UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO

ANIMALS,

Plaintiff,

March 17, 2009

v.

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PELD ENTERTAINMENT, INC.,

Defendant.

TRANSCRIPT OF BENCH TRIAL PROCEEDINGS - DAY 22

AFTERNOON SESSION

BEFORE THE HONORABLE EMMET G. SULLIVAN,

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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## AFTERNOON SESSION, MARCH 16, 2009

- **00:04** (5:35 p.m.)
- 00:04 MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 00:04 CONTINUED CROSS EXAMINATION OF DR. DENNIS SCHMITT
- 00:04 BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:
- 00:04 Q. Dr. Schmitt, let's take a look at another reference or
- 00:04 two in the Oosterhuis chapter we were just discussing. Before
- 00:04 we go over to one additional one, you were talking about cracks
- 00:04 being something that you see fairly regularly in the FEI
- 00:05 elephants, correct?
- 00:05 A. Yes.
- 00:05 Q. In effect, all the elephants on the inspection, just
- 00:05 about, had some evidence of toenail cracks, correct?
- 00:05 A. On the inspection, I believe five did, some very, very
- 00:05 minor, but yes.
- 00:05 Actually, in looking at this, can I make a comment about
- 00:05 what you left up here?
- 00:05 Q. Sure.
- 00:05 THE COURT: Go ahead.
- 00:05 THE WITNESS: The statement it makes: "Invariably, it
- 00:05 must walk and stand in its own feces and urine." Mostly talking
- 00:05 primarily about zoos and actually in those facilities that don't
- 00:05 tether their elephants, that's more likely because they can walk
- 00:05 around and there's nobody there to pick up the feces or sweep the
- 00:05 urine.

00:05	THE COURT: Wouldn't it be more likely that they'd stand
00:05	in their own urine and feces if they're chained up, though?
00:05	THE WITNESS: No, because it's behind them.
00:05	THE COURT: So, what you're saying is they can move a
00:06	little bit on the chains, though, can't they.
00:06	THE WITNESS: Yeah, but usually they back up. And the
00:06	urine drains away and they're not walking and mashing and
00:06	standing in their urine and feces, chained up.
00:06	THE COURT: All right.
00:06	THE WITNESS: It's more likely to actually be the case
00:06	THE COURT: If they're not chained up, they're not going
00:06	to walk around stepping in it, are they?
00:06	THE WITNESS: No yeah, they are. They do. In zoos,
00:06	you come in often and they've stepped in it, they've laid in it.
00:06	THE COURT: All right.
00:06	BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:
00:06	Q. And the fact is that when they're chained up, they can't
00:06	walk away from any feces or urine that collect under their feet
00:06	and it's not cleaned up, correct?
00:06	A. They can move forward, yes.
00:06	Q. A foot or so?
00:06	A. Well, it's more than that, yes.
00:06	Q. But in your report about Susan, for example, I know you
00:06	disagree with the word "urine scalding" or that phrase, right?
00:06	A. Yes.

- 00:06 Q. Even though you've seen it in Feld's own medical records
  00:06 with respect to Susan, right?
  - A. I saw someone reference to scalding, yes. And I think that was not a diagnosis, but kind of a general term they used.
  - Q. But you disagree because of the pH. You don't disagree --
- 00:07 A. That's one of the reasons.

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- Q. -- Susan is getting urine on her legs, right?
- 00:07 A. Yes, on the inside of her legs.
  - Q. And she's chained up with a medical condition where she's urinating on her legs and can't move from that position for many hours at a time, right?
    - A. It happens when she's out in the pastures as well. It splatters as it comes out and it's washed off twice a day, as is noted here. "It may cause infection if feet are not washed daily." It says "daily," and we're washing them and they're getting exercise and doing all those things and she's being treated and medicated.
    - Q. I'm not talking about your efforts to treat the condition. What I'm talking about are the conditions under which the animals are maintained.

Using Susan as an example, simple physics would suggest that an animal that can move who's got urine coming out is moving away from the urine more than an animal that's chained up in a position where she can't move from the place where the

00:08 urine and feces are coming out.

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Doesn't the simple law of physics dictate that conclusion?

- A. You're drawing the wrong conclusion from the wrong information. You don't see it on any of the other elephants there. This elephant has a lot of polyps, so as she urinates, it's not a normal urine stream. It splatters on her legs no matter where she's at. It's not because she's standing in it. It's not the simple physics of where she's standing.
- Q. So your position is that, contrary to what these experts are saying about standing in feces and urine when you're chained to one spot, that has nothing to do with the development of the foot problems and other leg problems?
- **A.** Would you show me where it says they were chained in one spot?
- Q. This says, "Captive elephants must stand and walk in their own feces and urine." I assume that means they're talking about being in the same location where their feces and urine are, right?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Let me ask you about another part of Oosterhuis, and it's
  directly in connection with this question because you're talking
  about cracks. And you would agree, would you not, that when
  abscesses, toenail abscesses are developing, that's a far more
  serious medical problem, right?

- **00:09 A.** Can be.
- 00:09 Q. Well, an abscess is by definition -- and I know you had
- 00:09 your discussion about the degree to which you have infection,
- 00:09 but an abscess by definition involves some infection, right?
- **00:09 A.** Yeah.
- 00:09 Q. Isn't abscess dying off of some tissue?
- 00:09 A. Necrotic tissue; it's not an infection. You can have
- 00:09 sterile abscesses and, in fact, part of the toenails are a
- 00:09 definition of sterile abscesses, where you have necrotic tissue
- 00:09 developing, falling off and it forms an abscess, but not
- 00:09 necessarily an infection.
- 00:09 Q. But abscesses are, in fact, viewed as a more serious
- 00:10 concern, right?
- 00:10 A. Yes.
- 00:10 Q. And in fact, many of these elephants, the FEI elephants,
- **00:10** have in fact had nail bed abscesses, have they not?
- 00:10 A. Yes, that's what they've been characterized as.
- 00:10 Q. That's -- they've been characterized as that because
- 00:10 A. It doesn't say "nail bed infection"; it says "nail bed
- 00:10 abscesses."
- 00:10 Q. Let's read from Oosterhuis. This is page 37 on the
- 00:10 right-hand side. It says "abscesses" -- quote: "Abscesses are
- 00:10 commonly seen in many captive elephants and their causes are
- 00:10 usually not obvious. It is our opinion that they are rarely the

00:10	result of some puncture or some other outside insult to the
00:10	foot. Rather, they are caused by internal blood supply
00:10	disruption, which is a sign or sympton of the multitude of
00:10	problems associated with keeping elephants in captivity. We
00:10	feel that the elephant is not genetically programmed to
00:10	withstand the constant gravitational pressure of living on hard
00:10	surfaces and carrying the excessive weight typical of most
00:11	captive elephants. Elephants certainly didn't evolve too to
00:11	stand motionless for long periods of time."

Do you see that?

- A. I see that.
- 00:11 Q. So chaining an elephant would keep it motionless for the 00:11 period of time it's chained, correct?
- 00:11 A. No.

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- 00:11 Q. Except if they're engaging in stereotypical behavior, 00:11 right?
- 00:11 A. No.
- Q. Well, explain to me, if an elephant is chained in one spot for 15 hours straight, how much moving can it be doing?
  - A. They can move a couple steps forward a couple steps backward. That's about four. And then a couple to the side, each way, depending on how -- what the chaining procedures are at the facilities. So they're not motionless. They're not standing absolutely motionless, no.
- 00:11 Q. Well, the chaining procedures at CEC, for example, have

- one chain in back, one chain in front, and the extent of the
  elephant's motion is literally a foot and a half or so up and a
  foot and a half or so back, correct?
  - A. No.

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- 00:11 Q. How can an elephant move considerably beyond what I just 00:12 described?
  - A. Well, some of the pictures I saw show that, at least in the configurations of the CEC, they can move about four to five foot from side to side. That's about 10 foot from side to side. And I would estimate they can move, given the slack in the chains and various things, they can move three to four foot front to back each way, so that would be about a six foot minimum.
    - Q. All chained on the hard surface there, correct?
- 00:12 A. Yes.
- 00:12 Well, let me read again from the Oosterhuis article. 00:12 Quote -- and this is on page 38, and after talking about being 00:12 on the hard surfaces, it says, quote: "It is our opinion that 00:12 when these factors are combined with abnormal behavioral movement, poor conformation or previous injuries, the foot is 00:12 00:12 destined to develop abscesses. Any abnormal pressure on the 00:12 nails, as seen on the lateral nails of the stereotypical rocking elephant, will result in a disruption of the blood supply to the 00:13 sensitive tissue behind the nail. When this tissue is subject 00:13

to constant or intermittent abnormal pressure, it will

eventually become devitalized, like a bad bruise, and then form a sterile nail abscess. This abscess then follows the path of least resistance as the body tries to get rid of it. It usually ruptures toward the surface at the cuticle line or at the interface between the bottom of the nail and the pad. As soon as it ruptures, it becomes an infected abscess."

Do you see that?

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- Q. And in fact, is it not the case that many of FEI's elephants have had exactly these kinds of nail bed abscesses?
- A. The general description fits that. The rocking elephant, actually, in the description usually gets cracks on the outside lateral surface, on the outside toenails, lateral toenails, as described in the literature.

Most of these cracks I see are not in the lateral from a stereotypical rocking elephant, but the sterile nail abscess can, as described, subsequent to the publication of this book -- and this is not scientifically validated literature; it was their opinion -- shows that in actuality, we see necrotic nail tissue growing both in wild and captive elephants. We're not sure to the extent.

- Q. The reality, though, is many of FEI's elephants have, in fact, developed nail bed abscesses, correct?
- A. Yes.
- 00:14 Q. Let's look over at page 44 of the same article. It says,

- 00:14 over on the right-hand side, near the bottom: "The bottom line
- 00:14 is that abscess prevention is the best course of action.
- 00:14 Prevention of abscesses requires exercise to strengthen foot
- 00:15 structure and maintain good blood flow to the foot; reduction in
- 00:15 weight to reduce pressure on the foot; three, allowing the
- 00:15 elephant to live on soft, yielding surfaces."
- 00:15 Do you see that?
- 00:15 A. Yes.
- 00:15 Q. And then also: "Four, elimination of behavioral motions
- 00:15 that cause abnormal stress on the foot."
- 00:15 Do you see that?
- **00:15 A.** Yes.
- 00:15 Q. And again, in the context of this article, what they're
- 00:15 talking about are the kind of stereotypical behaviors that we
- 00:15 have discussed and you discussed in your testimony, right?
- **00:15 A.** Would you point that out to me?
- 00:15 Q. Well, a couple pages earlier, were they not talking about
- 00:15 the constant rocking back and forth, which is the swaying
- 00:15 behavior that the elephants engage in?
- 00:15 A. Not the weaving, but the -- where they develop a pattern
- 00:15 of going to the side, yes.
- 00:15 Q. Well, isn't weaving when they go back and forth and that
- 00:15 puts stress on the feet and, in turn, opens up the cracks in the
- **00:15** feet?
- 00:16 A. I don't think they described it that way.

- Q. Let's look back at page 38, in the middle of that

  00:16 paragraph. It's near the top. Second sentence says: "Any

  00:16 abnormal pressure on the nails, as seen in the lateral nails of

  the stereotypical rocking elephant."
- Aren't they referring to the rocking elephants that we've seen repeatedly in the videotapes?
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  A. It's usually the ones going like this (indicating).

