

1 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIRST CIRCUIT

2 STATE OF HAWAII

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4 In the Matter of the Estate ) EQUITY NO. 2048  
 5 of ) VOLUME III  
 6 BERNICE P. BISHOP, )  
 7 Deceased. )  
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10 CONTINUATION OF DEPOSITION OF

11 MARION MAE LOKELANI LINDSEY

12 Taken on behalf of Robert K.U. Kihune, Constance H.  
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3 MARION MAE LOKELANI LINDSEY,

4 called as a witness by and on behalf of Robert K.U.  
5 Kihune, Constance H. Lau, Francis A. Keala, David P.  
6 Coon and Ronald D. Libkuman, Trustees under the Will  
7 and of the Estate of Bernice Pauahi Bishop, Deceased,  
8 having been previously sworn to tell the truth, the  
9 whole truth, and nothing but the truth, was examined  
10 and testified as follows:

11 EXAMINATION (Continuing)

12 BY MR. ING:

13 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, this is a continuation of your  
14 earlier deposition session taken in the petition for  
15 permanent removal filed by the Interim Trustees. Do  
16 you understand that you're still under oath?

17 A. Yes, I do.

18 MR. ING: I'd like to have the next exhibit  
19 marked as Exhibit 133.

20 (Exhibit No. 133 marked  
21 for identification.)

22 BY MR. ING:

23 Q. Prior to the start of the deposition today, we  
24 had provided you with a copy of Exhibit 133 to  
25 review. Have you had a chance to review the exhibit?

1 A. Not the entire exhibit.

2 Q. Why don't you take a look at the rest of the  
3 exhibit then.

4 MR. GIERLACH: Exhibit 133 for the record is  
5 88 pages long. We were provided it about 10 minutes  
6 ago. Take your time.

7 While Mrs. Lindsey is looking, let me put my  
8 objection on the record that the 88-page exhibit  
9 appears to be a series of copies from her handwritten  
10 notes. It seems to range from about March of 1998  
11 until May of 1999.

12 It is not complete. There appear to be pages  
13 missing that might help her put matters that are here  
14 in context or otherwise refresh her recollection as  
15 to who was present and what was said and who raised  
16 particular issues, and those documents not being  
17 here, she will answer questions subject to her right  
18 to review those documents and perhaps have better  
19 testimony about these specific documents at a later  
20 time.

21 (Discussion off the record.)

22 BY MR. ING:

23 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, while we were off the record, did  
24 you have an opportunity to review Exhibit 133?

25 A. Yes, I did.

1 Q. Exhibit 133 consists of 88 sheets of paper which  
2 are numbered at the lower right corner and I will  
3 note for the record that those were placed on there  
4 by my office.

5 Are the pages that comprise Exhibit 133 in your  
6 handwriting?

7 A. Yes, they are.

8 Q. Are these accurate copies of these pages?

9 A. Yes, they're accurate, but there is pages  
10 missing.

11 Q. These do not contain all of the pages from your  
12 spiral notebooks; is that correct?

13 A. That's correct.

14 Q. So there are pages that would be in between the  
15 pages that have been selected for copying here?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Your practice was to note the date in the upper  
18 right-hand corner of each page; is that correct?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. And that date represents the date on which you  
21 took the notes; is that correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Where there was a trustees meeting in progress,  
24 you would note in the corner as well under the date  
25 that it was pursuant to a trustee meeting?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. If the trustees went into executive session, you  
3 would also note in the corner or somewhere on the  
4 sheet "in executive session"?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Is it also accurate to say that these notes were  
7 taken during the course of the meeting if the notes  
8 were taken in a trustees meeting?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Since the time you took these notes, have you  
11 had a chance to review your spiral notebooks?

12 A. Not in its entirety.

13 Q. Have you had access to your spiral notebooks?

14 A. Could I go get them at any time?

15 Q. Yes.

16 A. I guess I could go get them at any time.

17 Q. Did you maintain these spiral notebooks in your  
18 records?

19 A. I guess in my records is where they were.

20 Q. During the time that you were sitting as a  
21 trustee at Kawaiahao Plaza, did you keep the spiral  
22 notebooks in your office?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And subsequent to May 7, 1999, did you move your  
25 records and documents from Kawaiahao Plaza?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Where were they maintained after May 7, 1999?

3 A. Some of them were in the attorney's office, some  
4 of them were at my house, some of them were in boxes  
5 that were in storage, some of them were at another  
6 attorney's office.

7 Q. The attorneys' offices in which your records or  
8 documents were located were who by name?

9 A. The Law Offices of Michael Green. Some of them  
10 were housed at the Law Offices of Billy Harrison and  
11 Keith Matsuoka. Some of them were used by other  
12 attorneys.

13 Q. Who were the other attorneys that used your  
14 notes or documents?

15 A. Glenn Sato.

16 Q. Mr. Sato is the attorney for Dickie Wong?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Did any other attorneys utilize your documents  
19 besides Mr. Sato and your own attorneys?

20 A. I'm not sure at this time.

21 Q. If you would refer to the page numbered 1 at the  
22 lower right-hand corner. I will just refer to the  
23 last two digits for purposes of page identification  
24 of Exhibit 133.

25 There's a note there that says "Nam". Does that

- 1       refer to Nam Snow?
- 2       A.    Yes, it does.
- 3       Q.    She's reporting on House Bill 2362, House
- 4       Draft 1?
- 5       A.    Yes.
- 6       Q.    What bill was that?
- 7       A.    I don't recall.
- 8       Q.    Nam Snow was the head of the government
- 9       relations department; is that correct?
- 10      A.    That's correct.
- 11      Q.    And her job during session was to monitor the
- 12      activities at the legislature?
- 13      A.    That's correct.
- 14      Q.    This page 1 is dated in the upper right-hand
- 15      corner March 10, 1998?
- 16      A.    That's correct.
- 17      Q.    That would have been during the course of the
- 18      session?
- 19      A.    Yes.
- 20      Q.    Page 2 is dated in the upper right-hand corner
- 21      March 17, 1998, and it indicates that this was --
- 22      these are notes taken during the course of a trustees
- 23      meeting; is that correct?
- 24      A.    Yes.
- 25      Q.    There's a note there that says "Rodney". Does

1       that refer to Rodney Park?

2       A.    Yes, it does.

3       Q.    The note references a discussion of the

4       compensation plan.  What did that refer to?

5       A.    The teachers' compensation and the employees'

6       compensation plans that we had before us.

7       Q.    If you would turn to the next page, 3.  This

8       also occurs on March 17, 1998; is that correct?

9       A.    Correct.

10      Q.    There's a note that says "Nam", again referring

11      to Nam Snow; is that correct?

12      A.    Yes.

13      Q.    Is she reporting to the trustees?

14      A.    Yes, she is.

15      Q.    It says, "Trustees commissions still alive."  Do

16      you see that?

17      A.    Yes.

18      Q.    Is she reporting on the bill in the legislature

19      regarding trustees' commissions?

20      A.    Yes.

21      Q.    Was she tracking that bill?

22      A.    Yes, amongst the other ones listed here.

23      Q.    Below that note under "Korn-Ferry," there's a

24      note that says, "Rodney is following up on one thing

25      for speaker."

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Is that Rodney Park?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 4 Q. Was he following up on something for Henry
- 5 Peters?
- 6 A. Yes, that would be a question that was brought
- 7 up, I believe, in the course of the meeting and there
- 8 was several issues that we were trying to get
- 9 clarification on and so he was reporting back to us.
- 10 Q. Who is Korn-Ferry?
- 11 A. Korn-Ferry was selected to do some of our
- 12 searches for top personnel in the institution and
- 13 they conducted the actual search for candidates and
- 14 screened candidates and brought into us a final list.
- 15 Q. In the time frame of March 1998, do you recall
- 16 what Korn-Ferry was working on?
- 17 A. I'm not sure if that was the asset manager job
- 18 or any other job. I'm just not sure at this time.
- 19 Q. When was Mr. Randall Chang hired?
- 20 A. I can't remember.
- 21 Q. If you would refer to page 4, please. In the
- 22 upper right-hand corner, it notes April 6, 1998 and
- 23 trustees meeting; is that correct?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. So these notes were taken on April 6, 1998 at a

- 1 trustees meeting, correct?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. Again, there's a reference to Nam Snow, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And she is reporting to the trustees on the
- 6 trustees' commission bill; is that correct?
- 7 A. Yes, and also on the mandatory conversion of
- 8 commercial property.
- 9 Q. Did the trustees take a position before the
- 10 legislature on the trustees' commission bill?
- 11 A. What do you mean by "take a position"?
- 12 Q. Did they submit testimony?
- 13 A. I don't remember if we submitted testimony as a
- 14 group. I do remember Henry Peters testifying.
- 15 Q. Who drafted his testimony?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 Q. Would you turn to page 5, please. The notes on
- 18 page 5 of Exhibit 133 were apparently taken on April
- 19 14, 1998 at a trustee meeting, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Nam Snow again reported on trustee compensation;
- 22 is that correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. Your note indicates that she reported to the
- 25 trustees that day that they gutted the bill and put

1 in "reasonable compensation"?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. In fact, did the bill turn out in that form?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. If you would turn to page 6, please. These  
6 notes were taken at a trustees meeting on April 23,  
7 1998, correct?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And at the very bottom, Nam Snow again reported  
10 on the trustees' compensation bill, correct?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. You have written there next to your note,  
13 "Senate conferees on the compensation bill (sic)"  
14 five names; is that correct?

15 MR. GIERLACH: On the compensation  
16 committee.

17 A. Six, six names.

18 BY MR. ING:

19 Q. I'm sorry, six names, okay. Who were these  
20 individuals?

21 A. Nam reported that these were the ones that would  
22 be on the compensation committee. And I missed a  
23 name. See there's a blank there.

24 Q. But these were from the Senate side; is that  
25 correct?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. So there was a Joint Conference Committee on the  
3 trustees' compensation bill that met during the  
4 course of the legislative session; is that correct?

5 A. I don't know. I don't remember at this time.

6 Q. What does it mean to you when it says "Senate  
7 conferees"?

8 A. What it means to me, there was a Senate group  
9 and these were the people that were named. I didn't  
10 put any other note there, so I'm not sure if it meant  
11 that they were the conferees in a joint committee  
12 meeting or they were the ones that were going to  
13 confer themselves.

14 Q. The individuals you have listed there include  
15 Ross Baker, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Carol Fukunaga?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Avery Chumbley?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Matt Matsunaga?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Whitney Anderson?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And Mike McCartney?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. Did you know any of these individuals
- 3 personally?
- 4 A. I knew almost all of them personally.
- 5 Q. Were they friends of Kamehameha as far as you
- 6 were concerned?
- 7 A. I don't know. Sometimes they were and sometimes
- 8 they weren't.
- 9 Q. Whitney Anderson is the husband of Henny
- 10 Anderson; is that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Would it be fair to say that Henny Anderson is a
- 13 good friend of yours?
- 14 A. Of mine?
- 15 Q. Yes.
- 16 A. We've been friends for 40 years.
- 17 Q. Look at page 7, please. The notes on page 7
- 18 were taken on May 5th, 1998 at a trustees meeting; is
- 19 that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. And there's a note at the bottom of the page
- 22 under "Nam" again, referring to Nam Snow; is that
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. Your handwriting says, "Ed Case's 'yanking the

1 bill'?"

2 A. Right.

3 Q. What does that refer to?

4 A. I don't know.

5 MR. GIERLACH: Well, so the record is clear,  
6 "yanking the bill" is in quotation marks.

7 BY MR. ING:

8 Q. Turn to page 8, please. At the bottom of  
9 page 8, there's a reference to "executive session".  
10 Do you see that?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. So your notes following that were apparently  
13 taken during the course of an executive session of  
14 the trustees on May 5, 1998, correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. One of the issues discussed was intermediate  
17 sanctions; is that correct?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. The next page, 9, again these notes were taken  
20 during the course of a trustees meeting on May 5,  
21 1998, correct?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. In the middle of the page, it says "executive  
24 session"?

25 A. Yes, it does.

1 Q. Again, it notes that, "Ed Case's yanking of the  
2 bill. Heavy-duty discussion. Power play in the  
3 House." Do you see that?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Does that refresh your recollection as to which  
6 bill was referred to by your comment there?

7 A. No, I'm still not sure which it was at this  
8 time.

9 Q. Turn to page 10. The notes at page 10 were  
10 also taken during the course of a trustees meeting on  
11 May 5, 1998, during executive session; is that  
12 correct?

