

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF
October 22, 2007
VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT – ITEM 2

1 **Discussion and possible action regarding an Appeal of Non-renewal of a Wedding Chapel**
2 **License, Miscellaneous Sales License, and Handbill License, A Las Vegas Garden of Love,**
3 **LLC dba A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard, Cheryl Luell,**
4 **Mgr, 50%, Craig Luell, Mgr, 50% - Ward 3 (Reese)**

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6 **Appearance List:**

7 OSCAR GOODMAN, Mayor
8 BRYAN KOCKA, Attorney representing Jesse Diaz
9 JESSE DIAZ, Pastor
10 JENNIFER BOLTON, Attorney representing Phillip Williams
11 PHILLIP WILLIAMS, Pastor
12 STEPHEN STEIN, 520 South Fourth Street, Attorney for the Appellants
13 GARY REESE, Councilman
14 BILL HENRY, Senior Litigation Counsel
15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER
16 BRAD JERBIC, City Attorney
17 CHERYL LUELL, Appellant, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
18 BEVERLY K. BRIDGES, City Clerk
19 CRAIG LUELL, Appellant, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
20 RICKI Y. BARLOW, Councilman
21 CARLOS VALLESILLAS, Pastor, A Las Vegas Garden of Love
22 KATHLEEN RAGAN, Minister
23 WENDELL CUASITO, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
24 CONSTANCE MANVILLA, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
25 EDWIN WRIGHT, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
26 CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas
27 Boulevard
28 JESSE DARNELL DANIELS, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard
29 TORY ROBIN MANVILLA, A Las Vegas Garden of Love, 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard

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- 30 STEVE WOLFSON, Councilman
- 31 LOIS TARKANIAN, Councilwoman
- 32 CLIFF EVARTS
- 33 LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL, A Special Memory Wedding Chapel
- 34 TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER
- 35 ASHLEY SILVER
- 36 CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA, A Stained Glass Wedding Chapel
- 37 MICHAEL A. JOSEPH
- 38 GEORGE GLASPER, Lieutenant Marshal, Regional Justice Center
- 39 STEVEN SMITH, Downtown Community Church
- 40 DIANA PAUL, Public Information Officer
- 41 LARRY BROWN, Councilman
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47 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

48 All right, thank you very much, Ms. Bridges.

49 We left off last Wednesday with two gentlemen appearing before us, Pastor Diaz and Pastor
50 Williams and we gave them the opportunity if they wanted to to have attorneys representing
51 them here today. I understand that Mr. Kocka is here on behalf of Pastor Diaz. If you'd be kind
52 enough to come up, Mr. Kocka, with the pastor. I have no need to prolong or agonize anybody
53 regarding this, but I've been advised, Mr. Kocka, if you'd be kind enough to identify yourself for
54 the record.

55

56 **BRYAN KOCKA**

57 Yes. Good afternoon Mayor. Good afternoon Council. Bryan Kocka, K-O-C-K-A, here on
58 behalf of Reverend Jesse Diaz.

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60 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

61 And we appreciate your being here today. I've been advised by Mr. Henry of the City Attorney's
62 Office that if called to testify concerning the exhibits which are referred to as Exhibit 15 in our
63 record, that your client would assert his privilege against self-incrimination under the Fifth
64 Amendment. Is that correct?

65

66 **BRYAN KOCKA**

67 That's right Mr. Mayor.

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69 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

70 All right, then you're excused, Sir.

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72 **JESSE DIAZ**

73 Thank you.

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74 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

75 And I understand that Ms. Bolton, Jennifer Bolton, is representing Pastor Williams. Will you be
76 kind enough to identify yourself for the record, Ms. Bolton?

77

78 **JENNIFER BOLTON**

79 Good afternoon, Council, Jennifer Bolton appearing with Pastor Williams.

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81 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

82 Thank you. And I understand from Mr. Henry, that he has had discussions with you and Pastor
83 Williams who had asserted his privilege against self-incrimination if called to testify. Is that
84 correct?

85

86 **JENNIFER BOLTON**

87 That's correct.

88

89 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

90 All right, then you're excused. Thank you very much.

91

92 **PHILLIP WILLIAMS**

93 Thank you.

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95 **JENNIFER BOLTON**

96 Thank you.

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98 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

99 All right, we're now in the process of, Mr. Stein has completed his directed exam of Ms. Luell
100 and Mr. Jerbic is in the process of cross examining.

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101 **STEPHEN STEIN**

102 Before the cross examination, Your Honor, I have two more exhibits copies for all members of
103 the Council and the Mayor regarding the trip to Houston. More evidence (inaudible).

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105 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

106 All right, very good. If you'd be kind enough to put those into the record. Hand them to Ms.
107 Bridges please.

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109 **STEPHEN STEIN**

110 Mr. Jerbic has copies.

111

112 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

113 Your Honor, if I could just ask a question of you and our legal staff? During our deliberations,
114 this afternoon and because of those ministers that was (sic) claimed the Fifth, are we still
115 allowed to look at these, this type of information given to us as far as our decision making?

116

117 **BILL HENRY**

118 Mayor Pro Tem.

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120 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

121 Yes.

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123 **BILL HENRY**

124 You can consider anything that's before you, so certainly you can consider the testimony given
125 and any documents that are before you. I think that you ought not consider or draw any
126 inference from the fact that the two ministers decided to assert their Fifth Amendment rights.

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127 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

128 Well, I guess from my own edification, I don't know about the other Council members, but I
129 would like to have some kind, some type of, I guess, in my own mind, is this in fact damageable
130 to a couple that got married during this time as far as their marriage being legitimate, I guess. I
131 mean to me when you take this document and you take it over to the County Clerk and they
132 stamp it, it's a – recognized document. And now all of a sudden the person that was supposedly
133 witnessing this didn't witness, she was a thousand miles away. What – does that do to that
134 marriage license?

135

136 **BILL HENRY**

137 Mayor Pro Tem, this morning in the Las Vegas Sun, there was an article.

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139 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

140 I don't believe – anything I read in the papers.

141

142 **UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER**

143 That's fine.

144

145 **BILL HENRY**

146 Well then I – would agree with – the advice that allegedly was given by DA Civil Division to the
147 City Clerk, which is that this question is a matter of first impression in Nevada. That means the
148 Nevada Supreme Court has never ruled on it. Based on other things that they have ruled upon,
149 including the situation where someone held himself out to be a minister, married some people
150 and it turned out that he wasn't a minister, but the Court still said that they were married, I think
151 probably the Supreme Court would rule in this instance that they were married. Courts in other
152 jurisdictions, other States, that have confronted this situation, have ruled that way. However,
153 probably out of an abundance of caution, those people who are concerned that there is an
154 irregularity with their marriage in A Garden of Love (sic) and the documents filed, might get
155 remarried. If nothing else to protect them from an assertion by a third party that they weren't

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156 married. For example, if one of the people married were to die in the future and the survivor
157 were to complaint (sic), were to claim some sort survivor benefits, either under insurance or from
158 the government, it's conceivable that the insurance company or the government could assert that
159 they're not entitled to these benefits because they weren't married.

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161 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

162 Well, as far as I'm concerned, and I'll put this on the record too, I understand that we have to
163 have a witness and to me that witness is supposed to be sworn before God or, the Country, or
164 whatever, that I was there when these, this couple got married, and – in this case here, that's not
165 the way it is, so it is a problem with me.

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167 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

168 All right, and I believe that Mr. Henry in responding to your inquiry, Mayor Pro Tem, said that
169 the County District Attorney advised the City Clerk, I believe you meant the County Clerk.

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171 **BILL HENRY**

172 Yes, I'm sorry, Your Honor, if I bespoke myself.

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174 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

175 No – problem. All right, we're ready to –

176

177 **STEPHEN STEIN**

178 Mayor – Pro Tem. I've pulled from the Office of the County Clerk, the information sheet for an
179 officiating at a wedding. There is a procedure outlined in here for rectifying mistakes on the
180 marriage certificate and the application. There's a fee of anywhere between fifteen to thirty-four
181 dollars per document, let's assume, thirty-four dollars. At each of these weddings, it is my
182 understanding that a photographer was present. The photographer is a witness, if the, and only
183 the minister who performed the wedding can go to the Clerk's Office and amend the certificate.
184 If the ministers would pay the thirty-four dollars, go in and amend it after finding out which

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185 photographer was present at which wedding, then the document would be official with the name
186 of a person who was present and who did witness the wedding. And that would seem to me to
187 solve the problems.

188

189 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

190 There should, it shouldn't be necessary though.

191

192 **STEPHEN STEIN**

193 Correct.

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195 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

196 It shouldn't be necessary.

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198 **STEPHEN STEIN**

199 Correct, but I –

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201 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

202 And I don't know – how many times this has happened or why it happened. That's not the point.

203 The point is, it happened and nobody should have to spend five cents or five hundred dollars or
204 thirty-four dollars to get something rectified that is wrong.

205

206 **STEPHEN STEIN**

207 Correct, but I –

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209 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

210 Okay, thank you.

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211 **STEPHEN STEIN**

212 I'm just stating that so that you know that there is a simple way to remedy it rather than re –
213 remarriage is fine, but there is a simpler way; just amend the certificate with the name of the
214 person who was present, being the photographer.

215

216 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

217 Okay. We appreciate that. Time is a fleeting because of prior –

218

219 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

220 Sorry, I (inaudible).

221

222 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

223 No problem, prior commitments and I'm gonna wind this up in a timely fashion so, Mr. Jerbic,
224 your turn.

225

226 **BRAD JERBIC**

227 Thank you, Your Honor. Ms. Luell, are you, how many days a week is the Garden of Love (sic)
228 open?

229

230 **CHERYL LUELL**

231 Seven days a week.

232

233 **BRAD JERBIC**

234 And how many days of the week are you physically present at the Garden of Love (sic)?

235

236 **CHERYL LUELL**

237 Usually seven days a week.

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238 **BRAD JERBIC**

239 And how many hours during those seven days?

240

241 **CHERYL LUELL**

242 From ten in the morning to midnight.

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244 **BRAD JERBIC**

245 The, are you –

246

247 **CHERYL LUELL**

248 Ten, well it can vary, ten to ten, ten to eight, ten to midnight, but most of the time I'm there on
249 property.

250

251 **BRAD JERBIC**

252 Other than April 7, 2007, when your name was used on those wedding licenses that were marked
253 as I think, Exhibit 15, without your permission, were there any other days that ever come to your
254 attention when your name was used –

255

256 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

257 Oh, objection – that's not objection, I'm objecting. I don't think there's anything in the
258 record which would suggest at this point and time that it was without her permission. Now, if
259 you wanna ask her whether or not these ministers had her permission, she's under oath and she
260 can answer that question.

261

262 **BRAD JERBIC**

263 I agree, Your Honor, my mistake.

264

265 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

266 No problem.

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267 **BRAD JERBIC**

268 The, you testified that you were out of town on April 7, 2007 when those wedding licenses were
269 executed. Is that correct?

270

271 **CHERYL LUELL**

272 Correct.

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274 **BRAD JERBIC**

275 – And your name appears on seventeen of them. Is that correct?

276

277 **CHERYL LUELL**

278 I believe – it's seventeen or nineteen, yeah.

279

280 **BRAD JERBIC**

281 Did you give anyone permission at the Garden of Love (sic), a minister or anyone else
282 permission to use your name on those licenses in your absence?

283

284 **CHERYL LUELL**

285 When I'm not there? No.

286

287 **BRAD JERBIC**

288 Have you ever indicated to anybody they can use your name when you're not there?

289

290 **CHERYL LUELL**

291 No. Not when I'm not there. No.

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292 **BRAD JERBIC**

293 Have you ever had it brought to your attention that wedding licenses were executed at the
294 Garden of Love (sic) which contained your name as a witness when you were not there other
295 than these on April 7, 2007?

296

297 **CHERYL LUELL**

298 No, Sir.

299

300 **BRAD JERBIC**

301 How long have you been open for business?

302

303 **CHERYL LUELL**

304 From actually November 21st of 2002.

305

306 **BRAD JERBIC**

307 I'm gonna show you a document that I briefly showed your attorney.

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309 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

310 And Mr. Jerbic, if you would use the mike if we're going to be speaking from the middle of the –

311

312 **BRAD JERBIC**

313 I'll – stand over here, Your Honor.

314

315 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

316 No problem. And that would apply to you and Mr. Stein, whoever's speaking from the middle,
317 please hold the mike so we can make a record of this.

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318 **BRAD JERBIC**

319 Apparently, there we go. I'm showing you a document which purports to contain a list of every
320 wedding that occurred at the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) just for one month. And this
321 particular case, it's from December 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006. Are you familiar with that
322 document or have you seen documents like that before?

323

324 **CHERYL LUELL**

325 No. This is the first time ever.

326

327 **BRAD JERBIC**

328 Could you peruse through that and does that look to you on average like approximately the
329 number of weddings that would be performed at the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) in a one-
330 month period?

331

332 **CHERYL LUELL**

333 Probably.

334

335 **BRAD JERBIC**

336 Do you notice in the column, second from the left, a line for witnesses?

337

338 **CHERYL LUELL**

339 Yes Sir.

340

341 **BRAD JERBIC**

342 Do you notice your name appearing in that column?

343

344 **CHERYL LUELL**

345 Yes. Yes, Sir.

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346 **BRAD JERBIC**

347 Your Honor, I can represent to this Council that I have counted the number of weddings or had
348 my office count the number of weddings on this particular document and there are over thirteen
349 hundred. Ms. Luell's name appears over nine hundred times as witnesses for weddings during
350 the month of December, 2006.

351 Ms. Luell, having shown you that document, having made that representation, to the best of your
352 knowledge, were you the witness for over nine hundred marriages –

353

354 **CHERYL LUELL**

355 Probably.

356

357 **BRAD JERBIC**

358 – in December of 2006?

359

360 **CHERYL LUELL**

361 Probably.

362

363 **BRAD JERBIC**

364 And you were present for all of them?

365

366 **CHERYL LUELL**

367 Yes, I was.

368

369 **BRAD JERBIC**

370 I'll make a copy for Council before I introduce it. I'm gonna have this marked as the next
371 exhibit in line and file it with the Clerk. I think you also were present on last week when
372 Rebecca and Douglas Wilson from Connecticut showed up and were unable to testify because
373 they had to return home. Were you present for that?

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374 **CHERYL LUELL**

375 I wasn't in here. No.

376

377 **BRAD JERBIC**

378 Okay. Are you familiar with Rebecca and Douglas Wilson?

379

380 **CHERYL LUELL**

381 Yes, I am.

382

383 **BRAD JERBIC**

384 How is it that you're familiar with them?

385

386 **CHERYL LUELL**

387 They made a wedding reservations (sic) through the Garden of Love (sic).

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389 **BRAD JERBIC**

390 When they made reser, reservations to the Garden of Love (sic), do you remember what their
391 arrangement was with you?

392

393 **CHERYL LUELL**

394 What do you mean their arrangement?

395

396 **BRAD JERBIC**

397 What kind of wedding did they arrange with the Garden of Love (sic)?

398

399 **CHERYL LUELL**

400 They arranged a wedding on 7/7/07 with a reception.

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401 **BRAD JERBIC**

402 And, do you remember how much you charged for that particular wedding package?

403

404 **CHERYL LUELL**

405 Their total wedding package for Rebecca and Doug Wilson was ten thousand dollars.

406

407 **BRAD JERBIC**

408 Okay. Can you break that down for us, how much was for the wedding, how much was for the
409 reception?

410

411 **CHERYL LUELL**

412 Sure, no problem. The reception, I don't have the paperwork in front of me, was over five
413 thousand dollars, roughly about five thousand dollars and the wedding was about five thousand
414 dollars. They had two hair makeups. They also rented three tuxedos which we never received
415 back, limousine service, photos, video. She wanted everything under the sun and the biggest
416 part was, she wanted her reception hall for thirty people and on July 6, which I have
417 documentation, she came into the wedding chapel and tried to cancel her wedding reception the
418 day before 7/7/07, the busiest day of the year, which was already prepaid with a four-tiered
419 wedding cake, a DJ and a sit down dinner with steak, prime rib and a full open bar, which I do
420 not do receptions at the Garden of Love (sic). So that is all like outdoor where – we cater out to
421 them. We don't. We have a company that does it.

422

423 **BRAD JERBIC**

424 Let me just take it one question at a time, but thank you for your answer.

425

426 **CHERYL LUELL**

427 Okay, thank you.

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428 **BRAD JERBIC**

429 The – Wilsons, isn't it true that they were not solicited from the court on the steps, that they
430 made their reservations in advance by way of the internet or telephone?

431

432 **CHERYL LUELL**

433 Correct. It was over the phone.

434

435 **BRAD JERBIC**

436 And you say it was five thousand for the wedding and five thousand for the reception?

437

438 **CHERYL LUELL**

439 Roughly.

440

441 **BRAD JERBIC**

442 And isn't it true that that wedding was not going to be at the premises of the Garden of Love
443 (sic), but was gonna be at the Bellagio Hotel?

444

445 **CHERYL LUELL**

446 That wedding was at the sidewalk.

447

448 **BRAD JERBIC**

449 At the sidewalk?

450

451 **CHERYL LUELL**

452 Correct.

453

454 **BRAD JERBIC**

455 At the sidewalk of where?

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456 **CHERYL LUELL**

457 On the Strip.

458

459 **BRAD JERBIC**

460 Is the sidewalk of a hotel?

461

462 **CHERYL LUELL**

463 Of a, right in front of the hotel. Correct. On the Strip.

464

465 **BRAD JERBIC**

466 On the sidewalk of the Bellagio?

467

468 **CHERYL LUELL**

469 Correct, on the Strip.

470

471 **BRAD JERBIC**

472 The, so you were going to perform a wedding on the sidewalk in front of the –

473

474 **CHERYL LUELL**

475 I wasn't – performing a wedding.

476

477 **BRAD JERBIC**

478 The Garden of Love (sic) was going to, was paid to perform a wedding on the sidewalk in front

479 of the Bellagio Hotel.

480

481 **CHERYL LUELL**

482 The Garden of Love (sic) was paid for a photographer to go out to do photos, a videographer to

483 go out and do video and a driver to pick them up, take them over there, a beautician to go to her

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484 hotel room and do her hair and makeup and a reception hall to be paid for. This is what the
485 Wilson's wanted.

486

487 **BRAD JERBIC**

488 I'm missing something here because I didn't hear minister in there.

489

490 **CHERYL LUELL**

491 The minister is paid directly from the wedding couple. It's not paid by me. Thank you.

492

493 **BRAD JERBIC**

494 So, they did not arrange a wedding with you? They just arranged everything but the minister?

495

496 **CHERYL LUELL**

497 Correct. We, what we do is we send a minister out to perform a wedding wherever the wedding
498 couple wants a wedding performed. Okay. So she wanted photos. She wanted flowers. She
499 wanted a video. She wanted a makeup artist and a beautician in her hotel room. She wanted a
500 driver to pick her up. She wanted numerous things done and I abided by all of that. She wanted
501 three tuxedos, which we picked up and –

502

503 **BRAD JERBIC**

504 That's fine.

505

506 **CHERYL LUELL**

507 – brought her and got her credit for.

508

509 **BRAD JERBIC**

510 Let me – try and get control this so we don't go on here for an hour. I don't mean to interrupt
511 you.

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512 **CHERYL LUELL**

513 Sorry. No problem.

514

515 **BRAD JERBIC**

516 Do you have any other locations for the Garden of Love (sic) other than the one on Las Vegas
517 Boulevard?

518

519 **CHERYL LUELL**

520 You mean wedding chapels?

521

522 **BRAD JERBIC**

523 Wedding chapels.

524

525 **CHERYL LUELL**

526 No.

527

528 **BRAD JERBIC**

529 Do you have any other business licenses in Southern Nevada other than the business license with
530 the City of Las Vegas for Garden of Love (sic)?

531

532 **CHERYL LUELL**

533 No.

534

535 **BRAD JERBIC**

536 Do you have one with Clark County to do business?

537

538 **CHERYL LUELL**

539 No.

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540 **BRAD JERBIC**

541 Do you remember who the minister was that performed the ceremony for the Wilsons?

542

543 **CHERYL LUELL**

544 Carlos, Pastor Carlos.

545

546 **BRAD JERBIC**

547 So if the Wilsons were to testify later today that they were charged one thousand dollars for a
548 wedding and three thousand for a reception which they never received, that would not be
549 accurate?

550

551 **CHERYL LUELL**

552 That would not be accurate.

553

554 **BRAD JERBIC**

555 Where was the reception held that you threw for the Wilsons?

556

557 **CHERYL LUELL**

558 It was called the Lajonda and it's on Flamingo and Eastern.

559

560 **BRAD JERBIC**

561 Lajonda?

562

563 **CHERYL LUELL**

564 Lajonda, which I can bring you –

565

566 **BRAD JERBIC**

567 Were you present for the, were you a witness to this wedding?

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568 **CHERYL LUELL**

569 No, I was not a witness.

570

571 **BRAD JERBIC**

572 You know who was a witness?

573

574 **CHERYL LUELL**

575 I – have no idea.

576

577 **BRAD JERBIC**

578 Do you know who the minister was?

579

580 **CHERYL LUELL**

581 I – told you that Carlos, Pastor Carlos.

582

583 **BRAD JERBIC**

584 Pastor Carlos?

585

586 **CHERYL LUELL**

587 Correct.

588

589 **BRAD JERBIC**

590 I'm sorry.

591

592 **CHERYL LUELL**

593 No problem.

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594 **BRAD JERBIC**

595 And a photographer and everything else was supplied by you. Is that correct?

596

597 **CHERYL LUELL**

598 Correct.

599

600 **BRAD JERBIC**

601 Has Pastor Carlos done other weddings for you?

602

603 **CHERYL LUELL**

604 Yes.

605

606 **BRAD JERBIC**

607 How many?

608

609 **CHERYL LUELL**

610 Numerous.

611

612 **BRAD JERBIC**

613 He is someone that you could get at the Garden of Love Chapel (sic) itself if you were to walk in

614 for a wedding?

615

616 **CHERYL LUELL**

617 Of course. If you wanted to. He does – Spanish ceremonies, he does regular ceremony. It all

618 depends, you know, what you wanted.

619

620 **BRAD JERBIC**

621 Does he still work for you at the Garden of Love (sic)?

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622 **CHERYL LUELL**

623 Yes, he does.

624

625 **BRAD JERBIC**

626 How long has he been working for you at the Garden of Love (sic)?

627

628 **CHERYL LUELL**

629 About a year.

630

631 **BRAD JERBIC**

632 How'd you find him?

633

634 **CHERYL LUELL**

635 Through a church. One of my ministers that works at a church –

636

637 **BRAD JERBIC**

638 Going back to the Wilson's reception, do you know for a fact that they were taken to this
639 particular reception?

640

641 **CHERYL LUELL**

642 They cancelled their reception, just like they tried to do on the sixth, on the night of the seventh.
643 They told the limousine driver that they did not want to go to the reception. They wanted to go
644 back to their hotel.

645

646 **BRAD JERBIC**

647 And is that what happened?

648

649 **CHERYL LUELL**

650 Correct.

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651 **BRAD JERBIC**

652 Have you heard from them since?

653

654 **CHERYL LUELL**

655 I haven't heard from them directly. They did come in on the, I wanna say eighth or ninth, and
656 caused a scene that they were asked to leave by the Metro Pro (sic), Metro Police Department.

657

658 **BRAD JERBIC**

659 Let me go back to some of the testimony regarding the activities of the Garden of Love (sic) at or
660 near the Regional Justice Center here in town. The, do you pay solicitors to solicit business for
661 the Garden of Love (sic) at or near the Regional Justice Center?

662

663 **CHERYL LUELL**

664 We pay the handbill in front the Clark County Courthouse or Regional Justice Center.

665

666 **BRAD JERBIC**

667 If I were just a stranger who was interested in hand billing for your business, how would I make
668 an arrangement to do that for you?

669

670 **CHERYL LUELL**

671 Well there's – different ways. You could talk to one of the handbillers downtown, usually Tory
672 Manvilla and explain to him, like, if you do you know, if you needed a job and if we had it
673 available, then they would come up and fill out a job application.

674

675 **BRAD JERBIC**

676 How do you typically hire people? Do they come in to the chapel itself or do you meet them on
677 the street, or –?

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678 **CHERYL LUELL**

679 Usually, my uncle actually does the hiring of handbillers.

680

681 **BRAD JERBIC**

682 And what's your uncle's name?

683

684 **CHERYL LUELL**

685 Tory Manvilla.

686

687 **BRAD JERBIC**

688 Can you spell the last name?

689

690 **CHERYL LUELL**

691 M-A-N-V-I-L-L-A.

692

693 **BRAD JERBIC**

694 And he's in charge of the hand billing aspect of the Garden of Love's (sic) business?

695

696 **CHERYL LUELL**

697 Correct.

698

699 **BRAD JERBIC**

700 Do you know how it is that he goes about finding people to do the hand billing?

701

702 **CHERYL LUELL**

703 Usually – what happens is, I don't know if you – guys know what happens. A handbiller will
704 lose their (sic) job at another location, meaning Special Memory, Garden of Love (sic) and
705 they're what we call actually, they go from chapel to chapel to chapel to chapel. So what they do
706 is they say, hey, Cheryl, you know, I don't want to work for Special Memory any more, they

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707 made me mad. Can I come work for you again? Or, Cheryl I'm sorry for leaving you, I ain't
708 going for Special Memory or Stain Glass. They promised me the world and can I come back to
709 work for you, you know; or they'll go up to Rob and his name's Tory but we call him Rob and
710 say can we have our job back please, because we're not making it at the other locations. Usually,
711 these people have been with me for, you know, a year, two years, three years.

712

713 **BRAD JERBIC**

714 Who directs these handbillers as to how to conduct themselves in front of the Clark County or in
715 front of the Regional Justice Center?

716

717 **CHERYL LUELL**

718 I – actually conduct them on how to – act. They're supposed to dress up. They're supposed to
719 act, stay behind the line. They're supposed to be, you know, just – do their job.

720

721 **BRAD JERBIC**

722 Do you have any rule that you tell them regarding the number of handbillers that should descend,
723 from want of a better term, upon a single client?

724

725 **CHERYL LUELL**

726 Usually, no, no, no, upon a client?

727

728 **BRAD JERBIC**

729 Right.

730

731 **CHERYL LUELL**

732 No. Usually, it's just one person. You know, you walk up to a person, you hand 'em, you guys
733 have a wedding chapel, you hand 'em a handbill and then they want, you go right upstairs to the
734 glass doors and then they'll say something like, and make sure your license is spelled correctly
735 because you know, you don't want any inaccurate information on your license.

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736 **BRAD JERBIC**

737 Have you ever instructed your handbillers to proceed in groups of more than one to solicit or
738 pick your client?

739

740 **CHERYL LUELL**

741 Have I done that?

742

743 **BRAD JERBIC**

744 Yes. Have you –

745

746 **CHERYL LUELL**

747 No.

748

749 **BRAD JERBIC**

750 I didn't ask you have you done that. Have you directed your handbillers to do that?

751

752 **CHERYL LUELL**

753 No.

754

755 **BRAD JERBIC**

756 Have you ever told your handbillers to harass other handbillers?

757

758 **CHERYL LUELL**

759 No.

760

761 **BRAD JERBIC**

762 Have you ever told your handbillers to harass clients?

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763 **CHERYL LUELL**

764 No.

765

766 **BRAD JERBIC**

767 Have you ever told your handbillers to threaten people who go with a rival wedding chapel as
768 opposed to Garden of Love (sic)?

