Feld Entertainment, Inc.'s Original Deposition Designations

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              UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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              FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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     AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE :
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     PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO:
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     ANIMALS, et al.
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                    Plaintiffs:
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                                  Case No.
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                                   03-2006 (EGS/JMF)
            VS.
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     FELD ENTERTAINMENT, INC. :
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                    Defendant.
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                           Washington, D.C.
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                           November 14, 2008
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     Videotaped Deposition of:
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                  GEOFFREY PETTIGREW,
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     called for oral examination by counsel for
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     Plaintiffs, pursuant to notice, at the offices
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     of Meyer Glitzenstein & Crystal,
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     Washington, D.C., before Zev V. Feder, CSR, a
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     Notary Public in and for the District of
     Columbia, beginning at 10:07 a.m., when were
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     present on behalf of the respective parties:
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4	EXAMINATION BY:	PAGE	
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8	EXHIBITS		
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     the Plaintiffs.
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                  MS. PARDO: Michelle Pardo for --
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 3
     go ahead.
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                  MS. BORTSCHELLER: Pardon me.
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     Mary Bortscheller for Plaintiffs.
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                  MS. PARDO: Michelle Pardo for
     Feld Entertainment.
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                  MS. JOINER: Lisa Joiner, Feld
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     Entertainment.
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                  MS. STRAUSS: Julie Strauss, Feld
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     Entertainment.
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                  VIDEOGRAPHER: Court reporter,
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     please swear in the witness.
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     Whereupon,
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                   GEOFFREY PETTIGREW
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     was called for examination by counsel and,
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     having been duly sworn by the Notary, was
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     examined and testified as follows:
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         EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFFS
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                 BY MS. MEYER:
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                 Mr. Pettigrew, would you please
22
     state your full name for the record?
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		Page 6
1	A. Geoffrey Allen Pettigrew.	
2	Q. And how do you spell Geoffrey?	
3	A. GEOFFREY.	
4	Q. And how do you spell Pettigrew?	
5	A. PETTIGREW.	
6	Q. Mr. Pettigrew, have you ever been	
7	deposed before?	
8	A. No.	
9	Q. I am going to be asking you a	
10	series of questions. And if you don't	
11	understand the question or need clarification,	
12	just ask me	
13	A. Yes, ma'am.	
14	Q and I will try to clarify it	
15	for you.	
16	The other thing is please let me	
17	finish asking my	
18	A. Yes, ma'am.	
19	Q question before you start to	
20	answer it so that the court reporter can get	
21	it down, both the question and the answer. Do	
22	you understand that?	

1	Α.	Yes, ma'am.
2	Q.	Thank you.
3		Mr. Pettigrew, where were you
4	born?	
5	Α.	Waco, Texas, July 1st, 1961.
6	Q.	And where do you currently live?
7	A.	Gainesville, Florida. Actually
8	Williston,	Florida.
9	Q.	How long have you lived in
10	Williston,	Florida?
11	Α.	Two years.
12	Q.	And prior to that where did you
13	live?	
14	Α.	Plant City, Florida.
15	Q.	I'm sorry?
16	A.	Plant City, Florida.
17	Q.	Klant City?
18	Α.	Uh-huh.
19	Q.	And when did you live in Plant
20	City?	
21	Α.	Two years prior to living in
22	Williston?	

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	Q.	Do you have any children?	
	Α.	No.	
	Q.	When did you first go to work for	
Fel	d Enter	tainment?	
	A.	1985.	
	Q.	What was your job in 1985 at Feld	
Ent	ertainm	ent?	
	Α.	Originally, animal laborer.	
	Q.	Animal laborer?	
	Α.	Yes.	
	Q.	What were your duties?	
	A.	To help with the animal handlers	
and	l traine	rs to clean the barn areas and	
ass	sist the	m in any way they needed.	
	Q.	In 1985, when you took a job with	
Fel	d Enter	tainment, did you work on any	
par	ticular	unit of the circus?	
	A.	The Blue Unit.	
	Q.	How long did you hold the position	
of	animal	laborer with the Blue Unit?	
	A.	For one year. Then worked my way	
up	to anim	al handler.	