  That's the rocking elephants versus the one that's shifting
  away.
- O0:16 Q. That's the classic behavior we've seen in all these

  O0:16 elephants that have been chained up for lengthy periods of time,

  right?
- 00:16 A. Wrong. You haven't seen all the elephants chained up for 00:16 lengthy periods of time.
- 00:16 Q. Okay. Did you see a video of the CEC inspection?
- **00:16 A.** Yes.
- 00:16 Q. Did you watch the whole video?
- **00:16 A.** Yes.
- 00:16 Q. Well, we saw a portion of that video where the elephants
- 00:17 were being fed at the beginning, correct, after they were
- 00:17 chained for the night?
- 00:17 A. Yes.
- 00:17 Q. Okay. Is it not the case that for the next two hours on
- 00:17 that video, those -- Karen is rocking back and forth?
- **00:17 A.** Karen is, yes.

- 00:17 Q. So Karen is engaging in that rocking back and forth for 00:17 the next two hours during that inspection, correct?
- one neme the means during that inspection, correct.
- 00:17 A. Yes. While the plaintiffs' experts were standing right on in front of them, yes.
- 00:17 Q. So it's the fault of the plaintiffs' experts that she was
- 00:17 rocking back and forth; is that your position?
- 00:17 A. I think it increased the length and time of the behavior, 00:17 yes.
- 00:17 Q. Can we take a look at plaintiffs' -- we'll call it 00:17 Exhibit 133.
- 00:18 And this is a video that's already been admitted into 00:18 evidence, Your Honor.
- 00:18 THE COURT: All right.
- 00:18 MR. GLITZENSTEIN: And we see some elephants rocking back 00:18 and forth in an asphalt parking lot.
- 00:18 (Videotape played.)
- 00:18 THE WITNESS: I see an elephant weaving of the left and 00:18 the elephant on the right is -- well, not really.
- 00:18 BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:
- 00:18 Q. But you see at least one elephant engaging in that
- 00:18 behavior?
- 00:18 A. Yes.
- 00:18 Q. And there's no plaintiffs' experts around in this video,
- 00:18 are there?
- 00:18 A. No.

- 00:18 And that's rocking back and forth on the hard surface 0. 00:18 we're talking about, correct?
- She was shifting right. She wasn't rocking. She wasn't 00:18 taking steps to put the lateral pressure on the nails. 00:18
- 00:18 That's not putting pressure on one foot and then the Q. other in that video? 00:18
- 00:18 It's shifting weight. It's not putting pressure with the 00:18 lateral movement.
- So, in your view, shifting weight is different than 00:18 putting pressure on one foot and then the other? 00:18

I want to make sure I understand your testimony. 00:19

- 00:19 Α. I want to make sure I understand your question.
- 00:19 THE COURT: The foot is coming off the ground, isn't it?
- THE WITNESS: I haven't noticed it. It may have at times, 00:19
- 00:19 but i haven't really noticed it.
- 00:19 THE COURT: Roll it back. It looks like it's coming off 00:19
- the ground.
- 00:19 MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Could we start it over at the
- 00:19 beginning.
- (Videotape played.) 00:19
- BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN: 00:19
- 00:19 Q. Okay. The feet are coming up almost off the ground,
- 00:19 aren't they, and then shifting back?
- Shifting on to the front of the foot, yes. 00:19 Α.
- 00:19 So isn't that the same thing as shifting pressure from Q.

- 00:19 one foot to the other?
- 00:19 A. She took a step in, yes. It's shifting weight from one
- 00:19 side to the other, but it's not rocking. When you think of
- 00:19 stereotypical elephant rocking, it's doing this (indicating)
- 00:19 with the feet or up and back, stereotypically.
- 00:19 Q. Were you here for Dr. Friend's testimony?
- **00:19 A.** Yes.
- 00:19 Q. Do you remember him identifying this as the kind of
- 00:19 stereotypic behavior that he has seen?
- 00:19 A. He said if it extended for a period of time, yes.
- 00:20 Q. And he also said this is the kind of stereotypic behavior
- 00:20 he's seen on the trains, right?
- **00:20 A.** Yes.
- 00:20 Q. And did you also -- it's even more clear here. You can
- 00:20 see they're going up on one foot and then the other, right?
- 00:20 A. At least on the right foot, it's coming off up on the
- 00:20 toes. It's just a matter of severity here. And when it
- 00:20 becomes -- and yes, it raises a flag. It raises concern.
- 00:20 don't see it affecting the elephant.
- 00:20 THE COURT: At what point does it become stereotypical
- 00:20 behavior?
- 00:20 THE WITNESS: Usually, at least in my opinion, regardless
- 00:20 of what animal it is --
- 00:20 THE COURT: As on here?
- 00:20 THE WITNESS: If -- classically, it's a repeated behavior.

00:20	And usually, you think of it more in pacing
00:20	THE COURT: All right. But
00:20	THE WITNESS: in other animals. In elephants, we think
00:20	of it and it's
00:20	THE COURT: Isn't this repetitious?
00:20	THE WITNESS: It's repetitious, but to the point of
00:20	THE COURT: Isn't that repeated?
00:20	THE WITNESS: It's repeated, but that doesn't mean it's
00:20	completely stereotypic.
00:21	THE COURT: I thought you just said that. Didn't you just
00:21	say that any repeated behavior is stereotypical?
00:21	THE WITNESS: I don't believe I quite put it that way. If
00:21	I did
00:21	THE COURT: I thought I just asked you. I said, at what
00:21	point does it become stereotypical? You said repetition.
00:21	THE WITNESS: It's repetition of movements. That's what
00:21	we think of.
00:21	THE COURT: You said classically, it's a repeated
00:21	behavior. And my question was: At what point does it become
00:21	stereotypical behavior? And the answer was, it's a repeated
00:21	behavior, and usually, you think of it more in pacing.
00:21	So, what we're seeing here it appears to be repetitious
00:21	behavior.
00:21	THE WITNESS: Yes, it does.
00:21	THE COURT: But it's not stereotypical?

00:21 THE WITNESS: I don't know at what point it becomes 00:21 stereotypical in that regard, and --

THE COURT: All right.

THE WITNESS: -- and my expertise is when it affects the animal, when it becomes a physical problem.

BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:

- Q. You were here for Dr. Friend's testimony where he said he would record this behavior after five seconds?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. So, in -- as a behaviorist, he would start looking at it as stereotypical behavior at the five second mark, correct?
- A. Under his ethogram, yes.
- Q. In terms of manifestation, let's take another look at the citation from the Oosterhuis piece, page 45. And in terms of the crack development that we've been discussing and what we were looking at in the videotape as a possible precursor, it says, quote: "Cracks -- nail cracks are usually the result" -- this is the second paragraph down.

"Nail cracks are usually the result of a repetitive movement that puts abnormal pressure on the nail. The environment of the elephant's enclosure can exacerbate this pressure. An example is the stereotypical rocking elephant, where an elephant stands in one place on a hard surface and rocks back and forth. This puts abnormal pressure on the lateral toes of the front feet, eventually leading to nail

- 00:23 cracks."
- 00:23 Now, this would explain, would it not, why so many of
- 00:23 FEI's elephants are developing nail cracks?
- 00:23 A. The location is explained on the lateral toes, but it
- 00:23 doesn't explain most of the cracks we see. They're not in the
- 00:23 lateral toes.
- 00:23 Q. So it would explain at least some of the nail cracks we
- **00:23** see?
- 00:23 A. It's one possibility, yes.
- 00:23 Q. Well, I think you just said it would explain some of the
- 00:23 nail cracks we're seeing.
- 00:23 A. It's a possibility, yes.
- 00:23 Q. Finally, on the elephants' foot article, if we can look
- 00:23 at the end, page 147 -- and this is where there are concluding
- 00:23 remarks written by Murray Fowler.
- 00:23 Do you see that?
- **00:23 A.** Yes.
- 00:23 Q. And this was an attempt to bring together the consensus
- 00:24 views of everyone in attendance, right?
- 00:24 Let me actually try to make it easier, rather than having
- **00:24** you --
- 00:24 A. I'm trying to remember the actual event.
- 00:24 Q. Well, over on the left-hand side, before we get to
- 00:24 various recommendations, it says, quote -- and this is above the
- 00:24 number 1 down on the left-hand side. It says: "The items

- 00:24 represent the collective wisdom of the assembled elephant
- 00:24 managers, curators, keepers, veterinarians and elephant
- 00:24 enthusiasts. General agreement was reached concerning the
- 00:24 following."
- 00:24 And then over at number 5, it says, quote: "Each
- 00:24 elephant's facility should minimize the amount of time elephants
- 00:24 spend on hard, unyielding surfaces."
- 00:24 Do you see that?
- 00:24 A. Yes.
- 00:24 Q. Was that indeed the consensus recommendation, as you
- 00:24 recall it?
- **00:24 A.** Yes, it was.
- 00:24 Q. I think you mentioned earlier that Gary West was a former
- 00:25 Ringling Brothers veterinarian?
- 00:25 A. Yes.
- 00:25 Q. Let's take a look at the Fowler and Mikota book. I think
- 00:25 we've referred to this one. The name of this one is *Biology*,
- 00:25 Medicine and Surgery of Elephants.
- 00:25 Are you familiar with this publication?
- 00:25 **A.** Yes.
- **00:25** Q. It's gone through several editions, correct?
- 00:25 A. No, no.
- 00:25 Q. This is just a one-edition publication?
- 00:25 A. Yes.
- 00:25 Q. And I think this was put out -- something that you did

- 00:25 A. Yes.
- 00:25 Q. And if we could take a look over at Chapter 19 of this
- 00:26 publication, page number 266 -- actually, make it 265, over on
- 00:26 the right-hand side, first real paragraph. And Dr. West says,
- 00:26 quote: "Traumatic diseases reported in elephants are often
- 00:26 related to working accidents, performances or loading for
- 00:26 transport".
- 00:26 Do you see that?
- **00:26 A.** Yes.
- 00:26 Did you show the chapter? I'm sure who wrote the
- 00:26 chapter.
- 00:26 Q. Let's go back to the beginning of that. 263 is where
- 00:26 it's "Musculoskeletal System," by Gary West.
- 00:26 A. Okay.
- 00:26 Q. And as far as you know, this is the Gary West who worked
- 00:27 for Ringling Brothers?
- 00:27 A. Yes.
- 00:27 Q. And so he refers to: "Traumatic diseases reported in
- 00:27 elephants are often related to working accidents performances or
- 00:27 loading for transport."
- 00:27 Do you see that?
- 00:27 A. I saw it when it was up there, yes.
- 00:27 Q. And is it not the case that a number of the elephants
- 00:27 that we were discussing indeed had injuries associated with

- **00:27** their travel in the circus?
- 00:27 A. None that I'm aware of.
- 00:27 Q. You're not aware of any of those?
- **00:27 A.** Traumatic diseases as a result of their travel?
- 00:27 Q. I'm talking about injuries they suffered while travel on
- 00:27 the Blue Unit.
- 00:27 A. I thought you were referring to specifically while they
- 00:27 were being transported.
- 00:27 Q. Is it not the case that they have in fact suffered
- 00:27 injuries while being transported and participating in the
- 00:27 circus?
- 00:28 MR. SHEA: Objection, vague. Compound.
- 00:28 THE COURT: He can answer it.
- 00:28 Do you understand the question? If you don't understand,
- 00:28 tell him.
- 00:28 THE WITNESS: Okay. Can I ask --
- 00:28 THE COURT: You can tell him you don't understand it.
- 00:28 THE WITNESS: Okay. What are you -- what kind of things
- 00:28 would you consider traumatic? If they take a misstep and sprain
- 00:28 their leg, yeah, that's a sprain. But is that a traumatic
- 00:28 disease? No.
- 00:28 BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:
- 00:28 Q. So they suffered some leg injuries. It's just a question
- 00:28 of severity; is that what you're saying?
- 00:28 A. Yes.

Q. If we could take a look over at page 266 on the left-hand side, about halfway down through the page, there's a statement that says: "Mechanical trauma due to repetitive loading stress on hard surfaces is probably a major factor in the development of joint disease."