769

770 **CHERYL LUELL**

771 No, Sir.

772

773 **BRAD JERBIC**

774 Have you ever been witness to activity at or around the Regional Justice Center by handbillers
775 employed by Garden of Love (sic), which you consider objectionable? In other words, have you
776 ever seen handbillers that work for you doing things you'd rather not see them do?

777

778 **CHERYL LUELL**

779 Have – I ever seen them doing anything incorrectly?

780

781 **BRAD JERBIC**

782 Yes.

783

784 **CHERYL LUELL**

785 Like opening their mouth?

786

787 **BRAD JERBIC**

788 Yes.

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789 **CHERYL LUELL**

790 And have I reprimanded them for it? Yes. Will I send them home directly? Yes.

791

792 **BRAD JERBIC**

793 Have you ever fired anyone for it?

794

795 **CHERYL LUELL**

796 Have I ever let anybody go? Yeah. Can't say I haven't.

797

798 **BRAD JERBIC**

799 But it's your testimony that you've never directed anybody or threatened anybody or told

800 anybody to threaten anyone?

801

802 **CHERYL LUELL**

803 That's right.

804

805 **BRAD JERBIC**

806 So if there were testimony that you had paid, or Garden of Love (sic) had paid homeless people

807 money to harass people, that would be incorrect?

808

809 **CHERYL LUELL**

810 That would be totally incorrect.

811

812 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

813 Mr. Jerbic, let me ask this question? Is there a difference between the handbiller and a solicitor?

814

815 **CHERYL LUELL**

816 For me?

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817 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

818 Yes.

819

820 **CHERYL LUELL**

821 A wedding chapel owner can actually solicit their business, so when I'm down at the courthouse,
822 I can actually talk to the wedding couples. The – additional handbillers are just supposed to
823 hand the flyer to the couple.

824

825 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

826 So a hand –

827

828 **CHERYL LUELL**

829 So there is a difference.

830

831 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

832 – a handbiller is not supposed to speak to anybody –

833

834 **CHERYL LUELL**

835 That's correct.

836

837 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

838 – just hand out documents.

839

840 **CHERYL LUELL**

841 Correct.

842

843 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

844 And the solicitor has the job of not only handing documents but also trying to get them to do
845 something.

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846 **CHERYL LUELL**

847 The only person that can solicit their own business is an owner.

848

849 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

850 So, you're saying the only –

851

852 **CHERYL LUELL**

853 Unless they have a solicitor's permit which they get from the Business License. But, if you are
854 an owner, you can solicit your business; otherwise, if you're a handbiller, you're just supposed to
855 stand like the guys on the Strip and hand 'em a flyer.

856

857 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

858 Right. But you had a solicitor's license as well?

859

860 **CHERYL LUELL**

861 No, I do not, Sir.

862

863 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

864 So in other words, the only people who can talk, according to you in your testimony today under
865 oath, is yourself.

866

867 **CHERYL LUELL**

868 Is (sic) the owners of the wedding chapel. So if the owner of –

869

870 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

871 And the owners are yourself and your husband. Correct?

872

873 **CHERYL LUELL**

874 Correct.

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875 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

876 And you're the only ones who are allowed to talk according to the license that you have.

877

878 **CHERYL LUELL**

879 Correct. They – actually –

880

881 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

882 All right, that's it.

883

884 **CHERYL LUELL**

885 Okay.

886

887 **BRAD JERBIC**

888 That's where I was going next to. Are you aware that there is a City requirement that for
889 individuals other than the owner of business would have to get a solicitation permit?

890

891 **CHERYL LUELL**

892 Oh, could you say that one more time. I'm sorry.

893

894 **BRAD JERBIC**

895 You are aware that there is a City Code provision that requires that people other than the owners
896 of, owner of a business, who solicits on behalf of that business, need to get a solicitation permit.

897

898 **CHERYL LUELL**

899 That's correct.

900

901 **BRAD JERBIC**

902 Are you, do you monitor your handbillers to make sure they have solicitation permits in case
903 they do talk to people.

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904 **CHERYL LUELL**

905 And they don't, they're not supposed to solicit.

906

907 **BRAD JERBIC**

908 Have you had situations for people on your payroll have solicited without a solicitation permit?

909

910 **CHERYL LUELL**

911 We had where, not – where – somebody asked them a question and they answered a question
912 back. Meaning, like, hey I like this flyer right here, can you tell me how to get there?

913

914 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

915 Let me ask you this, Ms. Luell.

916

917 **CHERYL LUELL**

918 Yes, Sir.

919

920 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

921 Do any of your employees at the A Las Vegas Garden of Love have a solicitor's license?

922

923 **CHERYL LUELL**

924 No, Sir, they don't.

925

926 **BRAD JERBIC**

927 So, then you would admit that your employees have no power other than to hand out a piece of
928 paper and do nothing else to solicit business for the Garden of Love (sic).

929

930 **CHERYL LUELL**

931 That is correct.

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932 **BRAD JERBIC**

933 So, any conversation with any client would be in violation of the requirement they have a
934 solicitation permit.

935

936 **CHERYL LUELL**

937 No, that's incorrect. Because just like I said before, if somebody asked them a question, this was,
938 I don't know if you guys know, but the Business License officials came down and put us all in a
939 huddle and explained to us what you can and cannot do as a handbiller, and they asked us if we
940 wanted to get solicitor's permits that we would have to go through an insurance company to get a
941 bond. I went through Steven Laicox to try to get a bond through the City of Las Vegas to do it
942 correctly. Okay? And when he called to ask me what kind of bond do you need, the City could
943 not inform him of what kind of bond that they needed and I'm talking about this is in 2003.

944

945 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

946 All right.

947

948 **BRAD JERBIC**

949 You would agree then that your handbillers and solicitors do not have the ability to initiate an
950 advertising conversation with a client.

951

952 **CHERYL LUELL**

953 Correct.

954

955 **BRAD JERBIC**

956 And to your knowledge, they have not.

957

958 **CHERYL LUELL**

959 Cor – well correct.

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960 **BRAD JERBIC**

961 Going back to the wedding we talked about earlier with the Wilson's at the Bellagio, have you
962 ever arranged a wedding at any other hotel on the Strip besides the Bellagio?

963

964 **CHERYL LUELL**

965 Well we – do weddings (inaudible) at the Valley of Fire, Red Rock, Lake Las Vegas. We do
966 yacht weddings. We do gondola weddings at Lake Las Vegas. You know, we do helicopter
967 rides, so it's just not that we don't do other weddings. It's just that they're not done on the
968 property at Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic). We have a Red Rock permit. We have a Valley of
969 Fire permit. It's all permits that you have to get and you purchase a helicopter ride. You explain
970 to them through Papillon Helicopter or Sundance Helicopter that a minister is gonna go in there,
971 perform a wedding service inside the helicopter. So you actually have to rent the whole
972 helicopter. So it's not –

973

974 **BRAD JERBIC**

975 How about a license? Do you have a business license with the City of Henderson?

976

977 **CHERYL LUELL**

978 A business license?

979

980 **BRAD JERBIC**

981 Uh hum.

982

983 **CHERYL LUELL**

984 No.

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985 **BRAD JERBIC**

986 When you get paid to do a wedding at the chapel or at a off-premises site like the Strip, you
987 indicated that you got paid five thousand dollars for the case of the Wilson's wedding. Is that a
988 typical price to charge for one of those?

989

990 **CHERYL LUELL**

991 No that's not what I got paid. That's what I directed them to pay because of all the other things
992 that we had to do for them, like their tuxedos, their hair and makeups (sic), their, you know. For
993 a beautician to go to a hotel, it's not cheap, you know, so they have to go to a hotel and
994 especially on the busiest day of the year.

995

996 **BRAD JERBIC**

997 I'll give you a chance to explain later. But let's break this down 'cause sometimes I don't
998 understand, believe it or not.

999

1000 **CHERYL LUELL**

1001 Okay. It's okay.

1002

1003 **BRAD JERBIC**

1004 The, what I wrote down was five thousand dollars for the reception, five thousand for the
1005 wedding and what you're saying is that wedding was more than just your average wedding, it
1006 was makeup, tuxedos and things like that.

1007

1008 **CHERYL LUELL**

1009 Correct, which I never received back.

1010

1011 **BRAD JERBIC**

1012 What would be the average cost for a wedding that you perform at the Bellagio or any other
1013 place?

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1014 **CHERYL LUELL**

1015 Weddings can range from three hundred dollars to fifty thousand dollars.

1016

1017 **BRAD JERBIC**

1018 Okay.

1019

1020 **CHERYL LUELL**

1021 You know, so it depends on what the people want, what day it is. You know, Valentine's Day,

1022 7/7/07. You know, weddings, any wedding chapel for 7/7/07 was charging five times what it

1023 was.

1024

1025 **BRAD JERBIC**

1026 Okay. You've answered my question.

1027

1028 **CHERYL LUELL**

1029 Okay.

1030

1031 **BRAD JERBIC**

1032 When I make that arrangement with you, whether it's a three hundred wed (sic) dollar wedding

1033 or a ten thousand dollar wedding –

1034

1035 **CHERYL LUELL**

1036 Correct.

1037

1038 **BRAD JERBIC**

1039 – do I just write one check for the whole thing to you?

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1040 **CHERYL LUELL**

1041 No, Sir, you don't.

1042

1043 **BRAD JERBIC**

1044 How do I do that?

1045

1046 **CHERYL LUELL**

1047 You can pay it as how you would want to pay it. On – behalf of Garden of Love, I dealt with the

1048 Wilson's directly, so I don't need anybody else to talk about it.

1049

1050 **BRAD JERBIC**

1051 Not - talking about the Wilsons. I'm just talking in general.

1052

1053 **CHERYL LUELL**

1054 Okay.

1055

1056 **BRAD JERBIC**

1057 How do I go about paying for a wedding with a –

1058

1059 **CHERYL LUELL**

1060 It could be numerous different ways. There's people that have a lot of money and says I wanna

1061 pay my wedding in full. There's people that don't have any money and says I can only put

1062 twenty dollars down. I work with the customer.

1063

1064 **BRAD JERBIC**

1065 Are you a one-stop shop? In other words, when I go to you for a wedding, I don't have to pay

1066 the florist. I don't have to pay for the tuxedo. I don't have to pay for the organist. I just pay you

1067 whatever that amount is?

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1068 **CHERYL LUELL**

1069 It could be. It all depends what you want. I don't have zoot suits, so I would have to send you
1070 somewhere else.

1071

1072 **BRAD JERBIC**

1073 Regardless of what – let's assume it's something that you have to offer.

1074

1075 **CHERYL LUELL**

1076 Then it could be a one-stop shop.

1077

1078 **BRAD JERBIC**

1079 Right.

1080

1081 **CHERYL LUELL**

1082 It could be.

1083

1084 **BRAD JERBIC**

1085 So you pay for the photographer out of whatever you charge me for the wedding. You pay for
1086 the photographer?

1087

1088 **CHERYL LUELL**

1089 No. No, I don't.

1090

1091 **BRAD JERBIC**

1092 Okay. Let me try and backup and break this down. Let's just suppose for a simple wedding, I
1093 want a photographer –

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1094 **CHERYL LUELL**

1095 Okay.

1096

1097 **BRAD JERBIC**

1098 – a tuxedo –

1099

1100 **CHERYL LUELL**

1101 Okay.

1102

1103 **BRAD JERBIC**

1104 – music –

1105

1106 **CHERYL LUELL**

1107 Yep.

1108

1109 **BRAD JERBIC**

1110 – and a minister.

1111

1112 **CHERYL LUELL**

1113 Okay.

1114

1115 **BRAD JERBIC**

1116 You quote me a price.

1117

1118 **CHERYL LUELL**

1119 Photographer, music –

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1120 **BRAD JERBIC**

1121 No. Just to see, you quote me a price.

1122

1123 **CHERYL LUELL**

1124 Ninety-nine dollars.

1125

1126 **BRAD JERBIC**

1127 Okay.

1128

1129 **CHERYL LUELL**

1130 And on top of that I'm asking you that the minister works on a donation only basis, give a
1131 donation from your heart.

1132

1133 **BRAD JERBIC**

1134 So, it's your sworn testimony then you do not pay the minister anything?

1135

1136 **CHERYL LUELL**

1137 I do not pay the minister a dime and nor do I take any money from the minister.

1138

1139 **BRAD JERBIC**

1140 When is it that you first became aware of the wedding licenses that had your name on them as a
1141 witness, that purportedly were filled in when you were out of town in Texas? When did you first
1142 become aware?

1143

1144 **CHERYL LUELL**

1145 May 10th.

1146

1147 **BRAD JERBIC**

1148 And –

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1149 **CHERYL LUELL**

1150 And how I know that is because the Labor Board came in with the detective to talk to me. He
1151 brought the Labor Board with him and I, it was Detective Shonen and another person, which I
1152 did not get her name. And then a Labor Board lady, which also I had a slip on the last time we
1153 were here, that she came in and he walked into the minister's office with me.

1154

1155 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1156 Who is he?

1157

1158 **CHERYL LUELL**

1159 Detective Shonen, okay, walked into the minister's office with me. I went through all the stuff
1160 with the Labor Board and then he said to me, can I ask you a question. Sure. Were you here on
1161 April 7th? No I wasn't Sir. I was watching George St. Pierre at a Houston, at the UFC. Are you
1162 sure you weren't here? I'm positive. He pulled out the marriage licenses. I never saw a name of
1163 a marriage license, a name of a wedding couple, a certificate number. Nothing. All they did was
1164 skim through it to show me that my name was on the certificate and who the one minister was. I
1165 never knew that Jesse Diaz had done the also same thing.

1166

1167 **BRAD JERBIC**

1168 After you became aware that your name was on licenses on a date when you were not in town,
1169 did you make any effort to contact the ministers to make the correction?

1170

1171 **CHERYL LUELL**

1172 I did it directly to Phil, Philip Williams, myself. Said, Phil, a – police officer came in here and
1173 said that my name was on – I said I bought a stack because I didn't know how many of marriage
1174 licenses. I was not here Phil, you need to amend them. He said that he would handle 'em. He
1175 would have a sit down with Shirley Parraguirre.

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1176 **BRAD JERBIC**

1177 Did the fact that your name was used when you were out of town on seventeen licenses on that
1178 particular day cause you concern that your name might have been used on other days as well?

1179

1180 **CHERYL LUELL**

1181 No, I knew my name wasn't used before because I've done photos for wedding couples. I set up
1182 wedding couples. A lot of wedding couples see me all over the news and want me in their
1183 wedding service. I –it's, this isn't the first time. We had our own reality show, Las Vegas
1184 Garden of Love (sic). People come to our wedding chapel. They've seen me on Cops. They've
1185 seen me on numerous things. I – I'm being honest, where they see me on numerous things,
1186 numerous newspaper articles and they actually ask me, can I have a picture of you, could you
1187 come inside our wedding service, and we came here for you.

1188

1189 **BRAD JERBIC**

1190 The list of weddings that I showed you for December 2006, where you out of town for any day
1191 during 2006? December 2006?

1192

1193 **CHERYL LUELL**

1194 In December? No.

1195

1196 **BRAD JERBIC**

1197 Can you remember any time between December and let's say, now where you've been out of
1198 town for a day or more?

1199

1200 **CHERYL LUELL**

1201 I can't remember a day. I usually am at the Garden of Love (sic) all day long.

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1202 **BRAD JERBIC**

1203 So then your trip to Texas must stand out in your mind then as something fairly special?

1204

1205 **CHERYL LUELL**

1206 It was a very special day because it was the first day I've ever, in the –five years that I own my
1207 wedding chapel, left my chapel on a Saturday. And I called every fifteen to twenty minutes to
1208 make sure everything was okay, and I called not only my staff, but my drivers and just to make
1209 sure. I –am that type of person. See this is my love, this is my drive.

1210

1211 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1212 Whoa, whoa, whoa. There's no question before you.

1213

1214 **CHERYL LUELL**

1215 I'm sorry.

1216

1217 **BRAD JERBIC**

1218 Do you own, any other businesses that perform weddings or responsible for weddings other than
1219 the Garden of Love (sic)?

1220

1221 **CHERYL LUELL**

1222 No.

1223

1224 **BRAD JERBIC**

1225 Do you have any other names that you've registered even if they're not active businesses?

1226

1227 **CHERYL LUELL**

1228 Yes Sir, I have.

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1229 **BRAD JERBIC**

1230 Can you give us some of those names?

1231

1232 **CHERYL LUELL**

1233 Las Vegas Wedding Bureau. It, long time ago, Chapel of the Stars. I mean I – have like
1234 probably ten, fifteen names. The reason why I did the names was in case I did want to open
1235 other location (sic). I was going down names that people would use. And there's other people
1236 here with my name –

1237

1238 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1239 There's no question in front of the witness, Mr. Jerbic.

1240

1241 **BRAD JERBIC**

1242 I'll try and control this a little more, Your Honor. The, in order to keep this on time, just please
1243 listen to the question and give a direct answer to it.

1244

1245 **CHERYL LUELL**

1246 Okay. All right.

1247

1248 **BRAD JERBIC**

1249 The, is there, have you ever used any of those other names that you've registered, other than the
1250 Garden of Love (sic)?

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1252 **CHERYL LUELL**

1253 No. A Las Vegas Garden of Love.

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1254 **BRAD JERBIC**

1255 You've never used them on brochures or for advertising purposes or for payroll or anything else?

1256

1257 **CHERYL LUELL**

1258 Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic).

1259

1260 **BRAD JERBIC**

1261 I'll hold this, Your Honor, opinion just brought down. You also testified earlier, I believe, that
1262 you do background checks on the individuals that work for you?

1263

1264 **CHERYL LUELL**

1265 Correct. If they're – in – Yes. Yes.

1266

1267 **BRAD JERBIC**

1268 Has it ever been the case that you've done a background check after they've left your services
1269 opposed to before?

1270

1271 **CHERYL LUELL**

1272 I have done background checks after they have even left. Yes.

1273

1274 **BRAD JERBIC**

1275 What would be the purpose of doing a background check after somebody's left your employ?

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1277 **CHERYL LUELL**

1278 Because there was the actual incident where I did a background check on a lady named Rebecca
1279 Davis and Cierra Sheldon. Their background checks came out clean, okay, but I found out
1280 Rebecca Davis came to me and say (sic), Cheryl, I cannot – lie to you. I am wanted in California
1281 and so is Cierra Bal (sic), now she's Balderrama because she got married, but it was Cierra
1282 Sheldon.

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1283 **BRAD JERBIC**

1284 I understand.

1285

1286 **CHERYL LUELL**

1287 Thank you.

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1289 **BRAD JERBIC**

1290 The, how was it, will you walk me through one more time real quickly the process that you use

1291 to perform a background check on an individual?

1292

1293 **CHERYL LUELL**

1294 Yeah, I actually do it through the, usually through the internet.

1295

1296 **BRAD JERBIC**

1297 So you –

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1299 **CHERYL LUELL**

1300 Intellis or – through the District Courts, or through the Courts.

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1302 **BRAD JERBIC**

1303 And on the occasion where Angel, I believe, Urata or resemblance, was hired, you say that is an

1304 individual that was hired without a background check.

1305

1306 **CHERYL LUELL**

1307 That is true. That was hired through Tory Manvilla. I'm the one that actually did the

1308 background –

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1309 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1310 Ma'am, there's no question before the witness.

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1312 **CHERYL LUELL**

1313 Okay.

1314

1315 **BRAD JERBIC**

1316 Okay. I'm about done, Your Honor, give me one moment please. I don't have further questions

1317 at this time, Your Honor.

1318

1319 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1320 All right then. Any redirect?

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1322 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1323 Yes, Sir, briefly. Mrs. Luell, on cross examination you were asked a group of questions by Mr.

1324 Jerbic concerning whether or not you ever gave permission to anyone to use your name as a

1325 witness for a marriage when you were not there. Is that, did, is it your testimony that you never

1326 gave anyone permission to use your name if you were not present?

1327

1328 **CHERYL LUELL**

1329 No, I never gave anybody any – (inaudible) to use my name when I'm not there.

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1331 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1332 Did you ever give anyone permission to use your facsimile stamp of your name when you were

1333 not there?

1334

1335 **CHERYL LUELL**

1336 No, Sir.

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1337 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1338 Your name appears as the witness on numerous weddings in December of 2006, pursuant to
1339 whatever that exhibit is that I don't have a copy of. Did you see that exhibit?

1340

1341 **CHERYL LUELL**

1342 Yes I did.

1343

1344 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1345 Were you present for all of those weddings?

1346

1347 **CHERYL LUELL**

1348 I was present for all of 'em.

1349

1350 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1351 Are you present for a great majority of the weddings at the, at your chapel?

1352

1353 **CHERYL LUELL**

1354 Yes, Sir, I am.

1355

1356 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1357 Since you've opened?

1358

1359 **CHERYL LUELL**

1360 Yes, Sir, I am.

1361

1362 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1363 To the present day?

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1364 **CHERYL LUELL**

1365 Yes.

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1367 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1368 And now, referring to the Wilson reception, the reception was off premise was it not?

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1370 **CHERYL LUELL**

1371 It was.

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1373 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1374 And it was at some location where they wanted steak and lobster and wine and an open bar and a

1375 – nice wedding.

1376

1377 **CHERYL LUELL**

1378 Steak and prime rib and yes, everything that they wanted.

1379

1380 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1381 Did you pay for that?

1382

1383 **CHERYL LUELL**

1384 Yes, Sir, I did.

1385

1386 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1387 Did you have to pay for it to book that location?

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1389 **CHERYL LUELL**

1390 Yes, Sir, I did because it was the busiest day of the year.

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1391 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1392 Were you ever repaid by the Wilson's for that?

1393

1394 **CHERYL LUELL**

1395 No, Sir, I was not.

1396

1397 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1398 Now Mr. Jerbic asked you how you were paid. Were you paid by credit card for that wedding?

1399

1400 **CHERYL LUELL**

1401 What happened was the Wilsons' credit card would not go through for thou, for four thousand
1402 dollars. So they asked me do it on July 6th, the day before the wedding. The reason why it
1403 posted on the ninth is because that's when it posted because the banks were closed. But on July
1404 6th, four one thousand dollars were taken out while Dave (sic) Wilson was standing right in front
1405 of me.

1406

1407 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1408 So you got actually four thousand dollars swiped from a credit card to pay for your expenses in
1409 that wedding?

1410

1411 **CHERYL LUELL**

1412 It was four one thousand dollar payments because it wouldn't take the full payment of four
1413 thousand dollars.

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1415 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1416 And how much did you lay out for the reception, Ma'am?

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1417 **CHERYL LUELL**

1418 Over – four thousand dollars.

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1420 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1421 So, you took a loss on that wedding?

1422

1423 **CHERYL LUELL**

1424 Yes I did.

1425

1426 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1427 Did they, did the Wilson's to your knowledge file a charge back with their credit card company?

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1429 **CHERYL LUELL**

1430 Yes they did.

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1432 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1433 Did you contest that charge back?

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1435 **CHERYL LUELL**

1436 Yes they did. I did.

1437

1438 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1439 Did you win that (inaudible)?

1440

1441 **CHERYL LUELL**

1442 I did. Oh, sorry.

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1443 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1444 Nothing further.

1445

1446 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1447 All right. Have a seat Ms. Luell.

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1449 **CHERYL LUELL**

1450 All right, thank you.

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1452 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1453 Next witness, please.

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1455 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1456 Mr. Luell.

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1458 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1459 Ms. Bridges, will you swear the witness in, please?

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1461 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

1462 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony provided by you is true and

1463 correct?

1464

1465 **CRAIG LUELL**

1466 Yes.

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1468 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1469 Can you state your full name and your business address please?

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1470 **CRAIG LUELL**

1471 Craig Allen Luell, 1431 Las Vegas Boulevard (inaudible).

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1473 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1474 Are you one of the two owners of the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic)?

1475

1476 **CRAIG LUELL**

1477 Correct. Yes.

1478

1479 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1480 And is your wife, Cheryl –

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1482 **CRAIG LUELL**

1483 Yes.

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1485 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1486 – who just previously testified?

1487

1488 **CRAIG LUELL**

1489 Yes.

1490

1491 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1492 Have you read through the thirty, forty-three tabs contained in the evidence book given to the

1493 City Council and to myself?

1494

1495 **CRAIG LUELL**

1496 Yes.

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1497 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1498 Do you see in there quite a few allegations concerning yourself? Is that correct?

1499

1500 **CRAIG LUELL**

1501 Correct.

1502

1503 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1504 Cut to the quick. How many of these allegations are true, Sir?

1505

1506 **CRAIG LUELL**

1507 Zero.

1508

1509 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1510 And there is an allegation in there about you hitting someone on a particular day, that would be

1511 like 12/12 of 06. Is that correct?

1512

1513 **CRAIG LUELL**

1514 Yes.

1515

1516 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1517 Prior to 12/12 of 06, did you have a medical procedure done to yourself?

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1519 **CRAIG LUELL**

1520 Correct. I bro, broke both of my wrists were broke.

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1522 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1523 And how were your wrists broke?

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1524 **CRAIG LUELL**

1525 On a four-wheeler.

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1527 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1528 I beg your pardon.

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1530 **CRAIG LUELL**

1531 On an ATV, all terrain vehicle.

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1533 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1534 And after your, excuse me, after your wrists were broken, what treatment did you receive?

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1536 **CRAIG LUELL**

1537 They put plates in both of my wrists; they were casted and I believe on 12/11, they just took the
1538 stitches out.

1539

1540 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1541 All right, the allegation I'm referring to is dated 12/12/06 and it refers to Exhibit 39 in the book,
1542 Members of the Council, which states that an incident report was filed with Metro for battery,
1543 stating that Craig Luell punched him in the right eye and kicked someone in the right leg. I have
1544 passed up, I believe, copies of the medical reports dated 12/11 verifying that this gentleman was
1545 undergoing treatment for broken bones in his wrists the day before this incident, and I would
1546 submit that document to indicate that the allegations of the report on 12/12/06 are not accurate.

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1548 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1549 All right, we'll accept the document.

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1550 **BRAD JERBIC**

1551 Well I took the document for what it says, Your Honor. I'm not quite sure it says what Mr. Stein
1552 just said it said. The, at least if I'm reading the document and, maybe we can read along here, we
1553 could agree for a moment as to what it says and what it doesn't say.

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1555 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1556 Well, I – think that the, Mr. Stein is entitled to have the document submitted in evidence. We've
1557 accepted it and you have the opportunity to cross exam on it.

1558

1559 **BRAD JERBIC**

1560 I appreciate that. Thank you, Your Honor.

1561

1562 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1563 Very good.

1564

1565 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1566 Mr. Luell, you have heard your wife's testimony. Is that correct?

1567

1568 **CRAIG LUELL**

1569 Yes.

1570

1571 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1572 Who is primarily responsible for the day-to-day operations and the running of the chapel?

1573

1574 **CRAIG LUELL**

1575 My wife, Cheryl Luell.

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1576 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1577 And, what is your job there?

