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25 [*2]
1 I H A R O L D B I A L S K Y
2 P.O. Box 44857, Phoenix, Arizona 85064-4857, having
3 first been duly sworn testifies as follows:
5 I DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. WESTER:
    Q. Sir, my name is Tom Wester. I'm an
8 attorney at McDermott & McGee, and I represent
9 I some defendants in connection with this action
10 brought on behalf of Mr. Fernandez.
11 I'm going to be asking you questions
12 today concerning the opinions that you've set
13 forth relative to the life-care plan. If, at
14 any time, you don't understand one of my
15 questions, please tell me you do not understand
16 the question, and I'll rephrase it for you.
17 If you answer a question I will
18 assume that you understood the question was it
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19 as posed.
20 If at any time there's an objection
21 to a question that is asked, do not answer the
22 question, wait until the objection is placed on
23 the record and then perhaps discussed, then you
24 may respond to the question.
25 Please wait until I finish asking my
1 question before you begin to respond, [*3] and I'll
2 wait until you finish responding before I ask
3 another question.
4 I've noticed just from our brief
5 interaction that there appears to be a
6 couple-second delay. If I begin to ask another
7 question before you've completed your response,
8 please let me know.
9 Do you understand these instructions?
10 A. Yes, I do, yes.
11 Q, what is your profession?
12 A. I am a life-care planner and a vocational
13 specialist.
14 Q. And how long have you been so
15 engaged?
16 A. Upon graduating from New York University
17 in December of 1995, so January of '96.
18 Q. What do you do in that regard?
19 A. In which regard?
20 Q. What is the nature of your work as a
21 life-care planner?
22 A. I receive referrals from attorneys who
23 have clients who have sustained some type of
24 catastrophic injury, and they request that I
25 develop a life-care plan to document the needs
1 of that individual through their lifetime.
    Q. Is all of your professional life
3 involved in that type of work? [*4]
4 I A. No.
5 Q. What else do you do?
6 A. I'm a vocational specialist with a
7 community-based neurorehabilitation team. The
8 team consists of a neuropsychologist, speech
9 therapist, physical therapist, and myself, we
10 I receive referrals from the state voc rehab
11 agency to assist people with disabilities seek
12 and obtain and sustain gainful employment. So
13 as the vocational specialist I work with these
14 I individuals to assist them in their --
15 establish vocational goals and help them to
16 I obtain work.
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17 Q. How long have you been doing that?
18 A. I've been doing that -- I've been a
19 vocational counselor since I graduated from New
20 York University. This team that I just
21 mentioned, I've been doing that since May of
22 I '04.
23 Q. What percent of time is spent on the
24 life-care aspect of your professional life as
25 opposed to the vocational aspect of your
1 professional life?
2 A. That varies from month to month, depending
3 upon the number of referrals that we receive on
4 both ends [*5] of the spectrum there, depending upon
5 how many referrals we receive on the vocational
6 side as well as how many referrals I receive in
7 terms of life-care plans. So it will vary.
    Q. Twelve months past, can you give me
9 I an estimate?
10 A. Best estimate -- and this is truly an
11 estimate, because I don't keep any statistics
12 with regard to volume of work, things of that
13 nature -- but the majority of my time is spent
14 I in the area of the -- as the vocational
15 specialist, so I would have to say, you know,
16 60, 70 percent of my time as a vocational
17 specialist with the remainder in the area of
18 life-care planning. And in the context of
19 life-care planning I'm not only developing the
20 reports, deposition testimony, court testimony,
21 things of that nature.
22 Q. In terms of the life-care work, are
23 you paid on an hourly basis?
24 A. I am paid a flat-rate fee.
    Q. And how much is that?
8
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    A. $ 4,500.
    O. And what is included in that fee?
3 What services are included in that fee, [*6] I
4 apologize.
5 I A. Whatever interview I conduct with the
6 individual themself. If it's a minor, the
7 parents, I'll interview the parents. I may
8 interview family members, if need be; my review
9 of all the records; there's often times
10 conversation with other experts involved; and
11 then my generating the report.
12 Q. And how about testimony? How do you
13 charge for testifying -- strike that.
14 How do you get paid for testifying?
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15 A. I am paid for my time, and my time is
16 valued at $ 200 an hour in deposition with a
17 minimum of two hours, and court testimony my
18 time is valued at $ 200 an hour with a minimum
19 I of four hours.
20 Q. In the last 12 months, have you
21 testified in court as a life-care planner?
22 A. I've not testified in court in the past 12
23 I months.
24 Q. Have you ever testified in court as a
25 life-care planner in the state of New Jersey?
1 I A. I have.
2 Q. When was the last time?
3 I A. The last time was with a case with
Mr.
Rothenberg
few years back; I believe [*7] that
was
October of
20
04.
6 Q. Where was that; do you recall?
7 A. Essex County.
8 Q. And what was the nature of the
9 injury?
10 A. It was a young boy who suffered an anoxic
11 brain injury.
1
2
   Q. How many times have you
testified in
1
the state of New Jersey as a life
-care planner?
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   A. I don't have the information
in front of
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I can certainly supply it
to you.
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information at my office.
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my recollection,
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planner,
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s point in my
19 career in the state of New Jersey.