13 A. Right.

14 Q. At the bottom of the page, it says "intermediate  
15 sanctions issue," correct?

16 A. Yes, it does.

17 Q. And there is a reference to a handout, page 3?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. Do you recall what the handout was?

20 A. No, I don't.

21 Q. Your notes indicate there was a comprehensive  
22 briefing to the Board of Trustees; is that correct?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. And there's also a reference, I'm sorry, to  
25 fiduciary handbook?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. And the SCA study?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And the tax compliance workshop?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Does that refresh your recollection as to what
- 7 was discussed that day?
- 8 A. Well, I assume these areas were discussed, but
- 9 it doesn't -- I can't remember at this time what
- 10 actually was discussed.
- 11 Q. What was the fiduciary handbook?
- 12 A. There was a handbook that was put together and I
- 13 don't know when. I'm not sure about this at this
- 14 time. I would have to see the handbook to refresh my
- 15 memory.
- 16 Q. At the time the intermediate sanctions
- 17 legislation was passed in 1996, Mark McConaghy had
- 18 come to Hawaii to brief the trustees on the
- 19 requirements of provisions of the intermediate
- 20 sanctions legislation, correct?
- 21 A. He had briefed us on many occasions regarding
- 22 what was happening with the intermediate sanctions
- 23 bill, and at various times, he came to Hawaii and at
- 24 other times he called us on the phone, and still at
- 25 other times, Nathan would come and report on what

1 Mark McConaghy said or Gil Ishikawa would report on  
2 what Mark McConaghy said.

3 Q. But during the last session of your deposition,  
4 we had gone over notes, your notes of Mark  
5 McConaghy's discussions regarding intermediate  
6 sanctions in late July 1996, August 1996 and then  
7 again in September 1996. Do you recall that?

8 A. Yes, we did go over those, but I'm not sure of  
9 the dates, because I don't have the documents before  
10 me, but I recall going over those, his visits and his  
11 discussions.

12 Q. In those notes of your discussions with Mr.  
13 McConaghy, there were references to the fiduciary  
14 handbook. Do you recall that?

15 A. That's right.

16 Q. Was there a relationship between the fiduciary  
17 handbook and the compensation studies and  
18 intermediate sanctions?

19 A. Without seeing the fiduciary handbook, I can't  
20 remember at this time.

21 Q. Was the fiduciary handbook developed by Mr.  
22 Jervis?

23 A. He took the lead in the fiduciary handbook  
24 development and he worked with Nathan Aipa, as I  
25 understand on that, as well as others.

1 Q. Was part of the incentive to develop the  
2 fiduciary handbook the fact that the intermediate  
3 sanctions legislation had passed?

4 A. I don't know if that was part of the incentive  
5 or not. I know that we did not have a fiduciary  
6 manual. There were many questions being brought up  
7 about our fiduciary responsibilities and what it is  
8 we can and cannot do and many times we got  
9 conflicting opinions and so it was felt that we  
10 needed something a little more concrete.

11 Q. Did Mark McConaghy advise the trustees that as a  
12 result of the intermediate sanctions legislation,  
13 there was a need to document the duties and  
14 responsibilities of the trustees?

15 A. Yes, I believe at one time he did.

16 Q. Is one of the purposes of the fiduciary handbook  
17 to document the duties and responsibilities of the  
18 trustees?

19 A. I don't remember that at this time.

20 Q. Turn to page 11, please. Page 11 contains your  
21 notes from the trustees meeting in executive session  
22 on May 5, 1998, correct?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Again, there is a discussion here about the  
25 intermediate sanctions legislation?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Your notes indicate that it was retroactive to  
3 September 1995, correct?

4 A. That's right.

5 Q. Do you recall who was making the presentation  
6 here at this time?

7 A. No, I would have to see the rest of my notes to  
8 see who was present and that may help me recall.

9 Q. Do your notes indicate that excessive benefits  
10 were discussed?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. What was your understanding of excessive  
13 benefits?

14 A. We didn't have a clear understanding of  
15 excessive benefits, because there was no rules and  
16 regulations promulgated at this time regarding  
17 excessive benefits. It was just generally stated  
18 that the disqualified persons could be trustees or  
19 PE's, that there was a penalty tax as listed on this  
20 page for excessive benefits.

21 And we had a lot of questions, as I recall,  
22 regarding what constitutes an excess benefit, who's  
23 going to tell us what an excess benefit is. There  
24 was all kinds of things discussed in trying to  
25 clarify exactly what is meant by excessive benefits.

1 Q. You were aware, however, that there were certain  
2 penalties that could be levied against disqualified  
3 persons for taking excess benefits?

4 A. We were told this at this session, as I recall.

5 Q. And you have noted a series of tax penalties  
6 under the title Penalty Tax, is that correct, of your  
7 notes?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Were you at least comfortable in your mind that  
10 trustees such as yourself would fall under the  
11 category of disqualified persons?

12 A. That's what we were told at that time, trustees  
13 and PE's and others that were not identified.

14 Q. Turn to page 12 of Exhibit 133, please. Your  
15 notes on this page indicate that these were taken  
16 during the course of a trustees meeting on May 14,  
17 1998, correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Again, there's a reference to Nam Snow in the  
20 lower middle portion of the page?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. And the note says, "Legislature 'sign and died'  
23 per Larry Price." What does that note refer to?

24 A. She must have reported to us that Larry Price  
25 said this on the radio in the morning, because

1 sometimes she would do that.

2 Q. Was Larry Price at any time a consultant or  
3 independent contractor to the Bishop Estate?

4 MR. GIERLACH: Lacks foundation, calls for  
5 speculation.

6 A. Not that I know of.

7 BY MR. ING:

8 Q. Turn to page 13 of Exhibit 133, please. The  
9 notes at page 13 were taken on May 26, 1998, correct?

10 A. That's correct.

11 Q. These notes refer to compensation, correct?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. If you could take a look at these, please.

14 There apparently was a discussion regarding  
15 tax-exempt versus being a private entity, correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. What was that discussion about?

18 A. I think it started with looking at Campbell  
19 Estate and other estates who had gone from being  
20 tax-exempt to being private entities.

21 Q. Private entities being entities that pay taxes?

22 A. Yes. And so the group was discussing the  
23 benefits, the merits of being tax-exempt versus the  
24 benefit or the merits of being a private entity and  
25 we were asking questions or someone was asking

1 questions. If I had the other page, I could tell you  
2 who was here and maybe refresh my memory of what  
3 actually took place, but I just have this page.

4 Q. Apparently one of the questions that had been  
5 raised was what were the tax consequences if the  
6 estate became a taxable entity; is that correct?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. In particular, what the tax consequences were  
9 under the intermediate sanctions legislation of  
10 becoming a taxable entity?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Did anyone do any work to analyze these issues  
13 on or about May of 1998?

14 A. I really don't know, because we were concerned  
15 how this affected us as an institution, but I don't  
16 know if they did or not.

17 Q. Now, there's a series of bullet points; is that  
18 correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And the next bullet point says, "Plan to meet  
21 with SCA - Mark McConaghy"; is that correct?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. And "Bruce" being Bruce Graham; is that correct?

24 A. Right.

25 Q. Was there a meeting with SCA, Mr. McConaghy and

1 Mr. Graham?

2 A. I don't recall, but if it was, we would have had  
3 it reflected in our minutes.

4 Q. Had --

5 A. Excuse me. Let me add, there was meetings with  
6 these people. I don't know if it was individually or  
7 collectively. I only recall meetings with Mark  
8 McConaghy and Bruce Graham.

9 Q. Were those meetings related to the issue of  
10 being a tax-exempt or taxable entity?

11 A. No, I think they were more related to what I  
12 have listed under that first bullet point which says  
13 we wanted advice on, "Do we take our full amount, can  
14 we set aside the amount we waive in case we need to  
15 reimburse the estate, can we" and I didn't finish,  
16 because we went on -- sometimes they talk faster than  
17 I can write.

18 Q. Did that advice refer to compensation that the  
19 trustees were receiving?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Did it also relate to the fact that the  
22 compensation, trustee compensation bill had passed  
23 the legislature with the provision of reasonable  
24 compensation to take effect in 1999?

25 A. I don't know if that came up at that time or

1 not, because I don't know that the Governor had  
2 signed that bill or not.

3 Q. So at least you were concerned or there were  
4 questions raised as to whether or not the trustees  
5 should take the full amount of their compensation?

6 A. There were questions raised periodically  
7 regarding this.

8 Q. Under the Advice On bullet, it says, "Can we  
9 'set aside'?"

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Was that in reference to setting aside a portion  
12 of commissions?

13 A. Yes, because if you finish that, it says, "Can  
14 we 'set aside' the amount we waived in case we need  
15 to reimburse the estate."

16 Q. So that's all one concept?

17 A. That's one concept.

18 Q. Did you do that at any time?

19 A. Did we set aside anything?

20 Q. Yes.

21 A. No.

22 Q. Turn to page 14, please. Your notes on page 14  
23 of Exhibit 133 were taken on June 4, 1998, at a  
24 trustees meeting, correct?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. There's two numbered -- you have Agenda written  
2 there and then you have two things that are numbered  
3 and underscored; is that correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. The second one refers to intermediate dormitory  
6 renovation?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. And there's a note under there that says, "Put  
9 in a bill to the courts for instructions on CIP  
10 projects"?

11 A. Right.

12 Q. Was that in reference to a petition for  
13 instructions on capital improvement projects?

14 A. I can't remember what it was in reference to.

15 Q. Was there a need to obtain court approval on the  
16 utilization of funds for CIP projects?

17 A. There was never a need before, and that was part  
18 of the frustration, as I recall, that somebody  
19 suggested that we go to the Court to get approval on  
20 every single solitary thing we did and the trustees  
21 felt that the Court would be running the Estate if we  
22 had to go to them for every single solitary  
23 expenditure.

24 Q. There's a note right below that in your  
25 handwriting that says, "Let's move from this town"

1 with exclamation points?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. Is that part of that frustration?

4 A. That was a lot to do with that frustration.

5 Q. There's also a question raised, "Why are we  
6 getting so much negative press"?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. Is that also part of that frustration?

9 A. Yes, it is.

10 Q. Then your note below that, "We" -- meaning  
11 KSBE -- "are the only ones putting money in the  
12 town"?

13 A. Right.

14 Q. What did that refer to?

15 A. It referred to that the construction industry  
16 was really down and there was no construction work  
17 available, and a lot of construction workers that  
18 worked were doing work on our campus because we were  
19 renovating these dormitories in a systematic manner,  
20 and each renovation cost about 2.9 to \$3.1 million or  
21 thereabouts.

22 We were fixing the roads on campus, we were  
23 digging water wells. We were putting in new  
24 infrastructure. We were looking at rebuilding or had  
25 just renovated the Kekuhaopio Gym. We were going to

1 put in a swimming pool. We were looking at an entire  
2 athletic complex.

3 And in doing all this, in trying to stimulate  
4 the economy, knowing full well we needed to do the  
5 renovations and we were willing and we had the money,  
6 because they didn't have money prior to this to do  
7 this, we felt it was important for the students to  
8 have the best possible facilities they could have, we  
9 were getting blasted in the water.

10 Q. So despite the fact that KSBE was contributing  
11 to the Hawaii economy on the one hand, on the other  
12 hand in the press, there was a lot of bad press about  
13 KSBE?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. Below that note, it says "JP." Who does that  
16 refer to?

17 A. John Peterson.

18 Q. And Mr. Peterson is an employee with the Estate?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. What is his position?

21 A. He's an asset manager.

22 Q. There's a note following that that says, "KSBE's  
23 contribution is the difference between 'recession and  
24 depression'?"

25 A. That's correct, and that was his comment.

- 1 Q. His comment, okay, thank you.
- 2 A. And I have the quote on "recession and  
3 depression".
- 4 Q. If you turn to page 15, please, of Exhibit 133.  
5 Again, this page contains your notes from a trustees  
6 meeting on June 4, 1998, correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. There is a discussion noted on that page under  
9 Executive Session, correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. There was a proposed subsidiary reorganization  
12 plan discussed; is that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Would you briefly describe what that was?
- 15 A. We were looking at our subsidiaries being more  
16 efficient and making sure that they followed this,  
17 the three criteria noted here, that they had a valid  
18 business purpose, valid continuity of business  
19 enterprise, and valid continuity of shareholder  
20 interest, and we wanted to make sure that in each of  
21 the subsidiary organizations they de-reorganized, and  
22 that was per a handout that was given us.
- 23 Q. Then you have the word "discussion" underscored,  
24 correct?
- 25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. And there's a number 1 there that is circled.

