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STATE OF TEXAS,) IN THE DISTRICT COURT
ex rel.)
ALLEN JONES,)
Plaintiffs,)

VS.)

JANSSEN, LP, JANSSEN)
PHARMACEUTICA, INC.,) TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
ORTHO-McNEIL)
PHARMACEUTICAL, INC.,)
McNEIL CONSUMER &)
SPECIALTY)
PHARMACEUTICALS, JANSSEN)
ORTHO, LLC, and)
JOHNSON & JOHNSON, INC.,)
Defendants.) 250TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

JURY TRIAL

On the 11th day of January, 2012, the following
proceedings came on to be heard in the above-entitled
and numbered cause before the Honorable John K. Dietz,
Judge presiding, held in Austin, Travis County, Texas:

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1 THE COURT: Because McConnico faces them
2 when he's begging them. So the other thing is, somebody
3 piped up -- and I will try to have these conversations
4 out here, and I told them I would. They piped up and
5 they said, "Are we going to have all this stuff
6 available to us?" And I said, "I'm going to talk to
7 y'all when you get out here."

8 But one of the things that I want y'all to
9 consider, when I tried the mold case ten years ago,
10 there were only 1500 exhibits admitted, but they were
11 all done electronically. And so when the jury went out,
12 somebody said, "Well, how are we going to give the jury
13 the documents?" So we greed to put together 500 of the
14 key documents. And -- now, I don't know how many
15 documents are here, but I keep hearing 8,000 pages,
16 11,000 pages, something -- am I close?

17 MR. McCONNICO: You're close, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Okay. Well, psychologically,
19 what happens when you hand 11,000 pages to somebody and
20 you say "Here's something you cannot read and get
21 through." And so I really think that, as y'all have on
22 so many other issues, you might think about what are the
23 key documents; they would have everything available to
24 them, but there's some easy way to get to the key
25 documents. And I don't know how many key documents, but

1 good God Almighty, there can't be that many, maybe only
2 1100 or maybe 110 or something along that thing, but
3 y'all -- if y'all would be so kind as to talk about it
4 and see about approaching it. But I mean, I can tell
5 you that I'm sure, psychologically, when you hand
6 somebody that, it -- it just makes it impossible for
7 them to think about doing it, and so then they do this
8 (indicating).

9 MR. JACKS: Understood.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 MR. JACKS: Thanks.

12 THE COURT: And let me look at this before
13 I get tied up into it. Are these with the first
14 witness?

15 MR. McCONNICO: Your Honor, I'm not
16 certain what you're looking at, so I guess --

17 THE COURT: I'm looking at defendants'
18 objections to plaintiffs' January 11, 2012 exhibits.

19 MR. McCONNICO: I don't think it is,
20 because all the exhibits -- the ones that we have are
21 the ones that you and I went over this morning.

22 Am I correct, Natalie?

23 MS. ARBAUGH: (Nods head affirmatively).

24 MR. McCONNICO: So it's not, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: So here's what would be --

1 here's what would be really helpful to me.

2 MR. McCONNICO: Okay.

3 THE COURT: What would be really helpful
4 is if I had a hard copy of these exhibits in this order
5 and I could look at them. Now, the proviso is, you hand
6 me this much -- and I'm not going to go through it all.

7 MR. McCONNICO: Right.

8 THE COURT: I'm not going through it. I
9 can't. But if you could give me the hard copy, then
10 what I can do is, while y'all are talking, I can
11 multi-task and kind of look at these as I did yesterday
12 on some stuff.

13 MR. McCONNICO: Right. And I think we can
14 pull out really the relevant pages.

15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 MR. McCONNICO: Because they're going to
17 be -- some of these are going to be multiple pages, but
18 we're really only having a problem with particular
19 pages.

20 THE COURT: Right.

21 MR. JACKS: May I ask a question, because
22 I haven't looked at that? But in which -- do these fall
23 in the category of we need a ruling but we aren't going
24 to be arguing this objection to the Court.

25 MS. APPLEBERRY: There are many of

1 these -- Steve has the ones that we plan to argue.

2 THE COURT: Yeah. I'm going to tell y'all
3 that I'm -- you're going to -- the more stuff you put in
4 writing, great, because I'm going to just put it in,
5 because my plan is -- my discussions is going to be here
6 are my rulings, respectfully.

7 MR. McCONNICO: We understand.

8 THE COURT: Okay. Because there's going
9 to be so much of it that y'all, respectfully, are going
10 to object to, and so the more I can -- you've just got
11 to pretend that I've got some semblance of notion of the
12 rules of evidence and that I'm going to be looking at
13 the World Wide Web on Lexis and doing my research. And
14 so on evidence, I don't find it that -- respectfully, I
15 don't find it that helpful.

16 MR. McCONNICO: Right.

17 MS. APPLEBERRY: Tommy, are you going to
18 play it this morning?

19 MR. JACKS: No, this afternoon. Would it
20 help the Court if you had a list like this if there were
21 some highlight on the ones that they want you to really
22 look at?

23 MR. McCONNICO: What I was going to --

24 THE COURT: Actually -- actually, if you
25 want to know the way I would ideally like it --

1 MR. JACKS: Yes, we would, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: -- okay, is how I would
3 like -- I would like it in bite-size chunks like that
4 where I deal with it, because once we get one of these
5 omnibus things, then they become -- then I've got to
6 look through a bunch of pages. And so my preference is,
7 if I can take it in bite-size chunks --

8 MR. JACKS: Right.

9 THE COURT: -- I want it that way.

10 MR. JACKS: And here's the -- there are
11 going to be some objections where the offering party
12 already knows you're going to overall it, and they don't
13 want to waste your time with asking you to look at
14 those. There are some that they'd like for you to
15 really look at because they think maybe they've got a
16 chance that you won't overrule it. And we're trying to
17 give you only the latter group to attend to and let you
18 know which ones we think fall into which category.
19 That's kind of at least the way we've been approaching
20 it.

21 THE COURT: I need to have a conversation
22 with y'all over here.

23 MR. JACKS: Understood.

24 *(Discussion off the record)*

25 MR. McCONNICO: Your Honor, can we

1 pre-admit some records real quick?

2 THE COURT: Yes, you can.

3 MS. APPLEBERRY: Your Honor, defendants
4 are going to admit Defendants' Exhibit 7, 43 --

5 THE REPORTER: Wait, wait. I'm sorry.

6 THE COURT: I need this part so she can
7 get the record.

8 MS. APPLEBERRY: Defendants' 7,
9 Defendants' 43, Defendants' 50, Defendants' 73,
10 Defendants' 74, Defendants' 417 and Defendants' 1387.
11 These will be used with witnesses today. It's my
12 understanding the plaintiffs have no objection to the
13 admission of these exhibits.

14 THE COURT: They're admitted.

15 *(Defendants' Exhibits 7, 43, 50, 73, 74,*
16 *417 and 1387 admitted)*

17 MS. ARBAUGH: Yes.

18 MR. JACKS: Your Honor, actually, we have
19 one exhibit that was not on the list of 300 that will be
20 introduced with the first witness this morning, and it
21 is Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1646, and we understand there's
22 no objection to that.

23 MR. McCONNICO: No objection.

24 THE COURT: It's admitted.

25 *(Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1646 admitted)*

1 *(Jury present)*

2 THE COURT: Let me visit with y'all for
3 just a second. We've called building maintenance to
4 see -- because it is hot, and it's -- at least it's hot
5 when you're wearing polyester.

6 Number two, I talked to them about the
7 size of the print, and we're going to kill all of the
8 lights, and hopefully that will make it better. But if
9 there is a problem, let's just use the sophisticated
10 thing of shouting out, "Can't see," and then that will
11 alert us that we need to do something. And likewise, I
12 thought it was a particular attorney who shall go
13 unnamed, but I said, "Mr. Jacks, when you turn your back
14 to the jury, they can't hear you when you're talking,"
15 and so I think this unnamed lawyer will do something
16 different.

17 Third, there was a -- for -- it was a slow
18 news day yesterday and there was a story about this case
19 in this morning's paper, so I'm anticipating that
20 there's going to be from time to time a story. So
21 generally, what we ask of juries in this situation is if
22 you just happen to see something, put it aside and don't
23 read it. With all due respect to the newspaper, you can
24 read in the paper and go to court and it's like two
25 different events. And again, it's this outside

1 influence that we're trying to guard against. And so
2 you're free to read the rest of the paper, do whatever,
3 but just don't read these articles. Does that sound
4 all right?

5 *(Jury responded affirmatively)*

6 THE COURT: And finally, with the bulk of
7 the documents that will come in, I have asked them to
8 try to work together to pick out the ones that are most
9 important so that -- rather than getting a *Doomsday*
10 book, you'll get something more manageable.

11 With that, Mr. Jacks.

12 MR. JACKS: Yes, Your Honor. May I
13 approach about one matter before we get underway.

14 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

15 MR. JACKS: Both sides have agreed to
16 supply this list of acronyms and a note page for each
17 witness with the witnesses' picture, and we would ask
18 whether these could be distributed to the jury. And
19 we're all in agreement about both doing that and about
20 how they look.

21 THE COURT: And may I see it?

22 MR. JACKS: Yes, you may, Your Honor. And
23 they'll get supplemental pages daily as witnesses are
24 being presented.

25 THE COURT: If you'll give them to Stacey,

1 and Stacey does the distribution.

2 MR. JACKS: Yes.

3 *(End of bench discussion)*

4 THE COURT: Your cup runneth over. What
5 they're saying is that they're -- we're going to
6 distribute a notebook that both sides have agreed to.
7 It'll have a page of acronyms that will be used
8 throughout this trial, and there's a brief description
9 as to the acronym. And then there is a page of each
10 witness who testifies, and you'll see it with a picture
11 and a space to make notes if you're inclined to make
12 notes. You're not required to make notes, but you're
13 free to make notes. And the only thing that we ask is
14 that when we go home at night, that these notebooks be
15 given to Stacey or our substitute bailiff who will be
16 here for three or four days.

17 Mr. Jacks.

18 MR. JACKS: Your Honor, at this time,
19 plaintiffs call, by deposition, Dr. Alexander Miller.
20 And we are calling him as a witness identified with an
21 adverse party.

22 *(Video played as follows:)*

23 **ALEXANDER MILLER, M.D.**

24 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows by
25 videotaped deposition:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

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Q. Could you state your full name, please?

A. Alexander Lewis, L-e-w-i-s, Miller.

Q. Okay. Can you kind of walk us through, starting in spring of 1996, your involvement --

A. Yeah.

Q. -- with TMAP?

A. I have to say to the best of my recollection --

Q. Sure.

A. -- because this was a while back. But the first event, formal event that I recall was the -- it's the consensus conference on the treatment of depression. And that, I believe, was in the summer of '96.

Perhaps in September of '96 we had a -- a conference on treatment of schizophrenia and bipolar disorder in -- I think it was in Dallas. The other conference, the depression conference -- I didn't go to the depression conference. I think it was in Galveston.

Then in Dallas we had a meeting at which already there were identified sites, meaning both inpatient and outpatient mental health treatment sites identified and presentations by some people from the Expert Consensus Guideline serious about the Expert Consensus Guideline treatments for schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.

1 Q. And when you say "expert consensus guidelines,"
2 what -- what are you talking about?

3 A. So the expert consensus guidelines was -- were
4 guidelines for treatment of schizophrenia, bipolar
5 disorder and major depression that were based on sort of
6 a questionnaire process with experts and giving experts
7 various clinical situations and asking them to rate
8 different treatment options under those conditions.
9 You know, if -- if a patient presents with symptom X and
10 something else, which of the following options would you
11 select, that -- that kind of process.

12 Q. And going back to the expert consensus
13 guidelines, that's something that you-all reviewed in
14 the summer of 1996 as part of the schizophrenia
15 consensus conference?

16 A. Yeah. Yeah, I mean, that was a -- as I say, it
17 was in Dallas. My recollection is September.

18 Q. September. I'm sorry.

19 A. Yeah. And -- and we actually had presenters
20 from the Expert Consensus Guideline serious. I think
21 Dr. Allen Frances and Peter Weiden were there.

22 Q. I think that's right. I think the expert
23 consensus guidelines were published before you-all met
24 in September of 1996; is that correct?

25 A. I think so, yeah.

1 Q. Okay. Did you-all adopt those whole cloth?

2 A. Yeah, initially.

3 Q. So any work that you performed for TMAP was on
4 behalf of whom?

5 A. I was an employee of the UT Health Science
6 Center in San Antonio and all the salary funding came
7 from them.

8 Q. When the meeting was held, how were the
9 medications that were going to be listed in the
10 algorithm -- how were those decided upon?

11 A. The Expert -- we just adopted the Expert
12 Consensus Guideline.

13 Q. So the Expert Consensus Guideline was
14 adopted --

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. -- wholesale?

17 A. Right.

18 Q. And as far as what was listed in the algorithm
19 on Stage 1 was conventionals and risperidone.

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. And Doctor, I'm going to hand you a copy which
22 has been marked previously as Exhibit 559. And I'm
23 going to ask you, does Exhibit 559 -- does this contain
24 the Expert Consensus Guideline serious for
25 schizophrenia?

1 A. I think so.

2 Q. So Page 13 contains the algorithm that was
3 adopted by the TMAP group?

4 A. Yeah, simplified. I mean, it -- the -- first
5 it put conventional antipsychotics and risperidone on
6 equal footing and -- and then it basically said if one
7 fails, you use the other.

8 Q. Okay. Doctor, who provided the funding for
9 this Tri-University schizophrenia guideline?

10 A. It says Janssen Pharmaceutica.

11 Q. Pharmaceutical companies shouldn't try to guide
12 or design a research study to favor their product when
13 it's not supported by sound medical science; is that a
14 fair statement?

15 A. I would agree.

16 Q. That pharmaceutical companies should not use
17 honoraria or other forms of monetary payment to
18 influence medical professionals or administrators to
19 make decisions favorable to a pharmaceutical company's
20 product; is that proper or improper?

21 A. I think that's a reasonable statement, that it
22 shouldn't be used for that purpose.

23 Q. That the pharmaceutical companies shouldn't use
24 money to influence medical decision-making; fair
25 statement?

1 A. I agree.

2 Q. Well, we certainly know that you were involved
3 with efforts to promulgate TMAP in Texas and elsewhere,
4 right?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. No doubt about that.

7 A. Right.

8 Q. You took trips all over the country to do that,
9 right?

10 A. I did.

11 Q. Did anyone from Janssen ever tell you during
12 that time period when they were flying you all over the
13 country -- did they ever tell you that they were, in
14 their own internal documents, speaking of the leverage
15 they were attempting to gain from the influence of
16 people like you?

17 A. No, sir.

18 Q. If they had told you that, do you think you
19 would have continued to participate in efforts they
20 funded to promulgate TMAP?

21 A. If they basically said "We're using you," I
22 would have probably not -- not continued to participate.

23 Q. Well, now, there -- no one's -- no drug company
24 is going to be dumb enough to tell somebody that they're
25 actually being used, right?

1 A. Yeah.

2 Q. Are you aware that -- or did anyone from
3 Janssen tell you during your involvement with -- with
4 TMAP and Risperdal that they saw programs like TMAP as a
5 way to drive or increase the sales of Risperdal?

6 A. No.

7 Q. I've handed you what we've marked for
8 identification as Exhibit 645. Can you tell me what
9 this is?

10 A. Sure. This is from my home accounting program,
11 Quicken, and I went back to 1995 looking for any
12 honoraria that I had received from then until present.

13 Q. This document reflects -- I haven't counted
14 them. It's -- it's certainly in excess of 20 entries
15 between 1995 and 2005 for a total of almost \$70,000?

16 A. Right. There -- I noticed there was one -- the
17 one that's crossed out --

18 Q. What did you do with all this money?

19 A. You mean how did I spend it?

20 Q. Yeah. Did you have any special allocation for
21 it or did it just go into your general funding?

22 A. Yeah. Now, this is my home funds and the --
23 the particular account that it went into is just a
24 savings account that I keep.

25 Q. So you didn't -- you didn't donate this to

1 charity or turn it back to anyone else; this is just
2 money that you kept?

3 A. Yeah. Well, yeah, correct.

4 Q. Now, as I understand it, the original algorithm
5 in September of 1996, before Janssen had committed any
6 funding, had the -- the older atypical and the newer
7 atypical at the same level in the algorithm; is that a
8 fair statement?

9 A. In 1996?

10 Q. Yes.

11 A. Yeah, right.

12 Q. To put it another way, the first generation and
13 the second generation were at the same level.

14 A. Right.

15 Q. Let me draw your attention to Exhibit 521,
16 moving ahead a few months to March 6th, 1997. And
17 again, at this juncture, if you look on Page 2 of
18 Exhibit 521, Janssen has, in fact, provided the \$75,000
19 in funding, correct?

20 A. Right. I wasn't at this meeting.

21 Q. You're not disputing the accuracy of the facts
22 on Exhibit 521, are you?

23 A. It says "received" and then it lists the
24 companies and Janssen for \$75,000, so that's what it
25 says.

1 Q. In the summer of '97, in the Galveston meeting,
2 the first generation antipsychotics moved to Level 3.

3 A. Right.

4 Q. The second generation remained at Level 1 --

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. -- correct? Such as Risperdal, right?

7 A. Right.

8 Q. And later the first generation antipsychotics
9 ultimately moved to Level 4.

10 A. Correct.

11 *(Video stopped)*

12 MR. McCONNICO: Your Honor, the defendants
13 call their deposition testimony of Dr. Miller.

14 *(Video played as follows:)*

15 **CROSS-EXAMINATION**

16 Q. Could you describe your educational background
17 for us, please, Doctor?

18 MR. JACKS: May we stop for a minute.

19 *(Video stopped)*

20 MR. JACKS: May we approach, Your Honor?

21 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

22 MR. JACKS: Would you mind informing the
23 jury that the deposition exhibit that the witness says
24 or attorney says is a different number, but when the
25 first page it showed -- if you look at the PX number,

1 that will be the trial exhibit number. And so in their
2 note taking, if they're taking notes, that's the number
3 that applies to the trial. It might help and be less
4 confusing. Or we can provide a concordance for the jury
5 at a later time, but while they're watching it, if they
6 can know that the PX numbers are --

7 MR. McCONNICO: But you're not talking
8 about giving the deposition testimony to the jury?

9 MR. JACKS: Oh, no.

10 THE COURT: He's just saying --

11 MR. JACKS: As you watch it.

12 THE COURT: -- as you watch it, there's a
13 number on the deposition. And what he's wanting me to
14 say is, "Ladies and gentlemen, instead of the number
15 that you see on the TV screen --"

16 MR. JACKS: That you hear.

17 THE COURT: "-- that you hear, I need to
18 tell you that it's plaintiffs' exhibit whatever it is.

19 MR. McCONNICO: Oh.

20 MR. JACKS: If they'll look for the PX
21 number which is shown -- you'll see it on the screen.

22 MR. McCONNICO: We -- we're fine with
23 that.

24 THE COURT: Okay. The PX number that's
25 shown on the screen?

1 MR. JACKS: Right. That's the trial
2 number.

3 MR. McDONALD: Or the DX number.

4 MR. JACKS: Or the DX number, yeah.

5 THE COURT: Is it the DX or the PX?

6 MR. JACKS: There will be some of both.

7 MR. McDONALD: There's going to be some of
8 both.

9 *(End of bench discussion)*

10 THE COURT: Okay. From time to time in
11 this video deposition -- so some of these depositions
12 were taken several years ago. And generally, when
13 you're taking a deposition, you hand them paper and it's
14 marked at the time, and it's just marked like Deposition
15 Exhibit 297 or 298, "Yes, I see this and that." But
16 what we've done -- or not what we have done. What they
17 have done is a lot of times in this video, we are going
18 to be using PX for plaintiff's exhibit, DX for defense
19 exhibit, and it's -- it'll be synced to the actual
20 exhibit that's admitted in this case. So they may be
21 talking about one number which occurred at the time they
22 were taking the deposition, but there should be on the
23 screen a PX or DX number that relates to the document
24 that's introduced in this trial. Does that make sense?
25 Thanks.

1 *(Video played as follows:)*

2 Q. Could you describe your educational background
3 for us, please, Doctor?

4 A. I went to college at Yale University, graduated
5 in 1965. I went to medical school at Washington
6 University in St. Louis, graduated in 1970. Do you want
7 post training? After -- from Washington University I
8 went to the National Institute of Mental Health -- well,
9 sorry. I did an internship for one year in internal
10 medicine at Jewish Hospital of St. Louis. And then I
11 went to the National Institute of Mental Health for two
12 years as part of the public health service and did
13 research there. And then I went to Massachusetts
14 General Hospital for my psychiatry residency from 1973
15 to 1976. And then I joined the Harvard faculty.

16 Q. And when you moved to San Antonio, what
17 positions did -- did you hold?

18 A. I came in as an associate professor, so that
19 was a promotion, and stayed as an associate professor
20 until 1986 when I was promoted to professor.

21 Q. And what's the difference between being an
22 associate professor and being a professor?

23 A. Well, a professor is the highest rank you can
24 get. In terms of our particular standards, associate
25 professor would be characterized as somebody who has an

1 emerging national reputation in their field, and a
2 professor would be somebody who has clear evidence of a
3 national and even international reputation in their
4 field.

5 Q. And what do you mean when you say developing a
6 national reputation? How does one go about doing that?

7 A. Well, it would be in terms of publications and
8 refereed journals that -- that are cited in the
9 literature, obtaining grants and -- from peer-reviewed
10 sources and -- so evidence that one's peers value one's
11 work. And a significant component of sort of the -- the
12 package of materials for promotion is letters from
13 outside people at other universities who can speak to
14 your impact on the field and their -- their assessment
15 of your work and the quality of the work.

16 Q. I would like to ask you if you've got an idea
17 as to how many times you've been published, and it might
18 help you if I --

19 A. Yeah.

20 Q. -- give you what I've marked as Exhibit 630,
21 which was produced to us by your lawyer. It appears to
22 be a copy of your CV.

23 A. There's 115 journal articles listed here and
24 most of them are peer-reviewed, as indicated by a star
25 in the document. The ones that aren't peer-reviewed

1 don't have a star.

2 Q. And have you also had any involvement in
3 writing or publishing chapters to textbooks?

4 A. Yes. And there's 13 book chapter articles
5 listed here.

6 Q. And what kind of books are these, Doctor? Are
7 these educational textbooks or are they other -- other
8 types of books?

9 A. Most of them are books intended for
10 psychiatrists or mental health practitioners. There's a
11 couple that aren't in that category, but I would say
12 that's the most -- the majority are in the category of
13 sort of text intended for either psychiatrists as a
14 group or subspecialists interested in schizophrenia.

15 Q. And going back to your work at the San Antonio
16 Texas Health Science Center, it lists here that you're
17 currently chief of the division of schizophrenia and
18 related disorders in the Department of Psychiatry. Do
19 you see that?

20 A. Right.

21 Q. Is that something that -- a position that you
22 still currently hold?

23 A. Yes. I have a co-chief.

24 Q. And you're a distinguished life fellow of the
25 American Psychiatric Association, correct?

1 A. Correct, yeah.

2 Q. What does that mean to be a distinguished
3 fellow or a distinguished life fellow in the APA?

4 A. Well, it means that you -- that a group at the
5 APA has looked at your curriculum vitae and
6 accomplishments and views that you're worthy of
7 distinction.

8 Q. And what is your understanding as to what this
9 lawsuit is about?

10 A. Well, I guess to put in maybe simple terms,
11 that the development of TMAP was influenced by Janssen
12 in ways that were favorable to Janssen products.

13 Q. In your experience on TMAP, do you believe that
14 to be true?

15 A. No.

16 Q. I would like to turn our attention and start
17 talking about medication algorithms generally. You're
18 obviously familiar with what a medication algorithm is?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Can you explain to us what your understanding
21 is of a medication algorithm guideline?

22 A. Okay. Well, in -- I want to distinguish
23 somewhat between an algorithm and a treatment program
24 because in -- in some ways it's not accurate to
25 characterize TMAP as just an algorithm. The -- an

1 algorithm narrowly defined is a series of steps in which
2 the results of each step determine the next step. So
3 in -- in the actual algorithms in TMAP, be it
4 schizophrenia or bipolar disorder or depression, there's
5 actually a number of options at each step, or almost
6 every step, where it's a clinical decision as to which
7 option is selected. So it's -- it's not a -- an
8 algorithm in which there's only one choice and then only
9 one choice beyond that, and so on. The one exception in
10 the schizophrenia algorithm is that -- for people who
11 don't respond to other antipsychotics. Clozapine is the
12 single -- or Clozaril, the former brand name, is the
13 single recommended choice.