   Q.
Have
you testi
fied in other states
other than
New
Jersey in
connection with your
22 work as a life-care planner?
23 I A. I have testified in the state of New York.
24 Q. On how many occasions?
25 A. Two, I believe.
10
    Q. Any other times that you've ever
2 testified in court as a life-care planner?
    A. I don't recall any others. [*8]
    Q. Can you just give me some description
5 of the educational background that you received
6 that qualifies you to work as a life-care
7 planner?
8 A, well, my education includes the fact that
9 I graduated from Los Angeles College of
10 Chiropractic and practiced in the state of New
11 Jersey for 13 years. In 1994 I returned to
12 school and obtained a master's degree in
13 rehabilitation counseling from New York
14 University, graduated in May of -- I'm sorry,
15 in December of 1995. While I was attending New
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16 York University I was also attending a
17 certification program through the University of
18 I Florida to become a certified life-care
19 planner, and I completed in excess of 140 hours
20 of training in the field of life-care planning
21 and received my certification in and around the
22 time that I graduated from NYU, so upon
23 graduating from NYU I had the certification.
24 Q. I'm looking at a copy of your CV and
25 it indicates that you graduated from Bloomfield
1 College in December of 1993; is that correct or
2 I is [*9] that an error?
   A. No, that is correct. And I'll explain.
4
   Q. Please.
5 A. In attending Los Angeles College of
6 Chiropractic I did not -- the school did not
7 require a bachelor's degree at that time for
8 entrance purposes. So I had two years of
9 undergraduate work, went on to attend Los
10 Angeles College of Chiropractic. And when I
11 made the decision that I wanted to go back to
12 school to get my master's degree at NYU I
13 needed to have a bachelor's degree, so I then
14 returned to Bloomfield College, I had the two
15 years of prior undergraduate work, they
16 accepted portions of my chiropractic education.
17 I attended some classes at Bloomfield College,
18 and obtained that bachelor's degree at that
19 I time.
20 Q. You presently are affiliated with an
21 office in Phoenix, Arizona; is that correct?
22 I A. Correct.
23 Q. And what is the name of the office?
24 Harris and Lynne Associates?
25 I A. That's correct.
12
1
   Q.
Did
I mispronounce it?
   A. No.
you
did not.
    Q. [*10] What's so funny?
4
   A. I'm
iust
waiting
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for the
next
question.
5
   Q.
What
is the
nature
of the
business
6
performed
by
Harris
and Lynne
As
sociates?
7
   A. Just
as
the CV
suggests,
ľ
m a vocational
8 specialist, vocational evaluator, vocational
9 expert, whatever you'd like, and life-care
11 Q. Who are Harris and Lynne?
12 A. Harris and Lynne are the middle names of
13 my two children.
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4
   Q.
How many
employees are there of
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5
Harris
and Lynne As
sociates?
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   A. You
are
looking at
him:
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Just
one.
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7
   Q.
And
according
to
your CV
you began
18 that business in January of 1996?
19 I A. Correct.
20 Q. Has there ever been any other
21 employees?
22 A. No.
    Q. Did anyone else assist you in the
2
4
work
that you
performed
the request of
5
Mr.
Rothenberg
in this
case
?
13
1 I A. No.
2 Q. on how many occasions do you estimate [*11]
3 that you've been retained by Mr. Rothenberg or
4 I a member of his firm?
    A. Again, I don't keep any statistics with
6 regard to referrals and numbers.
7 Mr. Rothenberg had requested my services on a
8 number of occasions and not just as a life-care
9 planner. I've done some vocational evaluations
10 for him as well, so I don't have a working
11 knowledge of the total amount of referrals that
12 I've received from him over the years.
13 Q. Can you estimate?
14 I A. It would be more in the realm of
15 possibility versus probability in terms of
16 getting it correct. A correct -- I'll give you
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- 17 a range to the best of my recollection.
- 18 Probably in combination of vocational
- 19 assessments and life-care plans: Maybe 8 to
- 20 I 10.
- 21 Q. You understand, I'm sure, that in all
- 22 of those cases, or I assume in all of those
- 23 cases, certainly in this case, Mr. Rothenberg
- 24 is representing an injured party, the plaintiff
- 25 in the case; is that correct?
- 14
- 1 I A. That would be correct.
- 2 Q. Do you do work at the present [*12] time
- 3 for people who are representing defendants in
- 4 personal-injury actions?
- 5 A. I do, yes.
- 6 O. Presently how many cases, if any, do
- 7 you have where you've been retained on behalf
- 8 of an attorney representing a defendant?
- 9 A. As we speak I'm not involved in any cases 10 as a defense expert.
- 11 Q. How about in the 12 months last past?
- 12 I A. Two to three.
- 13 Q. Were they life-care plans or
- 14 I vocational?
- 15 I A. I testified down in Tucson back in March
- 16 as a vocational expert, and I believe they've
- 17 been predominantly vocational.
- 18 Q. Can you put a percentage from the
- 19 time you started your business until the
- 20 present time in terms of the number of
- 21 percentage of retention on behalf of plaintiff
- 22 as opposed to defendant?
- 23 A. Plaintiff is far more significant. If I
- 24 had to put a number to it I would say
- 25 80 percent.
- 15
- 1 Q. You issued a report in this case
- 2 dated November 19, 2005; is that correct?
- 3 I A. Correct.
- 4 O. Now, I received today a copy [*13] of a
- 5 letter dated December 21, 2005, which was sent
- 6 to Mr. Rothenberg; are you familiar with the
- 7 letter to which I'm referring?
- 8 A. I am, yes.
- 9 Q. Was that interview that is summarized
- 10 in the letter something that was conducted
- 11 in-person or via telephone or video
- 12 conferencing or something else?
- 13 A. It was in person at Mr. Fernandez's
- 14 residence, The Hudson Manor. And as is stated