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1579 **CRAIG LUELL**

1580 I do a lot of driving the limo.

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1582 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1583 Did – you ever, were you ever instructed on the regulations of the Nevada Department of

1584 Transportation regarding limo driving?

1585

1586 **CRAIG LUELL**

1587 Yes.

1588

1589 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1590 Do you ever instruct the other drivers regarding those regulations?

1591

1592 **CRAIG LUELL**

1593 Yes.

1594

1595 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1596 And when a driver violates that – the TSA regulations, to your knowledge, what occurs to 'em?

1597

1598 **CRAIG LUELL**

1599 They are terminated.

1600

1601 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1602 So if all the allegations contained in this exhibit were a TSA regulation was found, were those

1603 drivers terminated immediately?

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1604 **CRAIG LUELL**

1605 Yes, except for myself.

1606

1607 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1608 Did you ever violate the TSA regulation?

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1610 **CRAIG LUELL**

1611 No, I can't say I did.

1612

1613 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1614 Were you ever cited with violating a TSA regulation?

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1616 **CRAIG LUELL**

1617 Yes.

1618

1619 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1620 And when was that and for what?

1621

1622 **CRAIG LUELL**

1623 I don't know the exact date, but I guess there was a sting setup and they loaded a couple in my
1624 car. They told me they wanted to get married and the whole thing, so I started to take them to
1625 the chapel. As I made a left on Main Street off of Bonneville, the people in the back said, we
1626 need to get to Meadows Mall right away, we need to get to Meadows Mall right away. And I'm
1627 like, I can't do that and all of sudden, couple squads or TSA informants pulled me over and they
1628 said, we got a sting operation going, we need to just talk to the people in the back of the car.
1629 They pulled them out, questioned them. Next thing you know, they're impounding my vehicle
1630 and citing me for going to Meadows Mall.

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1631 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1632 Where was this limousine pulled over?

1633

1634 **CRAIG LUELL**

1635 Right in front of the bar and grill on Main Street, when you take a left on Bonneville off of,
1636 when you take a left off of Bonneville onto Main Street, whatever bar and grill that there is right
1637 there.

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1639 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1640 Is that the Ice House?

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1642 **CRAIG LUELL**

1643 The Ice House. Correct.

1644

1645 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1646 And you were cited for taking a couple to the Meadows Mall?

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1648 **CRAIG LUELL**

1649 Correct.

1650

1651 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1652 And what happened to that citation, Sir?

1653

1654 **CRAIG LUELL**

1655 My attorney advised me that it would be best to just take a plea. I don't know why, but he just
1656 said, take a plea. It's five hundred dollars and they hold an abeyance over here for a couple of
1657 months and just stay out of trouble and everything'll be fine, so I did that. I took his advice.

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1658 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1659 Now there were other allegations in here concerning yourself. Is that correct?

1660

1661 **CRAIG LUELL**

1662 Yes.

1663

1664 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1665 Are any of them accurate?

1666

1667 **CRAIG LUELL**

1668 Not to my knowledge.

1669

1670 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1671 Are any of them true?

1672

1673 **CRAIG LUELL**

1674 No.

1675

1676 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1677 Have you ever personally hired anyone to threaten people in front of the RJC or the old

1678 courthouse?

1679

1680 **CRAIG LUELL**

1681 Never.

1682

1683 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1684 You ever hired anyone to beat up anyone, like a competitor or competitor's employee in front of

1685 the RJC or the old courthouse?

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1686 **CRAIG LUELL**

1687 No.

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1689 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1690 Have you ever personally threatened anyone as alleged in these complaints?

1691

1692 **CRAIG LUELL**

1693 No.

1694

1695 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1696 You have anything else?

1697

1698 **CRAIG LUELL**

1699 No.

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1701 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1702 Ask the witness.

1703

1704 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1705 Very good. Mr. Jerbic, cross examination please.

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1707 **BRAD JERBIC**

1708 Very brief, Your Honor. If – you can take a look, Mr. Luell, at the Nevada Orthopedic Center

1709 report that your attorney filed as his exhibit. Did you provide this report to your attorney?

1710

1711 **CRAIG LUELL**

1712 Yes.

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1713 **BRAD JERBIC**

1714 If you could look at the first page of that report. Does it not say in handwriting, here today for
1715 suture removal?

1716

1717 **CRAIG LUELL**

1718 Correct.

1719

1720 **BRAD JERBIC**

1721 So, we can probably share this one if you'd like. The, so you were going back to the Orthopedic
1722 Center for an injury that occurred sometime before the 11th of September or, the 11th of
1723 December. Is that correct?

1724

1725 **CRAIG LUELL**

1726 Yeah, I went back to get my stitches removed.

1727

1728 **BRAD JERBIC**

1729 How long before the 11th of December did you receive the injuries to your wrists?

1730

1731 **CRAIG LUELL**

1732 I'm not exactly sure but they just removed the stitches the day before.

1733

1734 **BRAD JERBIC**

1735 Turning to say, the second page of the report and I'm gonna read this into the record, Your
1736 Honor. It says, reason for visit, this patient is doing very well, status, post hardware removal,
1737 sutures are removed. He shows very good motion, minimal discomfort, minimal swelling and he
1738 feels strong enough to be able to get back to his regular work duties. Is that not what it says
1739 under reason for visit?

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1740 **CRAIG LUELL**

1741 Correct.

1742

1743 **BRAD JERBIC**

1744 Is there also not a box checked on the front page of the report that says, full duty slash no
1745 restrictions?

1746

1747 **CRAIG LUELL**

1748 Yes, as a limo driver.

1749

1750 **BRAD JERBIC**

1751 Does it say limo driver?

1752

1753 **CRAIG LUELL**

1754 It does not, but he can be brought in to testimony, the doctor.

1755

1756 **BRAD JERBIC**

1757 But it's your, you'd like this Council to believe that based upon this report by the Nevada
1758 Orthopedic Center that you would have been incapable of being involved in a battery on that
1759 same date or the day before?

1760

1761 **CRAIG LUELL**

1762 Yes, with my hands, 'cause they told me not to use my hands, or not to use, try not to hit it or use
1763 it with heavy weights or anything like that so the – you know, it doesn't reopen, basically.

1764

1765 **BRAD JERBIC**

1766 You know Jeffrey Klute?

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1767 **CRAIG LUELL**

1768 Yes.

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1770 **BRAD JERBIC**

1771 How do you know him?

1772

1773 **CRAIG LUELL**

1774 I guess he's the owner's son of another wedding chapel.

1775

1776 **BRAD JERBIC**

1777 You guess or you know?

1778

1779 **CRAIG LUELL**

1780 I'm pretty sure.

1781

1782 **BRAD JERBIC**

1783 You know which wedding chapel?

1784

1785 **CRAIG LUELL**

1786 Stained Glass.

1787

1788 **BRAD JERBIC**

1789 And how long have you known him?

1790

1791 **CRAIG LUELL**

1792 I've only met him a couple of times. I just know from other people down at the courthouse.

1793 That's what they said who he is.

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1794 **BRAD JERBIC**

1795 Have you ever been at the courthouse when he was present? Other than –

1796

1797 **CRAIG LUELL**

1798 Yeah.

1799

1800 **BRAD JERBIC**

1801 Okay. Have you ever been at the Court when he was present?

1802

1803 **CRAIG LUELL**

1804 Yes.

1805

1806 **BRAD JERBIC**

1807 Were you present at all on December 11, 2006 when Mr. Klute alleges there was a battery?

1808

1809 **CRAIG LUELL**

1810 Yes.

1811

1812 **BRAD JERBIC**

1813 And, it's your representation that the battery assault did not occur because you were physically

1814 incapable of battering him because of the condition of your hands or your wrists?

1815

1816 **CRAIG LUELL**

1817 I guess – Could you repeat that?

1818

1819 **BRAD JERBIC**

1820 Okay, strike that. Have you read the incident report for December 11, 2006 involving the

1821 incident at the Las, at the Regional Justice Center involving Jeffrey Klute?

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1822 **CRAIG LUELL**

1823 Yes.

1824

1825 **BRAD JERBIC**

1826 And it's your testimony that you had no altercation at all with Mr. Klute on that particular date.

1827

1828 **CRAIG LUELL**

1829 No.

1830

1831 **BRAD JERBIC**

1832 No yelling, no cursing, no threats.

1833

1834 **CRAIG LUELL**

1835 Well, yes there was.

1836

1837 **BRAD JERBIC**

1838 Please describe what happened in your own words.

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1840 **CRAIG LUELL**

1841 Basically, I bought a Raiders' jacket from this individual downtown 'cause I, one of my workers
1842 liked the Raiders so I had bought the jacket for them (sic). As I was walking the jacket to my
1843 car, Cierra Balderrama and confronted me saying that she was supposed to buy this jacket. It
1844 was hers and I knew nothing about it. Next thing you know, Jeffrey Klute pulls up in front of the
1845 courthouse around on Clark Street, jumps out of the car and attacks me. And I held my hands up
1846 as he came at me, and I may have kneed him a couple times and he tried taking me to the ground
1847 and that was it. The bailiffs came out too and there was a couple of other witnesses, I believe.

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1848 **BRAD JERBIC**

1849 Did you file a police report?

1850

1851 **CRAIG LUELL**

1852 I went down to file a police report that night and we actually talked to, I don't know who it was
1853 we talked to down there at, actually right – outside the doors here. And there was another
1854 incident that we ended up going out around this building here to talk about and it evidently never
1855 got filed, 'cause I looked it up.

1856

1857 **BRAD JERBIC**

1858 So any – indication by Mr. Klute that you punched him in the right eye would be incorrect?

1859

1860 **CRAIG LUELL**

1861 Correct. Never punched him.

1862

1863 **BRAD JERBIC**

1864 No more questions.

1865

1866 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1867 All right.

1868

1869 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

1870 Mayor –

1871

1872 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1873 Yes.

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1874 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

1875 Just for clarification. Council asked as far as when this incident took place, I was looking at the
1876 document, Brad, and it states date of injury, May 24, 06, and it looks like the, Mr. Luell went
1877 back on August 25th of 06 and he was released on 12/12/06 according to the document that was
1878 presented to the Council. So –

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1880 **BRAD JERBIC**

1881 That's the way I read it too.

1882

1883 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

1884 Okay.

1885

1886 **BRAD JERBIC**

1887 If Mr. Stein wants to correct any of that –

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1889 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

1890 Okay. I just wanted to just make note of that.

1891

1892 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1893 All right, very good. All right, have a seat Mr. Luell. The next witness, please.

1894

1895 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1896 Next witness is Pastor Carlos Vallesillas, Valecias.

1897

1898 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1899 Will you swear the Pastor in, please?

1900

1901 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1902 (Inaudible).

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1903 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

1904 (Inaudible) Raise your right hand please? Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide
1905 today is true and correct?

1906

1907 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1908 Yes, I do.

1909

1910 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1911 Can you state your full name and your business address, for the Council, please.

1912

1913 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1914 Carlos Vallesillas, C-A-R-L-O-S V-A-L-L-E-S-I-L-L-A-S.

1915

1916 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1917 What is your occupation, Sir? Oh, what is your address?

1918

1919 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1920 A Las Vegas Garden of Love.

1921

1922 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1923 Is that the same entity we've been discussing here for couple of days now?

1924

1925 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1926 That is correct.

1927

1928 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1929 And what is your position at that location?

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1930 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1931 I'm a minister.

1932

1933 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1934 How long have you been a minister at that particular location?

1935

1936 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1937 Approximately about a year now.

1938

1939 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1940 Mr. Stein, you wanna use a handheld mike, please?

1941

1942 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1943 Yes, Sir. Is it on? Is it on now? Hello, hello.

1944

1945 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1946 Either that or speak into the regular mike. Problem is, when you're in the middle we can't pick
1947 you up.

1948

1949 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1950 It's dead Your Honor. Is this on?

1951

1952 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

1953 Yeah.

1954

1955 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1956 Minister Carlos, directing your attention to Saturday, April 7th, the date that we have been
1957 discussing of this year, I believe, wasn't it? Do you recall that date?

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1958 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1959 Yes, I do.

1960

1961 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1962 Did you perform any wedding ceremonies on that date for A Chapel of Love (sic)?

1963

1964 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1965 Yes, I did for A Garden of Love Wedding Chapel.

1966

1967 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1968 For Garden of Love, excuse me. Was Cheryl Luell, the owner of that place, present on that date?

1969

1970 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1971 She was not.

1972

1973 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1974 Did she, before she left did you know she was going, not to be there on that date?

1975

1976 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1977 I knew that she was going to be gone for a couple of days. She was gonna go see a fight in

1978 Houston, Texas.

1979

1980 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1981 Did she direct you to use her name as a witness on any of the weddings that were being

1982 performed during her absence?

1983

1984 **PASTOR VALLESILLAS**

1985 No, she did not.

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1986 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1987 Did you ever get any instruction from her to use her name as a witness on any marriage
1988 ceremonies performed at the chapel or off-premises of the chapel?

1989

1990 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1991 No, Sir.

1992

1993 **STEPHEN STEIN**

1994 Did she ever advise you to use her facsimile stamp name as a witness on any of the weddings at
1995 the chapel?

1996

1997 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

1998 No, Sir.

1999

2000 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2001 How long have you been employed at the Garden of Loves (sic)?

2002

2003 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

2004 It's eleven months, I believe, now.

2005

2006 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2007 Following April 7th, when Cheryl returned in the month of May, did you happen, were you
2008 happen (sic), did you happen to be present when Cheryl had a conversation with Minister Phil
2009 concerning these particular ceremonies held on April 7th?

2010

2011 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

2012 Yes, I did.

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2013 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2014 Can you relate to the Mayor and Members of the Council your recollection of the conversation
2015 that you heard between Cheryl Luell and the minister who had performed the, some, a group of
2016 weddings on April 7th?

2017

2018 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

2019 Yes, to the best of my recollection –

2020

2021 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2022 Is that Pastor Williams you're referring to? All right.

2023

2024 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2025 Yes, Sir.

2026

2027 **CARLOS VALLESILLAS**

2028 I remember I was in the Minister's Office and Pastor Phil was there and Ms. Cheryl came in and
2029 she stated to Pastor Phil that some detective had been there and the – detective had some licenses
2030 and Ms. Cheryl's name was there as a witness and, so she advised him to – get 'em amended.
2031 And, he just shook his head and said okay, just kinda like that and that's – to the best of my
2032 recollection. And that's – what happened. But she did ask Pastor Phil to – amend those,
2033 licenses to get 'em corrected.

2034

2035 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2036 Nothing further.

2037

2038 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2039 All right. Cross examination?

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2040 **BRAD JERBIC**

2041 No cross.

2042

2043 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2044 All right. Thank you Pastor. Next witness, please.

2045

2046 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2047 Minister Kathleen Ragan.

2048

2049 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2050 Please swear the witness.

2051

2052 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2053 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and

2054 correct?

2055

2056 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2057 I do.

2058

2059 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2060 Thank you.

2061

2062 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2063 Can you state your name and your business address for the Council?

2064

2065 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2066 Kathleen Ragan. I work at Garden of Love (sic) as a minister.

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2067 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2068 How long have you – worked as a minister at the Garden of Love (sic)?

2069

2070 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2071 I, since she rented it. Since she works, opened it up.

2072

2073 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2074 For several years, then?

2075

2076 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2077 Yeah.

2078

2079 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2080 At any time during your employment has either Cheryl or Craig Luell ever told you to sign a
2081 name as a witness on a marriage certificate other than the person who was present at the
2082 marriage?

2083

2084 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2085 No.

2086

2087 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2088 Have you ever put a name down on a marriage certificate for a witness of someone who has not
2089 been present as a witness?

2090

2091 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2092 No.

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2093 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2094 Now you've heard the testimony of what occurred on April 7th of this year with a group of
2095 weddings, have you not?

2096

2097 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2098 Yes.

2099

2100 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2101 Bless you.

2102

2103 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2104 Are you, God bless you, are you aware of what actions Cheryl took to try to remedy it with the
2105 pastorings (sic) involved?

2106

2107 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2108 Well, I was told – I know she asked him to amend them. I, that's all I know.

2109

2110 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2111 Okay. Your, she asked the Pastor to amend them?

2112

2113 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2114 Yeah.

2115

2116 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2117 Well, nothing further.

2118

2119 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2120 All right. We're getting cumulative now.

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2121 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2122 Well, Your Honor, this was a key point to –

2123

2124 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2125 I understand, but –

2126

2127 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2128 I have one more pastor who will testify the same way.

2129

2130 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2131 All right and then you can stipulate to that, but let, let's hear cross examination by Mr. Jerbic.

2132

2133 **BRAD JERBIC**

2134 Just very quickly. Reverend Ragan, are, do these look to be wedding licenses –

2135

2136 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2137 You have to speak up Mr. Jerbic.

2138

2139 **BRAD JERBIC**

2140 I'm sorry. Do these look to be the types of wedding certificates from marriages you performed at

2141 Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic)? Take your time and –

2142

2143 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2144 Yeah.

2145

2146 **BRAD JERBIC**

2147 Is your name stamped at the top as the individual who officiated at the wedding?

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2148 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2149 Yes.

2150

2151 **BRAD JERBIC**

2152 Is there also a stamp for the witness?

2153

2154 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2155 Yes.

2156

2157 **BRAD JERBIC**

2158 Is this one stamped Cheryl Luell?

2159

2160 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2161 Yes.

2162

2163 **BRAD JERBIC**

2164 And then on the next page is another stamp, Cheryl Luell's, in a slightly different print than the
2165 one on the first page, on page three of these documents.

2166

2167 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2168 Yeah.

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2170 **BRAD JERBIC**

2171 Were you the person who affixed the stamp to these particular licenses?

2172

2173 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2174 Yes.

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2175 **BRAD JERBIC**

2176 And for every time there is a –

2177

2178 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2179 Only – stamped when she was in, doing photographs or – as a witness in the room.

2180

2181 **BRAD JERBIC**

2182 And that's my question. Is every single time that she represent, every single time I see a stamp

2183 that says Cheryl Luell under witness, it's your sworn testimony that she is physically present as a

2184 witness for that wedding?

2185

2186 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2187 Yes.

2188

2189 **BRAD JERBIC**

2190 Is that correct?

2191

2192 **KATHLEEN RAGAN**

2193 Yes. Yes, Sir.

2194

2195 **BRAD JERBIC**

2196 Thank you. No questions, Your Honor.

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2198 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2199 All right.

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2201 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2202 Mr. Jerbic?

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2203 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2204 You're excused then.

2205

2206 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2207 Thank you, Ma'am. Mr. Mayor and Members of the Council, the next witness would have been
2208 Pastor James Bracey, Jr. who is a minister at Mount Liberty Missionary Baptist Church and a –
2209 minister at the Chapel. He would testify he's been employed at the Chapel since May of 07 and
2210 he has never heard Ms. Luell give anyone permission to use her name as a witness if she's not
2211 present. Has never heard a, Mr. or Mrs. Luell, say that you could put a name down other than
2212 someone who is present (inaudible).

2213

2214 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2215 Is that a stipulation, Mr. Jerbic?

2216

2217 **BRAD JERBIC**

2218 (Inaudible), to call the witness that's what they would testify to, Your Honor.

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2220 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2221 All right, very good. We'll accept the stipulation.

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2223 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2224 The last pastor to be called, and there's a reason in addition to the (inaudible) –

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2226 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2227 Fine.

2228

2229 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2230 – would be Pastor Wendell Cuasito.

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2231 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2232 Will you swear the Pastor in, please?

2233

2234 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2235 Raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and
2236 correct?

2237

2238 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2239 Yes, Ma'am.

2240

2241 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2242 Will you state your name and your business address for the Council, please?

2243

2244 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2245 Wendell Cuasito, Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), 1431 South Las Vegas Boulevard.

2246

2247 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2248 And what is your position at the Las Vegas Garden (sic)?

2249

2250 **WENDLELL CUASITO**

2251 Ah, I'm one of the ministers that perform the ceremonies there.

2252

2253 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2254 And now, you've heard the prior testimony regarding the use of witnesses' names.

2255

2256 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2257 Yes, Sir.

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2258 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2259 Has Cheryl Luell ever told you to use her name or allowed you to use her name if she was not
2260 present?

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2262 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2263 No, Sir.

2264

2265 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2266 Has she ever advised you that you use anyone's name that was not present as a witness?

2267

2268 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2269 No, Sir.

2270

2271 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2272 And were you present when Cheryl Luell, oh, excuse me. Did you speak to Pastor Phil about the
2273 situation on April 7th?

2274

2275 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2276 Yes, I did. Actually, he asked me about what I thought about it, and I said that I think you
2277 should re-amend it, get it fix, and he said he was going to do so and as a reason as to why he did
2278 not, I'm not quite aware as to why he did not get them fixed, but from what I remember, he did
2279 say that he was going to get them fixed.

2280

2281 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2282 Were you present when Ms. Luell asked him to get them fixed or did you hear that she had asked
2283 him to fix it?

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2284 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2285 Yes, I was, 'cause I was there when she said, Phil, you know you put my name on here, I were
2286 (sic) not even here. And, you know –

2287

2288 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2289 And he said he would get it fixed.

2290

2291 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2292 He said he would get it fixed.

2293

2294 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2295 Nothing further.

2296

2297 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2298 All right, Mr. Jerbic.

2299

2300 **BRAD JERBIC**

2301 Very quickly. Did Reverend Williams ever tell you that Ms. Luell told him that it was okay to
2302 use her name even when she wasn't present?

2303

2304 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2305 No, Sir.

2306

2307 **BRAD JERBIC**

2308 Are you aware of any occasion when Ms. Luell told anybody that she could, they could use her
2309 name as a witness when she wasn't present?

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2310 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2311 No, Sir.

2312

2313 **BRAD JERBIC**

2314 Is it your testimony then that Mr. Williams gave, did he give any reason why he used her name

2315 when she wasn't present, that is the name of Cheryl Luell?

2316

2317 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2318 No, Sir.

2319

2320 **BRAD JERBIC**

2321 Thank you.

2322

2323 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2324 All right, I have a couple questions, Pastor.

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2326 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2327 Yes, Mayor.

2328

2329 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2330 When you perform a – wedding, who pays you? Who pays you?

2331

2332 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2333 Basically what we do is we don't have a minister's fee. Like, I'm not sure if you're aware, but

2334 some chapels will have a minister's fee, on top of that, collect a donation. And one of the

2335 reasons why we keep our prices so low is because we don't charge all these fees and for us it's

2336 just a donation. So there's times when people give you one dollar, five dollars, twenty dollars.

2337 You just never know. We just ask for a donation from the heart.

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2338 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2339 Do you ask for the donation or does Mr. or Mrs. Luell?

2340

2341 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2342 We actually ask what, we have envelopes that we have printed and there's suggestions on there,
2343 and we just ask them to give from their heart. So it's whatever they would like to give.

2344

2345 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2346 So, you have no salary whatsoever. You just rely entirely on the donations?

2347

2348 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2349 That is correct.

2350

2351 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2352 Thank you.

2353

2354 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2355 Am I done?

2356

2357 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2358 I'm done with you, but –

2359

2360 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2361 Okay.

2362

2363 **BRAD JERBIC**

2364 That actually raises another question then, Your Honor, if you don't mind. Who prints the
2365 materials that has the suggested donations on 'em?

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2366 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2367 You know what, ever since I've been with her, one of the ministers had done it. I'm not quite
2368 sure who it was, but there was a minister that was on there before I came on and they (sic) had
2369 printed it, and we – just kept and printed it all the time. And it just – says, you know, minister
2370 donation to, some suggestions on there, and it just says a gift from your heart, thank you, or
2371 something along those lines.

2372

2373 **BRAD JERBIC**

2374 You – I'm sorry to interrupt you. When you say that you get them printed from time to time, do
2375 the ministers collectively pay for that printing or does the Garden of Love pay for that?

2376

2377 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2378 We – actually pay for 'em. So there's a minister that goes out and gets them and he tells us how
2379 much they cost, and he divides it by however ministers, seven or nine ministers and we pay him–
2380 back for what he put out out of his own pocket.

2381

2382 **BRAD JERBIC**

2383 Is there any literature produced by the Garden of Love, not by the ministers, by the Garden of
2384 Love, which has suggested donations for the ministers –

2385

2386 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2387 No.

2388

2389 **BRAD JERBIC**

2390 – in the literature?

2391

2392 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2393 No. It's just the ministers. They print it out themselves and we pay for it. So we just had like a
2394 few weeks ago, we had about a thousand made and we all put out ten dollars each.

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2395 **BRAD JERBIC**

2396 Do you know if the Garden of Love (sic) will quote somebody on the telephone or other means?

2397 Is it, if somebody would call the Garden of Love (sic) and ask how much for the minister –?

2398

2399 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2400 Okay.

2401

2402 **BRAD JERBIC**

2403 – would the Garden of Love (sic) make a suggestion?

2404

2405 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2406 I – think they, sometimes they'll explain that there's an envelope that we give that's suggestions

2407 on there and I hope they tell all the time, because I don't want couples coming in and then they're

2408 surprised; well I didn't know about you, but I'm pretty sure that they tell them that we do work

2409 off a donation basis and will hand them an envelope.

2410

2411 **BRAD JERBIC**

2412 You know if they tell individuals who inquire what the suggested donation is?

2413

2414 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2415 I think if they inquire, they'll probably tell them what's on the envelope, that the envelope says,

2416 this and this, just give from your heart.

2417

2418 **BRAD JERBIC**

2419 Thank you.

2420

2421 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2422 Okay. Am I done?

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2423 **BRAD JERBIC**

2424 Yes.

2425

2426 **WENDELL CUASITO**

2427 Thank you.

2428

2429 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2430 You are done. Thank you. All right. Your next witness please.

2431

2432 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2433 Next – witness is Constance Manvilla.

2434

2435 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2436 All right. Swear Ms. Manvilla in please.

2437

2438 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2439 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear that the testimony provided today is true
2440 and correct?

2441

2442 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2443 Yes.

2444

2445 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2446 Can you state your name – and your work address please?

2447

2448 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2449 Constance Manvilla. I work at Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), 1431 Las Vegas Boulevard,
2450 South.

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2451 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2452 In what capacity do you work there?

2453

2454 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2455 I'm a wedding coordinator.

2456

2457 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2458 Do you know Cheryl Luell and Craig Luell?

2459

2460 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2461 Yes, I do.

2462

2463 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2464 Do you work for them?

2465

2466 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2467 Yes, I do.

2468

2469 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2470 Are you related somehow to the Luell's?

2471

2472 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2473 Yes, I am.

2474

2475 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2476 And how are you related?

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2477 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2478 I am Cheryl's aunt.

2479

2480 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2481 Directing your attention to April the seventh of this year. Was, to your knowledge, was Cheryl

2482 Luell in town that date?

2483

2484 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2485 No, she was not.

2486

2487 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2488 Where was she, if you know?

2489

2490 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2491 She was in Texas.

2492

2493 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2494 Who ran the Chapel on that date?

2495

2496 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2497 I did.

2498

2499 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2500 So you were in charge of running the Chapel and you can verify that Mrs. Luell was not there.

2501

2502 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2503 Correct.

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2504 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2505 Did you ever hear Mrs. Luell advise anyone at all that they could sign her name as a witness if
2506 she was not present?

2507

2508 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2509 No.

2510

2511 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2512 Nothing further.

2513

2514 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2515 All right. Mr. Jerbic.

