1		P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
2	salary arbi	tration, which was roughly a month or
3	two, and I	was not consulting for anyone and I
4	started a n	ew job in March of 2011.
5	Q.	And who did you go to work for in
6	2011?	
7	A.	Office of the Commissioner.
8	Q.	Who hired you at the Office of the
9	Commissione	r?
10	A.	I was hired I was hired by Rob
11	Manfred and	Joe Torre.
12	Q.	What was your title?
13	A.	Senior Vice President Baseball
14	Operations.	
15	Q.	Who did you report to?
16	A.	Joe Torre.
17	Q.	How long did you stay in the
18	position of	Senior Vice President of Baseball
19	Operations?	
20	Α.	I carried that title through April
21	of 2018.	
22	Q.	Did your title change?
23	A.	Yes.
24	Q.	Now what is it?
25	A.	Senior Vice President of On-Field

1 P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 2 Α. I met with counsel. 3 Q. When was that? 4 Within the last -- I met yesterday, A. 5 and two -- roughly two weeks ago. 6 Starting in 2011 through the 7 present, who at the Office of the Commissioner 8 decides which umpires go to the World Series? 9 The process of World Series Α. selection happens through a meeting, a number of 10 11 meetings -- a meeting, usually a set meeting, in 12 2000 -- excuse me, I'm going to start 2011. 13 Yes. 0. 14 I think it's changed slightly over Α. 15 time, but predominantly the process is the group 16 meets, the supervisors, directors, Joe Torre, 17 myself, other umpire department members discuss the umpires in a meeting, multiple days usually. 18 19 Umpires are asked -- I mean supervisors are 20 asked usually previously to come up with their 21 umpires that they think is deserving of the post 22 season, that post season process. And then 23 there's phone calls after that, make sure 24 everyone is kind of on the same page, the 25 supervisors, the directors, myself, usually Joe

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Torre, and that sets your post season. 3 Those post season umpires that work 4 in the Division Series are usually the ones that 5 are -- have the opportunity to work in or are 6 eligible to work in the World Series. 7 World Series umpires are then discussed, those, 8 excuse me, those Division Series umpires are 9 then discussed with the group, supervisors, 10 directors, again, to see who the best and most 11 deserving of the World Series. I discuss it 12 with Joe Torre among those groups. 13 recommendations that come, and Joe after discussions with myself, Joe usually -- is the 14 15 final decision maker. And is Joe the final decision-maker 16 0. 17 in the promotion of crew chiefs? 18 Α. A similar process --19 Ο. I'm not interested in the process. 20 I just want to know is Joe Torre the 21 final decision-makers in promoting crew chiefs? 22 Α. Joe gets recommendations from, 23 again, the group, and Joe and I discuss it and 24 Joe makes the final decision.

Why are there no minority crew

25

Q.

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 The game evaluation reports are a 3 one-day snapshot; the evaluation of an umpire 4 comes from many different inputs. Those game 5 reports again are not something that, in the 6 process of determining crew chief, I can say 7 that I'm looking at. 8 Q. I understand that one-game 9 evaluation is one snapshot of one game. 10 What I'm saying is: Do you take the 11 collective amount of the game evaluations in to 12 your consideration when promoting an umpire to crew chief? 13 14 Again, looking at -- I do not look Α. 15 at game evaluations. The game evaluations as a 16 separate document while determining the crew 17 chief process. 18 Does Mr. Torre? Q. 19 I can't answer for Joe; you need to Α. 20 ask him that question. 21 Well, you work with him. Q. 22 Do you know what he considers when 23 he's deciding who should be promoted to crew 24 chief? 25 Again, I know we discussed, we -- I Α.

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 have not discussed with Joe Torre game 3 evaluations. 4 That's not my question. 0. 5 Α. I guess I don't understand your 6 question. 7 Do you know what Joe Torre considers Q. 8 when he decides whose going to become a crew 9 chief? 10 IN my discussion with Joe, i talk to Α. 11 Joe, Joe focuses on leadership. The documents 12 that he's -- the game evaluations are not 13 something that I discuss with Joe. 14 Is that the only thing that Joe 0. 15 focused, on leadership, when he decides who is 16 going to be promoted for crew chief? 17 Α. Joe looks at -- my apologies for 18 that. Joe looks at the umpire; leadership is 19 part of that skill set that's important. 20 Obviously, consistency, things that go in to 21 leadership, accountability, you know, umpire, 22 being there working, he does look at, you know, 23 experience, positive experience in the role to 24 be a crew chief, all things, among other things, 25 the total evaluation of the umpire.

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Leadership is how an umpire conducts 0. 3 himself on and off the field, correct? 4 MR. LUPION: Objection to form. 5 BY MR. MURPHY: 6 Leadership, you know, how I perceive Α. 7 leadership, you know, is their your overall 8 performance, how you handle situations, how you 9 -- results, your ownership or accountability, being a or remaining a positive influence on 10 11 those around, all of those things help to make 12 up leadership. 13 Again, leadership is, you know, those things that, it's a little different, I 14 15 know, for each person, but leadership skills 16 that we promote are staying above the fray, 17 handling situations, being a positive influence. 18 Those are just some of the examples. Handling situations means handling 19 Ο. 20 situations on the field, right? 21 Α. In all situations, show leadership 22 in handling situations on the field, handling 23 situations off the field, dealing with clubs on 24 and off -- clubs on the field, rain situations,

these are all parts of leadership.

