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FOR THE DISTRICT	OF UTAH, CENTRAL DIVISION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	) ) Deposition of: )
Plaintiff,	) JESSICA ANDERSON
vs.	
RAPOWER3, LLC, INTERNATIONAL AUTOMATED SYSTEMS,	) Case No. 2:15-cv-00828 DN ) ) Judge David Nuffer
INC., LTB1, LLC, R.	)
GREGORY SHEPARD,	)
NELDON JOHNSON and	)
ROGER FREEBORN,	)
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Defendant.	)
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<sup>2</sup> rules of the District of Utah.	<sup>2</sup> to try to get those depositions without any response.
<sup>3</sup> All exhibits today will be marked and sent	<sup>3</sup> MR. MARTIN: Mr. Paul, just for
<sup>4</sup> with the court reporter, unless something else comes	<sup>4</sup> clarification. The statement regarding privilege
<sup>5</sup> up today. And we'll take care of any other	<ul> <li><sup>5</sup> that you just put on the record, now that waiver</li> </ul>
<sup>6</sup> stipulations as the need arises.	<sup>6</sup> applies specifically to Jessica Anderson as well?
And, Mr. Paul, you had something you	<sup>7</sup> MR. PAUL: Yes, it does. However, I think
<sup>8</sup> wanted to say?	<sup>8</sup> the exception that we put on the record before is it
<sup>9</sup> MR. PAUL: Yeah. So, first of all, we are	<sup>9</sup> does not extend to attorney-client privilege between
<sup>10</sup> going to invoke the protective order and designate	<sup>10</sup> Jessica Anderson and her lawyers, especially those
<sup>11</sup> this deposition as confidential under the protective	<sup>11</sup> lawyers that are present today.
<sup>12</sup> order.	<sup>12</sup> MR. MARTIN: Yeah, I took your statement
<sup>13</sup> Also, pursuant to stipulation of the	<sup>13</sup> to mean the privilege that exists between
<sup>14</sup> parties and order of the court, the attorney-client	<sup>14</sup> Jessica Anderson and her client as it relates to the
<sup>15</sup> privilege that was previously asserted on behalf of	<sup>15</sup> subject matter of this lawsuit, not attorneys
<sup>16</sup> Anderson Law Center, or the testimony thereof, has	<sup>16</sup> representing her.
<sup>17</sup> been waived, and the defendants do not object to the	<sup>17</sup> MR. PAUL: Absolutely. Correct.
<sup>18</sup> questions and answers related to the advice of	<sup>18</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Just so we're all
<sup>19</sup> counsel defense.	<sup>19</sup> clear for the record too, it doesn't have the
<sup>20</sup> And then, three, related to the court	<sup>20</sup> waiver doesn't have to do with any other
<sup>21</sup> reporter, Henderson Court Reporting. We have	<sup>21</sup> representation that you might have had of a client in
<sup>22</sup> requested and paid for the entity depositions and	<sup>22</sup> this case other than to do with RaPower3, energy
<sup>23</sup> Neldon Johnson deposition over a month ago, and we	<sup>23</sup> equipment, solar lenses and tax benefits that may or
<sup>24</sup> still haven't received those. And so we just want to	<sup>24</sup> may not relate to those things.
<sup>25</sup> make sure that that got on the record. That we've	<sup>25</sup> MS. ANDERSON: I understand.
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2	answers.	<sup>2</sup> break at any time, please just let me know. The only
3	Do you understand that obligation?	<sup>3</sup> thing I'll ask, that if there is a question pending
4	A. Yes.	<sup>4</sup> that you answer the question first and then we go to
5	Q. My obligation is to ask understandable	5 a break second.
6	questions. If you don't understand my questions for	<sup>6</sup> A. Okay.
7	any reason, please let me know, and I'll try to ask a	<sup>7</sup> Q. So we're here to get as accurate a record
8		<sup>8</sup> as we can of the facts of this case as you recall
9	better one.	<sup>9</sup> them. So I have to ask if there is anything that
10	Will you do that?	
11	A. Yes.	would prevent you norn understanding and answering my
	Q. And, of course, sometimes it will happen	questions with the full capacity of your reconection
12	that you'll give an answer as completely as you can	loudy.
13	recall but then later you may remember some	A. NO.
14	information that's a little bit different or	<sup>14</sup> Q. Are you taking any medications that might
15	supplemental to give a more complete answer. If that	<sup>15</sup> interfere with your memory?
16	happens today, please just let me know, and we can	<sup>16</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
17	clarify or supplement the record as we need to.	<sup>17</sup> Q. Have you had anything alcoholic to drink
18	Okay?	<sup>18</sup> in the last eight hours?
19	A. Okay.	<sup>19</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
20	Q. When you're answering a question, if you	<sup>20</sup> Q. Is there any other reason you can think of
21	think that a document or multiple documents might	<sup>21</sup> why you might not be able to answer my questions
22	help you remember some information, will you let me	<sup>22</sup> fully and accurately today?
23	know?	<sup>23</sup> A. No.
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25	Q. Okay. I'll try to remember to take a	<sup>25</sup> bit of your background from your husband Todd's
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1	Q. And I understand at some point you fit in	<sup>1</sup> Q. With your JD?
2	going to law school as well in Oklahoma City, right?	<sup>2</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
3	A. Yes.	<sup>3</sup> Q. What did you do after that?
4	Q. And when did you start law school?	<sup>4</sup> A. Todd had already moved back to Delta. He
5	A. 2007.	<ul> <li><sup>5</sup> was a year ahead in school. So he had moved over</li> </ul>
6	Q. So was that after working for a year?	<sup>6</sup> Christmas and started to practice. I moved in May
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8	A. I worked for a year and then started law school.	and began studying for the bar. I spent the summer
9		studying for the bar.
10	Q. Did you go full-time?	Q. And this is May 2010?
10	A. The first year I was part-time and did	A. 165.
11	attended school through the summers.	Q. SO you look and passed the bar that
	The second year I went full-time and then	Summer?
13	some, made up some of that time.	<sup>13</sup> A. Correct.
14	And then the third year was the last	<sup>14</sup> Q. Then what did you do?
15	semester was pretty light because I had caught up all	<sup>15</sup> A. After taking the bar, I had a baby about a
16	the credits.	<sup>16</sup> month later.
17	Q. So did you work full-time each of your law	<sup>17</sup> Q. So that was August-ish?
18	school years?	<sup>18</sup> A. First of September.
19	A. I worked full-time the first year. Cut	<sup>19</sup> Q. Was there a time you started practicing
20	back hours to probably 20 to 30 hours that second	<sup>20</sup> law?
21	year. And the third year I was actually working	A. There were a few projects that very few
22	probably 40-plus hours.	<sup>22</sup> projects that I did over the summer while studying
23	Q. After you finished your third year of law	<sup>23</sup> for the bar. After passing the bar I was going into
24	school you graduated?	the office and working on projects with Todd's
25	A. Yes.	<sup>25</sup> supervision. After passing but before being sworn
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1	in.	<sup>1</sup> general estimate and different weeks vary, but would
2	Q. So when was that? When did you find out	<sup>2</sup> you say, like, 20 hours a week in the office
3	you passed, and when did you get sworn in?	<sup>3</sup> October to June, 10 hours, 30? And let me clarify
4	A. I can't remember when I found out I	<sup>4</sup> too. When I say "in the office," like, if you worked
5	passed, but I was sworn in the first part of October.	<sup>5</sup> from home too, just sort of your work in the course
6	Q. After you were sworn in, what, if	<sup>6</sup> of a week.
7	anything, changed about your law practice?	<sup>7</sup> A. Uh-huh (affirmative). I would say
8	A. I could now start meeting with clients	<sup>8</sup> September through November was 20 to 30. And then it
9	independently.	<sup>9</sup> started decreasing from there.
10	Q. Since October 2010 have you been employed	<sup>10</sup> Q. So December to June would have been in the
11	by any other employer than the Anderson Law Center?	<sup>11</sup> more 10 to 20 range?
12	A. No.	<sup>12</sup> A. That would probably be a good estimate.
13	Q. From we'll take September 2010 through,	<sup>13</sup> Q. All right. I'd like to back up a little
14	say, June 2011. Can you give me an idea of about how	<sup>14</sup> bit and explore a little bit about some of your
15	many hours a week you worked?	<sup>15</sup> background. With your just to start with, your BA
16	A. September was hard to say. We just had a	<sup>16</sup> in business management. Curious about what, if any,
17	new baby. I was in the office and I was bringing her	<sup>17</sup> tax classes you took for that degree.
18	with me. She was a newborn. She slept. I was	<sup>18</sup> A. I'm not I don't believe that there were
19	probably in there in the office probably about the	<sup>19</sup> any direct tax classes. There were tax and
20	same amount of time that Todd was. Somewhat less.	<sup>20</sup> accounting principles, yes, but I don't think there
21	October was probably the same. She	<sup>21</sup> were specific tax classes.
22	started getting bigger and couldn't come to the	<sup>22</sup> Q. So would those have been folded into a
23	office with me as much, and so I was spending less	<sup>23</sup> different class, or was there, like, a class, Tax and
24	time in the office through June.	<ul> <li>Accounting Principles?</li> </ul>
25	Q. So just and I understand this is a	<sup>25</sup> A. There were there were def there were

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<sup>1</sup> at least two to three accounting classes. And those	<sup>1</sup> to do with federal income taxes?
<sup>2</sup> tax classes those tax principles were folded into	<sup>2</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
<sup>3</sup> the accounting classes.	<sup>3</sup> Q. So in law school did you take any federal
<sup>4</sup> Q. Got you. So were those classes more on	<sup>4</sup> tax classes?
<sup>5</sup> kind of the practical side of how to do accounting	<sup>5</sup> A. I took individual income tax, and I took
<sup>6</sup> and	<sup>6</sup> taxation of business and entities.
<sup>7</sup> A. Looking at a balance sheet and those kinds	<sup>7</sup> Q. Did you take any tax procedure classes?
<sup>8</sup> of things, yes.	<sup>8</sup> A. Those were the only two tax classes
<sup>9</sup> Q. Sure. Okay. It wasn't necessarily tax	<sup>9</sup> offered at my law school.
<sup>10</sup> return preparation?	<sup>10</sup> Q. Okay. What did you, in broad strokes,
<sup>11</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>11</sup> learn about taxation of businesses and entities?
<sup>12</sup> Q. Do you remember what you learned about	<sup>12</sup> A. It was a very general class of setting up
<sup>13</sup> taxes in your beginning program in these classes?	<sup>13</sup> the structure, the setting out the different
<sup>14</sup> A. Just the general knowledge that you would	<sup>14</sup> entities and generally how they would be taxed.
<sup>15</sup> get with a business management degree.	<sup>15</sup> Q. So the difference between taxation of
<sup>16</sup> Q. During the time you were working in Delta,	<sup>16</sup> corporations, partnerships, trusts?
<sup>17</sup> did either of your jobs there touch on federal income	<sup>17</sup> A. S-corps, those kinds of things, yes.
<sup>18</sup> taxation?	<sup>18</sup> Q. Okay. In either of the two classes you
<sup>19</sup> A. Give me a time frame, please.	<sup>19</sup> took at law school did either of those classes touch
<sup>20</sup> Q. Oh, sure. The when you were in Delta	<sup>20</sup> on actual return preparation?
<sup>21</sup> to teach middle school and work as the office	<sup>21</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
<sup>22</sup> manager.	<sup>22</sup> Q. Is federal income tax on the Utah bar?
<sup>23</sup> <b>A. No.</b>	<sup>23</sup> <b>A.</b> I don't believe that it is.
<sup>24</sup> Q. While you were working as an estimator for	<sup>24</sup> Q. I guess, was it on the bar in 2010?
<sup>25</sup> the building supply company, did anything there have	<sup>25</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Q. By October 2010, other than the specific	<sup>1</sup> Q. All right. Well, you said it was in
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<sup>1</sup> <b>A.</b> No.	them down. It was my understanding that he wanted an averyiow of what those tax principles were
<sup>2</sup> Q. Okay. So you had had conversations with	overview of what those tax principles were.
<sup>3</sup> him before?	<sup>3</sup> Q. So in the course of that first
<sup>4</sup> A. I had, about other matters that are not	<sup>4</sup> conversation what, if any, facts did he give you?
<sup>5</sup> party to this.	5 A. Regarding the the tax questions?
<sup>6</sup> Q. Right.	Q. Right. 30 r guess mi just cunous, like,
<sup>7</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>	<sup>7</sup> so did he literally come in and say, "I have the
<sup>8</sup> Q. And so in those conversations that you had	<sup>8</sup> following questions here, answer"?
<sup>9</sup> before with Neldon Johnson, did anything come up	<sup>9</sup> A. He said he we discussed RaPower.
<sup>10</sup> about solar energy, anything to do with tax issues	$^{10}$ Q. Uh-huh.
<sup>11</sup> related to solar energy equipment?	<sup>11</sup> <b>A.</b> We discussed he talked to me about the
<sup>12</sup> <b>A. No.</b>	<sup>12</sup> solar the energy equipment. He probably gave me a
<sup>13</sup> Q. Okay. So okay. So Todd Anderson set	<sup>13</sup> rundown of what the solar equipment was as far as it
<sup>14</sup> up a conversation for you and Neldon Johnson?	<sup>14</sup> harnesses energy from the sun. We we discussed in
<sup>15</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>15</sup> very general terms that the lenses itself is what
Q. Do you remember about when that was?	<sup>16</sup> made it different from a regular solar panel.
<sup>17</sup> <b>A. October 2010.</b>	<sup>17</sup> He we talked about those questions in
Q. Where did you all have that conversation?	<sup>18</sup> terms of the how they would relate in an MLM
<sup>19</sup> A. In our office.	<sup>19</sup> structure, a multilevel marketing structure, if that
Q. So what happened at that particular	<sup>20</sup> makes it he wanted to know if an MLM structure
conversation?	<sup>21</sup> makes a difference versus any other type of business
A. Neldon presented some questions some	<sup>22</sup> structure to the answers to those questions.
<sup>23</sup> specific tax questions that he wanted information on.	<sup>23</sup> And he also proposed if the equipment was
<sup>24</sup> It was my understanding at the time they were	<sup>24</sup> being leased, if that makes a difference.
<sup>25</sup> he he asked these specific tax questions. I wrote	<sup>25</sup> Q. Okay. That's a broad range of topics. Do
<ol> <li>you remember having talked about anything else with</li> <li>him in that first conversation that was specifically</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Q correct? Okay.</li> <li>And then I understand that there may have</li> </ol>
<sup>3</sup> about RaPower3?	<sup>3</sup> been an e-mail or a letter in June 2011.
<sup>4</sup> A. And when I say those those	<sup>4</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
<sup>5</sup> conversations might have happened over multiple days	<sup>5</sup> Q. Right. Okay. So we can take those three
<sup>6</sup> and multiple times.	<sup>6</sup> writings as kind of brackets here to help sort out.
<sup>7</sup> Q. Okay.	<sup>7</sup> So then, to your recollection, the topics
<sup>8</sup> A. But that's probably the best that I can	8 that you just relayed in terms of the three
<sup>9</sup> recall that was talked about until until I started	<sup>9</sup> questions, the overview of the solar energy
drafting answers to those letters to those	<sup>10</sup> equipment, questions about the multilevel marketing
<sup>11</sup> questions.	<sup>11</sup> structure versus other business transactions, and
Q. Okay. And I think, just to help us put	<sup>12</sup> questions about what would happen if the equipment
brackets around things	<sup>13</sup> were leased, to your recollection, all those topics
A. Uh-huh (affirmative).	<sup>14</sup> were discussed before the first letter?
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<sup>1</sup> Q. Sure.	<sup>1</sup> representation of RaPower for purposes of the solar
<sup>2</sup> Before you wrote the first letter, did he	<sup>2</sup> energy equipment that we're talking about here, do
<sup>3</sup> provide you with any documents?	<sup>3</sup> you know if he might have given Todd Anderson
<sup>4</sup> A. He provided me with there were	<sup>4</sup> documents but not you? Was it just sort of whoever
<sup>5</sup> documents that had drawings of the solar equipment	<sup>5</sup> was there, he would stand stuff?
<sup>6</sup> and just a general description. It looked it	<sup>6</sup> A. That's possible. I wasn't always in the
<sup>7</sup> seemed to be marketing material of some sort.	<sup>7</sup> office.
<sup>8</sup> Q. When you say a general description, do you	<sup>8</sup> Q. Okay. Do you know if you would have seen
<sup>9</sup> mean a general description of the solar energy	<sup>9</sup> all of the documents that he brought in whether you
<sup>10</sup> equipment?	<sup>10</sup> received them or Todd Anderson received them?
<sup>11</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>11</sup> A. I can't say for sure.
<sup>12</sup> Q. Did he give you any other documents before	<sup>12</sup> Q. Before you delivered the first letter, did
<sup>13</sup> you delivered the first letter?	<sup>13</sup> you visit any site that was that had anything to
<sup>14</sup> A. There's an article and an e-mail from	<sup>14</sup> do with these solar lenses or the energy equipment?
<sup>15</sup> Greg Shepard. I'm not sure what the time frame of	<sup>15</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
<sup>16</sup> when I received those.	<sup>16</sup> Q. After you delivered the first letter, did
<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay.	<sup>17</sup> you ever go to visit any particular site that may
<sup>18</sup> A. It would be the time frame would be	have had solar energy equipment on it?
<sup>19</sup> either before the second before the first or	<sup>19</sup> A. I never made any visits to any sites.
<sup>20</sup> before the second.	<sup>20</sup> Q. So correct me if I'm wrong, but
<sup>21</sup> Q. Did he give you contracts?	<sup>21</sup> Mr. Johnson may have provided you some documents
A. Possibly. I don't recall him asking me to	<sup>22</sup> before the first letter, some after?
<sup>23</sup> do anything with those contracts, but he may have	A. That's correct.
<ul> <li>handed me those copies of those documents.</li> <li>And clear in the source of your</li> </ul>	Q. Okay. Do you recall in particular if he
<sup>25</sup> Q. And, also, in the course of your	<sup>25</sup> gave you any new information I'm sorry. Let me
<ul> <li>28</li> <li><sup>1</sup> withdraw that question.</li> <li><sup>2</sup> Do you recall whether he gave you any new</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>29</li> <li><sup>1</sup> what the energy equipment he was talking about was?</li> <li><sup>2</sup> A. It seemed to be a stand-alone unit, is</li> </ul>
<sup>3</sup> documents after the second letter?	<sup>3</sup> what was being sold.
<sup>4</sup> A. I do not believe he gave me new documents	<sup>4</sup> Q. And a stand-alone unit of what?
<sup>5</sup> after the second letter.	<ul> <li><sup>5</sup> A. Whatever was creating was harnessing</li> </ul>
<sup>6</sup> Q. Okay. So to the extent it's possible,	<sup>6</sup> the sun, that it was its own unit. How or if it
<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> I'm I'm interested in hearing what you learned</li> </ul>	<sup>7</sup> connected to a grid or a plant or anything broader
<sup>8</sup> before the first letter, to the extent you can	<sup>8</sup> than that, I don't know.
<sup>9</sup> separate it out in time, to your recollection. But	<sup>9</sup> Q. Did Mr. Johnson ever use the phrase "solar
<sup>10</sup> what what did Mr. Johnson tell you about this	<sup>10</sup> lens"?
<sup>11</sup> purported solar energy equipment?	<sup>11</sup> A. I don't recall that specifically being
<sup>12</sup> MR. MARTIN: Prior to?	<sup>12</sup> used.
<sup>13</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: The first letter.	<sup>13</sup> Q. Did he tell you again, before you wrote
<sup>14</sup> MR. MARTIN: The first letter.	<sup>14</sup> the first letter how the solar energy equipment
<sup>15</sup> THE WITNESS: The first letter.	<sup>15</sup> was purported to work?
<sup>16</sup> He discussed that the purchasers would buy	<sup>16</sup> A. Just in very broad terms, that it the
<sup>17</sup> energy equipment. I don't know what the energy	<sup>17</sup> lens somehow magnified the energy, but what happened
<sup>18</sup> equipment was or any details of the purchase. And	<sup>18</sup> to the energy after it was created or generated, I
<sup>19</sup> then he they would, in turn, lease it back to	<sup>19</sup> don't know.
<sup>20</sup> I RaPower, or they would lease it back.	<sup>20</sup> Q. Okay. So, to your understanding so
<sup>21</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Okay. You	<sup>21</sup> I'm just trying to tease this out a little bit. So
<sup>22</sup> mentioned energy equipment, and you said you didn't	<sup>22</sup> was it your understanding that the idea was that the
<ul> <li>know what the energy equipment was.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>light and heat from the sun would be magnified by a</li> </ul>
<sup>24</sup> A. I didn't know what it looked like.	<sup>24</sup> solar lens?
<sup>25</sup> Q. Did you ever come to an understanding of	<sup>25</sup> <b>A.</b> The very specifics I'm sure he possibly