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Page 13
                  When did you take the job as
 1
            0.
     animal handler?
 2
                  In the middle of '86.
 3
            Α.
                  And that was also with the Blue
 4
            Q.
 5
     Unit?
 6
                  Yes, ma'am.
            Α.
                  And what was your job at that
            Q.
 7
 8
     point in time?
 9
                  To assist in cleaning the barn
            A.
     areas and taking care of the animals.
                                              To
10
     assist in any training that was going on.
11
     assist in any type of care to help with the
12
     veterinarian care, also, when veterinarians
13
14
     were there.
                  In 1985 when you took a job as an
15
            Q.
16
     animal laborer, did you work with elephants at
17
     Feld Entertainment?
18
           A.
                  Yes.
                  And in 1986 when you were promoted
19
            Q.
20
     to animal handler, did you also work with
21
     elephants?
22
                  Yes.
           Α.
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Page 14
 1
            0.
                  Did you work with other animals,
     as well?
 3
            A.
                  Yes.
 4
            0.
                  What other species did you work
 5
     with?
                  Horses, camels. And that's it.
 6
            A.
 7
                  And how long did you hold the
            Q.
     position of animal handler with the Blue Unit?
 8
 9
                  Until 1987.
            Α.
10
                  And then what job did you have?
            Q.
11
                  I moved over to the Red Unit and
            Α.
     worked as an elephant handler and also union
12
13
     representative.
14
            Q.
                  What were your job duties as an
15
     animal handler with the Red Unit in 1987?
16
           A.
                  To assist in taking care of the
17
     elephants, themselves, which consisted of
18
     taking care of the barn areas, setting up the
19
     barn areas, to assist in veterinarian care, to
20
     assist with the trainers.
21
                  Who was the head elephant trainer
22
     with the Red Unit in 1987?
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Page 15 Gunther Gebel Williams. 1 A. And what were your job 2 0. responsibilities as the union representative 3 4 at the Red Unit in 1987? To tell fellow union members of 5 Α. To deal with any contract 6 the contract. 7 issues that the other union members had with To file any grievances with the 8 the show. 9 show that were in violation of the contract. To help assign rooms for the train. 10 To negotiating contracts. 11 12 Anything else? 0. 13 A. No. 14 How did you obtain that position Q. 15 as the union representative? I was elected by the members of 16 Α. 17 the union, of the union on the show. Which union were you the 18 0. representative for? 19 20 Local 688 of the Teamsters Union. A. 21 Which employees on the show did 0. 22 your union represent?

A. The prop crews, the ring curb
crews, the animal crews, the train crews, the
wardrobe crews.
Q. How long did you hold the position
as union representative on the Red Unit?
A. Until 1990 when I left.
Q. During 1987 to 1990 on the Red
Unit, what were your duties?
A. I was an animal handler with
elephants and other animals, and like I said,
also a union representative.
Q. So your duties basically remained
the same between 1987 and 1990. Is that
correct?
A. Yes.
Q. In 1990 where did you go after
that?
A. Went to work for Hawthorne
Corporation.
Q. Why did you leave Feld
Entertainment?
A. I had an opportunity to go work

Page 25 1 Α. The end of '94? Yes, the end of 2 194. When you were at Carson and Barnes 3 0. did you have an opportunity to work with an 4 5 individual named Tim Frisco? 6 Α. No. 7 0. Did you work with anybody with the last name of Frisco at Carson and Barnes? 8 9 Α. No. 10 In 1994 where did you go? Q. 11 Fort Worth, Texas. A. 12 0. And what was your job at Fort 13 Worth, Texas? I served as an animal control 14 Α. 15 officer for the City of Fort Worth, Texas. 16 What did that entail? 0. 17 Α. Maintaining -- not maintaining. 18 Serving as a code enforcement officer for the 19 city's animal code enforcement. Picking up 20 stray animals. And serving as an investigator for bites, animal bites. And helping maintain 21 22 the welfare laws that the city dictated.