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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 1
 2
                 MR. LUPION: The question was:
 3
            you look at game evaluation reports.
 4
                 In connection with what?
 5
     BY MR. MURPHY:
 6
           Q.
                 Did you --
 7
           Α.
                 Can I say something first?
 8
           Q.
                 Yes.
 9
                 MR. LUPION: No, no, no, there's no
10
            question pending. So there's no question
11
            pending.
12
                 You're entitled to a clear answer,
13
            counsel is going to try to formulate -- a
14
            clean question, counsel is going to try to
15
            formulate a clear question.
16
           Α.
                 I'm not trying to be difficult.
                 MR. LUPION: Don't. There's no
17
18
            question pending:
19
                 THE WITNESS: I understand --
20
                 MR. LUPION: You don't have to
21
            explain yourself. There's no question
22
            pending.
23
     BY MR. MURPHY:
24
                 Between 2012 and the present, do you
25
     look at midyear and end-of-year evaluations of
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 umpires when you decide what your opinions is 3 going to be on the promotion of crew chiefs? 4 Again, during the process, I feel A. 5 like from my viewpoint I have a strong feeling 6 of umpires. I've seen midyear evaluations 7 previously. I've seen year-end evaluations through the process, which is usually coinciding 8 9 with the process of looking at crew chief 10 reviews. 11 So, again, I know the information; I 12 don't specifically put them in front of me. 13 How do you know the information if 14 you don't see it? 15 Α. As I said --16 MR. LUPION: Objection to form. 17 BY MR. MURPHY: 18 Q. Go ahead. 19 Again, as I said, I think Α. 20 previously, I've seen the midyear evaluations, 21 reviewed them all before they've gone out. 22 yearend evaluations are usually in that process. 23 So I've viewed them. Again, the specific 24 question is if I'm viewing them as I'm making my 25 decision, usually not.

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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
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 2
     own decision as to who should be promoted to
     crew chief?
 3
 4
           Α.
                 Again, I -- I think it, I'm not
 5
     doing a good job of explaining it and I
 6
     apologize for that.
 7
           Q.
                 It may be just that I'm dense --
 8
           Α.
                 I don't think --
 9
                 -- if that's the case?
           0.
10
                 MR. LUPION: We don't need to engage
11
            in this, the witness was about to answer.
12
                 MR. MURPHY: I was trying to be
13
            gracious.
                       I was trying to gracious.
14
                 MR. LUPION:
                              You're always gracious.
15
                 MR. MURPHY: I try to be.
     BY MR. MURPHY:
16
17
           Α.
                 I will say on the record, I will say
18
     on the record, I don't think you're dense.
                 I appreciate it?
19
           Ο.
20
           Α.
                 I am probably not doing a great job
21
     of explaining it.
22
           Q.
                 I appreciate it.
23
                 I think the process is more fluid
           Α.
24
     than the -- the one day you're established as a
25
     crew chief or you apply as a crew chief, this
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 information, as I said, I look at part of the 3 midyear process, part of the yearend process and 4 part of the daily, weekly phone calls that we 5 have to discuss umpiring, discuss our umpires' 6 performance, all of that continual information, 7 it's continuous. And we're making our 8 decisions. 9 It's not a slash one moment, one day 10 decision; this is a fluid decision that happens 11 over time. People improve and you provide 12 feedback and you understand these things. And I 13 think that's probably the disconnect we're 14 having. 15 I reviewed, I understand the midyear 16 reviews, I understand the umpires, I understand 17 how they're performing on a day-to-day basis. And I think that's the difference, or struggle 18 19 that maybe I'm having explaining. 20 Q. That one I understood, thank you. 21 It takes me a little while. Α. 22 Q. Major League Baseball hires 23 supervisors and observers to watch umpires 24 during the game, correct?

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Α.

Correct.

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1
                   P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 2
     BY MR. MURPHY:
 3
           Α.
                 Other supervisors or observers file
 4
     game reports on games that Angel Hernandez has
 5
     worked.
 6
                 What is the criteria to be selected
 7
     to be World Series?
 8
                 MR. LUPION: Are we done with this
 9
            document?
10
                 MR. MURPHY: You can put it to your
11
            left side and you'll be done, or your
12
            right side.
13
                 MR. LUPION:
                              I'm going to put it to
14
            my right side.
15
                 You can put that document away.
16
           Α.
                 Do you want it back?
17
                 MR. LUPION: Just leave it in front
18
            of the court reporter.
19
     BY MR. MURPHY:
20
           Α.
                 Excuse me.
21
                 What is the criteria for selecting
           Ο.
     World Series umpires?
22
23
                 Again, as I said, the process goes
           Α.
24
     through, we're looking at performance, both, in
25
     the current season and past performance and
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 consistency in the umpires. 3 One, you know, obviously in the post 4 season, the one kind of requirement or at least 5 historically what we have done is that you have 6 worked in the Division Series. 7 But it's not solely merit based, am 8 I right? 9 MR. LUPION: Objection to form. I feel like we believe it is. I 10 Α. 11 mean, the detail process, but it may not be --12 it may not be your highest performing umpire 13 that works in the World Series that year based on all factors. There may be other factors like 14 15 the World Series previously, needs time off, 16 didn't want to work back to back World Series, 17 want to make sure that other -- that other 18 series are strong. Championship Series is an important series as well, the Division Series is 19 20 obviously important, Wild Card is important, so 21 there is some balance that goes in to 22 evaluation. 23 That being said, they're high 24 performing umpires all the way around that work 2.5 the World Series.