Do you see that?

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- Q. And this is in a part of the article talking about the development of degenerative joint disease. And that's the same thing, is it not, as what we usually refer to as arthritis?
- A. I'm not sure from that statement.
- Q. Let's look down at the left-hand column, down near the bottom, by Dr. West. There's a statement that begins with "Occasional" -- excuse me -- "Occupational injuries can contribute to joint disease. Performance of certain behaviors may put excessive stresses on the joints. Chaining elephants for prolonged periods limits their movements and may also contribute to the development of DJD, degenerative joint disease. Animals that constantly pull or resist chaining may cause joint damage."

Do you see that?

- A. Yes.
- Q. And in terms of chaining, let me make sure I understand

  your testimony. You said that the chains -- you've seen

  chaining injuries in the past in some institutions, right?

- **00:30 A.** Yes.
- 00:30 Q. And you don't dispute that, in fact, the elephants here
  00:30 are chained for long periods of time, right?
- 00:30 A. Correct.
- 00:30 Now, if we could take a look at your expert report, over Q. at page 24, let's take Zina as an example. You're discussing 00:30 00:30 stereotypic behaviors and then you talk about Dr. Ensley's 00:30 report and the elevated scar tissue from chaining. And then you 00:30 say, under "Zina" -- this is the first paragraph under Zina --00:30 you say: "These are calluses, a normal response of the skin to protect underlying tissues. They are not the result of injury. 00:30 00:31 Some elephants respond with more callus formation than others to

Do you see that?

the same stimulus."

00:31 A. Yes.

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Q. And you say that several other times. If you go down, I see the same statement with respect to Susan, I think it is.

And then under "Mysore" over on page 21, you again say -- refers to leg scars on her back legs from chaining: "Again, this is not scarring, but calluses, a natural response of skin to protect the underlying tissues from injury."

Correct me if I'm wrong, but what you're saying is they're calluses forming in response to the chains, right?

00:31 A. They may be. I'm not actually certain, but they're
00:31 spots. They're not chaining injuries as such. It's just excess

- 00:31 tissues. Some of them may be more like calluses, some of them
  00:32 may be more like warts, as I've viewed them.
- 00:32 Q. But it's -- as I understand what you're saying, it's
- 00:32 happening because the chain is rubbing up against the skin,
- **00:32** right?
- 00:32 A. It's against the skin, yes.
- 00:32 Q. So it's the skin's effort to protect itself against this
- 00:32 insult from the chain, right?
- 00:32 A. I've seen that, yes. And in some of these elephants, I
- 00:32 think that may be true.
- 00:32 Q. One other question I wanted to ask you about Dr. West's
- 00:32 piece. Over on the right-hand side on page 267, there's a
- 00:32 reference to tuberculosis and Dr. West says, quote: "In humans,
- 00:33 tuberculosis may cause osteomyelitis, which may exhibit as foot
- 00:33 ulcers or mimic pyogenic osteomyelitis. Ten percent of
- 00:33 extrapulmonary TB in humans results in chronic osteomyelitis.
- 00:33 In one case of an elephant with systemic atypical
- 00:33 mycobacteriosis" -- I'm probably completely mangling these --
- 00:33 the organism was isolated from the hip." Then a citation.
- 00:33 "Tuberculosis should be considered in a differential diagnosis
- **00:33** of musculoskeletal disease that has an unusual presentation or
- 00:33 is nonresponsive to treatment."
- 00:33 Do you see that?
- 00:33 A. Yes.
- 00:33 Q. Is that in accord with your understanding as a

- 00:33 veterinarian?
- 00:33 A. It's comparing humans and in this one case, they did find
- 00:33 that this was a systemic atypical mycobacteriosis. It doesn't
- 00:33 say that it was tuberculosis, so I'm not sure what the organism
- 00:34 was in this case. In fact, if I'm correct, I think it was not a
- 00:34 tuberculosis organism, but Shigella or Szulgai that we found in
- 00:34 two elephants, African elephants. But as a matter of accord,
- 00:34 that could be -- still be considered in a differential diagnosis
- 00:34 that has an unusual presentation.
- 00:34 Q. Okay. And again, it's the case, is it not, that a number
- 00:34 of elephants that have been euthanized by Feld Entertainment
- 00:34 were euthanized because they had serious and difficult to treat
- 00:34 A. As they aged and developed the typical diseases we find
- 00:34 in aging animals of any kind, we did find tuberculosis, but we
- 00:34 didn't find any lesions suggestive of that anywhere else.
- 00:35 Q. And then one other question about Dr. West. Now, when
- 00:35 the animals developed these kinds of conditions that we've been
- 00:35 talking about, the musculoskeletal problems, they're frequently
- 00:35 treated with what are called NSAIDS, right? The NSAIDS?
- 00:35 A. Non-steroid anti-inflammatories.
- **00:35** Q. And examples would be -- Banamine is one?
- 00:35 A. That's one.
- 00:35 Q. Aquitaine?
- 00:35 Maybe I'm getting that wrong.

- 00:35 A. No. Adiquin.
- 00:35 Q. Adiquin. I'm sorry. But it's a series of these drugs
- 00:35 that are used?
- 00:35 A. Yeah. We usually start out with, like, ibuprofen, like
- 00:35 you buy at Wal-Mart.
- 00:35 Q. But the records reflect pretty frequent use of these
- 00:35 medications, correct?
- 00:35 A. Correct. They can be used for many things.
- 00:35 Q. Let me ask you one question about Dr. West's statement.
- 00:35 On page 267 on the left-hand side of his article or his
- 00:35 contribution, his chapter, he says, quote: "Chronic use" --
- 00:36 this is near the top, I think, the third sentence from the top:
- 00:36 "Chronic use of NSAIDS" --
- 00:36 Is that how it's usually referred to?
- **00:36 A.** Yeah.
- 00:36 Q. -- "NSAIDS may, however, suppress" --
- 00:36 Maybe you should read that for me. You'll probably do a
- 00:36 better job.
- 00:36 A. "Chronic use of NSAIDS may, however, suppress
- 00:36 proteoglycan synthesis, which is an important constituent of
- 00:36 cartilage. Therefore, NSAIDS are useful in acute inflammation,
- 00:36 but chronic use could contribute to cartilage loss.
- 00:36 Corticosteroids are potent anti-inflammatory drugs, but can have
- 00:36 detrimental effects. They would be contraindicated in reactive
- 00:36 or infectious arthritis or in an elephant with unknown

- tuberculosis status. Also, corticosteroids may inhibit

  chondrocyte development and the release of hyaluronan by the

  synovial membrane."
  - Q. But just looking at the part about the NSAIDS, the suggestion is that using NSAIDS on a chronic, long-term basis could have actually a counterproductive effect in treatment, correct?
  - A. It could, in very chronic, long-term use. It's been reported in other species.
    - Q. Now, in regard to reproductive issues, there was a reference, I think, earlier to the herd, the FEI herd; is that right? In reference to FEI's herd of elephants.
    - A. In regards to what?

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- Q. Well, that's what I was going to ask, actually. I mean, there is no herd of FEI elephants in the traditional, wild elephant sense, correct?
- A. I'm not sure what you're asking me with that question.
- Q. Well, I'm not sure what I mean either because we've heard this reference to a herd of FEI elephants, I think used by FEI, and that's something that plaintiffs have used. And I think you were asked about the FEI elephant herd, so I'm trying to understand what you would mean by it.

The reality is that FEI has a number of elephants and
they're divided up at various institutions -- I mean various
locations and some are on the road and some are at Williston and

- **00:38** some are at the CEC, correct?
- 00:38 A. Correct.
- 00:38 Q. And most of those elephants don't interact with most of
- 00:38 the other elephants, correct?
- 00:38 A. Correct.
- 00:38 Q. And there's a pretty intensive human intervention and
- 00:38 management of those animals, correct?
- 00:38 A. Correct.
- 00:38 Q. And one of your objectives is to have the elephants in
- 00:38 FEI's possession create more elephants, right?
- **00:38 A.** Yes.
- 00:39 A. No -- well, no, not Asian elephants.
- 00:39 Q. Not these elephants?
- 00:39 A. Not these elephants.
- 00:39 Q. And I think there was a reference to potential
- 00:39 reintroduction, right? But you're not creating these new
- o0:39 elephants for reintroduction purposes, are you?
- 00:39 A. No.
- 00:39 Q. And in fact, in the book chapter that we talked about a
- 00:39 little earlier, you referred to several distinct -- or several
- **00:39** possible subspecies of Asian elephants, right?
- 00:39 A. Possible, yes.
- 00:39 O. And if there ever were a reintroduction of Asian
- 00:39 elephants, one would, at least as an initial matter, try to

- oo:39 reintroduce a subspecies into the appropriate subspecies,
  correct?
- A. That might be a consideration, although certainly, there

  on:39 are -- the Sumatran elephant seems to be very distinct and the

  Borneo elephant seems to be very distinct. Most of the other

  Asian elephant population is not that distinct.
  - Q. But in your breeding efforts, you're not making any particular efforts to keep subspecies distinct, are you?
  - A. We don't have any Borneo or Sumatran elephants.
  - Q. But when you talk about genetic diversity, you're talking about maximizing the diversity among the FEI elephants, correct?
  - A. That's what we're talking about in the SSP and TAG as well. We're not trying to maintain subspecies. We're talking about the Asian elephant as a species, and there are no Sumatran or Borneo elephants in North America.
  - Q. So when you talk about your being the director of conservation, and I think you said before -- and correct me if I'm wrong -- that before you, there was no director of conservation, correct?
  - A. No. There is a vice president in charge of animal stewardship and research and conservation.
- Q. But in terms of conservation, the principle focus is not developing these animals for reintroduction into the wild in Asia, right?
- 00:41 A. No.

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- Q. And your report talks about FEI's conservation

  00:41 activities, but those relate more to education and research and

  those kinds of things that, in your view, do and will benefit

  wild Asian elephants, correct?
- 00:41 A. Yes.
- 00:41 Q. And it's your view that FEI does engage in activities
  00:41 that help to conserve the species in the wild?
- 00:41 A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. If Judge Sullivan were to rule in this case that the activities engaged in by FEI do constitute a take and, therefore, they cannot take place without a permit from the Fish and Wildlife Service, would you be involved, do you know -- and maybe this is too speculative of a question -- would you be involved in efforts to obtain a permit for FEI under what's called an enhancement permit?
  - A. I don't know what an enhancement permit is.
  - Q. Well, if there were a permitting scheme under which FEI could try to obtain a permit on the grounds that it's helping to enhance the conservation and propagation of wild Asian elephants, is there any reason why you wouldn't take the information that you put in your report and try to convince the Fish and Wildlife Service to give FEI a permit on that basis?

MS. JOINER: Objection. This calls for speculation and assumes facts that are not in evidence.

00:42 THE COURT: I'm interested in his answer. I recognize

- 00:42 it's speculative.
- 00:42 THE WITNESS: I don't know why that information wouldn't
- 00:42 be applicable to the type of application you're talking about.
- 00:42 BY MR. GLITZENSTEIN:
- 00:42 Q. Again, you've engaged in other forms of advocacy on
- 00:42 behalf of FEI and the circus industry, right? We talked about
- 00:42 the Congressional testimony you gave --
- 00:42 A. Yes, yes.
- 00:42 Q. -- the questions and answers on tuberculosis.
- 00:42 A. Yes. If you consider that, yes.
- 00:42 Q. I'm simply saying that if in fact the permitting process
- 00:43 were to come into play, as the director of conservation, is
- 00:43 there any reason why you wouldn't participate in trying to
- 00:43 convince the Fish and Wildlife Service to give a permit on the
- 00:43 basis of the conservation activities that you're familiar with
- 00:43 and have been engaged in?
- **00:43 A.** No reason that I know of.
- 00:43 MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Nothing further, Your Honor.
- 00:43 THE COURT: All right.
- 00:43 REDIRECT EXAMINATION OF DR. DENNIS SCHMITT
- 00:43 BY MR. SHEA:
- 00:43 Q. Dr. Schmitt, who wrote the current TB guidelines -- TB
- 00:43 testing guidelines?
- 00:43 A. Current?
- 00:43 Q. Yes.