2516

2517 **BRAD JERBIC**

2518 I'm sorry, I know this is awkward with one microphone.

2519

2520 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2521 No problem.

2522

2523 **BRAD JERBIC**

2524 I apologize. The, does anybody review the wedding licenses of, that leave the Garden of Love
2525 before they're filed with the County Clerk after they're filled in?

2526

2527 **CONSTANCE MANVILLA**

2528 Just the minister.

2529

2530 **BRAD JERBIC**

2531 No questions.

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2532 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2533 Any redirect?

2534

2535 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2536 No.

2537

2538 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2539 All right. You're excused. Next please.

2540

2541 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2542 Next witness would be Edwin Wright.

2543

2544 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2545 Please raise your right hand. Will the testimony you provide today be true and correct?

2546

2547 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2548 Yes.

2549

2550 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2551 Mr. Stein.

2552

2553 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2554 Can you state your name and your business address for the Council, please?

2555

2556 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2557 Edwin Wright and my business is at 1431 Las Vegas Boulevard, South.

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2559 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2560 Is that the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic)?

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2561 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2562 Yes.

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2564 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2565 Chapel of Love (sic)? What is your capacity there, Sir?

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2567 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2568 I'm a driver, head driver and supervisor.

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2570 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2571 You supervise the other drivers of the limousines that are utilized by the Chapel?

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2573 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2574 Yes.

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2576 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2577 Do you train all drivers on the TSA regulations and how to act appropriately and lawfully?

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2579 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2580 Yes.

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2582 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2583 How long have you been a supervisor of drivers at this particular business?

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2585 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2586 About four years now.

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2588 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2589 When a driver is cited for violating a TSA regulation or rule, what happens to him?

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2590 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2591 In some cases, the driver is reprimanded or – spoken to about his conduct and more severe cases,
2592 the driver is then terminated.

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2594 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2595 You've heard about certain violations of the TSA regulations brought forth here? Were all of
2596 those drivers terminated for their violations?

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2598 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2599 For the citations before us, all the drivers were immediately terminated for their actions.

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2601 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2602 Will that practice continue in the future?

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2604 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2605 No, it will not.

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2607 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2608 They will not be terminated for violating?

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2610 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2611 Oh, I meant the practices won't be continued and, any driver –

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2613 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2614 But the practice of terminating a driver for violating a TSA rule or regulation, will that be
2615 continued in the future?

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2616 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2617 Yes, it will.

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2619 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2620 And that is pursuant to whose orders?

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2622 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2623 That's per Cheryl and Craig's orders.

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2625 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2626 All right, Mr. Jerbic. Cross examination?

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2628 **BRAD JERBIC**

2629 No cross.

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2631 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2632 All right, you're excused, Sir. Next please.

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2634 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2635 Mayor – I have a question, if you don't mind?

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2637 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2638 Certainly.

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2640 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2641 To the gentleman or – to maybe to Council here.

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2642 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2643 Edwin.

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2645 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2646 How soon after the violation were the drivers terminated?

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2648 **EDWIN WRIGHT**

2649 I don't recall every situation. It might have been immediately or right on the spot that the driver
2650 was terminated.

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2652 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2653 Is that all right?

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2655 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2656 I see Ms. Luell standing. Is that something you can ans, answer for me, Ms. Luell?

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2658 **CHERYL LUELL**

2659 Yes.

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2661 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2662 Are you still, you're still under oath.

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2664 **CHERYL LUELL**

2665 That's fine. All drivers that do any illegal transportations (sic) and is not a point-to-point shuttle
2666 is terminated automatically. We allow them to tell their testimony or talk to us, but 99 percent of
2667 the time we abide by the TSA because there – are rules and regulations for free shuttle
2668 transportation but they do not make this –

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2669 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2670 So in this particular case, how soon, as far as time wise?

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2672 **CHERYL LUELL**

2673 Probably within a couple of days.

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2675 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

2676 Okay.

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2678 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2679 Thank you. Thank you. All right, next witness, please.

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2681 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2682 Next witness, Your Honor, will be Chris Kendall.

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2684 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2685 All right, swear the witness, please.

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2687 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

2688 Please raise your right hand. Do you swear that the testimony you provide today is true and

2689 correct?

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2691 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2692 Yes, Ma'am.

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2694 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2695 Mr. Kendall, can you state your name and your work address?

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2696 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2697 My name is Christopher Dwight Kendall. I work at Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), 1431 Las
2698 Vegas Boulevard, South.

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2700 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2701 How long have you been so employed, Sir?

2702

2703 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2704 Off and on, almost five years.

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2706 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2707 Did you work for any other wedding chapel other than the one that you just (inaudible)?

2708

2709 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2710 Yes, Sir, I have.

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2712 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2713 Which ones have you worked for?

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2715 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2716 I've worked for Special Memory. I've worked for Stained Glass Wedding Chapel. I've worked
2717 for Vegas Adventure Wedding Chapel. I've worked with Allure. I've even touched bases with
2718 Heavenly Bliss.

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2720 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2721 You go from chapel to chapel depending on certain factors?

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2722 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2723 Yes, Sir, I do.

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2725 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2726 Now, Mr. Kendall, as, were you present last Wednesday when we began this here?

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2728 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2729 I was present.

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2731 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2732 Your name was mentioned by the Council members and by Mr. Jerbic and myself regarding

2733 incidents alleged to have occurred on May 22nd, '03, May 30th, '03, June 2nd, '03, June 4th, '03,

2734 June 24th, '03 and May 1st, '04. Do you remember hearing testimony regarding those things?

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2736 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2737 I believe so.

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2739 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2740 Now, directing your attention to May 22nd in the year 2003, which is Exhibit 4 in the book.

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2742 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2743 All right, I'm going to advise the Council it's my opinion that this is remote and you could

2744 consider for what –whatever weight you wanna put on it, but that's going back to 2003 and they

2745 received the license after that from our Business License Office.

2746

2747 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2748 I appreciate that.

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2749 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2750 But, go ahead, ask him the questions, please.

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2752 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2753 There was an allegation that, a complaint was filed by Steven Smith, who observed a gentleman
2754 by the name of John Zaremba being harassed and bothered by you and that – excuse me, a
2755 complaint filed by Edward Shiner, Exhibit 5, that you were involved in some harassment and
2756 intimidation. Did you read that in this book?

2757

2758 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2759 Yes.

2760

2761 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2762 Is there any truth whatsoever to that statements (sic)?

2763

2764 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2765 No, Sir, it's not.

2766

2767 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2768 On May 30th, a complaint was filed by Jason Miller, who stated that you had let the air out of
2769 his, that – you asked someone to let the air out of a vehicle's tires. Did you ask someone to let
2770 the air out of a vehicle –

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2772 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2773 No.

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2775 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2776 – in front of the courthouse?

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2777 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2778 No, Sir, I didn't.

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2780 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2781 On June 2nd, Shane Colbert, filed a complaint that you harassed him while he was talking to a
2782 couple and threatened him and his family. Is there any truth to that?

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2784 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2785 No, Sir, I didn't threaten nobody's family.

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2787 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2788 And that's Exhibit 10 by the way. That last one. On June 4th, 2003, complaint filed by Melinda
2789 Alonzo that states that Cheryl Luell was provoking or causing some provocations and that you
2790 jumped into a limousine and prevented a driver from driving away. Is there any truth to that,
2791 Sir?

2792

2793 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2794 Absolutely not.

2795

2796 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2797 I'm gonna skip the June 24th, but is there any truth to that, in Exhibit 15, any truth to that that
2798 Cliff Evarts says you were threatening, intimidating and using vulgarity and improper language
2799 towards him?

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2801 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2802 No, Sir.

2803

2804 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2805 Did you ever work for Cliff Evarts?

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2806 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2807 No, Sir.

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2809 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2810 Now, on May 1st, 2004, that would be Exhibit 27, there is a report of a battery with Metro that
2811 you kicked an agent of Stained Glass Wedding Chapel in the head multiple times, witnessed by
2812 several individuals, and that you pled guilty to simple battery and were ordered to pay three
2813 thousand and sixty seven dollars in restitution. Do you recall that incident, Sir?

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2815 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2816 Yes, I do.

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2818 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2819 Did you in fact plead guilty to a battery and make restitution of three thousand dollars?

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2821 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2822 That's correct.

2823

2824 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2825 Did that case begin as a simple misdemeanor battery charge, Sir?

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2827 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2828 It was a felony.

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2830 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2831 And did you have an attorney representing you in Court?

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2832 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2833 Yes, I did.

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2835 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2836 Did that attorney give you advice as to what to do regarding a plea bargain?

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2838 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2839 Yes, Sir.

2840

2841 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2842 And was that advice to plead guilty to a misdemeanor and pay restitution rather than go forward

2843 on a felony?

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2845 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2846 That is correct.

2847

2848 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2849 And did you take that advice, Sir?

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2851 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2852 Yes, I did.

2853

2854 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2855 Can you explain to His Honor, and the Members, and Mayor Pro Tem and the Members of the

2856 Council what occurred in this incident that led you to hit, batter, this individual?

2857

2858 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2859 That particular day I was down at the old courthouse. I was handbilling. Couple came out,

2860 asked me some questions about the brochure, I acknowledged those questions. They wanted to

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2861 see the chapel. There had been some problems with other chapels and with this particular
2862 couple, who was getting ready to go up to the Garden of Love (sic), and a – employee from
2863 Vegas Wedding Bureau, Cliff Everspot (sic), had walked up on me first and basically started
2864 talking to the couple. Well, not talking to 'em, but directing them of how – the other chapels
2865 were thugs and how we had turf, you know, for landscaping the chapel and went on to say, to
2866 question, you know, my character like as if (inaudible) friends or buddies or roommates or what
2867 not. And so, with the couple right there at the door of the limousine, this is where all this
2868 happened at, I did try to get the couple into the limousine. I could not move this individual out
2869 of the way of the door of the limo and, like I say, one thing ensued to the next. I was called a,
2870 niggers (sic). I was assaulted –

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2872 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2873 Who was called? You were called?

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2875 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2876 Yes, by a representative that was a handbiller for Cliff Evarts –

2877

2878 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2879 He called you that name? He called you that?

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2881 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2882 Along with such and such. Yes.

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2884 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2885 What did you do in response to that apathy?

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2887 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2888 Well, we started arguing more and this individual actually got up in my face more, started
2889 spitting on me and basically, we got into a tussle and another representative from another chapel

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2890 actually crossed the street, came to the limousine and – tried to come after me also. I guess they
2891 were buddies, worked together, friends, I don't know.

2892

2893 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2894 And that's what led to the charge of battery against you? Did you – you got the best of the fight,
2895 I assume?

2896

2897 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2898 Well, no. Two people, one guy has a, you know, has a knife belt. What do you call – them
2899 cases that you keep like the utility knives and stuff in? I mean, the second guy he reached for,
2900 you know what I'm saying, which appeared to me like he was going try do something to me, so I
2901 immediately tried to defend myself.

2902

2903 **STEPHEN STEIN**

2904 I have nothing further.

2905

2906 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2907 All right, Mr. Jerbic. Mr. Jerbic

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2909 **BRAD JERBIC**

2910 Oh.

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2912 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

2913 Make sure you speak into the mike. There you go.

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2915 **BRAD JERBIC**

2916 Thank you. Mr. Kendall, how long have you known Craig and Cheryl Luell?

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2917 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2918 Almost since they started working down at the courthouse. I would say, almost five years now.

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2920 **BRAD JERBIC**

2921 And during that time, you say you've worked for other wedding chapels other than A Las Vegas

2922 Garden of Love?

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2924 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2925 Yes, Sir, that's including Chapel of Dreams, the first chapel I worked at.

2926

2927 **BRAD JERBIC**

2928 Were the other chapels that you worked for in any way associated with the Luell's or owned by

2929 the Luell's?

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2931 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2932 To my knowledge, no.

2933

2934 **BRAD JERBIC**

2935 How long have, would you consider yourself still an employee of the Luell's?

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2937 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2938 Yes, Sir.

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2940 **BRAD JERBIC**

2941 And how long have you been an exclusive employee of the Luell's? That is not working for any

2942 other chapel but A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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2943 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2944 In the almost in the whole five years, I would say, exclusively for almost three years of that.

2945 About three years.

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2947 **BRAD JERBIC**

2948 And you – Let's be clear about this. You are an employee not an independent contractor, is that

2949 correct?

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2951 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2952 I am an employee.

2953

2954 **BRAD JERBIC**

2955 So you receive a check from A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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2957 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2958 Yes, I do.

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2960 **BRAD JERBIC**

2961 If you don't mind telling us, how much do they pay you every year? You –

2962

2963 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2964 As a wedding coordinator, I made ten bucks an hour plus tips. As a limousine driver, it was all

2965 gratuity based. Now that I'm handbilling downtown at the RJC, I just recently got a raise.

2966

2967 **BRAD JERBIC**

2968 How long have you been handbilling down at the Regional Justice Center?

2969

2970 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2971 For the last two months. I just came back to the business.

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2972 **BRAD JERBIC**

2973 Were you in the business of handbilling before you just came back two months ago?

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2975 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2976 No. I left the wedding business a long –

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2978 **BRAD JERBIC**

2979 You left the wedding business all together.

2980

2981 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2982 Completely.

2983

2984 **BRAD JERBIC**

2985 The – prior to your hand, beginning handbilling two months ago, did you ever have occasion to

2986 be at the Regional Justice Center on behalf of the Luell's or A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

2987

2988 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2989 If I had a wedding couple or was taking care of chapel business, I would have reason to be down
2990 there.

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2992 **BRAD JERBIC**

2993 So your only business would be as a planner or a limo driver, is that correct?

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2995 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

2996 Or even, like I say, just handbilling that day. We might be short a handbiller, a – they may not
2997 show up for their shift. So being that I know how to handbill you know, I would substitute. I
2998 would do whatever needed to be done.

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2999 **BRAD JERBIC**

3000 Would you describe the atmosphere at the Regional Justice Center between wedding chapels as
3001 competitive for customers?

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3003 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3004 Very competitive.

3005

3006 **BRAD JERBIC**

3007 Is there, are there occasions where there's competition for parking spaces for limousines and
3008 competition for customers?

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3010 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3011 I would say not a competition for parking 'cause there's ample parking. But, of course,
3012 everybody would like to have those rings bless at their chapel.

3013

3014 **BRAD JERBIC**

3015 The – have you ever been present when there have been altercations between individuals
3016 soliciting or handbilling on behalf of wedding chapels?

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3018 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3019 Some occasions.

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3021 **BRAD JERBIC**

3022 How many would you describe in the last five years? Just a rough estimate.

3023

3024 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3025 At least three.

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3026 **BRAD JERBIC**

3027 At least three? Any involving A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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3029 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3030 It would be mainly with the employees not getting along.

3031

3032 **BRAD JERBIC**

3033 Okay. Have you ever observed employees of A Las Vegas Garden of Love not getting along
3034 with other employees from other wedding chapels?

3035

3036 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3037 No, Sir.

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3039 **BRAD JERBIC**

3040 Have you ever observed employees of A Las Vegas Garden of Love aggressively soliciting
3041 business from the courthouse steps of the Regional Justice Center?

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3043 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3044 Professionally, not aggressively.

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3046 **BRAD JERBIC**

3047 Professionally but not – how would you describe the difference?

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3049 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3050 Well, professional is when you focus 100 percent on the couple. You know, answer any
3051 questions, get them up there to see the wedding chapel, minding your business and not worrying
3052 about the competition around you because you're – doing your job. That's what I would say
3053 professionally.

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3054 **BRAD JERBIC**

3055 Are there occasions when more than one handbiller or solicitor approaches a couple at a time on
3056 behalf of A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

3057

3058 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3059 No, Sir.

3060

3061 **BRAD JERBIC**

3062 So is it your testimony that only one individual at a time on behalf of A Las Vegas Garden of
3063 Love will approach a couple to see if they wanna get married at your chapel?

3064

3065 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3066 One would speak. There would always be one representative. They may get approached by two,
3067 but like I said, there's always one representative from the Garden that would speak, kinda like,
3068 with the other chapels, it always be – they, everybody has multiple employees down there, but
3069 it's always one person that talks to the couple.

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3071 **BRAD JERBIC**

3072 So when they be talking, one may be silent just with the brochures?

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3074 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3075 Yes. And a lotta times, believe it or not, we get a lotta Hispanic couples, so when I approach a
3076 couple and they needed interpretation, I completely hop off 'em because I don't know what they
3077 talking about.

3078

3079 **BRAD JERBIC**

3080 Are there ever times when the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) will use more than two
3081 individuals?

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3082 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3083 No. We all, like I said, we all salesmen, that she has the best.

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3085 **BRAD JERBIC**

3086 You would consider the use of more than two individuals even if one's talking and one's
3087 handbilling to be inappropriate or unprofessional?

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3089 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3090 If more than one person is speaking? Like I said, you know, I would say yes.

3091

3092 **BRAD JERBIC**

3093 Have you ever been present when individuals were threatened if they did not do business with A
3094 Las Vegas Garden of Love?

3095

3096 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3097 That is inaccurate, not correct.

3098

3099 **BRAD JERBIC**

3100 Did you sit through all the testimony last Wednesday afternoon before this City Council?

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3102 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3103 Did I testify?

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3105 **BRAD JERBIC**

3106 No. Do you hear the testimony? Did you sit in (inaudible)?

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3108 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3109 Oh, Yes Sir, I was here.

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3110 **BRAD JERBIC**

3111 Did you hear summaries of affidavits that were read into the record at the beginning of that
3112 hearing?

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3114 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3115 I did hear – something about some affidavits.

3116

3117 **BRAD JERBIC**

3118 Have you ever heard of incidents involving A Las Vegas Garden of Love employees where
3119 brochures of competitors were lit on fire or brochures were lit on fire and thrown at competitors'
3120 clothing?

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3122 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3123 I had to be gone when that incident happened. Like I said, I come back and forth in the business.

3124

3125 **BRAD JERBIC**

3126 Have you ever heard of incidents where homeless people were paid money to hurl slanders or
3127 other vulgarities –?

3128

3129 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3130 No, Sir.

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3132 **BRAD JERBIC**

3133 – at individuals –

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3135 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3136 No, Sir.

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3137 **BRAD JERBIC**

3138 – as a competitive practice?

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3140 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3141 No, Sir.

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3143 **BRAD JERBIC**

3144 How often do you see Cheryl Luell present at the courthouse when you're working at the
3145 Regional Justice Center?

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3147 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3148 In our earlier days, every day, 'cause I was the first employee that she hired. It was every day, in
3149 the earlier years. (Inaudible)

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3151 **BRAD JERBIC**

3152 How many hours, how many hours a day would she spend at the Regional Justice Center?

3153

3154 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3155 It was twenty-four hours. I – would always cut off before them and I was doing ten to twelve
3156 hours a day.

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3158 **BRAD JERBIC**

3159 Okay. Was she there during the full ten or twelve that you were there?

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3161 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3162 Yes, Sir, the whole family. It's a family-owned and operated business. It would be the mother, it
3163 would be everybody.

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3164 **BRAD JERBIC**

3165 I'm just talking about Cheryl alone (inaudible)

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3167 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3168 Yeah she – be there.

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3170 **BRAD JERBIC**

3171 Was she there before you arrived?

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3173 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3174 Yes, Sir.

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3176 **BRAD JERBIC**

3177 Would she be there after you left?

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3179 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3180 Yes, Sir.

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3182 **BRAD JERBIC**

3183 So, it would then be fair to state that she was there longer than ten or twelve hours a day?

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3185 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3186 Yes, Sir.

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3188 **BRAD JERBIC**

3189 Every day.

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3190 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT0 KENDALL**

3191 She would even sleep in the chapel 'stead of goin' home, when the courthouse was twenty-four
3192 hours.

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3194 **BRAD JERBIC**

3195 And that would be, would that be during the busiest hours of business for the Wedding Chapel
3196 Bureau at the courthouse, or the Marriage License Bureau?

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3198 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3199 Well, I didn't understand you. I didn't understand.

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3201 **BRAD JERBIC**

3202 If – she picks ten or twelve hours to be at the courthouse, would it be fair to say that she picked
3203 the busiest hours for wedding licenses to be at the courthouse?

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3205 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3206 I guess, I would, I'm goin' say it varies but weekends is always the busiest and of course, summer
3207 months.

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3209 **BRAD JERBIC**

3210 Can you describe the injury, I'm sorry. Do you recall being asked a question of (sic) Mr. Stein a
3211 few moments ago regarding a battery incident to which you entered a plea and paid restitution?

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3213 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3214 Yes, Sir.

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3216 **BRAD JERBIC**

3217 Can you describe for this Council the injuries to the victim in that particular battery?

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3218 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3219 I didn't know he was injured.

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3221 **BRAD JERBIC**

3222 Were you aware he was injured before you entered your plea?

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3224 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3225 All I know is, an ambulance came and that's how you automatically get the felony charge.

3226 Because an am, anytime an ambulance come, that's what I say, but I don't know anything about

3227 his medical record or his condition. As a matter of fact, from my understanding, he was back on

3228 the job the next day, handbilling.

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3230 **BRAD JERBIC**

3231 And you paid thr, over three thousand dollars for restitution?

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3233 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3234 Yes, Sir.

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3236 **BRAD JERBIC**

3237 And it's your testimony that you're unaware of what injuries the individual sustained that

3238 justified the three thousand dollars in restitution.

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3240 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3241 Attorney said, pay it. Attorney said, plea. That's what I did.

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3243 **BRAD JERBIC**

3244 Did you tell your attorney what happened prior to his advising you to plea?

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3245 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3246 Yes, I did.

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3248 **BRAD JERBIC**

3249 What did you tell him?

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3251 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3252 Told 'em about the incident.

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3254 **BRAD JERBIC**

3255 Did you tell him that you were responsible for the incident?

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3257 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3258 I didn't feel like I was responsible when I'm out there working and selling.

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3260 **BRAD JERBIC**

3261 What did your attorney tell you?

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3263 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3264 You know, I – believe that that's inappropriate. I really believe that –

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3266 **BRAD JERBIC**

3267 I think he's waived it, Your Honor.

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3269 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3270 Well, he may have waived it, but I – don't think you should get into attorney-client
3271 conversations.

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3272 **BRAD JERBIC**

3273 Well, I'll back off it then, Your Honor –

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3275 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3276 No, basically he said he's testified that on his attorney's advice, he entered his plea and he paid

3277 the restitution. I think that's sufficient.

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3279 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

3280 Can I ask a question?

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3282 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3283 Yes.

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3285 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

3286 Sir, at this time of this battery charge, were you employed by A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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3288 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3289 Yes, I was.

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3291 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

3292 Those other incences (sic) that was (sic) affidavit that it was problems with your behavior.

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3294 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3295 The affidavits, I heard about 'em Wednesday.

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3297 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

3298 Yeah, that's what I'm saying. I – just, again, I – Mayor, I don't know whether these are

3299 appropriate type questions to ask now or whatever this court proceeding here, but my concern

3300 here is – that under oath the, Ms. Luell said that she doesn't hire people. She does these

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3301 background checks and stuff like this. When they have problems, she doesn't hire 'em and here
3302 she has somebody that admitted to a battery for whatever reasons and she hires you. He leaves
3303 and he hire you, she hires him again. It just, something that I have a hard time understanding.

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3305 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3306 Well lot a times, Councilman, that's when I would end up going to the other chapels 'cause she
3307 would do it. She would terminate me.

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3309 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

3310 All – I'm saying is that she put on record that she doesn't hire people that have these type of
3311 problems.

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3313 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3314 All right.

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3316 **BRAD JERBIC**

3317 Let me ask just that, one more question (inaudible). What was the name of your attorney?

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3319 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3320 I used the Flangases. I used Leo Flangas.

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3322 **BRAD JERBIC**

3323 Let me go very briefly.

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3325 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3326 I thought you were done.

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3327 **BRAD JERBIC**

3328 No. I'm just about. Did you indicate earlier that you've worked on again, off again for the
3329 Luells?

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3331 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3332 Yes, and the wedding business.

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3334 **BRAD JERBIC**

3335 Have you been terminated by the Luell's before?

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3337 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3338 Yes.

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3340 **BRAD JERBIC**

3341 And, they've rehired you, how many times?

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3343 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3344 I don't know. I didn't count. I say two or three times.

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3346 **BRAD JERBIC**

3347 On the occasions where you were terminated, did they give you a reason for your termination?

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3349 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3350 Pretty much I already knew why.

3351

3352 **BRAD JERBIC**

3353 Why?

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3354 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3355 Something I did wrong. Something against the policy.

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3357 **BRAD JERBIC**

3358 Would you tell the Council what the allegation was by the Luell's against you for terminating
3359 you?

3360

3361 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3362 Sometime, it could be tardiness. That would be like the main reason because, you know, the
3363 shift would have to be covered and like I said and she's relying on me. So when I can't be there,
3364 I mean, that's like and it's a pet peeve. You know what I'm saying, we're talking, it's, we're
3365 talking business. So that would be like the main reason, my tardiness.

3366

3367 **BRAD JERBIC**

3368 So, were there any other reasons the Luell's terminated you other than tardiness?

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3370 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3371 The, that incident with the, when I had to pay that restitution.

3372

3373 **BRAD JERBIC**

3374 So, they terminated you for the battery incident?

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3376 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3377 Yes.

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3379 **BRAD JERBIC**

3380 And you were rehired after the battery incident?

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3381 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3382 No. I went to another chapel after the battery incident.

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3384 **BRAD JERBIC**

3385 All right. But nevertheless, you are working for them again right now as we speak, are you not?

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3387 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3388 In 2007, yes.

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3390 **BRAD JERBIC**

3391 So you were rehired after you were terminated for the battery incident?

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3393 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3394 Yes.

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3396 **BRAD JERBIC**

3397 When were you rehired?

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3399 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3400 I just been back two months now in the business.

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3402 **BRAD JERBIC**

3403 Did Ms. Luell or anybody associated with the Garden of Love (sic) indicate to you that they had

3404 performed a background check on you prior to rehiring you?

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3406 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3407 I know that they did.

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3408 **BRAD JERBIC**

3409 Were there any other incidents besides the battery incident that caused them any concern?

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3411 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3412 Besides my tardiness, I don't – believe so.

3413

3414 **BRAD JERBIC**

3415 No more questions this time, Your Honor.

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3417 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3418 All right, thank you. Mr. Stein.

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3420 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3421 Thank you, Mayor. You stated that you saw Cheryl working at the courthouse, ten, twelve,

3422 fifteen hours, twenty hours a day –

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3424 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3425 That is correct.

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3427 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3428 – during the early days.

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3430 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3431 The early years, yes, Sir.

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3433 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3434 That would be like 2003, 2004.

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3435 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3436 We were located on Saha, 200 West Sahara. Yes, Sir.

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3438 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3439 You haven't seen her there in the last coupla years on, at the courthouse that many hours, have
3440 you?

3441

3442 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3443 No, Sir.

3444

3445 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3446 Now I did forget to ask one thing on my direct. Did you file a TPO against Mr. Evarts?

3447

3448 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3449 Yes, Sir, I did.

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3451 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3452 What year did you file that TPO?

3453

3454 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3455 I had the event number. It was done back in 03, October and November of 0 – of 2003.

3456

3457 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3458 And why did you file a TPO against him?

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3460 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3461 For the harassment, and basically, just the insults.

