

## Deposition Analysis Report

Case Lyman v. Capital City Transit District

Witness

Mark Hensley

Aggression Level Medium

Analysis Method

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**27****WEAK**

Witness is NOT trial-ready. Significant coaching required before any live testimony.

## Performance Radar



Composure	Tactical Discipline	Professionalism	Directness	Consistency
25/100	15/100	45/100	30/100	20/100

## Detailed Dimension Analysis

### Composure — 25/100



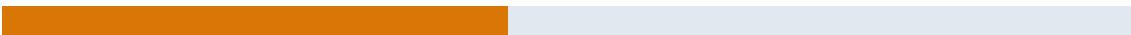
Witness showed multiple stress indicators including [sigh] (3 times), [nervous laugh], [nervous], and frequent [throat\_clear] and [pause] tags, especially when confronted with Exhibit E. Lost composure completely when cornered about the email contradiction.

### Tactical Discipline — 15/100



Witness fell into every trap - over-explained when asked simple yes/no questions, volunteered damaging information about 'many factors' and 'personal issues' when not asked, and failed to maintain silence during strategic pauses, instead filling dead air with rambling justifications.

### Professionalism — 45/100



Generally maintained respectful tone but displayed [nervous laugh] when reading his own email, showed defensive behavior with phrases like 'incomplete characterization,' and became argumentative when trying to deflect responsibility to external factors.

### Directness — 30/100



Initially evasive on enforcement responsibility question, required multiple attempts to get straight answers, gave one clear 'No' at the end but only after extensive evasion and deflection throughout the session.

### Consistency — 20/100



Major contradiction exposed between January 5 email stating 'dangerously short' and later testimony claiming 'adequate staffing' - attempted weak rationalization about 'context' and 'managing' but could not reconcile the fundamental inconsistency in his statements.

## Critical Vulnerability

Interrogator Tactic	Exhibit Confrontation with Strategic Document Trap
Witness Reaction	Witness showed [nervous laugh] when forced to read his own damaging email aloud, then displayed multiple [sigh] and [pause] tags when trapped between contradictory statements, ultimately attempting weak deflection with 'incomplete characterization'

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## Trial Risk

The jury will see him laughing nervously while reading his own words about 'dangerous' understaffing, then watch him squirm when confronted with his contradictory testimony - this destroys his credibility as the safety supervisor who knew of the danger but did nothing.

## Coaching & Improvement Plan

**#1** When confronted with your own documents, read them in a neutral tone without any vocal reactions, acknowledge them factually, and resist all urges to explain or justify - let your attorney handle rehabilitation on redirect.

## Lawyer's Executive Brief

Overall Rating	Weak (27/100)
Trial Readiness	Witness is NOT trial-ready. Significant coaching required before any live testimony.
Interrogation Intensity	Medium
Strongest Dimension	Professionalism (45/100)
Weakest Dimension	Tactical Discipline (15/100)
Primary Risk	The jury will see him laughing nervously while reading his own words about 'dangerous' understaffing, then watch him squirm when confronted with his contradictory testimony - this destroys his credibility as the safety supervisor who knew of the danger but did nothing.
Total Exchanges	29
Witness Responses	14

## Recommended Next Steps

1. Schedule follow-up mock deposition focusing on tactical discipline
2. Review transcript highlights with witness before next session
3. Prepare witness for specific exhibit confrontations identified in this session

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