14 Q. What -- what do you mean when you say that it
15 wouldn't be fair to categorize it as just an algorithm?

16 A. Well, because it's a -- it's a -- it's a
17 program of treatments. It -- it involves really four
18 elements. One is the medication sequence that's
19 recommended, but attached to that with -- with regard to
20 the medications, there's guidance as to dosing and
21 strategies for starting and stopping the medications.
22 There's very explicit guidance about assessment of
23 effects of medications, and so the symptom scales that
24 we were talking about before are intended to guide
25 clinicians in making the decision whether a medication

1 is effective or not. And there's also very explicit
2 guidelines about documentation and how -- what
3 documentation is needed in terms of what medications
4 have been used, response to medications, target
5 symptoms, side effects and that kind of thing. And then
6 patient and family education program.

7 Q. When you say documentation, why -- why is that
8 important?

9 A. I'm sorry?

10 Q. You mentioned documentation.

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. Why is that important?

13 A. Documentation is critical for at least two
14 reasons, maybe three. Certainly in our system, public
15 health system, and most public mental health systems,
16 there's a lot of turnover of doctors and personnel, and
17 if -- if -- if the history of medication treatment isn't
18 well documented and the response to medication
19 treatment, then the next doctor who comes along and is
20 involved in the case doesn't have adequate information
21 on which to base prescribing decisions. So that's one
22 thing, is that -- sort of a related issue is that
23 patients get seen in multiple different settings,
24 outpatient clinics, hospitals, crisis intervention
25 units, emergency rooms, and so on, to -- to the extent

1 that documentation of treatment can follow the patient
2 to each of those settings, it gives the person who's
3 acting at that moment in time the information they need
4 to make better informed decisions about treatment. And
5 then a -- a third area is the area of quality assurance.
6 So, you know, every agency has, or should have, some
7 sort of quality assurance program and -- and the
8 documentation makes it possible to see if the items that
9 are specified in the quality assurance program are being
10 followed. And then if I can just -- even when one is
11 seeing the same patient for 40 years, which is pretty
12 rare in the public system, but if you're in private
13 practice, you still need documentation because memory is
14 imperfect, and you need to remember -- you need a way of
15 finding out what you did in the past.

16 Q. What is your understanding as to whether or not
17 TMAP mandates that doctors prescribe particular
18 medications to their patients?

19 A. There's no mandate in TMAP to prescribe any
20 particular medication.

21 Q. How -- how did -- how did schizophrenia become
22 part of the modules included within TMAP?

23 A. Well, the three so-called priority diagnoses in
24 the public mental health system are schizophrenia,
25 bipolar disorder and major depressive disorder and they

1 were at that time and they still are. So to undertake a
2 medication algorithm project of the nature of TMAP, they
3 needed to have experts in those three areas, and there
4 really wasn't anyone senior in Dallas at that time who
5 could take on that role, and so John Rush asked me if I
6 would take on that role.

7 Q. Do you have an understanding as to why Dr. Rush
8 selected you?

9 A. Well, I think he knew some of my reputation,
10 and he also was working part of the -- one of the people
11 in this project at the Mental Health Mental Retardation
12 Department was a woman called Marsha Toprac,
13 T-o-p-r-a-c, and -- and she also regarded my work
14 highly. I had worked with her a lot through the
15 clinical research unit. So I think, you know, he and
16 she agreed on me as a -- a choice.

17 Q. Did -- did you view it as a good thing, being
18 asked to be part of the TMAP development team?

19 A. Yes. I -- I at the outset wasn't exactly sure
20 what my role would be and what I would do, but as I
21 learned more and saw this as an opportunity to really do
22 something that would improve the delivery of psychiatric
23 care, and so that -- that was quite appealing to me.

24 Q. So you come onboard in the spring of 1996. I
25 believe that there were a series of consensus

1 conferences. Have you heard that term before?

2 A. Yeah, yeah.

3 Q. Can you kind of walk us through, starting in
4 spring of 1996, your involvement --

5 A. Yeah.

6 Q. -- with TMAP?

7 A. I have to say to the best of my recollection --

8 Q. Sure.

9 A. -- because this was a while back, but the first
10 event, formal event that I recall was the -- it's the
11 consensus conference on the treatment of depression.
12 And that, I believe, was in the summer of '96. Perhaps
13 in September of '96 we had a -- a conference on
14 treatment of schizophrenia and bipolar disorder in -- I
15 think it was in Dallas. The other conference, the
16 depression conference -- I didn't go to the depression
17 conference. I think it was in Galveston. Then in
18 Dallas, we had a meeting at which already there were
19 identified sites, meaning both inpatient and outpatient
20 mental health treatment sites identified and
21 presentations by some people from the Expert Consensus
22 Guideline series about the Expert Consensus Guideline
23 treatments for schizophrenia and bipolar disorder.

24 Q. And when you say Expert Consensus Guidelines,
25 what are you talking about?

1 A. So the Expert Consensus Guidelines was -- were
2 guidelines for treatment of schizophrenia, bipolar
3 disorder and major depression that were based on sort of
4 a questionnaire process with experts and giving experts
5 various clinical situations and asking them to rate
6 different treatment options under those conditions.
7 You know, if -- if a patient presents with symptom X and
8 something else, which of the following options would you
9 select, that -- that kind of process. So --

10 Q. All right. Your involvement with TMAP, was it
11 specific to working on the schizophrenia module?

12 A. Well, we all worked together and discussed
13 global issues, but -- and we all looked at one another's
14 work on each module, but my primary responsibility was
15 the schizophrenia module and the materials that went
16 with the schizophrenia module.

17 Q. I'm handing you what's been marked --
18 previously marked as Exhibit 519, which is an article
19 published in the *Psychiatric Services* journal in
20 January 1999 entitled "The Texas Medication Algorithm
21 Project: Development and Implementation of the
22 Schizophrenia Algorithm," and you among others is listed
23 as -- as an author. Do you see that?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And up there in the -- in the synopsis field,

1 do you see where it says "Input from clinicians"? It's
2 probably about halfway through the paragraph.

3 A. Yeah.

4 Q. I'm just going to read from that. "Input from
5 clinicians, consultants and consumers informed
6 development of the algorithm which was based on existing
7 Expert Consensus Guidelines."

8 A. Uh-huh.

9 Q. Is that consistent with your understanding as
10 to the development of TMAP?

11 A. Right, and I think that's what I was
12 describing.

13 Q. If you would, turn over to Page 71 of the
14 article.

15 A. Uh-huh.

16 Q. Do you see Figure 1 --

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. -- where it says "Initial version of the
19 algorithm for pharmacological treatment of
20 schizophrenia"?

21 A. Right.

22 Q. And you see where it lists conventional
23 antipsychotic or risperidone?

24 A. Right.

25 Q. So in this initial version of the algorithm, it

1 has conventional antipsychotic or risperidone listed as
2 first tier. Do you see that?

3 A. Right.

4 Q. Do you have an understanding as to why the --
5 the -- this schematic was changed to remove conventional
6 antipsychotics as a first line or Stage 1 drug?

7 A. So -- so this was the -- what we did in the
8 feasibility study. Now, after the feasibility study, we
9 convened -- the clinicians and the -- all the TMAP team
10 and so on, the participants in the feasibility study
11 convened in Galveston, I think. So that would have been
12 sometime in 1997. And at that point, olanzapine had
13 been available for, I don't know, maybe nine months or
14 so. It had been out on the market long enough so that
15 people had had a significant experience with it.
16 Risperidone had been around for a while. And there was
17 a -- evidence that -- there was very clear evidence that
18 these agents didn't cause as much in the way of
19 so-called extrapyramidal symptoms as the older agents.
20 So -- and there was developing evidence, partly based on
21 that, of -- of less likelihood of causing tardive
22 dyskinesia. So at the Galveston meeting, we -- again,
23 talking amongst ourselves, talking with the clinicians
24 who had been involved in the implementation of the
25 feasibility study, we tentatively concluded that given

1 the available evidence, we really should put the new
2 generation antipsychotics as earlier choices than the
3 old antipsychotics. And there was -- there was also an
4 emerging literature -- aside from the extrapyramidal
5 symptoms and tardive dyskinesia, there was some
6 literature to suggest better effects of the newer
7 antipsychotics on things like negative symptoms, and at
8 that point there wasn't much of any literature on
9 cognitive deficits as I recall.

10 Q. So is it fair to say that at the time that
11 y'all revised the algorithm to move conventional
12 antipsychotics from being Stage 1 to elsewhere in the
13 algorithm, that you believed that to be supported by the
14 facts of the evidence as it existed at that time?

15 A. Yeah. We had to make decisions based on the
16 available evidence and so the available evidence we
17 thought supported that, yes.

18 Q. Is RIS CONSTA listed as a Stage 1 medication?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Is it listed in preference or in priority to
21 any of the conventional long-acting injectables?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Oh, do you know if pharmaceutical funding was
24 solicited in connection with the development of the
25 TMAP --

1 A. No.

2 Q. -- algorithm?

3 A. No pharmaceutical funding was solicited.

4 Q. Do you feel like you've dedicated your time and
5 services to best serving the interests of the mentally
6 ill in the state of Texas?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. How many years would you say that you have
9 devoted to working and serving the mentally ill
10 population of Texas?

11 A. I think the real involvement began in 1989, so
12 that would be coming up on 20 years.

13 Q. Do you know who Dr. Steven Shon is?

14 A. I do.

15 Q. And was he involved in or part of the TMAP
16 team?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What was his -- his role and responsibility on
19 that team?

20 A. I would regard him as mostly playing an
21 administrative role, working with the Department of
22 Mental Health and Mental Retardation at the time and --
23 and with -- during the feasibility and actual -- later
24 stage of TMAP as somebody who helped bring sites
25 onboard, evaluate sites and things like that and -- and

1 he -- we had pretty much monthly meetings once we got
2 rolling. He would come to some of those. And mainly,
3 again, I would say the issues that he dealt with were in
4 the administrative implementation realm.

5 Q. Do you know whether or not among the goals or
6 purposes of TMAP was to convert patients on first
7 generation antipsychotics to second generation
8 antipsychotics?

9 A. The rule of thumb in TMAP is if it ain't broke,
10 don't fix it. So there was no goal to switch people who
11 were doing well on their current medication, regardless
12 of what the current medication might be.

13 Q. I have marked as Exhibit 633 a copy of a
14 "Procedures Manual Schizophrenia Module Physician
15 Manual" dated -- or the revised date of December 1999.
16 Do you see that, Doctor?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And I'm looking at page overview 7, and it's
19 Bates numbered Miller 11530?

20 A. You said 11530?

21 Q. Yes, Doctor. On Exhibit 633, if you turn to
22 page Miller 11530.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And if you'll turn over to page 11534. And
25 again, this is before TMAP was rolled out as being a

1 part of TIMA system wide. And up there at the top of
2 the page, do you see the parenthetical?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And what does it say?

5 A. It says, "Any stages can be skipped depending
6 on the clinical picture."

7 Q. And who makes that determination, Doctor?

8 A. The treating physician.

9 Q. I'll show you what I've marked as Exhibit 635.
10 And Doctor, 635 appears to be another "TIMA Procedural
11 Manual Schizophrenia Module" listing you as an author
12 dated January 8, 2003; is that correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. I would like to turn your attention to Bates
15 number -- or page bearing -- ends with Bates number 267.
16 There's a notice.

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. Could you read that for us, please?

19 A. Yeah. "Notice. These guidelines reflect the
20 state of knowledge, current at the time of publication,
21 on effective and appropriate care, as well as clinical
22 consensus judgment when knowledge is lacking. The
23 inevitable changes in the state of scientific
24 information and technology mandate that periodic review,
25 updating and revisions will be needed. These guidelines

1 (algorithms) do not apply to all patients and each must
2 be adapted and tailored to each individual patient.
3 Proper use, adaptation, modifications or decisions to
4 disregard these or other guidelines, in whole or in
5 part, are entirely the responsibility of the clinician
6 who uses the guidelines. The authors bear no
7 responsibility for the use of these guidelines by third
8 parties."

9 Q. I'm going to show you a copy of the lawsuit
10 that's been previously marked as Exhibit 331, and I'll
11 read from that. "Defendants in conjunction with other
12 manufacturers of atypicals provided substantial
13 financial contributions to and improperly influenced the
14 development of these standardized public health
15 protocols." Did I read that correctly, Dr. Miller?

16 A. You did.

17 Q. You're not telling Judge Dietz and this jury
18 that you believe Dr. Shon was not unduly influenced.
19 You're saying that he wasn't a mental health program
20 decision-maker?

21 A. I'm saying that he wasn't the decision-maker
22 about incorporation of Risperdal in the algorithm.

23 Q. Are you familiar with the CATIE trial?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Did you have any involvement or participation

1 in the CATIE trial?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And what was your involvement?

4 A. I was involved in two different levels. I was
5 on the CATIE advisory board, external advisory board,
6 and I was on the CATIE -- I was responsible for bringing
7 four sites in Texas into the CATIE study, and I was
8 co-investigator with the people at each of those sites
9 in the CATIE study.

10 Q. And the CATIE trial along with the CUTLASS
11 study and other research and studies were among the
12 materials and information considered by the TMAP
13 consensus conference in 2006, correct?

14 A. Right.

15 Q. And I believe it was your testimony that
16 initially you-all, the TMAP group, adopted the Expert
17 Consensus Guidelines?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. And later you-all revised the Expert Consensus
20 Guidelines, correct? Or I'm sorry, you revised the
21 algorithm that --

22 A. We revised the --

23 Q. -- by the Expert --

24 A. That's right.

25 Q. -- Consensus Guideline?

1 A. That's right.

2 Q. Do you know during the time period from 1996
3 into 1997 whether or not the expert guidelines had
4 themselves been modified?

5 A. No. They were next -- the next modification
6 that I'm aware of, I think, came in 1999.

7 Q. And how -- how were they revised?

8 A. My recollection is that they had the new
9 generation antipsychotics first and the older
10 antipsychotics second, similar to ours.

11 Q. You reviewed this lawsuit, correct?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you've sat through two full days of
14 deposition questioning correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Based on that, do you feel that your integrity
17 as a clinician, a researcher, and as a professor has
18 been called into question?

19 A. I do.

20 Q. How does that make you feel?

21 A. I'm not happy about it.

22 Q. What -- what do you have to say in response to
23 that?

24 A. I think it's grossly inaccurate and unfair
25 and -- and I feel like a pawn in somebody else's game.

1 Q. Do you feel like you've been co-opted by my
2 clients in connection with your work on TMAP and TIMA?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Do you believe that TMAP and TIMA serves the
5 best interests of the mentally ill in Texas that are
6 dependent upon public healthcare?

7 A. I think TMAP and TIMA are very worthy programs
8 that help people.

9 *(Video stopped)*

10 MR. McCONNICO: That finishes our
11 presentation, Your Honor.

12 MR. JACKS: Your Honor, at this time,
13 plaintiffs will enter into evidence some exhibits.
14 Mr. Sweeten is going to be doing that for the
15 plaintiffs. Thank you, Your Honor.

16 MR. SWEETEN: Your Honor, there are three
17 documents we are publishing to the jury prior to the
18 deposition of Dr. Shon. The first of those is PX 863.
19 This is an internal Janssen e-mail. And as with e-mail
20 chains, we start from the bottom and go up the page to
21 the front.

22 THE COURT: When you say publish, are
23 you -- are you going to -- do you want to give that to
24 the jury?

25 MR. SWEETEN: No, Your Honor. I'm going

1 to read it to the jury.

2 THE COURT: I see. Okay.

3 MR. SWEETEN: This is an e-mail from Jeff
4 Newton of Janssen U.S. sent Tuesday, March 11th, 2003 to
5 Paula Neff. Cc'd are Yolanda Roman, Janssen U.S., Lee
6 Blevins, Janssen U.S., Nancy Bursch-Smith, Janssen U.S.,
7 Ellen Grasso-Sirface of Janssen U.S., and Ruth Valpreda,
8 Janssen U.S., and then Sharon Hopkins of Janssen U.S.
9 The subject is "Forward: HCC - speaker form update."

10 "Hello everyone. The changes to the
11 attached speaker form have been approved by Dave
12 Mallegol and legal honorarium has been replaced with
13 'fee for service.' Thanks to Paula Neff for taking the
14 initiative to make this change. Jeff. Jeff Newton,
15 Manager Public Health Systems and Reimbursement, Janssen
16 Pharmaceutica."

17 Going up the chain, which starts on the
18 first page, this is an e-mail forward from Yolanda Roman
19 sent Saturday, March 15th, 2003 to Sadie Heller, Janssen
20 U.S., Lee Blevins, Janssen U.S., Nancy Bursch-Smith,
21 Janssen U.S., and Evelyn Grasso-Sirface, Janssen U.S.
22 Subject: HCC - speaker form update."

23 "Lee, Nancy and Evelyn: As we've
24 discussed and as highlighted in the PHSR HCC audit, all
25 government employees serving as speakers, advisory board

1 members, must have a signed document (i.e., speaker
2 agreements and advisory panel agreements) which also
3 includes a signature from the individual's supervisor.
4 Please be advised: No work by any state employee if a
5 supervisor approval has not been sought. Any PME's sent
6 in without this will be denied with a documenting memo.
7 If the state employee then refuses to seek approval,
8 he/she will not be able to be paid for services already
9 rendered. Unfortunately, the manager involved will be
10 in a difficult position."

11 We're going up the chain. This is a
12 response from Ellen -- Evelyn Grasso-Sirface dated
13 March 18th, 2003, to Aliza Tomlinson, Cheryl Josephson,
14 James Thornton, Jeffrey Newton, Paul Ford.
15 "Attachments: TOP Public Sector & Advocacy List.
16 Subject: Forward: HCC - Speaker Form Update."

17 "Team, please see Yolanda's memo. This is
18 very important. Let's make sure that if we have a KOL
19 or speaker that resides in our region, we are
20 responsible for getting the signed agreement. Remember,
21 there are two ways to achieve this, a one-time document
22 and an ongoing document. In either case, it requires a
23 signature from the speaker's supervisor. Thanks in
24 advance for 100 percent cooperation. Evelyn. Evelyn
25 Grasso-Sirface, Field Director, Public Health Systems &

1 Reimbursement."

2 The second document is Plaintiffs'
3 Exhibit 99, which is also an e-mail chain. This is
4 lengthy. I'll read sections to you. Starting at the
5 end of the e-mail chain -- the beginning of the e-mail
6 chain and going backwards, we start -- this is from
7 Pearsall Coard, Friday -- sent Friday, November 14th,
8 2003 to Nancy Bursch-Smith, Janssen U.S. Subject:
9 Steve Shon's honoraria payment.

10 "Nancy, I received a phone call from
11 Israel Garza today that Steve Shon has not been paid his
12 honoraria for his participation in the Janssen sponsored
13 program in New Jersey. I do not know much about the
14 details of the program, but I believe this is the
15 program that Sid asked for our assistance in inviting
16 Steve. Who needs to be contacted at Janssen in order to
17 expedite Steve getting paid? Percy Coard, Manager,
18 Public Health Systems & Reimbursement, Janssen
19 Pharmaceutica."

20 Going up the chain to the preceding page,
21 it is an e-mail from Nancy Bursch-Smith sent Saturday,
22 November 15th, 2003 to Sid Frank, Janssen U.S., and
23 Robert Del Femine, Janssen U.S. It's a forward
24 regarding Steve Shon's honoraria payment.

25 "Robert and Sid, who can I contact

1 regarding Steve Shon's honorarium from the advisory
2 board that you all held in NJ this past September?
3 Apparently, he has not been paid for this program.
4 Thanks, Nancy. Nancy Bursch-Smith, Field Director,
5 Public Health Systems & Reimbursement, Janssen
6 Pharmaceutica."

7 And then skipping to the preceding page,
8 which was Bates stamped 684 at the bottom. This is
9 continuing on the chain. It's from Nancy Bursch-Smith,
10 Monday, November 17th, 2003, 11:07 a.m., to Robert
11 Del Femine, Janssen U.S., Adrienne Minecci, Janssen
12 U.S., and Gregory Ballish, Janssen U.S., CC: Sid Frank,
13 Janssen U.S. Subject: Regarding Steve Shon's honoraria
14 payment.

15 "I am not sure where this was held, but I
16 do know it was a strategic marketing ad board in which
17 Dr. Shon from Texas participated. Sid, can you help me
18 out with the location/name of this board? Thanks,
19 Nancy. Nancy Bursch-Smith, Field Director, Public
20 Health Systems & Reimbursement, Janssen."

21 Going up the chain is a response from
22 Adrienne Minecci, Monday, November 17th, 2003 at
23 8:02 p.m., to the same individuals, Bursch-Smith,
24 Del Femine, Gregory Ballish -- oh, Page 683.

25 "Dominic, please see the communication

1 below. This refers to the sales strategic plan
2 facilitated by Atlantis. Apparently, Dr. Shon has not
3 received payment. Please forward to appropriate
4 individuals to expedite payment to this important
5 customer. Thanks, Sid."

6 We'll just go on to Page 682. So the
7 e-mail chain starts on the bottom of the preceding page
8 and we'll go back to the -- to the next page. This is
9 from Dominic La Selva, November 18th, 2003 to Sid Frank,
10 Jennifer Wilde, Kathy Beaudoin, regarding Steve Shon
11 honoraria payment, importance high.

12 "Kathy: Please see this string of
13 e-mails. I'm assuming that payment has been made to
14 Dr. Shon. Please confirm. Thanks. Dominic La Selva,
15 Vice President Primary Care Sales, Janssen
16 Pharmaceutica."

17 And then I'm going to go up two e-mails,
18 so starting on the bottom of the Page 681. This is an
19 e-mail from Kathy Beaudoin sent Monday, November 24th,
20 2003 to Sid Frank, Dominic La Selva, Janssen U.S.,
21 subject regarding Steve Shon honoraria payment.

22 "Just wanted to provide you a Steven Shon
23 update. As I said before, we had been waiting to hear
24 back from him regarding clarification for who he wanted
25 the check made out to. About two weeks ago, our admin

1 spoke directly with Israel (Steven Shon's admin) who
2 specifically instructed us to issue the expense check to
3 Dr. Shon and to make out the honoraria check to the
4 Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental
5 Retardation, which we did, and Fed Ex'd the check to
6 him. I received a call from Paula today saying that
7 Steven was upset because the check was not made out to
8 him. Apparently Israel made a wrong assumption. So we
9 are cancelling the first check and reissuing it and
10 Fed Exing it back out to him. But Dr. Shon is not very
11 happy with us (Atlantis Group) as I think we have caught
12 the blame on this one. Just a heads up in case you hear
13 something from Steven. Kathy, The Atlantis Group Inc.,
14 Doylestown, Pennsylvania."

15 And further up the chain to the very top
16 of Page 681, this is from Nancy Bursch-Smith dated
17 Tuesday, November 25th, 2003, 10:42 a.m. to Sid Frank,
18 Janssen U.S., CC: Yolanda Roman, Janssen U.S., subject
19 regarding Steve Shon honoraria payment.

20 "Sid, I do think that Steve and Israel
21 (his admin) messed this up, but Paula has handled like a
22 professional and just took care of it. It may be a good
23 idea in the future that if we use Steve Shon in any
24 ad board that PHSR is not involved in, that we are kept
25 in the loop with the vendor. Steve is very high

1 maintenance. Thanks, Nancy. Best regards, Nancy
2 Bursch-Smith, Field Director, Public Health Systems &
3 Reimbursement, Janssen Pharmaceutica."

4 The last document is a request to admit
5 sent to the defendants. It is Plaintiffs' Exhibit 2079,
6 and I'll read the title of the document on the first
7 page. It's "Defendant Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc.'s
8 Objections and Responses to the State of Texas's First
9 Set of Request for Admissions and First Set of
10 Interrogatories."