1 P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 2 MR. MURPHY: It wasn't answered. 3 BY MR. MURPHY: 4 Angel has earned the opportunity to Α. 5 run that crew. There are times when Angel 6 successfully performs in that, and there are 7 other times where he seems to struggle. 8 Would you appoint someone to be an Q. 9 interim crew chief that was not capable of 10 running a crew? 11 I think the goal -- the interim crew Α. 12 chief at times, depending on how many we're 13 working with, is to give people an opportunity 14 to show people that they can manage the crew, 15 that they can run that crew. 16 So at times, you're taking people 17 that may or may not; you're not 100 percent sure 18 how it's going to turn out and I think it's that 19 opportunity that we need to provide to employees 20 to see if they can be successful. 21 So again, the hope is that that 22 person can run a crew. 23 Is Kerwin Danley capable of running Q. 24 a crew? 25 Kerwin Danley is serving as an Α.

1	P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
2	interim crew chief right now, I think he's been
3	working successfully.
4	Q. And is Alfonso Marquez capable of
5	running a crew?
6	A. Alfonso has been an interim crew
7 8 •	chief; fairly recently given that opportunity. Q. Did Major League Baseball ever
L 5	Q. Did Major League Baseball ever recognize at any time between 2011 and 2016,
L 7	that it had a diversity problem within the
L 8	umpire staff?
L 9	MR. LUPION: Objection to form.
20	A. How would you define your problem?
21	Q. Lack of minorities.
22	A. Again, I think we recognize that we
23	didn't our goal is to have greater minority
24	representation, I do think we represent, we
25	recognize that we need to get greater minority

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 discussed by the directors could go in to this. 3 Information that -- you know, was discussed on 4 the conference calls on performance. 5 Ο. Would Matt McKendry have the right 6 to provide input into these comments in 2011? 7 Matt McKendry, as far as I remember Α. 8 was not in this department in 2011; that being 9 said --10 0. You answered the question. 11 Did you --12 Α. I haven't fully answered the 13 question if you wouldn't mind. 14 He was working in Situation 15 Management so he might have provided information 16 on Situation Management that could've been 17 reviewed by umpires, supervisors or directors 18 that comment on it. 19 Did you have the right to provide Ο. 20 input? 21 Α. I would review and provide input. 22 Q. Joe Torre? 23 Joe would review. Α. 24 Did he provide content? Q. 25 Α. I don't recall on this.

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Randy Marsh would be able to as 0. 3 well, am I right? 4 As a director, he could've provided Α. 5 content that went in to this. 6 Are your answers the same for the 7 subsequent years of 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 8 2016 as it relates to the individuals you just 9 mentioned? 10 MR. LUPION: Objection to form. BY MR. MURPHY: 11 More broadly, supervisors, 12 Α. 13 Change is obviously dynamic on 14 different categories are filled out -- could be 15 filled out by different people in the 16 administrative component. So additional people 17 could've provided information or feedback on --18 Who are those people? Q. 19 MR. LUPION: I don't think the 20 witness was done again, Kevin. I know you 21 might be looking to make a flight, but the 22 witness is entitled to give you a complete 23 answer. 24 That could provide -- administrators Α. 25 on administrative issues could be providing

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feedback. That would be, you know, Cathy Davis, Raquel Wagner, Alex Bermudez, again on the administrative component, they would provide information and feedback.

On the plate judgment, it could be our ZE people, you know, objective data, the supervisors and the directors. Bruce Froemming, our special consultant, special advisor.

