Kristina Engel August 28, 2023

1	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
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3	CASE NO.: 2023-CA-001841
4	GEOFFREY T. MOTT, individually,
5	Plaintiff,
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7	-VS-
8	INLET PLAZA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida
	corporation, DAVID J. GURY,
9	individually, and Ron Early,
10	Defendants.
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13	REMOTE VIDEO
14	CONFERENCE DEPOSITION OF
15	KRISTINA ENGEL
16	Monday, August 28, 2023
17	10:05 a.m 11:34 a.m. LOCATION: By Videoconference
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21	DONNA GUNION, Court Reporter, FPR Notary Public, State of Florida
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1			APPEARANCES VIA ZOOM:	Page	2	-	Page
2			APPLARANCES VIA ZOOM.			1	Zoom Deposition taken before Donna L. Gunion,
3	On beh	half of the	Plaintiff:			2	Court Reporter, Florida Professional Reporter and
5		NEXTERRA I	JAW			3	Notary Public in and for the State of Florida at
4		1111 LINCO SUITE 801	DLN ROAD			4	Large, in the above cause.
5			CH, FLORIDA 33139			5	THE COURT REPORTER: Will the witness please
6		954-929-06	79 IEXTERRALAW.COM			6	present your government issued identification by
7			M. LIBERTY, ESQUIRE			7	holding it up to the camera.
8	On hol	half of DAV	AID GIBA.			8	(Witness presents government issued
9	OII Dei	nair or DAV	ID GORI.			9	identification and identity verified.)
.0			LINS RILEY & SCARBOROUG AVE SUITE 2700	H LLP		LO	THE COURT REPORTER: Raise your right hand to be
. 0			RDALE, FLORIDA 33394-00	117		11	sworn.
.1		954-745-52				L2	Do you swear that the testimony you're about to
.2		naksn.aku	A@NELSONMULLINS.COM			13	give will be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing
2		BY: HARSH	ARORA, ESQUIRE			L3 L4	but the truth?
.3	On bel	half of INI	LET PLAZA CONDOMINIUM AS	SOCIATION:			
.5			T & KISSANE, P.A.			15	THE WITNESS: I do.
6		222 LAKEVI SUITE 120	EW AVENUE				Thereupon:
7			BEACH, FLORIDA 33401		-	L7	KRISTINA ENGEL,
.7		561-383-92 ANIKA.GRAN	T@CSKLEGAL.COM] -		having been first duly sworn or affirmed, was examined
8		DV. ANTE	C. GRANT, ESQUIRE		-	L9 :	and testified as follows:
9		BI. ANIKA	C. GRANI, ESQUIRE		2	20	DIRECT EXAMINATION
0	31 T	D			1	21 B	Y MR. LIBERTY:
1	AISO E	Present:			1	22	Q. Good morning, can you please state your name for
2			FREY T. MOTT		2	23	the record?
2		DAV	D GURY		1	24	A. My name is Kristina Ward Engel.
24 25					2	25	Q. Nice to meet you. My name is Steven Liberty and
	1		T N D T V	Page	3		Page
	2	KRISTIN	INDEX A ENGEL		4		I'm counsel for the plaintiff, Geoffrey Mott. Have you
		DIRECT	EXAMINATION		4	2	ever been deposed before?
	3	BY MR.	LIBERTY			3	A. No, I have not.
	4		XAMINATION		49	4	Q. Okay, so as you can see, besides off the record
	4	BY MR. WITNESS	READ LETTER		58	5	us joking around today, we are here to take your
	5		TASHEET		59	6	deposition and today I'm just going to be asking you a
		CERTIFI	CATE OF OATH		61	7	series of questions and I ask that you answer them as
	6	CERTIFI	CATE OF REPORTER		62	8	completely and as honestly as possible. Is that fair?
	7		PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBITS			9	A. Yes, it is.
	8		PHAINTIPP S EARTHING			LO	Q. All right. And you've already done a great job.
		No.	Description	Page			One of the important things is that the court reporter is
	9			_	.		taking down everything that we're saying so it's
		1	Minutes from Regular Boo Meeting	ard	35		important that we don't talk over one another, so I just
	1.0		necerng				ask that you let me finish my question before you answer
	10 11						aby that you let me littibit my drestion belote you guswel
	11 12 13		DEFENDANT'S EXHIBITS			15	Is that fair?
	11 12 13 14	1			-	15 16	Is that fair? A. Yes, it is.
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1	Page 6 assume you understood it. Is that fair?		Page 8
1 2	A. Yes.	1 2	Q. Are you retired now? A. Yes, I am.
3	Q. I don't plan on being here too long today but if	3	A. Yes, I am. Q. When did you retire?
4	at any point in time you do need a break, please let me	4	A. Oh, a long time ago. Probably 2003, something
5		5	like that.
6	know and as long as we don't have a pending question, we're going to take a break. Is that fair?	6	
7	A. Yes.	7	Q. Do you hold any professional licenses? A. No, I do not.
8	Q. Okay. Great.	8	Q. And you said you had a master in education.
9	And where do you currently reside?	9	A. Yes.
10	A. I'm a resident of Florida.	10	Q. What school and when?
11	Q. And where in Florida?	11	A. What school, I want to Miami University for my
12	A. Ocean Ridge.	12	undergraduate and Northeastern Illinois for my graduate.
13	Q. What's the full address?	13	Q. When did you graduate?
14	A. 6885 North Ocean Boulevard, unit 302, Ocean Ridge	14	A. With my master's or college?
15	Florida 33435.	15	Q. Both.
16	Q. And is that the Inlet Condominium?	16	A. Okay. College, 1975. Master's, I'm not I'm
17	A. Yes, it is.	17	not sure but I'm going to guess here, 1979.
18	Q. When did you purchase a unit in the Inlet	18	Q. Have you ever been arrested?
19	Condominium?	19	A. No.
20	A. We purchased it in 2016.	20	Q. Ever charged with a crime?
21	Q. And you live at that unit full year-round?	21	A. No.
22	A. No, I live in Lake Forest, Illinois half the	22	Q. Ever accused of fraud or dishonesty?
23	year.	23	A. No.
24	Q. And I'm assuming that's where you're at now?	24	Q. Have you ever been a party to a lawsuit?
25	A. Yes, I am.	25	A. No.
1	Page 7 Q. And what's the address there?	7 1	Page 9 Q. How did you prepare for today's deposition? I
2	A. 525 Circle Lane, Lake Forest, 60045.	2	don't want you to get into any details. If you had any
3	Q. And does anybody live with you?	3	conversations with your attorney, don't discuss those
4	A. Yes, my husband.	4	conversations, just how did you prepare?
5	Q. What's your husband's name?	5	A. Okay, I met with counsel for about an hour last
6	A. Mitchell Engel.	6	week.
7	Q. And where were you born?	7	Q. That's good enough for me. And did you review
8	A. Cincinnati, Ohio.	8	anything?
9	Q. What's your date of birth?	9	A. Review a document or what?
10	A. 2/21/1953.	10	Q. Yes, did you review any documents or anything
11	Q. And when did you first move to Florida?	11	like that?
12	A. 2017. We became residents well, we bought the	12	A. No.
13	place in 2016 and became residents in 2017.	13	Q. Do you recall receiving a notice of deposition in
14	Q. And that's your first time living in Florida?	14	this matter?
15	A. Yes, it is.	15	A. Yes.
16	Q. Can you tell me about your professional	16	Q. Did you review it?
17	background?	17	A. Yes.
18	A. Yes. I was I have a master's degree in	18	Q. Did you produce or do you have any documents
19	education. I was a teacher and then became a	19	responsive?
20	psychometrist testing children in the elementary school	20	A. No.
21	working with psychologists and parents to get children	21	Q. Did you not have any documents in your possession
22	placed properly.	22	that were responsive?
23	Then stayed home with was a stay at home mom	23	A. I had some. I sent them to Anika this morning.
24	with ${\mathfrak m}{\mathfrak y}$ kids involved in the community and then had a	24	MS. GRANT: For the record, the email that she
25	seven-year run with a small PR firm.	25	produced was already produced to you guys.
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- 1 MR. LIBERTY: So it's just, so any documents that
- 2 she provided to you this morning has already been
- 3 provided to us?
- 4 MS. GRANT: Yes.
- 5 BY MR. LIBERTY:
- 6 Q. Are you on the board for the Inlet Condo
- 7 Association?
- 8 A. Not currently.
- 9 Q. So at one point in time you were, correct?
- 10 A. Yes
- 11 Q. And when was that?
- 12 A. I was on the board from 2019 until March of this
- 13 year.
- 14 Q. And what was your position on the board?
- 15 A. I was a board member and I also chaired the
- 16 landscape committee.
- 17 Q. And is there something that happened that you're
- 18 no longer on the board since March?
- 19 A. I had served for four years and it was -- it was
- 20 a busy -- being on the board was very busy and my husband
- 21 was involved in things and I just decided I wanted to be
- 22 finished. I put in my time and I thought it was time for
- 23 someone else.
- Q. Did you ever discuss this decision with any of
- 25 the board members before you stepped down?

