials?
- A. I think it -- I have a bookstore there that does that for me. But it consists of the course calendar, the required readings -- it's a syllabus essentially -- some other various things on advice on gathering news, dos and don'ts, how to get at the truth, commonly misspelled words, one page of the most used AP style notes, a thing called Sorcery on How to Get People to Tell the Truth. And the bulk of it is my Master's project.
 - Q. What was your Master's project?
- A. It was a series of interviews with six people who win -- or five of the people anyway who won the Hearst College Writing Contest, which is considered the Pulitzers of college writing. And then I added a sixth writer because I just liked her story. But what the purpose of it was -- it's called How I Got That Story. In my early days of teaching, the students would say, you keep using these examples from writers who are older, won Pulitzers, how can I possibly do that? So instead I got these writers who had won the Hearst contest years ago and published their story that they won when they were in college, when they were 20

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    something years old. And then I did an interview with
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    each in depth on their early career, advice they would
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    give young journalists, how they won the Hearst
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    contest. And the students read those stories and the
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    interviews as part of it. They really seem to like it.
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        Q.
              Okay. So that is -- that is a set of
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    materials prepared, bound, eight and a half by 11 --
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        Α.
              Yes.
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        Ο.
              -- that is sold by the bookstore?
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        Α.
              It is sold by the Florida bookstore.
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        Q.
             Now, do you still also require the other
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    materials that you mentioned to us when you were --
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    before you got your Master's?
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              I switched the first year that a book called
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    Inside Reporting came out by -- Harrower is the author.
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    I can't recall his name right this second -- which I
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    believe is still the best reporting textbook I've ever
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    seen.
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              It's called Inside Reporting?
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        Α.
              Inside Reporting.
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              Tim Harrower, H-a-r-r-o-w-er. I recommend
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    that.
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        Q.
             Any other texts?
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              Inside Reporting. When Words Collide I
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    recommend. AP Style Book is required. My course pack
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is required. And a dictionary. They need access to a dictionary, the official AP dictionary, which is I think Oxford Collegiate, fourth edition. And a daily newspaper.
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- Q. Now, what textbook do you use to address the media law topics?
- A. That's in Inside Reporting. It has a section on media law.
 - Q. I got you. Okay.

And then you indicated that you'll do a class on defamation. You do a class on privacy concerns.

- A. One -- I do all the ethics in one class and
 the libel in another class, because we have courses in
 those disciplines, full semester courses.
 - Q. Now, are you a tenured professor?
- 16 A. No.

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- Q. Are you on what they call a tenure track?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Are you on like an annual contract?
- A. I guess. I'm not sure. I haven't signed a

 contract in a long time. It renews itself from year to

 year.
 - Q. Are you considered an adjunct professor?
- A. No. I'm a full faculty member.
- Q. What does that mean?

- A. I'm a master lecturer. I was hired as a master lecturer. There are three levels of lecturer, lecturer, senior lecturer, and master lecturer. It's similar to the professor levels, associate, assistant, and full.
- Q. Okay. And then in that capacity, are you compensated like a set sum, or are you compensated based upon how many courses you teach?
 - A. No. I have a set salary.
 - Q. Okay. Got you. Okay.
- A. It's a nine-month contract. I get paid extra when I teach during the summer.
- Q. I'd like to shift gears for a minute and focus on writings that you've done as a professor.

You explained to us the work that you did for your Master's thesis which has now been included in the course materials. Have you published other things during your time as a journalism professor?

A. No.

- Q. Professor Foley, do you have a publications list of any sort that shows writings over the -- your years as a journalist and now as a professor?
- A. No. It's not a job requirement. That's the difference between a lecturer -- a master lecturer and a tenured professor. They do research. I do two of

the three duties of professors. I do teaching. I have a large teaching load. And I do service. A tenured professor would do teaching, serve -- less teaching load, service, and research.

- Q. When you say service, can you explain to us what you mean by that?
- A. Serve as marshals at -- it ranges from serving as marshals at graduation to attending conferences, representing -- conferences making speeches to various organizations, advising student organizations, advising the student newspaper. It's different for every professor.
- Q. The things that you've just named for us, those are the things that you do?
- A. I'm the advisor to the Society of
 Professional Journalists chapter. I'm the unofficial
 advisor to the Independent Florida Alligator, the
 student newspaper. I speak to various groups,
 community groups. I serve on panels. I'll moderate a
 discussion next week for the -- our advisory council's
 in town and I get a group of students together and I
 moderate a discussion. I represent the Speakers Bureau
 for the university. When they bring a speaker into
 town who doesn't want to make a speech but will appear,
 I will interview them on stage. I have moderated a

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    education participated in by the president of the
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    university and the head of one of the large online
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    education services and the president of Santa Fe
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    Community College. I did a panel on -- I moderated a
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    panel involving the provost of the university and two
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    other distinguished professors on what is scholarship.
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              I believe I understand what you told me about
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    the publication and academic publishing and the
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    difference with tenured professors and master
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    lecturers.
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    do you do other kinds of writing? For lack of a better
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    description, I'll say like popular writing.
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    publish articles, quest editorials in the
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    St. Petersburg Times or --
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              Okay. Do you -- are you a blog writer?
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    you publish a blog on a regular basis?
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    writing that you might do?
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1 Α. No. 2 Any reporting work that you do since you've Ο. 3 gone to the University of Florida? 4 Α. No. 5 And what I mean there is, you know, like have 0. 6 you engaged in some reporting project with a colleague, 7 you did the reporting, but you're not writing up the 8 article, and then you funnel your work product to 9 others, things of that nature? 10 Α. No. 11 Q. All right. Last thing on the teaching, have 12 you ever taught a course in media law at the University 13 of Florida? 14 Media law, no. 15 0. I take it from what you said earlier, you 16 indicated to us -- you said, I'm not a lawyer. 17 Would you consider yourself qualified to 18 teach media law if they asked you? 19 MR. HARDER: Let me object. It calls for 20 speculation. It's vague and ambiguous. 21 Go ahead and answer. 22 THE WITNESS: I think I could, but -- I think 23 I could, yes. 24 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 25 Q. Do you consider yourself an expert in media

1 law? Α. No. 3 Okay. What I'd like to do now is shift our Ο. 4 focus and talk to you just a little bit about your work 5 as an expert witness. All right? 6 When did you first serve as an expert 7 witness? I can't remember the year, but it involved 8 Α. 9 the New York Times and the Gainesville Sun. 10 What was the -- what was the cause of action Ο. 11 in that case? 12 The developers of a local shopping center Α. 13 were suing the Gainesville Sun, which was owned by the 14 New York Times, over several articles and the use of 15 certain words in the articles. 16 Ο. Do you remember what the words were? 17 They were about to develop another phase of Α. 18 the shopping center, and some of the words were "massive," "super size." I think there was a third 19 20 one, but I can't remember. 21 I take it from this, then, that it was a 22 defamation case? 23 Α. It was a defamation case. 24 Okay. Now, let me ask you this. Did you 0. 25 serve as an expert when you were still at the paper, or

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     remember.
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              Which party retained you?
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         Α.
              The defense.
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         Ο.
              And did you prepare an expert report in that
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     case?
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         Α.
              No.
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              Did you provide any sworn testimony in the
         Q.
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     case?
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         Α.
              No.
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              And just so we're clear, when I say sworn
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     testimony, I mean by affidavit, sworn declaration,
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     deposition, any of that.
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         Α.
              No.
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         0.
              Did you testify in the case?
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         Α.
              No.
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         Q.
              And how was that case resolved?
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         Α.
              I think it was dismissed.
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         Ο.
              On a motion?
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              I think.
         Α.
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         Q.
              Professor, if you could, describe for us the
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extent of your work on the case.

A. I was consulted by the l

- A. I was consulted by the legal team. We talked quite a bit about it. I read voluminous material. I watched the videos -- the video depositions of the experts for the other side.
 - Q. All right. And who were you working with?
- A. Thomas, Gregg Thomas.
 - Q. All right. Because I noticed in your report at the very end of the report, you indicated that you had had two occasions, I guess, when you worked with Gregg's firm.
- 12 A. Correct.

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- O. So this was one of those occasions?
- 14 A. It was.
- Q. Okay. Can you -- strike that.
- Are there any other cases where you served as an expert witness?
- A. Another one with Gregg. I honestly don't recall what it was about, because it didn't seem to last very long.
- Q. What was the publication that was being sued
 I take it?
 - A. I don't even remember that.
- Q. Was it -- was defamation the tort at issue?
- A. I believe that was the case, yes.

1 Ο. Was that case that you're talking about now, 2 was it before or after the Gainesville Sun case? 3 I think the Gainesville Sun was the first. 4 Can you tell us approximately when that Q. 5 second case would have been? 6 Α. I would be guessing. I really don't 7 remember. 8 Q. Okay. Did you prepare an expert report? 9 Α. No. 10 Q. Did you provide any sworn testimony in the 11 case? 12 Α. No. 13 Again, just so we're clear, I mean by 14 affidavit, sworn declaration, or giving a deposition. 15 Α. No. 16 I take it from your answers, then, that -- I 17 think I know the answer to this, but you did not 18 testify at trial; is that correct? 19 Α. That's correct. 20 How was that case resolved? Q. I don't remember. I think it was dismissed, 21 Α. 22 but you can ask Gregg. 23 Ο. Let me ask you this. What was the extent of 24 your work on that case? 25 Α. I think it was also reading material.

1 recollection, that doesn't seem to have lasted very 2 long. 3 Any other -- anything else you recall about 4 that assignment? 5 I remember meeting in downtown Tampa with Α. 6 another lawyer, whom I can't remember, and Gregg. 7 Any other instances where you served as an 0. 8 expert witness? 9 I got a phone call from a lawyer in North 10 Florida who I think had been referred to me by Gregg. 11 I believe it was a false light case, but that just went 12 away before anything happened. I didn't do anything. 13 I didn't even bill. 14 So that really didn't go anywhere? 0. 1.5 Α. No. 16 Q. Any other instances? 17 Not that I can recall. Α. 18 So just so the record's clear, I take it Q. 19 you've never been qualified as a journalism expert in a 20 case; is that correct? 21 Α. What does that mean? 22 To be qualified, you would actually appear at Ο. 23 the trial, you would be offered as an expert witness,

and the judge would pass on that and say, yes, I accept

this individual as a journalism expert.

A. I have not.

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- Q. I take it you have never been qualified as a journalism ethics expert in an actual case; is that correct?
 - A. That is correct.
- Q. I take it that you have never been permitted by a judge to present testimony to a jury in an expert capacity.
- A. Correct.
- Q. All right. Shifting gears yet again, I would like to now start to focus in on this particular case and the work that you've done here. All right?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. When did you first become aware of this litigation?
- A. Years ago, I read a story about it, I believe.
- Q. In the newspaper?
 - A. Probably the newspaper or online.
 - Q. And you learned about that there was litigation, or did you -- did the story talk about the actual incident? You know what I mean, the publishing of the post, the disclosure of the excerpts of the sex tape and all of that. Was it about litigation or the underlying events?

1 MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous. 2 Go ahead. 3 THE WITNESS: I can't recall exactly. I know 4 it was about the fact that the tape -- there was 5 such a tape existing and -- but I don't remember 6 whether the litigation was mentioned in that 7 story. 8 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 9 All right. Do you remember where you read 10 it? 11 Α. I don't. 12 From that point, kind of moving forward in Q. 13 time, when did you -- when did you first contemplate or 14 get approached or -- strike that. 15 When did you first consider being an expert 16 in the case? 17 Are you talking about time or incident? Α. 18 You can peg it whichever way is easiest for 19 you. If it helps you by incident, and then we'll try 20 to zero in on time. 21 I received a phone call from an associate of 22 Mr. Harder. She had been referred by one of my 23 colleagues on the faculty. 24 MR. HARDER: I'm just going to caution you, 25 discussions with attorneys is work product, but

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         you can talk about the fact that you had
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         conversations, who you had them with and the
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         dates, things like that, and general subject
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         matter.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: Can we go off the record for
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         just a minute?
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              (Discussion off the record.)
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              So you indicated that you got a call from a
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    colleague of Mr. Harder and that person had been
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    referred by a colleague of yours at the faculty for the
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    University of Florida, correct?
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              That is correct.
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              What colleague was it of yours at Florida?
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         Α.
              His name is Clay Calvert. He's a lawyer.
              Is he one of the individuals that teaches the
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    media law course?
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              That is correct.
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              Now, focusing in or trying to get a sense of
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    timing, when to your best recollection did that contact
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    occur?
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              Six months ago?
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    individual, the colleague of Mr. Harder's that you
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    spoke with?
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              Sarah Luppen.
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              And how long did the call last?
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              20 minutes, 30 minutes.
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              All right. Did you agree to undertake the
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    assignment at the conclusion of that call?
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              I believe I did.
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              Professor Foley, you are being -- I think I
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    got this from your report there, or maybe it was a
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    disclosure. But you're being paid 250 per hour for
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    your work on this case, correct?
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              Yes.
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              In fairness. And for your testimony on the
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    case, you're being paid a rate of 350 per hour.
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              MR. HARDER:
                           I'm going to object to the
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         wording, "and for your testimony." He's paid for
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         his time.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: I didn't mean -- there was
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         nothing -- I'll rephrase.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1 0. And you're paid 250 for your work on the case 2 generally, correct? 3 Α. For my time, yes. 4 And when you testify in deposition or at Q. 5 trial, your rate is \$350 for that work, correct? 6 Α. Yes. 7 0. Now, how did you arrive at those hourly 8 rates? 9 Α. I think I came up with a rate of \$200 when I 10 was working with Gregg. And then I was named teacher 11 of the year 2006 and 2007, and I raised it by 50 bucks. 12 All right. Now, are you compensated for Q. 13 travel expenses and out-of-pocket costs, things of that 14 nature? 15 Α. Yes. 16 Q. And are you compensated for your travel time? 17 Α. Yes. 18 You presently live up in Gainesville? Q. 19 Α. Correct. 20 Q. Now, Professor Foley, how much time have you 21 put into the matter to date? 22 Α. If I had a calculator, I could tell you. 23 Q. I can loan you my phone. 24 I'm sorry. Math is not my thing. Α. 25 Q. Take your time.

A. 60 hours approximately. That's just approximately.

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- Q. Okay. And have you been paid for your services thus far?
- A. I have been paid through the week before last.

MR. SULLIVAN: Now, let me direct this question to Mr. Harder.

MR. HARDER: Should I get sworn?

MR. SULLIVAN: You don't need to be sworn. In keeping with the discussion we had a little bit ago in terms of the work product, would you be willing to provide a copy of Professor Foley's bill? I'm happy to -- this is not -- I'm happy to tell you why. It helps me to see kind of what you did, the chronology of the work. I don't want communications with you. I mean, I would be happy to give you like a sanitized version of a bill that didn't disclose work product. I'm not interested in your work product. I'm interested in his work product. Personally, I find it helpful to see like, okay, you know, he worked for the first two weeks and he read some news articles, he did some searches. He did -- it just -- I find that of assistance. I find it

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        saves some time. If you say I'm not comfortable
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             MR. HARDER: My comfort level would be
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        whatever the local rules or laws provide, I'm
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        comfortable with. I would have to consult with my
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        local counsel, because I'm not personally
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        familiar. If the rules say I have to, then I
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        will. If the rules say I don't have to, then I'm
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        not inclined to.
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             MR. SULLIVAN: Would you prefer not to?
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             MR. HARDER: I would have to consult with my
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        local counsel.
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             MR. SULLIVAN:
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        save us some time.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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        Ο.
              This is directed back to you, Professor.
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              What level of detail -- just give us in
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    general terms -- do you have in your bill? Do you
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    break it down with like precise tasks, or do you kind
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    of have a bill that says, you know, work on the case,
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    Tuesday, six hours?
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             MR. SULLIVAN: Do you want to confer?
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             MR. HARDER:
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        answering.
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maybe what material, not by specific, but by length of time. And then phone conversations.

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MR. SULLIVAN: All right. It may be what I'm looking for, there's not enough detail there to make it meaningful, but we can follow up.

Do you know what the practice is?

Yeah. And certainly talk to MS. FUGATE: Ken, because the practice can really vary from case to case and depending on opposing counsel and how well we're working together. And we are in a little bit of flux because of the new federal rules which Florida will follow, but that hasn't panned out yet in practice and case law about how this really works because before this very recent change, you got all of that stuff. And we would routinely get invoices of experts, too. again, how this is all going to change and shape out in the future, it really hasn't taken form yet, you know, how the new rules are really going to impact it. It is something that we would routinely get in the past. Whether we will continue to do so going forward, who knows.