2 It says, "Did we ever consider changing the trust to  
3 a non-profit corporation"?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Had that been done?

6 A. Had that been done? That was brought up.

7 MR. GIERLACH: Excuse me, it's vague and  
8 ambiguous.

9 BY MR. ING:

10 Q. Did the trustees consider at sometime changing  
11 the trust to a nonprofit corporation?

12 MR. GIERLACH: It's still vague and  
13 ambiguous.

14 A. Did we consider?

15 BY MR. ING:

16 Q. Yes.

17 A. No, we discussed, and we discussed it based on  
18 what Bishop Museum did, as I have in my notes. And  
19 then we said we were going to do this.

20 If you look at the second bullet, it said "okay"  
21 and then it's scratched out and it said, "Nathan will  
22 look into this and not come back to the board. We  
23 will form a non-profit in Delaware."

24 Unfortunately, I didn't scratch out the whole  
25 thing. But then we said, "No, we're not going to do

1       this." So the "okay" was removed and I scratched out  
2       the first part. I should have scratched out all the  
3       way down, "We will form a non-profit in Delaware,"  
4       because we weren't going to do this.

5       Q. But there was discussion about forming a  
6       nonprofit in Delaware?

7       A. This was all discussion. We felt it was  
8       important for us at every step of the way to discuss  
9       what was best for the Estate and to look at all  
10      options available to us and we discussed this and we  
11      said okay and we nixed it at the same time.

12      Q. The next bullet on page 15 of Exhibit 133 says  
13      Valuation and it's number 2 with a circle around the  
14      number 2, correct?

15      A. That's correct.

16      Q. And there was also a discussion on the valuation  
17      as it related to the reorganization; is that correct?

18      A. Yes, a reorganization of our subsidiaries. It  
19      goes right back up to the subsidiaries.

20      Q. In the reorganization of these subsidiaries, was  
21      the discussion of forming a Delaware nonprofit to  
22      oversee the subsidiaries?

23      A. Oh, I don't recall what it was for. I also  
24      don't recall spending very much time on that.

25      Q. If you could turn to page 17, please. Page 17

1 are your notes from an executive session of the Board  
2 of Trustees on July 23, 1998, correct?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. And at the lower half of the page, it says,  
5 "White paper on intermediate sanctions." Do you see  
6 that?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. What was that about?

9 A. There was a white paper done with regards to  
10 intermediate sanctions that gave, as I recall, some  
11 of the pros and the cons.

12 Colbert wanted this white paper and there was a  
13 discussion about giving it to him and we said we  
14 would give this to him. I don't remember what all  
15 was contained on the white paper.

16 Q. This was in connection with the Master's  
17 consolidated report; is that correct?

18 A. I'm not sure.

19 Q. "Colbert" refers to Colbert Matsumoto?

20 A. Yes, it does.

21 Q. Mr. Matsumoto was the Master for the 109th and  
22 110th and 111th Annual Accounts?

23 A. Yes, he was, but he went beyond his scope.

24 Q. In what way did he go beyond his scope?

25 A. He looked at other years other than 109, -10 and

1 -11.

2 Q. So from your recollection, the white paper was  
3 given or authorized to be given to Mr. Matsumoto?

4 A. That's what my notes say.

5 Q. Turn to page 18, please. These are your notes  
6 from an executive session of the Board of Trustees on  
7 September 17, 1998; is that correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. At the middle of the page, it says "intermediate  
10 sanctions"?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And there's a series of numbers there. What  
13 does that represent?

14 A. I don't remember at this time.

15 Q. Do you recall what the trustees were compensated  
16 during the fiscal year 1998?

17 A. No, I don't.

18 Q. Do you know whether the number is 900 or close  
19 to \$900,000?

20 A. I can't remember at this time.

21 Q. Right below the numbers is the name Sue  
22 Templeton?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Does that refer to Sue Temkin of Verner  
25 Liipfert?

1 A. Yes. You see I have the "spelling," because I  
2 didn't know if it was spelled correctly or not.

3 Q. The notes under her name, however, indicate that  
4 several matters were discussed and it begins with  
5 "safe harbor." Do you see that?

6 MR. GIERLACH: That misstates the document.

7 A. No, what it says was the time spent by Verner  
8 Liipfert was cut up to address safe harbor, state law  
9 footnote, compensation issues and the Lobbying  
10 Disclosure Act.

11 BY MR. ING:

12 Q. So what was that in reference to?

13 A. What they spent their time looking at with  
14 regards to the intermediate sanctions.

15 Q. And the "time" referred to the time the Verner  
16 Liipfert law firm spent?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. Were there allocations to these various areas  
19 that you have noted here, safe harbor, state law  
20 footnote, compensation issues, Lobbying Disclosure  
21 Act?

22 A. No, this is what they were actually doing, as I  
23 understand.

24 Q. But your note says the time was cut up to  
25 address those issues?

1 A. Because they --

2 Q. Is that correct?

3 A. That's correct, because they bill according to  
4 time spent, right, and so what we were told was that  
5 the time -- and I assume that means billable, but I'm  
6 not sure -- the time that they spent was cut up to  
7 address these issues, these four issues, at least  
8 these four.

9 And there was something else I was going to put  
10 there and I didn't finish and I scratched out was  
11 what they were looking at with regards to  
12 intermediate sanctions.

13 Q. But the safe harbor, state law footnote,  
14 compensation issues, Lobbying Disclosure Act all  
15 related to the intermediate sanctions efforts by  
16 Verner Liipfert?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. There's a number next to Lobbying Disclosure.  
19 It says 180,000 and six months. What does that refer  
20 to?

21 A. I can't remember.

22 Q. If you would turn to page 19, please. These  
23 notes were taken in executive session on September  
24 24, 1998; is that correct?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. There is a note up at the top that says, "The  
2 so-called 'lead trustee' system has been abolished";  
3 is that correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. And then the next sentence says, "A new estate  
6 CEO based management system will be instituted"?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. What does that refer to?

9 A. You see the number 14 before that, I believe  
10 that was Stipulation 14.

11 Q. Stipulation 14 of the Master's recommended  
12 stipulations?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Did the trustees intend to establish a CEO-based  
15 management system?

16 A. Under great duress, we were forced to sign off  
17 on the CEO management system.

18 Q. What was the form of the duress?

19 A. Whatever Colbert wants, Colbert got and that was  
20 absolutely clear to us. If we didn't, he got it any  
21 way.

22 Q. So the trustees agreed to institute a CEO-based  
23 management system; is that correct?

24 A. We were forced to agree to institute a CEO  
25 management system.

1 Q. The trustees were forced to agree to a CEO-based  
2 management system?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Turn to page 20. Your notes on page 20 are from  
5 an executive session of the Board of Trustees on  
6 October 6, 1998, correct?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. There's a title or a subtitle that says  
9 Supplemental Responses 9-16-98, correct?

10 A. Right.

11 Q. Is that a reference to the supplemental filing  
12 by the Master?

13 A. I'm not sure.

14 Q. There are several bullets below that. One says  
15 intermediate or refers to intermediate sanctions; is  
16 that correct?

17 A. Right.

18 Q. You note here is that Colbert thought that the  
19 whole \$900,000 was used to defend trustees'  
20 compensation; is that correct?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. Was there a review conducted at that time on the  
23 Master's supplemental report to the Probate Court?

24 A. Somebody must have been presenting this to us  
25 and this is what we were being told, and I would need

1 my other page to say who was in the meeting to  
2 refresh my memory as who was presenting this to us,  
3 because they were giving us this information and they  
4 were also telling us at a minimum we should say these  
5 things. So I'm not sure who was presenting this to  
6 us.

7 Q. If you would turn to page 22 of Exhibit 133,  
8 please. These were your notes from an executive  
9 session on November 12, 1998, correct?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. In the middle of the page, your notes indicate  
12 that compensation was discussed?

13 A. Right.

14 Q. What does your note there discuss?

15 A. On compensation?

16 Q. Yes.

17 A. "Federal law and state law addressing this.  
18 Federal law prevails. Federal law more specific."

19 Q. Did that relate to trustees' compensation?

20 A. I think it was compensation for trustees and  
21 PE's for the disqualified persons and I don't know  
22 who was presenting this to us either.

23 Q. However, if you were to examine the minutes of  
24 the meeting on November 12, 1998, that may refresh  
25 your recollection?

1                   MR. GIERLACH: Calls for speculation.  
2           They're not before her.  
3           BY MR. ING:  
4           Q.    What would you need to refer to to refresh your  
5           recollection as to who was present?  
6           A.    Maybe the other pages of my notebooks and/or the  
7           minutes. But note also at the bottom of the page, I  
8           have "disqualified persons." So it ties in under  
9           compensation and also the Stipulation No. 15.  
10          Q.    Did that refer to compensation plan?  
11          A.    I don't know. I don't have the stipulation  
12          before me.  
13          Q.    Would you take a look at page 23 of Exhibit 133,  
14          please. These are also your notes from executive  
15          session of the Board of Trustees on November 12,  
16          1998, correct?  
17          A.    That's correct.  
18          Q.    These notes also indicate a discussion regarding  
19          intermediate sanctions; is that correct?  
20          A.    That's correct.  
21          Q.    In the middle of the page, there's a reference  
22          to January 1, 1999. Do you see that?  
23          A.    Yes.  
24          Q.    You have notes below that, correct?  
25          A.    Yes.

1 Q. What does that refer to?

2 A. I guess there was a presentation made to us  
3 regarding the rules and regulations regarding  
4 intermediate sanctions, because there were no rules  
5 and regulations promulgated, which is why we've been  
6 having, we were having such a very difficult time  
7 with intermediate sanctions.

8 We were told by whomever that the intermediate  
9 sanctions rules and regulations should be decided by  
10 the middle of 1999, and we were in 1998, trying to  
11 guess what these things were.

12 And then it comes down to January 1st, 1999,  
13 where they talk about -- whoever was presenting it to  
14 us said that the state law kicked in and said the  
15 major trust companies are taking the money that they  
16 think is reasonable and will be prepared to refund  
17 any of it later per the Court.

18 What the major trust companies did was just to,  
19 as I recall, was just to take what they were already  
20 getting per the state law until such time as we knew  
21 what the rules and regulations were and what  
22 "reasonable" meant.

23 Q. Down at the bottom, there's a reference to the  
24 SCA study; is that correct?

25 A. Well, it goes back to the intermediate sanctions

1       and it says it kicks -- they're going to have -- I  
2       have in my notes, "Eventually intermediate sanctions  
3       kicks in around mid-'99." And then the interim  
4       period starts January 1, 1999, and what it says is,  
5       "What we have is a SCA study."

6       Q.   If you could turn to page 24 of your notes,  
7       which follow from the previous page; is that correct?

8       A.   That's correct.

9       Q.   Again, this is taken during the course of an  
10       executive session on November 12, 1998, correct?

11       A.   That's correct.

12       Q.   Your notes indicate that the SCA study may solve  
13       state problems but not the fed's sanction. Do you  
14       see that?

15       A.   That's correct.

16       Q.   What is that in reference to?

17       A.   Whoever was presenting this to us was saying  
18       that the SCA study may solve the state problems, but  
19       not the fed sanctions. And nobody knew what the fed  
20       sanctions would be based upon, because they didn't  
21       have any rules and regulations. And then the next  
22       thing --

23               MR. GIERLACH: Wait for him to ask you a  
24       question.

25               THE WITNESS: Okay.

1 BY MR. ING:

2 Q. The next thing in the middle of the page, it  
3 says, "Suggestion use marketable compensation." Do  
4 you see that, and it's underscored?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. Would you read your notes below that, please?

7 A. It says, "Why wouldn't other trustees  
8 compensation, i.e., Campbell Estate be part of  
9 'reasonableness'. Court ordered us to have a study  
10 every three years regarding compensation."

11 Q. Did the discussion suggest using the SCA study  
12 to defend what was reasonable compensation after  
13 January 1, 1999?

14 MR. GIERLACH: I object. The only  
15 foundation is there's been a presentation and not a  
16 discussion.

17 BY MR. ING:

18 Q. Was there a discussion, Mrs. Lindsey, about  
19 using the SCA study to defend compensation following  
20 January 1, 1999?

