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	v. : Civil Action No.
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19	Videotaped deposition of BERNARD KERIK, beginning at
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21	when were present on behalf of the respective
22	parties:

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Page 10 Page 12 1 you need a break. 1 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Understood. Taking 2 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 2 down a long interview can be difficult, obviously. 3 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Q. And as long as a question isn't pending, Q. So you understand you're under oath 4 of course we can take one. 5 today? 5 A. Okav. Q. And throughout the deposition, I expect 6 A. Yes. 6 7 Q. Okay. And you understand that your 7 that Mr. Parlatore may raise certain objections to 8 testimony today carries the same weight as if you 8 my questions. Unless he objects to my question on 9 were before a judge or a jury? 9 the basis of privilege and directs you not to 10 A. Yes. 10 answer, you must answer my question. 11 11 Q. Any reason you might not be able to give Do you understand that? 12 accurate testimony today? 12 A. Yes. 13 A. No. 13 Q. Okay. 14 Q. Okay. There's no reason that your memory 14 MR. PARLATORE: Or. There are additional 15 might be less sharp than usual today? 15 reasons, but go ahead. I mean, that's not the 16 A. No. 16 only reason to -- if the questioning becomes, you 17 Q. Okay. And I understand you've been 17 know, abusive or harassing, then that's another 18 through this before but, you know, it's always 18 basis. 19 good to set down a few ground rules. As you know, 19 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I don't expect that 20 everything is being transcribed by our court 20 to be the case. 21 reporter here. For her benefit, if you could 21 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 22 please answer my questions verbally with a yes or 22 Q. And how did you prepare for this Page 13 Page 11 1 no rather than a head nod or an uh-huh, huh-uh, 1 deposition, Mr. Kerik? 2 2 that will make it easier. A. Basically just looked over some notes 3 Do you understand? 3 that I have. 4 4 Q. Okay. What notes did you look at? A. Yes. Q. Okay. And also for the court reporter --5 A. I have a file, a file that has a bunch of 6 material from the election of 2020 --6 and I will do my best as well -- let's please try 7 not to talk over each other. So if you could 7 Q. Okay. 8 8 please allow me to finish my questions, and I'll A. -- that I briefly looked at over the last 9 try to allow you to finish your answers. 9 few days. 10 Q. Okay. And when you say you have a file, 10 A. Understood. 11 11 is that a physical file or is it a computer file? Q. Thank you. 12 No. It's an electronic file. 12 If my question is unclear, if you could 13 Q. It's an electronic file. And are 13 please let me know. 14 A. Okay. 14 those -- you said notes. 15 15 Q. Okay? And if you don't ask me to clarify Are those notes that you have prepared 16 my question, I'm going to assume that you 16 sort of since the 2020 election or were they 17 understand my question; is that fair? 17 prepared in that post -- immediate post-2020 18 A. Yes. 18 election time period? 19 A. They're documents that were collected 19 Q. Okay. And I will plan for us to take 20 throughout the investigation, subsequent to the 20 regular breaks. But if you need a break, please

MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Mr. Parlatore, if 22

21 investigation.22 Q. Okay.

21 let me know.

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Page 14 A. And a number of reports that I and others

- 2 collected in the aftermath of the investigation.
- 3 Q. Okay.

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- 4 A. Or the election.
- Q. Did reviewing any of those documents
- 6 refresh your recollection?
- 7 A. To an extent, yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Can you say specifically which
- 9 documents refreshed your recollection?
- 10 A. Not really.
- 11 Q. Okay. Did you speak with anyone besides 11 anti-crime unit in Times Square.
- 12 your attorney in preparing for this deposition?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. You didn't speak to Mr. Giuliani before
- 15 this -- about this deposition?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Okay. So you said you reviewed notes.
- 18 Did you take any notes in preparing for your
- 19 deposition?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Okay. So I just want to start, you know,
- 22 by having you talk me through your professional 22

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- 1 I spent another year and a half to two years there
- 2 living in the kingdom at that time.
- I returned in 1984, returned to the
- 4 Passaic County Sheriff's Department, where I
- 5 ultimately became the warden of the Passaic County 6 Jail.
- 7 In December of 1985 and in July of 1986,
- 8 I joined the New York City Police Department. My
- 9 patrol time was spent in Brooklyn, Manhattan. I
- 10 was in uniform, plain clothes. I was in an
- 12 And then I was transferred to the 13 narcotics division in Harlem, Spanish Harlem in
- 14 Washington Heights. While there, I was also
- 15 assigned -- subsequently assigned to the major
- 16 case unit. And from that -- from there I was
- 17 later transferred to the New York Drug Enforcement
- 18 Task Force, which was a state -- local, state, and
- 19 federal task force working for the DEA. I was an
- 20 undercover in that capacity over the next four,
- 21 four-and-a-half years.
- I was transferred to the intelligence

