

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

STATE OF ALASKA,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 vs.)
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 ELI LILLY AND COMPANY,)
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 Defendant.)
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Superior Court Judge

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1 PROCEEDINGS

2 THE COURT: We're back on the
 3 record in State versus Eli Lilly and Company,
 4 3AN-06-5630. We're outside the presence of the
 5 jury. Counsel are all present.

6 I understand there's some pretrial
 7 issues?

8 MR. LEHNER: Yes, Your Honor, a
 9 couple things.

10 First, with respect to the PDR
 11 document that the Plaintiffs produced yesterday.
 12 We've determined that there was a supplement at
 13 least to the 2004, which is pertinent because the
 14 2004 supplement actually included the information
 15 that Dr. Gueriguian said he didn't find in the
 16 2004 PDR. We're looking for and believe there is
 17 an additional supplement at least to the 2001 PDR
 18 that may be pertinent as well.

19 And in response to the jury -- and
 20 what I would suggest to the Court is that in
 21 response to the question that the jury asked, we
 22 prepare a stipulation that will lay out just sort
 23 of what the PDR is, how Lilly doesn't control the
 24 PDR, that information is submitted to it and the
 25 publication schedule. And we could put it in

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1 front of this with a complete set of the PDRs and
 2 then the jury can have this. But since this is
 3 not now complete, I think it would be erroneous
 4 to provide this to the jury.

5 THE COURT: Well, if we're going to
 6 give it to the jury, I want it to be complete.
 7 If we can reach a stipulation as to what the PDR
 8 is and stuff like that, we'll include that, too.
 9 If we can't, you both can give me what you think
 10 should be included and stuff, but I think it's
 11 fair to let the jury know at least the schedule
 12 that the PDR comes out on.

13 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, I don't
 14 think I can hear already we're going to reach a
 15 stipulation with the PDR. And the PDR -- there's
 16 a front cover page that tells everybody what it
 17 is, but the notebook is complete on the PDRs.
 18 He's saying that he thinks there is a
 19 supplement --

20 MR. LEHNER: No, there is a 2004
 21 supplement.

22 MR. ALLEN: Wait a minute. He said
 23 he thinks there's a supplement for 2001. If he
 24 thinks so and he finds it, he can put it in
 25 there. He said there's one for 2004, put it in

1 there now. I mean, I have no problem --
2 THE COURT: Well, I'm not giving
3 this to the jury until I know that we got a
4 complete thing and I want the jury at least to
5 know what the publication schedule is with the
6 PDR. I'm not going to leave the jury with the
7 impression that somehow the package inserts that
8 may have been done are automatically in the PDR
9 the next day.

10 MR. ALLEN: They're not.

11 THE COURT: There's a lag time.
12 That's right and I just want them to be told what
13 the lag time is. And we don't have to do much
14 more than that, but I want them to know -- I just
15 think that it's fair that they know how long the
16 lead time is from when a label -- a package label
17 is approved to when it finds its way into the
18 PDR. And that's all I want and I assume that by
19 tomorrow you're going to know whether there's a
20 2001?

21 MR. LEHNER: That's correct.

22 THE COURT: So we'll get the 2004
23 in. If there's a 2001 supplement, we'll get that
24 in tomorrow, and we'll have a short explanation
25 as to the publication schedule and the lead time.

1 MR. LEHNER: Your Honor, if I can
2 make one other brief motion. And this would be
3 to strike the first 12 pages of Mr. Jordan's
4 testimony that was played on videotape yesterday.
5 And very briefly, if you look at the first 12
6 pages, you will see that they go to profit sales
7 force. There's not a word about warnings or
8 risks whatsoever in there, and I think the reason
9 for that is very clear and it goes a little bit
10 to what Mr. Allen said yesterday. And if I may
11 just use the ELMO very briefly.

12 The reason that the Plaintiffs now
13 want to put that evidence into the record, I
14 think, is very clear from the statement that
15 Mr. Allen made yesterday. He said, I'm entitled
16 to produce evidence of what they, meaning Lilly,
17 told physicians about mood -- and it's
18 interrupted, we know -- mood, thought, behavior
19 and disturbances. And the reason why they want
20 to do that is very clear, because one of our
21 theories in our case of failure to warn is that
22 they overemphasized the benefits. That's really
23 news to us, Your Honor. I believe, at least with
24 respect to your ruling, that's exactly the claim
25 and that's exactly the theory that you have

1 struck out of the case.
2 Overpromotion, promoting the
3 product for uses off-label, for benefits, in
4 essence, has been thrown out. And if we're now
5 going to have to defend upon that, I think it's
6 really a very different claim. It's very clear
7 why this evidence is being tried to -- they're
8 trying to introduce this evidence. They told you
9 yesterday that's exactly the claim that was
10 struck and if you look again in their responses,
11 their fourth response to our request to tell us
12 what this case is about, they very clearly
13 enumerate the claims they're advancing.

14 And the fourth claim, the one that
15 you struck, goes exactly to this particular
16 issue. And this evidence about profits, this
17 evidence about promoting the product for mood,
18 thought and behavior has nothing to do with the
19 warning whatsoever.

20 THE COURT: I'll deny the motion.
21 My understanding is that the reason this is
22 coming in has to go with motive and that --
23 there's already been testimony from at least one
24 witness about putting profits over safety, and
25 that the argument that has been made strongly and

1 been supported by some evidence is that Lilly was
2 losing its Prozac -- Prozac was going to go
3 generic. It was the big moneymaker. They were
4 going to, therefore, have a -- they needed to
5 come up with a product that was going to replace
6 Prozac for profits.

7 And the argument is is that the
8 reason that Lilly did the things that its alleged
9 to have done in terms of improper warnings was
10 that Lilly was trying to make sure they didn't
11 lose business and that Zyprexa was going to be
12 the big moneymaker. And that to the extent that
13 more risks were warned about, profits would
14 diminish and that's what the argument is. And so
15 that's what I've allowed that evidence in for, is
16 the motive aspect, which I do find to be relevant
17 for the case.

18 I think there's also an element of
19 risk/benefit that has been raised in opening
20 statement and suggested by the Defendants, that
21 doctors have to weigh risks against benefits.
22 And to the extent you're talking about different
23 kinds of uses for the drug, the benefits may be
24 lesser and so you might want to know more about
25 the risks. I think that's the relevance that has

1 been asserted here.

2 Now again, I'm concerned about the
3 order of that presentation, and not letting in
4 evidence at least on these other uses until I see
5 what -- see more than just an opening statement
6 in terms of what the evidence is going to be from
7 the defense.

8 MR. LEHNER: Your Honor, if I could
9 just address that second point very briefly
10 because again, Mr. Allen in his argument
11 yesterday I think made that very point and he
12 said, The jury is going to be asked: Did they
13 give adequate warnings and when ordered to
14 determine that, if they gave adequate warnings,
15 we have to look at who they knew they were
16 warning, which I think goes to just the point you
17 were making. Who we were warning was the --

18 THE COURT: I'm not making the
19 point, I'm --

20 MR. LEHNER: Well, the point you
21 were articulating.

22 THE COURT: -- articulating what I
23 understand to be their point.

24 MR. LEHNER: The warning was given
25 to physicians, doctors, given to medical

1 professionals, people who are licensed to
2 practice medicine. If Lilly has to calibrate the
3 warning every time it learns, for example, that
4 the product is being used in a fashion that a
5 doctor decides in his own independent judgment
6 that it might be prescribed for somebody who has
7 something -- some problem the doctor believes is
8 beneficial, that the product would be beneficial
9 to treat, then I think you're putting a company
10 like Lilly and any pharmaceutical company in an
11 absolutely untenable position.

12 That can't be the law.

13 That can't be the requirement that
14 Lilly has, to calibrate its warning based on what
15 doctors decide are the benefits -- because
16 doctors decide what are the benefits of the
17 product. What the label does is spell out that
18 these tests that the company has conducted --

19 THE COURT: Well, if doctors decide
20 what the benefits of the product are; isn't that
21 going to open the door for seeing what Lilly was
22 promoting the benefits were to those very
23 doctors?

24 MR. LEHNER: I don't see how that
25 would be relevant to the claim of whether or not

1 the warning itself is adequate. The warning and
2 the definition of the risks and the spelling out
3 of the risks in the label is completely
4 independent in that sense from what a doctor may
5 independently decide, having reviewed the label,
6 having seen the medicine work in various
7 contexts, what the doctor decides is the benefit.

8 THE COURT: Again, at this point
9 the risk/benefit issue and these other uses is --
10 I'm not allowing -- I haven't been allowing the
11 Plaintiffs to put in that evidence. What I'll do
12 when I hear what evidence Lilly puts in, either
13 on cross-examination or rebuttal -- I'll wait and
14 hear what Lilly puts in. I think I've made that
15 clear.

16 The question, though, goes to, in
17 many ways the issues of profits and those kinds
18 of things, and I think my rulings have made clear
19 on that issue and stuff that I'm not going to get
20 into profits as per se as profits, and I've tried
21 to keep out evidence of that. But those
22 questions in Mr. Jordan's deposition are a little
23 more general than that, I thought, and went to
24 the question of motive.

25 And I definitely recall the

1 questions about losing the Prozac -- was about
2 that Prozac was about to go generic and this
3 becoming the big moneymaker and we needed to --
4 Zyprexa, and the current year needed to be lifted
5 up, and that's the basis for admitting that
6 stuff. I think it goes to motive, which I think
7 Plaintiffs -- I think is relevant.

8 MR. LEHNER: There were questions
9 certainly about the Prozac patent, but there were
10 equal number of questions about, for example,
11 when Mr. Allen was questioning and reading a
12 document. Need to focus on symptoms. Even if
13 the doctor does not have a diagnosis, he should
14 treat anyways. That has nothing to do with the
15 warning, Your Honor. That has nothing to do with
16 the failure to warn.

17 If the failure to warn claim, as
18 Mr. Allen suggested in his argument yesterday
19 equals emphasizing -- overemphasizing the
20 benefits, then we're not in a box. We're really
21 in Alice in Wonderland. The words really have to
22 mean something. And overemphasizing the benefit
23 is not a failure to warn claim. I just don't --
24 those two things just don't compute, but that's
25 what he said their theory of their case is now

1 and that's one of their theories they want to
2 advance. And I think it needs to be
3 clarified that that is not a claim that is going
4 to be advanced in this case.

5 THE COURT: Well, if you want to
6 give me a limiting instruction, I'm happy to look
7 at a limiting instruction as to particular
8 evidence that you think does that. But I think
9 to the extent you're asking me to reconsider and
10 strike the first 12 pages, I'll deny that
11 request. But if you think there needs to be a
12 limiting instruction at any point on any
13 evidence, I tell everybody that on my rulings.
14 Just because I've denied a ruling, I'm willing to
15 consider limiting instructions, if anybody wants
16 to propose them in a way that I believe is
17 appropriate.

18 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, Scott Allen
19 for the State, for the record. I don't know how
20 you want this marked. I have a blank exhibit
21 sticker on it. This is the rejected cuts of my
22 offer of Mr. Jordan that I'd like to offer. How
23 would you like this marked, first of all? I can
24 mark it Court Exhibit No. 1. Do we have a Court
25 exhibit yet?

1 THE COURT: I don't think we have
2 any Court exhibits. I don't really care how you
3 mark it, to tell you the truth, as long as the
4 record is clear as to what it is. My concern is
5 the clarity and not whether it's considered a
6 Court exhibit or something like that.

7 Why don't we just call it a
8 Plaintiff's exhibit, since that's kind of what it
9 is. It's not going to be admitted, but it will
10 be -- Plaintiff's exhibit for the purpose of
11 making a clear record on those portions of the
12 Jordan cut that I've rejected. We probably
13 should talk at some point -- I've got all these
14 binders with cuts and other things, and if
15 everyone wants to make those binders part of the
16 record or the material that's in those binders
17 part of the record, I'm happy to do that.

18 I would prefer at some point I'd
19 give you back all your binders themselves
20 rather -- and keep the paper, if that's what
21 we're going to do. But if we want to assemble or
22 reassemble or put together all of the cuts that
23 were initially proposed, you've -- there is sort
24 of a record because I went -- well -- to the
25 extent I rejected portions of your thing, there's

1 an S -- each of those documents I handed you
2 which listed Lilly's objections to particular
3 things, and I either -- wrote sustained and
4 overruled in handwriting or I wrote -- or I wrote
5 an O and an S. Those -- those are part of the
6 record. And to the extent I sustained an
7 objection, the lines and -- you know, the page
8 and line numbers are sustained, and so you may
9 already have your record there.

10 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, that's
11 always the main point. I guess I'm a belt and
12 suspenders man. I have marked this Plaintiff's
13 Exhibit 1061, Your Honor, and I would tender it
14 to the Court.

15 THE COURT: The record should
16 reflect that what's been marked as Plaintiff's
17 Exhibit 10161 is the Plaintiff's listing of those
18 portions of the Jordan -- the Jordan deposition
19 that I sustained objections to and, therefore,
20 they weren't playing for the jury, and the
21 purpose for this is not that it's come into
22 evidence, as much as it is to make a record.
23 Again, I think that we have a record as to what
24 I've given you as to my sustaining or overruling
25 objections that I've written out, which is also

1 part of the record, but I certainly have no
2 objections to making records as clear as
3 possible.

4 MR. ALLEN: 10161 --

5 THE COURT: It's 10161 is the
6 exhibit number that's got the mark on for this,
7 and it's headed Annotation Report Jordan Rejected
8 Offers, March 10, 2008.

9 MR. ALLEN: I just missed a zero.
10 Your Honor, it may be an old-fashioned matter of
11 my training. I'll offer each question in 10161,
12 each question individually, and I guess each
13 question and answer individually is rejected?

14 THE COURT: Those portions that
15 I've indicated are rejected, including each
16 question individually and answer, I sustained
17 objections to that the Defendants made to the use
18 of that exhibit, and so that's what I'm doing.

19 MR. ALLEN: Right. I just wanted
20 to make clear for the record, 10161 is offered
21 not just as a group, but each question
22 individually and each answer individually is
23 offered.

24 THE COURT: That's fine.

25 MR. ALLEN: That's all I wanted to

1 do is make a record; Your Honor. You've already
2 sustained it.

3 I just want to point out that --
4 the statement that, Go ahead and treat anyway and
5 the mood, thought and behavior disorder. Mood,
6 thought and behavior is on the label, and do not
7 treat anyway -- go ahead and treat anyway.
8 Ms. Gussack said on opening statements sometimes
9 it takes eight or nine years to make the
10 diagnosis and that's where those statements came
11 from. Thank you, Your Honor.

12 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, if I
13 might take a moment to seek a proffer before
14 Dr. Hopson called by the State takes the stand,
15 because based on the arguments made by Mr. Allen
16 yesterday, Lilly is sensitive to what is being
17 elicited here and their intent to try to use the
18 lobbying efforts testified to by Ms. Eski as
19 evidence here over our objection, and that they
20 are as Mr. Allen was suggesting, conditionally
21 linking up evidence and presumably are going to
22 ask Dr. Hopson about whatever lobbying efforts,
23 and then offer information subsequently from
24 Ms. Eski's deposition designations.

25 And I think that the Court's well

1 aware of our First Amendment Noerr-Pennington
2 concerns about that, but I also wanted to bring
3 to the Court's attention the remoteness issue,
4 which is that the evidence that Mr. Allen has
5 been referencing as a result of the Eski
6 testimony, is activity that dates back to 2003.

7 There's no evidence in the record,
8 and I'm concerned about testimony being elicited
9 this morning that would suggest that there was
10 any activity since that time, and that the
11 suggestion that there was some impact by Lilly's
12 conduct from 2003 as to any current State action
13 would be misleading and inappropriate. And so --
14 and since the State never had Dr. Hopson on their
15 witness list, it would be helpful if we could get
16 some guidance as to the scope of the testimony
17 being elicited this morning.

18 MR. ALLEN: I can provide that
19 guidance, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Please.

21 MR. ALLEN: I'm not going to be
22 talking about lobbying. You told me I couldn't
23 yesterday. If I do, they can object, but I'm
24 not.

25 THE COURT: Right. And to the

1 extent there's issues of remoteness, although it
2 sounds like if we're not going to get into
3 lobbying there, cross-examination can certainly
4 develop that.

5 MR. ALLEN: And I guess since we
6 need guidance, if they feel something is too
7 remote, and again, I don't intend to do it, they
8 have within their control Ms. Eski, their witness
9 and their employee.

10 THE COURT: Well, again, we'll take
11 Dr. Hopson, who I guess is going to be our first
12 witness, and people are free to ask to approach
13 if they think that it's going over the bounds of
14 my previous rulings and then I'll decide whether
15 I think it is. Or if it isn't, whether I think
16 matters can be developed on cross-examination and
17 everybody can feel free to approach. I don't
18 know what Dr. Hopson will be saying, obviously.

19 MR. ALLEN: We'll find that out
20 shortly.

21 Actually, Your Honor, Ms. Eski's
22 deposition is going to be the first witness. It
23 will be videotape, and it's 22 or -3 or -4
24 minutes --

25 A SPEAKER: 30 minutes.

1 MR. ALLEN: Well, 30 minutes. I
2 don't know what happened between when I had it at
3 22 until now, but it's 30 minutes evidently.
4 Then we'll call Dr. Hopson.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Anything else?

6 MR. JAMIESON: A 30-second issue,
7 Your Honor.

8 Your Honor, mindful as I am of my
9 obligations to the Court under Rule 81 as well as
10 ethics being No. 6095, there will be times during
11 these proceedings that I will not be in court. I
12 assume that's fine with Your Honor and --

13 THE COURT: Certainly.

14 MR. JAMIESON: -- I'm asking to be
15 excused during those times.

16 THE COURT: All attorneys, I mean,
17 as long as I've got one of you here that's doing
18 the work, the rest of you can get up when you
19 need to and leave. Again, you guys are -- I will
20 say this probably three or four more times. But
21 the professionalism and the skills that are in
22 front of me are really high rate, and I have a
23 lot of respect for both sides and everybody on
24 both sides, and as long as you continue to act
25 the way you are, you've got a lot of leave with

1 me to come and go and do what you need to do.

2 MR. JAMIESON: Thank you,
3 Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: We'll see if we've
5 got -- it's a little snowy and sometimes the
6 people out in the Valley or Eagle River have a
7 little bit longer time getting in -- did we have
8 everybody when we went on record?

9 THE CLERK: Negative.

10 THE COURT: We'll give them a heads
11 up if they're all here. If not, I'll ask
12 Mr. Borneman to let you know we're waiting for a
13 few people.

14 We'll be off record.

15 (Off record.)

16 THE COURT: Please be seated.

17 We're back on the record outside
18 the presence of the jury just to make a record of
19 what happened.

20 Just as we're about ready to resume
21 with the jury, Juror No. 13, Mr. Van Huizen
22 suffered what appears to be a heart attack.
23 Paramedics were probably called, as was JS, and
24 he's been taken to the hospital. The -- I want
25 to commend everybody for how they handled it, in

1 a very appropriate way.

2 Seems that Mr. Van Huizen is going
3 to be okay.

4 It seems the jurors are ready to
5 proceed, so I'm ready to proceed unless people
6 think that we shouldn't.

7 MR. FIBICH: Your Honor, the
8 State's ready to proceed if the jurors are. I
9 think we should be listening to them and if
10 they're ready to go, we're ready to call our
11 witness.

12 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, Lilly
13 would like to make an application, preferably in
14 chambers outside of the broader group in the
15 room, if we might, about the effect of this.

16 MR. FIBICH: Why can't we do it in
17 here?

18 THE COURT: What about it needs to
19 be taken up in chambers?

20 MS. GUSSACK: Recognizing that
21 there is coverage, perhaps, of the individual
22 jurors involved here, and that's one of the
23 issues that we'd like to address with the Court,
24 we thought it was best done in chambers.

25 MR. FIBICH: Your Honor, I don't

1 see any -- I mean, I'm not big on this issue, but
2 I don't think there's confidential information.
3 I don't think -- I mean, it's a public trial.

4 THE COURT: Why don't you approach?
5 (Bench conference.)

6 THE COURT: What do we need to take
7 up in chambers?

8 MR. BRENNER: I have the
9 application right here, Your Honor.

10 Appropriately, Dr. Wirshing, one of
11 the State's experts and Dr. Hopson, who is being
12 called as a witness went to the aid of the ill
13 juror. All the other jurors observed that. That
14 having happened, we -- I don't want to say
15 regrettably, but we feel constrained to move for
16 a mistrial.

17 These jurors in our view cannot now
18 be objective regarding at least one of the
19 experts and one of the State's witnesses whom
20 they observed assisting one of the other jurors.

21 MR. FIBICH: May I respond, Your
22 Honor?

23 THE COURT: Sure.

24 MR. FIBICH: First of all,
25 Your Honor, my observation was that they did go

1 to his aid appropriately, and I'm glad they did.

2 I don't believe the man had a heart
3 attack from what the medical information is we
4 got. But that's irrelevant as well. The issue
5 in this case is whether the involvement of these
6 individuals is such to influence the jurors.
7 That is a decision that I think you ought to make
8 by independently questioning them separately in
9 your chambers.