- $\begin{tabular}{lll} Page & 12\\ 1 & Q. & And since you were on the board, how many \\ \end{tabular}$
- 2 applications for buyer approval came up?
- 3 A. I would say four. Possibly four, five, maybe.
- 4 Q. Can you describe the approval process?
 - A. Um-hm. So as a board member, you receive a
- 6 contract and sometimes at the same time you receive an
- 7 application by the new buyer. Sometimes the application
- 8 comes afterward. At that point you read as a board
- 9 member you read about the applicant. Some people choose
- to do internet searches on the applicant. You definitely
- check references which are listed on the application.
- 12 And then an interview is set up and after that, you have
- 13 a vote.
- 14 Q. And how does that vote take place?
- 15 A. It's very informal. The interview is informal.
- 6 You're sitting around and it's not a ballot or anything
- 17 like that. It's, you know, comments that are made that
 - B suggestion approval, just go around to each member.
- 19 Q. Is that a meeting?
- 20 A. It's usually following the interview.
 - Q. But is there like -- so the board does hold board
- 22 meetings, correct?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. That are noticed, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 A. I did.
- Q. Was there any conflicts or disagreements with any
- 3 of the board members?
- 4 A. Absolutely not.
- 5 Q. Was there anything that led to you resigning or
- 6 stepping down just besides you just felt like you spent
- 7 enough time doing what you were doing?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. When you were on the board what were your
- 10 responsibilities?
- 11 A. As I said, I was landscape chairman. I also did
- 12 different kinds of things. We all did. It's a
- 13 five-person board and a small condominium community so I
- 14 also did pest control. I most recently chaired a
- 15 committee to get conceptual designs for a revision of our
- 16 sundeck which was very time consuming. I would do things
- 17 like arrange for the windows to be washed. I would meet
- 18 with personnel in terms of performance issues. I did
- 19 that with two of our employees.
- 20 Q. Did you receive any training or education?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. As long as you've been in the building and on the
- 23 board, has the condominium association always required
- 24 approval of buyers?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Page 13 Q. Does this vote take place during one of those
- type meetings?
- A. No. It takes place after the interview.
- 4 Q. And as your time on the board, has there always
- 5 been an interview that took place in reviewing an
- 6 applicant?
 - A. Until recently.
- Q. And what do you mean until recently?
- 9 A. Until Mr. Mott.
 - Q. So when you were on the board Mr. Mott was the
- 11 only applicant that did not receive an interview?
- 12 A. Yes
 - Q. Can you describe it? You said that sometimes or
- 14 if they choose to perform an investigation. Is that up
- .5 to the individual board members?
 - A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Is that something that you would partake in or
 - did you ever partake in performing your own
- 19 investigation?
- 20 A. I never did.
 - Q. And for Mr. Mott, you didn't perform any type of
- 22 investigation?
 - A. I did not.
 - Q. Is this process that you described, the same
- 25 process that you went through when you purchased?