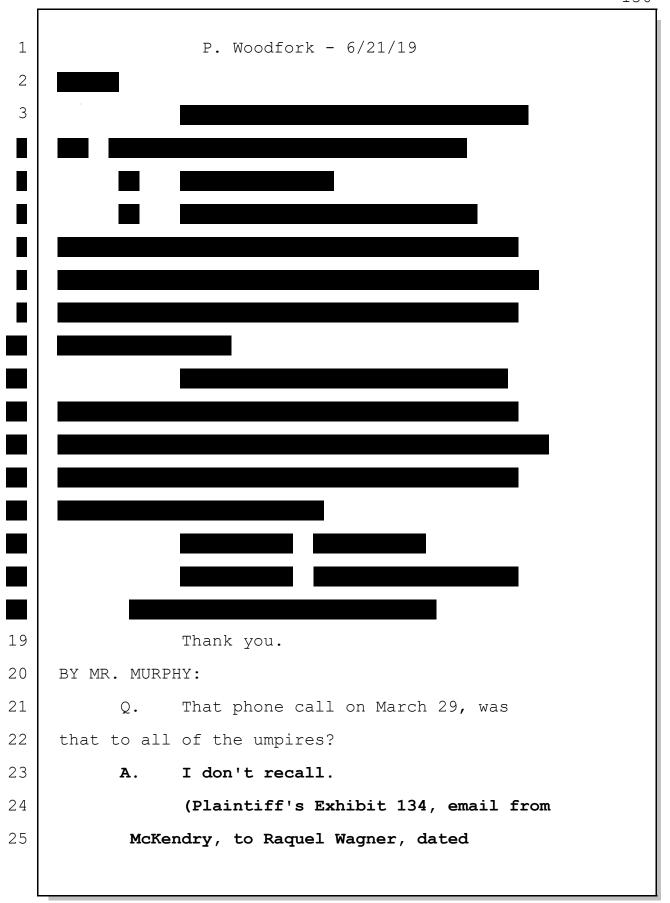
Q. The administrative components, do you have any personal information on who provided the information in the second sentence that says, "You need to work on your communication skills with on- field personnel particularly because your approach has fostered a club perception that you try to put yourself in the spotlight by seeing things that other umpires do not."

A. I do not recall.

Q. If you see the comment on top of 1505, you received a number of exceeds for game and situation management, balk calls.

Do you believe that that statement is in conflict with fostering a club perception that you try to put yourself in the spotlight by

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Α. Again, I think there are obviously 3 some that think there's a perception problem. 4 think he's, you know, shown improvement this 5 year. Once again, it's the consistency that 6 will determine it. But I think he has shown 7 consistency this year provided being given an 8 opportunity to be a crew chief. And again, it's 9 a fluid process, you know, that's the 10 consistency we're looking for. 11