10 First of all, I think in the
11 controversy and the chaos that happened
12 immediately that I'm not sure they even knew who
13 they were or anything else. But whether I'm
14 right or wrong is irrelevant. The question is,
15 have they been influenced to such a degree that
16 they cannot continue to sit in this case? And I
17 would ask that you make that inquiry before you
18 make any determination. As you know, we have
19 invested a tremendous amount of --

20 THE COURT: I understand that.

21 It's fair to individually question the jurors to
22 see if anyone would be influenced by this.

23 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, there's
24 another issue, which is really what I wanted to
25 be seen at sidebar, which is that there

1 apparently was coverage during this event, and I
2 think it's really quite likely that individual
3 jurors who know this juror who had the heart
4 attack or his family would be inclined to seek
5 out information about how he was doing,
6 information that would be available in the
7 newspaper. So we have an additional concern that
8 jurors not --

9 THE COURT: Well, again, I've given
10 them instructions about doing that and I will
11 certainly instruct --

12 THE COURT REPORTER: Excuse me.
13 Excuse me, Judge. I think that -- is this off
14 the record?

15 THE COURT: Yes.

16 THE COURT REPORTER: We need to
17 close the computers down.

18 THE COURT: It's not off the record
19 as such, but it's a side bench --

20 THE COURT REPORTER: Can they read
21 it?

22
23 THE COURT: No, the gallery should
24 not be reading this.
25

1 THE COURT REPORTER: Okay. Can you
2 put something over the screens? Okay. I'm
3 sorry.

4 THE COURT: I will certainly
5 instruct the jury again about the newspaper
6 thing, and to the extent that they're concerned
7 about that, I'll even make it clearer that to the
8 extent that they're concerned about Mr. Van
9 Huizen and stuff. It's possible but I don't know
10 that there might be something in the paper about
11 his condition, and I'll let them know updates
12 about his condition, but they should stay away
13 from the newspaper.

14 MR. FIBICH: I think we'd all like
15 to know how he is doing as well. If there's a
16 way for the Court to inquire --

17 THE COURT: As long as you were
18 here, what I was actually thinking about doing
19 was having my secretary getting a get-well card
20 that the jurors could sign, and, quite frankly,
21 you all could sign and we could send it to
22 Mr. Van Huizen as well, unless somebody has any
23 problems was that.

24 MR. FIBICH: I would like that very
25 much.

1 MS. GUSSACK: We want to be
2 mindful, Your Honor, as you question the
3 witnesses individually, that we're not elevating
4 the acts of the State's experts by asking the
5 question. So, you know, obviously, this presents
6 a problem for us because in the hubbub of the --

7 THE COURT: Do you want to ask the
8 questions individually? I have no problem with
9 that, if you have concerns about that. I want to
10 make sure -- I think it's fair to question the
11 jurors individually and make sure no one is going
12 to see what the doctors do and that they will get
13 favorable treatment as a witness because of that.
14 That's a fair thing to ask them and then if some
15 people say, I will give them favorable treatment,
16 we'll have to figure out what to do about that.

17 MS. GUSSACK: The questions are
18 best put by the Court.

19 THE COURT: Again, I was just going
20 to tell them that, you know, it appears that two
21 of the witnesses that will be testifying for the
22 State were the doctors who attended. Is that
23 going to affect -- when these witnesses testify,
24 does the fact that they saw him come to Mr. Van
25 Huizen's aid affect their ability to fairly

1 judge? That's the question that I would put to
2 them.

3 MR. BRENNER: That's an appropriate
4 question, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: I agree we can't take
6 it up as a group, so we'll take them one at a
7 time.

8 We can -- well, let's do it in
9 chambers. It's probably just as easy there.

10 MR. FIBICH: We want to limit the
11 lawyers in your chambers?

12 THE COURT: Yes.

13 MR. FIBICH: How many?

14 THE COURT: Do we need more than
15 one for this?

16 MR. BRENNER: Fine, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Mark, we're going to go
18 on record in chambers.

19 MR. FIBICH: Do I understand that
20 the Court will be the only person to question the
21 jurors?

22 THE COURT: Well, if somebody feels
23 that because of questions some additional
24 follow-up is needed, I'll probably allow that.
25 But I might be the one to ask -- if people give

1 me a question, I'll ask it.

2 MR. ALLEN: I think that would be
3 the best way to go.

4 (End of bench conference.)

5 (Jury in.)

6 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of
7 the jury, we're going to start our presentation
8 of the evidence in a second. I'm sure that
9 everybody will want to know what's going on with
10 Mr. Van Huizen, and if I get any information,
11 I'll pass it on to you. It's possible in the
12 stories that may be about -- if there's any
13 stories about this trial, there may be some
14 mention of this and his condition. If I read it,
15 I'll pass it on to you. But, again, I'll remind
16 you, please don't read any stories about this
17 case even if you're looking for information about
18 Mr. Van Huizen.

19 I'll also tell you that it's my
20 intent to get a card or cards that could be --
21 get-well card that can be signed by all members
22 of the jury, and the lawyers have indicated on
23 both sides that they would sign it and I
24 certainly will, too. So I'll try to have that
25 for you tomorrow. We can all send him our best

1 regards and prayers. And so I just want you to
2 let you know that's going to be coming. Are the
3 parties ready to proceed?

4 MR. ALLEN: Yes, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Why don't you call your
6 first witness, Mr. Allen.

7 MR. ALLEN: Yes, Your Honor. We
8 call to the stand via oral videotaped deposition,
9 Ms. Joey L. Eski.

10 Excuse me for a second while we get
11 set up.

12 He said they need the lights
13 dimmed, please.

14 VIDEOTAPE TESTIMONY OF JOEY L. ESKI

15 Q. Would you raise your right hand, please.
16 (Joey Eski sworn.)

17 Q. Good morning.

18 A. Good morning.

19 Q. How are you today?

20 A. I'm fine. How are you?

21 Q. Fine. Can you tell the jury your name,
22 please?

23 A. Joey L. Eski. Joey L. Eski.

24 Q. For whom do you work?

25 A. Eli Lilly and Company.

1 Q. And what is your current job for Eli
2 Lilly and Company?

3 A. I am currently an executive sales
4 representative with the neuroscience division and
5 I am a specialty rep in the community mental
6 health centers.

7 Q. Tell the jury, please, the contact that
8 you either have had personally or coordinated for
9 Eli Lilly in the contacts in the State of Alaska,
10 please?

11 A. Of any sort. Okay. I've had minimal
12 contact with the director of Medicaid, State
13 Medicaid, Dave Campana, over the last ten-year
14 span. Interactions as far as introducing myself
15 so he has a contact with Lilly. That's my main
16 interactions with him.

17 I infrequently called on him before
18 we had public health people that came up here and
19 did that.

20 Q. Frequently?

21 A. Infrequently.

22 Q. Called on Dave Campana?

23 A. Very infrequently. Probably, as I can
24 remember, maybe two or three times.

25 Q. You've told us about your contact with

1 Mr. Campana.

2 A. Uh-huh.

3 Q. Now can you tell the jury the remaining
4 contacts you've had with the State of Alaska or
5 the representatives of State of Alaska involving
6 your duties at Eli Lilly?

7 A. Do you consider the State hospital,
8 State employees? I mean --

9 Q. Ma'am, I just -- really -- I can only
10 get your testimony.

11 A. Okay. My primary responsibility would
12 have been for Alaska Psychiatric Institution,
13 which is our State hospital for the entire state.
14 And I would work with the medical director and
15 all the physicians and the pharmacy in that
16 facility.

17 Q. How long have you worked for Eli Lilly?

18 A. This is my tenth year of service with
19 Eli Lilly.

20 Q. You moved up here to Alaska in '97 or
21 '98 time period?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And what -- what was your job when you
24 were hired in September of '98?

25 A. Sales representative in neuroscience.

1 Q. Ms. Cramer is what you said?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. Would Ms. Cramer also detail the same
 4 doctors as you did?
 5 A. Exactly same doctors.
 6 Q. You all would make different visits at
 7 different times?
 8 A. That's correct. We had what we called
 9 routing.
 10 Q. And you both promoted Zyprexa?
 11 A. We did.
 12 Q. That was your job as a sales rep, to
 13 promote Zyprexa?
 14 A. That was part of it, yes.
 15 Q. What was the other part?
 16 A. To be a resource to the physicians, a
 17 face for Eli Lilly.
 18 Q. When you walk in, you have detail pieces
 19 in your hand, do you not?
 20 A. Not always.
 21 Q. Okay. Not always. You often have
 22 detail pieces in hand?
 23 A. Probably not as much as you think I do.
 24 I mean, it's not -- it depends where I'm going,
 25 what physician I'm seeing. A detail piece is

1 something that I use as a -- a guide, if someone
 2 has a question and there's -- there's an answer
 3 to their question in my detail piece, then I'll
 4 pull it out and use it.
 5 Q. When new detail pieces come out or
 6 changes are made to detail pieces, Eli Lilly
 7 doesn't just leave it to you to try to figure it
 8 out; they provide you with training materials
 9 about how to talk about that detail piece, right?
 10 A. Sure.
 11 Q. And they give you written material that
 12 instructs you as how you're supposed to speak
 13 about that detail piece, correct?
 14 A. It's a guide. It was a guide, an idea.
 15 Q. They're called resource guides?
 16 A. Sometimes.
 17 Q. Or they're called implementation guides?
 18 A. Uh-huh.
 19 Q. Is that a yes?
 20 A. Yes.
 21 Q. Ma'am, I handed you what's been marked
 22 as Exhibit 1. This is -- you recognize this as
 23 LillyUSA Sales Good Promotional Practice,
 24 Definition of a Sales Call and Call Notes Eli
 25 Lilly and Company, February, 2001?

1 A. Uh-huh.
 2 Q. Have you seen this before?
 3 A. I have.
 4 Q. Now, we go under the definitions, you
 5 see the definition of a call note?
 6 A. I do.
 7 Q. It's a business record documented within
 8 a call system that accurately reflects all
 9 aspects of a sales call. Did I read that
 10 correctly?
 11 A. You did. Yes, you did.
 12 Q. And in the information and procedures
 13 section I want you to read you the goal. Do you
 14 see the goal of a sales call?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. This is Eli Lilly's words, not Scott
 17 Allen's. The goal of a sales call is to
 18 appropriately influence a health care
 19 professional using the approved Lilly product
 20 information to allow him or her to choose the
 21 best therapy for his or her patients and
 22 ultimately to increase the sales of Lilly's
 23 products.
 24 Did I read that correctly?
 25 A. You did.

1 Q. As previously marked as Noesges Exhibit
 2 No. 8, I'll hand you one to you and one to your
 3 counsel. I appreciate your attention to that
 4 matter. This is also a Lilly Good Promotional
 5 Practices document.
 6 Do you see that?
 7 A. I do.
 8 Q. All right. Off-label information, I'm
 9 going to read the definition given to you: Any
 10 information about a Lilly product that is not
 11 contained in or is not consistent with the
 12 package insert labeling approved by the FDA.
 13 Examples include, but are not limited to
 14 indications, dosage forms, dosing schedules,
 15 combination therapy, and safety information.
 16 Do you see that?
 17 A. Uh-huh.
 18 Q. Is that a yes?
 19 A. That is a yes.
 20 Q. So whatever information you gave to the
 21 health care professionals concerning the safety
 22 profile and side effect information on Zyprexa
 23 was within the label, correct?
 24 A. Yes, I would have given whatever was
 25 available to me at the time.

1 MR. LEHNER: Your Honor, can we
2 just stop here for a minute and just approach the
3 bench?
4 THE COURT: Sure.
5 (Bench discussion.)
6 MR. LEHNER: You had this on the
7 need to discuss. We're about to enter into this
8 whole thing. I know we had a discussion about it
9 yesterday. I don't know whether there was a
10 ruling. I thought there was ruling was going to
11 depend on whether we open the door and all that
12 kind of thing.
13 MR. ALLEN: You'd overruled the
14 objection. There was nothing about lobbying.
15 MR. LEHNER: There wasn't an
16 objection. That was a need to discuss.
17 THE COURT: I thought that the
18 State Action Team and all of that stuff was out?
19 MR. LEHNER: I did too.
20 MR. ALLEN: I honestly didn't. So
21 do you want me to skip to --
22 THE COURT: All the things that I
23 said need to discuss --
24 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, can you
25 read the answer? The reason is it's talking

1 about hyperglycemia and diabetes. That's the
2 question.
3 THE COURT: Which is the question?
4 MR. LEHNER: Need to discuss just
5 begins. I don't think there was a ruling on
6 everything that he marked as need to discuss.
7 MR. ALLEN: If we read the answer,
8 it's nothing to do with lobbying. It has to do
9 with -- it's talking about hyperglycemia and
10 diabetes. That's all it's talking about.
11 THE COURT: No, the need to discuss
12 was --
13 MR. ALLEN: I actually don't
14 know -- I wouldn't have cut this deposition had
15 it not been overruled. Can I look at what we're
16 talking about, because I would not have done
17 that. Okay. Here --
18 THE COURT: All these things about
19 need to discuss that I said let's discuss when we
20 had the conversation and again, my conversation
21 was because it wasn't readily apparent to me the
22 relevance, and we had a conversation about them
23 and I ultimately concluded at least for now --
24 MR. ALLEN: This is the diabetes --
25 maybe -- let me see. I don't have all that in

1 there. Let me go get what I have. That's not
2 what's in my -- I think you have the wrong
3 exhibit --
4 MR. LEHNER: Well, this is what you
5 all provided to us last night.
6 MR. ALLEN: I agree with that. I
7 didn't put that in there.
8 MR. LEHNER: This is what you
9 provided to us last evening.
10 MR. ALLEN: Please don't indicate
11 that -- here's -- here's where we are, and this
12 is -- this is the diabetes -- this is what it's
13 talking about right here. We're on page 119 and
14 120. I don't have all that in there, George. I
15 took it out.
16 MR. LEHNER: We can't run this.
17 You all run this for us.
18 MR. ALLEN: George --
19 MR. LEHNER: I'm not -- I'm just
20 saying that's why I raised it --
21 MR. ALLEN: That's not within my
22 cuts.
23 THE COURT: So I think this stuff
24 was out, too.
25 MR. ALLEN: Hyperglycemia and

1 diabetes?
2 THE COURT: This stuff was out.
3 MR. ALLEN: Let me pick back up,
4 Judge. I can -- if you give it to me --
5 THE COURT: I think we jumped from
6 this stuff. There was certainly a bunch of stuff
7 down at the end.
8 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, I wouldn't
9 have done this .
10
11 THE COURT: This 122, 17 stuff.
12 Back in April, were there issues about diabetes
13 and hyperglycemia --
14 MR. ALLEN: Whatever happened, can
15 I have your pen so I can get it to my people?
16 Okay. I apologize to the Court if
17 it happened. I mean, it was -- I mean --
18 THE COURT: Get it straight.
19 MR. ALLEN: We're going to start
20 at --
21 MR. LEHNER: 122, 17.
22 THE COURT: 122, 17.
23 MR. ALLEN: Thank you, Your Honor.
24 I apologize to the Court.
25 THE COURT: That's okay.

1 MR. ALLEN: Can we pick back up at
2 cut 24, Page 122, Line 17? I don't know how you
3 do what.
4 You can go to cut 24? Yes, if you
5 can.
6 Sorry, Your Honor.
7 THE COURT: It's okay.
8 MR. ALLEN: We're ready.
9 (End bench discussion.)
10 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Ready?
11 MR. ALLEN: Yes, sir.
12 CONTINUED VIDEOTAPE TESTIMONY OF JOEY L. ESKI
13 Q. Back in April and May of 2004, were
14 there issues involving hyperglycemia and diabetes
15 surrounding Zyprexa?
16 A. Don't know anything about issues. I
17 mean, are you -- can you be more specific or not?
18 I mean, there was a lot of things -- there were
19 media, there were, you know, physicians, there
20 were -- there were all kinds of communications
21 from Lilly. I mean, there were a number of
22 things. I don't know exactly what you're asking
23 me, though. I mean -- am I answering you? Is
24 that what you're looking for? Yes or no?
25 I'm asking for clarification.

1 You said ask you for help, so I
2 did.
3 Q. Were there concerns about diabetes and
4 hyperglycemia surrounding Zyprexa in April or May
5 of 2004?
6 A. There was lots of uncertainty around
7 atypicals and diabetes and hyperglycemia and --
8 certainly.
9 Q. My question is particularly directed at
10 Zyprexa. Were there concerns --
11 A. Sure.
12 Q. -- or issues --
13 A. Yes, yes.
14 Q. Do you remember giving doctors the
15 comparable rates message and handouts? You
16 remember that --
17 A. Vaguely, yes.
18 Q. DOES it bring it back to you for at
19 least during the time period we identified in
20 these brief excerpts of notes from 2001 to 2003.
21 You were involved in the comparable rates
22 message?
23 A. Around diabetes, yes.
24 Q. Yes. I'm going to hand you Exhibit 10.
25 Maybe this will help clear up the confusion. You

1 recognize this, don't you?
2 A. I do recognize this.
3 Q. And doesn't it say comparable rates of
4 diabetes and hyperglycemia among psychotropics?
5 A. It does.
6 Q. And isn't this something that you gave
7 to doctors?
8 A. I can't remember if we left it with
9 doctors or not.
10 Q. Does this not appear to you to be -- let
11 me ask this question first: Does this document,
12 Exhibit No. 10, refresh your recollection that
13 you were out detailing doctors and health care
14 providers with the comparable rates of diabetes
15 and hyperglycemia among psychotropics? Does that
16 refresh your recollection?
17 A. No. I remember using this, but I don't
18 know that I actually ever gave this as a message.
19 I've always told my providers we don't know about
20 diabetes. It's so multi-factorial, diabetes is.
21 And you can -- when I'm interacting with a
22 physician, I don't -- I just give them the data
23 that we have, but we've never told them either
24 way whether Zyprexa causes or doesn't cause
25 diabetes. It's never been a comfort level for

1 me. I think that they have to watch their
2 patients.
3 So I've never -- you know, I've
4 never given them this kind of -- I mean, I just
5 have always told them we don't really know. This
6 is what we know, but it's not much, because
7 that's what I believe.
8 Q. This is a Lilly document, isn't it?
9 A. It is, yes.
10 Q. And let me read what Lilly said. It has
11 a number up here, 1, doesn't it? The No. 1, you
12 see it?
13 A. Uh-huh.
14 Q. Is that a yes?
15 A. Yes.
16 Q. Comparable rates of diabetes and
17 hyperglycemia among psychotropics. Patients
18 treated with Zyprexa had rates of diabetes and
19 hyperglycemia comparable to those with patients
20 treated with risperidone, haloperidol, divalproex
21 sodium in clinical trials.
22 Did I read that correctly?
23 A. Yes.
24 Q. Let's see Exhibit 11. Maybe it will
25 help you recall. Exhibit No. 11, you see that?

1 Do you recognize this document now? By the way,
2 it's poorly stapled together. We got it upside
3 down, don't we?

4 A. I remember the concept of it. I don't
5 know that I remember the document per se as it's
6 presented here.

7 Q. So if you look at the third page of this
8 document, how did the medications you used
9 compare rates of diabetes were comparable for
10 commonly-prescribed psychotropics during
11 longer-term clinical trials.

12 Do you see that?

13 A. Uh-huh.

14 Q. Ma'am?

15 A. I do see that, yes.

16 Q. Okay. So you do agree that currently
17 you must tell the physicians and health care
18 providers that Zyprexa carries a higher rate of
19 hyperglycemia than Seroquel or Risperdal or
20 Abilify or Geodon?

21 A. Of hyperglycemia, yes.

22 Q. When did they first tell you in Eli
23 Lilly, your superiors, that they knew that the
24 risk of hyperglycemia in regard to
25 second-generation antipsychotics fell on a

1 continuum? When did they first tell you that?

2 A. Same label change.

3 Q. When was that?

4 A. I think it was October of '07, but I
5 can't remember exactly.

6 Q. What year -- so the first time they told
7 you there was a continuum and the first time they
8 told you that Zyprexa had a higher rate of
9 hyperglycemia was October of 2007?

10 A. That is the first time I've ever seen
11 that wording.

12 Q. And prior to that time, you were told
13 that there was comparable rates, correct?

14 A. Of --

15 Q. Of what?

16 A. I'm asking you. Comparable rates of
17 what?

18 Q. What were you told there were comparable
19 rates of?

20 A. We were told that there were comparable
21 rates -- I mean, of diabetes, but specifically --
22 I mean, it says it here for hyperglycemia, but
23 I'm not sure. I need to think about what your
24 question is. I'm sorry. Say it again. Prior to
25 2007 -- what was I told about comparable rates

1 prior to 2007?

2 Diabetes and I guess we thought
3 there were comparable rates of hyperglycemia
4 given the older data. So --

5 Q. So prior to October, 2007, Eli Lilly
6 informed you that there was comparable rates of
7 diabetes and hyperglycemia between Zyprexa and
8 the other second-generation antipsychotics?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Doctors, when you detailed on Zyprexa,
11 they were interested in the risk of Zyprexa, were
12 they not?

13 A. They are interested in everything about
14 Zyprexa, all of the available data. So, if
15 you're asking me specifically to this -- they're
16 interested in everything about the drug. They
17 need to know everything to make their decision.

18 Q. Why do they need to know everything?

19 A. Because they need to look at their
20 patient and -- and look at the patient profile
21 and -- and look at the risk factors of a patient
22 to decide what is going to work for them or what,
23 you know, they think might be an inappropriate
24 choice for them, so -- so that they can customize
25 their decision to the patient.

1 Q. It's in order to make an informed
2 choice, right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Ma'am?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And why do you want them to make an
7 informed choice?