11 Going to the second page, "Objections and
12 Responses to the State's Discovery Request." Request
13 for Admission No. 1 sent to Janssen says: "Admit that
14 defendants have never obtained explicit written consent
15 from any authorized representative for the Texas
16 Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, the
17 Texas Department of State Health Services or the Texas
18 Health and Human Services Commission for Steve Shon to
19 give speeches, seminars or lectures for defendants or
20 their third-party vendors, to consult with defendants,
21 to serve on an advisory board of defendants, to attend
22 other meetings or events for or on behalf of defendants,
23 or to enter into a fee-for-service arrangement with
24 defendants."

25 Response from Janssen: "JPI objects to

1 this request" --

2 MR. McCONNICO: Your Honor --

3 THE COURT: Sustained.

4 MR. SWEETEN: I will go down the page
5 starting at the second paragraph.

6 MR. McCONNICO: Renew the objection --

7 MR. SWEETEN: I'm going to start -- okay.

8 Defendants admit that they are not aware of any signed
9 written consent or authorization forms executed by
10 persons employed by the Texas Department of Mental
11 Health and Mental Retardation, the Texas Department of
12 State Health Services, or the Texas Health and Human
13 Services Commission pertaining generally to Dr. Shon
14 that were delivered to defendants."

15 And that's -- if you could go to Page 5,
16 verification signed by Michael Chester, sworn to 15 day
17 of July, 2009.

18 THE COURT: Could I see y'all two here
19 real quick?

20 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

21 THE COURT: Who are you moving to now?

22 MR. JACKS: Dr. Shon's deposition. This
23 is a good time for a break if you want to take a break.

24 *(End of bench discussion)*

25 THE COURT: Let us take a ten-minute

1 break.

2 *(Jury not present)*

3 THE COURT: Mr. Jacks, how are we on the
4 schedule?

5 MR. JACKS: We're going to play Dr. Shon's
6 deposition.

7 THE COURT: No, no. How are we doing?
8 Y'all said y'all had this all scheduled out. How are we
9 doing on schedule? Are we behind?

10 MR. JACKS: Perhaps a little, not a lot.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Don't cut too much out.

12 MR. JACKS: I'll try not to cut too much
13 out, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: For instance, cut out
15 McConnico's multi lengthy objections to all of the
16 discovery and the subject to the objections. Cut that
17 stuff out.

18 MR. JACKS: The instruction was to do
19 that, and I'm sorry it didn't get followed through.

20 THE COURT: Okay. I'm high maintenance,
21 as I saw in the thing. I'm living the vision.

22 *(Recess taken)*

23 *(Jury present)*

24 MR. JACKS: Yes, Your Honor, we --
25 plaintiffs next call as a person identified with an

1 adverse party, Dr. Steven Shon. I'm advised that all
2 the exhibits that will be displayed during the
3 plaintiffs' portion of Dr. Shon's deposition already
4 have been admitted into evidence, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 *(Video played as follows:)*

7 **STEVEN SHON, M.D.**

8 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows by
9 videotaped deposition:

10 **DIRECT EXAMINATION**

11 Q. Dr. Shon, would you state your full name,
12 please.

13 A. Dr. Steven Paul Shon.

14 Q. When was the first consensus conference held
15 for TMAP?

16 A. 1996 and it was in Galveston.

17 Q. Would it be correct to say that most of your
18 work as a psychiatrist since you finished your residency
19 has been in the medical director field?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And then what year did you come to work for --
22 in Texas?

23 A. The beginning of 1992.

24 Q. Are you board certified as a psychiatrist?

25 A. No.

1 Q. What year were you made medical director?

2 A. Probably about '95 or '6, somewhere in there.

3 Q. Dr. Shon, I want to go back to something you
4 told us a few minutes ago about this meeting you had
5 with the Janssen lawyers. Do you recall that?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. That was a meeting that took place a month or
8 two ago; is that right?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And you testified it was a two to three-hour
11 meeting?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Whose idea was it to have the meeting with the
14 two Janssen lawyers?

15 A. Well, I was contacted by the attorneys and they
16 said they were, you know, preparing and did I have time
17 to meet with them.

18 Q. Who contacted you?

19 A. I believe it was Scott Jones.

20 Q. Your full-time work for the State of Texas
21 prior to your departure in October 2006 was in the
22 psychiatric field, right?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. That's how you made your money?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Tell the jury how you're living now without
2 being a practicing psychiatrist or working in the
3 psychiatric field.

4 A. I'm retired, and I have a pension income from
5 the state of California and from the State of Texas.

6 Q. Have you considered yourself retired since you
7 left the employ of the State of Texas in October of
8 2006?

9 A. Yes. My plan was to retire within the year.

10 Q. Now, that was not a voluntary departure in
11 October of 2006, was it?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. Who was the first person you recall from
14 Janssen contacting you with regard to the work that you
15 had done on TMAP after this Galveston meeting?

16 A. I don't recall the very first person -- I don't
17 recall, but I think I know who it was.

18 Q. Okay. Who's your -- what's your -- what's your
19 best guess for who that person was?

20 A. I think it was Nancy Bursch-Smith.

21 Q. You mentioned that you -- Nancy Bursch-Smith
22 was -- from Janssen was someone who called on you from
23 time to time?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Do you know why or do you have an understanding

1 of why she would have been interested in what you were
2 doing in developing TMAP?

3 A. Well, I think she, like all of the
4 pharmaceutical people, were interested because they knew
5 that it focused on medications, and I'm sure they were
6 concerned about what kind of impact it might have on
7 their particular medication.

8 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 291 as the
9 February 19, 1997 minutes of the Medication Operations
10 Committee?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. So first of all, what is the Medication
13 Operations Committee?

14 A. It was a committee put together by -- there's
15 an association of all of the community centers,
16 community mental health centers and public community
17 mental health centers in Texas, and this committee was
18 formed to look at medications and -- primarily because
19 of the cost of medications. So some of the things that
20 were focused on were how we could reduce costs.

21 Q. It says, "Review of current medication policies
22 and TMAP project." I'm just going to read this and ask
23 you some questions about it. "Dr. Shon" -- that's you,
24 right?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. "-- described two emerging clinical issues. It
2 has been shown that the medications being used are
3 effective and that the new medications are being used."

4 What do you mean by new medications?

5 A. The second generation antidepressants first,
6 because that's what the first study was about, and also
7 second generation antipsychotics were being used.

8 Q. What was the state of the scientific evidence
9 of those products in February 1997?

10 A. The efficacy was shown to be as good as the
11 studies that compared it to the older first generation
12 medication. The safety or side effect data at the time
13 showed that they were clearly superior to the older
14 medications when it came to the side effect of tardive
15 dyskinesia.

16 Q. What studies were you personally aware of in
17 February 1997?

18 A. Oh, I -- primarily the studies that were -- had
19 been submitted to the FDA.

20 Q. Now the studies submitted to the FDA, of
21 course, those are studies submitted by the drug
22 companies, right?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. So the study with respect to the efficacy and
25 safety of Risperdal would have been something that would

1 have been submitted by folks at Janssen, right?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. The scientific evidence that you're referring
4 to in the last sentence of Paragraph 2 of that exhibit,
5 other than the studies submitted by the drug companies
6 themselves to the FDA, were you aware of any other
7 scientific evidence about Risperdal as of February 1997?

8 A. I was not. Our experts may have been, but I
9 was not.

10 Q. Now, you say in that -- take your attention
11 back to that -- to that second paragraph in Paragraph 2,
12 you're talking about the three separate algorithms and
13 you say, towards the middle, "Dr. Shon said that the
14 plan is to phase in one of the algorithms (probably for
15 schizophrenia because it is the simplest one) to the
16 state contract by year end." Did I read that correctly?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What does it mean to phase something into the
19 state contract? What does that mean?

20 A. It means to have the community centers begin
21 using the algorithm.

22 Q. Who was Dr. Knox?

23 A. He was a medical director of one of the
24 community centers.

25 Q. Smart guy?

1 A. I think so.

2 Q. Good doctor?

3 A. I believe so.

4 Q. Well intentioned?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. The minutes say there that "Dr. Knox voiced a
7 concern," if you want to read along with me. "Dr. Knox
8 voiced a concern about adding the algorithm to the state
9 contract before all the data is in."

10 Now, understanding, Dr. Shon, that you
11 didn't write these minutes, someone else did, but what
12 is -- what is your understanding of that statement about
13 Dr. Knox's concern?

14 A. Let me clarify this. We were doing -- going to
15 embark on a large study that was going to compare
16 treatment as usual, whatever doctors are prescribing and
17 how they're -- versus following the algorithms. And
18 Dr. Knox said should we wait until after that study is
19 done. And so that was his concern.

20 Q. So let me -- let me stop you there. So his
21 concern was, let's not add the algorithm to the state
22 contract until we've done all the studies, right?

23 A. Well, he raised the question.

24 Q. It was a question he raised that the minutes
25 reflect was a concern?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And you responded, according to the minutes,
3 "that the reason for this is to continue the momentum
4 and set the standard of care as quickly as possible to
5 prevent being compelled to abide by someone else's
6 standards." Did I read that correctly?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. Now, let me ask you some very focused questions
9 about that, Dr. Shon. First of all, do you agree with
10 that statement in the minutes?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. By continuing the momentum, did you mean
13 getting the algorithms in place and working in the way
14 that you thought was the most effective?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. I'm going to ask you to tell me and the jury,
17 what is Exhibit 292?

18 A. It was the -- there have been so many
19 iterations. This was an early iteration of the
20 algorithm, and I think it was a document that was used
21 as we did some of the training and things.

22 Q. Is it -- is it your recollection this is one of
23 the earliest iterations of the TMAP --

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. -- program?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. It's dated January 30th, 1997?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And that certainly is consistent with your
5 recollection that that would have been the earliest
6 period that TMAP would have been rolled out?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. All right. There's -- that's a chart entitled
9 "Why MAs?"

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Does that mean medication algorithms?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. The last point there on that page is, "None
14 have been empirically tested"?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Does that mean the medication algorithms had
17 not been empirically tested at this point?

18 A. At that point in time, correct.

19 Q. Okay. Page 45, is that the schizophrenia
20 algorithm, the earliest iteration of it in the TMAP
21 program?

22 A. That's -- yes, that appears so to me. As I
23 said, that's several iterations ago, but yes, that's
24 what it looks like to me.

25 Q. Where is Risperdal in the algorithm?

1 A. Risperdal is in Stege 1.

2 Q. What does it mean to be a Stege 1, first-line
3 treatment?

4 A. That means that the efficacy and safety warrant
5 those being a first choice or option. And again,
6 option.

7 Q. All right. A person presents themselves with
8 symptoms of schizophrenia and the first line or first
9 treatment recommended is either a conventional
10 antipsychotic or risperidone, right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Let me show you what we've marked as -- it's
13 already been used as Deposition Exhibit 67. Under
14 subpoint 4 about two-thirds of the way down, the -- it
15 is reflected "Asked by Nadia Dac about the use of
16 Risperdal versus Lilly's Zyprexa, Dr. Shon said that in
17 Texas, Zyprexa was once used 2:1 over Risperdal, but
18 since cost became an issue, the two are dead even." Do
19 you remember saying that at this advisory board
20 conference?

21 A. I don't recall that. Where is that? Oh, I
22 see.

23 Q. And you also said, just above there, at this
24 advisory board meeting in San Antonio -- you said
25 that -- you characterized Janssen's Risperdal as a

1 preferred first-line treatment, correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Did you ever represent to anyone while you were
4 employed by TDMHMR that atypical antipsychotics were
5 safer than the typical older antipsychotic medications?

6 A. I said the safety profile was better,
7 particularly -- well, in regards to tardive dyskinesia,
8 yes.

9 Q. So the presence of Risperdal in the first-line
10 preferred treatment algorithm is a representation that
11 that drug for that patient is either more efficacious,
12 more effective or safer?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Is it your testimony that you served on a
15 number of Janssen so-called advisory boards?

16 A. I was -- yes. I was on a few advisory boards,
17 that's correct.

18 Q. Is it your testimony that you served as a board
19 member of a Janssen publication called *Mental Health*
20 *Issues Today*?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Is it your testimony that you served as a
23 continuing medical education speaker in continuing
24 medical education programs sponsored or funded by
25 Janssen?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Dr. Shon, did you visit other states -- while
3 you were medical director for TDMHMR, did you visit
4 other states to talk about the Texas Medication
5 Algorithm Project?

6 A. Yes, I did.

7 Q. Did you take any trips in which you trained
8 folks in other states on the operation of TMAP?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Did you visit other states while you were
11 medical director for TDMHMR to participate in pilot
12 programs involving medication algorithms similar to
13 TMAP?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. When did you start going to other states to
16 talk about TMAP?

17 A. Probably in the late '90s.

18 Q. Okay. Do you think it was as early as 1997?

19 A. Could have been.

20 Q. You were not being invited as a scientific
21 expert, were you, sir?

22 A. No, not as a scientific expert.

23 Q. And you weren't someone that was being invited
24 to these states or going to these states because you had
25 done extensive research in how these medications worked?

1 A. No.

2 Q. You weren't going to these other states because
3 you were someone that had -- had extensive experience
4 prescribing these medications, right?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And you weren't a day-to-day psychiatrist while
7 you were at TDMHMR, right?

8 A. No.

9 Q. Dr. Shon, you know, don't you, and tell the
10 jury this -- you know that at at least one of these
11 advisory board meetings you gave advice to Janssen on
12 strategy for marketing and positioning their products
13 within state formularies? Are you saying you didn't do
14 that?

15 A. I don't -- don't recall giving them specific
16 strategies about marketing their products. I remember
17 discussing the products. I remember discussing how
18 products -- and there were questions about how do
19 products get on formularies, how are they prescribed
20 within your states.

21 Q. Would it be wrong to do that, to engage in
22 assisting a drug company? As a state employee, would it
23 be wrong, Dr. Shon, for you to engage in assisting them
24 with their marketing or product strategy?

25 A. Yes. I don't believe that one should help a

1 private concern with their marketing of their own
2 specific product.

3 Q. Would that be wrong?

4 A. Basically, yes.

5 Q. So you're telling the jury that it would be
6 improper and wrong for you as medical director for
7 TDMHMR to advise Janssen or any other pharmaceutical
8 company on product marketing or strategy?

9 A. Specific marketing, that would be wrong.

10 Q. What's your best recollection while you were
11 medical director of TDMHMR of how many times you went to
12 other states to talk about TMAP?

13 A. I'd say once or twice a month for a period of
14 several years.

15 Q. You knew that a lot of the time, Dr. Shon, a
16 substantial amount of the time, it was Janssen that was
17 paying for these trips; isn't that right?

18 A. That's true. I knew that Janssen paid for a
19 substantial number of those trips.

20 Q. I believe you were asked by the attorney
21 general this notion of comp time or comp leave. Are
22 those the same things?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And comp leave was, essentially, in effect
25 compensation for working extra hours for which you were

1 not otherwise compensated?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. So if you worked eight hours of what we would
4 call overtime, that would translate into eight hours of
5 compensatory time?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. What was your view of how you could use your
8 compensatory time as a state employee?

9 A. I could take it off when there was a time when
10 it wasn't going to, you know, be busy or affect my work
11 or something like that.

12 Q. I guess let me ask it a slightly different way.
13 So when you were on compensatory leave, though, you
14 understood that you were still operating under the same
15 ethical rules and -- and regulations and laws that
16 governed you while you were actually working at the
17 State; is that fair?

18 A. Yeah. Basically, yes.

19 Q. I mean, just because you were on compensatory
20 leave, that didn't mean that you could do something that
21 would be unethical if you did it while you were actually
22 in the office working?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 307 as the 2001 --
25 August 2001 employee handbook for the Texas Department

1 of Mental Health and Mental Retardation?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Now, before I ask you that, so this is a
4 handbook that you were familiar with while you were
5 medical director?

6 A. Yes, more or less.

7 Q. Do you see there under "Introduction to MHMR"
8 that it says "The mission of the department is to
9 improve the quality and efficiency of services and
10 supports for our citizens with mental illnesses and/or
11 mental retardation. Our goal is to increase their
12 opportunities and abilities to lead lives of dignity and
13 independence"? Do you see that?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And do you agree that that was the mission of
16 the department when you were medical director?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And that was a mission that you took seriously?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. That was a mission that you tried in all
21 respects to fulfill?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Let's talk about your travel. Without the
24 Janssen and the other pharmaceuticals' money, you
25 couldn't have made presentations in as many places as

1 you did; is that a fair statement?

2 A. As many of those, that's correct.

3 Q. Let me hand you what we've marked as
4 Exhibit 309, sir. Do you recognize Exhibit 309 as an
5 agreement between you, Dr. Steve Shon, and Janssen dated
6 July 11th, 2001 related to the program the Virginia
7 Medication Algorithm Project Stakeholder's Meeting?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Let's talk about Exhibit 309. You're sure --
10 looking at Exhibit 309, you're sure in front of this
11 jury that part of the reason for them giving \$3,000 to
12 fund your trip to Virginia was because Risperdal was a
13 first-line treatment on the TMAP algorithm --

14 A. Well --

15 Q. -- right?

16 A. I would say -- I can't be sure in terms of
17 reading their minds, but I suspect that that is --

18 Q. Why do --

19 A. -- part of --

20 Q. -- you suspect that?

21 A. Because companies certainly, you know, promote
22 programs in which they are somehow involved.

23 Q. Is there anything wrong with them having an
24 economic motivation in your mind?

25 A. As long as they don't cross certain boundaries

1 or lines, yes.

2 Q. What are those boundaries or lines?

3 A. Directly influencing -- and certainly they have
4 their guidelines, but certainly trying to directly
5 influence their product above other products that --
6 that's not warranted.

7 Q. Is it your testimony that you have personally
8 accepted honoraria related to Janssen sponsored
9 programs?

10 A. For a program that Janssen funded and another
11 agency put the program on, I did accept an honoraria for
12 three years running to do that.

13 Q. Now, do you recall traveling to Pennsylvania in
14 March of 2001 to address the Pennsylvania Office of
15 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services regarding
16 TMAP?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. What was the status of medication algorithms in
19 Pennsylvania to your knowledge in March of 2001?

20 A. They weren't using one.

21 Q. Do you recall asking for the Janssen
22 reimbursement check to be made out to the Harrisburg
23 State Hospital as opposed to TDMHMR?

24 A. No, I didn't say that. I was just concerned
25 about our travel reimbursement, essentially, at that

1 time.

2 Q. When you spoke on TMAP, Dr. Shon, or at a
3 continuing medical education conference that Janssen
4 sponsored or funded in some way, isn't it true that --
5 that Janssen required you to submit your PowerPoint
6 presentations to them for their review and comment?

7 A. No.

8 Q. That's not true?

9 A. That's not true.

10 Q. Let me show you Exhibit 310, Dr. Shon. And do
11 you recognize this as an e-mail from a woman named Ann
12 Swink to you and others dated February 18th, 2002,
13 subject matter slides for the Janssen symposia on
14 treating schizophrenia. Do you see that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. This was a symposia that you participated in --

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. -- in 2002?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Well, what it says is Ms. Swing asks you -- she
21 says in the third paragraph, "Please have your personal
22 set of slides back to me by March 6th. We will return
23 any feedback CNS might have on your slides to you by
24 March 13th." Do you see that?

25 A. Yes, I do.

1 Q. Let's read the next sentence -- sentence after
2 that. "After Janssen has had an opportunity to review
3 and comment on the slides, we will send you those
4 comments to you by March 25th with final revisions due
5 back to me from you by March 28th." Isn't that right?

6 A. Yes, that's what it says.

7 Q. So, sir, doesn't this e-mail describe Janssen
8 asking to review and comment on your slides before the
9 Janssen symposia on treating schizophrenia?

10 A. Yes, it does.

11 Q. You recognize Exhibit 311 as a PowerPoint
12 presentation --

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. -- on TMAP?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Dr. Shon, is this representative of the kinds
17 of presentations you would give in the trips we've been
18 talking about earlier?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Isn't it true that part of your algorithm
21 philosophy was that the most efficacious and safest
22 treatments were listed first on the algorithm?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. In fact, you say that in your PowerPoint
25 presentation on Page 851, don't you?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Let me ask you to look at what's been
3 previously marked as Exhibit 136.

4 A. Uh-huh.

5 Q. Do you recognize this as an agenda for an
6 advisory board conducted at The Mansion on Turtle Creek
7 in Dallas, Texas on Tuesday, June 4th --

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. -- 2002?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Did you attend this?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Was the subject antipsychotic algorithms?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Who was the audience for this board?

16 A. This was the one I referred to earlier where
17 Janssen was coming out with their injectable product, if
18 I remember correctly, and they wanted input from a
19 variety of people as to the usefulness of this product,
20 and a lot of the discussion revolved around how the
21 product might show up in an antipsychotic algorithm,
22 specifically the TMAP algorithm itself.

23 Q. Now, isn't it true, Dr. Shon, that a couple of
24 weeks later after this meeting at The Mansion hotel in
25 Dallas, that you visited with Nancy Bursch-Smith at

1 Janssen and gave her some feedback on how Janssen could
2 have done things a little differently at this advisory
3 board meeting?

4 A. Well, I remember we talked about the meeting.
5 I don't remember exactly what kind of suggestions I --

6 Q. Well, let me --

7 A. -- may have given, but --

8 Q. -- ask you some specific questions to see what
9 you --

10 A. Sure.

11 Q. -- do remember. Okay. Did you tell her that
12 Janssen was too focused on the research and clinical
13 piece and that you felt that the meeting should have
14 been more strategically based with Janssen stating what
15 it wants, when it wants it and why CONSTA should be
16 positioned in a certain way?

17 A. I don't recall saying that specifically. I
18 remember --

19 Q. Do you recall saying that generally, Dr. Shon?

20 A. No, I don't.

21 Q. How did you log your time on your time sheet
22 for the meeting at The Mansion?

23 A. I think it was just part of my job and --
24 because this has to do with the TMAP project.

25 Q. It was State time?

1 A. Yes, I think so.

2 Q. Do you recall attending an event sponsored by
3 Janssen called a strategic customer marketing ad board
4 in Princeton, New Jersey in September of 2003?

5 A. I remember going to Princeton. I don't
6 remember the title or the -- the topic particularly,
7 but...

8 Q. Do you recall the subject matter of that
9 ad board meeting?

10 A. I think folks wanted to hear about the
11 algorithm and how the algorithm worked and was used, and
12 that's all I can recall.

13 Q. Who paid for your attendance at this Princeton,
14 New Jersey meeting?

15 A. I don't recall, but it was probably one of the
16 pharmaceutical -- if it was with Janssen, it was
17 probably Janssen.

18 Q. Did you receive an honorarium for participating
19 in this advisory board?

20 A. I assume so, but I don't --

21 Q. Why do you assume so?

22 A. Because if I went and did these speaking
23 engagements, there was an honorarium involved that went
24 to that State.

25 Q. Do you remember requesting that the honorarium

1 be paid directly to you?

2 A. I don't recall.

3 Q. Do you recall the honorarium being issued by a
4 third-party vendor called Atlantis to TDMHMR instead of
5 directly to you?

6 A. No, I don't recall.

7 Q. Let me hand you Exhibit 314, sir. It is -- it
8 is an agreement for -- between -- well, it is a letter
9 between you and Ms. Bursch-Smith describing your
10 potential participation in future event presentations?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Now, the third paragraph says that "Janssen
13 Pharmaceutica also requests you provide us with a letter
14 from your governmental agency's supervisor or authorized
15 representative, acknowledging the approval for you to
16 speak at future programs. It is necessary we have a
17 supervisor's or representative's signed letter on file
18 with us. Please note: Each state might have specific
19 requirements or a specific form that must be submitted."

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Did you ever do that?

22 A. No. I, in fact, called her to let her know
23 that, again, I could not be part of anybody's speakers
24 bureau. If there was an individual program, for
25 example, some of these states would call and request,

1 and if Janssen was sponsoring that or putting something
2 on and funding it, you know, their request, that could
3 be done, but I was not going to be on their speakers
4 bureau.

5 Q. Well, does this letter say anything about a
6 speakers bureau? I don't see that word in there. You
7 put that in your answer, but I don't see that in this
8 letter, sir.

9 A. Well, that's true.

10 Q. Yeah.

11 A. I was thinking of it in relation to their
12 speakers bureau because we had had a couple -- all of
13 the pharmaceuticals, and particularly Janssen, on a
14 couple of occasions.