00:43	A. They were adopted by USDA in 2003. That was a result of
00:43	the task force on tuberculosis in nondomestic animals, primarily
00:43	the elephant, under the guidance of the American Zoo American
00:44	Association of Zoo Veterinarians.

- Q. And were you involved in that effort?
- **00:44 A.** Yes.

- **00:44** Q. And have there been new guidelines proposed?
- A. We've had some -- we've been drafting new guidelines for about three years. In that process, the last group meeting we had was over two years ago. We exchanged e-mails, trying to get some consensus. There wasn't a discussion of the entire redevelopment. That passed to the U.S. Animal Health Association. And as I indicated, the task force was dissolved by Zoo Veterinary Association and is now taken over by the U.S.
- O0:44 Animal Health. Those have been approved by that association and forwarded to USDA.
- 00:44 Q. All right. Has USDA acted on that at this point?
- 00:44 A. No.
- 00:44 Q. And you were involved in that effort for the --
- **00:44 A.** Yes.
- 00:44 Q. -- for the proposed guidelines?
- 00:44 A. Yes.
- 00:45 Q. Is FEI monitoring its elephants for tuberculosis in
- **00:45** accordance with the law, with the current guidelines?
- **00:45 A.** Yes.

- 00:45 Q. Dr. Schmitt, are elephants in other keeping systems,
- 00:45 other than FEI's, are they found to have TB nodules upon
- 00:45 necropsy?
- **00:45 A.** Yes.
- 00:45 Q. Dr. Schmitt, has it been proven scientifically that
- 00:45 stress levels in elephants cause TB?
- 00:46 A. No.
- 00:46 Q. And has TB in elephants been linked to immune system
- **00:46** suppression in elephants?
- 00:46 A. No.
- 00:46 Q. That's different than in humans, isn't it?
- 00:46 A. Yes.
- 00:46 Q. Now, do you recall Mr. Glitzenstein asking you about
- 00:46 various factors to consider with respect to elephant foot
- 00:46 problems, various management factors?
- **00:46 A.** Yes.
- 00:46 Q. What is FEI doing with respect to those management
- 00:46 factors in its elephants?
- 00:46 A. Providing exercise, good nutrition, by -- for instance,
- 00:46 elephants on the traveling unit, when they're in an outdoor
- 00:46 venue where they can be housed outdoors, are placed on wooden
- **00:47** flooring platforms so it takes away the hard surface. They
- 00:47 provide adequate husbandry and veterinary care for any cracks
- 00:47 that occur. So they're doing all those things.
- 00:47 And yes, they're still on some hard surfaces, but they're

- 00:47 doing -- all the other factors that were listed there are being
- 00:47 addressed in an active manner. And there's bedding provided.
- 00:47 Given lots of hay. A lot of time they use the hay, excess hay,
- 00:47 hay waste, actually, because they use it for bedding.
- 00:47 Q. Now, you've heard Dr. Susan Mikota's name quite a bit
- 00:47 during cross-examination today, correct?
- **00:47 A.** Yes.
- 00:47 Q. For what institution, if you know, is she the
- 00:47 veterinarian?
- **00:47** A. The Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tennessee.
- **00:47** Q. And who operates that sanctuary?
- **00:48** A. Carol Buckley and Scott Blais, I think.
- 00:48 Q. Dr. Schmitt, do elephants that don't -- captive elephants
- 00:48 that don't exhibit stereotypic behavior get nail cracks?
- 00:48 A. Yes.
- 00:48 Q. Mr. Glitzenstein asked you about Karen being at the CEC
- 00:48 inspection. Was she at the CEC inspection?
- 00:48 A. No.
- 00:48 Q. Where was she?
- 00:48 A. She was in Auburn Hills.
- 00:48 Q. Dr. Schmitt, is consulting with FEI your entire
- 00:48 veterinary practice?
- 00:48 A. No.
- 00:48 Q. How many hours, roughly, do you spend per week working in
- 00:48 your consultation portion of your practice with FEI?

- **A.** How many hours? I'm available by phone any time for anybody, not just FEI.
- 00:49 About 40 hours.
- 00:49 Q. And how many additional hours a week do you spend on your
- 00:49 veterinary practice, just generally?
- 00:49 A. It will vary from five to ten to another 20 or 30.
- **Q.** And again, that additional five to 30 hours would be for clients other than FEI; is that right?
- **00:49 A.** Yes, yes.
- 00:49 Q. Dr. Schmitt, as a veterinarian, do you see it as 00:50 beneficial to begin training elephants soon after birth?
- A. Their response, they figure -- when it clicks to them
  that the learning process and the interaction -- you've got
  to -- what I've seen is you've got to say ahead of them.
  They're fast. They learn pretty fast once they get it and they

understand the learning process. So sometimes you have to go back to kindergarten. They kind of forget and go back to basics. But they're a learning sponge once they understand what it is that's going on.

- Q. Are there benefits to the young elephant from being trained soon after birth?
- 00:50 A. Yes.

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- 00:50 Q. What are those?
- 00:50 A. Some of the ones medically speaking are because we're 00:50 trying to monitor for herpes virus. We talked about the

bruising of the tongue as a primary thing, so we ask for daily exams maybe multiple times to indicate disease, but it's often very far long in the process by that time, so we're -- it's a more difficult procedure for them to learn.

But in most cases, we've seen older ulcers in the roof of the mouth that appear to have some age that's been associated, so that's another thing that we're asking that to occur.

Viruses usually cause temperatures, so being able to take routine body temperatures on an elephant and allowing you to manipulate it in many ways are -- if they do become active with a herpes virus infection, you need to provide ICU type treatment with fluids and drug administrations and other things, so any of that training where they trust and understand that you're trying to help them helps us medically as well.

And just routine behavior so they're learning, you know, their space, your space and safety issues and other things as well -- it's all basic information that you never know when it's going to be useful as a -- as something you may be able to utilize for them later.

Q. Now, you were asked questions about Susan and her weight loss and TB.

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00:52 Q. In your opinion, did the tuberculosis cause any weight
00:52 loss in Susan?

- 00:52 A. No.
- **00:52 Q.** Why?
- 00:52 A. She's been negative for over ten years on trunk washes
- 00:52 and actually, as we saw, digestive problems, with changes in her
- 00:52 digestive track as she's aged. We changed her nutritional
- 00:52 levels, fiber levels and some other things and she's -- she has
- 00:52 good body condition even though she has some conformational
- 00:52 challenges. She's been almost a little overweight in some
- 00:53 cases.
- 00:53 Q. Dr. Schmitt, you were asked a number of questions about
- 00:53 Ricardo; is that correct?
- 00:53 **A.** Yes.
- 00:53 Q. Are any of the entries that Mr. Glitzenstein showed you
- 00:53 out of the medical records, did those have anything to do with
- 00:53 Ricardo's death?
- 00:53 **A**. No.
- 00:53 Q. Dr. Schmitt, are you familiar with FEI's elephant named
- **00:53** Vance?
- 00:53 A. Yes.
- 00:53 Q. Do you know whether Vance has ever tested positive for TB
- 00:53 by trunk wash?
- 00:53 A. Yes.
- 00:53 Q. Do you know what the -- so then he was diagnosed with the
- 00:54 disease; is that correct?
- 00:54 A. Yes.

00:54	Q. Do you know what the USD recommended regarding Vance as a						
00:54	result of his TB status?						
00:54	Treatment and culture. And I think we treated him for						
00:54	almost three years.						
00:54	Q. I see. Was that treatment successful?						
00:54	A. Yes.						
00:54	MR. SHEA: Those are all the questions I have, Your Honor.						
00:54	THE COURT: Any other questions?						
00:54	MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Nothing further, Your Honor.						
00:54	THE COURT: Doctor, thank you very much. Please step						
00:54	down. And do not discuss your testimony with anyone.						
00:55	All right. What's next?						
00:55	MR. SHEA: We have some exhibits we want to offer, Your						
00:55	Honor.						
00:55	THE COURT: All right.						
00:55	MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Your Honor, with the Court's						
00:55	permission, can several of us leave and talk to Mr. Ensley to see						
00:55	if we want to put any rebuttal on?						
00:55	THE COURT: Why don't I just give you about ten minutes to						
00:55	do that? I'll just take a ten-minute recess to do that.						
00:55	MR. GLITZENSTEIN: Maybe we should have them finish and						
00:55	then we can take a recess. I see my lead counsel giving me						

If it's okay, can we do the transcripts first and then

THE COURT: All right.

MS. JOINER: Thank you, Your Honor.

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00:55	we'll move to exhibits?						
00:55	THE WITNESS: That's fine.						
00:55	MS. JOINER: Okay. I believe that we have brought						
00:55	courtesy copies with us today of Angela Martin's deposition for						
00:55	Court and counsel, which we'll distribute. I also believe that						
00:55	we have the designations for the 30(b)(6) Wildlife Advocacy						
00:56	Project, which was played in court, but we have the list of the						
00:56	actual designations.						
00:56	THE COURT: All right.						
00:56	MS. JOINER: That particular list would be Defendant's						
00:56	Exhibit 346. Mark it as that, if we could, please.						
00:56	The next deposition transcript that we have marked is for						
00:56	Sasha Houk, and if we could identify this as Defendant's						
00:57	Exhibit 347.						
00:57	MS. WINDERS: And for the record, we have spoken with the						
00:57	defendant and we're going to mark ours as Plaintiffs' 191.						
00:57	THE COURT: Are there any objections to the exhibits where						
00:57	they counter?						
00:57	MS. WINDERS: No.						
00:57	THE COURT: All right, that's fine. And the Defendant's						
00:57	Exhibit number?						
00:57	MS. WINDERS: Will Call 191.						
00:57	THE COURT: All right, WC 191.						
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00:57	THE COURT: And Plaintiffs' what was that, 191?
00:57	MS. WINDERS: Yes, Your Honor.
00:57	MS. JOINER: And for the electronic designations for
00:57	Mr. Houk's transcript, could we call that 347A?
00:58	THE COURT: Sure. Admitted.
00:58	(Defendant's Exhibits 346, 347 and 347A admitted into the
00:58	record.)
00:58	(Plaintiffs' Exhibit 191 admitted into the record.)
00:58	MS. JOINER: And the next one that we have is the
00:58	deposition designation for Jeffrey Pettigrew, which we would call
00:58	Defendant's 348, and then the transcript, which you have copies
00:58	of, we would call 348A, Your Honor.
00:58	THE COURT: All right.
00:58	(Defendant's Exhibits 348 and 348A admitted into the
00:58	record.)
00:58	MS. WINDERS: And Plaintiffs' counter designations will be
00:58	Plaintiffs' Will Call 192. We also have a very short rebuttal
00:58	designation, so I don't know whether we should designate that
00:58	separately.
00:58	THE COURT: Probably separately.
00:58	Well, it's all going to come in. It's nonjury. It might
00:58	be easier to designate it now.
00:58	MS WINDERS: Okay. We can put that all in as 192.
00:58	THE COURT: Do you object to that?
00:58	MS. JOINER: I'm not sure what they are, but if they give