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15 in the first paragraph there, Mr. Pashaian,
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16 Mr. Rothenberg's partner, was there as well as

17 an interpreter.

18 Q. In this technical world I didn't know

19 whether you and I are having a meeting today or

20 not; that's why I asked the question.

21 A, okay.

22 Q. I wasn't trying to be a wiseguy.

23 A. Not a problem.

24 O. Approximately how long did that

25 meeting last?

16

1 I A. The interview on 12/9?

2 I O. Yes.

3 A. That was probably an hour-and-a-half or

4 I so.

5 Q. You had already written and served --

6 I strike that.

7 You had already forwarded your

8 report, however, to Mr. [*14] Rothenberg at the time

9 you had that meeting, correct?

10 I A. Correct.

11 Q, why was the meeting necessary?

12 A, obviously the ideal scenario is to be able

13 to meet with the individual to gather

14 information as far as their background, their

15 I current status in terms of their condition, as

16 well as any desires or goals that they may have

17 in terms of their life and vocation, things of

18 I that nature. So I wasn't afforded that

19 opportunity when I was first retained to

20 develop this life-care plan. And if my memory

21 is serving me correctly there was quite a

22 severe time constraint as imposed by the Court

23 I when I received the referral, so I did not have

24 the opportunity to talk to Mr. Fernandez prior

25 to developing the life-care plan. I utilized

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1 I all the records that I had as well as a

2 I conversation with the assistant director of

3 nursing at Hudson Manor to develop the plan.