15 Q. Well, Dr. Shon, the fact of the matter is, you
16 did participate in presentations, right?

17 A. I did participate in presentations, yes.

18 Q. So -- so let's just make this clear for
19 everyone's benefit. You didn't call Nancy Bursch-Smith
20 up after you got this letter and say I can't do this,
21 because you had done it, and you did it after June 10th,
22 2003. You know that.

23 A. Yes. That's correct. I was thinking of a
24 speakers bureau, but you're right, it doesn't say
25 speakers bureau.

1 Q. Okay. So answer my other question, which is:
2 Did you provide Janssen with a letter from your
3 supervisor as described in the third paragraph?

4 A. No, I did not.

5 Q. Was this the first time you remember Janssen
6 ever requesting written approval from your supervisor
7 for your participation in a -- in an event?

8 A. Yes. I don't recall --

9 Q. Did you ever participate in a home office visit
10 at Janssen's headquarters?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Was that in September of 2002?

13 A. Probably around that time period.

14 Q. Let me hand you what's been marked previously
15 as Exhibit 224. I'll represent to you this is an e-mail
16 string, the subject of which is your visit to the
17 Janssen home office.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. The bottom half of the e-mail, the sentence
20 that begins, "Dr. Shon is a very influential KOL in the
21 public sector" psychia -- "psychiatry arena." Have you
22 ever heard the term KOL?

23 A. No.

24 Q. It says in the sentence right before that, "It
25 is critical that we support and maintain a strategic

1 alliance with Dr. Shon for the following reasons." Do
2 you see that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And it talks about you being an influential
5 KOL. Did anyone from Janssen tell you that they were
6 interested in supporting and maintaining a strategic
7 alliance with you?

8 A. That was not discussed, no.

9 Q. So it says there down there at the bottom, "To
10 provide some flexibility for attendees, Dr. Shon has
11 agreed to make two presentations. The first
12 presentation will run from 10:00 to 12:00 in Alex
13 Gorsky's" -- "Alex Gorsky's conference room," right?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And Mr. Gorsky was, at the time, either a very
16 senior executive or -- or the chief executive officer at
17 Janssen, was he not?

18 A. I knew he was an executive. I wasn't sure how
19 high up he was.

20 Q. "He will conduct the second presentation from
21 1:00 to 3:00 in a meeting room to be determined. The
22 content of both presentations will be the same." And I
23 believe you told us earlier, Dr. Shon, that the content
24 of the presentations was your overview of -- of both the
25 history and the current developments in TMAP.

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Did you do this trip on the State of Texas's
3 time or comp time or vacation?

4 A. I don't recall. I don't recall. It was
5 probably State of Texas time, I think, but I could be
6 wrong.

7 Q. And Janssen promised to reimburse you for all
8 your costs associated with that?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And are you familiar that the Texas Penal Code
11 in Section 3607 prohibits a public servant like yourself
12 from soliciting, accepting or agreeing to accept any
13 honorarium in consideration for doing any services that
14 the public servant would not have been requested to
15 provide but for that person's official position or
16 duties?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. If you were being asked to speak because of
19 your title or position, it was prohibited by law and by
20 policy of the TDMHMR to accept honoraria?

21 A. Yes.

22 *(Video stopped)*

23 MR. MELSHEIMER: Your Honor, might we
24 pause one moment to try to adjust some of the volume
25 issues we're having with the speaker? It'll just take

1 about a minute.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 *(Video played as follows:)*

4 Q. Dr. Shon, do you recall attending an outcome
5 research advisory board for Janssen in Scottsdale,
6 Arizona from February 27th to March 1st, 2000?

7 A. I attended a couple of things in Scottsdale.
8 It sounds familiar, but I can't remember the exact name
9 of it.

10 Q. And Exhibit 317 is a couple of pages from your
11 calendar, plus a check for \$3,000 to you at the Texas
12 Department of Mental Health, as well as some receipts
13 and a draft agenda. Do you see that?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. So you personally accepted a 3,000-dollar
16 honorarium for this event?

17 A. Yes. This includes the honorarium travel.

18 Q. Why did you think it was proper for you to
19 accept an honorarium for this event?

20 A. Because it -- and this is one of the ones that
21 I talked to Cathy Campbell about and she -- she said, is
22 this -- does this involve anything with your job? Is
23 your -- in terms of any projects you're working on or
24 anything that would influence your particular roles and
25 functions, and I said no, this is primarily an

1 educational program and a program where they get input.

2 Q. Okay. Well, if you look at your calendar on
3 the first page, it looks like you left on Sunday,
4 correct, on the very first page of that exhibit?

5 A. Oh, yes.

6 Q. And then when you have Janssen CNS Summit, it
7 goes through February 28th, 29th and March 1st, and
8 that's a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; is that correct?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. But it's your testimony to the jury that this
11 was not job related?

12 A. That's correct.

13 Q. Did you -- how did you record your time?

14 A. I think I took comp time or something along
15 that line.

16 Q. If you could look at the times entered for
17 those days that you were at the CNS Summit, could you
18 tell the jury how you recorded your time, please? On
19 the 28th and 29th, how do you record hours worked? Is
20 it eight hours on Monday and eight hours on Tuesday
21 under regular hours worked?

22 A. Yes, it is.

23 Q. Okay. On the last page, March 2000, how did
24 you record your time for Wednesday, March 1st? It's at
25 the top of that.

1 A. Oh, yes. Eight.

2 Q. Okay.

3 A. Eight hours.

4 Q. So for this trip to Scottsdale, Arizona in
5 which you accepted a 3,000-dollar honorarium from
6 Janssen from February 27th through March 1st, you not
7 only accepted a 3,000-dollar honorarium from Janssen,
8 but you recorded your time with the State as eight hours
9 of regular time worked; is that correct?

10 A. That's what it appears.

11 Q. But your testimony to the jury is also that
12 because this event was not related to your work as a
13 medical director, you could accept the honorarium; is
14 that correct?

15 A. That's correct. And it appears that things
16 were not recorded correctly.

17 Q. Did you ever take the position, Dr. Shon, that
18 you could accept honoraria as not being related to your
19 position as a medical director at TDMHMR if it was not
20 during, quote, working hours?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. So how do you determine what working
23 hours and nonworking hours would be?

24 A. Basically, nonworking hours would be time away
25 from my regular -- evenings, weekends, things like that.

1 Q. Would you include nonworking hours as -- as
2 comp time?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Even if it was comp time you were taking during
5 the week of Monday through Friday?

6 A. Yes. That's time away from work that was my
7 own time, yes.

8 Q. And would you include vacation time as time
9 that you would count as nonworking time?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. So it's your position to the jury that all of
12 these times that you included as nonworking hours, if
13 you did something for Janssen, provided any services and
14 received an honorarium, it would be acceptable?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Because it's nonworking hours; is that correct?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Dr. Shon, if you'll take a look at what's been
19 marked as Exhibit 318, please. And I'm just going to
20 ask you, do you see how at the top of Exhibit 318 it's
21 dated September 18th, 1992?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And do you see where it's stamped TDMHMR
24 September 21st, 1992, and it --

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. -- says medical director under there, under
2 that stamp?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. That's part of the stamp, it looks like.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Well, first of all, who is this September 18th,
7 1992 memo that's Exhibit 318 from?

8 A. Cathy Campbell.

9 Q. And it lists Cathy Campbell as the director of
10 legal services, correct?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And what does this memo purport to be
13 regarding?

14 A. It's regarding speaking engagements.

15 Q. Well, in the re line, it says "Acceptance of
16 honorarium," correct?

17 A. "Acceptance of honorarium." And the underline
18 is in regard to speaking engagements --

19 Q. That second --

20 A. -- directly related to the speaker's job.

21 Q. That second paragraph, Dr. Shon, can you read
22 that for the jury, please?

23 A. "Under these provisions state employees may no
24 longer accept a speaking fee in situations in which the
25 speaking engagement is directly related to the speaker's

1 job. Another way that this is put is that a state
2 employee is prohibited from accepting or soliciting a
3 fee for speaking if the employee would not have been
4 requested to speak but for his official position or
5 duties. Accepting a fee is prohibited even if the
6 speech is ... during nonworking hours."

7 Q. It's still your position that the honoraria you
8 accepted from Janssen, the three honoraria you've
9 testified to, one of which is the Scottsdale, Arizona
10 event, was acceptable because it was, quote, during
11 nonworking hours; is that correct?

12 A. If it was -- yes, during nonworking hours and I
13 wasn't giving a speech. I wasn't giving a talk.

14 Q. We've already gone over one of the honoraria,
15 which is the Scottsdale, Arizona event. I'd like to ask
16 you about the other two you mentioned yesterday.

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. First of all, when did those other two occur?

19 A. I believe they were three years in a row. So
20 if this is 2000, it was probably 2001 or 2002. It might
21 have been '99, 2000, 2001.

22 Q. And did you enter into agreements with Janssen
23 for those events?

24 A. Yes. It was the same process.

25 Q. A consulting-type agreement?

1 A. Yes, same process.

2 Q. Did Janssen pay you directly those honoraria or
3 were they paid through a third-party vendor such as
4 Excerpta Medica?

5 A. I believe it was a third-party vendor.

6 Q. Dr. Shon, if you'll take a look at Exhibit 320.
7 This is your calendar pages and it also has a
8 time sheet, and it's for February 23rd through 25th,
9 2003.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Does this refresh your recollection that from
12 February 23rd through 25th, 2003, you attended an event
13 in Scottsdale, Arizona?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And does it refresh your memory that that was
16 another Janssen CNS Summit?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And is this the third event you recall
19 receiving an honorarium for?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Did you ever accumulate comp time or did you
22 ever account toward comp time any of the trips that you
23 took outside of Texas to talk about TMAP to other
24 states?

25 A. I think there were occasions, if it went into

1 the weekend or something like that.

2 Q. So the answer to my question is yes?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did you ever ask for funding from Janssen for
5 the Korean-American psychiatrists annual business
6 meeting to be held during the APA meeting in
7 San Francisco?

8 A. Yes. Yes.

9 Q. How much funding did you request from Janssen?

10 A. I don't recall. It was several thousand
11 dollars.

12 Q. And how much did you receive?

13 A. I don't recall. It was several thousand
14 dollars. And that's part of the responsibility of the
15 president, is to obtain funding for the events.

16 Q. Dr. Shon, do you remember yesterday when we
17 talked about the mission statement of TDMHMR, and you
18 read with Mr. Melsheimer from the TDMHMR handbook? Do
19 you remember that?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And you testified that you took that seriously,
22 and you tried in all respects to fulfill that mission?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And the mission is -- the mission of the
25 department is to improve the quality and efficiency of

1 services and supports for our citizens with mental
2 illnesses and/or mental retardation. Our goal is to
3 increase their opportunities and abilities to lead lives
4 of dignity and independence, correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. How do you interpret the words "our citizens"
7 with respect to that mission statement?

8 A. Essentially the citizens of Texas.

9 Q. It is your testimony to the jury that by
10 traveling to other states to talk about TMAP, you were
11 being consistent with the mission statement of TDMHMR in
12 improving the efficiency of services and supports for
13 Texas citizens, correct?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Is it also your testimony to the jury that when
16 you were serving on Janssen's advisory boards, you were
17 fulfilling the mission of TDMHMR by improving the
18 quality and efficiency of services and supports for
19 Texas citizens with mental illness and mental
20 retardation?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Did you see traveling to other states to talk
23 about TMAP in those states, which would initiate and
24 possibly lead to the implementation of algorithms in
25 those states, as being related to your job as a Texas

1 medical director?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. You testified yesterday that you felt it would
4 be improper for you to engage in marketing product
5 strategy for Janssen, correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. So is it a fair statement that you -- if you
8 engaged in marketing product strategy for Janssen, that
9 would also not be consistent with the mission of TDMHMR?

10 A. Well, I -- yes, I think that the -- developing
11 a marketing strategy for someone was not a role.

12 Q. Do you agree that when you were the medical
13 director for TDMHMR, you had an obligation to the State
14 of Texas to make sure that the State was not unduly
15 influenced by the pharmaceutical industry?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. You did not have access to Janssen's internal
18 e-mails when you were the medical director of TDMHMR?

19 A. No, I did not at all.

20 Q. So is it fair to say that you didn't at all
21 times know Janssen's intentions with respect to you?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. So I'm asking you, do you think it would be
24 proper for Janssen to use you, use you --

25 A. Uh-huh.

1 Q. -- as a key opinion leader to advance
2 algorithms in other states with the intention of using
3 you for that purpose to drive the sales of Risperdal --
4 do you think that would be proper?

5 A. I would say this. I think it's improper for a
6 pharmaceutical to use somebody to -- purely to advance
7 their product under the guise of something else. Does
8 that answer your question?

9 Q. Do you recognize Exhibit 322 as an agreement
10 for an advisory board that you signed on March 3rd,
11 2002?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Does this refresh your memory that this was a
14 CNS advisory summit in 2002 you have ended up --
15 attended at the Ritz-Carlton?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And you signed this agreement?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And did you read this agreement before you
20 signed it?

21 A. I'm sure -- probably did.

22 Q. Well, did you -- was it your regular practice
23 to review agreements before you signed them with
24 Janssen?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Did you accept an honorarium for your
2 participation in this advisory board with Janssen?

3 A. I may have. I don't recall.

4 Q. Do you see in Paragraph 4 on the first page of
5 this Exhibit 322 -- can you read for the jury what that
6 states?

7 A. "You represent that" under -- "you are under no
8 obligation, contractual or otherwise, to any other
9 person, institution or entity that would interfere with
10 the rendering of services called for in this agreement
11 or that would prohibit the payments for professional
12 services."

13 Q. And you agreed to that by signing this
14 agreement, correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And do you recall yesterday when you discussed
17 the agreement related to the home office visit at
18 Janssen and the agreement related to treatment
19 guidelines that those agreements contained the same
20 language in them?

21 A. Similar language, yes.

22 Q. So when you attended these events and signed
23 these agreements, these events that were funded by
24 Janssen, you signed these agreements, you understood
25 that when you were participating in these events, or

1 pursuant to these agreements, that you were under no
2 obligation otherwise -- contractual or otherwise to any
3 other person, institution or entity that would, quote,
4 interfere with the rendering of services called for in
5 this agreement; is that correct?

6 A. Yes, uh-huh.

7 Q. Did it ever occur to you when you were signing
8 these agreements with Janssen where you represented that
9 you would not interfere with the rendering of services
10 called for in this agreement with Janssen -- did it ever
11 occur to you what you would do if you were participating
12 in one of these events and an interest or a duty you oh
13 to the State of Texas conflicted with the Janssen
14 interest?

15 A. Yes, uh-huh.

16 Q. It did occur to you?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you signed the agreements anyway?

19 A. I didn't believe that that would occur, given
20 the description of the event, but yes, I signed the
21 agreement because the way the event was described, I saw
22 no conflict with that.

23 Q. Okay. But if a conflict did arise under these
24 agreements, you were obligated to Janssen and not the
25 State of Texas, correct?

1 A. Well, I would have withdrawn from the program
2 then.

3 Q. Did you ever withdraw from a program where you
4 signed an agreement saying that you were obligated to
5 Janssen?

6 A. No, because I -- we would discuss what the
7 program was. If I felt that -- and I actually turned
8 down several programs, going to several programs, but if
9 I felt that there was going to be a conflict, I would
10 not participate.

11 Q. At some point, and I'm going to suggest to you
12 it was around the year 2000, the Legislature mandated --
13 the Texas Legislature mandated that TMAP be followed in
14 the Texas community health centers, correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. You don't hold yourself out as a clinician with
17 respect to TMAP, right?

18 A. No.

19 Q. In fact, all throughout this deposition, both
20 today and earlier in the year, you've made it clear that
21 you weren't applying your own medical judgment to the
22 clinical analysis of TMAP, right?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. You are representing, though, in Exhibit 669
25 that the algorithm philosophy is to put the most

1 efficacious and safest treatments first, right?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. That was not something that you had independent
4 knowledge of, right?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. But you were representing that as being
7 something that was consistent with what you understood
8 to be the TMAP philosophy, right?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. And so if risperidone is a Level I or Risperdal
11 is a Level I treatment, you're representing that that
12 was the most efficacious and safest treatment, correct?

13 A. More efficacious and safer than other
14 medications that were not Level I, yes.

15 Q. You talked with Mr. McDonald about this
16 Exhibit 667, which was a document that you created after
17 the *New York Times* article came out.

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. A couple of the staff actually did it at your
20 direction?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. But you gave them the facts?

23 A. Or they gathered the facts and we all went over
24 the facts together.

25 Q. Well, I want to look at Page 4, sir, the last

1 full bullet point on Page 4. You said that "Dr. Shon
2 did not accept compensation for his time in such cases
3 because Texas state employees are prohibited from
4 accepting compensation for presentations." Do you see
5 that?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Now, that's not true, is it, sir?

8 A. Well, it was true as far as I -- as I recall.

9 Q. Well, Dr. Shon, you did accept money from
10 Janssen in the form of honorarium. We're going to go
11 over some of them, but --

12 A. Yes. That was for -- but not in relation to
13 this project.

14 Q. Well, sir, you say here -- Doctor, it's stated
15 here on Exhibit 667 -- I take it you reviewed this --

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. -- before it was finalized --

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. -- to make sure it was right?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Okay. Correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. It says, "Dr. Shon did not accept compensation
24 for his time in such cases because Texas state employees
25 are prohibited from accepting compensation for

1 presentations, consultation and other work related to
2 their employment with the state."

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Did I read that right?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. You know it's a felony to do that, isn't
7 it, sir, to accept money as described in -- on Page 4?

8 A. Well, I don't know what level of -- it is, but
9 yes, I know that that is not --

10 Q. Well, it's against the law.

11 A. -- appropriate, yes.

12 Q. All right. And, in fact, you did accept time
13 and again money from Janssen for going out and speaking
14 as a result of work related to your employment with the
15 State of Texas?

16 A. No, I don't see it that way. This was not --
17 the -- the things that I went to related to my
18 experience as an administrator across the board.

19 Q. Are you saying that you believe Janssen flew
20 you all around the country and paid you thousands of
21 dollars in honorarium because of your work in the state
22 of California?

23 A. My work as an administrator for over 20 years,
24 yes.

25 Q. Let me hand you what we'll mark as Exhibit 671

1 to see if I can refresh your recollection about this.
2 Do you see a check dated 1/24/2003 made out to you --

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. -- in the amount --

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. -- of \$3,000?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you received that check --

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. -- didn't you, sir? No doubt in your mind
11 about that, right?

12 A. Yes. Yes.

13 Q. I'm going to hand you what we've marked as
14 Exhibit 672. Now, Dr. Shon, you were participating,
15 according to this document, in the strategic sales
16 planning process. Do you see that?

17 A. Yes, I see that.

18 Q. And do you see that you're -- you're listed on
19 there as the medical director, State of Texas, Office of
20 Mental Health and Mental Retardation?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. All right. No -- no mention there of your
23 previous titles, is there, sir?

24 A. No.

25 Q. No mention there of any work you've done for

1 the state of California?

2 A. No.

3 Q. You're there because you're the medical
4 director for the State of Texas, isn't that right, sir?

5 A. I don't know that that's the sole reason, but
6 that was my title and that's what was listed, yes.

7 Q. Well, certainly a reason that you're there, you
8 would agree with me on that?

9 A. Probably, yeah. Probably.

10 Q. I want to go back to your statement earlier on
11 Exhibit -- Exhibit 667 where you -- we talked about on
12 Page 4 where you said that -- or the exhibit said that
13 you did not accept compensation because Texas state
14 employees are prohibited from accepting compensation.
15 But, in fact, sir, you accepted \$3,000 in September of
16 2003.

17 A. Okay. That's what it appears.

18 Q. Well, sir, here's the thing. I mean, you
19 answered all these questions from Janssen's lawyer about
20 how various statements in Exhibit 667 were right and
21 accurate and you were trying to correct the record, but
22 when it came down to the money, Exhibit 667 is just flat
23 wrong about that, because you did take money from
24 Janssen while you were and on -- and on account of your
25 position as a state employee. Isn't that right, sir?

1 A. Yes, actually, I did. And I did that with
2 those other consultations, which we've talked about.

3 Q. But you -- you agree that part of it, part of
4 the reason you were being asked -- even under your
5 testimony, part of the reason you were being asked was
6 because of your position as medical director of the
7 State of Texas; isn't that correct?

8 A. That I was an administrator in the state of
9 Texas as part of my career and that's part of what I was
10 asked -- why I was asked, I'm sure.

11 Q. Exhibit 674 is some information related to the
12 very summit we were just discussing for which you
13 received \$3,000, right?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. It's the meeting in Amelia Island, Florida,
16 correct?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Now, one of the things that was discussed at
19 this summit was Risperdal CONSTA, right?

20 A. I believe so.

21 Q. Isn't it true that as a matter of chronology,
22 Dr. Shon, that after you attended the Amelia Island
23 presentation and received \$3,000 from the folks at
24 Janssen, a presentation at which CONSTA was discussed,
25 that subsequent to that, the folks from Janssen came to

1 you and talked to you about the idea of putting
2 Risperdal CONSTA on the TMAP algorithm? Is that true or
3 not true?

4 A. The chronology is correct.

5 Q. Let me ask you this, Doctor. How many times
6 did Janssen pay for you to go anywhere in the world
7 before TMAP was implemented?

8 A. I don't think they did.

9 Q. How much -- how many -- how much cash money did
10 Janssen pay you in the form of honoraria or otherwise at
11 any time prior to the implementation of TMAP in Texas?

12 A. Probably nothing. I don't recall any.

13 Q. From last time and from this time, I count six
14 different CNS conferences that you attended for which
15 you received \$3,000. Let me run them over with you.

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. So three Arizona that you recall 3,000 a pop,
18 one in Florida that's 3,000. That's -- that's four.
19 We've established there's one in Princeton, New Jersey
20 where you got 3,000. That's --

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. That's five.

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Dr. Shon, with respect to the -- the thousands
25 of dollars that you received from Janssen in connection

1 with these meetings and conferences, what did you do
2 with the money?

3 A. Deposited them in my personal account.

4 Q. You didn't take those honoraria checks and --
5 and give them to TDMHMR, correct?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. Kept that money for your own personal use,
8 correct?

9 A. Correct.

10 *(Video stopped)*

11 MR. MELSHEIMER: That concludes the
12 plaintiffs' presentation from Dr. Shon.

13 MR. McCONNICO: This will be another
14 45-minute clip. Do you want to start it now?

15 THE COURT: Is there a break in there?

16 MR. McCONNICO: There is not, but we can
17 make one.

18 THE COURT: Give me 15 minutes.

19 MR. McCONNICO: Okay. Your Honor, we will
20 start playing the tape.

21 *(Video played as follows:)*

22 **CROSS-EXAMINATION**

23 Q. When were you licensed to practice medicine
24 first, what year?

25 A. In 1973 or -- '3 or '4.

1 Q. When you started with the State of Texas, what
2 was your first position?

3 A. Deputy commissioner for mental health.

4 Q. Okay. And then how long were you doing that
5 and what was your next title?

6 A. I was in that position for about three years,
7 and then when the commissioner, who basically recruited
8 me and brought me in, left and the next commissioner
9 came in, I was moved over into another position. The
10 department was reorganized and that position no longer
11 existed. So for, oh, maybe a year I had a different
12 position that involved managed care and he had wanted --
13 this was Don Gilbert wanted me to, you know, begin to
14 reshape how the community system worked. And then about
15 a year after that, the medical director left, and I
16 moved into that position.

17 Q. Okay. What year were you made medical
18 director?

19 A. Probably about '95 or '6, somewhere in there.

20 Q. Where did the meeting take place?

21 A. At the room that they were -- in the hotel they
22 were staying at.

23 Q. Where were they staying?

24 A. The Mirage.

25 Q. Okay. So they invited you to their conference

1 room they had in the Mirage or was it the actual hotel
2 room?

3 A. I believe it was a hotel room.

4 Q. Okay. Who was present?

5 A. The two attorneys that are here.

6 Q. Okay. Can you tell the jury to the best of
7 your recollection what you recall them asking you?

8 A. A lot of it was about my background, my work
9 with the State of Texas and then questions about the
10 TMAP project.