00:59	me a list.
00:59	THE COURT: Oh, they haven't told you?
00:59	MS. WINDERS: It's the rebuttal is 149, line 2 to 11,
00:59	and the counter is 149, line 12 to 22.
00:59	MS. JOINER: 149, 2 to 11
00:59	MS. WINDERS: And 149, 12 to 22.
00:59	MS. JOINER: I'm guessing that we probably don't object,
00:59	but we can look at that during the break, Your Honor.
00:59	THE COURT: Sure.
00:59	MS. JOINER: Okay. And that's what we had for deposition
00:59	transcripts. And if we could move to exhibits.
00:59	THE COURT: All right.
01:00	MS. JOINER: And with your permission, I'm just going to
01:00	follow down the list that we had. There are a series of clips
01:00	that were played from the Plaintiffs' Will Call 113, which was
01:00	the Lord of the Jungle film with Dr. Poole, and we would like to
01:00	just assign defense numbers to those seriatim.
01:00	So the first time stamp is 19:24 to 20 minutes 32 seconds.
01:00	And we would call that 349A.
01:00	THE COURT: All right. Any objections?
01:00	MS. WINDERS: We have no objection to any of the elephant
01:00	Lord of the Jungle exhibits.
01:00	THE COURT: All right.
01:00	(Defendant's Exhibit 349A admitted into the record.)
01:00	MS. JOINER: With your permission, I could just go down

01:00	the list with the time stamps.						
01:00	THE COURT: Fine.						
01:00	MS. JOINER: The next one is 44:35 to 44:59, would be						
01:00	349B. 45:20 to 45:37 would be 349C. 45:46 to 47 minutes 8						
01:01	seconds would be 349D. 49, 12 seconds to 51 minutes, I believe						
01:01	it's 30 seconds is 349E. And the final one is one hour, 25						
01:01	minutes, 15 seconds to one hour, 25 minutes and 39 seconds, which						
01:01	would be 349F.						
01:01	THE COURT: All right.						
01:01	(Defendant's Exhibits 349B through 349F admitted into						
01:01	the record.)						
01:01	MS. JOINER: The next exhibit that we would like to move						
01:01	in was marked with Ms. Sinnott and it's a little unclear to me						
01:01	whether it's in already or not, which was the Exhibit 309, the						
01:01	red line version between the two different train declarations.						
01:02	THE COURT: I don't recall. I don't know if we can tell.						
01:02	That's not Carol's complete list, is it?						
01:02	Oh, it is.						
01:02	THE COURTROOM CLERK: Red line version? Is that what						
01:02	you're talking about?						
01:02	MS. JOINER: Yes, 309.						
01:02	THE COURTROOM CLERK: 309.						
01:02	THE COURT: Was that admitted?						
01:02	THE COURTROOM CLERK: Received in evidence, 2-10.						
01:02	THE COURT: I'm sorry. It was received?						

01:02 THE COURTROOM CLERK: Yes.

01:02 THE COURT: It's admitted.

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01:02 MS. JOINER: All right. Thank you.

The next exhibit that we have is Exhibit 173A, which is the 1999 Blue Unit video footage. Our time stamp we have, I believe, listed incorrectly in our notice. We have 7 seconds to 40 seconds. When I looked at that last night, we thought that we had actually played longer than that during court, that it was actually 7 seconds to 2 minutes and 40 seconds. And that's what we would seek to admit.

THE COURT: All right. Admitted.

MS. WINDERS: I don't believe we have an objection to that. If I could just watch it when we have a break.

THE COURT: All right. It will be admitted.

(Defendant's Exhibit 173A admitted into the record.)

MS. JOINER: The next three exhibits, Exhibit 40, 41 and 42, are the written warnings to Mr. Rider. We would move these in as party admissions. There were no hearsay objections. The objection — the other objection that plaintiffs had raised was cured by his testimony because he testified that he had a differing viewpoint and that was brought out during examination as well as during his deposition.

01:03 MS. WINDERS: Plaintiffs' do object to those three
01:03 exhibits. We believe they're incomplete because, as defense
01:03 counsel mentioned, Tom Rider testified that when these forms were

completed, they included a narrative that included his side of the story and those are not included in these exhibits.

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In addition, we object to these as inadmissible character evidence. It's extrinsic evidence going to credibility, which is a completely collateral matter. So, of course defendant was entitled to cross-examine him on them, but we don't think they come in as evidence.

THE COURT: Yeah. Why isn't that character evidence?

MS. JOINER: It's character evidence -- I don't agree that it's character evidence in terms of the performance of his duties on the job. And they don't reflect anything with regard to care or treatment of elephants.

THE COURT: But he could have been cross-examined about these points. Is it appropriate to allow them -- why is it now appropriate to allow them to be admitted in your case in chief if he could have been cross-examined on those points and impeached?

MS. JOINER: I believe that he was cross-examined on them. I believe he identified the documents and I believe that he admitted to signing them, so I think in the sense that it's a party admission, that he was disciplined for other matters, it could come in in that event.

THE COURT: I agree. It's admitted.

(Defendant's Exhibits 40, 41 and 42 admitted into the record.)

o1:05 MS. JOINER: The next two exhibits, 166 and 167, are

documents regarding Robert Tom and his employment with the company. They were marked on cross-examination with Robert Tom. These are both the forms -- both of them are the same form that Carrie Coleman testified to when she was questioned about a third form with Mr. Tom. So Ms. Coleman explained this is the form that was used for disciplinary action. They are maintained in the 16 Wagon in the normal course of business.

As to these two particular exhibits, 166 and 167, Mr. Tom was shown them during cross-examination and he admitted that he received them and signed them, albeit he didn't agree with the substance of them.

THE COURT: Any objection?

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MS WINDERS: Yes. We have the same objection we raised before, which is that they're extrinsic evidence going to character, but also we have a hearsay objection. We don't believe that Ms. Coleman waived the foundation to establish that these two documents are business records. One of the requirements of Rule 8036 is that the document is based on information from someone with personal knowledge. The one that did come in with Carrie Coleman, she had personal knowledge of those incidences. There's been no such testimony for these.

And in addition, she testified she didn't have access to the files in which these records are kept, so we don't think she satisfied the requirements of 8036.

THE WITNESS: Ms. Joiner?

6	MS. JOINER: I know she definitely was not shown these two
6	particular documents, but they're produced by the company and
6	they are the form and I don't think that there's any question in
6	terms of the source of them or where they're coming from.
6	They're company records.

THE COURT: Right. They're admitted over objection.

(Defendant's Exhibits 166 and 167 admitted into the record.)

MS. JOINER: The next document that I have is Exhibit 152. This is, again, the same form, the same written warning for Margaret Tom. Ms. Tom is somewhat different than Mr. Tom. She recognizes her signature, but she doesn't deny signing it, but she does not recollect it. It's the same form that Ms. Coleman testified to, same procedure with the employment record. That's Exhibit 152 that we would seek the entry of.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MS. WINDERS: Again, we have the hearsay objection and the extrinsic evidence objection.

THE COURT: All right. It's admitted.

(Defendant's Exhibit 152 admitted into the record.)

MS. JOINER: The second exhibit for Ms. Tom is a handwritten document that is Exhibit 148 that she testified to writing and signing. And plaintiffs did not lodge an objection to that particular exhibit.

01:07 THE COURT: Any objection now?

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01:08 MS. WINDERS: No objection.

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01:08 (Defendant's Exhibit 148 admitted into the record.)

01:08 MS. JOINER: My pile is getting full over here.

Exhibit 16 we would like to move into evidence, Your Honor. These are Mr. Rider's responses, the first and all supplemental responses to the following interrogatories: Numbers 2, 15, 16, 17 and 24.

THE COURT: All right.

MS. WINDERS: Your Honor, as we've done with other interrogatories the defendants entered, we have a completeness objection. We believe, particularly here where there's been a suggestion that the parties haven't been completely forthcoming in their interrogatory responses, it's only fair to look at all of the responses in context. We're not going to rely on the other stuff for the truth of the matter, but for completeness, we think it should come in.

THE COURT: Any objection?

MS. JOINER: Yes. On this particular one in particular, with Mr. Rider being the main plaintiff, I think that interrogatories in particular are litigation pieces, written with the assistance of counsel, so if an adverse --

01:09 THE COURT: Nevertheless, they were signed under oath by 01:09 him, I assume.

01:09 MS. JOINER: Signed under oath by him.

If an adverse party -- I regard interrogatories akin to somewhat as a party admission. If an adverse party wants to bring that into play, into evidence, I think an adverse party can do that. I don't think that the proponent can offer interrogatory responses in that manner.

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THE COURT: Couldn't they recall him and ask him, In addition to all the questions Ms. Joiner asked you, weren't you asked the following questions also, or elicit answers about questions without even referring to the interrogatories that tend to rehabilitate his testimony?

MS. JOINER: Yes, sir. In theory, they could recall him and put him on the stand. The question that we have in Mr. Rider's instance in particular is that if he did not have the aid of reading a piece of paper, I'm not sure what that testimony would look like. So there are a host of interrogatory responses that Mr. Rider has put in that he didn't testify to when he was on the stand and could have in the case-in-chief.

THE COURT: What about that last point? Couldn't you call him or not?

MS. WINDERS: Again, we're not introducing any of this for the truth of the matter. It's strictly for completeness. And I think Rule 106 and *United States versus Sutton*, the D.C. decision we talked about a few days ago, permits this kind of thing to come in for completeness. If it would be preferable, we're happy as long as the objections come in, the definitions come in and

o1:10 the pages on which questions appear, so that the answers can be
o1:10 viewed in the full context of the interrogatories and the
objections.

THE COURT: I'm not sure -- I'm not sure whether this comes in. I know this issue came up in *Stevens*. I'm just not sure. I'll take that under advisement, you know. I'll issue a minute order probably later this evening or tomorrow on this issue.

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MS. JOINER: One more similar. Exhibit 21 is API's interrogatory responses. And I believe that plaintiffs actually put -- they either put an interrogatory response in or had Ms. Paquette read it into the record.

So we would like to follow up and add the responses for numbers 21, 22 and 23 and put all of those in. I think as it stands now, only the most recent one of some of those may be in.

THE COURT: Counsel.

MS. WINDERS: We have the same completeness objection as with Mr. Rider's interrogatory responses. In addition, the January 30th, 2008 response wasn't listed on the 72-hour notice. I don't know if -- now you just said you would include all of them.

MS. JOINER: Well, I think that my recollection of that was that the January 30th, 2008 response is the one that counsel put in with Ms. Paquette, where they either identified it or had

01:12	her read it into the record.						
01:12	MS. WINDERS: Nevertheless, we think that the three						
01:12	answers to the same question should be considered						
01:12	contemporaneously.						
01:12	THE COURT: 21, 22 and 23?						
01:12	MS. JOINER: Yes.						
01:12	THE COURT: I'll take it under advisement.						
01:12	What else?						
01:12	MS. JOINER: The next one, Exhibit 124, Defense						
01:12	Exhibit 124, is already in evidence, albeit in a slightly						
01:12	different format. Our version is the Archele Hundley						
01:12	declaration, which was the one filed in this case. Plaintiffs						
01:12	have used the same document. It just doesn't have the header						
01:12	from the case. So we would like to move in Defendant's						
01:12	Exhibit 124.						
01:12	MS. WINDERS: No objection.						
01:12	THE COURT: I'm sorry?						
01:12	MS. WINDERS: No objection, Your Honor.						
01:12	THE COURT: Admitted.						
01:12	(Defendant's Exhibit 124 admitted into the record.)						
01:12	MS. JOINER: And the same thing for Defense Exhibit 157,						
01:12	which is Mr. Tom's declaration. The same situation there, Your						
01:12	Honor.						
01:12	THE COURT: Any objection?						
01:12	MS. WINDERS: No objection.						