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 1
            0.
                   And what was his title?
 2
            Α.
                   I don't remember.
 3
                   He worked under Mr. Turner?
            0.
 4
      that correct?
 5
            Α.
                   No, he was above Mr. Turner.
 6
                   So Mr. Ajjamon was the head of the
            0.
 7
      department?
 8
            Α.
                   Yes.
 9
                  And then Mr. Turner was under
10
     Mr. Ajjamon?
11
                   Yes.
            Α.
12
            0.
                  And you worked under Mr. Turner?
13
            Α.
                  Yes.
14
                  How long did you hold that
            Q.
15
     position?
16
                  Two years.
            Α.
17
            Q.
                  During the time that you were an
     animal control officer at Fort Worth, Texas
18
19
     did you have any occasion to work with
20
     elephants?
21
            Α.
                  No.
22
                  Any exotic species at all?
            Q.
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Page 29 An opportunity on the Ringling 1 A. show presented itself, and I wanted to get 2 back to working with elephants. 3 Did you leave the job in Fort 4 0. 5 Worth on good terms? 6 Yes. A. 7 So you quit your job in Fort 0. Worth. Is that correct? 8 I left on good terms. But I did 9 Α. 10 leave. Did you actually quit your job? 11 0. 12 Yes. I gave proper notice and Α. 13 then left. 14 And when you say an opportunity came up at the Ringling Brothers show, what 15 was the opportunity? 16 To work with the elephants again. 17 Α. 18 They had came into town and I had friends 19 They related to a position being open. there. 20 So I reapplied for that, for the position to 21 work with elephants again. 22 When you say they came into town, Q.

		Page 30
1	they came to Fort Worth?	
2	A. Yes.	
3	Q. Was this the Blue Unit?	
4	A. Yes.	
5	Q. So when the circus came to Fort	
6	Worth in 1995 you went to the circus?	
7	A. Yes.	
8	Q. And you said you had some friends	
9	there. Is that correct?	
10	A. Uh-huh.	
11	Q. Who were the friends that you had?	
12	A. (Pause.) God, I can't remember	
13	their names. Just people that I associated	
14	with when I was there before.	
15	Q. You can't remember any of them?	
16	A. No, no.	
17	Q. How about Randy Peterson? Was he	
18	one of them?	
19	A. He wasn't there at that time.	
20	Q. What was the job that you took	
21	with Ringling Brothers in 1995?	
22	A. Animal handler.	

Page 31 1 And what were your duties? 0. 2 To assist in any training. A. To 3 assist in setting up the areas for the animals 4 to be housed in. To assist with any vet care. 5 Did you have these duties with Q. 6 respect to animals other than elephants? 7 No. Α. 8 So your duties as an animal 0. 9 handler in 1995 with the Blue Unit were only 10 with respect to elephants. Is that correct? 11 Α. Yes. 12 Do you remember what salary you 13 were paid in 1995? 14 No, I don't. If you look on the Α. 15 union contract at that time it will tell you. 16 Who was the head elephant trainer 0. for the Blue Unit in 1995 when you went back 17 18 to work at Ringling Brothers? 19 Α. Graham Thomas Chipperfield. 20 0. Had you ever worked with 21 Mr. Chipperfield before? 22 Α. No.