11 Q. Why did you think it was a good idea to meet
12 with them for a couple hours at the Mirage hotel?

13 A. I just basically saw no problem with that. I
14 think if anybody had asked to meet with me, I would
15 have, whether it was any of the groups in this room.

16 Q. They told you that -- the lawyers for Janssen
17 told you that the TMAP was going to be the subject of
18 your deposition; is that a fair statement?

19 A. I don't know if they said it, but I knew that
20 was going to be the -- having read this.

21 Q. You knew that from looking at the notice of
22 deposition?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Have you considered yourself retired since you
25 left the employ of the State of Texas in October of

1 2006?

2 A. Yes. My plan was to retire within the year.

3 Q. Now, that was not a voluntary departure in
4 October of 2006, was it?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. So you -- you weren't planning on retiring in
7 October of 2006; is that a fair statement?

8 A. Not in October. I was planning to retire by
9 the summer of 2007.

10 Q. Whether it's Dr. Bell or anyone else, did
11 anyone communicate to you in the fall of 2006 that the
12 allegations made in this lawsuit were in some way
13 related to your departure?

14 A. Nobody ever said anything directly to me about
15 it, although I suspected that it may have had something
16 to do with it.

17 Q. Why do you say that?

18 A. Only because it was a -- somewhat abrupt and
19 the election was coming up very shortly, and I know that
20 anything that could be looked at as maybe even remotely
21 negative was not something that the administration
22 wanted to have hanging over them. I mean, that was
23 something that was very well known.

24 Q. All right. So the commissioner of the
25 Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation came

1 to you in '95 or '96 and raised with you an issue about
2 creating TMAP?

3 A. No. This is why I want to kind of walk through
4 how this occurred.

5 Q. Okay. So this -- this notion of the -- the
6 cooperation and working together --

7 A. Right.

8 Q. -- between the research universities and the
9 public sector?

10 A. That's correct.

11 Q. What did that lead to?

12 A. And that had been going on, but this was my
13 first kind of injection into dealing with that part of
14 the department. So I went up to the Department of
15 Psychiatry in Dallas, UT Southwestern, and met with Ken
16 Altschuler and John Rush, who were the two people who --
17 Ken Altschuler was the chair of the department at the
18 time and John Rush a researcher there. And we met one
19 afternoon and talked about what kind of projects we
20 might focus on, because one cycle of the projects had
21 come to an end and we were ready to start another cycle.
22 So we kind of narrowed it down to a couple of areas.
23 One was psychosocial interventions and the other was
24 medication interventions. And it was out of that
25 meeting that the decision was made to focus on improving

1 the quality of medication prescribing. And that was one
2 of the things that we had talked about because one of
3 the things that I had seen as medical director in
4 reviewing prescribing in our state, and it was really
5 not different in California, was that prescribing could
6 be fairly erratic. It was not consistent at all. One
7 of the examples I would give as I gave talks is that if
8 you had six people who had the same symptoms, everything
9 was the same, perhaps they were clones and had the same
10 psychiatric disorder, and they walked into six
11 psychiatrists' offices all lined up, chances were fairly
12 high that they would walk out with six different
13 medication programs.

14 Q. So this -- this issue of the erratic or
15 inconsistent prescribing of medications for mental
16 illness, that's -- that's the -- that's one of the
17 topics that you discussed at this meeting at UT
18 Southwestern?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that was in what year?

21 A. At that meeting in '95, '96.

22 Q. '95. With respect to this early period of the
23 research that you were conducting about -- for what
24 became TMAP, did Janssen play any role in those early
25 meetings?

1 A. No.

2 Q. They didn't play any role?

3 A. No.

4 Q. How did you know her?

5 A. She had come by periodically, similar to what
6 basically all the pharmaceutical companies would do.
7 They drop in every couple three months and just want to
8 know what was going on in the department. So basically
9 they all knew that we were having this -- this
10 conference and meeting and that we were going to produce
11 a product. And she, you know, sometime after this
12 meeting, came by and, you know, we said, well, we
13 finally have a product and et cetera that we are ready
14 to submit for publication. We didn't allow anybody to
15 see it, but we told her -- or I told her at that point
16 in time that we had a product.

17 Q. You told Nancy Bursch-Smith of Janssen that you
18 had a product related to medication algorithms?

19 A. Yes, for depression. It wasn't -- it was a
20 meeting of all the advocate groups and professional
21 groups to lay out a possibility of doing this, in fact,
22 also other possibilities, but the medication focus was
23 clearly the consensus of the group, that this is the
24 area to move forward in.

25 Q. And that was in Austin?

1 A. That was in Austin, Texas.

2 Q. In 1995, '96?

3 A. I believe it was the end of '95.

4 Q. Were there any pharmaceutical companies invited
5 to this stakeholders' meeting?

6 A. No.

7 Q. You mentioned that you -- Nancy Bursch-Smith
8 was -- from Janssen was someone who called on you from
9 time to time.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Do you know why or do you have an understanding
12 of why she would have been interested in what you were
13 doing in developing TMAP?

14 A. Well, I think she, like all of the
15 pharmaceutical people, were interested, because they
16 knew that it focused on medications, and I'm sure they
17 were concerned about what kind of impact it might have
18 on their particular medication.

19 Q. Can you tell the jury anything you remember her
20 saying with respect to this first -- these conversations
21 you had with her about the TMAP project you were working
22 on?

23 A. I think that the -- the stakeholders were very
24 interested in it and so the pharmaceutical companies
25 were also very interested in it for some of the same and

1 probably some different reasons. Of course, Janssen had
2 no depression product. So it was more of interest to
3 see how this was going.

4 Q. Did she suggest in any of these conversations
5 with you about the depression algorithm that you might
6 want to consider developing other algorithms?

7 A. No.

8 *(Video stopped)*

9 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, time for
10 our lunch break. I'll see y'all back shortly before
11 1:30. Thank you.

12 *(Lunch recess taken)*

13 *(Jury not present)*

14 THE COURT: Anything to take up?

15 MR. JACKS: Not really except that we've
16 got some labels that the members of the jury can use to
17 put their name on their notebook and then the next few
18 pages for each of them, and that can be done -- it
19 doesn't need to be done between now and the next break.

20 THE COURT: Let's just do it at the end of
21 the evening.

22 MR. JACKS: That's fine. I just wanted to
23 have these in Stacey's hands, not ours.

24 MR. McCONNICO: Tommy, are y'all going to
25 call Campbell by deposition right after Shon?

1 MR. JACKS: Yes.

2 MR. McCONNICO: We're going to have some
3 objections to that deposition that we can take up now or
4 we can wait, whatever.

5 THE COURT: We'll wait, whatever.

6 MR. McCONNICO: I just need to take them
7 up before.

8 MR. JACKS: And the clip is six minutes on
9 her.

10 MR. McCONNICO: On her, but we do have
11 some --

12 THE COURT: How much more we got with
13 Shon?

14 MS. ARBAUGH: Nineteen minutes.

15 THE COURT: Nineteen minutes. Okay. But
16 it'll only seem like 20. Okay. Bring them in.

17 *(Jury present)*

18 THE COURT: Okay. Everybody sit down.
19 We're going to resume with Dr. Shon.

20 *(Video played as follows:)*

21 Q. What I really want to focus on -- and this is
22 the next document I've marked, which is Exhibit 667.

23 A. Uh-huh.

24 Q. Do you recognize this document?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Did you draft Exhibit 667?

2 A. Well, several of our staff did that.

3 Q. Did you agree with the content of this
4 document?

5 A. Yes, I did.

6 Q. Okay. So you've seen this document before?

7 A. Oh, yes.

8 Q. And what is it?

9 A. It's a response to some of the statements in
10 the *New York Times* article.

11 Q. Which is Exhibit 666 --

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. -- is that correct? All right. If you'll look
14 at the first bullet point in there under "Initiation and
15 purpose of TMAP," do you see that?

16 A. Yes, I do.

17 Q. Why don't you read that first paragraph?

18 A. It says, "The reporter implies that Dr. Steven
19 Shon initiated TMAP to promote use of the second
20 generation or atypical antipsychotics."

21 Q. Now, let me stop you right there. Is that a
22 truthful statement?

23 A. No.

24 Q. Okay. Go on.

25 A. "The project was actually a major collaboration

1 between TDMHMR, the psychiatry departments of UT
2 Southwestern Medical Center, UT Health Science Center
3 San Antonio, other Texas medical schools, the UT College
4 of Pharmacy, and several consumer and family advocacy
5 organizations. It was initiated because of concerns
6 about the wide variation and prescribing practices by
7 system physicians and complaints from consumer advocates
8 about the negative consequences of this variation."

9 Q. Now, is that a truthful statement?

10 A. Yes, it is.

11 Q. Okay. And does that fairly summarize why TMAP
12 was initiated?

13 A. Oh, yes.

14 Q. And does that accurately identify the people that
15 collaborated to come up with TMAP?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. Why don't you read the second bullet
18 point?

19 A. "TMAP is not just a set of guidelines
20 indicating which medications to use to treat
21 schizophrenia (as applied in the" -- "in the article).
22 TMAP is a disease management program based on algorithms
23 that provide specific guidance around the 'how tos' of
24 prescribing (dosing and titrating, switching and
25 augmenting, frequency of physician visits, length of

1 treatment, evaluating response to treatment, et cetera)
2 as well as recommendations regarding the sequencing of
3 specific medication choices. TMAP also involves
4 technical assistance and clinical support for clinicians
5 in providing care, use of brief clinical rating scales
6 to evaluate treatment response, uniform documentation of
7 treatment decisions and outcomes, and an intensive
8 patient and family education program."

9 Q. Is that a truthful statement?

10 A. Yes, it is.

11 Q. Do you believe that that paragraph accurately
12 describes in general what TMAP does?

13 A. Yes, I do.

14 Q. In regard to medications, does TMAP dictate to
15 the physician which medication to prescribe to the
16 patient?

17 A. No, it does not dictate.

18 Q. Is that -- is what medication is prescribed to
19 the patient left to the good judgment of the treating
20 physician?

21 A. Absolutely. And if you read the documents,
22 that's what it says. The documents say that physician
23 judgment is paramount in the prescribing process. So
24 that -- and we use these examples all the time, or we
25 did in our training when I was involved, and that's that

1 if there are reasons why a first-line or second-line
2 medication is not appropriate, and there are times when
3 they are not, then you go to the third-line. So the
4 physician really decides where to begin the prescribing
5 process. It's not at all dictated by the algorithms
6 themselves. They are just guidelines.

7 Q. Okay. Let's go to the next bullet point under
8 "Funding for development and testing of TMAP." Could
9 you read that, please?

10 A. "The reporter states that, 'Ten drug companies
11 chipped in to underwrite the initial effort by Texas
12 state officials to develop the guidelines.' This
13 statement is completely false. Funding for development
14 of the algorithms came from the state and federal
15 funds."

16 Q. Do you agree with that paragraph?

17 A. Yes, I do.

18 Q. Okay. Is that truthful?

19 A. That is truthful.

20 Q. How about the next bullet point; could you read
21 that, please?

22 A. "The TMAP investigators," and this is bolded,
23 "did not," end of bold, "accept pharmaceutical funding
24 for algorithm development and did not permit
25 pharmaceutical company representatives to attend the

1 algorithm development conferences to avoid any influence
2 or appearance of influence by the industry on the
3 development of the evidence based, expert consensus
4 recommendation."

5 Q. Is that an accurate statement?

6 A. Yes, it is.

7 Q. And you agree with it?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Was pharmaceutical company funding used for the
10 development of the algorithms in TMAP?

11 A. We did.

12 Q. Why?

13 A. Because we were concerned that people might
14 think that pharmaceutical -- pharmaceutical companies
15 were driving decisions regarding the algorithms. So we
16 always wanted to be clear that pharmaceutical funding
17 was used for separate purposes and not development of
18 the algorithms.

19 Q. And in fact, what was the pharmaceutical
20 company money used for?

21 A. The things that were described in this
22 document, development of material. So once the
23 algorithms were developed and put together and often
24 published, then we would put them into manuals. We
25 would create a lot of patient/family education

1 materials. That was, in fact, a big part of the
2 algorithm process. In fact, patient/family education
3 materials were requested more than the algorithm
4 materials. So issues about the disease process,
5 diagrams about the brain and PET scans and what the
6 brain of somebody with schizophrenia versus somebody
7 without would look like and how those were different to
8 show people that actually this is a brain illness and
9 just like any other physical illness, cardiovascular
10 disease, renal disease, and that it's not just something
11 in -- in somebody's head that is just femoral and,
12 you know, that is not really based in the biology of the
13 human body and the human brain. And those are very
14 convincing. People said, oh, yes, I can see somebody
15 with bipolar disorder has -- the way their brain
16 functions is -- is somewhat different than the way
17 somebody without or somebody with bipolar disorder
18 that's uncontrolled or unstable. Their brain actually
19 is functioning differently, just like somebody with
20 diabetes, et cetera. And therefore, these were some of
21 the materials that were distributed and requested.
22 Also, what you could do that was not medication oriented
23 to help you understand your disease and to live with
24 your illness or control your illness better, because the
25 medication alone, just like medication for diabetes, if

1 you don't change your lifestyle, if you don't change the
2 way you eat, the things that you do, your exercise,
3 et cetera, then the medication alone is not going to
4 have as much impact on the illness. And that was the
5 same approach. That's a disease management approach.
6 You look at all of the things that impact the illness
7 and you try to affect as many of those as possible. So
8 medication is only one piece of the treatment. And so
9 our patient/family education materials focused on some
10 of the other things that people and families could do to
11 positively impact the illness. No, not for the
12 development of the algorithms.

13 Q. Did you in your efforts with working with TMAP
14 try to be open about how pharmaceutical funding was
15 used?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. Now, if you would read the first bullet
18 point that goes underneath that.

19 A. "The TMAP algorithms were developed at three
20 disease-specific conferences involving expert academic
21 psychiatrists, psychopharmacologists, administrators,
22 psychiatrists practicing in public mental health
23 settings and mental health family and consumer
24 representatives. At each of these conferences, the
25 research literature regarding medications" --

1 "medication treatment for the focal disorder was
2 presented, discussed and evaluated with regard to
3 efficacy, safety and tolerability."

4 Q. Do you agree with that statement?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And is it your opinion that that's an accurate
7 statement?

8 A. Yes, it is.

9 Q. Your role was purely an administrator?

10 A. Yes, correct.

11 Q. And did you participate in that conference as a
12 clinician?

13 A. Not as a clinician. As an administrator.

14 Q. Okay.

15 A. Questions at times were asked to me, for
16 example, well, what are the most prescribed medications
17 and how do people prescribe these medications in your
18 system? If I could answer those based on information
19 that I had, I would answer those questions. So that --
20 but not in terms of making decisions about that.

21 Q. Did the schizophrenia algorithm prefer
22 Risperdal over other second generation antipsychotics?

23 A. No, it did not.

24 Q. So is it -- as I read this -- and you correct
25 me if I'm wrong, is it -- is it true then that a

1 clinician, in the clinician's judgment, could prescribe
2 a first generation antipsychotic to his or her patient
3 instead of a second generation antipsychotic?

4 A. Yes. They always can, and in various
5 circumstances they should.

6 Q. They should?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Why?

9 A. Well, for example -- a couple of examples. If
10 a patient is on an older antipsychotic and has been on
11 it for a long time and is doing well, shows no signs of
12 tardive dyskinesia or other side effects of that nature
13 and is doing quite appropriately, then there's no reason
14 to change. If they're doing well, they're stable and
15 side effects are not apparent, then why would you want
16 to change the medication they're on and go to a second
17 generation?

18 Another example that we use in our
19 training is, well, somebody who has perhaps responded
20 very well to a first generation antipsychotic. Many of
21 the patients in the public system have been in the
22 system for decades, and let's say they've had good
23 responses, but the reason that they've had problems is
24 they've gone off the medication periodically. And if
25 the history shows that the responses have been very good

1 and they, again, have showed no signs of neurological
2 side effects, specifically tardive dyskinesia, then you
3 go back to the thing that worked the best rather than
4 starting them on something new that you have no
5 experience with them on. So that be another instance
6 where you would say, yes, let's go back to what worked
7 very well for you, and then the issue of why they went
8 off should be discussed and why it's better for them to
9 stay on the medication.

10 Sometimes there's reasons why they've gone
11 off that have to do with the medication. "I just didn't
12 like it, the way it felt." Well, then you would
13 consider something else. But frequently the patient
14 will say, "Well, I was doing so well, I didn't think I
15 needed it anymore," but you go back to that medication
16 and that is frequently a first generation antipsychotic,
17 and that's what you should do at that point.

18 Q. And was that message that you just gave given
19 to doctors in their training of TMAP?

20 A. Yes, it was.

21 Q. Now, you did travel to other states to talk
22 about TMAP; is that correct?

23 A. Yes, I did.

24 Q. And when you traveled to these other states,
25 was a request made to you by a particular state to come

1 speak or did you just decide, hey, I'm going to go to
2 some state and speak about TMAP?

3 A. No, this --

4 Q. How did that work?

5 A. It worked by a state expressing interest. Like
6 any project that you might do some training on, you want
7 people who want to do it, not -- it makes no sense to go
8 in and say I'm going to teach something, and if people
9 aren't interested, it's not going to have any impact.
10 Plus we didn't have the time and that was not our
11 mandate. That was not what we were there to do. So
12 there were always requests from states to us to come and
13 to talk about this project. Sometimes it was the state
14 or sometimes it was a treatment system within the state,
15 but it was done by request.

16 Q. And when you traveled to other states to talk
17 about TMAP, was -- was that travel approved by your
18 department?

19 A. Yes. The project itself was sponsored by the
20 department, and our commissioners and our board knew
21 about the project. In fact, I gave reports to our board
22 and frequently would describe our team went to Tennessee
23 last month or something like that and trained as part of
24 the system, or to Pennsylvania, et cetera, so that, yes,
25 our board, who our department reported to, was aware as

1 well as the commissioner.

2 Q. There were circumstances that you would receive
3 honoraria for speaking at other states; is that correct?

4 A. Yes. Yes, that's correct.

5 Q. And what would happen with the honoraria?

6 A. I would turn those over to the department.

7 Q. To the State?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. Did you ever seek legal advice from
10 anyone about receiving honoraria?

11 A. Yes, our chief legal counsel.

12 Q. And who was that? Cathy Campbell?

13 A. Yes. Cathy, yes.

14 Q. And did she tell you that the receipt of
15 honoraria was okay?

16 A. No. She said that if it had to do with a
17 project of the State, then that time was State time and
18 the project was basically the project of the State
19 itself, so anything connected with that should go to the
20 State.

21 Q. And so she told you it was okay to get an
22 honoraria, just turn it over to the State?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. Did anybody ever give you advice
25 contrary to that given to you by Ms. Campbell?

1 A. No.

2 Q. Okay. If you'll read the last paragraph, the
3 last bullet point. I'm sorry.

4 A. "Dr. Shon did not accept compensation for his
5 time in such cases because Texas state employees are
6 prohibited from accepting compensation for
7 presentations, consultation and other work related to
8 their employment with the State. When offered
9 compensation by organizations in other states or
10 pharmaceutical companies, Dr. Shon asked that the funds
11 be donated to TDMHMR."

12 Q. And do you agree with that -- those statements?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And do you believe those statements are
15 accurate?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And those statements are consistent with what
18 Ms. Campbell told you to do, correct?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. During your tenure working for the State of
21 Texas up until the time you left, did anybody ever tell
22 you that you were doing something wrong with -- in
23 conjunction with TMAP?

24 A. No.

25 Q. Did anybody ever tell you that it was wrong for

1 you to go talk about TMAP in other states?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Did anybody ever tell you it was wrong to
4 receive honorarium and give those funds to the State?

5 A. No.

6 Q. There were circumstances that you did receive
7 honoraria and kept it yourself, correct?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. In those circumstances, did you get guidance
10 from Ms. Campbell about the receipt of those honoraria?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And did she tell you that it was appropriate to
13 receive honoraria in those circumstances?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Did anybody ever give you any contrary advice
16 in that it was not okay to receive honoraria in those
17 circumstances?

18 A. No.

19 Q. The circumstances of you leaving your
20 employment with the State of Texas, is it -- is it fair
21 to say you were essentially told that it was time for
22 you to move on?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Did anybody ever tell you that you had done
25 something wrong and that was the reason why it was time

1 for you to move on?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Did you ever get any indication or any hint
4 from anybody within the State of Texas that you had done
5 something wrong?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Do I understand this correctly that this
8 settlement that's reflected in Exhibit 425 was done
9 completely independently of TMAP?

10 A. Oh, yes. This was before TMAP was ever
11 conceived.

12 Q. And so totally independently of TMAP, the State
13 of Texas through this settlement agreement had agreed to
14 fund the use of clozapine and Risperdal for the
15 treatment of patients?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Did you ever advocate the use of particular
18 drugs in any of your presentations?

19 A. No, not a specific drug to be used.

20 Q. So in order for a doctor to deviate from TMAP
21 and apply some different medication regimen, that would
22 have to be justified in the document, correct?

23 A. Well, any time you prescribe medication, you
24 should describe in your medical record the reason. And
25 that's all we required, was no more than what regular

1 medical documentation requires.

2 *(Video stopped)*

3 MR. McCONNICO: Your Honor, that is the
4 end of our tender.

5 MR. JACKS: May we approach, Your Honor?

6 THE COURT: Yeah.

7 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

8 MR. JACKS: Our next witness is Cathy
9 Campbell. We have revised -- if we can find out what it
10 is and then deal with it.

11 THE COURT: What is it?

12 MR. McCONNICO: They invoked the state
13 attorney -- the attorney-client privilege, the State
14 invokes it. And then when we ask -- I ask what did you
15 tell Dr. Shon, they said we're not going to tell you
16 because it's State attorney-client privilege. And then
17 when they ask --

18 THE COURT: Is it played?

19 MR. McCONNICO: Yeah, it's on here. It's
20 played. And then when we -- they ask --

21 THE COURT: You've got to get it down.

22 MR. McCONNICO: Okay. And then they ask,
23 Okay, what was the policy? Would you have ever done
24 this? Would you have ever said this? No, I never would
25 have said it. So what they're basically saying is

1 they're not telling us what she told them, but then
2 they're using her as their voice piece that I never
3 would have told Shon --

4 THE COURT: Could I see the -- could I see
5 the written transcript?

6 MR. McCONNICO: Yes. Here's the
7 objections where they invoke the attorney-client
8 privilege, and I put in brackets --

9 THE COURT: You've got to get your voice
10 down.

11 MR. McCONNICO: I'm sorry.

12 THE COURT: And then --

13 MR. McCONNICO: This is the testimony we
14 object to.

15 THE COURT: What's this?

16 MR. McCONNICO: That's where they invoke
17 the attorney-client privilege.

18 THE COURT: Okay. Let me just look.

19 MR. McCONNICO: Yeah.

20 *(End of bench discussion)*

21 THE COURT: If y'all want to stand up and
22 take a wiggle break, that's okay.

23 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

24 MR. JACKS: I'm asking what the privilege
25 claim was.

1 MR. McCONNICO: There was no privilege
2 claim there, just invoked the attorney-client privilege.
3 She didn't tell us -- she would invoke the privilege
4 when a question was asked.

5 MR. JACKS: Business claims --

6 THE COURT: Can y'all go down that way.
7 Do y'all need some time?

8 MR. JACKS: No, Your Honor, we can
9 proceed.

10 THE COURT: All righty.

11 MR. JACKS: At this time, plaintiffs will
12 call Gary Leech by deposition as an adverse party
13 witness.

14 THE COURT: Okay.

15 *(Video played as follows:)*

16 **GARY LEECH,**

17 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows by
18 videotaped deposition:

19 **DIRECT EXAMINATION**

20 Q. And I guess the first is, can you state your
21 full name and your current residence address?

22 A. My name is Gary W. Leech, 9140 Sugarland Drive,
23 Jacksonville, Florida, 32256.

24 Q. Now, Mr. Leech, it's my understanding that you
25 worked for Janssen since 1982; is that right?

1 A. Yes. I'm not currently employed with Janssen.

2 Q. Your first experience with the drug Risperdal
3 was in a sales role as a CNS representative through
4 January 1995?

5 A. December of '94.

6 Q. And in December 1994, you took another
7 position --

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. -- as a medical science liaison?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. You're represented today by Mr. Jones; is that
12 correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Are you being paid for preparation for
15 testimony?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And is there a written agreement where --
18 that -- that sets out the agreement for payment for your
19 preparation for this deposition?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Mr. Leech, I'm going to ask you -- and I just
22 want to make sure I'm clear on this. You said that from
23 January 1995 through October of 2003, that you were the
24 medical science liaison for all of Texas, Oklahoma,
25 Arkansas, Louisiana, and some of that New Mexico; is

1 that accurate?