8 A. So that they have a better outcome for
9 their patient.

10 Q. Right. Tell the jury the difference
11 between a warning and an adverse reaction.

12 A. Typically it's the rate of incidence, as
13 I understand it, and a likelihood of the -- of
14 the occurrence.

15 Q. Warnings are more severe, greater
16 incidence and more likely; is that correct?

17 A. As I understand.

18 Q. As you understand?

19 A. Uh-huh.

20 Q. Is that a yes?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. How long have you had that understanding
23 as a sales representative for Eli Lilly?

24 A. The entire time I worked for the
25 company.

1 Q. Since 1998?
 2 A. Uh-huh.
 3 Q. Is that a yes?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. So you clearly understood there was a
 6 distinction in the label and you're claiming
 7 there was a distinction in the label between a
 8 warning and an adverse reaction?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. Ma'am?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. Difference between a warning and adverse
 13 reaction, the difference was the severity or the
 14 frequency of the rate of the side effect; is that
 15 right?
 16 A. Yes.
 17 Q. And that's -- was consistent with your
 18 training?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. And if anybody had asked you that, not
 21 just me, up until today, from 1998 to 2008,
 22 that's what you'd testify to today?
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. Do you see in Exhibit 13, which is the
 25 2007 label --

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. -- it says -- it's in the warning
 3 section?
 4 A. Right.
 5 Q. It's the first time it's ever appeared
 6 in the warning section, right?
 7 A. Yes, hyperlipidemia.
 8 Q. It says undesirable -- it's on page 9.
 9 It says, undesirable alterations in lipids have
 10 been observed in the olanzapine use.
 11 Did I read that correct?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. What is undesirable about these
 14 alterations in lipids that have been observed in
 15 olanzapine use?
 16 A. I can't answer that. I don't -- I don't
 17 know.
 18 Q. Yes, ma'am, you've told us in the first
 19 30 minutes of this deposition or thereabouts that
 20 part of your job as reflected in the policies was
 21 to detail within the label on the risks of the
 22 product, correct?
 23 A. Uh-huh.
 24 Q. Is that a yes?
 25 A. Yes, yes.

1 Q. And you were supposed to receive
 2 materials and training to do that, to answer
 3 questions accurately, correct?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. And what does the sentence in 2007
 6 October label changes, where it says undesirable
 7 alterations in lipids have been observed in
 8 olanzapine use. What does the undesirable
 9 portion of that mean?
 10 A. I don't know.
 11 Q. Did you ever pass on to doctors prior to
 12 October, 2007 that undesirable alterations in
 13 lipids have been observed with olanzapine use?
 14 A. No.
 15 Q. Okay. What you're telling us is, Mr.
 16 Allen, I want you to clearly understand --
 17 A. Right.
 18 Q. -- I as a sales representative will
 19 focus on the details in the warning and I will
 20 pass that along to the doctors?
 21 A. Yes.
 22 Q. And then that way the doctors can make a
 23 better informed choice?
 24 A. Uh-huh.
 25 Q. Is that a yes?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. And the patients can get better
 3 information?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. I'll just ask you this question: Did
 6 you know back in 1995 that Eli Lilly knew that
 7 there is a statistically significant elevation in
 8 cholesterol on the high side when Zyprexa was
 9 compared to haloperidol? Did you know that?
 10 A. No.
 11 Q. Ma'am?
 12 A. No.
 13 Q. Did anybody ever tell you in a clinical
 14 trial that Eli Lilly was in charge of that
 15 Zyprexa was shown back in the mid-'90s to have
 16 increased levels of cholesterol than haloperidol?
 17 A. No, I don't have that information.
 18 Q. Was weight gain in the warning section
 19 of the label, by the way?
 20 A. No.
 21 Q. Was it in the warning section of the
 22 label before October of 2007?
 23 A. As a warning?
 24 Q. That's what I asked.
 25 A. No.

1 Q. I've marked as Exhibit 16 the 2003 PDR
2 reference adverse reactions. I'm going to
3 highlight it for you so we can find it together.
4 I think I have one here for counsel. I do. I
5 gave away my last one, so you're going to have to
6 share it with your counsel. Exhibit 16, adverse
7 reaction section. You see that?

8 A. I do.

9 Q. You see the adverse reaction section on
10 page 4, right?

11 A. Uh-huh.

12 Q. Is that a yes?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. You see the highlighted language that
15 says, It is important to emphasize that although
16 the events occurred during treatment with
17 olanzapine, they were not necessarily caused by
18 it. The entire label should be read to gain a
19 complete understanding of the safety profile of
20 olanzapine.

21 Is that true?

22 A. Does it say that? Yes.

23 Q. You see a listing of other --

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And do you see body as a whole?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Let me just read body as a whole.
3 Frequent dental pain and flu syndrome.

4 Did I read that correctly?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Frequent -- under cardiovascular system,
7 hypotension.

8 Did I read that correctly?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Frequent, under digestive system is
11 flatulence. That's gas, is it not?

12 A. I believe so.

13 Q. Increased salivation and thirst. Did I
14 read that correctly?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Are all those frequent or adverse
17 reactions to Zyprexa?

18 A. Are they all related to Zyprexa?

19 Q. Yes, ma'am.

20 A. I can't say.

21 Q. Why can't you say?

22 A. Because of the nature of -- of the
23 reporting in the clinical trial.

24 Q. So tell me about that. Explain that to
25 me. I don't understand.

1 A. As I understand it, the participants in
2 the clinical trial are required to report every
3 single thing that happens to them, and then it
4 should be reported. And whether it makes sense
5 to be attributed to the drug or not, it's still
6 reported.

7 Q. And it's stuck in the adverse reaction
8 section; is that right?

9 MR. BRENNER: Objection to form.

10 A. This is the other adverse events.

11 Q. Yes, ma'am. What you're saying is based
12 on what you've been trained, anything that
13 happened in the clinical trial the patient is
14 supposed to report and it's put in the other
15 adverse events section, right?

16 A. Anything -- I mean, they also look at
17 the occurrence of it versus placebo or the
18 control group, whatever they are.

19 Q. Let's go down to digestive -- excuse
20 me -- we did infrequent under digestive system
21 includes fecal impaction and you said you just
22 don't know about that either.

23 A. No, I don't.

24 Q. Okay. Let's go to hemic and lymphatic
25 system. Infrequent is listed anemia, you see

1 that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. How is that related to Zyprexa?

4 A. I don't know.

5 Q. Let's go down to musculoskeletal system,
6 it says infrequent, arthritis.

7 How is that related to Zyprexa?

8 A. I don't know.

9 Q. Is abdomen being enlarged related
10 Zyprexa?

11 A. I can't say.

12 Q. Is atrial fibrillation related to
13 Zyprexa?

14 A. I don't know.

15 Q. All those are infrequent reactions under
16 other under adverse reactions, right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. I see another one. Look at the
19 endocrine system. Do you see that?

20 A. I do.

21 Q. Diabetes mellitus?

22 A. Uh-huh.

23 Q. Doesn't it say infrequent? Ma'am?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Is that related to Zyprexa?

1 A. I don't know.
 2 Q. If a doctor asked you all these listings
 3 in the other adverse events section, whether it's
 4 gas or dental pain or joint stiffness, you'd give
 5 the same answer as you did on diabetes, right?
 6 A. It's a matter of -- of occurrence, what
 7 comes up more. So, diabetes, I would say, it's
 8 infrequent. I would reference it as an adverse
 9 event in infrequent. I would say you need to
 10 report it if you feel it is attributed to Zyprexa
 11 and I'll get you a medical letter on any of the
 12 company information that we have. So that's how
 13 I would handle that. And I would do that with
 14 all of these things.
 15 Q. The adverse -- the other adverse events
 16 section is not a warning to anybody, is it?
 17 A. I can't answer that. I mean, to me,
 18 yes.
 19 Q. Oh?
 20 A. It's not a warning -- it's a -- sorry.
 21 Q. It's not a warning; it's a what?
 22 A. It's an awareness.
 23 Q. It's not a warning, it's an awareness,
 24 right?
 25 A. Uh-huh.

1 Q. Is that a yes?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. You didn't go around warning doctors of
 4 dental pain, did you?
 5 A. No, I didn't.
 6 Q. You didn't go around warning them of
 7 increased salivation and gas, did you?
 8 A. No, I did not.
 9 Q. Okay. They're listed there under the
 10 adverse events section more frequently than
 11 diabetes, right?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. Okay. Thanks.
 14 Now, matter of fact, your company
 15 and you went around saying if there is an issue
 16 of diabetes, it's comparable to the other
 17 antipsychotics. Isn't that what you did --
 18 ma'am?
 19 A. I've always said with diabetes it's
 20 uncertain. It's still multi-factorial.
 21 Q. Ma'am, you're called to say the words
 22 comparable rates. Are you not willing to admit
 23 that you went around and talked about comparable
 24 rates?
 25 A. I just didn't do it in the way you're

1 describing it.
 2 Q. If the warning's different, as you told
 3 us, that's significant, isn't it?
 4 A. Uh-huh.
 5 Q. Is that yes -- is that yes?
 6 A. If the warning's different --
 7 Q. It's significant, isn't it?
 8 A. We're going to communicate it. I want
 9 them to know that it changed.
 10 Q. You said it's an agenda if it changes,
 11 right?
 12 A. I said that it's -- we're directed to do
 13 that, yes.
 14 Q. You have a warning change that just
 15 occurred within the last five months on weight
 16 gain, right?
 17 A. The whole label change, yes.
 18 Q. And weight gain was included for the
 19 first time ever in the warnings section, right?
 20 A. Uh-huh.
 21 Q. Is that yes?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. That's a significant difference, isn't
 24 it?
 25 A. It wasn't a surprise to my providers,

1 but it -- it is in the warnings section and we
 2 brought that to their attention.
 3 Q. So it's a big difference when something
 4 is in the warning section, right?
 5 A. It's a big difference in terms of --
 6 that we go and practically alert people, yes.
 7 Q. You go alert people, right?
 8 A. Uh-huh.
 9 Q. Is that a yes?
 10 A. Yes.
 11 Q. And in the warnings section there's a
 12 whole warning on tardive dyskinesia, is there
 13 not?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. Can you hand that back, please. I'm
 16 looking for a particular sentence.
 17 And in the warnings section, in the
 18 2003 PDR concerning tardive dyskinesia it states,
 19 Whether antipsychotic drug products differ in
 20 their potential to cause tardive dyskinesia is
 21 unknown.
 22 Do you see that?
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. Just so the record's clear, since the
 25 very dawn of Zyprexa being on the market, it has

1 always carried the risk of tardive dyskinesia,
 2 has it not?
 3 A. Yes.
 4 Q. Does the label support any superior
 5 efficacy of Zyprexa over the first-generation
 6 antipsychotics?
 7 A. I would have to look through.
 8 Q. Yes, ma'am. Take your time and look
 9 through. The question on the table is whether or
 10 not the label that is current supports superior
 11 efficacy of Zyprexa over the first-generation
 12 antipsychotics. We'll go off the record and let
 13 you look.
 14 In the label, as we sit here today,
 15 is there any data or information in the label
 16 that supports the fact that Zyprexa is superior
 17 to any first-generation antipsychotic?
 18 A. In the package insert, no.
 19 Q. Now, next question: Is there anything
 20 within the label, as we sit here today, that
 21 supports the fact that Zyprexa is superior in
 22 efficacy to any second-generation antipsychotic?
 23 A. No.
 24 Q. Is there anything in the current label
 25 that supports a superior safety profile of

1 Zyprexa over any other antipsychotics other than
 2 Clozaril?
 3 A. Just in this label?
 4 Q. Yes, ma'am.
 5 A. No.
 6 Q. Okay. So, in the label there's no
 7 superior efficacy and there's no superior safety,
 8 correct?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. Okay. Okay. Now, not only is there an
 11 increased risk of hyperlipidemia and
 12 hyperglycemia in the Zyprexa label, there's an
 13 increased risk of weight gain in the warnings
 14 section of the current label, correct?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. I'm trying to figure out what in the
 17 label of Zyprexa gives it an advantage over any
 18 other antipsychotic in safety or efficacy. Is
 19 there anything in the label you can find?
 20 A. In the label? In this -- in the package
 21 insert?
 22 Q. Yes, ma'am.
 23 A. No.
 24 Q. There's not, is there?
 25 A. (Witness shakes head.)

1 Q. Ma'am?
 2 A. No.
 3 Q. My only question is: Would you ever
 4 give doctors, you as a detail person for Eli
 5 Lilly on Zyprexa, information orally or in
 6 writing that was inconsistent with a label? Yes
 7 or no?
 8 A. I would only give physicians things that
 9 Lilly has given me that I -- I think are
 10 consistent with the label if I received it from
 11 Lilly.
 12 Q. The last ten years since you started
 13 working as a detail representative, have you ever
 14 detailed any other products besides Zyprexa and
 15 Symbyax?
 16 A. Yes.
 17 Q. What other products?
 18 A. Prozac and Strattera.
 19 Q. When did you quit detailing Prozac?
 20 A. Uh -- the year when it went off patent.
 21 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, that
 22 concludes our offer of Ms. Eski's deposition.
 23 THE COURT: Can we take down the
 24 screen?
 25 Does Eli Lilly wish at this time --

1 MR. LEHNER: Your Honor, we'll
 2 reserve our right to play portions for our own
 3 case. Thank you.
 4 THE COURT: Who is the State's next
 5 witness?
 6 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, can you
 7 give me -- we call Dr. Duane Hopson to the stand
 8 who's been subpoenaed.
 9 Mr. Borneman, turn the lights back
 10 on -- are the lights back on? I guess so.
 11 THE COURT: Dr. Hopson, if you can
 12 come forward, please, to the witness chair, and
 13 if you can remain standing behind it, we'll put
 14 you under oath.
 15 R. DUANE HOPSON, M.D.,
 16 Having been duly sworn, testified
 17 as follows:
 18 THE CLERK: For the record, Doctor,
 19 would you please state your first and last name,
 20 spelling both.
 21 THE WITNESS: First name is
 22 Raymond, R-a-y-m-o-n-d, Hopson, H-o-p-s-o-n.
 23 THE CLERK: Thank you, sir.
 24 THE COURT: Mr. Allen.
 25 DIRECT EXAMINATION

1 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Good morning.
 2 A. Good morning.
 3 Q. Dr. Hopson, I'm Scott Allen. You and I
 4 have never met before, have we?
 5 A. No.
 6 Q. We've never spoken before, is that
 7 correct?
 8 A. No.
 9 Q. Can you tell the jury your occupation,
 10 please?
 11 A. I'm a psychiatrist. I'm medical
 12 director at Alaska Psychiatric Institute.
 13 Q. Here in Anchorage?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. Dr. Hopson, have you ever testified in
 16 court before?
 17 A. For civil court mental health
 18 commitments.
 19 Q. Other than that, have you ever
 20 testified?
 21 A. No, sir.
 22 Q. If at any time during the examination
 23 you do not understand a question I ask or need to
 24 take a break, we'll ask the Judge. But if you
 25 don't feel comfortable, let me know, okay?

1 A. I will.
 2 Q. Dr. Hopson, you said you're a
 3 psychiatrist. I'd like you to briefly describe
 4 for the jury your educational background and
 5 training, if you would, please?
 6 A. Okay. I obtained a Bachelor of Science
 7 degree from a university in Arkansas. Following
 8 that, four years of medical school at University
 9 of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, and then I
 10 returned to Texas and completed a four-year
 11 general psychiatry residency at Timberlawn
 12 Psychiatric Hospital, followed by two years of
 13 child and adolescent fellowship at Timberlawn.
 14 Q. Yes, sir. And fellowship -- let me see,
 15 residency in psychiatry, did it last two years?
 16 A. General psychiatry is four, total. And
 17 then fellowship, two additional.
 18 Q. So that's four years of residency after
 19 medical school, right?
 20 A. Yes, sir.
 21 Q. And then you have two additional years
 22 of training in a subspecialty to get your
 23 fellowship?
 24 A. Yes, sir.
 25 Q. And then you -- after you completed your

1 fellowship, did you go to work in Texas or where?
 2 A. Actually, I joined the staff at
 3 Timberlawn Psychiatric Hospital and was on staff
 4 there approximately six years in their outpatient
 5 department.
 6 Q. And that is in what city, sir?
 7 A. Dallas, Texas.
 8 Q. From approximately what year to what
 9 year were you at Timberlawn in Dallas?
 10 A. From -- I joined staff in 1990 and was
 11 there approximately six years to '96.
 12 Q. And in 19- -- what did you do, just
 13 generally? What was your duties and job
 14 responsibilities there at Timberlawn?
 15 A. I was the lead psychiatrist in an
 16 outpatient clinic in North Dallas, just seeing
 17 general adult and adolescent and children
 18 outpatients.
 19 Q. And then did you leave the Lower 48 in
 20 '96, sir?
 21 A. I did. I was in private practice at
 22 that time. And actually not in '96. I left the
 23 Lower 48 in 2000.
 24 Q. Okay. So I'm missing four years. What
 25 did you do from '96 to 2000?

1 A. After I left Timberlawn in '96, I joined
 2 a group practice in North Dallas and remained
 3 there for a couple of years, and then went into
 4 private practice in Garland, Texas, a suburb of
 5 Dallas, and was in private practice in December
 6 of 2000, at which time I came to Fairbanks and
 7 worked there for three years.
 8 Q. Okay. Small world. My sister used to
 9 live in Garland.
 10 So you worked in Texas from '96 to
 11 2000, and I think you said you came to Fairbanks,
 12 Alaska?
 13 A. That's correct.
 14 Q. Can you tell the jury, please, what you
 15 did as a practicing psychiatrist in Fairbanks
 16 starting in 2000?
 17 A. Yes. They -- Fairbanks Memorial
 18 Hospital built an adult psychiatric facility and
 19 were recruiting -- they did a nationwide
 20 recruitment for medical director of mental
 21 health, and I took that position.
 22 So I was part-time administrative,
 23 part-time clinical. I did have a patient load,
 24 and did some administrative duties on the unit as
 25 well.

1 Q. And maybe I missed it and I apologize.
2 What was the name of the unit or the facility in
3 Fairbanks?

4 A. Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, their
5 mental health unit.

6 Q. And you said you were medical director
7 of that unit, sir?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. Can you describe for the jury and for me
10 what kind of job responsibilities, what kind of
11 patients did you treat and things of that nature
12 when you were in Fairbanks at the Fairbanks
13 Memorial Hospital?

14 A. Yes. It's a 20-bed, all-adult unit,
15 ages 16 and up, actually, we would take. And
16 just -- pretty much a general psychiatric
17 facility. Patients generally came in
18 involuntarily and were converted into a voluntary
19 status, usually within a day or two. It is a
20 locked psychiatric unit. General diagnoses;
21 depression, schizophrenia, bipolar.

22 Q. Twenty beds?

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. You said in addition to your
25 administrative responsibilities you also had

1 treatment duties in Fairbanks?

2 A. Some administrative duties as well.

3 Q. Yes, sir. We're going to get into more
4 detail in a minute but we just heard the
5 testimony or the jury heard of Ms. Joey L. Eski,
6 a sales representative from Eli Lilly. I have
7 some notes we're going to go over in a minute,
8 but, Ms. Eski, for example, as a representative
9 of Eli Lilly, would call upon you when you were
10 in Fairbanks?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And, in fact, since you left Fairbanks,
13 she has called upon you and she and other
14 representatives of Eli Lilly have called upon you
15 here at the API here in Anchorage?

16 A. That is correct.

17 Q. Okay, sir. And I don't need you to give
18 an exhaustive list, and you may not recall the
19 names, but you recall Ms. Cramer that also would
20 have called upon you for Eli Lilly?

21 A. I can't place her last name.

22 Q. I think -- okay. And I don't know her
23 first name. I can find out. I apologize. We'll
24 move on.

25 Sir, now, you left -- I think you

1 said you left Fairbanks and came to Anchorage in
2 2003; is that right?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. And where did you go to work in 2003
5 here in Anchorage?

6 A. I was recruited to be the medical
7 director at Alaska Psychiatric Institute.

8 Q. And how large a facility is Alaska
9 Psychiatric Institute?

10 A. API -- we're an 80-bed facility. We're
11 the State's only State mental health facility.

12 Q. And can you briefly describe for the
13 jury -- do you have -- by the way, do you have
14 the same types of job responsibilities at API as
15 you had in Fairbanks?

16 A. Actually very different.

17 Q. Okay.

18 A. My role is primarily administrative at
19 API.

20 I have clinical supervision of --
21 and responsible for all clinical services within
22 the hospital, including physicians, nurses,
23 psychology, all clinical services.

24 Q. And clinical services in laymen's terms
25 means treatment services?

1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Do you help establish the protocols and
3 the types of procedures that must be in place for
4 the treatment of patients there at API?

5 A. I do.

6 Q. And do the people at API, as the medical
7 director, look to you to -- for guidance in
8 establishing those protocols and procedures?

9 A. I do play a lead role in that, yes.

10 Q. Now, Doctor, I don't -- I know it's
11 sometimes embarrassing to brag on yourself but
12 can you tell the jury some honors you've
13 received -- I know, I've read your deposition
14 that was taken by the -- the attorneys for Eli
15 Lilly took your deposition last December 11th,
16 about three months ago; is that right?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. I read in that deposition you are
19 currently the president of the Alaska Psychiatric
20 Association, sir?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. And -- excuse me -- you were elected by
23 your peers, I take it, in that area?