Q. The interview that you just referred

5 to with Irwin Pablo on November 17, 2005, was

6 that an interview that took place over the

7 telephone [*15] or was it in-person?

8 A. That was via telephone.

9 Q. Did anything that transpired during

10 or as a result of your meeting with

11 Mr. Fernandez and others on December 9, 2005,

12 in any way alter any of the opinions set forth

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13 in your November 19, 2005, report?
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- 14 A. I did not alter anything. And the very
- 15 last statement that I make in the letter, Page
- 163, is that it only goes to support my opinions.
- 17 Q. On Page 3 in that letter of December
- 18 21, you mention that Mr. Fernandez reported
- 19 that driving is a high priority for him; do you
- 20 see where I'm referring?
- 21 A. Correct, yes.
- 22 Q. Tell me about your conversation with
- 23 Mr. Fernandez concerning driving, please.
- 24 A. It's no more complex than him wanting to
- 25 drive, wanting to be able to drive.

18

- 1 Q. Before Mr. Fernandez sustained these
- 2 injuries did he drive in the United States?
- 3 I A. I don't recall.
- 4 Q. Do you recall whether you asked him
- 5 I or not?
- 6 I A. I don't recall. I don't know that I asked
- 7 the question. [*16] It's not documented in the 8 I letter.
- Q. In your report of November 19, 2005,
- 10 you make reference to the purchasing of a van
- 11 and the procuring of insurance for the van; do
- 12 you recall those sections?
- 13 A. I do, yes.
- 14 Q. I wasn't sure whether or not you were
- 15 speaking of a van that Mr. Fernandez could be a
- 16 passenger in or a van that Mr. Fernandez would
- 17 be able to drive; which were you referring to?
- 18 A, well, certainly up front here it's him
- 19 being a passenger. The issue of him driving is
- 20 in question as a result of his seizure
- 21 disorder, so I don't know that he'll ever be
- 22 I able to drive. But the fact of the matter is
- 23 the van is still necessary for him to have
- 24 access to the community. He has a brother that
- 25 lives in the area that can certainly drive the
- 1 van. The life-care plan includes 24-hour
- 2 attendant care; the attendant can drive the
- 3 van. A friend can drive the van, anybody else
- 4 can drive the van. But certainly it is
- 5 necessary in terms of him having access to the
- 6 community, whether [*17] it's for a doctor's
- 7 appointment, for a social event.
- 8 Q. I wasn't sure whether you were
- 9 talking about a van that was equipped for him 10 to drive or a van equipped for him to ride in.

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- 11 So basically it was the latter?
- 12 A. If you look at the plan on -- hold on one
- 13 second while I find the page -- Page 31. The
- 14 third-to-last page.
- 15 Q. Yes, sir.
- 16 A, Okay. So I specifically state there under
- 17 that section titled "Transportation" that this
- 18 is for information purposes only, these costs
- 19 are not included in the life-care plan. And
- 20 then there's a footnote that goes on to state
- 21 I that Mr. Fernandez is unable to drive at this
- 22 I time due to his seizures. If his seizures were
- 23 to be under control the possibility of him
- 24 being able to drive independently is considered
- 25 with the incorporation of hand controls to the
- 1 van and appropriate training.
- 2 I So the issue here is that it's not
- 3 included in the plan, it's a consideration for
- 4 the future if, in fact, his seizures were to be
- 5 I under control.
- 6 Q. [*18] On the first page of your report you 7 talk about Mr. Fernandez's life expectancy.
- 8 I A. Correct.
- 9 O. To your knowledge, is his life
- 10 expectancy decreased as a result of these
- 11 injuries?
- 12 A. The issue with regard to life expectancy
- 13 and me developing this life-care plan is that
- 14 there was nothing contained within the file
- 15 that would suggest anything -- that suggested
- 16 anything to me in terms of the life expectancy.
- 17 There was no opinion rendered with regard to
- 18 the life expectancy. So my approach in
- 19 developing these life-care plans is to use the
- 20 normal life expectancy. And if an opinion
- 21 comes across my desk, the life-care plan can
- 22 certainly be modified. But that is not my area
- 23 of expertise. The issue for me is that the
- 24 life-care plan is not intended to be a
- 25 self-fulfilling proficiency where if I just
- 21
- 1 decide that he's going to live to be 50 and he
- 2 I lives to be 55 that the services weren't there
- 3 I for him.
- 4 Q. In your experience have you seen a
- 5 decrease in life expectancy as a practical [*19]
- 6 matter in people who have sustained similar
- 7 types of injuries?
- 8 MR. ROTHENBERG: Objection.