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Page 33
      conversations?
 1
 2
            Α.
                  Yes.
 3
                  Do you remember who you had the
            0.
      conversations with?
 4
 5
            Α.
                  No.
 6
                  Is that because it is just too
            0.
 7
     long ago?
 8
            Α.
                  Yes.
                  How long did you hold the position
 9
            0.
10
     as animal handler with respect to elephants on
     the Blue Unit starting in 1995?
11
12
                  Until 2004.
            A.
13
                  And during that time period did
            Q.
14
     your duties on the Blue Unit change at all?
15
            Α.
                  Only on one aspect.
                                         I was
16
     reelected to the union representative position
     by the majority of the Teamsters.
17
18
                  When were you elected to that
            Q.
19
     position?
20
                  1997.
            Α.
                  Did you hold that position until
21
            0.
22
     you left in 2004?
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Page 34 1 A. Yes. 2 Were your duties as the union Q. representative between 1997 and 2004 any 3 different than the duties as the union 4 representative that you described earlier? 5 6 A. No. Who was your supervisor at the 7 0. Blue Unit between 1995 and 2004? 8 9 Randy Peterson. Α. 10 0. Anyone else? Brian Cristiani. Troy Metzler. 11 Α. Anyone else? 12 0. 13 No, ma'am. Α. 14 When was Randy Peterson your Q. supervisor? During what time period? 15 1995 to '98. Α. 16 And what was his title during that 17 0. time period? 18 Elephant -- actually, animal 19 20 superintendent. So would he have been the 21 supervisor for anyone else who was working on 22

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Page 39
     the Blue Unit in 1999?
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 2
                  Actually, I was not -- yes. I was
            Α.
     just trying to remember some dates.
 3
                  So for the years that I have
 4
            0.
     covered, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, you toured,
 5
     did the entire tour with the Blue Unit for
 6
     those years. Is that correct?
 7
                  Yes, ma'am.
 8
            Α.
                  Can you tell me which elephants
 9
     you worked with on the Blue Unit between 1995
10
     and 1999?
11
                  I can tell you some of them but
12
            A.
     not all of them.
13
14
                  Okay.
            Q.
15
                  Siam, Cora, Putzi, India,
                 It is a long time ago. Nicole,
16
     Calcutta.
17
     Minyak, Birka.
18
            Q.
                  Birka, B I R K A?
19
                  I think so.
           A.
                         Lutzi, L U T Z.
20
                  Susan.
                                            Mysore.
                Sophie.
21
     Rebecca.
                         Karen.
22
                  I am trying to run down the line,
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Page 40 1 where they were at. 2 That's about it. That's about it. 3 0. Okay. 4 A. That I worked with. Directly 5 worked with. 6 Okay. How about Jewel? Q. 7 Yes, Jewel, yes. Α. 8 How about Zina? Q. 9 Yes. Α. 10 And when you said you were trying 0. 11 to remember down the line where they were, 12 what do you mean by that? 13 Well, they would stand up in their Α. pens, and what elephants they would stand next 14 15 to, and what elephants they would be with. 16 0. When you envision that, does that 17 help you to remember their names? 18 Α. Yes. 19 Did the elephants usually stand in 20 the same position? 21 They were usually with the same Α. 22 elephants.

Page 68 He is currently working, I think, 1 A. on the Blue Unit of the Ringling show. 2 Не also worked for Ms. Patty Zerbini for a period 3 of time. 4 5 0. How do you know this? I currently work at the Williston 6 retirement facility where Patty Zerbini houses 7 her elephants. It is her winter quarters 8 there. And I saw him with her. 9 It is your testimony that the next 10 0. time you talked to Mr. French again after he 11 left the Lowry Park Zoo in December of '05 was 12 13 sometime in 2007? Is that correct? 14 Α. Yes. What were the circumstances of 15 0. that conversation? 16 Hi, how are you? When did you go 17 Α. to work for Patty? Just general conversation. 18 So that conversation took place at 19 0. 20 Williston. Is that correct? 21 Α. Yes. Why did you leave Lowry Park Zoo? 22