01:12	THE COURT: Admitted.
01:13	(Defendant's Exhibit 157 admitted into the record.)
01:13	MS. JOINER: Exhibit 266. We'd like to move for the
01:13	admission of the three summary of financial activities that came
01:13	from the Elephant Sanctuary annual reports. These were
01:13	identified I believe the foundation was laid with Ms. Buckley.
01:13	The pdf pages of this particular exhibit are 10, 46 and 77.
01:13	Plaintiffs did not lodge a hearsay objection to this, only
01:13	that it was untimely at the time it was done. But as Your Honor
01:13	will recall, we were doing expert discovery at the same time we
01:13	were doing pre-trial disclosures.
01:13	THE COURT: Any objection?
01:13	MS. WINDERS: No. We would only just like to note for the
01:13	record that it was belatedly disclosed.
01:13	THE COURT: All right. Admitted.
01:13	(Defendant's Exhibit 266 admitted into the record.)
01:13	MS. JOINER: The next exhibit is Exhibit 302A. These were
01:13	four photographs that Dr. Joyce Poole identified for us during
01:13	her testimony from her Website of various wild elephants.
01:14	THE COURT: Any objection?
01:14	MS. WINDERS: No objection.
01:14	THE COURT: Admitted.
01:14	(Defendant's Exhibit 302A admitted into the record.)
01:14	MS. JOINER: Defendant's Exhibit 305 is the Red Unit
01:14	schedule that was highlighted with Ms. Hundley on the stand. The

01:14	unhighlighted version is already in evidence. We would like to						
01:14	move in this highlighted version as 305.						
01:14	THE COURT: Objection?						
01:14	MS. WINDERS: No objection.						
01:14	THE COURT: Admitted.						
01:14	(Defendant's Exhibit 305 admitted into the record.)						
01:14	MS. JOINER: Defense Exhibit 307 are the clip orders that						
01:14	Ms. Pardo created on the stand with Mr. Cuviello. It's her						
01:14	handwritten list of those time stamps. We would like to move						
01:14	that into evidence.						
01:14	THE COURT: Any objection?						
01:14	MS. WINDERS: No objection.						
01:14	THE COURT: It's admitted.						
01:14	(Exhibit 307 admitted into the record.)						
01:14	MS. JOINER: The next exhibit is taken from Plaintiffs'						
01:14	Will Call 92, which is in evidence in part, and the pages that we						
01:15	would like to make sure that are in are API 5662 to -63, 5630						
01:15	through $-37$ , $5616$ through $-21$ , $5566$ through $-68$ , and $5649$ . And I						
01:15	would mark those as Defense Exhibit 350. These would be party						
01:15	admissions.						
01:15	THE COURT: Any objection?						
01:15	MS. WINDERS: No objection.						
01:15	THE COURT: Admitted.						
01:15	(Defendant's Exhibit 350 admitted into the record.)						
01:15	MS. JOINER: The remaining materials on our list, Your						

01:15 Honor, are judicial notice, which I believe you took at the time 01:15 that the various witnesses were on the stand.

There is an issue, in light of the -- in light of the way we're proceeding with the inspection tapes, that if the inspection tapes are not coming in wholesale, the inspection videos, then there are certain things that -- there were time portions that we marked in plaintiffs' case that I need to move in now if we're doing it that way.

THE COURT: All right.

MS. JOINER: The first one is from Defendant's Exhibit 26 -- and I have an A after it, but I think we used that number today. So this is at one hour, zero minutes, 23 seconds to one hour, 1 minute, 11 seconds, from the Auburn Hills inspection.

And I would call that Defense Exhibit 351.

Is that where we are.

THE COURT: All right. Any objection?

MS. WINDERS: No objection.

01:16 THE COURT: All right. Admitted.

01:16 (Defendant's Exhibit 351 admitted into the record.)

MS. JOINER: The next one is from Plaintiffs' Will Call

142, which are CEC inspection videos played with Ms. Buckley.

The time stamps for that are 1 hour, 7 minutes, 30 seconds, one

01:17 hour, 10 minutes, 54 seconds. I would call that Defense

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01:17 THE COURT: Any objection?

01:17	MS. WINDERS: No objection. We have no objection to any
01:17	of the inspection videos.
01:17	MS. JOINER: Oh, okay. If Your Honor will permit, I have
01:17	two more time stamps I could read for those.
01:17	THE COURT: All right. 352 is admitted.
01:17	(Defendant's Exhibit 352 admitted into the record.)
01:17	MS. JOINER: Okay. Both from again, from plaintiffs'
01:17	142. The next is one hour, 14 minutes and 20 seconds to one
01:17	hour, 17 minutes, 11 seconds. We would call that Defense
01:17	Exhibit 353.
01:17	THE WITNESS: Admitted.
01:17	(Defendant's Exhibit 353 admitted into the record.)
01:17	MS. JOINER: And I believe that the final one is 1 hour,
01:17	25 minutes, 15 seconds to 1 hour, 25 minutes and 39 seconds. And
01:17	we would call that Defense Exhibit 354.
01:17	THE COURT: All right. Admitted.
01:18	(Defendant's Exhibit 354 admitted into the record.)
01:18	MS. JOINER: Now, one final thing I would like to make a
01:18	record of. I forgot to put it on our 72-hour list, but I did
01:18	have three clips from Defendant's Exhibit 174 from the LA cam,
01:18	which Ms. Buckley they were played for her; she laid the
01:18	foundation, and I would like to make a record of those. I did
01:18	not put them on the 72-hour notice list, though.
01:18	THE COURT: All right. Any objection?

MS. WINDERS: I would want to review those and review the

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01:18	transcript before we resolve that.							
01:18	THE COURT: All right.							
01:18	MS. JOINER: Okay.							
01:18	THE COURT: That's fine. When do you plan to do that,							
01:18	though? Can you do that this evening?							
01:18	MS. WINDERS: Yes, absolutely.							
01:18	THE COURT: That's fine.							
01:18	MS. JOINER: Would you permit me to the put the time							
01:18	stamps on the record right now?							
01:18	THE COURT: Yes, absolutely.							
01:18	MS. JOINER: Let's call it Defendant's Exhibit 174A, would							
01:18	be the June 23, clip 16 at 12 minutes, 18 seconds to 13 minutes,							
01:18	38 seconds.							
01:18	The next one would be 174B, which is it is June 26th, clip							
01:19	6 at 51 minutes, 45 seconds to 52 minutes, 36 seconds.							
01:19	And the final one would be 174C, which would be June 27th,							
01:19	clip 5 at 33 minutes to 33 minutes and 30 seconds.							
01:19	THE COURT: Okay. I'll reserve ruling on that.							
01:19	MS. JOINER: Thank you, Judge.							
01:19	THE COURT: Is that it?							
01:19	MS. JOINER: I do not have any more exhibits, but							
01:19	Mr. Simpson has one that he's worked on with plaintiffs.							
01:19	MR. SIMPSON: Your Honor, there was a completeness							
01:19	objection to our Defendant's Exhibit 71A and we stipulated with							
01:19	the plaintiffs to certain documents that they will be submitting							

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01:19 THE COURT: 190A through L?

01:20 MS. WINDERS: Yeah.

01:20 THE COURT: 190A through L. Plaintiffs' Exhibit 71 -- 71A

01:20 is already in the record.

01:20 MR. SIMPSON: 71A was offered and there was a completeness 01:20 objection. We were directed to try to work it out. We have.

01:20 THE COURT: All right. This is 190A through L admitted -01:20 Plaintiffs'.

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01:20 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit 190A through L admitted into the 01:20 record.)

O1:20 THE COURT: All right. Now, with respect to -- is that O1:20 it, counsel?

MR. SIMPSON: One more thing, Your Honor. There were interrogatory answers that we offered in the direct examinations of the ASPCA, the FFA and AWI. They offered the entire set of interrogatories in for completeness and then they handed a case and Your Honor came back. I don't have the transcript yet from that session, but I believe it was when we were playing the videotaped deposition of Mr. Glitzenstein, you indicated they weren't all coming in; they needed to give us a list. So we have yet to get that list.

MS. WINDERS: Your Honor, we have the transcript and we've reviewed it and actually, they were admitted and I can point you to the transcript cites if you would like.

THE COURT: What's the transcript cite?

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MS. WINDERS: It's from March 10th in the p.m. session, page 6 for ASPCA; same session, page 61 for FFA; and for AWI, I don't have those pages handy.

MR. SIMPSON: That's what I'm talking about. They came in with ASPCA. They came in with Markarian. And then when they offered for AWI, this issue came up again. We had a colloquy about what completeness meant and Your Honor took it back under consideration and then came back and said we're not going to have all the interrogatory answers come in wholesale; they needed to provide a list. And as I understand it, Mr. Crystal agreed to do that.

THE COURT: That's my recollection as well.

MR. CRYSTAL: If I could speak to this, Your Honor.

I believe we had the ASPCA and the Fund For Animals. At that time, the Court did say that -- those are the cites -- that the whole transcripts would come in. We had another discussion about it and Mr. Simpson addressed it for the first time with AWI and did ask you to consider that issue.

I understood that the resolution was that the whole responses would come in. I did mention that in the alternative, if the Court thought that was inappropriate, we could designate

answers. I believe ultimately, given where we are right now, it's the same issue that I think you're taking now under advisement with regard to Mr. Rider.

THE COURT: We're talking about interrogatory responses from other parties as well, though, right?

MR. CRYSTAL: Exactly.

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THE COURT: I think it's the same issue. I'm not so sure the interrogatory responses should become a part of, essentially, rebuttal testimony.

MR. CRYSTAL: What we were suggesting was, just to be clear, for purposes of completeness, we believe there's been a suggestion that certain questions may not have been answered. And it's important for the Court to understand what all the questions were.

Our principle concern is that the Court understand the questions, so we -- our suggestion was -- we think, again, and I think we've made clear that we're not asking the Court to consider as substantive evidence the answers that AWI gave about things Tom Rider saw. We think the Court can sort that out.

But if the Court thought it were appropriate, we can designate the pages with objections and making clear what all the questions were and leave out pages that just have parts of other answers. We don't have a problem with that, but we don't think it's necessary.

But at the very least, we think it's important for the

O1:23 Court to understand what all the questions were. That's our O1:23 position.

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THE COURT: All right. I'll give it a few more minutes' thought. Anything else?

MR. SIMPSON: That's it, Your Honor. With that, we would rest.

THE COURT: All right. Let me -- with Rider, though, your argument, counsel, is that other answers that Rider gave under oath to interrogatories should come in, essentially, in rebuttal phase of the -- either rebuttal phase of your case or pursuant to a completeness argument?

MS. WINDERS: We don't want Rider's answers in for the truth of the matter. We don't intend to rely on them.

THE COURT: What do you want them in for?

MS. WINDERS: What we want in from the interrogatories -what we're really concerned about, as Mr. Crystal just mentioned,
were the actual questions themselves, so that the questions -the responses that defendant is moving in can be viewed in
context of the entirety of the questions; and in addition, the
objections --

THE COURT: You're not asking that his answers become a part of the record, which would be problematic; you're asking that -- well, the questions are there. You're essentially saying for completeness purposes, you want the Court to also focus on other questions, notwithstanding the answers?

01:24	MS. WINDERS: Right. We believe the Court can dis	regard
01:24	the answers. Our concern is the questions, the objection	n, the
01:24	definitions.	

THE COURT: All right. I'm not going to let them in. So what are those numbers that I'm keeping out now, so your record is clear? 21, 22 and 23, I think, or not?

Ms. Joiner, what were those? I just want to make sure the record is clear.

THE COURTROOM CLERK: 21, 22, 23.

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THE COURT: No, I want to hear from the attorneys.

MS. JOINER: I'm sorry. Were you asking which numbers?