- 9 I You can answer it.
- 10 A. From -- when you say "practical point of
- 11 view," are you saying --
- 12 I BY MR, WESTER:
- 13 Q. In your experience.
- 14 A. In my experience and in the work that I do
- 15 and articles that I've read and so forth, life
- 16 expectancy for people with spinal cord injuries
- 17 is increasing as a result of advancements in
- 18 I medical care.
- 19 One more comment regarding the
- 20 life-care plan: I would personally hope that
- 21 somebody who renders an opinion with regard to
- 22 life expectancy, in fact, has a life-care plan
- 23 I to refer to. So that the individual
- 24 understands the level of care that the person
- 25 is receiving and takes that into consideration
- 22
- 1 with regard to rendering their opinion, so it's
- 2 not uncommon for me to develop a life-care plan
- 3 where there is no specific opinion with regard
- 4 to life expectancy because the issue of the
- 5 level of care is incorporated into that
- 6 opinion.
- 7 Q. [*20] Are you familiar with the National
- 8 Spinal Cord Injury Statistical Center?
- 9 I A. No.
- 10 Q. How about the National Institute on
- 11 Disability and Rehabilitation?
- 12 A. That is -- there is some vague
- 13 recollection or some vague recall of that
- 14 particular organization.
- 15 Q. Have you read any publications
- 16 authored by them?
- 17 A. I can't tell you that I have, no.
- 18 Q. Do you agree that the costs of
- 19 medical care that are incurred during the first
- 20 year of a person who has sustained an injury
- 21 such as Mr. Fernandez is generally the greatest
- 22 as compared to the other years throughout their
- 23 I lifetime?
- 24 A, well, that's certainly a very global
- 25 statement, and obviously in the acute phase
- 1 when you consider surgeries, hospitalizations,
- 2 rehabilitation for extended periods of time,
- 3 those are all quite extensive in terms of cost.
- 4 Now, you know, the implementation of the
- 5 life-care plan is intended to keep the person
- 6 from being hospitalized; if they have the

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7 appropriate care you catch things early [*21] enough,
8 if they receive the on-going routine
9 assessments, in theory that prevents him from
10 having any major problems in the future. That
11 said, it still doesn't mean the person won't be
12 hospitalized down the road. In the case of
13 spinal cord injury the decubitus ulcer,
14 obviously respiratory issues, bowel and bladder
15 issues, falls, just about anything and
16 everything could wind up having this individual
17 be hospitalized.
18 O. Did you look at the medical bills
19 that were actually incurred by Mr. Fernandez as
20 a result of the injuries sustained in this
21 I accident from the time of the incident until
22 the time you wrote your report in November of
23 I 2005?
24 A. I'll answer the question by being clear in
25 that I may have looked at them, but they had no
1 bearing on my developing the life-care plan.
2 O, what bills did you look at?
3 A. I'd have to go back into the file. The
4 records that were sent to me, you know, I don't
5 have specific recollection of particular bills
6 that I saw, obviously [*22] there were some invoices
7 and bills related to various hospitalizations
8 and surgeries and things of that nature.
    Q. And why was that not something that
10 you wanted to look at in more detail?
11 A. Because the issue was going forward from
12 the point in time where I was asked to develop
13 the life-care plan, so the acute care and the
14 rehabilitation is not necessarily a type of
15 service that you consider in an on-going basis.
16 I There's the care that Mr. Fernandez needs to
17 help him remain functionally independent in the
18 community as well as prevent him from having
19 any medical conditions in the future. So the
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1 2004 relevant to what may be expected to be 2 incurred in subsequent years?
3 I A. No.