Page 69 The opportunity at Williston 1 A. retirement facility arose and I had always 2 wanted to work out there with older elephants, 3 retired elephants, to further my education on 4 5 elephants. Had you applied for a job at 0. 6 Williston before? 7 8 Α. No. You said you always wanted to work 9 0. there. 10 Yes. 11 Α. But you had never applied for a 12 job there before? 13 The positions mostly were No. 14 Α. Then this position became 15 filled already. open there. 16 How did you find out about that 17 position coming open? 18 Through word of mouth. 19 Α. people that I know who have worked with 20 elephants and with performing elephants, and 21 said that these positions, a position was open 22

Page 70 1 up there. 2 What was the position that was Q. 3 open? 4 A. Animal handler. 5 And when did you take that Q. 6 position? 7 In '06. I think March of '06. Α. 8 So this was a job that you took 0. 9 immediately after leaving the Lowry Park Zoo? 10 Α. Not immediately but in March of '06. 11 I am pretty sure it was March. 12 0. When did you leave Lowry Park Zoo? 13 Α. December. Of '05. December of '05? 14 0. 15 A. Yes, ma'am. 16 Q. What did you do between December of '05 and March of '06? 17 18 I worked in a tofu company, Α. 19 manufacturing tofu products. 20 Q. Where was that? 21 That is Plant City, Florida. Α. 22 Q. So this was a job that you had

Page 83 center. At that time he did not. 1 2 When did you have that 0. conversation with Mr. Jacobson? 3 '05. 4 A. 5 This is while you were still at 6 Lowry Park? 7 A . No. This is after I had left Lowry Park. It would have to be December of 8 9 '05, January of '06, right in that area. Did you make any effort to get 10 0. 11 rehired with one of the traveling units of the 12 Ringling Brothers Circus? 13 Α. No. And when you went to work at 14 15 Williston in '06, what precisely were your duties? 16 17 Handling of the elephants, 18 assisting in any vet care, caretaker of the 19 property, facility side. 20 When you say caretaker of the Q. 21 property, can you describe to me what the 22 property consists of at Williston?

Page 84 1 I am not sure of the acreage but A. 2 it is pretty large acreage. Consists of three 3 barns, two large pen areas with night houses for two male elephants. Like I said, a lot of 4 5 Holding pens for the elephants that Three large ones behind the main 6 are there. 7 barn area. One large one in front of the main 8 barn area. 9 Caretakering -- caretaking 10 persisted of making sure fence lines were properly put up and maintained. Mowing the 11 12 Maintaining trees that were there. Basically, (unintelligible) a lawn service for 13 Maintaining the facility, itself. 14 it. 15 water lines burst, I would, you know, fix those. If any pumps went out, if I could fix 16 17 them I would. Pretty much a general farm work is basically what it curtailed, also, besides 18 19 working with the elephants. 20 0. And were you employed by Feld 21 Entertainment or Ms. Zerbini? 22 Feld Entertainment. Α.

Page 85 1 Are there some animals who are at 0. 2 the Williston facility who are owned by 3 Ms. Zerbini? 4 A. Yes. 5 Which animals are owned by Q. 6 Ms. Zerbini? 7 A. I can't tell you their names but she has five other elephants that are hers 8 9 there also, housed in a separate barn area, 10 two separate barn areas. 11 Any other species? 0. 12 Zebras; Sicilian donkeys; a 13 bactrian camel, double-humped camel. 14 Anything else? 0. 15 Α. That's it. 16 All right. 0. 17 The facility also houses some A. 18 Ringling Feld Entertainment tigers, also. 19 How many tigers, Feld Q. 20 Entertainment tigers, are there? 21 Α. Three. 22 What does their housing consist Q.