2 A. Sometimes New Mexico. That got moved back and
3 forth between the east and the west, depending on how
4 many people we had in -- in our group.

5 Q. As a medical science liaison of those states,
6 where was the majority of your work?

7 A. Of those states? The majority of the work was
8 in Texas.

9 Q. I believe you testified earlier that there were
10 times when you had input into selecting who would attend
11 CNS summits; is that right?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Did you ever suggest that Dr. Shon attend a CNS
14 Summit?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. What was your reasoning for suggesting
17 Dr. Shon?

18 A. He was the medical director in the largest
19 state in my geography.

20 Q. The state of Texas?

21 A. The state of Texas.

22 Q. And that's why you invited him?

23 A. Yes. And -- yeah.

24 Q. Did you ever seek approval from Dr. Shon's
25 supervisor for him to accept honoraria or any other kind

1 of monies in connection with his attendance at CNS
2 Summits?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Mr. Leech, I'm continuing with Exhibit 829 and
5 in the middle of the last paragraph. And Ms. Roman
6 writes, "Gary's longstanding relationship with the UOT
7 TMAP clinical influencers is invaluable." Did I read
8 that correctly?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Do you think you did a good job developing a
11 longstanding relationship with the University of Texas
12 TMAP clinical influencers?

13 A. I believe I did a good job with developing a
14 relationship with all of my key opinion leaders.

15 Q. Including the University of Texas TMPA clinical
16 influencers?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Did it occur to you at all how TMAP or
19 Risperdal's placement on TMAP would affect Janssen's
20 business?

21 A. Yes, it occurred to me.

22 Q. What occurred to you when it occurred to you?

23 A. It occurred to me that if Risperdal was one of
24 many compounds that could be chosen as a first-line
25 therapy, that it could have a positive effect.

1 Q. On Janssen's business?

2 A. On Janssen's business.

3 Q. Exhibit 831 is an e-mail chain, the subject
4 "Algorithm Advisory Board, June 5th, 2003, San Antonio
5 Plaza Hotel." Do you recall there being a subsequent
6 advisory board on June 5th, 2003 at the San Antonio
7 Plaza Hotel?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. If you'll go -- and I should have started with
10 this e-mail, so I apologize, but the e-mail that starts
11 toward the bottom from you to Debi. It's December 3rd,
12 2002. It precedes the e-mail we just read. "Alec
13 Miller and I discussed a second algorithm advisory board
14 and he proposed the week of June 3rd, 2003. June 5th is
15 the preferred date. According to Alec, John Rush and
16 Lynn Crismon are fine with the early June meeting. This
17 is following the NCDEU meeting." Did I read that
18 correctly?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. So you and others at Janssen decided to host
21 another forum with the TMAP opinion leaders in the hopes
22 of gaining a favorable position of CONSTA on TMAP; is
23 that correct?

24 A. On gaining a position on TMAP, to find out what
25 they needed, and actually I included some of that in

1 here as to what Alec Miller wanted. Data on partial
2 compliance, switching strategies and clinical experience
3 in Europe.

4 Q. Is it your testimony to the jury that you
5 personally, Mr. Leech, as an MSL in 2002 did not care
6 either way whether Risperdal was in a favorable position
7 or not on TMAP?

8 A. Oh, I cared.

9 Q. Okay.

10 A. Sure I cared.

11 Q. Why did you care?

12 A. Because Risperdal was a product that Janssen
13 was selling, so if it was -- if it was placed on a
14 favorable position, it would be better for the company.

15 Q. We talked about the fact that CNS Summits
16 occurred annually, correct?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you stated that you suggested Dr. Shon as
19 an attendee at a CNS Summit because of his position as
20 the medical director for Texas; is that correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. Did you select Dr. Shon because he was
23 published? Did that also --

24 A. No. I really -- I didn't really follow his
25 publications.

1 Q. Did you select Dr. Shon to attend these CNS
2 Summits because of his general clinical practice in
3 psychiatry at all?

4 A. No. I didn't know if he had one.

5 Q. Did you select Dr. Shon to attend these CNS
6 Summits for any reason that had anything to do with his
7 work in California before he became the medical director
8 in Texas?

9 A. No.

10 *(Video stopped)*

11 MR. JACKS: Your Honor, that concludes the
12 offering of the portions of deposition of Mr. Gary
13 Leech. May we approach, Your Honor?

14 MR. McCONNICO: We have no offer for
15 Mr. Leech.

16 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

17 MR. JACKS: We need to move this big
18 screen before -- I can question from counsel table. But
19 if I stand at the lectern, I can't be seen with the
20 screen, and I'm told it won't take long to move it,
21 but --

22 THE COURT: Question from counsel table.
23 Can you do that?

24 MR. JACKS: I sure can.

25 MR. McDONALD: How long do you have with

1 him?

2 MR. JACKS: Hmm?

3 MR. McDONALD: How long do you have with
4 him? Because I'm not going to want to question him from
5 counsel table because I can't see him.

6 THE COURT: You want to question him from
7 the podium?

8 MR. McDONALD: Yes, because I can't see
9 him from where I'm sitting.

10 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Y'all have
11 worn me down. How long is it going to take to move the
12 table? Ten minutes is the answer.

13 MR. JACKS: No, I'm told it can be done in
14 two or three minutes.

15 THE COURT: Oh, okay. Two to three
16 minutes?

17 MR. JACKS: Let me ask.

18 *(End of bench discussion)*

19 THE COURT: We're going to be moving
20 furniture here for a second. So again, if y'all want to
21 stand up and take a wiggle break, that's fine.

22 While y'all are doing that, I am going to
23 step very quickly to my office and come right back.

24 MR. JACKS: Sure. Thank you, Your Honor.

25 *(Brief pause)*

1 THE COURT: Are we ready?

2 MR. JACKS: We are, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Call your next witness.

4 MR. JACKS: Plaintiffs call Dr. James
5 Van Norman.

6 THE COURT: Doctor, would you come
7 forward? If I can get you to raise your right hand for
8 me, please.

9 *(The witness was sworn)*

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 **JAMES VAN NORMAN,**

12 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

13 **DIRECT EXAMINATION**

14 BY MR. JACKS:

15 Q. Would you state your name, please, sir?

16 A. Jim Van Norman.

17 Q. It's Dr. Van Norman; is that correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. What kind of doctor are you?

20 A. I'm a psychiatrist.

21 Q. Are you a medical doctor licensed to practice
22 here in the state of Texas?

23 A. Yes, I am.

24 Q. How long have you been licensed to practice
25 medicine in Texas?

1 A. About 23 years.

2 Q. What -- where do you work?

3 A. I work right now at Austin Travis County
4 Integral Care, which is the community mental health
5 center here in Travis County.

6 Q. I don't know if anyone else is having trouble
7 hearing you, but I'm having a little trouble hearing
8 you.

9 A. Okay.

10 Q. Would you mind either speaking up or speaking a
11 little more closely into that microphone,
12 Dr. Van Norman?

13 What is Travis County Integral Care?

14 A. It's a nonprofit 501(c)(3) community mental
15 health center.

16 Q. All right. Now, we've heard mention of
17 community mental health centers. What generally in
18 Texas are community mental health centers?

19 A. In general, we provide services to the folks
20 with severe persistent mental illness who are either
21 uninsured or have Medicaid, mostly through contracts
22 with the Texas Department of State Health Services.

23 Q. Are there clinics comparable to yours around
24 other parts of the state?

25 A. There are. There's about 39 community mental

1 health centers scattered across the state.

2 Q. And do I understand you to say that each of
3 those clinics, including yours, has contracts with the
4 State of Texas to treat severely mentally ill patients?

5 A. Yes, they do.

6 Q. Is -- you said this was a nonprofit outfit. I
7 take it this is not a private practice.

8 A. No, it's not. It's public community mental
9 health.

10 Q. Do y'all tend to treat rich folks or poor
11 folks?

12 A. Poor folks.

13 Q. Does that include Medicaid patients
14 specifically?

15 A. Medicaid, some Medicaid and Medicare, and then
16 a whole lot of folks with no insurance at all.

17 Q. A little bit of background about you,
18 Dr. Van Norman, before we go further. Where did you
19 grow up?

20 A. I grew up mostly in El Paso, Texas.

21 Q. And are you married?

22 A. I am.

23 Q. To?

24 A. Dr. Susan Stone.

25 Q. And what kind of doctor is Dr. Stone?

1 A. She's a psychiatrist.

2 Q. Kids?

3 A. Yes, two kids.

4 THE COURT: May I ask, do y'all argue
5 much?

6 THE WITNESS: She wins.

7 THE COURT: Oh, okay.

8 Q. (BY MR. JACKS) It works that way pretty much
9 around my house too, Dr. Van Norman. What -- could you
10 tell us your educational background, please, sir?

11 A. I got my bachelor's degree at Austin College in
12 Sherman, Texas, after that went to get my pre-med
13 requirements at University of Texas El Paso, and then
14 went to University of Texas Health Science Center in
15 Houston for medical school, then trained in the
16 Department of Behavioral Health for my psychiatry
17 residency there at UT Health Science Center in Houston.

18 Q. Okay. During what years were you in medical
19 school or your residency?

20 A. Started medical school in 1982 and finished my
21 residency training in 1991.

22 Q. And upon completion of your medical training,
23 you were -- had completed a residency in psychiatry; did
24 I understand that correctly?

25 A. Correct. That made me board eligible as a

1 general adult psychiatrist.

2 Q. And did you become board certified in that
3 field?

4 A. Yes, I am board certified.

5 Q. Upon completion of your residency in 1991, what
6 employment did you undertake?

7 A. I joined the University of Texas Health Science
8 Center Department of Psychiatry as an assistant
9 professor.

10 Q. And what did you do as an assistant professor?

11 A. While I was -- I taught and supervised medical
12 students and residents. The bulk of my time was
13 involved in operating the short-stay triage center at
14 Harris County Psychiatric Center there in Houston, which
15 was basically assessing folks brought in on emergency
16 detentions and involuntary interventions.

17 Q. So it was a facility that would see and treat
18 patients with mental illness?

19 A. Just strictly folks with mental illness, severe
20 persistent mental illness.

21 Q. And you said this was the triage unit. What
22 does that mean?

23 A. The idea was that some folks that we could
24 stabilize quickly and then move them into the community,
25 and other people needed longer stay and we would move

1 them up into the regular longer-stay wards, but the idea
2 was to try to more rapidly get folks into the hospital
3 and allow increased access to that service.

4 Q. Was that a high-volume or low-volume practice?

5 A. Very high volume.

6 Q. When you completed that job, what did you do
7 next?

8 A. I continued to work at the triage unit as an
9 employee of the Harris County mental health mental
10 retardation authority for probably another year or year
11 and a half and then took over as the medical director
12 for the Northwest Community Service Center, which was an
13 outpatient clinic for Harris County Mental Health Mental
14 Retardation Authority.

15 Q. All right. And again, would you describe -- in
16 both of these settings, how would you describe the
17 patient population that you saw as a physician?

18 A. It was folks about -- in terms of funding,
19 about 65 percent with no method of funding and about
20 35 percent with Medicaid or combination Medicaid and
21 Medicare. Clinically, it was -- usually runs about
22 25 percent folks with schizophrenia, about another
23 25 percent with bipolar or schizoaffective disorders and
24 then around 50 percent with severe depression.

25 Q. And this case involves some antipsychotic

1 drugs. Did in those days you as a physician have
2 patients who required the use of antipsychotic drugs?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. In -- after you had gone through these jobs and
5 job -- and employers you've described, what did you do
6 next?

7 A. I had an opportunity to come here in 1994 to
8 work for what was then Austin Travis County Mental
9 Health Mental Retardation Center, and since we've
10 changed our name to Austin Travis County Integral Care.

11 Q. And when you came here in 1994, was it -- what
12 position did you assume?

13 A. I became the medical director for the community
14 mental health center.

15 Q. Is that the job you've still got?

16 A. It is. I'm still the medical director.

17 Q. In the years you were in Houston treating
18 patients at the University of Texas Health Science
19 Center and then at the MHMR facilities, were -- in all
20 cases, was that a high-volume or low-volume medical
21 practice?

22 A. In Houston and in -- well, in Houston they were
23 always high volume. Here, as I took on more
24 administrative oversight duties, the volume decreased,
25 but still any of our clinics is a pretty high-volume

1 service site.

2 Q. Okay. In -- in the years that you've served as
3 a physician, have you always treated patients?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Actively?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Before today, when was the last time you
8 treated patients?

9 A. Yesterday afternoon.

10 Q. What kind of patients?

11 A. Folks with schizophrenia, bipolar disorder and
12 psychotic depression.

13 Q. And in your practice, does your clinic treat
14 homeless people?

15 A. Yes, we do. In fact, I work in the homeless
16 clinic doing outreach to the homeless individuals.

17 Q. When treating -- do you treat adults only or do
18 you treat kids through your clinic as well?

19 A. In general, I just see adults. But
20 occasionally when I'm working at our psychiatric
21 emergency service, children and adolescents can present
22 and show up there in which case it's my responsibility
23 to provide services, treatment to them.

24 Q. All right. And are there -- for your clinic as
25 a whole, do you -- does your clinic treat both adults

1 and kids?

2 A. We treat both adults and kids, yes.

3 Q. What -- in connection with your work, and I
4 understand you see patients. Do you also supervise the
5 work of other physicians?

6 A. I supervise all of the prescribers at our
7 organization, so that includes not only doctors, but
8 also advanced practice nurses and at least one physician
9 assistant.

10 Q. And so all those people write prescriptions?

11 A. Yes, they do.

12 Q. Including prescriptions for antipsychotic drugs
13 when needed?

14 A. Absolutely.

15 Q. Did -- and how many physicians or prescribers
16 do you supervise?

17 A. About 15. Some of them are part time, but
18 overall, 15.

19 Q. The equivalent of 15 full-time people?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. All right. When -- in your clinic, what is the
22 approximate breakdown between Medicaid and non-Medicaid
23 patients?

24 A. Among the adults, it's about -- it's 65 percent
25 non-Medicaid, 35 percent Medicaid.

1 Q. How about the kids?

2 A. The kids, we're closer -- between CHIP and
3 Medicaid, probably closer to 90 or 95 percent covered.

4 Q. Is -- in your practice and in your clinic, do
5 you-all treat people in the hospital or do you only
6 treat people who are outpatients?

7 A. Austin Travis County Integral Care only runs an
8 outpatient set of services. For inpatient we contract
9 with the two local private hospitals or use the Austin
10 State Hospital for inpatient care.

11 Q. Does your clinic operate on a budget?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. How many patients are you budgeted for
14 annually?

15 A. The center's contract expects that we would
16 have in active service in any given month about 3,000
17 clients for the adult side and 550 kids in the Child and
18 Family Services side.

19 Q. Do you -- does your clinic meet those numbers
20 or exceed those numbers?

21 A. We exceed those numbers. We serve 6500 adults
22 active at any given point in time in any given month and
23 kids 1100.

24 Q. So twice or over twice as many as you're
25 budgeted for?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. In -- in your position as medical director of
3 this facility for now since 1994, I guess coming up on
4 18 or so years, are you familiar with the other
5 facilities in town who also treat large volumes of
6 patients?

7 A. I am. I am.

8 Q. Are there any you can think of who treat more
9 than are treated through your clinic?

10 A. For adult populations, the VA clinic might
11 approach the numbers that we have. For Child and Family
12 Services, I think the next closest size provider is
13 probably the Austin Child Guidance Center.

14 Q. Do they come close to meeting your numbers?

15 A. I don't think they do.

16 Q. And did I ask you to think about being able to
17 answer the question of over the years of your practice
18 how many patients you estimate you've treated who
19 required prescriptions for antipsychotic drugs of one
20 kind or another?

21 A. For just that so population with
22 antipsychotics, I would bet close to 10,000 patients
23 over the last 20, 21 years.

24 Q. You mentioned that you treated a higher volume
25 of patients before your administrative duties became

1 greater than you do now, but currently, on an average
2 basis, how many patients do you see in a year's time?

3 A. I'm betting about 500 folks in any given year.

4 Q. In addition to your personal practice in
5 treating your patients, do you have any responsibility
6 for monitoring the practice and the healthcare given by
7 those physicians who you supervise?

8 A. Yes, I do. We have a peer review or quality
9 assurance program that we monitor prescribing practices
10 to make sure that the folks are practicing medicine in
11 accordance with, you know, the best thinking, the best
12 evidence.

13 Q. And how do you go about doing that?

14 A. Usually what we do is pull charts, random
15 charts on, say, each quarter, ten charts off of each
16 doctor. We trade off. You don't review yourself. But
17 we look at does diagnosis match the treatment, how are
18 the patients doing in terms of side effects, are they
19 having good or poor outcomes on their current
20 medications that might suggest discussion amongst the
21 med staff of some alternate strategies and approaches
22 for given patients.

23 Q. In the now 20 plus years of your practice, has
24 all of it been public clinics?

25 A. Yes, it has.

1 Q. In Austin, in Travis County, do patients who
2 are less well off have the option of going to see
3 private practitioners, as a rule?

4 A. As a rule, no.

5 Q. Why not?

6 A. If -- most of the folks that we deal with who
7 don't have any insurance equally don't have any funds to
8 pay for a private practitioner here in town. And
9 frankly, most of the psychiatrists in town don't --
10 private psychiatrists in town won't accept Medicaid,
11 because they feel like the rates are too low.

12 Q. Let me shift gears with you, Dr. Van Norman.
13 You know that the drug Risperdal is the subject of this
14 lawsuit; is that correct?

15 A. I do.

16 Q. When you began your practice in Houston and UT
17 Health Science Center and then at the MHMR facilities
18 there, was Risperdal available as a drug?

19 A. No. It was not until 1994 when I arrived here
20 did it start to come onto the market.

21 Q. Did -- were there any what have been called
22 second generation antipsychotics on the market in the
23 years after you completed your residency and before you
24 came to Austin?

25 A. There was just one, clozapine, which is an

1 atypical second generation, but no others.

2 Q. We've also heard the term Clozaril. Is that
3 the same drug?

4 A. Yes, that's the brand name.

5 Q. All right. And was that drug commonly
6 prescribed in the early '90s when you were in the early
7 years of your practice?

8 A. No, it wasn't. It's really reserved for folks
9 with schizophrenia who have not responded to other
10 agents, mostly because you have to have -- there are
11 some risky side effects, but frankly, there's just the
12 logistics. You have to have blood drawn weekly for the
13 first six months, and that can be a real challenge for
14 the sort of folks that we work with in terms of
15 transportation, getting to and from labs. So we reserve
16 it for folks who have not responded to other agents.

17 Q. So did you primarily in those days use what
18 we've heard called first generation antipsychotics?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. There were -- including a drug called Haldol?
21 Is that a drug you were familiar with in that time?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Or haloperidol?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. The jury's also heard of a drug called

1 perphenazine. Is that a drug that was used, at least at
2 times, in those years?

3 A. Yes, it was.

4 Q. Were there others?

5 A. Yes. We would use thiothixene, also known as
6 Navane, Thorazine, Mellaril on occasion. Those are
7 the -- probably the more -- Prolixin.

8 Q. When -- you said that when you came to Austin
9 in 1994, that was about the same time Risperdal came on
10 the market. Did -- did you begin using Risperdal some
11 of the time?

12 A. Slowly. A little -- I tend to be a little
13 cautious as new meds come onto the market just to be
14 sure that we don't have any surprises.

15 Q. All right. Did you receive visits in your
16 clinic from representatives of Janssen, the
17 manufacturer?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. How frequently would you receive visits from
20 Janssen representatives?

21 A. I would say more or less monthly.

22 Q. And what would generally happen when they would
23 come into your clinic?

24 A. They usually would bring in some samples that
25 we might want to distribute to clients. They would also

1 bring in glossy folders and posters to talk about their
2 medication and really to sell the use of the medication
3 to me and other doctors in the clinics.

4 Q. Over the years since, has it been a continual
5 practice of Janssen representatives to call on your
6 clinic?

7 A. Yes, it has.

8 Q. And is that still taking place?

9 A. It's not taking place any longer. About
10 September we stopped allowing drug reps to come into the
11 clinic, the building.

12 Q. All drug representatives, not just Janssen
13 representatives?

14 A. Correct, all drug reps.

15 Q. All right. And you said September. Is that
16 September 2011, a few months ago?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And was that -- who made that decision?

19 A. I did.

20 Q. Can you tell us why you made that decision?

21 A. The -- I always have been a little bit
22 uncomfortable with the impact that drug reps can have on
23 prescribing patterns, but really the -- I think the
24 tipping point was that we were going for accreditation
25 by an organization called Joint Commission, which lays

1 out standards of how you conduct business, both clinical
2 and physical plant, to get basically the gold stamp of
3 approval. And in going through Joint Commission
4 accreditation, there are very strict rules about how you
5 handle samples. And in discussing with the medical
6 staff, they all agreed that was just way too heavy a
7 burden, and so we agreed that it was time to stop the
8 drug reps from coming onto our properties.

9 Q. In the years -- and particularly, I want to
10 focus your attention to the early years, back in the mid
11 to late '90 and early 2000s. When Janssen drug
12 representatives would come to your clinic, would they
13 ever talk with you about Risperdal in particular?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And did they deliver -- well, would sales
16 messages be a fair term or not?

17 A. I think that would be a fair term.

18 Q. Did they deliver sales messages about Risperdal
19 in particular?

20 A. Yes, they did.

21 Q. In those years, do you recall any of the sales
22 messages that you heard from Janssen representatives
23 about their drug as they were promoting Risperdal in
24 your clinic?

25 A. I do. The biggest selling point as I recall

1 was that these medications -- this medication, the
2 second generation called Risperdal, was much more
3 effective on -- not only on managing the positive
4 symptoms, things like hallucinations and delusions, but
5 was also really effective at managing the negative
6 symptoms and improving those. And the negative symptoms
7 are things like not wanting to go out and get a job or
8 just having no enjoyment in life because the effect of
9 the illness has just undercut that ability to get up and
10 get out into the community.

11 Q. And what illness are we talking about when you
12 say -- describe these symptoms?

13 A. Schizophrenia.

14 Q. Was anything ever said by the Janssen
15 representatives having to do with the safety of
16 Risperdal as compared with the older drugs?

17 A. Risperdal was represented to me as being a
18 safer medication than the first generation
19 antipsychotics, that we didn't have to worry as much
20 about the extrapyramidal motor symptoms that sometimes
21 would happen with higher doses of first generation
22 antipsychotics, and as an added benefit, that in the
23 long run it was less expensive to the system because
24 these medications were so -- to the service delivery
25 system because these medications were so effective, they

1 would keep people from going into the hospital.

2 Q. All right. So let me -- so there were
3 representations made about the effectiveness of
4 Risperdal?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Its safety?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And its cost-effectiveness?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. In your work as a medical director, do you have
11 any responsibility for the pharmacy budget in your
12 clinic?

13 A. I do. The pharmacy reports directly to me.

14 Q. And is -- when prescriptions are written, are
15 they filled through your pharmacy?

16 A. Prescriptions written for folks who have no
17 insurance are filled through our pharmacy services
18 program. For people with Medicaid, they go and get
19 their medications through the Texas Vendor Drug Program,
20 so the State of Texas pays for those medications.

21 Q. Is the Vendor Drug Program also sometimes
22 called Texas Medicaid?

23 A. Correct. It is part of the Medicaid Program.

24 Q. When the Risperdal first came into use in your
25 clinic, did -- were you aware of its cost as compared to

1 the cost of the older drugs?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And what was the difference?

4 A. Oh, I can't remember at the time, but 300, 400
5 times. I mean, you could get Haldol for 10 or 15 bucks,
6 and so -- I'm sorry, 40 to 50 times. So a month's worth
7 of Risperdal could cost you 400 or 500 dollars versus,
8 say, 10 to 20 dollars for haloperidol.