MR. HARDER: During the next break, I'll give him a call.

MR. SULLIVAN: See what he says. What I

1 would propose to you, Charles, is that we treat 2 this like our other discussion we had a little 3 earlier off the record. We'll work out something. 4 We'll make it the same for each of us and just go 5 by that. It's not a big deal. 6

MR. HARDER: Okay.

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Professor Foley, back to you then. Let's shift our focus again. I just want to talk to you a little bit about kind of where we go from here.

Do you -- with respect to your role as a journalism expert in this case, is there any additional work that you contemplate doing?

- Well, more reading, more preparation. Α.
- 0. Okay.
- More meetings. Α.
 - Let's focus on the reading. Are there Ο. categories of material or a group of material that you really wanted to look at that you haven't had time to review as of yet?
 - Maybe I should have said reread. Α.
 - Okay. That's all I'm trying to get a sense Is there some body of research or study that you feel you need to do to have a full report and a developed opinion in this matter that you haven't had

1 the opportunity to undertake yet? 2 I honestly don't know. 3 0. Do you have a sense of when you would plan to 4 do that additional work? 5 MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object to 6 vaque, additional work. His answer was, I don't 7 know. 8 THE WITNESS: I don't know. 9 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 10 Q. All right. As you sit here today, do you 11 have a present intent to file a supplemental report? 12 Α. I don't know. 13 Ο. Well, you do know if you have a present 14 intent. 1.5 Α. I don't know what you mean. 16 All right. As you sit here right now with Ο. 17 us, do you have an intent like, okay, I'm going to do a 18 supplemental report, I've kind of known all along I was 19 going to do a supplemental report? 20 Α. I don't know. I had not thought about it. 21 But then there is more reading perhaps to do. 22 All right. Do you have an idea in terms of 23 what specific additional reading you would want to do? 24 Α. If there were further depositions. 25 Q. All right. Anything else that comes to mind?

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    requested that have not been provided?
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         this case."
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              THE WITNESS: My wife helped me with an
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         invoice.
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              Let me ask you this. Have you obtained the
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    help of any assistants?
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              For example, given your position at the
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    university, have you used any teaching assistants,
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    folks like that to help you do any research?
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              Have any -- excluding counsel, has anyone
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    assisted you in formulating your opinion in the case?
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         Α.
              No.
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         Q.
              Have you discussed the matter, in other
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    words, your expert work on the case, with anyone at the
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    University of Florida?
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1 Α. I informed the dean and my department chair that I was doing this. I have mentioned the content of 3 the case in terms of what has been published. 4 it. 5 When you say you mentioned the content, in 0. 6 what setting? 7 Α. Stuff that's been in the paper. 8 Q. Is that in your conversations with the dean? 9 Α. With the dean, department chair, Clay 10 Calvert, and a couple of other faculty members. 11 Q. All right. Have you discussed the case in 12 any of your classes? 13 Α. No. 14 So I take it that none of your students 0. 15 provided any assistance in the work you've done on the 16 case. 17 Α. No. 18 If you can look back now at Exhibit 158 and 19 go back to the beginning, you'll see there that that 20 exhibit represents a copy of your expert report. 21 Do you see that? 22 Α. Yes. 23 Q. Now, if you would look, please, at page 1. 24 And you'll see there there's question 1 and then it says question 2, both in bold. Do you see that?

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    thereafter, it says, "I base my answers on my
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    experience, background, training, education, and my
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    in-depth knowledge of the craft and mission of
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    journalism from a more than 40-year career in that
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    field."
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              Do you see that?
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         Α.
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         Q.
              Now, what is the mission of journalism?
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              To search for the truth, to help people make
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    sense of a confusing world, to explain, to expose
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    corruption, to tell people what's going on, to give
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    voice to minorities. It's a very large, large
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    question.
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              Anything else that you care to add?
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              I'm sure I can come up with a lot. It's as
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    much a spiritual thing as it is physical.
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              Do all journalists see the mission of
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     journalism the same?
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              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
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              THE WITNESS: I believe at its most basic
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         level, yes.
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              Do journalists at the New York Times see the
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    mission the same as journalists at the Hollywood
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    Reporter?
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                           I'm going to object.
              MR. HARDER:
                                                  It calls
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         for speculation.
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              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Now, I take it you've done no survey or study
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    of journalists to try to drill down on what the mission
10
    of journalism is; is that correct?
11
         Α.
              Formal study, formal research, no.
12
              If you would look, sir, at the same paragraph
         0.
13
    but just kind of continuing down, you'll see at the
14
    bottom of that page a sentence that says, "Most
15
    importantly, for purposes of this report, I have
16
    attended and been involved in numerous sessions
17
    regarding journalism ethics."
18
              Do you see that?
19
         Α.
              Yes.
20
         Q.
              How many sessions have you been involved in
21
    regarding journalism ethics?
22
              I couldn't -- I couldn't estimate. I've been
23
    involved with everything from ASNE to APME to SPJ to
24
    the Poynter Institute.
25
         Q.
              Okay. But sitting here today, you couldn't
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1 tell us roughly how many? 2 Α. I cannot. 3 Okay. But based on what you just explained Ο. 4 to us, like the SPJ, ASNE, you're talking about actual 5 sessions by a formal group discussing journalism 6 ethics, I take it. Α. That's part of it. 8 Okay. What I'm trying to get at or what I'm 9 trying to understand is, I take it you're not also 10 including newsroom like where you and a colleague were 11 sitting around trying to grapple with an ethical issue. 12 Α. Absolutely. 13 Ο. You include that as well? 14 Ethics is a topic of discussion constantly. Α. 15 Q. Right. Okay. 16 So these would include sessions when you 17 worked at the newspaper? 1.8 Α. Yes. 19 So we're talking here about formal sessions 0. 20 like at conferences or meetings of the SPJ and informal 21 sessions in the course of your work in the newsroom, 22 both would be included? 23 Α. Uh-huh, yes. 24 Now, if you -- if you look at the sentence 0. 25 that follows at the bottom of 1 and continues over on

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1
    to the top of page 2, you'll see it says, "I also am
2
    applying the standards and practices of the journalism
3
    industry including the standards of the Society of
4
    Professional Journalists and its Code of Ethics."
5
              Do you see that?
6
         Α.
              Yes.
7
         0.
              Professor Foley, how is the SPJ Code of
8
    Ethics relevant in this case?
9
              It helped frame my opinion on why the Hulk
10
    Hogan sex video is not journalism. It's not
11
    newsworthy. It's not ethical.
12
              Let me ask you this. Who does the code of --
         0.
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    who does the Society of Professional Journalists Code
14
    of Ethics apply to?
15
         Α.
              Journalists.
16
         Ο.
              Okay. And who does the SPJ code say its Code
17
    of Ethics applies to?
18
         Α.
              Ethical journalists.
              And does the Society for Professional
19
         0.
20
    Journalists attempt to force its ethics code on
21
    nonmembers?
22
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: No. I'm asking for his --
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
         Q.
              To your knowledge, does it attempt to force
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1
    its ethics code on nonmembers?
2
              MR. HARDER: Same objection.
3
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              You don't know, okay.
        0.
6
              Are you aware of any evidence to suggest that
7
    the folks at Gawker who were involved in preparing the
8
    challenged publication were members of the Society for
9
    Professional Journalists?
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             MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
11
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
12
              MR. SULLIVAN: No, it doesn't call for
13
        speculation. I'm asking him if he's aware of any
14
        evidence. You either are or you aren't.
1.5
              MR. HARDER: I'm just making an objection.
16
             MR. SULLIVAN: All right.
17
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              So are you aware of any evidence that these
19
    folks were members?
20
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
21
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
22
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
23
        0.
              Tell me this. Does the SPJ, the Society for
24
    Professional Journalists, does it take the position
    that its Code of Ethics imposes a legal standard on
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1
    nonmembers?
2
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
3
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              If you could look, please, on that same page,
         0.
6
    page 2, and if you look at the next paragraph, you'll
7
    see it says -- the first sentence of that says, "I also
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    have done extensive research for this case.
9
    watched the video of Mr. Bollea (Hulk Hogan) that
10
    Gawker posted on its website Gawker.com."
11
              Do you see that?
12
         Α.
              I do.
13
         Ο.
              Okay. Did you also view the entire video of
14
    the sex tape?
15
         Α.
              I did not.
16
         Ο.
              In other words, the complete 30-minute
17
    version.
18
              I did not.
         Α.
19
         Q.
              Did you at any point seek to compare that
20
    tape with the portion that Gawker chose to excerpt?
21
         Α.
              I did not.
22
              MR. HARDER: Objection.
23
              Pause and let me get my objections in.
24
              Objection to the term "excerpt" as vague.
25
              Go ahead.
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1
              THE WITNESS:
                            I did not compare the two.
2
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
3
              All right. And just so we don't have
         0.
4
    confusion or vagueness, when I refer to excerpt, I'm
5
    talking about the minute and 40 some seconds that
6
    actually appeared with the post on the Gawker website.
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    Is that acceptable to you?
8
         Α.
              Yes.
9
              Okay. Do you -- now, strike that.
         0.
10
              Do you plan to at some future date compare
11
    the excerpt with the complete sex tape, the 30-minute
12
    sex tape?
                           I'm just going to have a
13
              MR. HARDER:
14
         continuing objection to the term "excerpt."
15
         think it's vague and it mischaracterizes it.
16
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
17
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
18
              Would you want to do that at some point?
         Q.
19
         Α.
              Maybe.
20
         Q.
              And why would that be?
21
         Α.
              I don't know.
22
              If you will look back at your report, page 2,
23
    you'll see kind of a dotted line across the page.
24
    you see that?
25
         Α.
              I do.
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1 Ο. Okay. Then below that, the first paragraph 2 appears that says, "The First Amendment protects our 3 rights of speech and press. It ensures freedom to 4 publish, and its scope is broad." 5 And then it goes on, "But journalists don't 6 see that power as unlimited. They see it in the 7 context of ethical standards and limitations, and they 8 respect the rights of the people they cover." 9 Do you see that? 10 Α. Yes. 11 Q. Now, what is your basis for the assertion 12 that journalists see the First Amendment -- see First 13 Amendment rights in the context of ethical standards 14 and limitations? 15 I think journalists are human beings and, 16 therefore, they respect the rights of the people they 17 cover. 18 Okay. But how do you know -- you, 19 Professor Foley, how do you know how other journalists 20 view their First Amendment rights? 21 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object to the term 22 "journalists" as just being vague and broad. 23 But, otherwise, feel free to answer the 24 question. 25 THE WITNESS: I think that journalists

1 protect the First Amendment by respecting the 2 rights of others, as I said before. 3 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 4 But when you talk here -- and one other Q. 5 thing, just so we're on the same page, when I use the 6 term "journalists," I'm using it in precisely the same 7 way that you use it in the second line of that 8 paragraph of your report that I just read to you. 9 Do you understand that? 10 Α. I'm not sure I understand that. 11 Q. Look there in the second line of your report. 12 You say, "But journalists don't see," and then your 13 sentence continues on, right? 14 Α. Yes. 15 0. Okay. The use of the term "journalists" in 16 my question is precisely as you yourself used it in 17 that line of your report. 18 Do you follow me? 19 Α. I do not. 20 Q. What is unclear? 21 How do I know what you are saying? Α. 22 I'm not saying anything. I'm asking you what Ο. 23 you meant when you wrote this document and you used the 24 term "journalists." All right? 25 Α. I'm talking about responsible -- excuse me --

1 ethical journalists. 2 Okay. Where we started down this road, I 3 asked you how you would know how other journalists 4 viewed their First Amendment rights. How would you 5 know, you, Professor Foley? 6 MR. HARDER: Vaque and ambiguous, asked and 7 answered. 8 THE WITNESS: I can't read people's minds, 9 but I have talked to an awful lot of journalists 10 who agree that you must respect humanity to be a 11 journalist. 12 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 13 Okay. Let me ask you this and put a finer 14 point on it. Since becoming a journalism professor, 15 have you conducted surveys of practicing journalists on 16 how they individually view their First Amendment 17 rights? 1.8 Α. No. 19 Since becoming a journalism professor, have Q. 20 you conducted an online survey or website survey on how 21 individual journalists view their First Amendment 22 rights? 23 Α. No. 24 Since becoming a professor, have you Q. conducted any academic studies on journalists' views on

1 how they perceive their First Amendment rights? 2 Α. No. 3 Now, if you would look, please, on that same Ο. 4 page and if you look down at the next paragraph, the 5 second sentence of that says, "The footage, its 6 distribution and its publication were all made without 7 Mr. Bollea's knowledge or consent." 8 Do you see that? 9 Α. (Indicates affirmatively.) Uh-huh. 10 Q. What is your basis for that statement? 11 Α. That's what I have been told. I believe I 12 have read that he has said that. 13 Ο. When you say you read that, where did 14 you read that? 15 Α. News accounts perhaps. 16 Are you -- Professor, are you aware of 17 situations where a celebrity or his agent leaked 18 material, including nude photos, because they thought 19 the celebrity would benefit from the publicity? 20 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. That lacks 21 foundation, calls for speculation. Are you asking 22 for his personal knowledge? 23 MR. SULLIVAN: I'm asking if he's aware. 24 MR. HARDER: If he has personal knowledge of 25 particular instances?

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             MR. SULLIVAN:
                            Yes.
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              THE WITNESS: I have no personal knowledge.
3
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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             Have you read -- you told us you did a fair
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    amount of reading. Have you read of situations like
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    that?
        Α.
             Do you have a specific?
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             Right now I'm asking you if you have read of
9
    any such situations.
10
        Α.
             Without a specific, I can't answer the
11
    question.
12
             All right. Let me ask you this. Are you
13
    aware of situations where material is leaked to create
14
    buzz or public interest in a celebrity who has -- how
15
    shall we say it -- faded from the limelight?
16
             MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object.
17
        lacks foundation. It's vague and ambiguous.
18
              THE WITNESS: I have no personal knowledge.
19
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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        Q.
             All right. I note --
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             MR. HARDER: When it's an opportune time --
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        we've been going for an hour and a half -- I could
23
        use a restroom break.
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             MR. SULLIVAN: Fine by me.
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             MR. HARDER: At an opportune time. I'm not
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        trying to stop you now.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: Let me finish this little
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        passage and then we'll take a break. We also
4
        should talk about what we want to do lunch-wise.
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              MR. HARDER: Okay.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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        0.
              I note that in --
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              MR. HARDER: Are you like two minutes away?
9
        I'm ready for a break.
10
             MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. Why don't we just break
11
        here.
12
              MR. HARDER:
                           Thank you.
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              (Recess taken from 12:27 p.m. to 12:38 p.m.)
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                             There was a question pending
              MR. SULLIVAN:
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        at the time the break was taken, if you could read
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        that back.
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              (The reporter read the pending question.)
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Professor Foley, I note that in what was
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    provided to us as Exhibit 5 of the expert disclosure,
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    there were documents that look like they were things
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    that you assembled in your work on the case. We got a
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    list of documents including some testimony. We got a
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    list of documents that bore identification numbers that
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    have been produced in the case. And then there was a
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1 category that said not produced, and you've provided 2 us, or perhaps counsel provided us on your behalf, with 3 a whole bunch of other articles, web materials, things 4 that I assume you gathered in the course of your work 5 on this assignment. 6 Are you familiar with those materials? 7 Α. Not specifically, no. 8 Let me see if this will help you. All I know 9 is the manner in which it came to me. Maybe Mr. Harder 10 can shed some light on this. But as part of the expert 11 disclosures, we got this document here. And why don't 12 you just take a second and flip through that. 13 MR. SULLIVAN: So that the record is clear, 14 I'm showing the witness a collection of materials 1.5 produced to us in the case and identified as 16 Exhibit 5 to plaintiff's expert disclosures. 17 MR. HARDER: It's Mike Foley's expert -- is 18 that our expert disclosure? 19 MR. SULLIVAN: Here's the confusing part. 20 Because all the experts were identified at the 21 same time, it's expert 5 -- Exhibit 5 to that 22 general thing, but I believe --23 MR. HARDER: It's Foley materials. 24 MR. SULLIVAN: -- it pertains to Mr. Foley, 25 yes.

