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1 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
  2 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
  3 SANTA MARIA BRANCH; COOK STREET DIVISION
  4 DEPARTMENT SM-2 HON. RODNEY S. MELVILLE, JUDGE
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  7 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF )
  8 CALIFORNIA, )
  9 Plaintiff, )
 10 -vs- ) No. 1133603
11 MICHAEL JOE JACKSON, )
 12 Defendant.)
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9 DEFENDANT'S

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         📉 Santa Maria, California
           2 Monday, May 9, 2005
           3 8:30 a.m.
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           5 (The following proceedings were held in
           6 open court in the presence and hearing of the
           7 jury:)
           9 THE COURT: Good morning.
           10 COUNSEL AT COUNSEL TABLE: (In unison)
           11 Good morning, Your Honor.
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           12 THE COURT: Raise your right hand, face the
           13 clerk.
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           15 FRANCIN CONTRERAS
           16 Having been sworn, testified as follows:
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           18 THE WITNESS: I do.
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- 19 THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
- 20 spell your name for the record.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Francin Contreras.
- 22 F-r-a-n-c-i-n; C-o-n-t-r-e-r-a-s.
- 23 THE CLERK: Thank you.

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- 25 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 26 BY MR. SANGER:
 - Q. Good morning. Miss Contreras, were you
- 8 known by another name at one point? 9441
 - 1 A. Francin Orozco.
- 2 Q. Okay. And Contreras is --
- 3 A. My married name.
- 4 Q. Your married name. So you were married
- 5 since then?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. All right. And have you worked at Neverland
- 8 Valley Ranch?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. When did you first start working there?
- 11 A. I believe it was '91, '92. I'm not sure.
- 12 '91.
- 13 Q. In 1991. And how long did you work there?
- 14 A. About two years.
- 15 Q. How are you presently employed?
- 16 A. I'm at Foods Co., Lompoc, California, lead

- 17 cashier.
- 18 Q. All right. Now, in the time period of 1991
- 19 and '92, did you have occasion to work with Adrian
- 20 McManus?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Can you describe your relationship with Ms.
- 23 McManus?
- 24 A. A good friend at that time.
- Q. And at that time, did you go to her house,
- 6 she go to your house?
 - 27 A. Yes.
 - 28 Q. Did you know her husband? 9442
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. All right. Did you remain friends after you
- 3 stopped working at Neverland Ranch?
- 4 A. For a bit.
- 5 Q. Okay. During the time that you knew Ms.
- 6 McManus, did she ever make any statements to you
- 7 whatsoever with regard to the molestation charges
- 8 against or accusations against Mr. Jackson back at
- 9 that time, in 1993?
- 10 A. Never.

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- 11 Q. What did she tell you, if anything?
- 12 You have to sit forward, first of all, a
- 13 little bit, because that microphone --
- 14 A. Oh, sorry.

- 15 Q. Everybody has that problem. You just have
- 16 to talk into the microphone.
- 17 A. All right.
- 18 Q. Did she say anything one way or the other
- 19 about the charges, and about Mr. Jackson?
- 20 A. Never. She always talked good about him.
- 21 Q. All right. Now, at one point, were you
- 22 aware that she filed a lawsuit against Mr. Jackson?
- 3 A. That's when I didn't talk to her no more.
- 14 We didn't see each other.
 - 25 Q. All right. What was -- did you talk to her
- 26 at some point right at the end, right when that
- 27 breakup occurred? Did she tell you what she was
- 28 doing with her lawsuit, if anything? 9443
- 1 A. She just -- well, meaning -- I really don't
- 2 know what you mean.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did she talk to you about her
- 4 lawsuit? You say you stopped seeing her at some
- 5 point after she filed the lawsuit, right?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. Okay. Did she tell you why she was filing a
- 8 lawsuit?
- 9 A. No.

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- 10 Q. All right. Now, did you visit the house of
- 11 Mr. and Mrs. McManus?
- 12 A. Yes.

- 13 Q. Where did they live?
- 14 A. In Santa Maria.
- 15 Q. And did you visit there while Ms. McManus
- 16 was working for Mr. Jackson?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What did you observe at her house?
- 19 A. In all her rooms?
- 20 Q. Yeah. Let's talk about -- was there a room that had some --
- ^2 A. Yes.
 - 23 Q. -- Michael Jackson items?
 - 24 Can you tell us about that?
- 25 A. She had hats that belonged to Mr. Jackson.
- 26 Pajamas. Watches, T-shirts. Items that belonged to
- 27 the ranch.
- 28 Q. Okay. Now, did you ever see her take items 9444
- 1 from the ranch?
- 2 A. Yeah.
- 3 Q. And how did she do that?
- 4 A. In a laundry basket. She used to take home
- 5 Mr. Jackson's clothes. She said she was going to
- 6 iron them. But there was, like, a hat underneath
- 7 there, and you can't iron a hat.
- 8 Q. Okay. Was there an occasion where you all
- 9 were asked to wrap Christmas presents for needy
- 10 children?

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- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Sit a little closer. I'm sorry.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Everybody has to do it. It's not
- 15 comfortable, sorry.
- 16 What can you tell us about that?
- 17 A. We were sent home -- because there was,
- 18 like, lots of toys and gifts for the children. And

 we really couldn't do all the wrapping at the ranch,
- _____0 because it was quite a bit, so we were asked to take
 - 21 some of the toys home to wrap, and bring them back,
 - 22 because they didn't belong to us. And I noticed
- 23 that Adrian had kept some Super Soakers and other
- 24 items of toys for her son.
- 25 MR. SANGER: All right. Okay. Very well.
- 26 I have no further questions.
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- 28 // 9445
- 1 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 2 BY MR. ZONEN:
- 3 Q. I'm sorry, is it Miss Contreras or Mrs.
- 4 Orozco?
- 5 A. Contreras.
- 6 Q. Miss Contreras, was it more than one
- 7 occasion that you saw Adrian McManus taking a
- 8 laundry basket with items home?

- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Was that a fairly regular occurrence?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And would she stop to show you the items
- 13 that she had in the laundry basket?
- 14 A. She didn't stop.
- 15 Q. So she wasn't showing you what she had and
- 16 what she was taking home?
 - / A. I seen them. We were walking together out
- 18 to her car.
- 19 Q. All right. And she would have it in a
- 20 laundry basket covered with items, but you would,
- 21 nonetheless, see the items because you were looking
- 22 through them?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. You understood at the time that she was
- 25 stealing at that time?
- 26 A. No. I thought she was taking them home to
- 27 iron.
- 28 Q. She was taking a hat home to iron? 9446
- 1 A. That's what I said before, how could you
- 2 iron a hat?
- 3 Q. That's my question to you. Did you see on
- 4 each of the occasions that she took items home to
- 5 iron, she had items that you believe that she was
- 6 stealing?

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- 7 A. No. She was taking them home to iron.
- 8 Q. All right. On only one occasion did she
- 9 take home an item that you believed she was
- 10 stealing?
- 11 A. No, because we were taking toys home, all of
- 12 us were, to wrap. And they were supposed to be
- 13 returned.
- 14 Q. I'm asking questions specifically about the occasions when you saw her bringing items in a
- 6 laundry basket covered with laundry.
 - 17 A. Right.
 - 18 Q. Now, she did take items home to iron that
- 19 were Mr. Jackson's items and she would bring them
- 20 back; is that right?
- 21 A. I don't know if she brought them back. I
- 22 didn't see her bring them back.
- 23 Q. Was that part of her job as you understood
- 24 it?
- 25 A. To take them home and iron, yes.
- 26 Q. It was part of her job to take items that
- 27 were, in fact, Mr. Jackson's personal clothing, to
- 28 iron them for Mr. Jackson, and return them ironed to 9447
- 1 Mr. Jackson; is that correct?
- 2 A. I believe so.
- 3 Q. And she did that on a fairly regular basis?
- 4 A. Yes.

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- 5 Q. She would work at home doing ironing for Mr.
- 6 Jackson?
- 7 A. I never seen her ironing them, so I couldn't
- 8 tell you, sir.
- 9 Q. She would -- she would take it -- a laundry
- 10 basket with his clothing to iron and she would tell
- 11 you that that's what she was doing?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. You have no reason to believe she wasn't
- 4 bringing them back; is that right?
 - 15 A. Right.
 - 16 Q. On one occasion you saw a felt hat that
- 17 didn't need ironing?
- 18 A. Yes. I don't know what she was doing. She
- 19 could have took it home to mend. I have no idea,
- 20 sir.
- 21 Q. She could have mended it and brought it back
- 22 the next day?
- 23 A. I suppose so.
- 24 Q. Did you ever ask her about that?
- 25 A. Nope.
- 26 Q. Did you ever ask her about the Super Soakers
- 27 that were in there?
- 28 A. No. 9448

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- 1 Q. Miss Contreras, did you go to work for
- 2 Mervyn's after you left Neverland?

- 3 A. Yes, I did.
- 4 Q. Did you get fired from Mervyn's for
- 5 stealing?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Were you prosecuted for stealing from
- 8 Mervyn's?
- 9 A. No, it was trespassing.
- 10 Q. Well, you were prosecuted for stealing; is that right?
- 12 A. No, sir, it was trespassing.
 - 13 Q. You were trespassing in the store that you
 - 14 were working in --
- 15 A. No, sir. No.
- 16 Q. Were you not working in there at the time?
- 17 A. Yes, I was.
- 18 Q. You were prosecuted for trespassing in a
- 19 store that you were working in?
- 20 A. No, sir.
- 21 Q. Did -- were you ordered by the court to make
- 22 restitution to Mervyn's?
- 23 MR. SANGER: I'm going to object, Your
- 24 Honor, as to relevance.
- 25 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 26 MR. ZONEN: I have no further questions.
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- 28 // 9449

- 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 2 BY MR. SANGER:
- 3 Q. At the McManus residence, was there a
- 4 particular room that was dedicated to the Michael
- 5 Jackson --
- 6 MR. ZONEN: Objection; exceeding the scope
- 7 of the cross-examination.
- 8 THE COURT: That's true.
- Did you want to reopen that?
- 10 MR. SANGER: Well, let me ask it a different
 - 11 way. The Court may see where I'm going.
 - 12 Q. Whether or not you saw things in the laundry
- 13 basket, did you see things from the ranch in Ms.
- 14 McManus's house?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And were they displayed in some fashion?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. SANGER: All right. Okay. No further
- 19 questions.

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- 20 MR. ZONEN: No questions.
- 21 THE COURT: Thank you. You may step down.
- 22 MR. SANGER: Call Gayle Goforth.
- 23 THE COURT: Would counsel approach on this?
- 24 While she's coming in, counsel approach. The
- 25 District Attorney filed an in limine statement.
- 26 (Discussion held off the record at sidebar.)
- 27 THE COURT: Good morning. I'm going to ask

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28 you to face the clerk here, raise your right hand. 9450
 1 Go ahead.
 3 GAYLE GOFORTH
 4 Having been sworn, testified as follows:
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 6 THE WITNESS: I do.
   THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
spell your name for the record.
 9 THE WITNESS: My name is Gayle Goforth.
 10 G-a-y-l-e. Last name, G-o-f-o-r-t-h.
11 THE CLERK: Thank you.
 12 THE COURT: Miss Goforth, we're just going to
 13 ask you to sit there a minute. I know you don't
 14 know what to expect, but I was just talking to the
 15 attorneys here, and I'm going to talk to them for a
 16 second before we do anything.
 17 THE WITNESS: Okay.
 18 THE COURT: (To the attorneys) Come forward.
 19 (Discussion held off the record at sidebar.)
 21 DIRECT EXAMINATION
 22 BY MR. SANGER:
 23 Q. Okay. Good morning.
 24 A. Good morning.
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25 Q. Do you know the gentleman seated right here?

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- 26 A. Yes, I do.
- 27 Q. Who is that?
- 28 A. Michael Jackson. 9451
- 1 Q. All right. And how long have you known Mr.
- 2 Jackson?
- 3 BAILIFF CORTEZ: I need you to speak right
- 4 into the microphone.
 - THE WITNESS: Sorry.
- i Decame employed at Neverland Valley Ranch
- 7 in 1989.
- 8 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. Now, every
- 9 single witness, even those with louder voices than
- 10 yours, has to sit right up to that microphone for
- 11 some reason it's a little uncomfortable there. So
- 12 just try to project. You have a soft voice to start
- 13 with.
- 14 Okay. So you started working in 1989. And
- 15 what was your job when you started there?
- 16 A. I was a housekeeper.
- 17 Q. And did you eventually attain a different
- 18 position?

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- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. And what was that?
- 21 A. I became supervisor of housekeeping.
- 22 Q. All right. And when did you become
- 23 supervisor of housekeeping?

- 24 A. In 1990.
- 25 Q. Now, did you know Adrian McManus?
- 26 A. Yes, I did.
- 27 Q. Did you know Ralph Chacon?
- 28 A. Yes, I did. 9452
- 1 Q. Did you know Kassim Abdool?
- 2 A. Yes, I did.
 - Q. Were they also employees at the ranch?
- A. Yes, they were.
 - 5 Q. Were any of them working under you?
 - 6 A. Adrian was.
- 7 Q. Ms. McManus was on the housekeeping staff;
- 8 is that correct?
- 9 A. Yes, she was.
- 10 Q. And you were at that time the head of
- 11 housekeeping?
- 12 A. Yes, I was.
- 13 Q. What was her assignment when she first
- 14 started to work for you?
- 15 A. She was a housekeeper.
- 16 Q. Did she eventually get a new designation?
- 17 A. Yes, she did.
- 18 Q. And what was that?
- 19 A. She became -- she -- a caretaker of Mr.
- 20 Jackson's room.

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21 Q. All right. Now, when you say "Mr. Jackson's

- 22 room," what are you talking about?
- 23 A. Primarily -- pardon me, primarily cleaning
- 24 his room and taking care of his personal items.
- 25 Q. All right. Now, first of all, if you'd like
- 26 some water you can pour yourself some there.
- 27 A. Okay. Thank you.
- 28 Q. All right. When you say "his room," we're 9453
- talking about the suite that we've all heard about that has the two floors and so on?
 - 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. And part of her responsibilities were to
 - 5 make sure that the place was clean, I take it.
 - 6 A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. And she also was responsible for making sure
 - 8 that his laundry was done; is that correct?
 - 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. Now, did you have facilities at the ranch to
- 11 do laundry?
- 12 A. Yes, we did.
- 13 Q. And during that period of time and perhaps
- 14 today, but during that period of time, was the
- 15 laundry done at the ranch?
- 16 A. Some of it was. A lot of the things were
- 17 sent to the dry cleaners.
- 18 Q. I'm sorry, not dry cleaning, but the actual
- 19 laundry, if you were going to wash sheets or wash

- 20 clothing that did not need to be dry cleaned.
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And could it be ironed there?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. You had a room to do that in; is that
- 25 correct?
- 26 A. Yes, we had a laundry room.
- 27 Q. All right. Was it part of Ms. McManus's
 - duties to take clothing home, Mr. Jackson's clothing 9454
- 1 home, to iron it?
- 2 A. Not necessarily.
- 3 Q. Okay. And during that period of time
- 4 when -- can you tell us when Ms. McManus was there,
- 5 to the best of your recollection? Let me withdraw
- 6 that.
- 7 Why don't you just tell us when she was
- 8 taking care of Mr. Jackson's room.
- 9 A. I believe she started cleaning his room
- 10 in -- around 1990, early 1991.
- 11 Q. Okay.

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- 12 A. Until 1994.
- 13 Q. All right. Now, in 1994, did Ms. McManus
- 14 stop showing up for work?
- 15 A. Yes, she did.
- 16 Q. Do you recall roughly when that was?
- 17 A. I don't remember exactly when.

- 18 Q. Sometime in 1994, though?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And the last time -- when I say "the last
- 21 time," she stopped showing up for work and then she
- 22 just never came back; is that correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- 24 Q. Before that happened, do you recall her
- 25 taking any leave or being absent from work?
- 3 A. A lot, yes.
- 17 Q. And was Ms. McManus -- what was her attitude
 - 28 towards her position; do you recall? 9455
- 1 A. Oh, gosh. Well, she changed -- when she was
- 2 a housekeeper, when she became -- to take care of
- 3 Mr. Jackson's room, she changed her attitude.
- 4 Q. And what did her attitude change to?
- 5 MR. ZONEN: I'll object as speculative and
- 6 irrelevant.

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- 7 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 8 You may answer.
- 9 THE WITNESS: I can answer?
- 10 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Yes.
- 11 A. Like she was above everybody.
- 12 Q. Was she a hard worker?
- 13 MR. ZONEN: I'll object as irrelevant.
- 14 MR. SANGER: I'll withdraw it.
- 15 Q. All right. Now, let me move ahead. When

- 16 did you stop working at the ranch?
- 17 A. In 2002.
- 18 Q. All right. Were you at the ranch at the
- 19 time the Arvizo family came to visit?
- 20 A. Yes, I was.
- 21 Q. And do you remember -- what do you remember
- 22 about the Arvizo family?
- 23 A. They were at the -- their first time that

 1 they came, they were very concerned about their

 2 son's health.
 - 26 Q. Okay. And that was Gavin?
 - 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. And he was not doing well at that time? 9456
 - 1 A. No, he wasn't.
 - 2 Q. How many times did you see the Arvizo family
 - 3 at the ranch before you left your employment there?
 - 4 A. The first time I saw the whole family was
 - 5 their first arrival. Thereafter, the father and the
 - 6 two boys came back, I would say, maybe four or five
 - 7 times.
 - 8 Q. Okay. So the first time the whole family
 - 9 was there, that means the mother was there as well,
- 10 is that what you're saying?
- 11 A. Yes.

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- 12 Q. Do you remember her name?
- 13 A. Janet.

- 14 Q. Did you have any interaction with Janet
- 15 Arvizo?
- 16 A. Yes, I did.
- 17 Q. And what interaction did you have?
- 18 A. Shortly after their arrival, she started
- 19 talking to me about being concerned about her son's
- 20 health, and that they were having money problems,
- 21 and that -- she asked me if I would give her a job at the ranch.
- 3 Q. And what was your response to that?
 - 24 A. I told her that she needed to be more
 - 25 concerned about her son and that it was a long ways
- 26 to --
- 27 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object to the
- 28 response as hearsay. 9457
- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 MR. ZONEN: And irrelevant. Move to strike.
- 3 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 4 MR. SANGER: All right. Not for the truth
- 5 of the matter, Your Honor, but for the purpose of
- 6 the response, if I may.
- 7 THE COURT: The response that Janet makes to
- 8 her statement?

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- 9 MR. SANGER: Yes, that's correct.
- 10 THE COURT: All right.
- 11 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you say anything

- 12 specifically about the distance between her home and
- 13 the ranch?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. And what did -- what did Janet Arvizo say in
- 16 response to that?
- 17 A. She told me she would move to the valley in
- 18 order to be closer to the ranch.
- 19 Q. When you say "the valley," you mean the Santa Ynez Valley?
- 1 A. Yes, I do.
- 22 Q. Now, -- excuse me, I'm sorry.
- 23 Going back to the entire time that you
- 24 worked at the ranch, did you have occasion to see
- 25 Mr. Jackson drink alcohol?
- 26 A. A few occasions.
- 27 Q. All right. And roughly -- let's put it this
- 28 way. When did you see him drink? What occasions 9458
- 1 would you see him drink alcohol?
- 2 A. At mealtime, dinnertime.
- 3 Q. Okay. Now, when you -- at some point during
- 4 this period of time, or from time to time, you
- 5 actually took care of Mr. Jackson's room as well; is
- 6 that correct?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.

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- 8 Q. And so you were one of the staff people who
- 9 was allowed to go into his room to straighten it up

- 10 or do whatever needed to be done; is that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And also to supervise people who would be
- 13 doing that; is that right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. All right. Did you ever see any bottles of
- 16 alcohol or other evidence of alcohol strewn about?
- 17 Can you explain what you might see?
- 13 A. I don't recall.
- 19 Q. Okay. So you might see a glass or something
 - 20 but you wouldn't see -- you wouldn't see alcohol
- 21 just lying around his room?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. All right. And let me also ask you about
- 24 Mr. Jackson and his personal behavior. Would you
- 25 say -- can you describe his behavior as far as being
- 26 outgoing or shy or --
- 27 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object as
- 28 irrelevant, Your Honor, and vague. 9459
- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 MR. SANGER: On vague?
- 3 THE COURT: Both.
- 4 MR. SANGER: Both? Okay.
- 5 Q. Did you have any occasion to observe whether
- 6 or not Mr. Jackson would change his clothes in front
- 7 of anyone? For instance, if you were in the room

- 8 cleaning, would he be changing his clothes in there?
- 9 MR. ZONEN: Judge, that's irrelevant as to
- 10 whether he would change his clothes in her presence.
- 11 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 12 MR. SANGER: All right.
- 13 Q. Were there occasions where you came in and
- 14 Mr. Jackson might be in the process of changing his
- 15 clothes, changing a shirt or something?
- 15 A. No. He was very private.
- 7 MR. SANGER: All right. Okay. I have no
 - 18 further questions.
- 19
- 20 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. ZONEN:
- 22 Q. Miss Goforth, you were recently interviewed
- 23 by an investigator for the defense; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes, I was.
- 25 Q. And you were asked questions about that
- 26 conversation that you had with Janet Arvizo; is that
- 27 right?
- 28 A. Yes, I was. 9460
- 1 Q. Now, that conversation that you had with
- 2 Janet Arvizo was approximately August of 2000, was
- 3 it?

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- 4 A. I don't recall exactly. No.
- 5 Q. When did you leave Neverland Ranch?

- 6 A. I left in 2002.
- 7 Q. All right. You only saw Janet Arvizo on one
- 8 single occasion when she was at Neverland; is that
- 9 right?
- 10 A. One occasion, yes.
- 11 Q. And she was there with her husband and her
- 12 three children; is that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 1 4 Q. They were there for one night, two nights?
- 5 A. They were there for a couple of days.
 - 16 Q. Couple days? Did you interact with her on
 - 17 more than one occasion during that time?
- 18 A. Well, yes.
- 19 Q. Now, you told the investigator for Mr.
- 20 Jackson not that she was prepared to move to the
- 21 valley, but that she was prepared to sleep in her
- 22 car outside Neverland; is that right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Did you just change it to say that she was
- 25 prepared to live in the valley?
- 26 MR. SANGER: Objection; argumentative.
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 28 THE WITNESS: No, I wasn't able to complete 9461
- 1 my --

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- 2 THE COURT: Just a moment. Just a moment.
- 3 I sustained the objection.

- 4 Next question.
- 5 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Now, the statement that you
- 6 gave was that she was prepared to sleep in her car
- 7 right outside the doors to Neverland; is that right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. All right. Now, did you ask her if she had
- 10 a car?
- 11 A. She stated that she didn't even have a car 12 and that they were living in separate quarters.
- 3 Q. All right. So she told you she didn't have
 - 14 a car but she would sleep in the car she didn't have
 - 15 outside the ranch?
- 16 MR. SANGER: Objection; argumentative.
- 17 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 18 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Ma'am, what exactly did she
- 19 tell you? Did she tell you she had a car?
- 20 A. No, she didn't say that she had a car.
- 21 Q. She told you she was going to get a car?
- 22 A. No, she didn't say that. She said that --
- 23 the conversation was, she asked me if she could have
- 24 a job at Neverland. I told her that it was a long
- 25 ways from -- I assumed that they lived in the Los
- 26 Angeles area. And it was a long ways to come. She
- 27 said that she would move to the valley in order to
- 28 be closer to the ranch. And I told her that the 9462
- 1 rents and that were very expensive in the area.

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- 2 Just trying to dissuade her from this.
- 3 And she said, "Well, I'll come and I'll
- 4 sleep in my car if I have to. I just need money. I
- 5 need to work."
- 6 Q. Go ahead.
- 7 A. "I need" -- "I need a job. I need to work.
- 8 We're living in separate quarters, and we need the
- 9 money. Gavin's very sick," to that effect.
- ') Q. All right. Did you take a job application
- 1 to give her?
 - 12 A. No, I did not.
 - 13 Q. All right. You decided at that time that
- 14 she wasn't qualified to clean rooms at Neverland?
- 15 MR. SANGER: Objection; argumentative.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Did you make a determination
- 18 as to why she shouldn't work at Neverland?
- 19 A. Well, I just saw her being a guest and
- 20 everything, that it wasn't appropriate to -- I had
- 21 several guests come to the ranch and ask. Everybody
- 22 thought it was fun to work at the ranch. And --
- 23 Q. But she asked specifically for a job as a
- 24 maid; is that right?
- 25 A. Yes, she did.
- 26 Q. About that time that job made about what,
- 27 eight dollars an hour?
- 28 A. Yes. 9463

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- 1 Q. You knew, did you not, that she, in fact,
- 2 had a job, was working in Los Angeles at the time?
- 3 A. No, I did not.
- 4 Q. And in fact, she had an apartment at that
- 5 time?
- 6 A. I didn't know. I didn't -- my job was not
- 7 to stand and carry conversations with the guests and 5 that. I was trying to dissuade her from, and get away -- out of the conversation.
 - 10 Q. Miss Goforth, your job at Neverland Ranch
 - 11 ended when?
- 12 A. In 2002.
- 13 Q. And that ended because you were being
- 14 disciplined for stealing; is that right? Is that
- 15 right?
- 16 MR. SANGER: Objection; lack of foundation.
- 17 MR. ZONEN: We're going to get there.
- 18 MR. SANGER: And move to strike counsel's
- 19 remarks.

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- 20 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 21 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Were you, in fact, suspended
- 22 from your job because you were taking things that
- 23 you weren't entitled to take?
- 24 A. I was suspended from my job over the sale of
- 25 some furniture that I thought was allowed to be
- 26 done. I was just doing what I was told by another

- 27 party.
- 28 Q. All right. So you took some items from 9464
- 1 Neverland and they then accused you of taking it
- 2 without the permission of the owner; is that right?
- 3 A. I didn't personally take the items.
- 4 Q. Somebody else took them and you sold them?
- 5 A. I didn't sell them. It was arrangements that were made through someone else.
- Q. And ultimately who made the decision to
 - 8 discipline you for that?
 - 9 A. I believe Mr. Jackson.
- 10 Q. All right. And thereafter, you terminated
- 11 your position voluntarily; is that right?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. Because you were offended as to how you were
- 14 treated?
- 15 A. Yes, I was.
- 16 Q. In fact, there's a fair amount of
- 17 controversy at Neverland about who can take what and
- 18 when they can take it; is that right?
- 19 MR. SANGER: Objection. Vague and
- 20 argumentative.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 22 You may answer.

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- 23 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Please answer the question.
- 24 A. Could you repeat the question?

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28 back. 9465
           1 (Record read.)
           9 and --
           10 THE COURT: Sustained.
           13 A. No.
           15 things at Neverland?
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          19 A. No, I did not.
           22 A. That's correct.
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- 25 MR. ZONEN: Could the reporter read that
- 26 back?
- 27 THE COURT: I'll have the reporter read it

- 2 THE WITNESS: I don't believe so. I believe
- 3 that no one should take anything at any time without
 - Mr. Jackson's permission.
- Q. BY MR. ZONEN: And -- all right. But a lot
 - 6 of people have been accused of taking things from
 - 7 Neverland; is that right?
- 8 MR. SANGER: Objection. Vague as to time
- 11 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: You've actually turned in
- 12 people for taking things at Neverland, haven't you?
- 14 Q. You've never turned in people for taking
- 16 A. Not personally myself, no.
- 17 Q. Didn't you turn in Ramon Velasco for taking
- 18 something at Neverland?
- 20 Q. And you never went back to work at Neverland
- 21 after that; is that correct?

- 23 MR. ZONEN: No further questions.
- 24
- 25 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 26 BY MR. SANGER:
- 27 Q. All right. With regard to this business
- 28 about selling items from Neverland, did you ever 9466
 - sell anything from Neverland for your own personal benefit?
- A. I did not.
- 4 Q. Was there somebody else who was in a
- 5 position higher than yours who directed that certain
- 6 items be sold?
- 7 A. Yes, there was.
- 8 Q. And was -- were they being sold for your
- 9 benefit?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. They were being sold for the benefit of the
- 12 ranch?

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- 13 A. Yes, they were.
- 14 Q. And the problem was that apparently --
- 15 MR. ZONEN: Objection; leading.
- 16 MR. SANGER: That's true. Let me withdraw
- 17 the beginning of that. I didn't get it out. But it
- 18 would have been leading, I agree.
- 19 Q. What was the problem that gave rise to the
- 20 people involved in selling these items eventually

21 being disciplined in some way or being reprimanded? 22 MR. ZONEN: That's vague and compound. 23 THE COURT: Overruled. 24 You may answer. 25 THE WITNESS: Apparently Mr. Jackson didn't 26 want the furniture sold. 27 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. Were the proceeds of 28 the sale intended to go to Mr. Jackson and to the 9467 ranch? 2 A. For the ranch, yes. 3 Q. Okay. So nobody was stealing anything; is 4 that correct? 5 A. That's correct. 6 MR. SANGER: Okay. Thank you. I have no 7 further questions. 9 RECROSS-EXAMINATION 10 BY MR. ZONEN: 11 Q. Can we assume you told Mr. Jackson all the MWW.M 12 things you just told us about this incident? 13 A. No, I did not. 14 Q. You did not? Did you have any conversation 15 with Mr. Jackson thereafter? 16 A. No, I did not. 17 Q. How did you find out that it was Mr. Jackson 18 who disciplined you?