21 A. At this meeting?

22 Q. Yes.

23 A. I don't recall.

24 Q. At any time?

25 A. It was used in part. As I recall, the SCA study

1 was only one portion of the discussion, of a  
2 discussion, and the reason is that there were many,  
3 many other factors, including state law, and we were  
4 following the laws of the land up until December  
5 31st, 1998.

6 MR. ING: This might be an appropriate time  
7 to take a break.

8 (Recess from 11:45 to 11:53 a.m.)

9 BY MR. ING:

10 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, could you turn to page 28, please,  
11 of Exhibit 133. Your notes at page 28 were taken on  
12 December 17, 1998, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. There is a series of numbers on that page  
15 beginning with 4, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What is the note numbered 4 on page 28 of  
18 Exhibit 133?

19 A. It says, "December 16, 1998, memo to trustees  
20 from Nathan."

21 Q. And it says, "Attached - Mark McConaghy's." And  
22 then it says, "Reference meeting with Janet Hughes in  
23 Seattle"; is that correct?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. Then below that, it says "proposes revocation"?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. What was that in reference to?

3 A. I'm not sure. I'd have to see what the memo  
4 says.

5 Q. Did Mark McConaghy brief the trustees in late  
6 December 1998 as to what IRS was thinking about doing  
7 with respect to its audit?

8 MR. GIERLACH: You mean personally?

9 Personally or threw a memo or writing?

10 BY MR. ING:

11 Q. In any way, whether a conference call or  
12 personally or through a memo.

13 A. I don't recall when he did it.

14 Q. Did IRS subsequently propose revocation of the  
15 KSBE exempt status?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. If you would turn to page 29 of Exhibit 133,  
18 please. These are also notes taken on December 17,  
19 1998, correct?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. You have on this page of your notes the word  
22 "compensation" underscored?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Below that it says, "Stay within a range of  
25 3-1/2 to 5-1/2 per SCA studies." Do you see that?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. What does that refer to?
- 3 A. I don't recall at this time.
- 4 Q. Then it says, "Trustees will stay with status  
5 quo"?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. Is that in reference to trustees' compensation?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. What was the status quo at that time?
- 10 A. What state law said.
- 11 Q. What did the state law say?
- 12 A. I can't quote it specifically, but it gives the  
13 percentage amount the trustees can take as  
14 compensation in several areas.
- 15 Q. Roughly that approximates two percent; is that  
16 correct?
- 17 A. Roughly.
- 18 Q. And that's two percent of the revenue received  
19 during the course of the year?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. So was a decision made for the trustees to stay  
22 with what they had been receiving for the past year?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. In terms of the trustees' compensation, trustees  
25 were provided with a memo from Wally Chin each month

1 showing what the trustees would receive in  
2 commissions for the prior month; is that correct?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Did the trustees receive this each month?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Were the checks for trustees' commissions cut  
7 based upon the numbers and figures shown in those  
8 monthly summaries?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Turn to page 30 of Exhibit 133, please. Page 30  
11 is a copy of handwritten notes from December 23,  
12 1998, correct?

13 A. That's correct.

14 Q. At the middle of that page, you have  
15 "intermediate sanctions" underscored, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What was the discussion regarding intermediate  
18 sanctions or what does your note refer to as it  
19 relates to intermediate sanctions?

20 MR. GIERLACH: Again, my objection is to  
21 foundation as to whether there was a discussion or a  
22 presentation.

23 A. I think this was some of the areas that were  
24 being presented to us by someone and I would need the  
25 rest of my notes to determine who that someone was.

1 BY MR. ING:

2 Q. At the bottom of page 30, there is the word  
3 "trustee compensation" and it's underscored, correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. What does that note refer to?

6 A. That it was filed in court, Bishop Estate is the  
7 biggest and best organized, and other trusts may be  
8 looking for us to take the lead.

9 Q. If you could turn to page 31. Up at the top, is  
10 that a continuation of the prior note?

11 A. I'm not sure. It may be.

12 Q. At the bottom of page 31 -- page 31 is, however,  
13 a copy of your notes taken on December 23, 1998,  
14 correct?

15 A. Right.

16 Q. At the bottom, it says, "CEO issue versus  
17 strategic plan"; is that correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Can you review your note there and tell me what  
20 that discusses?

21 A. What it does -- I don't believe we were  
22 discussing this. I believe somebody was presenting  
23 this to us. However, I'm not sure.

24 Q. What does it --

25 A. It says, "CEO issue versus strategic plan.

1       Should it be postponed or should we have a CEO on an  
2       interim basis - strong management structure for an  
3       estate."

4       Q.    Did this refer to the agreement that was forced  
5       upon the trustees regarding the CEO-based management  
6       structure?

7       A.    That's correct.

8       Q.    What, if anything, had been done to implement a  
9       CEO-based management structure at least as of the end  
10      of the year 1998?

11      A.    We were looking at strategic planning, and it  
12      says it right above.  In strategic planning, we were  
13      looking at the CEO issue.

14            It says, "CEO issue versus strategic plan."  And  
15      the question was do we put in a CEO before you have a  
16      strategic plan or do you have a strategic plan before  
17      you put in a CEO.

18      Q.    Was any decision made along that regard?

19      A.    No, this was presented to us as something we  
20      should consider.

21      Q.    But either prior to that or subsequently, did  
22      the trustees ever make a decision as to whether they  
23      should proceed with hiring a CEO prior to completion  
24      of strategic planning or to proceed with completing  
25      strategic planning and then retaining a CEO?

1 A. I don't remember when we made a decision on  
2 that.

3 Q. Turn to page 33, please. Page 33 contains your  
4 notes taken on January 14, 1999, correct?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. And this was in an executive session?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Of the Board of Trustees?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. You have a note there "Nathan"; is that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Was Nathan doing the presentation?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Were you taking notes of the presentation made  
15 by Nathan Aipa?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Apparently there was a series of charts, as you  
18 have "chart No. 1" off to the left side of that,  
19 correct?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. During this presentation, was Nathan discussing  
22 the 5701s that had been received by the Estate?

23 A. Nathan shared with us at this time he got the  
24 5701s on January 4th, 1999, as stated in my notes,  
25 and he told us these were the steps that would be

1 taken to respond to the 5701s.

2 Q. If you could look at page 34, please. This is a  
3 continuation of your notes from page 33; is that  
4 correct?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. Would you look at page 35 and 36 as well. These  
7 pages are also a continuation of your notes at that  
8 same executive session on January 14, 1999, correct?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. These notes continue on to page 37 as well,  
11 correct?

12 A. Yes, 37.

13 Q. Thirty-seven, yes. Page 38 also reflects your  
14 notes of January 14, 1999, correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. In this case, you have "Henry" underscored. Is  
17 that Henry Peters?

18 A. Yes, it is.

19 Q. So were you taking notes of what he was  
20 reporting or saying to the Board?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Below that there is "Jerry". Does that refer to  
23 Jerry Jervis?

24 A. Yes, it does.

25 Q. You have noted down his comments at that

1 meeting; is that correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. If you could look at pages 39 through 45 of  
4 Exhibit 133 and tell me whether those were notes that  
5 were also taken during the executive session on  
6 January 14, 1999?

7 A. Thirty-nine to what page?

8 Q. Forty-five.

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Just so that the record is clear, Mrs. Lindsey,  
11 pages 39 through 45 of Exhibit 133 are also your  
12 notes taken at the executive session of the Board of  
13 Trustees conducted on January 14, 1999; is that  
14 correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. Could you look at pages 46, 47 and 48 of  
17 Exhibit 133 and tell me whether these notes of yours  
18 were taken on January 20, 1999?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. These notes relate to conflict of interest of  
21 the Incumbent Trustees as it related to the IRS  
22 audit; is that correct?

23 A. Can you repeat the question?

24 Q. Do the notes reflected on pages 46, 47 and 48 of  
25 Exhibit 133 refer to a conflict of interest of the

1 Incumbent Trustees as it related to the IRS audit?

2 A. Can I speak to him outside?

3 Q. Yes.

4 (Recess from 12:09 to 12:11 p.m.)

5 A. Can you repeat the question one more time?

6 BY MR. ING:

7 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, do your notes on pages 46, 47 and  
8 48 of Exhibit 133 refer to a conflict of interest of  
9 the Incumbent Trustees as it related to the IRS  
10 audit?

11 A. It refers to a discussion of the conflict of  
12 interest.

13 Q. You note on page 46 that, "Mark and Nathan  
14 declared a conflict on Thursday, January 14, 1999;"  
15 correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And that "Mark" refers to Mark McConaghy?

18 A. That's correct.

19 Q. And "Nathan" refers to Nathan Aipa?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. Did they advise the Board of Trustees on January  
22 14, 1999, that they believed there was a conflict of  
23 interest between the Board of Trustees and the  
24 handling of the IRS audit?

25 A. No.

1 Q. Would you take a look at your second bullet on  
2 page 46 of Exhibit 133?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Would you read that bullet, please?

5 A. It says, "Mark and Nathan declared a conflict on  
6 Thursday, January 14, 1999."

7 Q. What does that refer to?

8 A. Colbert informed us that Nathan and Mark said  
9 there was a conflict on January 14th, 1999. We had  
10 no idea a conflict had been declared.

11 Q. Could you read the bottom section of that same  
12 bullet on page 46?

13 A. It says, "Nathan said there is definitely a  
14 conflict; there are varying degrees of conflict as it  
15 applies to individual trustees and its global."

16 Q. Again, does that note refer to a conflict of  
17 interest between the Board of Trustees and the  
18 handling of the IRS audit?

19 A. There was a discussion on it, yes.

20 Q. At the top of page 47 of Exhibit 133, it says  
21 "Nathan" underscored. Does that mean that Nathan was  
22 the speaker?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Under that, it says, "Trustees are the ones to  
25 determine conflict"; is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. What was that in reference to?
- 3 A. That's in reference to us.
- 4 Q. Was that Nathan speaking or is that your note?
- 5 A. Usually, when I put the name at the top
- 6 underlined, it's Nathan speaking.
- 7 Q. So that's the first bullet. The second bullet
- 8 says, "Proposed sanctions of the IRS are adverse to
- 9 the Estate." Do you see that?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. Is that Nathan speaking again?
- 12 A. I believe so.
- 13 Q. And then there are four sub-bullets below that;
- 14 is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Those are references to areas that are adverse
- 17 to the Estate?
- 18 A. Yes, they are.
- 19 Q. Would you read those, please?
- 20 A. "Unreasonable compensation, private inurement,
- 21 private benefits, primary process, and admissions
- 22 policy."
- 23 Q. Turn to page 48, please. There are additional
- 24 bullets that refer to private benefits, primary
- 25 purpose, and primary purpose again; is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Were you taking notes of what Nathan was  
3 presenting?
- 4 A. I believe that's what I was doing. Just to  
5 verify it, I would have to have the other pages to  
6 show who was there and who was speaking.
- 7 Q. Referring to the other pages of your notes?
- 8 A. Yes, or to the minutes.
- 9 Q. Under Private Benefits, it says, "Giving  
10 contracts to benefit outsiders." Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. What was your understanding as to what that  
13 referred to?
- 14 A. I don't remember at this time.
- 15 Q. If you could turn to page 49 of Exhibit 133,  
16 please. These are notes taken at a trustees meeting  
17 on April 22, 1999, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. At the bottom, it says "Rodney". Does that  
20 refer to Rodney Park?
- 21 A. Yes, it does.
- 22 Q. What does your note below Rodney indicate?
- 23 A. It indicated we stipulated that we would have a  
24 CEO in place. We filed a petition with the Court  
25 asking for it and then 90-day extension.

1 Q. As of April 22, 1999, what had been done by the  
2 trustees to comply with the forced stipulation to  
3 establish a CEO-based management structure?

4 A. We had to write up an RFP, as I recall, or some  
5 position paper and we had to get the approval of the  
6 Master and the Attorney General before we could go  
7 forward.

8 And we kept going back and forth with the Master  
9 and the Attorney General and they wouldn't approve it  
10 or one would approve and one would make corrections  
11 and the other would not approve it. So we were in  
12 this Catch 22 for a long period of time and we were  
13 not able to meet the deadlines, which is why we asked  
14 for an extension.

15 Q. Had anything else been done?

16 A. I believe we contacted Korn-Ferry to start a  
17 search and we had some things in place that also had  
18 to be approved and we were really in a Catch 22.