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              MR. HARDER:
                           Just so you know, I didn't
2
         prepare that document. I wish I could help you.
3
              THE WITNESS: Some of this is familiar. I
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         mean, there's 20 pounds here.
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              MR. SULLIVAN:
                             Right.
6
              Now, what -- I will mark or ask the court
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         reporter to mark as Exhibit 159 a multi-page
8
         document which is an excerpt out of this expert
9
         disclosure Exhibit 5. And it appears to be a post
10
         that was published on Gawker dated August 2nd,
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         2013, the title of which is, "Lindsay Lohan nude
12
         pics 'leaked' to Promote The Canyons [NSFW]."
13
              If you would, take a moment and look that
14
         over.
1.5
              (Exhibit No. 159 marked for identification.)
16
              MR. SULLIVAN: Sorry, Charles.
17
              MR. HARDER:
                           Thank you.
18
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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         0.
              Have you had an opportunity to review
20
    Defendant's Exhibit 159?
21
         Α.
              Yes.
22
              Do you recognize 159?
         Ο.
23
         Α.
              I think I saw it in passing, yes.
24
              And was this a Gawker post that you assembled
         0.
    in the course of your -- doing your expert work in this
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1
    case?
2
              It was part of the -- part of the reading
         Α.
3
    material, yes.
4
              Okay. Do you know why you focused on this
         Q.
5
    particular article?
6
              MR. HARDER: Objection to the word "focused."
7
              THE WITNESS: This was just part of a huge
8
         batch of material.
9
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
10
         Q.
              All right.
                          If you look at the second page,
11
    you'll see the second full graph there says, "The Indie
12
    operation behind the film certainly hopes that's the
13
    case because they went through the trouble of "leaking"
14
    select clips from the film that emphasized the fact
15
    that Lindsay gets naked."
16
              Do you see that?
17
         Α.
              I do.
18
              Did you -- did you note this particular post
19
    because of the allegation of a leak of nude photos in
20
    an effort to garner attention?
21
              MR. HARDER: Objection to form of the
22
         question.
23
              THE WITNESS: No.
                                 I looked at this post
24
         because it featured nude photographs.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1 Ο. All right. Have you done any investigation 2 in connection with your work in the case to ascertain 3 whether Hulk Hogan had any involvement in the leak of 4 the sex tape? 5 Α. I have not. 6 Q. Did you consider that possibility in 7 performing your analysis? 8 Since the source of the sex tape is 9 supposedly unknown, I considered all sorts of things 10 in my analysis. 11 Q. Let me ask you this. Would your analysis 12 change if it turned out that Hulk Hogan did have some 13 involvement in the disclosure of the sex tape? 14 MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object to the 15 form of that question. 16 THE WITNESS: I would have to think about 17 that. I would have to give that some 18 consideration. 19 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 20 Okay. Are you aware that Hulk Hogan Q. 21 originally sued Bubba Clem over the disclosure of the 22 sex tape? 23 Α. I believe I read about that, yes. 24 Did you read about that in connection with 0. your work on the case or when you were following it --

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        Α.
              I can't remember.
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              -- before your retention?
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              MR. HARDER: Don't answer until I've had a
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        chance to object. And I'm going to object to the
5
        form of the question.
6
              THE WITNESS: I can't remember.
7
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
8
              Okay. Are you aware that Hulk Hogan settled
9
    his suit against Bubba in less than two weeks?
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              I don't think I was.
        Α.
11
        Q.
              Are you aware that Hulk Hogan settled his
12
    case against Bubba for a rather modest sum?
13
              MR. HARDER: I'm going to object to the
14
        characterization of the terms of the settlement.
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        Just specifically there is a lot of terms in that
16
        contract, and the sum was one of some terms.
17
              MR. SULLIVAN: Okay. I'll take his answer.
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              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              If you were made -- if you assume that --
        Q.
21
    assume these facts for your assessment of this, assume
22
    that Hulk Hogan did sue Bubba and settled in two weeks
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    and that the settlement was for a very modest sum of
24
    money. Okay? Would that affect your analysis of this
25
    case?
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              MR. HARDER:
                           Incomplete hypothetical.
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              THE WITNESS:
                            I don't know.
3
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Would that raise questions in your mind if
         Q.
5
    the plaintiff settled quickly and cheaply with the one
6
    person who was clearly responsible for the taping?
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              MR. HARDER: I'm going to object to the form
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         of the question, vague and ambiguous, incomplete
9
         hypothetical.
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              THE WITNESS:
                            I would like it repeated.
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              (The reporter read the pending question.)
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              THE WITNESS:
                            I would have to say I would
13
         have to consider -- I would have to think about
14
         this.
15
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              As a former newsman, when considering how
17
    this tape came to get out publicly, did you consider
18
    that the disclosure of a sex tape depicting an aging
19
    wrestler having sex with an attractive younger woman
20
    may be good for his image in certain circles?
21
              MR. HARDER:
                           I'm going to object to the form
22
         of the question.
                           I think it's argumentative,
23
         incomplete hypothetical.
24
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
25
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1 Ο. Okay. If you will look now over on to 2 page -- well, I guess we're still on page 2. You'll 3 see there you pose a question, question 1, and you say, 4 "Did Gawker's publication of the Hulk Hogan sex video 5 serve any valid ethical journalistic purpose?" 6 Do you see that? 7 Α. Yes. 8 Q. Then your conclusion follows and it says, 9 "Based on my experience, background, knowledge, 10 training, education and more than 40-year career in 11 journalism, I conclude with a reasonable degree of 12 certainty that Gawker's publication of the sex video 13 itself did not serve any valid ethical journalistic 14 purpose." 1.5 Do you see that? 16 Α. I do. 17 I take it from this conclusion that you do Ο. 18 not object to the article discussing the sex tape that 19 was posted by Gawker. 20 MR. HARDER: Objection, argumentative, 21 objection to form of the question. 22 THE WITNESS: I thought it was graphic and 23 not journalism and, given the description, that it 24 was not newsworthy. And I felt it was unethical. 25 BY MR. SULLIVAN:

1 Ο. But in your opinion, I take it from the way 2 your opinion is crafted, the publication of the article 3 itself served some journalistic purpose, correct? 4 MR. HARDER: Objection, asked and answered, 5 misstates prior testimony. 6 THE WITNESS: It's not journalism. 7 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 8 Well, tell me this. Explain to me why when 9 you set out your opinion you said, I conclude with a 10 reasonable degree of certainty that Gawker's 11 publication of the sex video itself did not serve any 12 valid ethical journalistic purpose. 13 Α. I believe strongly that it did not. 14 0. Okay. Why didn't you say that Gawker's post 15 which would have included the textual material and the 16 video? 17 MR. HARDER: Argumentative, objection to form 18 of the question. 19 THE WITNESS: I found them both disgusting. 20 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 21 All right. Let me ask you this. Would you 22 agree that the article itself, the post without the 23 video, was protected by the First Amendment? 24 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. It calls 25 for a legal conclusion. I'm going to instruct you

1 not to answer on the basis that it calls for a 2 legal conclusion. 3 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 4 In your view, as a journalist who practiced Q. 5 journalism for years, do you believe that the post 6 itself, the textual material, should have been 7 enjoined? 8 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. It calls 9 for a legal conclusion, and I'm going to instruct 10 you not to answer on that basis. 11 There -- also, there's a beeping. 12 someone silence their phone? 13 (Discussion off the record.) 14 (Recess taken from 12:54 p.m. to 1:32 p.m.) 1.5 (Discussion off the record.) 16 MR. HARDER: So we just took a lunch break 17 and we agreed that there was some transcription 18 while we were here in the room and I asked that it 19 be deleted from the record because I had no idea 20 that we were on the record and we were just having 21 a casual conversation. 22 The situation that we're facing here is that 23 questions are being asked of the witness that go 24 beyond his expert report and beyond what he has 25 been retained to testify about and he does not

have any intention of testifying about, namely the article that accompanied the Hulk Hogan sex tape And it's my understanding just from having looked at two very quick cases that were just sent to me a few minutes ago from my local counsel that there is the potential of waiving either a privilege or some other protection that this witness would have or that the plaintiff would have if we allow questions to be asked of him that go beyond the scope of what he's been retained to And obviously we have no intention of waiving any privileges, waiving any protections. we intend to preserve everything so that we would preserve the right to object to admissibility of this testimony that I'm referring to that will be happening in the future, because I tend to agree with Michael Sullivan that I think that we should press on, but I do want it to be clear in the record that we are not waiving any privileges, not waiving any protections, and if these protections and privileges do exist, then they can be used by the plaintiff's side to omit this testimony from trial or otherwise to be used.

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MS. FUGATE: I just wanted to add that the legal point, I think it's clear that all

objections are preserved. They are not waived by this. So we agree with plaintiff's counsel on that. We think it's proper to move forward because we don't think it's proper to instruct a witness not to answer. So that's why we agree that all of those are preserved, all of those objections.

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And, please, if you could make that for Charles a continuing objection throughout so that there's not an issue.

MR. HARDER: Right. It will be a continuing objection.

Now, at a certain point, if I feel that you're going so far afield that I'm still going to preserve what I believe is my right to say you can't ask him certain questions because that's just way too far afield, but I guess we'll come to that if we come to that.

MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

MR. HARDER: Okay. But in the meantime -MR. SULLIVAN: Then the last thing I'll just
add, which is what I said when we were talking
before which has now been taken off the record is
the simple point that I said to Mr. Harder and
Professor Foley, which is I am not here attempting

to seek his legal opinion which I don't think would be proper, because we all know and agree that he is not a lawyer and has not been asked to render a legal opinion. I have asked for his opinion as a journalist and my questions are directed to him solely in that capacity. And I note that in his report that has been tendered to us that he has spoken about First Amendment rights and issues of that nature, and that's the context in which I seek to examine him.

MR. HARDER: I understand that. And just to clarify my objection from before we took a lunch break, you were asking him about First Amendment issues as to the narrative. And because his report does not speak to the narrative and because he's not been retained to speak to the narrative, I felt that, A, that went beyond the scope; and, B, it seems to call for a legal conclusion as to how he believes the First Amendment applies or does not apply to a particular specific issue.

And then second, you were asking him about whether an injunction should or should not have been issued as to the narrative and, again, I believe that that calls for a legal conclusion and is an improper question to ask of an expert. Even

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        though he's a journalist, he's not a judge.
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              MR. SULLIVAN:
                            Right. And I don't want his
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         legal views, but I take your point. I understand
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        what you're saying.
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              MR. HARDER: I don't see how you can ask him
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        that question and not seek his legal views
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        regarding whether an injunction should have or
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        should not have been issued. I think it's just
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        kind of contradictory in that sense.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: All right. Let's go back I
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        think to where we were.
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             MR. HARDER: Okay.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Let me ask you -- Professor Foley, let me ask
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    you a preliminary question.
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              Did you review the Gawker post, the article
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    itself?
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              I read it.
        Α.
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              And in your view as a journalist, do you
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    believe that that post is protected under the First
21
    Amendment?
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              MR. HARDER: Again, all the same prior
23
        objections that we were talking about.
24
              MR. SULLIVAN:
                            Right.
25
              THE WITNESS:
                            I think like the video, the
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1
         graphicness of it is unethical, not newsworthy,
2
         and not journalism.
3
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
4
              But taking that for granted, do you believe
         Q.
5
    it's protected by the First Amendment?
6
         Α.
              I honestly --
7
              MR. HARDER: Wait.
8
              THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
9
              MR. HARDER: Asked and answered.
10
         objections.
11
              Go ahead.
12
              THE WITNESS: I don't know. I really have to
13
         think about it.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
         Q.
              All right. And following up where we were
16
    when we left off, do you believe that the post
17
    itself -- as a journalist, now, do you believe that the
18
    post should have been enjoined?
19
         Α.
              I don't know what enjoined means.
20
              MR. HARDER: Okay. Again, I need to get in
21
         my objections.
22
              THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
23
              MR. HARDER: Same objections as before.
24
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
         Q.
              Mr. Harder can clarify if he wishes, but what
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1
    I'm referring to in terms of enjoined is an order
2
    issued by a court that restrains publication.
3
    right? Or orders the journalist to take down material
4
    that has already been published. That's the context in
5
    which I'm speaking.
              MR. HARDER: Again, same objections as
6
7
        before. Calls for a legal conclusion.
                                                  It goes
8
        beyond the scope of what he's been asked to
9
        testify about, beyond the scope of his expert
10
        report. And I also think it's vague and
11
        ambiguous.
12
              But you can answer if you can.
13
              THE WITNESS: I'll repeat what I said before.
14
        You had a two-part question. You said should it
1.5
        have been not published, should the court have
16
        said that it should not be published, prior
17
        restraint?
18
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
19
        Q.
              Right.
20
        Α.
              I don't know that I would disagree with that.
21
    I don't think that there is a prior restraint.
22
              As to the other question, I believe it's a
23
    legal question. I'm not qualified.
24
              Okay. Let's look back now at your report.
        0.
25
    See the part there that's the conclusion?
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A. Yes.

Q. And at the bottom of 2 and the top of 3 -MR. HARDER: Can we just pause one second?

Could I just note real quickly for the record, I
just looked at the transcript and it just seemed

to me like I heard words that didn't show up on
the screen and I'm just not sure if there's a
clear record. That's all I want to say. It could
be a LiveNote issue. I don't know.

BY MR. SULLIVAN:

- Q. Professor Foley, looking back at the bottom of 2, which is where we were, and continuing over on to the top of 3, you see the statement there, "I conclude with a reasonable degree of certainty that Gawker's publication of the sex video itself did not serve any valid ethical journalistic purpose"? Do you see that?
 - A. You just read the last half of it, yes.
- 18 Q. Yes, sir.

My question for you is, what type of certainty are you referring to there?

- A. My years of experience, my education, the other qualifications that are listed.
- Q. Okay. Let me see if I can put a finer point on it. Are you testifying to a reasonable degree of journalism ethics certainty?