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21 Q. Did you tell anybody about what had
 22 happened?
 23 A. No, I immediately left the ranch.
 24 MR. ZONEN: No further questions.
 25 MR. SANGER: And I have no further
 26 questions, Your Honor.
    THE COURT: Thank you. You may step down.
8 Call your next witness. 9468
 1 MR. SANGER: Call Violet Silva.
2 THE COURT: Please remain standing. Face the
 3 clerk here and raise your right hand.
 5 VIOLET GAITAN SILVA
 6 Having been sworn, testified as follows:
 8 THE WITNESS: Yes.
 9 THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
 10 spell your name for the record.
 11 THE WITNESS: Violet Gaitan Silva. Violet,
 12 V-i-o-l-e-t; Gaitan, G-a-i-t-a-n; Silva, S-i-l-v-a.
 13 THE CLERK: Thank you.
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 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION
 16 BY MR. SANGER:
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19 A. I assumed that it was. I didn't know that

20 for a fact.

- 17 Q. I'll let you get some water there first.
- 18 So take your time.
- 19 A. Thank you.
- 20 Q. All right. Miss Silva, how are you
- 21 employed?
- 22 A. I'm employed by Neverland Ranch as a safety
- 23 coordinator at this time.
- 24 Q. Okay. Now, everybody's having this problem
 - in this courtroom. You have to sit real close.
- __6 A. Okay.
- 27 Q. It's not -- there we go. That might help.
- 28 And then when the air conditioner is on it 9469
- 1 makes it a little harder to hear.
- 2 A. All right.
- 3 Q. So repeat that again, please.
- 4 A. I am employed by Neverland Ranch as a safety
- 5 coordinator at this time.
- 6 Q. And where is your office?
- 7 A. My office is located in the administration
- 8 building.

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- 9 Q. Where is the administration building with
- 10 respect to the ranch house, I mean, to the actual
- 11 house, Mr. Jackson's house?
- 12 A. It's southwest approximately less than a
- 13 quarter mile.
- 14 Q. Is it up on a hill?

- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. All right. And is it outside the manicured
- 17 grounds of Neverland?
- 18 A. I would say the immediate grounds, yes.
- 19 Q. Not to say the administration area isn't
- 20 manicured, but there is a place that's all grass and
- 21 pastures and so on, right?
- 22 A. Yes.
 - Q. And it's outside of that, correct?
- ^4 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. Can you describe the kind of structure that
- 26 houses the administrative offices?
- 27 A. It's a converted barn. And it has one large
- 28 office area with a conference area. It has two 9470
- 1 smaller offices. It also stations a fire engine in
- 2 the bay and one other small office and two -- three
- 3 bathrooms, excuse me, and some storage areas.
- 4 Q. Okay. So let's start with the fire truck.
- 5 That's the fire station as it were; is that correct?
- 6 A. The fire brush truck is located in the
- 7 administration building.
- 8 Q. All right. So -- and at this time there's
- 9 one fire truck; is that right?
- 10 A. Yes, it's a brush truck.
- 11 Q. And on prior occasions, how many fire trucks
- 12 have been there?

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- 13 A. We've had as many as two.
- 14 Q. All right. Now, when you talk about the
- 15 brush truck, is it a fully outfitted fire truck?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. All right. And do you have trained fire
- 18 personnel to man the -- or staff, I should say, the
- 19 fire truck?
- 20 A. Yes. We have trained firefighter/EMTs.
 - Q. You said EMTs?
- 2 A. EMTs, yes.
 - 23 Q. I'm having a little trouble hearing at the
 - 24 end of your sentences.
- 25 A. Okay.
- 26 Q. All right. Now, the administrative office
- 27 is -- you talked about a number of offices being in
- 28 there. You have an actual executive office there 9471
- 1 right now; is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes. I share it with the fire supervisor at
- 3 this time.
- 4 Q. All right. And then there's a staff area
- 5 where an administrative assistant sits; is that
- 6 right?

- 7 A. Yes, and the ranch manager.
- 8 Q. All right. And then there's a separate
- 9 office for the ranch manager, or the ranch manager
- 10 is out --

- 11 A. No, they have separate offices.
- 12 Q. Okay. At the current time, who is the
- 13 administrative assistant up there?
- 14 A. Tracy Chapman.
- 15 Q. And does she have a large phone?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. Now, in the years -- did I ask you
- 18 when you started there --
 - A. No.
- 📫 0 Q. -- I think I did.
- 21 Okay. When did you start working there?
- 22 A. July 1st, 1991.
- 23 Q. We'll go back over what you've done there in
- 24 a minute.
- 25 A. Okay.
- 26 Q. But in the years you've been there, have you
- 27 had occasion to see the different phones throughout
- 28 the ranch? 9472
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. All right. And are there some regular,
- 3 smaller handset phones throughout the ranch?
- 4 A. Yes.

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- 5 Q. Is the main phone in the administrative
- 6 office larger than those phones?
- 7 A. Yes. There's a regular small phone and
- 8 there's also a larger console type of phone.

- 9 Q. Would that be the main phone for the phone
- 10 system?
- 11 A. No, it's not.
- 12 Q. All right. Where is the main phone?
- 13 A. The calls are mostly taken through the
- 14 security gate, and also at Miss Chapman's desk,
- 15 depending on which number the person is calling.
- 16 Q. When I said "main phone," I was asking about
- the equipment. But you're saying that calls are
- 8 answered at some of the smaller handsets; is that
 - 19 correct?
 - 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And one of the places where calls are
- 22 routinely answered is the front gate?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And the other would be at Miss Chapman's
- 25 desk?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. All right. The ranch manager -- who's the
- 28 ranch manager at the present time? 9473
- 1 A. Joe Marcus.
- 2 Q. And does he have an office there in the same
- 3 administrative building?
- 4 A. Yes.

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- 5 Q. When did you obtain the position that you
- 6 have now?

- 7 A. November of 2004.
- 8 Q. Let's go back to when you started at the
- 9 ranch. And actually, before you started at the
- 10 ranch, did you have any particular training and
- 11 experience?
- 12 A. I had graduated from Allan Hancock Police
- 13 Academy in 1989, December. And shortly after, well,
- 14 '91, I applied for a position out at the ranch as a security officer, which I started July 1st of '91.
- 16 Q. All right. So you went to the POST academy?
 - 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Police officer training academy, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Did you receive the certificate?
- 21 A. I graduated but I did not receive the
- 22 certificate, because I did not work full time as a
- 23 police officer. So I guess my answer would be no to
- 24 that, I did not receive the POST certificate.
- 25 Q. So you did the education and the training
- 26 through Allan Hancock, but you didn't do the
- 27 inservice training as a police officer; is that
- 28 correct? 9474
- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. All right. And do you consider yourself to
- 3 be a peace officer or a police officer?
- 4 A. No.

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- 5 Q. All right. And have you ever?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. All right. So you went to work as a
- 8 security guard at the ranch --
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. -- in 1991, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Did the ranch have a security staff -- well,
- 13 let's start with that. You weren't the only person?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay. And was the staff organized according
- 16 to rank?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Who was the chief of security at that time;
- 19 do you recall?
- 20 A. Terry Cooney.
- 21 Q. And between 1991 and 2004, did you
- 22 continuously work in the security department?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Can you tell us briefly what -- how you
- 25 progressed through the department?
- 26 A. In October of '91, I was promoted to a
- 27 relief supervisor position, which would carry the
- 28 rank of corporal. And in January of '94, I believe, 9475
- 1 I was promoted to a full-time shift supervisor,
- 2 which has the rank of sergeant. In May of '97, I

- 3 was promoted to the chief's position of security.
- 4 And in June of '98, I assumed the fire chief
- 5 position as well.
- 6 Q. All right. And you -- when you were finally
- 7 moved into this other administrative position, as of
- 8 that time in 2004, you were the chief of both the
- 9 security and the fire department; is that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
 - Q. All right. Now, you know Mr. Jackson --
- 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. -- correct?
 - 14 Do you know Mr. Jackson well?
- 15 A. I would say so.
- 16 Q. All right. Do you spend -- in the course of
- 17 your employment, do you spend a lot of time talking
- 18 with Mr. Jackson?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. All right. And can you explain what the
- 21 policy is for employees at the ranch as far as
- 22 having contact with Mr. Jackson?
- 23 MR. SNEDDON: Object as immaterial, Your
- 24 Honor.

- 25 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 26 You may answer. You may answer.
- 27 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, can you repeat the
- 28 question? 9476

- 1 THE COURT: I can have it read back.
 2 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
- 3 (Record read.)
- 4 THE WITNESS: Our contact is limited to him
- 5 making requests. And other than that, if we have
- 6 any concerns about the operation of the ranch, we
- 7 channel those through the ranch manager.
- 8 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Now, that policy would
 c pertain to security, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. It would pertain to fire; is that right?
 - 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did it pertain to the other departments as
- 14 well?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. So housekeeping?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. The zoo?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Grounds or maintenance?
- 21 A. Yes.

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- 22 Q. Did I leave any out?
- 23 A. There's a few.
- 24 Q. Okay. There's some more. But all of the
- 25 different units out there have their own chain of
- 26 command, as it were; is that correct?
- 27 A. Correct. There's employees, a department

28 head for each department, and each department is 9477

- 1 directly supervised by the ranch manager.
- 2 Q. And who is the ranch manager at the current
- 3 time? Did I ask you that?
- 4 A. Yes. Joe Marcus.
- 5 Q. So if somebody in your department -- as the
- 6 chief of security, if somebody in your department
 - had some question about procedure or how things
- ought to be done, where would you expect them to go?
 - 9 A. I expect them to immediately go to their
 - 10 shift supervisor, to whoever the chief is at the
- 11 time. If I was in charge, then to me. If I
- 12 couldn't answer the question, then I would go to Mr.
- 13 Marcus with a question.
- 14 Q. All right. Did you ever sit down with Mr.
- 15 Jackson and ask him how he'd like to have security
- 16 taken care of at the ranch?
- 17 A. No. But if he had a suggestion, he sure
- 18 would let me know.
- 19 Q. Okay. When you had -- when you made policy
- 20 decisions about security, would you discuss those
- 21 with Joe Marcus or with somebody else, or how would
- 22 you do that?

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- 23 A. I would discuss those with Mr. Marcus.
- 24 Q. All right.
- 25 A. And my shift supervisors as well.

- 26 Q. Now, you said that Mr. Jackson would let you
- 27 know. Did Mr. Jackson from time to time let people
- 28 know that he thought something ought to be done at 9478
- 1 the ranch?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. And would the staff attempt to
- 4 fulfill those requests?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. All right. In all the time that you were
 - 7 there, did Mr. Jackson ever ask you to do anything
 - 8 that you thought was inappropriate?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. All right. Now, by the way, you've come
- 11 here pursuant to a subpoena; is that correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And you also interviewed with law
- 14 enforcement; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And you have told both sides that you were
- 17 going to tell the truth to both sides no matter
- 18 what; is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes.

- 20 Q. Is that your intention, to tell the truth
- 21 here on the stand?
- 22 A. Absolutely.
- 23 Q. Now, in the course of the time that you

- 24 worked there -- I asked you if Mr. Jackson ever
- 25 asked you to do anything that was inappropriate.
- 26 During the course of the time that you
- 27 worked at the ranch, did you ever observe anything
- 28 that appeared to you to be illegal or inappropriate? 9479
- 1 A. No.
- Q. And if you had, what would you have done about it?
- A. Well, I would have at the time taken into
 - 5 consideration what the action was and addressed it
 - 6 appropriately.
- 7 Q. Now, before you were a chief of security, if
 - 8 you saw anything inappropriate or illegal, would you
 - 9 have reported it to a supervisor? Before you were
- 10 chief of --
- 11 A. Oh, absolutely, yes.
- 12 Q. And again, you told us about the chain of
- 13 command so --
- 14 A. Yes.

- 15 Q. And as the chief of security, if you saw
- 16 anything inappropriate or illegal, what would you
- 17 have done? Who would you have reported it to?
- 18 A. I would have followed my chain of command,
- 19 and notified my supervisor, who was Joe Marcus.
- 20 Q. All right. Now, during the course of the
- 21 time that you worked in security and you've been the

- 22 chief of security -- in fact, I'm really drawing on 23 that experience as your involvement in security 24 there, whatever rank you had during the period of 25 time. What would happen if you -- if anybody in 26 security observed something, let's say a golf cart 27 accident - we've heard about those - what would 28 happen? 9480 A. Well, we would first immediately make sure -- whoever the driver was, make sure they 3 weren't injured. That would be our first concern. 4 If they were -- then we would attend to that. 5 Afterwards, if there was no injury or we 6 took care of the injury, then we would either make 7 sure that the vehicle, the cart, whatever it was, 8 was still roadworthy. If it was not, we would 9 remove it and take it to the mechanic's shop and we 10 would make a report as well. And depending on why 11 it happened, if it was deemed necessary, we would 12 take that privilege away from that person if they 13 weren't handling the cart properly. 14 Q. All right. Let's start with the report. Is
 - 18 A. Yes.

17 security officer?

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19 Q. And can you explain what that is?

15 there a formal reporting system that has been in

16 place at the ranch since you started there as a

- 20 A. Well, depending on the incident or the
- 21 severity of it, if it's a medical incident, then a
- 22 report is made, regardless of how minor or
- 23 insignificant it may seem. If it's a damage report,
- 24 we will do the same. If we consider that there may
- 25 be a hazard involved, then we address the hazard as
- 26 well. So -- and just write down a line, if there's
- 27 a theft, if there's something missing, if we have a 3 trespasser. It could be anything. 9481
- 1 Q. All right. Now, with regard to the
- 2 different kinds of reports you talked about, there
- 3 are medical reports. There's actually a form to
- 4 make a medical report; is that correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And is that filled out every time the EMTs
- 7 are called to attend to somebody who might be
- 8 injured?
- 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. All right. Now, you said there's EMTs.
- 11 Firefighters/EMTs. Do you generally have an EMT on
- 12 the property at all times?
- 13 A. We try to make sure that that's covered.
- 14 It's a priority for us. So we do.
- 15 Q. If anybody is injured anywhere on the ranch,
- 16 whether it's an employee, a guest, Mr. Jackson, you
- 17 have somebody there who can give first aid?

- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Do the -- if somebody is injured, do the
- 20 EMTs make the final call as to whether or not any
- 21 further medical assistance is needed?
- 22 A. They'll make the assessment, but a patient
- 23 always has the right to refuse treatment. So if
- 24 that's what they do, then we can just ask them to,
- 25 you know, seek further treatment. If not, then
- that's where it stops. If we feel they absolutely
- 17 need to go, in the event of a work injury, then
 - 28 they're required to go. 9482
- 1 Q. All right. Now, when you say "go," we're
- 2 talking about going to the local hospital or getting
- 3 a doctor or --
- 4 A. Correct. Or call whatever means is
- 5 necessary, whether it's ambulance or outside of our
- 6 department with county fire.
- 7 Q. And have you had occasion at times to
- 8 actually call in ambulances to the ranch?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Even, I think, a medical helicopter
- 11 evacuation?
- 12 A. Yes.

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- 13 MR. SNEDDON: I'm going to object as
- 14 immaterial and irrelevant, Your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Do you have a --

- 16 MR. SANGER: That was actually the last
- 17 question in that area. But it does tie into some
- 18 other evidence.
- 19 THE COURT: All right. I'll overrule the
- 20 objection.
- 21 MR. SANGER: All right.
- 22 Q. Now, you indicated that in addition to the
- 23 medical reports, that the -- you also have reports
 24 with regard to property damage, correct?
- ^5 A. Yes.
 - 26 Q. And then you indicated that there are
 - 27 occasions where a guest -- let me withdraw that.
- 28 What happens if a guest is not being safe 9483
 - 1 with some of the equipment?
 - 2 A. Well, then we temporarily give them a
 - 3 cooling-off time, or we would remove the equipment
 - 4 from them.
 - 5 Q. And why would you do that?
 - 6 A. For their safety.
 - 7 Q. Now, is one of the concerns in your
 - 8 department safety of the guests?
 - 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Does that pertain to adults or children or
- 11 both?

- 12 A. Both.
- 13 Q. And how is that concern for safety

- 14 implemented in your department?
- 15 A. Well, when they're initially given a cart to
- 16 drive, or a vehicle, or a quad runner, we give them
- 17 instructions on how to operate the equipment safely.
- 18 You know, on occasion it does happen where they get
- 19 a little rambunctious and we feel like maybe they
- 20 can't control it properly, then we give them a
- 21 warning, and advise them again of the proper use of the equipment. And if they continue to either cause
- 3 damage to the cart or other things, then we usually
- 24 pull the equipment.
- 25 Q. Now, do you have to ask Mr. Jackson first
- 26 before you do that?
- 27 A. No.
- 28 Q. And if you see kids who are not being 9484
- 1 supervised by their parents on the ranch, does
- 2 security try to keep -- let's put it this way: Is
- 3 there any additional attention given to those kids
- 4 by security?

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- 5 A. Well, I would say that's just our priority
- 6 in general. So -- it's what we're doing there. So
- 7 it's not -- we don't have heightened awareness.
- 8 It's just what we are trained to do and what we're
- 9 there for. So that's a constant regardless of
- 10 whether their parents are there or not.
- 11 Q. So if you see kids -- whether the parents

- 12 are there or not, if you see kids riding the carts
- 13 and you think -- in the morning you saw somebody
- 14 going a little fast, is security going to tend to
- 15 watch that kid a little more closely?
- 16 A. Sure.
- 17 Q. All right. Do you sometimes make entries in
- 18 the gate logs?
- 19 A. Yes.
 - Q. Now, we've seen something about gate logs,
- 1 so we don't have to absolutely go back to square
- 22 one, but can you describe the purpose of the gate
- 23 logs and how they're kept?
- 24 A. The purpose of the gate logs is we have
- 25 three different sheets, and it's evolved over time,
- 26 depending on what our needs are for our department.
- 27 It's mainly used to document in-and-out times for
- 28 our employees, contractors, guests' arrival. 9485
- 1 It also documents our own activity on the
- 2 ranch as far as our work that we do, so if we have
- 3 to refer back to a time or a directive that is given
- 4 to us, we can refer back to it.
- 5 Q. How many security officers are on duty
- 6 generally? Let's say in recent years, in the 2000s,
- 7 how many security officers would be on duty at any
- 8 given time during the day?

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9 A. We try for four. Four is what we -- is a

- 10 good number for us.
- 11 Q. All right. Would that be 24 hours a day?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And can you describe what the duties of the
- 14 four different officers would be?
- 15 A. Well, they would come in and get whatever
- 16 equipment they need. They would either report to
- 17 three different posts that we have, which is at the 13 front gate, the main house, or a mobile patrol.
- 19 Their duties vary at each of the stations.
 - 20 The main gate is -- primarily their function
 - 21 is to ask guests -- authorize guests or contractors.
- 22 They also dispatch a request from the owner or
- 23 another department that needs something. We answer
- 24 the phones. A lot of phone calls come through there
- 25 after hours as well, so --
- 26 Q. So you have -- you generally have one
- 27 officer mobile all right? one in the gatehouse,
- 28 and where would the other two be? 9486
- 1 A. One would be at the house and hopefully the
- 2 other one would be a supervisor. So most of the
- 3 times it would be a supervisor.
- 4 Q. You talked about the front gate. There's a
- 5 gatehouse there; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.

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7 Q. And can you describe that building, about

- 8 how big it is?
- 9 A. The building is probably about 15 square
- 10 feet. It has a small eating area, a desk area, a
- 11 bathroom, has a phone. T.V.
- 12 Q. Okay. I am thinking 15 square feet, that's
- 13 kind of small.
- 14 A. It works.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. It's all we need.
- 17 Q. All right. So there's a desk in there; is
 - 18 that correct?
 - 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And there's a bathroom; is that right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And there's an area where you can sit and
- 23 watch a T.V., correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Now, during the course of the shift or
- 26 during the course of a day -- let's put it this way:
- 27 During the day, how many shifts are there for
- 28 security? 9487
- 1 A. We work a 12-hour shift, so we have two
- 2 shifts, starting from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., from
- 3 6 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.

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- 4 Q. All right. And I take it you have the
- 5 required breaks, lunch breaks and other breaks, in

- 6 the middle of that shift?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Now, in addition to security, do you have
- 9 fire on duty?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And how many fire people do you have?
- 12 A. How the department is worked is that our
- 13 firefighters do security work. So most of them, or the majority of our security officers, are
- 5 firefighter/EMTs.
 - 16 Q. So they also have the EMT training?
 - 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Did that change? Did you have a separate
- 19 fire staff at one time?
- 20 A. Yes. From the time I was first hired in
- 21 '91, the security department was separate from the
- 22 fire department. And in '98, June '98, when I
- 23 assumed the fire chief duties, our department was
- 24 combined at that time.
- 25 Q. By the way, Brian Barron, do you know that
- 26 name?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. Do you know Brian Barron? 9488
- 1 A. Yes, I do.
- 2 Q. And is he a police officer?
- 3 A. Yes.

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- 4 Q. Do you recall him working at the ranch?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. At the time he worked at the ranch, was it
- 7 known to everybody in the security department that
- 8 he was, in fact, a sworn peace officer?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 MR. SNEDDON: Object; calls for speculation.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- Q. BY MR. SANGER: Now, going back to the front
- ■13 gate issue, where are the gate logs actually kept
 - 14 during the day?
 - 15 A. During the day, the gate logs are kept
- 16 there, and they're actually kept there for the
- 17 entire week. And on Monday morning, they're picked
- 18 up.
- 19 Q. And where do they go after that?
- 20 A. They go to the administration office.
- 21 Q. And the administration office, again, is the
- 22 building up on the hill?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. All right. Now, there's been discussion
- 25 about a security office at the end of the building
- 26 that has the garage, Mr. Jackson's office, and then
- 27 it has the video library upstairs.
- 28 A. Yes. 9489

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1 Q. Can you describe that security office?

- 2 A. The -- it has two separate rooms. The first
- 3 office is approximately a nine-by-ten room. It has
- 4 a desk, a computer, a counter space that holds our
- 5 equipment and other things, like paper towels and
- 6 napkins.
- 7 The back area is with lockers and a table
- 8 for eating and refrigerator and microwave.
- 9 Q. All right. Now, is this a staff area?
- A. Yes.
- 1 Q. All right. And this is part of that
- 12 structure. Does it have a door that you enter from
- 13 the outside or do you go inside that structure to
- 14 enter?
- 15 A. No, you enter from the outside.
- 16 Q. All right. And the door that you enter is
- 17 away from the house; is that correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. What is kept generally -- in the 2003 time
- 20 period, what is kept at that location?
- 21 A. At that location -- excuse me, I forgot to
- 22 mention, we do have a file cabinet there. We have a
- 23 file cabinet that holds reports, our confidentiality
- 24 agreements. We also have our gate logs in there for
- 25 the entire year. They're housed in there. And
- 26 whatever little bits of equipment that we may have
- 27 in that storage.

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28 Q. All right. Now, you mentioned a 9490

- 1 confidentiality agreement. Can you explain what
- 2 that is?
- 3 A. The confidentiality agreement is a four-page
- 4 contract that all guests or anyone entering
- 5 Neverland reach -- that read, that read it, and they
- 6 have to be over the age of 18. The contract, in a
- 7 nutshell, is that you agree to keep your visit private and confidential.
- Q. All right. Is it designed to conceal
- 10 illegal activity?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. What's the purpose of the confidentiality
- 13 agreement?
- 14 A. The purpose of the agreement is to keep you
- 15 from profiting from your experience there, selling
- 16 to a magazine or any sort of media.
- 17 Q. Okay. Does it also include a provision that
- 18 people are not supposed to take pictures while
- 19 they're there on the ranch?
- 20 A. Yes, they agree to not use any sort of
- 21 recording agreement.
- 22 Q. And the purpose of that, not allowing any
- 23 kind of recording equipment or pictures, is what?
- 24 A. Is to prevent probably the profit of sale as
- 25 well.
- 26 Q. So if you didn't have that as the chief of

- 27 security, you would expect that pictures and
- 28 recordings from the ranch would end up in the media, 9491
- 1 on television and in magazines otherwise; is that
- 2 true?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Is any of that designed to conceal any kind
- 5 of untoward or illegal activity?
 - A. No.
- Q. All right. Now, going back to how the
 - 8 security system is set up -- I'm sorry, the security
 - 9 operation is set up, you mentioned the front gate,
- 10 and we talked about that. The person -- well, let's
- 11 talk a little more. The person down at the front
- 12 gate, I think you said, answers the phones?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And that's on a regular little handset
- 15 phone; is that correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. You just forward the calls from there?
- 18 A. Yes.

- 19 Q. The person at the front gate also has the
- 20 responsibility of letting people in and out?
- 21 A. Authorized persons only.
- 22 Q. All right. Now, you mentioned "mobile."
- 23 What does "mobile" mean?
- 24 A. Mobile patrol is a truck that patrols the

- 25 property. We also patrol about three miles of the
- 26 front perimeter as well. They patrol the property
- 27 and make sure we don't have trespassers, that our
- 28 employees are safe, there are no other hazardous 9492
- 1 conditions going on.
- 2 We also respond to alarm calls on the
- 3 property. They also have the duties of locking up certain buildings and securing the ranch at a certain hour.
- 6 Q. Let's talk about patrolling the front of the 7 property. Does that mean going out on Figueroa
- 8 Mountain Road?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And why do you do that?
- 11 A. Well, occasionally we find vehicles that are
- 12 parked outside of our fence line. And that would be
- 13 an indication that perhaps we have a person who's
- 14 jumped the fence and might be on property.
- 15 Q. Now, part of the fence is just a split-rail
- 16 fence, is that correct, in the front?
- 17 A. Yes, approximately a half a mile of it is
- 18 just your typical split-rail fencing.
- 19 Q. So it's not a wire meshed fence?
- 20 A. No.

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- 21 Q. And is it fairly easy for people to go
- 22 through that fence?

- 23 A. Through or over.
- 24 Q. Now, there are parts of this ranch -- how
- 25 big is the ranch?
- 26 A. The ranch is 2700 acres, or approximately
- 27 five square miles.
- 28 Q. All right. And is there any kind of a 9493
- commercial operation on the ranch?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What is that?
- 4 A. We have cattle on the ranch.
- 5 Q. All right. Is that something you -- you
- 6 have your own cattle, Michael Jackson's cattle?
 - 7 A. No, part of the property is --
 - 8 MR. SNEDDON: I'm going to object as
 - 9 immaterial and irrelevant.
 - 10 MR. SANGER: That has to do with the
 - 11 fencing.
 - 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
 - 13 You may answer.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yes, it's leased by a rancher
- 15 who has cattle on the property.
- 16 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. And are there
- 17 parts of the property that are fenced to keep the
- 18 cattle in?

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- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And there are parts of the property that are

- 21 fenced to keep the cattle out, I take it?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. When you go into Mr. Jackson's home area,
- 24 let us say -- do you have a term for that, the --
- 25 A. I would say beyond the arched gateway, we
- 26 call it the main house area.
- 27 Q. And the arched gateway, is that the golden
- 28 gates? 9494
- A. The golden gates.
 - 2 Q. The black gates with gold on them? All
 - 3 right.
- 4 Now, is there fencing designed to keep
 - 5 people on the ranch so that they cannot get off?
 - 6 A. No.
 - 7 Q. The golden gate that you described, does
 - 8 that automatically open if you approach it?
 - 9 A. You would have to approach it by a vehicle,
 - 10 with a vehicle.
 - 11 Q. Okay. If you have a vehicle, it
- 12 automatically opens?
- 13 A. Yes.

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- 14 Q. There's no requirement that you ask anybody
- 15 or push buttons or anything else, right?
- 16 A. No. There's also a way to go around the
- 17 gate as well, on foot.
- 18 Q. Okay. We're going to get to that. But as

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- 19 far as the cars --
- 20 A. Okay.
- 21 Q. That's all right.
- 22 As far as cars are concerned, whether you
- 23 are coming in or you are going out, if you just pull
- 24 up, it trips a sensor and the gates automatically
- 25 open, correct?
- 26 A. Right. Depending on the size of the
 - vehicle, it senses the weight or the metal. And a
- 📫 8 golf cart could open it, could activate it, as well 9495
 - 1 as a quad runner.
- 2 Q. And in fact, golf carts and quad runners do
- 3 go through that gate; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now, you said you can also walk around the
- 6 gate; is that right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Is there any kind of a locked fence that
- 9 you have to get permission to go through to go past
- 10 that gate?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. All right. All right. So you said the
- 13 mobile -- it's -- right now it's a little pickup
- 14 truck; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes, a Ford.
- 16 Q. I'm sorry?