24 A. I was.

25 Q. Any other honors or -- that you feel --

1 would you like to tell us about or -- at all?
 2 A. Well, I wear a couple of other hats --
 3 Q. Yes, sir.
 4 A. -- as well. In addition, I'm -- another
 5 role that I play, I'm the lead psychiatrist in
 6 the Behavioral Pharmacy Management System for the
 7 State of Alaska. And I'm on the -- I was
 8 selected to be on the Pharmacy and Therapeutics
 9 committee for the State of Alaska as well.
 10 Q. Yes, sir. Okay, sir.
 11 Now, at the Alaska Psychiatric
 12 Institute, do you all treat the most acutely ill
 13 psychiatric patients in the state?
 14 A. We do.
 15 Q. And would those be patients with acute
 16 schizophrenia?
 17 A. Oftentimes.
 18 Q. Yes, sir. Now, would you agree that at
 19 least in your facility here in Alaska that you
 20 are on the cutting edge of psychiatry as opposed
 21 to a community-based psychiatrist who has an
 22 office practice?
 23 A. I would hope so. That is our goal, yes.
 24 Q. Yes, sir. And your -- you would have
 25 here at Alaska Psychiatric Institute and based

1 upon the facilities and your position, you would
 2 be in a position, I guess, cutting edge, you
 3 would even know more than the average practicing
 4 psychiatrist in a community office setting here
 5 in Alaska or any other state for that matter?
 6 A. We would hope so, yes.
 7 Q. Yes, sir. And you certainly would have
 8 more knowledge than a primary-care doctor or
 9 family doctor that would use Zyprexa; is that
 10 true?
 11 MS. GUSSACK: Objection,
 12 Your Honor. Leading.
 13 THE COURT: Could you rephrase it?
 14 MR. ALLEN: Yes, sir, let me just
 15 rephrase it.
 16 Q. Would you have more knowledge than a
 17 primary-care doctor or family doctor who --
 18 either here in Alaska or in the United States, in
 19 all 50 states, that would treat psychiatric
 20 patients?
 21 A. Because of our specialty training, we
 22 would consider ourselves specialists in that
 23 area, yes.
 24 Q. Doctor, do you -- are you familiar with
 25 a package insert?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. Okay. Do you have an opinion as to
 3 whether or not the warnings section of a package
 4 insert is important to a prescriber concerning a
 5 description of the risk of a product you were
 6 going to prescribe?
 7 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, may we
 8 approach?
 9 (Bench discussion.)
 10 MS. GUSSACK: We object to opinions
 11 being elicited from the witness who plainly has
 12 not been identified as an expert on the
 13 subject --
 14 MR. ALLEN: I'll ask him as a fact.
 15 THE COURT: You can -- I'm not
 16 going to let you ask him as an expert per expert,
 17 but he can be asked questions as a hybrid witness
 18 that -- in describing what he does as his work,
 19 he can explain things to the jury and explain how
 20 those things affect him for his work.
 21 (End of bench discussion.)
 22 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Doctor, occasionally
 23 we'll have these interruptions and that's fine.
 24 I apologize.
 25 Doctor, to you, as a practicing

1 psychiatrist at the Alaska Psychiatric Institute,
 2 is a warning in a package insert, in general, and
 3 on Zyprexa, in particular, important to you?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. And can you tell the jury why that is?
 6 A. The -- the PDR is the Physicians' Desk
 7 Reference. It's a large book that's updated
 8 every year by the pharmaceutical companies and it
 9 tells all about the drug, its chemical structure,
 10 indications for use, general prescribing
 11 recommendations. And then there are sections
 12 also that include warnings and then adverse side
 13 effects.
 14 And the warnings section generally
 15 comes first in the PDR section, and it's an area
 16 that really stands out first. It's usually
 17 bolded. Sometimes has a little black outline or
 18 box around it. So it's something that you can
 19 very quickly, if you're going to prescribe
 20 something, check to see what the general major
 21 warnings are for a drug, as opposed to moving on
 22 later on, further into the data, to the adverse
 23 side effects section that's generally broken down
 24 to frequent, severe, less frequent and then rare
 25 or occasional.

1 And those are paragraphs that group
2 different adverse side effects together based
3 upon the severity and general frequency or
4 incidence that you might experience.

5 Q. Thank you. I didn't interrupt you, did
6 I?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Sir, I'm going to put on the screen --

9 MR. ALLEN: Sorry.

10 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Sir, I'm going to put on
11 the screen a statement from counsel for Eli Lilly
12 that was made in opening statement. She said --

13 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, may we
14 approach?

15 THE COURT: Sure.

16 (Bench discussion.)

17 MS. GUSSACK: This is plainly
18 improper to have opening statements by counsel be
19 used. It's not evidence in the case.

20 THE COURT: Well, that's not
21 evidence but his testimony -- I mean, I assume
22 he's going to ask him if he agrees and that's
23 something he does. Actually, I don't want you to
24 ask him if he agrees, I want you to ask him if
25 it's something he uses in his practice.

1 MS. GUSSACK: He doesn't need to
2 use opening statement to raise the question.

3 THE COURT: But that's -- I think
4 that's -- I'll allow it.

5 (End of bench discussion.)

6 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) And I think you have a
7 screen in front of you, so you can -- on opening
8 statement, counsel for Eli Lilly says, They --
9 referring to doctors -- are weighing the risks
10 against the benefits. There is no one medication
11 that is perfect for everybody, and there is no
12 medication that doesn't have risks. But our
13 physicians are making that hard choice every day
14 to try to make sure that the prescriptions
15 they're making is the best one for us.

16 Do you see that, sir?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Do you agree that you have to make a
19 hard choice every day when you prescribe
20 medication to patients?

21 A. I think when you prescribe any
22 medication you have to weigh all of the risks and
23 benefits, yes.

24 Q. And so in making that decision, would
25 you like more or would you like less information

1 from the manufacturer concerning the product of
2 their drug?

3 A. More.

4 Q. I think that's self-explanatory, but can
5 you tell us why you would prefer more as opposed
6 to less information?

7 A. Well, you know, it comes down to
8 basically physicians try to do the best thing for
9 their patients. If they're specialists in their
10 field, you might even consider them scientists in
11 some way. And, you know, it's very important
12 that they be given all the information available
13 and correct information so that you can weigh
14 those risks versus the benefits to make the
15 correct decision to prescribe that for your
16 patients.

17 Q. Doctor, in making this hard decision, in
18 weighing the risks and benefits, would you want
19 Eli Lilly to withhold information that they have
20 on Zyprexa from you?

21 A. Absolutely not.

22 Q. And can you briefly explain why that is?

23 A. I think that puts you at a significant
24 disadvantage to make the decisions for your
25 patients if you're not given all the correct

1 information in a timely manner that the
2 manufacturer understands and learns that
3 information about their product.

4 Q. And, sir, that's -- sometimes I think we
5 get lost in this trial. Ultimately, it is about
6 patients, isn't it, sir?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. It's about real people?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. And they're the people that may or may
11 not suffer the real consequences of the
12 medication?

13 A. That is correct.

14 Q. And I know we have been over it, but
15 would you agree or do you have an opinion as to
16 whether or not diabetes is a bad disease?

17 MS. GUSSACK: Objection. Eliciting
18 an opinion from Dr. Hopson here.

19 THE COURT: I'll allow that,
20 because I think it's within his medical expertise
21 and as part of a doctor explaining things.

22 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Is diabetes bad to you,
23 Doctor?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Thank you.

1 Doctor, in obtaining information
2 from a pharmaceutical company, would you want a
3 pharmaceutical company to have as one of its
4 written goals the elimination of a health risk
5 from a doctor's mind when the doctor is weighing
6 the risks and benefits of the product?

7 A. No, I would not.

8 Q. Can you explain why you would not want
9 as a written policy for a drug company to try to
10 eliminate from your mind the health risk of a
11 product?

12 A. I think, if anything, the manufacturer
13 would want to be making us aware of the risks
14 rather than trying to eliminate any concern, and
15 almost to the point of making us ignore or not be
16 cognizant and aware of the risk.

17 Q. Doctor, we've heard from Ms. Eski. She
18 had testified just within the last few minutes
19 that she as a representative of Eli Lilly would
20 act as a resource for you. Is that true?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And do you look upon the sales
23 representatives from Eli Lilly when they provide
24 you information about the -- both the benefits
25 and the risks of a product as a resource?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Do you depend upon them to be truthful
3 and accurate?

4 A. I do.

5 Q. Yes. And Ms. Eski has testified that
6 she obtains her information that she gives you
7 from the company. Do you understand that?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And you like Ms. Eski, I take it? She's
10 a very nice lady.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And you're not here, and I don't want
13 anybody to suspect you are, criticizing Ms. Eski,
14 are you, sir?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Thank you, sir.

17 Now, sir, are you -- are you a law
18 enforcement officer in this state?

19 A. No.

20 Q. I know that's obvious, but I have to get
21 things for the record.

22 Are you familiar with, sir, the
23 Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer
24 Protection Act?

25 A. No.

1 Q. Do you have any law enforcement
2 responsibilities under that Act?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Do you understand that the Attorney
5 General of the State of Alaska is the person that
6 enforces the laws in this state?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Yes, sir and I've been hired by the
9 attorney general to represent the State of
10 Alaska. Do you have any criticisms or complaints
11 or beliefs that the Attorney General should not
12 have brought this case that we're in -- in this
13 courtroom on today?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Do you oppose the attorney general's
16 action in this courthouse that he has filed
17 against Eli Lilly?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Now, we've talked about it briefly, but
20 the lawyers for Eli Lilly took your deposition in
21 December. We've already talked about that; is
22 that correct?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. I was not present, was I?

25 A. No.

1 Q. I read the deposition. Did the -- I
2 didn't see, but if they did, did the lawyers for
3 Eli Lilly provide you any of their internal
4 correspondence, their internal e-mails, their
5 internal memos or their internal safety data
6 prior to the time you gave your deposition?

7 A. No, they did not.

8 Q. Have they ever provided you their
9 internal memos, their internal e-mails, their
10 internal reports? Have they ever provided you
11 those -- that material?

12 A. No, they have not.

13 Q. Now, I noted in your deposition that was
14 taken in December, again -- I noticed that the --
15 no one discussed with you in that deposition the
16 October, 2007 label change. Had Ms. Eski by that
17 time even delivered to you the new label on
18 Zyprexa?

19 A. Not that I recall.

20 Q. At the time you gave your deposition in
21 December -- excuse me, Doctor.

22 At the time you gave your
23 deposition in December of 2007, were you familiar
24 at that time yet, with the October, 2007 label
25 change that the FDA had told Lilly to make?

1 A. No, I was not.
 2 Q. As of the time of your deposition in
 3 December of 2007, had you seen correspondence
 4 between Eli Lilly and the FDA that had taken
 5 place back and forth in the year 2007?
 6 A. No, I had not.
 7 Q. Doctor, have you ever seen the
 8 correspondence that the FDA sent Eli Lilly in
 9 October of 2000 concerning an amendment that Eli
 10 Lilly had made to their adverse reaction section?
 11 Have you ever seen that correspondence from
 12 October, 2000?
 13 A. I have more recently.
 14 Q. Okay. We'll talk about that.
 15 All right, sir. I want to talk
 16 about your current practice and how you treat
 17 patients and things of that nature in a little
 18 more detail. You gave us some background.
 19 Before I do that, would you agree or -- is it
 20 true or not that how you currently treat patients
 21 with schizophrenia and Zyprexa is different than
 22 how you used to treat them?
 23 A. Yes, I think so.
 24 Q. Okay. First, can you tell us the types
 25 of patients that you treat with Zyprexa at the

1 Alaska Psychiatric Institute?
 2 A. Typical patients would be someone with
 3 acute or chronic schizophrenia, bipolar disorder.
 4 Those are the -- the primary indications for it.
 5 Q. Do you treat patients with mood, thought
 6 and behavior disorders with Zyprexa at the Alaska
 7 Psychiatric Institute?
 8 A. Well, I think you have to be careful
 9 grouping it into that category. Certainly a
 10 thought disorder is a schizophrenia diagnosis, so
 11 in that category, yes. Behavior disorders, you
 12 have to be careful -- you would be utilizing the
 13 drug off-label if you were to prescribe it for
 14 just a pure behavioral.
 15 Q. Okay, sir. Now, you talked about the
 16 acute versus chronic. What does acute mean for
 17 the jury, please?
 18 A. Acute would be like the early onset of
 19 symptoms. Perhaps first episode, first
 20 hospitalization, it's acute. Someone who has
 21 chronic illness, had it for years, had been
 22 hospitalized multiple times perhaps. Someone
 23 with a chronic illness can have an acute
 24 exacerbation of it or symptoms come back acutely.
 25 They have to go back in the hospital. So it's a

1 course that fluctuates on and off through the
 2 years.
 3 Q. Now, in addition to Zyprexa, do you also
 4 utilize other second-generation antipsychotics?
 5 A. Yes, we do.
 6 Q. Can you tell the jury, please, what
 7 those are?
 8 A. We essentially utilize all of them.
 9 Abilify, Geodon, Seroquel, Clozaril, on occasion.
 10 Q. Yes, sir. Let me -- over here.
 11 In making the decision about which
 12 second-generation antipsychotic to use, do you
 13 look at the various risk profiles and the patient
 14 you're treating in order to make that decision?
 15 A. We do.
 16 Q. And in that process, would the warnings
 17 that are contained within the various package
 18 inserts on the drug be important to you in
 19 weighing -- to make the decision which patients
 20 are appropriate?
 21 A. It would be.
 22 Q. And this phrase -- I think I used on
 23 opening statement in a memo -- is there a
 24 difference between first-line and second-line
 25 therapy?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. Okay. In your deposition, you were
 3 asked a question by Mr. Rogoff -- you recognize
 4 Mr. Rogoff, the attorney back here on the back
 5 row that took your deposition for Eli Lilly?
 6 A. I do.
 7 Q. Mr. Rogoff asked you this question: Why
 8 is it that you would continue to prescribe
 9 Zyprexa --
 10 MS. GUSSACK: Excuse me,
 11 Your Honor. I'm not sure why we're using
 12 testimony from a deposition unless Mr. Allen is
 13 impeaching the witness.
 14 MR. ALLEN: I'm not impeaching the
 15 witness.
 16 THE COURT: Are you going to ask
 17 him that question?
 18 MR. ALLEN: Yes, sir.
 19 THE COURT: Okay.
 20 MS. GUSSACK: Well, then we don't
 21 need the deposition transcript to ask him the
 22 question, right?
 23 THE COURT: You don't need the
 24 deposition to ask him the question. I just don't
 25 want to imply that he's just agreeing --

1 MR. ALLEN: I'll do whatever the
2 Court tells me to do.

3 THE COURT: Ask the question.
4 Don't use the deposition unless you need to
5 refresh his recollection or something like that.

6 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) If you need your
7 recollection refreshed, ask me and I'll do that,
8 okay?

9 A. Okay.

10 Q. The question would be: Why is it that
11 you would continue to prescribe Zyprexa given
12 that -- and this is Mr. Rogoff -- given that
13 higher risk of weight gain, lipids and
14 diabetes -- let me see if I can rephrase it,
15 because maybe it's a little unclear.

16 Why is it that you would continue
17 to prescribe Zyprexa given that higher risk of
18 weight gain, lipids and diabetes? Can you
19 explain?

20 A. Well, we have to -- as I said earlier,
21 we have to always weigh the risks and benefits,
22 and oftentimes you have a patient that perhaps
23 has not responded to other medications with a
24 less serious side effect profile, and you might
25 need to use Zyprexa in that case.

1 Q. Yes, sir. And so when you're weighing
2 the risks and benefits, the drug that you use
3 first is your first-line therapy?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. And you prefer, if you can, to use a
6 medication with less risk as opposed to more risk
7 and see if that's effective; is that correct?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Now, if someone were to tell you and you
10 were to believe that the risks were comparable
11 among all the antipsychotics, you would not be
12 able to make that decision; is that correct?

13 A. It would make it more difficult, yes,
14 sir.

15 Q. Yes, sir. And that's why it's important
16 not to tell someone that the risks are comparable
17 when the risks are not comparable --

18 THE COURT: Mr. Allen, you're
19 getting. There's much too much leading going on.

20 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Is that why it's
21 important not to tell somebody if it's comparable
22 versus -- when it's not, about the risk?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Thank you, sir.

25 You were asked in your deposition

1 whether there were doctors in your group at API
2 who treated Zyprexa -- who used Zyprexa
3 first-line today. Are there any that use Zyprexa
4 first-line today?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. And you said at the time, sir,
7 that that's possible? Yes.

8 Is there some particular subset of
9 patients where Zyprexa is used first-line?

10 A. Is there a subset of patients?

11 Q. Yes or is there a particular type?

12 A. Yes. A patient, as I said earlier, that
13 perhaps has not responded to a medication with a
14 lesser side-effect profile.

15 Q. Okay. And, sir, I'd like for more
16 detail to describe this type of patient. You've
17 said acute or chronically schizophrenic, and I'd
18 like just to give an understanding so we can
19 actually better understand what that is, acutely
20 schizophrenic.

21 A. Someone -- an individual who is
22 experiencing hallucinations, hearing voices in
23 their head, perhaps experiencing paranoid
24 delusions, feeling that someone is plotting
25 against them, someone is trying to harm them.

1 That causes the individual a great
2 deal of anxiety, fear. They may do something
3 dangerous and impulsive. They can act out
4 aggressively. They can act out
5 self-destructively, but most important they're in
6 a great deal of psychic turmoil and a lot of
7 psychic pain as a result of these symptoms.

8 Q. Now, do those patients or their families
9 still deserve to have the ability to be informed
10 about the risks and side effects of a product?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And after -- in your current practice,
13 after you explain the risk of Zyprexa, do some
14 patients and families refuse Zyprexa?

15 A. They do.

16 Q. And so when you explain -- do you
17 explain to the families and their patients at
18 Alaska's API, do you explain to them the
19 different risks with Zyprexa from the other
20 second-generation antipsychotics?

21 A. We do.

22 Q. And so it has, in fact, made a
23 difference to patients and families when you
24 explain the risk?

25 A. It does.

1 Q. Thank you, sir.
 2 Now, when you do prescribe
 3 Zyprexa -- and you do, right?
 4 A. That's correct.
 5 Q. Do you monitor those patients?
 6 A. We do.
 7 Q. And can you describe for the jury,
 8 please, the monitoring that you conduct on these
 9 patients?
 10 A. We now obtain -- when a patient comes in
 11 the hospital, we obtain their weight. We obtain
 12 their baseline fasting blood sugar. We obtain
 13 fasting lipid levels. And we document that data
 14 when they come in the hospital. And should they
 15 come back in the hospital at a subsequent point
 16 in time, we compare those rates. So we, in
 17 essence, now monitor that.
 18 Q. And is one of the things that you
 19 monitor -- maybe you said it and I missed it and
 20 I apologize -- is one of the things that you
 21 monitor blood glucose?
 22 A. Yes, fasting blood sugar.
 23 Q. And why do you do that?
 24 A. Because we now know that patients that
 25 take Zyprexa are -- have a significantly high,

1 increased risk of developing high fasting blood
 2 glucose levels.
 3 Q. Now, do you take a baseline blood
 4 glucose before you administer the Zyprexa?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. And can you briefly describe for the
 7 jury what a baseline blood glucose is?
 8 A. Well, it would be if the patient is not
 9 taking any medication, we try to get a fasting,
 10 which would be first blood draw in the morning
 11 after nothing by mouth for 12 hours, minimum, the
 12 night before.
 13 Q. And that tells you what their blood
 14 glucose is before they start on Zyprexa?
 15 A. Before they start on Zyprexa or before
 16 they have any food to eat, which could also raise
 17 it, so we get a really good baseline.
 18 Q. If you determine that the patient's
 19 blood glucose is elevated and/or if the patient's
 20 blood glucose is diabetic prior to the time of
 21 Zyprexa, do you -- do you start the patient on
 22 Zyprexa?
 23 A. More than likely, we would not.
 24 Q. And go ahead. I'm sorry.
 25 A. Well, I think we would take that into

1 account. Now that we know that Zyprexa's going
 2 to raise the blood glucose level even further, if
 3 they're already baseline or have diabetic levels
 4 of blood sugar, that would not be the best choice
 5 for them.
 6 Q. Why would it not be the best choice?
 7 A. Because it could make their diabetes
 8 worse. It could push them possibly into frank
 9 diabetes.
 10 Q. Is that in the warning in the package
 11 insert concerning the risk of diabetes is
 12 important to doctors?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 THE COURT: Doctor, you used the
 15 term frank diabetes, and I'm not sure we've heard
 16 that before. What does that mean?
 17 THE WITNESS: Just a term that --
 18 to mean that it establishes the diagnosis. It
 19 would establish the symptoms, and the person
 20 thereafter would have that diagnosis.
 21 MR. ALLEN: Thank you.
 22 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Now, that was not always
 23 your procedure, was it, sir?
 24 A. No, it was not.
 25 Q. When did you change to begin this

1 monitoring process that you just discussed with
 2 the jury?
 3 A. I think it's been -- our more structured
 4 process has actually been in place since around
 5 October of 2004.
 6 Q. And can you tell me how you know that?
 7 A. Because at -- that's the point in time
 8 when I hired a new family practice physician to
 9 come on board and as part of her implementing new
 10 protocols, that, coupled with our increasing
 11 concern about the risk of this medication, and so
 12 we began monitoring that.
 13 Q. So you did not use this procedure when
 14 you first got to API; is that correct?
 15 A. That's correct.
 16 Q. And you did not use this procedure when
 17 you were in Fairbanks; is that correct?
 18 A. Not in a structured way. No, we did
 19 not.
 20 Q. Now, you said it was 2004. If you look
 21 on your screen, Doctor -- I'm going to -- I'm
 22 going to put up on the screen what's been marked
 23 as State of Alaska Exhibit -- I can't even read
 24 these numbers.
 25 MR. SUGGS: 2368.