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1
        Α.
              I'm lost.
2
              When experts come in -- a person has a field.
3
    Okay? So you get an expert. He'll come in and he'll
4
    say, I testify to a reasonable degree of engineering
5
    certainty; I'm an electrical engineer. You go, okay.
6
    Now we know what we're dealing with. You bring a
7
    fellow and he says, I testify to a reasonable degree of
8
    medical certainty. Now we know what we're dealing
9
    with.
10
              What I want to know from you is, what type of
11
    reasonable degree of certainty? Are we talking
12
    journalism? Are we talking journalism ethics? What
13
    are we talking, what kind of certainty?
14
              MR. HARDER: Okay.
1.5
              THE WITNESS: We're talking journalism.
16
        are talking journalism ethics.
17
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
1.8
        Ο.
              So both?
19
        Α.
              I believe so.
20
              All right. In your opinion, would all
        Q.
21
    journalists agree with your assessment there?
22
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
23
              THE WITNESS: I would be hard pressed to say
24
         that all journalists would agree with anything.
25
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1
         Q.
              Fair enough.
2
              Let me put a finer point on it. To your
3
    knowledge, would journalists from the National Enquirer
4
    agree with that assessment?
5
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
6
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
7
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
8
              To your knowledge, would journalists from the
9
    Hollywood Reporter agree with that assessment?
10
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
11
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
12
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
13
              To your knowledge, would reporters from TMZ,
14
    the online publication, agree with that assessment?
15
              MR. HARDER: Same objection.
16
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
17
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
18
              If you would look, sir, at page 3 again,
         Q.
19
    you'll see a heading in kind of the top third of the
20
    page that says "News Values."
21
              Do you see that?
22
         Α.
              I do.
23
              Okay. And then it says, "It is news that a
         Q.
24
    sex video involving a famous professional" -- "Is it
25
    news that a sex video involving a famous professional
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1
    wrestler exists? Probably. He is a celebrity, after
2
          Is it news that the ex-wife of the wrestler's
3
    friend also is on the tape? Yes."
4
              Now, my question for you just as to that last
5
    sentence, the thing about the ex-wife, at the time of
6
    these events when the sex tape was being created,
7
    Ms. Clem was still the wife of Bubba Clem, wasn't she,
8
    as you understand it?
9
        Α.
              I don't know.
10
        Q.
              Would that factor into your assessment if she
11
    was still married to Bubba at the time?
12
              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous.
13
              THE WITNESS: No.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
        0.
              It wouldn't factor into your assessment?
16
        Α.
              I don't believe so.
17
              Now, you indicate here -- picking up where we
        Q.
18
    left off, you'll see the next sentence, "Is it news
19
    that the video was shot secretly and that the person or
20
    person(s) responsible is/are unknown? Yes."
21
              Do you see that?
22
        Α.
              I do.
23
        Q.
              Okay. Now, it was your understanding that
24
    the persons responsible are unknown. That was one of
    the premises upon which you operated?
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1
              MR. HARDER: Objection, vague and ambiguous
2
         to persons responsible.
3
              THE WITNESS: Yes.
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
5
              Okay. Are you aware that the video, the sex
         0.
6
    tape, was shot in Bubba Clem's house?
7
         Α.
              Yes.
8
         Ο.
              In fact, it was shot in Bubba Clem's bedroom,
    wasn't it?
9
10
              I believe so.
         Α.
11
         Q.
              I'll just observe, Mr. Foley, you -- before
12
    answering each question, you look over at Mr. Harder.
13
    Can you tell me why that is?
14
              I have developed a habit of answering before
15
    he has a chance to object. I don't want to do that. I
16
    just want to make sure I'm not missing anything.
17
              All right. Now -- so we were -- you
         Q.
18
    understand that it was shot in Bubba Clem's bedroom,
19
    right?
20
         Α.
              I've been told, yes.
21
              Okay. And are you aware that Bubba Clem
22
    apparently was present toward the beginning of the
23
    sexual encounter?
24
         Α.
              I believe that was on the videotape.
25
         Q.
              Yes, sir.
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1
              As I recall at the start, there is a person
2
    off camera who speaks to Mr. Hogan and Ms. Clem.
3
    you remember that?
4
         Α.
              Yes.
5
              And was it your understanding that that
         0.
6
    speaker is in fact Bubba Clem?
7
         Α.
              I don't know it, but I understand that.
8
         Q.
              All right. Does that suggest to you that
9
    Bubba may bear some responsibility for the actual
10
    recording of that video?
11
         Α.
              For the recording of that video?
12
             Yes, sir.
         0.
13
         Α.
              Perhaps.
14
              Does that suggest to you that Bubba may have
         0.
15
     some knowledge of the taping of that sexual encounter?
16
              That I don't know.
         Α.
17
              Okay. Let us look then back to your report.
         Q.
18
    If you would look, please, at the bottom of page 3,
19
    you'll see a statement there, "Consider these excerpts
20
    from the Society of Professional Journalists Code of
21
    Ethics which in my experience and based on my expertise
22
    is commonly accepted as authoritative on ethical issues
23
    in the profession."
24
              Do you see that?
25
         Α.
              I do.
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1 0. Now, when you say commonly accepted, commonly 2 accepted by whom? 3 Α. Journalists. 4 And do you know if all journalists accept Q. 5 these standards? 6 Α. I do not know. 7 0. Do you have any empirical data to back that 8 up that journalists accept it? 9 MR. HARDER: Objection to the term 10 "empirical." 11 THE WITNESS: I do not. 12 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 13 Okay. Have you conducted, you yourself, 14 Professor Foley, conducted any kind of a scientific 15 poll? 16 I have not. Α. 17 To your knowledge, has the Society for Q. 18 Professional Journalists conducted any kind of 19 scientific poll? 20 To my knowledge, I don't know. Α. 21 MR. SULLIVAN: What I would like to do now is 22 mark as Defendant's Exhibit 160 a single-page 23 document that appears to be a copy of the Society 24 for Professional Journalists Code of Ethics. 25 And I will represent to you, Professor Foley,

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1
         that that was taken out of that -- again, that
2
         thing I showed you, the Exhibit 5, which was the
3
         collection of materials that you provided to us --
4
         or were provided to us on your behalf.
5
              (Exhibit No. 160 marked for identification.)
6
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
7
              Have you had an opportunity to look over
         0.
8
    Defendant's Exhibit 160?
9
         Α.
              I've read it.
10
         Q.
              Do you recognize Exhibit 160?
11
         Α.
             Yes.
12
              Could you please identify it for the record?
         Q.
13
         Α.
              It is the Society of Professional
14
    Journalists, SPJ's Code of Ethics.
15
         Ο.
              Now, the Code of Ethics itself admits that
16
    it's not a set of rules, correct?
17
              MR. HARDER: Objection. The document speaks
18
         for itself.
19
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
20
         Q.
              Are you aware of that?
21
         Α.
              Does it say it here?
22
         Ο.
              It certainly does.
23
              Where? I'm having trouble. The type is
         Α.
24
    small.
             I'm sorry.
25
              Sure. Look at the bottom of the page.
         Q.
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1
    there at the bottom, last paragraph, "The SPJ Code of
2
    Ethics is a statement of abiding principles supported
3
    by additional explanations and position papers (at
4
    SPJ.org) that address changing journalistic practices."
5
              Do you see that?
6
         Α.
              Yes.
7
              Now, following after that, it says, "It is
         0.
8
    not a set of rules, rather a guide that encourages all
9
    who engage in journalism to take responsibility for the
10
    information they provide, regardless of medium."
11
              Do you see that?
12
         Α.
              I do.
              Now, to your knowledge, was the Code of
13
14
    Ethics ever intended to be binding on journalists?
15
              MR. HARDER: I'm going to object, calls for
16
         speculation.
17
              MR. SULLIVAN:
                            I'm asking him to his
18
         knowledge. There is no speculation involved.
19
         either know to your knowledge or you don't.
20
                            I do not.
              THE WITNESS:
21
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
22
         Ο.
              You do not, correct?
23
         Α.
              Correct.
24
              What happens to a journalist if he or she
         0.
25
    refused to follow this Code of Ethics?
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1 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. It's vague 2 and ambiguous, incomplete hypothetical, calls for 3 speculation. 4 I think it would depend on what THE WITNESS: 5 the journalist, in quotes, did. 6 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 7 0. Didn't follow the code. In my question, 8 assume they didn't follow the code, any of these 9 prescriptions here, didn't follow them. 10 MR. HARDER: Same objections. 11 THE WITNESS: It would depend on the 12 incident, the story. 13 BY MR. SULLIVAN: Is the Code of Ethics enforceable? 14 0. 1.5 MR. HARDER: Same objections. 16 THE WITNESS: I believe any -- this Code of 17 Ethics is not -- as you say, it's not rules. 18 is meant as guidelines for journalists. 19 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 20 And the Code of Ethics, if there are Q. 21 violations, I take it the Society of Professional 22 Journalists does not convene a hearing and bring 23 journalists up on charges, correct? 24 Α. I've not ever heard of that, no. 25 Q. Among journalists, does the Code of Ethics

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1
    have the force of law?
2
              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous.
3
              THE WITNESS: No.
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
5
              Right. In fact, the Code of Ethics on its
         Ο.
6
    face disclaims that, doesn't it?
7
              MR. HARDER: I'm going to object.
8
         document speaks for itself.
9
              THE WITNESS: Yes.
10
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
11
         Q.
              If you would look at the bottom of the page
12
    continuing on where we read before, you see it says,
13
    last sentence, "It is not nor can it under the First
14
    Amendment." --
15
              MR. HARDER: You didn't read it right.
16
              MR. SULLIVAN: Pardon me.
17
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
18
              "It is not, nor can it be under the First
19
    Amendment, legally enforceable."
20
              Do you see that?
21
         Α.
              I do.
22
              And do you, sir -- as a journalist, do you
23
    agree with that?
24
              MR. HARDER: I'm going to object.
25
         document speaks for itself.
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1
              THE WITNESS: I agree.
2
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
3
              Professor Foley, would you agree that
4
    journalism encompasses a broad and diverse swath of
5
    publications?
6
              MR. HARDER: Object to the form of the
         question.
8
              THE WITNESS: Yes.
9
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
10
         Ο.
              Journalism would include fact-based reporting
11
    about government, politics, and current affairs,
12
    correct?
13
         Α.
              I'm not really sure what you mean by
14
    fact-based reporting.
15
              Well, I'll give you a very concrete example.
16
    When you told me about the work you did when you
17
    first -- or early on in your career when you covered
18
    local government here in these parts, is that
19
    fact-based reporting?
20
         Α.
              It was my intention.
              You went to council meetings. You looked and
21
22
    listened to what was done there, and then you did your
23
    level best to convey that to your readers, correct?
24
         Α.
              Correct.
25
         Q.
              And you weren't holding forth on matters of
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1
    opinion. You were doing your level best to do accurate
2
     fact-based reporting, correct?
3
         Α.
              Yes.
4
              Okay. And you considered that to be
         Q.
5
    journalism, correct?
6
         Α.
              Certainly part of it.
7
         0.
              Now, would journalism also include editorials
8
    expressing opinions and views on the significant issues
9
    of our times?
10
              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous.
11
              THE WITNESS: It's certainly part of the
12
         journalistic enterprise.
13
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
14
              You told us -- and to give you a concrete
         0.
15
    example there, you told us about an instance where when
16
    you had moved up into the management and into the
17
    editorial side, right, you had some hand with these
18
    kind of opinion pieces and editorials that the paper
19
    ran, correct?
20
                   I said I was --
         Α.
              No.
21
              MR. HARDER: Compound, vague, ambiguous.
22
              THE WITNESS:
                            I did not say that. I said I
23
         was in charge of everything except advertisements
24
         and editorials.
25
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1 Ο. Then I misspoke or misunderstood. 2 I believe in your career at the 3 St. Petersburg Times, there were times where you 4 actually wrote opinion pieces, didn't you? 5 Α. I didn't -- I wrote editorials for two weeks 6 at the Evening Independent when a person was on 7 vacation. 8 How do you define editorials? 9 Opinion pieces in the paper that take a 10 stance on the issues of the day, whether it be a zoning 11 change in the community or whether it be who's running 12 for president and what the key issues are. 13 Α. By that definition, I did not -- except for 14 that two-week stint at the Evening Independent, I did 15 not write editorials. 16 Ο. But for the folks at your paper who did write 17 editorials, did you consider that to be journalistic? 1.8 Α. Yes. 19 And journalism, I take it, would also include 20 cultural commentaries, even those published with a rather jaundiced eye, correct? 21 22 MR. HARDER: Vague, objection to the form of 23 the question. 24 THE WITNESS: What do you mean by jaundiced 25 eye?

1 BY MR. SULLIVAN: I'll give you a concrete example on that one. 3 I take it, given our age, all right, you would consider 4 the works of Hunter S. Thompson -- are you familiar 5 with Hunter S. Thompson? 6 Α. I am, sir. 7 0. Okay. And you'll recall, I think, that he 8 would publish some rather biting commentaries on the 9 culture of this country or certain parts of this 10 country at that time. Do you recall that? 11 Α. I do. 12 Okay. Would you consider those works to be Q. 13 journalistic works? 14 He was part of what is termed in the industry 15 as the new journalism. 16 Okay. Now, would the Society for 17 Professional Journalists Code of Ethics apply to those 18 kind of works, his so-called new journalism? 19 Α. I don't know why not. 20 Q. Okay. Did you ever attend a session at the 21 society where these kind of issues were discussed? 22 Α. I can't recall. 23 Ο. So in your judgment, things like be fair, 24 would that apply to Hunter S. Thompson?

The new journalism was one of opinions, what

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Α.

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1
    opinions would go into work, yes, and that he wrote
2
    from a point of view of what he saw, what he felt. And
3
    he was after what all journalists are after, which is
4
    truth.
5
              What about if we go back to the editorial
         Ο.
6
    writers, does the Society for Professional Journalists
7
    Code of Ethics apply to people who are writing
8
    editorials for the opinion page of the paper?
9
              Editorials are based on facts. As far as
10
    that goes, yes.
11
         0.
              What about this business about being fair,
12
    does an editorial have to be fair? It's the opinion of
13
    the publisher, isn't it?
14
              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous, the term
15
         "fair."
16
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
17
              Well, I'm using -- just so you know, I'm
         Ο.
18
    using fair as it appears here in the Code of Ethics.
19
    Do vou understand that?
20
         Α.
              Yes.
21
         Ο.
              So do editorials have to be fair?
22
         Α.
              Good ones, yes.
23
         Ο.
              What about balanced, giving competing views?
24
              Yes, good ones. A good argument in an
         Α.
25
    editorial as an argument for a particular side will
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1 talk about the other side if it's to be effective. 2 And did the St. Petersburg Times observe that 3 in its editorials? 4 I can't speak for every editorial that Α. 5 appeared in the St. Petersburg Times, but to be 6 effective, an editorial must be fair. 7 So is it your understanding that if the 0. 8 editorial board of the paper decided to take a 9 position, for example, on let's say the growth of the 10 neo Nazi movement in some part of Florida, would they 11 then say, well, you know -- would it be one of these, 12 well, on the one hand, on the other hand kind of 13 presentations? 14 I'm going to object. MR. HARDER: It's an 15 incomplete hypothetical and it's argumentative. 16 THE WITNESS: I doubt it would go into 17 detail. BY MR. SULLIVAN: 18 19 0. Now, if you would look back to page 4 of your 20 report, you'll see -- skipping down to kind of the middle of the page, you have a sentence there that 21 22 says -- the paragraph starts, respect for privacy. 23 Do you see that paragraph? 24 Uh-huh. (Indicates affirmatively.) Α. 25 Q. Okay. The sentence that I'm interested in is

1 the second sentence, and it says, "It is customary in 2 the industry not to publish grisly images of car 3 accidents, for example, unless it is absolutely 4 necessary to the telling of the story." 5 Do you see that? 6 Α. I do. 7 Why would it ever be necessary to include a 0. 8 grisly image of a car accident? 9 I'm not sure I can come up with an example 10 right here. 11 0. Can you -- as you sit here, can you think of 12 a situation where it would be deemed necessary? 13 MR. HARDER: Asked and answered. 14 THE WITNESS: I can't come up with a good one 1.5 unless it maybe involved a prominent figure or was 16 the cause of assassination or something along 17 those lines. 18 MR. SULLIVAN: I'll ask the court reporter to 19 mark as Defendant's Exhibit 161 a multi-page 20 exhibit bearing ID numbers Gawker document 24635 21 through 36. And I'll ask that you take a moment 22 and look that over. 23 (Exhibit No. 161 marked for identification.) 24 MR. HARDER: 161? 25 MR. SULLIVAN: Yes, sir.

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1
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
2
              Professor Foley, have you had an opportunity
3
    to look over Defendant's Exhibit 161?
4
         Α.
              I have.
5
              Do you recognize Exhibit 161?
         0.
6
         Α.
              Do I remember it, recognize it?
7
         0.
                   I mean, as you look at it, do you see
              No.
8
    there that it appears to come from the St. Petersburg
9
    Times?
10
         Α.
              Yes.
11
         0.
              And it bears a date of June 11, 1988. Do you
12
    see that?
13
         Α.
              I do.
14
         0.
              At this point in time, you were serving as an
15
    editor?
16
         Α.
              Yes.
17
              And you would have been the -- you would have
         Q.
18
    been the managing editor at this point?
19
         Α.
              Probably.
20
              Now, you see that this particular photo -- to
         Q.
21
    give you the context, I have the blowup so that you can
22
               Then if you want to see how it fits in the
23
    paper and what page it appeared on and all that, I've
24
    given you the second page, but it's a little hard to
25
    read because it's so small.
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1 But what we have before us, the first page of 2 Exhibit 161 is the whole of the article. Would you 3 agree? 4 Α. It's a caption, yes. 5 Now, you see there it depicts a victim on a 0. 6 stretcher, strapped on a stretcher. Do you see that? 7 Α. Yes. 8 MR. HARDER: Objection to the term "victim." 9 MR. SULLIVAN: Well, he's the --BY MR. SULLIVAN: 10 11 0. Is it your understanding that that is one of 12 the individuals hurt in the accident? 13 Α. It appears so. 14 Now, why did you publish -- I don't mean you 0. 15 personally, but why did the newspaper publish this 16 photo? 17 Α. It's news. 18 Do you think that this was newsworthy, this Q. 19 photograph? 20 I do. Α. 21 Okay. You see if you look at the text of the 22 publication, the brief little article there, under the 23 photograph, it indicates that two people received 24 relatively minor injuries after the van in which they were riding lost control Friday evening on a

1 rain-slickened U.S. 19 in Hudson and flipped several 2 times by the side of the road according to Pasco 3 Emergency Medical Services. 4 Do you see that? 5 Α. I do. 6 Now, you viewed this as newsworthy even Q. 7 though the passengers only had minor injuries? 8 Α. Given the photo, that might make it more 9 newsworthy. 10 Q. All right. Do you know whether it would have 11 been the practice of the St. Petersburg Times at that 12 point to get the consent of the person depicted there 13 on that stretcher? 14 Α. The consent for what? 15 Q. To publish the photograph of him or her. 16 think it's a him actually. You can't tell. To get the 17 person's permission to publish their photograph having 18 been injured lying on the side of the road there in 19 that fashion. 20 Α. No. 21 Q. Why not? 22 Α. Well, it's a public place. It is involving 23 public paramedics. It occurred as rather miraculous. 24 And he was involved in an accident.