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2	talked about how it worked. The specifics of the	actually produce energy, now long it would actually
	energy equipment were not relevant to the tax	take to complete and be an energy-producing
3	questions I had been posed. I didn't take notes on	something that produced energy, and the answer to
4	it. I took notes on the tax questions.	<sup>4</sup> that was "years."
5	Q. Okay. Did he tell you that the energy	5 MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Could you read back
6	equipment actually worked to take light and heat from	<sup>6</sup> my question, please?
7	the sun and turn it into some useable form of energy?	7 (Record was read as follows: "Do you
8	A. We did not get	<sup>8</sup> recall whether you ever asked him if his system
9	MR. PAUL: Objection. Foundation.	<sup>9</sup> worked?
10	THE WITNESS: We did not get that	<sup>10</sup> "MR. PAUL: Objection.
11	specific.	<sup>11</sup> "THE WITNESS: At what point in time?
12	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So, to your	<sup>12</sup> "Question. At any time.")
13	recollection, he did not tell you that the system	<sup>13</sup> THE WITNESS: I don't believe that it
14	actually worked?	<sup>14</sup> was my impression that it was not at the point where
15	MR. PAUL: Objection. Foundation.	<sup>15</sup> he could say it could work or not. It was in the
16	THE WITNESS: I can't say one way or the	<sup>16</sup> construction phase.
17	other.	<sup>17</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Okay. So did
18	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Okay. Do you	<sup>18</sup> you ever ask him whether it worked?
19	recall whether you ever asked him if his system	<sup>19</sup> A. I did not.
20	worked?	<sup>20</sup> Q. So, Miss Anderson, then, was it your
21	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>21</sup> understanding at the time that it was still uncertain
22	THE WITNESS: At what point in time?	<sup>22</sup> whether the system that he proposed actually would
23	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) At any time.	<sup>23</sup> work?
24	A. We talked about the construction of the	<sup>24</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.
25	equipment and how how long it would take to	<sup>25</sup> It calls for speculation.
	32	33
1	THE WITNESS: Can you give me a time	<sup>1</sup> those things?
2	frame?	<sup>2</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.
3	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) At any time	<sup>3</sup> Asked and answered.
4	during the course of your representation.	<sup>4</sup> THE WITNESS: He talked about it had
5	MR. PAUL: Same objections.	<sup>5</sup> been there was R&D invested into it. What that
6	THE WITNESS: I don't know that that was	<sup>6</sup> the results of that were I don't know that we
7	ever addressed. What we discussed was how long until	<sup>7</sup> discussed.
8	it would become an energy-producing equipment, how	<sup>8</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So, did you ever
9	long until it would actually produce energy.	<sup>9</sup> ask him what that, quote, unquote, R&D and I'm
10	And his answer his response to me was	<sup>10</sup> taking that to mean research and development; is that
11	"years."	<sup>11</sup> your understanding?
12	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So one of the	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. Uh-huh (affirmative).</b>
13	things I'm curious about we've heard some	<sup>13</sup> Q. Yes?
14	testimony we have some information in this case	<sup>14</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
15	that it might be a practice in industry to create	<sup>15</sup> Q. So did he ever talk about what the
16	models of energy equipment and then build prototypes	<sup>16</sup> research and development had involved?
17	or yeah models to sort of practice, for lack of	<sup>17</sup> A. It's possible, but going back to the
18	a better term, to see if a system is actually going	<sup>18</sup> question the tax questions I had been asked, it
19	to work before it is actually constructed in at	<sup>19</sup> wasn't pertinent to my he brought it said,
20	scale.	<sup>20</sup> "This is we're going to sell energy equipment,"
21	Did Mr. Johnson talk at all about whether	<sup>21</sup> and I took that for what it was. Okay, we've got
22	his system had worked in any possible testing or	<sup>22</sup> energy equipment. Let's talk about the tax
23		<sup>23</sup> principles.
24	modeling or sampling?	principies.
25	A. Not that I recalled.	<ul> <li>Q. So did you assume that the energy</li> <li>equipment would actually work?</li> </ul>
	Q. Did he ever tell you that he had done	equipment would actually work?

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1	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.	<sup>1</sup> actually, let me ask you this.
2	THE WITNESS: Yes.	<sup>2</sup> You talked about Mr. Johnson told you that
3	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) And just to be	<sup>3</sup> an idea perhaps the idea, but let me know an
4	clear for the record, because we talked a little bit	<sup>4</sup> idea was that the purchaser would buy energy
5	about before the first letter, after the first	<ul> <li><sup>5</sup> equipment from RaPower3 and then lease it back either</li> </ul>
б	letter. Throughout the course of your representation	<sup>6</sup> to RaPower3 or to some other entity?
7	of RaPower3, did you assume that the solar energy	<sup>7</sup> A. That was my understanding.
8	equipment worked?	<sup>8</sup> Q. And was that a structure that Mr. Johnson
9	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.	<sup>9</sup> came in to you with?
10	Also lacks relevance.	<sup>10</sup> A. Yes, he presented that idea.
11	THE WITNESS: Yes.	<sup>11</sup> Q. Did he present any other ideas for how to
12	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) All right. You	<sup>12</sup> structure this transaction?
13	mentioned that Mr. Johnson asked if the solar energy	<sup>13</sup> A. I touched briefly on whether it was set up
14	equipment was leased if that made a difference to the	<sup>14</sup> as an MLM. Again, I don't know how that multilevel
15	tax analysis.	<sup>15</sup> marketing would have been structured, but if if
16	A. Correct.	<sup>16</sup> the purchaser was part of an MLM, how does it affect
17	Q. Do you know why did you ever talk about	<sup>17</sup> these tax principles.
18	why he was curious about that?	<sup>18</sup> Q. Okay. So we have one option with the
19	A. He was trying to structure the business, I	<sup>19</sup> customer purchasing the energy equipment and then
20	believe. It was one potential it was a potential	<sup>20</sup> leasing it back to RaPower3 or another entity. And
21	way to structure the business, was what I understood	<sup>21</sup> you mentioned a question about MLM structure. How
22	at the time.	<sup>22</sup> did you ever explore that with respect to what impact
23	Q. And you described that a little bit I	<sup>23</sup> a multilevel marketing structure might have on a sale
24	believe a little bit later on that and correct me	<sup>24</sup> leaseback?
25	if I'm wrong but your recollection well,	<sup>25</sup> A. The specific question was how does a
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2	member of an MLM how does their activity count	THE WITNEOD. As lar as before the list
3	towards material participation.	<ul> <li>letter?</li> <li>Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Sure.</li> </ul>
4	<ul><li>Q. Did you answer that question for him?</li><li>A. In broad terms there's I gave an</li></ul>	<sup>4</sup> A. No. That was the extent of it.
5	overview of how an MLM member can get material	<ul> <li><sup>5</sup> Q. Did he talk to you about any ideas he had</li> </ul>
6	participation. I believe that was in the first	<sup>6</sup> after the first letter?
7	writing.	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.</li> </ul>
8	Q. When we've talked about whether the	<sup>8</sup> THE WITNESS: Yes. Mainly he sorry.
9	equipment is then leased back to RaPower3 or to some	<ul> <li>Mainly he elaborated more on those principles.</li> </ul>
10	other entity. Was that an option Mr. Johnson came in	<sup>10</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) On the
11	with? Like, he did he say, "Tell me what this	<sup>11</sup> principles in your letter?
12	means if it's leased back to RaPower3 or to some	<sup>12</sup> A. Sorry. He elaborated on those two ideas,
13	other entity"?	<sup>13</sup> the MLM and the leasing back. He elaborated on them
14	A. It was more of a general, "Tell me"	<sup>14</sup> further.
15	Mr. Nelson Mr. Neldon Mr. Johnson said if the	<sup>15</sup> Q. But he didn't come in with new ideas?
16	purchase if the purchaser buys the equipment and	<sup>16</sup> A. Not that I recall.
17	then leases it back to RaPower or somebody else	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. Did you ever propose a different
18	not necessarily RaPower and then tell me how it's	<sup>18</sup> structure for the transactions that he wanted to do?
19	going to affect someone else. It was, "How is it	<sup>19</sup> A. I did not.
20	going how does this lease fit in if it's leased	<sup>20</sup> Q. Did he explain why he wanted a sale and
21	back to somebody?"	<sup>21</sup> then a lease?
22	Q. Okay. Did he have any other ideas when he	A. In that first before the first letter?
23	came in to you about how potentially to structure	<sup>23</sup> Q. Sure.
24	this transaction?	<sup>24</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
25	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>25</sup> Q. Did he explain why after the first letter?
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<sup>1</sup> A. Yes.	<sup>1</sup> letter.
<sup>2</sup> Q. Why?	<sup>2</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
<sup>3</sup> A. The equipment wasn't ready to produce	<sup>3</sup> Q. Okay. So after the first letter after
A. The equipment wash theady to produce	4 you delivered the first letter, he told you that the
energy. So he was if ying to find a way to - to	
begin benefiting norm those tax principles before	equipment was not yet ready to produce energy:
actual energy production.	
Q. Tease that out a little bit. So after you	
<sup>8</sup> delivered the first letter, Mr. Johnson came in and	
<sup>9</sup> flushed things out for you a little bit more, from	<sup>9</sup> letter.
<sup>10</sup> his perspective, it sounds like?	<sup>10</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) After the second
<sup>11</sup> A. Mr. Johnson was unhappy with the first	<sup>11</sup> letter. Okay.
<sup>12</sup> letter. It wasn't what he had expected. And so we	<sup>12</sup> Was it also after the second letter that
<sup>13</sup> had a conversation about, "Okay, what did you	<sup>13</sup> he said that he wanted to benefit from he wanted
<sup>14</sup> expect?"	<sup>14</sup> to generate tax benefits before the energy equipment
<sup>15</sup> He felt like the tone of the first letter	<sup>15</sup> ever produced energy?
<sup>16</sup> was too technical. And he told me about using the	<sup>16</sup> A. Correct.
<sup>17</sup> ideas and principles that I was describing to him in	<sup>17</sup> Q. So so did he only explain why he wanted
<sup>18</sup> marketing materials. What those marketing materials	<sup>18</sup> a sale and then a lease after you had delivered the
<sup>19</sup> were we hadn't discussed, and we didn't we didn't	<sup>19</sup> second letter, or did you talk about that at all
<sup>20</sup> elaborate on it much further than that. So he wanted	<sup>20</sup> after the first letter?
<sup>21</sup> the tone to be more user-friendly.	<sup>21</sup> A. I believe it was after the second letter.
<sup>22</sup> Q. Okay. So tone is one thing, but we were	<sup>22</sup> Q. You mentioned that he was unhappy
<ul> <li>talking a little bit about his explanation of why he</li> </ul>	<sup>23</sup> Mr. Johnson was unhappy with the first letter, and
<sup>24</sup> wanted a sale and leaseback, and it sounded like	<sup>24</sup> you mentioned that he wanted a more user-friendly
wallieu a sale allu leaseback, allu li soullueu like	you mentioned that he wanted a more user-menuly
<sup>25</sup> you you heard about that "why" after the first	<sup>25</sup> tone, among other reasons. Was there any other
1       reason I'm sorry, I should ask that he was         2       unhappy with the first letter?         3       A. Those were the main that the tone         4       was he wanted to use it he wanted a more         4       was he wanted to use it he wanted a more         5       user-friendly tone, and so that's I went to work         6       on the second letter.         7       Q. So do you recall approximately when you         8       delivered the second letter?         9       A. I believe it was November 2010.         10       Q. Between the first letter and the second         11       letter, do you recall how many conversations you had         12       with Mr. Johnson about this representation?         13       A. I don't recall a number.         14       Q. Was it, like, more than five, more than         15       ten?         16       A. Ten or less.         17       Q. Okay. Were they all in your office?         18       A. Yes.         19       Q. Between let's see. Between the second         20       letter and the e-mail to Mr. Johnson in June 2011,	1       Q. Okay. We'll just start with some         2       documents. I'm handing you what's been marked         3       Plaintiff's Exhibit 574. Please take a look at that,         4       and let me know when you're ready.         5       A. I'm ready.         6       Q. Okay. Plaintiff's 574 is Bates-marked         7       Anderson 000141.         8       Miss Anderson, do you remember Plaintiff's         9       Exhibit 574?         10       A. Something substantially similar to that,         11       yes.         12       Q. Okay. And this is an e-mail appears to         13       be an e-mail from Greg Shepard.         14       Do you see that?         15       A. Yes.         16       Q. With the e-mail address of         17       greg@bfsmail.com, right?         18       A. Correct.         19       Q. The "to" field says, neldon@iaus.com.         20       Did I read that correctly?
<sup>21</sup> did you have in-person meetings with him?	<sup>21</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
<sup>22</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>	<sup>22</sup> Q. And do you have an understanding of whose
<sup>23</sup> Q. About how many, would you say?	<sup>23</sup> e-mail address that is?
A. Again, I can't put a number on it, but	A. I believe that to be Neldon Johnson.
<sup>25</sup> several. Probably that ten or less number again.	<sup>25</sup> Q. In the cc field we see the e-mail address
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1	glendaejohnson@hotmail.com.	<sup>1</sup> It's something for you to consider in your review."
2	Do you did I read that correctly?	<sup>2</sup> Q. Did he say who Greg Shepard was with
3	A. Yes.	<sup>3</sup> respect to these transactions or energy equipment?
4	Q. Do you have an understanding of who that	<sup>4</sup> A. I knew Greg Shepard as someone that worked
5	is?	<sup>5</sup> closely with Neldon. As far as his role in any of
6	A. I believe that to be Glenda Johnson,	<sup>6</sup> it, I'm unclear.
7	Neldon's wife.	<sup>7</sup> Q. Did you review this e-mail in the course
8	Q. That's her e-mail address, to your	<sup>8</sup> of your representation of RaPower3 in this matter?
9	knowledge?	<sup>9</sup> A. I did.
10	A. To my knowledge.	<sup>10</sup> Q. What, if anything, did you do with it?
11	Q. Miss Anderson, did you did you receive	<sup>11</sup> A. I looked closely at the material
12	this from Greg Shepard?	<sup>12</sup> participation, as that seemed to be a question that
13	A. I did not.	<sup>13</sup> Mr. Shepard had.
14	Q. Did you receive it from Neldon Johnson?	<sup>14</sup> Q. Okay. And that's in number two in his
15	A. I did.	<sup>15</sup> e-mail?
16	Q. Okay. Have you ever spoken with	<sup>16</sup> A. Correct.
17	Greg Shepard?	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. Were these the three questions that
18	A. I don't believe so.	<sup>18</sup> Mr. Johnson presented to you?
19	Q. Have you ever communicated with him in any	<sup>19</sup> A. Not in this form. He presented them to me
20	fashion?	<sup>20</sup> orally verbally.
21	A. No.	<sup>21</sup> Q. Okay. Were they were the verbal
22	Q. Did you discuss this e-mail with	<sup>22</sup> questions to you identical to these three?
23	Neldon Johnson?	A. I am not sure. I haven't read it that
24	A. It was delivered to me by Neldon. It	<sup>24</sup> closely.
25	said, "This is what Greg Shepard has sent to me.	<sup>25</sup> Q. Take a look.
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2	A. They seem to be on the same subjects.	A. Rafowers.
3	Q. Oh. Also, let's take a look, please, at	<sup>2</sup> (EXHIBIT 618 WAS MARKED.)
4	the date this was sent. It says Thursday, 10-14-2010.	<ul> <li><sup>3</sup> Q. I'm handing you what's been marked</li> <li><sup>4</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 618. Please just take a look at</li> </ul>
5	Do you see that?	<sup>5</sup> this. Read it and let me know when you're done
6	A. I do.	<sup>6</sup> reading it.
7	Q. Does that refresh your recollection of	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> All right. So you've been handed what's</li> </ul>
8	about when you might have met with Neldon Johnson?	<sup>8</sup> been marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 618. There is no
9	A. I believe that was probably right around	<sup>9</sup> Bates number on this document, but the subject at the
10	the first day that we started talking about this	<sup>10</sup> top is "Your Website."
11	issue.	<sup>11</sup> Do you see that?
12	Q. Okay. Do you recall whether at that first	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
13	meeting Mr. Johnson handed you this e-mail or did it	<sup>13</sup> Q. This appears to be from Greg Shepard with
14	come later?	<sup>14</sup> the e-mail address greg@bfsmail.com, correct?
15	A. I don't recall a date.	<sup>15</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
16	Q. Did you ever discuss with Mr. Johnson	<sup>16</sup> Q. It's to dcmonte1@yahoo.com. Did I read
17	Mr. Shepard's e-mail in particular, or did you just	<sup>17</sup> that correctly?
18	take it under advisement?	<sup>18</sup> A. I believe it's dc.monte1
19	A. It was more taking it under advisement.	$^{19}$ Q. Oh, thank you.
20	Q. Do you recall, Miss Anderson, speaking	<sup>20</sup> <b>A @yahoo.com.</b>
21	with Mr. Johnson about websites that might be used to	<sup>21</sup> Q. Indeed, dc.monte1.
22	market the energy equipment?	<sup>22</sup> And the date appears to be Friday
23	A. Only in the general respect that I knew	<sup>23</sup> October 15, 2010.
24	that there was they were they had a website.	<sup>24</sup> Do you see that?
25	Q. "They" being who?	<sup>25</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Q. Okay. Now, you're not on this e-mail,	<sup>1</sup> let me know when you're ready.
<sup>2</sup> Miss Anderson, right?	<sup>2</sup> For the record, Plaintiff's 577 has
<sup>3</sup> A. I am not.	<sup>3</sup> Anderson 000210.
<sup>4</sup> Q. But in the e-mail Mr. Shepard tells	<sup>4</sup> A. Okay.
<sup>5</sup> someone that "Neldon met with his attorney yesterday.	<sup>5</sup> Q. Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 577?
<sup>6</sup> One of the topics was your website."	<sup>6</sup> A. Ido.
<sup>7</sup> Do you see that?	<sup>7</sup> Q. What is it?
<sup>8</sup> A. I do.	<sup>8</sup> A. These are work product notes I produced
<sup>9</sup> Q. Do you recall speaking specifically with	<sup>9</sup> during or after our meetings with Mr. Johnson.
<sup>10</sup> Mr. Johnson about any person's website, other than	<sup>10</sup> Q. Do you happen to recall if these were
<sup>11</sup> RaPower3?	<sup>11</sup> after the first meeting or subsequent meetings?
$^{12}$ A. I do not.	<sup>12</sup> A. I don't recall a date. I would in
<sup>13</sup> Q. Okay. Do you recall any decisions being	<sup>13</sup> reviewing the topics discussed, I would put it after
<sup>14</sup> made consistent with the second paragraph of this	<sup>14</sup> the second letter.
<sup>15</sup> e-mail?	<sup>15</sup> Q. After the second letter?
<sup>16</sup> A. I was not part of that, no.	<sup>16</sup> A. Uh-huh (affirmative).
<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. So if any decisions were made about	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. If that's after the second letter,
<sup>18</sup> any website, it wasn't part of your conversation?	then we'll put that to the side for right now.
<sup>19</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>19</sup> I'm handing you what's been marked
<sup>20</sup> Q. Do you recall having any other	<sup>20</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 575. Plaintiff's 575 has Bates
<sup>21</sup> conversations about website marketing with	<sup>21</sup> number Anderson 000143 through 151.
<sup>22</sup> Mr. Johnson?	<sup>22</sup> <b>A. I'm ready.</b>
$^{23}$ <b>A.</b> I do not.	<sup>23</sup> Q. Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 575?
<sup>24</sup> Q. Here we go. I'm handing you what's been	<sup>24</sup> A. I recognize it as a document that was in
<sup>25</sup> marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 577. Please read that and	<sup>25</sup> our file.
marked Flaintin's Exhibit 377. Flease read that and	our me.
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<sup>1</sup> Q. Do you know how it got in your file?	<sup>1</sup> economic substance doctrines and how they might
<sup>2</sup> A. I believe it to be something that	<sup>2</sup> impact these transactions?
<sup>3</sup> Mr. Johnson had given me.	<sup>3</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.
4 Q. Why do you believe that?	4 THE WITNESS: I don't believe so.
5 A. I he had a habit of bringing in	<sup>5</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Do you recall
<sup>6</sup> articles or opinions to help me with my research.	<sup>6</sup> when, before first letter, after first letter, before
<sup>7</sup> Q. Do you think this was one of those	<sup>7</sup> second letter, after second letter, Mr. Johnson might
<sup>8</sup> documents?	8 have brought this to you?
<sup>9</sup> A. I believe so.	<sup>9</sup> A. I can't pinpoint it, no.
<sup>10</sup> Q. Did you ever speak with Mr. Johnson about	<sup>10</sup> Q. I apologize if you already answered this.
<sup>11</sup> the contents of this document?	<sup>11</sup> What, if anything, did you do with Plaintiff's
<sup>12</sup> A. Not specifically.	<sup>12</sup> Exhibit 575?
<sup>13</sup> Q. Generally, though?	<sup>13</sup> A. I reviewed it, but I didn't see how it was
<sup>14</sup> A. It was a, "Here you go, go ahead and read	<sup>14</sup> applying to the tax principle overviews that I was
<sup>15</sup> this" situation, and then I don't believe we ever	<sup>15</sup> providing to Mr. Johnson.
<sup>16</sup> brought it up again.	<sup>16</sup> Q. So after you reviewed it, did you do
<sup>17</sup> Q. Did he tell you why he was bringing you a	<sup>17</sup> anything else with it other than keep it in the file?
<sup>18</sup> document that has to do with an IRS response to the	<sup>18</sup> A. Put it in the file.
<sup>19</sup> proliferation of abuse of tax shelters?	<sup>19</sup> Q. I'm handing you what's been marked
<sup>20</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>20</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 576 with Bates numbers Anderson
<sup>21</sup> THE WITNESS: It was, "Here's a document	<sup>21</sup> 153 through 160.
<sup>22</sup> for your review."	<sup>22</sup> Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 576?
<sup>23</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So even if you	<sup>23</sup> A. I recognize it as another document that
<sup>24</sup> didn't, you know, discuss this document in	<sup>24</sup> was part of our file.
<sup>25</sup> particular, did you ever speak with Mr. Johnson about	<sup>25</sup> Q. Do you know how it got into your file?