19 Q. Is page 50 a continuation from page 49 of your  
20 notes taken at the Board of Trustees meeting on April  
21 22, 1999?

22 A. Yes, it is.

23 Q. On that page, you note that Henry spoke up  
24 regarding the management audit and the CEO-based  
25 structure; is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. And that refers to Henry Peters?
- 3 A. Yes, but he was explaining Holders' testimony  
4 regarding the management audit.
- 5 Q. And who was Holder?
- 6 A. He was an expert that was brought in to testify  
7 on this issue, as I recall.
- 8 Q. At the hearing that was before Judge Hirai?
- 9 A. I'm not sure what judge it was before.
- 10 Q. If you could turn to page 51. This is also a  
11 continuation of your notes of the trustees meeting on  
12 April 22, 1999, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Would you take a look at the upper half of page  
15 51 of Exhibit 133 and tell me what that refers to?
- 16 A. Because we were still in limbo with regards to  
17 the 90-day extension, we wanted to meet with Bruce  
18 Graham regarding deferral of the CEO issue until the  
19 plan, the strategic plan is completed and Rodney to  
20 talk to Korn-Ferry regarding the CEO job description.
- 21 Q. Had you received a job description for a CEO as  
22 of April 22, 1999?
- 23 A. I'm not sure when we received it, but I know  
24 that that also had to be approved by the AG and the  
25 Master and we had problems with getting that

1 approval.

2 Q. Would you take a look at pages 52, and the next  
3 page is not numbered, the page following 52. I  
4 wonder if you could take a look at that page and  
5 verify it.

6 A. Fifty-two?

7 Q. No, the page following 52.

8 A. It has no number.

9 MR. GIERLACH: Right.

10 BY MR. ING:

11 Q. Why don't we just label that as 52-A. If you  
12 could take a look at page 52 and 52-A, 53, 54, 55,  
13 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 and tell me if those were your  
14 notes taken at an executive session of the Board of  
15 Trustees on April 27, 1999?

16 A. Yes, except that I believe the 60 and 61 is  
17 4-29-99.

18 Q. So the --

19 A. I mean 60, and that may have been just a mistake  
20 on my part, but I'm not sure unless I see the book.

21 Q. Page 60 indicates 4-29-99; is that correct?

22 A. Yes, it does.

23 Q. Up at the top. That may be a mistake or it may  
24 be accurate?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. But 60 was either taken on April 27th or April  
2 29th, 1999?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Anyway, the executive session that was held on  
5 April 27, at least according to your notes, involved  
6 a discussion about the IRS's position that the  
7 trustees be removed; is that correct?

8 A. I believe this was a presentation to us, not a  
9 discussion.

10 Q. A presentation was being given by Mr. Hare?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. If you could refer to pages 63 through 73 of  
13 Exhibit 133. Are those pages of your notes taken  
14 during a Board of Trustees meeting in executive  
15 session on April 29, 1999?

16 A. What is the last page you cited?

17 Q. Seventy-three.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And these notes reflect a discussion of Mr.  
20 Stender's filing, as well as the Master's report  
21 regarding IRS's position that the trustees resign or  
22 be removed?

23 MR. GIERLACH: Lacks foundation.

24 BY MR. ING:

25 Q. Is that correct?

1 A. Could you repeat the question?

2 Q. Yes. Take a look at page 63 first. Up at the

3 top it says Discussion underscored; is that correct?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. It says, "Number 1, Oz's filing"?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. That refers to a filing made by Mr. Stender

8 regarding the IRS position?

9 A. Right.

10 Q. And, number 2, it says "compensation issue"?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. "Will accept 600,000 as a salary." What does

13 that refer to?

14 A. Oz's filing.

15 Q. Take a look at page 64. Your note says

16 Executive Session. Below that it says, "Discussion:

17 Masters report"?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Do those notes reflect the discussion regarding

20 the Master's report on the IRS's position that the

21 trustees resign or be removed?

22 A. I think this says, "Discussion: Masters report,"

23 but it says, "Same agency" -- referring to the IRS --

24 "that had to apologize to the American people for its

25 abusive tactics."

1           And then again, "Same agency" -- referring to  
2           the IRS -- "that accused us of discrimination and  
3           threatened us with revocation of tax-exempt status."

4           I don't know if it really came under the heading  
5           of Masters Report or just the IRS.

6           Q.   But if you look at page 65, you have various  
7           headings on there: "Jerry" and then followed by  
8           "Henry" and then followed by "Jerry"?

9           A.   That's correct.

10          Q.   That would reflect in the way in which you take  
11          notes a discussion by these individuals; is that  
12          correct?

13          A.   Right.

14          Q.   And you are recording here statements by Mr.  
15          Jervis and then by Mr. Peters and then by Mr. Jervis;  
16          is that correct?

17          A.   That's correct. And I'm convinced that 4-29 on  
18          this other one belongs in here, that page 60 is out  
19          of context.

20          Q.   So page 60 of Exhibit 133 should go where?

21          A.   I don't know, but I think we need to verify it  
22          with my steno pads.

23          Q.   We'll do that at the time of trial. You will  
24          have your original steno pad with you at the time of  
25          trial.

1           If you would just look at pages 65 through 73  
2           and tell me whether your notes for those pages of  
3           Exhibit 133 reflect the discussion about the Master's  
4           filing and IRS's position regarding the removal  
5           and/or resignation of trustees?

6           A.   I don't believe it only included the removal  
7           and/or resignation of trustees.

8           Q.   What else was included in the discussion?

9           A.   We talked about process and procedure. We  
10          talked about Oz's filing. We talked about what is it  
11          the IRS can or cannot do. We talked about Verner  
12          Liipfert, and we talked about who should coordinate  
13          this, and we talked about the revocation and we  
14          talked about who was or who was not at a meeting on  
15          April 19th.

16          And we talked about whether or not the -- we  
17          talked about the IRS suspending communication with us  
18          and whether or not Carroll Taylor was at the meeting  
19          and our decision regarding Bruce Graham and  
20          McCorriston. And Bruce Graham also made a  
21          presentation to us. That's it.

22          Q.   At the end of that discussion, it was decided  
23          that Mr. Graham and Mr. McCorriston would handle the  
24          matter for the trustees; is that correct?

25          A.   Not at the end of the discussion.

1 Q. Or as part of the discussion?

2 A. It was decided prior to Bruce Graham making a  
3 presentation to us. So maybe it was the end of the  
4 discussion.

5 Q. If you could look at page 70, please. At the  
6 bottom of that page, it says, "Trustees decided"  
7 underscored?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And then it says Bruce Graham and McCorriston  
10 would handle the matter; is that correct?

11 A. They would prepare a document to file.

12 Q. That would be a document filed with the Probate  
13 Court?

14 A. I'm not sure if it's the Probate Court or with  
15 the IRS at this time.

16 Q. Do you recall whether the trustees filed  
17 anything with the Probate Court after April 29, 1999  
18 and prior to May 7, 1999?

19 A. I don't recall.

20 (Mr. Miyagi enters deposition room.)

21 BY MR. ING:

22 Q. Would you refer to pages 78 through 83, please.

23 Are your notes reflected in pages 78 through 83  
24 of Exhibit 133 taken at a trustees meeting on May 4,  
25 1999?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Part of the agenda for that day involved the
- 3 Charles Reed Bishop Trust; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. If you could refer to page 81, please, in that
- 6 series. At the bottom of that page, your note says,
- 7 "Concern raised, re: Should we waive our
- 8 commissions." Do you see that?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Was that a reference to the trustees' commission
- 11 for the year 1999?
- 12 A. No, it was a reference to the trustees'
- 13 commissions from the Charles Reed Trust.
- 14 Q. Did the trustees decide to waive those
- 15 commissions?
- 16 A. I don't recall.
- 17 Q. Page 82 of Exhibit 133, there's a reference to
- 18 Governance in the middle of the page, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And the trustees approved the beginning of a
- 21 search for an internal auditor; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Is that approval on that particular day? In
- 24 other words, was that approval made on May 4, 1999?
- 25 A. I think so.

- 1 Q. After that it says "expedite". What does that  
2 refer to?
- 3 A. To do it in a hurry.
- 4 Q. Why was that?
- 5 A. I don't remember.
- 6 Q. Turn to the top of page 83, please. Again, this  
7 is in reference to your notes taken during the course  
8 of an executive session on May 4, 1999, correct?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. Up at the top of that page, it says "Oz"?
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. There's some quoted remarks; is that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Would you read that, please?
- 15 A. "It's too bad we are going through all of this,  
16 but the IRS is going to do this to us. They are  
17 going to take us out on excessive compensation."
- 18 Q. That was in reference to statements made by Mr.  
19 Stender?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Below there's a reference to "Henry" and that's  
22 Henry Peters, correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. What was his statement?
- 25 A. He said, "It's good that we earn commissions and

- 1 not a salary."
- 2 Q. Did he explain that?
- 3 A. I don't recall.
- 4 Q. Below that there's another statement. Would you
- 5 read that?
- 6 A. "None of this is fair - they keep on doing it to
- 7 us."
- 8 Q. Was that your statement?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Whose statement was that?
- 11 A. I think it's Henry's.
- 12 Q. Turn to page 84 and 85. These notes were taken
- 13 on May 5th, 1999, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Would you turn to page 86. If you could look at
- 16 pages 86, 87, 88. Were your notes on those pages of
- 17 Exhibit 133 during the course of an executive session
- 18 of the Board of Trustees on May 6, 1999?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. At the bottom of page 86, you have "CEO issue"
- 21 underscored?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And there's a discussion about Gil Tam; is that
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. Did the trustees decide during the course of  
2 that meeting to offer Gil Tam an interim position as  
3 a CEO?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Whose idea was that?

6 A. It had been talked about before, but I brought  
7 it up as an issue on that day.

8 Q. Had you at that time received the description of  
9 the CEO position from Korn-Ferry?

10 A. I don't remember.

11 Q. Did the trustees have before them at that  
12 meeting on May 6, 1999 a position description of a  
13 CEO or an interim CEO?

14 A. I don't recall.

15 Q. When you look for a CEO candidate, what  
16 qualities and/or qualifications do you look for?

17 A. We asked Korn-Ferry to come up with a job  
18 description for us and he listed down -- they were  
19 going to do this initial search. Our frustration was  
20 trying to be in compliance with the Court.

21 Q. But what qualifications did you look for when  
22 hiring an interim CEO or a CEO?

23 A. What qualifications did we look for when hiring  
24 an interim CEO which is what we are discussing, was  
25 someone who new the organization, someone who had

1       experience in all facets of business, someone who  
2       could come in and take over for a short period of  
3       time only until we could pick a CEO per the job  
4       descriptions that had all of the qualifications that  
5       we needed.

6       Q.   With respect to the permanent position of CEO,  
7       were you relying upon Korn-Ferry to come up with a  
8       description of the position?

9       A.   To some degree, because they would give us draft  
10      copies and we would make our input, as they did with  
11      the asset manager. Korn-Ferry would come in and  
12      interview us as a group and then individually and  
13      then we would all have our input and come up with a  
14      draft.

15      Q.   Were you also relying upon Korn-Ferry to come up  
16      with recommended qualifications for CEO candidates?

17      A.   I think we were going to put in some of our  
18      recommended qualifications and they would bring to  
19      the table some of theirs.

20      Q.   From that, you would come up with a final set of  
21      qualifications?

22      A.   Yes.

23      Q.   What were your ideas about what a qualified CEO  
24      candidate is?

25      A.   What were my ideas personally?

1 Q. Yes.

2 A. I personally felt that a qualified CEO should be  
3 able to implement the strategic plan. I personally  
4 felt that the strategic plan should be in place  
5 before we hired a CEO, that it is important to know  
6 where we were going to go, what we were going to do,  
7 and make sure that person fit what our, what we  
8 wanted to accomplish in, say, five years, 10 years  
9 based on the strategic planning document.

10 Q. Did a CEO candidate need to have other  
11 qualifications besides the ability to comply with or  
12 carry out a strategic plan?

13 A. It depends on what the strategic plan called  
14 for.

15 Q. In what sense? Would you explain that, please.

16 A. For example, if the strategic plan was a plan  
17 just to maintain what was in place at that time, then  
18 you would look for a CEO that could maintain what was  
19 in place.

20 If you had a very aggressive strategic plan  
21 which said to expand real estate investments so that  
22 they met certain benchmarks or criteria, you would  
23 look for someone who was successful in this arena.