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3462 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3463 Nothing further.

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3465 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3466 All right. Any?

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3468 **BRAD JERBIC**

3469 No more, Your Honor.

3470

3471 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3472 All right. You're excused, Sir. Thank you.

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3474 **CHRISTOPHER DWIGHT KENDALL**

3475 Thank you.

3476

3477 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3478 Next witness, please.

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3480 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3481 Your Honor, I have two witnesses schedule. I'm only gonna call one, out of abundance –

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3483 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3484 Do what you have to do.

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3486 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3487 Okay. I'll call 'em both then. Next witness will be Jesse, Jesse Daniels.

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3489 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3490 Swear Mr. Daniels in, please.

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3491 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

3492 Raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and
3493 correct?

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3495 **JESSE DANIELS**

3496 Yes, Ma'am.

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3498 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3499 Can you state your name and your work address for the Council, please?

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3501 **JESSE DANIELS**

3502 Jesse Darnell Daniels, 1431 Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), South Las Vegas Boulevard.

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3504 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3505 How long have you been employed there, Sir?

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3507 **JESSE DANIELS**

3508 Off and on two and a half, three years.

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3510 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3511 And in what capacity?

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3513 **JESSE DANIELS**

3514 Photographer, videographer, maintenance of the limos, office work, I'm very well, what's the
3515 word, reminded of what goes on everyday stuff.

3516

3517 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3518 Okay. Now, Sir, you stated that you had something you would, wanted to say which you felt
3519 was relevant to this proceeding to the Council.

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3520 **JESSE DANIELS**

3521 Yes, Sir. First and foremost –

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3523 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3524 Well no, I'm not interested in this. Ask him questions, Mr. Stein. I – don't – This is not the time

3525 for polemics and oration. If – you have questions you wanna ask 'em –

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3527 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3528 I have no questions.

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3530 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3531 Well this is not –

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3533 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3534 He had a statement that he made up, that he wanted to –

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3536 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3537 No, I'm not interested. Thank you. Have a seat, Sir, please.

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3539 **BRAD JERBIC**

3540 Your Honor, I do have some cross examination.

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3542 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3543 Well, if he didn't answer any questions.

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3545 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3546 There was no direct.

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3547 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3548 I'm gonna limit you too.

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3550 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3551 You can call 'em as your witness.

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3553 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3554 He said he worked there off and on. Do you wanna ask 'em questions about that, off and on?

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3556 **BRAD JERBIC**

3557 Yeah, very briefly –

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3559 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3560 All right, fine. Come on up, Sir.

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3562 **BRAD JERBIC**

3563 This won't take long, Your Honor.

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3565 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3566 Come on up. I don't care how long it takes, as long as it's relevant.

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3568 **BRAD JERBIC**

3569 I can call 'em as my witness as well, Your Honor.

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3571 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3572 Well, as I said to Mr. Stein, do what you have to do. Mr. Jerbic, you do what you have to do, but

3573 let's do it.

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3574 **BRAD JERBIC**

3575 Could you please tell me your last name again?

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3577 **JESSE DANIELS**

3578 Daniels, D-A-N-I-E-L-S.

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3580 **BRAD JERBIC**

3581 Mr. Daniels, you're currently working for A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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3583 **JESSE DANIELS**

3584 Yes, Sir.

3585

3586 **BRAD JERBIC**

3587 And you were here last Wednesday during the hearing? Is that correct?

3588

3589 **JESSE DANIELS**

3590 Was it Wednesday? Yes, last, yes. Yes, Sir.

3591

3592 **BRAD JERBIC**

3593 You were here in the Council Chambers at, when the hearing began and you were here outside in

3594 the courtyard when they were, during – the recess?

3595

3596 **JESSE DANIELS**

3597 Yes, off and on, back and forth.

3598

3599 **BRAD JERBIC**

3600 Last week, you were wearing a brown sweater with stripes? Is that correct?

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3601 **JESSE DANIELS**

3602 Yes, Sir.

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3604 **BRAD JERBIC**

3605 Do you know an individual by the name of Michael Joseph?

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3607 **JESSE DANIELS**

3608 Who?

3609

3610 **BRAD JERBIC**

3611 Michael Joseph?

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3613 **JESSE DANIELS**

3614 No, I don't.

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3616 **BRAD JERBIC**

3617 Or Mark Joseph?

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3619 **JESSE DANIELS**

3620 No, I don't.

3621

3622 **BRAD JERBIC**

3623 Could you please turn around and look at the row of people sitting directly behind me. There's

3624 an individual sitting three from the left wearing a dark shirt, white moustache, dark hair. Do you

3625 know him?

3626

3627 **JESSE DANIELS**

3628 The big guy right here?

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3629 **BRAD JERBIC**

3630 Yes.

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3632 **JESSE DANIELS**

3633 No, I don't.

3634

3635 **BRAD JERBIC**

3636 Have you ever seen him before?

3637

3638 **JESSE DANIELS**

3639 I can't remember his face.

3640

3641 **BRAD JERBIC**

3642 Did you walk up with him in the courtyard during a recess, during last week's hearing and tell
3643 him not to testify?

3644

3645 **JESSE DANIELS**

3646 That's not only ludicrous and that's an attempt to attack my character and belittle the character of
3647 this committee. Why would I approach this individual? Look at his size. Look at my size.

3648

3649 **BRAD JERBIC**

3650 Was that a no?

3651

3652 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3653 That's a no.

3654

3655 **JESSE DANIELS**

3656 Definitely a no.

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3657 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3658 That's a no.

3659

3660 **BRAD JERBIC**

3661 Thank you. I haven't any further questions.

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3663 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3664 All right. Have a seat, Sir. Thank you. All right, next please.

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3666 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3667 Mr. Tory Manville (sic).

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3669 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3670 All right, swear the witness in, please.

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3672 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

3673 Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and correct?

3674

3675 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3676 Yeah.

3677

3678 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3679 Will you state your name and your work address for the Council, please?

3680

3681 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3682 Tory Robin Manvilla, A Las Vegas Garden of Love.

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3684 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3685 What's that address?

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3686 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3687 1431 Las Vegas Boulevard, South.

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3689 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3690 Now, Mr. Manvilla –

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3692 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3693 Yes, Sir.

3694

3695 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3696 – are you the uncle of Cheryl Luell?

3697

3698 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3699 Yes, I am.

3700

3701 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3702 All right, it's been brought to my attention, Mr. Manvilla, that you have a trial scheduled in

3703 Municipal Court on December the 12th of this year. I'm – going to advise you that you don't

3704 have to testify if you feel that that testimony might tend to incriminate you during that trial.

3705

3706 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3707 Mr. Mayor, I am his attorney and –

3708

3709 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3710 Well, and then that, there could be a terrible conflict of interest. I mean, with all due respect.

3711

3712 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3713 (Inaudible) won't have anything to do with the trial.

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3714 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3715 All right.

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3717 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3718 Mr. Manville (sic)?

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3720 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3721 Yes, Sir.

3722

3723 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3724 Are you the uncle of Cheryl Luell?

3725

3726 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3727 Yes, I am.

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3729 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3730 So you've known her basically all of her life?

3731

3732 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3733 Correct.

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3735 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3736 Prior to living here in Las Vegas, where were you residing?

3737

3738 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3739 Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

3740

3741 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3742 While you were in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Sir, did you have some legal problems?

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3743 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3744 Yes, I did.

3745

3746 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3747 And following those legal problems, where you placed on probation?

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3749 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3750 Yes, Sir.

3751

3752 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3753 And when you came here to Las Vegas, when did you come here to Las Vegas?

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3755 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3756 I believe it was November 11th, well that's my birthday, November 17th of 03.

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3758 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3759 And when you came here, did you have a falling out with your niece?

3760

3761 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3762 On, when I first got here, I was, I took off, I, in other words, what do you call that, scandled?

3763

3764 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3765 You skipped?

3766

3767 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3768 Yeah, I skipped.

3769

3770 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3771 From probation –

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3772 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3773 Yes, I did.

3774

3775 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3776 – in Wisconsin?

3777

3778 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3779 Correct. And about a year later – I was hired, Sir.

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3781 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3782 You go back to Wisconsin to face the probation violation?

3783

3784 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3785 Yes, I did.

3786

3787 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3788 And were you –

3789

3790 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3791 I turned myself in.

3792

3793 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3794 – and were you then placed back on probation?

3795

3796 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3797 I paid the whole thing, so I didn't have no background anymore. So I stayed the whole time. I

3798 am clear of everything now.

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3799 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3800 And then did you come back to Las Vegas?

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3802 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3803 Yes, I did.

3804

3805 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3806 During this, and I'd like to wait for Councilman Reese.

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3808 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3809 He can hear back there.

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3811 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3812 He can hear back there?

3813

3814 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3815 Yep.

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3817 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3818 Well. I did not know.

3819

3820 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3821 Yes.

3822

3823 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3824 Wonders of technology. During the period of time that you were in, have, when you came back

3825 to Las Vegas, did you have a falling out with your niece?

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3826 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3827 Yes, I did.

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3829 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3830 You were testing to get employment here with your niece?

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3832 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3833 Yes, I did. I asked and I – tried to get a hold of her and I couldn't get a hold of her. So I went
3834 down to the courthouse, what's this over here on Third Street here, and I was talking to this
3835 couple handbillers about me being a handbiller for another chapel. And a man approached me,
3836 which his name was Cliff Evert (sic) of Vegas Garden, oh, Vegas, I'm sorry, Vegas Chapel and
3837 he asked me, did you need employment and I said yes. He says, are you the uncle of Cheryl
3838 Luell? And I said, Yes, I am. He said, well what you looking to do? I said well I'd like to have
3839 a job because I'm run outta money and need a place to stay. He says, well if you come to work
3840 for me, I'll hook you up over at El Cortez for seven days and give you five hundred bucks, but
3841 you have to do something for me. And I said, well what was that? He said I had to go to the
3842 police department and civil offense, saying my niece was harassing me and stuff like that and
3843 restraining order. But before I got the five hundred dollars, I had to do all that. The following
3844 day, he gave me the night over at the El Cortez for seven days. It was one of his friends that did
3845 it, you know, gave me accommodations for the El Cortez to stay. And then the following day,
3846 'cause I said I don't know if I was gonna do it, the following day, he came back at me and he
3847 said well we had to go to court and all that stuff, not the court, I'm mumbling, sorry. Go to the
3848 police department and file harassment charges and over to, I'm getting nervous –

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3850 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3851 Pecos and Bonanza?

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3852 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3853 Yes. Well, when I did that we went over back to the El Cortez, he says, here's your five hundred
3854 dollars for doing all that for me and then he also said, hey what else do you do. I heard that you
3855 do drugs. And I said, yeah I do crack. And he goes, oh okay. So he got on the phone with
3856 somebody –

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3858 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3859 You know, I gotta – say this. You already admitted to us –

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3861 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3862 Right.

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3864 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3865 – that you committed a crime by filing a false report.

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3867 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3868 Yes, I did.

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3870 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3871 Okay, I gotta stop you. This is – really, I gotta protect your rights here because you're gonna get
3872 yourself in so much trouble, a walking maybe, a cake walk by the time you're through in Las
3873 Vegas.

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3875 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3876 Well, just being honest.

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3878 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3879 And I – don't question your honesty, that makes it worse.

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3881 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3882 Mr. Mayor, I have advised him.

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3884 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3885 All right, (inaudible) Mr. Stein, he's your client.

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3886 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3887 He wishes to testify –

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3889 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3890 Fine.

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3892 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3893 – to the truth of what occurred.

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3895 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3896 Fine. Go ahead. I'm – just saying that –

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3898 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3899 – (inaudible) body gets a full pictures (sic).

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3901 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3902 I appreciate that, but we have a City Attorney over there; we got a City Attorney over there; we
3903 got little District Attorneys with their ears up and keep going.

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3905 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3906 Well anyways, a man came knocking on the hotel door and presented me some crack.

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3908 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3909 Did he tell you where the crack came from?

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3911 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3912 (Inaudible) yeah, Chris Evart (sic).

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3913 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3914 That's a –

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3916 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3917 Now, Mr. Manvilla, are you saying that Mr. Evarts gave you five hundred dollars and a room at
3918 the hotel and arranged to have some drug delivered to you in return for what you did for him?

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3920 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3921 Correct.

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3923 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3924 And what is it that you did for him?

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3926 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3927 Restraining order and (inaudible).

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3929 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3930 Restraining order against who?

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3932 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3933 Cheryl Luell.

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3935 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3936 And what else?

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3938 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3939 And Craig Luell and a police report against Craig Luell and Cheryl Luell.

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3940 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3941 Was the statement that you made in those documents against Craig and Cheryl Luell true?

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3943 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3944 No, it was false.

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3946 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3947 Then why did you do it?

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3949 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3950 (Inaudible)

3951

3952 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3953 Well he obviously, he – did it because he wanted a hotel room. He wanted five hundred bucks

3954 and he got an abundance of crack cocaine. Okay? That's why he did it.

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3956 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3957 And I guess, 'cause I –

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3959 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3960 I've heard enough. I've heard enough.

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3962 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3963 –was also angry at 'em.

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3965 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

3966 Okay.

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3967 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3968 (Inaudible)

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3970 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3971 Yeah.

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3973 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3974 Have you stopped using cocaine?

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3976 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3977 Yes, I have. Yes.

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3979 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3980 Have you stopped using drugs?

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3982 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3983 Yeah.

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3985 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3986 Are you now clean?

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3988 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3989 Yes, Sir.

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3991 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3992 Have you remained clean through some period of time?

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3994 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

3995 About seven months.

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3996 **STEPHEN STEIN**

3997 I have no further questions.

3998

3999 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4000 Well, have you stopped filing false reports?

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4002 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

4003 Yes, Sir.

4004

4005 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4006 Okay.

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4008 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

4009 I also want to (inaudible).

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4011 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4012 All right. Mr. Jerbic, you have any questions?

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4014 **BRAD JERBIC**

4015 No questions, Your Honor.

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4017 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4018 No? Okay, I don't blame you.

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4020 **TORY ROBIN MANVILLA**

4021 All right.

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4023 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4024 All right, you're excused.

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4025 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4026 I thought (inaudible) accusations (inaudible).

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4028 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4029 Well, we can call ‘em if you want. Mr. Stein.

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4031 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4032 No further witness.

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4034 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4035 All right. Fine.

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4037 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4038 However, Mr. Mayor?

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4040 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4041 Yes.

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4043 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4044 It’s five to three.

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4046 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4047 I understand. Mr. Jerbic, how long you gonna be?

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4049 **BRAD JERBIC**

4050 I estimate about five or six witnesses. I probably won’t have more than five or ten minutes

4051 apiece at the most.

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4052 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4053 You said 'til four thirty. (Inaudible) I have to leave.

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4055 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4056 There's no guarantee he's gonna come back at four thirty, not with doctors.

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4058 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4059 Mr. Mayor, my –

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4061 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4062 Yes.

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4064 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4065 The arrival time is scheduled for three thirty.

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4067 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4068 Right.

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4070 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4071 Check in and go through paperwork. I anticipate quarter to four, ten to four. The procedure

4072 itself is only twenty minutes. I could be back here by four thirty, quarter to five.

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4074 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4075 What time does the – Colts –

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4077 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4078 Five thirty.

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4079 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4080 – the Colts score? I got my priorities in order, too.

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4082 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4083 Five thirty –

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4085 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4086 All right, what's the –

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4088 **BRAD JERBIC**

4089 Can we stipulate –

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4091 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4092 What do you think?

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4094 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4095 We can stipulate to some of the witnesses, then they'll know who they are.

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4097 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4098 Do you have any–

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4100 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4101 Oh.

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4103 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4104 – any feeling, Councilwoman or, as far as continuing?

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4106 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

4107 I just have a neighborhood meeting at six thirty.

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4108 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4109 Six thirty. All right, Councilman Barlow, you have any feeling?

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4111 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

4112 I, Mayor, I'm here, so whatever we need to do, I'm –

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4114 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4115 All right. Councilman Brown, do you have any feelings about this? All right, then we'll be in
4116 recess 'til four thirty.

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4118 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4119 Your Honor, before you – I'm sorry, before you recess, I just got one question to Mr. Jerbic. Are
4120 we gonna be able to hear from Mr. Evarts on this last accusation?

4121

4122 **BRAD JERBIC**

4123 Mr. Evarts, are you here?

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4125 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4126 Yes, I am.

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4128 **BRAD JERBIC**

4129 I thought I saw you back there. He's gonna recall.

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4131 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4132 You're gonna call him?

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4134 **BRAD JERBIC**

4135 I'm gonna call him.

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4136 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4137 Thank you.

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4139 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4140 All right, we're in recess until four thirty.

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4142 **END OF RELATED DISCUSSION – RESUMED RELATED DISCUSSION**

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4144 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4145 All right, thank you Ladies and Gentlemen, we're back in session. Mr. Jerbic.

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4147 **BRAD JERBIC**

4148 Your Honor, Mr. Evert. Evarts. I'm sorry.

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4150 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4151 Madam Clerk, will you swear him in, please?

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4153 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4154 (Inaudible) sworn in (inaudible).

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4156 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4157 Fine, if you're sworn in, the Oath still is in effect. That's fine.

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4159 **BRAD JERBIC**

4160 Mr. Evarts, I apologize for mispronouncing your – last name. Were you here a moment ago
4161 when an individual by the name of Tory Manvilla testified?

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4163 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4164 I was.

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4165 **BRAD JERBIC**

4166 Do you know Mr. Manvilla?

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4168 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4169 By sight and I talked to him once.

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4171 **BRAD JERBIC**

4172 Okay. Can you describe for the Council the occasion where you met Mr. Manvilla and talked to
4173 him.

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4175 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4176 Yes. Just – It's about a year ago, a year and a half maybe, I was in my office. One of the
4177 people working for me came and said there was some guy in the front who wanted to talk to me.
4178 I said, well, who is it. He said it's somebody from Garden of Love. I said I don't wanna talk to
4179 'em, 'cause I don't wanna have anything to do with them. He said, no, he really wants to talk.
4180 So I go out and – this guy introduces himself as, I think he introduced himself as Robert
4181 Manvilla. I – don't think his name, Tory, doesn't sound right. Anyway, the Manvilla, he
4182 claimed that he was mad at his family. They were trying to get him. They had stolen ninety
4183 thousand dollars from him and that he was looking for a job. And I said, well, I don't wanna
4184 have anything to do with anybody from Garden of Love, but tell me your story.

4185 So then, he launched into his story about how the money was stolen from him and how they're
4186 trying to steal his kids. How they were mistreating them. While we were talking, the mom, I
4187 think her name was Barbru (sic) walks in front of my door and stands there, kinda of a stare
4188 down, Lu – Cheryl Luell does the same thing. Walks directly in front of the office and so I
4189 move to the back, so they can't see us. And he – goes on and tells this story of all the wrong that
4190 they've done. And then he wants to get it – back at his children, so he says, you know I need to
4191 get out to Child Protective Custody (sic) – and I give him a ride out there.

4192 He, while he's filing a complaint with Child Protective Custody (sic), which I never saw, he,
4193 Cheryl Luell walked into the room. He was filing his complaint, probably followed us out, and

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4194 she again did a stare down. Then he said he need (sic) a place to stay and so I had a friend, Gino,
4195 who does lubes and oils here across the street. He has a friend at El Cortez and I asked Gino if
4196 he could get him a room. And Gino got him a room. Manvilla was supposed to show up the
4197 next day. Never saw him again until I saw him out working, handbilling, soliciting for Garden
4198 of Love. Last time I saw him. Next time I saw him. I seen him out there ever since, actually.

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4200 **BRAD JERBIC**

4201 Good.

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4203 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4204 That's all I know.

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4206 **BRAD JERBIC**

4207 Did he leave you with any paperwork or documentation, memorializing his visit to you?

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4209 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4210 He brought in a copy of the paper from, Wisconsin paper that showed his family on, bragging
4211 about what a great wedding chapel they were in Vegas. And I have a copy of that. But that's all
4212 he brought in.

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4214 **BRAD JERBIC**

4215 Do you have that with you today?

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4217 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4218 I do, but I didn't bring it up.

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4220 **BRAD JERBIC**

4221 Okay. Can you retrieve it real quickly? After I introduce this exhibit, I have no further
4222 questions with this witness, Your Honor.

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4223 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4224 All right, fine. Any cross examination, Mr. Stein?

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4226 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4227 I have no questions.

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4229 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

4230 I just have one quick question.

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4232 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4233 Yes, Councilman Barlow.

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4235 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

4236 Yes, where is your office in relation to A Garden of Love (sic)?

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4238 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4239 My office – is directly across the street from the RJC. I have actually two, I have a Chapel –

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4241 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

4242 No. Where's your office in relation to the Garden of Love (sic)?

4243

4244 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4245 My office is directly across from the RJC. Their office, their Chapel is down off of Oakey and

4246 Las Vegas Boulevard. So, a long way.

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4248 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

4249 Okay, so you're saying that, that's okay, that's what I need to know. That's fine.

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4250 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4251 Did you ever give Mr. Manvilla any illegal substance?

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4253 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4254 No.

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4256 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4257 Okay. Did you ever give him five hundred dollars?

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4259 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4260 No.

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4262 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4263 Very good. Mr. Stein.

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4265 **BRAD JERBIC**

4266 Your Honor, if – I could before we release the witness.

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4268 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4269 Right.

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4271 **BRAD JERBIC**

4272 Mr. Stein, I'd like to have this marked as the next exhibit. And is the exhibit I'm giving to the

4273 Clerk, a photocopy of a document given to you by Mr. Manvilla when you met him?

4274

4275 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4276 When he came in my office. Right. It's a photocopy of the newspaper. He said that was his

4277 only one, didn't want to give it up so he allowed me to photocopy that.

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4278 **BRAD JERBIC**

4279 If you give me one moment I need to show it to Mr. Stein. Do you recognize the individuals
4280 depicted in that photograph?

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4282 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4283 Well, they're identified at the bottom. I – didn't actually recognize the guy who came in my
4284 office. He's apparently the guy dressed up as Elvis.

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4286 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4287 You know what the hell it is?

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4289 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4290 I didn't recognize him. I did recognize Craig Luell.

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4292 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4293 Your Honor, – if I could. What are we looking at here?

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4295 **BRAD JERBIC**

4296 I'm gonna pass this up to the Council in just a moment. Perhaps we can go to the overhead.

4297 There you go. If you can zoom in on the photograph. I'll try and get it a little bit more centered.

4298 There we go. Okay, I'm gonna point. Do you recognize the individual to whom I'm pointing at
4299 this moment?

4300

4301 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4302 I – don't recognize that, but the indication indicates that's Rob Mon, Manvilla.

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4304 **BRAD JERBIC**

4305 Is that the individual who identified himself –

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4306 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4307 He claimed – that –

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4309 **BRAD JERBIC**

4310 – as Tory Manvilla, here today?

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4312 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4313 He claimed that that was the same individual. Correct.

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4315 **BRAD JERBIC**

4316 And the individual I'm pointing to now?

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4318 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4319 That is Craig Luell.

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4321 **BRAD JERBIC**

4322 And do you recognize any of the other three individuals in the photograph?

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4324 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4325 I seen photographs, but I wouldn't have been able to identify 'em without the caption.

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4327 **BRAD JERBIC**

4328 For the record, Your Honor, this exhibit speaks for itself. It appears to be a newspaper article.

4329 Underneath the article it says ABC Family and it's, talks about how many families can say love

4330 is their business, their only business; Luell, Ludwig, Manvilla Clan of Las Vegas, formerly the

4331 Milwaukee area runs A Las Vegas Garden of Love. The group includes from left, Chuck

4332 Ludwig, Jeremy Manvilla, Craig Luell, Rob Manvilla and Icey Manvilla, the child up front. But

4333 Rob Manvilla is the individual at the side.

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4334 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4335 All right. You have any questions, Mr. Stein?

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4337 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4338 Yes, Sir, just a couple. Mr. Evarts, you stated you saw him only one time prior to watching him
4339 handbill.

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4341 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4342 I thought I seen him, but I only met him that one time.

4343

4344 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4345 And that day was the day he came into your office?

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4347 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4348 Yes.

4349

4350 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4351 That was the day, it was the next day that you went down to Bonanza and Pecos with him.

4352

4353 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4354 Correct.

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4356 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4357 So you saw him two days.

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4359 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4360 That, that's correct, I actually, no, no, no that, that is not correct. I had took him out there the
4361 same day. He was gonna come back the next day but he never showed up. So I only did see him
4362 on that I only talked to him that one time.

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4363 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4364 He handbilled for you for a couple of nights, did he?

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4366 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4367 Absolutely not.

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4369 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4370 You don't recall him ever handbilling.

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4372 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4373 He never worked for me.

4374

4375 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4376 Nothing further.

4377

4378 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4379 All right.

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4381 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

4382 I – do, Your Honor. I – hate to belabor this. Mr. Jerbic, what is this picture, what is it supposed

4383 to tell us?

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4385 **BRAD JERBIC**

4386 It's just evidence that Mr. Everts (sic) had –

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4388 **CLIFF EVARTS**

4389 I'm sorry.

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4390 **BRAD JERBIC**

4391 Mr. Evarts received from Mr. Manvilla when he came in. It also shows that Mr. Manvilla is part
4392 of the same family as Craig Luell, whose wife is the subject of discussion today.

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4394 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4395 Okay, that's it. All right, next witness, please.

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4397 **BRAD JERBIC**

4398 That's it.

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4400 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4401 All right, next witness, please.

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4403 **BRAD JERBIC**

4404 Larry Threadgill.

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4406 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4407 You wanna swear the witness in, please?

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4409 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

4410 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear that the testimony you give today is true
4411 and correct.

4412

4413 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4414 Yes, Ma'am.

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4416 **BRAD JERBIC**

4417 Thank you. You please state your full name and spell your last name for the record?

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4418 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4419 Larry Charles Threadgill. That's T-H-R-E-A-D-G-I-L-L.

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4421 **BRAD JERBIC**

4422 And Mr. Threadgill, by whom are you employed?

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4424 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4425 A Special Memory Wedding Chapel.

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4427 **BRAD JERBIC**

4428 Is that a competitor of the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic)?

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4430 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4431 Yes, Sir.

4432

4433 **BRAD JERBIC**

4434 How long have you been working for A Special Memory Wedding Chapel?

4435

4436 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4437 Approximately a year and a month.

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4439 **BRAD JERBIC**

4440 And by whom were you employed prior to being employed with A Special Memory Wedding

4441 Chapel?

4442

4443 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4444 I was employed by Heavenly Bliss prior to A Special Memory.

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4445 **BRAD JERBIC**

4446 Have you ever been employed by A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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4448 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4449 Yes, Sir.

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4451 **BRAD JERBIC**

4452 And during what period of time were you employed by A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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4454 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4455 Around mid, I would say, mid summer, 2004 to approximately October, November, 2006.

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4457 **BRAD JERBIC**

4458 Are you familiar with Cheryl and Craig Luell?

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4460 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4461 Yes, Sir.

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4463 **BRAD JERBIC**

4464 Did you hear their testimony before this Council both on Wednesday and today?

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4466 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4467 Yes, Sir.

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4469 **BRAD JERBIC**

4470 During the time that you worked for the Luell's at Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), did you

4471 become familiar with their business practices?

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4472 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4473 Yes, Sir.