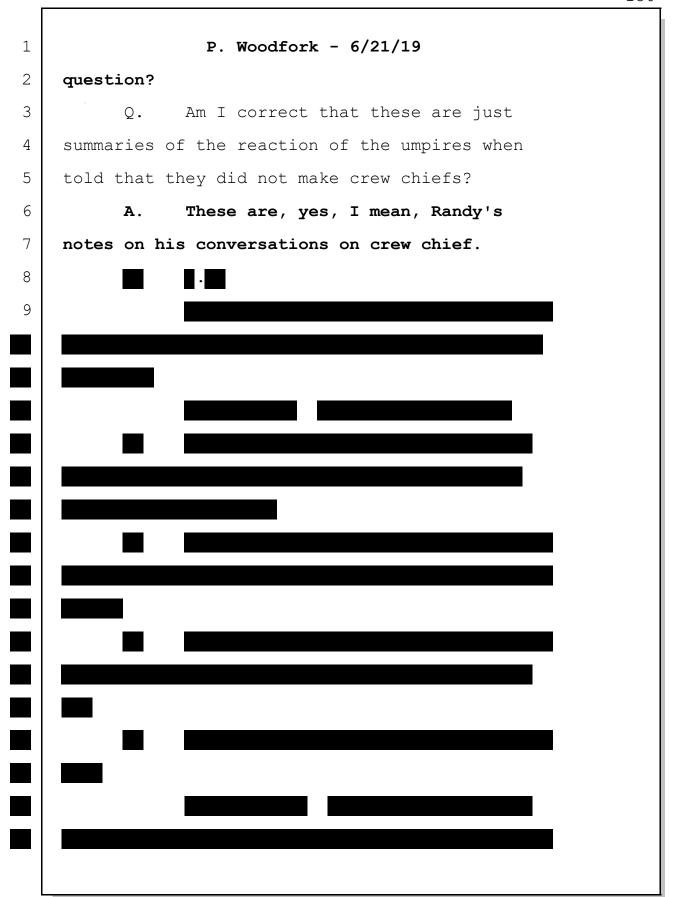


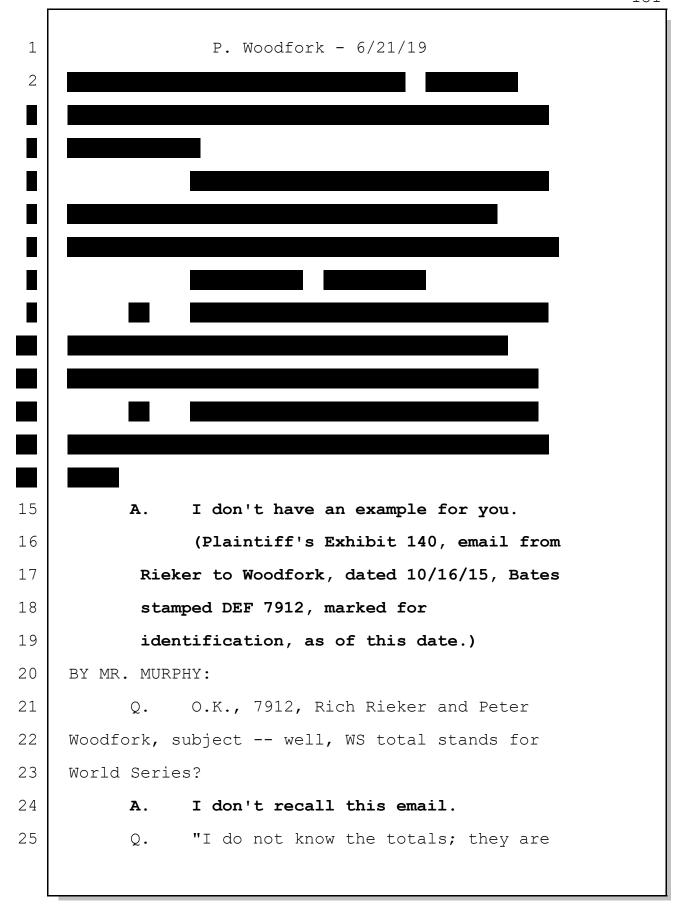
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
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 2
            23/23/2017, Bates stamped DEF 8127 through
 3
            8131, marked for identification, as of
 4
            this date.)
 5
     BY MR. MURPHY:
 6
                 All right, this one is Defendant's
 7
     Exhibit 8127, Matt McKendry to Raquel Wagner.
 8
                 What are our her job duties?
 9
           Α.
                 She is a manager in umpire
10
     operations, maybe a senior manager.
11
           Q.
                 What does a senior manager do?
12
           Α.
                 Supports the department, she works
13
     on SURE administration. She supports the
14
     observer group. She works on administrative
15
     issues, proofreads, edits, perform, develops
     documents, she is --
16
17
           Q.
                 O.K.
18
                 MR. LUPION: I don't think he was
19
            done.
20
                 MR. MURPHY: I apologize.
21
           Α.
                 Sorry, PowerPoint presentations.
22
           Q.
                 Very good.
23
                 MR. LUPION: Are you done with your
24
            answer?
25
                 THE WITNESS: And other factors, if
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 1
 2
            that's makes it easier.
 3
     BY MR. MURPHY:
 4
                 In this -- well, did you receive a
           0.
     copy of this email about the time it was sent?
 5
 6
                 Not to my recollection.
           Α.
 7
           Ο.
                 Matt tells Raquel, "As discussed
 8
     please research these, " midyear -- "As
 9
     discussed, please research these umpires' mid
10
     year and year-end evals from the last five
11
     seasons for information to support the decision
12
     not to appoint them as a crew chief this
13
     offseason. Below are some initial thoughts on
14
     each umpire's drawbacks. See the attached
15
     letter to Angel Hernandez and use it as your
16
     template."
17
                 Is that the way MLB has notified
18
     umpires who didn't get the crew chief position,
19
     by pointing out reasons why they weren't
20
     appointed?
21
                 MR. LUPION: Object to the form.
     BY MR. MURPHY:
22
23
                 I think in this, from what I can
           Α.
24
     tell, this was to send the letters to the
25
     umpires that were requested by the Umpire
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Association. Each umpire, my experience from my 3 recollection, is notified verbally prior to the 4 letter. 5 Q. Are these reasons being provided after the decision was made? 6 7 MR. LUPION: Object to the form. BY MR. MURPHY: 8 9 I think they're provided when the Α. decision is made and hopefully consistent with 10 what's in their evaluations. 11 12 With their game evaluations or 13 midyear? 14 With their midyear evaluations. Α. 15 23 Q. If an umpire gets hurt, as was the 24 case with in his career in the 25 last couple of years, does that get held against

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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 1
 2
     him in the decision to become a crew chief?
 3
                 I think for umpires that are not on
           Α.
 4
     the field, it's tough to evaluate them.
 5
     missed time is something that's taken in to
 6
     account because you miss the evaluation period
 7
     or the opportunity.
 8
                 And if you turn to the next page, it
           Q.
 9
     lists the umpires' actual seniority.
10
                 Do you see that?
11
           Α.
                 Yes.
12
           0.
                 And Hernandez, Danley, two minority
13
     umpires, were the top two in seniority, would
14
     you agree?
15
           Α.
                 Yes.
16
                 MR. LUPION: Object to the form.
17
                  (Plaintiff's Exhibit 135, email from
18
            McKendry, to Woodfork, 9/18/17, Bates
19
            stamped DEF 14681 through 14687, marked
20
            for identification, as of this date.)
21
                 MR. MURPHY: This should be 134
22
            right.
23
                 MS. REPORTER: 135.
24
                 MR. LUPION: 135.
25
     BY MR. MURPHY:
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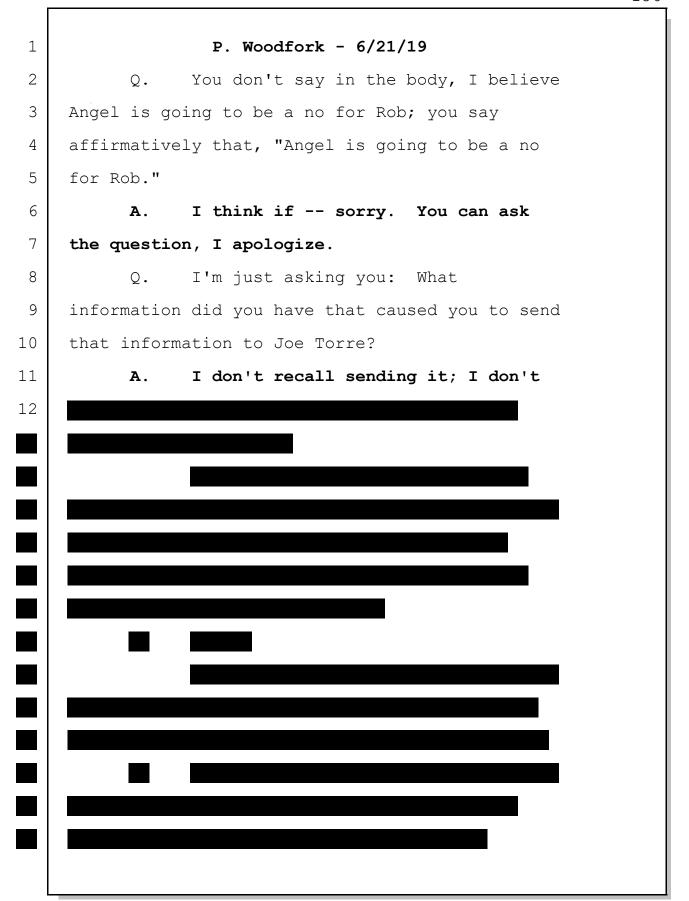