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50 51 A. Not particularly. I -- when I received A. Again, Mr. Johnson handed me these 2 documents to help me with my research. the document, I assumed it was a website where you 2 submit questions and an attorney will give you Q. Do you recall when he did that? 4 A. It's possible before the first letter, but answers to your questions. 5 for sure before the second. Q. Do you know if it's attorneys? б Q. How do you know it was for sure before the A. I do not know that. 7 second? Q. If we take a look at sort of the middle of 8 A. It was -- again, it was questions -- it the first page, where the header is "Your question was an article or -- he had asked the question to was," and then there's a chunk of text underneath 10 10 some website and they had given him the answer, and that, one of the sentences there is, "The 11 11 he felt the answer was relevant to the research I was manufacturer is using the machinery for advertising 12 12 doing. and paying the business rent." 13 Q. Did you ever speak with Mr. Johnson about 13 Do you see that sentence? 14 14 Plaintiff's Exhibit 576? A. I do. 15 15 A. Not particularly. It was -- I was Q. Did you ever talk with Mr. Johnson about 16 16 conducting my own research, and I gave them the due how advertising might be involved in this? 17 17 deference that my client had handed it to me and I A. Yes. 18 18 reviewed it, but I didn't -- I was conducting my own Q. What did you talk about? 19 19 research and not relying on the articles that he was A. The time period from when the energy 20 20 equipment was purchased until it was actually put in bringing me. 21 21 Q. So aside from reviewing it and putting it service as energy equipment. He had proposed that 22 22 in your file, what, if anything, did you do with lease agreement, and the lease was the energy unit 23 23 Plaintiff's Exhibit 576? would be leased for advertising purposes, as in come 24 24 and see this model, come and see this equipment and A. Nothing that I recall. 25 Q. Are you familiar with NATP? 25 help persuade others to purchase the equipment. He 52 53 called it, essentially, a billboard, "We're using the 1 the second letter in November 2010? 2 energy equipment as a billboard." 2 A. Elaborating on the advertising idea, yeah. Q. How, if at all, did that idea factor into Q. Elaborating on it, but it had come up 4 your -- any analysis that you provided Mr. Johnson? as --A. So we had talked about -- up until --A. It's obviously here in this. I'm not sure before the second letter, we had talked about the that it was given deference in regard to the general lease of the machinery. And the -- the general tone tax principles. Q. Okay. So then what it sounds like to of the letters that I had provided was, "These are" -- we're talking in broad, general principles. me -- and correct me if I'm wrong -- is that the idea 10 10 "These are -- this is an overview of tax principles, about advertising may have come up before the second 11 11 it wasn't applied to any set of specific letter but you only ever really explored it with 12 12 circumstances." Mr. Johnson after the second letter? 13 13 After I delivered the second letter, he A. Yes. We had discussed a lease. We didn't 14 14 clarified it and said, "No, I want this applied to really -- and I -- I termed my -- the -- the 15 15 RaPower customers, those who are going to be discussion of these tax principles in terms of a 16 16 purchasing the equipment." lease, but what that lease looked like was -- didn't 17 And that's when we started to discuss, 17 get explored until after the second letter. 18 18 okay, what does this lease look like, what is this Q. Okay. So through the time of the second 19 19 letter you understood that the idea was that there advertising, and that's when the billboard 20 20 conversation happened. How long is it going to -would be a sale and then a lease, but is it fair to 21 21 how long is this lease period going to be, and that's say you did not know what the lease would be for? 22 22 the -- the answer was "years," et cetera. A. Correct. 23 23 Q. I just want to make sure I understand. So Q. Okay. So -- or just to try to understand 24 24 did I hear you correctly that to your recollection it, did you assume that it would be leased to create 25 25 the advertising idea came up only after you delivered energy?

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1	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>1</sup> equipment was ready to produce energy.
2	Also objection, asks for speculation.	<sup>2</sup> Q. So to be clear, these conversations
3	THE WITNESS: The lease we didn't go	<sup>3</sup> happened after you delivered the second letter?
4	into details, and it as far as answering as far	<sup>4</sup> A. Yes.
5	as giving an overview of those tax principles, it was	<sup>5</sup> Q. Okay. And after the second letter
6	important that it was a lease but the terms of the	<sup>6</sup> correct me if I'm wrong, but it sounds like
7	lease hadn't come into play yet.	7 Mr. Johnson understood that the lenses would not
8	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Did Mr. Johnson	<sup>8</sup> generate lease income as equipment producing energy
9	ever talk about how the owner of the energy equipment	<sup>9</sup> for a while.
10	would make money?	<sup>10</sup> A. Correct.
11	A. At what point in time?	<sup>11</sup> Q. So in between the time when someone
12	Q. Well, specifically with the lease	<sup>12</sup> purchased a lens and leased it to some other entity,
13	payments, who was going to pay	<sup>13</sup> and that entity started paying lease payments for the
14	A. Uh-huh (affirmative).	<sup>14</sup> use of that equipment as energy-producing equipment,
15	Q for these lenses?	<sup>15</sup> that same entity would pay the owner of the lens for
16	A. So after when he when he asked that	<sup>16</sup> using the lens for advertising purposes?
17	those those principles start being applied to	<sup>17</sup> A. Whether they were the same entity, I don't
18	facts, we discussed the lease in terms of the	<sup>18</sup> know. The plan was, you purchase the equipment, you
19	purchaser is going to put out a chunk of money. They	<sup>19</sup> lease it out for advertising. When it's ready to
20	are going to pay for it up front. That lease was	<sup>20</sup> produce energy, you lease it out for energy. Who it
21	going to be given I I don't know if it was	<sup>21</sup> was that was leasing to or if they were the same
22	RaPower or another entity, but that lease was they	<sup>22</sup> per same entity, it was unknown.
23	were going to, in turn, lease that to another entity,	<sup>23</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Okay. Let's take a
24	and they were going to pay as an advertising fee	<sup>24</sup> guick break. Off the record.
25	as rent. And that was and that was until the	<sup>25</sup> (A break was taken from 2:39 p.m. to.
	56	57
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2	2:45 p.m.)	prosecution that roug and rooth have a joint account
3	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Back on the record,	to, deita - deitapc@gmail.com.
4	please.	
5	Q. All right. Miss Anderson, we've just come	
6	back from a quick break.	A. NO.
7	Did you speak with anybody about the facts	
8	of the case on the break?	representation of Rapowers in this context did
9	A. I did not.	
10	Q. Now, actually, just to revisit some	
	interim stuff. What is your professional e-mail	A. He didn't ask me directly.
11	address?	<sup>11</sup> Q. Did he ask you indirectly?
12	A. Jessica@deltaattorney.com.	<sup>12</sup> A. Todd told me that he had asked Todd
13	Q. Have you used any other professional	<sup>13</sup> about the question that Neldon posed was, "Do you
14	e-mail address since September 2010?	<sup>14</sup> guys do any tax any tax law?"
15	A. It's possible in those first few months I	And I think believe I odd indicated to
16	was using my student e-mail address.	<sup>16</sup> me his response was, "Jessica has taken a few
17	Q. Which was what?	<sup>17</sup> classes."
18	A. I can't recall. I want to say anderson	<sup>18</sup> Q. To your knowledge, was there any further
19	janderson.stu@okcu.edu, or something to that effect.	<sup>19</sup> conversation with Neldon Johnson about your
20	Q. Okay. Since those first few months when	<sup>20</sup> background in tax?
21	you might have been using your student e-mail	A. Not between Neldon and I. And as far as
22	address, have you used any other e-mail address for	<sup>22</sup> Todd and Neldon, I don't believe so.
23	your professional life other than	<sup>23</sup> Q. Before the break we talked about a
24	jessica@deltaattorney.com?	<sup>24</sup> RaPower3 customer leasing a lens for advertising
25	A. I have an e-mail address strictly for	<sup>25</sup> purposes.

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1	A. Energy equipment, yeah.	<sup>1</sup> Q. Do you know which entity was going to pay
2	Q. Right. A customer would lease energy	<sup>2</sup> for using energy equipment as equipment to produce
3	equipment for advertising purposes?	<sup>3</sup> energy?
4	A. Correct.	<sup>4</sup> A. I don't know who the lease was going to be
5	Q. Right.	<sup>5</sup> between. It was the customer that purchased the
6	Do you know which entity was going to pay	<sup>6</sup> energy equipment was going to lease it back. I I
7	for the use of that energy equipment for advertising	<sup>7</sup> couldn't say with a surety what company was going to
8	purposes?	<sup>8</sup> be leasing it back.
9	A. I don't know specifically which entity.	<sup>9</sup> Q. So do you know whether any RaPower3
10	Q. Do you know whether any RaPower3 customer	<sup>10</sup> customer has ever received a lease payment for use of
11	has actually received lease payments for the use of	<sup>11</sup> their energy equipment as energy equipment?
12	energy equipment for advertising purposes?	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. I do not.</b>
13	A. I	13 (EXHIBIT 619 WAS MARKED.)
14	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.	<sup>14</sup> Q. Miss Anderson, I've handed you what's been
15	THE WITNESS: I don't know any RaPower	<sup>15</sup> marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 619, Bates number Anderson
16	customers or their dealings.	<sup>16</sup> 000161.
17	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Did you ever	<sup>17</sup> Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 619?
18	hear from Neldon Johnson that any RaPower3 customer	<sup>18</sup> A. I recognize it as a document that was in
19	had ever been paid any lease payments for use of	<sup>19</sup> our file.
20	their energy equipment for advertising purposes?	<sup>20</sup> Q. Plaintiff's Exhibit 619 appears to be
21	A. I didn't specifically hear about	<sup>21</sup> or has the title Solar Purchase Referral Fee
22	transactions between clients customers and	<sup>22</sup> Contract.
23	RaPower.	<sup>23</sup> Did I read that correctly?
24	Q. So no?	<sup>24</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
25	A. No.	<sup>25</sup> Q. Do you know when you received this
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2	file, what, if anything, did you do with Plaintiff's	<sup>2</sup> general.
3	Exhibit 619?	<sup>3</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So it sounds
4	A. Nothing.	<sup>4</sup> like Plaintiff's Exhibit 619 did not have an impact
5	Q. What, if any, effect did Plaintiff's	<sup>5</sup> on any analysis you provided to Mr. Johnson.
6	Exhibit 619 have on any analysis that you provided to	<sup>6</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
7	Mr. Johnson?	<sup>7</sup> Q. Is that correct?
8	A. The general principles, the overall,	<sup>8</sup> A. That would be correct.
9	here's how these tax principles work, in the letters	<sup>9</sup> (EXHIBIT 620 WAS MARKED.)
10	that I provided, just on the basis general basis	<sup>10</sup> Q. All right. You've been handed Plaintiff's
11	that it's a lease. We didn't start Mr. Johnson	<sup>11</sup> Exhibit 620, which is Bates marked Anderson 000163
12	didn't want to apply those principles to a RaPower3	<sup>12</sup> through 170.
13	customer until after that second letter, and so	<sup>13</sup> You've had a chance to take a look?
14	that's when we started digging into the details of,	<sup>14</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
15	okay, what is that really going to look like, what is	<sup>15</sup> Q. Okay. Do you recognize Plaintiff's
16	the business structure, what is what are the	<sup>16</sup> Exhibit 620?
17	what are the facts of what a RaPower customer	<sup>17</sup> A. This was, again, a document that we had in
18	actually is.	<sup>18</sup> our file.
19	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Could you read back	<sup>19</sup> Q. Okay. Do you know who you got it from?
20	my question, please?	<sup>20</sup> A. Mr. Johnson.
21	(Record was read as follows: "What, if	<sup>21</sup> Q. Did you draft Plaintiff's Exhibit 620?
22	any, effect did Plaintiff's Exhibit 619 have on	<sup>22</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
23	any analysis that you provided to Mr. Johnson?")	<sup>23</sup> Q. And Plaintiff's Exhibit 620 appears to
24	THE WITNESS: The the explanation of	<sup>24</sup> be or have the header, at any rate, RaPower3
25	the general principles of of the basic tax	<sup>25</sup> Equipment Purchase Agreement, correct?
1	64 A. Correct.	<sup>1</sup> do anything else with it?
2	Q. Do you recall when Mr. Johnson gave you	<sup>2</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Asked and answered.
3	Plaintiff's Exhibit 620?	<sup>3</sup> THE WITNESS: I did not.
4	A. I don't recall which time frame it was	<sup>4</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) What, if any,
5	given to me.	<sup>5</sup> effect did Plaintiff's Exhibit 620 have on any
6	Q. What, if anything, did you do with	<sup>6</sup> analysis you provided for Mr. Johnson?
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8	A. I reviewed it and put it in the file.	<sup>8</sup> analysis for RaPower3 customers, they were a
9	Q. Did you ever speak with Mr. Johnson about	<sup>9</sup> overview. So I didn't provide an analysis regarding
10	the RaPower3 Equipment Purchase Agreement?	<sup>10</sup> RaPower3 purchasers or the purchase agreement.
11	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>11</sup> Q. Okay. So I understand you weren't
12	THE WITNESS: I did not.	<sup>12</sup> providing an analysis for RaPower3 customers. My
13	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Did you ever	<sup>13</sup> question is simply, you know, you had the Plaintiff's
14	make any suggestions or changes to Plaintiff's	<sup>14</sup> Exhibit 620. You read it. Did what you learn by
15	Exhibit 620 or any other RaPower3 equipment purchase	<sup>15</sup> reading the equipment purchase agreement did that
16	agreement?	<sup>16</sup> have any impact on your analysis for Mr. Johnson?
17	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>17</sup> A. It did not have any impact on the letters
18	THE WITNESS: I did not.	<sup>18</sup> that I wrote to Mr. Johnson.
19	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Do you know if	<sup>19</sup> Q. Did it have any other impact on any other
20	Todd Anderson made any suggestions or changes to any	<sup>20</sup> analysis you provided him?
21	RaPower3 equipment purchase agreement?	A. It it provided a general along with,
22	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>22</sup> what, Exhibit 619 these two combined provided a
23	THE WITNESS: I do not know.	<sup>23</sup> clearer picture of what exactly the customer was
24	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Aside from	<sup>24</sup> looking like, gave more details, and it along with
25	putting Plaintiff's Exhibit 620 in your file, did you	<sup>25</sup> the conversations that I had with Mr. Johnson, it