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- 1 background briefly.
- 2 How did you start your career? A. I started my career in 1974. I joined
- 4 the United States Army. I was a military police
- 5 officer and a military police dog handler.
- Q. Oh.
- 7 A. I was -- I was stationed in Fort Bragg,
- 8 North Carolina, and Korea.
- I got out of the military in 1977, went
- 10 to work for a state/federal task force
- 11 investigating illegal cigarette transportation
- 12 into a seven-state jurisdiction. I did that for
- 13 about ten months. And then I left the United
- 14 States and went to work for the royal family of
- 15 Saudi Arabia. And I lived and worked in Saudi
- 16 Arabia from 1978 to June of 1980.
- 17 I returned to the United States, and I
- 18 was a cop in North Carolina for the Cumberland
- 19 County Sheriff's Department. Transferred to the
- 20 Passaic County Sheriff's Department in New Jersey,
- 21 where I was a correction officer. And then I was
- 22 recruited to go back to work in Saudi Arabia, and

- 1 division, and I was assigned to the mayor's
- 2 protective detail in the New York City Police
- 3 Department's intelligence division.
- And then in May of 1994, I believe, Mayor
- 5 Giuliani sent me to Rikers Island as a result of
- 6 my corrections background in New Jersey. I went
- 7 initially as the executive assistant and chief of
- 8 staff to the commissioner. Six months later, I
- 9 was appointed first deputy commissioner.
- 10 Two-and-a-half years later, I was appointed
- 11 commissioner and took over the entire department
- 12 of 13,000 uniformed and civilian staff.
- 13 And then, in August of 2000, I became the
- 14 New York City Police Commissioner. And I was the
- 15 police commissioner until January 1st, 2002. I
- 16 retired from the NYPD then.
- 17 In May of -- no. In April of 2003, I was
- 18 requested by President Bush to take over the
- 19 Ministry of Interior of Iraq. I did so. Took
- 20 over as the Minister of Interior until they
- 21 replaced the actual post-Saddam interior minister.
- 22 And that was in September of '03.

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1 A. At times.

- 2 Q. Yeah? Okay.
- 3 You said that a lot of your work sort of
- 4 since being released from prison has been in
- 5 criminal justice.
- 6 Am I right, do you also have a firm of
- 7 your own where you do sort of security work?
- 8 A. I do. I did. I mean, I technically
- 9 still do. But my security work is not -- you
- 10 know, it's not like a security company. You know,
- 11 I get calls. You know, people will call me up and
- 12 they want -- you know, they want domestic
- 13 investigators or they want -- I don't know. You
- 14 know, there's a bunch of stuff that I just won't
- 15 do.
- 16 Q. That you won't do?
- 17 A. I won't do. You know --
- 18 Q. Because?
- 19 A. I'm not interested.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- A. And there's other stuff that, you know,
- 22 I'm interested in. You know, there's -- and

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- 1 know him. And I can't even tell you when the
- 2 first time is. It's a long time ago.
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 A. I think the first time I ever saw Donald
- 5 Trump, actually had contact with him, he shook my
- 6 hand. I was actually a cop and I was in plain
- 7 clothes. I was in an anti-crime unit in Midtown
- 8 South. And they sent us -- actually, I think it
- 9 was Michael Jackson. Michael Jackson was going
- 10 shopping on a Sunday -- this is true. Michael
- 11 Jackson was going shopping on a Sunday. They were
- 12 opening -- what's that kids' -- what's that toy
- 13 store on --
- 14 O. FAO Schwarz.
- 15 A. FAO Schwarz. I think it was Michael
- 16 Jackson. They were opening FAO Schwarz, and they
- 17 sent a bunch of plain clothes guys up for this
- 18 detail. And we were in front of the Towers. And
- 19 Trump came out of the building and saw us out
- 20 there and came over and said, hey, guys, what's
- 21 going on? You know, we said, we're here for
- 22 this -- you know, we have a job across the street.

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- 1 these -- some of that stuff involves legal issues.
- 2 For example, I've been an advisor to families that
- 3 have been involved in legal battles with the
- 4 government, and I've gotten involved with those
- 5 cases, if you will, to help those families. But
- 6 those are things that, you know, to me are
- 7 important or I took some interest in. And I took
- 8 on those challenges.
- 9 Q. So fair to say that one of the types of
- 10 work or one of the things that you were interested
- 11 in was investigating the 2020 election?
- 12 A. Was I interested? I became interested.
- 13 Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. Talk to me about that.
- 15 A. I was a supporter of President Trump.
- 16 I've known -- I've known him since, I don't know,
- 17 probably the same time I've known the mayor. I've
- 18 known him a long time.
- 19 Q. I don't mean to interrupt you. How did
- 20 you know him?
- A. From New York City, being at different
- 22 events, being in the position I was in. I came to

Page 37 1 He said, are you guys good? You know, he was very

- 2 nice, very cordial. And he came up to me and
- 3 he -- he walked up to me, and he went like this.
- 4 He went, you got your vest on? I said, yes, sir.
- 5 He says, good. He says, you got to wear a vest.
- 6 And he says, you know what? Guys, go
- 7 downstairs -- there was a coffee shop in, like --
- 8 in the Tower. He said, go downstairs and grab
- 9 some coffee and tell them I sent you downstairs.
- 10 And -- looking back, it's funny now
- 11 because everybody was shit scared; they're, like,
- 12 I ain't going down there, no way.
- 13 That's the first time I ever saw him.
- 14 And that had to be, like, 1987, maybe or
- 15 something. So -- and then I got to meet him
- 16 several times after, so I've known him a long
- 17 time.
- 18 So back to your question, I was a big
- 19 supporter of his for the election. I was in
- 20 Washington, D.C. the night of the election, on
- 21 November 3rd. I stayed in D.C. until the 4th.
- 22 And, you know -- I don't remember exactly. I