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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 1
 2
     just suggestions."
 3
                 Do you know what that means?
 4
           Α.
                 I don't recall this email. I assume
 5
     he's talking about voting for World Series.
                 "Put you who and Joe want in from
 6
           0.
 7
     the suggestions."
 8
                 What does that mean?
 9
                 MR. LUPION: Objection.
                 I don't know. You'd have to ask
10
           Α.
11
     Rich, he's the one who sent this email.
12
                 We didn't see any response to this
     that you didn't understand Rich. So, "Take
13
14
     Angel out if you want," do you know what that
15
     means?
                 Again, I don't recall this email.
16
           Α.
17
           Q.
                 This is October 16, 2015.
18
                 The playoffs would be well under
19
     way, correct?
20
                 It's the same date we had our,
           Α.
21
     quote-unquote, debacle, or close to it, my
22
     birthday.
23
                 With
           Q.
24
           Α.
                 Yes.
25
           Q.
                 All right.
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Was Angel being considered in 2015 3 for the World Series? 4 Α. I don't recall. 5 0. Am I right that the only decision 6 that would be left to be made on October 16, 7 2015, would be who from the Division Series is 8 going into the World Series, correct? 9 Seems like the time frame that you Α. would be deciding World Series assignments. 10 11 Because the subject says, "World Q. Series totals." 12 So was Angel on a list to be 13 14 selected for World Series and then taken off? 15 MR. LUPION: Objection. BY MR. MURPHY: 16 I don't recall the discussion around 17 Α. 18 the World Series in 2015. I don't think we have 19 a list that's on or off. 20 Keep that either in your mind or Q. 21 handy as you look at the next one, if you would, 22 please. 23 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 141, Document 24 Bates stamped DEF 15451, marked for 25 identification, as of this date.)

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1
                   P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 2
     BY MR. MURPHY:
 3
                 This is 141, Defendants' Exhibit
           Q.
 4
     15451.
 5
                 MR. LUPION: Bates number.
 6
                 MR. MURPHY: Yes, sorry, Bates; it's
 7
            Exhibit No. 141.
 8
                 My apologies.
 9
     BY MR. MURPHY:
10
                 This is a text from you, is that
           Q.
     right?
11
12
                 I assume that this is pulled from my
13
     text messages and you're providing me that,
14
     so...
15
           Q.
                 And you sent the text to Joe Torre,
16
     correct?
17
           Α.
                 That appears to be Joe's cell phone
18
     number.
19
                  "Angel is going to be" -- first look
     at the date, the date is the same day as the
20
21
     Rich Rieker email on Exhibit 140.
22
                 Do you see that?
23
           Α.
                  I do.
24
                 And you tell Joe Torre in the
           Q.
25
     afternoon, "Angel is going to be a no for Rob.
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 I am headed home to have my birthday dinner, and 3 will be on my cell." 4 So you can see that I already knew 5 when your birthday was. 6 How did you know that Angel was 7 going to be a no for Rob? 8 I don't recall sending the text. 9 You may not recall typing out a text 0. 10 Do you recall the content and on your phone. 11 what you were conveying to Joe Torre? 12 I can see here on the piece of paper 13 what the content says, but I don't recall the 14 situation or the discussion we were having. Did the Commissioner tell you that 15 0. 16 he did not want Angel in the World Series? 17 Α. Not to my recollection. 18 Is this based on previous knowledge 19 about what the Commissioner feels about Angel 20 Hernandez? 21 This was, again, based on probably Α. 22 my presumption, my presumption, I took a 23 presumption on the situation. I don't recall 24 having conversation with the Commissioner about 25 Angel Hernandez and the World Series in 2015.