- 17 A. A Ford Ranger.
- 18 Q. And over the years it's been a different
- 19 type of vehicle, I would take it?
- 20 A. Mostly that, though.
- 21 Q. Mostly a small Ford pickup?
- 22 A. We did have a Nissan as well.
- 23 Q. Some kind of pickup truck, right?
- 24 A. Yes.
 - Q. Besides patrolling from time to time
- 6 Figueroa Mountain Road to see if there are vehicles
 - 27 or possible intruders, does the mobile also patrol
 - 28 within the ranch? 9496
 - 1 A. Yes.
 - 2 Q. And just tell us generally where the mobile
 - 3 unit would go.
 - 4 A. Well, the ranch has two main roads that loop
 - 5 throughout the property, and they meet about a
 - 6 quarter mile from the front gate. From there --
 - 7 from that point to the main residence is another
 - 8 quarter mile. So we would patrol that entire area.
 - 9 So we would do a loop approximately of about five
 - 10 miles starting from the house security office to the
 - 11 furthest part of the ranch, back out to the front
 - 12 road and back.

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- 13 Q. All right. Now, you say "the furthest part
- 14 of the ranch." Do you go up past the theater into

- 15 the zoo area?
- 16 A. Yes, the furthest point would be the train
- 17 barn or another -- another area where we have a
- 18 stockpile of manure, compost, gravel and sand.
- 19 Q. All right. Now, if you have two other
- 20 people on duty, you said one might be a supervisor
- 21 and then you'd have another security officer; is
- 22 that correct?
 - 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. What would they do? We've got the front
- 25 gate person who stays at the front gate. You've got
- 26 mobile. What would the other two people be doing on
- 27 a typical shift?
- 28 A. We always have someone located at the main 9497
- 1 house.
- 2 Q. "Located at the main house" would be sitting
- 3 in the security house at the end or walking around
- 4 or both?
- 5 A. Both.

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- 6 Q. And what does the person do who's there at
- 7 the main house? Can you describe what their duties
- 8 would generally be? And they differ at night and
- 9 daytime, you can make that distinction.
- 10 A. Generally what they do is they secure --
- 11 they have the responsibility of securing that area,
- 12 which means doing a foot patrol around the house,

- 13 which includes the main residence, the rec room, the
- 14 guest units, and as far away as maybe another
- 15 quarter mile walking, if it's necessary. They also
- 16 accommodate guests' requests. If, you know,
- 17 something's needed, they assist the house staff as
- 18 well.
- 19 Q. So if somebody calls and says, you know,
- 20 "I'd like to go into the theater and the theater is locked," is that something that security might take
- 2 care of?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And if a guest calls and requests some sort
- 25 of refreshments, what would -- just tell me what
- 26 happens. Somebody says, you know, "We want lunch.
- 27 It's lunchtime. Can we please have lunch?" What
- 28 would you do? 9498
- 1 A. We would call the kitchen and let them know
- 2 the guests are ready for lunch.
- 3 Q. Now, you said "call." Do you have radios?
- 4 A. Yes.

- 5 Q. And what kind of radios do you have? Not
- 6 the brand, but, you know, is it a -- does it hit a
- 7 repeater or what?
- 8 A. Yes, it hits a repeater. We also have radio
- 9 to radio within a mile distance.
- 10 Q. All right.

- 11 A. We have two channels.
- 12 Q. So one channel goes off a repeater somewhere
- 13 on a hill, and you're able to make communication
- 14 that way?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And then you can do the car to car?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. All right. Now, are the radios used just by security or by other departments?
- 0 A. No, most of the staff carries radios.
 - 21 Q. And they all have the two channels, the same
 - 22 two channels?
- 23 A. No, we have two separate channels. We have
- 24 a channel strictly for security and fire and the
- 25 remainder of the staff operates off another channel.
- 26 Q. So you have two main channels off the
- 27 repeater and then one car to car, or station to
- 28 station? 9499
- 1 A. Sure.
- 2 Q. Okay. Is security often called for the
- 3 purpose of arranging -- we talked about lunch.
- 4 Could security get a call about lunch, for instance?
- 5 A. Yes.

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- 6 Q. And then you would then forward that to
- 7 housekeeping or to the cook?
- 8 A. Yes. They would either come into our office

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9 and request it, if they wanted it somewhere
 10 different than the kitchen, a lot of our guests know
 11 that they can call the front gate and make a request
 12 from there, and then the front gate would dispatch
 13 whoever is appropriate to make -- fulfill that
 14 request.
 15 Q. So the guests would call the phone number?
 16 A. Yes.
    Q. All right.
18 THE COURT: All right, Counsel.
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25 26 27 28 9505 1 MR. SANGER: May I proceed? 2 THE COURT: Yes. 3 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. You've described the 4 patrol -- you started to describe the patrol around 5 the house, and I think you said the person who's 6 assigned to the house would be in that security number of the of the video library building, 8 garage building, and would also walk around the 9 house? 10 A. Yes. 11 Q. Does that mean walk inside the house? 12 A. No. 13 Q. Did security walk inside the house from time 14 to time? 15 A. Yes. 16 Q. Was that part of the regular patrol, to walk 17 inside the house? WWW. 18 A. No. 19 Q. When you say "walk around the house," then 20 you literally mean around the outside of the house? 21 A. Yes.

- 22 Q. And what was the purpose of doing that?
- 23 A. To make sure we didn't have any hazards or
- 24 uninvited guests or trespassers.
- 25 Q. Was it important to make sure that the
- 26 house, in general, was secure?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. Now, during the time that you've been there, 9506
- 1 have there been trespassers located on the ranch?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And how close to the house did they get?
- 4 A. We've had one trespasser who did enter the
- 5 house.
 - 6 Q. And where was that person ultimately found?
 - 7 A. In the very top floor of the main house, in
 - 8 the train room.
 - 9 Q. So right up above where the children's rooms
 - 10 are, Prince and Paris's rooms are?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. So that was a very private part of the
 - 13 house?
 - 14 A. Yes.

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- 15 Q. And without going into a lot of detail, who
- 16 was this person? Was this a fan or --
- 17 A. We determined she was not from this country.
- 18 She was a fan. We couldn't communicate with her
- 19 very well, because she didn't speak English, so she

- 20 was arrested.
- 21 Q. You speak Spanish yourself?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. So she didn't speak English or Spanish, I
- 24 take it?
- 25 A. I believe she spoke German, which I do not
- 26 speak.
- 27 Q. So sort of a -- not a normal person to sneak
 - into somebody's house, though? 9507
- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. And do you know how long that person was
- 3 there before she was located?
- 4 A. I'd estimate she was there approximately ten
- 5 hours.
- 6 Q. Have there ever been any people located on
- 7 the ranch who had weapons?
- 8 A. We recently did arrest someone who had a
- 9 weapon. It was not loaded with anything. It was a
- 10 disabled weapon.
- 11 Q. A handgun?
- 12 A. Handgun, yes. Nine-millimeter.
- 13 Q. Now, in your years of working in security,
- 14 have you ever performed security functions for Mr.
- 15 Jackson off of the ranch?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And where would that be?

- 18 A. I've taken them to the Lompoc fireworks
- 19 show. I think I've maybe done that two or three
- 20 times.
- 21 Q. Okay. If -- have you ever been gone on tour
- 22 or gone to other cities with them?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Does he have security staff who he employs
- 25 for that purpose?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. And that security staff is not in your --
- 28 under your jurisdiction; is that correct? 9508
- l A. No.
 - 2 Q. Excuse me. All right. So when this foot
 - 3 patrol -- I'm saying "foot patrol," but the person
 - 4 around the house, you say foot patrol person around
 - 5 the house, what are some of the things that they
 - 6 check? You said there was some woman that got into
 - 7 the upper house. I assume that's something you try
 - 8 to prevent.
 - 9 A. Yes. We check the doors. The house is
 - 10 secured at all times. Now the house is secured at
 - 11 all times. So we make sure that the doors and
 - 12 windows are closed. We also make sure that -- you
 - 13 know, if there's anything like a fire happening or
 - 14 some other hazard that's going on.
 - 15 Q. And that sort of thing has happened in the

- 16 past, has it not?
- 17 A. As far as fires?
- 18 Q. Fires.
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. So you check the door, like the back door
- 21 and the front door, correct?
- 22 A. We check all the doors.
- 23 Q. Are there some doors around Mr. Jackson's
- 2 private quarters?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. What doors are there?
- 27 A. There's a patio door entrance.
- 28 Q. All right. So there's a patio right behind 9509
- 1 Mr. Jackson's private suite, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.

- 3 Q. And there's a door that locks in the wall
- 4 around that private patio; is that right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And why is it important to keep that
- 7 secured?
 - 8 A. To make sure -- well, we do open it
 - 9 occasionally for people to go in and clean. If we $\,$
 - 10 do find it unsecured, then we go as far as his back
 - 11 door and make sure that it's still secure, and we
 - 12 clear the area, and then close it afterwards, lock
 - 13 it.

- 14 Q. If some -- an intruder were to get in and
- 15 they knew where they were going, and they were able
- 16 to get through that door, that would be a pretty
- 17 significant breach of security as far as Mr.
- 18 Jackson's personal area is concerned; is that
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. All right. Now, when we talk about the
- 2) personal area, are you aware that there are locks on
- 23 Mr. Jackson's door into his personal bedroom suite?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. All right. There are guests who have -- let
- 26 me withdraw that. If guests stay at the guest
- 27 quarters that are just across the front driveway --
- 28 is that right? By the lake, correct? 9510
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. If guests stay there, where do they take
- 3 their meals?
- 4 A. In the main house.
- 5 Q. So they would be expected to have the code
 - 6 to come into the main house, sit down at the
 - 7 breakfast table or the breakfast bar there?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Or the dining table, I suppose, for dinner,
- 10 right?
- 11 A. Yes.

- 12 Q. Is that fairly routine? In other words,
- 13 most of the guests that are staying overnight there
- 14 have access to the main house?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Do most of the guests who are staying
- 17 overnight there have access to Mr. Jackson's private
- 18 quarters?
- 19 A. I wouldn't say most guests.
- 2) Q. So Mr. Jackson will decide who he's going to
- 21 allow into his private quarters; is that right?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And on a given day, you might have staff
- 24 people and visitors and a number of other people in
- 25 that main part of the house; is that right?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Does Mr. Jackson want to maintain some
- 28 privacy from that general group of people that might 9511
- 1 be there at any given time?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Now, there's also an arcade -- I'm sorry,
- 4 no, that's right, an arcade building.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. We talked about the video library, but
- 7 there's a separate building that's the arcade
- 8 building, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. All right. And is that usually locked?
- 11 A. It's locked at a certain hour, I would say
- 12 about 2 a.m. when guests are on property, unless
- 13 it's been requested to leave it open all night.
- 14 Otherwise, it's open approximately about 8 a.m. in
- 15 the morning.
- 16 Q. All right. And a part of that building are
- 17 a couple of bathrooms, a men's room and a ladies'
- 1 room; is that correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And where is that in relation to the
- 21 swimming pool?
- 22 A. If you were facing the swimming pool, it
- 23 would be to the left.
- 24 Q. There's also a tennis court nearby there; is
- 25 that correct?
 - 26 A. Yes, it's further left of that.
 - 27 Q. So if people are using the tennis court or
 - 28 the swimming pool, is that where they'd be likely to 9512
- 1 go if they were going to use the rest rooms?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And are those rest rooms, that rest room
- 4 area, is that left unlocked during the time people
- 5 are using the pool?
- 6 A. Yes.

7 Q. All right. Now, that leaves the supervisor,

- 8 I think. What does the supervisor do?
- 9 A. The supervisor is there to supervise the
- 10 officers. Make sure that -- we have daily duties
- 11 that we do, such as checking our inventory or
- 12 equipment, making sure that the basic part of our
- 13 duties are being met. We have something that's a
- 14 little more elevated than regular routine business
- 15 there to manage that problem.
- 1 Q. I take it the supervisor also will keep an
- 17 eye out for security issues throughout the ranch; is
- 18 that right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. By the way, are any of the security guards
- 21 armed?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Not with anything?
- 24 A. We do have pepper spray. But that's used
- 25 only under very limited conditions. We've never
- 26 pepper-sprayed anyone.
- 27 Q. That's pretty limited. So you've never used
- 28 it? 9513
- 1 A. Never used it.
- 2 Q. And it's there for the case of an intruder,
- 3 for the most part; would that be correct?
- 4 A. Yes.

5 Q. So you don't carry firearms, stun guns,

- 6 anything like that?
- 7 A. Not during the time when I was chief.
- 8 Q. All right. You mentioned the gate logs.
- 9 And you're aware that there was a search on November
- 10 18th, 2003; is that correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Did you -- were you at the ranch when the
- 13 search occurred?
- 1 A. Not initially. But I did arrive afterwards.
- 15 Q. Was it your shift to be there?
- 16 A. I was not going to start my shift until noon
- 17 that day.
- 18 Q. So somebody called you, and you came more
- 19 quickly?
- 20 A. Routinely I would call in the morning to see
- 21 what activities happened overnight, if there was
- 22 anything I needed to be briefed on. So I'd usually
- 23 call around 8 a.m. to see what was new or what would
- 24 be expected for that day.
- 25 I was actually on the phone with Brian
- 26 Salce, who's a firefighter, just going over regular
- 27 things when he was describing to me what happened.
- 28 Q. All right. So what happened, you were 9514
- 1 hearing that a whole lot of sheriffs deputies and
- 2 other people all of a sudden arrived at the ranch;
- 3 is that correct?

- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So you came in?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. At the time of the search, was there any
- 8 effort made to conceal anything from law
- 9 enforcement?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 MR. SNEDDON: Object; leading.
- 1) THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. To your
- 14 knowledge, were there any efforts made one way or
- 15 another to prevent law enforcement from finding
- 16 something?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 MR. SNEDDON: Same objection, Your Honor.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. In any event,
- 21 after the officers left, did you stay there till
- 22 they left?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. About what time of night did they leave?
- 25 A. Approximately 11 -- between 10:30 p.m. and
- 26 11 p.m.

- 27 Q. All right. Excuse me one second.
- 28 I'll just ask. Can I have the gate logs? 9515
- 1 I don't remember the number. It's the book with the

- 2 gate logs.
- 3 THE BAILIFF: Mr. Auchincloss has them.
- 4 MR. SANGER: There's a good reason why you
- 5 can't find it. All right. Thank you.
- 6 Q. All right. We're talking about a gate -- or
- 7 I'm going to talk about gate logs here in a second.
- 8 So you told us about the gate logs being
- 9 kept at the ranch, right?
- 1) A. Yes.
- 11 Q. When are the entries made in the gate logs?
- 12 A. The entries are made as people arrive.
- 13 Their "in" time is documented or logged on the
- 14 sheet; when they leave.
- 15 Q. So in other words, they're logs that are
- 16 made contemporaneously with the event. Something
- 17 happens, and it's written down; is that right?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. It's not written down at the end of shift or
- 20 the next day, for the most part?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Okay. When the officers search -- the team
- 23 from the sheriff's department and the District
- 24 Attorney's Office searched and they left, did you --
- 25 at some point thereafter, did you have occasion to
- 26 determine whether or not they had located all of the
- 27 gate logs?

28 A. I believe they had complete access -- they 9516

- 1 did have complete access to it. We had two
- 2 investigators and one deputy in that security office
- 3 for approximately two hours.
- 4 Q. Did they take the gate logs for 2003?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Where were they located?
- 7 A. They were located in the file cabinet.
- 8 Q. Right there in the security office?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. All right. Did you later at some point
- 11 locate those records?
- 12 A. I located them that same evening.
- 13 Q. Later, in the middle of the night?
- 14 A. I was there for another day.
- 15 Q. All right. So you didn't go home that
- 16 night?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. What did you do with the gate logs?
- 19 A. I left them in the file cabinet.
- 20 Q. At some point, did you take those gate logs
- 21 out and give them to somebody?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 23 Q. Who did you give them to?
- 24 A. Mark Geragos.
- 25 MR. SANGER: All right. I'm going to refer
- 26 to Exhibit 334 and 335, and I'd like to approach the

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27 witness if I may, Your Honor.
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- 28 THE COURT: You may. 9517
- 1 MR. SANGER: And I would -- there is some
- 2 Post-its on there. I don't know if they're -- okay.
- 3 May I inquire of counsel, Your Honor?
- 4 Did you put the Post-its on there, Mr.
- 5 Auchincloss?
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: One of them, yes.
- 7 MR. SANGER: Okay.
- 8 Q. All right. Well, just ignore the Post-its,
- 9 all right?
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. And take a look at Exhibit 334 and 335.
- 12 Just take your time and look through it.
- 13 So that's the pages from where your hand is
- 14 all the way to the end of the book, basically, okay.
- 15 You don't have to look at all the pages.
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 Q. Somebody's already made an identification,
- 18 but I'm just going to ask you if those, in general,
- 19 appear to be the gate logs that you located in the
- 20 office after the search?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And those are the gate logs that you -- that
- 23 you gave to Mr. Geragos; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.

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- 25 Q. At the time you gave them to Mr. Geragos,
- 26 you understood that Mr. Geragos was representing Mr.
- 27 Jackson --
- 28 A. Yes. 9518
- 1 Q. -- correct?
- 2 And those gate logs are logs that were kept
- 3 on a contemporaneous basis? In other words, things
- 4 were written in them when they happened?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, before we go to some of the
- 7 details in there, let me ask you a couple more
- 3 general questions.
- 9 Do the gate logs sometimes indicate
- 10 instructions that are to be communicated to all of
- 11 the security staff?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And what's the purpose of that?
- 14 A. So that we follow that directive for the
- 15 day. Or if it's a directive that's given to us for
- 16 a two-week period, then it's noted in the gate log
- 17 and then carried over until it's no longer in
- 18 effect.

- 19 MR. SANGER: All right. May I approach and
- 20 retrieve the book?
- 21 THE COURT: Yes.
- 22 MR. SANGER: Thank you.

- 23 Q. All right. Let me go back to a subject that
- 24 you had discussed earlier with regard to records
- 25 that were kept. There are medical records; is that
- 26 right?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. And the medical records, are they part of 9519
- 1 the gate logs, or are they just --
- 2 A. No, they're separate.
- 3 Q. So it's a separate file folder that you keep
- 4 these --
- 5 A. A separate binder.
- 5 Q. Or a binder? All right.
- 7 You mentioned that there was a -- if
- 8 somebody was disciplined, for instance, for -- or
- 9 let me withdraw that.
- 10 If somebody was involved in a golf cart
- 11 accident, as an example, there would probably be a
- 12 record of that made; is that right?
- 13 A. Yes.

- 14 MR. SANGER: And I'm going to put, if I may,
- 15 Your Honor, 300 up on the -- on the board. Or on
- 16 the screen.
- 17 THE COURT: All right.
- 18 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Now, the trick is to look at
- 19 the board, and when you're ready to answer, turn
- 20 around and speak into the microphone.

- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. So, first of all, just for the record, I'm
- 23 showing Exhibit 300, and it shows the tab at the
- 24 bottom there. And this particular document, the
- 25 testimony was it was seized by the officers. Do you
- 26 know where that was seized from?
- 27 A. It was most likely in a binder that was
- 28 located at the security office near the house. 9520
- 1 Q. Okay. Now, I'll ask you another question in
- 2 a minute, so we'll leave that up there, with the
- 3 Court's permission.
- 4 Was it the position of the staff, including
- 5 the security staff, to reprimand guests, whether
- 6 adults or children?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. And when would that occur?
- 9 A. Whenever we felt their safety was in
- 10 jeopardy.
- 11 Q. All right. If it's not a safety issue, or
- 12 an issue of legality, for that matter, you know,
- 13 something that involves security, was it your
- 14 position to criticize guests?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Okay. What was the policy at Neverland as
- 17 far as how you treated guests, whether adults or
- 18 children?

- 19 A. We were very accommodating. Our emphasis is
- 20 on hospitality and making sure that they feel
- 21 welcome.
- 22 Q. Okay. And why was that?
- 23 A. That's what Mr. Jackson wanted.
- 24 Q. And as far as -- even though there are a lot
- 25 of people involved, were you trying to make the
- 26 atmosphere welcome to the guests, as if it was
- 2 'somebody's home?
- 28 A. That was our primary duty was to make them 9521
- 1 feel welcome.
- 2 Q. Okay. Now, if somebody was driving the golf
- 3 cart and there was a safety issue, you now have this
- 4 up on the board, and it appears that the driver in
- 5 this case was Gavin Arvizo, is that correct, on
- 6 Exhibit 300?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. And this is something that happened
- 9 June 21st of '02; is that correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. All right. Now, according to this -- by the
- 12 way, it says the reporting officer is G. Silva.
- 13 That's not you?
- 14 A. No.

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- 15 Q. As -- you were the chief at this time,
- 16 though; is that correct?

- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you were responsible ultimately for all
- 19 of the reports and acts by your officers; is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Now, it indicates here, "Gave verbal warning
- 23 to slow down or golf cart would be taken away."
- 24 Would that be a policy?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And so what would you expect your officer to
- 27 do at a time like that?
- 28 A. To take the cart away, if it was necessary. 9522
- 1 Q. So if it went on, actually take the cart
- 2 away and say, "You can't drive the cart"?
- 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. And did that happen from time to time with
 - 5 guests?
 - 6 A. Yes.
- 7 MR. SANGER: All right. Now I'll take this
- 8 one down.
 - 9 And give me just a second, please, Your
 - 10 Honor, because otherwise the book is going to be a
 - 11 mess.

- 12 All right. The book is going to be a mess
- 13 anyway. I have to deal with it in a second.
- 14 Q. Okay. Now, did guests -- were guests

- 15 cleared to do --
- 16 We can have the lights, if that's all right.
- 17 I'll come back to this in just a minute.
- 18 Were guests cleared to do certain things?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Were some guests not cleared to do certain
- 21 things?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And there was a list which -- because the
- 24 book is falling apart, I'm not going to turn to it
- 25 right now, but there is a list when people are
- 26 coming on the property that, at various times during
- 27 the time you were there, guests would be cleared for
- 28 certain activities and not others; is that right? 9523
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And one of the activities was using the
- 3 quadrunners; was that right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. If a guest was not behaving properly on the
- 6 quadrunners or didn't show they were able to handle
- 7 them, they might be excluded from using the
- 8 quadrunners the next time?
- 9 A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. That would show up in your records so that
- 11 you would be able to refer to that; is that right?
- 12 A. If we were asked for a particular event, we

- 13 would be able to.
- 14 Q. Now, did you always make things available to
- 15 guests -- take your time. Have some water.
- 16 A. Excuse me.
- 17 Q. That's okay.
- 18 You also make equipment available to guests?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. If they asked for it?
- 2 A. Well, if they were allowed to use it, yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. Were there occasions where you would
- 23 not allow guests to use certain equipment?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And what technique would you use to advise
- 26 guests that -- or convince guests that they might
- 27 not use certain equipment?
- 28 A. Well, if they requested it and they were 9524
- 1 allowed to use it, of course we would make it
- 2 available to them.
- 3 If they requested it and they were not
- 4 allowed to use it, then we would be very diplomatic
- 5 about our reason for not allowing it to be used at
- 6 that time.
- 7 Q. And how might you do that?
- 8 A. We might -- we just would say simply that
- 9 the quads were not available for this weekend or for
- 10 this day.

- 11 Q. Something like that. All right. So once
- 12 again, you're trying to be courteous to the guests,
- 13 right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. We'll come back to the gate logs in a little
- 16 bit, but let me ask you some general questions.
- 17 I'm going to take you back to the period from 1991
- 18 to 1993 when you worked there.
- 1) A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Did you have occasion to know the Robson
- 21 family?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And can you describe the Robson family?
- 24 A. The family that I knew is a mother, daughter
- 25 and son. Wonderful family. They seemed to be very
- 26 close-knit. Both Chantal and Wade are bright, very
- 27 articulate young people. And they're always very
- 28 pleasant to be around. 9525
- 1 Q. Did you ever see anything inappropriate
- 2 occur with regard to the Robson family?
 - 3 A. No.
 - 4 MR. SNEDDON: Object; vague.
 - 5 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer is, "No."
 - 6 Next question.
 - 7 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you know the Culkin
 - 8 family?

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- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Can you describe that family?
- 11 A. Mother and father. I don't quite remember
- 12 how many kids they had. I think they had a few.
- 13 Nice family.
- 14 Q. Okay. How about the Barnes family?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Tell us about them.
- 1' A. I met the mother, Karlee and Brett as well.
- 18 I met the father once or twice. Wonderful family as
- 19 well.
- 20 Q. And did they -- did these families spend
- 21 time at the ranch while you were there?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Did they spend time as a family?
- 24 A. Yes.
 - 25 Q. Did they engage in activities at the ranch?
 - 26 A. Yes.
 - 27 Q. Was Mr. Jackson always there when these
 - 28 families were there? 9526
 - 1 A. Not always.
 - 2 Q. Did you see Mr. Jackson interact with the
 - 3 families?
 - 4 A. Yes.

- 5 Q. If Mr. Jackson was on the property, did he
- 6 spend all of his time with these families when they

- 7 visited?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. What would Mr. Jackson do during this period
- 10 of time besides spend time entertaining the guests?
- 11 A. I wouldn't know. I guess whatever Mr.
- 12 Jackson does on his own time.
- 13 Q. Okay. Does Mr. Jackson have a studio on the
- 14 ranch?
- 1 A. He has a dance studio.
- 16 Q. Does he spend time in the dance studio?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Is that someplace where he goes to work?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Does he spend sometimes hours in the dance
- 21 studio?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Does he work in the dance studio till late
- 24 night, late at night sometimes?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 26 Q. All right. Now, by the way, do you know the
- 27 Chandler family?
- 28 A. Yes. 9527
- 1 Q. Can you tell me about the Chandler family?
- 2 A. Mother, young daughter at the time, I
- 3 believe her name is Lily, and Jordie.
- 4 Q. Okay. And did you -- same questions I asked

- 5 with regard to the other families. Did you see Mr.
- 6 Jackson spend time with that family?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And sometimes he'd be on the property and
- 9 wouldn't be with the family?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And sometimes he would not be on the
- 12 property?
- 1 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Now, for the most part, when children
- 15 visited Neverland Ranch, did they visit the ranch
- 16 with their parents?
- 17 A. Most of the time, yes.
- 18 Q. Now, we've heard about the large groups of
- 19 kids that would come from either hospitals, or
- 20 Make-A-Wish, or disadvantaged circumstances. That's
- 21 a different situation, I take it; is that right?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And can you describe what would happen when
- 24 those people would come to the ranch? I say "those
- 25 people." When those groups would be invited to the
- 26 ranch.
- $27\ \text{A.}\ \text{A}$ typical day for them is they would arrive
- 28 approximately between 10:30 a.m. and 11:00. They 9528
- 1 would be greeted by Neverland staff. Depending on
- 2 the size of the group, they'd either be divided into

- 3 two groups or kept in one group.
- 4 What they would see on the property is the
- 5 zoo area, which they would arrive via small train
- 6 that we have. They'd spend time there. They would
- 7 have lunch approximately around noon, and either go
- 8 to the theater or the amusement park. If we had two
- 9 groups, one group would go to the arcade and do the
- 10 same thing, but switch off so they weren't in the
- same places at the same time.
- 12 Eventually both groups would end up at the
- 13 amusement park at the same time.
- 14 Q. Did those groups of kids tend to have a good
- 15 time there, as far as you could tell?
- 16 A. Oh, yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. Is it part of the job that you
- 18 enjoyed watching these kids?
- 19 A. Absolutely.
- 20 Q. Now, those groups of kids would be monitored
- 21 or what's the word? chaperoned or supervised by
- 22 people that generally came along with the group; is
- 23 that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And then staff people at Neverland would
- 26 also assist?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. With regard to the other children that came 9529

- 1 to the ranch, did the other children who came to the
- 2 ranch generally come with their parents?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. In other words, the guests, the ones that
- 5 might stay overnight, came with their parents
- 6 generally?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. If parents were there to supervise,
- 9 would it be appropriate for staff to override a
- 10 parent's decision on something?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And would that be appropriate?
- 13 A. That would be appropriate, again, if their
- 14 immediate safety was in jeopardy.
- 15 Q. So if kids were getting out of control,
- 16 would you intercede?
- 17 A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear the last --
- 18 Q. If kids were getting out of control, would
- 19 you intercede?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Did you have any knowledge of any child
- 22 drinking alcohol or appearing to be under the
- 23 influence at any time when you worked there from
- 24 1991 to the present?
- 25 A. No personal knowledge, no.
- 26 Q. And the alcohol on the ranch was -- where
- 27 was that kept?

- 28 A. We -- I believe there is some alcohol 9530
- 1 located in the kitchen. Generally it's kept in the
- 2 wine cellar.
- 3 Q. All right. And was the wine cellar
- 4 generally locked?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Were children allowed to go into the wine
- 7 cellar?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Where was the key kept for the wine cellar?
- 10 And I'm going to ask you if it's moved from one time
- 11 to another. Would you tell us about that?
- 12 A. Depending on the activity, there are two
- 13 keys available. One in the main house and one in
- 14 the security office.
- 15 Q. All right. And do you know where the key in
- 16 the main house was kept?
- 17 A. Mostly behind the door as you enter the
- 18 house staff's break room.
- 19 Q. So in the house, if you go through the back
- 20 door, there is a little hallway that takes you to
- 21 the left. That would take you to the kitchen and
- 22 the family room, dining room, that sort of thing; is
- 23 that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And if you went through all of that, you'd

- 26 keep going, you'd get to the library and to Mr.
- 27 Jackson's private area; is that correct?
- 28 A. Yes. 9531
- 1 Q. If you come in the back door and enter that
- 2 hallway, just to the right is where the maids' break
- 3 room is; is that correct?
- 4 A. If you go through the back door, it's
- 5 directly across. You go straight into the --
- 6 Q. So instead of going left down the hallway,
- 7 you just go straight into that room?
- 8 A. Straight into it.
- 9 Q. All right. And is that a room that has
- 10 couches and chairs and whatnot?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Comfortable room?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And that's used for the staff to take
- 15 breaks, I take it?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And as you go across that hallway, just
- 18 right inside the back door, the rack with the keys
- 19 on it is just behind the door as you enter the break
- 20 room; is that right?
- 21 A. Yes.