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- 1 either left the night of the 4th or the morning of
- 2 the 5th. I went home. And just about the time I
- 3 walked in the door, Mayor Giuliani called me, said
- 4 that he had spoken with the president and that he
- 5 wanted me to come back and assist him; he was
- 6 going to be looking at the investig- -- at the
- 7 election.
- 8 And I packed up some clothes, I got back
- 9 in my truck, and I drove back to D.C.
- Q. And so when you say, Mayor Giuliani
- 11 called me and said that he had spoken with the
- 12 president and he wanted me to come back, was that
- 13 Mayor Giuliani wanted you to come back or
- 14 President Trump wanted you to come back?
- 15 A. No, the mayor.
- 16 Q. The mayor wanted you to come back.
- 17 Why do you think he reached out to you?
- 18 A. He probably knew I could be helpful.
- 19 Q. Okay. In what way?
- 20 A. Look, I've worked with him and for him
- 21 for a long time, whether it's investigative work,
- 22 whether it's consulting work, you know, I've --

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- 1 checked in. I either saw him or spoke to him, and
- 2 he was going to the campaign headquarters. And I
- 3 told him I would meet him over there. And that's
- 4 where they were going to work out of, campaign
- 5 headquarters. So that's where I went.
- Q. Where were the campaign headquarters at
- 7 that time?
- A. Arlington, Virginia. The Arlington
- 9 Tower.
- 10 Q. Okay. And for most of your time doing
- 11 this investigation, were you working there in
- 12 Arlington or were you working at the Mandarin?
- 13 Or...
- 14 A. No. First it was Arlington Tower. Then
- 15 -- I forget who, somebody got COVID, and they
- 16 threw us out of the campaign headquarters and said
- 17 nobody can come in here. Somebody in the campaign
- 18 got COVID. It was right before Andrew Giuliani
- 19 got COVID. It was sometime before that.
- 20 And then we left the Tower, we left the
- 21 campaign headquarters, and we started working out
- 22 of the hotel. And the hotel was the Mandarin.

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- 1 you know, and we're friends on top of it. You
- 2 know, he probably thought I could help.
- 3 Q. You guys are still friends, yeah?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 Q. How is he as a boss?
- A. He's usually great. 6
- 7 O. Is he hands on?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Yeah.
- 10 A. Very hands on.
- 11 Q. Very hands on. Okay.
- 12 So Mayor Giuliani called you around the
- 13 5th and -- to ask you to assist. You said yes,
- 14 came back down?
- 15 What then became -- or what was your
- 16 role. Right? Like, you come down, you get to
- 17 wherever you all are working, and then you're,
- 18 like, okay, what am I doing now? How --
- 19 A. I think I got there in -- I want to say
- 20 it was the 5th. So I got there in the morning,
- 21 spoke to him when I arrived. We were -- he was 21 22 staying at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel. And I

- Q. The Mandarin? And you said you either
- 2 spoke to Mr. Giuliani in person or -- you either
- 3 met -- saw Mr. Giuliani or spoke to him.
- 4 That would have been on the phone or --
- 5 how did you guys normally communicate?
- A. On the phone. 6
- 7 Q. On the phone. Okay.
- 8 Are you a big texter?
- 9 A. Not too much. And not with him.
- 10 O. Not with him?
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 Q. Because -- because he's not a big texter?
- 13 A. No. Because if I text him, it will take
- 14 six years for him to get back to him.
- 15 Q. I see. What about --
- 16 A. It's easier if I call him.
- 17 Q. Fair enough.
 - And what about e-mail? How is he on
- 19 e-mail?

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- 20 A. No. Forget it.
- Q. No. Okay. You've got to call.
 - Okay. So you're working wherever you're