24 If you were, the strategic plan called for an  
25 expansion of the educational models throughout the

1 state and maybe even include the mainland areas where  
2 there's a population of Hawaiians, you would look for  
3 a CEO who had these qualifications.

4 Q. As of May 1999, what did the strategic plan  
5 call for as it related to senior management of the  
6 Estate?

7 MR. GIERLACH: The strategic plan speaks for  
8 itself.

9 BY MR. ING:

10 Q. You may answer, if you understand the question.

11 A. We were still in the process of having a  
12 completed comprehensive strategic plan.

13 Q. A strategic plan at least as of that date had  
14 not been completed; is that correct?

15 A. We had completed an educational strategic plan.  
16 We were in the process of putting the other parts to  
17 it.

18 Q. Parts to a strategic plan for the Estate as a  
19 whole; is that correct?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. Was any other candidate considered for the  
22 interim CEO position besides Mr. Tam?

23 A. Not at that meeting.

24 Q. Was anyone else considered for the interim CEO  
25 position at any time besides Mr. Tam?

- 1 A. I don't recall.
- 2 Q. You apparently called Mr. Tam to extend him an  
3 offer; is that correct?
- 4 A. I was -- I asked him if he would be willing to  
5 come. I didn't extend him an offer. And I asked  
6 him, if he were willing to come, what would be the  
7 criteria that he would accept and that's what I took  
8 to the Board.
- 9 Q. Did you offer a position to Mr. Tam?
- 10 A. Did I offer it?
- 11 Q. On behalf of the Board.
- 12 A. I don't think I made that call. I'm not sure.
- 13 Q. Did the Board offer a position, the interim CEO  
14 position to Mr. Tam?
- 15 A. The Board voted four-to-one to offer Mr. Tam the  
16 interim CEO position to be in compliance with the  
17 court order.
- 18 Q. Was it the Board's understanding that if it made  
19 that offer to Mr. Tam that it would be in compliance  
20 with the Court's order?
- 21 A. It was the Board's position, yes, per advice  
22 from our attorneys.
- 23 Q. I take it that the Board followed that advice?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Who was the attorney that gave the Board that

1 advice?

2 A. I don't recall if it was Nathan or Bruce, but  
3 there was discussions with them.

4 Q. So either Nathan or Bruce in your mind advised  
5 the Board that if they hired an interim CEO, it would  
6 be in compliance with the Court's forced stipulation  
7 regarding the CEO-based management system?

8 A. When our 90-day extension was turned down, then  
9 we wanted a two-week extension to try to come up with  
10 an interim CEO, per my notes, and that was not  
11 granted. The judge wouldn't hear it because it was a  
12 stipulation -- I mean it was a status conference.

13 We were between a rock and a hard place and the  
14 discussion that we could be in compliance if we did  
15 this.

16 Q. The Board could be in compliance if it hired  
17 Mr. Tam as an interim CEO?

18 A. If we hired an interim CEO. Mr. Tam was a  
19 result of that, as I recall.

20 Q. So the Board's conclusion as a result of those  
21 discussions and the inability to get any further  
22 extensions was that if the Board hired an interim  
23 CEO, it would be in compliance?

24 A. Yes, that's correct.

25 MR. ING: Off the record.

1 (Discussion off the record.)

2 (Luncheon recess from 12:51 to 1:32 p.m.)

3 (Mr. Miyagi is no longer present.)

4 MR. ING: I'd like to have the next exhibit  
5 marked as Exhibit 134. These have page numbers as  
6 well, which have been put on by my office, pages 89  
7 through 116.

8 The next exhibit I'd like to have marked is  
9 Exhibit 135. Exhibit 135 also has page numbers which  
10 have been marked at the bottom right-hand corner by  
11 my office, 117 through 132.

12 I'd like to mark the next exhibit as  
13 Exhibit 136. Exhibit 136 consists of pages in the  
14 lower right-hand corner marked 133 through 135.

15 I'd like to mark the next exhibit as 137.  
16 Exhibit 137 consists of pages 136 through 138.

17 I'd like to mark the next exhibit as 138.  
18 Exhibit 138 consists of pages 139 through 145.

19 I'd like to mark the next exhibit 139.  
20 Exhibit 139 consists of pages 146 through 149.

21 I'd like to mark the next exhibit 140.  
22 Exhibit 140 consists of pages 150 through 165.

23 I'd like to mark the next exhibit as 141.  
24 Exhibit 141 consists of pages 166 through 169.

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1 (Exhibit No. 134 marked  
2 for identification.)

3 BY MR. ING:

4 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, could you take a look first at  
5 what has been marked as Exhibit 134. For the record,  
6 if you could refer to the one that has been marked by  
7 the court reporter, please.

8 A. All right.

9 Q. I will represent to you that we obtained  
10 Exhibit 134 from your documents that were made  
11 available to us at Mr. Gierlach's office.

12 I want you to take a look at Exhibit 134. I'm  
13 not going to ask you detailed questions about it, but  
14 see if you recall receiving these documents.

15 A. Do I recall receiving them? No, I don't.

16 Q. If you could look at page 90 of Exhibit 134.

17 Earlier in your testimony, you indicated that  
18 Mr. Peters had submitted testimony on the trustee  
19 compensation bill that was before the Hawaii  
20 legislature during the 1998 session. Do you recall  
21 that?

22 A. I believe I said he testified, but if I didn't,  
23 that's what I meant, that he testified.

24 Q. Could you take a look at pages 90, 91 and 92 of  
25 Exhibit 134. You have seen Mr. Peters' signature, of

1 course?

2 A. Oh, yes.

3 Q. If you could look at page 92, does that appear  
4 to be his signature?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Did Mr. Peters tell you that he would be  
7 testifying before the Hawaii legislature or  
8 submitting testimony regarding the trustees'  
9 compensation?

10 A. I don't remember him telling us.

11 Q. Would you take a look at these pages and see if  
12 that refreshes your recollection as to whether or not  
13 you've seen the copy of testimony prepared by Mr.  
14 Peters?

15 A. I may have.

16 Q. Did you attend any of the legislative committee  
17 meetings regarding the trustee compensation bill?

18 A. No, I don't believe I did.

19 Q. Earlier when we were looking at Exhibit 133, I  
20 had asked you about a House bill on page 1 of  
21 Exhibit 133, House Bill 2362, House Draft 1, and you  
22 indicated that you could not recall whether that  
23 related to trustee compensation; is that correct?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. If you could look at page 93 of Exhibit 134

1 through 98 and tell me if that refreshes your  
2 recollection regarding House Bill 2362?

3 A. It says it's a bill for an act related to  
4 charitable trusts.

5 Q. And did that bill address trustees'  
6 compensation?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Did Nam Snow provide you with copies of House  
9 Bill 2362?

10 A. I'm not sure, but she may have.

11 Q. She did provide trustees with reports from time  
12 to time in the spring of 1998 regarding the progress  
13 of that bill through the legislature; is that  
14 correct?

15 A. She provided reports on the progress of all  
16 bills that affected us.

17 Q. Included among those bills was House Bill 2362,  
18 correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Is it your testimony that she may have provided  
21 you with copies of that document?

22 A. She may have, but I'm not sure.

23 Q. If you could take a look at page 100 of  
24 Exhibit 134. In the left-hand corner, there's a note  
25 that says "file." Is that your handwriting?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Would that refresh your recollection as to  
3 whether or not you received pages 100 and 101 of  
4 Exhibit 134?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. If you could look at page 114 of Exhibit 134.  
7 On page 114 in the upper left-hand corner, it  
8 has the word "file" written on it. Is that your  
9 handwriting?

10 A. Yes, it is.

11 Q. Was it your practice to write the word "file"  
12 when you received documents and you wanted those  
13 filed?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. So you would have given this to your secretary,  
16 Emilia?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. And she would have filed it?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Do you recall having a file on trustee  
21 compensation bill that was in the legislature in  
22 1998?

23 A. Not a file on trustee compensation bill per se.

24 Q. How about a file on House Bill 2362?

25 A. No, a file on government relations.

1 Q. You would have filed it under government  
2 relations?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. If you'd look at page 114 through 116, do you  
5 know who prepared this document?

6 A. No, I don't.

7 Q. Do you know why you received it?

8 A. No, I don't.

9 (Exhibit No. 135 marked  
10 for identification.)

11 BY MR. ING:

12 Q. Would you take a look at Exhibit 135.  
13 Exhibit 135 is also a document that was obtained from  
14 your files through your attorneys.

15 Would you take a look at it and see if this  
16 refreshes your recollection regarding whether or not  
17 SCA submitted testimony before the Hawaii legislature  
18 regarding House Bill 2362?

19 A. Yes, they submitted testimony.

20 Q. Did you have an opportunity to review this  
21 testimony prior to the time it was submitted?

22 A. No, not that I recall.

23 Q. Do you recall Mr. Hourihan being present in the  
24 boardroom to discuss his testimony prior to the time  
25 that he went in to testify?

1 A. I know people from SCA were present in the  
2 ballroom, boardroom. I remember them discussing  
3 their analysis at one time. I don't remember  
4 specifically them discussing this. They may have.

5 Q. Do you know whether the SCA was paid for its  
6 presentation before the Hawaii legislature on House  
7 Bill 2362?

8 A. Do I know when they were paid?

9 Q. No, whether they were paid.

10 A. No, I don't.

11 Q. Did the Board of Trustees retain SCA Consulting  
12 to make a presentation before the Hawaii legislature  
13 regarding House Bill 2362?

14 A. All I remember is we retained them to do the  
15 strategic planning analysis regarding compensation,  
16 and that's all I remember.

17 Q. Who handled the contact between the Board of  
18 Trustees and SCA?

19 A. Probably our PE's.

20 Q. Which one of the PE's?

21 A. It would be a combination of either Rodney Park  
22 and/or Nathan Aipa.

23 Q. Have you met Mr. Hourihan?

24 A. I'm not sure. There's so many of them that came  
25 through.

1 Q. Do you recall reading the SCA testimony at any  
2 time?

3 A. No, I don't recall that at all.

4 (Exhibit No. 136 marked  
5 for identification.)

6 BY MR. ING:

7 Q. Exhibit 136 also has a handwritten note at the  
8 top. Is that in your handwriting?

9 A. Yes, it is.

10 Q. Does that indicate to you that you had received  
11 this document at some point in time?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Would you take a look at it and tell me, please,  
14 if you can identify what this is?

15 A. These were pre-convention reports from the 1996  
16 Democratic convention.

17 Q. And these are resolutions; is that right?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. The first one says Reso No. GOV.41 in the lower  
20 right-hand corner?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Below that, it says page 133 of Exhibit 136; is  
23 that correct?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. This resolution says, "Resolution to cap

1       payments to Bishop Estate trustees." Do you see  
2       that?

3       A.    Yes.

4       Q.    Was that taken up during the course of a  
5       Democratic party convention?

6       A.    I don't know. I didn't sit on the government  
7       committee.

8       Q.    How is it that you came about to have a copy of  
9       this resolution?

10      A.    They circulated all resolutions.

11      Q.    Did you keep all resolutions or just certain  
12      ones?

13      A.    Just the ones that pertain to Bishop Estate.

14      Q.    Were you concerned in any way about the  
15      resolution to cap payments of the Bishop Estate  
16      trustees?

17      A.    Was I concerned about it?

18      Q.    Yes.

19      A.    Yeah, yes, I was.

20      Q.    Why was that?

21      A.    Because I didn't know what was discussed in the  
22      various committees and I didn't know what happened to  
23      this resolution.

24                               (Exhibit No. 137 marked  
25                               for identification.)

1 BY MR. ING:

2 Q. Take a look at Exhibit 137, please. Exhibit 137  
3 is a memo from Mr. Alika Thompson to the trustees,  
4 including yourself?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. Do you recall receiving this?

7 A. Not specifically, but I know he gave us a lot of  
8 memos.

9 Q. This memo enclosed the Government Message No.  
10 145, correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And that message was the reappointment of  
13 Margery Bronster to the position of Attorney General;  
14 is that correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. Did the Board of Trustees follow Margery  
17 Bronster's confirmation hearings?

18 A. What do you mean by did we follow?

19 Q. Was it reported to you by members from GRD, like  
20 Mr. Thompson?

21 A. Mr. Thompson would keep us informed of anything  
22 that happened in the legislature after Nam Snow  
23 passed away or got ill and wasn't able to come to  
24 work anymore.

25 Q. Did you receive copies of all Governor's

1 messages regarding appointments or just certain ones?