1 MR. ALLEN: 23 --

2 MR. SUGGS: -- 68. I'm trying to
3 focus this.

4 THE COURT: You're going the wrong
5 way.

6 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) All right. 2368.

7 This is -- I'll try to zoom out now
8 -- the ConSensus development conference on
9 Antipsychotic Drugs and Obesity and Diabetes.

10 Have you seen this before, sir?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And it was published -- let me get my
13 finger on it -- February of 2004. Do you see
14 that, sir?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Has this been utilized by you and other
17 psychiatrists at Alaska -- have protocols and
18 findings in this publication been utilized by you
19 and other psychiatrists at API?

20 A. Yes. The recommendations that are
21 listed, they are the standard protocols that are
22 generally followed now.

23 Q. Yes, sir. And I'll try to get one --
24 and by the way, before I do that.

25 Table 2 in the ConSensus statement

1 lists the second-generation antipsychotics and
2 their metabolic abnormalities and risks. Have
3 you seen this table before?

4 A. Yes, I have.

5 Q. Do you feel that table is authoritative
6 and do you agree with it?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. Now, within the ConSensus statement it
9 says: Given the above risks, how should patients
10 be monitored for the development of significant
11 weight gain, dyslipidemia and diabetes, and how
12 should they be treated if diabetes develops?

13 And it says: Given the serious
14 health risks, patients taking SGAs should receive
15 appropriate baseline screening and ongoing
16 monitoring.

17 Is that correct?

18 A. That is correct.

19 Q. Is that precisely what you do at API?

20 A. It is.

21 Q. Sir, you said if the patient has
22 elevated glucose or is already diabetic you don't
23 administer the medication because you're
24 concerned about them developing frank diabetes.

25 Do you recall that?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Now, you said you continued to monitor
3 the patients -- if they don't have that problem
4 and you put them on Zyprexa, you then -- do you
5 continue to monitor the patient's blood glucose
6 after they're on Zyprexa?

7 A. The recommendation is to do that. You
8 would do it at specified intervals, four weeks,
9 quarterly, that sort of thing, but our length of
10 stay being what it is, they are -- that followup
11 is generally done by the outpatient provider.

12 Q. That's something I forgot to ask you
13 about. I'm glad you made that clear.

14 What is the average length of stay
15 of these patients that you put on Zyprexa?

16 A. Thirteen days in the hospital.

17 Q. Is that generally the length of time
18 that you have them on Zyprexa?

19 A. Roughly, yes.

20 Q. So approximately a little less than two
21 weeks?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. Doctor, would you permit the
24 administration of Zyprexa at API without blood
25 monitoring?

1 A. No.

2 Q. Can you tell the jury why you would not
3 permit that?

4 A. It's part of our standard protocol.

5 Before our prescribing psychotropic medications,
6 antipsychotic medications like Zyprexa.

7 Q. Doctor, you told us you did not always
8 follow that protocol when you got to API and back
9 at the time you were in Fairbanks? Do you recall
10 that?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. Did the manufacturer Eli Lilly ever come
13 to you before you changed your practice in 2004
14 and recommend to you either through Ms. Eski or
15 the -- any material that you got, did they ever
16 tell you that you should be blood monitoring all
17 the patients?

18 A. Not that I recall.

19 THE COURT: Let me just try to
20 clear something up, Doctor. I think you said
21 that length of stay was about 13 days for these
22 patients.

23 THE WITNESS: Yes.

24 THE COURT: And if they're on
25 Zyprexa for 13 days and Zyprexa is relieving

1 symptoms of their schizophrenia, what happens to
2 them then after the 13 days?

3 THE WITNESS: They're referred to
4 an outpatient provider, local community or their
5 home community. We would convey to them what
6 medications they are and recommend the followup
7 bloodwork.

8 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) And do you leave it to
9 the doctors who follow up with the patient to
10 make their own decisions about what type of
11 medication to put them on?

12 A. Yes. It's a community standard.

13 Q. Yes, sir.

14 I can't remember where I was. Oh,
15 yes, blood monitoring.

16 Prior to the time you began this
17 protocol -- and by the way, we use that word.
18 Tell the jury what a protocol is, if I hadn't
19 explained it already.

20 A. It's a standardized treatment process,
21 certain things you do. Certain labs you draw.
22 Certain things you monitor. We have all sorts of
23 protocols in medicine, things we follow. Our
24 process, procedural for doing things.

25 Q. And you would be, in essence, part of

1 your role as the medical director both at API and
2 in Fairbanks is to help establish those
3 protocols?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. That's really one of your lead roles and
6 primary roles?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. Sir, I'm going to show you what's been
9 marked and admitted into evidence as Exhibit 320,
10 a Japanese Dear Doctor letter.

11 Let me zoom out, if I can do it.
12 Doctor, right here, I'll put my finger on it
13 on -- can you see -- let me zoom in, I guess.
14 I'm going to make everybody dizzy.

15 All right. April 2002. Do you see
16 that, sir?

17 A. Yes, sir.

18 Q. This would have been prior to the time
19 that you began your routine protocol blood
20 monitoring, true?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Did Eli Lilly or any of its
23 representatives ever come to you in 2002 or ever
24 and inform you about the Japanese label change
25 concerning Zyprexa?

1 A. Not that I recall, no.

2 Q. Did any representative from Eli Lilly or
3 any information from Eli Lilly inform you about
4 the change in the special warnings and
5 precautions section concerning Zyprexa and
6 diabetes that took place in 1999?

7 A. Not that I recall, no.

8 Q. Okay. Doctor, in 2002, the Japanese
9 required these three things: Do not administer
10 to patients with diabetes mellitus and those who
11 have a history of diabetes mellitus.

12 Do you see that?

13 A. I do.

14 Q. That's precisely what you're doing
15 today, is it not?

16 A. It is.

17 Q. And prior to the time of your changing
18 the protocol in the fall of 2004, that is not
19 what you did, is it?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. Doctor, do you -- let me go on.

22 The Japanese also told Eli Lilly on
23 their Zyprexa in Japan that during the
24 administration of this product, observe
25 sufficiently with such as measurement of blood

1 glucose.

2 Do you see that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. That's exactly what you do now?

5 A. It is.

6 Q. Did anybody from Eli Lilly come to you
7 in April of 2002 and tell you that?

8 A. Not that I recall.

9 Q. Did you do that back in --

10 A. At that time, we did not do it on a
11 regular basis for the monitoring of Zyprexa.

12 Q. And, finally, they said: Explain
13 sufficiently to the patient and family members
14 the risks of serious adverse reactions such as
15 diabetic ketoacidosis and diabetic coma.

16 Do you see that?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you explain those risks to patients
19 today, do you not?

20 A. We do.

21 Q. And you in fact have found that some
22 patients refuse those med- -- Zyprexa now?

23 A. That's correct.

24 Q. Doctor, prior to the time that you have
25 instituted this policy and protocol at Alaska

1 Psychiatric Institute, do you believe that some
2 patients, schizophrenics, developed diabetes
3 because of Zyprexa's administration since you
4 didn't have the protocol that you have now?

5 MS. GUSSACK: Objection.

6 Your Honor -- may we be seen?

7 THE COURT: You may.

8 (Bench conference.)

9 MS. GUSSACK: I think the question
10 just posed really is a Phase 2 question; it's a
11 damage question. And we haven't been given
12 opportunity to obtain the information that would
13 allow us to have cross-examination on this issue.

14 THE COURT: I'm going to overrule
15 that objection, but I want you to establish that
16 he's got sufficient information to ask that
17 question. In other words, I've got concerns
18 about whether -- what the basis is going to be
19 and where this is coming from and whether it's --
20 if it's coming from his practice, personal
21 practice, I'll allow him to answer the question
22 if it's coming from the literature he's becoming
23 an expert --

24 MS. GUSSACK: I want to make sure
25 that the objection is clear that in the absence

1 of being provided information about the patients
2 he's speaking to, we have been deprived the
3 opportunity to cross-examine him fairly
4 effectively as to his cause between Zyprexa and
5 diabetes. We're without information that would
6 allow us to challenge that as to risk factors in
7 prior years --

8 THE COURT: I understand the
9 objection.

10 (End of bench conference.)

11 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Sir, let me go back to
12 where I was.

13 The protocol that you currently
14 have, you've discussed it with us?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Do you wish you had instituted that
17 protocol earlier based upon what you know about
18 the risk of Zyprexa today?

19 MS. GUSSACK: Objection.

20 Your Honor, I don't think we're here to establish
21 wishes --

22 MR. ALLEN: I could change the
23 word to believe -- what word -- whatever word --

24 THE COURT: No, you pick the word.
25 Change it.

1 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Wish -- okay. Do you --
2 let me see what the question was --

3 In your professional judgment, do
4 you believe that the protocol that you have now
5 is a better protocol for patients' health than it
6 used to be?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. And why is that?

9 A. Because I think with our current
10 understanding of the risks, we are better
11 equipped to monitor for the potential side
12 effects.

13 MR. ALLEN: You know, it's funny.
14 Mr. Fibich always gets mad at me for whispering
15 in his ear. What's my next question?

16 THE COURT: You're being a little
17 loud, Mr. Fibich.

18 MR. ALLEN: We've tried four cases
19 together and we do this all the time. What was
20 my next question?

21 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) And what does this
22 achieve, this new protocol?

23 A. Well, it achieves consistent monitoring
24 of the recommended blood values, if you will, to
25 monitor the patient for the development of

1 potentially dangerous side effects.

2 Q. Doctor, I'm going to put up on the
3 screen Exhibit 7971 that's been admitted in this
4 case, which is a Zyprexa Implementation Guide.
5 Do you see that, sir?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And we've heard Ms. Eski tell the jury
8 that implementation guides are used to train
9 sales representatives, and I want to ask you
10 whether or not you think it is an appropriate key
11 message from Eli Lilly that with Zyprexa there is
12 no need for blood monitoring?

13 A. I do not think that's appropriate.

14 Q. And, in fact, they have a frequently
15 asked questions and answers and it says: Do I
16 need to do any blood monitoring with Zyprexa?
17 Eli Lilly answers, no.

18 Do you see that?

19 A. I do.

20 Q. Do you disagree with that statement,
21 sir?

22 A. I disagree with it.

23 Q. Yes, sir.

24 Sir, I'm going to put up on the
25 screen Exhibit 5846. Zyprexa launch meeting,

1 Viva Zyprexa PowerPoint.
 2 Key message elements --
 3 MR. LEHNER: Your Honor --
 4 MR. ALLEN: Is it too -- I don't --
 5 MS. GUSSACK: Can we check whether
 6 this has been admitted over objection.
 7 MR. ALLEN: It's admitted
 8 yesterday.
 9 THE COURT: Has 5846 been admitted?
 10 THE CLERK: I had it done on 3/3.
 11 MR. ALLEN: I'll take it off.
 12 THE COURT: We've got it listed as
 13 admitted.
 14 MS. GUSSACK: Thank you,
 15 Your Honor.
 16 MR. ALLEN: May I proceed?
 17 THE COURT: You may.
 18 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Zyprexa Primary-care Key
 19 Message Elements, ease of use, no blood
 20 monitoring.
 21 Do you see that, sir?
 22 A. I do.
 23 Q. Do you think it would be an appropriate
 24 thing to tell primary-care physicians who may
 25 decide to prescribe Zyprexa that there is no need

1 for blood monitoring?
 2 A. I do not.
 3 Q. Would that create the potential for
 4 danger to patients who took Zyprexa if they did
 5 not do blood monitoring?
 6 A. It could, yes.
 7 Q. And what would the dangers that it would
 8 create for patients, for patients who took
 9 Zyprexa if there is no blood monitoring?
 10 A. They could be developing diabetes or
 11 other serious side effects and not be aware of
 12 it.
 13 Q. Yes, sir.
 14 That was -- the document is going
 15 to be shown is October of 2000, 5846. Back in
 16 October, 2000, you were not doing blood
 17 monitoring either, regularly, were you, sir?
 18 A. Not specifically for those side effects,
 19 no.
 20 Q. Eli Lilly had not -- had Eli Lilly told
 21 you in October of 2000 that they had
 22 statistically significant elevations in blood
 23 glucose in their original clinical trials done on
 24 Zyprexa?
 25 A. Not that I recall, no.

1 Q. Sir, I'm going to show you, in fact, the
 2 2001 PDR. Again, you've told us -- I messed up
 3 something -- and you've told us what the PDR
 4 is -- do we have a PDR here?
 5 I'm sorry. All right. But this is
 6 the book -- it's a big book, isn't it?
 7 A. That's correct.
 8 Q. And in the 2001 PDR I'm going to go to
 9 the laboratory changes section which is within
 10 the adverse reaction section.
 11 You follow me, sir? I know it's
 12 hard to follow me with the change. Do you see
 13 that up there, sir?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. I apologize for my lengthy reading here,
 16 sir, and I have a question on the end. I have to
 17 get it where I can read it. It says: In the
 18 olanzapine clinical trial database, as of
 19 September the 30th, 1999, 4,577
 20 olanzapine-treated patients, (representing
 21 approximately 2,255 patient years of exposure),
 22 and 445 placebo-treated patients who had no
 23 history of diabetes mellitus and whose baseline
 24 random glucose levels were 140 milligrams per
 25 deciliter or lower, were identified. Persistent

1 random glucose levels greater than or equal to
 2 200 milligrams per deciliter, (suggestive of
 3 possible diabetes), were observed in 0.8 percent
 4 of olanzapine-treated patients, (placebo 0.7
 5 percent) of patients. Transient, i.e., resolved
 6 while the patients remained on treatment, random
 7 glucose levels greater than or equal to 200
 8 milligrams per deciliter were found in 0.3
 9 percent olanzapine-treated patients, placebo 0.2
 10 percent.
 11 Persistent random glucose levels
 12 greater than or equal to 160 milligrams per
 13 deciliter, but less than 200 milligrams per
 14 deciliter, possibly hyperglycemia, not
 15 necessarily diabetes, were observed in 1 percent
 16 of olanzapine-treated patients, placebo, 1.1
 17 percent. Transient random glucose levels greater
 18 than or equal to 160 milligrams per deciliter,
 19 but less than 200 milligrams per deciliter were
 20 found in 1 percent of olanzapine-treated
 21 patients, placebo 0.4 percent.
 22 Did I read that correctly, sir?
 23 A. You did.
 24 Q. Now, in this package insert, this
 25 information that was contained in the 2001 PDR,

1 did that information relay -- make it appear that
2 the glucose levels for placebo and olanzapine
3 were approximately the same?

4 A. It does make it appear that way.

5 Q. Would that be reassuring information if
6 you were to receive that information?

7 A. If you were to read that, you would
8 think that olanzapine would not significantly
9 increase random glucose levels.

10 Q. When compared to placebo?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. It would be like an implied safety
13 message?

14 A. It could be.

15 MS. GUSSACK: Objection,
16 Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: What was --

18 MS. GUSSACK: Objection, it was
19 leading.

20 THE COURT: It's been answered,
21 but -- go on.

22 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Okay. Do you have an
23 opinion as to whether or not this would be like
24 an implied safety message or not?

25 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, we're

1 and he said he had seen it and Mr. Allen said
2 we'll get back to that and there was a pause.

3 MR. ALLEN: That was it.

4 THE COURT: And he circled his
5 notes. I don't know if this is the document or
6 not.

7 MR. ALLEN: You can look at my
8 notes, if you'd like.

9 MS. GUSSACK: Is there an exhibit
10 number we're referencing?

11 MR. ALLEN: Yes, it's Exhibit 195.

12 MS. GUSSACK: I'm not aware of any
13 testimony by the witness about the document.

14 THE COURT: Again, I do recall that
15 he went through and asked him a bunch of
16 questions. Had you seen these things from Lilly?
17 Were you told this? Did you see that? And there
18 was one document that he indicated he had
19 previously -- he had seen at some point. I'm not
20 sure when.

21 MR. ALLEN: That's what I recall,
22 but I'll be glad to rephrase it.

23 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Sir, this is -- Doctor,
24 this is Exhibit 195 that's been admitted in
25 evidence in this case. And it concerns the

1 repeating the offending --

2 MR. ALLEN: I didn't hear the
3 answer.

4 THE COURT: What was your answer?

5 A. I believe I said that it could possibly
6 be construed as a safety message.

7 Q. Yes. And that -- does this language
8 show any statistically significant -- differences
9 between -- a significant clinical differences,
10 significant clinical differences between Zyprexa
11 and a placebo in glucose?

12 A. No.

13 Q. I think you said you have seen this
14 letter before, the October, 2000 letter that came
15 from the FDA to Eli Lilly?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. And this --

18 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, I don't
19 believe there's been any testimony that this
20 letter was seen by Dr. Hopson. Not here today.
21 Certainly there's been no testimony about an
22 October, 2000 letter.

23 THE COURT: Again, my notes don't
24 reflect there was one document that early on in
25 his testimony Mr. Allen asked the doctor about,

1 language from the 2001 PDR that we just read.

2 Let me zoom out.

3 Do you see this same language -- is
4 my highlighter working? Can you see it, sir?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Tell me when you flip the page. I'll
7 represent to you that it's the same language.

8 A. Yes, it is.

9 Q. You see it's the same language?

10 A. Uh-huh.

11 Q. The FDA, upon reviewing this language
12 says -- it looks like it was working over here.
13 Is there a backlight or something that's making
14 it now -- yeah, there it is.

15 It says -- the FDA after looking at
16 that language said: The descriptive data that is
17 provided expresses a certain level of implied
18 safety with respect to treatment-emergent
19 hyperglycemia. This reassuring language is not
20 appropriate for submission under fancy code
21 federal regulations, special supplement Changes
22 Being Affected.

23 Do you see that, sir?

24 A. I do.

25 Q. Now, my only question to you is: Do you

1 agree that that language as contained in the 2001
 2 PDR is reassuring language?
 3 A. Yes.
 4 Q. Do you agree that it presents a certain
 5 level of implied safety with Zyprexa?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. And is that consistent with or
 8 inconsistent with your experience with Zyprexa?
 9 A. Inconsistent.
 10 Q. Is this language, sir, as contained
 11 within the 2001 PDR, in fact, false, in your
 12 experience?
 13 MS. GUSSACK: Objection.
 14 THE COURT: Overruled.
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Thank you, sir.
 17 Now, sir, you said that you would
 18 like more information from a manufacturer as
 19 opposed to less.
 20 Do you recall that testimony?
 21 A. Yes.
 22 Q. I'm going to show you what's been marked
 23 as Exhibit 990 in this case.
 24 Attachment E to the global
 25 operations labeling department in Indianapolis.

1 I'll represent to you this is an internal Eli
 2 Lilly document. Do you see that, sir?
 3 A. I do.
 4 Q. Again, at the time Mr. Rogoff back here
 5 took your deposition, did he provide you with
 6 this document?
 7 A. No, he did not.
 8 Q. Has anybody from Eli Lilly ever provided
 9 you this document?
 10 A. No, they have not.
 11 Q. And it was concerning a labeling -- a
 12 labeling -- and by the way, I talked to the jury
 13 about this on opening. Labeling, package insert,
 14 PDR, you understand those terms?
 15 A. Yes, I do.
 16 Q. And are they often used in medicine in
 17 vernacular interchangeably?
 18 A. They are.
 19 Q. Yes, sir. And this concerned an
 20 internal labeling committee meeting at Eli
 21 Lilly's headquarters in Indiana in February of
 22 2000. Do you see that, sir?
 23 A. I do.
 24 Q. And I won't go through the entire
 25 document. But they were talking about changing

1 the package insert information in the adverse
 2 reaction section on hyperglycemia from rare to
 3 common or frequent. But I want to get this
 4 language, how is -- how has this proposal arisen?
 5 They say: Recent review of random glucose levels
 6 of patients in olanzapine clinical trials
 7 revealed that the incidence of treatment-emergent
 8 hyperglycemia in olanzapine group, 3.6 percent,
 9 was higher than that in the placebo group, 1.05
 10 percent. For common events, incidences from
 11 clinical trials provides more meaningful
 12 information.
 13 Did you read that, sir?
 14 A. Yes, I did.
 15 Q. And this was, in fact, meaningful
 16 information from a clinical trial. Do you see
 17 that, sir?
 18 A. I do.
 19 Q. Do you see that, in fact, in internal
 20 Lilly documents in February of 2000, they had
 21 information indicating that patients on Zyprexa
 22 experienced elevations of blood glucose over 3
 23 and a half -- over 3 and a half times that of
 24 placebo patients?
 25 A. I do.

1 Q. Isn't that completely inconsistent with
 2 this data placement of 2001 PDR?
 3 A. It is inconsistent with it.
 4 Q. Yes, sir.
 5 Now, assume, Doctor, that Eli Lilly
 6 has a reason they wanted to put this data in the
 7 2001 PDR. Will you assume that for me?
 8 A. Okay.
 9 Q. Shouldn't they also share with you all
 10 of the information that they have?
 11 A. They should.
 12 Q. And if Eli Lilly has information on,
 13 let's say the right hand and they have
 14 information on the left hand, would you like to
 15 have all that information?
 16 A. Absolutely, so you can make an informed
 17 decision.
 18 Q. And if Eli Lilly disagrees with the
 19 information, can they provide that information to
 20 you anyway?
 21 A. Yes.
 22 Q. And they can tell you they disagree?
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. Did anybody from Eli Lilly, Ms. Eski or
 25 any of the other sales representatives or in a

1 letter or in a warning, come to you back in 2000
2 and tell you -- you were in Alaska in 2000, were
3 you not?