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4475 **BRAD JERBIC**

4476 What was your position with Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) when you worked for them?

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4478 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4479 I started out as a handbiller, then I moved in to the Chapel, shot photography, videography,
4480 answered phones, booked weddings, coupla bouquets here and there and I worked in the tux and
4481 gown room also.

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4483 **BRAD JERBIC**

4484 During the time that you were a handbiller, did you ever receive instructions from anybody at
4485 Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) as to how to conduct the handbilling?

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4487 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4488 Yes, Sir.

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4490 **BRAD JERBIC**

4491 From whom did you receive those instructions?

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4493 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4494 From Cheryl Luell.

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4496 **BRAD JERBIC**

4497 What did Ms. Luell instruct you with respect to handbilling on behalf of A Las Vegas Garden of
4498 Love?

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4499 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4500 Excuse me. To be – aggressive, to not let any of the competitors get any couples and if a couple,
4501 if it – looked like we were gonna lose a couple, we were – encouraged to do whatever we had to
4502 do to scare the couple away, either to the Justice of the Peace or wherever they had to go.

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4504 **BRAD JERBIC**

4505 Did Ms. Luell give, or anybody else of Las Vegas Garden of Love give any other handbillers
4506 some more instructions to your knowledge?

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4508 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4509 Yes, Sir.

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4511 **BRAD JERBIC**

4512 How many other handbillers?

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4514 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4515 All of the other handbillers.

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4517 **BRAD JERBIC**

4518 Did you utilize the tactics that were recommended by Ms. Luell?

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4520 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4521 Yes, I did.

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4523 **BRAD JERBIC**

4524 Did you threaten customers?

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4526 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4527 Yes, I did. Customers? No.

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4528 **BRAD JERBIC**

4529 Did you threaten other wedding chapel solicitors?

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4531 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4532 Yes, I did.

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4534 **BRAD JERBIC**

4535 What tactics did you use?

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4537 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4538 Verbal threats. You know, not, I even at, on one occasion I actually sat on someone.

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4540 **BRAD JERBIC**

4541 Was Ms. Luell present during the time you used any of these tactics to threaten or intimidate
4542 other wedding chapel representatives?

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4544 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4545 I'm sorry.

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4547 **BRAD JERBIC**

4548 Was Ms. Luell present during the time that you utilized any of these tactics?

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4550 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4551 Yes.

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4553 **BRAD JERBIC**

4554 Can you describe what her reaction was when you utilized these tactics?

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4555 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4556 Her reaction was more or less she was proud of me.

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4558 **BRAD JERBIC**

4559 Did you see her witness others that were soliciting or handbilling on behalf of A Las Vegas

4560 Garden of Love use similar tactics?

4561

4562 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4563 Yes, Sir.

4564

4565 **BRAD JERBIC**

4566 What was her reaction when she would use those tactics, when they would use those tactics?

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4568 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4569 Could I just – give you an example?

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4571 **BRAD JERBIC**

4572 Please.

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4574 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4575 One of my co-workers, she was also working for Garden of Love (sic) and she got up in the

4576 owners of another competing chapel, she got up in their face and, pardon my French, called her a

4577 bitch. That – young lady, owner of the chapel, she called Cheryl Luell and told her what her

4578 work, what Garden of Love had done to her in calling her, you know. And Cheryl then called up

4579 that worker and told her how proud she was of her and that she should give her a raise.

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4581 **BRAD JERBIC**

4582 Have you ever seen Cheryl or Craig Lu, Craig Luell use the tactics that they recommended to

4583 their solicitors themselves against their competitors?

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4584 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4585 Most definitely.

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4587 **BRAD JERBIC**

4588 What types of activities did you see them engage in?

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4590 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4591 Verbal threats. I've – witnessed Cheryl push a ex-coworker of mine. She asked me, I don't
4592 know how she did it. Everybody on, in front of the courthouse wondered how she leaped over
4593 those bushes the way she did and grabbed the ex-worker of mine. And I've also seen a physical
4594 altercations by both of 'em.

4595

4596 **BRAD JERBIC**

4597 Given the course of business day, how many hours would you normally see Cheryl Luell down
4598 at the Regional Justice Center or at, about the Regional Justice Center?

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4600 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4601 Well, since all of this has been going on, they been down on the block a lot. But prior to that,
4602 once, occasionally they'll be on the block, more, not so often than some.

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4604 **BRAD JERBIC**

4605 When you say since all of this has been going on, what do you mean?

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4607 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4608 Since the Council hearings and such.

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4610 **BRAD JERBIC**

4611 Since the Council hearing began, you see the Luell's down on the street at the Regional Justice
4612 Center, more or less?

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4613 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4614 Every day.

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4616 **BRAD JERBIC**

4617 Every day?

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4619 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4620 Every day.

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4622 **BRAD JERBIC**

4623 Have you seen them interacting with individuals that handbill or solicit on their behalf?

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4625 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4626 I'm sorry.

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4628 **BRAD JERBIC**

4629 Have you seen them interacting with individuals that solicit or handbill on behalf of A Las Vegas

4630 Garden of Love?

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4632 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4633 Yes.

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4635 **BRAD JERBIC**

4636 What kind of interaction do you see?

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4638 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4639 More or less it's talking about, you know, wait until we get our license back and what we're

4640 gonna do when we hit the block again and they can't take us down. Just mainly talking about the

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4641 case and ridiculing me and anybody else that they feel is gonna testify against them, but nothing
4642 really too bad.

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4644 **BRAD JERBIC**

4645 Have you seen any more harassments or threats or anything since this hearing began last
4646 Wednesday?

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4648 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4649 Yes, Sir.

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4651 **BRAD JERBIC**

4652 What types of harassment and threats have you seen?

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4654 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4655 On Sunday mmm, Sunday afternoon, twelve o'clock exactly, I was down there with a female co-
4656 worker of mine and Tory Manvilla, he said in his exact words, talking about my female co-
4657 worker, he said, that bitch thinks she's safe. I'm not through with her yet, you'll, wait until she
4658 seen (sic). You'll wait and see.

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4660 **BRAD JERBIC**

4661 Is Tory Manvilla the individual that testified at the end of Mr. Stein's case a few moments ago?

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4663 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4664 Yes, Sir.

4665

4666 **BRAD JERBIC**

4667 To your knowledge does he still work for A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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4668 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4669 Yes, Sir.

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4671 **BRAD JERBIC**

4672 What other incidents have you seen since this hearing began last week?

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4674 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4675 That was the only incident that I've seen since the hearing began.

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4677 **BRAD JERBIC**

4678 Turning your attention to December of 2006, were you aware of an incident involving an

4679 individual by the name of Tim Rediker?

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4681 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4682 Yes, Sir.

4683

4684 **BRAD JERBIC**

4685 Can you describe for the Coun, was that incident involve a battery against Mr. Rediker?

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4687 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4688 Can I describe it?

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4690 **BRAD JERBIC**

4691 Yes, can you please describe it for the Council.

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4693 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4694 Because I wasn't there, I've only heard –

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4695 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4696 Why don't you ask –

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4698 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4699 – what happened.

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4701 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4702 This is cumulative as well.

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4704 **BRAD JERBIC**

4705 Yeah. I have no further questions of this witness at this time, Your Honor.

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4707 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4708 All right. Mr. Stein.

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4710 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4711 Mr. Threadgill.

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4713 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4714 Yes, Sir.

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4716 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4717 You were fired in October of 2006 from the Las Vegas –

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4719 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4720 You have to use the mike, Mr. Stein, please.

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4721 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4722 Oh, I'm sorry. In October, 2006 approximately, you were terminated from Las Vegas Garden of
4723 Love (sic). Correct?

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4725 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4726 Incorrect.

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4728 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4729 Did you quit?

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4731 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4732 Yes, Sir.

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4734 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4735 Wasn't that about the time that you were sentenced to jail for a domestic battery on your
4736 pregnant wife?

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4738 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4739 No, Sir.

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4741 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4742 Were you sentenced to jail for beating up your wife?

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4744 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4745 Yes, Sir.

4746

4747 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4748 And when did you, when were you charged with that crime?

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4749 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4750 Umm.

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4752 **BRAD JERBIC**

4753 Your Honor, I'm gonna object to this. I don't know what the relevance –

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4755 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4756 No, you're right. It's not relevant, unless it's a felony.

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4758 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4759 Credibility.

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4761 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4762 No. There's – no, if it's a misdemeanor, there's no rule about credibility with misdemeanors,
4763 only with felonies.

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4765 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4766 Your Honor, I don't know what the conviction was. I know he was originally charged with
4767 attempted murder.

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4769 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4770 Ask him whether he's been convicted of a felony. Why don't you ask him whether or not he was
4771 convicted of a felony?

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4773 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4774 What were you convicted of regarding (inaudible)?

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4776 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4777 Battery, domestic violence.

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4778 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4779 Domestic violence? That's a misdemeanor, isn't it?

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4781 **BRAD JERBIC**

4782 (Inaudible) I think the direct question should be, have you ever been convicted of a felony.

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4784 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4785 All right. You said –

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4787 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4788 When were you terminated from employment of the Luells?

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4790 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4791 I was never terminated as I said in the beginning. I quit.

4792

4793 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4794 When did you quit?

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4796 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4797 Approxi, I'm not gonna try to guess the date. I can't remember exactly when it was. I'm not

4798 (inaudible).

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4800 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4801 In proximity to the allegations of the crime, was it close in time?

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4803 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4804 Could you rephrase the question?

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4805 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4806 Time proximity between your quitting and your crime being charged, was it close?

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4808 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4809 Oh, no that was like one, probably about a year after.

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4811 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4812 A year after the crime, you quit?

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4814 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4815 Yes, Sir.

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4817 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4818 So you remained working there –

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4820 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4821 No, I did not tell you.

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4823 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4824 – for one year –

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4826 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4827 I did not quit, I was, I, matter of fact, I did quit. Yeah.

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4829 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4830 Well, you did quit or you didn't quit? Which is it?

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4832 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4833 Oh, no, I quit. I just misunderstood the question.

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4834 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4835 Did you do a, did you play a role on a DVD video at the RJC thing at, something about the
4836 threats at the RJC by a handbiller? Were you part of that video?

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4838 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4839 A video?

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4841 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4842 Um huh, DVD, video, you know, somebody filming you. Did you give a statement on a video
4843 concerning the handbillers at the RJC?

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4845 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4846 Not that I can recall.

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4848 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4849 Did you state on that that the only threats that you knew of were from Stain Glass Chapel
4850 people?

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4852 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4853 Never. I get along with all of them.

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4855 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4856 If I play that video for you, would it refresh your recollection, Sir?

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4858 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4859 I'm sure it would.

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4861 **CHERYL LUELL**

4862 (Inaudible) the DVD.

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4863 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4864 Okay.

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4866 **CHERYL LUELL**

4867 Okay.

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4869 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4870 We'll get the video and (inaudible) and still rebuttal again. Counsel Luell, I don't need any help
4871 from you.

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4873 **CHERYL LUELL**

4874 (Inaudible)

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4876 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4877 Nothing further, but I reserve the right to recall if you allow me to play the video.

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4879 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4880 Thank you. All right. Next witness, please.

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4882 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4883 Mayor?

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4885 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4886 Yeah.

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4888 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4889 May I please ask this witness a couple of questions?

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4890 **STEPHEN STEIN**

4891 (Inaudible) Sir.

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4893 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

4894 Certainly.

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4896 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4897 Sir, I just have a couple of questions, if you don't mind.

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4899 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4900 Sure.

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4902 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4903 What brought you here today? Where you under a subpoena?

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4905 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4906 No, Sir.

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4908 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4909 So did somebody ask you to come and testify today?

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4911 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4912 No, Sir.

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4914 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4915 Were you here last Wednesday for our hearing on this case?

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4917 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4918 Yes, Sir.

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4919 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4920 Okay. What brought you to that hearing last Wednesday?

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4922 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4923 I actually wanted to see how everything was gonna play out, and I wanted to be here considering
4924 the fact that I know a lot of, of what, about what's going on and if there was any way I could've
4925 helped, then I'm available.

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4927 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4928 How did you come into contact with Mr. Jerbic for your testimony today?

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4930 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4931 Actually, I spoke with one of the City licensing bureau, I guess, workers that – I'm familiar with
4932 that arrested me for doing my job for the Luells, and he asked if I – would write a statement. So
4933 I told him, yes.

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4935 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4936 Was this after the hearing on Wednesday?

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4938 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4939 That was prior to the hearing on Wednesday.

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4941 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4942 Did you approach that person from Business License or did he approach you? He or she.

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4944 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4945 He actually approached a co-worker of mine. I was, it was one of my off-days. So that co-
4946 worker called me up and asked how I felt about it. I said sure I'd do it.

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4947 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4948 So you didn't necessarily plan to get involved but because you were here and somebody
4949 approached the co-worker, here you are today.

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4951 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4952 I planned on getting involved as only as far as writing a statement.

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4954 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4955 Okay.

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4957 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4958 I didn't know that it would go this far.

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4960 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4961 Next. When you worked as a handbiller, did you work as a handbiller for A Las Vegas Garden
4962 of Love?

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4964 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4965 Yes.

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4967 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4968 And you worked for them for over two years, right, about two and a half years?

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4970 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4971 Yes.

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4973 **STEVE WOLSON**

4974 How much of that time did you work as a handbiller?

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4975 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4976 Out of about close to two and a half years, about two years maybe just (inaudible).

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4978 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4979 Okay, the – majority of the time.

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4981 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4982 (Inaudible), the vast (inaudible).

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4984 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4985 A handbiller is a person that has a brochure or – paperwork about the Garden of Love (sic) and

4986 you would approach people that were coming to the RJC to get married and offer them

4987 information about A Las Vegas Garden of Love. Is that right?

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4989 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4990 That's correct.

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4992 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4993 How were you paid for those the coupla years as a handbiller by A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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4995 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

4996 I was paid cash daily.

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4998 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

4999 Were you paid an hourly rate?

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5001 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5002 Yes, Sir.

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5003 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5004 So if you worked six hours, you'd get six times the hourly rate.

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5006 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5007 That's correct.

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5009 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5010 You were paid cash.

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5012 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5013 Yes, Sir. All of the workers are paid cash.

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5015 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5016 Were you considered an employee or an independent contractor? How did you consider
5017 yourself?

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5019 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5020 I considered myself an employee.

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5022 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5023 Finally, were you paid any other monies besides the daily amount as a handbiller?

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5025 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5026 No.

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5028 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5029 Was there any incentive that was provided to you to get that customer coming out of the RJC, the
5030 couple that just got their – license to wed and they wanted to find a chapel? They wanted to get

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5031 married in Las Vegas. Other than your hourly rate, were you given any other incentives,
5032 financial incentives?

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5034 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5035 None whatsoever.

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5037 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5038 No. None. No bonuses or anything like that?

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5040 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5041 No bonuses whatsoever. No advance.

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5043 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5044 Why are the handbillers, in general of this industry then so aggressive, if most of the handbillers
5045 are paid hourly rates or daily rates. Why is there such a need to be so aggressive, if whether you
5046 cause two people that day or twenty people that day, to end up at this chapel or that chapel?
5047 Why is there such aggression?

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5049 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5050 I agree with you.

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5052 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5053 You agree with the point I'm making?

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5055 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5056 I agree with the points you're making and the answer –

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5058 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5059 Then explain it to all of us watching, please.

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5060 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5061 The fact is that, um when Garden of Love (sic) is not on the block, it's a quiet, it's – quiet. The
5062 reputation that we have as being aggressive people, you'll never see that. That's not the type of
5063 behavior you'll see from any of the, all the other chapels. I had one co-worker, yes, he was quite
5064 aggressive, very aggressive and we used to try to calm 'em down, but there's no talking to 'em.
5065 But as far as what you're asking me, it's like that because of, once it's – competitive being one
5066 thing, but A Garden of Love (sic), that's how they train you. They train you to be that way
5067 because most of time, I mean not most, but every time there's a problem in front of the Regional
5068 Justice Center, it's always Garden of Love (sic) versus this chapel. Next week it'll be Garden of
5069 Love (sic) versus that chapel but no two chapels downtown, in front of the RJC, feud (sic) with
5070 each other. We all get along. Only enemy, and I hate to say this, Garden of Love (sic). And it's
5071 not because we don't like one of (inaudible) but it's because of, you know, because of the way
5072 they are.

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5074 **COUNCILMAN WOLFSON**

5075 Thank you, thank you very much.

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5077 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5078 All right. You're excused, Sir.

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5080 **LARRY CHARLES THREADGILL**

5081 Thank you.

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5083 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5084 Next witness, please.

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5086 **BRAD JERBIC**

5087 Tim Rediker. Tim Rediker?

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5088 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5089 Pardon?

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5091 **BRAD JERBIC**

5092 Could you state your full name for the record?

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5094 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5095 I'm sorry.

5096

5097 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

5098 Please raise your hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and

5099 correct?

5100

5101 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5102 Yes.

5103

5104 **BRAD JERBIC**

5105 Could you state your full name for the record and spell your last name?

5106

5107 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5108 Timothy Lee Rediker, R-E-D-I-K-E-R.

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5110 **BRAD JERBIC**

5111 And, Mr. Rediker, by whom are you employed?

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5113 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5114 Aileen, Sir.

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5115 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5116 Use the mike, please.

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5118 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5119 I'm sorry. Aileen (inaudible).

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5121 **BRAD JERBIC**

5122 Turning your attention to, I believe that was 2006, did you have an altercation that involved

5123 Craig Luell and individuals from A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

5124

5125 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5126 Yes, I did.

5127

5128 **BRAD JERBIC**

5129 Do you remember the approximate date and location of that incident?

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5131 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5132 The 11th, 10/11/06, right in front of the courthouse on the corner of Clark and Third.

5133

5134 **BRAD JERBIC**

5135 And I repeat, by whom are you employed?

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5137 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5138 Special Memory.

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5140 **BRAD JERBIC**

5141 And what is Special Memory?

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5142 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5143 A wedding chapel.

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5145 **BRAD JERBIC**

5146 Is that a competitor, so to speak, of A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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5148 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5149 Yes, Sir.

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5151 **BRAD JERBIC**

5152 And do you know Craig Luell?

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5154 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5155 Yes I do.

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5157 **BRAD JERBIC**

5158 Do you know Chris Kendall?

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5160 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5161 Yes I do.

5162

5163 **BRAD JERBIC**

5164 Were they both present at the time of this incident?

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5166 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5167 Yes, there's documentation on the police records on that, yes.

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5169 **BRAD JERBIC**

5170 Please describe, for the Council, what happened on that day.

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5171 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5172 I was being continually taunted by The Garden of Love (sic). We try to keep it peaceful down
5173 there on our end. And Troy (sic) Manvilla or Rob Manvilla was making gestures, what have
5174 you, bumping into me and basically bumped into me one too many times. I turned, pushed him
5175 away from me, told him to leave me alone and next thing you know, I'm getting hit by him and
5176 jumped by four other Garden of Love (sic) employees. I grabbed Troy (sic) and pulled him in
5177 because I was thrown off balance, because I was attacked from the back and we all went to the
5178 ground. At that point in time, I was pretty much frightened for my life. You know, you got five
5179 guys on top of you at the time. One of them, Craig Luell, when I was down on the ground and I
5180 reached, we got towards the street side, Craig Luell came around the street side and kicked me in
5181 the head, which I have some pictures of that.

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5183 **BRAD JERBIC**

5184 I'm having some photographs marked at this time, Your Honor.

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5186 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5187 Can I see them?

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5189 **BRAD JERBIC**

5190 Did you bring those photographs for the Council Meeting today?

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5192 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5193 Yes, Sir, I did.

5194

5195 **BRAD JERBIC**

5196 Those photographs accurately depict the injuries that you sustained at the time of the beating you
5197 just described?

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5198 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5199 Yes, Sir, amongst lot of sore muscles in the back.

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5201 **BRAD JERBIC**

5202 Can you please describe anything that Craig Luell said during the course of this incident?

5203

5204 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5205 Well, there's always been threats from him ever since I got on the block. Back about a year ago,

5206 I was doing really well, bus, good business there on the corner and threatened many times to –

5207 stop because we were – doing really well down there.

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5209 **BRAD JERBIC**

5210 Prior to the date of the battery, were you threatened by Mr. Luell personally?

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5212 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5213 Yes, many times.

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5215 **BRAD JERBIC**

5216 What types of threats did Mr. Luell use toward you?

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5218 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5219 Physical threats, watch your back, we know where you live. I've even heard there's a lot – of

5220 stuff, lot of talk down – on the corner where Cheryl allegedly told somebody where I lived and to

5221 go to my house and to physically do harm to me. Now, I don't have anything to establish that

5222 but that, those are the type of things that I would hear, on a regular basis.

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5224 **BRAD JERBIC**

5225 Did you ever hear Cheryl Luell make any threats toward you or anybody associated with you?

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5226 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5227 Yes, sure. Yes, I did. It was like – you guys know, very competitive down there and for me
5228 showing up, I was the new kid on the block, I held myself very professional, different than other
5229 chapels. The first day I was there, I was threatened. I got five weddings the first day. They
5230 wanted to know where I was, where I was from, who I was and, basically, I wouldn't last and
5231 they would make sure of it that I wouldn't last.

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5233 **BRAD JERBIC**

5234 Did you witness the Luells, either Craig or Cheryl, make threats towards any other individuals
5235 involved in soliciting on behalf of competitive wedding chapels?

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5237 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5238 Yes, Sir. It was a constant thing. It was really discouraging because the wedding business here
5239 in Las Vegas –

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5241 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5242 Well, please, that's not responsive. The question was whether you heard the Luells threaten
5243 anybody else. The answer is yes or no, and you could say who, when, where.

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5245 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5246 Yes, Your Honor.

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5248 **BRAD JERBIC**

5249 Where they the same type of threats that you just described that were directed toward you and
5250 your chapel?

5251

5252 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5253 Yes, Sir.

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5254 **BRAD JERBIC**

5255 Did you ever know or see the Luells hire individuals off the street to harass individuals
5256 associated – with rival wedding chapels?

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5258 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5259 I don't understand the question.

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5261 **BRAD JERBIC**

5262 Have you ever known the Luells to hire anyone, a homeless person, or anyone like that, to harass
5263 individuals associated with other wedding chapels?

5264

5265 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5266 Not to my knowledge.

5267

5268 **BRAD JERBIC**

5269 Have you ever witnessed any other act of violence other than the one that you described that
5270 occurred to you as a result of employees working for A Garden of Love (sic)?

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5272 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5273 Yes, I have.

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5275 **BRAD JERBIC**

5276 What types of acts of violence have you witnessed?

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5278 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5279 Requests to take people back in the alleys and fight.

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5281 **BRAD JERBIC**

5282 Have you witnessed any of those fights?

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5283 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5284 Yes, I did.

5285

5286 **BRAD JERBIC**

5287 Have you witnessed fights between employees of A Las Vegas Garden of Love and other
5288 wedding chapels?

5289

5290 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5291 Yes, Sir.

5292

5293 **BRAD JERBIC**

5294 Who were those fights initiated by?

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5296 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5297 The Garden of Love (sic).

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5299 **BRAD JERBIC**

5300 Do you know the names of any of the individuals who acted on behalf of A Garden of Love (sic)
5301 who were involved in those fights?

5302

5303 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5304 I believe they're – no longer working there any more. I believe his name is Carlos and, oh man,
5305 I can't remember the other gentleman's name. He's Spanish though. Spanish gentleman.

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5307 **BRAD JERBIC**

5308 Turning your attention back to the incident, the battery incident you described earlier, did you
5309 file charges as a result of that incident?

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5310 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5311 Yes.

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5313 **BRAD JERBIC**

5314 What happened?

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5316 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5317 Basically, we all went to court ‘cause it was the, they started filing a restraining order. They’re
5318 filing a restraining order, back and forth, he said, she said. And as a business, we agreed on both
5319 ends to write up the documents to agree upon. We would leave each other alone, stay away from
5320 – each other.

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5322 **BRAD JERBIC**

5323 (Inaudible). No further questions, Your Honor.

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5325 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5326 All right. Any cross examination?

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5328 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5329 Briefly, Your Honor. You pled guilty to a battery, based on this incident, didn’t you?

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5331 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5332 Yes, I did.

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5334 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5335 In front of which Judge, do you recall?

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5337 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5338 No, I do not.

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5339 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5340 And do you know of your own knowledge whether or not Mr. Manvilla had pled guilty?

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5342 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5343 No, Sir.

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5345 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5346 Do you know of your own knowledge whether Mr. Luell has pled guilty?

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5348 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5349 No, Sir.

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5351 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5352 Now, you stated few minutes ago that you were doing business on a corner, on the corner, and
5353 you're doing very well. You were a handbiller, correct?

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5355 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5356 That's correct.

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5358 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5359 The only business you're allowed to do is to hand out brochures, correct?

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5361 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5362 That's correct.

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5364 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5365 How did you get five weddings if all you could do was hand out brochures and you couldn't
5366 solicit? You cannot solicit, can you?

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5367 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5368 No.

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5370 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5371 And you know it.

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5373 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5374 Yes.

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5376 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5377 But you, right here you got five weddings.

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5379 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5380 Sure.

5381

5382 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5383 By handing out brochures?

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5385 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5386 Yes, Sir.

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5388 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5389 Did you know a guy by the name of Ernesto? Did he work with you?

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5391 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5392 Yes, he did, for a short time.

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5393 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5394 Do you recall a time that you and Ernesto pushed Cheryl Luell into the bushes in front of the
5395 RJC?

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5397 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5398 Never. No.

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5400 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5401 Didn't happen?

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5403 **TIMOTHY LEE REDIKER**

5404 No.

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5406 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5407 Nothing further.

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5409 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5410 All right. Thank you. Anything further, Mr. Jerbic?

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5412 **BRAD JERBIC**

5413 No, Your Honor.

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5415 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5416 All right. Very good. You're excused, Sir.

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5418 **BRAD JERBIC**

5419 I would like to put the photographs on the overhead.

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5420 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5421 Well, we've seen them.

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5423 **BRAD JERBIC**

5424 Fair enough.

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5426 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5427 We've seen them. Next witness, please.

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5429 **BRAD JERBIC**

5430 Ashley Silver, please.

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5432 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

5433 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and
5434 correct?

5435

5436 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5437 Yes, I do.

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5439 **BRAD JERBIC**

5440 Thank you, Mr. Silver. Will you please state your full name and spell your last name for the
5441 record?

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5443 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5444 My first name is Ashley. My last name is Silver, like Gold.

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5446 **BRAD JERBIC**

5447 Thank you, Mr. Silver. And by whom are you employed?

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5448 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5449 I used to work for Cliff and I made a career move to Bell Transportation. And actually I'm here
5450 as, also as a liaison for the United Steel Workers.

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5452 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5453 No, common on. Mr. Jerbic, please.

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5455 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5456 Okay.

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5458 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5459 Have 'em answer the questions. Okay. Have you – talked to the gentleman?

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5461 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5462 I was in a bad, I was in a bad car wreck, Mr. Chairman.

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5464 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5465 Wait a second. Wait a second. Are you suffering from some disability that will preclude you –

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5467 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5468 Yes.

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5470 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5471 – from telling the truth?

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5473 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5474 No.

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5475 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5476 All right then, listen to the questions and give the answers.