9 Q. In your practice, are there still times when
10 you prescribe Risperdal or risperidone?

11 A. Yes, there are.

12 Q. Is -- do you generally prescribe the brand drug
13 Risperdal or risperidone?

14 A. Well, now risperidone, since it's become a
15 generic, and it's slightly less expensive than the brand
16 name used to be. So prior to generic, it was Risperdal,
17 and then afterwards, now preferentially risperidone.

18 Q. In connection with -- I need to ask you about
19 something called TMAP. You know what TMAP is?

20 A. I do know what TMAP is, yes.

21 Q. Texas Medication Algorithm Project?

22 A. That's it.

23 Q. All right. Were you involved at all in the
24 development stage of TMAP back in the '96 time period?

25 A. I was involved in some of the early planning

1 efforts here, based here in Austin, and then I did
2 attend the consensus con -- the first consensus
3 conference on major depression down in Galveston.

4 Q. All right. And did you attend either of the
5 other two consensus conferences held in 1996, that is
6 schizophrenia or bipolar?

7 A. I did not.

8 Q. In the years following the first TMAP
9 algorithm, did something named TIMA come along?

10 A. Yes, the Texas Implementation and Medication
11 Algorithm project, yes.

12 Q. All right. T-I-M-A?

13 A. T-I-M-A.

14 Q. All right. So we've got TMAP, which is the
15 algorithms, and TIMA, which is what?

16 A. TMAP was the chance to begin to pilot and
17 understand and develop the whole set of algorithms.
18 Once Department of State Health Services staff, Dr. Shon
19 and his collaborators, were -- felt that they brought
20 those algorithms further enough along to then start
21 disseminating into all the community centers, then it
22 migrated into the -- morphed over to the TIMA, T-I-M-A,
23 project. So that was -- the TMAP was only for certain
24 target sites, and then once that was successful, they
25 moved it to all the community centers.

1 Q. All right. And when you say they moved into
2 all community centers, did -- under TIMA, did TMAP
3 algorithms come into use in the community health centers
4 across the state?

5 A. Yes, they did.

6 Q. If -- if you were to hear someone say that TMAP
7 or TIMA has nothing to do with Medicaid, is that the
8 proposition with which you would agree or disagree?

9 A. Oh, strongly disagree.

10 Q. How so?

11 A. Because most of the clients with severe
12 persistent mental illness, i.e., those that would need
13 something like Risperdal or haloperidol, any of the
14 first or second generation antipsychotics, are going to
15 be, frankly, very frequently Medicaid recipients. And
16 as we said earlier, most Medicaid recipients are treated
17 for psychiatric illnesses in community mental health
18 centers across the state.

19 Q. Now, when you say that TMAP and TIMA were
20 rolled out or implemented through the community health
21 centers around the state, including yours, did that in
22 any way affect the procedures or practices that
23 physicians in your clinic began to have to follow?

24 A. It did. The first was it became very clear
25 from the algorithms for, say, schizophrenia that the

1 second generation medications were the preferred agents
2 from the point of view of the State or Texas Department
3 of State Health -- well, Texas Department of Mental
4 Health and Mental Retardation at the time, so that,
5 first off, second generations were the preferred agents,
6 and then secondly, we got reams of new paperwork forms
7 that we had to fill out in service of the Texas
8 Implementation of Medication Algorithms.

9 Q. You mentioned that each of the community mental
10 health centers has contracts with the State?

11 A. Yes, they do.

12 Q. How frequently are those renewed?

13 A. They're renewed every year.

14 Q. So every year there's a new contract?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. At and after the time when TMAP and TIMA were
17 rolled out in all the community mental health centers
18 around the state, were there any provisions in the
19 contract that pertained to TMAP algorithms specifically?

20 A. Yes. The contract had at least one place, and
21 in some contracts I've seen several mentions, that
22 indicated that for managing medications and treating
23 folks with the illnesses addressed by those algorithms,
24 the algorithms should be followed and treated as
25 guidelines and preferred guidelines.

1 Q. So in the contracts you had with the State,
2 there was some provision that the TMAP algorithm should
3 be looked to by the physicians in your clinics?

4 A. I would say it was a requirement, that that was
5 the standard. The guidelines that were implemented by
6 the State was what we had to use. In -- inside the
7 guidelines, there is language that in the event you go
8 to a different step, take medicine out of order, you
9 have to document why you're doing it. But the
10 algorithms were the required and expected method of
11 treating and delivering services.

12 Q. All right. I want to be sure I understand this
13 because there's been some testimony from Dr. Shon in
14 this courtroom that -- on this same subject, so I want
15 to be sure I understand how it worked in real life.

16 If a physician -- once these provisions
17 got into your contract, if a physician was prescribing a
18 medication called for by the algorithm, in the case of
19 the schizophrenia algorithm, let's say Risperdal, did
20 they have to do any extra paperwork to document the
21 reasons why they were using Risperdal?

22 A. No. If you -- if you went with Risperdal
23 with -- with the medicine that was on the first line of
24 the algorithm, you -- your documentation was less
25 than -- if you decided you wanted to jump a step or two

1 in the algorithm for whatever reason, you had to
2 document why you were doing that.

3 Q. So if you -- if the doctor wanted to prescribe
4 Risperdal, there was no extra paperwork other than
5 recording in the patient's chart, which was required
6 anyway. But if they wanted, say, in a particular
7 patient to use a drug on the third or fourth tier down,
8 say one of the older drugs, they had to justify why they
9 were doing that?

10 A. You do have to justify why. I would point out
11 that even under the TIMA, there was a whole lot of extra
12 paperwork anyway as -- even for using Risperdal, which
13 made it fairly burdensome, and then to add on, if I want
14 to jump a step, I've got to even do more documentation.
15 It was just a further disincentive from straying from
16 the algorithms.

17 Q. Did -- in addition to the contract provisions,
18 were there any sorts of other training or education or
19 anything else that -- where doctors were instructed
20 about the TMAP algorithms?

21 A. There was. Dr. Shon and Dr. Lynn Crismon set
22 up what they refer to as a train the trainer program so
23 that, in general, medical directors from each of the
24 community mental health centers would come to Austin and
25 be trained in the rating scales and really trained how

1 to train the rest of the medical staff in the rating
2 scales, reviewing the algorithms, so that we could then
3 promulgate these ideas with our medical staff.

4 Q. Now, I want to be clear about this. If a
5 physician felt that in a particular patient they
6 shouldn't use drugs, say, of the new class but the
7 patient would do better on one of the older drugs and
8 wrote that prescription, documented it the way they were
9 supposed to document it, would they be punished for
10 having done that?

11 A. No.

12 Q. Were there any audits or was there any
13 processes by which the state MHMR office, the central
14 office here in Austin, could determine whether the
15 practices were being followed, that is, adherence to
16 documenting why a doctor prescribed the less expensive
17 drug, if they did? Were there any processes for that?

18 A. They eventually developed some audit tools that
19 were administered by the community mental health
20 centers. Clinical record reviewers would go through our
21 charts and rate whether or not we were adherent to the
22 TIMA algorithms.

23 Q. In the case of your clinic, were you?

24 A. Incompletely. Sometimes the biggest failure
25 was in getting lab work done. And that frequently was,

1 frankly, because our clients sometimes, again, have
2 great difficulty getting to labs. So that was -- that
3 was probably our biggest liability.

4 Q. You say liability. Were there potential
5 consequences if an audit from the central office
6 determined that a particular clinic was not adhering to
7 the algorithms and the TMAP practices?

8 A. Yes. The contract has sanct -- had the option
9 of sanctions. At the time, Texas Department of Mental
10 Health and Retardation could levy sanctions, financial
11 penalties against community centers that weren't -- that
12 were in violation of really most any part of the
13 contract.

14 Q. Did you go through the trainer training
15 program?

16 A. I did.

17 Q. And then were -- did you take that back and
18 carry out some sorts of instruction or training with the
19 physicians you supervised?

20 A. We did. We walked -- clearly walked through
21 the algorithms, made sure everybody understood the steps
22 and made sure they understood lab monitoring, what the
23 expectations there were, and then the rating scales that
24 had to be completed.

25 Q. Was that the limit of your and the physicians

1 in your clinic's exposure to instruction or training or
2 education about TMAP or were there other places and
3 other occasions when there would be similar sorts of
4 education or instruction about TMAP and using TMAP and
5 following TMAP and so forth?

6 A. The medical directors for the community mental
7 health centers around the state get together and meet
8 quarterly, and Dr. Shon would usually attend those. And
9 almost regularly at those meetings, Dr. Shon would have
10 updates and news about the TIMA for medical directors to
11 take back to their medical staff.

12 Q. Now, in the -- I don't have an organization
13 chart here, but in the hierarchy, okay, here's your
14 clinic right here and you're the medical director?

15 A. Uh-huh.

16 Q. Did you have a boss, by the way?

17 A. I do have a boss, David Evans. He's the
18 executive director.

19 Q. So here's Mr. Evans, and then we run up to the
20 central office, and Dr. Shon has the title of medical
21 director, too; is that right?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. Does he have -- is he higher in the hierarchy
24 than you?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Or was he?

2 A. Yes, he was.

3 Q. I guess he's not anymore, is he?

4 A. No, he's not.

5 Q. Did --

6 THE COURT: If I may interrupt, we're
7 going to take a break.

8 MR. JACKS: Thank you.

9 THE COURT: I'll see y'all back at 3:15.

10 *(Recess taken)*

11 *(Jury present)*

12 THE COURT: Thank y'all. Be seated.

13 Q. (BY MR. JACKS) Dr. Van Norman, we've talked
14 about TMAP, TIMA, the contract, the paperwork, the
15 training, the seminars, the -- let me talk about the
16 TMAP schizophrenia algorithm itself, because that's the
17 algorithm that most pertains to this case. In -- by the
18 time the TIMA was rolled out and put in place in all of
19 the community health centers like yours around Texas,
20 what were the relative positions of the more expensive
21 newer drugs like Risperdal versus the less expensive
22 older drugs?

23 A. The first-line treatments were clearly the
24 second generation antipsychotics such as Risperdal,
25 Zyprexa, Seroquel. The first generation antipsychotics,

1 the older ones like Haldol, perphenazine were much
2 farther down in the algorithm.

3 Q. As someone who was a medical director of one of
4 the community mental health centers subject to the
5 supervision of the Texas, at that time, Mental Health and
6 Mental Retardation Department, what was the take-away
7 message?

8 A. The take-away message was clearly that the
9 first line, the best choice of medications, are the
10 second generation newer agents and not the first line --
11 not the first generation. In the whole implementation
12 and roll-out of the TIMA, the constant refrain was that,
13 you know, it's time for you guys in the community
14 centers to come up to speed, to start treating in the
15 20th century or 21st century, and use those second
16 generation and quit being old fashioned and resistant to
17 change.

18 Q. Well, what effect did that have on the
19 prescribing practices of your doctors and yourself for
20 that matter?

21 A. It pretty radically shifted. It was clear that
22 the constant drumbeat message that the -- if you're
23 using those first generations, you're behind the times,
24 you're not giving the clients fair treatments, was the
25 kind of thing that tends to sway doctors that maybe they

1 need to change even if they may or may not have
2 reservations.

3 Q. Do -- did you ever raise yourself, as the
4 medical director and the -- by the way, where is the
5 Travis County Integral Care clinic? Where is it
6 located?

7 A. Our biggest adult clinic is on East Second at
8 Chicon over on -- just on the other side of I-35.

9 Q. All right. And then are there other
10 facilities --

11 A. There are.

12 Q. -- besides that one?

13 A. Yes, there are. We've got one up on -- now one
14 up on Rundberg, and then we have the Child and Family
15 Services on Riverside.

16 Q. Okay. When -- did there come a time when you
17 raised any questions with Dr. Shon about TMAP, TIMA, all
18 of this stuff?

19 A. I did specifically around the position of the
20 first generation medications in the algorithm. We
21 were -- our center was beginning to have some real cost
22 strains in trying to afford the second generation
23 medications. And Dr. Shon had indicated that we could
24 skip to the first generation medications; we just had to
25 document why we were doing it. The argument back was

1 that that just makes it look like we're practicing cheap
2 second-class medicine when they're so far down the
3 algorithm; if it's okay to jump to those as a first
4 choice and it's a reasonable clinical decision, then why
5 don't you put them up in the first level?

6 Q. Did he -- how did that work out for you? Did
7 he do it?

8 A. Dr. Shon never did anything like that, no.

9 Q. Any other time when you raised any questions
10 about TMAP, TIMA, any of this stuff?

11 A. At one point, I was in conversation with
12 Ms. Cindy Hopkins, who's an assistant to Dr. Shon, about
13 a separate matter, but in the process of the discussion,
14 asked her semi seriously what's happening to all this
15 drug company money that's coming into the state. It was
16 about 24 hours later that my boss David Evans called me
17 into the office and indicated that if I -- it might be
18 wise for me to write a letter of apology to the
19 commissioner from whom he heard as well as Dr. Shon that
20 I maybe shouldn't have implied that there was drug
21 company money swaying decisions at the state level.

22 Q. Did you have -- how much knowledge did you have
23 about drug company money coming into the state with
24 respect to TMAP and TIMA?

25 A. I didn't have any direct knowledge, but at the

1 time, being Texas, we were under budget constraints, and
2 so travel budgets for state employees were really
3 constrained and nonexistent, and we -- almost all of --
4 certainly I was aware that Dr. Shon and some of the
5 other principals in the TIMA and in TMAP had been
6 traveling certainly around the country making
7 presentations. So the question was, where's all this
8 money coming from to pay for travel when nobody else --
9 you know, auditors are not able to travel out to El Paso
10 because they ran out of the budget, so where is this
11 coming from.

12 Q. How frequently did Dr. Shon travel the few
13 miles to any of your clinic locations here in Austin?

14 A. Never.

15 Q. Was that typical of what you were used to as
16 compared to its predecessor in that office?

17 A. His predecessor hadn't been a person to visit
18 our clinics either, so neither one of them would come
19 out.

20 Q. You've testified that in the early days of your
21 practice you used the older drugs, that's all you had,
22 and then you've described about what happened when the
23 Risperdal came on the market, you began receiving visits
24 from representatives of the Janssen company, and TMAP
25 came along. With respect to the things the Janssen

1 people told you about the greater efficacy, the better
2 safety, the better cost overall, in the early years, did
3 you believe that, believe what you were told?

4 A. Initially, we took it with a grain of salt, but
5 thought, okay, this is supposed to be the best thing
6 ever, and all the press was saying this gets almost
7 miracle cures in these early days, so inclined to give
8 it a little bit of the benefit of the doubt and try it
9 and see if it had the impact that they were advertising.

10 Q. And then TMAP comes along?

11 A. TMAP comes along and really ramps up the
12 pressure and the messaging that, you know, use those
13 second generation medications first, that's the cutting
14 edge, that's where cutting edge psychiatry will be.

15 Q. In your own practice and to the extent, because
16 of your monitoring of their practices, the physicians
17 who work with you, by the time of the TIMA roll-out and
18 after that was underway, which drugs were you
19 prescribing?

20 A. I was tending to use the second generation
21 antipsychotics, such as Risperdal or Zyprexa or
22 Seroquel.

23 Q. Did you use all those drugs?

24 A. I did.

25 Q. Do you still sometimes?

1 A. I do, yes.

2 Q. The -- I think this is clear, but I want to be
3 sure it's clear. Are you here to say that Risperdal is
4 a bad drug, shouldn't have been approved, shouldn't be
5 on the market, anything of that sort?

6 A. No, not at all. No, I just -- it's a
7 medication that has some side effects that if they're
8 not carefully managed or addressed can become serious
9 health problems, but it's an effective medication.

10 Q. When you -- is it still the case today in
11 treating patients that you tend to prescribe the second
12 generation antipsychotics like Risperdal?

13 A. That's less my inclination currently since
14 about 2005 when first the CATIE study and then 2006 with
15 CUTLASS began to think that maybe some of the advertised
16 benefits of the second generation medications had been
17 oversold and began to realize that we certainly would
18 save a lot if we could begin to use the first generation
19 medications rather than the second generation.

20 Q. Did you start doing that in your own practice?

21 A. I have, yes.

22 Q. What -- of the older medications, which ones do
23 you prescribe to your patients when they need an
24 antipsychotic drug?

25 A. Either Haldol, haloperidol or perphenazine tend

1 to be the medications I choose.

2 Q. Now, with respect to -- let's take Haldol.
3 That was a drug -- or haloperidol in the generic. That
4 was a drug that you had lots of experience with when you
5 were in Houston before there were a bunch in the way of
6 second generation drugs, right?

7 A. Right.

8 Q. Do you use haloperidol today in the same way
9 that you did then?

10 A. No. What we've come to realize is that when I
11 was in training, we would tend to dose haloperidol at,
12 say, 10 to 20 milligrams a day, which is a lot, and we
13 would see lots and lots of side effects, the muscle
14 rigidity and stiffness. Now we've realized that in,
15 say, the two to five milligram range, you can get
16 probably exactly the same response without the
17 extrapyramidal muscle stiffness, Parkinson's-like
18 symptoms.

19 Q. Okay. So today when you're writing a
20 prescription for haloperidol, what dosages are you most
21 commonly using?

22 A. I usually start at two milligrams in an adult.

23 Q. And then from there?

24 A. Maybe gradually nudge it up if they're not
25 having a complete response, but usually five milligrams

1 is about as high I go -- as I'm willing to go without
2 adding other medications to control side effects.

3 Q. Okay. Would -- do you any longer commonly, as
4 common practice, prescribe haloperidol in the 10 to 20
5 milligram range?

6 A. No, I haven't done that in years.

7 Q. With respect to Risperdal, if you're writing a
8 Risperdal prescription, in what dosage range do you
9 write that?

10 A. Three to six milligrams in an adult.

11 Q. All right. But not in the 10 to 20 milligram
12 range?

13 A. No, won't even go to nine milligrams in most
14 cases.

15 Q. Why not?

16 A. Will not.

17 Q. Why not?

18 A. It's really not necessary, and you start seeing
19 side effects, running risk of extrapyramidal symptoms,
20 the muscle rigidity, and you get problems, even worse
21 weight gain and glucose sugar intolerance, so it's just
22 safer to stay on the lower end, if you can manage your
23 symptoms.

24 Q. With both drugs?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. If I heard you right, you said you began making
2 changes after the CATIE study in 2005 and CUTLASS in
3 2006. Why do those studies -- why do they have such
4 importance to you?

5 A. Well, both of them were what's called
6 effectiveness studies so that they're looking at how do
7 you use the medications in real life. In efficacy
8 studies where you're sort of -- where you're trying to
9 get FDA approval for a medication, you've got
10 unrealistic situations, all kinds of exclusion criteria,
11 so it doesn't mimic what you do in a clinic with real
12 people coming in with multiple kinds of problems. So
13 both CATIE and CUTLASS indicated that for -- in terms of
14 effectiveness and the side effects, that the first
15 generations were every bit as effective as the second
16 generations and that there wasn't any long-term
17 pharmacoeconomic savings by going to the second
18 generation. So for a community mental health center
19 strapped for funding, medications that are less
20 expensive, equally effective, similar side effects
21 burden, even if they're different side effects, it just
22 made all the sense in the world to really make an effort
23 to shift back over to the first generation medications
24 where it was clinically appropriate.

25 Q. So with both of those -- did the same people do

1 both studies, CATIE and CUTLASS?

2 A. No. CATIE was in the United States out of the
3 VA system, and CUTLASS was in England with the national
4 health institute there.

5 Q. Both government-funded studies?

6 A. Correct, so they were careful to make sure
7 there was no bias injected by drug company funding, so
8 felt like it was objective, unbiased research that was
9 worth relying on.

10 Q. Now, when you began using more heavily the
11 older drugs like haloperidol and perphenazine, did you
12 continue to have your patients monitored in the same
13 ways you've described that you would monitor patients
14 within your clinic?

15 A. In terms of our quality assurance peer review
16 process, yes, we looked at the same parameters. But
17 with the first generation medications, there's less of a
18 worry to monitor lipids, to be sure you're not getting
19 increased cholesterol. There's not as big a problem
20 with weight gain, so there's less of a worry about
21 developing Type 2 diabetes. So the laboratory
22 monitoring is somewhat different.

23 Q. Okay. So are you telling -- are you telling us
24 that there's some side effects that are a greater
25 concern with the newer drugs than the older ones?

1 A. In my practice, yes.

2 Q. And which ones specifically do you worry about
3 less with the old drugs than the new drugs?

4 A. I worry less about -- with the first generation
5 medications like haloperidol and perphenazine, I worry
6 less about weight gain, lipids skipping out of control,
7 sugars, blood sugar being out of control. That's a
8 bigger worry in the first gen -- second generation
9 medications like, particularly, Zyprexa, Risperdal and
10 Seroquel are big offenders for the weight gain, which
11 brings along with it the risk of coronary artery
12 disease, heart attacks and long-term disability.

13 Q. Have you in your practice seen such side
14 effects with some patients who have taken the newer
15 generation drugs you just named, Risperdal, Seroquel and
16 Zyprexa?

17 A. Yes. And early on when the first gener --
18 second generation medications were starting to be used,
19 the discussion among us in medical staff meetings was
20 not infrequently almost astonishment the amount of
21 weight that people could put on in between, you know --
22 typically in a maintenance situation, we see somebody
23 about every three months. And people would come in
24 three months later putting on 20, 30 pounds when they're
25 on the second generation medications. And so that's

1 been a growing concern that we've -- I certainly noticed
2 it and seen it in my patients that weight gets way out
3 of control.

4 Q. With respect to the new generation drugs, are
5 there any other side effects you've seen in your own
6 practice with them that you didn't see with the older
7 generation drugs?

8 A. The -- in the doses that we -- say, Risperdal,
9 I've seen women develop what's called galacturia.
10 Basically they start leaking milk from their breasts in
11 response to increase in the prolactin in the system
12 because of the effect of --

13 THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. In response to?

14 THE WITNESS: Increased prolactin levels
15 which tells the body -- tells the body, oh, I must be
16 nursing a baby, so it responds that way. And so I've
17 had it relatively low doses. And one of the patients I
18 saw yesterday on one milligram of Risperdal is having
19 trouble with galacturia, with leaking breast -- milk
20 from her breasts. And never seen that with haloperidol,
21 say one milligram, you know, is kind of equivalent
22 range. So that's an issue. It's not a common one, but
23 it's a distressing one to patients.

24 Q. I take it this was not a nursing momma.

25 A. No, no, no, not at all.

1 THE COURT: May I see y'all briefly here
2 at the bench?

3 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

4 THE COURT: How much time do you have for
5 your cross?

6 MR. McDONALD: It's getting longer and
7 longer.

8 THE COURT: I know. How much time?

9 MR. McDONALD: Half hour, maybe a little
10 more.

11 THE COURT: You've got about five more
12 minutes.

13 MR. JACKS: Okay.

14 *(End of bench discussion)*

15 Q. (BY MR. JACKS) I want to ask -- particularly,
16 I want to be clear about extrapyramidal symptoms. These
17 are the movement disorders?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. How about TD or tardive dyskinesia? Have you
20 seen that in patients that you've had on the older drugs
21 in your practice?

22 A. I have seen it in patients who have been on the
23 medications for a long time. I have not had anybody
24 develop it while they're on the older medications under
25 my care. Usually they come to me and they've already

1 developed tardive dyskinesia.

2 Q. From years past?

3 A. From the accumulation of taking the medication
4 over the years, but they developed it, yeah, again,
5 after years and years of taking medicines, developed it
6 and would wind up staying in the community health center
7 setting.

8 Q. And did those patients take only the older
9 drugs or both older and newer?

10 A. Obviously prior to introduction of the second
11 generation antipsychotics, it was only the older. Since
12 then we've had -- I've had some with the tardive or
13 movement disorders who have been exposed to both second
14 and first generation medications over their lifetime.

15 Q. Last area I want to cover with you. Are TMAP
16 and TIMA still in force in Texas?

17 A. No, they're not.

18 Q. When did that change?

19 A. It changed, I think, August a year ago, if I
20 remember.

21 Q. And how did that change take place?

22 A. Before Dr. Emily Becker joined -- moved in the
23 Department of State Health Services from Austin State
24 Hospital to become the medical director for behavioral
25 health, there had been discussion among the medical --

1 the medical directors of community mental health centers
2 some concern that we were under this guidelines -- or
3 these instructions in the contract to use TIMA, but
4 there had been no efforts to update any of the
5 algorithms. And suddenly we began to worry we were
6 being forced to practice on a set of guidelines that had
7 become obsolete or at least partially outdated.