That's about the size of it?

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Q.

1 Α. Yeah. 2 Okay. Let me ask the court MR. SULLIVAN: 3 reporter to mark as Defendant's Exhibit 162 a 4 single-page document that bears identification 5 number Gawker 24663 and ask if you can take a 6 moment and look that over. 7 (Exhibit No. 162 marked for identification.) 8 THE WITNESS: What am I looking at? 9 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 10 Professor, if you could look at kind of right Q. 11 in the center of the page, there is a piece that says, 12 three hospitalized in Pasco crash. There is a 13 photograph of what looks like an emergency type worker 14 and a person on a stretcher. And then there's text 15 beneath that. If you can, read that over. 16 Α. I cannot. 17 Q. Can you read the text? 18 Α. I cannot. 19 I'm happy to read it for you. I'll ask the Q. 20 others assembled to try to correct me if I misread. 21 But here's what the text says. 22 "Pasco Deputy Darcy Scarpati comforts Matthew 23 Delgato after a collision Friday on U.S. 19 in Hudson. 24 Police say Donald and Peggy Castleman pulled in front of Denise Delgato's car. The three of Spring Hill were

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    flown to Bayfront Medical Center. Delgato's children,
2
    Matthew three and Leslie seven, and niece Rebecca
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    Decker 11, were treated and released."
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              Okay? And then you have the photo that
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    appears above that. Do you see that?
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         Α.
              I'll take your word for it.
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         0.
              Now, can you make out the date at the top of
8
    the page?
9
         Α.
              Saturday, July 20th, 1991.
10
             Yes, sir.
         Q.
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              Now, at that point in time, would you have
12
    been the executive editor of the paper?
13
         Α.
              I think so.
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              Now, my question for you on this exhibit is
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15
    the same as the last one. Why did the paper, the
16
    St. Petersburg Times, publish this story?
17
         Α.
              That was a question?
18
         Ο.
              Yes, sir. Why did the newspaper publish this
19
    story?
20
         Α.
              It's not a story, first of all. It's a photo
21
    and a caption. Is that what you're asking me, about
22
    the photo and caption?
23
         Ο.
              Yes.
24
              It's not a story. For the same reason as the
         Α.
    other one, it was something that happened, an accident.
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1 Q. Was it deemed newsworthy? 2 Obviously it was. Α. 3 When you say obviously, was the photo Q. 4 newsworthy? 5 Α. Yes. 6 And why publish the photo of an injured Q. 7 child, which we know from your caption is Matthew 8 Delgato, age three? Why publish that young boy, age 9 three, a photo of him? 10 He was the victim of the accident. Α. 11 injured in the accident. 12 Now, would it have been the practice of the 0. 13 St. Petersburg Times to obtain the consent of that 14 boy's parents to publish his photo on the pages of your 15 paper? I don't believe so. 16 Α. 17 And why is that? Q. 18 As I answered before, it was an accident. Α. 19 was news. It took place and involved city streets, 20 city personnel. It's news. 21 And you say city streets because it took 22 place in public? 23 Α. That's part of it. 24 Now, Professor, if you would look on page 4, 0. 25 the paragraph after the one we just looked at, you'll

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    see it says, "The Tampa Bay Times, for example,
2
    published stories about the beheadings and burning
3
    alive of hostages by terrorists. It did not publish
4
    links to the videos. Gawker did."
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              Do you see that?
6
         Α.
              I do.
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         0.
              Now, why do you point out that Gawker did
8
    publish those things?
9
              I think it's part of a pattern of
10
    sensationalism and graphicness, if that's a word.
11
         Q.
              All right. Was it illegal for Gawker to
12
    publish the links to the videos of the beheadings?
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              MR. HARDER:
                           I'm going to object, calls for a
14
         legal conclusion.
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              THE WITNESS:
                            I don't know.
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Was it unethical for Gawker to publish the
         Q.
18
    links to the videos of the beheadings?
19
         Α.
              I wouldn't do it.
20
         Q.
              Would it be fair to say that Gawker made a
21
    different news judgment?
22
         Α.
              Yes.
23
         Q.
              Are you aware of any other news entities that
24
    made the same judgment as Gawker?
25
              MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object to the
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1
         extent it's compound because there were five
2
         different beheading videos and one burning video.
3
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Okay. Professor Foley, are you aware that
         0.
6
    Fox News broadcast on its air a still image from the
7
    video of the pilot being burned alive? They did that
8
    on the air.
9
         Α.
              I do recall that, yes.
10
         Q.
              It was a still, correct?
11
         Α.
              I believe so, to my recollection.
12
              Are you aware that Fox News chose to put the
         Q.
13
    video of that pilot being burned alive on its website?
14
              I'll take your word for it.
15
         0.
              Assuming that that was indeed done, in your
16
     judgment, was that unethical?
17
         Α.
              I wouldn't do it.
18
              But did it violate journalistic ethics?
         Ο.
19
         Α.
              It's distasteful. It's disgusting.
                                                    I think
20
    it's a close call.
21
              As you understand it, did it violate the
22
     code, the SPJ Code of Ethics?
23
              MR. HARDER: Take a look at the Code of
24
         Ethics.
25
              THE WITNESS:
                            I think it does.
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1
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              All right. And why is that?
3
              I think the first tenet under minimize harm,
4
    journalists should balance the public's need for
5
    information against potential harm or discomfort.
    Pursuit of the news -- it's the harm or discomfort.
6
         0.
              The harm or discomfort to whom?
8
              Families.
         Α.
9
              And you're aware that the family in this
10
    instance was that pilot who lived in the Mideast,
11
    right?
12
         Α.
              I don't know.
13
              Let me ask you this. Do you have any idea
14
    why Fox News chose to do that, to publish the link to
15
    the video?
16
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
17
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
18
19
         Q.
              Were you aware that at least the proffered
20
    explanation by Fox News was that they did it so that
21
    people in this country could see the true horror of the
22
    enemy that we're up against?
23
              MR. HARDER: Lacks foundation.
24
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
         Q.
              Were you aware of that?
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1
        Α.
              I was not, but -- no, I was not.
2
              As you understand these matters, did Fox News
        Ο.
3
    have the right under the First Amendment to make that
4
    decision to publish that link?
5
              MR. HARDER: Calls for a legal conclusion.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: Just so we're clear, I don't
7
        want your legal view. I want your understanding
8
        of the First Amendment as a journalist who
9
        practiced in this area for decades.
10
              MR. HARDER: Again, I don't think that you
11
        can distinguish it that way.
12
              MR. SULLIVAN: That's all I'm interested in.
13
              THE WITNESS: I'm not a lawyer.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
        Ο.
              I don't -- I understand that. I'll stipulate
16
    to it. You as a journalist, is it your understanding
17
    that Fox News had the right under our First Amendment
18
    to make that decision to publish the link?
19
              MR. HARDER: Calls for a legal conclusion.
20
              THE WITNESS:
                            In my view?
21
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
22
        Ο.
              Yes, sir.
23
        Α.
              Yes.
24
              All right. If you would look, please, at
        Q.
    page 4 -- we're going to go to the bottom of 4 over
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onto the top of 5. And you see a passage there that 1 2 says, "In newsrooms across the country, editors employ 3 something called the "Cheerios test." They consider 4 graphic photos and descriptions, even graphic language, 5 using a simple standard. How would it play to readers 6 eating breakfast? Yes, this standard varies from 7 publication to publication and from editor to editor, 8 but at its heart is basic humanity. Don't abuse the 9 First Amendment to hurt anyone unnecessarily." 10 Do you see that? 11 Α. I do. 12 Now, the so-called Cheerios test was an 0. 13 offspring of the morning daily newspaper, correct? 14 Α. Probably. I don't know the -- where it 15 really came from. 16 Ο. But the notion -- the notion being that folks 17 wouldn't want to find something on the front page of 18 their morning paper that might be upsetting or 19 disturbing, correct? 20 Α. Yes. But I think that would pertain to an 21 afternoon newspaper or an evening newscast. 22 Ο. All right. That's fair. 23 Also, you wouldn't want to have something

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that would be upsetting on the front page of your paper

if you sent your eight-year-old daughter out on your

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    front porch to pick up the paper, right? You wouldn't
2
    want something that was upsetting to a person that
3
    might come upon this unawares, correct?
4
              That's certainly part of it.
         Α.
5
              Does every paper follow the same Cheerios
         Ο.
6
    test?
7
         Α.
              Well, as the report says, the standard varies
8
    from publication to publication and from editor to
9
    editor.
10
         Q.
              Does the Rural Weekly in Nebraska follow the
    same Cheerios test as the Philadelphia Enquirer?
11
12
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
                                                    It's an
13
         incomplete hypothetical.
14
              THE WITNESS: I have no idea.
15
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
16
         Ο.
              Do -- let me ask you this. Do magazines
17
    follow the Cheerios test?
18
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
19
              THE WITNESS:
                            I have no evidence one way or
20
         the other. I imagine -- I'm not even going to
21
         imagine.
22
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
23
         Ο.
              Since Mr. Harder objected that it calls for
24
    speculation, let me put a finer point on it.
25
              To your knowledge, do magazines follow the
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1
    Cheerios test?
2
              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous as to all
3
         magazines.
4
              THE WITNESS:
                            There are so many magazines, so
5
         many publications.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
6
7
         0.
              Right.
8
         Α.
              I would imagine there are niche publications
9
    that pay no attention to the Cheerios test.
10
         Q.
             Let's put a finer point on it yet again.
11
              To your knowledge, does Playboy magazine
12
    follow the Cheerios test?
13
         Α.
              No.
14
              To your knowledge, does Sports Illustrated
         0.
15
    follow the Cheerios test?
16
         Α.
              That could probably be debated.
17
              To your knowledge, does the editor of the
         Q.
18
    Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition follow the Cheerios
19
    test?
20
              That has been debated.
         Α.
21
         0.
              What's the answer?
22
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
23
              THE WITNESS: I think in his way, if it's a
24
         him -- or I don't know. I think in his way, yeah.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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1 0. Does your old paper, the St. Petersburg 2 Times, follow the same Cheerios test that it did when 3 you served as executive editor of that paper? 4 Α. I don't know. 5 MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation. 6 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I don't know. 7 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 8 Can you make an assessment based on -- you 9 indicated that you continue to read the St. Petersburg 10 Times, correct? 11 Α. Yes. 12 Can you make an assessment based on having 13 read that coverage for how many decades now, four? 14 Α. Probably five. 15 0. Okay. In your view, have times changed? 16 you see things there now that you wouldn't have seen 17 when you were the executive editor? 1.8 I'm not sure. Α. 19 Okay. Do you see things there now that you 20 wouldn't have seen when you first entered into this 21 business, when you first became a reporter? 22 Very broad question. I'm sure lots of things 23 are different. It's a different world from 1970. 24 Let me ask you this. How -- how does the 0. 25 Cheerios test have relevance in the current world of

1 online publications? 2 The Cheerios test is a metaphor, obviously, 3 in my view for taste. And it is -- it is -- as the 4 Code of Ethics states, it's part of the balancing act 5 of the public's need for information against harm or 6 discomfort. 7 0. All right. Let me ask you this. With an 8 online publication, we don't have the problem of my 9 eight-year-old daughter going out on the front porch 10 and picking up a paper and seeing some half-naked 11 person, right? 12 MR. HARDER: I object. You think 13 eight-year-olds don't go online? 14 I think the Internet is -- you THE WITNESS: 1.5 have that problem almost infinitely more than 16 ever. 17 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 18 But when you go to a site, you know what Q. 19 you're getting, don't you? 20 MR. HARDER: Objection, vague and ambiguous, 21 argumentative. 22 THE WITNESS: Not always. 23 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 24 Okay. Well, let's take the post that's at 0. 25 issue here, the Gawker Hulk Hogan post. You had to

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1
    click on it, didn't you?
2
             MR. HARDER: Objection. Objection, vague.
3
              THE WITNESS: That doesn't make it
4
        anything -- that doesn't make it newsworthy.
5
        doesn't make it journalism. That doesn't make it
6
        ethical.
7
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
8
             No. But it doesn't surprise you.
                                                 It doesn't
9
    jump out at you and surprise you. You have to take an
10
    affirmative act. You have to decide to click it, don't
11
    you?
12
             MR. HARDER: Argumentative, vague.
13
              THE WITNESS: You do have to click it.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
        0.
             Right. You didn't come across the Hulk Hogan
16
    video by accident, did you?
17
        Α.
             I don't think so.
18
              Okay. Professor Foley, have you noticed that
        Q.
19
    in recent years, more TV broadcasters provide warnings?
20
    They announce to their viewers, we're about to show you
21
    some video; we're about to show you something that you
22
    may find very disturbing. And then they proceed to
23
    show you a video of some young fellow getting beaten by
24
    the cops or some such thing, right? Have you seen that
25
    yourself?
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1 Α. I couldn't testify as to if that's just 2 a recent phenomenon or not. 3 Okay. But you know of what I speak, right? 0. 4 Α. I do. 5 And I take it the news stations that choose Ο. 6 to operate in that fashion, one would assume that as 7 journalists, having given people the heads up, warning, 8 they can avert their eyes, they can change the channel, 9 or they can sit there and watch it, right? 10 Α. I would have to assume what they think. 11 Q. Okay. Do you think that them behaving in 12 that fashion by saying to their viewers, warning, we're 13 about to show something that could be viewed as 14 disturbing, do you think they have satisfied their 15 ethical duties to their viewers? 16 MR. HARDER: Incomplete hypothetical and 17 vaque. 18 THE WITNESS: I think that's a case-by-case 19 situation. 20 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 21 But case by case, I take it from that answer 22 that you would agree with me that there may be 23 instances where they have satisfied their ethical 24 obligations to their viewers. 25 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. It's an

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         incomplete hypothetical that's not even a
2
         hypothetical. It's vague and ambiguous and it's
3
         argumentative.
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                            The word "may" opens up all
              THE WITNESS:
5
         sorts of possibilities.
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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7
              Well, let's put it in concrete terms.
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    think they've satisfied -- can you conceive of a
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    situation where by posting a warning before they showed
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    the material to their viewers they've satisfied their
11
    ethical obligations?
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              Again, I think it would depend on the
         Α.
13
    circumstances, as so much of journalism does.
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              MR. HARDER: Michael, we've been going over
1.5
         an hour, if we can break.
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              MR. SULLIVAN: By all means, sure.
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              (Recess taken from 2:37 p.m. to 2:51 p.m.)
1.8
              MR. SULLIVAN: I'll ask the court reporter to
19
         mark as Defendant's Exhibit 163 a multi-page
20
         document that bears Gawker ID numbers 24711
21
         through 24715.
22
              (Exhibit No. 163 marked for identification.)
23
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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              Now, the story -- just to give you a heads
         0.
    up, the story that I was interested in appears at the
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1 very bottom of the page. It's entitled, "For Now Clubs 2 Dancing Around New Law." And then, so that if you want 3 to read it, there's text that is larger that appears --4 that's why you've got so many pages for a short 5 article. 6 Have you had the opportunity to look over 7 Defendant's Exhibit 163? 8 Α. I have. 9 0. And we're focused on the article that 10 appeared on the front page of the St. Petersburg Times. 11 It's down at the bottom of the page entitled, "For Now 12 Clubs Dancing Around New Law." 13 Do you see that? 14 Α. I do. 15 Q. Then under the heading, there is a photograph 16 and it appears to be -- it looks like it's a couple 17 women and a gentleman in some kind of establishment. 18 take it from the article this is about the lap dancers 19 and what have you that was going on in Tampa at the 20 time. Is that a fair assessment? Is that your 21 22 understanding? 23 Α. It's part of what it's about, yes. 24 0. In your opinion, does the publication of that

photo on the front page pass the Cheerios test?