4 A. 2001, January.

5 Q. I'm sorry. Back when you were in Texas,
6 my home state. Is that where you were before --

7 A. Yeah.

8 Q. Did they come to you and tell you that
9 we have seen statistically significant elevations
10 in blood glucose comparing Zyprexa to placebo?
11 Did they ever tell you that?

12 A. Not that I recall.

13 Q. Sir, I am going to show you what has
14 been marked -- I can't read this one either.

15 MR. HAHN: 7802. 7802.

16 MR. ALLEN: I want to see it.
17 7802.

18 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Let me zoom out. It
19 doesn't have a date on it, but we've been told
20 from their database -- I don't recall the exact
21 date. I think it was June -- I think it was June
22 or July -- I know it was 2002 in the summer. I
23 think it was either June or July -- June 24th, as
24 I recall.

25 I think it's June 24th -- assume

1 sir?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And it indicated that for the olanzapine
4 patients, there was nonfasting high glucose in
5 2.2 percent and in the placebo 0 percent.

6 Do you see that?

7 A. I do.

8 Q. And then it has a code out here under
9 these columns and the code is A.

10 Do you see that, sir?

11 A. I do.

12 Q. And then they provide a legend to the
13 code. Event probably causally related.

14 Do you see that, sir?

15 A. I do.

16 Q. My question to you is, sir: By the
17 summer of 2002, had any representative from Eli
18 Lilly, any letter from Eli Lilly, any
19 correspondence, phone call, anything come to you
20 and told you that the Eli Lilly Company had
21 evidence in their files that elevations in blood
22 glucose were probably causally related to
23 Zyprexa?

24 A. Not that I recall, no.

25 Q. And would that be the type of important

1 with me the evidence will show it's in the summer
2 of 2000. Either June or July.

3 And this is an internal study
4 called the HGFU study. And it's a listing of
5 treatment-emergent abnormal lab findings in
6 olanzapine-treated patients.

7 THE COURT: What's the exhibit
8 number again?

9 A SPEAKER: 7802.

10 MR. ALLEN: 7802, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Thank you.

12 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Olanzapine-treated
13 patients. Placebo-controlled F1D-MC-HGFU and
14 I'll stop, okay.

15 But it's lab results. Do you see
16 that, sir?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Okay. I'm going to zoom out again. I
19 apologize.

20 And it compares olanzapine and a
21 placebo, and I think the olanzapine is in
22 combination with a mood-stabilizer and placebo is
23 in combination with a mood stabilizer.

24 But what I want to focus on is the
25 nonfasting high glucose. Do you see that column,

1 information you would like to have?

2 A. Absolutely.

3 Q. And if they disagreed with it, would you
4 still want to know that information?

5 A. I would.

6 Q. And why is that?

7 A. Because, again, it would allow me to
8 make an informed decision as to whether or not to
9 go ahead and prescribe that medication.

10 Q. Okay, sir.

11 I am going to show you what has
12 been marked as Exhibit 10094. As an aside, sir,
13 that's just proves we've been through the last
14 10,094. Do you see that?

15 A. I do.

16 Q. This is a letter we saw yesterday in the
17 deposition of Robin Wojcieszek, who works for Eli
18 Lilly, and it's a letter that Eli Lilly received
19 from the FDA in March of 2007.

20 You see it's addressed to Eli
21 Lilly?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. In fact, I didn't notice that, but it's
24 attention to Ms. Wojcieszek.

25 I want to point your attention to,

1 sir, page 2 of this letter.
 2 I need some water. I apologize.
 3 And the FDA was reviewing
 4 information on blood glucose on olanzapine and
 5 Symbyax. Do you know what Symbyax is, sir?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. And the jury heard this yesterday, but
 8 it's a combination of olanzapine, which is
 9 Zyprexa, and fluoxetine, which is Prozac?
 10 A. That's correct.
 11 Q. Okay, sir. And FDA said: Regarding
 12 data displays -- again, I apologize for
 13 reading -- an overall strategy will be no
 14 subgroup patients on the basis of their status at
 15 baseline so that clinicians can better understand
 16 the risks associated with treatment of patients
 17 following into different risk categories.
 18 Going on -- here's what I want to
 19 focus on: For example, we note that your
 20 proposed Symbyax -- Symbyax label includes
 21 information only on proportions of patients who
 22 are relatively normal at baseline with regard to
 23 random glucose. Less than 140 milligrams per
 24 deciliter, i.e., 2.9 percent of such patients
 25 receiving OFC -- that's olanzapine and fluoxetine

1 combination, that's Symbyax, right?
 2 A. That's right.
 3 Q. I'm sorry. I'm mangling this.
 4 Are you following me?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. 2.9 percent of such patients receiving
 7 OFY had greater levels compared to 200 patients,
 8 compared to 0.3 percent of placebo-treated
 9 patients.
 10 Do you see that, sir?
 11 A. I do.
 12 Q. Now, after I mangled that all up, what
 13 that's saying is that patients who are on
 14 olanzapine have approximately ten times the
 15 amount of elevation in blood glucose as opposed
 16 to the placebo patients; is that correct?
 17 A. That's correct.
 18 Q. And is that completely inconsistent with
 19 what was in the 2001 PDR, sir?
 20 A. Completely, yes.
 21 Q. And even though different numbers are
 22 achieved, we see in the FDA letter, Exhibit
 23 1094 -- somebody is saying something to me.
 24 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) We see in the Exhibit
 25 10094 and Exhibit 990 from February of 2000 and

1 in Exhibit 7802, we see significant differences
 2 in elevations of blood glucose between olanzapine
 3 and placebo, do we not, sir?
 4 A. We do.
 5 Q. Does the fact that -- does that fact
 6 mean anything, that we see several data analyses
 7 that indicates there's a significant elevation in
 8 blood glucose between olanzapine and the placebo?
 9 Does that mean anything to you?
 10 A. It does. It means that that is a
 11 problem, that it does occur.
 12 Q. Yes, sir. And I want to go back to this
 13 letter --
 14 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, is now a
 15 good time for a break?
 16 THE COURT: Sure, this would be a
 17 great time for a break.
 18 MR. ALLEN: I'm sorry.
 19 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen,
 20 we'll take our morning break at this point for
 21 about 15 minutes. Once again, please don't
 22 discuss this case with anyone or let anyone
 23 discuss it with you. Please try to keep an open
 24 mind until you hear all the evidence in this
 25 case.

1 We'll be in recess for about 15
 2 minutes.
 3 (Off record.)
 4 (Break.)
 5 (Jury in.)
 6 THE COURT: Please be seated.
 7 We're back on record. All members
 8 of the jury are present. Mr. Allen.
 9 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Dr. Hopson. I'm going
 10 through my exam, and I'm going to try to get this
 11 done as quick as possible. I apologize.
 12 A. You're welcome.
 13 Q. We're on the letter from March of 2007
 14 from the FDA to Eli Lilly, and we had finished
 15 this data of 2.9 percent of OFC patients compared
 16 to 0.3 placebo patients. Remember we were there;
 17 is that right?
 18 A. That's correct.
 19 Q. I want to read just a hair more. It
 20 says: However, we note that 46 percent of
 21 patients who were borderline to high at baseline,
 22 140 to 200, had such on-treatment levels compared
 23 to only 5 percent of placebo-treated patients.
 24 Did I read that correctly, sir?
 25 A. You did.

1 Q. Is that almost a tenfold increase --
 2 A. It is.
 3 Q. -- between placebo and Zyprexa patients?
 4 A. That's correct.
 5 Q. Now, if I heard you correctly, and
 6 correct me if I'm wrong, when you have this type
 7 of patient, now -- whose baseline and before you
 8 start is above baseline. Do you start those
 9 patients on Zyprexa now, or do you treat them
 10 differently?
 11 A. We would first attempt to treat them
 12 differently, yes.
 13 Q. And why do you do that?
 14 A. Because you're always going to choose a
 15 medication with the lowest side-effect profile,
 16 and they're at risk because of their elevated
 17 baseline.
 18 Q. And is that why the disclosure of risk
 19 and findings in a warning section are so
 20 important in regard to medication?
 21 A. Absolutely, yes.
 22 Q. And do you see -- or not see a
 23 pattern -- we have a February, 2000 report from
 24 Eli Lilly showing statistically significant
 25 elevations in blood glucose between Zyprexa and a

1 placebo. We have a report from the summer of
 2 2002 showing the same thing. And we have this
 3 report showing the same thing -- does that lead
 4 you to any conclusion as to whether or not
 5 Zyprexa is causally related to elevated blood
 6 glucose?
 7 A. I would say that it is causally related,
 8 yes.
 9 Q. Now, sir, in a drug label -- let me ask
 10 you this just medically -- doesn't it often take
 11 years, if not decades, to sometimes prove
 12 absolute causation?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. And when you're evaluating a patient,
 15 when you're talking about a risk factor for a
 16 disease, if it's a deadly or serious disease,
 17 does the patient have decades to wait to see what
 18 the ultimate result will be?
 19 A. No, no.
 20 Q. And, in fact, to the patient, to the
 21 individual patient who is taking a medication,
 22 they don't have decades and decades, and time to
 23 go over all the literature and hope it doesn't
 24 happen to them, do they, sir?
 25 A. No, they do not.

1 Q. And so when something is a risk factor
 2 for a disease, isn't it best for the patient that
 3 they be informed right away?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. Even if they're not certain?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. Because patients are real people, are
 8 they not, sir?
 9 A. That's correct.
 10 Q. They're not numbers, are they, sir?
 11 A. No.
 12 Q. Lastly, sir, on this point -- and by the
 13 way, sir, I represent the State of Alaska. Do
 14 you understand that?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. And I represent the Medicaid Department
 17 who has to pay for the Medicaid bills.
 18 Do you understand that?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. And diabetes, you know, is a serious
 21 medical condition?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. And certainly, you as the director of
 24 the Alaska Psychiatric Institute do not blame the
 25 State Medicaid Department for trying to recover

1 money if they think it's due them, do you, sir?
 2 A. No.
 3 Q. That's the very American way of life,
 4 isn't it, sir, to enforce --
 5 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor -- is that
 6 a question?
 7 THE COURT: It wasn't finished,
 8 so...
 9 MR. ALLEN: I'll withdraw the
 10 question.
 11 THE COURT: Thank you.
 12 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Sir, let's go to the
 13 Zyprexa -- this is the 2007 label change. You've
 14 seen it now, have you not, sir?
 15 A. I have.
 16 Q. Now, again, at the time Mr. Rogoff, one
 17 of the counsel back here for Eli Lilly took your
 18 deposition, he did not provide this to you, did
 19 he, sir?
 20 A. No, he did not.
 21 Q. Okay. Sir, well, I want to show it to
 22 you now. Just some of the information on
 23 hyperglycemia. Here it is. Warnings. I just
 24 want to get a broad view, first, if you don't
 25 mind. In the 2007 PDR. It's one page, two

1 pages, three pages, four pages and a half.

2 You see that, sir?

3 A. Yes, I do.

4 Q. Would you agree with me this is
5 significantly more information than you had ever
6 been provided about Zyprexa before this label
7 change?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. We've heard -- let's go to the data
10 first, the numbers.

11 Under hyperglycemia warning and --
12 again, I apologize for reading, and I'm not going
13 to read this whole thing, but we need to get it
14 into the record, sir.

15 Olanzapine monotherapy in adults.
16 In an analysis of 5 placebo-controlled adult
17 olanzapine monotherapy studies with treatment
18 duration up to 12 weeks -- that's three months,
19 right, sir?

20 A. Right.

21 Q. -- olanzapine was associated with a
22 greater mean change in fasting glucose levels
23 compared to placebo, 2.76 milligrams per
24 deciliter versus 0.17 milligrams per deciliter.

25 Did I read that correctly, sir?

1 A. Yes, you did.

2 Q. And I did the math last night, and the
3 difference there is 16, is approximately a little
4 over 16 times greater elevations in blood glucose
5 on Zyprexa versus placebo; is that correct, sir?

6 A. That is correct.

7 Q. Do you see a fairly consistent pattern
8 developing, sir?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Now, I want to talk to you briefly --
11 let me just put this on the board. This is
12 Exhibit 10095. This is -- it's been admitted.
13 This a letter from Eli Lilly dated October the
14 5th, 2007 and I think -- and I don't mean any
15 criticism by this, Doctor, so don't take it as
16 such.

17 You're saying by the time you gave
18 your deposition in December you hadn't received
19 this yet; is that correct?

20 A. That is correct.

21 Q. And that's -- and no one from Eli Lilly
22 had placed it -- the sales reps had not brought
23 it to your office; is that correct?

24 A. That is correct.

25 Q. Now, I think it's important to

1 understand, and I don't want to leave the
2 impression -- how much mail do you get, Doctor?
3 Can you describe how much mail you get on a daily
4 basis, how much mail you get at API?

5 A. Maybe 30 to 50 pieces per day.

6 Q. And does it sometimes take -- and do you
7 get it from just one medical company, one drug
8 company?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Okay. And do you -- does it take a
11 while, if the letter goes out, to get the
12 information to you, sir?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay. Now, of course, we've seen
15 that -- we've heard Ms. Eski testify, though, she
16 can come by and bring you information if she
17 wishes, right, sir?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And you do not recall that by December
20 of -- 11th of 2007 when Mr. Rogoff took your
21 deposition, you don't recall any Eli
22 representative having brought you this yet; is
23 that true?

24 A. Not that I recall.

25 Q. Sir, the evidence will show in this case

1 that in approximately December of 2003 the FDA
2 had ordered another label change on Zyprexa, but
3 the letter to doctors regarding that label change
4 did not go out until March of 2004.

5 Do you remember the March, 2004
6 letter?

7 A. Yes, I believe I do.

8 Q. Yes, sir. And, in fact, in your
9 deposition you indicated that you, upon receipt
10 of the -- or the -- of the 2003 label change,
11 that that had also affected your practice; is
12 that true, sir?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Again, when a drug company lets you know
15 new warnings and information and it can affect
16 and -- in fact, you can testify to this jury, it
17 does affect your practice?

18 A. It does.

19 Q. Thank you, sir.

20 All right. One more -- let's talk
21 about comparable rates, okay, sir? Comparable
22 rates.

23 You were in Fairbanks back on
24 November the 14th, 2001, right?

25 A. That's correct.

1 Q. Now, you had the sales representatives
2 come by your office -- by the way, not just from
3 Eli Lilly, do sale representatives from other
4 pharmaceutical companies come to you?
5 A. They do. Yes.
6 Q. And by the way, I don't want to pick on
7 you. Is that common? They come to all doctors,
8 do they not?
9 A. They do.
10 Q. You obviously can't remember each and
11 every conversation that you've had with a sales
12 representative over the last -- how long have you
13 been a doctor? 12, 14 years?
14 A. Yes. No, I do not.
15 Q. You don't take notes in a computer of
16 those calls, do you, sir?
17 A. No. I do not.
18 Q. And do you know that the sales reps
19 actually do record what they talk to you about?
20 A. Yes.
21 Q. Sir, I'm going to show you a page out of
22 Ms. Eski's deposition, Exhibit 8, a call note of
23 November the 14th, 2001. Let me see if I can
24 focus. All right.
25 Joey Eski, and this is you, sir,

1 November 14th. There's the date. You see it?
2 A. Yes.
3 Q. Duane Hopson in Fairbanks, Alaska; is
4 that right?
5 A. That's correct.
6 Q. All right, sir. It says here -- I'm not
7 going to read the whole thing. Stopped in
8 quick -- and we can read it -- FBMH, that's
9 Fairbanks Memorial Hospital where you work,
10 right -- where you worked at the time?
11 A. That's correct.
12 Q. Let's see where I want to get to. It
13 says they are at maximum capacity and
14 Dr. Carroll -- who is Carroll?
15 A. William Carroll was a physician working
16 with me at the time.
17 Q. Okay. He is still there as locum -- I'm
18 familiar with that -- locum tenens, is that
19 right?
20 A. That's correct.
21 Q. That is a Latin word, I think?
22 A. That's right.
23 Q. And tell the jury what locum tenens is,
24 please.
25 A. Locum tenens is like a traveling

1 physician that moves from place to place based on
2 need. They may practice here for three months
3 and then move to another state for three months.
4 Q. Often -- I guess -- do you deserve a
5 vacation every now and then; right?
6 A. Every now and then.
7 Q. When doctors go on vacation, you can
8 hire locum tenens doctors and they'll come and
9 replace people?
10 A. That's correct.
11 Q. Dr. Carroll is still there as locum.
12 They seem to use Zyprexa first line, hard to tell
13 from TCR report data. He doesn't really give
14 much pushback, seems to agree with data showed
15 him -- that is a call note on you, right, sir?
16 A. Right.
17 Q. You don't remember November the 14th,
18 2001, do you, sir?
19 A. No, I do not.
20 Q. Showed him diabetes data. He agreed
21 that it made sense there are comparable rates
22 across agents.
23 Do you see that?
24 A. I do.
25 Q. Does that help refresh your recollection

1 that back in the 2001 time period and other time
2 periods the message that you were getting from
3 Eli Lilly concerning diabetes and hyperglycemia
4 was their drug was no different than the other
5 second-generations?
6 A. Yes.
7 Q. And, in fact, Ms. Eski has testified,
8 and we introduced in her deposition, Eski 10,
9 which was also introduced in Mr. Noesges',
10 another witness, Exhibit 4, that they had detail
11 pieces with comparable rates message.
12 Do you see that?
13 A. I do.
14 Q. Do you recall being given this type of
15 information from Eli Lilly sales representatives
16 here in Alaska when they detailed you on Zyprexa?
17 A. I don't recall specifically.
18 Q. Yes, sir. Do you recall -- you don't
19 recall the specific handout?
20 A. That's correct.
21 Q. Okay. Do you recall handouts such as
22 this or detail pieces that they would leave you?
23 A. Yes.
24 Q. Okay. Let me show you just briefly --
25 let me get my glasses.

1 I'll just show you one. Get down
 2 there, focus.
 3 Zyprexa versus risperidone. You
 4 see 0.6, 0.6?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. That's self-explanatory; that's
 7 comparable rates, right?
 8 A. Right.
 9 Q. Now, that is, of course, different than
 10 the ConSensus statement findings which we
 11 discussed earlier?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. Is it also different in your clinical
 14 experience now?
 15 A. Yes, sir.
 16 Q. Thank you. Sir, you had heard, prior to
 17 2003, just in the community or in seminars or
 18 things of that nature, the issue of diabetes and
 19 possible hyperglycemia, had you not?
 20 A. Yes.
 21 Q. But isn't it a fact that until the
 22 company warned you about it -- let me get this --
 23 when you hear those things, you only suspect
 24 things as a potential side effect, you're not
 25 sure; is that right?

1 A. That's right.
 2 Q. But when the company comes forward and
 3 admits it to you, it makes a big difference, does
 4 it not, sir?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. And when they admit something to you, it
 7 affects how you make a judgment about whether or
 8 not their product is related to a disease or not,
 9 right?
 10 A. It does.
 11 Q. So is that another reason why a warning
 12 is important in a drug?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. Sir, we've heard -- by the way, on
 15 comparable rates, one more thing. In the current
 16 package insert on Zyprexa, under hyperglycemia,
 17 there's this statement: While relative risk
 18 estimates are inconsistent, the association
 19 between atypical antipsychotics and increases in
 20 glucose levels appears to fall on a continuum --
 21 you see that, sir?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. And a continuum is -- is from top to
 24 bottom; is that a continuum?
 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Appears to fall on a continuum and
 2 olanzapine appears to have a greater association
 3 than some other atypical antipsychotics.
 4 Do you see that, sir?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. Did anybody from Eli Lilly, prior to
 7 this label change in October of 2000, ever come
 8 and tell you that?
 9 A. Not that I recall, no.
 10 Q. Again, that's why a warning change is
 11 significant?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 MR. ALLEN: I'm almost through,
 14 Your Honor.
 15 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) Doctor, we've heard in
 16 this courtroom that there are patients at API who
 17 are so sick that court orders are sought to force
 18 medication administration. Are you familiar with
 19 that?
 20 A. Yes.
 21 Q. And, in fact, when that occurs, is it
 22 not true that the Attorney General's office, the
 23 man who hired me, has to get involved?
 24 A. Yes.
 25 Q. Not only must the Attorney General's

1 office get involved, but they must come to a
 2 court and hear evidence before this medication is
 3 administered; is that true?
 4 A. Yes.
 5 Q. Do you believe it is a good idea or a
 6 bad idea for the Attorney General to try to seek
 7 as much information as he can concerning the
 8 potential health risks associated with the drug
 9 Zyprexa for the Medicaid system and the people of
 10 Alaska? What's your opinion on that?
 11 A. I think it's a good idea.
 12 Q. And, in fact, when you -- and have you
 13 ever had to come testify at these court
 14 proceedings concerning forced administration?
 15 A. I have in the past, yes.
 16 Q. Yes, sir. And would you want to present
 17 the Court and the Attorney General with as much
 18 information as you are aware of?
 19 A. I would, yes.
 20 Q. And will the labeling changes that have
 21 been made in regard to Zyprexa, will that effect
 22 a change concerning your testimony surrounding
 23 the risks of Zyprexa?
 24 A. Yes.
 25 Q. And will it affect your decision-making

1 process as to whether or not to try Zyprexa first
2 as opposed to second or third or somewhere else?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Sir, I don't know if I asked you this
5 earlier, but I want something clear here. You
6 can say whatever you want.