- 22 Q. And the break room is left unlocked for the
- 23 most part; is that right?

- 24 A. As far as I know it is.
- 25 Q. Okay. Now, with regard to children visiting
- 26 the ranch and activities and let's talk about the
- 27 guests who were staying overnight as opposed to the
- 28 guests from the Make-A-Wish and that sort of thing 9532
- 1 were both boys and girls included in the activities
- 2 at Neverland?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Was there any discrimination, to your
- 5 knowledge?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Did girls seem to have a good time?
- 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Do you remember Marie Nicole?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And who's Marie Nicole?
- 12 A. Marie Nicole is the only daughter in the
- 13 Cascio family.
- 14 Q. Okay. And did she have the same run of the
- 15 ranch, as it were, as her brothers?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And you mentioned the families -- the Robson
- 18 family, the Barnes family. They both had daughters?
- 19 A. Yes.

- 20 Q. And the Culkin family also had daughters; is
- 21 that correct?

- 22 A. One daughter.
- 23 Q. Were those girls entitled to the same
- 24 privileges that their brothers were?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. Did they engage in Super Soaker games from
- 27 time to time?
- 28 A. Yes. 9533
- 1 Q. Water balloon fights?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Did they go in the Jacuzzi?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. The pool?
- 6 A. Yes.
 - 7 Q. Play in the arcade?
- 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Go in the house?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. All right. Now, at some point, you met a
- 12 person named Gavin Arvizo; is that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.

- 14 Q. Do you recall roughly when the first time
- 15 was that Gavin Arvizo came to the ranch?
- 16 A. August of 2002.
- 17 Q. August of 2002?
- 18 A. August of 2000, excuse me.
- 19 Q. Okay. That's fine. And the -- did he come

- 20 there with his family?
- 21 A. The first time I met him, I met him with his
- 22 brother Star and his father David, I believe.
- 23 Q. Okay. Did you ever -- the first -- let me
- 24 withdraw that.
- 25 Was Janet Arvizo there the first time you
- 26 met Gavin?
- 27 A. I did not meet Mrs. Arvizo the first time.
 - eal Q. What do you recall about the first visit 9534
- 1 that the Arvizos had to the ranch?
- 2 A. Well, Gavin was quite sick at the time.
- 3 What I most remember is the dad being present and
- 4 taking care of him with his brother.
- 5 Q. Okay. Were there other visits between 2000
- 6 and 2003? In other words, before February of 2003,
 - 7 were there other visits that the Arvizo family made
 - 8 to the ranch?
 - 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And during those visits, was Mr. Jackson
- 11 always present at the ranch?
- 12 A. No.

- 13 Q. Who did they tend to come with when Mr.
- 14 Jackson was not present?
- 15 A. Chris Tucker.
- 16 Q. Was the father always present?
- 17 A. No. After they came, I believe, after Gavin

- 18 was sick, he seemed to recover, and I don't remember
- 19 the father coming after that.
- 20 Q. Okay. So while Gavin was sick, his father
- 21 was there; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And while the father was there, how did the
- 24 boys behave?
- 25 A. There were very well behaved.
- 2 Q. When the father stopped coming, how did the
- 27 boys behave?
- 28 A. They increasingly became a little more 9535
- l rambunctious.
- 2 Q. All right. Now, you said that Gavin seemed
- 3 to be ill and was eventually recovering, and he got
- 4 to a point where he seemed to have recovered?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. Okay. While he was visibly ill, how did Mr.
- 7 Jackson interact with him?
- 8 A. I think he was very gentle with him, very
- 9 caring, just what I remember at the time.
 - 10 Q. Did he seem to be concerned about him, his
 - 11 well-being?
 - 12 A. Yes.

- 13 MR. SNEDDON: I'm going to object. Calls
- 14 for speculation.
- 15 THE COURT: It's leading. Sustained.

- 16 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. Now, let's talk
- 17 about up to the point just before February 2003. Do
- 18 you recall the last time that this family or any
- 19 members of this family visited the ranch?
- 20 A. I believe it was in the summer of 2002.
- 21 Q. And how were the Arvizo boys behaving during
- 22 that time, in the summer of 2002?
- 23 A. They were quite active during that time
- 2 period.
- 25 Q. And when you say "quite active," what did
- 26 they do?

- 27 A. I would say they were enjoying all the
- 28 privileges of the ranch. I wouldn't say they were 9536
- 1 nonstop, but they were pretty active.
- 2 Q. Okay. And did they have some problems that
 - 3 seemed to need some attention?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. Can you describe what that was?
 - 6 A. Well, we just had a viewing of a golf cart
- 7 accident, so that would be one example.
- 8 Q. Okay. Do you recall the family coming to
- 9 the ranch in February of 2003?
- 10 A. Yes.

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- 11 Q. And what happened in February 2003? Let me
- 12 withdraw that.
- 13 Let's start with this: What were the Arvizo

- 14 children doing in February of 2003?
- 15 A. They were there for an extended amount of
- 16 time. I don't know exactly what they were there
- 17 for.
- 18 Q. Okay. Did they tend to be in the presence
- 19 of the security people?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Describe that.
- 2 A. Well, they were there for quite a while, off
- 23 and on, throughout the weeks. We had contact with
- 24 them because of their behavior, their activity.
- 25 That's pretty -- it was pretty limited to that.
- 26 Q. What did they -- what kind of behavior are
- 27 you talking about?
- 28 A. You know, again, they were active. I guess 9537
- 1 I'm trying to be polite here. They were very
- 2 active.

- 3 Q. Well, you have to be -- it's nice that
- 4 you're being polite, but we have to ask you to just
- 5 tell it like it is, whatever it is.
- 6 A. They were pretty reckless at the time. They
- 7 were driving very fast in the golf carts. They were
- 8 also driving ranch vehicles. They'd get in a ranch
- 9 vehicle, and take off and drive, and we'd have to
- 10 stop them. You know, they were young. They
- 11 couldn't drive a regular vehicle.

- 12 Q. Well, let me stop you at that for a moment.
- 13 When you say "ranch vehicles," what kind of vehicles
- 14 did you have to stop them in?
- 15 A. A regular van, like an Astro van. Mr.
- 16 Jackson's personal vehicle, a Navigator at the time.
- 17 Other things, like -- they were pretty destructive,
- 18 I would say.
- 19 Q. So let's talk about the vehicles first. At
- 2) the ranch, are the keys usually left in the vehicles
- 21 during the day?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Are they left in the vehicles during the
- 24 night?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. In fact, in the garage -- there are some
- 27 vehicles that are parked in the garage, correct?
- 28 A. Yes. 9538
- 1 Q. And the keys for those vehicles are sitting
- 2 right up on the dashboard right there in view?
- 3 A. Depending on what is in the garage at the
- 4 time, I would say yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. So when the Arvizo kids got the --
- 6 say, the Astro van, an Astro is like a regular
- 7 mini-van, right?
- 8 A. Yes.

9 Q. When they got in, say, the Astro van and

- 10 started driving it, to your knowledge, did they ask
- 11 anybody for permission?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. And where would they drive it?
- 14 A. They would drive it on the property.
- 15 Q. Okay. Do you know if they ever drove out
- 16 through the gates, the golden gates I guess you call
- 17 them?
- 1 A. Well, they did drive it around. How far
- 19 they went -- they never drove off the property, but
- 20 they drove on the property.
- 21 Q. Okay. Did they drive golf carts through the
- 22 golden gates?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. So they would be out in that area between
- 25 the -- I still don't have the word for it, but
- 26 whatever it is, the private --
- 27 A. Occupied area of the property.
- 28 Q. There you go. Occupied area. They'd be out 9539
- 1 in the area that is more or less ranch land; is that
 - 2 correct?
 - 3 A. Right.

- 4 Q. All right. Were they neat and tidy?
- 5 A. Not always.
- 6 Q. What would you tell us about that?
- 7 MR. SNEDDON: I'm going to object, unless

- 8 there's some foundation as to personal knowledge as
- 9 to this.
- 10 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 11 Q. BY MR. SANGER: To your knowledge, did you
- 12 see whether or not they were neat and tidy?
- 13 MR. SNEDDON: Same objection.
- 14 THE COURT: Sustained. "To your knowledge"
- 15 still encompasses beyond her personal knowledge.
- 1; MR. SANGER: "Did you see" is what I asked.
- 17 Okay. Let me withdraw the first part.
- 18 Q. Did you see any behavior with regard to
- 19 whether or not they were neat and tidy?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. What did you see?
- 22 A. I saw them wearing the same clothes for a
- 23 few days.
 - 24 Q. How about taking care of policing their area
- 25 or picking up after themselves? Did they do that?
- 26 A. Well, they littered quite a bit. So -- the
- 27 personal area I didn't have access to.
- 28 Q. All right. Now, from February to March of 9540
- 1 2003, did you see Janet Arvizo from time to time?
- 2 A. No.

- 3 Q. Did you ever see her?
- 4 A. Rarely.
- 5 Q. Okay. So let's talk about the rare times

- 6 when you saw her, okay? Can you describe her
- 7 demeanor during the rare times you saw her from
- 8 February through March?
- 9 A. I would say she was from either excited or
- 10 not excited. She was never just -- I don't want to
- 11 say "normal," but she was either very happy or she
- 12 wasn't speaking.
- 13 Q. All right. Was that unusual to you?
- 1 A. I don't know. I didn't know Mrs. Arvizo, so
- 15 I don't know what her demeanor -- her regular
- 16 demeanor was.
- 17 Q. I guess what I'm saying, are you describing
- 18 somebody that we'd all -- never mind. Let's put it
- 19 this way: Are you describing what you might call
- 20 normal behavior or did this seem to be more extreme?
- 21 MR. SNEDDON: Your Honor, I'm going to
- 22 object as lack of foundation.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. So she'd either
- 25 be happy or she would be very quiet?
- 26 A. Very quiet.
- 27 MR. SNEDDON: I'm going to object. Asked
- 28 and answered. 9541
- 1 MR. SANGER: It's leading into the next
- 2 question.

3 MR. SNEDDON: Well, that doesn't make it --

- 4 THE COURT: The answer was, "Very quiet."
- 5 Next question.
- 6 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Where would she go when she
- 7 was on the ranch during that period of time,
- 8 February and March?
- 9 MR. SNEDDON: Object; lack of foundation.
- 10 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 11 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you see where she went?
- 1) A. I saw that she -- I know she was assigned a
- 13 guest unit.
- 14 Q. And did you see her at -- now, you would not
- 15 be in the house; is that right?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you see her around other parts of the
- 18 property from time to time?
- 19 A. Very rarely.
- 20 Q. Who was taking care of the boys, Gavin and
- 21 Star?

- 22 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Calls for a
- 23 conclusion; lack of foundation.
- 24 MR. SANGER: Okay. Let me withdraw it, just
- 25 to make this clear.
- 26 Q. I'm going to ask you about what you observed
- 27 yourself, okay? So the first question is, based on
- 28 your observations, who was taking care of the boys? 9542
- 1 MR. SNEDDON: I still object. There's been

- 2 no foundation that she ever saw anything, and it
- 3 calls for a conclusion.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 5 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you see the boys, Star
- 6 and Gavin, during this period of time, February to
- 7 March of 2003?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Did you see Davellin?
- 1) A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did you have an opportunity to determine who
- 12 was taking care of the boys?
- 13 A. I would say Davellin was taking care of
- 14 them.
- 15 Q. Did you see Janet Arvizo interact with her
- 16 boys at all during that period of time?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. What would Davellin do to take care of the
- 19 boys?

- 20 A. If they needed correcting or if they were
- 21 being -- if they were saying something that was
- 22 inappropriate, she would ask them to stop talking
- 23 about that, or she'd remind them to go take a
- 24 shower, or something like that.
- 25 Q. And what was Davellin doing on the ranch
- 26 during this period of time?
- 27 A. She was doing what the boys were doing.
- 28 Watching movies. Driving around in golf carts. 9543

- 1 Q. Did she seem to be having a good time?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Did any of the Arvizo kids spend time, to
- 4 your knowledge, to your observation, with the
- 5 security staff?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. What did they do?
- 8 A. They would come and visit us from time to
- 9 time in the office and sit in our -- sit in our
- 10 office.
- 11 Q. And would they talk to you?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. What would they talk about?
- 14 A. Oh, just regular things. You know, what we
- 15 were doing, and, you know, what was going on, that
 - 16 type of thing.
- 17 Q. Did they ever complain to you about
- 18 anything?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Now, you said you saw Janet Arvizo from time
- 21 to time. Did she ever complain to you about
- 22 anything?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. During the February to March 2003 period,
- 25 did the Arvizos leave the ranch from time to time?
- 26 A. Yes.

- 27 Q. Who took them off the ranch?
- 28 A. I would say it was limited to either Vinnie 9544
- 1 Amen or Chris Carter. Occasionally Mr. Marcus, Joe
- 2 Marcus, would take them off property.
- 3 Q. Okay. And what were the purposes of going
- 4 off the property?
- 5 A. I'm not sure. I didn't inquire. Once they
- 6 were there at the gate and they were ready to leave,
- 7 we would just open the gate and let them leave.
- 8 Q. Were there times they went off the property,
- 9 for instance, during the day, and they came back
- 10 three or four hours later?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And when they went through the gate, did
- 13 they check in and out just like any other guests?
- 14 A. Most of the time. I mean, sometimes if we
- 15 have a guest that's, you know, coming on and off the
- 16 property, we wave them through, make sure we get a
- 17 head count to see who's leaving so we can account
- 18 for them later.

- 19 Q. So when people would go off for a trip to
- 20 town, for instance, you would not necessarily always
- 21 write that down; is that correct?
- 22 A. No, we would write it down. I mean, someone
- 23 will slip through. You don't always see someone.
- 24 Maybe they're sitting down in the seat. And we try

- 25 not to hold anyone up at the gate if they're
- 26 leaving.
- 27 Q. All right. Did you -- do you know Ronald
- 28 Konitzer and Dieter Weizner? 9545
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And were they at the ranch in February and
- 3 March of 2003?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Were they there every single day?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Was Ronald Konitzer there with anybody?
- 3 A. He was there with his wife and his son.
- 9 Q. And did you have an opportunity to observe
- 10 Mr. Konitzer and his wife and his son?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Can you describe their demeanor?
- 13 MR. SNEDDON: Object as irrelevant, Your
- 14 Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 16 THE WITNESS: They seemed to interact like a
- 17 regular family.
- 18 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Were they impolite, or
- 19 polite, or --

- 20 A. No, they were very polite.
- 21 Q. Did you see -- when you saw Dieter Weizner
- 22 there, what did you see him doing?

- 23 A. He was there on the property. Exactly what
- 24 his function was, I don't know.
- 25 Q. All right. Did you see either Ronald
- 26 Konitzer or Dieter Weizner ever treat any of the
- 27 Arvizos in an unusual or inappropriate fashion?
- 28 A. No. 9546
- 1 MR. SNEDDON: Object; lack of foundation.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you ever see any of the
- 4 Arvizos in the presence of Mr. Konitzer and Mr.
- 5 Weizner?
- To A. I can't recall a specific time, but they
- 7 were there on the property at the same time.
- 8 Q. They were there together with --
- 9 MR. SNEDDON: Move to strike as
- 10 nonresponsive.
- 11 THE COURT: I'll strike the last phrase,
- 12 they were on the property.
- 13 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. Well, during February
- 14 and March 2003, were Konitzer and Weizner on the
 - 15 property at the same time as the Arvizos?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Did you see any interaction between them?
- 18 A. No.

- 19 Q. By the way, who is Miko Brando?
- 20 A. Miko Brando is the son of Marlon Brando.

- 21 Q. And was he a guest or an employee, to your
- 22 knowledge?
- 23 A. He's been both. But on this occasion,
- 24 again, I don't know what he was doing. I know that
- 25 he was there off and on.
- 26 Q. Did you ever see Janet Arvizo leave the
- 27 premises with Katie Bernard?
- 28 A. Yes. 9547
- 1 Q. Who is Katie Bernard?
- 2 A. Katie Bernard was the secretary at the time.
- 3 Q. All right. So she's an employee of the
- 1 ranch, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And what kind of a vehicle did they leave
- 7 in; do you know?
- 8 A. I don't recall right at this moment. It
- 9 probably was a ranch vehicle.
- 10 Q. All right. And do you recall roughly when
- 11 this occurred?
- 12 A. It was during the time they were there. I
- 13 believe during the initial part of their visit.
- 14 Q. Okay. Initial part of February? I couldn't
- 15 hear you.
- 16 A. The initial part of their visit, yes.
- 17 Q. Would that be the first part of February?
- 18 A. Yes.

- 19 Q. And do you recall Katie Bernard -- let me
- 20 withdraw that.
- 21 Do you recall the purpose of Janet Arvizo
- 22 leaving with Katie Bernard?
- 23 A. I believe she had a salon visit.
- 24 Q. Okay. Was there any film crew following
- 25 them as they left the ranch?
- 26 A. No. I -- actually, I don't know.
- 2'Q. Okay.
- 28 A. Not that -- I was not told that. 9548
- 1 Q. All right. You didn't see any film crew
- there to follow them when they left the ranch?
- 3 A. No.
 - 4 Q. All right. Was there anything that would
- 5 have prevented any guest at the ranch, including
- 6 Janet Arvizo, from calling 9-1-1 if they had some
- 7 sort of emergency?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. And how do you call 9-1-1 from the ranch?
- 10 A. From the guest units, you immediately
- 11 receive an outside line, so you could pick up the
- 12 phone and dial 9-1-1.
- 13 Q. So the guest units, you don't even have to
- 14 use the code?

- 15 A. No. I haven't done it for a long time, but
- 16 from what I believe, you can just pick up the phone

- 17 and you get an outside line.
- 18 Q. On some of the other phones, you have to
- 19 dial a code to get an outside line?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And that would be true for any kind of a
- 22 call; is that correct?
- 23 A. Correct. We have a -- an emergency
- 24 procedure, something that would be similar in a
- 2 hotel room, that shows you how to get out if there's
- 26 an emergency. It's near the phone. It gives you
- 27 directions on what to do in the event of an
- 28 emergency. It would be either to call extension -- 9549
- 1 the extension at the gate and report whatever the
- 2 problem was.
- 3 Again, I'm not very clear if you can just
- 4 pick up the phone. I'm almost certain you can; that
- 5 you can pick up the phone and dial out and get an
- 6 outside line.
- 7 Q. So let's put it this way: The phones in the
- 8 guest units may or may not require a code to get an
- 9 outside line?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. But if you can make a phone call from the
- 12 guest units one way or the other to Los Angeles, for
- 13 instance, you can call 9-1-1, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.

- 15 MR. SNEDDON: Your Honor, I'm going to
- 16 object to the form of the question in the sense that
- 17 she says she doesn't know whether there's a code to
- 18 get out or not.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. If there's no
- 21 code, you would just dial 9-1-1, and you get
- 22 emergency dispatch, right?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 24 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Calls for
- 25 speculation. She doesn't know.
- 26 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 27 Q. BY MR. SANGER: And if the phones in the
- 28 guest room had the same code as other phones on the 9550
- 1 ranch, you would dial the outside code and then
- 2 9-1-1; is that right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. And my question is, whichever
- 5 way it worked, if you could make calls to Los
- 6 Angeles, for instance, from the phone in the guest
- 7 ranch, you would also be able to call 9-1-1,
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. So if somebody knows the code to call an
- 11 ordinary number, that's the same code you'd use to
- 12 get an outside line if you needed it, right?

- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Was there an occasion when Janet Arvizo was
- 15 supposed to leave the ranch and did not want to go
- 16 or did not show up?
- 17 A. I recall a time that the kids left before
- 18 her, and she left maybe an hour, hour and a half
- 19 after them. I don't recall the date, but I
- 20 remember, leaving, it seemed a little inefficient to
- 2 me, since they were all leaving, that she wasn't
- 22 ready or -- I don't know the reason for her delay,
- 23 but she didn't leave the same time they did.
- 24 Q. What kind of vehicle was there waiting for
- 25 her?
- 26 A. I don't recall the vehicle exactly.
- 27 Q. All right. Some sort of vehicle that was
- 28 being chauffeured by someone? 9551
 - 1 A. It could have been a ranch vehicle.
 - 2 Q. But it was being driven by somebody?
 - 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. So somebody had the vehicle there and
- 5 the kids were ready, but Janet wasn't?
- 6 A. Right.

- 7 Q. All right. Let me ask you about the kids,
- 8 that is, the Arvizo children, being allowed to leave
- 9 the ranch. Were they allowed to leave the ranch
- 10 anytime they wanted to?

- 11 A. They were allowed to leave the ranch, but
- 12 they were supervised.
- 13 Q. All right. Was there a concern about them
- 14 not being supervised?
- 15 A. Well, their mother wasn't there on some
- 16 occasions, so I would say yes.
- 17 Q. All right. And when their mother wasn't
- 18 there, were they allowed to leave the ranch if they
- 1) didn't have an adult with them?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. Let me ask that again. Maybe you
- 22 meant to say that. But if they didn't have an
- 23 adult --
- 24 A. If they didn't have an adult, they were not
- 25 allowed to leave.
- 26 Q. If there was not an adult?
 - 27 A. They needed to be supervised.
 - 28 Q. Do you recall if that was communicated to 9552
- 1 the security staff at any time?
- 2 A. Yes.

- 3 Q. And how was it communicated?
- ${\tt 4}$ A. It was directed to me verbally, and it was
- 5 also a written directive.
- 6 Q. And who told you that?
- 7 A. I came in on my shift, and I believe one of
- 8 my supervisors advised me of the directive and

- 9 that's how I was notified.
- 10 Q. Did the -- did the children -- you talked to
- 11 the children from time to time, right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did they ever say they wanted to leave --
- 14 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Calls for hearsay.
- 15 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 16 MR. SANGER: I actually didn't finish the
- 1' question, but let's just leave it at that.
- 18 Q. Did they ever -- did the Arvizo children
- 19 ever say in your presence that they wanted to leave
- 20 the ranch?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. To your knowledge, were they ever prevented
- 23 from leaving the ranch when they requested it?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 MR. SANGER: Now, Your Honor, what I'd like
- 26 to do is put up Exhibit 334. And this is the one
- 27 that has multiple pages, so I'm going to refer to
- 28 MJ00154 as the particular page from Exhibit 334. 9553
- 1 May I publish that?
- 2 THE COURT: Yes.
- 3 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
- 4 Q. All right. That's not focusing really well.
- 5 Can you read it?
- 6 A. It --

- 7 Q. I'm going to --
- 8 A. The 19th of February?
- 9 Q. Yes. February 19. And I'm going to refer
- 10 to this line right here. Can you read that line?
- 11 If you can't, I'll bring it up to you so you can
- 12 read it.
- 13 A. Yes, I can read it.
- 14 Q. What does that line say, first of all?
- 1 A. "The kids are not allowed to leave per Joe.
- 16 'Kids' meaning like Gavin, Star, et cetera."
- 17 Q. Who wrote that there; do you know?
- 18 A. I believe that was Officer Elenes.
- 19 Q. So there was -- that was an officer who was
- 20 doing that at whose direction; do you know?
- 21 A. Per Joe Marcus.
- 22 Q. And there's a number, "1752." So that would
- 23 be 5:52 in the afternoon?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Do you know if the kids, in fact, left the
- 26 ranch that same night?
- 27 A. I'm not sure what time they left.
- 28 Q. All right. If you look at the gate logs, 9554
- 1 you could figure that out. We won't have you do it.
- 2 They've already been introduced.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. So you could tell from the gate logs

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5 presumably when they left?
6 A. Yes. I'm sorry.
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- 7 MR. SANGER: All right. We can
- 8 turn the lights back on.
- 9 Is that your Post-it?
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Yes.
- 11 MR. SANGER: That's yours?
- 12 Q. And the contacts that you had with Janet
- 1) Arvizo, did she ever indicate to you that she wanted
- 14 to leave?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. And if she indicated she wanted to leave,
- 17 would she have been allowed to leave?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Were you aware as to whether or not
- 20 transportation was arranged for -- you mentioned one
- 21 time. Other than that one time, was transportation
- 22 arranged for her to leave the ranch from time to
- 23 time?
- 24 A. Yes.

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- 25 MR. SANGER: All right. May I have just one
- 26 moment, Your Honor?
- 27 THE COURT: Yes.
- 28 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. While the Arvizos 9555
- 1 were there at the ranch from February to March 2003,
- 2 did you see them have contact with other guests?

- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And in particular, Davellin. Did Davellin
- 5 have contact with other guests?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Who do you recall, if anyone in particular?
- 8 A. Marie Nicole. Whatever -- whatever other
- 9 guests were there as well. We had quite a few
- 10 guests during that time period. I can't recall
- 1 exactly who was there, but whoever was there, she
- 12 was involved with them.
- 13 Q. Did she spend a lot of time with Marie
- 14 Nicole?
- 15 A. I believe so. They were two girls, and so
- 16 they did spend some time together.
- 17 Q. And did Davellin also spend time with one of
- 18 the firefighters, firemen, or whatever you call them
- 19 there? I'm sorry.
- 20 MR. SNEDDON: Object; lack of foundation.
- 21 Q. BY MR. SANGER: To your knowledge.
- 22 THE COURT: Just a moment.
- 23 MR. SANGER: Let me withdraw it. I'll say
- 24 some other words and make it better.
- 25 THE COURT: Okay.
- 26 Q. BY MR. SANGER: You said you saw the kids
- 27 spending time in the security office from time to
- 28 time? 9556

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Was there anybody in particular, either
- 3 security or fire person, who Davellin -- who you saw
- 4 Davellin spend time with?
- 5 A. During that time period, or --
- 6 Q. February to March of 2003.
- 7 A. Not anyone particular. I mean, she was
- 8 there, but I can't remember anyone specifically.
- 9 Q. All right. So she spent time with more than
- 10 one person?
- 11 A. Well, we're a staff, and we're active just
- 12 as well. So I'm sure in passing, you know, there
- 13 was a greeting. "Hello, how are you?" that type of
- 14 thing, or she would come in and ask for something,
- 15 so --
- 16 Q. All right. Now, what about the boys? Who
- 17 would they spend time with, Star and Gavin?
- 18 A. They would mostly spend time with each other
- 19 or alone, you know, so -- I believe Mr. Brando's son
- 20 was there during that time period. So one of the
- 21 Cascio -- the younger Cascio boys was there as well.
- 22 Q. Did they spend time with the Cascio boys, or
- 23 one of the boys?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Did they spend time with one of the Brando
- 26 kids? This must be a grandchild.
- 27 A. Yes.

- 28 Q. A grandchild of Marlon Brando? 9557
- 1 A. Shane.
- 2 Q. Shane. Did they spend time together?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 MR. SANGER: Okay. Very good. I have no
- 5 further questions.
- 6 THE COURT: Cross-examine?
- 8 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. SNEDDON:
- 10 Q. Good morning.
- 11 A. Good morning.
- 12 Q. During the time that you were at the ranch,
- 13 you had a progression of responsibilities that got
- 14 larger and larger, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. So you worked there continuously from '91?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Until current? You're a current employee?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And you worked your way up to head of
- 21 security at one point in time, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And now you're -- you've been -- I don't
- 24 want to use the wrong term, but you are no longer
- 25 head of security?

- 26 A. No.
- 27 Q. And there's somebody else who's head of
- 28 security out there, correct? 9558
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Now, during this period of time, you met a
- 3 lot of families that visited the ranch, I would
- 4 assume, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And you've mentioned the Robeson family, the
- 7 Robson family --
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. -- as one of the families.
- 10 The Culkin family?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. The Barnes family?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And the Chandler family?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. The Cascio family?
- 17 A. Yes.
 - 18 Q. Okay. And the Arvizo family are just a few
 - 19 of the ones that visited the ranch, correct?
 - 20 A. Yes.
 - 21 Q. With respect to the Robeson -- or Robson
 - 22 family, I'm sorry, after the first visit of that
 - 23 family to the ranch, the father was never there

- 24 anymore, was he?
- 25 A. I never met the father.
- 26 Q. And with regard to the Barnes family, after
- 27 the Barnes family visited for the very first time,
- 28 the father was never there at the ranch when they 9559
- 1 visited, were they -- was he?
- 2 A. The father returned and made visits.
- 3 Q. How many occasions do you recall Mr. Barnes
- 4 being on the property?
- 5 A. From one visit to another? Do you mean
- 6 separate incidents --
- 7 Q. Yes, ma'am.
- 8 A. -- or days?
- 9 I would say at least two or three times
- 10 afterwards.
 - 11 Q. Now, there were times that Brett Barnes, the
 - 12 young child, that he was at the ranch alone,
 - 13 correct, without any of his parents?
- 14 A. There could have been a time, yes.
- 15 Q. There could have been more than one time,
- 16 couldn't there?
- 17 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for
- 18 speculation.

- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Do you recall there was
- 21 more than one occasion when Brett Barnes was on the

- 22 ranch without any parents being present?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. In fact, he would stay several days at a
- 25 time on the ranch, correct?
- 26 A. I wouldn't -- I don't remember the exact
- 27 number of days, but I do remember him being there.
- 28 Q. And when he stayed at the ranch, he stayed 9560
- 1 in Mr. Jackson's bedroom, correct, when his mother
- 2 was not at the ranch?
- 3 A. I don't know exactly where he stayed. But
- 4 he would stay in the main house.
- 5 Q. So to your knowledge, he was in the main
- 6 house, but you don't know where in the main house?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And when Mr. Robson -- not "Mr.," the child
- 9 Robson visited the ranch, he was there on occasion
- 10 without his mother or his father, correct?
- 11 A. I don't remember exactly that, but there
- 12 could have been.
- 13 Q. When he did, he stayed in the main residence
- 14 also, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 MR. SANGER: I'm going to object to the
- 17 question of "When he did" as assuming facts not in
- 18 evidence.

19 MR. SNEDDON: Well --

- 20 MR. SANGER: Or vague.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer was,
- 22 "Yes."
- 23 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: And you say, with regard to
- 24 both Brett Barnes and to Wade Robson, that you just
- 25 know they're in the house, because the staff was not
- 26 allowed into the house, correct, the security staff,
- 27 except if there was an emergency or at Mr. Jackson's
 - request? 9561
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you recall the Chandler family, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. Did you ever recall meeting Mr. Chandler?
 - 5 A. No.
 - 6 Q. Or a Mr. Chandler at all?
 - 7 A. No.
 - 8 Q. Or a husband at all?
 - 9 A. No.
 - 10 Q. And the child's name was Jordan Chandler,
 - 11 correct?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. You know who I'm talking about when I talk
 - 14 about Jordan Chandler?
 - 15 A. Yes.

- 16 Q. And Jordan Chandler visited the ranch on a
- 17 number of occasions without his mother, correct?

- 18 A. Again, my recollection is he may have. I'm
- 19 not sure.
- 20 Q. And when he did, he stayed in the main
- 21 house?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And again, you don't know where he stayed in
- 24 the main house?
- 25 A. No.
- 2 Q. And Macaulay Culkin visited the ranch
- 27 without his parents, correct?
- 28 A. I remember him mostly being with his 9562
- l parents, unless he was an adult. He's been there
- 2 recently without his parents.
- 3 Q. Well, I don't mean -- you're right. I
- 4 should go back.
 - 5 Between the period of 1991 and 1993,
 - 6 Macaulay Culkin visited the ranch without his
 - 7 parents being present, is that correct, on occasion?
 - 8 A. My recollection is that he was there with
- 9 his parents.
 - 10 Q. Is it your recollection also that he stayed
 - 11 in the house?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. Now, you mentioned one of the families that
 - 14 you saw a good deal of is the Cascio family,
 - 15 correct?

- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And one of the people who you observed over
- 18 the years was Frank Cascio, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And you know him as Cascio, right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And when you first met Mr. Cascio, he was
- 23 just a young boy, wasn't he?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. In other words, he was about 11 or 12 years
- 26 old?

- 27 A. I'm not sure of his age.
- 28 Q. Would he -- would he be about the same age 9563
- 1 as the other boys who were visiting around that
- 2 time, Brett Barnes, Wade, Jordan?
 - 3 A. Most likely, yes.
 - 4 Q. And he also would spend time with Mr.
 - 5 Jackson in Mr. Jackson's house, correct?
 - 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And the difference is that in this case
 - 8 Frank Cascio used to visit with Mr. Jackson a lot,
 - 9 correct, kept an ongoing relationship with Mr.
- 10 Jackson?

- 11 A. The family kept an ongoing relationship.
- 12 Q. Okay. That's fair enough. So it was the
- 13 whole family, as well as Frank Cascio, that kept a

- 14 relationship with the defendant?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And you would describe, would you not, that
- 17 this family is very close to Mr. Jackson?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Based on your observations?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you would -- I believe you said that in
- 2) the year 2000, you knew that Mr. -- Frank Cascio
- 23 went to work for Mr. Jackson, correct?
- 24 A. I have not said that here.
- 25 Q. No. I'm asking. You said that to an
- 26 investigator, correct?
- 27 A. Yes, possibly.
- 28 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for hearsay. 9564
- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Did you not tell somebody
- 3 that you believed he went to work for Mr. Jackson in
- 4 the year 2000?
- 5 A. Yes.

- 6 MR. SANGER: Objection. Excuse me. Calls
- 7 for hearsay.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 MR. SANGER: Move to strike.
- 10 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 11 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Where did you get the

- 12 knowledge that Mr. Cascio went to work for Mr.
- 13 Jackson in the year 2000?
- 14 MR. SANGER: Objection. Calls for -- facts
- 15 not in evidence. The Court sustained its --
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
- 18 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Were you at any time aware
- 19 of the fact that Mr. Cascio worked for Mr. Jackson?
- 2 A. I was aware that he was working on projects
- 21 on the property for Mr. Jackson.
- 22 Q. During the time frame from 2000 to 2003,
- 23 would that be the time period that you had reference
- 24 to?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And would you describe the relationship
- 27 between Mr. Jackson and Frank Cascio during this
- 28 period of time from 2000 to 2003, that it continued 9565
- 1 to be a very close relationship, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. A trusted friend, correct?
- 4 A. I believe so.
- 5 Q. Now, with regard to Mr. Frank Cascio, were
- 6 you aware of the fact that he changed his name or
- 7 was using another name?
- 8 A. Yes.

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9 Q. And that was during the time period of

- 10 February and March of 2003, correct?
- 11 A. I believe so.
- 12 Q. And he used the name Frank Tyson, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Was that the first time you ever heard him
- 15 use the last name of Tyson during that period,
- 16 February and March?
- 17 A. I don't know if it was during that time
- 1) period, but I could safely say probably yes.
- 19 Q. It was during the time when the Arvizo
- 20 family was at the ranch, correct?
- 21 A. I believe it was during that time period.
- 22 Q. And in fact, during 2002, Mr. Tyson had
- 23 visited the ranch on a number of occasions, correct?
- 24 A. In 2002?
- 25 Q. Yes, ma'am.
- 26 A. How many times I don't know, but he -- most
- 27 likely he did.
- 28 Q. When he visited, he would have been noted in 9566
- 1 the logs, the ranch logs that you referenced?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And on each occasion he's referenced as
- 4 "Cascio," is he not?
- 5 A. Yes.

- 6 Q. Did you ever see Mr. Jackson having meetings
- 7 with Frank Cascio during February and March of 2003?

- 8 A. I'm sure they met. I don't know what -- if
- 9 it was an actual meeting or what it consisted of,
- 10 but they spoke with each other.
- 11 Q. They had a lot of conversations between the
- 12 two of them, did they not, regularly? Or conversed
- 13 regularly, how about that?
- 14 A. Well, they're friends, so I imagine they
- 15 would have a lot to talk about.
- 1 Q. And Dieter Weizner, did you see him having
- 17 conversations with the defendant during February of
- 18 2003?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Never?
- 21 A. Never.
- 22 Q. You never saw them in Mr. Jackson's office
- 23 meeting?
 - 24 A. I did not see that.
- 25 Q. But if they were meeting in the house, you
- 26 wouldn't have known that either, would you?
- 27 A. No.
- 28 Q. With regard to Mr. Konitzer, did you ever 9567
- 1 see Mr. Jackson meeting with Mr. Konitzer?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Now, you mentioned Miko Brando. And he has
- 4 a son named Shane, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.

- 6 Q. And it's correct, is it not, that actually
- 7 during February of 2003, Shane Brando got in an
- 8 accident with one of the carts and actually injured
- 9 Gavin, did he not?
- 10 A. Yes. They both crashed into each other.
- 11 Q. But the log reflects the fact that it was
- 12 Shane Brando who was at fault; isn't that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 1 Q. Now, how old is Shane Brando in 2003? About
- 15 the same age as Gavin?
- 16 A. I'm not sure how old Shane is. He's a big
- 17 kid, so I don't know exact -- his exact age.
- 18 Actually, he's -- he's probably about 16 now, so....
- 19 Q. So he would have been about 14 or 13 then?
- 20 A. Sure.
- 21 Q. You've talked a lot about the procedures for
- 22 the security on the ranch. And I wanted to ask you,
- 23 first of all, you've said that there is a procedure
- 24 now where people work 12 -- 12/12, two shifts,
- 25 right?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. That wasn't always the case, was it?
- 28 A. No. 9568
- 1 Q. Back in 1991, '92, '93, there was a
- 2 graveyard shift, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.

- 4 Q. And that shift started at ten o'clock at
- 5 night and worked through the morning hours, correct?
- 6 A. During different times, we would -- when I
- 7 initially started working, the shift started at
- 8 midnight till 8:00 in the morning. I don't know
- 9 what year we changed that where the shift would
- 10 start at 10 p.m. and work till 6 a.m.
- 11 Q. But there was a shift that worked from
- 1 10:00?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Called the graveyard shift, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Now, just a couple of questions about the
- 17 logs that you've described. I think you said
- 18 earlier in your direct examination with Mr. Sanger
- 19 that the logs, the gate logs, went to the
- 20 administrative office up on the hill, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And how did they find their way down to the
- 23 security office?
- 24 A. The gate logs are used to verify the
- 25 payroll. Payroll is done on Monday mornings. So if
- 26 someone forgets to punch in or punch out, then they
- 27 refer back to the gate logs to see what time that
- 28 employee left, if it was needed. 9569
- 1 Once they're -- once they're through with

- 2 them, then they're filed back into the office and
- 3 they're kept in that file for a year, until the end
- 4 of the year, when they're filed in another box and
- 5 stored.
- 6 Q. By "the office," do you mean taken
- 7 physically from the administrative office down to
- 8 the security office?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 1) Q. Would you tell me how many drawers are there
- 11 in the cabinet that you say you retrieved these logs
- 12 from?
- 13 A. There's four.
- 14 Q. And which of the drawers was it that you
- 15 retrieved them from?
- 16 A. They were in the second drawer.
- 17 Q. Second from the top or the bottom?
- 18 A. Second to the top. Second to the top.
- 19 Q. Now, the keys to the house, you say they're
- 20 kept in the break room, correct?
- 21 MR. SANGER: Objection. That misstates the
- 22 evidence, "The keys to the house."
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 24 You may answer.

- 25 THE WITNESS: The keys to the house?
- 26 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Well, keys to the arcade.
- 27 I'm sorry if I said the wrong building. I'll take
- 28 that back. The wine cellar. The keys to the wine 9570

- 1 cellar are kept in the break room?
- 2 A. Yes, they are kept in the break room. Yes,
- 3 they are kept in the break room.
- 4 Q. The break room has a safe, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. At any time during the time you worked
- 7 there, have those keys ever been locked in that
- 8 safe?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And during the time that you've worked
- 11 there, has it been the habit and custom of the
- 12 people working on the property that the
- 13 housekeepers, during the daytime, keep the key on
- 14 their person during the entire day?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. In fact, you had to go retrieve the key from
- 17 the housekeeper the day of the search warrant to let
- 18 the officers in, correct?
- 19 A. Some of the keys I did not have access to
- 20 during that time period, so it was not available to
- 21 me. I would have to ask them for the key.
- 22 Q. So the answer is --
- 23 A. Yes.

- 24 Q. -- on the day of the search warrant, you had
- 25 to go to one of the housekeepers to get the key to
- 26 allow the officers to get in the arcade and the wine

- 27 cellar, correct?
- 28 A. For immediacy purposes, yes. 9571
- 1 Q. Now, in 2003, I'm assuming that if you were
- 2 the head of security at that time, if you had any
- 3 problems, staffing problems, they would have been
- 4 things that you discussed with Mr. Marcus, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And do you recall having a conversation with
- 7 Mr. Marcus where you discussed the fact that you
- 8 were very short of staff and it was becoming a
- 9 security issue on the ranch?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for hearsay.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 MR. SANGER: Move to strike.
- 14 MR. SNEDDON: All I asked was if she had a
- 15 conversation. I didn't ask what was said, Your
- 16 Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: You kind of filled that in,
- 18 though.
- 19 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Did you have a conversation
- 20 with Mr. Marcus about security issues of concern to
- 21 you?

- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Now, let me ask a few other questions about
- 24 procedures at the ranch. For instance, the

- 25 groundskeepers, they're day staff only?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. So what time would they ordinarily leave?
- 28 A. Their working hours are from 7 a.m. to 3:30 9572
- 1 p.m.
- 2 Q. And the maintenance people, same hours,
- 3 basically?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. So they would go home at 3:30?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And the zoo people?
- 3 A. Same time.
- 9 Q. And most of the maid staff would go home at
- 10 the same time, except those that were kept for the
- 11 night?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And those that were kept for the night would
- 14 come in at a little later time, correct?
- 15 A. Yes, I believe so.
- 16 Q. So basically, other than a few staff --
- 17 well, let me ask you this: The housekeeping staff
- 18 that was retained at night was smaller in numbers
- 19 than those that were there during the day, correct?
- 20 A. Well, it would depend on the activity. I
- 21 couldn't say during that time frame -- I wasn't in
- 22 charge of that department, so I'm sure -- just as I

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- 23 would schedule people for the bulk of the
- 24 activities, so if they had something going on in the
- 25 evening, I'm sure they would schedule for more in
- 26 the evening than they would during the day.
- 27 Q. Fair enough. But that would be the
- 28 exception, not the rule, though, correct? 9573
- 1 A. No, that's what we had to work with, so you
- 2 schedule your people when you need them.
- 3 Q. No. I meant, it would be the exception that
- 4 they would have to be there because you were having
- 5 an event as opposed to the normal situation. You
- 5 don't have events every night?
- 7 A. No, we don't have events every night. But
- 8 if we have large groups of guests on property, such
- 9 as during that time period, then, you know, dinner
- 10 may be served late. I'm not sure exactly what all
- 11 their duties are, but....
- 12 Q. But that would be an exception where
- 13 those -- where you would have those kind of events.
- 14 Obviously you'd have to have people there to help,
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. Yes.

- 17 Q. Now, you say that the security staff is not
- 18 allowed in the building -- I'm sorry, in the main
- 19 residence unless called by the defendant, Mr.
- 20 Jackson, or there's an emergency, correct?

- 21 A. If it's not necessary for you to be in the
- 22 house.
- 23 MR. SNEDDON: Move to strike as
- 24 nonresponsive, Your Honor.
- 25 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 26 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: I think you told us that
- 27 the only two occasion where staff, security staff,
- 28 were allowed into the house was either because Mr. 9574
- 1 Jackson summoned one of you or there was an
- 2 emergency. Now, is that correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. You have on occasion been in Mr. Jackson's
- 5 bedroom, correct?
 - 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And you know that to get into Mr. Jackson's
- 8 bedroom, as you approach the door, there's a chime
- 9 that goes of inside of the room, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And you also know that the door is locked
- 12 from the inside, correct?
- 13 A. I believe there may be a deadbolt there.
- 14 Q. And that a person cannot -- you cannot enter
- 15 that room without somebody unlocking the door from
- 16 the inside, correct?
- 17 A. If there's an emergency, I would get through
- 18 that door.

- 19 Q. I'm sure you would. I'm not trying to say
- 20 you wouldn't do your job and break through it.
- 21 But short of breaking through the door, you
- 22 would have to have somebody on the inside open it
- 23 up, correct? Is that a fair statement?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And certainly if that was true of you, it
- 26 would certainly be true of any guest that was
- 2' staying at the place, correct?
- 28 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for 9575
- 1 speculation.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: At the time that these
- 4 young boys that you've talked about were in the main
- 5 residence with Mr. Jackson, they were there
- 6 without -- on many occasions without parental
- 7 supervision, correct?

- 8 A. I would say there were some occasions. I
- 9 don't know if there were many occasions.
- 10 Q. I'll settle for "some."
- 11 There were some occasions where some of
- 12 these young boys were in the house with Mr. Jackson
- 13 with nobody else present; is that a fair statement?
- 14 A. I would say that would be fair.
- 15 Q. It would also be a fair statement that
- 16 inside of his room, that nobody would be allowed to

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- 17 go in there and see what was going on; isn't that a
- 18 fair statement?
- 19 MR. SANGER: Objection, Your Honor. Calls
- 20 for speculation; no foundation.
- 21 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I would say that would be
- 23 normal for anyone.
- 24 THE COURT: Wait. The question was
- 2 sustained, the objection.
- 26 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: So the simple answer would
- 27 be, you had no idea what was going on inside the
- 28 house when those boys were there with Mr. Jackson? 9576
- 1 MR. SANGER: Objection; argumentative.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 MR. SNEDDON: Do you want to take the break,
 - 4 Your Honor?
- 5 THE COURT: All right. We'll take our break.
- 6 (Recess taken.)
- 7 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead.
- 8 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Mrs. Silva, are you
 - 9 familiar with a company called Ace Protective Group?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. And do they provide security services for
 - 12 the ranch?
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - 14 Q. That's in addition to the regular staff

- 15 that's on the ranch?
- 16 A. We used them as contract. The employees
- 17 were supervised, managed on the ranch, and they
- 18 officially paid payroll services.
- 19 Q. Were they just used for special occasions or
- 20 were they there all the time?
- 21 A. No, they were used from the time period of,
- 22 I believe, 1997 through 2003, I believe.
- 2 Q. So, for instance, somebody who was working
- 24 as a security officer on the ranch during that time
- 25 period, they would actually be employed by the Ace
- 26 Protective Group as opposed to MJJ Productions or
- 27 the defendant?
- 28 A. Yes, some were. 9577
- 1 Q. And some were not?
- 2 A. Some were not.
- 3 Q. But they all worked under your supervision?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Thank you.
- 6 Now, let's talk a little bit about the
- 7 ranch. You described some behavior where Gavin
- 8 Arvizo crashed in a golf cart.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. That happened -- I believe Mr. Sanger showed
- 11 us it was in, as I recall, June of 2002.
- 12 A. Yes.

- 13 Q. And there's no log entry in any of the logs
- 14 in 2003 that indicate that Gavin ever had his
- 15 driving privileges taken away on the golf carts, are
- 16 there?
- 17 A. I would have to look at the gate logs to
- 18 see. I believe what the report said was that a
- 19 verbal warning was given.
- 20 Q. In 2002?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Yes. We had that report.
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. But to your knowledge, you don't recall any
- 25 situation where Gavin Arvizo was later, during the
- 26 time in 2003 while they were on the ranch, deprived
- 27 of his privileges to drive golf carts, correct?
- 28 A. In 2003, he did have a golf cart taken away 9578
- 1 from him.
- 2 Q. Do you recall what date that was?
- 3 A. It was written on the same line where I
- 4 believe there was an accident that happened with --
- 5 that involved Mr. Brando's grandson. As a result of
- 6 that accident, the golf carts were taken away.
- 7 Q. And your recollection is it was taken away
- 8 from Gavin and from Shane?
- 9 A. Yes.

10 Q. So it would be that accident report?

- 11 A. Pardon me?
- 12 Q. It would be that accident report, correct?
- 13 A. I believe that incident, the golf carts were
- 14 temporarily taken away from them.
- 15 Q. You've described a situation where, I
- 16 believe, in the past that you thought that at one
- 17 point or another, every one of the young boys that
- 18 would visit that ranch got carried away, correct?
- 1) A. Not all of them. But I would say they had
- 20 fun.
- 21 Q. Do you recall telling -- do you recall a
- 22 conversation that you had with a sheriff's
- 23 department detective?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And do you recall him asking you about the
- 26 conduct of a couple of young boys?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. And you said to him that they all did; "At 9579
- 1 one point or another, they would all have to calm
- 2 down, and we'd all have to take things away from
 - 3 them, all of them"?
 - 4 A. I would say there was an occasion where all
- 5 of them needed to be reminded of what the rules
- 6 were.

- 7 Q. So you didn't tell them that on all
- 8 occasions, eventually somebody had to have something

- 9 taken away from them?
- 10 A. The way you asked the question, I believe
- 11 what you're asking me is every single person has had
- 12 a golf cart taken away. Is that what you're asking?
- 13 Q. No. Just the young boys.
- 14 A. One occasion we would have to remind them,
- 15 again, to follow the rules.
- 16 Q. And you said that -- you thought the reason
- 1' for that was because the children felt there was so
- 18 much freedom at Neverland Ranch, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And you also said that you never saw Mr.
- 21 Jackson ever tell the children to calm down or not
- 22 do anything, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And you felt -- you told the officer that
- 25 you felt that at times you were forced to be the bad
- 26 guy because Mr. Jackson wouldn't do that when you
- 27 thought he should; isn't that correct?
- 28 A. He's the host, so that's not his job. 9580
- 1 MR. SANGER: I'm going to object, Your
- 2 Honor. It calls for hearsay.
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 4 THE WITNESS: I didn't hear what his reply
- 5 is.

6 THE COURT: You should rephrase the question.

- 7 It was complicated.
- 8 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: You also told the
- 9 investigator that you felt it was unfair at times
- 10 that you and your security officers were placed in a
- 11 bad position because Mr. Jackson would not
- 12 discipline people?
- 13 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for hearsay.
- 14 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: In his presence, correct?
- 1 A. In his presence, it wouldn't be appropriate
- 16 for him, as a host, to discipline. That would be
- 17 our job. So he was relying on us to do our job.
- 18 Q. Did you tell the officer that you felt that
- 19 Mr. Jackson had placed you in a position of being
- 20 the bad guys?
- 21 A. Sure.
- 22 Q. Now, you stated that you had no personal
- 23 knowledge about reports of children being
- 24 intoxicated on the ranch, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.
- 26 Q. As a head of security, do you review the
- 27 logs all the time?
- 28 A. At the end of the week I review them. 9581
- 1 Q. And you discuss with your staff any concerns
- 2 about things that may be going on on the ranch to
- 3 make sure everything's okay?
- 4 A. On a daily basis.

- 5 Q. You did receive some reports, did you not,
- 6 that there were children intoxicated on the ranch?
- 7 A. I did not receive any direct report, someone
- 8 coming to me and reporting that they found someone
- 9 intoxicated.
- 10 Q. But you had information to that effect, did
- 11 you not, as the head of security?
- 12 A. There is always a concern for it, because
- 1) there's alcohol available, so we would make -- take
- 14 precautions to make sure that that wouldn't happen.
- 15 Q. I think the question was, did you have
- 16 personal -- I mean, did you have knowledge of the
- 17 fact from your staff that there were incidents where
- 18 they encountered children intoxicated?
- 19 A. I was not --
- 20 MR. SANGER: Excuse me.
- 21 Calls for hearsay.
- 22 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 23 You may answer.
- 24 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: I think that's a "yes" or
- 25 "no."
- 26 A. No.
- 27 Q. Are you familiar with a person by the name
- 28 of Chris Carter? 9582
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Who is Mr. Carter?

- 3 A. Mr. Carter was a personalassistant/traveling
- 4 security person for Mr. Jackson.
- 5 Q. So when Mr. Jackson was around, Mr. Carter
- 6 was around. He was his security, correct?
- 7 A. Yes. No, he was not under my supervision.
- 8 Q. No, I know. I mean, the jury may not know,
- 9 but he worked for -- basically for Mr. Jackson?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 1 Q. But when Mr. Jackson was at the ranch, Mr.
- 12 Carter was at the ranch, right?
- 13 A. Most of the time.
- 14 Q. And did Miko Brando on occasion also serve
- 15 as part of the security detail for Mr. Jackson, to
- 16 your knowledge?
- 17 A. I'm not aware of that.
- 18 Q. And have you ever seen Mr. Jackson carry a
 - 19 cell phone?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Have you ever seen Mr. Jackson use a cell
- 22 phone?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Did you ever see any of these personal
- 25 bodyguards loan Mr. Jackson a cell phone to be used?
- 26 A. No.

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- 27 Q. Now, at the time that the Arvizos came to
- 28 visit in early February of 2003, did you know that 9583

- 1 they had come from Miami?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you know where they had come from?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Did you know how much clothing they had with
- 6 them or how long they were expected to stay at the
- 7 ranch?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 MR. SANGER: Compound, Your Honor. Move to
- 10 strike the answer.
- 11 MR. SNEDDON: I'll break it up.
- 12 Q. Did you know --
- 13 MR. SANGER: Excuse me. I just need a --
- 14 THE COURT: He's going to rephrase.
- 15 Stricken.
- 16 MR. SANGER: So it's stricken. There was a
- 17 motion to strike the answer.
- 18 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 19 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Did you know how much
- 20 clothing they brought with them?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Did you know how long they were supposed to
- 23 stay?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Did you know where they had been before they
- 26 came to Neverland Ranch?
- 27 A. No.

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- 28 Q. Did you know that they came to the ranch 9584
- 1 with the defendant, Mr. Jackson?
- 2 A. I did not see that personally.
- 3 Q. But you're aware of that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now, during the time that the Arvizo
- 6 children were at the ranch in February of 2003, and
- 7 in March, you observed Mr. Jackson spend time with
- 8 the boys, did you not?
- 9 A. I recall Mr. Jackson was there, but I don't
- 10 recall any specific interaction with them.
- 11 Q. You don't recall Mr. Jackson spending time
- 12 with Gavin Arvizo?
- 13 A. Not specifically.
- 14 Q. And during most of this particular point in
- 15 time, you would be leaving in the early evening
- 16 hours to go home, correct?
- 17 A. My hours were varied at that time, depending
- 18 on the coverage that we needed.
- 19 Q. All right. And so -- but ordinarily, you
- 20 would leave to go home in the early evening hours,
- 21 correct?

- 22 A. No, sir.
- 23 Q. So if we were to look at your time sheets
- 24 they would reflect the fact that -- are you, by the
- 25 way, filled out on the logs?

- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Your name's on the logs, so we can look at
- 28 the logs and we can all find out what time you 9585
- 1 checked in and what time you checked out for the
- 2 day?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. That would be an accurate depiction of your
- 5 work schedule during February and March of 2003?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, did you basically run things from the
- 10 administration building?
- 11 A. Depended on the activity. If the -- if I
- 12 had enough officers to cover the shift, then I would
- 13 come down and supervise the shift and then I'd work
- 14 from my office. If not, I was part of the rotation
- 15 as well.

- 16 Q. So it's your testimony that you have no
- 17 recollection of Mr. Jackson being in the presence of
- 18 Gavin Arvizo, for instance, in the arcade room
- 19 playing games?
- 20 A. I can't recall specifically.
- 21 Q. You have no recollection of Gavin Arvizo
- 22 being with Mr. Jackson in the movie theater?
- 23 A. I'm sure it was possible, but you're asking

- 24 me specifically, and I don't remember an occasion.
- 25 There was a lot of people there during that time,
- 26 and people were coming and going, so --
- 27 Q. I'm just asking what you recall. Do you
- 28 recall any situation where you recall Gavin Arvizo 9586
- 1 being with the defendant down in the amusement park?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Do you recall any situation where Gavin
- 4 Arvizo was with the defendant down at the zoo?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Do you recall any incident or occasions of
- 7 Mr. Jackson being with Gavin Arvizo around the
- 8 swimming pool?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Or out at the teepee?
- 11 A. I believe they may have had dinner there
- 12 once.
- 13 Q. It's true, is it not, that Gavin Arvizo
- 14 spent some of the nights in Mr. Jackson's house?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. I'm assuming, as one of your chief
- 17 responsibilities there as the security officer at
- 18 this point in time in 2003, that you would try to be
- 19 very proactive about liability issues on the ranch,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes.

- 22 Q. In other words, sort of like a loss
- 23 prevention concept; you want to make sure that you
- 24 run things so that accidents are prevented before
- 25 they happen, correct?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. And you put procedures in place to avoid
- 28 that kind of situation, right? 9587
- 1 A. Yes. We have standard operating procedures.
- 2 Q. And also as part of those procedures, one of
- 3 the things to protect yourself from a liability
- 4 standpoint is, if there's something that's
- 5 significant that happens on the ranch, you want to
- 6 put it in the logs so later, if it happens, it could
- 7 be documented, correct, for liability purposes?
- 8 A. Personally, I would do that myself. I'm
- 9 relying on the discretion of the officers.
- 10 Q. Well, you would expect, as you, they worked
- 11 under your supervision, correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. They worked under your direction?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. And you would expect that if any significant
- 16 event occurred on the ranch, that would be
- 17 documented in the reports, correct?
- 18 A. Reports or gate logs, yes.
- 19 Q. At someplace where --

- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. -- something would happen that's out of the
- 22 ordinary, that that would be something that you'd
- 23 want to document?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. To show that if an incident occurred, that
- 26 you took a response to it to prevent it from
- 27 happening again, correct?
 - A. Yes. 9588
- 1 Q. You want to document that event, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. And as part of that policy, you had a
- 4 rule that the golf carts couldn't go off the ranch,
- 5 right?
- 6 A. They're not designed to go off the property.
- 7 They shouldn't go off, no.
- 8 Q. I just asked --
- 9 A. Yes. Yes.
- 10 Q. And if somebody tried to drive a golf cart
- 11 off the ranch, they would be stopped by the gate
- 12 person and turned around and told to head back out,
- 13 correct, head back to the ranch?
- 14 A. That would be our procedure.
- 15 Q. That would be a standard procedure?
- 16 A. It would be our policy.
- 17 Q. Okay. And somebody who let a person off the

- 18 ranch with the cart would be in a little bit of
- 19 trouble, wouldn't they, with you?
- 20 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for
- 21 speculation.
- 22 MR. SNEDDON: Let me rephrase it. I'm
- 23 sorry, Judge.
- 24 Q. It would be a violation of your policies for
- 25 somebody at the gate to allow somebody off the ranch
- 2) with a go-cart; is that correct?
- 27 MR. SANGER: Well, I'm going to --
- 28 Are you talking about a go-cart or a golf 9589
- l cart?
- 2 MR. SNEDDON: Golf cart.
- 3 THE WITNESS: It would be against our policy
- 4 to allow someone -- someone underage, without
 - 5 driving privileges, to leave the property.
 - 6 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: So "underage" would be
 - 7 anybody 16 and below?
 - 8 A. Driving age, yes.
- 9 Q. Or below 16.
 - 10 A. Driving age, yes.
 - 11 Q. And the same thing was true of the quads?
 - 12 A. Yes.
 - 13 Q. In other words, there was a rule at the gate
 - 14 that you just didn't let somebody off with the
 - 15 quads?