A. I think so.

- Q. Based on your knowledge of the paper's readership, are there readers that would find that photo upsetting?
- A. In the newspaper business, you should realize that there are some readers who find some things upsetting.
- Q. So would it be fair to say there would be readers that would find that to be in rather poor taste to put a photo like that on the front page of the paper?
- A. I couldn't say for sure, but it wouldn't surprise me.
- Q. Okay. Why -- why was it necessary to report this story? Why was it necessary to publish that photo on the front page?
- A. I can't speak to the people who made the decision. This was in December of 1999, after I had left the paper. I would have to speculate.
- Q. Do you -- based on your experience in journalism, do you have a view of why they would run that on the front page?
- A. It's controversy. It's interesting. It's -
 the lap dance -- as one of my writers once put it,

 the lap dance is to Tampa what Rice-A-Roni is to

1 San Francisco. 2 MR. SULLIVAN: Let's mark as Defendant's 3 Exhibit 164 a multi-page document, and it bears 4 Gawker ID numbers 24711 through -- sorry. That's 5 not correct. Strike that. It bears ID numbers 6 24707 through 24710. 7 (Exhibit No. 164 marked for identification.) 8 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 9 I'll ask if you can take a moment and look 10 that over. If you could, look at the article that 11 says, final hearing on lap dancing creates a buzz. 12 Professor, have you had an opportunity to 13 look over Defendant's Exhibit 164? 14 I have. Α. 15 Q. And you'll see that this article that I've 16 pointed to you appears on the front page of the 17 St. Petersburg Times. 1.8 Α. Yes. 19 And you'll see that, again, as with our last Q. 20 example, it's from December of 1999. So that would be 21 after you left the paper; is that correct? 22 Α. That is correct. 23 Q. Now, if you would look, please, at the second 24 page of the exhibit. And I will tell you this is 25 rather hard to read, but I will attempt to read the

paragraph that's about three or four graphs down on the left column. You'll see there's a photograph of some people. It's the column to the left of that. And the passage that starts, "The City has produced an explicit videotape from police undercover arrests. The tape shocked a gathering of local clergy Monday as well as council members who received private viewings Tuesday and Wednesday."

Then the next graph says, "The tape shows repeated close-ups of female genitalia and appears to show women engaging in oral sex on stage. Nude dancers wrap their legs around customers' heads. In one case, a radio-controlled truck with a sex toy attached to the front is directed between a performer's legs. The tape will be played at the meeting this afternoon."

Do you see that?

- A. I don't. I'm taking your word for it.
- Q. Okay. It's pretty small print.
- A. I've had several eye surgeries.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough.

Assuming that it's the text -- that I read the text accurately, does that violate the Cheerios test publishing that kind of fairly graphic description of what was on that page?

A. I would have to admit, that's pretty close to

1 the line. 2 But you wouldn't -- you had left the news 3 side of the paper by that point? 4 Α. I left the paper by then. 5 To your knowledge, did you ever hear whether Ο. 6 the paper received any complaints from readers? 7 Α. I have no idea. 8 If you would look, sir, at the next page of 9 the document or -- so that you can see it in slightly 10 larger version, if you would look at the last page, 11 24710, now, you see there a photograph that had 12 appeared in the original version on that page we were 13 just reading from. It appeared next to that. 14 says, "Two dancers in a Tampa adult entertainment club 15 are shown in this undercover video taken by the Tampa 16 Police Department. An explicit videotape from 17 undercover police operations will be shown at today's 18 hearing." 19 And then the photo, if you can examine that, 20 appears to depict what looks like two women who are 21 nude embracing and kissing. 22

Do you see that?

Α. I do.

23

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Now, does the publication of that photograph Q. in the newspaper, the St. Petersburg Times, does that

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1
    violate the Cheerios test?
2
         Α.
              Pretty close.
3
              And would you say based on your experience in
         Ο.
4
    the news business that there are readers in this
5
    community who would prefer not to see that over their
6
    morning breakfast?
7
              MR. HARDER: Calls for speculation.
8
              THE WITNESS: Could you read the question
9
         back.
10
              (The reporter read the pending question.)
11
              THE WITNESS: Probably.
12
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
13
              Why -- I realize you weren't there at the
14
    time, but why would it be necessary to publish a photo
15
    like that to tell this story to your readers?
16
         Α.
              I don't know.
17
              Can you -- based on your experience in the
         Ο.
18
    news business, can you -- do you have a view on why
19
    they would have done that?
20
              MR. HARDER: Asked and answered.
21
              THE WITNESS: I don't know.
22
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
23
              Okay. Let me ask you this. Would it concern
         0.
24
    you that these two women who are depicted in that still
25
    were filmed surreptitiously?
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              MR. HARDER:
                          Incomplete hypothetical.
2
                            Beginning of that sentence --
              THE WITNESS:
3
         the question?
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
5
              Would it concern you that the two women
         0.
6
    depicted in that picture -- it's a still from a
7
    videotape -- were filmed surreptitiously?
8
              MR. HARDER: It lacks foundation and it's an
9
         incomplete hypothetical.
10
              THE WITNESS: Surreptitiously filmed, yes.
11
         In a public place makes a big difference. Public
12
         performances in a public place with people around,
13
         that takes -- that makes it less concerning.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
         0.
              Okay. But you see there in the caption that
16
    it was part of an undercover video.
17
         Α.
              Yes.
18
              Do you know if these two women gave the paper
         Q.
19
    consent to publish this photograph?
20
              I have no idea.
         Α.
21
         Ο.
              Would it concern you? In your judgment,
22
    would consent be an issue?
23
         Α.
              I think in this case, nobody's identifiable.
24
    I think it would be much less concerning.
25
         Q.
              Okay. In your view, was this a violation --
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1 the publication of this photograph of these two women, 2 was that a violation of these women's privacy rights? 3 I'm just going to object. MR. HARDER: 4 calls for a legal conclusion, incomplete 5 hypothetical. 6 THE WITNESS: I don't know that these women 7 haven't given up their rights of privacy by 8 dancing naked in front of a bunch of people. 9 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 10 Q. All right. Professor Foley, if you could 11 look, please, at the -- at your report, page 5. At the 12 bottom of that page and continuing on over into the middle of the next page, you will -- if you want to 13 14 take a moment and just look at that. 15 Α. Which -- begins what? 16 Yes, sir. It's at the bottom of page 5, last Ο. 17 year a Tampa businessman. 18 Α. Yes. Okay. 19 Essentially, would you agree with me that on 20 the bottom of page 5 and continuing on over through the 21 middle of page 6, you provide us with essentially three 22 examples of instances where someone surreptitiously

be fair -- oh, pardon me -- women and in one instance underage girls.

taped women in various states of undress? Would that

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1 MR. HARDER: Compound. 2 THE WITNESS: Yes. 3 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 4 And then you make the point that the Q. 5 instances themselves were newsworthy, correct? 6 Α. Yes. 7 And you make the further point that those 0. 8 media entities, in this case the Tampa Bay Times and 9 the Los Angeles Times, did not publish any of the video 10 material, right? 11 Α. That's correct. 12 And then on the Johns Hopkins instance, you Q. 13 make the point that no news outlets of which you're 14 aware published any of that footage, right? 1.5 Α. Yes. 16 Ο. To your knowledge, did Gawker post any of 17 that video footage that you're talking about there in 18 those three paragraphs? 19 Α. I don't know. 20 Q. Now, if you look over on page 7, you have at 21 the top of the page a heading that says, Privacy 22 Ignored. 23 Do you see that? 24 Α. Yes. 25 Q. And you say, "Based on my examination of

1 Gawker's practices in this matter as well as others, 2 Gawker violated the privacy of Terry Bollea (Hulk 3 Hogan), which is unfair and meant to cause harm rather 4 than minimize it." 5 Do you see that? 6 Α. Yes. 7 And then following that statement, you have 0. 8 Gawker Media (at Gawker.com or one of its affiliated 9 publications, Deadspin). And then you provide us with 10 four examples. 11 Do you see that? 12 Α. Yes. 13 First example out of the box is you point out 14 that Gawker published topless photos of Kate Middleton, 15 wife of the future king of England. 16 Do you see that? 17 Α. Yes. 18 How did the fact that Gawker published Ο. 19 topless photos of Kate Middleton, wife of the future 20 king of England, indicate to you that Gawker meant to 21 cause harm to Hulk Hogan? 22 Α. It's just part of a pattern. 23 Ο. And how does that show you that they meant to 24 harm Hulk Hogan in particular? 25 Α. I think they're two separate things.

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    just showing that that's part of a pattern.
2
              So they published pictures of folks in some
3
    state of undress and that means they intend to harm
4
    folks; is that what you're telling us?
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              MR. HARDER: Ambiguous, objection to the form
6
         of the question.
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              THE WITNESS: I think they did harm Hulk
8
         Hogan.
9
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
10
         Q.
              Yeah. But -- I take your point on that.
11
    What I don't understand, what I'm having difficulty
12
    with is what in the world it has to do with publishing
13
    photos of Kate Middleton.
14
              It's a pattern of nudity, invasion of
15
    privacy, disregard for human dignity, as was the case
16
    in the Hulk Hogan video.
17
              And you feel that that meant that they
         Q.
18
    intended to harm Mr. Hogan?
              They did harm him.
19
         Α.
              MR. HARDER: Asked and answered.
20
21
              THE WITNESS: They did harm Mr. Hogan.
22
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
23
         Ο.
              Is it relevant -- the topless photos of Kate
24
    Middleton, is that relevant to whether they invaded his
    privacy in the first place in your view?
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1
         Α.
              Is it relevant to whether they invaded Hulk
2
    Hogan's privacy?
3
         0.
             Yes, sir.
4
              Again, as I said, this is a pattern of
         Α.
5
    invading people's privacy without regard for their
6
    feelings. There's no balancing of the public's need
7
    for information against potential harm or discomfort.
8
              Look then at the last of the little starred
9
    examples. Do you see asterisks there?
10
              I do.
         Α.
11
         Q.
              Do you see the one that says, posted cell
12
    phone photos of what was claimed to be Brett Favre's
13
    penis?
            Do you see that?
14
         Α.
              Yes.
15
         Q.
              How did the fact that Gawker posted cell
16
    phone photos of what was claimed to be Brett Favre's
17
    penis indicate to you that Gawker meant to harm Hulk
18
    Hogan?
19
              MR. HARDER: Asked and answered.
20
              THE WITNESS: It's a pattern of publishing
21
         nudity without regard for privacy. It's not
22
         newsworthy. It's not ethical. And it's not
23
         journalism.
24
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
         Q.
              In your judgment?
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1
         Α.
              In my judgment.
2
              And I take it would agree that there are
         Ο.
3
     journalists who would disagree with you, correct?
4
              MR. HARDER: Objection to the term
5
         "journalists."
6
              THE WITNESS:
                            Journalists I don't think would
7
         disagree with me.
8
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
9
              And you base that on what?
10
         Α.
              I believe journalists are ethical and they
11
    look for newsworthy items and they commit journalism.
12
         Q.
                     Why did you pick these examples, the
              Okay.
13
    four that appear on this page 7?
14
              I thought they were illustrative of my point.
         Α.
15
         0.
              Where did you find them?
16
              In the batch of information that I viewed
         Α.
17
    about Gawker and --
18
              Did you find them through your own research?
         Q.
19
         Α.
              Some of it.
20
              Where did you find others of it?
         Q.
21
         Α.
              Some of it was provided by Mr. Harder's
22
    staff.
23
         Ο.
              All right. Before we move off of Brett
24
    Favre, is the privacy calculus different when you are
25
    dealing with a celebrity or a well-known sports figure?
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              MR. HARDER: Vague and ambiguous, incomplete
2
         hypothetical.
3
              THE WITNESS:
                            I would like to hear that
4
         again, the beginning of it.
5
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
6
         Q.
              Certainly.
7
              We were talking about Brett Favre.
                                                   Is the
8
    privacy calculus different when you're talking about a
9
    celebrity or a well-known sports figure?
10
              MR. HARDER: Same objections.
11
              THE WITNESS: I don't know what privacy
12
         calculus means.
13
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
14
              You're trying to do this balancing.
         Ο.
15
    taking into account newsworthiness and you're taking
16
    into account privacy concerns and you're trying to make
17
    the judgment as to whether it is fair to publish that
18
    particular thing, whatever it is, all those factors
19
    taken into account as you've explained to us.
20
              Is one of the things you take into account
21
    whether the person is a celebrity?
22
         Α.
              That's different than the other question.
23
         Ο.
              Pardon?
24
              I take into account -- I'm sorry to be
         Α.
25
    thick-headed, but I'm not sure I understand the
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question.

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- Q. Well, it sounded to me like what you've been telling us is there is some kind of balancing, assessment, some kind of application of judgment in these instances, right?
 - A. Okay. Yes.
- Q. Okay. One of the things that you take into account is that the person is a celebrity.
- A. Take into account? It's more interesting when people know who we're talking about. Brett Favre was a football star. And now this famous athlete -- or actually part of this famous athlete is exposed.
 - Q. All right.

MR. HARDER: Are you finished with your answer?

THE WITNESS: I was going -- I was going to say that you can invade anybody's privacy. And in the case of Hulk Hogan, his privacy was invaded without his knowledge and where he had -- the idea that he was alone -- or with someone else in what he assumed was the privacy of his own home and yet the video was published.

BY MR. SULLIVAN:

- Q. Well, it wasn't his own home, was it?
- A. Excuse me. In the home of a friend.

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1
        Ο.
              Right. He was in the bedroom of his best
2
    friend's -- his best friend's bedroom having sex with
3
    his best friend's wife, right?
4
              Uh-huh. (Indicates affirmatively.)
        Α.
5
              Does that factor into the mix when you're
        Ο.
6
    making your assessment of privacy?
7
        Α.
              Where he was, no. The fact that there was a
8
    video of him naked having sex in a private bedroom in a
9
    private home and that was posted on the Internet for
10
    anyone to see, it's not newsworthy. It's not
11
    journalism. It's not ethical.
12
              Let me ask you this. Before we finish with
        0.
13
    Brett Favre, does it matter to you that Brett Favre
14
    allegedly took a photograph of his own penis? There is
15
    no surreptitiousness in this reporting. He took his
16
    own penis and he texted it to someone. Are you aware
17
    of that?
18
        Α.
              I was.
             Do you find that offensive?
19
        Q.
20
             MR. HARDER: Objection, incomplete
21
        hypothetical.
22
              THE WITNESS:
                            I think it's weird. I think
23
        it's offensive to the person who got the text.
24
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
        Q.
              Do you think it's newsworthy?
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1 Α. I do. He is a famous athlete and he is 2 famous for being a football player and now he does 3 something that is really weird. 4 MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object to the 5 word "it" in his question. It's vaque. 6 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 7 0. Did you understand my question? 8 Α. Well, when you're referring to a penis and 9 use the word "it," I understand it can be ambiguous. 10 think you were referring to the incident. 11 Q. Yes, sir. And you answered with that 12 understanding I take it. 13 Α. Yes. 14 Professor, if you look now on page 8, you'll Ο. 15 see down at the very bottom of that page, the last 16 paragraph says, "There are three absolute requirements 17 for good reporting: The story must be accurate, it 18 must be complete, and it must be fair." 19 Do you see that? 20 Α. I do. 21 Ο. Where do those three absolute requirements 22 derive from? 23 Α. That's based on my years of experience. 24 would guess I probably have read that somewhere on 25 occasion. It's part of my lesson plan in class. It's

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    what I teach my kids.
2
              Who enforces that absolute requirement?
         Ο.
3
         Α.
              Journalists.
4
         Q.
             In what way?
5
              They endeavor to make their stories fair and
         Α.
6
    accurate and complete.
7
              But if the absolute requirement is not met,
         0.
8
    what penalty is imposed?
9
              MR. HARDER: Vaque, incomplete hypothetical.
10
              THE WITNESS: Lack of credibility, lack of
11
         fairness, lack of human -- what's the word I'm
12
         looking for? There's no penalty in terms of a
13
         wrist slap or something like that. It's just not
14
         journalism.
15
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
16
         Ο.
              In your judgment?
17
              In my judgment.
         Α.
18
              If you would look, sir, over on page 9,
         Q.
19
    there's a paragraph right before the heading
20
    Inadvertent Journalism. And it says, "Based on my
21
    extensive review of Gawker's work, it is not Gawker's
22
    institutional intention to adhere to the fundamental
23
    principles of journalism. In fact, Gawker, its founder
24
    and its editors have said publicly that they do not."
25
              Do you see that?
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1 Α. I do. 2 Now, how extensive was your review? Q. 3 I read an awful lot of Gawker stuff. Α. 4 And approximately how many posts did you Q. 5 review? 6 Α. Dozens, hundreds. 7 0. What is your -- as you sit here today with 8 us, what's your best estimation? 9 Α. Certainly dozens. Probably over a hundred. 10 Q. All right. How much time --11 Α. Let's change it to possibly instead of 12 probably. 13 Ο. Possibly over a hundred, okay. That's fair. 14 How much time did you spend reviewing those 15 posts? 16 Α. Hours. I don't know. I've done an awful lot 17 of research. Of that 50 hours, maybe half. 18 Now, is that reading Gawker posts or reading Q. 19 stuff including Gawker posts? 20 Α. Stuff including Gawker posts. 21 So the piece of that that's reading Gawker 22 posts, what's your best estimate of how much time you 23 spent doing that? 24 Well, I am truly guessing. Α. 25 Q. I don't want you to guess, but I do want your

1 best estimate. 2 My best estimate would be a guess. 3 MR. HARDER: You can give a range if it helps 4 you. 5 Okay. Between 15 and 20. THE WITNESS: BY MR. SULLIVAN: 6 7 0. Hours? 8 Α. Yeah. 9 Okay. All right. If you could look, sir, 10 on -- if you could look at the bottom of page 10, 11 you'll see there it looks like -- just so you get 12 context, if you look above that, you refer to a March 13 2013 interview with Tommy Craggs, executive editor of 14 Gawker. 15 Α. Yes. 16 And then the paragraph I was pointing you to Q. 17 initially looks like that is a quote from him. Do you 18 see that? 19 Α. T do. 20 Q. And kind of midway into it, there's a 21 sentence that says, "Ethics has nothing to do with the 22 truth of things, only with the proper etiquette for 23 obtaining it so as to piss off the fewest number of 24 people possible. That works fine for lots of news 25 outlets. We don't have to worry about niceties."