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# 18 (Pages 66 to 69)

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<sup>1</sup> affected the conversations we had after the second	<sup>1</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: So we can go back on
<ul> <li>letter and the analysis that I provided at that time.</li> </ul>	<sup>2</sup> the record, please.
<sup>3</sup> Q. So do you believe you received Plaintiff's	<sup>3</sup> Q. All right. Miss Anderson, you've been
<sup>4</sup> Exhibit 620 after the second letter?	<ul> <li><sup>4</sup> handed what has been marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 621,</li> </ul>
<sup>5</sup> A. I don't recall.	$^{5}$ 622 and 623.
A. Tuon trecail.	022 and 023.
Q. Alter reading the equipment purchase	Plaintin's 62 his marked Anderson 000 199
agreement, did you follow up with any questions about	
any of its contents with with someon?	Fidintin's Exhibit 022 is marked Anderson
<sup>9</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>9</sup> 000183 through 185.
<sup>10</sup> THE WITNESS: Not specific questions	<sup>10</sup> And Plaintiff's 623 is marked Anderson
<sup>11</sup> towards this document.	<sup>11</sup> 000172 through 181.
<sup>12</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Any other	<sup>12</sup> And the reason we're taking a look at all
<sup>13</sup> questions regarding the equipment purchase agreement?	<sup>13</sup> of these together is because each of them have the
<sup>14</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>14</sup> title on the first page, RaPower3 Operation and
<sup>15</sup> THE WITNESS: My questions were more	<sup>15</sup> Maintenance Agreement.
<sup>16</sup> directed at what the customer was actually	<sup>16</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>17</sup> purchasing well, let me take that back.	<sup>17</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
<sup>18</sup> More towards the lease, and that's when we	<sup>18</sup> Q. Okay. So, really, what I'm curious about
<sup>19</sup> discussed the advertising concept. And then also my	<sup>19</sup> from you because these are from your files,
<sup>20</sup> questions about the customer were geared towards how	<sup>20</sup> correct?
<sup>21</sup> were they going to have material participation.	<sup>21</sup> A. Correct.
<sup>22</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Let's go off for a	<sup>22</sup> Q why there are three versions or
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Social, picture.	
<sup>25</sup> (EXHIBITS 621 THROUGH 623 WERE MARKED.)	<sup>25</sup> can talk about those.
68	69
<sup>1</sup> A. Okay.	<sup>1</sup> Q. Did you receive this from Neldon Johnson?
<sup>2</sup> Q. So on 621, for example, on page Anderson	A. Correct.
<sup>3</sup> 203 do you see the Article 5, Compensation and	Q. Do you remember approximately when he gave
<sup>4</sup> Payment on this page?	<sup>4</sup> it to you?
5 <b>A. Yes.</b>	<sup>₅</sup> A. I do not.
<sup>6</sup> Q. Paragraph 5.1 in typewriting says, "Rental	<sup>6</sup> Q. Do you know who drafted the RaPower3
7 Agreement," correct?	<sup>7</sup> Operation and Maintenance Agreement?
<sup>8</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>8</sup> A. I do not.
<sup>9</sup> Q. And then in handwriting next to that it	<sup>9</sup> Q. Generally not necessarily with respect
<sup>10</sup> appears to say "Power Purchase."	<sup>10</sup> to 621, but generally did you discuss the RaPower3
<sup>11</sup> Do you see that?	<sup>11</sup> Operation and Maintenance Agreement with Mr. Johnson?
<sup>12</sup> <b>A.</b> I can't quite read what it says, but I do	<sup>12</sup> A. I did not talk about it with Mr. Johnson.
<sup>13</sup> say there is hand see there is handwriting.	<sup>13</sup> Q. Do you know if Todd Anderson did?
<sup>14</sup> Q. Okay. Do you happen to know whose writing	<sup>14</sup> A. I don't recall.
<sup>15</sup> that is?	<sup>15</sup> Q. Did you ever actually see a transaction
lind is:	<sup>16</sup> document by which a customer would have leased the
A. Thappen to know that it's not my writing	<sup>17</sup> lenses to another entity?
and it's not rodu's writing.	
Q. II IL UUES SAY FOWER FUICHASE, UU YUU	A. Gan you reprirase that:
<sup>19</sup> have any recollection as to why that notation is on	
<sup>20</sup> this document?	<sup>20</sup> A. Correct.
A. I do not.	<sup>21</sup> Q involved in the transaction that
<sup>22</sup> Q. Otherwise, do you recognize Plaintiff's	<sup>22</sup> Mr. Johnson was proposing. Did you ever see what
<sup>23</sup> Exhibit 621 as a document that came out of your	<sup>23</sup> like, the form of a lease agreement?
<sup>24</sup> files?	A. I believe 619 is is substantially
<sup>25</sup> <b>A. Correct.</b>	<sup>25</sup> similar to what you're asking.

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<sup>1</sup> Q. Okay. So, to your understanding,	<sup>1</sup> Mr. Johnson regarding, in general, what these terms
<sup>2</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 619, which is the Solar Purchase	<sup>2</sup> probably lay out.
<sup>3</sup> Referral Fee Contract, to your recollection, this is	<sup>3</sup> Q. What these terms probably lay out?
<sup>4</sup> the contract that embodied the lease?	<sup>4</sup> A. What these contracts the terms that are
<sup>5</sup> A. There was two potential leases. I believe	<sup>5</sup> contained in these contracts.
<sup>6</sup> this was what the lease for the advertising portion	<sup>6</sup> Q. Okay. So so am I hearing you
7 was going to look like.	<sup>7</sup> right, like, you took a look at these contracts
<sup>8</sup> Q. Okay. So did you ever see a lease for the	<sup>8</sup> and
<sup>9</sup> energy equipment being used as energy equipment?	<sup>9</sup> A. Set them aside.
<sup>10</sup> A. I did not.	<sup>10</sup> Q. And set them aside. Okay.
<sup>11</sup> Q. What, if any, effect did Plaintiff's	<sup>11</sup> Did you ever talk with Mr. Johnson about
<sup>12</sup> Exhibit 621 have on any analysis you provided to	<sup>12</sup> the terms of these contracts and how they might
<sup>13</sup> Mr. Johnson?	<sup>13</sup> affect your analysis of tax benefits relating to
<sup>14</sup> A. As far as the letters that I produced,	<sup>14</sup> these transactions?
<sup>15</sup> there was again, they were termed in in such a	<sup>15</sup> A. In the conversations that I had we didn't
<sup>16</sup> way that it was, "Here's what these tax principles	<sup>16</sup> specifically return to these contracts. It was I
<sup>17</sup> are." It wasn't until Mr. Johnson asked me to say	specifically return to these contracts. It was i
<ul> <li>how does it apply to a RaPower customer that we</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>questioned Mr. Johnson about things such as material</li> <li>participation and how the time frame of when it</li> </ul>
	participation and now – the time traine of when it
started digging into details such as now the lease	was actually going to be put into service, and now
was going to be structured and the purchase agreement	that potentially affects the energy credits that he
	was wanting to claim. And those were all verbal
Q. 30 UIU FIAITIITS EXTIDIT 02 T TAVE ATY	conversations, not generally related to these
enect on any analysis you provided to with ophinson:	contracts.
A. Tuon t know specifically that it affected	Q. Okay. Did you ever make any changes of
<sup>25</sup> me. I believe it was more my conversations with	<sup>25</sup> comment on the RaPower3 Operation and Maintenance
<sup>1</sup> Agreement? <sup>2</sup> A. I did not.	<sup>1</sup> fall of 2010? <sup>2</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
<sup>3</sup> Q. Do you know if somebody else did?	<sup>3</sup> Q. Is there a do you know how you can tell
<sup>4</sup> A. I see in Exhibit 622 there are comments.	<sup>4</sup> who made what comments and track changes?
<sup>5</sup> I'm not sure who made those comments.	<sup>5</sup> A. Usually there is a designation next to the
<sup>6</sup> Q. Okay. Let's take a look at those. So	<sup>6</sup> comment.
<sup>7</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 622, this is just a few pages of	<sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. So, for example, in this comment
<sup>8</sup> the Operation and Maintenance Agreement, correct?	<sup>8</sup> bubble, that could be A1.
<sup>9</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>9</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>10</sup> Q. And on the page marked Anderson 184, for	$^{10}$ A. I do see that.
<sup>11</sup> example, there's a track changes comment. Do you see	
<sup>12</sup> that comment bubble?	<sup>12</sup> Anderson Law Center?
<sup>13</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>	<sup>13</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.
<sup>14</sup> Q. Now, I'm going to read what I think it	<sup>14</sup> THE WITNESS: I can't say positively that
<sup>15</sup> says; you let me know if you agree.	<sup>15</sup> it is.
<sup>16</sup> The comment bubble says, "Does this cause	<sup>16</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Do you know if
<sup>17</sup> problems in regards to participation and/or	<sup>17</sup> Todd Anderson may have made some track changes?
<sup>18</sup> ownership?"	<sup>18</sup> A. I don't recall.
<sup>19</sup> A. That's what I read that to say as well.	<sup>19</sup> Q. Do you recall having received a version of
<sup>20</sup> Q. Okay. Do you know who made that comment?	,
<sup>21</sup> A. I am not sure. I do not know.	<sup>21</sup> track changes already in the document?
<sup>22</sup> Q. Does the Anderson Law Center use a track	<sup>22</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lacks foundation.
<sup>23</sup> changes feature in Word when editing documents?	<sup>23</sup> THE WITNESS: I don't recall.
<sup>24</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>	<sup>24</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Did you ever
<sup>25</sup> Q. Did it use the track changes feature in	<sup>25</sup> discuss the track changes in Plaintiff's Exhibit 622

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<sup>1</sup> with Neldon Johnson?	<sup>1</sup> Q. Let's take a look, please, at Plaintiff's
<sup>2</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>2</sup> Exhibit 623. Do you know, Miss Anderson, where you
<sup>3</sup> THE WITNESS: I don't recall a specific	<sup>3</sup> got Plaintiff's Exhibit 623?
<sup>4</sup> conversation where this came up, where this	<sup>4</sup> A. There seems to be three documents all
agreement he said, "Let's pull out this agreement	<sup>5</sup> substantially similar, and I believe them to have
<ul> <li>and let's go through this agreement" with Neldon.</li> </ul>	<sup>6</sup> come from Mr. Johnson.
<ul> <li>That wasn't something that I don't recall a</li> </ul>	<sup>7</sup> Q. Let's take a look, please, if you would,
	<ul> <li>at the page marked Anderson 176. And if you'd like,</li> </ul>
conversation like that happening. It's been a long	at the page marked Anderson 170. And it you'd like,
unie.	you can get out Flaintin's Exhibit oz 1 to compare
Q. (DT WO. REALT GALLAGRER) INDEED.	
So, Miss Anderson, do you recail where you	A. Ohay.
got Flaintin's Exhibit 622?	
<sup>13</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection to the extent it's	<sup>13</sup> let me know if you disagree in Plaintiff's
<sup>14</sup> been asked and answered.	<sup>14</sup> Exhibit 623, on page Anderson 176 it appears that the
<sup>15</sup> THE WITNESS: I believe it came from	<sup>15</sup> handwritten changes in Plaintiff's Exhibit 621 appear
<sup>16</sup> Mr. Johnson.	<sup>16</sup> in typewriting here.
<sup>17</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Do you recall	<sup>17</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>18</sup> approximately when he gave it to you?	<sup>18</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
<sup>19</sup> A. I do not recall a time frame.	<sup>19</sup> Q. Okay. Does the change from Plaintiff's
<sup>20</sup> Q. What, if any, effect did Plaintiff's	<sup>20</sup> Exhibit 621 where it says "Rental Agreement" to 623
<sup>21</sup> Exhibit 622 have on any analysis you provided	<sup>21</sup> where it says "Power Purchase Agreement" does that
<sup>22</sup> Mr. Johnson?	<sup>22</sup> mean anything to you?
<sup>23</sup> A. Probably little. My the analysis, as	<sup>23</sup> A. It seems like semantics to me.
<sup>24</sup> it applied towards RaPower customers, was determined	<sup>24</sup> Q. Okay. Okay. So that changed language
<sup>25</sup> off of conversations with Mr. Johnson.	<sup>25</sup> doesn't make a difference to your analysis?
76	77
<sup>1</sup> A. No.	<sup>1</sup> Q. Do you recall what when this letter was
<sup>2</sup> Q. Okay. We're done with those. Thank you.	<sup>2</sup> finalized and sent out?
<sup>3</sup> I'm handing you what's been marked	<sup>3</sup> A. My best guess is October 2010.
<sup>4</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 570, Bates marked Anderson OOO212	<sup>4</sup> Q. Do you have a recollection as to a
<sup>5</sup> through 220. Please take a look through that and let	<sup>5</sup> specific date in October?
<sup>6</sup> me know when you're ready.	<sup>6</sup> A. I do not.
$^{7}$ A. I'm ready.	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> Q. I'm handing you what's been marked</li> </ul>
<sup>8</sup> Q. Miss Anderson, do you recognize	<sup>8</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 571, Bates marked
<sup>9</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 570?	<sup>9</sup> Anderson Todd-00001 through 8.
<sup>10</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>	<sup>10</sup> Miss Anderson, do you recognize
<sup>11</sup> Q. What is it?	<sup>11</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 571?
<sup>12</sup> A. A letter that I drafted to Mr. Johnson.	<sup>12</sup> <b>A.</b> I've not reviewed this exhibit, no.
<sup>13</sup> Q. And this is what we've been talking about	<sup>13</sup> Q. But it is the response from Todd Anderson
<sup>14</sup> as the first letter, correct?	<sup>14</sup> to the United States subpoena to produce documents,
$^{15}$ <b>A. Correct.</b>	<sup>15</sup> right?
<sup>16</sup> Q. Now, the and you recognize the	<sup>16</sup> A. That is what it says in the title.
<sup>17</sup> letterhead at the top of Plaintiff's Exhibit 570 as	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. So if we take a look at the page
<sup>18</sup> the letterhead for Anderson Law Center in or around	<sup>18</sup> marked Anderson_Todd-00006, the entry for row N is
<sup>19</sup> fall 2010?	marked Anderson_Todd-00000, the entry for tow N is
	What I'u like you to take a look at. Allu li you
A. 165.	could just please read that to yourself and let the
Q. The date of Franklin's Exhibit 570 says	
Tobrdary 5, 2017. Do you know why that is:	A. Ukay.
A. I beneve this was stored as a word	Q. And, actually, the revisit Fidments
document, and that date was an auto correct auto	570 TOF OHE SECOND to Say that the TE Time, the
<sup>25</sup> fill feature.	<sup>25</sup> subject line, says, "Response to tax questions

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78 79 posed." Word document and modifiable file. Correct? To your recollection, did a copy of A. Correct. Plaintiff's Exhibit 570 get sent to Neldon Johnson? 4 Q. Okay. And then if we look back at A. Yes, I believe it did. Plaintiff's Exhibit 571, at line N, the entry on this Q. How did it get sent? privilege log starts off by saying, "Letter re A. It says it was sent to -- via e-mail to response to tax questions posed (Microsoft Word, neldon@iaus.com and original file -- follow, which modifiable file.)" means that it was printed and put in the mail. q Do you see that? Q. Okay. Was it your ordinary practice at 10 10 A. Yes. Anderson Law Center, if a letter says it was sent by 11 11 Q. Okay. And then in the description of that e-mail to a particular e-mail address, it was 12 document it says, "Document created and subsequently 12 actually then sent? 13 modified by Jessica Anderson with the final revisions 13 A. Correct. 14 on or about 2010, October 21st." 14 Q. And, similarly, if the letter says the 15 15 Do you see that? original will follow, your ordinary practice was to 16 16 A. I do see that. print out a hard copy, sign it, I'm guessing ... 17 17 Q. Okay. Do you have any thoughts about A. Yes. 18 18 that? Did you contribute to this privilege log in Q. Okay. And then actually put it in the 19 19 estimating when this would have been finalized? mail? 20 20 A. Only to the extent that I agree it was on A. Correct. 21 21 or about October 21st. That seems reasonable with Q. Okay. And do you have a recollection, did 22 22 the timeline that I recall. vou e-mail this to Neldon Johnson? 23 23 A. I don't recall if it was me or Todd, but Q. Okay. Miss Anderson, Plaintiff's 24 24 Exhibit 570 you described as a Microsoft Word one of us did. 25 25 document, and the privilege log identifies it as a Q. Do you recall who put it in the mail? 80 81 1 A. It would have been either me or Todd. 1 Q. Why does the letter have only to do with 2 Q. And you know Neldon Johnson received this sole proprietors? 3 letter, correct? A. I believe it was something that I turned 4 A. I do. up in my research. He said, "See how these questions 5 Q. Because he came into your office to talk apply to an MLM." 6 And so I termed it in -- I -- I put it in about it, right? 7 terms of we're acting as a sole proprietor, but if A. Correct. 8 you've got this other -- if you've got corporations Q. Let's walk through this a little bit here. 9 So the first sentence identifies questions regarding or entities, we would have a different conversation. 10 10 tax liability for members of RaPower3's multilevel Q. Okay. So I just wanted to understand, did 11 11 marketing organization. Neldon Johnson say, "Apply this to sole proprietors 12 12 only"? Do you see that? 13 13 A. No. A. I do. 14 14 Q. Okay. Okay. If you want to take a flip Q. Okay. So by the time of the first letter 15 15 you knew that there was a multilevel marketing through Plaintiff's Exhibit 570. I see three Roman 16 16 numerals. component here? 17 A. At least it was proposed, yes. 17 A. Okay. 18 18 Q. And did Neldon Johnson propose that? Q. Are the questions next to the Roman 19 19 numerals -- are those the three questions that A. Yes, he did. 20 20 The second-to-last sentence states that Mr. Johnson wanted you to answer? Q. 21 21 the information in the letter is relevant only to A. Those are the questions that Mr. Johnson 22 2.2 individuals acting as sole proprietors in the wanted me to answer. 23 23 Q. And, you know, if we take a look at I, it multilevel organization of RaPower3. 24 24 says, "Will the taxpayer's participation be deemed Do you see that? 25 25 material participation as defined in the internal A. Yes.