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- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, in 2003, did you know how old Gavin
- 18 Arvizo was?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. He was small for his age in 2003, was he
- 21 not?
- 22 A. I don't know.
- 23 MR. SANGER: Objection. Calls for
- 2 | speculation; lack of foundation.
- 25 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 26 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: He was a rather small
- 27 person, was he not?
- 28 A. No. 9590
- 1 Q. In 2003?
- 2 A. I don't know how old Gavin was at the time.
 - 3 Q. What's your estimate?
 - 4 A. My estimate would be that he was 15.
 - 5 Q. 15? And how old do you think Star was?
 - 6 A. At least 12 or 13 years old.
- 7 Q. You told the jury that the reason that
 - 8 there's a notation in the logs about the boys not
 - 9 leaving the ranch was because they had been driving
 - 10 vehicles around the ranch, correct, the Navigator
 - 11 and the van?

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- 12 MR. SANGER: Objection, Your Honor. That
- 13 misstates the testimony.

- 14 MR. SNEDDON: Well, I'm -- let me go back.
- 15 I'll clarify that. I thought that's what she said.
- 16 I'll withdraw the question, Your Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: All right.
- 18 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Was the reason that the
- 19 notation that Mr. Sanger showed you up there on the
- 20 board about the boys not to leave the ranch related
- 21 to their driving of the Navigator or the van?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Okay. So I was right. You don't have to
- 24 answer that.
- 25 At any time in any of those logs, did you
- 26 ever see a notation that documented the fact that
- 27 those boys were driving those cars?
- 28 A. No. 9591
- 1 Q. And you say that the policy of the ranch is
- 2 to lock the key to the cellar in the safe, correct?
- 3 A. On certain occasions it is.
- 4 Q. But the policy of the ranch was to leave
- 5 keys in the cars on the ranch? You didn't secure
 - 6 them somewhere?
- 7 A. No.

- 8 Q. You don't think that would be a liability
- 9 problem if somebody got in one of those cars and
- 10 drove it off?
- 11 MR. SANGER: Objection; argumentative.

- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Did it ever occur to you as
- 14 the chief of security during this period of time
- 15 that there was a liability issue to the ranch by
- 16 leaving those keys in the cars unattended?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Did you change the procedure at any time?
- 19 Are they still left in the carts?
- 2) A. At this time, I believe they are. Some
- 21 vehicles are locked.
- 22 Q. I assume locked, and the keys aren't locked
- 23 inside of them. So they're placed somewhere else,
- 24 correct?
- 25 A. No. Correct.
- 26 Q. And it's also true that at no time during
- 27 the time that you've been employed by that ranch do
- 28 you recall there ever being an entry in a log that 9592
- 1 children were not to leave the ranch, correct?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. And that, as a matter of fact, on those
- 4 occasions you told the ladies and gentlemen of the
- 5 jury that, for instance, Wade Robson was at the
- 6 ranch without supervision, you don't find any entry
- 7 saying, "Don't let Wade Robson leave the ranch
- 8 unsupervised," correct?

9 MR. SANGER: Objection. Assumes facts;

- 10 compound.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 12 You may answer.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Answer?
- 14 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Yes. There's nothing in
- 15 the logs to that effect, right?
- 16 A. I'd have to go through all the gate logs.
- 17 Q. Do you have any recollection, as the head of
- 1) security, that there was ever an entry like that
- 19 with regard to Wade Robson?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 MR. SANGER: Objection; lack of foundation.
- 22 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 23 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: With regard to Brett
- 24 Barnes, you've told the jury already that he's been
- 25 there on occasion without his parents.
- 26 Do you ever recall, during the time that he
- 27 was on that ranch, that there was a notation in the
- 28 logs that he was not to leave the ranch? 9593
- 1 A. I did not see one.
- 2 MR. SANGER: I'm sorry. I was trying to
- 3 object. Objection. One second. Objection; lack of
- 4 foundation.

- 5 THE COURT: They can't hear.
- 6 MR. SANGER: Objection. Lack of foundation
- 7 as to the 1990 gate logs, '90 to '93.

- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: During the time that you
- 10 were employed on the ranch as a security officer
- 11 between the time period of 1991 and 1993, you've
- 12 told us that Wade Robson visited the ranch, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And at that time, you would have been one of
- 15 the officers who would review the entries on the log
- 1) to make sure you do your job, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you would have done that on a daily
- 19 basis when you came to work; isn't that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And do you recall any log entries during
- 22 that period of time in which somebody wrote a note
- 23 saying, "Don't let Wade Robson leave this ranch"?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. And with regard to Brett Barnes, during the
- 26 same time period that you were working as a security
- 27 officer and you were reviewing those logs, did you
- 28 ever see an entry that said anything about not 9594
- 1 letting Brett Barnes leave the ranch?
- 2 A. No.

- 3 Q. Now, if I were to ask you the same question
- 4 about Jordan Chandler, your answer would be the
- 5 same, correct?

- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. In fact, the entry that was made on the logs
- 8 that you testified to, that Mr. Sanger showed you,
- 9 was the first and only time you've ever seen that
- 10 kind of entry made on a ranch log, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Are you familiar with some boys from Santa
- 13 Ynez called the Coultry brothers?
- 1 MR. SANGER: Objection; beyond the scope of
- 15 direct.
- 16 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 17 MR. SNEDDON: I think I'm entitled to -- I
- 18 think....
- 19 Q. It's overruled. You can answer.
- 20 Are you familiar with the Coultry brothers?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And they were visitors at the ranch quite
- 23 often, is that correct, during this time period,
- 24 2003?
- 25 A. I believe after that time period.
- 26 Q. You don't recall them being on the ranch
- 27 during 2003?
- 28 A. Yes, but after the February time. 9595
- 1 Q. Yeah. No --
- 2 A. Not during the same time.
- 3 Q. -- that's fair.

- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. During 2003 they were there?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And by your own statement to investigators,
- 8 I think you described them as wild, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 MR. SANGER: Objection. Move to strike;
- 11 calls for hearsay. Also not relevant as to the time
- 1 period that what we're talking about.
- 13 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer was,
- 14 "Yes." Next question.
- 15 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: In fact, while they were on
- 16 the ranch one day, they egged your car so bad that
- 17 you had to get it repainted, correct?
- 18 MR. SANGER: Objection, Your Honor.
- 19 Relevance.
- 20 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 21 You may answer.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I don't know if it was them.
- 23 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Somebody did, correct?
- 24 A. Someone did, yes.
- 25 Q. And they were on the ranch at that time?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. All right. During the time that you were
- 28 employed at the ranch, were you ever aware of who 9596
- 1 was sent out to buy adult magazines for Mr. Jackson?

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- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you receive in your office a package of
- 4 adult magazines that came from Japan?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And those were -- the contents of the
- 7 envelope were from Mr. Jackson's luggage that was
- 8 mailed back to Neverland after he had gone to Japan,
- 9 correct?
- 1) A. I don't know if it was from Japan, but they
- 11 were left in my office.
- 12 Q. And they were adult materials, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And you described them, I think, as very
- 15 graphic?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 MR. SNEDDON: No further questions, Your
- 18 Honor.
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- 20 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 21 BY MR. SANGER:
- 22 Q. Okay. Mr. Sneddon asked you about various
- 23 guests coming with or without parents, one parent or
- 24 the other. Do you remember that, at the beginning
- 25 of your cross-examination?
- 26 A. Yes.

- 27 Q. Okay. Now, the Arvizos -- to your
- 28 knowledge, the Arvizos came with at least their 9597

- 1 father the first several times they came; is that
- 2 correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And he -- did he supervise them?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And then there was a period of time in 2002
- 7 when they came with Chris Tucker; is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And that's Chris Tucker the entertainer,
- 10 right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And Mr. -- was Mr. Jackson on the premises
- 13 or not, or sometimes on and sometimes off?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. The latter?
 - 16 A. Sometimes yes; sometimes no.
- 17 Q. All right. Was Mr. Tucker supervising the
- 18 Arvizo kids while he was there?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. All right. And then after that, the Arvizo
- 21 kids came with their mother. That was in February
- 22 of 2003, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And she was on the property most of the time
- 25 that they were on the property; is that right?
- 26 A. Yes.

- 27 Q. She was not there some of the time, though?
- 28 A. Correct. 9598
- 1 Q. All right. Now, you just indicated that --
- 2 you were asked about these gate logs going back to
- 3 '91 to '93. Do you remember that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And from 1991 to 1993, you were not the
- 6 chief of security; is that correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. So it was not your job to review all of the
- 9 gate logs; is that right?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 Q. It was your job to look at the gate logs
- 12 when you came on your shift to see if there was any
- 13 information that you should pick up for use during
- 14 your shift, correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. That would include figuring out who's on the
- 17 property, if there are any special instructions and
- 18 that sort of thing, right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. All right. Did you -- for the purpose of
- 21 testifying here today, did Mr. Sneddon or anybody on
- 22 his staff show you the gate logs from 1991 to 1993?
- 23 A. No.

24 Q. Have you had a chance to review those gate

- 25 logs in recent years?
- 26 A. No.
- 27 Q. All right. Now, you indicated that the only
- 28 entry that you recall with regard to children not 9599
- 1 leaving the ranch was that one entry on February the
- 2 19th?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. And that entry was only for that
- 5 particular day; is that correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. It was not carried forward beyond February
- 3 the 19th?
 - 9 A. Correct. No.
 - 10 Q. And the entry -- that was the first entry,
 - 11 so it obviously didn't precede the 19th, correct?
 - 12 A. Correct.
 - 13 Q. You indicated that one of the reasons was --
 - 14 that that -- let me withdraw that.
 - 15 You indicated that one of the reasons that
 - 16 the notation was in the log, you believed, was
 - 17 because of the kids driving the adult vehicles,
 - 18 correct, the Navigator and the Astro van and so on?
 - 19 A. Correct.

- 20 Q. Was it also -- were there any other factors
- 21 related to that entry that you're aware of?
- 22 A. Well, the children were there unsupervised

- 23 as well, so --
- 24 Q. Okay. So there wasn't a parent there, or
- 25 somebody like Chris Tucker, to make the call as to
- 26 whether or not they should leave and who they should
- 27 leave with; is that correct?
- 28 A. Correct. 9600
- 1 Q. Do you recall if Hamid Moslehi was on the
- 2 property at that time?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Was he?
- 5 A. I'm sorry?
- 6 Q. Was he?
- 7 A. Yes, he was.
- 8 Q. All right. And did he leave that day?
- 9 A. I believe he did. There was an entry above
- 10 that that said that he was there.
- 11 MR. SNEDDON: Well, I'll object as lack of
- 12 foundation. No personal knowledge.
- 13 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 14 MR. SANGER: I think the answer is in.
- 15 THE COURT: The answer is in.
- 16 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Do you have a personal
- 17 recollection of him being there around that time?
- 18 A. Yes.

- 19 Q. Okay. Do you know if he left later that day
- 20 with the children, with the Arvizo children?

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- 21 A. I don't know.
- 22 Q. All right. But if you wanted to find out,
- 23 you would probably be able to look in the log and
- 24 determine whether that's the case or not; is that
- 25 correct?
- 26 A. Sure.
- 27 Q. And generally if somebody leaves the ranch
- 28 at the exact same minute, if there are a group of 9601
- 1 people or a number of people who leave at the exact
- 2 same minute, it generally means they're in the same
- 3 vehicle; is that correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now, I think you were asked -- and I may be
- 6 wrong about this. I think you were asked if Wade
- 7 Robson and Brett Barnes had behavior problems. Let
- 8 me ask you, did they?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Were they polite? Impolite? How would you
- 11 characterize them as kids?
- 12 A. They were very kind and considerate.
- 13 Q. Okay. Did they ever, to your knowledge, get
- 14 into an adult vehicle and start driving around
- 15 without permission?
- 16 A. No.

- 17 Q. Okay. Going back towards the beginning of
- 18 your cross-examination, Mr. Sneddon asked you about

- 19 Frank Cascio. Do you recall?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And he asked you if Frank Cascio started
- 22 using a different name, that is, Tyson, at some
- 23 point; do you recall?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Did, in fact, the entire Cascio family start
- 26 using a different last name?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. Did they all ask to be called "Tyson" 9602
- 1 instead of "Cascio"?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Did you honor that request?
- 4 A. When I could remember.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, with regard to Frank
 - 6 Cascio/Tyson, you were asked whether or not he was a
- 7 close, trusted friend of Mr. Jackson, I think,
- 8 something to that effect. Do you recall that?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Did Frank Cascio -- did his relationship
- 11 with Mr. Jackson have difficulties at one point?
- 12 MR. SNEDDON: Object; lack of foundation.
- 13 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 14 MR. SNEDDON: And vague.
- 15 MR. SANGER: Okay.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained as to foundation.

- 17 MR. SANGER: All right.
- 18 Q. You had indicated that Frank Cascio was a
- 19 close, trusted friend of Mr. Jackson --
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. -- correct?
- 22 Was that consistently true, or was there any
- 23 change in that relationship from time to time?
- 24 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Calls for a
- 2) conclusion; lack of foundation.
- 26 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 27 You may answer.
- 28 THE WITNESS: Yes, it did change on 9603
- 1 occasion.
- 2 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Was there a time when Mr.
- 3 Cascio threw a big party?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. And did that result in the depletion of
 - 6 ranch resources?
 - 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Did that cause a problem between Mr.
 - 9 Cascio and Mr. Jackson?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. You were asked about the key to the wine
- 12 cellar, and the part that I'd like to get to is how
- 13 many keys were there to the wine cellar, to your
- 14 knowledge?

- 15 A. To my knowledge, there were a set of keys in
- 16 the house for the housekeeping staff, a set of keys
- 17 in the security office.
- 18 Q. Did somebody walk around with those keys, a
- 19 security officer walk around with the keys, or were
- 20 they there at the office to be retrieved?
- 21 A. They're on a key ring and they're kept with
- 22 the supervisor.
- 2 Q. Okay. And when you say "security office,"
- 24 are we talking about the office that's adjacent to
- 25 the garage and the video library?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. So obviously, if somebody had to use it,
- 28 they'd take the key ring and they go use it, right? 9604
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Are they supposed to put it back?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Does that always happen?
- 5 A. No, not always. It stays on them sometimes.
- 6 Q. There was a question -- I think the question
- 7 was about opening the wine cellar. Maybe I'm wrong
- 8 about that. But in any event, at the time of the
- 9 search, did you have the keys for the wine cellar?
- 10 A. Not on me.

- 11 Q. Okay. And the officers who wanted to search
- 12 asked to have the key for the wine cellar; is that

- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And did you retrieve the security keys or
- 16 the housekeeping's keys?
- 17 A. I don't recall at the time. But I may
- 18 have -- I was talking with the housekeepers. I was
- 19 actually in the house at the time. So to quickly
- 20 retrieve the keys, I may have grabbed the keys from
- them or asked for them from the housekeeper.
- 22 Q. So that -- at that time, to your knowledge,
- 23 there was a set of keys for the security staff?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. All right. And that included the key to the
- 26 wine cellar; is that correct?
- 27 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 28 Q. Now, there was some questions about -- there 9605
- 1 were questions about the door to Mr. Jackson's
- 2 private area, sometimes called his bedroom or
- 3 bedroom suite, that area, all right? And you said
- 4 something about them being locked from the inside.
- 5 Do you recall that?
- 6 A. Mr. Sneddon asked a question.
- 7 Q. All right. Is it possible to open that door
- 8 from the outside?

- 9 A. With a key, yes, I imagine so.
- 10 Q. Okay. Was there a keypad, an electronic

- 11 keypad there?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And did certain people have the combination
- 14 to that keypad other than Mr. Jackson?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Who would have had that?
- 17 A. Whoever was cleaning his room at the time.
- 18 Certain guests. And certain house staff.
- 1) Q. All right. Did security have the keypad
- 20 number to his private quarters?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Did security have the keypad numbers to
- 23 other doors in the house?
- 24 A. Back door only.
- 25 Q. How about the front door?
- 26 A. No.
 - 27 Q. So if security needed to get inside the
 - 28 house, they would have to go through -- without a 9606
- 1 key, they'd have to go through the back door?
- 2 A. Yes.
 - 3 Q. That's the door most people use anyway to
 - 4 come in and out of that house; is that right?
 - 5 A. Yes.

- 6 Q. If you're visiting formally, you're an
- 7 invited guest, you come through the front door, I
- 8 take it, correct?

- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. At least when you arrive, right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And thereafter, if you're staying overnight,
- 13 you probably just go through the back door, right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. Now, is there also a key, as opposed to a
- 16 keypad, is there a key to unlock the back door?
- 1 ' A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And security had one of those?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And is it a different key or the same key to
- 21 unlock the front door?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Did security have one of those?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And security did not have, to your
- 26 knowledge, the keypad number or the key for Mr.
- 27 Jackson's room?
- 28 A. No, we did not. 9607
- 1 Q. Now, you had the key to go into the back
- 2 patio; is that right?
- 3 A. It's only locked. There's just a lock, not
- 4 a keypad.
- 5 Q. Okay. But a key?
- 6 A. A key, yes.

- $7\ \mbox{Q.}$ So did security have a key to go through the
- 8 patio?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. All right. So you could get in -- if you
- 11 needed to get in through the patio, you could go in
- 12 through that way; is that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Did you have a key to the back door to Mr.
- 1 Jackson's suite?
- 16 A. I don't believe we did.
- 17 Q. You never had occasion to try it, in any
- 18 event; is that correct?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Now, you were asked whether or not you were
- 21 put in the position of being the bad guys sometimes;
- 22 is that right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Could you explain what you mean by that?
- 25 A. Well, our position is to make sure that the
- 26 quests are being in a safe position, they're not
- 27 being jeopardized. Mr. Jackson is the host. And
- 28 it's his position to be gracious and accommodating. 9608
- 1 That was our job. "Bad guys" is more of a -- "bad
- 2 guys." Not that we were bad, but it was part of our
- 3 job, and we did it, and we did it consistently. And
- 4 that's what we did.

- 5 Q. All right. So, are you complaining about
- 6 being put in that position?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Okay. I kept interrupting. You're getting
- 9 a drink of water, so I waited there for a moment.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. In other words, that was part of your
- 12 function was to be the ones that would draw the line
- 1) on some of the safety issues, particularly with
- 14 regard to the equipment; is that right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Sometimes people want to ride Mr. Jackson's
- 17 Harley?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And are there times when you'd have to be
- 20 the bad guy with regard to that?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And you'd do that graciously as well?
- 23 A. Yes.

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- 24 MR. SANGER: Okay. Now, I've noticed Mr.
- 25 Sneddon is using the exhibit. I don't object to
- 26 that, but I'm going to use it in just a minute,
- 27 so -- okay. Thank you.
- 28 May I ask leave of the Court to approach the 9609
- 1 witness with the exhibit, or with the book, and it
- 2 includes Exhibit 335, if I may?

- 3 THE COURT: Yes.
- 4 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
- 5 There's some water spilled there so --
- 6 people do that all the time.
- 7 MR. SNEDDON: Counsel, what's the date?
- 8 Just give me the date.
- 9 MR. SANGER: Just one second. I'm going to
- 10 start with March the 6th.
- 1 MR. SNEDDON: Thank you.
- 12 MR. SANGER: And page 00194 of Exhibit 335.
- 13 Q. And, Miss Silva, you might want to pull that
- 14 closer to you, whatever is comfortable for you to
- \mathbb{I}_{5} read, because I'm going to ask you to go through the
- 16 logs from February the 6th, 2003, through March the
- 17 12th, 2003, and tell us, if you would, whether or
- 18 not you're on the property each day and what your
- 19 hours were.
- 20 A. From February 6th --
- 21 MR. SNEDDON: Your Honor, I'm going to
- 22 object. The document speaks for itself. It's in
- 23 evidence. Best evidence rule.
- 24 MR. SANGER: Well, the best evidence rule --
- 25 anyway, I won't argue.
- 26 THE COURT: Overruled.

- 27 THE WITNESS: On this day of March 6th of
- 28 2003, I was already on the property. We -- I was 9610

- 1 carried over from the previous day, and so I got off
- 2 my shift at 6:30 a.m.
- 3 Q. BY MR. SANGER: You know what I really meant
- 4 to do, now that I've said that out loud, is I meant
- 5 to go back to February.
- 6 A. Oh, okay.
- 7 Q. That was the problem.
- 8 What I'd like to do is just get an idea of
- 9 what your hours were during that time. You
- 10 indicated on cross-examination that you could look
- 11 at the logs and talk about what hours you were
- 12 there. And I believe you said you thought you were
- 13 there late from time to time. So if you can give us
- 14 just a quick idea as you look through the logs --
- 15 you can do it day by day for a while, but give us a
- 16 quick idea of what your general working days were
- 17 like at that time.
- 18 A. On February 7th, 2003, I was carried over
- 19 from the previous shift and went off duty at 0152
- 20 hours.
- 21 Q. So that meant you were there the night of
- 22 February 6th, and you were there past midnight and
- 23 then you went home; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.

- 25 Q. Okay. All right.
- 26 A. February 13th, 2003, I was carried over from
- 27 the previous shift and was signed out at 7 a.m.

- 28 Q. So if you look back to the 12th, give us an 9611
- 1 idea of when you started.
- 2 A. I started at 1500 hours, which is three
- 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
- 4 Q. So you went all night till the next morning?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. All right. Go ahead.
- 7 A. On the 15th, I was carried over from the
- 8 previous day and continued to work and carried over
- 9 again, and I left my shift at 2125, which is 9 p.m.
- 10 Q. Okay. Well, just for the fun of it, go back
- 11 to the day before. Don't move your hand. Go back
- 12 to the day before, when you were carried over, and
- 13 see when you started the day before.
- 14 A. I came in at 4 p.m.
- 15 Q. So 4 p.m., the whole night, the whole next
- 16 day, and didn't leave until the day after that; is
- 17 that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Now, as Mr. Sneddon said, the records speak
- 20 for themselves. So if somebody wanted to go
- 21 through, they could figure out exactly when you were
- 22 there; is that right?
- 23 A. Yes.

- 24 Q. But it's safe to say that you worked many
- 25 evenings and many nights; is that correct?

- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. You were asked if you could remember
- 28 specific occasions that Mr. Jackson was together 9612
- 1 with the Arvizo children. Do you recall that?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you said you can't recall specifically.
- 4 I think you recalled one dinner at the teepee; is
- 5 that right?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And was that -- how many people were at that
- 8 dinner; do you know?
- 3 A. There were other people there. Exactly how
- 10 many and who was there, I can't recall.
- 11 Q. Okay. Other than that one dinner with a
- 12 number of people, and the Arvizos being amongst
- 13 them, you say you don't have any other specific
- 14 recollection during that time period in 2003 of what
- 15 Mr. Jackson was doing, if anything, with the Arvizo
- 16 kids?

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- 17 A. I don't recall ever seeing them together
- 18 during that time frame.
- 19 Q. Okay. So if they were together, you just
- 20 didn't see them; is that safe to say?
- 21 A. I didn't see them.
- 22 Q. Okay. Were there times during the February
- 23 or March period where the Arvizo children were

- 24 staying -- the Arvizo boys were staying in the guest
- 25 unit?
- 26 A. They were assigned a guest unit, yes.
- 27 Q. So you didn't go to check to make sure they
- 28 were in there? 9613
- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. And this incident with the Coultry
- 3 brothers -- how do you say that?
- 4 A. I don't know.
- 5 Q. However you say the brothers' names, the
- 6 incident you talked about where somebody egged your
- 7 car, first of all, you don't know if they did it,
- 8 right?
 - 9 A. I didn't see them do it.
- 10 Q. And secondly, that did not occur at a time
- 11 when the Arvizos were on the ranch; is that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 MR. SANGER: Okay. No further questions.
- 14
- 15 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MR. SNEDDON:
- 17 Q. Just a couple of questions. It won't be
- 18 long.

- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Do you recall describing the atmosphere at
- 21 the ranch with regard to children as being one that

- 22 you, as a mother, would not allow your children to
- 23 participate in?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 MR. SANGER: Objection; calls for hearsay.
- 26 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 27 MR. SNEDDON: I'm asking about her
- 28 statement. 9614
- 1 THE COURT: That's sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: Based upon what you saw at
- 3 the ranch and your observations as a security
- 4 officer during the period of time from 1991 to 2003,
- $^{-5}$ did you form an opinion with regard to whether you
- 6 would ever allow your children to participate in the
- 7 activities at the ranch as you saw them?
- 8 A. As a security officer, no.
 - 9 Q. As a mother?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And that opinion is that you would not;
- 12 isn't that correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Now, you said that the entire Cascio family
- 15 chose to have themselves referred to as "Tyson"?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Did I understand you correctly?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And when the Cascio -- when was that

- 20 decision made, to your knowledge?
- 21 A. I can't recall at this time.
- 22 Q. Was it a decision that was made during
- 23 February and March of 2003, or after?
- 24 A. I believe it was around that time.
- 25 Q. Do you -- in reviewing those logs for Mr.
- 26 Sanger, do you see any occasion in those logs, from
- 27 February 7th through March the 12th, where any
 - member of the Cascio family is referred to as 9615
- 1 "Tyson," other than Frank?
- 2 A. I would have to go through each page.
- 3 Q. Do you want to do that?
- 4 A. Sure.
 - 5 Q. Go ahead.
 - 6 A. What were the dates?
 - 7 Q. From February the 7th until March the 12th.
- 8 A. I have one entry here.
- 9 Q. What's the date on that entry?
- 10 A. The date of entry is February 28th, 2003.
- 11 Q. And the name?
- 12 A. There's an entry in the "Directive" part of
- 13 our log.
- 14 Q. And the name?
- 15 A. "Tyson." "Cascio family will go by Tyson
- 16 family."

17 Q. That's on the 28th?

- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. The family wasn't on the ranch that day, was
- 20 it?
- 21 A. The gate log shows they were on property.
- 22 Q. They're not listed by "Tyson" on the log,
- 23 are they?
- 24 A. No, they're carried over from the previous
- 25 day. The gate entry log was at 1700 hours. They
- 25 left property at 1917.
- 27 Q. And the first date where Frank Cascio's name
- 28 is transferred to "Tyson" is on March 1st; isn't 9616
- 1 that correct?
- 2 A. Continue looking?
- 3 Q. Go ahead and check it.
- 4 A. Thank you.
 - 5 That's correct.
 - 6 Q. Up to that time, it had been "Cascio" all
- 7 the way?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Are you familiar with a person by the name
 - 10 of Vinnie Amen?
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. And he was at the ranch about the same time
 - 13 as Mr. Tyson during February and March, correct?
 - 14 A. Yes.

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15 Q. And do you have any idea why Mr. Amen's name

20 THE COURT: Objection sustained. 21 Q. BY MR. SNEDDON: So your testimony is, then, 22 that with regard to security, and you being the 23 chief of security at the ranch, that you took 2 greater precautions with regard to the key to the 25 wine cellar than you did the keys to the cars? 26 MR. SANGER: I'm going to object. That's 27 argumentative. 28 THE COURT: Sustained. 9617 1 MR. SNEDDON: No further questions. 3 FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION 4 BY MR. SANGER: 5 Q. Don't book put the book away. 6 A. Okay. 7 Q. The book is open. 8 Let's just be clear. I think this is clear, 9 but it is -- February 28th, 2003, that is the actual 10 date when the directive came out to refer to the 11 entire Cascio family by the last -- as "Tyson"? 12 A. Yes. 13 Q. That wasn't English. Let me try that again.

17 March 1st?

16 was changed from "Vinnie Amen" to "Vinnie Black" on

18 MR. SANGER: Beyond the scope of redirect.

19 MR. SNEDDON: Counsel opened the logs up.

- 14 It was February 28th, 2003, that the
- 15 directive came out that the entire Cascio family
- 16 should be referred to as "Tyson"; is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes. February 28th.
- 18 Q. And so as far as you're concerned, when
- 19 people remembered it, that's what they were supposed
- 20 to do; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- $2\,$ Q. And if somebody came through the gate and
- 23 was logged in as a "Cascio" instead of a "Tyson,"
- 24 would that necessarily mean that someone was
- 25 disobeying the directive?
- 26 A. No.
- 27 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Calls for a
- 28 conclusion; speculation. 9618
- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 MR. SANGER: Okay.
- 3 Q. Was this a preference that was -- let me
- 4 withdraw that.
- 5 Who informed you that that was supposed to
- 6 be the case, that as of February 28th, the Cascio
- 7 family should be referred to as "Tyson"?
- 8 A. The gate log shows that it was per Joe
- 9 Marcus.