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1 working, whether it's Mandarin Oriental or	1 MR. PARLATORE: I don't know where you're
2 campaign headquarters. And what what did you	2 going with this. But to the extent that you want
3 understand like, what were you what was sort	3 to start getting into what was he what were
4 of the brief? What were you doing?	4 they doing in anticipation of litigation as
5 MR. PARLATORE: Objection. Now, to the	5 opposed to, in those instances, there were very
6 extent that we're going to now get into what	6 specific questions that were asked that he was
7 the work that he was doing in anticipation of	7 able to answer. To the extent you're trying to go
8 litigation, you know, related to election stuff,	8 more broad and, you know, go on more of a fishing
9 that's, you know, work product privilege. So	9 expedition, the answer is no.
10 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Are you objecting	10 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Well, certainly
11 to him answering that question?	11 that's not my intention.
MR. PARLATORE: I am, yeah. If you guys	12 MR. PARLATORE: Okay.
13 want to talk specifically about my	13 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Is Mr. Sibley on
14 understanding is that Mr. Giuliani's counsel is	14 the line?
15 you know, is saying that the Ruby Freeman-specific	15 MS. MacCURDY: No.
16 piece was not in anticipation of litigation, so we	16 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay.
17 can ask that. But if you want to talk about	17 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:
18 general, you know, election integrity	18 Q. So let's go to your January 6th
19 investigations in anticipation of litigation,	19 testimony. I think that will be easier.
20 that's work product, so I'm objecting.	20 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: So can I just have
21 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And you're	21 tab 26, please?
22 directing him not to answer?	22 If we could just mark this as Exhibit 1,
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1 MR. PARLATORE: I am.	1 please. This is going to be a little unwieldy
2 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And what's the	2 I'm sorry for you to look through. Didn't have
3 basis of that? It's you're saying it's	3 a stapler big enough.
4 attorney work product?	4 (Kerik Deposition Exhibit 1 marked for
5 MR. PARLATORE: Did you not hear what I	5 identification and attached to the
6 was just saying?	6 transcript.)
7 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I'm just trying to	
8 clarify.	8 Q. So do you recognize this document?
9 MR. PARLATORE: To the extent that they	9 A. No.
10 are doing investigations in anticipation of	10 Q. Okay. Do you see on the first page it
11 litigation, that is work product.	11 says the interview it's an interview of Bernard
MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay.	12 Kerik on Thursday, January 13th, 2022?
13 MR. PARLATORE: So it's not something	13 A. I see it.
14 that you can ask about here.	14 Q. Okay. So if we could just turn to
15 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Got that. I think	15 page 12, please. And I don't know how familiar 16 you are with reviewing transcripts, but there are
16 he's already testified to generally what the17 investigation team was doing during his	17 these line markers on the left-hand side, so I'll
18 January 6th interview, during his D.C. bar	18 refer to the page and the line.
19 testimony last year.	19 So I'm starting at page 12. Let's do
20 Is there a reason that you're objecting	20 line 16.
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ZT TO HELE DULLE WAS AHOWED TO TESTITY ADOIN IT IN	21 So the guestioner says, "Okay Perfect
21 to here but he was allowed to testify about it in 22 those instances?	21 So the questioner says, "Okay. Perfect. 22 And we are pulling up it's Exhibit 1, which is

Page 46 Page 48 1 the letter that I'm referencing, so I'm not just 1 attorneys that we had no contact -- we didn't know 2 reading into a void here. And I believe on page 2 2 who they were. 3 it says, quote, Mr. Kerik was tasked with So we had -- we had tons of information 4 investigating and gathering credible, verifiable, 4 that was coming to us. When I say the six states, 5 and admissible evidence as part of a potential 5 those are the -- primarily the six swing states. 6 litigation. And in this role he compiled a 6 But there were times that, you know, somebody 7 significant amount of information regarding the 7 would call and say, you know --8 elections in the States of Arizona, Georgia, 8 MR. PARLATORE: No, don't give examples. 9 Wisconsin, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. 9 THE WITNESS: Okay. 10 Understanding -- this is my question now. 10 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: You're directing 11 Understanding that it may be more than that, not 11 him not to answer? 12 just those states, do you agree with the statement 12 MR. PARLATORE: I am. 13 that Mr. Parlatore made?" 13 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And on what basis? 14 Then this is your answer, line 25: "Yes. 14 MR. PARLATORE: Work product. 15 I think -- I think my role, our role, my specific 15 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay. 16 role, was not only to investigate the election for 16 MR. PARLATORE: You've read -- you've 17 possible litigation, it was also to provide the 17 read a portion of the transcript which is based on 18 legislature -- legislators and electors in the 18 a letter related to work product specifically. 19 various states, the six swing states, information 19 Okay? That was -- you know, if you go back and 20 that they may or may not be aware of. So I think 20 read the actual letter, it talks about how they 21 there was a dual purpose, but primarily, it 21 were trying to get to work product things, the 22 started out for litigation. Yes." 22 things that are in anticipation of litigation. Page 47 Page 49 1 Do you see that? So -- you have a very specific claim 1 2 A. Yes. 2 here. You know, trying to go around it to go into 3 Q. Okay. And you agree with that, that 3 other things is not appropriate, especially when 4 accurately reflects what you were doing? 4 it's privileged. So you need to move on. 5 5 A. Pretty much. Yeah. MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Thank you very Q. Okay. So you were -- you and 6 much. This is my deposition, and I'll ask the 7 Mr. Giuliani were investigating the election in 7 questions I'd like to ask. 8 these six states, right? MR. PARLATORE: I know. But since you're 9 A. And anything else that came up. 9 trying to get into work product privileged things, 10 Q. And anything else that came up. 10 I'm explaining it to you. 11 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I'm certainly not A. Right. 11 12 Q. How -- when you say anything else that 12 trying to get into work product privilege --13 came up, was that -- anything -- like, 13 MR. PARLATORE: Good. Then --14 Mr. Giuliani would maybe -- would direct you to 14 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: -- but I 15 that? Or how would something else come up? 15 appreciate --A. No. Basically the information that came MR. PARLATORE: Then let's move to 16 16 17 to us came from a hundred different sources. It 17 non-privileged issue. 18 could have come from the campaign. It could have 18 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: As I said, this is 19 come from somebody in the White House. It could 19 my deposition, and I'll be asking the questions I 20 have come from a state legislator. It could have 20 like, which are going to be completely appropriate 21 come from a state campaign office. Could have 21 and not probing into anything --22 come from civilians. Could have come from outside 22 MR. PARLATORE: So far --