1 Do you see that? 2 Α. I do. 3 The part of that where he says ethics has 0. 4 nothing to do with the truth of things, do you agree 5 with that? 6 MR. HARDER: Incomplete hypothetical, vague 7 and ambiguous. 8 THE WITNESS: No. 9 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 10 Q. Why not? 11 Α. There's another quote in this report where 12 one of the editors, or whatever their titles are, talks 13 about how rumors are a great way -- printing rumors is 14 a great way to get to the truth, which I found 15 ridiculous, absolutely ridiculous. And I think that 16 that's a lot of what is referred to here, same thing. 17 You don't agree with that? Q. 18 Α. I do not agree with that. 19 0. But focus back on this. Ethics has nothing 20 to do with the truth of things. What does ethics have 21 to do with -- I publish a fact, a simple fact. 22 the mayor is a crook. He stole \$50,000 from the city 23 council's transportation fund. That's my statement. 24 It's true or it's not, isn't it? 25 MR. HARDER: Incomplete hypothetical, vague

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         and ambiguous.
2
              THE WITNESS:
                            I would need the circumstances.
3
         Where did you get it?
4
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
5
         0.
              Got it from the assistant mayor.
6
         Α.
              Who's the assistant mayor?
7
         0.
              The assistant mayor.
8
              Do we trust the assistant mayor?
         Α.
9
              What if it -- but if it's true -- let's say
10
    we don't trust the guy. The guy's a bum. He's an
11
    alcoholic. But it turns out he got that right.
                                                       What
12
    does ethics have to do with the truth of that
13
    statement?
14
         Α.
              Ethics is part --
15
              MR. HARDER: Argumentative, vague and
16
         ambiguous, incomplete hypothetical.
17
              Pause and let me squeeze it in.
18
              THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. I apologize.
19
              It's part of the reporting process.
                                                    That's
20
         part of the reporting process.
21
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
22
              Let me ask you this. On page 11, you say
23
    under the heading Money is the Motive, "Gawker is
24
    motivated primarily, or entirely, by money."
25
              Do you see that?
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1 Α. I do. 2 "This is evidenced by its focus on traffic, Ο. 3 click-bait journalism." 4 Do you see that? 5 Α. I do. 6 Q. What is the significance of that observation 7 for purposes of reaching your expert opinion? 8 I don't understand the question. 9 You know that Gawker's motivated primarily or 10 entirely by money, right? 11 Α. It appears so. 12 For purposes of your assessment and rendering 0. 13 of your expert opinion, does that matter? 14 I believe it does. I think that's why Gawker 15 publishes nude photographs. I believe it publishes 16 rumors and half truths without regard for their 17 veracity. I think that there is total disregard for 18 privacy. I think that's why we're here, that they 19 published the Hulk Hogan video to drive traffic even 20 though it was not newsworthy and not journalistic and 21 not ethical. 22 Let me ask you this. When you were serving 23 in a managerial capacity at the St. Petersburg Times, 24 was it a for-profit entity? 25 Α. Yes.

1 Ο. It wasn't some kind of charitable foundation 2 I take it, was it? 3 Α. That was not our intent. 4 All right. So does -- the fact that Gawker Q. 5 is a for-profit publisher, does that affect the scope 6 of its First Amendment rights? 7 MR. HARDER: Objection, vague and ambiguous, 8 calls for a legal conclusion, incomplete 9 hypothetical, argumentative. 10 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat it? 11 (The reporter read the pending question.) 12 The fact that it's for profit THE WITNESS: 13 does not, but the fact that -- the way they make 14 their profit does. 15 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 16 All right. If you would look, please, on 17 page 12, the next page, you'll see at the top of the 18 page you refer to so-called NSFW material. Do you see 19 that? 20 I do. Α. 21 And you explain that that means -- those four 22 initials mean not safe for work, right? 23 Α. Yes. 24 And not safe for work typically means that Q. it's depicting nudity or some other such content,

1 doesn't it? 2 I don't know that typically would apply, but 3 it means that they do. There's a lot of it. 4 All right. Professor Foley, how many NSFW Q. 5 stories did you review? 6 Α. Dozens. 7 And how much time did you spend reviewing 0. 8 NSFW stories? 9 Α. I have no idea. 10 Q. Can you give us an estimate of how much time 11 you spent reviewing those materials? 12 If you're going through Gawker material, it's Α. 13 hard not to go through those. I know they're mixed in 14 with the others. 15 So does that help you assess how many hours 16 we're talking about? 17 Α. It makes it harder. I can't do it. I just don't know. 18 19 Let's say we put you in charge of the 20 Internet. All right? Make you Internet czar. Would 21 you banish NSFW stories from the Internet? 22 MR. HARDER: I'm going to object. 23 incomplete hypothetical. It's compound in that it 24 refers to every single NSFW-tagged article ever 25

put onto the Internet. It's vague.

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1
              THE WITNESS: Would I ban them?
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    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
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         0.
              Yes.
4
         Α.
              I don't have any idea.
5
              All right. Let's narrow our question a bit.
         Ο.
6
    If I were to make you the editor of Gawker, would you
7
    banish NSFW stories from Gawker's publications?
8
              MR. HARDER: Argumentative, incomplete
9
         hypothetical, vague and ambiguous, compound in
10
         that NSFW refers to numerous, numerous amounts of
11
         stories and content.
12
              THE WITNESS: I can't imagine being editor of
13
         Gawker.
                 I can't imagine.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
         Q.
              Well, give it a shot. Give it a try.
16
    your role as an expert, we put you in charge. You're
17
    the man in charge now.
18
         Α.
              I would probably put Gawker out of business.
19
         Ο.
              All right. And why would you do that?
20
              I would follow some form of ethical
         Α.
21
    guidelines so as not to harm my fellow man.
22
              Would you banish all posts that display
23
    photos of men's penises?
24
              MR. HARDER: Again, compound, incomplete
25
         hypothetical, but go ahead.
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1
              THE WITNESS:
                            I would go back to the
2
         preceding answer and say I would put them out of
3
         business because I would not want to unnecessarily
4
         harm people and embarrass them.
5
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
6
         Q.
              What if these are folks that, like Brett
7
    Favre, took pictures of their own penis?
8
              MR. HARDER:
                           Incomplete hypothetical, vague
9
         and ambiguous. Objection to the form of the
10
         question.
11
              Go ahead.
12
              THE WITNESS: I was an editor for 22 years --
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         or I was an editor for 15 -- more than 15 -- about
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         13 of my years -- however many years I was an
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         editor, I've never published a picture of a man's
16
         penis. I know that's redundant to say man's
17
         penis.
18
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
19
              Let me ask you this. Would you banish all
         Q.
20
    photos or posts that display photos of women with bare
21
    breasts?
22
              MR. HARDER: Same objections as before.
23
              THE WITNESS: Same answer essentially.
24
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
25
         Q.
              Would you banish all photos or posts that
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1 contain photos of women with bare buttocks? 2 MR. HARDER: Same objections as before. 3 to specify the objections, it's incomplete 4 hypothetical, vague and ambiguous. I object to 5 the form of the question. And it's compound in 6 that the question is asking about every single 7 photo of a person's bare buttocks or breast or 8 penis, depending on the question asked, just for 9 clarification. 10 THE WITNESS: Roughly the same answer. 11 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 12 Q. Okay. If you look at page 12 of your report, 13 you see there's a heading Rumors. 14 Α. Yes. 15 0. And you say, "Gawker publishes rumors and 16 uses anonymous sources without any attempt to verify 17 the information." 1.8 Do you see that? 19 Α. T do. 20 What does that have to do with this case? Q. 21 It goes back to directly the source of the --Α. 22 not the source, but whoever gave this to Gawker was an 23 anonymous source. So that's the direct connection. 24 Q. Why does that matter? 25 Because we don't have any idea where he got Α.

1 it and how he got it, anything about it. 2 Why does that matter? Do you dispute that 3 that videotape is actually the videotape of Hulk Hogan 4 and Heather Clem having sex in Bubba's bedroom? 5 MR. HARDER: Argumentative. 6 MR. SULLIVAN: It's not an argument. I'm 7 just asking him a question. 8 MR. HARDER: It's a compound question. You 9 asked him two questions. 10 THE WITNESS: Do I dispute that it was Hulk 11 Hogan and Heather Clem? I do not. 12 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 13 All right. And the fact that it was 14 anonymous, why would that matter in whether it's an 15 invasion of his privacy? 16 Α. Motives. What is the motive of this person? 17 That could easily taint everything about it. 18 How so? The claim isn't that it's untrue. Ο. 19 Α. The claim is that it's --20 MR. HARDER: I'm just going to object. 21 vague and ambiguous. I object to the form of the 22 question. It's argumentative also. 23 THE WITNESS: I would like to know before --24 you're asking whether -- if the question implies 25 whether I would publish the video, I would not.

So I think that the fact that there's an anonymous source just adds to the unethicalness of the whole incident.

BY MR. SULLIVAN:

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- Q. When you worked at the St. Petersburg Times, did you ever publish stories based on anonymous sources?
- Α. We did. And we did it -- it was my rule, my hard and fast rule, that we would publish no anonymous sources on any local news stories unless I was told who the source was. I would then make the judgment whether it was a valid source. I would also make the judgment whether it was the only way we could get the information. I would also judge whether the information was important enough to publish it with an anonymous source. However, we did run wire stories from the Washington Post, the Associated Press, the New York Times that did have anonymous sources in them, because that is the way many governments -- that's the way Washington works is anonymous sources. You don't get anything in Washington without an anonymous source. It's part and parcel of the fabric of how our country is governed.
- Q. So if it was a local story, you wanted to know who the anonymous source was?

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1
        Α.
              I demanded to know.
2
              But if it was the Associated Press, you'd
        Ο.
3
    just take it on faith?
4
              MR. HARDER: Objection, argumentative,
5
        incomplete hypothetical, vague and ambiguous.
6
              THE WITNESS: We often did. But we sourced
7
        the story as coming from the Washington Post, the
8
        New York Times, the Associated Press.
9
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
10
        Q.
             All right.
11
              MR. HARDER: When it's a convenient time,
12
        we've been going for roughly another hour.
13
              MR. SULLIVAN: Let me see. If you want to
14
        take a break now, I'm trying to kind of see if we
15
        can wrap up.
16
             MR. HARDER: Just take like five?
17
             MR. SULLIVAN:
                             Yes.
18
              MR. HARDER: Okay. That will give you a
19
        chance to kind of gather things up.
20
              (Recess taken from 3:39 p.m. to 3:48 p.m.)
21
              MR. SULLIVAN: I ask the court reporter to
22
        mark as Defendant's Exhibit 165 a multi-page
23
        document titled Documents Relied Upon by Professor
24
        Mike Foley.
25
              (Exhibit No. 165 marked for identification.)
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1
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
2
              Do you recognize Exhibit 165?
3
         Α.
              The exhibit, I don't -- what do you mean by
4
    recognize?
                Do I see it? Yes.
5
         0.
              When did you prepare Exhibit 165?
6
         Α.
              I didn't. The Harder firm did.
7
         0.
              Looking at this exhibit, can you tell the
8
    order -- strike that.
9
              You'll see here it indicates that you read
10
    the DCA opinion.
11
         Α.
              A long time ago when I first was hired.
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              It indicates that you read the deposition of
         Q.
13
    Nick Denton. Do you see that?
14
         Α.
              Yes.
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         0.
              And A.J. Daulerio?
16
         Α.
              Yes.
17
              When did you read those?
         Q.
18
         Α.
              I read them at the beginning of the case and
19
    I reread them within the last month.
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         Q.
              When you say the beginning of the case, what
21
     is your best recollection of when that was?
22
         Α.
              Four to six months ago.
23
         Q.
              Did you review the deposition of Hulk Hogan?
24
         Α.
              I did not.
25
         Q.
              Why not?
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1 Α. I didn't have it. 2 Did you ask for it? Q. 3 Α. I didn't -- to be honest, I didn't know it 4 had been taken. 5 Did you learn at some point that it had been 0. 6 taken? 7 Α. Yesterday maybe. 8 Q. All right. Did you review the deposition of 9 Bubba Clem? 10 I did not. Α. 11 Q. And did you know that the deposition of Bubba 12 Clem had been taken? 13 Α. I was certain it had, yes. 14 And did you ask to review that deposition? Ο. 15 Α. I did not. 16 Q. Do you think that would be helpful to your 17 analysis and your services as an expert? 18 Α. Yes. 19 Ο. Do you intend to review that deposition? 20 Α. Yes. 21 Q. When do you intend to do that? 22 Α. When I have time. 23 Q. Did you -- not having read Hulk Hogan's 24 deposition, did you interview Hulk Hogan? 25 Α. I did not.