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1	revenue code."	<sup>1</sup> A. I should no. And I didn't ask.
2	Did I read that correctly?	<sup>2</sup> Q. All right. Miss Anderson, what did you do
3	A. You did.	<sup>3</sup> in order to answer the question in I?
4	Q. Okay. Did he actually ask you that	<sup>4</sup> A. My I started out with research. My
5	question as it's written or was that	<sup>5</sup> research was based on the tax code, the regs and IRS
6	A. That was probably paraphrased.	<sup>6</sup> publications.
7	Q. Okay. So that was your interpretation of	7 Started with material participation. Saw
8	what he was asking you?	<sup>8</sup> that there was two parts, at least a prong test, and
9	A. Correct.	<sup>9</sup> so discussed each each factor in in what it is
10	Q. What did he actually ask you with respect	<sup>10</sup> that material participation is.
11	to material participation?	<sup>11</sup> Q. In fact, your first subhead A says,
12	A. Specifically, he wanted to know how a	<sup>12</sup> "Equipment leasing as a passive activity."
13	member of an MLM could get material participation	<sup>13</sup> Did I read that correctly?
14	while while in the MLM.	<sup>14</sup> A. You did.
15	Q. And did he actually use the phrase	<sup>15</sup> Q. Okay. In this section in fact, the
16	"material participation" when he came into your	<sup>16</sup> first sentence says, "In general, losses generated
17	office?	<sup>17</sup> from equipment leasing are considered to be passive."
18	A. I believe so.	<sup>18</sup> A. Correct.
19	Q. Did he talk about why that was important	<sup>19</sup> Q. That's what you found in your research?
20	to him?	<sup>20</sup> A. That's what I found in my research.
21	A. He didn't.	<sup>21</sup> Q. And that's what you stated here in this
22	Q. At least before the first letter?	<sup>22</sup> letter?
23	A. Correct.	<sup>23</sup> A. Correct.
24	Q. Before you delivered this letter, did he	<sup>24</sup> (Discussion off the record.)
25	say where he got that phrase from?	<sup>25</sup> Q. So, Miss Anderson, you spend a little over
	bay where he get that philade herr.	
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1	two pages describing how generally losses generated	<sup>1</sup> And I didn't get any satisfactory answers
2	from equipment leasing are considered to be passive.	<sup>2</sup> as far as passive activity, but that wasn't a
3	Did you ever let me ask you this. After you	<sup>3</sup> conver that wasn't a subject that we hit hard at
4	delivered this first letter to Mr. Johnson, and	<sup>4</sup> that time. The subject that we spent most of our
5	before you wrote the second letter, did you speak	<sup>5</sup> time on was material participation, and we could not
6	with Mr. Johnson at all about this concept in tax	<sup>6</sup> overcome material participation.
7	law?	<sup>7</sup> Q. Okay, but if there's equipment leasing
8	A. I can't put a timeline on it. I believe	<sup>8</sup> A. Uh-huh (affirmative).
9	that it was the conversations after the first	<sup>9</sup> Q you don't even get to the seven-factor
10	letter and before the second letter were, "This isn't	<sup>10</sup> test for material participation, right?
11	what I wanted because of the tone. Let's change the	A. If yes. We we we had the
12	tone."	<sup>12</sup> conversation of you have to have if it's leasing,
13	And so we worked on changing making it	<sup>13</sup> but if we're if it's structured in such a way that
14	more user-friendly. It wasn't until after the second	<sup>14</sup> it's no longer leasing, then we still have we
15	letter that we started discussing how this passive	<sup>15</sup> still don't have material participation.
16	activity applies to RaPower3 customers.	<sup>16</sup> Q. Okay. So let's back it up a little bit.
17	Q. Okay. Okay. Once you did speak to	<sup>17</sup> So your recollection is you first started
18	Mr. Johnson about the passive nature of equipment	<sup>18</sup> drilling down on the actual sort of technical tack
19	leasing, what did you talk about?	<sup>19</sup> stuff
20	A. We talked about the specific there are	<sup>20</sup> A. Uh-huh (affirmative).
21	some there are some situations where it cannot be	<sup>21</sup> Q with Mr. Johnson after you delivered
22	passive, where it can be active, and so I tried to	<sup>22</sup> the second letter.
23	steer the conversation towards, "Okay, how can we	A. The second draft, yeah.
24	make this active? Tell me more information in	<sup>24</sup> Q. Okay. Right, second draft.
25	regards to these factors that could make it active."	<sup>25</sup> What was his reaction to your telling

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# 23 (Pages 86 to 89)