THE COURT: I want to make sure the record is clear with respect to -- actually, I should ask plaintiff.

What are those numbers that you offered that I'm denying admissibility?

MS. WINDERS: We have not offered those as exhibits. We were making a completeness objection.

THE COURT: All right. If you want to -- all right. Well, if you want to preserve your record, if you want to give them numbers, you can do so, so the record is crystal clear.

MS. WINDERS: Our next numbers would be 192, 193 and 194.

And just to be clear, with regard to API, we did have a separate completeness issue, which were the responses to specific questions the defendant was relying on. They omitted the last round of responses and we definitely think that those should come

01:25	in. Otherwise, you're looking at two out of three responses to
01:25	the same questions.
01:26	THE COURT: What number is that?
01:26	MS. WINDERS: That's Defendant's Exhibit 21.
01:26	THE COURT: Ms. Joiner?
01:26	MS. JOINER: I think those were already in. I think they
01:26	were read in, but I'm happy to include them in Exhibit 21.
01:26	That's fine.
01:26	THE COURT: All right. Then they're admitted. What's the
01:26	number, for the benefit of the court clerk?
01:26	MS. JOINER: That is Exhibit 21. And
01:26	THE COURT: Defendant's Exhibit 21 admitted, right?
01:26	MS. JOINER: Okay.
01:26	THE COURT: 21's admitted. 21 was already admitted. The
01:26	plaintiffs wanted to offer something in connection with 21; is
01:26	that correct?
01:26	I just want to make sure if that's
01:26	MS. WINDERS: Yeah. 21 was one of the ones you were going
01:26	to take under advisement when we had this recurring issue.
01:26	THE COURT: I'm not letting them come in. I'm not letting
01:26	the questions come in. The answers are not being offered for the
01:27	truth of the matter asserted and the questions are not coming in.
01:27	MS. WINDERS: Okay. But 21, we have a separate issue and
01:27	I believe defendant has agreed to put those responses in.
01:27	THE COURT: 21 is admitted and the responses are as

01:27	follows. Which ones? What are they?
01:27	MS. JOINER: We will put in questions numbers 21, 22 and
01:27	23. And we would do that for all three sets of interrogatories
01:27	for this particular plaintiff.
01:27	THE COURT: All right. Anything else?
01:27	MS. JOINER: No, sir. I don't have anything else at this
01:27	time.
01:27	THE COURT: All right. And you still want a few minutes
01:27	to talk about whether you wish to call your rebuttal witness?
01:27	MR. GLITZENSTEIN: We would appreciate that, Your Honor.
01:27	THE COURT: All right. That's fine. We'll take a short
01:27	recess.
01:41	(Thereupon, a break was had from 6:58 p.m. until 7:17
01:46	p.m.)
01:46	THE COURT: Counsel, what's next?
01:47	MS. MEYER: Your Honor, we're not going to call any
01:47	witnesses for rebuttal. We just have a few documents we would
01:47	like to move in for rebuttal.
01:47	THE COURT: Go ahead.
01:47	MS. MEYER: And I have one housekeeping matter as well.
01:47	THE COURT: Have you conferred with your opponent to see
01:47	if they have any objections?
01:47	MS. MEYER: I have not.
01:47	THE COURT: How many exhibits do you have?
01:47	Why don't you do that. It's a painless way to do it, so

o1:47 we know where the battle lines are drawn. All right? I'll give
o1:47 you a couple minutes to do it. You don't have many, do you?

MS. MEYER: Pardon me?

THE COURT: You don't have many, do you?

01:47 MS. MEYER: No.

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01:47 THE COURT: All right. I'll just be right back here in 01:47 the jury room. Why don't you take a few minutes to do it.

01:53 (Thereupon, a break was had from 7:19 p.m. until 7:32 p.m.)

02:01 THE COURT: All right, counsel.

MS. MEYER: We made a little bit of progress, Your Honor, but not everything was resolved. The first thing that was the easy one is not actually a rebuttal exhibit, but it's just a housekeeping matter. We wanted to move in as an exhibit the actual USDA certificate that we got from Secretary Vilsack, which we never actually moved in as an exhibit. And the defendant has agreed to that, so we'd like to make that --

THE COURT: Is there a number or something?

MS. MEYER: We'll just make it Plaintiffs' Will Call 196.

MS. MEYER: And then the next thing, Your Honor, is we

THE COURT: Admitted.

02:02 (Plaintiffs' Exhibit WC 196 admitted into the record.)

have three e-mails, internal FEI e-mails that we want to admit as rebuttal evidence. And all three of them go to the point that has been made by defendant in its case, that there has been a

coverup of the fact that Mr. Rider's expenses were being paid by some animal rights groups, including some of the plaintiffs, and that the defendant did not know about this until it stumbled upon it in 2005 during discovery. And all three of these e-mails, one of which actually was used in some of the cross-examination of some of their witnesses, talk about -- are from 2002 or 2003. And they're internal FEI e-mails and they discuss the fact that Tom Rider is out on the road doing media and his expenses are being paid by animal rights groups, including the plaintiff.

So we would like to have those admitted as well. They're willing to agree to one of them, as I understand it.

MR. SIMPSON: Yes.

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THE COURT: Which one?

MS. MEYER: The one they're willing to agree to is FEI38333 to 3841 -- 38341.

THE COURT: All right. And why not the other two?

MR. SIMPSON: Your Honor, our basic objection, I think, to all of this that's coming in is that it's improper rebuttal.

This is not something that's new. This is not something that couldn't have been anticipated. And frankly, with respect to the second two e-mails, while parts of them are internal company documents, they contain hearsay from outside parties. They wouldn't be admissible under any exception.

The third e-mail, actually, ironically discusses a funding source for Mr. Rider other than the plaintiffs, which is an area

of inquiry that we were not allowed to go into in discovery. All of his other funding sources were kept secret and confidential.

Now, this happened to be one that was probably pretty widely known.

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On the other hand, there were many others that weren't.

And that was cut off in discovery, so I don't think at this point they get to bring that in and try to show that, well, by the way, other people were paying him as well.

But just to make a record with respect to the scope of rebuttal, I'd refer Your Honor to -- and this is probably the best I could do -- there are a couple of cases, but this is probably the best one: George Washington University versus

Lawson, which is a D.C. Court of Appeals case by Judge Farrell in 2000, 745 A.2d at 323, which sets out the traditional standard for rebuttal evidence. And it's pretty well known that it's only going to be proper if it's something new that could not be anticipated in advance. And I don't think any of these documents meet that standard. And that's Judge Farrell's opinion at page 327. And this was a testimonial rebuttal, not documentary, but I think the standard is the same thing.

And in the circuit, I don't have a published decision from the circuit, and I know the DC Circuit rule says you're not supposed to cite them in the D.C. Circuit, but I'll give Your Honor the cite anyway. It's 193 U.S. Appellate, Lexis 3333 4, which is Heatherly versus Zimmerman, which is a per curiam

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And both of these cases were medical malpractice cases in which rebuttal testimony was offered. And in one case, it was deemed to be properly excluded. That was the *Heatherly* case. And the other case, it was deemed to be improperly admitted, but there was no prejudicial error to the defendant, so that was the result of that.

But as to the first e-mail that's in controversy, the Roberson e-mail, we think it's hearsay in addition to the fact that we think it's improper rebuttal evidence.

And the second one, which is an e-mail that talks about funding from a group called IDA, we think it's also hearsay and also, I think, they're trying to have a sword and a shield with their media strategy objection.

The other two documents -- we would have the same objection, based on improper rebuttal -- are photographs that were shown during Mr. French's examination and, as I understand it, were excluded at the time. And now they're being offered in rebuttal with Mr. French gone, so I don't think that's proper rebuttal.

And then the last one is a series of public complaints that were made to the company and there was a response by the company. They showed one such complaint to Mr. Sowalsky in his cross, which we wouldn't object to, but we think all the other ones they to bring in are cumulative and also outside the proper

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02:07 MS. MEYER: I actually hadn't gotten to those two 02:07 categories, Your Honor.

On the e-mails, it's our position that the defendant has raised this issue with the Court; it has said that -- during its case, it has said that they did not know -- they had no idea that Mr. Rider's funding was being paid for by some of the plaintiff organizations. We have internal e-mails from the corporation that show they did know that and we think it should be made part of the record of this case. And it's the classic kind of information that is rebuttal to something that they have said in their defense against our claims.

THE COURT: What evidence do you have that this falls under rebuttal testimony or rebuttal evidence.

MS. MEYER: We had three the e-mails that we wanted to put in. I'm actually willing to forego the third one that he was a problem with about IDA, so we're really only now disputing over a second e-mail. They agreed to the first one.

The second one is a clear admission by a defendant. It's an internal e-mail. By passing it on -- you know, this is what's going on about Tom Rider -- they're adopting it as the truth. It's an admission anyway.

THE COURT: How does that differ from the first one that they have no objection to?

02:08 MS. MEYER: It isn't. It's just a different one on a

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THE COURT: The first one comes in. The second one is cumulative. And you've withdrawn the third one, so what's next?

MS. MEYER: Okay. The second category --

02:08 THE COURT: What's the exhibit number for the one I just 02:08 admitted?

MS. MEYER: We'll have it be Exhibit 197, then.

(Plaintiffs' Exhibit 197 admitted into the record.)

MS. MEYER: All right. The second category of documents, Your Honor, are those five photographs of the pens that I showed to Mr. French when he was on the stand. He said yes, this is what I was talking about when I testified. We now use pens.

It's our position --

THE COURT: Why is that rebuttal testimony?

MS. MEYER: Because, Your Honor, our claim is they keep the elephants on chains. They came in and put a case on saying we don't use chains that much anymore. We use pens now.

Mr. French testified about the size of the pens. And I had him say this is what I'm talking about when I'm talking about pens.

We have photographs.

You got them -- they admitted in questioning from you that they would not be prejudiced by having these put in the record and I think they should go into the record.

THE COURT: The point I'm getting at is what does it rebut? It's actually corroborative of their testimony, isn't it?

02:09	What does it rebut?
02:09	I guess technically, I could say it's not really
02:09	rebuttal, though. What does it rebut?
02:09	MS. MEYER: We tried to get it in during
02:09	cross-examination. I think it should come in whether it comes in
02:09	because it's a demonstrative or
02:09	THE COURT: How are you prejudiced if it doesn't come in?
02:09	MS. MEYER: I think it's important for the Court to know
02:09	what they're talking about when they say they use pens.
02:09	THE COURT: I heard the testimony. It's a nonjury. I
02:09	don't have to wonder whether the jury knows what's going on. I
02:09	heard the testimony.
02:09	MS. MEYER: These are photographs, Your Honor, so you can
02:09	look at them and see
02:09	THE COURT: How are you prejudiced if they come in? Those
02:09	photos corroborate your testimony, don't they, Mr. Simpson? How
02:09	are you prejudiced if I let them in?
02:09	I could say it's nonjury, I guess. We talked about this
02:09	over there. You could open your case-in-chief even though you
02:10	know, but I guess I don't think first of all, I don't think
02:10	it's rebuttal testimony evidence, but I don't think that
02:10	it's the defendants are prejudiced either. Are they?
02:10	MR. SIMPSON: It would be hard for me to articulate that.
02:10	THE COURT: All right. I'll admit them. I've seen the
02:10	tapes, I know what penning is. I'll admit them just because

02:10 I'll just allow them to become a part of the evidentiary record.

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02:10 MS. MEYER: That's Exhibit 198.

(Plaintiffs' Exhibit 198 admitted into the record.)

THE COURT: All right. What else?

MS. MEYER: The last category is just some complaints that were received by FEI from members of the public that went to the circus, were disturbed by what they saw, wrote a complaint, and FEI's response. We're not introducing this for the truth of the matter of the complaints, but really, because you actually asked --

THE COURT: I know. I asked the question about why members of the public complained.