2 A. I don't recall.

3 Q. Do you recall discussing from time to time  
4 Margery Bronster's confirmation hearings or the  
5 progress of her confirmation hearings?

6 A. I remember they updated us on it, yes.

7 Q. "They" being who?

8 A. Alika Thompson.

9 MR. GIERLACH: This document doesn't appear  
10 to be complete with respect to the Governor's message  
11 on page 137.

12 (Exhibit No. 138 marked  
13 for identification.)

14 BY MR. ING:

15 Q. Would you take a look at Exhibit 138, please.

16 Exhibit 138 appears to be a memo from you to the  
17 trustees; is that correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And your signature appears next to your name on  
20 page numbered 139 at the bottom?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. This memo attached letters from the Wexler Group  
23 and from the Hecht Spencer law firm; is that correct?

24 A. That's correct.

25 Q. Did the Board of Trustees extend its contract

1 with the Wexler Group in 1985?

2 A. I can't remember.

3 Q. Did the Board of Trustees enter into a retainer

4 with the Hecht Spencer law firm?

5 A. Law firm? They're not a law firm.

6 Q. I'm sorry, Hecht Spencer Consulting Firm.

7 A. I'm not sure they're a consulting firm.

8 Q. What kind of firm are they?

9 A. I think they're a public relations firm.

10 Q. Did the Board of Trustees enter into an

11 agreement with the Hecht Spencer firm?

12 A. Yes, at sometime they did, but I'm not sure of

13 the date.

14 Q. What kind of work did Hecht Spencer do for the

15 trustees?

16 A. Well, they initially came in with a proposal as

17 outlined here, but as we met in retreats, it changed

18 and it was narrowed in scope and I'm not sure what

19 all it entailed after that, because they dealt with

20 the public relations arm of the institution.

21 Q. Were you the liaison trustee for the public

22 relations arm of the institution?

23 A. I was.

24 Q. Did the Hecht Spencer firm assist the trustees

25 with respect to intermediate sanctions legislation?

1 A. I don't recall specifically, because I didn't --  
2 I wasn't the liaison for intermediate sanctions.

3 Q. Who monitored the work of Hecht Spencer?

4 A. That was kind of interesting, because I'm not  
5 really sure what happened after we had a session at  
6 Turtle Bay.

7 Q. When was that?

8 A. I don't recall, but they came to make a final  
9 proposal to us, and I can't remember all of the  
10 details of that, but I know we didn't buy into their  
11 entire package. So I can't remember much about it at  
12 this time.

13 Q. Do you remember being the liaison person for  
14 Hecht Spencer?

15 A. I remember meeting with them in Los Angeles and  
16 I remember several phone calls between them, but I  
17 don't remember having that much involvement after the  
18 Turtle Bay retreat.

19 (Exhibit No. 139 marked  
20 for identification.)

21 BY MR. ING:

22 Q. Take a look at Exhibit 139. Exhibit 139  
23 consists of pages 146, 147, 148 and 149.

24 A. Yes, it does.

25 Q. Are these handwritten notes in your handwriting?

1 A. Yes, they are.

2 Q. Were these handwritten notes taken during the  
3 course of a trustees meeting on October 31, 1994?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Would you explain to me what the items refer to  
6 on page 146?

7 A. Notice that it has tab 5, which means a  
8 support -- I mean, a binder was provided to the  
9 trustees to act on recommendations that came from the  
10 staff and tab 5 said, "Develop a training module on  
11 KSBE history."

12 They had alternatives. Alternative 3 was  
13 discussed and we approved a budget of 25,000  
14 implemented in '95-96 school year. Staff report to  
15 come in ASAP by the end of November.

16 Tab 6, development and implement a semester  
17 course on KSBE history. Grades 9 and 10 would be  
18 Hawaiian culture is required for all students.  
19 Grades 7 and 8, a part of the Hawaiian culture class,  
20 a part of the Hawaiian culture, and grades 11, 12 --  
21 I guess it means all of these, I'm sorry, because of  
22 the bracket.

23 It says, "Hawaiian culture is required for all  
24 students. A part of the Hawaiian culture class is  
25 being used for KB history. Total class hours 125

1 hours. Decision: To develop a 135 hours of content  
2 on KSBE history from seven to 12."

3 Q. So the tabs refer to some kind of a binder that  
4 was passed out to the trustees?

5 A. Yes, it's usually a binder from the PE's  
6 indicating areas that they wanted us to review, look  
7 at and make decisions on and they would have  
8 sometimes options for us, sometimes not. But they  
9 would ask us to review this and then we would go  
10 through it, discuss it and sometimes make a decision,  
11 sometimes defer, and sometimes ask for more  
12 information.

13 Q. Was this conducted at a retreat?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Do you recall where this retreat was held? This  
16 would have been in October of 1994.

17 A. At Turtle Bay. Most of our retreats were held  
18 at Turtle Bay.

19 Q. If you could turn to page 149, please. At the  
20 very end of the page or at least the handwritten  
21 portion on the page says, "Lobbying - we will not  
22 lobby"?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Did you trustees make a decision at that retreat  
25 to not lobby?

1       A.    I think this is in reference to a specific item,  
2       but I can't remember what it was.  It wasn't a  
3       general "we will not lobby."

4       Q.    Do you recall being given a presentation on  
5       exempt organizations and lobbying and political  
6       activities as it relates to exempt organizations at  
7       that retreat?

8       A.    No, I don't.  I would have to have something to  
9       refresh my memory.

10      Q.    Do you know whether Mr. Aipa had given a  
11      presentation on lobbying activities as it relates to  
12      exempt organizations and/or 501(c)(3) organizations?

13               MR. GIERLACH:  At this retreat or ever?

14               MR. ING:  At any time.

15      A.    Yes, I do.

16      BY MR. ING:

17      Q.    Normally, when he made presentations on areas  
18      like that, would that be during the course of a  
19      retreat?

20      A.    It could be during the course of a retreat or  
21      during the course of a trustees meeting or in  
22      executive session.

23               (Exhibit No. 140 marked  
24               for identification.)

25      BY MR. ING:

1 Q. Take a look at Exhibit 140, please. Exhibit 140  
2 consists of several pages beginning with 150 and  
3 ending with 165.

4 Would you take a look at 150, please. This  
5 appears to be a fax transmittal from the Verner  
6 Liipfert law firm, correct?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. It's addressed to Ernella Kam; is that correct?

9 A. Yes. Are you saying it's from Verner Liipfert,  
10 because it has their thing at the-- I mean their  
11 letterhead?

12 Q. Yes.

13 A. Because I can't tell by this Xerox telecopy.

14 Q. No, from the letterhead.

15 A. Okay, got it.

16 Q. But it's addressed to Ernella Kam, correct?

17 A. Yes, it is.

18 Q. It appears to be from Norma Wong?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Did Norma Wong work for the Verner Liipfert  
21 firm?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Was Norma Wong working on the intermediate  
24 sanctions legislation?

25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Who was Ernella Kam?
- 2 A. Dickie's Wong secretary.
- 3 Q. Was Mr. Wong the liaison trustee for government
- 4 affairs?
- 5 A. Yes, yes.
- 6 Q. Was he the liaison trustee for intermediate
- 7 sanctions?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Turn to page 151 of Exhibit 140, please. This
- 10 appears to be a memo from Mark McConaghy and Denis
- 11 Dwyer to the trustees dated November 2, 1995?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Do you recall receiving this memo?
- 14 A. No, I don't.
- 15 Q. Do you recall receiving memos from time to time
- 16 regarding the intermediate sanctions lobbying
- 17 efforts?
- 18 A. Most of the time, we just had discussions on
- 19 things. I don't recall receiving memos from time to
- 20 time. I may have.
- 21 Q. Do you recall having discussions on issues like
- 22 safe harbors?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Do you recall having discussions on various
- 25 options as it related to safe harbors and

1 intermediate sanctions?

2 A. Do I recall having?

3 Q. Discussions.

4 A. No, I recall having presentations and  
5 recommendations on what we should do with regards to  
6 intermediate sanctions.

7 Q. Do you recall having presentations from Verner  
8 Liipfert and/or Price Waterhouse regarding the safe  
9 harbor portion of the intermediate sanctions  
10 legislation?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. If you could turn to page 156. This page  
13 references statutory language and in particular the  
14 exit tax provisions.

15 Do you recall any presentations by any of the  
16 consultants to the Estate regarding exit tax  
17 provisions in the intermediate sanctions legislation?

18 A. I don't really recall at this time.

19 Q. Do you know what the term "exit tax" refers to?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. What does it refer to?

22 A. It refers to if a person wanted to exit from a  
23 tax-exempt organization, they would be taxed  
24 accordingly.

25 Q. Did the Verner Liipfert firm attempt to remove

1 or modify language relating to the exit tax during  
2 the course of its work for the trustees on  
3 intermediate sanctions legislation?

4 A. I'm not sure, because I didn't know what Verner  
5 Liipfert was really doing.

6 Q. Who from the trustees was aware of what Verner  
7 Liipfert was doing?

8 MR. GIERLACH: Calls for speculation.

9 A. Dickie was the liaison, but I don't know if he  
10 was aware of everything Verner Liipfert was doing.

11 BY MR. ING:

12 Q. Who was keeping the Board advised of what Verner  
13 Liipfert was doing with respect to intermediate  
14 sanctions legislation?

15 A. Sometimes Dickie Wong and sometimes Norma Wong.

16 Q. Take a look at Exhibit 141, please.

17 A. Could I talk to David?

18 Q. Yes.

19 MR. ING: Let's take a short break.

20 (Recess from 2:08 to 2:09 a.m.)

21 A. In reference to your other question, I also  
22 wanted to add "and also Mark McConaghy". Sometimes  
23 Dickie Wong, sometimes Norma Wong and sometimes Mark  
24 McConaghy.

25 BY MR. ING:

1 Q. Referring to your answers to who had kept the  
2 Board of Trustees advised with respect to  
3 intermediate sanctions lobbying efforts; is that  
4 correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 (Exhibit No. 141 marked  
7 for identification.)

8 BY MR. ING:

9 Q. Could you take a look at Exhibit 141, please.  
10 Exhibit 141 has in the upper left-hand corner a  
11 note that says "file". Is that your handwriting?

12 A. Yes, it is.

13 Q. Do you recall receiving this memo from John  
14 Waihee and Sue Temkin?

15 A. I don't recall it, but I must have. It's  
16 addressed to me.

17 Q. This memo discusses a Wall Street Journal  
18 article from March 20, 1995?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Was there a concern about the information in the  
21 Wall Street Journal article, and that would be a  
22 concern to the Bishop Estate trustees?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. What was the concern?

25 A. Well, the concern was with regards to some of

1 the allegations that were made in the Wall Street  
2 Journal and also how they could have gotten this  
3 information.

4 Q. Did the trustees retain the Verner Liipfert firm  
5 to assist it with a national strategy regarding the  
6 information that had been contained in the Wall  
7 Street Journal article?

8 A. Would you please repeat the question?

9 Q. Yes. Did the trustees retain the Verner  
10 Liipfert firm to assist it with the national strategy  
11 regarding the information contained in the Wall  
12 Street Journal article?

13 A. I don't think that's why we retained them, but  
14 I'm not sure.

15 Q. Do you recall former Governor Waihee making a  
16 presentation to the Board with respect to the Wall  
17 Street Journal article?

18 A. Do I recall that?

19 Q. Yes.

20 A. Not off the top of my head, no.

21 Q. On page 166 of Exhibit 141, there's a subtitle  
22 called Private Inurement. Do you see that?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. What was your understanding of private  
25 inurement?