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     benefits based on your employment with Feld
 1
     Entertainment?
 2
 3
            Α.
                  Yes.
                  Do you get any other benefits in
 4
            Q.
     connection with your job with Feld
 5
 6
     Entertainment?
                  No, ma'am.
 7
            A.
                  Do you have any dealings at all
 8
            Q.
 9
     with the CEC?
                  No, ma'am.
10
            Α.
                  Are you kept informed at all about
11
            0.
12
     what is going on at the CEC?
13
                  No, ma'am.
            Α.
                  Do you know Tom Rider?
14
            0.
                  Yes, ma'am.
15
            Α.
                  When did you meet him?
            Q.
16
                  (Pause). '86, '87, '88.
17
            Α.
                  Could it have been in the '90s?
            Q.
18
                  That's right. Excuse me.
                                               I'm
19
            Α.
20
     sorry.
                  That's all right.
21
            Q.
                  '96, '97, '98. I'm sorry.
22
            Α.
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Page 115 1 0. That's all right. How did you meet him? 2 Mr. Rider applied for a position 3 for work at the Ringling show and they brought 4 him out to work with us with the elephants. 5 6 Q. What was his job? He started out as just a laborer 7 A. 8 but, at the end of his work there, he was working as a barn man, which curtails him 9 taking care of the barn while people are there 10 and not there. Which means he is cleaning up 11 12 behind the elephants, he is feeding the 13 elephants. 14 Did he spend a lot of time with Q. the elephants in that capacity? 15 16 Α. As the barn man? 17 Yes. Q. On his eight hour shift, yes, he A. 18 19 did. So you worked with Mr. Rider in 20 0. 1997? Is that correct? 21 22 Yes, ma'am. Α.

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Page 116
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            Q.
                  Did you also work with him in
 2
     1998?
                  Yes, ma'am.
 3
            Α.
 4
            Q.
                  And did you work with him in 1999?
 5
                  No.
            A.
 6
            Q.
                  Not at all?
 7
            Α.
                  No.
 8
                  Do you know who Mr. Rider's
            0.
     supervisor -- I am sorry, let's start with
 9
10
     this.
                  Actually, yes, I did work with him
11
            Α.
12
     in '99.
               I got my dates wrong. Yes, I did.
13
                  Let's start over.
            Q.
14
                  '98, '99 I did work with him.
            A.
15
                  Just so the record is clear, so
            Q.
16
     you worked with Mr. Rider in 1997. Is that
17
     correct?
18
                  Right.
            Α.
19
                  And you worked with him in 1998.
           Q.
20
     Is that correct?
21
                  Yes, ma'am.
            Α.
                  And you worked with him for some
22
            Q.
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Page 117 1 period of time in 1999. 2 A. Right. 3 0. And when you worked with him, that 4 was on the blue unit. Correct? 5 Yes, ma'am. A. 6 Q. Do you know who Mr. Rider's 7 supervisor was on the Blue Unit when you worked with him between 1997 and 1999? 8 9 Α. Randy Peterson. 10 0. Did you ever have any conversations with Mr. Rider? 11 12 Mostly pertaining to work. A. 13 Do you remember any of those 0. 14 conversations? 15 Not really. Not at all. A. 16 Do you remember the circumstances 0. 17 under which Mr. Rider left the Blue Unit? 18 He had an opportunity to go with A. 19 Daniel Raffo over to Europe with another person and he took the opportunity and went. 20 21 Q. And were there some elephants 22 involved in that trip to Europe, as well?

Page 118 1 A. Yes, ma'am. Three of the 2 Chipperfield elephants. 3 0. Do you remember the names of those 4 elephants? 5 No. I can one, Camilia. That's A. 6 The other two I don't even remember. 7 I pronounced it wrong, too. It is 8 actually Kamala. 9 Did you have any opportunity to 0. work directly with Mr. Rider? 10 11 Yes, I did. A. 12 What were the circumstances of 0. 13 that? 14 When Mr. Rider first started with Α. 15 us as a laborer, I worked directly with him, mucking out the barn areas, cleaning up around 16 17 the elephants, feeding the elephants, helping 18 set up exercise areas for the elephants, pen 19 areas for the elephants. 20 When he went into the barn man 21 position, I indirectly worked with him when my 22 work intersanked with his shift work. When he