Page 50 Page 52 1 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: -- work product. 1 like, kind of what we were just talking about a 2 MR. PARLATORE: -- you've already gone 2 minute ago, right? You said you were -- there 3 into some work product stuff, so I anticipate 3 were, like, hundreds of sources or, you know, you 4 you'll probably continue to probe into that. 4 were getting information from all of these 5 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Let's go to that 5 different --6 letter. Shall we? A. Right. 7 What tab is that, Maggie? 7 Q. -- entities or people. 8 We'll mark this as Exhibit 2, please. 8 Okay. And when you say you were 9 (Kerik Deposition Exhibit 2 marked for 9 receiving them, were they being -- was there, 10 identification and attached to the 10 like, one e-mail address that everyone was using? 11 transcript.) 11 Or, like, how did that --12 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 12 MR. PARLATORE: Objection. 13 Q. Okay. Do you recognize this? 13 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 14 A. I think so. O. -- work? 15 Q. Okay. Do you see that this is on 15 MR. PARLATORE: Don't answer that. Work 16 Mr. Parlatore's letterhead. It's dated 16 product privilege. 17 December 31st, 2021, and it's directed to the 17 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: An e-mail address 18 January 6 Commission. 18 is work product privilege? 19 A. Right. 19 MR. PARLATORE: You're asking about their 20 Q. Okay. So you're welcome to review it if 20 process. You can move on. 21 you want, but I'm just going to direct us to the 21 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 22 second page. 22 Q. So you say -- so the next thing is that Page 51 Page 53 1 A. Okay. 1 you were reviewing these claims. Q. So on the second page, it's the middle 2 And that was you, personally, reviewing 3 paragraph, I guess. It starts, "Mr. Kerik was 3 them? 4 hired." 4 MR. PARLATORE: Objection. Work product. 5 Do you see that? 5 Going into what their process is. 6 A. Yes. MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I'm pretty much I'm Q. Okay. It says, "Mr. Kerik was hired by 7 just clarifying literally what is written here, 8 former President Donald Trump's legal team to act 8 Mr. Kerik reviewed --9 as an investigator tasked to look into claims of 9 MR. PARLATORE: If you don't understand 10 election fraud." 10 what that means, then, you know, that's not our 11 Okay. That's right, right? 11 issue. This is a letter outlining why getting 12 A. Right. 12 into the specifics is, in fact, work product. If 13 Q. Okay. Just while we're on it, did you --13 you had read the whole letter, you'd know that. 14 did you have a contract or anything? 14 So trying to, you know, "clarify" by going deeper 15 A. No. 15 into the work product stuff, you know, doesn't Q. You didn't. Were you getting paid for 16 16 help you here. So move on. 17 your work? 17 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 18 A. No. Q. And so, again, to be clear, my question 18 19 Q. Okay. Next sentence reads, "In this 19 is --20 role, Mr. Kerik received, reviewed, and processed 20 MR. PARLATORE: Objectionable. 21 claims of fraud from around the country." 21 Therefore, you need to move on to the next one.

MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Sorry, can I just

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Okay. So when you say received, that's,