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1
         Q.
              Did you request an interview?
2
         Α.
              I did. And that is being set up.
3
              And when is that to take place?
         Q.
 4
              That hasn't been set up yet.
         Α.
 5
              What about Bubba Clem, did you interview
         Ο.
 6
     Bubba Clem?
7
         Α.
              I did not.
8
         Q.
              Did you request an interview of Bubba Clem?
9
         Α.
              No.
10
         Q.
              Do you intend to interview Bubba Clem?
11
         Α.
              I'd like to read his transcript first.
12
              And after you do these things, will you
         Q.
13
     prepare and issue a supplemental report?
14
         Α.
              Perhaps.
15
         0.
              And do you intend -- strike that.
16
              Did you review the deposition of Heather
17
     Clem?
18
              I did not.
         Α.
19
         Q.
              Do you intend to review her deposition?
20
              I will consider it.
         Α.
21
         Q.
              Have you asked for a copy of that deposition?
22
         Α.
              I will.
23
         Q.
                   I said have you. Have you already asked
24
     for it?
25
         Α.
              No.
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1
         0.
              All right. Now, the section there that says
2
    documents produced on the first page, it has a number
3
    of document numbers, both Gawker numbers and Bollea
4
    numbers and what have you.
5
              Who selected the documents set forth in that
6
    category?
7
         Α.
             Mr. Harder's staff.
8
              Okay. The next grouping we come to is the
9
    one not produced. And that's the one I showed you
10
    earlier this morning, the one that -- this collection
11
    of material here. And I believe you explained to me
12
    that those are items that you gathered yourself through
13
    your own research efforts?
14
              MR. HARDER: Misstates prior testimony.
15
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
16
         Ο.
              That's not my intent. I misunderstood.
17
              These materials here, who assembled those?
18
         Α.
              Some from the law firm, some of them my own.
19
         Ο.
              So it's a mix?
20
                    That didn't include those. I did not
         Α.
              Yes.
21
    assemble those.
22
         Ο.
              No, no, no. I'm saying this one that's
23
    titled Exhibit 5.
24
         Α.
              Okay.
25
         Q.
              Professor Foley, would you agree that the
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1 protections of the First Amendment are not limited to 2 journalists who abide by conventional codes of 3 journalistic ethics? 4 I'm going to object to the form MR. HARDER: 5 of the question. It calls for a legal conclusion, 6 vague and ambiguous, incomplete hypothetical. 7 THE WITNESS: I think it depends on the 8 methods employed by -- did you refer to them as 9 journalists? I think that it would depend on the 10 situation. 11 BY MR. SULLIVAN: 12 You mentioned that you -- at the University 0. 13 of Florida, in teaching your class, you talk about some 14 legal principles to some extent, right? 15 Α. (Indicates affirmatively.) 16 You mentioned that you have a textbook that Ο. 17 talks about some cases, significant cases in the 18 development of First Amendment law, correct? 19 Α. For a beginning reporter, yes, they need to 20 be aware of it. 21 In that text and in your teachings to those 22 students, do you talk about the U.S. Supreme Court's 23 case, its decision wherein the protections of the First 24 Amendment were extended to Hustler magazine when it published a parody of a Campari ad depicting Jerry

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1
    Falwell having sex in an outhouse with his mother?
2
              I show that ad.
                                I do.
3
         Ο.
              Do you?
4
              And you're aware that the Supreme Court said
5
    that was protected by our First Amendment?
6
         Α.
              I am.
7
         0.
              Do you discuss the court's decision whereby
8
    it extended the protections of the First Amendment to
9
    the Westboro Baptist Church when they protested the
10
    funeral of a Marine killed in combat claiming that
11
    homosexuality was the cause of all of society's ills?
12
         Α.
              I do not use that.
13
         Ο.
              You don't address that case?
14
         Α.
              No.
1.5
         Q.
              Are you familiar with that case?
16
         Α.
              Vaguely.
17
              MR. SULLIVAN: I ask the court reporter to
18
         mark as Defendant's Exhibit 166 a multi-page
19
         document bearing ID numbers Gawker 24653 through
20
         24654.
21
              (Exhibit No. 166 marked for identification.)
22
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
23
         0.
              Have you had an opportunity to look over
24
    Defendant's Exhibit 166?
25
         Α.
              I did.
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1 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 166? 2 Α. I do. 3 You'll see it appears to be a July 21, 1991, Ο. 4 piece that appeared in the St. Petersburg Times, 5 correct? 6 Α. Correct. 7 0. And that piece being authored by you, 8 correct? 9 Α. Yes. 10 Ο. Entitled "Demi Moore Cover Photo had People 11 Talking." 12 Do you see that? 13 Α. Correct. 14 Now, you at the time were the executive 0. 15 editor of the St. Petersburg Times, correct? 16 Α. Yes. 17 And would you describe this as an editorial? Ο. 18 What would you characterize this as? 19 Α. Kind of a letter from the editor explaining 20 what -- what, why, and how we did something. 21 And it ran on -- if you look at the last page 22 of the exhibit, it ran on the opinion page of the 23 paper. 24 It ran on the opposite editorial page. Α. 25 Q. Okay. The page devoted to expressions of

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1
    opinions and views and letters to the editor and what
2
    have you, right?
3
         Α.
              Yes.
4
              Now, if you would look, sir, at -- on the
         Q.
5
    left-hand column, you'll see there are some quotes that
6
    you indicate are things that readers said to you, to
7
    the paper, right?
8
         Α.
              To the paper.
9
         Ο.
              Yes, sir.
10
              And then you continue on down a few graphs
11
    and you'll see the graph that starts, "It was
12
    accompanied by a story about the stir the cover was
13
    causing nationwide and the reactions of various
14
    magazine sellers. Some stores refused to carry it.
15
    Others ordered extra copies."
16
              Do you see that?
17
         Α.
              Yes.
18
              Then you continue, "But everyone, just
         Q.
19
    everyone" -- in italics -- "was talking about it.
20
    that is precisely why we published the photo and the
21
    story."
22
              Do you see that?
23
         Α.
              I do.
24
              Okay. Now, the fact that all these folks
         Q.
25
    were talking about it, did that make the matter
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1
    newsworthy?
2
              MR. HARDER: Objection, incomplete
3
         hypothetical.
4
              THE WITNESS:
                            That was part of it.
5
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
6
         Q.
              Okay. Did that -- that amount of public
7
    attention, did that indicate to you that it was a
8
    matter of public concern?
9
              MR. HARDER: Objection, calls for a legal
10
         conclusion, incomplete hypothetical, vague,
11
         ambiguous.
12
              THE WITNESS: I'm not sure that I know what
13
         public concern is.
14
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
15
              If you're more comfortable with newsworthy,
16
    we'll use that. Are you more comfortable with
17
    newsworthy?
18
         Α.
              It helps, yes.
19
         Ο.
              And so you indicated this was a matter that
20
    was newsworthy in your judgment?
21
         Α.
              Yes.
22
              Okay. Now, when we looked at -- look at the
23
    next paragraph, the middle of that paragraph, you say,
24
    "We didn't do it to make people angry or to corrupt
25
    their morals or their children. We didn't do it
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1
    because we were trying to attract attention."
2
     interesting and people were talking about it is the
3
    short version of our reasoning."
4
              Do you see that?
5
         Α.
              I do.
6
         Ο.
              Is that true?
7
         Α.
              Yes.
8
         Q.
              And was that the paper's reasoning at the
9
    time?
10
         Α.
              That was part of it.
11
         Q.
              Were you intending to be honest in this piece
12
    that you wrote?
13
         Α.
              Absolutely.
14
              Now, you look below that, the next graph,
         0.
15
     "Though some readers obviously disagreed, we didn't
16
    think the photo was prurient or offensive."
17
              Do you see that?
18
              I do.
         Α.
19
         Q.
              Now, how does that work? Some readers were
20
    offended, right?
21
         Α.
              Yes.
22
         Q.
              But the paper decides, right?
23
         Α.
              Yes.
24
              Okay. Now, would you agree with me that this
         Q.
    could be perceived as arrogant?
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1
              MR. HARDER:
                           Objection, vague.
2
              THE WITNESS:
                            No.
3
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
4
              Do you agree that this could be perceived as
         Q.
5
    showing contempt for community -- for the community?
6
         Α.
              No.
7
         0.
              Why not?
8
         Α.
              It was news. It was a cultural phenomenon.
9
              According to whom?
         Ο.
10
         Α.
              Me, Sandra Thompson, the editor of the
11
    section, and quite a few other editors agreed.
12
              All right. Let me ask you this. If you
         Q.
13
    would look now -- go to the other side of the column.
14
    Okay. Go to the right column and you'll see the
15
    picture of Ms. Moore. If you go down further down from
16
    that, you'll see where it says, "Getting back to the
17
    naked Demi Moore, I should point out that" --
18
         Α.
              I'm sorry.
                          I got it.
19
         0.
              I'm sorry. Did you find it?
20
         Α.
              I got it.
21
         Ο.
              "Getting back to the naked Demi Moore, I
22
    should point out that the cover had achieved no small
23
    notoriety well before it appeared in our paper."
24
              Do you see that?
25
         Α.
              I do.
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1
         Ο.
              You said, "I had seen it on several TV news
2
     shows, for example."
3
              So how did that factor into your decision,
4
    the fact --
5
         Α.
              It was news.
6
              So because it was already out there, the
         Q.
7
    St. Petersburg Times felt it was okay to run it in its
8
    own pages, correct?
9
              MR. HARDER: Objection, argumentative,
10
         incomplete hypothetical, asked and answered.
11
              THE WITNESS: That was not the only reason.
12
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
13
         Ο.
              What was the reason?
14
              It was news. It was truly a cultural
15
    phenomenon. People -- everybody was talking about it
16
    and we decided to do a story about the local part of
17
    it, what was happening here.
18
              And then you say in the next paragraph, "No,
19
    we don't let other media sources set our standards, but
20
    the photo was widely distributed from a variety of
21
    outlets and that was factored into the decision."
22
              Do you see that?
23
         Α.
              I do.
24
              Is that a true statement?
         0.
25
         Α.
              It was and is.
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1
        Ο.
              And lastly, down at the very bottom, it
2
    was -- you see where it says, "It was provocative.
                                                          Ιt
3
    did get people talking and perhaps thinking. And, hey,
4
    that's not a bad thing."
5
              Do you see that?
6
        Α.
              Yes.
7
              In your judgment, is that the bottom line?
        0.
8
              MR. HARDER: Objection, vague and ambiguous,
9
        argumentative, incomplete hypothetical.
10
              THE WITNESS: What do you mean by bottom
11
        line?
12
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
13
        Ο.
              Well, I realize it is the bottom line of your
14
            But at the end of the day, is that kind of what
15
    it all distills down to, in all seriousness, that it
16
    was a provocative thing, as you put it to me earlier,
17
    it was a cultural phenomenon, folks were talking about
18
    it, and it stimulated people to think?
19
              MR. HARDER: Objection, incomplete
20
        hypothetical. It's compound and it's vague and
21
        ambiquous.
22
                            It met many of the criteria for
              THE WITNESS:
23
        a news story. It featured a prominent person, a
24
        celebrity. It featured a controversial
25
        somewhat -- I don't -- by controversial, I don't
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1
         mean -- I guess it was controversial by means of
2
         talking about it. It was widespread.
3
         had -- it not only filled the national scene, but
4
         it also filled the local scene.
                                           It had a
5
         provocative flair about it. I won't deny that.
6
         But it was tasteful, I believe. It was shot by
7
         one of the world's greatest photographers.
8
         Ms. Moore posed for it. So we didn't sneak up on
9
         her in the shower. So there was no question of
10
         privacy.
11
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
12
         Q.
              All right.
13
        Α.
              It was journalism.
14
         0.
              Okav.
                    Now, tell me this. When you said that
15
    it's tasteful, it wasn't -- did you say obscene or
16
    pornographic?
17
              I didn't say either one of those things.
         Α.
18
              What did you say before tasteful? You said
         0.
19
    it was tasteful.
20
         Α.
              I thought it was tasteful.
21
              That is in your judgment, right?
         Q.
22
         Α.
              And the judgment of many of the editors of
23
    the paper and in the judgment of the editors of Vanity
24
    Fair and in Ms. Demi Moore's judgment.
25
         Q.
              But in the judgment of some of your readers,
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1
    as you point out at the very outset of your piece, some
2
    of those folks in this community thought it was in,
3
    quote, poor taste, right?
4
         Α.
              Yes.
5
              Some of those folks in this community thought
         Ο.
6
    it was, quote, repugnantly vulgar, closed quote, right?
7
         Α.
              That's correct.
8
         Ο.
              Some of those folks that it was rubbish,
9
     closed quote, right?
10
         Α.
              That's true.
11
         Q.
              But you decide?
12
              I did decide. And that's why I wrote the
         Α.
13
    column to explain the reasoning behind what we did.
14
              MR. SULLIVAN: All right. I'll ask the court
15
         reporter to mark as Defendant's Exhibit 167 the
16
         last exhibit of the day.
17
              (Exhibit No. 167 marked for identification.)
18
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
19
              And, Professor Foley, the part that I'm
20
    interested in is the portion -- pardon me -- the very
21
    right column.
                   See where it says, Celebrity Update?
22
         Α.
              Yes.
23
         Q.
              Have you had an opportunity to look over
    Defendant's Exhibit 167?
24
25
         Α.
              Yes.
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1 Ο. You see this document bears ID number 2 Gawker 24669? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Have you ever seen this document before? Q. 5 It was in that stack of things I believe that Α. 6 your -- you guys sent over. 7 And you'll see this appears to be a page from 0. 8 the St. Petersburg Times published on May 22nd, 1990, 9 correct? 10 Α. Correct. 11 Q. At the time, you would have been the 12 executive editor of the paper? 13 Α. I believe so. 14 And what is The Floridian? You see up there 0. 15 at the top? 16 Α. The Floridian was the feature section, 17 Section D of the paper. In the days prior to the 18 current newspaper economic turndown, we published a 19 full feature section every day, not just on Sundays. 20 You'll see the heading I pointed your Q. 21 attention to, Celebrity Update, on the right column? 22 Α. I do. 23 Q. What was the purpose of the celebrity update? 24 I can't read any of it. I'm sorry. So I Α. don't know, but I think it was a celebrity update,

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1
    prominent people in the entertainment world and what
2
    they are up to.
3
              You'll see there is a photograph of Diana
        Ο.
4
    Ross and it talks about some upcoming celebrity roast
5
    or something like that. You see a photograph of
6
    Ling-Ling, the panda, at the time.
7
              Do you see that?
8
        Α.
              I do.
9
              And then we have a section called "They Said
10
    It." And the very bottom of that -- I realize this is
11
    tiny, tiny print. So I'll read that for you. It says,
12
    "John says my boobs are so proud, they're like a
13
    shelf" -- and that's in quotes -- "Bo Derrick quoting
14
    her husband, filmmaker John Derrick, in Punch
15
    magazine."
16
              Can you see that?
17
        Α.
              No, I can't see it. But I'll take your word
18
    for it.
19
        Q.
              Tell me this.
                            Why did the St. Petersburg
20
    Times publish that?
              It was funny. It's -- it involves two very
21
        Α.
22
    well-known celebrities.
23
        Ο.
              I take it it's not breaking news, is it?
24
              I don't know that much of that is breaking
        Α.
25
    news. It's celebrities.
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1 Ο. But in this instance, clearly we know on the 2 face of it because it indicates it was already 3 published in Punch magazine. 4 I'll take your word for it. Α. 5 And was that -- did you deem that newsworthy? Ο. 6 Α. The feature section is feature stories and 7 feature items, interesting tidbits often about 8 celebrities, fashion, cooking, advice columns, things 9 that people just like to read. It's fun, comics. 10 Would you agree that some readers may be Q. 11 offended by that? 12 Α. As I've said before --13 MR. HARDER: Objection to the word "that." 14 Are you talking about everything he just 1.5 mentioned, or are you talking about the boobs 16 reference? 17 The quote we just read. MR. SULLIVAN: 18 MR. HARDER: Okay. Because his answer was 19 about cooking and advice and all that. 20 MR. SULLIVAN: All right. 21 THE WITNESS: As I've said before, some 22 readers are offended by something all the time, 23 some. We had a quarter of a million, maybe 24 300,000 readers on a given day -- excuse me --

circulation of a quarter of million, 300,000

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that \-- two and a half times that actually read
1
2
         the paper that day.
3
    BY MR. SULLIVAN:
4
              Because folks shared it?
         Q.
5
         Α.
              Uh-huh.
                      (Indicates affirmatively.)
              MR. SULLIVAN: Professor Foley, I have no
6
7
         further questions of you at this time. Thank you.
8
              THE WITNESS:
                             Thank you.
9
              MR. HARDER:
                            Thank you.
10
               (Deposition concluded at 4:16 p.m.)
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                        CERTIFICATE OF OATH
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     STATE OF FLORIDA
4
    COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH
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        I, the undersigned authority, certify that MICHAEL
7
     F. FOLEY personally appeared before me and was duly
8
     sworn.
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        WITNESS my hand and official seal this 27th day of
11
    March, 2015.
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                         Susan C. Riesdorph, RPR, CRR, CLSP
                         Notary Public - State of Florida
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                         My Commission Expires: 6/10/17
                         Commission No.: FF 023522
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	REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE
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3	STATE OF FLORIDA :
4	COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH :
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6 7 8	I, Susan C. Riesdorph, RPR, CRR certify that I was authorized to and did stenographically report the deposition of MICHAEL F. FOLEY; that a review of the transcript was requested and that the transcript is a
9	true and complete record of my stenographic notes.
10 11 12	I further certify that I am not a relative, employee, attorney, or counsel of any of the parties, nor am I a relative or employee of any of the parties' attorney or counsel connected with the action, nor am I financially interested in the outcome of the foregoing action.
13 14	Dated this 27th day of March, 2015, IN THE CITY OF TAMPA, COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH, STATE OF FLORIDA.
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