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- 1 worked there as a barn man he only worked
- 2 eight hours a day, an eight hour shift.
- 3
 That's when I would -- work curtailed working
- 4 on his shift, yes, I did.
- 5 Q. And do you have anything negative
- 6 to say about Mr. Rider?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Did you know an individual named
- 9 Frank Hagan?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. How did you know him?
- 12 A. Through the show. Frank Hagan, if
- 13 I recall, used to work with our prop crews and
- 14 our transportation crews. Just interacting
- 15 with him. I mean, I saw him at the show,
- 16 talked with him, you know, at the show.
- 17 Worked around him when we were moving cats in
- 18 and out of the show. That's about it.
- 19 Q. Was this the Blue Unit you are
- 20 speaking of?
- 21 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. Did you have any conversations

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                  (A recess was taken.)
 2
                  VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
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     record at 12:57.
         EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANT
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 5
                  BY MS. PARDO:
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                  Good afternoon, Mr. Pettigrew.
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                  You testified earlier that you
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     were elected as a union representative during
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     the 1997 to 1999 time period?
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                  Yes, ma'am.
           A.
                  As the union representative what
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     were your duties?
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                  To handle any contract issues
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     between the union employees and the management
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     of the show.
                  Did you have any other duties with
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     respect to that position?
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                  The assignment of rooms on the
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     train and that's about it right there.
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                  Was the barn man position one that
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     was part of the union?
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                  Yes, ma'am.
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1	Q. As a union representative did you	
2	know whether a union employee could be fired	
3	for abusing animals?	
4	A. Yes, ma'am, I did.	
5	Q. And as the union representative do	
6	you know whether a union employee could be	
7	fired for complaining about animal abuse?	
8	A. They cannot be fired for	
9	complaining.	
10	Q. What were you required to do if a	
11	union employee complained?	
12	A. Take the contract at the time,	
13	look through the contract for the grievance	
14	that the individual was complaining about,	
15	what part of the contract was being violated.	
16	If such thing was in the contract, I would	
17	have to go to the show management, show them	
18	the part of the contract that the employee was	
19	feeling was being violated, have the show act	
20	on this problem for a certain period of time.	
21	If they did not act after that	
22	time was expired, I was to take it to the	

Page 147 union representative from the local, which was 1 Dave Olimandeer (phonetic), and then the union 2 3 issued to the show that they needed to take care of the problem and issued them a time 4 5 frame. If it was not met at that time frame the union had the right to either strike the 6 7 show or by work stoppage. 8 During this time when you were the Q. union representative in '97 to '99 Mr. Rider 9 10 worked on the show. Is that correct? 11 A. Yes, ma'am. Did Tom Rider ever complain about 12 0. 13 the treatment of elephants to you? 14 Α. No, ma'am. Did he ever complain about 15 0. 16 elephant mistreatment? 17 No, ma'am. Α. 18 0. What about elephant abuse? 19 No, ma'am. A. Do you know if he complained to 20 Q. 21 anyone else on the unit about this? 22 No, ma'am, I don't. Α.

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1	Q. Now, you also testified that you	
2	worked with Mr. Rider?	
3	A. Uh-huh.	
4	Q. You had interactions with him?	
5	A. Yes.	
6	Q. Did Tom Rider complain to you	
7	about anything at all while you worked	
8	together?	
9	A. The pay scale, the accommodations	
10	on the train. We have a clause in the	
11	contract of our day-offs. At the time he felt	
12	he was not receiving his due day off. And	
13	that's it.	
14	Q. What did you do about those	
15	complaints, if anything?	
16	A. Took them at issue, explained to	
17	him in the contract, showed him the contract	
18	of what issues he was talking about, explained	
19	the issues of the room to him that it was due	
20	to a seniority basis that these rooms were	
21	given to individuals. And that's it. I mean,	
	just sat and let him look at the contract and	
22	Just sat and let min look at the contract and	