7 Do you think that the Attorney
8 General of the State of Alaska by hiring me and
9 Mr. Fibich and Mr. Suggs to pursue an action
10 against Eli Lilly, are you opposed to that?

11 A. No.

12 Q. And by the way, sir, remember the
13 difficult task of informed consent and weighing
14 the risk and benefit?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. In getting informed consent, isn't it
17 best to have as much information as possible?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. One other -- I have two other quick
20 topics.

21 Diabetes and schizophrenics. Sir,
22 if -- you're familiar from your medical training
23 and background and your personal experience at
24 API with diabetes, are you not?

25 A. I am.

1 Q. Diabetes, if you develop it, requires
2 a -- I'm trying to think of the word I'm using --
3 it requires the patient who develops diabetes to
4 be able to comply with treatment for the
5 condition of diabetes, right?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And we've heard testimony from
8 Dr. Beasley, Eli Lilly's -- I think they call it
9 his professor emeritus and global Zyprexa
10 physician, that diabetes can be a devastatingly
11 progressive disease leading to retinopathies,
12 amputations and things of that nature.

13 Are you generally familiar with
14 that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And hopefully when a person develops
17 diabetes, they hope to not have that happen; you
18 understand that?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. But one of the things in order for that
21 not to happen, the patient who develops diabetes,
22 first, a lot of times they try diet restrictions
23 and strict dietary elements; is that right?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Now, in your experience, are acute

1 schizophrenics or chronic schizophrenics the
2 types of patients if they develop diabetes they
3 can follow a strict diet and things of that
4 nature?

5 A. No.

6 Q. And even if that doesn't work or if the
7 diabetes has progressed far enough, if that's
8 not -- if diet doesn't work, they have to be on
9 medications; is that right?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Things like Metformin and insulin and
12 things of that nature?

13 A. That's correct.

14 Q. First of all, those are all expensive
15 medications?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. But in addition to medications, they
18 have to monitor daily and more than one time a
19 day their blood glucose?

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. And we've seen on TV, or I've seen them
22 advertised, the things you stick and you have the
23 meter, right?

24 A. Right.

25 Q. And you also have to follow if you

1 develop diabetes, not only taking medication and
2 taking daily multiple blood glucose, you have to
3 go back to your doctor?

4 A. Right.

5 Q. And in addition to that, you also have
6 to be on a strict diet at that times, right?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Are schizophrenics the type of people
9 that -- and we've heard from the defense that the
10 schizophrenic population, according to them, is
11 at a greater risk of diabetes than the normal
12 population?

13 A. It is.

14 Q. Yes, sir. So do you want, as a
15 physician, to put this population, in particular,
16 at risk for developing diabetes if you don't need
17 to?

18 A. No, I do not.

19 Q. And is that another reason why the need
20 for Eli Lilly to warn about the risk of diabetes
21 and hyperglycemia so important?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Sir, I want to talk about frontal
24 lobotomies. Were you ever trained -- do you know
25 anything -- tell the jury what a frontal lobotomy

1 is.

2 A. It was a technique that was used many
3 years ago to -- it was felt that it would control
4 aggressive behaviors or even psychotic disorders.
5 It's not a procedure that's really done anymore.
6 Very, very rare for very rare types of illnesses,
7 but it's not a regular -- a regularly-practiced
8 psychiatric treatment.

9 Q. Doctor, assume with me -- you see the
10 board behind you. We had written up there,
11 clozapine, risperidone, Zyprexa, Seroquel, Geodon
12 and Abilify. You see that?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Assume we took Zyprexa just right off
15 the map, it wasn't on Planet Earth, would we have
16 people running around needing to get frontal
17 lobotomies -- if Zyprexa was no longer on earth,
18 would people need to then get frontal lobotomies?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Do you know one patient in your entire
21 time you've been a licensed doctor, that if it
22 wasn't for Zyprexa, they would need a frontal
23 lobotomy?

24 A. No, that would be an outlandish thought.

25 Q. If anybody suggested, in this courtroom,

1 that Zyprexa is saving people from frontal
2 lobotomies, would that be true or false?

3 A. I would have to say false.

4 Q. Doctor, based upon your personal
5 experience and your practice, do you believe,
6 prior to the time that you have learned what you
7 know about Zyprexa -- and it's much different
8 today than it was even a year ago; is that true?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Do you believe patients who are placed
11 on Zyprexa develop diabetes who otherwise would
12 not have developed diabetes if you knew then what
13 you've been told now?

14 A. I think there are --

15 MS. GUSSACK: Objection -- I said
16 objection, for the reasons we expressed earlier.

17 THE COURT: That's overruled.

18 Q. (BY MR. ALLEN) You could answer the
19 question, Doctor.

20 A. I think there are instances, yes, where
21 it is developed.

22 Q. That would not have had you known?

23 A. That would not, yes.

24 Q. Thank you for your time, Doctor, and I
25 appreciate your patience.

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2 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

3 THE COURT: Ms. Gussack.

4 MS. GUSSACK: Thank you, sir.

5 CROSS-EXAMINATION

6 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Good morning,
7 Dr. Hopson?

8 A. Good morning.

9 Q. Nina Gussack for Eli Lilly.

10 Doctor, Mr. Allen said that you
11 were here pursuant to a subpoena. When did you
12 get the good news that you were being subpoenaed
13 to appear here today?

14 A. I believe yesterday -- or the day
15 before. I'm sorry.

16 Q. The day before?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. At the deposition that was taken of you
19 in this case, you were represented by counsel,
20 right?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. And that counsel was Mr. Sniffen
23 and Mr. Steele, correct?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Okay. Mr. Steele's in the courtroom

1 today?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Where is he?

4 A. On the back row.

5 Q. He's in the back row. And did you meet
6 with Mr. Steele in the past week or two to talk
7 about some of the issues that you'd be testifying
8 to today?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Okay. And he showed you some documents
11 from Lilly's internal files?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Dr. Hopson, tell me, at any time before
14 that meeting with Mr. Steele, had the State's
15 attorneys ever come to you since they filed this
16 lawsuit and shared with you any of the Lilly
17 documents they had in their possession?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Okay. Now, you know this lawsuit has
20 been pending since March, '06, right?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. And you told us at your
23 deposition that you didn't know anything about
24 this lawsuit until after it was filed; is that
25 right?

1 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, again, it's
2 improper impeachment. If she's intending to try
3 to impeach the witness -- can we approach?

4 THE COURT: Sure.
5 (Bench discussion.)

6 MR. ALLEN: I just want to point
7 out the very thing that you said I couldn't do in
8 my depositions, which is talk about counsel
9 meeting with the witness, you struck it --

10 THE COURT: I didn't get an
11 objection to it and you asked the same question
12 on your direct. But I didn't get an objection to
13 it and so that's the real thing.

14 MS. GUSSACK: You opened the door.

15 THE COURT: To the talking -- we're
16 talking about improper impeachment. The way she
17 asked the question is to let the doctor answer,
18 so I don't think it's improper impeachment, and
19 she's allowed to lead at this point.

20 MR. ALLEN: I agree. I just want
21 the same rules.

22 (End of bench discussion.)

23 MS. GUSSACK: While you get your
24 water. I'm going to find my reading glasses.

25 MR. ALLEN: Here are mine. You

1 Psychiatric Association, right?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. That comes to an end in May?

4 A. That's correct.

5 Q. Probably not too soon for you. You are
6 also a member of the American Psychiatric
7 Association?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. In the five or so years that you have
10 been the medical director of the Alaska
11 Psychiatric Institute, you have overseen seven or
12 eight psychiatrists?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay. So you have a lot of
15 administrative duties, as you told us?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. But you also care for patients?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And you consult with those psychiatrists
20 as to their care?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And you told us, I believe at your
23 deposition, that you make rounds regularly?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And so that you are aware of what's

1 want mine?

2 MS. GUSSACK: No, thanks.

3 VENIREPERSON: They're on your
4 shirt.

5 MS. GUSSACK: Thank you very much.
6 Not the first time that's happened. May I hear
7 the question that was pending?

8 (Question read by the reporter.)

9 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Is that right,
10 Dr. Hopson?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. And, in fact, when you learned about the
13 lawsuit, it wasn't through the State Attorney
14 General's office; is that correct?

15 A. That's correct.

16 Q. You learned about it after reading it in
17 the newspaper; is that right?

18 A. Right.

19 Q. And at no time prior to the State filing
20 this lawsuit did they come and ask you for your
21 views about Zyprexa, right?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. Now, let's just -- I want to go back a
24 little bit, because I know you are completing
25 your two-year tenure as president of the Alaska

1 going on with patients at Alaska Psychiatric
2 Institute, right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. You also have had experience
5 personally with Zyprexa since it was first
6 brought to the market in 1996, haven't you?

7 A. I have.

8 Q. Okay. And one of the first things you
9 knew about Zyprexa when you started prescribing
10 it in 1996 was that it caused significant weight
11 gain in a number of patients; isn't that right?

12 A. Yes, we began seeing that after we began
13 using it when it came out.

14 Q. As early as 1996?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Okay. And you told us, I believe, at
17 your deposition that you knew about the risks of
18 weight gain for diabetes and cardiovascular
19 disease and other issues from your training in
20 medical school; isn't that right?

21 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, page and
22 line to the deposition to show the witness if he
23 allegedly said that. Page and line. That's an
24 objection.

25 THE COURT: That objection is

1 overruled. If the doctor doesn't recall saying
2 it in the deposition, then she can show him page
3 and line.

4 If he can recall it as he sits
5 here, then we'll just go with the question.

6 A. I think we were aware of those -- you
7 know, as potential risks and side effects.

8 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) As a result of
9 substantial weight gain.

10 A. I don't really recall that it was
11 necessarily tied to the weight gain.

12 Q. Let me be clear, Dr. Hopson. Maybe
13 because we had the interruption of the question,
14 I want to make sure that you're answering my
15 question. And the question I had was: As -- as
16 a result of your training in medical school,
17 you're familiar with the risks for diabetes and
18 cardiovascular disease from substantial weight
19 gain or being overweight?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Okay. So, as a result of your
22 prescribing of Zyprexa since 1996, and your time
23 as medical director at API, were you consulted by
24 the Commissioner of the Department of Health &
25 Social Services of Alaska before the lawsuit was

1 A. I think it was a gradual learning curve,
2 yes.

3 Q. Okay. All of the patients at Alaska --
4 I'm sorry -- at API suffer from serious mental
5 illnesses, don't they?

6 A. They do.

7 Q. You would agree with me, wouldn't you,
8 that there is no one medication that will be
9 effective for all of those patients?

10 A. That is correct.

11 Q. And you believe it's important to have a
12 variety of choices of medications to treat
13 seriously mentally ill patients, don't you?

14 A. Absolutely, yes.

15 Q. And you don't have any restrictions on
16 Zyprexa at API, do you?

17 A. We do not.

18 Q. And what I mean by restrictions, you
19 understand, is that any doctor at API can
20 prescribe Zyprexa for -- in their best medical
21 judgment even as we sit here today, correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. Now, some of the psychiatrists
24 that you are supervising at API are prescribing
25 Zyprexa as their first choice, correct?

1 brought?

2 A. No, I was not.

3 Q. Okay. Did you share your views about
4 Zyprexa with anybody from the State Attorney
5 General's office before this lawsuit was brought?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Okay. But you have had experience
8 prescribing Zyprexa and overseeing those who have
9 prescribed Zyprexa since 1996 up until the time
10 that this lawsuit was brought in March, 2006; is
11 that right?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Okay. Now, Doctor, it's true, isn't it,
14 that long before there was a class label change
15 made for all of the atypical antipsychotics, you
16 were of the view that Zyprexa caused more weight
17 gain than the other atypical antipsychotics and
18 had an increased risk for blood glucose and lipid
19 abnormalities; isn't that right?

20 A. I think we were -- again, before the
21 label change -- aware initially of the weight
22 gain and then over time we began to see the other
23 clinical indicators in our patients, yes.

24 Q. And that was before the 2003 label
25 change for all the class members?

1 A. They may be.

2 Q. Okay. And some may be using it as an
3 alternative -- when another medication hasn't
4 been effective, right?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. You would agree with me, wouldn't you,
7 Doctor, that no medication can help any patient
8 unless they are taking it, unless they're
9 compliant with their medication, correct?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. You are familiar with the CATIE studied
12 that was published in the New England Journal of
13 Medicine?

14 A. Yes.

15 MS. GUSSACK: Nick, could we pull
16 that up.

17 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Now, Doctor, that
18 CATIE study that was published in the New England
19 Journal of Medicine in September 2005 is on the
20 screen before you.

21 Do you recall that one of the
22 significant findings in that study was the fact
23 that patients stayed on Zyprexa or olanzapine, as
24 it's referred to in the article, longer than any
25 other medication being used in that study?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. And you would agree with me,
3 wouldn't you, that one of the most significant
4 challenges in treating seriously mentally ill
5 patients is having them become -- is having them
6 stay compliant with their medication regimen,
7 isn't it?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. So when a medication like olanzapine is
10 demonstrated to have longer duration of patients
11 staying on it, that's an important finding, isn't
12 it?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay.

15 MS. GUSSACK: Could you bring up,
16 Nick, the page -- I'm sorry, on the bottom, if
17 you would bring up the page at the bottom there
18 where it says -- can you bring it under
19 conclusions second sentence.

20 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Olanzapine was the
21 most effective in terms of the rates of
22 discontinuation. That's your experience, isn't
23 it, Doctor?

24 A. From this study, that was the conclusion
25 of that, yes.

1 Q. Okay. And the CATIE --

2 MS. GUSSACK: You can take that
3 off, Nick.

4 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) This CATIE is one of
5 the articles that you told us that you had
6 maintained in your files at API, isn't it?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. That was a study that was conducted by
9 the National Institutes of Mental Health?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. That wasn't a study sponsored by Eli
12 Lilly?

13 A. No.

14 Q. The API, I think you told us, is a
15 State-run mental health facility, isn't it?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Is it the only State-run mental health
18 facility in Alaska?

19 A. It's the only State mental health
20 facility, yes.

21 Q. Doctor, before I forget, there was --
22 Mr. Allen made a reference to mood, thought and
23 behavior as bases for prescribing Zyprexa. You
24 would agree with me, wouldn't you, that the
25 reference to mood is related to bipolar disorder

1 or bipolar disease, isn't it?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And you certainly describe for us, I
4 think, in a very extensive and compelling way
5 that the acute schizophrenic patient has many
6 behavioral disturbances, don't they?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And, in fact, a bipolar patient, a manic
9 bipolar patient has behavioral disturbances as
10 well, don't they?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Let's talk for a minute, if we might,
13 about what you were describing earlier, which is
14 that there are circumstances in which API has
15 sought court orders to medicate patients against
16 their will, right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. That happens occasionally when a patient
19 doesn't recognize that they are in need of
20 medication or they refuse the recommendation of a
21 physician?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. And you have to seek out the
24 services of the State, the Attorney General's
25 Office, to come to court and seek medication for

1 those patients because you believe it is in their
2 best interest?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And you have done that, haven't you?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And psychiatrists at API have done it as
7 well?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And sometimes those requests for
10 medication to be required or ordered for patients
11 in Alaska have requested Zyprexa to be
12 administered, correct?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Okay --

15 MS. GUSSACK: Could we bring up
16 the --

17 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson, we're
18 bringing up this -- what you see before the
19 screen. I've looked on the Internet, that API
20 has a dashboard of key performance measures.

21 Can you tell us what that is?

22 A. They're just quality improvement
23 performance measures. The majority of them are
24 ones we benchmarked against other facilities like
25 our own and use it as kind of the template of our

1 quality improvement program. Things that we need
2 to work on, things that we're doing better across
3 the board than other facilities similar to our
4 own.

5 MS. GUSSACK: Nick, if you bring
6 that document up a bit, you'll see a heading
7 under hospital measures and about, I don't know
8 four or five lines down.

9 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson, do you see
10 where it says court-ordered medications?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Okay. API is telling us in this report
13 of key information that on a quarterly basis, is
14 it, you are seeking court-ordered medication of
15 patients for API patients, right?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. That's been pretty constant and
18 continues to this day, doesn't it?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And to this day it is within the
21 province of any API psychiatrist to seek the
22 support of the State Attorney General to medicate
23 patients with Zyprexa medically?

24 A. Or other drugs, yes.

25 Q. Zyprexa is one that is court-ordered,

1 sought to seek for patients?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And that continues to today?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Let me go back to what I was asking
6 about earlier. In the time since the lawsuit was
7 filed in this case, March, '06, has the State
8 Attorney General, other than the last ten days,
9 two weeks, ever brought to you any of the
10 millions of documents that have been produced to
11 them from Eli Lilly?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Have they shared with you -- first of
14 all, do you know how many millions of documents
15 Eli Lilly has produced to the State here in this
16 case?

17 A. I have no idea.

18 Q. Okay. But you know that the State has
19 substantial amounts of information from Eli Lilly
20 in this matter?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. And did they ever bring to you
23 documents that reflected the State's concern --

24 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, can we
25 approach?

1 THE COURT: Sure.

2 (Bench discussion.)

3 MR. ALLEN: Confidential court
4 order; we can't go disclosing documents. We
5 can't tell anybody. She's opened the door. I'm
6 going to show that he couldn't share with them.

7 MS. GUSSACK: He's a party
8 representative. I'll be glad to ask. He is a
9 party representative from the State and if they
10 want to share the documents, they could have
11 easily --

12 THE COURT: I'm not sure whether
13 he's a party representative from the State. I'll
14 have to look at the confidential court order.

15 MR. ALLEN: We'll get to MDL --

16 MS. GUSSACK: This has nothing to
17 do with any other state. I prefaced the
18 question.

19 THE COURT: You can ask the
20 question. You can ask the questions on cross.
21 I'll deal with the objections when you ask the
22 questions.

23 (End of bench discussion.)

24 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson, have you
25 ever asked anyone from the State about any of the

1 information in their possession from Lilly?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Now, Dr. Karleen Jackson is the
4 commissioner of the Department of Health & Social
5 Services, correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Okay. Did you ever have a conversation
8 with Dr. Jackson about your views of Zyprexa
9 prior to this lawsuit being filed?

10 A. No.

11 THE COURT: Could counsel approach
12 a second?

13 (Bench discussion.)

14 THE COURT: It doesn't make any
15 difference to me because he's -- can come back,
16 but I'm told that one of the jurors has a 2:00
17 o'clock meeting, so we're going to end at 1:30.
18 I just want everyone to know that.

19 MS. GUSSACK: Okay.

20 (End of bench discussion.)

21 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Okay. Just to
22 conclude on this subject, Dr. Hopson, so I'm
23 clear, until you were notified about your
24 deposition in -- that was taken in December,
25 2007, did anyone from the Alaska Attorney

1 General's Office ever seek your views or any
2 information from you about Zyprexa?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Okay.

5 MS. GUSSACK: Now, if we could
6 bring up the -- I'm sorry, Nick, hold up for one
7 second.

8 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Doctor, currently at
9 API, you have placed a restriction on one
10 atypical antipsychotic; isn't that right?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And that atypical antipsychotic is not
13 Zyprexa, correct?

14 A. That is correct.

15 Q. Can you tell the jury what restriction
16 you have placed on the use of atypical
17 antipsychotics at API?

18 A. I just asked -- it's Risperdal Consta.
19 It's an injectable form of Risperdal. It's
20 extremely costly and so I just ask my doctors if
21 they're going to prescribe it, call me, and we
22 discussed that other things have been tried, but
23 that it's clinically appropriate to begin that
24 medication.

25 Q. If you wanted to, in your role as

1 medical director of API, you could have put a
2 restriction on Zyprexa, correct?

3 A. I could have.

4 Q. Okay. You have had experience as a
5 prescriber of Zyprexa in seeing weight gain with
6 patients, right?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And you have always believed -- you
9 personally, that there was an increased incidence
10 of weight gain and blood glucose elevations with
11 patients on Zyprexa as opposed to the other
12 atypical antipsychotics; isn't that right?

13 A. Yes. We began seeing that. I believe
14 that.

15 Q. Now, I know that as both part of your
16 professional position at API and certainly as --
17 in your role on the Alaska Psychiatric
18 Association and the APA you are on the front or
19 in the lead on learning about information about
20 medications. You also conduct -- isn't that
21 right?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. And you conduct staff meetings
24 regularly at API?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Okay. So, in December, 2007, when your
2 deposition was taken, is it your testimony that
3 no one had discussed with you -- put aside Lilly.
4 That no one had discussed with you at Alaska
5 Psychiatric Association or API or in the hospital
6 an October, 2007 label change from Lilly?

7 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, to the
8 extent any of this calls for hearsay,
9 out-of-court statements, I would object to
10 hearsay.

11 MS. GUSSACK: It goes to notice,
12 Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: I think it does go to
14 notice. I'll allow it.

15 MR. ALLEN: Can I have a limiting
16 instruction? I don't know what the answer is
17 going to be -- the answer is hearsay, if it goes
18 to notice, I want a limiting instruction.

19 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of
20 the jury, the purpose of this question is to
21 establish what the doctor knew and what sources
22 and that he was aware of things or wasn't aware
23 of certain things. You may consider his answer
24 to this question for that purpose rather than for
25 whether in fact it's true that what he knew was

1 truthful.