20 level of care, the type of services that he

23 I versus the acute care that he had.24 Q. Is not the nature and the cost of the25 care that was received, say, in calendar year

21 would be engaged in are different going forward 22 at the time that I developed the life-care plan

4 Q. Why not?

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5 A, well, if you look at [*23] the life-care plan,
 6 each and every service in the two options is
 7 costed, it's projected. So those costs are
 8 what they are. So I don't have any, you know,
 9 impact on those things; it is what it is. The
 10 hourly rate for a home health aide, the hourly
 11 rate for a nurse, all the various costs are
 12 included in the first option. And then in the
 13 second option, him remaining as a resident of
 14 I Hudson Manor. So I researched the various
 15 costs and those costs are what they are.
 16 Q. And historical data isn't important
 17 for you to keep in mind in terms of formulating
 18 what the projected costs will be?
19 A. My answer remains the same. It's pretty
20 much the same question. The way I'm
21 interpreting it it's pretty much the same
22 question. So the answer is: No with regard to
23 from a historical perspective. It's from the
24 point going forward and from the time that I
25 developed the life-care plan going forward.
    Q. One of the options you had involved
1
2 the purchasing of a home; is that correct?
3 I A. Correct.
    Q. [*24] You had a figure of -- a median cost
5 of $ 452,000, correct?
6 I A. Correct.
    Q. And I saw -- you footnoted it, but I
8 wasn't certain as to what your source was in
9 that regard for the cost.
10 I A. The web site that's listed there?
    Q. Yes. I didn't go to the web site.
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Q. How did you arrive at that median

16 Q. Okay. But what information did you17 put in to find out the median cost of the home?

19 A. Okay. Take you through the process, okay.
20 If we go to realtor org there are links within
21 I the web site that document the median sale
22 price of single-family homes in major

23 metropolitan areas throughout the country. So 24 I obviously chose the New York/northern New 25 Jersey metropolitan area for the second quarter

1 of 2005 for that figure. So if I were to go to 2 that web site today, obviously the data has

15 A, Well, I went to the web site.

18 Just take me through the process.

12 A. Okay.

14 I cost?

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3 changed because additional quarters have --
4 there's additional data based on how [*25] many
5 quarters they have access to.
    Q. So it wasn't specific for my
7 municipality in the New York/New Jersey
8 metropolitan area?
    A. No, the data is not specified per
10 municipality; it was specified per major
11 metropolitan area throughout the country.
12 Q. What is your understanding of
13 Mr. Fernandez's residence for the period of
14 I time after he came to the United States before
15 the incident took place?
16 I A. I believe he resided with a brother in an
17 apartment.
18 Q. In your letter to Mr. Rothenberg of
19 December 21 you talk about Mr. Fernandez, his
20 desire to live independently; can you please
21 tell me other than what's set forth in your
22 report if you can recall anything else relative
23 I to that discussion?
24 A. You're referring to the interview?
     Q. Yes, sir. Correct.
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1 A, Okay. There's information embedded in the
2 letter with regard to his dissatisfaction with
3 residing at Hudson Manor, the level of care,
4 and some of the treatment that he receives, and
5 I some [*26] of the observations that he's made. So I
6 I think that it correlates to his desire to live
7 elsewhere, preferably independently.
    Q. Do you recall him saying anything
9 else other than what you've just articulated
10 and what is set forth in your report concerning
11 his desire to live independently?
12 I A. No.
13 Q. I don't have any other questions at
14 this time. Thank you.
15 MR. BYRQN: I don't have any
16 questions.
17 MR. ROTHENBERG: That you, Harold.
19 (whereupon, the deposition is concluded)
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