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<sup>1</sup> him or your discussion with him that equipment	<sup>1</sup> how that hypothetical was not identical to the
<sup>2</sup> leasing is, per se, passive, absent a few exceptions?	<sup>2</sup> situation that we had, and so it didn't apply or how
<sup>3</sup> A. At first he was dismissive. It was, "I	<sup>3</sup> that hypothetical was incorrect and wouldn't get to
<sup>4</sup> I think I think there is a way we can overcome	<sup>4</sup> where he wanted to go anyway.
<sup>5</sup> this."	5 And we went back and forth several times
<sup>6</sup> And so I would go and I would review it	<sup>6</sup> with several different hypotheticals. He it was
<sup>7</sup> again.	<sup>7</sup> him trying to convince me to change my mind.
<sup>8</sup> He would he would come it was	<sup>8</sup> Q. Can you give me a rough time frame? I
<sup>9</sup> multiple multiple conversations, either on the	<sup>9</sup> understand it happened over the course of time. Are
<sup>o</sup> phone or in person. And so I would go and review it	<sup>10</sup> we talking about, like, November to June?
again and say, "Neldon, I'm not sure there is any way	A. So it was after the second letter. It
<sup>2</sup> that I can come up with as far as if we're if	<sup>12</sup> would have been in November. I don't believe that
<sup>3</sup> we're going forward with the lease, I don't see any	<sup>13</sup> these conversations extended out to June. I think
<sup>4</sup> way that we can come up with to overcome this	<sup>14</sup> they happened within several weeks, maybe even as fa
<sup>5</sup> passive activity."	<sup>15</sup> as into the first part of January.
<sup>6</sup> Or it was actually, we we landed on	<sup>16</sup> Q. January 2011?
<sup>7</sup> material participation. "I can't see any way we can	<sup>17</sup> A. Correct.
<sup>8</sup> overcome this material participation."	<sup>18</sup> Q. I'd like to come back to something you
<sup>9</sup> And so at that point, when I said, "I	<sup>19</sup> said a moment ago at the beginning of one of your
<sup>o</sup> don't think we can overcome that," he was he would	<sup>20</sup> answers. You said that he was Mr. Johnson was
<sup>1</sup> come in and he would present hypotheticals. I don't	<sup>21</sup> dismissive of he was dismissive of what, exactly?
<sup>2</sup> remember exactly what the hypotheticals were, but it	<sup>22</sup> A. So, after the second letter he asked that,
<sup>3</sup> was in an effort to persuade me to change my mind.	<sup>23</sup> okay, let's apply these principles. We've talked
<sup>4</sup> The hypothetical would be he would present the	<sup>24</sup> about them and we've talked about them, but let's
<sup>5</sup> hypothetical, and then I would spend time telling him	<sup>25</sup> apply these principles to how it's going to apply
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<ul> <li><sup>4</sup> And he wanted if you purchase RaPower</li> <li><sup>5</sup> equipment, you can take all of these tax benefits.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>reviewed it again. What did you review?</li> <li>A. I went I did tried to do more</li> </ul>
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<sup>1</sup> THE WITNESS: I didn't give a whole lot of	<sup>1</sup> equipment is active a passive activity or for
<sup>2</sup> credit to any of them. I wanted to conduct my own	<sup>2</sup> these reasons, this is why it's it's not passive
<sup>3</sup> research. I may have found phrases or terms that I	<sup>3</sup> activity.
<sup>4</sup> further investigated or looked up, but of the	<sup>4</sup> Q. You mentioned that you believed these
5 materials that he dropped off, I reviewed it and put	<sup>5</sup> conversations with Mr. Johnson where he was trying to
<sup>6</sup> it in a file.	<sup>6</sup> change your mind lasted maybe maybe until early
7 Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Did Mr. Johnson	<sup>7</sup> January 2011, correct?
<sup>8</sup> drop off printouts of the Internal Revenue Code?	<sup>8</sup> A. That's my recollection.
<sup>9</sup> A. I don't believe so.	<sup>9</sup> Q. Okay. Why why do you believe they
<sup>10</sup> Q. Did Mr. Johnson drop off copies of	<sup>10</sup> would have stopped then?
<sup>11</sup> treasury regulations?	<sup>11</sup> A. Why did they stop, period, or why did they
<sup>12</sup> A. I do not believe so.	<sup>12</sup> stop in that time frame?
<sup>13</sup> Q. Did Mr. Johnson drop off case law?	<sup>13</sup> Q. My question to you is why do you think it
<sup>14</sup> A. I do not believe so.	<sup>14</sup> was early January that they stopped. Like, is there
<sup>15</sup> Q. Did Mr. Johnson drop off IRS publications?	<sup>15</sup> any event or something that triggers your
<sup>16</sup> A. I do not believe so.	<sup>16</sup> recollection that it was early January that they
<sup>17</sup> Q. So aside from his general confidence, did	<sup>17</sup> stopped?
<sup>18</sup> Mr. Johnson ever identify specific reasons that he	<sup>18</sup> A. As far as the time frame, I it did not
<sup>19</sup> disagreed with your position?	<sup>19</sup> drag out six months. It was it was a matter of
<sup>20</sup> A. He always phrased his comments to me in	<sup>20</sup> weeks. It wasn't months.
<sup>21</sup> terms of the hypotheticals; well, what if this were	<sup>21</sup> Q. After January 2010, did you
the situation or what about in this case, wouldn't	<sup>22</sup> <b>A. 2011.</b>
<ul> <li>you agree that it would apply here? So if it applies</li> </ul>	<sup>23</sup> Q. Sorry. Thank you.
<ul> <li>here, then it must apply here.</li> </ul>	<sup>24</sup> After January 2011, did you have any
<sup>25</sup> It was never, I refute that leasing	<sup>25</sup> further conversations with Mr. Johnson about RaPower3
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1       or energy equipment?         2       A. The final conversation that I had         3       in-person conversation that I had with Mr. Johnson         4       I couldn't tell you the date, but I remember it was         5       just he and I. Todd was not in the office. These         6       every the times that he would stop in and tried to         7       persuade me he would he was getting more         8       aggressive. He was getting louder. He was getting         9       pushy and and these were things that I had I         10       had discussed with Todd. I said, "I don't feel         11       comfortable, and I feel like he's trying to bully me         12       into a position that I don't feel comfortable         13       taking."         14       And so prior to that final meeting Todd         15       and I had had that conversation. And he told me that         16       if it is not within the purview of the law, then         17       don't go there.         18       And so not long after that conversation         19       with Todd, Mr. Johnson came in it was just he and         20       I again, he was being very aggressive. He was	1       do this." And, "You need to find somebody else." I         2       ended the representation verbally there with         3       Mr. Johnson in the office.         4       After that encounter, when Todd came back         5       to the office, I my words to him were, "I just         6       fired Neldon Johnson." And that was a big deal for         7       both of us. I know that Todd discussed that we were         9       good client; he was a young practice. He was a         9       good client; he was a paying client. That was a big         10       deal. And I told him that I fired Neldon Johnson.         11       And that was a really big deal and he it was it         12       was our first end of representation with a client.         13       And so he said he told me, "You need to         14       put that in writing."         15       I drafted an e-mail. I believe Todd         16       reviewed the e-mail before I sent it out, and I sent         17       it to Neldon. I don't know the date.         18       Q. All right. We'll tease a couple things         19       out of there.         20       A. Yep.
<ul> <li>trying to be intimidating, almost. And he was</li> <li>bringing in a hypothetical, bringing in a scenario.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Q. So in the course of Mr. Johnson coming in</li> <li>to present hypotheticals to you, you said he was</li> </ul>
<sup>23</sup> And I would tell him, no, this doesn't	<sup>23</sup> getting more aggressive, pushy and louder. "Louder,"
<ul> <li><sup>24</sup> work or it doesn't apply. And I finally said,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><sup>24</sup> he was raising his voice to you?</li> </ul>
<ul> <li><sup>25</sup> "Neldon, no. I can't do this, and I'm not going to</li> </ul>	<sup>25</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
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<sup>1</sup> Q. In your opinion, was he yelling?	<sup>1</sup> MR. MARTIN: Erin, when it's a good spot,
<sup>2</sup> A. Probably not.	<ul> <li><sup>2</sup> maybe we can take another five-minute break.</li> </ul>
A. Frobably not.	
Q. What else was he doing to demonstrate	Q. (DT WO. TEALT GALLAGHER) AND JUST WAIT
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<sup>5</sup> A. He would get in close to me. He would try	
<sup>6</sup> to he has a very high opinion on himself, and he	<sup>6</sup> your opinion and Neldon Johnson's opinion was about
<sup>7</sup> would try to say, "I really think," and "I'm a really	7 material participation?
<sup>8</sup> smart guy, and I really think this is going to work,"	<sup>8</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.
<sup>9</sup> and try to intimidate me in that way.	<sup>9</sup> Misstates prior testimony.
<sup>10</sup> Q. So he was physically getting close to you?	<sup>10</sup> THE WITNESS: I had several questions and
<sup>11</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>11</sup> concerns about the tax principles that he was trying
<sup>12</sup> Q. And otherwise relying on his opinion of	<sup>12</sup> to take. I that's just the one that we happened
	<sup>13</sup> to land on.
A. Trying to make the feel dumb of Small that	Q. (DT WO. TEALT GALLAGHER) Out you give the
<sup>15</sup> I wasn't at the same place that he was.	a quick list of the other spots for disagreement, and
<sup>16</sup> Q. Okay. So in addition to a loud voice,	<sup>16</sup> then we can take a quick break?
<sup>17</sup> physical closeness to you, making you feel dumb or	<sup>17</sup> A. The energy equipment once I figured out
<sup>18</sup> small because you weren't in the same place that he	<sup>18</sup> the timeline, that it wasn't going to be actually
<sup>19</sup> was, what, if anything else, did he do to demonstrate	<sup>19</sup> energy-producing equipment for several years, I
<sup>20</sup> aggressiveness?	<sup>20</sup> wanted to go back and research to make sure that it
<sup>21</sup> A. That's probably a pretty good list.	<sup>21</sup> was still going to qualify for those energy credits.
<sup>22</sup> Q. Do you have an idea of, like, the season	<sup>22</sup> I hadn't taken that into consideration when I first
<sup>23</sup> generally when the last conversation was?	<sup>23</sup> looked at it. I didn't go back and do that research
$^{24}$ <b>A.</b> I don't.	<ul> <li>because we never got to that conversation.</li> </ul>
	<sup>25</sup> The depreciation was concerning to me
<sup>25</sup> Q. Okay.	The depreciation was concerning to me
<ul> <li>because, again, we're using energy-producing</li> <li>equipment and we're calling it a billboard and we</li> <li>want to depreciate it as energy-producing equipment.</li> </ul>	1     A. No, I did not.       2     Q. I'd like to come back quickly to the       3     hypotheticals that Mr. Johnson brought in to discuss
<sup>4</sup> I wasn't I I wasn't I didn't know	<sup>4</sup> with you. Do you recall what those hypotheticals
<sup>5</sup> if the rules regarding depreciation were if that	<sup>5</sup> were?
<sup>6</sup> was going to work out. And it was, again, something	<sup>6</sup> A. I don't recall the specifics of them.
7 that I still needed to review, but it was not	<sup>7</sup> He towards the end he kept relating it to farmers.
<sup>8</sup> something that it was we were going to address	<sup>8</sup> I don't recall why he picked them, but he related it
<sup>9</sup> it later, simply because we couldn't get past the	<sup>9</sup> to farmers, maybe because we were in Delta.
<sup>10</sup> material participation.	<sup>10</sup> Q. So then do you have any idea where he
<sup>11</sup> And we've already touched on the passive	<sup>11</sup> was getting them from?
<sup>12</sup> activity of equipment leasing. There's and I	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. I don't, no.</b>
<sup>13</sup> believe that even in my on page 214, the best	<sup>13</sup> Q. And I just want to make sure I understand.
<sup>14</sup> argument you can make as a taxpayer is falling under	<sup>14</sup> You I believe you testified correct me if I'm
<ul> <li>this exception, and I wasn't a hundred percent</li> </ul>	<sup>15</sup> wrong that Mr. Johnson did not seem super
this exception, and I wash't a hundred percent	wiong that will born born and not seem super
positive that it fell that exception.	concerned about equipment leasing as a passive
WO. TEALT GALLAGHER. ORay. THAIR you.	adavity:
<sup>18</sup> Take five, ten?	
<sup>19</sup> (A break was taken from 4:01 p.m. to	<sup>19</sup> misstates her prior testimony.
<sup>20</sup> 4:10 p.m.)	<sup>20</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Or was it more
<sup>21</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) All right.	<sup>21</sup> that the focus was more on material participation?
<sup>22</sup> Miss Anderson, we're back on the record after a quick	<sup>22</sup> MR. PAUL: Same objection.
<sup>23</sup> break.	<sup>23</sup> THE WITNESS: He was unconcerned that I
<sup>24</sup> Q. Did you speak with anybody about the facts	<sup>24</sup> came back and had said, "I don't think we can do
<sup>25</sup> of this case on the break?	<sup>25</sup> this."
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1	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) So is that what	<sup>1</sup> Q. All right. And then II. II says, "What
2	you mean when you say he was dismissive of your	<sup>2</sup> are the requirements for depreciation and IRC
3	conclusions?	<sup>3</sup> Section 179 deductions for the energy equipment?"
4	A. Yes. He felt that there was a way that we	<sup>4</sup> Did I read that correctly?
5	could, in fact, do this.	5 <b>A. Yes.</b>
6	Q. All right. And then heading B.	<sup>6</sup> Q. And is this verbatim what you heard from
7	A. Which document?	<sup>7</sup> Mr. Johnson or a paraphrase of what he wanted to
8	Q. Of Plaintiff's Exhibit 570. That's where	<sup>8</sup> know?
9	you laid out the information about material	<sup>9</sup> A. Again, it was a paraphrase.
10	participation for a sole proprietorship, right?	<sup>10</sup> Q. But when he came into your office, did he
11	A. Correct.	<sup>11</sup> mention the word "depreciation"?
12	Q. If we take a look at page Anderson 216,	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
13	you identify in the paragraph in the middle of the	<sup>13</sup> Q. And he mentioned IRC section 179?
14	page that certain hours do not count in the tests for	<sup>14</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
15	material participation.	<sup>15</sup> Q. If you take a look at subhead C on page
16	Do you see that?	<sup>16</sup> Anderson 218. "Property acquired for business use."
17	A. I do.	<sup>17</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
18	Q. Did you ever talk with Mr. Johnson about	<sup>18</sup> Q. Do you see that?
19	what kinds of things don't count toward material	<sup>19</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
20	participation?	<sup>20</sup> Q. Okay. At the time you wrote Plaintiff's
21	A. Other than to relate it to him in in	<sup>21</sup> Exhibit 570 what, if any, information did you have
22	this letter, no.	<sup>22</sup> about the purchaser of the lenses and what business
23	Q. Okay. So you never had conversations with	<sup>23</sup> USE
24	him about this after you delivered this letter?	A. This was
25	A. No.	Q yeah the energy equipment would be
	100	101
1	put to?	<sup>1</sup> in service for the energy equipment at issue?
2	A. Okay. The energy equipment would be sold	A. We discussed it as a lease. I guess that
3	to a purchaser, and the purchaser would then lease it	<ul> <li>assumed that it had been it was it existed. If</li> <li>that makes sense</li> </ul>
4	back. Or lease it to another entity.	that makes sense.
6	Q. Okay. And then for subsection D, Property	Q. That the energy equipment existent
7	Placed in Service, on page Anderson 219, did you	A. Tes. II II we're leasing something, we
8	let me start this again.	have something that we re leasing. And I think that
9	Before you delivered Plaintiff's 570 to	<ul> <li><sup>8</sup> was the premise I was working with.</li> <li><sup>9</sup> Q. And in III. III says, "How can I get a</li> </ul>
10	Mr. Johnson, what, if any, facts did you have about how the energy equipment would be placed in service?	<ul> <li>letter from the IRS stating its position on material</li> </ul>
11	A. I didn't know how it was going to be	<sup>11</sup> participation and Section 179 deductions."
12	placed in service.	<sup>12</sup> Did I read that correctly?
13		Dia ricad that correctly.
14	Sorry can you rephrase? Is that as far	
	Sorry, can you rephrase? Is that as far as energy equipment - energy - producing energy?	A. 165.
15	as energy equipment energy producing energy?	<sup>14</sup> Q. And did Mr. Johnson come in with that
15 16	as energy equipment energy producing energy? Is that your question?	14       Q. And did Mr. Johnson come in with that         15       verbatim or was that a paraphrase of what he wanted?
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	102	103
1	Q. Okay. After either you or Todd e-mailed	<sup>1</sup> Q. Do you recall him slamming the letter down
2	Plaintiff's Exhibit 570 to Mr. Johnson, what happened	<sup>2</sup> on the table?
3	next in the course of your representation about this	<sup>3</sup> <b>A.</b> I remember him being, again, upset as
4	topic with RaPower3?	<sup>4</sup> physically upset.
5	A. Neldon brought the letter in. He came in	<sup>5</sup> Q. How would you describe him being
6	to the office, and he was upset. He didn't feel like	<sup>6</sup> physically upset?
7	I had given him what he had what he had asked for.	<sup>7</sup> A. Talking loudly. Getting close.
8	So we tried to clarify what exactly was it that you	<sup>8</sup> Q. And you mentioned that he was upset about
9	were asking for.	<sup>9</sup> the tone of the letter.
10	And that's where we we discussed the	<sup>10</sup> <b>A.</b> He was upset about the letter, in general.
11	tone of the letter, that it was potentially going to	<sup>11</sup> And then so, like, "Okay, let's have a
12	be for used as marketing materials. Not	<sup>12</sup> conversation. What is it that what did I
13	necessarily the letter itself. It was the	<sup>13</sup> what I didn't fulfill what you wanted, so let's
14	information that you are giving me could be used to	<sup>14</sup> talk about what you want."
15	educate salesmen and customers.	<sup>15</sup> Q. Okay. Were there any other avenues you
16	Q. All right. You mentioned that Mr. Johnson	<sup>16</sup> drilled down with him about why he was upset?
17	brought in a physical copy of Plaintiff's	<sup>17</sup> A. It was mostly, "This is for marketing
18	Exhibit 570, right?	<sup>18</sup> materials. I can't I can't use this. It's too
19	A. Correct.	<sup>19</sup> technical. It's too too clinical. It needs to be
20	Q. Did he bring in anything else with him at	<sup>20</sup> more user-friendly, easier to read." Things like
21	that time?	<sup>21</sup> that.
22	A. I don't recall.	<sup>22</sup> Q. So did he discuss the content? Was he
23	Q. And he was upset because he felt like he	<sup>23</sup> upset at all about the content?
24	didn't have what he asked for?	<sup>24</sup> <b>A.</b> Felt the content was, again, just too
25	A. That I had not and yes. Correct.	<sup>25</sup> technical.
	104	105
1	Q. Do you think maybe he didn't understand	<sup>1</sup> with him in between the first letter and the second
2	what you had written?	<sup>2</sup> letter?
3	MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.	<sup>3</sup> A. I don't recall. He came in a lot, and
4	THE WITNESS: Would you like me to answer	<sup>4</sup> it's hard to specify if we were talking about this or
5	that?	<sup>5</sup> something else.
6 7	MR. PAUL: Argumentative.	<sup>6</sup> Q. Okay. And I guess what I'm trying to
	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: You don't have to	
8	answer that.	<sup>8</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 570, and the second letter, which
10	THE WITNESS: I will refrain, then.	we il lake a look al ill a secoliu, ulu you luellilly
10	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) Okay. So he	
12	wanted a more user-friendly document?	Fidinuit S Exhibit 570?
12	A. Yes.	A. Just wanted it more geared towards the
13	Q. And he did specifically mention that he	
15	was interested in using it using something to	Q. All light. So what was your next step,
16	educate salesmen and customers about RaPower3?	once you learned that he wanted something more geared
	A. About the tax benefits of purchasing	
17	energy equipment.	<sup>17</sup> A. The first letter was drafted primarily by <sup>18</sup> me. The second Todd and L collaborated more beavily
	Q. About tax benefits.	me. The second rodd and roonaborated more neavily.
19	A. Potential tax benefits.	<ul> <li><sup>19</sup> I said, "I need help changing the tone," and Todd</li> <li><sup>20</sup> belowd me change the tone. He relied on the research</li> </ul>
20 21	Q. Okay. So he wanted a more user-friendly	neipeu ne change die tone. The relied on the research
21	document to help educate salesmen and customers about	that that done, but we changed the tone of the
22	the potential tax benefits of buying RaPower3 energy	letter. Made it more user-menuly. And at that
23	equipment?	ponit we provided a drait to will somison.
24	A. Yes.	Q. And, actually, let the back up for a
	Q. Was that the only conversation you had	<sup>25</sup> second.
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<sup>1</sup> So when you learned that what	<sup>1</sup> A. Correct.
<sup>2</sup> Mr. Johnson wanted, did you tell him what you were	<sup>2</sup> Q. If you take a look at the first page, we
<sup>3</sup> going to do?	<sup>3</sup> see the Anderson Law Center letterhead at the top.
<sup>4</sup> A. As far as the next step?	<sup>4</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>5</sup> Q. Right. So, for example, did you tell him	<sup>5</sup> A. I do.
<sup>6</sup> you were going to draft another document?	<sup>6</sup> Q. And the date at the top is November 9,
7 A. It was, "Okay, let me take this back and	<sup>7</sup> 2010.
<sup>8</sup> we'll try again."	<sup>8</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>9</sup> Q. Okay.	<sup>9</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
<sup>10</sup> A. "We'll try it again."	<sup>10</sup> Q. To your recollection, is that around the
<sup>11</sup> Q. I'm handing you what's been marked as	<sup>11</sup> time that you or Mr. Anderson would have sent the
<sup>12</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A. Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A is	<sup>12</sup> second letter to Mr. Johnson?
<sup>13</sup> Bates marked Ra3 008255 through 8258. Please take a	<sup>13</sup> A. I believe so.
<sup>14</sup> look at this and let me know when you are done.	<sup>14</sup> Q. And I'm using "letter" because it's in a
<sup>15</sup> <b>A. Okay.</b>	<sup>15</sup> letter format. I understand your testimony
<sup>16</sup> Q. Miss Anderson, do you recognize	<sup>16</sup> A. We established it's a draft.
<sup>17</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A?	<sup>17</sup> Q. Your testimony is a working draft. Sure.
<sup>18</sup> <b>A.</b> I do.	<sup>18</sup> All right. So drawing your attention to
<sup>19</sup> Q. What is it?	<sup>19</sup> the first paragraph, you've got at the end of that
<sup>20</sup> A. It's a working draft of that second chance	<sup>20</sup> sentence the phrase, "RaPower3 energy equipment." <sup>21</sup> Do you see that?
that we had with Neldon. We said we were going to	DO you see mar?
we if work of it, and this is the result of our	A. 100.
III St Stab at tildt.	Q. By the time you you and Mr. Anderson
Q. IS Plaintill S Exhibit 23A the second	draited Exhibit 23A, did you have any further
<sup>25</sup> letter that we've been talking about today?	<sup>25</sup> understanding of what "energy equipment" meant?
108	109
<sup>1</sup> A. I believe it was my understanding was	<sup>1</sup> letter.
<sup>2</sup> that from the beginning was it was a stand-alone	<sup>2</sup> Q. So did Mr. Johnson come in to your office
<sup>3</sup> unit of equipment.	<sup>3</sup> knowing that there was an energy credit?
<sup>4</sup> Q. Okay. So it was the same understanding	<sup>4</sup> A. Yes.
<sup>5</sup> you had before you drafted the first letter?	<sup>5</sup> Q. And did he direct you to look into it as
<sup>6</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>6</sup> to its applicability with RaPower energy equipment?
<sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. When I take a look at I on page Ra3	<sup>7</sup> A. He directed me to Sections 45 and 48.
8 8255, it identifies the energy credit, Internal	<sup>8</sup> Q. So with respect to this Roman numeral 1 in
<sup>9</sup> Revenue Code Sections 45 and 48.	<sup>9</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A, what research did you do to
<sup>10</sup> Do you see that?	<sup>10</sup> support this rating?
<sup>11</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>	A. Only that they existed. I'm I read
<sup>12</sup> Q. I did not see a discussion of the energy	<sup>12</sup> those sections and essentially said verbatim that
<sup>13</sup> credit in Plaintiff's Exhibit 570.	these are these are out there. These are options.
<sup>14</sup> A. Was that a question?	And i believe even in the third paragraph
<sup>15</sup> Q. No, not really.	<sup>15</sup> of that section on the next page it states that you <sup>16</sup> can find more information about this
you agree that there is not a discussion of the	Q. Okay. And you know what? Defore we get
chergy credit in Fidintin 3 Exhibit 370:	
A. I do agree.	lo piease lake a look back at i laintin s
Q. Okdy. Oo is there a reason why is the	Exhibit of 7. They were the holes that you identified
<ul> <li>energy credit in Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A if it's not</li> <li>in 570?</li> </ul>	as yours.
<sup>23</sup> A. I think I believe it was a principle	<ul> <li>A. Okay.</li> <li>Q. I believe you testified earlier that you</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>A. Tulink - Tbelieve it was a principle</li> <li>that we had always discussed from the beginning. I</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><sup>24</sup> thought these were notes that you wrote down after a</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>can't say why it didn't make it into the first</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>meeting with Mr. Johnson, after you had delivered</li> </ul>

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	110	111
1	Plaintiff's Exhibit 570.	<sup>1</sup> there a reason that's not in 23A?
2	A. I believe it was after Exhibit 23A.	<sup>2</sup> A. I believe it was removed. This was
3	Q. Okay, after 23A.	<sup>3</sup> generated under the assumption that it it would
4	Okay. All right. Back to 23A, then,	<sup>4</sup> either fit under the exception or it was no longer
5	please. With respect to Roman numeral 2,	<sup>5</sup> going to be a lease. As a well, I take that back.
6	Depreciation, did you or Mr. Anderson do any	<sup>6</sup> I believe it was generated under the assumption that
7	additional research about depreciation beyond what	<sup>7</sup> it would fit under the exception for leases.
8	you had taken a look at for Plaintiff's Exhibit 570?	<sup>8</sup> Q. When you say "the exception for leases,"
9	A. I do not believe so.	<sup>9</sup> do you mean the basically the best argument that
10	Q. And I'll actually ask that with respect to	<sup>10</sup> you identify in Plaintiff's Exhibit 570 on page
11	23A, generally. Understanding that the energy credit	<sup>11</sup> Anderson 214?
12	section was not there was not an energy credit	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. Correct.</b>
13	section in Plaintiff's Exhibit 570, with respect to	<sup>13</sup> Q. Did you have any conversations with
14	the rest of Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A, to your	<sup>14</sup> Mr. Johnson about that?
15	recollection, did you or Mr. Anderson do any	<sup>15</sup> A. As far as it fitting in this exception?
16	additional research beyond what you had done for	<sup>16</sup> Q. Well, just that right, why that was an
17	Plaintiff's Exhibit 570?	<sup>17</sup> assumption for 23A.
18	A. I believe Exhibit 570 was the basis for	<sup>18</sup> A. I think the easier arg the easier
19	this second draft, and the research that it contains	<sup>19</sup> scenario was that if you could hit the material
20	was converted into the second draft.	<sup>20</sup> participation if you could qualify for that, that
21	Q. Into 23A?	<sup>21</sup> was you could overcome that hurdle. And that's
22	A. 23A.	<sup>22</sup> probably where we left it.
23	Q. So what I don't see in Plaintiff's	<sup>23</sup> And sorry. If I can clarify.
24	Exhibit 23A is the discussion about leasing as a, per	<sup>24</sup> Q. Please.
25	se, passive activity, with a few exceptions. Is	A. I'm looking at Section 4, Deductions and
	112	113
1 2	Losses.	<sup>1</sup> A. Okay.
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<sup>1</sup> Q. Quick question.	Why e-mail	<sup>1</sup> Agreement.docx?
<sup>2</sup> Glenda Johnson?		<sup>2</sup> A. That must have been something that he was
<sup>3</sup> A. I believe that N	eldon had access to that	<sup>3</sup> working on.
<sup>4</sup> e-mail address.		<sup>4</sup> Q. So you've testified that Plaintiff's
<sup>5</sup> Q. Do you have an	y reason to believe he did	<sup>5</sup> Exhibit 23A and the rest of Plaintiff's Exhibit 23
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<sup>7</sup> A. I believe he had	d access to that e-mail as	<sup>7</sup> A. Yes.
<sup>8</sup> well.		<sup>8</sup> Q. How did you communicate that to
<sup>9</sup> Q. Did he tell you to	o e-mail	<sup>9</sup> Mr. Johnson?
	il.com when you wanted to	<sup>10</sup> A. I believe this e-mail was sent out and
<sup>11</sup> correspond with him?		<sup>11</sup> either right before or right after there was a phone
<sup>12</sup> A. I'm not sure ho	w we established the	<sup>12</sup> call that said, "Take a look at this," because it
<sup>13</sup> procedures of how to c	et which e-mail address to	<sup>13</sup> was let's try again and so it was, "Let's how
<sup>14</sup> use.	-	<sup>14</sup> did we do this time. Is this more what you wanted?"
<sup>15</sup> Q. Okay. And this	e-mail is dated	<sup>15</sup> Q. Do you know who was on that phone call?
<sup>16</sup> November 15, 2010.		<sup>16</sup> A. I believe it was probably me and Neldon.
<sup>17</sup> Do you see that?		<sup>17</sup> Q. So do you have an actual recollection that
<sup>18</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>		<sup>18</sup> you called him?
<sup>19</sup> Q. Okay. And it sa	vs that there are two	<sup>19</sup> A. I believe that it was a very short phone
<sup>20</sup> attachments at the top of	•	<sup>20</sup> call, but it was talking to Neldon, saying, "I
<sup>21</sup> recollection, is the rest of	-	<sup>21</sup> Todd just sent this document for you to review and
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<sup>1</sup> A. It was the beginnin	ng of a dialogue. I	<sup>1</sup> facts. That's when we talked about the time frame
<sup>2</sup> I didn't feel like this was	I wanted him to review	<sup>2</sup> of, "Is this lease for advertising purposes? How
<sup>3</sup> it, and we would clean it u	p or we would make changes	<sup>3</sup> long is that going to last?"
<sup>4</sup> as we went.		<sup>4</sup> "Well, it's going to last until we get the
<sup>5</sup> Q. So what happened	after you made that call	5 system in place."
<sup>6</sup> and Todd Anderson sent the	e working draft?	<sup>6</sup> "Well, how long when is the system
7 A. I believe Neldon ca	ame back into the	7 going to be when is it going to produce energy?"
<sup>8</sup> office.		<sup>8</sup> And the answer to that was, "Years."
<sup>9</sup> Q. What happened the	en?	<sup>9</sup> We talked about, okay, so material
<sup>10</sup> A. It was closer. It was	as closer to what he	<sup>10</sup> participation; how are they going to materially
<sup>11</sup> wanted, but it didn't up	until this point	<sup>11</sup> participate? Are they going to be involved in the
<sup>12</sup> everything we had given h	nim had been, if you meet X,	<sup>12</sup> day-to-day? Are they even going to visit the site?
<sup>13</sup> Y, Z requirements, then yo	ou can take some you	<sup>13</sup> Are they going to are they going to be running the
<sup>14</sup> can have the potential o	f taking tax benefits. He	<sup>14</sup> equipment?
<sup>15</sup> wanted it more specific an	nd more direct that if you	<sup>15</sup> And the answer to those questions I
<sup>16</sup> purchase RaPower energy	equipment, then you can take	<sup>16</sup> believe to be no.
<sup>17</sup> all of these tax benefits.		<sup>17</sup> So my question was, how are they going to
<sup>18</sup> Q. He told you that?		<sup>18</sup> materially participate. And that's where he reverted
<sup>19</sup> A. Paraphrasing, yes		<sup>19</sup> to the MLM structure of they are going to be getting
<sup>20</sup> Q. On the information		<sup>20</sup> people in their downline, they are going to be
<sup>21</sup> factual information that you	had at that time, did	<sup>21</sup> recruiting, they are going to essentially become
<sup>22</sup> you feel like you could give h		<sup>22</sup> salesmen to sell these energy equipment units.
	r3 energy equipment then they	<sup>23</sup> Q. Did that convince you that they would be
<sup>24</sup> could take the tax benefits th		<sup>24</sup> materially participating?
<sup>25</sup> A. No, we started flus	•	<sup>25</sup> <b>A.</b> That did not.