I think that comes in, Mr. Simpson, because the answer was no, they don't do it; just those activists do it.

MR. SIMPSON: Well, because there are thousands of complaints that come into this Website, some of which are very profane and threatening, and they cherry picked what they want you to see. And I don't know that that presents a fair picture of what the company actually gets in terms of the complaints.

And I think Mr. Sowalsky's testimony was many of these things are orchestrated; people go to a Website and there's something going on and they say, we'll send an e-mail, and then they get sent.

**02:11** So to me, they showed him one and there was a response

02:11	to that ought to come in. The rest of this I think is
02:11	extraneous and cumulative.
02:11	THE COURT: Yeah. This is one Website complaint by
02:11	someone
02:11	MS. MEYER: Pardon me?
02:11	THE COURT: by someone who identified himself or
02:11	herself?
02:11	MS. MEYER: These are letters from parents who have taken
02:11	their kids to the circus. It's exactly what you
02:11	THE COURT: I'll let them in. I asked the question. I
02:11	think that's proper rebuttal.
02:11	MS. MEYER: So we'll make that Exhibit 199.
02:11	(Plaintiffs' Exhibit 199 admitted into the record.)
02:11	THE COURT: All right. Is that it?
02:11	MS. MEYER: That's it, Your Honor.
02:11	THE COURT: I want to get back to I want to be clear.
02:11	I'm not sure what the former courtroom deputy wrote down with
02:12	respect to these interrogatory answers, rule of completeness.
02:12	Look, the rule is clear. They just don't come in because
02:12	it would be nice to have this other question and answer. There
02:12	has to be a compelling reason for additional evidence by an
02:12	opponent to come in to make the otherwise proffered answer or
02:12	answer testified to truly complete.
02:12	Now, I'm not inclined to allow those interrogatory answers
02:12	to come in under that theory, period. So I'm going to leave them

out of here. Now, if I understood Mr. Crystal correctly, you and Mr. Simpson had agreed to allow some of them to come in; is that right?

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MR. CRYSTAL: No. We had suggested that sort of what we considered to be a compromise would be to let at least the objections and definitions come in, which were at the beginning of the responses, because they obviously are relevant to the specific questions that have now been included, so the Court can see what the objections and definitions were.

And our other suggestion had been -- which I think the Court had already suggested it was not inclined to allow -- was the specific pages on which other questions were asked. And I understood you to say earlier that you were not going to allow that, which I appreciate.

THE COURT: I'm not going to allow that. Why should I allow those objections in?

MR. CRYSTAL: We've already explained our view and I think the Court already issued its ruling on that, so I would ask that at minimum, we be allowed, for completeness, to designate the pages -- they're at the beginning of the responses -- that contain the objections and definitions and just add that to the specific responses and questions that the plaintiff designated with regard to all of the interrogatories.

THE COURT: And you object to that?

**02:13** MR. SIMPSON: I don't object to the objections.

02:13	THE COURT: That's fine. All right. Now, do we need a
02:13	designation, though, for
02:13	MR. CRYSTAL: Yes. We need to give the specific pages.
02:13	THE COURT: All right. Carol will be here tomorrow. Do
02:13	you want to give me a number now that and then you can
02:13	MR. CRYSTAL: Sure. These are the numbers that were
02:13	assigned?
02:13	We already talked about making them 193, 194 and 195.
02:14	There are still two more sets, the API and the Tom Rider. Or do
02:14	we not need to do that?
02:14	(Discussion had off the record.)
02:14	MS. JOINER: We have Tom Rider as Defendant's Exhibit 16
02:14	and API as Defendant's Exhibit 21.
02:14	MR. CRYSTAL: Okay. So by tomorrow, we can provide those
02:14	additional pages.
02:14	THE COURT: That's fine.
02:14	MR. CRYSTAL: And that will be for those five.
02:14	THE COURT: That's fine.
02:14	MR. CRYSTAL: Thank you.
02:14	THE COURT: Yes. Both sides are going to have to huddle
02:14	with Carol tomorrow I say tomorrow; I'm not so sure it's fatal
02:14	if it's not done before closing argument. But I mean, as I
02:14	normally do in jury trial cases, someone on each side is going to
02:14	have to sign a sheet that Carol has; we prepared this some time
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But I'm going to have to require that as well. I mean, everybody needs to be comfortable with what the record is and what it isn't for purposes of any further review.

Now, the timing of that -- it's difficult to say when the timing should take place. She's not here. It is nonjury. I don't think it necessarily has to take place tomorrow.

I think she'll be in tomorrow. I think she will, won't she, Jim?

THE COURTROOM CLERK: As far as I know, Your Honor.

THE COURT: I have a nagging recollection that there's an evidentiary ruling that I owe counsel that has to do with one of the learned treatises. Am I correct? Or did I give you a ruling on that?

MR. SIMPSON: There's a ruling I think outstanding on the elephant resource husbandry guide and there was a letter from the Washington Humane Society that we wanted to submit in response that Julie Strauss wrote, which was their -- they call 33.

THE COURT: And they objected to that, didn't they?

MR. SIMPSON: That's correct. And those are --

02:15 THE COURT: What is your exhibit number? What is that 02:15 last exhibit number?

02:16 MR. SIMPSON: Our response was Defendant's Exhibit 34 -02:16 340. Excuse me.

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**02:16**MS WINDERS: There's also another issue still pending.

02:16 THE COURT: Just a minute.

02:16 Refresh my recollection on that 340, counsel. What was 02:16 that document?

MR. SIMPSON: It was a letter that the Washington Humane

Society wrote the company making a complaint about an elephant

tethering and the deputy general counsel wrote back a response,

so we just submitted that for completeness.

THE COURT: What's the objection to that?

MR. SIMPSON: I think the objection was it was one of their exhibits and they didn't think we could use one of their exhibits.

MS WINDERS: Our objection was that the -- the primary objection was that they waived their completeness objection.

This is one of our May Call Exhibits and they're now saying that because we didn't call it, they're entitled to make a completeness objection.

But the exhibit they're trying to complete, they didn't make a completeness objection when we did the objections to their pretrial statement, which your court order required, which Rule 26(a)(2) required. They didn't make an objection at the time that they --

THE COURT: How are you prejudiced?

02:17 MS WINDERS: If you want to let it in and give it whatever

02:17	weight
02:17	THE COURT: Thank you. 340 is in, over objection.
02:17	(Defendant's Exhibit 340 admitted into the record.)
02:17	THE COURT: What else? That book. Let me refresh my
02:17	recollection about the husbandry book.
02:17	Didn't I have counsel submit five pages from that book?
02:17	MR. SIMPSON: Correct.
02:17	THE COURT: All right. I just haven't ruled on that.
02:17	I'll do that. I'll issue a minute order and rule on that one.
02:17	MS WINDERS: There's also a third exhibit.
02:17	THE COURT: What's the third one?
02:17	MS WINDERS: That's is something plaintiffs sought to move
02:17	in and defendants objected to its relevance. We submitted
02:17	briefing about its relevance to defendant's commercial activity,
02:17	which is pertinent under the SPA and issues that are going to be
02:17	appealed. So that was also briefed.
02:17	THE COURT: I'm sorry. What's the exhibit number?
02:17	MS WINDERS: That was page 10 of Plaintiffs' Will Call 86,
02:17	so we will probably give it a new exhibit number, which would be
02:17	Will Call 200.
02:18	THE COURT: Mr. Simpson?
02:18	MR. SIMPSON: Our objection, basically, was it's
02:18	irrelevant because if we get that far in the case, if there's an
02:18	appeal and we get to that issue, it's going to be a legal
02:18	question. We think it's foreclosed by Fish and Wildlife regs.

02:18	But we have briefed it. It's pending before Your Honor in
02:18	that same
02:18	THE COURT: All right. I'll issue a minute order
02:18	resolving both of those. All right.
02:18	What else? Anything else?
02:18	MS. JOINER: One more thing quickly, Your Honor. Before
02:18	the break, counsel had asked about additional designations for
02:18	Mr. Pettigrew. We have no objection to those.
02:18	Would it be okay if we file our exhibits tomorrow morning
02:18	rather than this evening?
02:18	THE COURT: You can do that. You're here now. You might
02:18	as well do it now.
02:18	MS. JOINER: I'm talking about the ones we have to do
02:18	electronically.
02:18	THE COURT: Oh, okay. That's fine. That's fine. Okay.
02:19	(Discussion had off the record.)
02:19	THE COURT: All right, counsel. It's hard to speak for
02:19	Carol. I don't know. I'm going to I don't know. I know we
02:19	talked before Carol left. I don't think it's fatal. I think I
02:19	prefer it before opening argument and I don't know whether she's
02:19	coming in.
02:19	THE COURTROOM CLERK: I have not heard from her. She's
02:19	due back tomorrow.
02:19	(Discussion had off the record.)
02:20	THE COURT: If she gets in early, counsel, I'll ask you to

02:20	work it out with her tomorrow.
02:20	(Discussion had off the record.)
02:20	THE COURT: I heard this word "appeal, appeal," I
02:21	haven't heard the word "settlement." Sometimes people settle
02:21	cases even after trials.
02:21	I can't I won't talk about settlement, but there's some
02:21	wonderful thoughts I've had about how a do you folks have any
02:21	interest in talking to someone? We have time to do proposed
02:21	findings? Anything I can do, if I appoint someone to talk to
02:21	you?
02:21	I just thought I'd ask. It kept nagging I kept hearing
02:21	"appeal," which is fine. But no one is interested?
02:21	MR. SIMPSON: I can't speak for the plaintiffs, Judge.
02:21	THE COURT: What about you, though?
02:21	MR. SIMPSON: I think we're going to have to go the
02:21	distance.
02:21	THE COURT: Yeah, yeah. It's a very interesting case.
02:21	MS. MEYER: We made settlement offers over the years.
02:21	THE COURT: All right. That's fine. Fair enough. I had
02:21	to raise it. That's what it was. It kept gnawing at me.
02:21	Okay. That's fine. All right. 10:00.
02:22	I was going to tell you what an excellent job you have
02:22	done. Annie reminded me. But I'll reserve that for the public
02:22	record. It's been a real pleasure.
02:22	What people don't understand is that it's a sealed docket

2:22	that we all have that's just overpowering. It's the public
2:22	docket that everyone knows about, so there are a lot of things
2:22	that we moved around to accommodate counsel. But it's been a
2:22	a well tried case, exceptionally well tried. But I'll reserve
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The public does have an interest in the case as well. If you change your mind about settlement, just give me a call. But in any event, we'll start at 10:00.

And how do you want to break up your time? I said two hours; I'm not going to go back on that, but don't feel obligated to fill out the time, you know.

MS. MEYER: I don't think I'm going to take two hours, but I will want some time for rebuttal.

THE COURT: That's up to you, how you split it up. You have two hours rebuttal.

MS. MEYER: No, no. I'm going to go first. I haven't decided yet.

THE COURT: All right. Okay. Counsel, do you need two hours?

MR. SIMPSON: I don't think the whole time, but we'll have to see how it unfolds here.

THE COURT: So let's think about it for a second. Once in the area, you would argue until 11:00 or so and then maybe counsel will argue -- I don't know -- if it goes two hours, it may go to lunch. At some point, we have to factor -- we have to

02:23	break this up.
02:23	So but we can do this you'll know before 10:00 how
02:23	you're going to structure it. You have to I'm not sure
02:23	whether we'll need two court reporters or not. We'll have a
02:23	lunch break.
02:23	See you on Wednesday at 10:00.
02:23	MR. SIMPSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
02:23	THE COURT: Have a good evening.
02:23	(Proceedings adjourned at 7:54 p.m.)

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