8 When Dr. Becker took over as the medical
9 director at Department of State Health Services, she had
10 the same concerns and began to work with leadership at
11 Department of State Health Services to remove TIMA and
12 to look for other more current guidelines.

13 Q. And did that happen?

14 A. That did happen.

15 Q. And what guidelines now are there for --
16 referenced by you and physicians in your clinic?

17 A. For treatment of folks with schizophrenia, it's
18 the -- what's called the PORT, P-O-R-T, guidelines. And
19 for depression, it's the American Psychiatric
20 Association's major depression guidelines. For kids,
21 it's the -- a set of foster care treatment guidelines
22 that were developed basically -- basically at Department
23 of State Health Services.

24 Q. With respect to schizophrenia, do the PORT
25 guidelines distinguish in any way between the older and

1 the newer antipsychotic drug?

2 A. They do not.

3 MR. JACKS: Pass the witness, Your Honor.

4 **CROSS-EXAMINATION**

5 BY MR. McDONALD:

6 Q. Dr. Van Norman, my name is John McDonald. I
7 have a few questions for you. You mentioned this
8 briefly, and I want to be sure the jury understands
9 about TMAP. It involved three different algorithms or
10 three different disease states, correct?

11 A. Yes, that's right.

12 Q. And those were what?

13 A. Bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and then major
14 depression.

15 Q. Okay. And you were actually involved in the
16 development of the major depression disorder, correct?

17 A. I was involved, in fact, in the major
18 depression nonpsychotic algorithm. There was
19 subsequently a branch for the psychotic -- for major
20 depression with psychotic features.

21 Q. Okay. And you had no involvement in the
22 development of the schizophrenia algorithm; is that
23 right?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Okay. You would agree with me that the

1 treatment algorithm within TMAP is not a mandate to the
2 doctor about what to prescribe, correct?

3 A. Could you clar -- in terms of a mandate, what
4 are you -- how do you mean that? That tells me exactly
5 what to prescribe?

6 Q. Well, it doesn't dictate what a doctor should
7 prescribe, correct?

8 A. No. It's a strong urging that you should make
9 those choices based on the algorithms, so medicines in
10 the first tier, that's what you should choose.

11 Q. It's a suggestion to you about what to use,
12 right?

13 A. It could be seen that way.

14 Q. Okay. The physician retains the ultimate
15 authority about what to prescribe to his or her patient
16 under the TMAP algorithm, right?

17 A. In collaboration with the client, with the
18 patient. So if the patient's got a medication that was
19 effective in the past, that should be what's jointly
20 decided between the patient and doctor.

21 Q. Sure. And so we've been talking about first
22 generation antipsychotics, and if a patient was
23 receiving a first generation antipsychotic, the patient
24 should continue to receive that despite the fact that
25 the first generations were not in the first tier of the

1 schizophrenia algorithm, right?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. You yourself have deviated from the TMAP
4 algorithm, correct?

5 A. Infrequently.

6 Q. You've done it --

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. -- right? And you've never been sanctioned for
9 doing so, have you?

10 A. No, I haven't.

11 Q. Okay. TMAP is more than just an algorithm,
12 right?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay.

15 MR. McDONALD: Chris, can you pull up
16 DX 7?

17 Q. (BY MR. McDONALD) I'll let you have this too
18 so you can have a hard copy as well. So Defendants'
19 Exhibit 7, Doctor, is the physician manual for the
20 schizophrenia algorithm, correct?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. And this is kind of the whole package,
23 50 pages of really what doctors are supposed to do with
24 schizo -- the schizophrenia TMAP algorithm; is that
25 right?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. If you turn to the first page, if you
3 look there in the first paragraph, in this highlighted
4 portion, it says these guidelines, algorithms, do not
5 apply to all patients and each must be adapted and
6 tailored to each individual patient. Proper use,
7 adaption, modifications or decisions to disregard these
8 or other guidelines in whole or in part are entirely the
9 responsibility of the clinician who uses the guidelines.
10 And you would agree with that, right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And that's the practice you followed?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And that's the practice that the people working
15 for you followed when they were using TMAP, correct?

16 A. I believe so.

17 Q. All right. Why don't we look -- go to the next
18 tab I've got there, and I can't even tell you what page
19 it is. It ends in 820. This -- and it's displayed here
20 if you want to look at it -- is the actual schizophrenia
21 algorithm as of the date of this manual, which is
22 January 2000, correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. And it says here at the top, "Any stages
25 can be skipped depending on the clinical picture,"

1 right?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And that goes along with what you said before;
4 you have the ability to skip any of these steps when
5 you're treating someone with this algorithm, right?

6 A. So long as we appropriately document --

7 Q. Sure.

8 A. -- to make it clear.

9 Q. And to be clear, Doctor, you're not suggesting
10 to this jury that you would ever not give a patient what
11 you thought was the appropriate medication just because
12 you had to fill out some additional paperwork, are you?

13 A. No, I'm not.

14 Q. Okay. And that's nothing you would ever
15 sanction from somebody that works for you, is it?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Okay. If you go to the next tab I have in
18 there, and this is the instructions for using the
19 algorithm, if you can see there at the top, instructions
20 for using the algorithm. And here we have "It is
21 important to remember that the algorithms are intended
22 to guide medication selection, not dictate it. Clinical
23 judgment takes precedence." The same thing we've been
24 talking about, correct?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. So that's throughout these guidelines to
2 physicians, that despite what the algorithm says, your
3 clinical judgment is really what takes precedence,
4 correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. If you look further down here in the
7 introduction, we have a section here that says -- it's
8 talking about the typical antipsychotics, and it says
9 the typicals were not included as first-line treatments
10 because compared to risperidone, quetiapine -- which is
11 Seroquel?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And olanzapine, which is Zyprexa?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. They caused more bothersome side effects, have
16 greater potential for producing tardive dyskinesia, are
17 less effective for or less causative of negative
18 symptoms and are no more effective for positive
19 symptoms. That's what the manual says, correct?

20 A. Yes, it does.

21 Q. And that's what you understood the state of the
22 medicine to be in 2000 as well, correct?

23 A. I probably still had some questions at that
24 point in time but didn't have any published evidence to
25 base my concerns on.

1 Q. It's still true today, though, isn't it,
2 Doctor, that the older antipsychotics have a greater
3 potential for producing tardive dyskinesia than the
4 newer generation drugs, right?

5 A. I don't think that's set in science, yes.

6 Q. That's not -- you're saying that's not your
7 opinion?

8 A. From my experience, I don't think that that's
9 what I've seen.

10 Q. You would agree, though, that there's a lot of
11 science out there that disagrees with your opinion in
12 that regard, right?

13 A. I'm not sure that's true.

14 Q. Okay. Well, we'll hear from a lot of people
15 later. You continue to prescribe Risperdal to patients
16 today, right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you continue to prescribe Zyprexa -- I
19 mean -- yeah, Zyprexa and Seroquel to patients today,
20 right?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you do that because in your opinion, those
23 are the best medications for the patients, right?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. We've talked a little bit about side effects,

1 and you said that there are serious -- there are serious
2 side effects from Risperdal you talked about, right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. There are serious side effects from all of
5 these drugs, aren't there?

6 A. On a spectrum, yes.

7 Q. We're not talking about baby aspirin, right?
8 These are serious drugs for people with serious
9 illnesses, right?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Okay. And as long as you know about the
12 potential side effects, you monitor those side effects
13 to ensure that they remain in check, right?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And you talked about weight gain or issue --
16 potential issues with diabetes with Risperdal, right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And that's a side effect you know about, right?

19 A. It is.

20 Q. And you've known about that side effect for a
21 long time, right?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And it's something that you've been monitoring
24 for a long time, and you know to look for it when you're
25 treating a patient with Risperdal, right?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. Currently you see one to two patients a
3 day; is that about right?

4 A. On average, that -- I mean, I tend to have one
5 clinic day that I see the patients, so I see eight to
6 ten in a day.

7 Q. One day a week or something like that?

8 A. Right.

9 Q. Okay. Primarily sitting here today -- and I'm
10 not meaning to take anything away from you -- you're
11 more of an administrator; that's kind of how your career
12 has progressed, that as of today you're more of an
13 administrator than a clinician?

14 A. It is probably about 50/50. I do backup for
15 the rest of the clinics when their docs are missing or
16 absent.

17 Q. Okay. You've -- again, you continue to
18 prescribe Risperdal, right?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And you've prescribed Risperdal to children,
21 haven't you?

22 A. On at least one occasion.

23 Q. Sure. And the one occasion that you talked
24 about in your deposition when my colleague took your
25 deposition was actually for a child that you thought was

1 eight or nine years old?

2 A. Yes, that's my memory.

3 Q. Okay. And so -- and that was done before
4 Risperdal had an indication for use in children, right?

5 A. I believe so, yes.

6 Q. All right. So that would be off label?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And prescribing drugs off label is not
9 uncommon; is that fair?

10 A. I think that's fair, yes.

11 Q. Okay. And so prescribing Risperdal off label
12 to an eight or nine-year-old child wasn't something
13 wrong that you did, right?

14 A. No.

15 Q. And you did it because you thought that
16 prescribing Risperdal to an eight or nine-year-old child
17 was in -- I don't even know if it was a boy or girl --
18 his or her best interest?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Okay. And I think you actually sought
21 additional advice from somebody else before making that
22 prescription.

23 A. I did.

24 Q. And that was a recommendation to you that you
25 agreed with?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. You talked a little bit about CATIE.
3 After CATIE came out in 2005, you did continue to
4 prescribe Risperdal, as we talked about, as well as
5 other second generation antipsychotics?

6 A. Yes, that's correct.

7 Q. And CATIE specifically actually didn't study
8 second generations against first generation drugs, did
9 it?

10 A. That's not my understanding.

11 Q. Isn't it true that CATIE studied second
12 generations versus perphenazine?

13 A. Yes, which is a first generation.

14 Q. And only perphenazine, not Haldol, just
15 perphenazine?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. And you would agree with me that perphenazine
18 is not a particularly popular antipsychotic that's used,
19 right?

20 A. Not anymore.

21 Q. Right. It's used very infrequently, right?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. And in CATIE, this infrequently used first
24 generation antipsychotic was studied against numerous
25 second generation antipsychotics, right?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And isn't it true that the patients that were
3 used in the CATIE study, any patient that had a history
4 of tardive dyskinesia was excluded from receiving
5 perphenazine, right?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And so there was such a concern about tardive
8 dyskinesia in first generations that only the good, I
9 guess people that had no prior conditions, got
10 perphenazine and anybody who had any kind of prior
11 condition of tardive dyskinesia got the second
12 generation antipsychotics, right?

13 A. I believe that's true.

14 Q. Okay. You also talked about CUTLASS. CUTLASS
15 was a study that was done in England, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And it compared second generations with, again,
18 one typical antipsychotic, correct?

19 A. No, that's not as I read the study.

20 Q. Isn't it true that the typical antipsychotic
21 used in the CUTLASS study is not even available in the
22 United States?

23 A. The one -- one of the medicines of the first
24 generations is not available in the United States.

25 Q. And what was the other first generation that

1 you think was used?

2 A. Haloperidol is in the CUTLASS.

3 Q. You don't currently restrict doctors that work
4 for you in your clinic from using -- or prescribing
5 Risperdal, do you?

6 A. No.

7 Q. And that's not something you would ever
8 condone, is it?

9 A. No.

10 Q. You believe that a doctor should have
11 available -- multiple drugs available when treating
12 their patient, right?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And that's because there's not a one size fit
15 all drug or medicine for these patients, right?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. Some work better than others for the patient?

18 A. For a given patient.

19 Q. Right. Some may work well but have -- may
20 cause serious side effects for whatever reason, correct?

21 A. That's right.

22 Q. And the side effects aren't consistent from
23 patient to patient to patient, are they?

24 A. No.

25 Q. And the effect of this is not necessarily

1 consistent from patient to patient to patient, right?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. You have to try what you think in your clinical
4 judgment is the best drug to try first and hope it
5 works, right?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And if it doesn't and it's -- or it's not
8 tolerated, then you try another one, right?

9 A. That's right.

10 Q. Okay. When you prescribe Haldol to patients
11 today, you carefully monitor those patients for side
12 effects of TD or EPS, right?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. I think the jury has heard a lot about TD and
15 EPS. Can you describe to them as somebody who's --
16 you've seen TD patients, right?

17 A. I have, yes.

18 Q. Can you explain to them really what is tardive
19 dyskinesia?

20 A. Tardive dyskinesia is -- the name is basically
21 Latin for -- it's a movement disorder that develops
22 late. So the idea is after you've been taking some
23 medications for long periods of time, you can develop
24 movement disorders. Sometimes it's a writhing of the
25 tongue, maybe smacking of the lips, sometimes it's

1 finger movements, almost all unconscious and
2 uncontrollable. They're different from the things we're
3 talking about the EPS, which is the extrapyramidal
4 symptoms, which is closer to Parkinsonism, and those are
5 usually short-term, almost immediate side effects from
6 the medications at improper doses that look a lot like
7 Parkinsonism. So people can get muscle rigidity,
8 trouble swallowing their saliva, so they kind of drool
9 some. But those are more easily addressable with
10 short-term side effect medications, the EPS symptoms.

11 Q. Scary side effects to the patient, correct?

12 A. Can be.

13 Q. Okay. And compliance for this patient
14 population is a real critical thing, isn't it?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And so one of the issues that you have with a
17 scary side effect like tardive dyskinesia or EPS is that
18 if a patient develops such a side effect, the real worry
19 is they'll stop taking the drug and they'll never want
20 to take anything else again, right?

21 A. I think with any severe side effect that's a
22 risk.

23 Q. Sure. And that's a big problem in this
24 population, compliance and continuing to take their
25 medications, right?

1 A. It is.

2 MR. McDONALD: Just bear with me for one
3 moment. I'm trying to short-circuit this for us all.

4 Q. (BY MR. McDONALD) You talked -- you talked a
5 little bit about weight gain with this second generation
6 antipsychotics, correct?

7 A. Yes, I did.

8 Q. Okay. And the various second generation
9 antipsychotics have varying degrees of weight gain, side
10 effect, correct?

11 A. That's true.

12 Q. And the risk of weight gain is different
13 between Risperdal and, let's say, Zyprexa, correct?

14 A. Slightly different, from my understanding.

15 Q. Zyprexa has a higher risk of weight gain than
16 Risperdal, doesn't it?

17 A. Slightly higher risk.

18 Q. Just slightly?

19 A. In my experience in working with the
20 medication.

21 Q. You wouldn't agree that it's quite a bit
22 greater?

23 A. That's not been my experience.

24 Q. You've known about this weight gain risk again
25 with these drugs for a long period of time, correct?

1 A. That's basically true, yes.

2 Q. And the same with diabetes; the risk for
3 diabetes is greater with Zyprexa than with Risperdal,
4 right?

5 A. Again, it's probably linked to weight gain, so
6 in my experience, I've had almost as much trouble with
7 either one of them in terms of weight gain and glucose
8 intolerance.

9 Q. And if you see a patient that has -- or
10 develops a side effect of a problem with weight gain
11 with Risperdal or Zyprexa, you monitor it, and if it's
12 the best thing to do, you switch them to another drug,
13 right?

14 A. Right, frequently.

15 Q. Or even just lower the dose, right?

16 A. More often switch to a new medication that's
17 more weight neutral.

18 MR. McDONALD: Okay. I'll pass the
19 witness.

20 **REDIRECT EXAMINATION**

21 BY MR. JACKS:

22 Q. Quickly, Dr. Van Norman, in your practice with
23 your experience using both older and newer drugs, have
24 you -- do you also look for signs of developing EPS or
25 tardive dyskinesia in your patients who are on a newer

1 drug?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Or an older drug?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Have you seen any striking differences?

6 A. Not in my -- in my experience, no. They're
7 looking very much the same.

8 Q. With respect to weight gain and diabetes, have
9 you found a stronger association with the newer drugs or
10 the older drugs?

11 A. With some of the newer drugs.

12 Q. And you named, I believe, Zyprexa, Seroquel and
13 Risperdal as being the main offenders --

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. -- were your words?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. With respect to the CATIE study, you were asked
18 a question about whether patients in certain parts of
19 that study were in some groups where the people with TD
20 were excluded. Do you remember that?

21 A. I do.

22 Q. Is it not in fact the case in the CATIE study
23 that for the part of the study that was comparing
24 perphenazine with the newer drugs, when that
25 head-to-head comparison was being made, that patients

1 with TD were excluded from both groups?

2 A. That's my -- how I recall the study.

3 Q. Because if you wanted to see if anyone
4 developed TD during the study, you didn't want the data
5 tainted by having people in either group with TD to
6 start with, true?

7 A. That's true.

8 Q. And with respect to the negative symptoms, you
9 remember -- I believe you said that you were told by the
10 Janssen representatives that Risperdal was better for
11 the negative symptoms of schizophrenia than the older
12 drugs. Did I hear that right?

13 A. You did.

14 Q. In your practice and in your experience, as
15 you've used the drugs side by side, have you noticed any
16 marked differences in the ability of either the older or
17 the newer schizophrenia drugs to treat those symptoms?

18 A. No. Especially when you with the first
19 generations control with appropriate dosing, I have not
20 noticed a difference.

21 Q. All right. If you overdose with the older
22 drugs, are the symptoms produced some which are the same
23 as the negative symptoms of schizophrenia?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. It makes them less outgoing?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Makes them want to stay home?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Not go to school?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Or to work?

7 A. All true.

8 Q. But when you dose them properly, how do they
9 compare with the newer drugs?

10 A. In my practice and my experience, they look
11 virtually the same.

12 Q. Boil it down. Based on your practice and your
13 experience as a physician in the real world, are the
14 newer drugs like Risperdal better, yes or no?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Safer?

17 A. No.

18 Q. But they're still more expensive, aren't they?

19 A. Much more expensive.

20 THE COURT: John.

21 **REXCROSS-EXAMINATION**

22 BY MR. McDONALD:

23 Q. Have you ever done any kind of scientific study
24 between the first generation and second generation
25 antipsychotics?

1 A. No. Me personally, no.

2 Q. Never conducted any kind of clinical study
3 between the two?

4 A. No.

5 MR. McDONALD: That's all I have. Thank
6 you.

7 MR. JACKS: May Dr. Van Norman be excused?

8 THE COURT: Yes. Doctor, thank you for
9 your testimony. You may step down.

10 May I see you two lads here?

11 *(Discussion at the bench as follows:)*

12 THE COURT: Are we done here or do we want
13 to wander around some more in the *Physican's Desk*
14 *Reference*?

15 MR. JACKS: We're done. I mean, it's --

16 THE COURT: How are we doing on progress?

17 MR. JACKS: Really good.

18 THE COURT: He's a quick learner.

19 MR. MELSHEIMER: No, we are. We're
20 compressing as we go.

21 *(End of bench discussion)*

22 THE COURT: I'll see y'all in the morning.

23 *(Jury not present)*

24 THE COURT: Okay. Everybody relax.

25 Law nerds, I need y'all to get you -- the

1 stuff you want me to look at before tomorrow morning up
2 here so I can start reading. Motion to exclude
3 opinions -- yeah.

4 MR. McCONNICO: We've distilled it down.

5 THE COURT: Is this -- wait, wait, wait.
6 Is this my for the record or is this we're going to take
7 one more kiss at the pig?

8 MR. McCONNICO: One more kiss at the pig.
9 This is the argument to exclude.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 MR. McDONALD: Well, I'm not -- well, I
12 don't know that we've ever had a real --

13 THE COURT: Extensive discussion.

14 MR. McDONALD: -- discussion about Friede,
15 right. We've submitted stuff to you and you've
16 indicated to us on several occasions that you had
17 concerns or troubles, but I don't know that we've ever
18 had an argument about it.

19 THE COURT: Well, let me look at it right
20 now. Do we have Friede? Do we have a pristine copy of
21 Friede's opinions? Do we have any copy of -- has Stacey
22 left? Do you have -- I think I've got -- I know I've
23 got it in electronic form.

24 MR. JACKS: On January 3rd I delivered
25 letter briefs to you on three subjects of which he was

1 one. Attached to that was, among other things, the
2 spreadsheet about him. That was off of his report.

3 THE COURT: Okay.

4 MR. JACKS: That letter brief still says I
5 think the things we would say about the admissibility of
6 his testimony. I will say that --

7 THE COURT: Okay. Time out. Time out.
8 Let me read this, because what I need is I will need
9 his -- either the spreadsheet or his report, but let me
10 read this first without any talking so I can understand.

11 MR. JACKS: Okay.

12 THE COURT: It would be most helpful if on
13 these six points you could tell me -- I now have
14 Friede's report -- where I look.

15 MR. JACKS: Do you have a copy of that?
16 Are you looking at it?

17 MR. McCONNICO: We gave you one, that
18 little one. We might give you another one, but I handed
19 you one.

20 MR. JACKS: Oh, here we go.

21 THE COURT: Somebody's working on figuring
22 out where in his report --

23 MR. McCONNICO: Yes, sir. We're ready to
24 respond when you need more.

25 THE COURT: What I need is I need

1 information. I don't need argument. I need where to
2 look so I can look at it with my own eyes.

3 MR. McCONNICO: In the report.

4 THE COURT: The report is 106 pages the
5 last time I looked.

6 MR. JACKS: Can we have another copy of
7 our letter report for the judge's convenience?

8 THE COURT: If it helps, I've got -- I
9 think I've got something of a deposition here.

10 MR. JACKS: Actually, I have a copy.

11 THE COURT: May I talk to y'all for a
12 second? So what y'all have given me is Texas law on lay
13 opinions concerning mixed law and facts. So what you've
14 given me is a conclusion with bullet points. Well, just
15 as you would, if I gave you -- if I go pull out a -- one
16 of my school finance briefs and I gave it to you and I
17 said, "Okay, should I admit this or deny?" and you go,
18 "Well, let me see it." And so what I'm trying to see is
19 the actual opinion that leads y'all to believe that he
20 is saying that -- obviously he just says that y'all have
21 violated the hell out of this, that and the other and
22 that y'all gave false certifications in this and he
23 gives some specific opinions. And all I'm wanting to
24 see is -- I don't need to see maybe every exhaustive
25 opinion, but if you will give me enough that -- you're

1 trying to hand me something that looks like what I've
2 got. And so if I could see with my own eyes, either in
3 the report or when you took his deposition, and you got
4 them to repeat all those loathsome things he said and
5 then -- prank with him a little bit.

6 MR. LAUER: I've added those to this, Your
7 Honor.

8 MR. McCONNICO: We've added --

9 MR. LAUER: We've added citations to the
10 report --

11 MR. McCONNICO: Not what you have, but
12 right here.

13 MR. LAUER: We just did right now, so I
14 can replace that copy with this.

15 MR. McCONNICO: And then we've highlighted
16 a page from the deposition.

17 MR. LAUER: And then we've highlighted
18 things from the deposition.

19 MR. McCONNICO: But it might be helpful if
20 we actually give the actual deposition pages.

21 THE COURT: So Page 61 -- and so when I
22 look at this, it's Page 61 of his report?

23 MR. LAUER: Yes, sir.

24 MR. McCONNICO: Yes, sir.

25 THE COURT: Okay. All right.

1 MR. McDONALD: That's one example, yes.

2 THE COURT: Okay. That's one example.

3 MR. McCONNICO: We'll find some more. And
4 there are also citations over on the second page.

5 THE COURT: Yeah, I know, but right now
6 I'm going to look at Page 61.

7 MR. McCONNICO: Yes, sir.

8 THE COURT: And then I should strike
9 gold --

10 MR. WINGARD: The paragraph that starts
11 with "In some" --

12 THE COURT: -- or lead or methane or dirty
13 water.

14 MR. McCONNICO: Judge, 73 is the same.

15 THE COURT: Okay. I'll get there in just
16 a moment.

17 Y'all don't want Della to write this down,
18 do you?

19 MR. JACKS: No.

20 *(Court adjourned)*

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