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	118	119
1	Q. Why not?	<sup>1</sup> started asking questions about specific facts
2	A. I took all of the facts that I had and I	<sup>2</sup> involving the customers and the transactions and
3	said, "Let me go back and review in light of this	<sup>3</sup> things like that?
4	knowledge. Let me go look back at the research."	<sup>4</sup> A. Correct.
5	And that's when I came back and said, "I	<sup>5</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection to the extent it
6	don't believe that they are going to materially	<sup>6</sup> misstates her prior testimony.
7	participate."	<sup>7</sup> THE WITNESS: I would say that that was a
8	We discussed I I ike I've told	<sup>8</sup> correct statement.
9	you, we I had had questions about a lot of things,	<sup>9</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) And you told
10	but material participation was the one that we picked	<sup>10</sup> Mr. Johnson that you had guestions about
11	to talk about first. But I believe that he knew at	<sup>11</sup> depreciation. I forgot the other things. You listed
12	the time that I had questions about all of it.	<sup>12</sup> off a few things that you had questions about, but
13	Q. Why do you believe he knew that?	<sup>13</sup> you picked material participation to start with
14	A. I believe that that is something it may	<sup>14</sup> first.
15	have just been I don't I don't think that I	<sup>15</sup> A. I I don't recall the specific
16	have questions about the depreciation. I have	<sup>16</sup> conversation, but generally he knew that I had I
17	questions about the 179 deductions. I have questions	<sup>17</sup> had problems with the whole letter as it applied to
18	about the energy credit, but let's start with	<sup>18</sup> purchasers.
19	material participation, because that's the biggest	<sup>19</sup> Q. Do you remember approximately when after
20	and easiest thing that we can overcome.	<sup>20</sup> Mr. Anderson sent the e-mail in Plaintiff's Exhibit
21	Q. So it sounds to me like once you learned	<sup>21</sup> 23A Mr. Johnson came in for these conversations?
22	that he wanted an explicit statement that if a	A. Within a couple days.
23	customer buys RaPower3 energy equipment, then they	<sup>23</sup> Q. So mid-November 2010?
24	could take the tax benefits that you described in	<sup>24</sup> A. Probably.
25	Plaintiff's Exhibit 23A, for example, that's when you	<sup>25</sup> Q. You identified a few questions
	120	121
1		
2	specifically about material participation. For	<ol> <li>Q. And you asked Neldon Johnson this?</li> <li><sup>2</sup> A. Yes.</li> </ol>
3	example, will the purchasers be involved in	A. 163.
4	day-to-day operations with the lenses.	Q. And what did he say?
5	Did you ask that question to Neldon Johnson?	<ul> <li><sup>4</sup> A. "Not likely. It was it was going to</li> <li><sup>5</sup> depend on each purchaser, but not likely.</li> </ul>
6	A. I did.	<sup>6</sup> Q. And this may be part of your the
7	Q. And he said?	<sup>7</sup> previous question we just talked about, but you asked
8	A. No, because the and we're not	<ul> <li><sup>8</sup> him whether they would be running any of the energy</li> </ul>
9	we're going to lease it for advertising purposes, but	<sup>9</sup> equipment?
10	we're also going to lease it out once it's producing	<sup>10</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
11	energy equipment. It might not be the same lease.	<sup>11</sup> Q. What did he say?
12	It might not even be to the same person, but it's	<sup>12</sup> <b>A. "Not likely."</b>
13	it's – they're not going to be running a power	<sup>13</sup> Q. Did you ask him other questions
14	plant.	<sup>14</sup> specifically regarding what the purchasers would do
15	Q. The	<sup>15</sup> with respect to the lenses?
16	A. The purchaser.	<sup>16</sup> A. Yeah. I believe that I pulled up my
17	Q. The energy equipment purchaser?	<sup>17</sup> letter and there was essentially a we kind of went
18	A. Correct.	<sup>18</sup> through these bullet points of what are they going to
19	Q. Right.	<sup>19</sup> be doing.
20	Did you ask Neldon Johnson whether any of	<sup>20</sup> Q. So you're looking at Plaintiff's
21	the purchasers would visit the site where the energy	<sup>21</sup> Exhibit 570?
22	equipment was?	<sup>22</sup> <b>A. Correct.</b>
23	A. I don't know if it was a it was in	<sup>23</sup> Q. And which bullet points are you looking
24	terms of are they going to be there checking up, are	<sup>24</sup> at?
25	they going to be hands on.	<sup>25</sup> <b>A.</b> I'm going to say on page 217, in the

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1	middle.	<sup>1</sup> A. Just recruiting and working on your
2	Q. Uh-huh. So, Miss Anderson, it's your	<sup>2</sup> downline.
3	recollection that you went through the bullet points	<sup>3</sup> Q. Selling lenses?
4	on page Anderson 217?	<sup>4</sup> A. Selling.
5	A. At least some of them, yeah.	<sup>5</sup> Q. Recruiting people to sell lenses?
6	Q. With Mr. Johnson?	<sup>6</sup> A. Yes.
7	A. Correct.	<sup>7</sup> Q. All right. So what did did he say
8	Q. Okay. To find out from him to get the	<sup>8</sup> anything else about what might make a purchaser a
9	facts about whether purchasers maybe could qualify	<sup>9</sup> material participant in a business involving the
10	for material participation?	<sup>10</sup> solar energy equipment?
11	A. Correct.	<sup>11</sup> A. Not that I recall.
12	Q. And you you asked in here, but I'm	<sup>12</sup> Q. So you took the information about what he
13	curious about whether you asked Mr. Johnson. You	<sup>13</sup> said about the multilevel marketing arrangement and
14	said, "So how are they going to materially	<sup>14</sup> you took that back to review, correct?
15	participate?"	<sup>15</sup> A. Correct.
16	Did you ask him that?	<sup>16</sup> Q. And what did you find?
17	A. Yeah.	<sup>17</sup> A. The you need to be participating in the
18	Q. And that's when he said, "Well, they're in	<sup>18</sup> business. And I found that the business was not a
19	a multilevel marketing arrangement."	<sup>19</sup> multilevel marketing, selling, the business is energy
20	A. Yeah. He connected those two things	<sup>20</sup> production. The business is isn't even really
21	together, that their the activities that they do	<sup>21</sup> leasing for advertising purposes. I couldn't I
22	within the multilevel marketing unit is going to	<sup>22</sup> couldn't buy off on you've got energy-producing
23	account as their active participation.	<ul> <li><sup>23</sup> equipment; it needs to be producing energy; and</li> </ul>
24	Q. Did he describe what he anticipated	<sup>24</sup> that's your business.
25	multilevel marketing activities would involve?	<sup>25</sup> Q. Does the concept of grouping ring a bell?
	124	125
1	A. No.	<sup>1</sup> research or articles or things of that nature.
2	Q. Did you report back to Mr. Johnson what	<sup>2</sup> Q. All right. So you reported to Mr. Johnson
3	you found?	<sup>3</sup> that you did not believe that multilevel marketing
4	A. I did.	<sup>4</sup> would get someone to material participation with
5	Q. Between the conversation where you asked	<sup>5</sup> respect to
6	him the questions in Plaintiff's Exhibit 570 and when	<sup>6</sup> A. Purchasing energy equipment.
7	you reported back to him what you found, about how	<sup>7</sup> Q. Purchasing energy equipment and leasing
8	long was that?	<sup>8</sup> it
9	A. Again, it was probably days, to a week.	<sup>9</sup> A. Yeah.
10	Q. What did you tell him?	<sup>10</sup> Q out?
11	A. I I told him I wasn't convinced that	<sup>11</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
12	people that the purchasers of the energy equipment	<sup>12</sup> Q. Okay. And his instruction was just to
13	were going to materially participate.	<sup>13</sup> look at it again?
14	Q. Did you explain why?	<sup>14</sup> <b>A.</b> It was, "I really think that this will
15	A. To the extent that I just did, yes.	<sup>15</sup> work and all of these things will happen."
16	Q. What was his response?	<sup>16</sup> Q. But he didn't give you any specific facts
17	A. That was, "I think that it does apply.	<sup>17</sup> or citations to support his belief?
18	Look at it again."	<sup>18</sup> A. Just another – another, "I think the MLM
19	I he didn't give me any additional	<sup>19</sup> structure is is will work." So I looked at it
20	facts or any any other avenue of, you should be	<sup>20</sup> again.
21	looking at this at that time.	<sup>21</sup> Q. And you spoke with Todd Anderson?
22	And so I took it to Todd and I said, "Are	<sup>22</sup> <b>A. Correct.</b>
23	you am I missing something that that I didn't	<sup>23</sup> Q. What happened after that?
24	look at the first time?"	A. I went back and I said, "I'm still
25	And I may have even reviewed more more	<sup>25</sup> unconvinced. I've not found anything that has
	And thing have even reviewed more more	anconvinced. The not found anything that lids

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# 33 (Pages 126 to 129)

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1	changed my mind."	<sup>1</sup> A. Uh-huh (affirmative).
2	And that's when he started in with the	<sup>2</sup> Q. Were these this reflected questions and
3	hypotheticals.	<sup>3</sup> information that Mr. Johnson gave you?
4	Q. At any time after that conversation with	<sup>4</sup> A. Yes.
5	Mr. Johnson did he provide you any specific facts or	<sup>5</sup> Q. Would you take a look at the second
6	citations?	<sup>6</sup> paragraph? It starts with, "Doesn't want the money
7	MR. PAUL: Objection to the extent it's	<sup>7</sup> to disappear."
8	been asked and answered.	<sup>8</sup> Do you see that?
9	THE WITNESS: What do you mean,	<sup>9</sup> A. I do.
10	"citations"?	<sup>10</sup> Q. Do you have any understanding of what this
11	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) For example,	<sup>11</sup> paragraph means?
12	citations to a statute or regulation you hadn't seen	<sup>12</sup> A. I've read it recently, and I don't. It
13	before?	<sup>13</sup> was likely that he was talking and I was typing.
14	A. Anything additional after I said no?	<sup>14</sup> Q. Would you take a look at the last phrase
15	Q. Yes.	<sup>15</sup> on Plaintiff's Exhibit 577? It says, "Opinion letter
16	A. No. Only the hypotheticals.	<sup>16</sup> saying they can take depreciation now."
17	Q. Okay. Directing your attention, please,	<sup>17</sup> Did I read that correctly?
18	back to Plaintiff's Exhibit 577. You testified	<sup>18</sup> A. Correct.
19	earlier that you believe Plaintiff's Exhibit 577 are	<sup>19</sup> Q. And that was what Mr. Johnson wanted,
20	notes that you took after you delivered Plaintiff's	
21	Exhibit 23A?	<sup>20</sup> right? <sup>21</sup> <b>A. Yep.</b>
22	A. Correct.	<sup>22</sup> Q. Yes?
23		<sup>23</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
24	Q. Okay. So the first couple of lines go to	A. 163.
25	active participation in multilevel marketing schemes,	Q. They in that philase was who?
	right?	<sup>25</sup> <b>A.</b> The purchasers of the energy equipment.
	128	129
1	Q. And this opinion letter was something he	<sup>1</sup> it as, with Mr. Johnson and you where you verbally
2	wanted from you, correct?	<sup>2</sup> ended the representation between your firm and
3	A. Correct.	<sup>3</sup> RaPower3.
4	Q. It was not a private letter ruling from	<sup>4</sup> A. Yes.
5	the IRS?	<sup>5</sup> Q. You testified that you spoke with
6	A. It was an opinion letter from me.	<sup>6</sup> Mr. Anderson about that and told him what had
7	Q. I'm handing you what's been marked	<sup>7</sup> happened?
8	Plaintiff's Exhibit 573. It's Bates marked Anderson	<sup>8</sup> A. Afterwards, yes.
9	000222.	<sup>9</sup> Q. Afterwards. And he said to put it in
10	Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 573?	<sup>10</sup> writing?
11	A. Ido.	<sup>11</sup> A. Correct.
12	Q. What is it?	<sup>12</sup> Q. What did you put in writing?
13	A. It's a document that was produced by our	<sup>13</sup> A. It was essentially acknowledging that last
14	office.	<sup>14</sup> conversation that we had, and letting him know that
15	Q. Do you have any context for this document?	<sup>15</sup> our representation had ended.
16	Do you recall it at all?	<sup>16</sup> Q. Did you do that?
17	A. I believe it was Neldon asking for some	<sup>17</sup> <b>A. I did.</b>
18	kind of waiver language to be to put at the	<sup>18</sup> Q. Let's see. And I think you testified too
19	beginning of a it says "prospectus."	<sup>19</sup> that you wrote an e-mail and Todd reviewed it.
20	Q. Did you ever see a prospectus?	<sup>20</sup> A. Correct.
21	A. Not that I recall.	<sup>21</sup> Q. And, to your recollection, in fact, you
22	Q. Did you ever send this to Mr. Johnson?	<sup>22</sup> sent it to Neldon Johnson?
23	A. I don't recall.	<sup>23</sup> <b>A. Yes.</b>
24	Q. Okay. So you touched on, a little bit	<sup>24</sup> Q. Do you recall how you sent it?
25	earlier, the last conversation, I think you described	<sup>25</sup> A. I believe it was by e-mail.

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# 34 (Pages 130 to 133)

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<sup>1</sup> Q. Were you able to find the actual e-mai	that.
<sup>2</sup> you sent to Neldon Johnson?	<sup>2</sup> Q. So, like, in May?
$^{3}$ A. I was not.	<sup>3</sup> A. I believe that the conversation the
<sup>4</sup> Q. You were able to find the e-mail that yo	<sup>4</sup> final conversation that I had with Mr. Johnson
<sup>5</sup> sent to Todd Anderson, correct?	<sup>5</sup> probably occurred December, January.
6 A. I was able to find a copy of where I h	
<sup>7</sup> sent it to Todd, yes.	<sup>7</sup> to Mr. Anderson on June 7th?
<sup>8</sup> Q. I'm showing you what's been marked	<sup>8</sup> A. I believe that I ended representation
<sup>9</sup> Plaintiff's Exhibit 582, Bates numbered Anderso	
<sup>10</sup> 000080.	<sup>10</sup> with an e-mail. That was December, January. I
<sup>11</sup> Do you recognize Plaintiff's Exhibit 582?	
<sup>12</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>	<sup>12</sup> in June. I think a likely explanation is that Todd
<sup>13</sup> Q. Is this the e-mail a copy of the e-ma	
<sup>14</sup> that you sent to Todd Anderson?	have a record a paper record of that," and so I
<sup>15</sup> <b>A.</b> It is a copy of the e-mail I sent to	<sup>15</sup> send it to him and he made made it part of his
<sup>16</sup> Todd Anderson, yes.	<sup>16</sup> file part of the record.
<sup>17</sup> Q. We see at the top your e-mail address	
<sup>18</sup> right, jessica@deltaattorney.com?	<sup>18</sup> understand. So your recollection is that your final
	<sup>19</sup> conversation with Mr. Johnson occurred in
<sup>20</sup> Q. The date of this e-mail is June 7, 2011	
$^{21}$ Do you see that?	<sup>21</sup> A. Correct.
$^{22}$ <b>A.</b> I do.	<sup>22</sup> Q. And your recollection also is that you
<sup>23</sup> Q. Is that around the time that you had the	
<sup>24</sup> conversation with Mr. Johnson?	<ul> <li>Plaintiff's Exhibit 582 soon thereafter?</li> </ul>
<sup>25</sup> <b>A.</b> I believe it to have been sooner than	$^{25}$ <b>A. Correct.</b>
	A. Oureat
13	32 133
<sup>1</sup> Q. And you sent that to Todd Anderson for his	<sup>1</sup> text that's in Plaintiff's Exhibit 582?
<sup>2</sup> review in December 2010 or January 2011, after the	<sup>2</sup> A. I do believe that.
<sup>3</sup> final conversation?	<sup>3</sup> Q. The first section of the e-mail provides
<sup>4</sup> A. Correct.	<sup>4</sup> definitions of investment property and investment
<sup>5</sup> Q. And do you recall whether Todd made any	<sup>5</sup> income.
6 changes?	<sup>6</sup> Do you see that?
<sup>7</sup> A. It's possible. It's our practice, even	<sup>7</sup> <b>A. I do.</b>
<sup>8</sup> today, that communications or anything that's draft	ed <sup>8</sup> Q. Why did you include that in this e-mail?
<sup>9</sup> gets another look through, and we track changes a	<sup>9</sup> A. I'm sure it was a follow-up to something
<sup>10</sup> go through and accept and collaborate in that way,	<sup>10</sup> that he had told me in the conversation, and I just
<sup>11</sup> and it's possible that he may have made changes.	<sup>11</sup> wanted to clarify my point as we ended
<sup>12</sup> Q. It sounds like if he did make changes none	<sup>12</sup> representation.
<sup>13</sup> of them are so substantial that you remember them	<sup>13</sup> Q. Okay. Do you recall what he may have
<sup>14</sup> today.	<sup>14</sup> asked or what comment he made?
<sup>15</sup> A. If he did make changes, it wouldn't have	<sup>15</sup> <b>A. I do not.</b>
<sup>16</sup> been something that I hadn't reviewed before it wer	t Q. What, if anything, happened after you sent
<sup>17</sup> Out.	<sup>17</sup> the e-mail to Mr. Johnson?
<sup>18</sup> Q. And it's your recollection that, in fact,	<sup>18</sup> A. Nothing.
<sup>19</sup> you sent the final e-mail memorializing the	<sup>19</sup> Q. Have you ever personally heard from
<ul> <li>termination of representation to Neldon Johnson in</li> </ul>	<sup>20</sup> Mr. Johnson again after you sent the e-mail?
<sup>21</sup> December 2010 or January 2011?	<sup>21</sup> A. I saw him at the grocery store one time.
<sup>22</sup> <b>A.</b> That is my recollection.	<sup>22</sup> I don't think that we even acknowledged each other.
<sup>23</sup> Q. Do you believe the content of your e-mail	<sup>23</sup> Q. Other than that instance, have you seen
<ul> <li><sup>24</sup> to Mr. Johnson in December 2010 or January 2011 is</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li><sup>25</sup> substantially similar to, if not identical to, the</li> </ul>	<sup>25</sup> A. Generally around town, but, no.