- 10 Q. So you did not talk to Joe Marcus about
- 11 that; is that correct?

- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. And you saw it in the gate log along with
- 14 other security staff; is that correct?
- 15 A. Right. Or I was briefed by a supervisor
- 16 about it.
- 17 Q. Okay. As far as you know, did the staff
- 18 make an effort to comply with that request?
- 19 MR. SNEDDON: Object. Speculation;
- 2 conclusion.
- 21 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 22 Q. BY MR. SANGER: As the head of security, was
- 23 it brought to your attention that anybody was
- 24 deliberately disobeying that instruction?
- 25 A. No.
- 26 Q. And do you know -- beyond it coming from Joe
- 27 Marcus, do you have any information as to who made
- 28 the request? 9619
- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. All right. You indicated --
- 3 Your Honor, this may reopen slightly, but
- 4 let me ask this question and see how far we get.
- 5 As you were going through the gate logs just
- 6 now, did you come across the entry where the golf
- 7 carts were taken away from both Shane Brando and
- 8 Gavin Arvizo?

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9 A. I must -- I don't recall the date, but I'm

- 10 sure it's in here.
- 11 Q. Did you see it as you were flipping through
- 12 this time?
- 13 A. No, I don't believe I saw it in there.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- 15 A. I didn't grab the page and see it, but --
- 16 Q. You weren't looking for it. All right. I
- 17 won't ask you to go back through it. It's either in
- 1 there or it isn't.
- 19 Let me ask you, you indicated that you would
- 20 have a concern as a mother about having your child
- 21 stay at the ranch; is that right?
- 22 A. Not concern for them saying there, but
- 23 perhaps some of the activity was beyond my comfort
- 24 level.
- 25 Q. Okay. Now, you've -- without going into
- 26 details about your private life, but you have
- 27 children, right?
- 28 A. Yes, I have two daughters. 9620
- 1 Q. Okay. You have grandchildren?
 - 2 A. Yes, twins.
 - 3 Q. Would -- did you ever bring your family
 - 4 members to Family Day?
 - 5 A. Yes.
 - 6 Q. So your daughters as well?
 - 7 A. Yes.

11 Q. Your concern was from your own personal 12 standpoint as a mother, that you would not want to 13 bring your children there on a regular basis; is 14 that right? 15 A. On a regular basis, no. 1) MR. SANGER: All right. That's fine. Okay. 17 I have no further questions. 18 MR. SNEDDON: Nothing further. 19 THE COURT: Thank you. You may step down. 20 Call your next witness. 21 MR. SANGER: The next witness will be Ramon 22 Velasco. 23 And Mr. Velasco is going to be assisted by 24 the Spanish language interpreter, the court 25 interpreter. 26 THE COURT: When you get to the witness 27 stand, please raise your right hand and face the 28 clerk. 9621 1 NWW/ 2 RAMON VELASCO 3 Having been sworn, testified as follows: 5 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do swear.

8 Q. So they've been there and they've played at

9 the ranch and had fun on Family Day, correct?

10 A. Yes.

- 6 THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
 7 spell your name for the record.
 8 THE WITNESS: Ramon Velasco.
- 9 THE INTERPRETER: May I spell, Your Honor?
- 10 THE COURT: Yes.
- 11 THE INTERPRETER: R-a-m-o-n; V-e-l-a-s-c-o.
- 12 THE CLERK: Thank you.

- 1 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MR. SANGER:
- 16 Q. Okay. Mr. Velasco, you asked to be assisted
- 17 by a Spanish language interpreter in court; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes, correct.
- 20 Q. Thank you. And we respect that choice.
- 21 You do speak English to a certain extent, is
 - 22 that correct, sir?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Spanish is your first language?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And you feel more comfortable speaking in
- 27 Spanish than in English; is that correct?
- 28 A. Yes. 9622
- 1 Q. Now, let me ask you if you know the
- 2 gentleman seated right here.
- 3 A. Yes, I do know him.

- 4 Q. Who is that?
- 5 A. Mr. Michael Jackson.
- 6 Q. Okay. And have you worked for Mr. Jackson
- 7 at Neverland Ranch?
- 8 A. Yes, I did work.
- 9 Q. And when did you go to work at Neverland
- 10 Ranch?
- 11 A. I started in the year 1989. And I stopped
- 1 around 1999.
- 13 Q. Did you work continuously during that period
- 14 of time?
- 15 A. Not the whole time.
- 16 Q. Did you take any breaks from working there?
- 17 A. Well, I injured my back, and I was operated
- 18 on.
- 19 Q. All right.
 - 20 A. And I was given the opportunity to return
- 21 again.
- 22 Q. All right. So you were off for a period of
- 23 time with a back injury?
- 24 A. Yes, correct.
- 25 Q. When was that?
- 26 A. 1991.

- 27 Q. How long were you off?
- 28 A. About eight months. 9623
- 1 Q. All right. So other than that eight-month

- 2 period, you've been a regular employee at the ranch?
- 3 A. Yes, of course.
- 4 Q. And what was your first job assignment when
- 5 you went to work at the ranch?
- 6 A. Taking care that the game would not eat the
- 7 flowers.
- 8 Q. Okay. Did you win or did the game win?
- 9 A. The deer; the deer won.
- 1) Q. Okay. So you worked as a gardener for a
- 11 period of time?
- 12 A. Yes, of course.
- 13 Q. About how long was that?
- 14 A. I cannot recall exactly.
- 15 Q. Was it a matter of months or years?
- 16 A. Several years.
- 17 Q. All right. And then after doing -- or
- 18 working in -- working as a gardener, did you take on
- 19 another job?
- 20 A. Yes.

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- 21 Q. And what was that?
- 22 A. Assisting the cook to -- by washing dishes.
- 23 Q. All right.
- 24 A. And other things.
- 25 Q. Okay. And how long did you do that?
- 26 A. Several years.
- 27 Q. And you left employment at the ranch in
- 28 1999, correct? 9624

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. What was your job at the time you left
- 3 employment?
- 4 A. I worked full time in the kitchen.
- 5 Q. All right. And you assisted the cook?
- 6 A. No, at that time I was the one in charge.
- 7 Q. Oh, you were the cook. I'm sorry.
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Now, when you were -- when you were
- 10 working as the cook -- first of all, you were
- 11 working as the assistant to the cook and then as
- 12 the cook. Did you work in the kitchen in the main
- 13 house?
- 14 A. Yes, the whole house.
- 15 Q. And when did you first start working in the
- 16 house?
- 17 A. I cannot recall exactly.
- 18 Q. Was it after your -- after you came back
- 19 from your back injury?
- 20 A. Yes, correct.
- 21 Q. Okay. Do you recall how long after your
- 22 back injury?
- 23 A. Could you please repeat that question?
- 24 Q. That's fine.

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- 25 Do you recall how long it was after you
- 26 returned to work from your back injury that you came

- 27 to work in the house?
- 28 A. Right after my operation, it was almost 9625
- 1 immediately after. It was part time. Oh, partly
- 2 outside, partly inside.
- 3 Q. So you started working partly inside in
- 4 1991, then?
- 5 A. Both places.
- 6 Q. And then when did you start working full
- 7 time inside?
- 8 A. Really, I cannot recall. I wasn't in one
- 9 place or the other.
- 10 Q. All right. Now, at the time you left, you
- 11 were working full time inside; is that right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, do you have a nephew?
 - 14 A. Yes, of course.
- 15 Q. And is your nephew also -- did your nephew
- 16 also work at the ranch?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Is that Carlos?
- 19 A. Yes, correct.
- 20 Q. Full name is Carlos Velasco?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. First of all, let me ask you about Jason
- 23 Francia. Do you remember Jason Francia?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.

- 25 Q. Did your nephew spend time with Jason
- 26 Francia?
- 27 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 28 THE COURT: Sustained. 9626
- 1 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. Did you see your
- 2 nephew spend time with Jason Francia?
- 3 A. No, I do not recall that.
- 4 Q. Okay. Do you know if your nephew went to
- 5 school in the early '90s?
- 6 A. I do know that he did at that time, but I
- 7 don't know the exact year.
- 3 Q. And your nephew Carlos went to school in
- 9 Santa Maria?
- 10 A. Yes, of course.
- 11 Q. Do you know if he went to the same school as
 - 12 Jason Francia?
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 14 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 15 MR. SANGER: All right.
- 16 Q. Now, did you know Blanca Francia?
- 17 A. Yes, I do.

- 18 Q. And who is Blanca Francia?
- 19 A. What is it, the response that you're
- 20 seeking? If I know her as a friend or --
- 21 Q. Okay. I forgot what I asked, the exact
- 22 words. But in any event, did Blanca Francia work at

- 23 the ranch?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. All right. And what was her job when you
- 26 first met her?
- 27 A. She would clean Michael's room.
- 28 Q. All right. When you first met her, did you -- 9627
- 1 did you get along with her?
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 3 MR. SANGER: Foundation.
- 4 THE COURT: All right. Overruled.
- 5 THE WITNESS: What was the question?
- 5 Q. BY MR. SANGER: When you first met with her,
- 7 did you get along with her?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. At some point, did you have occasion
- 10 to change your opinion of Blanca Francia?
- 11 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 12 MR. SANGER: Let me just withdraw it, then.
- 13 I'll make it easier, okay? If I may.
- 14 THE COURT: All right.
- 15 Q. BY MR. SANGER: At some point did you notice
- 16 that Blanca Francia's behavior with other employees
- 17 was impolite?
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Leading and
- 19 relevancy.
- 20 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 21 MR. SANGER: On?
- 22 THE COURT: Both.
- 23 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you -- well, did you see
- 24 Blanca Francia have encounters with other employees
- 25 at the ranch?
- 26 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Ambiguous and
- 27 relevancy.
- 28 THE COURT: Overruled. 9628
- 1 You may answer.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Would you please repeat the
- 3 question?
- 4 MR. SANGER: Could I ask, please?
- 5 THE COURT: Yes.
 - 6 Could it be read back?
- 7 (Record read.)
- 8 THE WITNESS: I did not see it. I heard it.
- 9 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you hear her talk to
- 10 other employees?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. How did she conduct herself with other
- 13 employees?
- 14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Relevancy;
- 15 hearsay; calls for a conclusion.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 MR. SANGER: Dare I ask? All three?
- 18 THE COURT: Well, yeah. I'm not sure where

- 19 you're going, so the foundation and conclusion is a
- 20 valid objection. But maybe if I understood where
- 21 you were going. Do you want to approach on this?
- 22 MR. SANGER: Could we, please?
- 23 (Discussion held off the record at sidebar.)
- 24 Q. BY MR. SANGER: All right. Now, while you
- 25 were working at the ranch, do you know how long
- 26 Blanca Francia was also there at the ranch?
 - eal A. She was there before me. But I don't know
- 28 how many years. 9629
- 1 Q. And she left -- she left long before you
- 2 did, right?
- 3 A. Yes, correct.
- 4 Q. Okay. During the time you were working at
- 5 the ranch, do you know if there was a wine cellar?
 - 6 A. Yes, there was.
- 7 Q. Was the wine cellar kept locked?
- 8 A. Yes, the whole time.
- 9 Q. Were children allowed in the wine cellar
- 10 unaccompanied by Mr. Jackson or an adult or
- 11 somebody; somebody in a position of authority?
- 12 A. Not that I was aware of.
- 13 Q. Where was the key to the wine cellar kept
- 14 during the time you were there?
- 15 A. It was behind the door.

16 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm going to object as to

- 17 relevancy, given his -- the time that he left the
- 18 ranch.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you observe the Robson
- 21 family at the ranch?
- 22 A. I did not personally see them. I was not
- 23 really interested in who the people were. I was
- 24 there to help them.
- 2 Q. Okay. You -- all right. You saw a number
- 26 of families visit the ranch; is that right?
- 27 A. Yes, of course.
- 28 Q. And did you see Mr. Jackson engage in play 9630
- 1 with family members who visited the ranch?
- 2 A. Yes, of course.
- 3 Q. Did you see water balloon fights, for
 - 4 instance?
 - 5 A. Yes. Several times.
 - 6 Q. And during the time from -- well, let me
 - 7 withdraw that.
- 8 During the entire time that you were
- 9 there -- let me withdraw that.
- 10 Did you ever see Mr. Jackson do anything
- 11 inappropriate with any child?
- 12 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
- 13 THE COURT: Overruled.

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14 THE WITNESS: Never. No, never.

- 15 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Foundation.
- 16 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you see whether or not
- 17 Mr. Jackson -- let me withdraw that.
- 18 During the time you were working in the
- 19 kitchen in particular, as an assistant and then as a
- 20 chef, did Mr. Jackson have high standards for the
- 21 food that you prepared?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Well, how did he want his
- 25 guests to be treated, as far as you were concerned?
- 26 A. The best.
- 27 Q. Did Mr. Jackson himself complain about, for
- 28 instance, food that he was served personally? 9631
- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did Mr. Jackson ever
- 4 complain to you that the food that was being served
- 5 to the children was not -- to the children or the
- 6 adult guests was not adequate?
- 7 A. Yes, sometimes.
- 8 Q. Did you feel that he was complaining
- 9 unreasonably?

- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevance.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 12 THE WITNESS: They were reasonable.

- 13 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. And now if I may ask
- 14 that other question. Did Mr. Jackson ever complain
- 15 about the food that was served to himself?
- 16 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevance.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 18 THE WITNESS: No, never.
- 19 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Now, yesterday at almost
- 20 8:00 at night, were you contacted by someone who
- 2 indicated that they were a member of the sheriff's
- 22 department?
- 23 A. Yes. There were two persons.
- 24 Q. Was this by telephone or in person?
- 25 A. By telephone.
- 26 Q. What were you doing when you were called?
- 27 A. I was working in my home.
- 28 Q. Where were you working in your home? 9632
 - 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
 - 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
 - 3 MR. SANGER: Okay. All right. I have no
- 4 questions.

- 5 THE COURT: We'll take our break.
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay.
- 7 (Recess taken.)
- 8 THE COURT: Counsel?
- 9 MR. SANGER: I have no further questions.
- 10 THE COURT: All right.

- 12 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS:
- 14 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Velasco.
- 15 A. Good afternoon.
- 16 Q. You mentioned that you saw nothing
- 17 inappropriate between Mr. Jackson and young boys; is
- 18 that correct?
- 1) A. Correct.
- 20 Q. Are you aware that he had unrelated young
- 21 boys sleep with him alone in his room?
- 22 MR. SANGER: Objection. Beyond the scope;
- 23 calls for speculation, without foundation.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 25 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Do you think it is
- 26 appropriate for young boys to sleep in a man's bed
- 27 when they are unrelated to him and he is an adult?
- 28 MR. SANGER: Objection -- sorry. Objection. 9633
- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Mr. Velasco, did you
- 3 ever see -- well, let me back up. Were you
- 4 permitted to go into Mr. Jackson's room when the
- 5 door was closed?
- 6 A. I don't recall.
- 7 Q. Were you permitted to go into Mr. Jackson's
- 8 room anytime you wished?

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9 A. No.
           10 Q. So can I safely say that you were not aware
           11 of what Mr. Jackson did in his room when the door
           12 was closed and he was in there with somebody?
           13 A. Yes, of course.
           14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: All right. Thank you. No
           15 further questions.
           16 MR. SANGER: No further questions.
           1' THE COURT: All right. Thank you. You may
           18 step down.
           19 Call your next witness.
           20 MR. SANGER: Yes, sir. The defense will
          21 call Joe Marcus.
          22 THE COURT: Please remain standing, face the
           23 clerk and raise your right hand.
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           25 JOSEPH MARCUS
           26 Having been sworn, testified as follows:
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           28 THE WITNESS: I do. 9634
           1 THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
           2 spell your name for the record.
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           3 THE WITNESS: Joseph Marcus. J-o-s-e-p-h;
           4 M-a-r-c-u-s.
           5 THE CLERK: Thank you.
           6 MR. SANGER: Okay. Excuse me one second,
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- 7 Your Honor.
- 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 10 BY MR. SANGER:
- 11 Q. Mr. Marcus, how are you?
- 12 A. Very well, thank you.
- 13 Q. All right. What is your current employment?
- 14 A. Currently employed at Neverland Valley Ranch
- 1 as the property manager.
- 16 Q. And when you say "property manager," what
- 17 are your duties?
- 18 A. My duties range from -- maintaining the
- 19 property. There are multiple supervisors that I
- 20 supervise on a daily basis, from the zoo, to the
- 21 amusement park, to the maintenance of the property,
- 22 to the irrigation, just the actual properties.
- 23 Q. All right. And when you say "property
- 24 manager," are you sometimes referred to as the ranch
- 25 manager?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. So you are the -- at the top of the
- 28 organizational chart as far as the ranch is 9635
- 1 concerned; is that correct?
- 2 A. Right under the top, yes.
- 3 Q. Right under. At the very top would be Mr.
- 4 Jackson, I take it?

- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. And you know Mr. Jackson?
- 7 A. I do.
- 8 Q. How long have you known Mr. Jackson?
- 9 A. About 18 years.
- 10 Q. Okay. Now, the ranch that's called
- 11 Neverland Ranch, was it always called Neverland
- 12 Ranch?
- 1 A. No. I believe it was called Sycamore Valley
- 14 Ranch before.
- 15 Q. And who owned the ranch before Mr. Jackson
- 16 did?
- 17 A. A gentleman by the name of Bone. William
- 18 Bone.
- 19 Q. Mr. Bone.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Did you work for Mr. Bone at Sycamore Valley
- 22 Ranch before Mr. Jackson owned the property?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- 24 Q. Did your father work for Sycamore Valley
- 25 Ranch before Mr. Jackson owned the property?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. What was your father's job?
- 28 A. I believe he was the property manager at 9636
- 1 that time.
- 2 Q. So the bailiff is getting up to tell you --

- 3 A. Talk -- oh. I apologize.
- 4 Q. Don't apologize. Every single witness has
- 5 had that problem and the lawyers do from time to
- 6 time. We have to get very close to the microphone
- 7 to be heard.
- 8 Okay. So your father was the ranch manager
- 9 at Sycamore Valley Ranch, is that correct, or for
- 10 Mr. Bone?
 - A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And you worked at the ranch for a period of
- 13 time yourself, Sycamore Valley Ranch, correct?
- 14 A. Very briefly, yes.
- 15 Q. What did you do while you were there?
- 16 A. I worked in maintenance department.
- 17 Q. All right. And after Mr. Jackson bought the
- 18 ranch, did you continue on as an employee?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And what were your job assignments, or your
- 21 job position when Mr. Jackson took over the ranch?
- 22 A. I actually transferred to security.
- 23 Q. Okay. Now, did Mr. Bone have a security
- 24 department?
- 25 A. No.
- 26 Q. He was not a celebrity?
- 27 A. No.

28 Q. What did Mr. Bone do? 9637

- 1 A. I believe he was in land development.
- 2 Q. Okay. Real estate and --
- 3 A. Real estate, yes.
- 4 Q. -- that sort of thing?
- 5 All right. Now, did the main building --
- 6 the main buildings, which would be the residence
- 7 itself, the portion attached to it that now has the
- 8 garage and Mr. Jackson's office in it, the
- 9 guesthouse with the four guest units and the arcade
- 10 building, were those buildings all there when it was
- 11 Sycamore Valley Ranch?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. The lake, was the lake there?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And there were irrigated pastures around the
- 16 main house?
 - 17 A. There were.
- 18 Q. Since Mr. Jackson purchased the property,
- 19 have there been improvements to the property?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Can you tell us what improvements?
- 22 A. The number one main improvement would be the
- 23 trains. There are two trains. There's a steam $\,$
- 24 train as well as a 24-gauge train. There's also an
- 25 amusement park, a zoo, a theater, the train depot.
- 26 There's a teepee area that is also a water fort
- 27 area.

- 28 Q. All right. Was the theater in existence? 9638
- 1 A. No, Mr. Jackson built that.
- 2 Q. All right. So that was another addition?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And at the time that -- let me withdraw
- 5 that. Let me ask you about the trains, because
- 6 we've heard testimony about the trains.
- 7 You said there are two different trains.
- 8 Let's take the smaller one. Can you describe that
- 9 train?
- 10 A. It's a small -- I believe it's on 24-gauge
- 11 tracks. It's three cars that hold approximately
- 12 40 to 50 people, and that's really the description.
- 13 Q. All right. Have you ever been to the zoo in
- 14 the City of Santa Barbara?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Have you seen the train there?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Is it similar to the one --
- 19 A. It is.
- 20 Q. All right. So adults can sit in it, but
- 21 it's a fairly small train?
- 22 A. Exactly.
- 23 Q. And when the engineer sits behind the
- 24 engine, the engineer is -- sits above the engine?
- 25 A. Exactly.

- 26 Q. All right. That train -- the tracks for
- 27 that train go from where to where? Can you tell us?
- 28 A. From the golden gate -- 9639
- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm going to object.
- 2 Relevancy.
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 4 THE WITNESS: From the golden gate to the zoo
- 5 area, throughout the property. It stops in front of
- 6 the theater as well as the amusement park and
- 7 travels all the way back to the zoo and back to the
- 8 main house.
- 9 Q. BY MR. SANGER: So you can do a round trip
- 10 from down near the main house and come back?
- 11 A. Exactly.
- 12 Q. By the way, when you mention the golden
- 13 gates, let me just ask, is that the gate that's
- 14 black with gold on top of it?
- 15 A. It is, the secondary gate.
- 16 Q. The big fancy Neverland gate, right?
- 17 A. Exactly.
- 18 Q. Is that gate locked?
- 19 A. I'm sorry?
- 20 Q. Is that gate locked?
- 21 A. No.

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- 22 Q. If -- if you're driving in a vehicle,
- 23 anywhere from a golf cart, to a car, to an SUV, to a

- 24 truck, is there an automatic trip to open it?
- 25 A. There is.
- 26 Q. So it doesn't require anybody to give
- 27 approval or manually do anything, correct?
- 28 A. The only thing that -- bicycles, it doesn't 9640
- 1 pick up bicycles or motorcycles.
- 2 Q. All right. As far as -- and then there is a
- 3 manual way to open it --
- 4 A. There is.
- 5 Q. -- for a motorcycle.
- 6 And is there a way around the gate if you
- 7 were on foot?
- 8 A. Yes.
 - 9 Q. Or on a bicycle, for that matter?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. So that gate does not effectively lock
- 12 anybody in so they can't get out; is that right?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Now, the main gate is about how far from the
- 15 golden gate?
 - 16 A. It's probably a half -- a quarter to a half
 - 17 a mile.
 - 18 Q. So you go down a road, and you end up down
 - 19 at Figueroa Mountain Road by the main gate, correct?
 - 20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And that gate is operated by the guard, the

- 22 security officer who's posted at the gate; is that
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. That is correct.
- 25 Q. And that's both for coming in and going out,
- 26 the guard will open the gates?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. Adjacent to the gate is what kind of 9641

1 fencing?

- 2 A. It's a three-rail split, split three-rail
- 3 fence.
- 4 Q. Split-rail, kind of rough wood fence?
- 5 A. Right.
 - 6 Q. There's nothing to prevent somebody from
 - 7 going over it or going through the bars?
 - 8 A. No.
 - 9 Q. All right. You were talking about the
 - 10 trains. The other train on the property is what
 - 11 kind of train?
 - 12 A. It's a refurbished steam train locomotive.
 - 13 Q. Was it at one time a working train?
 - 14 A. I believe it was.
 - 15 Q. Okay. And so that's on bigger tracks?
 - 16 A. Yes. 36-gauge.
 - 17 Q. I'm sorry?
 - 18 A. 36-gauge.

19 Q. All right. And those tracks go from where

- 20 to where?
- 21 A. From just adjacent to the main house where
- 22 the train depot is on the hill, to the -- to the zoo
- 23 area also, and then there's a turn-around at both
- 24 ends.
- 25 Q. All right. So instead of doing a loop or a
- 26 round trip, that one you have to do a turn-around?
- 27 A. No, it's a loop at both ends.
 - Q. Oh, it is a loop? 9642
- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. I'm sorry. So you could do a round
- trip by sitting on it and doing a loop back?
- 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. Okay. You mentioned the train depot being
- 6 up on the hill, correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. If you are facing the house from the parking
- 9 lot -- or I shouldn't say "parking lot," but from
- 10 the parking area, the driveway right in front, and
- 11 you're standing facing the front door, what
- 12 direction are you facing? North, east, south or
- 13 west, if you know, or some variation?
- 14 A. East.

- 15 Q. You're facing east?
- 16 A. From the door of the train depot?
- 17 Q. No, I'm sorry, the main house. If you're

- - 18 standing in front of the door --
 - 19 A. Yes.
 - 20 Q. -- you're about to knock on the door okay? -
 - 21 what direction are you pointed?
 - 22 A. North, or northwest is the train depot.
 - 23 Q. Okay. You're facing the house, you're
 - 24 facing north?
 - 25 A. North.
 - 2 Q. Facing north. So the train depot --
 - 27 A. Is west.
 - 28 Q. -- is west. That's to your left, okay. 9643
 - I So the train depot -- what's in the train
 - 2 depot?
 - 3 A. There's artwork, pictures of trains.
 - 4 Small-scale trains. There's some Disney characters.
 - 5 Some of the old -- there's an old violin. There's
 - 6 also just a lot of different neat little artwork for
 - 7 people to look at.
 - 8 Q. All right. I was going to say this is
 - 9 someplace where visitors are often taken or allowed
 - 10 to go --
 - 11 A. Yes.
 - 12 Q. -- to see things?
 - 13 A. There's candy and there's video games, and
 - 14 it's a working train depot.
 - 15 Q. All right. So it -- it looks almost like a

- 16 museum inside, wouldn't you say?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. You have been there at the ranch when large
- 19 numbers of children, and adults for that matter,
- 20 have been invited to come in groups; is that
- 21 correct?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 2 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 25 Q. BY MR. SANGER: And when that occurs, are
- 26 the -- are the children, and the adults for that
- 27 matter, permitted to go to the train station?
- 28 A. They are. 9644
- 1 Q. Is that an area that gets a lot of attention
- 2 from the kids?
 - 3 A. It does. It's -- yes.
 - 4 Q. All right. And the kids usually are allowed
 - 5 to ride on the train as well; is that correct?
 - 6 A. Yes.

- 7 Q. All right. You mentioned that Mr. Jackson
 - 8 also added the amusement park, correct?
 - 9 A. Yes.

- 10 Q. And can you describe the amusement park?
- 11 A. It's -- it consists of about 16 rides, from
- 12 small, young children rides all the way up to
- 13 amusement-park-sized rides.

- 14 Q. All right. So it's the sort of amusement
- 15 park you'd see -- it looks like a piece of perhaps
- 16 Disneyland or something; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. All right. So you have the smaller rides,
- 19 you got the rides for the bigger kids and for adults
- 20 and so on?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. All right. And in addition to that, you
- 23 said there's a theater. Where's the theater?
- 24 A. Just adjacent or west of the amusement park.
- 25 Q. And the amusement park and the theater are
- 26 in what direction from the house?
- 27 A. North.
- 28 Q. So you go, from the house, north on a little 9645
- 1 road and it will take you up to the
- 2 theater/amusement park area; is that correct?
- 3 A. Exactly.
- 4 Q. Or you can take one of the other trains to
- 5 get there?

- 6 A. The trains, that's correct.
- 7 Q. About how far is it from the back of the
- 8 house to the main residence; in other words, to the
- 9 theater or the amusement park?
- 10 A. Probably a quarter -- quarter of a mile.
- 11 Q. All right. So did -- Mr. Jackson also added

- 12 a zoo. Can you describe the zoo?
- 13 A. It consists of -- do you want a rundown of
- 14 the animals or just --
- 15 Q. Sure. A general description of the facility
- 16 and the animals that are in it.
- 17 A. Yes. There's a tiger facility. Also an
- 18 elephant facility. A reptile department. A small
- 19 petting zoo for the children, different animals that
- 2) you can actually get up and be hands-on with. And
- 21 two orangutangs. Giraffes. And that's --
- 22 Q. Mr. Bone didn't have any of those there?
- 23 A. No. Just horses.
- 24 There's also horses.
- 25 Q. There are horses?
- 26 A. Correct.
- 27 Q. Are there people who are hired to be the
- 28 handlers or the trainers, caretakers of these 9646
- 1 various animals?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Are the animals -- in your experience,
- 4 without going into a lot of detail unless we need
- 5 to, are the animals well taken care of?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And do you have people, for instance, who
- 8 are specifically there to take care of elephants
- 9 and --

- 10 A. Exactly.
- 11 Q. And as far as horses, you've got people for
- 12 the horses and so on?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. All right. You mentioned the teepee area
- 15 and the water fort. What are those?
- 16 A. They're more of a fun area. The water fort
- 17 is set up with water cannons and water balloon
- 1 launchers. That's mainly for water fights.
- 19 And just adjacent to that or north of that
- 20 is -- there's three teepees with a nice big fire
- 21 ring for maybe just hanging out at in the evening
- 22 time.
- 23 Q. You said a fire ring. You're trailing off
- 24 just a little bit. It's the end of the day, end of
- 25 our day, anyway. You said a fire ring?
- 26 A. Fire ring. In between the three teepees.
- 27 Q. Talking about a place where you can have
- 28 like a campfire? 9647
- 1 A. Exactly.
 - 2 Q. All right. Are there any clocks at
 - 3 Neverland?
 - 4 A. Yes.
 - 5 Q. More than one or two?
 - 6 A. Yes.