P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Do you recognize that the types of Ο. 3 things that Kinsler said about Mr. Hernandez can 4 harm him from an integrity standpoint? 5 MR. LUPION: Object to the form. 6 Like I said, I don't remember the exact comments that were made by Mr. Kinsler; I 7 do remember that he crossed the line. 8 9 0. Mr. Kinsler was not suspended, am I 10 correct? 11 Α. Correct. 12 0. And did Joe Torre agree with what 13 you said here? 14 Α. I don't recall. 15 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 144, email from 16 McKendry, to Woodfork, dated 9/15/13, 17 Bates stamped DEF 15068, marked for 18 identification, as of this date.) 19 BY MR. MURPHY: This is Exhibit 144, Bates stamp 20 Q. 21 15066. It's an email from Matt McKendry to 22 Mr. Woodfork, subject post season, "Here is the 23 information you were asked about last night." 24 Would you explain to me what you 25 were asked about and who did the asking.

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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19
 1
 2
           Α.
                 I don't recall.
 3
           0.
                 Is there one thing that these
 4
     umpires have in common?
 5
           Α.
                 These are the people of color that
 6
     are umpires, people of diversity.
 7
           0.
                 Right.
 8
                 Do you know why you were asked --
 9
           Α.
                 Again --
                 -- about this information?
10
           Q.
                 -- I don't recall.
11
           Α.
12
           Q.
                 When it says season, "2013 Number on
                Number Assigned: 2."
13
     Staff: 7.
14
                 Would you explain what those numbers
15
     are, sir?
                 I didn't do the umpire -- I didn't
16
           Α.
17
     write this email, but from what I can infer from
18
     it, it seems like there's seven on staff and two
19
     assigned to the post season.
20
                 I see. Seven on staff means seven
           Q.
21
     minority umpires?
22
           Α.
                 Again, if I take -- if I an infer
23
     from it.
               I didn't write the email, so I can't
24
     say that 100 percent. But we did, if I do
25
     recall correctly, we did make two hires that,
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 between '12 and '13 of people of color. 3 You will note that in 2004, Chuck Q. 4 Meriwether umpired the World Series, correct? 5 According to this email. Α. 6 Do you know who had Joe Torre's Q. 7 current position back then in 2004? 8 Α. I do not. 9 Angel Hernandez had the World Series Q. in 2005, do you see that? 10 11 Α. Yes. 12 Q. Marquez had the World Series in 13 2006, do you see that did? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Danley had the World Series in 2008, and so did Laz Diaz, do you see that? 16 17 Α. Yes. 18 Evidently, the people in your Q. 19 positions previously thought that Marquez, Diaz, 20 Hernandez and Danley, were capable enough to 21 umpire the World Series, would you agree? 22 MR. LUPION: Object to the form. 23 BY MR. MURPHY: 24 Agree that those umpires worked the Α. 25 World Series during these years.

P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Would you agree that by selecting 0. 3 them, they were confident that they could handle 4 the World Series stage? 5 MR. LUPION: Objecting to the form. 6 I don't know what thought process 7 they put in TO their selections. 8 But in spite of the fact that the Q. 9 individuals that were in the position to select 10 World Series candidates prior to the people 11 coming onboard in 2011 thought that these 12 candidates, Hernandez and Danley, could be in the World Series, you, Joe Torre, and the others 13 14 have thought that they're not worthy enough to 15 be in the World Series, correct? 16 MR. LUPION: Objection. 17 BY MR. MURPHY: 18 You're asking me about the two Α. 19 years, the three years on this sheet, '11, '12, 20 and '13? 21 '14, '15, and '16, too. 0. 22 Α. You're asking me about the three 23 years that are on this sheet, Marquez worked the 24 World Series and he tried again. We put the 25 umpires that we feel best are going to perform.