2 THE WITNESS: Could you ask the
3 question again?

4 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) What the question, I
5 think, was: From your discussions at the Alaska
6 Psychiatric Association or the American
7 Psychiatric Association, or from your staff
8 meetings that you hold at API, did you have
9 information about the label change -- did others
10 give you information about the label change that
11 Lilly made in October, 2007?

12 A. Not that I recall.

13 MR. ALLEN: I withdraw my
14 objection, Your Honor.

15 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Doctor, you receive
16 information about the medications that you
17 prescribe from a variety of sources, don't you?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. One source, obviously, is the
20 experience that you have clinically with
21 patients, right?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. You use the medication and you observe
24 what happens in your patients and that's an
25 important source of information about how the

1 medication is working?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. Both about its efficacy and about any
 4 side effects that you observe or the patient
 5 reports, right?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. Another source of information of
 8 information you have about medications you
 9 prescribe are from discussions with your
 10 colleagues, correct?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. And that's one of the reasons you have
 13 staff meetings, isn't it?
 14 A. Part of it.
 15 Q. Because your colleagues share
 16 information about their experiences with
 17 medications that they're using, right?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. It's an important source of learning
 20 about how patients are doing on different
 21 medications?
 22 A. Correct.
 23 Q. Another source of information you have
 24 about medications and their side-effect profile
 25 comes from medical meetings you attend, right?

1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. And certainly the APA has medical
 3 meetings, and presumably the Alaska Psychiatric
 4 Association has medical meetings?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. And these are meetings in which
 7 physicians come and you discuss subjects
 8 including side-effect profiles of medications?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. You also have been the recipient -- I'm
 11 sorry -- you've been the attendee at various
 12 sessions in which speakers are presenting,
 13 experts in the field?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. Okay. You also follow the published
 16 literature, the medical journals in the
 17 psychiatric field, right?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. Those publish articles about medications
 20 and their side-effect profile, right?
 21 A. Yes.
 22 Q. Okay. We've seen some of those articles
 23 here in court already. For instance,
 24 Dr. Allison's article -- if you want to bring
 25 that up.

1 MS. GUSSACK: Let me give you a
 2 better -- EL2559.
 3 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Do you know
 4 Dr. Allison, Dr. Hopson, one of the State's
 5 expert witnesses that's coming to testify here?
 6 A. No, I do not.
 7 Q. Okay. Are you familiar with this
 8 article from the American Journal of Psychiatry
 9 published in November, 1999?
 10 A. Not that I recall.
 11 Q. Okay. But this is one of the kinds of
 12 articles that's published in one of the
 13 journals -- do you follow the American Journal of
 14 Psychiatry?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. Okay. So in 1999 it wouldn't surprise
 17 you that an article about Antipsychotic Induced
 18 Weight Gain, a Comprehensive Research Synthesis
 19 would be published and describe the effects of
 20 antipsychotics on body weight -- excuse me --
 21 correct?
 22 A. That's correct.
 23 Q. And if you look, in fact, at the
 24 objective -- if you can blow that up, Nick --
 25 that was the purpose of this particular article

1 by Dr. Allison, the lead author, right?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. And CATIE is another such article that
 4 you've already told us you followed in the
 5 medical literature, correct?
 6 A. Right.
 7 Q. In addition to all of those sources of
 8 information that we've talked about, you also get
 9 called upon by sales representatives from
 10 different pharmaceutical companies, right?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. Okay. Not just Lilly about Zyprexa,
 13 right?
 14 A. Right.
 15 Q. You get called upon by the sales
 16 representatives of all the competitor products
 17 that compete in the atypical antipsychotic
 18 market, right?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. And each of those sales representatives
 21 is proud to tell you about their product,
 22 correct?
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. And you don't believe everything they
 25 tell you about their product, do you, because you

1 know they're there to sell the product?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. In fact, you greet the sales
 4 representatives information with some skepticism;
 5 isn't that right?
 6 A. Sure, sure.
 7 Q. Of all the sources of information that
 8 you have about a medication, is the sales
 9 representatives' information the most valuable or
 10 somewhere towards the bottom of the continuum of
 11 information?
 12 A. I think I would consider it extremely
 13 valuable, and I -- you know, would expect that it
 14 would be timely and accurate.
 15 Q. Okay. And certainly when they -- the
 16 sales representative is providing you with
 17 information, you ask questions on occasion if you
 18 want more information, right?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. And, in fact, you have done that with
 21 your sales representative, Joey Eski, about
 22 Zyprexa, haven't you?
 23 A. I'm sure I have.
 24 Q. Okay. And she has provided to you
 25 medical letters on occasion, about subjects that

1 you had particular interest in, correct?
 2 A. I'm sure she has, yes.
 3 MS. GUSSACK: Can we bring up --
 4 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, can I -- I
 5 just need a copy of these letters. I haven't had
 6 an opportunity to see a copy, and I'd like to
 7 move to have them admitted into evidence.
 8 THE COURT: If they're going to be
 9 shown to the doctor, they ought to be admitted
 10 into evidence.
 11 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, these
 12 have been identified and have not been objected
 13 to, although Lilly would not be moving evidence
 14 in until its case.
 15 THE COURT: If they're going to be
 16 shown to the doctor, then they ought to be moved
 17 to be admitted.
 18 MR. ALLEN: We move to admit these
 19 in evidence, Your Honor.
 20 THE COURT: Do you have any
 21 objection to admitting your own --
 22 MS. GUSSACK: No, Your Honor. Just
 23 simply procedurally in our case we would move to
 24 admit them. If Mr. Allen would --
 25 MR. ALLEN: I'd like to move to be

1 admitted, and I'd like a copy provided to me.
 2 THE COURT: You need to provide a
 3 copy to Mr. Allen and let's get the numbers so
 4 they can be admitted.
 5 MS. GUSSACK: EL2990, a medical
 6 letter about Zyprexa weight reduction and
 7 management, which I think has been previously
 8 provided to counsel.
 9 THE COURT: Any others?
 10 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, we move
 11 that Eli Lilly's 2990 be admitted.
 12 THE COURT: 2990 will be admitted.
 13 MR. ALLEN: Thank you, Your Honor.
 14 MS. GUSSACK: Thank you,
 15 Your Honor.
 16 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson, is this
 17 one of the medical letters that you can recall
 18 receiving from your Lilly sales representative
 19 about a subject that you had some interest in,
 20 namely: Zyprexa weight reduction and management?
 21 A. I don't recall receiving this one.
 22 Again, I receive a lot of things. What date?
 23 Q. Doctor, if -- you wouldn't quarrel with
 24 me if the records reflect that you received this,
 25 would you --

1 A. I likely did.
 2 THE COURT: Something I'd like to
 3 know. What's the date on this document?
 4 MS. GUSSACK: There is no date on
 5 the document that we have, Your Honor. It
 6 references -- we only know based on the
 7 literature here that's referenced at the end. If
 8 you would go to the references.
 9 MR. ALLEN: There's not only no
 10 date, there's no address or signature.
 11 THE COURT: Well, you can
 12 cross-examine if you want to, Mr. Allen, and
 13 point out what you want to about this document.
 14 I want to get a sense about what the date is. If
 15 there's statements made that the records reflect
 16 that the doctor received this particular
 17 document, then we ought to establish at some
 18 point when the doctor received the document
 19 because that will at least give us some idea of
 20 the date.
 21 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, if --
 22 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, I think a
 23 predicate has to be laid for a document --
 24 THE COURT: No, it's been admitted,
 25 and you were the one that wanted it admitted.

1 MR. ALLEN: A document can be
2 admitted but not used to cross-examine the
3 witness on claiming he received it.
4 THE COURT: Again, the doctor has
5 testified that he is not sure that he received
6 it. The only evidence -- it's not evidence --
7 we've got a statement from Ms. Gussack that
8 records will show. Either the records are going
9 to be introduced or not introduced. The jury is
10 again reminded that questions of lawyers is not
11 evidence; it's the testimony of witnesses that
12 are evidence. The document is -- is evidence,
13 and you're free to talk about the document as you
14 want to, but the document is admitted and it may
15 be used.
16 MS. GUSSACK: Nick, if you would
17 bring up TG176.
18 MR. ALLEN: What page? It's a
19 different --
20 MS. GUSSACK: Yes, I'm sorry. It's
21 a different document.
22 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, I need to
23 make the same motion to have the letter produced
24 to me.
25 THE COURT: Please, if you're

1 going -- if you're going to use an exhibit and
2 somebody needs to have a copy of it, please give
3 it to them. What's the exhibit number?
4 MS. GUSSACK: Absolutely TG176.
5 THE COURT: T as in Tom?
6 MS. GUSSACK: G.
7 THE COURT: G176. Are you asking
8 that it be admitted. Mr. Allen?
9 MR. ALLEN: I don't see an exhibit
10 sticker. I don't think this one was on the
11 exhibit list.
12 MS. GUSSACK: I believe it is.
13 MR. ALLEN: I don't see it. I
14 don't see an exhibit sticker, Your Honor.
15 THE COURT: Just --
16 MS. GUSSACK: Just a minute --
17 THE COURT: It may not have an
18 exhibit sticker on it but that's curable if it's
19 on the exhibit list.
20 MS. GUSSACK: The exhibit number is
21 3898A.
22 MR. ALLEN: 3898A.
23 THE COURT: So it's not TG176?
24 It's 3898, capital A?
25 MS. GUSSACK: Right.

1 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson --
2 THE COURT: Before we do this, is
3 it being -- are you offering it?
4 MR. ALLEN: Your Honor, I haven't
5 seen this before. I didn't know it was on the
6 exhibit list. I'm not going to offer it until I
7 know what it is. I knew what the other one is.
8 We'll go with that.
9 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) I only have one
10 question for you, Dr. Hopson.
11 This is a medical letter also from
12 Lilly about recommendations for screening and
13 monitoring. Is this the kind of medical letter
14 that you would have received --
15 MR. ALLEN: I object to it being on
16 the screen until he's identified that he even
17 received the letter.
18 THE COURT: At this point it
19 shouldn't be shown to the jury until it's going
20 to be admitted into evidence. So if you want to
21 have it admitted or you want to lay the
22 predicate, you can do that.
23 MS. GUSSACK: I believe the
24 predicate was laid.
25 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Dr. Hopson, I'll

1 certainly be glad to ask again.
2 Dr. Hopson, you have told us that
3 on occasion you have received information,
4 medical letters that were of interest to you from
5 your Lilly sales representatives, correct?
6 A. Yes.
7 Q. And would this -- a letter on
8 recommendations for screening and monitoring of
9 antipsychotic medications, including Zyprexa, be
10 one such letter?
11 A. It could have been. Again, I don't
12 recall the specific letter.
13 Q. Okay.
14 MR. ALLEN: She can't cross-examine
15 on a letter he doesn't recall receiving and
16 there's no address, name, signature, anything.
17 THE COURT: You're going to have to
18 get this letter in through somebody else.
19 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Okay. Dr. Hopson, can
20 you recall conversations that you had with your
21 Lilly sales representative about what the
22 company's recommendations for screening and
23 monitoring were?
24 A. I can't recall a particular
25 conversation. No.

1 Q. Well, do you recall having conversations
2 with Joey Eski, the Lilly sales representative
3 that called on you at various times, in which she
4 shared with you the view that patients should be
5 monitored for blood -- blood glucose levels?
6 A. Again, I can't recall specific
7 conversation about that.
8 Q. Now, Doctor, you described to us that in
9 the last ten days, two weeks, I can't -- I can't
10 recall the time frame -- you said that the State
11 Attorney General came and shared with you some
12 internal Lilly documents, correct?
13 A. Correct.
14 Q. Okay. Did they share with you --
15 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, may we
16 approach for a moment?
17 THE COURT: You may.
18 (Bench discussion.)
19 MS. GUSSACK: I want to be very
20 clear that they -- to the extent they claim there
21 is a protective order, that they've already
22 showed him internal company documents, and I am
23 not opening the door. I am following what they
24 share or didn't share.
25 MR. ALLEN: I didn't share anything

1 with him.
2 THE COURT: Somebody from the
3 State. Mr. Steele --
4 MS. GUSSACK: We're not talking
5 about protective order violations.
6 MR. ALLEN: You know, Nina --
7 THE COURT: It seems clear to me
8 that if you shared with him now, you could have
9 shared it with him before -- you can share it
10 with him now without violating the protective
11 order --
12 MR. ALLEN: When you say you --
13 THE COURT: I'm talking about the
14 State. I'm not -- that is clear.
15 (End of bench discussion.)
16 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) Sorry, Dr. Hopson.
17 I wanted to ask you whether the
18 State had shared with you the -- all of the
19 information about the clinical trials that were
20 done on Zyprexa.
21 A. All of them? I wouldn't know if all
22 were shared.
23 Q. Do you know how many clinical trials
24 Lilly has done on Zyprexa?
25 A. No.

1 Q. Do you know how many statistical
2 analyses of data relating to Zyprexa and blood
3 glucose have been done by the company?
4 A. No.
5 Q. Did they share with you the submissions
6 that Lilly made to FDA between 2000 and 2003 with
7 respect to Zyprexa and blood glucose
8 abnormalities and diabetes?
9 A. I believe I've seen that.
10 Q. What do you believe you've seen?
11 A. Well, if that was some of the documents
12 that we saw earlier, communication with the FDA.
13 Q. We saw a page or two of some data. I'm
14 asking you whether you were shown the submissions
15 that Lilly made to FDA in a three-year period
16 about Zyprexa and blood glucose abnormalities and
17 diabetes.
18 A. No.
19 Q. Okay. Doctor, I believe you mentioned
20 during Mr. Allen's questioning that you are doing
21 blood glucose monitoring of all your patients on
22 atypical antipsychotics; is that right?
23 A. Yes.
24 Q. Okay. And is that something that was
25 recommended in the class label that Lilly

1 implemented in 2003?
2 A. I'd have to see it again, the
3 recommendation.
4 Q. Okay.
5 MS. GUSSACK: Can we bring up the
6 September, 2003 label? Just to be clear -- Nick,
7 could you go to the last page so we can show
8 Dr. Hopson?
9 Q. (BY MS. GUSSACK) We're talking about at
10 the bottom. You'll see there, Dr. Hopson, where
11 it says September 16th, 2003?
12 A. Yes.
13 Q. So you know that we're talking about the
14 label that was implemented at that time, right?
15 A. Yes.
16 Q. Okay. And if I can take you in to page
17 EL2953A, page 5, you'll see that's where the
18 warnings section starts, right?
19 A. Yes.
20 Q. And if we go to the next page, page 6,
21 under the heading of Hyperglycemia and Diabetes
22 Mellitus. Okay. First you'll see, Doctor, as
23 you read through this with me that this label --
24 and, you know, this was the label that applied to
25 all members of the atypical antipsychotic class,

1 right?
 2 A. That's correct.
 3 Q. So all the medications listed behind you
 4 implemented this label, right?
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. And that was at FDA's direction?
 7 A. Yes.
 8 Q. And it says here that assessment of the
 9 relationship, if you'll see the second
 10 sentence -- between atypical antipsychotic use
 11 and glucose abnormalities is complicated by the
 12 possibility of an increased background risk of
 13 diabetes mellitus in patients with schizophrenia
 14 and the increasing incidence of diabetes mellitus
 15 in the general population.
 16 So let's just break that down for a
 17 minute. You would agree, sir, that the patients
 18 with schizophrenia are at increased risk of
 19 diabetes regardless of medication?
 20 A. Yes.
 21 Q. And you would also agree that there is
 22 an increasing incidence of diabetes in the
 23 population at large?
 24 A. Yes.
 25 Q. In fact, there are those who have called

1 it an epidemic of diabetes, correct?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. Of course we know that there's equally
 4 challenging of the American population an
 5 epidemic of obesity as well?
 6 A. Correct.
 7 Q. And you tell us you were well aware of
 8 the connection of being obese or overweight and
 9 the risk for diabetes?
 10 A. Yes.
 11 Q. There are a lot of things going on that
 12 make it hard to figure out what causes diabetes,
 13 isn't there?
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. Particularly in a patient with
 16 schizophrenia?
 17 A. Yes.
 18 Q. Now, it goes on to say: Given these
 19 confounding pieces that we've just talked about,
 20 the relationship between atypical antipsychotic
 21 use and hyperglycemia-related adverse events is
 22 not completely understood.
 23 You'd agree with that, wouldn't
 24 you, sir?
 25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Okay. Now, if we go to page 7 of that
 2 warning regarding hyperglycemia and diabetes
 3 mellitus, at the top of the page it says: At
 4 that time, in the September, 2003 label, that
 5 precise risk estimates for hyperglycemia-related
 6 adverse events in patients treated with atypical
 7 antipsychotics are not available, okay.
 8 And it goes on to say: The
 9 available data are insufficient to provide
 10 estimates of differences in hyperglycemia-related
 11 adverse event risk among the marketed atypical
 12 antipsychotics.
 13 So, from this language in the
 14 warning of September, 2003, what physicians were
 15 being told is, there's insufficient information
 16 to make distinctions between the various atypical
 17 antipsychotics, correct?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. Okay. And that was language that was
 20 directed by FDA to be implemented for all members
 21 of the atypical antipsychotic class of
 22 medications, right?
 23 A. That's my understanding.
 24 Q. Okay. And then it goes on, this is the
 25 question that we had, I think at the start before

1 we put the label up to refresh your recollection:
 2 Patients with an established diagnosis of
 3 diabetes mellitus who are started on atypical
 4 antipsychotics should be monitored regularly for
 5 worsening of glucose control, correct?
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. So you've been monitoring patients who
 8 you use atypical antipsychotics with?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. And were you monitoring them even before
 11 the September, '03 label recommendation?
 12 A. Yes, because it's a standard part of
 13 just our admission protocol.
 14 Q. Okay. Thank you.
 15 We can take that off.
 16 MS. GUSSACK: Your Honor, mindful
 17 of the time, this would be a good stopping point.
 18 THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen of
 19 the jury, I know that at least some members of
 20 the jury have appointments. I want to make sure
 21 you get to them, so we're going to stop at 1:30
 22 and end our trial day at this time.
 23 Once again, I will remind you,
 24 please do not discuss this case with anyone or
 25 let anyone discuss it with you. Please try to

1 keep an open mind until you hear all the evidence
 2 in this case. I am advised there is an article
 3 in the Daily News -- whether it will be out or
 4 not -- but it's on the web, that deals with what
 5 happened this morning. So I would again remind
 6 you, please do not view any articles concerning
 7 this trial, listen to any TV news concerning this
 8 trial, or do anything on the Internet to research
 9 matters concerning the subject matter of this
 10 trial or the trial itself.

11 I'll see everybody tomorrow at
 12 8:30.

13 (Jury out.)

14 THE COURT: Please be seated.

15 MR. ALLEN: You can leave.

16 THE COURT: We are outside the
 17 presence of the jury, and we'll resume with the
 18 doctor tomorrow morning and then pick up with the
 19 rest of the trial.

20 Anything we need to talk about
 21 before we break?

22 MR. LEHNER: Yeah. I know we've
 23 been warned that there may be some other
 24 witnesses. I'd just like to know whether or not
 25 they are in fact now coming or not. I know Dr.

1 but we've got to go back and think about where we
 2 are, Judge. We're not going to call any other
 3 live witnesses besides Dr. Campana and
 4 Dr. Wirshing. After we meet, I will advise
 5 Mr. Lehner more specifically what we anticipate
 6 we will do.

7 THE COURT: Is that okay with you,
 8 Mr. Lehner?

9 MR. LEHNER: That's fine.

10 THE COURT: Okay. Anything else?

11 MR. LEHNER: No, sir.

12 MS. GUSSACK: No.

13 MR. ALLEN: No. Ms. Gussack and I
 14 were -- were here being very friendly to each
 15 other.

16 THE COURT: I saw that and I
 17 appreciate that people -- I very much appreciate
 18 that people can be adversaries in front of the
 19 jury and be friendly outside the presence of the
 20 jury.

21 MR. FIBICH: We'd like a picture of
 22 it.

23 MS. GUSSACK: I was going to say
 24 appearances can be deceiving, Your Honor.

25 MR. ALLEN: Now you're making me

1 Campana going to be here tomorrow or I guess it's
 2 Mr. Campana and Dr. Wirshing, I know is here.
 3 Can you give us the lineup, at least, less than
 4 24 hours in advance?

5 MR. FIBICH: We didn't get started
 6 as early as we thought. We're going with
 7 Dr. Hopson longer than I thought. I'm not sure
 8 what we're going to do tomorrow, quite frankly.
 9 However, the next two anticipated witnesses are
 10 Dr. Campana and Dr. Wirshing, but I'm uncertain
 11 as to whether we're going to --

12 THE COURT: So the next two
 13 witnesses are live witnesses?

14 MR. FIBICH: We're going to go back
 15 and talk, Judge and I'll let Mr. Lehner know by
 16 2:30 what our plans are.

17 THE COURT: This is what I don't
 18 want to happen. If those are the next two, or if
 19 you put in deposition testimony, which is
 20 everybody won't have to worry about it and stuff.

21 I want to have an opportunity to prepare their
 22 crosses of any witnesses, so don't be sticking
 23 any different live witnesses in on them --

24 MR. FIBICH: There will be no new
 25 live witnesses. We do have other depositions,

1 feel bad.

2 THE COURT: We'll be off record,
 3 then.

4 (Off record.)

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