7 Q. About how many clocks do you think there are

- 8 at Neverland?
- 9 A. Interior or exterior?
- 10 Q. Let's take exterior first.
- 11 A. Six. Five or six.
- 12 Q. Okay. Let's start with the clock that's on
- 13 the hill just to the west of the guest units.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And we've had a picture of it here in court.
- 1) It looks like it has flowers around it?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you have any idea how big that clock is?
- 19 Anybody ever measure it?
- 20 A. I don't know that off the top of my head.
- 21 Q. In any event, can you see this clock in the
- 22 front of the house?
- 23 A. Yes.
 - 24 Q. Can you see it from where the guest units
 - 25 are?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Okay. And is that clock generally right?
- 28 A. Yes. 9648
 - 1 Q. Okay. It's maintained by somebody in the
 - 2 clock department, I take it?
 - 3 A. Yes.
 - 4 Q. Or somebody in the maintenance department;
 - 5 is that right?

- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. Now, right up on top of the hill next to the
- 8 big flower clock that you can see there is also a
- 9 big clock on a stand, is there not?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And if you're in the area of the train
- 12 station, can you see that clock?
- 13 A. You can.
- 1 Q. The -- down by the little train, that was
- 15 the big train station. Going down to the little
- 16 train station, which is just across the bridge from
- 17 the main house, is there also a clock?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And can you describe that?
- 20 A. It's a two-face -- you can see it from the
- 21 south as well as the north side. There's two faces
- 22 on it. It's a hanging clock, about two feet in
- 23 diameter.
- 24 Q. All right. So it's a big clock?
- 25 A. Yeah, two to three feet.
- 26 Q. Now, let's just take the year 2003, from
- 27 February to March. Were both sides of that clock
- 28 working? 9649
- 1 A. Yes.

- 2 Q. Subsequent to that time, did one side of
- 3 that clock stop working?

- 4 A. It's a possibility. I don't recall.
- 5 Q. Are both sides working now?
- 6 A. I believe so.
- 7 Q. All right. There's also another clock
- 8 directly behind the house; is that right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. It's on like a lamppost?
- 11 A. Right out the back door, yes.
- 1) Q. And is that a big clock?
- 13 A. It's fairly big.
- 14 Q. All right. When you say right outside the
- 15 back door, can you explain where it is with relation
- 16 to the back door of the residence where people might
- 17 go in and out of the kitchen and eating areas?
- 18 A. If you were walking out the back door
- 19 towards the arcade, you would pass it on your left,
- 20 as well as if you were coming from the arcade going
- 21 towards the guest units you would also pass it.
- 22 Q. Pretty much if you go out the back door and
- 23 look over there, you can see it; is that correct?
- 24 A. Yes.

- 25 Q. Then -- did I cover six clocks? I'm not
- 26 sure. Is there another clock I missed?
- 27 A. There's another clock on top of the train
- 28 depot, on the roof. 9650
- 1 Q. Okay. Are there any clocks out at the

- 2 amusement park?
- 3 A. There is, a four-face clock at the amusement
- 4 park.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, other than those outside clocks,
- 6 are there also clocks inside the house?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Are there clocks inside the house in the
- 9 areas where the ranch guests can see them?
- 1) A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Can you tell us, in the area -- the dining
- 12 area where there's a bar, dining bar, and people can
- 13 sit there right adjacent to the kitchen, are there
- 14 any clocks that were visible from that vantage
- 15 point?
- 16 A. I believe there's four that are visible from
- 17 that -- from the bar area.
- 18 Q. Okay. Are there other clocks in the living
- 19 room and other main parts of the house?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. All right. Now, I took you back to -- back
- 22 to before Mr. Jackson bought the property and just
- 23 up to the point that you had gone to work there, or
- 24 switched your employment to Mr. Jackson's company or
- 25 his employment.
- 26 What jobs did you have over the years from
- 27 the time that you started to now that you're ranch
- 28 manager? 9651

- 1 A. I've worked in the maintenance department as
- 2 well as security.
- 3 Q. So tell us about maintenance, to start with,
- 4 briefly. Is that the first job you had was in
- 5 maintenance?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. What did you do?
- 8 A. Maintaining anything from electrical to
- 9 plumbing, lighting, just the whole gauntlet of
- 10 maintaining the property.
- 11 Q. All right. So as ranch manager now, you've
- 12 got a pretty good idea of what it means if you tell
- 13 somebody to go do something, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Probably done it yourself?
- 16 A. Most likely.
- 17 Q. All right. And how long did you do that
- 18 before you went into security?
- 19 A. A couple of years.
- 20 Q. So that would have been about when to when?
- 21 A. '89 to '92 or so. '91 or '92, I believe.
- 22 Q. All right. And then you started in
- 23 security, and what was your position?
- 24 A. Officer.
- 25 Q. And did you work shifts like everybody else?
- 26 A. Yes.

- 27 Q. All right. How long were you an officer in
- 28 security? 9652
- 1 A. Five years.
- 2 Q. Okay. So somewhere in the mid '90s you
- 3 ceased being an officer?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. What did you do after that?
- 6 A. Went back to maintenance. I couldn't stand
- 7 the shifts.
- 8 Q. I couldn't hear you.
- 9 A. I couldn't stand the shifts.
- 10 Q. Okay. So maintenance was a little more
- 11 regular?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. All right. And how long were you in
 - 14 maintenance?
- 15 A. A couple more years.
- 16 Q. And then what did you do?
- 17 A. Then I've been in this position since then.
- 18 Q. So you became ranch manager. And when did
- 19 you become ranch manager?
- 20 A. In 2002.
- 21 Q. All right. Now, based on your experience at
- 22 the ranch, are you familiar with the operations of
- 23 all the different departments?
- 24 A. Yes.

- 25 Q. Do the department heads for all the
- 26 different departments report to you?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. Who makes the daily decisions as to -- let 9653
- 1 me withdraw it and take out the word "daily."
- 2 Who makes the decisions in general as to
- 3 what the policies will be in the various
- 4 departments?
- 5 A. Ultimately it would rest on my shoulders.
- 6 Q. All right. You go to Mr. Jackson and ask
- 7 him to approve the various policies and procedures
- 3 that you're putting into place on the ranch?
- 9 A. Sometimes. It depends on what it is.
- 10 Q. If there's something that particularly
- 11 impacts Mr. Jackson personally, you would do that?
- 12 A. Yes, definitely.
- 13 Q. Otherwise, you have the authority, as ranch
- 14 manager, to make sure that everybody does their job
- 15 and to -- your job is to run things; is that right?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
- 18 MR. SANGER: It was. I'll withdraw it.
- 19 Q. With regard to each one of the departments,
- 20 what is your function as to the particular
- 21 departments?

22 A. Overseeing that the job is completed in a

- 23 timely fashion on a daily basis.
- 24 Q. Do you have meetings?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. Do you have meetings with all the department
- 27 heads sometimes?
- 28 A. Yes. 9654
- 1 Q. And do you have meetings with individual
- 2 department heads from time to time?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. Do you generally deal with the various
- 5 employees at the lower levels of the hierarchy? Do
- $^{-5}$ you deal with them directly or do you tend to deal
- 7 through their chain of command?
- 8 A. A little bit of both.
- 9 Q. All right. So you -- certainly you talk to
 - 10 people, employees?
- 11 A. Definitely.
- 12 Q. All right. Now, you were aware in 1993 that
- 13 there had been a search of the ranch by the Los
- 14 Angeles Police Department; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And there was an investigation by the Los
- 17 Angeles Police Department at that time; is that
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Yes.

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20 Q. And at some point Mr. Sneddon's office and

- 21 the sheriff's department got involved in an
- 22 investigation in the '93 time period; is that right?
- 23 A. I don't recall, but I believe so.
- 24 Q. Okay. You had contact primarily with Los
- 25 Angeles police officers at that time?
- 26 A. I don't recall.
- 27 Q. You were interviewed by police officers,
- 28 either of Los Angeles or Santa Barbara; is that 9655
- 1 correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And did you cooperate with the officers at
- 4 that time?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And at the time, in 1993, that you were
- 7 interviewed by police officers you were still
- 8 working as a security officer at that time; is that
- 9 right?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. So you had given us some approximate dates,
- 12 but does that -- that's within the time period that
- 13 you had been a police -- a security guard, correct?
- 14 A. Yes.

- 15 Q. And at the time you were contacted by law
- 16 enforcement, had you seen anything at the ranch that
- 17 was either inappropriate or illegal?
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.

- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. During the time that
- 21 you were a security guard, you had an opportunity to
- 22 observe activities at the ranch, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And you had gate logs back then, right?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And you had interaction with other security
- 2 guards, correct?
- 28 A. Correct. 9656
- 1 Q. And you had interaction with your
- 2 supervisors?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. If you saw anything illegal, it was your job
- 5 to report it to a supervisor; is that correct?
 - 6 A. Correct.
 - 7 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
 - 8 THE COURT: Overruled.
 - 9 MR. SANGER: The -- the answer was in, Your
- 10 Honor?
 - 11 THE COURT: Yes.
 - 12 MR. SANGER: Okay. Thank you.
 - 13 Q. Did you observe, during the time you were a
 - 14 security guard in the '90s, anything that caused you
 - 15 to report an illegal activity?
 - 16 A. No.

- 17 Q. During the time in the '90s up until the
- 18 time that you were interviewed in 1993 by whatever
- 19 law enforcement agency it was, did you have occasion
- 20 to see Mr. Jackson interact with his guests?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. How often would you see that?
- 23 A. If he was home, probably daily.
- 24 Q. All right.
- 2 A. If he was out and about.
- 26 Q. Other times when Mr. Jackson would be on
- 27 tour, and would not be there; is that correct?
- 28 A. Yes. 9657
- 1 Q. Or he might be staying someplace else for
- 2 some other reason, correct?
- 3 A. That's true.
 - 4 Q. During the, let's say, '92, '93 period, in
 - 5 that general area, how often was Mr. Jackson at the
 - 6 ranch; do you recall?
 - 7 A. I don't recall. I believe he was on tour at
- 8 that point, but I don't -- I'm not 100 percent.
- 9 Q. Did he come back to the ranch from time to
- 10 time during the tour?
- 11 A. Yes.

- 12 Q. And so you had occasion to see him there
- 13 between '92 and '93, correct?
- 14 A. I believe so.

- 15 Q. All right. And you saw him interact with
- 16 guests; is that correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Did you ever see him do anything
- 19 inappropriate with regard to any guests, adults or
- 20 children?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. If you had seen anything inappropriate,
- 2) would you have reported it or taken it up with your
- 24 supervisor?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. Okay. Now, after the -- after that period
- \supseteq 7 of time, you understood there was an investigation,
- 28 and after that period of time you continued to work 9658
- 1 at the ranch, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And eventually when you became the ranch
- 4 manager in 2002, it was part of your job to
- 5 supervise the security and fire department, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
 - 7 Q. You were aware that you had a security
 - 8 officer by the name of Brian Barron; is that right?
 - 9 A. That's correct.
 - 10 Q. Were you aware that he was a sworn peace
 - 11 officer?
 - 12 A. Yes.

- 13 Q. And Violet Silva was the chief of security
- 14 at the time you became ranch manager; is that right?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Okay. And had you known Violet Silva the
- 17 entire time that she had worked there?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Did you have a good working relationship
- 20 with Violet Silva?
- 2 A. I believe so, yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. Did you feel that you had open
- 23 communications both ways; that she could talk to
- 24 you, you could talk to her about any concerns?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. All right. Now, at some point, the Arvizo
- 27 family came to stay at Neverland Ranch; is that
- 28 correct? 9659
- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. And what do you recall about your first
- 3 contact with the Arvizo family?
- 4 A. I believe they were -- my very first contact
 - 5 was when Gavin was ill with cancer.
 - 6 Q. Okay. And who was there at the ranch with
- 7 Gavin?

- 8 A. I believe his mother and his father and his
- 9 two siblings.
- 10 Q. All right. Do you recall having any

- 11 particular interaction with Janet Arvizo?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Do you recall having any particular
- 14 interaction with any of the Arvizos --
- 15 A. On their first.
- 16 Q. -- on the first visit.
- 17 A. No. Just seeing them there. That was it.
- 18 Q. Were the -- did you see Mr. Jackson with the
- 1) Arvizos?
- 20 A. If they were out and about. Possibly.
- 21 Q. All right. Now, after that first visit, did
- 22 you have occasion to see any of the Arvizos again?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And what's your next recollection of the
- 25 Arvizos?
- 26 A. My last recollection?
 - 27 Q. Your next. In other words, when did you see
- 28 them? You don't have to take them one by one. But 9660
- 1 did you see the Arvizos again?
- 2 A. Yes.

- 3 Q. And after the first visit, who came with the
- 4 Arvizo children?
- 5 A. I believe it was just the mother. The
- 6 mother and the children.
- 7 Q. Okay. The next time you recall seeing them,
- 8 the mother was there?

- 9 A. They came with Chris Tucker once or twice.
- 10 Q. Were any parents with them when they came
- 11 with Chris Tucker?
- 12 A. Not always.
- 13 Q. So you recall them being there with Chris
- 14 Tucker, maybe parents. And then do you recall the
- 15 mother being there again before or after the Chris
- 16 Tucker visits?
- 1' A. Before and after.
- 18 Q. All right. Now, at some point -- well,
- 19 let's put it this way. In February and March of
- 20 2003, do you recall the Arvizos being there?
- 21 A. Yes. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And during that time period, do you
- 23 recall who was with the Arvizo children for the most
- 24 part?
- 25 A. Sometimes they were by themselves.
- 26 Sometimes they were with their mother.
- 27 Q. The father wasn't around during this period
- 28 of time? 9661
- 1 A. No.

- 2 Q. During that period of time, did you see
- 3 anything that suggested that the -- any of the
- 4 Arvizos were being held against their will?
- 5 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll object. Foundation.
- 6 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 7 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Okay. During February and
- 8 March of 2003, did you see the Arvizos there on the
- 9 property?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did you see the Arvizo kids out and about on
- 12 the property?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. What did you see Gavin and Star, the two
- 1 boys, doing?
- 16 A. Do you mean besides just out having fun,
- 17 just --
- 18 Q. Let's start with that. Were they out having
- 19 fun?
- 20 A. They appeared to be having fun.
- 21 Q. Did you see them doing anything else besides
- 22 out having fun?
 - 23 A. They were a little destructive at times.
- 24 Q. All right. Did you see at any time during
- 25 February and March 2003, anything that suggested
- 26 that the Arvizo children wanted to leave and were
- 27 not being allowed to leave?
- 28 A. No. 9662
- 1 Q. Okay. They seemed to be happy to be there?
- 2 A. They did.
- 3 Q. You said they were a little destructive.
- 4 Can you give me an example of what you're talking

- 5 about?
- 6 A. Well, they just -- they didn't respect
- 7 property, if you will, from golf carts to -- I know
- 8 that they defaced a few areas on the property, wrote
- 9 some graffiti, if you will, and just not very
- 10 respectful.
- 11 Q. Did you see Janet Arvizo on the property in
- 12 February and March of 2003?
- 1 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Did you see her outside of the buildings
- 15 from time to time?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And what did you see her doing?
- 18 A. She seemed to just be enjoying herself.
- 19 Q. Did you see her talking with other people?
- 20 A. Other people --
- 21 Q. Other -- talking with anybody, I suppose.
- 22 A. Yeah.
- 23 Q. Do you recall in particular any particular
- 24 individuals she was talking with?
- 25 A. With the housekeeping staff or with the
- 26 chefs, Dieter Weizner.
- 27 Q. When you saw her -- I'll come back to that
- 28 in one second. When you saw her talking with the 9663
- 1 chefs, did you see her inside the house?
- 2 A. Yes.

- 3 Q. Now, you were in and out of the house
- 4 yourself; is that correct?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. And you had the combination to the doors in
- 7 the house; is that right?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. You had the combination to Mr. Jackson's
- 10 private room?
- 1 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. If you were going to go into Mr. Jackson's
- 13 private rooms, I should say plural, go into his
- 14 suite, as we're calling it, would you knock first?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And how did you regard that part of the
- 17 house?
- 18 A. How did I regard it? It was his space. His
- 19 bedroom.
- 20 Q. All right. Were people allowed to just --
- 21 randomly allowed to go in and out of his space?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 23 Q. Okay. Now, was everybody that could get in
- 24 the house, were they allowed to go into his space?
- 25 A. No, not unless they were invited, but --
- 26 Q. So if you had guests who were staying
- 27 overnight at the ranch, would they be allowed to
- 28 come into the house? 9664

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And in what part of the house did they come
- 3 into?
- 4 A. Mainly the house was open. It was
- 5 downstairs. Other than his area.
- 6 Q. All right. So they'd be allowed to come in
- 7 the kitchen area, the --
- 8 A. Living room.
- 9 Q. The family room?
- 10 A. The library.
- 11 Q. The dining area?
- 12 A. Uh-huh.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. There's a crafts room upstairs.
- 15 Q. All right. And did people often come in and
- 16 hang out in that family room/kitchen area?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Now, you said that you saw Janet
- 19 talking with, I think you said the cooks; is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. Could you see her inside the house?
- 23 A. Yes.

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- 24 Q. And where did you see her?
- 25 A. In the dining or kitchen area.
- 26 Q. Did you see her having meals or just sitting
- 27 and talking, or what did you see?

28 A. Both. 9665

- 1 Q. All right. Did you see her sitting at the
- 2 bar?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. You mentioned that you saw her talking with
- 5 Dieter Weizner?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Where were the two of them when they were
- 8 talking to each other?
- 9 A. In the breezeway, in between the main house
- 10 and the office or arcade area.
- 11 Q. Okay. Did you see her talking with Mr.
- 12 Weizner in the kitchen or family room area at any
- 13 time?
- 14 A. I don't recall.
- 15 Q. May have, but you don't recall?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. All right. Did Janet Arvizo ever seem in
- 18 any way to you, from what you saw, to want to leave
- 19 the ranch and she was not allowed to do so?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Did she ever complain to you about anything?
- 22 A. Never.

- 23 Q. Now, is the -- let me withdraw that.
- 24 Did you ever arrange for transportation for
- 25 any of the Arvizos to and from any locations outside

- 26 the ranch?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. What arrangements did you make? 9666
- 1 A. If it was a phone call, to call for a car
- 2 service, or I personally took them on more than one
- 3 occasion off property.
- 4 Q. Where did you personally take them?
- 5 A. I -- actually, once, shopping in Solvang.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. And --
- 8 Q. Now, when you went shopping in Solvang -
- 9 let's take that, first of all who went with you?
- 10 A. Janet Arvizo, and I believe it was just the
- 11 two boys.
- 12 Q. Okay. And do you know where Davellin was?
- 13 A. I don't.
- 14 Q. Okay. So Janet Arvizo and the two boys went
- 15 shopping in Solvang. You drove them; is that right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And what vehicle did you drive, if you
- 18 recall? Let's put it this way, was it a ranch
- 19 vehicle?
- 20 A. Yes, it was one of the cars. I'm not sure
- 21 exactly which one.
- 22 Q. Now, were you to guard them?
- 23 A. No.

- 24 Q. Did you restrain them in any way?
- 25 A. No.
- 26 Q. Did you prevent them from using the
- 27 telephone?
- 28 A. No. 9667
- 1 Q. Did you prevent them from talking to
- 2 anybody?
- 3 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm going to object as to
- 4 relevancy. It's irrelevant unless time is
- 5 established.
- 6 MR. SANGER: I don't know about that. But
- 7 it's a good point. I can establish the time.
- 8 Q. What time was this?
- 9 A. It was in the afternoon. Do you mean the
- 10 date?
- 11 Q. Yeah. Was it in --
- 12 A. It was around that -- 2003, in February or
- 13 March. I'm not exactly sure when.
- 14 Q. Somewhere in the February, March time
- 15 period? Okay. And -- all right. So you took them
- 16 into Solvang shopping. Did you stand there and
- 17 watch over them while they were shopping?
- 18 A. No, it was mainly just transportation. I
- 19 was actually at the car while they were out and
- 20 about.

21 Q. So you drove them. You stayed at the car

- 22 and they went shopping?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Did you in general -- if Janet wanted to go
- 25 somewhere, Janet Arvizo, would she request someone
- 26 to drive her?
- 27 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 28 THE COURT: Overruled. 9668
- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes. She didn't actually come
- 2 with a vehicle, so --
- 3 Q. BY MR. SANGER: So you would then make
- 4 arrangements for her transportation; is that
- 5 correct?
 - 6 A. That's correct.
 - 7 Q. And on this particular occasion, you decided
- 8 just to do it yourself?
- 9 A. Yeah, I believe so.
- 10 Q. All right. Now, during this shopping trip,
- 11 about how long did it last; do you recall?
- 12 A. Less than an hour.
- 13 Q. Did you tell them, "You've got to go back to
- 14 the ranch," or were they just through shopping?
- 15 A. No, they just came back to the car and were
- 16 ready to go.

- 17 Q. All right. Do you recall what kind of
- 18 stores they went to, or --
- 19 A. I was at the car.

- 20 Q. All right. And you drove them back to the
- 21 ranch?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Now, was there ever a time when Janet Arvizo
- 24 was followed by a positive PR film crew of Michael
- 25 Jackson?
- 26 A. I don't know.
- 27 Q. On that occasion, nobody followed you to
 - take photographs of Janet Arvizo shopping with her 9669
- 1 kids, as far as you know, right?
- 2 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 3 Q. Did you see anybody meeting any description
- 4 like that?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Didn't see any film cameras or crews or
 - 7 anything, correct?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Now, you said there was a shopping event.
- 10 Was there another event where you either took them
- 11 or went to pick them up or had something to do with
- 12 their transportation?
- 13 A. Yes, I met them at a orthodontist, a local
- 14 orthodontist in Solvang.
- 15 Q. All right. Excuse me just one second.
- 16 Do you remember the name of the
- 17 orthodontist?

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- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And what was her name?
- 20 A. Jean Seamont.
- 21 MR. SANGER: Your Honor, may I put -- let me
- 22 just make sure. This is in evidence. It's 5020.
- 23 And may I publish that?
- 24 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: May I take a look at that?
- 25 MR. SANGER: It's this whole series here.
- 2 You can take a look at them. There are some that
- 27 weren't received.
- 28 Q. That's the sign in front of her office, 9670
- l right?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And where is her office located?
- 4 A. It's right off of 246 and First Street
 - 5 possibly.
 - 6 MR. SANGER: Your Honor, I'd like to have
 - 7 marked for identification, it's been premarked as
 - 8 5030, a map.
- 9 THE COURT: All right.
- 10 MR. SANGER: And I'd like to approach the
- 11 witness, if I may.
- 12 THE COURT: All right.
- 13 MR. SANGER: May I just stand here and speak
- 14 loud for a couple questions?
- 15 THE COURT: All right.

- 16 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
- 17 Q. As you look at that, does that appear to be
- 18 a map of the Solvang area?
- 19 A. It does.
- 20 Q. Does that appear to have a star on it at or
- 21 near where Dr. Seamont's office is located?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Okay. Does that accurately depict the area?
- 2 A. It does.
- 25 MR. SANGER: Your Honor, I'd move admittance
- 26 of 5030.

- 27 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: No objection.
- 28 THE COURT: It's admitted. 9671
- 1 MR. SANGER: May I publish it?
- 2 THE COURT: Yes.
 - 3 MR. SANGER: Thank you.
 - 4 Q. This appears to be a commercially prepared
 - 5 map of some sort; is that right?
 - 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. But where the little star -- okay, there's a
 - 8 star. It's a little more visible on the document
 - 9 than it is on the overhead here, but the little star
- 10 that I'm circling, is that the approximate location
- 11 of Dr. Seamont's office?
- 12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And I think everybody knows, but just in

- 14 case, 246 goes right through the middle of Solvang;
 15 is that correct?
 16 A. Yes.
 17 Q. And Buellton's out thataway?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. And Santa Ynez is out thataway. "Thataway"
 20 being to the right of the picture, the second
 21 "thataway," all right.
 2 Now, is this doctor's office pretty much
 23 right on the corner -- not "right on the corner,"
 24 but very close to the corner of Fifth Street and
 25 246?
- 26 A. I believe there's one building in front of 27 it, but, yes, it's very close to the corner. 28 Q. And I'd like to go through this series of 9672
- 1 pictures. There are some that were not admitted and
- 2 I'm not going to refer to those. We'll start with
- 3 5020, which I just had up on the board.
- 4 All right. I'm going to put up 5021. Does
- 5 that appear to be the front of Dr. Seamont's office?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And the -- 246, the main drag in Solvang,
- 8 you said there's like a building in between the two.
- 9 It would be over this way to the left; is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Yes.

- 12 Q. And I'm going to put up now 5022 and ask
- 13 you, if you're standing in the front of Dr.
- 14 Seamont's office, if that would be the -- what I was
- 15 calling the main drag, 246, that goes through
- 16 Solvang?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. That's the street where you go 25 miles an
- 19 hour?
- 2) A. Yes.
- 21 Q. All right. Did you go inside Dr. Seamont's
- 22 office?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. I'm going to put up 5024, and ask you, does
- 25 that appear to be the reception area?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. And when you said -- I think you said you
- 28 went to pick them up. So they were already there 9673
- 1 when you got there?
- 2 A. No, I actually met them there.
- 3 Q. You met them there?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Were they with anybody when you $\operatorname{--}$ anybody
- 6 from the ranch when you --
- 7 A. Yes.

- 8 Q. Who were they with?
- 9 A. Vinnie dropped them off.

- 10 Q. Okay. When you say "dropped them off," what
- 11 was -- what was the story?
- 12 A. He brought them to this location. And I met
- 13 them there to transport them back to the property.
- 14 Q. Okay. Had they just arrived at the doctor's
- 15 office?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. All right. Did you meet them out in front
- 1) of the building or --
- 19 A. I did.
- 20 Q. Where did you meet them?
- 21 A. On the street.
- 22 Q. The street we just saw?
- 23 A. Exactly.
- 24 Q. So let's go back to that really quickly.
- 25 If I may, Your Honor, 5022.
 - 26 So right out there?
- 27 A. Right where that red car is.
- 28 Q. And did Vinnie have a car there? 9674
- 1 A. Yes.
 - 2 Q. Were they in the car when you got there?
 - 3 A. Actually, no. I was there first.
 - 4 Q. Okay. So you were there waiting for them?
 - 5 A. Yes.

- 6 Q. And when they showed up, what happened?
- 7 A. He left, and I escorted them into the place

- 8 of business.
- 9 Q. Were you there to guard them?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Were you there to keep them from talking to
- 12 anybody?
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
- 14 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 15 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Did you have any
- 1; instructions from anybody to restrict their behavior
- 17 in any way?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Did you -- were there telephones in the
- 20 office?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Did you go -- what did you do after you --
- 23 you meet them on the street and then what happened?
 - 24 Just tell us what happened.
- 25 A. Walked in, introduced them to the doctor.
- 26 And I waited in the waiting room. And Mrs. Arvizo
- 27 and the two children were -- went into the -- not
- 28 operating room, but the -- 9675
- 1 Q. It seems like an operating room, but --
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. If you don't like dental work.
- 4 So you never went back into the back?
- 5 A. No.

- 6 Q. Did you know Dr. Seamont before that?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Were you sitting in the front room to guard
- 9 the door so they couldn't leave?
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; leading.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 12 THE WITNESS: No.
- 13 Q. BY MR. SANGER: Do you know if there was a
- 1 back way out of the office?
- 15 A. I'm sure there was. I didn't actually see
- 16 it.
- 17 Q. Did -- how long did the Arvizo family stay
- 18 at the dental office?
- 19 A. It was probably an hour to -- no more than
- 20 an hour and 20 minutes.
- 21 Q. What did you do during that hour, hour and
- 22 20 minutes?
- 23 A. Read magazines.
- 24 Q. Okay. When they were through at the office,
- 25 or they were through in the back doing whatever they
- 26 were doing, did you meet them in the reception room?
- 27 A. Yes.
- 28 Q. And where did you go from there? 9676
- 1 A. Drove them back to the property.
- 2 Q. Did they complain about getting in the car?
- 3 A. No. It was raining quite heavily, so they

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- 4 were running to get to the car.
- 5 Q. Okay. At any time while you were with them
- 6 during that period of time, this dental visit, did
- 7 any of them ever cry out for help?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did you see anybody use the phone to call
- 10 for help?
- 11 A. No.
- 1 Q. Did you hear anybody ask for help from
- 13 anyone?
- 14 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 15 Q. Was there anything about their attitude or
- 16 demeanor that made you think that any of the Arvizos
- 17 were unwilling to be there or unwilling to go back
- 18 to the ranch?
- 19 A. No, they were excited to be there.
- 20 MR. SANGER: Okay. This might be a good
- 21 place to take a break, if it's all right, Your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: We'll take our afternoon recess.
- 23 See you in the morning. Remember it will be a half
- 24 day tomorrow.
- 25 (The proceedings adjourned at 2:30 p.m.)
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