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1	finish my question?	1	Q. Okay. And Georgia was one of those
2	MR. PARLATORE: Sure.	2	states?
3	BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:	3	A. Yes.
4	Q. My question was, Mr. Kerik, were you	4	Q. Okay. Who else was working with you on
5	personally reviewing the claims of fraud that the	5	the team?
6	team was receiving?	6	MR. PARLATORE: Objection. Are you
7	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And you have	7	trying to get into the identities of all the other
8	objected?	8	investigators as part of a legal team working in
9	MR. PARLATORE: Yes, I have.	9	anticipation of litigation?
10	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And directed him	10	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I'm asking who was
11	not to answer?	11	on the team investigating
12	MR. PARLATORE: I have.	12	MR. PARLATORE: Okay.
13	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And the objection	13	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Yes.
14	is based on?	14	MR. PARLATORE: So you're asking the
15	MR. PARLATORE: Work product.	15	identities of the other investigators on the team
16	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay.	16	working in anticipation of litigation, including
17	MR. PARLATORE: You're asking about what	17	any additional, you know, contractors that they
18	the internal process of the legal team is. It's	18	may have hired as part of that?
19	improper.	19	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: My question is
20	I know that you don't like that, which is	20	slightly more broad. I'm not just interested in
21	why you're smirking, but that's the problem with	21	investigators. I'm interested in anyone who was
22	this, is when you want to get into the specifics	22	working on the team.
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1	of what an investigative team did as part of a	1	MR. PARLATORE: Okay. If you want to ask
2	legal team in anticipation of litigation, you're	2	something specific that would not be
3	going to run into privilege issues.	3	objectionable, you can go ahead. But this one,
4	If you have specific questions related to	4	I'm directing him not to answer, work product.
5	your case, he's here to answer those. But to the	5	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay.
6	extent that you want to go outside that to get	6	BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:
7	into what their process was on other things, it's	7	Q. Okay. So in addition to you on the team,
8	objectionable. So	8	was Phil Waldron on the team working on these
9	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: I want to be very	9	issues with Mr. Giuliani?
10	clear. I really am not trying to get into work	10	A. Yes.
11	product.	11	Q. Okay. And what did you understand his
12	MR. PARLATORE: Okay.	12	role to be?
13	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: And so I will do my	13	S
14	best to ask questions in a way that are not	14	anticipation of litigation? Because, if so, the
15	probing into work product.	15	answer to that is "objection."
16	BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:	16	•
17	Q. Okay. So going back to what we were	17	directing him not to answer?
	talking about a little bit before, Mr. Kerik, your	18	
	interview testimony before January 6 referenced	19	
20	the six swing states, right? And you said that as		that is?
21	well?	21	MR. PARLATORE: Work product.
22	A. Yes.	22	MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Okay.

Page 62 Page 64 1 Q. Okay. So your next sentence is, "We need 1 time was to force the legislators to do their job. 2 2 to pull the trigger today to have the impact Q. Okay. 3 that's needed in the states that we're targeting." A. From my perspective -- and now, I'm --A. Right. 4 I'm going to say this, I don't remember 5 Q. What did you mean by that? 5 specifically what I was talking about at the time. A. It had to have something to do with the 6 But given this and the plan, one problem we had 7 plan itself. Do you have a copy of the plan? 7 was that we were finding evidence of fraud, Q. I do. Would you like to see it? 8 improprieties, things of that nature. We were 9 A. Please. 9 going to the legislators. We were providing it to 10 Q. Okay. So --10 them or -- which was even worse -- they were 11 MR. PARLATORE: Do you want to read the 11 providing us -- they were telling us, you know, 12 whole e-mail, too? Because that might --12 there is -- you know, we found this or we heard of 13 THE WITNESS: Yeah. That -- I'll do that 13 that or we're looking at this. 14 while you --14 But our concern was you're going to be 15 MR. PARLATORE: Some of these questions, 15 involved in the certification or allow the 16 the answer to it is two sentences forward. 16 certification of a state vote that you, yourself, 17 THE WITNESS: Okay. 17 know should not happen based on the things that we 18 MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: Let's get it while 18 were collecting. Based on the things that we were 19 he's reading. 19 reviewing, you know, we wanted to -- we wanted to This is Exhibit 4. 20 20 push them and educate them as to what we were 21 21 finding to make sure that they pretty much did 22 22 their job. Page 63 Page 65 (Kerik Deposition Exhibit 4 marked for 1 1 And I think that's what I was talking 2 identification and attached to the 2 about. 3 transcript.) 3 Q. Okay. So this is reflecting your opinion 4 THE WITNESS: Okay. 4 that you felt strongly about this, right? 5 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN: 5 A. In this e-mail, yeah. Q. Okay. So this is the attachment, Q. Okay. And am I correct -- I mean, the 7 Exhibit 4. Feel free to review that, but I'll 7 mayor also had sent this, as you say, to Mark 8 direct you to particular points. 8 Meadows the previous evening. 9 A. Okay. 9 Is it fair to say he also felt strongly 10 O. And this e-mail and this attachment are 10 about this, as far as you understood? 11 things that both you and Mr. Giuliani have 11 A. I would say. Yeah. 12 testified about previously, or given an interview 12 Q. Okay. 13 about previously, so I think we should be -- we 13 A. Or I would have never sent it. 14 should be good --14 Q. So tell me what you mean by that. 15 A. Okay. 15 A. You know, the mayor is in charge. 16 Q. -- from the attorney work product 16 Q. Right. 17 concerns. 17 A. It's the mayor's legal team. If the 18 Okay. So just going back, you say, "We 18 mayor is concerned or he has concerns or he wants 19 need to pull the trigger today to have the impact 19 something done, you know, I would do it. If he 20 that's needed in the states we're targeting." 20 didn't want it, if he wasn't concerned, or he 21 So what did you mean by that? 21 said, you know, this isn't of interest to me, I 22 A. I think what I was talking about at the 22 wouldn't do it.

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1 my question is, do you recognize this document

- 2 that says, "Georgia," with a bunch of bullet
- 3 points independently?
- 4 A. Do I recognize it? Not necessarily that
- 5 it goes to this document, but I do recognize it.
- 6 Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. It almost looks to me -- and you
- 8 can tell me if you agree. It almost looks to
- 9 me -- right -- so if we flip back to page 8, it
- 10 says, "Supporting documents. Voter fraud
- 11 highlights for 2020 U.S. election."
- 12 So it almost looks like this is a
- 13 separate document that's been sort of attached to
- 14 the back of the plan; is that right?
- 15 A. Well, I can't say. But normally what
- 16 would happen in a situation like this, as I said
- 17 earlier, you've got -- we've got five, six
- 18 different people, maybe, working on -- you know,
- 19 these two people are working on Georgia, this guy
- 20 is working on Arizona, this guy is working on
- 21 Pennsylvania, two people, whatever.
- We would sort of have them do the same

1 it?

- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. And how did you determine if something

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- 4 should be put on here? Did you first have to
- 5 determine if it was definitively true?
- 6 A. Somebody would come to us and say, look,
- 7 here's what I found.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. Right? Or I saw it. Or the mayor found
- 10 it. Or whatever.
- 11 Q. Okay. I guess I'm just -- and I'm not
- 12 being clear with my question, so I apologize.
- Was it -- was what came to this document,
- 14 were these allegations of fraud or were these
- 15 conclusive determinations of fraud?
- 16 A. Everything initially was allegations.
- 17 O. Sure.
- 18 A. We didn't -- you know, the -- our ability
- 19 to give a conclusive answer within, I don't know,
- 20 six weeks wasn't happening, right? Which is why
- 21 there was such a push for the legislators to do
- 22 their job.

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- 1 sort of format so the mayor would have bullet
- 2 points to recognize where there were problems and
- 3 what those problems were. And that's what this
- 4 looks like.
- 5 Q. I see. So almost like a state-specific
- 6 living document that could sort of update the
- 7 team ---
- 8 A. Right. And --
- 9 Q. -- to say, you know, here's what he have.
- 10 A. -- that's exactly what would happen.
- 11 This document may look like it had five bullet
- 12 points, you know, today --
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. -- may have seven tomorrow, nine the next
- 15 day, whatever. As they come in -- and some would
- 16 be reduced; some would be taken out. If we
- 17 confirmed something, we'd pull it off.
- 18 Q. If you confirmed something --
- 19 A. That it was something -- that it
- 20 shouldn't have been there, for example.
- Q. I see. So if you confirmed that an
- 22 allegation here was not correct, you would remove

- 1 You know, in Georgia, for example, you
- 2 know, the mayor tried to get the -- I forget what
- 3 he was -- the head of the senate or somebody, you
- 4 know, call the GBI and tell them to look at A, B,
- 5 C. You know, we -- we see it, we have it. Do
- 6 their job. Go do their job.
- 7 So that was the purpose of the plan
- 8 itself.
- 9 Q. And so you made it sound like these could
- 10 have been being updated every day, every couple of
- 11 days.
- Were they sort of being circulated to the
- 13 team as they were being updated?
- 14 A. Could be.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. Could be.
- 17 Q. And were you contributing to the Georgia
- 18 living document?
- 19 A. Could be. I mean, if something come
- 20 across my -- you know, came in my view, you know,
- 21 I'd have somebody take a look at it or go check
- 22 this or call this guy or whatever.

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- 1 there -- because I think everybody left, or
- 2 something, but there was one -- there was one
- 3 person or two people that stayed behind, and I
- 4 think they're the ones that told somebody -- I
- 5 don't know who they told -- I think -- I think
- 6 that's where that came from.
- Q. Okay. And just to be clear, if there was
- 8 somebody who -- they weren't speaking to you,
- 9 these ---
- 10 A. No.
- O. -- witnesses who were at State Farm Arena 11
- 12 that night.
- A. Not me personally, and I don't know if
- 14 anybody -- any of our people talked to them
- 15 personally.
- Q. Okay. Did you think it would -- would
- 17 you think it would be important to talk to them
- 18 personally, to understand what they were saying?
- 19 A. It could. Yeah.
- 20 Q. Okay. So do you know who drafted this
- 21 document, this overall document?
- 22 A. No. No.

1 name. There was a young guy that worked -- he

- 2 worked for, like, a state senator, but he took a
- 3 leave or something. I don't know who -- he got
- 4 COVID. Although I don't know if he was involved

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- 5 in this. Like that -- you know, one of them.
- Q. Okay. This might help you. Can we
- 7 please turn to page 6.
- Okay. So about two-thirds down the page
- 9 it says, "Key team members. Rudy Giuliani."
- 10 And then, "BK." I'm assuming that's you.
- 11 A. That's probably me.
- 12 Q. Okay. "KF." Do you know who that is?
- 13 A. Katherine Friess.
- 14 O. And then, "Media advisors. SB." Who do
- 15 you think that is?
- 16 A. No idea. Well, I went through this
- 17 before.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Who did I do this with?
- 19 J6?
- 20 MR. PARLATORE: Probably.
- THE WITNESS: Yeah. Boris Epshteyn would 21
- 22 have been the BE. SB. I have no idea what that

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- Q. No. Okay. Do you have a sense -- or do 2 you know whether it was multiple people
- 3 contributing to it or one effort?
- 4 A. It would have been multiple people.
- 5 Q. Okay. Were you one of those people who
- 6 was contributing to this communications plan?
- 7 A. Verbally, yes.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. I wouldn't be typing any of this stuff --
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. -- putting this in here.
- 12 Q. Okay. And so verbally, when you were
- 13 talking about this -- developing this strategic
- 14 communications plan, who were you speaking with?
- 15 A. Different people on the team, attorneys
- 16 and otherwise.
- Q. Can you give me names specifically, to
- 18 the extent that you recall?
- 19 A. It would have been Christina Bobb,
- 20 Katherine Friess, Boris Epshteyn. There was
- 21 another attorney -- there was -- there was another
- 22 attorney, I don't know his name -- I forget his

1 is.