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5478 **ASHLEY SILVER.**

5479 Okay.

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5481 **BRAD JERBIC**

5482 Turn your attention to May of 2004, were you involved in an incident involving Chris Kendall?

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5484 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5485 Yes.

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5487 **BRAD JERBIC**

5488 Can you describe that incident for the Council, please?

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5490 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5491 Yes. We were outside the courthouse and a couple, party of four, came up to where Chris and I
5492 were standing and they asked directions to the County Commissioners. They wanna go get
5493 married which was almost across the street. And I told 'em it's across the street from my
5494 wedding chapel and I handed them a brochure. Chris was trying to get them to get in his vehicle
5495 and he got upset that I, when I told him that our rates were the same as the Commissioners for a
5496 wedding, forty-five dollars. And as a handbiller, that time, I got minimum wage and five dollars
5497 per wedding, as an incentive. That – was the incentive. And I was driving limousine at the same
5498 time for them. But I – was, as I was saying, Chris Kendall started billy-butting me and then from
5499 billy-butting me, he head-butted me and I got a picture of – a cut across my head. And then Jeff
5500 Dukes came running over to defend me and Chris took him and threw him down on the grass,
5501 start kicking him in the head, on the courthouse lawn. This is the old courthouse. I got on my
5502 cell phone, which I have a picture of it too. I have a record of what time I was calling the Police
5503 Department to report it. Chris sees me on the phone, jumps up – from, he jumped through, he

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5504 came over and blindsided me, knocking the phone out of my hand. And even kept the record of
5505 the phone call. And then he, I guess, he was scared and jumped in his lim or his cad, his, Cheryl
5506 Luell's Cadillac. He was an acting driver for her and ran, took off. And I waited till the police
5507 got there and then I went but, Jeff, I think we went, I think we both went in the ambulance. Jeff
5508 was in bad shape. They – he kicked him pretty bad. And, as far as I heard the, the fact that I
5509 inserted the N-word to, about this black man, I don't do that. It is out of my character to call
5510 anybody the N-word or what race you are is entirely up –

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5512 **BRAD JERBIC**
5513 Stopping right there, Mr. Silver, stopping right there. Were charges filed as a result of this
5514 incident?

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5516 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5517 Yes, and –

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5519 **BRAD JERBIC**

5520 What happened as a result of the charges being filed?

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5522 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5523 He was found, oh, he plea-bargained. It was dropped from a felony battery to, let's see, a
5524 misdemeanor assault.

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5526 **BRAD JERBIC**

5527 Now you say he plea bargained.

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5529 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5530 (Inaudible) and a fine.

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5531 **BRAD JERBIC**

5532 Stopping right there. When you say he plea bargained are you referring to Chris Kendall?

5533

5534 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5535 Yes – a Chris Kendall.

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5537 **BRAD JERBIC**

5538 And as a result of the plea bargain, what did Mr. Kendall agree to plead guilty to or plead to
5539 period? What was the (inaudible)?

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5541 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5542 I believe he was on probation and he was told to stay away from me, which I made note, he
5543 didn't do that. He was still working for them and a couple times I almost got hit in the crosswalk
5544 by him driving his limo by my wedding chapel. He – never, he didn't even work for them for
5545 maybe a year or so afterwards. And, 'cause I'd heard him testify that he did leave right after that
5546 and that's not true.

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5548 **BRAD JERBIC**

5549 Stopping right there, stopping right there, Mr. Silver, was restitution ordered as part of the
5550 arrangement Mr. Kendall made with the court?

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5552 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5553 Three thousand something.

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5555 **BRAD JERBIC**

5556 Did you bring a copy of just one of the restitution checks that was paid to you?

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5558 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5559 Yes. I framed the first check because it was, to me it was a victory that –

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5560 **BRAD JERBIC**

5561 Stopping right there, Mr. Silver. Showing you something marked as Exhibit 7, is that a
5562 photocopy of one of the checks that you received as the alter restitution from Mr. Kendall?

5563

5564 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5565 Yeah. I, I'm proud that I won it from him. I sure as heck (inaudible) enjoy.

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5567 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5568 Okay. All right (inaudible), please.

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5570 **BRAD JERBIC**

5571 Thank you very much. I don't have any further questions.

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5573 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5574 That's fine. Mr. Stein.

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5576 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5577 Thank you, Your Honor. You're referring to working for Cliff, you said, on, in May of 2004?

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5579 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5580 Yes – I have that all here.

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5582 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5583 At that time you received a salary, minimum wage and bonuses?

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5585 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5586 And five dollars – per wedding. As I said, everybody did.

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5587 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5588 Were you a solicitor, Sir?

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5590 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5591 No, actually –

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5593 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5594 You a handbiller?

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5596 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5597 A handbiller and a, and a limousine driver. Somebody came by the limousine so –

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5599 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5600 Please answer the question. Just answer the question.

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5602 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5603 But, my question is you were – not a solicitor?

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5605 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5606 I said no, a handbilling.

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5608 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5609 And you got five dollars a couple for handbilling?

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5611 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5612 Yeah.

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5614 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5615 Every couple you gave a handbill to, you got five dollars?

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5616 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5617 No, no, no, no, no, no. – If (inaudible).

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5619 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5620 Everybody who you got –

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5622 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5623 Wait, wait, wait. One at a time.

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5625 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5626 Everybody who you got to come in for a wedding, you got five dollars?

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5628 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5629 I initialed the brochure. If they brought the brochure in to get married, then I would get credit
5630 for it.

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5632 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5633 And you talked to ‘em about it too, didn’t you, after you handed it to ‘em?

5634

5635 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5636 If they had a question about it, they would have to approach me, but I, it’s illegal to solicit.

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5638 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5639 Are you from the State of Oregon originally?

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5641 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5642 I have lived in Oregon and I know what you’re leading up to.

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5643 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5644 Now wait a second, just answer the question.

5645

5646 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5647 Yes, I have lived in Oregon. Yes.

5648

5649 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5650 Have you been there recently?

5651

5652 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5653 Yes, I have.

5654

5655 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5656 Were you sent there on a fugitive warrant, Sir?

5657

5658 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5659 There was a – matter of misintrop (sic) interpretation of facts. I – had to go to court on a tres
5660 (sic) (inaudible) illegal trespassing.

5661

5662 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5663 But you were sent there on a felony fugitive warrant?

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5665 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5666 Which was incorrect, yes Sir.

5667

5668 **BRAD JERBIC**

5669 Your Honor?

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5670 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5671 Yes.

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5673 **BRAD JERBIC**

5674 I, I've been giving Mr. Stein a lot of latitude here. And I know that we're not playing by rules

5675 here, but sometimes it seems we are and sometimes it seems we're not.

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5677 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5678 Well, I'd like to do it all the time but I, under the Administrative Procedure Act, I'm not

5679 permitted to.

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5681 **BRAD JERBIC**

5682 Well all I can say is, I – don't really care which way it is but if we're gonna talk about any

5683 criminal history including arrests, including misdemeanors –

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5685 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5686 That's fair.

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5688 **BRAD JERBIC**

5689 – that's fine then I'd like the same with the other witnesses.

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5691 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5692 That's fair.

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5694 **BRAD JERBIC**

5695 I've been playing by the rule but unless you've been convicted of a felony then I'm not bringing

5696 it up either.

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5697 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5698 All right, that's fair. Okay. That's fair Mr. Jerbic.

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5700 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5701 (Inaudible) I asked whether you went to Oregon or (inaudible).

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5703 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5704 All right, it's irrelevant at this point.

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5706 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5707 How many times have you called Cheryl Luell, the bitch?

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5709 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5710 Never. That is, I – have great respect for women.

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5712 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5713 All right, wait a second. Your answer is never.

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5715 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5716 Never. Yes.

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5718 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5719 You recall pushing Cheryl at the old courthouse, not the RJC, the old courthouse?

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5721 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5722 I find that is funny and I'll also, I'll take –

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5723 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5724 Just answer yes or no, please.

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5726 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5727 No.

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5729 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5730 ‘Cause I’m gonna make you sit down unless you answer the questions.

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5732 **ASHLEY SILVER**

5733 Okay. All right.

5734

5735 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5736 Nothing further.

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5738 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5739 Is that it?

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5741 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5742 Okay.

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5744 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5745 Have a seat.

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5747 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5748 Fine. Nothing more.

5749

5750 **BRAD JERBIC**

5751 Cierra Balderrama, please.

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5752 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

5753 Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and correct?

5754

5755 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5756 Yes, Ma'am.

5757

5758 **BRAD JERBIC**

5759 Will you please state your full name and spell your last name for the record.

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5761 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5762 Cierra Rae Balderrama. B, as in boy, -A-L-D-E-R-R-A-M-A.

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5764 **BRAD JERBIC**

5765 Well, thank you. Cierra, by whom are you employed?

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5767 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5768 I work for the Stained Glass Wedding Chapel.

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5770 **BRAD JERBIC**

5771 And prior to working for the Stained Glass Wedding –

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5773 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5774 (Inaudible) you have to speak into the mike, Mr. Jerbic, please.

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5776 **BRAD JERBIC**

5777 I'm sorry, Your Honor. I'm trying to rush this forward so quickly, I forget to (inaudible) the

5778 microphone.

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5779 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5780 I appreciate it. Believe me, I'd like to help you.

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5782 **BRAD JERBIC**

5783 I'm doing my best. How long have you worked for the Stained Glass Wedding Chapel?

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5785 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5786 A year and a half.

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5788 **BRAD JERBIC**

5789 And prior to working for Stained Glass, by whom were you employed?

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5791 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5792 A Garden of Love (sic), Cheryl Luell.

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5794 **BRAD JERBIC**

5795 And do you know Cheryl and Craig Luell?

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5797 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5798 Yes, Sir.

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5800 **BRAD JERBIC**

5801 And you know them through your employment at A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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5803 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5804 Yes, Sir, for over two years.

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5805 **BRAD JERBIC**

5806 What kind of work did you do for Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) while you were employed
5807 there?

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5809 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5810 When I first began, I was actually a tux and gown girl. I worked in the back in the tux's and
5811 gowns. I started selling stuff in the back as far as garters, black socks, additional upgrades,
5812 upgraded the flowers and I got moved to be a wedding coordinator in the front at 200 West
5813 Sahara.

5814

5815 **BRAD JERBIC**

5816 Very good. During the course of your being employed at Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic), did
5817 you come, become familiar with their policies or procedures regarding the use of witnesses'
5818 names on marriage licenses?

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5820 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5821 Yes.

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5823 **BRAD JERBIC**

5824 And what policy was employed regarding to the use of witnesses' names on marriage licenses?

5825

5826 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5827 Basically all the, Cheryl had three different chapels when I worked for her. We all have, all the
5828 coordinators have a desk. It's basically the check-in, check-out desk. Customers come in, you
5829 see if they have a reservation. If they do, you take their – marriage license and you have a
5830 witness sign, if they have their own witness. In the circumstances that somebody does not have
5831 a witness, either a coordinator would sign, who was not present during the ceremony, who was
5832 actually at – the front desk or one of the ministers would actually get somebody to sign for them.

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5833 **BRAD JERBIC**

5834 Approximately how many weddings would you do per day at A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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5836 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5837 We supposed that we were the number one chapel. We did fifteen hundred weddings a month.

5838 I'd say around forty, fifty on a good Saturday and Sunday, good weekend, holiday weekend.

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5840 **BRAD JERBIC**

5841 About how long would a wedding take?

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5843 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5844 Four minutes.

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5846 **BRAD JERBIC**

5847 Who, and you charge how much for that?

5848

5849 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5850 It went from forty five dollars all the way up to nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars, Angel of

5851 Love package.

5852

5853 **BRAD JERBIC**

5854 The, are you familiar with whether or not the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) did weddings off

5855 premises, that is outside of the building (inaudible).

5856

5857 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5858 Yes. Cheryl Luell refers to 'em as the Wild Wedding on Wheels.

5859

5860 **BRAD JERBIC**

5861 Did Cheryl herself do Weddings on Wheels?

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5862 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5863 She had, her chapel does perform ceremonies on wheels. She's never been to a, not that I know
5864 of, to the Bellagio, Mirage, Valley of Fire, nothing like that, herself, personally.

5865

5866 **BRAD JERBIC**

5867 Are you aware of whether or not A Las Vegas Garden of Love did business, or did weddings at
5868 the Bellagio, Mirage, other Strip locations and the Valley of Fire?

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5870 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5871 Yes, all the time.

5872

5873 **BRAD JERBIC**

5874 And it's your testimony you call those Weddings on Wheels?

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5876 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5877 Wild, yes, Sir.

5878

5879 **BRAD JERBIC**

5880 And that Ms. Luell didn't do those Weddings on Wheels; that is to say she would not be a
5881 witness for weddings at those locations?

5882

5883 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5884 Correct.

5885

5886 **BRAD JERBIC**

5887 And I assume –

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5888 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5889 She was always in the office.

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5891 **BRAD JERBIC**

5892 The Council saw earlier a list of weddings performed during December of 2006. Let's show Mr.

5893 Stein weddings performed on December 26, 2006. Turning your attention to two in particular.

5894 Sorry?

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5896 **STEPHEN STEIN**

5897 (Inaudible).

5898

5899 **BRAD JERBIC**

5900 If you could take a look. Does this purport to be a marriage certificate from December 26, 2006?

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5902 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5903 By the way –

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5905 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5906 Yes it does, but I did not work there at that time.

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5908 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5909 Ma'am. Oh, you were not employed there at that time?

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5911 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5912 No, Sir.

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5914 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5915 So you're just reading the document?

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5916 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5917 That is what is in front of me, yeah.

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5919 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5920 Okay, Mr. Jerbic you can read it as well.

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5922 **BRAD JERBIC**

5923 I'll just, I'll have this moved as evidence. It's from the Clerk's Office and I'll just summarize it
5924 in my closing.

5925

5926 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5927 Fine. Very good. Well, there may not be a closing.

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5929 **BRAD JERBIC**

5930 The, are you fami, do you know whether or not Ms. Luell ever had permission to do weddings
5931 off-premises at the Mirage or – Bellagio or any locations on the Strip?

5932

5933 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5934 No. We would have to sneak actually at the Bellagio. The Bellagio started getting, hearing
5935 about her doing ceremonies out there, so we'd have to, if we booked a ceremony, say, at dark,
5936 they're usually at dark, after dark cause the lights go off with the fountains at the same time and
5937 that's for the photo reasons for the bride and groom. One of the main reason they get married at
5938 the Bellagio. We are a couple thousand dollars cheaper than the Bellagio prices at their chapel.
5939 I'm sorry, say the question again.

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5941 **BRAD JERBIC**

5942 I'll say, I think you answered it. The, did you have permission to be at the Valley of Fire?

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5943 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5944 Sometimes, no, not at the Valley of Fire. I'm thinking of Lake Las Vegas. If you had –

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5946 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

5947 Wait a sec, please.

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5949 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5950 I'm sorry.

5951

5952 **BRAD JERBIC**

5953 Okay. Did you ever perform wedding ceremonies at Lake Las Vegas?

5954

5955 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5956 Yes, we did.

5957

5958 **BRAD JERBIC**

5959 And did you have permission to be at, in the establishments out there when you were
5960 performing?

5961

5962 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5963 Only when they were getting married on the yacht, which you had to get a – permit.

5964

5965 **BRAD JERBIC**

5966 Are you familiar with the sales tactics utilized by A – Las Vegas Garden of Love?

5967

5968 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5969 With handbilling as well as inside, yeah.

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5970 **BRAD JERBIC**

5971 Have you any knowledge of Craig and Cheryl Luell's involvement in training individuals to
5972 handbill or solicit on their behalf?

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5974 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5975 Yeah.

5976

5977 **BRAD JERBIC**

5978 Have you witnessed that training?

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5980 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5981 Yes.

5982

5983 **BRAD JERBIC**

5984 What have you heard Craig and Cheryl Luell do with respect to training individuals to solicit or
5985 handbill on their behalf?

5986

5987 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5988 The matter they say is, if we can't get 'em, nobody can.

5989

5990 **BRAD JERBIC**

5991 What does that mean?

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5993 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

5994 Basically it means that if – Garden of Love (sic) cannot pull the ceremony and they think it's
5995 going to a different direction, to another wedding chapel, they will actually tell them whatever
5996 they can about the other chapel to detour them from going to their chapel.

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5997 **BRAD JERBIC**

5998 Have you heard individuals who solicit or handbill on behalf of Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic)
5999 told to stop sales to other wedding chapels?

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6001 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6002 Stop sales to other wedding chapels?

6003

6004 **BRAD JERBIC**

6005 That is prevent somebody else from getting the business –

6006

6007 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6008 Oh yeah.

6009

6010 **BRAD JERBIC**

6011 – (inaudible).

6012

6013 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6014 That's what I just said.

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6016 **BRAD JERBIC**

6017 Have you ever heard the types of tactics that they were to use in stopping those?

6018

6019 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6020 Uh huh, they would make rumors that people don't have business licenses; that people are
6021 churches and they don't have a business license. We've, I've heard her say that, I've said it,
6022 when I worked for her, that people had cockroaches in their wedding gowns and that you're
6023 getting married at a house and not a church. I've heard it all.

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6024 **BRAD JERBIC**

6025 Have you heard anybody recommend to the handbillers or solicitors on behalf of A Las Vegas
6026 Garden of Love that they should use violence or threatening tactics to prevent sales to other
6027 chapels?

6028

6029 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6030 If this counts, she, say, repeat the question one more time.

6031

6032 **BRAD JERBIC**

6033 Have you ever heard Cheryl Luell or Craig Luell recommend the use of threats or violence to
6034 any of their employees to support business to another chapel?

6035

6036 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6037 No. But when it does happen, they're patted on the back.

6038

6039 **BRAD JERBIC**

6040 No.

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6042 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6043 No. The answer –

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6045 **BRAD JERBIC**

6046 No. Stop.

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6048 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6049 The answer was no.

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6050 **BRAD JERBIC**

6051 The, are you, have you ever been present when Craig and Cheryl Luell were at or about the
6052 Regional Justice Center during business hours soliciting business on behalf of A Las Vegas
6053 Garden of Love?

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6055 **CIERRA RAE BALDERAMA**

6056 Was I ever present? I'm sorry, one more time.

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6058 **BRAD JERBIC**

6059 Have you ever seen Craig or Cheryl Luell solicit business on behalf of A Las Vegas Garden of
6060 Love?

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6062 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6063 Yes, Sir.

6064

6065 **BRAD JERBIC**

6066 Have you observed the tactics they used?

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6068 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6069 Yes, Sir.

6070

6071 **BRAD JERBIC**

6072 What type of tactics did they use?

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6074 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6075 Basically, Cheryl's a very quick talker. She goes out there and she's very good at what she does
6076 and she can sell, sell, sell. If by chance the couple does wanna go with a different chapel or
6077 maybe doesn't want anything to do with it, the chapels down there, and wanna go home and just
6078 get into a taxi.

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6079 **BRAD JERBIC**

6080 Okay. Let me turn your attention to the license them, themselves. Have you been present during
6081 the last coupla days of testimony, that is today and Wednesday, where it was, the actual wedding
6082 licenses themselves and their filing with the Clerk of the Court were discussed?

6083

6084 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6085 Yes, Sir.

6086

6087 **BRAD JERBIC**

6088 What is the policy of the Las Vegas Garden of Love (sic) for the filing of licenses when someone
6089 had been married at the chapel?

6090

6091 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6092 Okay. Just to let you know, we do what we call, expedited services of marriage certificates.
6093 Couples pay an additional forty-five dollars to have their marriage license expedited, which
6094 means in a quicker manner than the County can get it within the forty-five days. So, if we sell
6095 certified copies for an additional price, and we promise it to them the next day, 'cause they're
6096 gonna be back the next day to pick it up for immigration reasons, or name change, or whatever
6097 reason being., then we would literally take the licenses down to the Clark County Recorder's
6098 office on 500 South Rancho, Grand Central Parkway and turn them into the little box.

6099

6100 **BRAD JERBIC**

6101 Were you a –

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6103 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6104 And that was whoever was available.

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6105 **BRAD JERBIC**

6106 Was that ever the practice to the, to have the ministers' do it and not the employees?

6107

6108 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6109 I, the only minister I've ever, ever known of, turning in his own licenses is a minister by the

6110 name of Broad (sic), Bob Pregmore. He only did a coupla whiles for us.

6111

6112 **BRAD JERBIC**

6113 Okay. I don't have any further questions.

6114

6115 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6116 All right, fine. Mr. Stein.

6117

6118 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6119 Just a couple, Your Honor. You do weddings at the Bellagio where you're presently employed?

6120

6121 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6122 For Cheryl Luell, yeah. (Inaudible)

6123

6124 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6125 You still work for Cheryl Luell?

6126

6127 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6128 No.

6129

6130 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6131 Where do you work at?

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6132 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6133 The Stained Glass Wedding Chapel.

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6135 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6136 Does the Stained Glass Wedding Chapel do weddings outside the Bellagio?

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6138 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6139 I have never, no, I've never been down there to do a wedding nor have I ever pitched a wedding.

6140

6141 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6142 Are you, is your maiden name, you were called up as Cierra Balderrama.

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6144 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6145 Yea, that's my married name.

6146

6147 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6148 That's your married name.

6149

6150 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6151 Yes, Sir.

6152

6153 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6154 Was your maiden name, Shelven?

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6156 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6157 Yes, Sir.

6158

6159 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6160 Were you convicted of a felony burglary charge in California?

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6161 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6162 Not that I know of. No, Sir.

6163

6164 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6165 You know whether or not there's a warrant out for you for burglary and receiving stolen
6166 property?

6167

6168 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6169 Not that I know of.

6170

6171 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6172 Okay. I'll give you a case number, you can check it out in Victorville, okay?

6173

6174 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6175 I'm sorry?

6176

6177 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6178 If I give you the case number you can check it out in Victorville?

6179

6180 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6181 I don't know what that has to do with it.

6182

6183 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6184 Nothing.

6185

6186 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6187 Okay.

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6188 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6189 The licenses that you testified about, the witnesses' name.

6190

6191 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6192 Yeah.

6193

6194 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6195 We, if, every wedding that you witnessed, that you knew occurred in the chapel, were there
6196 photographers present taking pictures?

6197

6198 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6199 I'm –

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6201 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6202 Wait. But it's a not a question yet.

6203

6204 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6205 Were photographers present at a great majority of the weddings?

6206

6207 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6208 At a great majority, yes, but not all the time.

6209

6210 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6211 And if not a photographer, would other people be present on occasion?

6212

6213 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6214 On a very cheap package, the photos are done prior to, three posed pictures on a forty-five dollar
6215 wedding, which means the minister would only be in the room with a couple because the
6216 photographer already printed his photos.

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6217 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6218 But other people could be in the room with the couple?

6219

6220 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6221 If they had their own witnesses, yeah.

6222

6223 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6224 Is the husband, was your husband a handbiller for Garden of Love Chapel (sic) while you

6225 worked there?

6226

6227 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6228 Yes, he was.

6229

6230 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6231 And did you solicit couples with him at the courthouse?

6232

6233 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6234 I did. Even now when we didn't, when we did at the last lot. Yes, Sir, I verbally solicited as I

6235 was told by (inaudible) Luell.

6236

6237 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6238 You scheduled it with Stained Glass?

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6240 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6241 I'm sorry.

6242

6243 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6244 Were you outside the RJC?

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6245 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6246 I do supervise some of my employees that work down there, yeah.

6247

6248 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6249 Are you a solicitor?

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6251 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6252 No.

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6254 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6255 Do you have a solicitor's license?

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6257 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6258 Do I have a solici, no, because I'm not a solicitor.

6259

6260 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6261 Nothing further.

6262

6263 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6264 All right. Mr. Jerbic.

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6266 **BRAD JERBIC**

6267 Nothing more, Your Honor.

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6269 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6270 All right, you're excused then.

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6271 **CIERRA RAE BALDERRAMA**

6272 Thank you.

6273

6274 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6275 All right.

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6277 **BRAD JERBIC**

6278 Mike Joseph.

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6280 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

6281 Please raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today is true and

6282 correct?

6283

6284 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6285 I do, Ma'am.

6286

6287 **BRAD JERBIC**

6288 Thank you. Mr. Joseph can you state your full name and spell your last name for the record.

6289

6290 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6291 Michael A. Joseph, J-O-S-E-P-H.

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6293 **BRAD JERBIC**

6294 Mr. Joseph, by whom are you employed?

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6296 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6297 I'm not employed. I'm on Social Security Disability.

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6298 **BRAD JERBIC**

6299 Clerk, Council's indulgence for a moment, Your Honor.

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6301 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6302 Certainly.

6303

6304 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6305 (Inaudible) Stained Glass, I mean my –

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6307 **BRAD JERBIC**

6308 They're going, if I can turn your attention to May of 2004, and we're at Tab 8 in your books.

6309 Have you had an opportunity to read a document titled Affidavit that appears before Tab 8 in this

6310 three-ring binder I'm showing you?

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6312 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6313 That's about the witnessing –

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6315 **BRAD JERBIC**

6316 Yes.

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6318 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6319 Yes, that's me.

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6321 **BRAD JERBIC**

6322 Have you had a chance to read that prior to my calling you as a witness?

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6324 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6325 Yes. Yes.

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6326 **BRAD JERBIC**

6327 Is that a true and an accurate statement that you gave on May 30th, 2003?

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6329 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6330 Yes, Sir, it is.

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6332 **BRAD JERBIC**

6333 And will you please describe for the Council who you were working for on that day.

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6335 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6336 I was working for Cheryl Luell at A Las Vegas Garden of Love.

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6338 **BRAD JERBIC**

6339 And what did you do for Cheryl?

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6341 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6342 I was a handbiller.

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6344 **BRAD JERBIC**

6345 And what happened on that particular day?

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6347 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6348 I witnessed Cheryl talking to a street person and asked her to beat up a compe, competitor, Don

6349 Zembod, a sixty-three year old man. And I told her not to do that; she'll lose her license and go

6350 to jail. She told me to shut my mouth and mind my own business. And that's, was it. And then

6351 he was beaten up two days later. I believe it was two days later.

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6353 **BRAD JERBIC**

6354 Did you phone in a report regarding –

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6355 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6356 I went to the Police Department and talked to them and made, filled out a report that she had
6357 threatened a, had this man beaten up and then Reverend Smith had seen the man beat up and the
6358 money exchange hands. And he was actually beaten up. A sixty-three year old man.

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6360 **BRAD JERBIC**

6361 Did it come a time when you quit working for A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

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6363 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6364 Yes, when, and she had one of her employees jump me out on the front of the courthouse steps,
6365 and he was a younger boxer and he jumped me. He said this is a pay back and I don't know why
6366 they meant by a pay back. But this is when he jumped me and I got in the truck, went back to
6367 Cheryl Luell's and said I quit and left her the truck and I walked all the way home. And I was
6368 trying to make a little extra money to – get ahead. I'm allowed to make that on Social Security
6369 disability, Sir.

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6371 **BRAD JERBIC**

6372 Did the Luell's still owe you money when you quit?

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6374 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6375 Yes, she owed me forty dollars.

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6377 **BRAD JERBIC**

6378 Did you request that money from 'em?

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6380 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6381 Yes, I called and left a recording on her tele, telephone a coupla times about my money, trying to
6382 get my money back and she, you know, she said she was gonna send Craig over to beat me up.