- 1 A. What was my understanding of private inurement?
- 2 Q. Yes.
- 3 A. My understanding of private inurement was to
- 4 have something for a private benefit, to use
- 5 something for a private benefit.
- 6 Q. If you could look at the top of page 167. It
- 7 states that, "If private inurement exists, the
- 8 Internal Revenue Service has the power to revoke the
- 9 organization's exempt status."
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Was that your understanding?
- 12 A. Not until this memo or until a discussion on
- 13 this very subject.
- 14 Q. Was private inurement an important subject as it
- 15 relates to exempt organizations and KSBE?
- 16 A. As it became an issue with intermediate
- 17 sanctions, it became a subject.
- 18 Q. Was it an important subject?
- 19 A. It was an important subject.
- 20 Q. Did you understand at some point in time if
- 21 private inurement did occur that it was grounds for
- 22 revocation of the organization's exempt status?
- 23 A. Yes, at some times it might be grounds for it.
- 24 Q. Exhibit 141 also discussed in addition to
- 25 private inurement unrelated business income?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. What was your understanding of the concerns as  
3 it related to unrelated business income?
- 4 A. My understanding is that unrelated business,  
5 U-B-I-T, you know --
- 6 Q. UBIT.
- 7 A. -- what we usually used, had some bearing on us  
8 if some of those commercial activities were deemed to  
9 be improper.
- 10 Q. Were there concerns raised from time to time  
11 about the Estate's unrelated business income?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And the Estate is subject to a tax on that; is  
14 that correct?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. Even though the Estate is an exempt  
17 organization?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. Was the Estate paying taxes on unrelated  
20 business income?
- 21 A. It's my understanding we were.
- 22 Q. What were the kinds of unrelated business income  
23 that the Estate had?
- 24 A. Well, there were dividends, interest payments.  
25 There were income from securities, I believe. I

1       can't remember all of it, but there was something to  
2       do with our sale of our leasehold land, that sort of  
3       thing.

4       Q.    Were you aware in March of 1995 that there was  
5       interest at the national level in KSBE and its  
6       tax-exempt status?

7       A.    Yes.

8       Q.    And what resulted from the Wall Street Journal  
9       article was some of the nationally televised  
10      television shows, like 60 Minutes, for example?

11      A.    We were first aware of it because of the  
12      admissions policy.  That's where the revocation of  
13      tax-exempt status became a focal point for us.

14      Q.    The national media was also concerned about it  
15      because of the fact that the trustees were highly  
16      compensated?

17      A.    Yes.

18                   MR. GIERLACH:  Calls for speculation.

19      BY MR. ING:

20      Q.    Mrs. Lindsey, did you believe that the national  
21      media was interested in KSBE because of the  
22      compensation received by the trustees?

23      A.    In part.

24                   MR. GIERLACH:  Assumes facts not in  
25      evidence.

1 BY MR. ING:

2 Q. Did the Wall Street Journal article in 1995  
3 discuss the compensation received by trustees?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Did it also raise the fact that this was a  
6 tax-exempt organization?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. During the course -- are you familiar with the  
9 Pickle hearings?

10 A. Vaguely.

11 Q. Do you recall Congressman Pickle conducting  
12 hearings?

13 A. Yes, I do.

14 Q. And those hearings resulted in legislation from  
15 time to time; is that correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. And those hearings eventually resulted in the  
18 intermediate sanctions legislation; is that correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Would one of the concerns expressed in those  
21 hearings be the level of compensation received by the  
22 trustees?

23 MR. GIERLACH: Lacks foundation, calls for  
24 speculation.

25 MR. ING: To the extent she's aware.

1 A. I'm not sure.

2 BY MR. ING:

3 Q. Did you ever believe or arrive at an  
4 understanding that the trustees for the Bishop Estate  
5 were the target of legislation at the national level?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. How did you arrive at that understanding?

8 A. Because the Intermediate Sanctions Act was  
9 focusing in part on Bishop Estate.

10 Q. Was that focus at least as you understood that  
11 focus centered on the level of compensation of  
12 trustees?

13 A. No.

14 Q. What was the focus?

15 A. I think it became a focus when we tried to be  
16 included in the Intermediate Sanctions Act.

17 Q. In what sense?

18 A. Prior to that, there was only -- there was an  
19 all-or-none law. Either you had tax-exempt status or  
20 your tax-exempt status was revoked.

21 It was our understanding that intermediate  
22 sanctions would give you intermediary steps and not  
23 have just revocation as a possibility for the IRS and  
24 we wanted to be included in these intermediary steps.

25 Q. Bishop Estate wanted to be included in the

1 intermediary steps?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. So that sanctions could be taken against  
4 disqualified persons as opposed to against the  
5 tax-exempt status?

6 A. At the time that we were discussing this, we  
7 didn't know that it was going to be against  
8 disqualified persons. Remember, those things  
9 evolved.

10 Q. But you were looking for -- you as a trustee  
11 were looking for a way to have intermediate sanctions  
12 imposed as opposed to revocation?

13 A. As a possibility, yes. We wanted a safe harbor.

14 Q. Was the intermediate sanctions legislation in  
15 your mind beneficial to the Estate?

16 MR. GIERLACH: Vague and ambiguous.

17 BY MR. ING:

18 Q. Mrs. Lindsey, you indicated that Bishop Estate  
19 wanted to be included in the intermediate sanctions  
20 legislation?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. When Bishop Estate sought to be included in  
23 intermediate sanctions legislation, the focus shifted  
24 onto the Bishop Estate at the national level?

25 A. I think partially it did.

1 Q. In your explanation as to why Bishop Estate  
2 wanted to be a part of the intermediate sanctions  
3 legislation, you indicated that it would provide an  
4 alternative to revocation of the tax status; is that  
5 correct?

6 A. That was our understanding. That's what we were  
7 led to believe.

8 Q. So to that extent, was intermediate sanctions  
9 legislation beneficial to the Estate?

10 A. It was not beneficial in the long-run to the  
11 Estate.

12 Q. Why was it not beneficial in the long-run?

13 A. Because they didn't follow their own internal  
14 procedures, they had no rules or regulations  
15 promulgated, and yet I think they used Bishop Estate  
16 as the entity to establish rules and regulations.

17 Q. So as you sit here today, you believe that the  
18 intermediate sanctions legislation was not beneficial  
19 to the Estate?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. When did you arrive at that belief or feeling?

22 A. When we were, when we were targeted without the  
23 promulgations of rules and regulations, we had many  
24 questions about whether or not, what applied, who had  
25 authority to do what to whom, who had the power to do

1       what to whom, and was this power all encompassing in  
2       the IRS when there were no rules and regulations that  
3       an entity, be it Bishop Estate or anyone else, would  
4       be able to follow and say, "Yes, we're doing this  
5       right" or "No, we're not doing this right" or "No, we  
6       need to change in order to be in compliance with  
7       something," and there is nothing there.

8       Q.    Was the Verner Liipfert law firm retained to  
9       assist the Estate in becoming a part of the  
10      intermediate sanctions?

11     A.    That was my belief.

12     Q.    Was it during the course of Verner Liipfert's  
13      activities on behalf of Bishop Estate that the focus  
14      turned onto Bishop Estate?

15               MR. GIERLACH:  Calls for speculation.

16     A.    I'm not sure.

17     BY MR. ING:

18     Q.    When did the focus turn onto Bishop Estate?

19     A.    Can I talk to him?

20     Q.    Yes.

21               (Recess from 2:23 to 2:24 p.m.)

22     BY MR. ING:

23     Q.    Do you have an answer to my question?  The  
24      question was when did the focus turn onto Bishop  
25      Estate?

1 A. The focus turned onto Bishop Estate when Oz  
2 Stender got in touch with the Wall Street Journal and  
3 gave them information about Bishop Estate and started  
4 a campaign against Bishop Estate.

5 Q. When was that?

6 A. It started in 1995.

7 Q. The Wall Street Journal article referenced in  
8 Exhibit 141 refers to March of '95?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. Does that refresh your recollection as to when  
11 the Wall Street Journal article came out?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Was it shortly after that time that the focus  
14 turned onto the Estate?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Once the focus turned onto the Estate, it's your  
17 belief that intermediate sanctions legislation was  
18 not beneficial to the Estate; is that correct?

19 A. No, I didn't say that.

20 Q. Was the intermediate sanctions legislation  
21 beneficial to the Estate?

22 MR. GIERLACH: Vague and ambiguous, calls  
23 for speculation.

24 A. Can I answer?

25 BY MR. ING:

1 Q. Yes, you can answer.

2 A. Would you repeat the question?

3 Q. Was intermediate sanctions legislation  
4 beneficial to the Estate?

5 A. I think I said in the long-run, it was not.

6 Q. You said that because the focus turned onto  
7 Bishop Estate; is that correct?

8 MR. GIERLACH: Argumentative, asked and  
9 answered, misstates her testimony.

10 BY MR. ING:

11 Q. You may respond.

12 A. I believe I said in the long-run it did not  
13 benefit the Estate, because no one had a clear  
14 understanding of what the rules and regulations were.  
15 There were none promulgated by the Service or anyone  
16 else. We were trying to answer questions based on  
17 allegations that had no foundation for which we could  
18 respond.

19 Q. You indicated Mr. Stender had contacted the Wall  
20 Street Journal?

21 A. That is correct.

22 Q. What is the basis for that understanding?

23 A. The telephone logs that showed he called them  
24 and his admission that he did.

25 Q. Did you review telephone logs that showed that

- 1 Mr. Stender had called the Wall Street Journal?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. When did you obtain those logs?
- 4 A. Way back when, when this incident happened.
- 5 Q. Back in 1995?
- 6 A. Uh-huh.
- 7 Q. Answer yes or no, please.
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Who obtained those logs for you?
- 10 A. I don't recall.
- 11 Q. How did you obtain a copy of those logs?
- 12 A. I think we all had them.
- 13 Q. Who is "we all"?
- 14 A. The trustees, but I'm not sure.
- 15 Q. Would you describe for me what those logs look
- 16 like?
- 17 A. It gives the telephone number, who you're
- 18 calling, and what extension it was called from and
- 19 how long you talked. That's what I recall about it.
- 20 Q. So it's like a line item on a telephone bill; it
- 21 shows the extension number the call is placed from,
- 22 the phone number to which the call is placed and the
- 23 duration of the call?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. That would have been a long-distance call?

- 1       A.    Yes.
- 2       Q.    So someone figured out that the number on there
- 3       was the number to the Wall Street Journal?
- 4       A.    Yes.
- 5       Q.    Who figured that out?
- 6       A.    I don't know who figured it out, but I know that
- 7       the Wall Street Journal left calls for a lot of us
- 8       after that and there was a number readily available
- 9       on our messages.
- 10      Q.    Which was the Wall Street Journal number?
- 11      A.    Oh, I can't remember. I'm sorry.
- 12      Q.    What was the information that you believed Mr.
- 13      Stender leaked to the Wall Street Journal?
- 14      A.    I don't know what he leaked to the Wall Street
- 15      Journal. I only know he talked to them.
- 16      Q.    So you assume that he provided them confidential
- 17      information?
- 18      A.    No, he admitted he talked to them from the
- 19      office and from home.
- 20      Q.    What is your understanding as to what he said to
- 21      the Wall Street Journal?
- 22      A.    I don't have an understanding of what he said.
- 23      I just know he did.
- 24      Q.    But you believe that as a result of his
- 25      discussions with the Wall Street Journal that the

1 focus shifted onto Bishop Estate?

2 A. In part.

3 Q. Did the focus on the Bishop Estate have to do  
4 with the level of compensation of the trustees?

5 MR. GIERLACH: The article speaks for  
6 itself.

7 BY MR. ING:

8 Q. I'm seeking your understanding, Mrs. Lindsey.

9 A. I think it had to do with a whole bunch of  
10 issues.

11 Q. Was trustee compensation one of them?

12 A. Possibly. I don't have the article before me.

13 Q. What was your understanding of the article?

14 A. I really can't remember all that much about it  
15 at this time.

16 Q. Do you recall Stipulation No. 14 of the Master?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What was Stipulation No. 14?

19 A. Stipulation No. 14 was the CEO, I believe.

20 Q. Was there any other aspect to Stipulation No. 14  
21 besides the CEO?

22 MR. GIERLACH: If you're holding it, instead  
23 of giving her a memory test, maybe she could just  
24 look at it.

25 MR. ING: Let's have this marked as

1 Exhibit 142.

2 (Exhibit No. 142 marked  
3 for identification.)

4 BY MR. ING:

5 Q. Would you take a look at page 13 of Exhibit 142.

6 Mrs. Lindsey, page 13 of Exhibit 142 sets forth  
7 Stipulation No. 14; is that correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. If you could take a look at the second full  
10 paragraph on page 13. The second sentence of that  
11 paragraph says, "The system shall incorporate a  
12 formal governance policy which more clearly defines  
13 the roles of the Board of Trustees and that of the  
14 CEO." Do you see that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. As of April 29, 1999, had the Board of Trustees  
17 developed a formal governance policy which more  
18 clearly defined the roles of the Board of Trustees  
19 and the CEO?

20 A. No, we didn't.

21 MR. ING: Thank you. That's all I have.

22 (Deposition concluded at 2:35 p.m.)

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