- 2 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 A. Serrano's public relations team.
- 5 Research team. CR. Off the top of my
- 6 head...
- 7 BY MS. HOUGHTON-LARSEN:
- Q. Sorry for the memory test.
- 9 A. Yeah, I don't know.
- 10 O. What about SP?
- 11 A. Don't know.
- 12 Q. Do you think it was Sidney Powell?
- 13 A. What's the date here? Is there a date on
- 14 this thing?
- 15 Q. The date says, "Timeline, December 27th -
- 16 January 6th." And this is, remember, attached to
- 17 the e-mail that you sent on December 28th.
- 18 A. Oh, December 28th I sent this? It could
- 19 have been Sidney Powell, but she was -- you know,
- 20 the mayor dismissed her, you know, away from --
- 21 you know, we created distance between us and her,
- 22 and I don't know when that was. So I don't know.

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- 1 Some -- you know, and I'll give you an example,
- 2 because her name already came up. Sidney Powell
- 3 wanted to see the mayor about something she heard
- 4 or she found or whatever the case may be. She
- 5 called me, wanted to see the mayor. I set it up.
- 6 She came. She sat in the suite with him. A
- 7 couple of us sat around and she told him whatever.
- 8 Q. Got it. And she called you because you
- 9 were -- you sort of made -- you were the buffer,
- 10 right, between --
- 11 A. Right. Right.
- 12 Q. -- with the mayor.
- Do you have a sense of, over the
- 14 course -- you're going to be -- you're going to
- 15 smile at me at this question.
- 16 A. Okay.
- Q. Do you have a sense of, over the course
- 18 of that sort of six weeks or so, how many times
- 19 you were discussing the plan to get information to
- 20 these state legislatures?
- A. Not that we had a meeting about that.
- Q. Not that you had a meeting.

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- 1 anything we could find with regard to possible
- 2 litigation and anything and everything we could
- 3 find that the legislators should be aware of so
- 4 they could make a decision whether they should or
- 5 should not certify a state vote.
- 6 Q. Okay. Okay. We'll go through the plan
- 7 for a couple of minutes and then we'll break for
- 8 lunch.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 Q. As long as you're still okay.
- 11 All right. So at the bottom of page 1 --
- 12 I just want to go through a couple of these
- 13 specific things.
- 14 At the bottom of page 1 it says,
- 15 "Fraudulent ballots" -- indentation -- "Fulton
- 16 County, Georgia. Video of suitcases of fraudulent
- 17 ballots."
- 18 Is that the video that we were discussing
- 19 earlier of my clients?
- 20 A. Yeah, I would think so.
- Q. Okay. If we can turn to page 3. Under
- 22 the bullet "Election officials' illegal actions,"

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- A. But we discussed it every day.
- 2 Q. Every day.
- 3 A. Every day.
- 4 O. Right.

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- 5 A. I mean, it was -- you know, that was --
- 6 every day.
- 7 Q. Right.
- 8 A. And -- and I think the piece that's sort
- 9 of -- we haven't discussed is the fact that, in
- 10 the middle of the investigative stuff that we were
- 11 doing and collecting all this data, we were then
- 12 going out and doing the hearings, the public
- 13 hearings, trying to get the legislators to
- 14 understand what we were finding at the time. So
- 15 you had all this stuff going on, but also we were
- 16 traveling to do those hearings.
- 17 Q. Was there someone on the team who you
- 18 recall leading the effort to reach out to state
- 19 legislatures?
- 20 A. Most likely -- not specifically. But the
- 21 mayor was responsible for the legal team. And,
- 22 you know, he wanted -- he wanted everything and

1 about halfway down there it says, "Election

- 2 official Ruby Freeman is seen surreptitiously and
- 3 illegally handing off hard drives on camera in the
- 4 Georgia counting facility"; is that correct?
- 5 A. That's what it says. Yeah.
- 6 Q. Okay. And again, that's, as far as you
- 7 know, referring to that video that we were
- 8 discussing.
- 9 A. I think so. Yes.
- 10 O. Okay.
- 11 A. I don't -- hold on. I don't know if it
- 12 pertains to that first video. Because there was
- 13 another video I saw -- although I think I saw that
- 14 later. I don't know. I'm not sure.
- Where it says she was illegally handing
- 16 off hard drives on camera --
- 17 Q. I see. Because the first video that you
- 18 recall seeing was having to do with those big
- 19 containers of --
- 20 A. The big containers, pulling --
- 21 Q. -- ballots.
- A. -- them out from under the thing.

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