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# 35 (Pages 134 to 137)

11	134	135
1	Q. Have you had any conversations with	<sup>1</sup> to ask that question here? How is that how is
2	Neldon Johnson since you sent the e-mail in	<sup>2</sup> that an appropriate question in this deposition?
3	December 2010 or January 2011?	<sup>3</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: We're going for
4		
5	A. No.	
	Q. Did there come a time you learned that	actions that have wrought harm to the public.
6	Mr. Johnson was using your rating?	Q. SO THI CUHOUS, IVISS ANDERSON, IL YOU
7	A. Yes.	<sup>7</sup> would like to share about what effect this has had on
8	Q. When did you learn that?	<sup>8</sup> your life.
9	A. I believe it was provided by the	<sup>9</sup> A. A general waiting for the other shoe to
10	government in a subpoena from Todd. I can't remember	<sup>10</sup> drop, I guess. I am concerned about what how my
11	the circumstances, but they came to the office to get	<sup>11</sup> words were portrayed, and just the general
12	documents from Todd. I believe it was 2013.	<sup>12</sup> ramifications that that has on other families and on
13	Q. What was your personal response to	<sup>13</sup> my family.
14	learning that?	<sup>14</sup> Q. So you're concerned about potential harm
15	MR. PAUL: Objection. Relevance.	<sup>15</sup> to your family, in particular?
16	THE WITNESS: I was horrified that that	<sup>16</sup> MR. PAUL: Objection. Lack of foundation.
17	unfinished document, that the working draft, my work	<sup>17</sup> Calls for speculation.
18	product, had been taken and had been used without	<sup>18</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: I think that's about
19	permission and in a way that I felt didn't represent	<sup>19</sup> the opposite of a question that lacks foundation or
20	the purpose and the intent of what I was doing.	<ul> <li>would call for speculation.</li> </ul>
21	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) What effect has	<sup>21</sup> You can answer, please.
22	this situation had on your life?	<sup>22</sup> MR. MARTIN: Let me just counsel the
23	MR. PAUL: Objection. Relevance.	<sup>23</sup> witness to not to disclose in your answer any
24	MR. MARTIN: I'll object to that question	<ul> <li>attorney-client privileged information.</li> </ul>
25	as being totally irrelevant. Are you sure you want	<sup>25</sup> To the extent you can answer the question
	as being totally melevant. Are you sure you want	To the extent you can answer the question
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1	without divulging that, go ahead.	<sup>1</sup> Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) You're barred in
2	THE WITNESS: It's been difficult.	<sup>2</sup> Utah?
3	Q. (BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER) I'm not trying	<sup>3</sup> A. Yes.
4	to torture you, but I see you have tears in your eyes	<sup>4</sup> Q. Are you barred in any other state?
5	in response to these questions. Has this been	<sup>5</sup> A. No.
6	emotionally hard for you?	6 O Have there have any professional
7		Q. Have there been any professional
, i	A. It's been difficult.	<ul> <li>Q. Have there been any professional</li> <li>repercussions from the Ohio State Bar?</li> </ul>
8	Q. And I'm certainly not asking for any	Q. Have there been any professional
		<ul> <li>repercussions from the Ohio State Bar?</li> </ul>
8	Q. And I'm certainly not asking for any	<ul> <li>repercussions from the Ohio State Bar?</li> <li><sup>8</sup> MR. MARTIN: Ohio?</li> </ul>
8 9 10 11	Q. And I'm certainly not asking for any attorney-client privileged communications. Have	<ul> <li>repercussions from the Obio State Bar?</li> <li>MR. MARTIN: Obio?</li> <li>MR. PAUL: And I object to the use of</li> <li>"barred in any state." I think "admitted to the bar"</li> <li>is is that what you are going for?</li> </ul>
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8 9 10 11	Q. And I'm certainly not asking for any attorney-client privileged communications. Have there been professional repercussions for you via the Ohio State Bar or any other jurisdiction that you've	<ul> <li>repercussions from the Ohio State Bar?</li> <li>MR. MARTIN: Ohio?</li> <li>MR. PAUL: And I object to the use of</li> <li>"barred in any state." I think "admitted to the bar"</li> <li>is is that what you are going for?</li> </ul>
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1	A. No.	<sup>1</sup> sought were for preproduction of saleable solar
2	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: I'll pass the	<sup>2</sup> energy, correct?
3	witness.	<sup>3</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Object to the form.
4	MR. PAUL: I do have a few questions.	4 THE WITNESS: The form of my first letter
5	I'll try to be brief.	<sup>5</sup> was to provide general, overall tax principles, not
6	EXAMINATION	<sup>6</sup> specific to any facts or criteria.
7	BY MR. PAUL:	<sup>7</sup> Q. (BY MR. PAUL) Right, but you knew when
8	Q. I'm Steven Paul. We were formally	<sup>8</sup> you were drafting that letter, even though it was an
9	introduced before. And I just have a couple of	<sup>9</sup> academic or or, you know, a research opinion on
10	questions on behalf of the business entities and	<sup>10</sup> the law, that even at that time the any tax
11	Mr. Johnson.	<sup>11</sup> benefits sought by RaPower3 purchasers was for
12	When when Mr. Johnson first came to you	<sup>12</sup> preproduction of saleable solar energy, not for
13	regarding representation of the RaPower3 unit, you	<sup>13</sup> energy that was being marketed or sold at that time?
14	knew at that time that the solar energy equipment	<sup>14</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Objection.
15	that was being discussed was in the research and	<sup>15</sup> Compound. Confusing.
16	development stage, correct?	<sup>16</sup> THE WITNESS: What do you mean by
17	A. I knew that there had been research and	<sup>17</sup> "preproduction"?
18	development for that.	<sup>18</sup> Q. (BY MR. PAUL) Preproduction as opposed to
19	Q. You knew at the time when Mr. Johnson	<sup>19</sup> saleable, on-the-open-market energy.
20	first came to discuss this issue with you that the	A. So it was not
21	RaPower3 energy equipment was not producing saleable	Q. Thisony. Let the try again.
22	energy at that time, correct?	A. Itali.
23	A. I did.	
25	Q. And you knew from the first letter that you drafted that the tax benefits sought were	<ul> <li>letter that RaPower3 was selling solar energy</li> <li>equipment that was not being used at that time to</li> </ul>
	you draited that the tax benefits sought were	
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1	produce saleable or marketable energy.	<sup>1</sup> facility?
2	A. I didn't know that they were selling the	<sup>2</sup> <b>A. No.</b>
3	equipment. I didn't know when they had started or	<sup>3</sup> Q. Okay. And you testified in response to
4	were going to start, just the fact that at some point	<sup>4</sup> counsel's questions about the research that you did
5	we were going to have this energy equipment and we're	<sup>5</sup> to produce the letters that you wrote. Is there
6	going to start selling it, and we want to know what	<sup>6</sup> anything else in addition to the answers to her
7	the we want to know about these tax principles.	<sup>7</sup> questions that comes to mind as to what level of
8	Q. Okay. But you knew at that time that they	<sup>8</sup> research you did to come to the conclusions that you
	were not producing energy to be sold on the energy	<sup>9</sup> drafted in your two letters?
10	market?	A. I started at the basics. I started at the
11	A. I believe so.	<ul> <li>tax code. I started at the publications, the IRS</li> <li>publications and the regs</li> </ul>
13	Q. And you said that you did not visit the	publications and the regs.
14	RaPower3 or International Automated Systems that	Q. OKAY. DIU YOU CONSULT WILL ATY
15	you did not visit the RaPower3 sites at the time you	individuals of ask other people to review your work,
16	were drafting these letters in 2010, right? A. I have never visited the RaPower3 sites.	
17	Q. Okay. So in 2010 you hadn't visited?	A. Tulu liot.
18	A. Correct.	<sup>17</sup> Q. And you did substantially all of the <sup>18</sup> drafting of the two draft letters, correct?
19	Q. Okay. And you've never driven past or	<sup>19</sup> <b>A. Correct.</b>
20	seen the sites?	<sup>20</sup> Q. Do you believe that the legal analysis in
21	A. I believe I know of the general area of	<sup>21</sup> the two letters was accurate when you drafted it?
22	where it's at, and there's a highway that goes past	<sup>22</sup> A. Let's start with the first letter. I
23	it. I have not driven there for the purpose of	<ul> <li><sup>23</sup> believed that the the legal information, the</li> </ul>
24	looking at it.	<sup>24</sup> information regarding those tax principles was
25	Q. And you've never had a tour of the	<sup>25</sup> correct, yes.

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<sup>1</sup> Q. Okay. And you made an honest, complete	
Q. Okay. And you made an honest, complete	The aware of anything that would contradict your
<ul> <li>effort to be complete and accurate in the analysis</li> <li>that you wrote?</li> </ul>	
<sup>4</sup> A. It was it was a broad overview of those	A. Talli liot aware.
<sup>5</sup> principles.	<ul> <li><sup>4</sup> Q. Okay. Thank you.</li> <li><sup>5</sup> Did you consider yourself an expert in tax</li> </ul>
<sup>6</sup> Q. And you tried to be as accurate and honest	<sup>6</sup> in 2010?
7 and complete in that analysis?	<sup>7</sup> MR. MARTIN: Let me just object. It calls
<sup>8</sup> A. I was thorough in that analysis on those	<sup>8</sup> for a legal conclusion.
<sup>9</sup> broad topics.	<sup>9</sup> You can go ahead and answer.
<sup>10</sup> Q. Okay. And, as far as you know, today,	<sup>10</sup> THE WITNESS: A tax expert?
<sup>11</sup> that analysis, on those topics, is still correct?	<sup>11</sup> Q. (BY MR. PAUL) yes.
<sup>12</sup> A. I have not visited	<sup>12</sup> A. I would not consider myself then or now a
<sup>13</sup> MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: Objection.	$^{13}$ tax expert.
<sup>14</sup> THE WITNESS: this topic again since	<sup>14</sup> Q. Was Anderson Legal Center paid for the
<sup>15</sup> I've not done any further research or reviewed any	<sup>15</sup> work it did?
<sup>16</sup> further updates since.	<sup>16</sup> A. It was paid for the work that we billed.
<sup>17</sup> MR. PAUL: Maybe I asked it a bad way.	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. And all of the work that you billed
<sup>18</sup> Q. Have you come to learn anything that you	<sup>18</sup> for, you were paid for?
<sup>19</sup> believe changes your legal analysis of what you	$^{19}$ A. Correct.
<sup>20</sup> drafted in the two letters at issue in this case?	<sup>20</sup> Q. Okay. Other than what you stated in
<sup>21</sup> A. Again, it's not a subject that I've kept	<sup>21</sup> your in your two letters about who could qualify
<sup>22</sup> up to date on, and there's not anything that I've	<sup>22</sup> under those programs, does it would it make a
<sup>23</sup> come across, because I've not kept up to date, that	<sup>23</sup> difference in your research whether the purchaser of
<sup>24</sup> would change what I did back in 2010.	<sup>24</sup> solar equipment was a C-corp, an LLC or a sole
<sup>25</sup> Q. Okay. So the correct answer is no, you're	<sup>25</sup> proprietorship?
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<sup>1</sup> A. It would be something that I would review,	
<ul> <li><sup>2</sup> because I'm not sure that I looked at it in terms of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A. That was that was the the process of</li> <li>what I thought was happening. But I would give</li> </ul>
<sup>3</sup> the different entities.	<sup>3</sup> these these are things that you need that you
<sup>4</sup> Q. Do you feel like you had a sufficient	<sup>4</sup> can consider and look at, and then you're going to
<sup>5</sup> understanding of the legal issues in 2010 to draft	<ul> <li>take that information and you're going to consult</li> </ul>
<sup>6</sup> the two letters that you did?	<sup>6</sup> with accountants, CPAs, lawyers, et cetera.
<sup>7</sup> A. You mean the the tax principles that	<sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. So in Exhibit 570, the last page of
<sup>8</sup> were the basis of the letters?	<sup>8</sup> that exhibit on page Anderson 000220, in your
<sup>9</sup> Q. Yes.	<sup>9</sup> conclusion you state the recommendation that the
<sup>10</sup> A. I believe that I had thoroughly researched	<sup>10</sup> individual taxpayer consults his own lawyer and tax
<sup>11</sup> and had an understanding to provide the information	<sup>11</sup> professional if he wants professional assurances that
<sup>12</sup> that I did.	<sup>12</sup> this information and this interpretation of it is
<sup>13</sup> Q. And, as you stated, your analysis was	<sup>13</sup> appropriate to his particular situation?
<sup>14</sup> meant to be a general overview of the tax benefits	<sup>14</sup> A. That is a paraphrase of what that says.
associated with the solar energy business and	<sup>15</sup> Q. And you drafted that language, correct?
<sup>16</sup> depreciation, correct?	<sup>16</sup> <b>A. I did.</b>
<sup>17</sup> MR. MARTIN: Objection. Misstates	<sup>17</sup> Q. Okay. What would be the purpose of
<sup>18</sup> testimony.	<sup>18</sup> including that language in your letter?
<sup>19</sup> Go ahead.	<sup>19</sup> A. To let those know, that are reading this,
<sup>20</sup> THE WITNESS: It was a general overview of	<sup>20</sup> that this is not an opinion that is specific to their
<sup>21</sup> those principles. It wasn't applied to anything in	<sup>21</sup> circumstances.
<sup>22</sup> specific.	<sup>22</sup> Q. And in Exhibit 23A you have a similar
<sup>23</sup> Q. (BY MR. PAUL) Okay. And even in your	<sup>23</sup> disclaimer on the last page of that, correct?
<sup>24</sup> letter, you recommended that each taxpayer should	<sup>24</sup> A. Correct.
<sup>25</sup> seek advice from its own tax advisor?	<sup>25</sup> Q. What was the purpose of including a
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1	disclaimer in Exhibit 23A?	<sup>1</sup> Q. At any time in the course of your
2	A. Again, to convey that this is not specific	<sup>2</sup> representation of RaPower3 did you believe that they
3	to any one person. This is not this doesn't take	<sup>3</sup> were selling the energy equipment at that time?
4	any one person's specific facts into account in	<sup>4</sup> A. I don't know that there were any sales of
5	providing this information.	<sup>5</sup> the energy equipment at that time.
6	Q. They should seek personal tax advice for	<sup>6</sup> Q. Okay. Did you have a belief about whether
7	their particular situation?	<ul> <li>the sales were already happening or would be</li> </ul>
8	A. Yes.	<ul> <li>happening in the future?</li> </ul>
9	MR. PAUL: Thank you. No further	<sup>9</sup> A. I had a belief that they were gearing up
10	questions.	<sup>10</sup> to start selling, but not necessarily that they were
11	MR. MARTIN: I have a follow-up for you,	to start senning, but not necessarily that they were
12		Sening currently.
13	Miss Anderson.	
14	EXAMINATION	
15	BY MR. MARTIN:	A. NO.
	Q. When you dealt with Mr. Johnson with	
16	respect to issues relating to tax benefits or	<sup>16</sup> A. Probably not. I had I had a
17	potential tax benefits for solar energy equipment,	<sup>17</sup> one-month-old baby in October of 2010, and I wasn't
18	who did you consider your client to be?	<sup>18</sup> going out and about.
19	A. RaPower3 was the client and Neldon was	<sup>19</sup> Q. Do you recall how much you billed for the
20	just the mouthpiece. He was the agent of RaPower.	<sup>20</sup> RaPower this RaPower3 representation?
21	MR. MARTIN: Okay. That's all I have.	A. I don't recall specifically, no.
22	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: I just have a couple	<sup>22</sup> Q. Do you remember it was, like, more than
23	of follow-ups.	<sup>23</sup> 5,000, less than 5,000 thousand?
24	FURTHER EXAMINATION	A. I would probably characterize it as less
25	BY MS. HEALY GALLAGHER:	<sup>25</sup> than 5,000.
1	Q. Less than 2,000?	<sup>1</sup> THE REPORTER: Mr. Paul, did you want a
3	A. I honestly don't know.	
4	Q. Have you ever heard of the entity name	WIR. FAUL. Tes, please.
5	XSun Energy?	
6	A. No.	
7	Q. So I'm guessing XSun Energy has never been	wiss Anderson to have an opportunity to read the
8	a clients of yours?	transcript and sign it.
9	A. No.	<sup>8</sup> (Deposition concluded at 5:43 p.m.)
10	Q. All right. No, it has not been a client	10
11	of yours?	11
12	A. No, it has not been a client. Sorry.	12
13	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: All right, pass the	13
14	witness.	14
14	MR. PAUL: No questions.	14
16	MR. MARTIN: One last question.	16
17		17
18	BY MR. MARTIN:	18
19	Q. Did you bill all of the time to RaPower	19
20	that you worked on the RaPower matters with	20
20	Mr. Johnson?	20
21	A. I did not. There were hours spent that	22
22	didn't make it to a bill.	22
23	MR. MARTIN: Okay. That's all.	23
24	MS. HEALY GALLAGHER: We are off the	25
	record.	

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