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- 1 read what was -- what was the contract stated.
- Q. During the time that you
- 3 interacted with Mr. Rider while on the Blue
- 4 Unit, did you ever observe Mr. Rider using a
- 5 guide?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Was he permitted to use a guide?
- 8 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 9 Q. Was that part of his job
- 10 description as far as you knew?
- 11 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 12 Q. How would you describe your
- working relationship with Mr. Rider?
- 14 A. Easygoing. He was always on time
- 15 for the job. He worked -- he did his job to
- 16 the best of his abilities.
- 17 Q. Did you take any issue with how he
- 18 performed his job?
- 19 A. No.
- Q. Did you have any criticism about
- 21 his work?
- 22 A. No.

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1	Q. Did you ever threaten Mr. Rider?	
2	A. No.	
3	Q. Did there come a time when	
4	Mr. Rider left the Blue Unit?	
5	A. Yes, ma'am.	
6	Q. Do you know if he was fired?	
7	A. He was not fired.	
8	Q. You explained earlier that you	
9	thought he left to go to Europe with Raffo.	
10	Is that correct?	
11	A. Daniel Raffo, yes.	
12	Q. How did you learn that	
13	information?	
13	Información:	
14	A. Through word of mouth. Also, on	
15	the day that they were leaving, he said he was	
16	going with them.	
17	Q. To the best of your knowledge do	
18	you know if he told anyone he was leaving	
19	because of the treatment of elephants at	
20	Ringling?	
21	A. I can't say. I don't know.	
22	Q. Did he ever tell you he was	

Page 151 leaving because of the treatment of elephants 1 2 at Ringling? 3 No. Α. You testified previously that part 4 0. 5 of your job responsibilities was setting up exercise areas. Is that --6 Yes. 7 Α. Uh-huh. Can you describe, during the '97 8 to '99 time frame, how were the elephants on 9 10 the Blue Unit exercised? The morning routine was to come 11 Α. in, sweep off the elephants, hay off the 12 13 elephants, muck out around the elephants, clean up the areas around the elephants. 14 Myself and several other animal handlers and 15 the lead elephant person would take the 16 animals out of the barn between 8:30 and 9:00 17 18 o'clock, per se. I am not really sure of the And we would walk either in the arenas 19 for between 15 and 30 minutes or we would walk 20 21 around the areas, animal areas themselves. 22 You testified that there were pens Q.

Page 152 1 used during this time, as well? 2 A. Yes, ma'am. 3 0. During the '97 to '99 time frame 4 on the Blue Unit can you describe how pens 5 were used? 6 When the space was provided for us A. 7 we took them, the electronic barriers, 8 electric fence barriers, around either the 9 elephant yards or the elephant tents. The 10 animals were turned out into these areas 11 untethered and had free room to move around 12 these pen areas, when space was provided. 13 0. Now, counsel had asked you about 14 other people that you worked with on the Blue 15 Unit. Have you ever reviewed anyone's 16 testimony in this case who worked on the Blue 17 Unit? 18 No. Α. 19 Q. Have you ever reviewed testimony 20 of anyone else within the Feld Entertainment 21 company's testimony? 22 Α. No.

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- 1 So you don't have any idea how
- 2 anyone previously testified in this case?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 MS. PARDO: I have nothing
- 5 further.
- 6 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFFS
- 7 BY MS. MEYER:
- 8 Q. Mr. Pettigrew, you said pens were
- 9 used when space was provided for us. What did
- 10 you mean by that?
- 11 A. When we first started using the
- 12 electric fence pens, sometimes the buildings
- 13 we played would not have adequate space enough
- 14 for us to put the pens up how we wanted to put
- 15 them up. We did put the pens up although we
- 16 didn't have the space. But what I mean is we
- 17 would use the space where the elephants were
- 18 at as the space to put these pens up. If
- 19 there was more room, we would use more room
- 20 for these pens.
- 21 Q. As I understand your testimony,
- 22 sometimes there just is not enough room to set