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 2
     humiliates them that they have less years than
 3
     the crew chief they work under?
 4
                 MR. LUPION: Objection. Asked and
 5
            answered. You can answer again.
 6
                 Yes, I'm not going to project or try
           Α.
 7
     to predict what their response is; I know that,
 8
     as you said, they respect people that they work
 9
     with regardless of race.
10
                 But you have had memos about the
11
     conversations with the umpires in Arizona where,
12
            and Hernandez conveyed that they
13
     were upset about being passed over, so when it
     comes to how they feel about certain things, you
14
15
     are, in fact, made aware at times, correct?
16
                 MR. LUPION: Objection.
17
           Α.
                 I am aware that they're upset about
18
     not being selected as crew chiefs.
19
                 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 146, email from
20
            Freedman to Woodfork, Sword, 2013 Umpiring
21
            Department Overview DEF 15067 through
22
            15149, marked for identification, as of
23
            this date.)
24
     BY MR. MURPHY:
25
                 Kevin, that's a big one, I'm going
           Α.
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 1
 2
     to run to the restroom before we get to that.
 3
                 MR. MURPHY:
                               Sure.
 4
                  (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)
 5
                 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record,
            time 1:56.
 6
                  (Whereupon, a recess is taken.)
 7
 8
                 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Stand by, please.
 9
                 The time 2:08 p.m., back on the
            record.
10
     BY MR. MURPHY:
11
12
           0.
                 In front of you, I have a document
     15067 to 15149.
13
14
                 Do you recognize this document?
15
           Α.
                 Yes.
                 Is this something you reviewed in
16
           0.
17
     preparation for your deposition?
18
           Α.
                 I did see this, yes.
19
                 Scott Freedman in August of 2013,
20
     what position did he hold with Major League
21
     Baseball?
22
           Α.
                 I don't recall his exact position.
23
     He worked in the Labor Relations and Strategy
24
     Department.
25
                 Did he have any particular expertise
           Q.
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 1
 2
     as it related to Minor League and Major League
 3
     umpiring that would cause you to ask him to do
 4
     this?
 5
                 MR. LUPION: Object to the form.
 6
                 I'm not -- I don't recall him being
 7
     any more than researching information for us.
 8
                 And --
           Q.
 9
           Α.
                 Actually, can I take that -- can I
10
     add to that? I think actually, in this case, in
11
     Scott's case, this was actually just an update
12
     of a document that -- of a presentation that
13
     previously had been done.
14
                 And do you know, when was that
           0.
15
     previous presentation done?
16
                 If I recall correctly, 2011.
           Α.
17
           Q.
                 Sorry?
18
                 If I recall correctly, it was 2011
           Α.
19
     is my best.
20
     REQ
21
                 MR. MURPHY: I'm going to request
22
            that document and there was one other, the
23
            Employee Handbook that has a diversity
24
            policy that he mentioned earlier.
2.5
     BY MR. MURPHY:
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 1
 2
                 All right, who asked Mr. Freedman to
           Ο.
 3
     do this update?
 4
           Α.
                 I don't recall.
 5
                 By that answer, does that eliminate
           Q.
 6
     you from being the person who asked Scott
 7
     Freedman to do the update?
 8
           Α.
                 I don't recall directly asking Scott
 9
     Freedman to do this update.
10
           Q.
                 O.K.
11
                 Who is Morgan Sword?
12
           A.
                 Morgan is a peer in the labor
13
     relations department who Scott Freedman reported
14
     to.
15
                 Did Freedman also do the original
           Q.
     version in 2011?
16
                 I don't recall who worked on the
17
           Α.
18
     original one. I know it was done through the
19
     Strategy and Labor Group, which has a number of
20
     people in it.
21
                 This report told Major League
     Baseball that there was a diversity problem
22
23
     within the umpire staff, correct?
24
                 MR. LUPION: Objection.
25
            document speaks for itself.
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 I don't recall the specifics of each 3 -- I don't recall the specifics of each page of 4 this document. 5 0. All right, but that wasn't about a 6 specific page. 7 Isn't it true that this report told Major League Baseball that there was a diversity 8 9 problem within the umpire staff? 10 MR. LUPION: Object to the form; the 11 document speaks for itself. 12 Again, I don't recall the specifics 13 of it; I can read through it and see specifics; 14 I know it did discuss diversity and diversity 15 numbers. 16 Ο. And that those diversity numbers 17 were inadequate, correct? 18 MR. LUPION: Object to the form. 19 Document speaks for itself. BY MR. MURPHY: 20 21 Again, I think it showed the Α. 22 numbers, how you interpret those numbers, and I 23 felt we could have improvement in that area. 24 Q. All right. 25 We're going to go through some of

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 1
 2
     these pages.
                   I will show you a page or two to
 3
     orient you?
 4
           Α.
                 O.K.
 5
                 So, let's start at 15068, it's
           Ο.
 6
     called an Umpiring Department Overview and then
 7
     15069, you'll see the Table of Contents. It
 8
     starts with the Demographics and Life of an
 9
     Umpire.
10
                 On 15070, he has listed that of the
     total number of umpires, only 7 percent were
11
12
     people of color, correct?
13
                 7 percent of minorities?
           Α.
14
           Q.
                 Yes.
15
           Α.
                 Yes.
16
                 And would you agree that that's not
           Ο.
17
     an acceptable number?
18
                 MR. LUPION: Object to the form.
19
                 I would say that our diversity
     efforts, we need to increase that number, that
20
21
     is a goal.
22
                 So by saying that you need to
23
     increase the number, this number was not
24
     acceptable, would you agree?
25
                 MR. LUPION: Object to the form.
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P. Woodfork - 6/21/19 1 2 Mischaracterizes testimony. 3 I would say that the number is the Α. 4 number of how many -- the percentage of diverse 5 umpires we had at the time, and that the goal 6 was to increase that number. In 2013, were you satisfied that the 7 amount of umpires of color were only 7 percent? 8 9 Α. I think we needed to, again, looking at the number, we needed to increase that 10 number. 11 12 Q. Does that mean that you were not satisfied? 13 14 It's not satisfaction -- for me, Α. that's not how I -- I'm more analytic. I look 15 16 at that number, it's not, for me it was not high 17 enough and it's something we need to improve on. 18 Between 2013 and the present, has that number gone up or done? 19 Α. 20 Percentagewise, I would have to look at it. I don't know off the top of my head what 21 22 the percentage is. I think between -- think the 23 number, total number has increased. 24 15071, while the total number of 25 minority umpires has increased, so has the