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6383 **BRAD JERBIC**

6384 Did you put that in your statement?

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6386 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6387 Yes, Sir.

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6389 **BRAD JERBIC**

6390 Is that the last, few last sentences on page one? You said quote, she said to you, I'm going to
6391 have Craig come to your apartment and whip you're "A", unquote?

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6393 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6394 Yes, Sir.

6395

6396 **BRAD JERBIC**

6397 Turning your attention to May 19, 2003, did you happen to be in the vicinity of a parking lot at
6398 215 South Third Street?

6399

6400 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6401 Yes, Sir, I did.

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6403 **BRAD JERBIC**

6404 What happened at that location?

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6406 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6407 I – heard Chris Kendall and a guy named Jamaica and, that they were planning to attack a
6408 Bureau, the owner of the Bureau and they were gonna hit him and everything and they, Cheryl
6409 said they'd give 'em twenty dollars or something like that and then the other one wanted forty
6410 and they, I went and told Chris, Mr. Everett (sic) that they were gonna do this to him and he
6411 needs to go or call the Police.

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6412 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6413 Okay.

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6415 **BRAD JERBIC**

6416 Do you know an individual by the name of Jesse Daniels?

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6418 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6419 Jesse Daniels? I don't really know him.

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6421 **BRAD JERBIC**

6422 Did you see an individual come up to the podium today to testify who identified himself as Jesse

6423 Daniels?

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6425 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6426 Yes, I did. Yes, I did.

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6428 **BRAD JERBIC**

6429 Did he identify himself as an employee or a person who worked for A Las Vegas Garden of

6430 Love?

6431

6432 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6433 Yes, Sir, he did.

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6435 **BRAD JERBIC**

6436 Did you see Mr. Daniels, Wednesday, last week during the course of this Council Meeting?

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6438 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6439 Yes, Sir, he came by me and told me not to testify.

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6440 **BRAD JERBIC**

6441 And where did that occur?

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6443 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6444 Out here in the parking, in the courtyard.

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6446 **BRAD JERBIC**

6447 Just outside of the Council Chambers here?

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6449 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6450 Yes Sir, right.

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6452 **BRAD JERBIC**

6453 Was that during the break, between the morning session and the afternoon session?

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6455 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6456 Yes, Sir.

6457

6458 **BRAD JERBIC**

6459 Had you ever seen Mr. Daniels prior to him telling you not to testify during the course of the
6460 break?

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6462 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6463 (Inaudible) I didn't know who he was until I found out who he was and that, it scared me.

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6465 **BRAD JERBIC**

6466 Thank you, Mr. Joseph. I have no more questions.

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6467 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6468 Very briefly, Mr. Joseph.

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6470 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6471 Yes, Sir.

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6473 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6474 While you were working for Cheryl, did she buy you food on many occasions?

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6476 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6477 Yes she did buy me food.

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6479 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6480 And did she take you shopping on several occasions?

6481

6482 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6483 Not shopping. Never shopping.

6484

6485 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6486 Buy things for you? Buy food.

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6488 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6489 She bought a hamburgers (sic) and stuff like that but she did that to all the – handbillers.

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6491 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6492 She take you to, did she take you to your apartment on several occasions to help you?

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6494 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6495 To let me off. Yes, Sir. She gave me a ride.

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6496 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6497 (Inaudible).

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6499 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6500 That's it? All right, have a seat, Sir.

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6502 **MICHAEL A. JOSEPH**

6503 Thank you, sir.

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6505 **BRAD JERBIC**

6506 Thank you. My last witness will be Lieutenant Gasper.

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6508 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

6509 Do you solemnly swear that the testimony you provide today is true and correct?

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6511 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6512 I do.

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6514 **BRAD JERBIC**

6515 Did you put, sorry. Could you please state your full name and spell your last name for the
6516 record?

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6518 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6519 George Gasper. My last name is G-L-A-S-P-E-R.

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6521 **BRAD JERBIC**

6522 And Lieutenant Gasper by whom are you employed?

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6523 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6524 Umm, Clark County Courts.

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6526 **BRAD JERBIC**

6527 And do you work at the Regional Justice Center?

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6529 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6530 I am. I am the Lieutenant Marshal for the Regional Justice Center.

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6532 **BRAD JERBIC**

6533 In your capacity as Lieutenant Marshal for the Regional Justice Center, are you familiar with

6534 activities of solicitors and handbillers who act on behalf of wedding chapels here in the City of

6535 Las Vegas?

6536

6537 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6538 I am.

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6540 **BRAD JERBIC**

6541 Are you familiar with individuals who act on behalf of a chapel called A Las Vegas Chapel of

6542 Love?

6543

6544 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6545 I'm familiar with them through reports and complaints. I am.

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6547 **BRAD JERBIC**

6548 Is it your job to receive those complaints and forward them on for appropriate action?

6549

6550 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6551 Yes.

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6552 **BRAD JERBIC**

6553 The, in the course of your working at the, how long have you worked at the Regional Justice
6554 Center in this capacity?

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6556 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6557 I've been a lieutenant since August 13th.

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6559 **BRAD JERBIC**

6560 And how long have you been at the Regional Justice Center?

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6562 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6563 Almost five years.

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6565 **BRAD JERBIC**

6566 And while you, in that five year period, do you receive complaints about the conduct of various
6567 individuals acting as handbillers or solicitors?

6568

6569 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6570 I do.

6571

6572 **BRAD JERBIC**

6573 Can you tell us what percentage of those complaints involve A Las Vegas Garden of Love versus
6574 the other wedding chapels combined?

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6576 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6577 I would say approximately ninety percent of the complaint (sic) complaints I get are against A
6578 Garden of Love (sic) handbillers.

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6579 **BRAD JERBIC**

6580 Do you also have occasion to observe video (sic) of individuals soliciting in front of the
6581 courthouse?

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6583 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6584 We did.

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6586 **BRAD JERBIC**

6587 Have you had occasion personally to view videos of individuals soliciting on behalf of A Las
6588 Vegas Garden of Love?

6589

6590 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6591 Yes.

6592

6593 **BRAD JERBIC**

6594 Can you describe whether, did the manner in which they solicit individuals based on your
6595 viewing of those video tapes?

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6597 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6598 In particular, a video that we took last Thursday, we started trying to keep track of things now
6599 because we're getting so many complaints. And what we've done is we, in the past they never
6600 identified who the handbillers worked for. Since I've been the lieutenant, I've tried to identify
6601 them and most of the complaints that I get are from just about all of the wedding chapels. And
6602 most of 'em involve some sort of intimidation, aggressiveness involved with the Garden of Love
6603 (sic).

6604 I bought (sic) a, I bought (sic) those stills and these are some videos that we took. This was
6605 taken last Thursday by our camera that we have outside. And in it we have a, it's a white female
6606 that we don't know who she works for, but she's out attempting to do her handbill thing. We
6607 have other folks that we've identified as Garden of Love (sic) employees that are making threats,

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6608 appear to be making threats. We don't have audio, but they're making aggressive moves toward
6609 her. We took pictures of these individuals and I bought (sic) 'em in today; one is a Hispanic
6610 male. We've identified him as Rob (inaudible) works, is part owner of the Garden – of Love
6611 (sic), is what we have here. Another one that we have is a Craig. He was observed (inaudible).
6612 I tried to bring the officer in. I'd like to point out that we have dispatchers that monitor the
6613 cameras and the officers would go in and watch them when we dispatch the calls and then he
6614 tells them what's going on.

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6616 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6617 Excuse me, Mayor.

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6619 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6620 Yes.

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6622 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6623 I would like to show on the overhead the printout that the Lieutenant here referred to. Like the
6624 last one, this one.

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6626 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6627 Just that one?

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6629 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6630 That you referred to Craig, Luell.

6631

6632 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6633 Yeah.

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6634 **BRAD JERBIC**

6635 Your Honor, I would – like the record to reflect the witness did not say Craig Luell. I think he
6636 said Craig.

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6638 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6639 Craig.

6640

6641 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6642 It's obvious looking at it, it is him.

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6644 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6645 All right. (Inaudible)

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6647 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6648 Actually have taken pictures of everyone that work out there, all the handbillers. We just film
6649 and taken them all and –

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6651 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6652 You know who this is?

6653

6654 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6655 No. Well it says on the bottom, I believe.

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6657 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6658 That's true. That's true. Well this is a, with all due respect, what we're interested in, Mr. Jerbic,
6659 is we're interested in finding out the thought process of Mr. Difiore when he made his
6660 determination that he was not going to renew the license. This takes place after we began this
6661 hearing so I'm going to say it's irrelevant and disregard everything we've heard concerning this.

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6662 **BRAD JERBIC**

6663 For the record, Your Honor, I didn't ask the question. Mr. Stein did.

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6665 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6666 Okay, but –

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6668 **BRAD JERBIC**

6669 I'm stopped by asking him what –

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6671 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6672 I understand. Whatever this witness is testifying to that took place after Mr. Difiore made his
6673 decision may be grounds for another day, but not for today.

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6675 **BRAD JERBIC**

6676 I have no problem with that. I didn't intend to go there in the first place.

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6678 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6679 Okay. Fine.

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6681 **BRAD JERBIC**

6682 I have no further questions for Lieutenant Glasper.

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6684 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6685 All right.

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6687 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6688 No questions.

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6689 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6690 All right. Thank you Lieutenant.

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6692 **GEORGE GLASPER**

6693 Thank you, Sir

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6695 **BRAD JERBIC**

6696 Thank you. My counter witness will be Steven Smith.

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6698 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6699 (Inaudible)

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6701 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

6702 Please raise your right hand, please. Do you solemnly swear the testimony you provide today
6703 will be true and correct?

6704

6705 **STEVEN SMITH**

6706 I do.

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6708 **BRAD JERBIC**

6709 Thank you. Will you please state your full name and spell your last name for the record?

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6711 **STEVEN SMITH**

6712 Steven Smith, S-M-I-T-H.

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6714 **BRAD JERBIC**

6715 And Reverend Smith, by whom are you employed?

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6716 **STEVEN SMITH**

6717 The Downtown Community Church.

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6719 **BRAD JERBIC**

6720 And in your capacity with, how long have you been with the Downtown Community Church?

6721

6722 **STEVEN SMITH**

6723 Since about 2000.

6724

6725 **BRAD JERBIC**

6726 Now, are you familiar with the solicitation activities around the Regional Justice Center

6727 involving A Las Vegas Garden of Love?

6728

6729 **STEVEN SMITH**

6730 My personal knowledge of it dates back a couple of years ago, but I haven't been around the

6731 courthouse for many years.

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6733 **BRAD JERBIC**

6734 Have you heard of an incident that occurred back in 2004 involving an individual by the name of

6735 John Zarembo?

6736

6737 **STEVEN SMITH**

6738 I'm aware of it and I was there. I don't remember what year it was.

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6740 **BRAD JERBIC**

6741 Very good. Can you describe for the Council the incident that you observed?

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6742 **STEVEN SMITH**

6743 Well there was (sic) two incidents actually, as I remember, and they were one night after
6744 another, the very next night. And John had been homeless for many years –

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6746 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6747 Ob, Objection. I have to – stop this really. It's cumulative at this point. Does the witness have
6748 anything in addition to what we've heard already?

6749

6750 **BRAD JERBIC**

6751 We can (inaudible) together the last piece of who paid who regarding this particular beating.

6752

6753 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6754 Why don't you – ask?

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6756 **BRAD JERBIC**

6757 Did you see any money exchange hand –

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6759 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6760 There you go.

6761

6762 **BRAD JERBIC**

6763 – during the course of the incident involving Mr. Zaremba?

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6765 **STEVEN SMITH**

6766 I saw money being changed hands from Lara (sic) Cheryl Luell to a homeless man.

6767

6768 **BRAD JERBIC**

6769 And what role did the homeless man play in the incident involving Mr. Zaremba?

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6770 **STEVEN SMITH**

6771 When Mr. Zarembo came back from a block down the street, he told me he had just gotten
6772 beaten up by this man.

6773

6774 **BRAD JERBIC**

6775 Very good. I have no other questions, Your Honor.

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6777 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6778 Mr. Stein?

6779

6780 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6781 None.

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6783 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6784 None? All right, you're excused, Sir. Thank you.

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6786 **BRAD JERBIC**

6787 Your Honor, that's it.

6788

6789 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6790 All right, very good. Is there any rebuttal?

6791

6792 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6793 Yes, Sir. I'll leave this with you rather than (inaudible). I have here –

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6795 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6796 You have to talk into the mike.

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6797 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6798 I have here some (inaudible) which directly contradicts some of the testimony that Mr. Jerbic put
6799 on. For instance, Cierra Balderrama stated that she never sold Bellagio wedding (sic). There's a
6800 video here of her selling Bellagio wedding (sic) at –

6801

6802 **CHERYL LUELL**

6803 The chapel.

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6805 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6806 – the chapel. Larry Threadgill said he has never been threatened –

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6808 **CHERYL LUELL**

6809 By the Garden of Love (sic).

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6811 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6812 – by the Garden of Love (sic) only Stained Glass. No, the other way around.

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6814 **CHERYL LUELL**

6815 Larry Threadgill (inaudible).

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6817 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6818 All right. Wait. You're not testifying now. Mr. Stein.

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6820 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6821 We – have here a video tape contradicting his testimony. There also is a DVD tape which is in
6822 your car?

6823

6824 **CHERYL LUELL**

6825 (Inaudible).

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6826 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6827 (Inaudible)

6828

6829 **CHERYL LUELL**

6830 Um huh.

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6832 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6833 They're on here and they directly contradict quite a bit of the testimony produced in rebuttal.

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6835 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6836 All right, now I, let me ask you this question. Where did – you get these DVDs?

6837

6838 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6839 From Cheryl Luell.

6840

6841 **CHERYL LUELL**

6842 I –

6843

6844 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6845 Okay, and when were they taken?

6846

6847 **CHERYL LUELL**

6848 Recently, down at the RJC, the whole time when I was working down at the RJC. You're gonna

6849 see some from the old courthouse, some from the new courthouse.

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6851 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6852 But we're not going to see them obviously.

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6853 **CHERYL LUELL**

6854 Oh, I'm sorry.

6855

6856 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6857 It's all right. All right. Thank you Mr. Stein. Anything else?

6858

6859 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6860 Nothing

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6862 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6863 All right. That winds it up. You know this, you can put that into evidence if you'd like, Mr.

6864 Stein.

6865

6866 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6867 Yeah, okay.

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6869 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6870 The record should reflect that we haven't heard it nor seen it. The evidence is fresh in our

6871 minds. I, do you want to make some kind of a closing statement?

6872

6873 **BRAD JERBIC**

6874 I –

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6876 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6877 It's really not necessary, I don't believe, because we have heard this evidence and if there's

6878 something you wanna point out to us that you think is extraordinary, we'd be happy to hear from

6879 you. But I think that we – certainly understand the – presentation of the evidence here. We have

6880 listened very carefully as a Council and I believe that we're ready to consider a motion. Yes,

6881 Councilwoman.

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6882 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

6883 The only concern I have is if the – videotapes do show that someone was lying and so far
6884 nothing has shown that.

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6886 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6887 Well, if – you wanna play the, do you have some machine? You wanna play the video tape to
6888 her?

6889

6890 **CHERYL LUELL**

6891 (Inaudible) a DVD player coming.

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6893 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6894 They have a DVD player on the way, Your Honor. I thought maybe the Council can (inaudible).

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6896 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6897 No. I – don't believe that we do. Do we have a DVD –

6898

6899 **DIANA PAUL**

6900 We might be able to have (inaudible).

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6902 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6903 No, I – really don't think it's necessary. Do you want us to – levy this, Mr. Stein? All right, we
6904 gonna levy. We're in recess.

6905

6906 **END OF RELATED DISCUSSION – RESUMED RELATED DISCUSSION**

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6908 **COUNCILMAN BARLOW**

6909 Mayor, before they play, just once again, what are we looking for?

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6910 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6911 We're looking for contradictions apparently. But these DVDs apparently were taken outside the
6912 Regional Justice Center and that the representation by Counsel that it contradicts testimony of
6913 the witnesses. Let's see it.

6914

6915 **DIANA PAUL**

6916 Sir?

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6918 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6919 Yes.

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6921 **DIANA PAUL**

6922 (Inaudible) How many DVDs do we have? Do you want to review –

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6924 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6925 How many are these?

6926

6927 **DIANA PAUL**

6928 – the five on the end?

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6930 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6931 You want these all played, Mr. Stein?

6932

6933 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6934 No, Sir, I don't want 'em all played.

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6936 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6937 How many do we want to play? We have Stained Glass Chapel –

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6938 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6939 (Inaudible) Stained Glass.

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6941 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6942 Well we have two Stained Glass Chapels.

6943

6944 **CHERYL LUELL**

6945 (Inaudible)

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6947 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6948 Stained, two of the Stained.

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6950 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6951 All right, we've got (inaudible), Why – don't you play for us what you want and don't put the
6952 others in the record.

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6954 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6955 No, Sir.

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6957 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6958 Anything you want us to hear and see, we'll hear. The rest don't go into the record. I don't care.
6959 I don't have to see it first. Nope, unless, there's no pornography on there is there?

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6961 **UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER**

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6964 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6965 Okay, fine. Then we'll see it.

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6966 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

6967 Vulgarity or –

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6969 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6970 Well if it's vulgarity, that's fine. As long as it's not pornographic.

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6972 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

6973 (Inaudible)

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6975 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6976 What? Well, that's up to him to play.

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6978 **CHERYL LUELL**

6979 (Inaudible).

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6981 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6982 Well go with her, go with her. And then come back and explain what's on there.

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6984 **COUNCILMAN BROWN**

6985 (Inaudible).

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6987 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6988 No. May I ask what we're waiting for?

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6990 **STEPHEN STEIN**

6991 They're putting in the video, in the good player in the back room. I don't know. I guess it will
6992 come on the TV screen.

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6993 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

6994 I don't know how it works.

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6996 **DIANA PAUL**

6997 (Inaudible).

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6999 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7000 Whatever you want to do, you can do it. We're all set? All right, let's play 'em. (Inaudible)

7001 have this marked? What is this?

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7003 **(VIDEO PLAYING)**

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7005 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7006 It's the Stained Glass Chapel.

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7008 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7009 Do we have that shot at, like at (inaudible) as to when this was taken? Who took it? Where it
7010 was taken, or are we just watching movies?

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7012 **COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN**

7013 Because Mr. Mayor we were told that some of the statements made today were not true and
7014 that's what these are supposed to show.

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7016 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7017 No, but I'd like to find out when was this taken.

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7019 **CHERYL LUELL**

7020 It was taken after Cierra left Garden of Love (sic) and went to work at Stained Glass Wedding
7021 Chapel because there were a lot of allegations against us.

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7022 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7023 And who took it?

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7025 **CHERYL LUELL**

7026 Celeste Landry took it along with Jasper and she was acting like she was a, bride. You'll – see
7027 why we took the video.

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7029 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7030 Do you really wanna to see that? Do we really wanna see this?

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7032 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

7033 (Inaudible) and also we can take (inaudible) videos.

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7035 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7036 Okay, I've seen enough of it. Next.

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7038 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7039 Next one. Where is the next one?

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7041 **CHERYL LUELL**

7042 (Inaudible).

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7044 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

7045 (Inaudible).

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7047 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7048 She said that she was talking about a, weddings at the Bellagio, when she said she never sold
7049 weddings at the Bellagio. It's so opinionated at this point.

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7050 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

7051 She didn't tell us that.

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7053 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7054 No. It's so opinionated. I'll – accept proffers in, instead of watching this because this is just
7055 wasting our time.

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7057 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7058 The other one is Larry Threadgill saying he never was, sorry. Larry Threadgill saying he was
7059 never threatened by the Garden of Love (sic), he was threatened by some other chapel.

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7061 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7062 All right.

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7064 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7065 Contrary to what he said.

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7067 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7068 All right.

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7070 **BRAD JERBIC**

7071 I took the fact that you wanna take proffers, Your Honor, I'm not gonna stipulate –

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7073 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7074 Fine. That's fine. Okay, next proffer.

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7076 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7077 That's it. Just those two.

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7078 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7079 Okay, then we'll call it a day.

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7081 **BRAD JERBIC**

7082 I would – also speak for the record, I don't think these videos have been reviewed by any
7083 Councilmen.

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7085 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7086 Well, they certainly haven't been viewed by us and to me, it's balancing the time taken
7087 necessary to look at it with all the extraneous materials. I – don't give any affect to the probe or
7088 the value of it. And – if that's the – statement, that's fine. Unless he can queue in. If you, Mr.
7089 Stein, if you queue in to his statement, that's fine, but to have GBD, that we have to watch the
7090 whole thing, it's not worth it.

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7092 **CHERYL LUELL**

7093 No. I just got stuff in front of the courthouse.

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7095 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7096 Okay. All right. Anything else, gentlemen?

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7098 **BRAD JERBIC**

7099 Well, Your Honor, I would just like to say a couple of sentences on the matter.

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7101 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7102 All right, fine.

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7104 **BRAD JERBIC**

7105 Thirty seconds.

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7106 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7107 All right, it's your burden.

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7109 **BRAD JERBIC**

7110 There's been an awful lot of testimony here since Wednesday and I know that there's going to be
7111 an attempt to make this look like an entire industry that's corrupt and an entire industry that is
7112 taking from the public and performing sham marriages, or whatever you want to call them. I
7113 urge you to keep your eye on the ball here.

7114 This is not a clean industry and certainly there are shenanigans going down at the courthouse
7115 that none of us approve of but I can tell you that that's not what the evidence shows you that
7116 you've heard on Wednesday and today. Ninety percent according to a neutral witness,
7117 Lieutenant, from the – courthouse shows that this is all Garden of Love (sic). Have heard from
7118 the witnesses, hiring people, beating people, threatening people, using tactics no other chapel
7119 uses. You hear chapel versus chapel in any other context, it's chapel versus Garden of Love
7120 (sic). This chapel versus Garden of Love (sic). Another chapel versus Garden of Love (sic).

7121 The center of it is The Garden of Love (sic) and I used to argue when I was a prosecutor that
7122 sometimes the best defense is to act like an octopus, make it all everybody else's fault, spray the
7123 ink and get away. And I submit to you that's what's happening here today. This is not A Garden
7124 of Love (sic). This is a Garden of Shame and what they have done to this industry and how
7125 they've tainted the reputation of it deserves Mr. Difiore's rejection.

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7127 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7128 All right, folks. All right, folks. No need for that.

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7130 **BRAD JERBIC**

7131 I believe that evidence more – than meets any standard of proof necessary to sustain the
7132 director's decision not to renew this license and to sustain any district court judge's decision that
7133 you made the right decision here today. I ask you to affirm his decision.

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7134 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7135 All right, Mr. Stein, would you like to be heard?

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7137 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7138 Indulgence?

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7140 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7141 Yes.

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7143 **CHERYL LUELL**

7144 (Inaudible).

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7146 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7147 I wasn't going to say anything. I wasn't going to say anything, but since Mr. Jerbic did, I will. I
7148 said at the beginning that is my opinion this is a conspiracy. I still –

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7150 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7151 Folks, please, I don't want to have the Marshall take you out.

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7153 **STEPHEN STEIN**

7154 I still feel that way. These problems began in this industry way before the Luell's were present.
7155 Historically, the problems have been going on for years. The problems are with the handbillers.
7156 The problems are because the handbillers, some of them, are paid with promises. They do solicit
7157 contrary to the regulations. They violate the City Code. These two people do not complain to
7158 the City, or to Metro, or to the Marshalls, or to anybody else when something is done to them.
7159 They do not file complaints.

7160 The other people have filed complaints led by two or three of the major competitors who wish to
7161 put them out of business. I have attempted to show through whatever means I had at my
7162 disposal, the lack of credibility of some of these people, the lack of credibility of some of these

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7163 allegations. I am not saying, and I agree with Mr. Jerbic and I said this years ago, the industry
7164 needs proper regulations. That's not for today, but it does. I agree with Mr. Jerbic that
7165 something need be done. And what need be done is to do away with the handbilling and then
7166 you won't have a problem, in my opinion.

7167 If this industry advertised on the internet, in the newspapers, on the radio and the way other
7168 industries advertise, without handbilling, we wouldn't be here today. There wouldn't be the
7169 fights. There wouldn't be the allegations. There wouldn't be the competitiveness other than in
7170 the field of advertising and I would suggest to Mayor Pro Tem, the Mayor and the rest of the
7171 Council, that you take away these people's handbilling license; cancel it, revoke it, take it away.
7172 No more handbilling. No more soliciting by their chapel. Let's see what happens. Put them on
7173 probation for a year, two years, five years, ten years, I don't care.

7174 Without the handbilling problems, there won't be any problems, except if the problems emanate
7175 from someone who doesn't want the competition from Cheryl Luell, who is a heck of a
7176 competitor in this field.

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7178 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7179 Thank you. All right. Mayor Pro Tem.

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7181 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

7182 Any questions of the Council?

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7184 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7185 Any questions from the Councilmembers at this time? Any questions or comments? All right,
7186 Mayor Pro Tem.

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7188 **COUNCILMAN REESE**

7189 First thing Your Honor, we listened to two days of testimony. I think it's up to us to decide, you
7190 know, what we're to believe. I think that, you know, we tried to look at those videos. I think it
7191 all depends on, to me, who's taking the videos and where and what. It's really, really a hard

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7192 game, I guess, when you really look at it. I have on record where Mr. and Mrs. Luell admitted to
7193 the offenses that he, the TSA, Transportation Services Authority got them on. They admitted to
7194 that. We have that. We have the Garden of Love (sic) doing business without a license. The
7195 only thing that really is important to me is, I think those many who was married at the Garden of
7196 Love (sic) or through the Garden of Love (sic) and they talk about responsibilities. They talk
7197 about the independent contractors, I understand that. But again though, I think even with any
7198 independent contractor, you are still responsible for those (inaudible) that (sic) supposed to be
7199 taken care of in the proper light. This wasn't done.

7200 I think that Ms. Luell created a nuisance through operation off her business by, in her, instructing
7201 her handbillers at the Regional Justice Center to engage in aggr, in aggressive tactics to
7202 (inaudible) competitors and disrupt their businesses. I think Christopher Kendall, who was
7203 employed by the Garden of Love (sic), he did plead – guilty to a battery while on duty. I guess
7204 the Stained Glass Wedding Chapel employee. I think Mr. Luell created a nuisance in the
7205 operation of his business by battering a competitor at the Regional Justice Center.

7206 And we can go on and on and on about the things that've happened over there and whether, as
7207 Mr. Stein said, that's been going on for years and years and years. Yes, maybe the City does
7208 have responsibility to get in there and try to clean this mess up. I know that I'm gonna have a
7209 meeting with my staff tomorrow. That doesn't do us any good here tonight, Mr. Stein. So, I can
7210 certainly appreciate the comments that you've made. But for these reasons, Your Honor, many
7211 other reasons that was (sic) put on this record, I move to deny the Las Vegas Garden of Love's
7212 (sic) appeal.

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7214 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7215 All right. Let's vote. Post. Motion carries. **(Motion carried unanimously)**. All right folks.
7216 We have Citizens Participation now?

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7218 **BEVERLY K. BRIDGES**

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7220 **MAYOR GOODMAN**

7221 No. Okay, the meetings adjourned.

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7223 **(END OF DISCUSSION)**

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