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- 1 A. Well, I assume it is. I don't know. I wasn't on
- 2 the board side. We did meet with the board for an
- 3 interview and I believe they did check our references,
- 4 but I'm not positive about that.
- 5 Q. Okay. And on your time on the board, did you
- 6 always check references for applicants?
- 7 A. If I was asked to, yes.
- 8 Q. Did the board always check references?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 Q. Do you know if any references were checked in
- 11 relation to Mr. Mott?
- 12 A. I did not check any references. I don't know if
- 13 the application got that far.
- 14 Q. Did you have any specific responsibilities in the
- 15 approval process?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Do certain board members play certain roles in
- 18 the approval process?
- 19 A. Well, certainly the contract is sent to the
- 20 president of the board, Ron Early, and the application as
- 21 well, and then he disperses it to the rest of the board.
- 22 Q. Okay. And then what?
- 23 A. And then, you know, you may or may not be asked
- 24 to check a reference and then you are asked to be part of
- 25 the interview and then you are asked for a vote.

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- 1 anything else that you reviewed? What were those emails?
 - A. They were just emails that came about a missing
- 3 part of the contract possibly and concerns about his
- pare or the contract possibly and contestis about
- 4 disbarment.
- 5 Q. Besides those emails, once you received those
- 6 emails, is there anything that you did?
- 7 A. No.
 - Q. Did you review any of the documents?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did anything in those emails raise concern with
- 11 you?

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- 12 A. Yes. Yes. I was concerned.
 - Q. Okay. Why?
- 14 A. Because I saw that he had been disbarred.
- 5 Q. Did you look into that any further?
 - A. No, I -- it all happened very quickly and it was
- 17 at a very busy time, and I did not do any investigative
- 8 work on my own.
- 19 Q. When you say it happened quickly, quickly in
- 20 relation to other applicants or --
 - A. No, quickly in terms of I received the
- 22 application and the contract and then very quickly there
- 23 were questions about is this -- is this the Geoffrey Mott
 - that is applying to live in our building.
 - Q. And did you have any conversations with anybody

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- 1 Q. And in relation to Mr. Mott's application that
- 2 you brought up, was there anything asked of you?
- 3 A. No
- 4 Q. Did you review anything?
- 5 A. I did not.
- 6 Q. Did you ever see his application?
- 7 A. Yes, I did. I'm sorry. Let's go back.
- 8 0. Sure.
- 9 A. I did review his application and I did see some
- 10 emails about concerns.
- 11 Q. Did anything stand out of concern in his
- 12 application?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Did you have any questions about any information
- 15 in his application?
- 16 A. No, I did not.
- 17 Q. Based off of the application itself, do you think
- 18 that Mr. Mott was a fit buyer?
- 19 MS. GRANT: Object to the form. You can answer.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Can I answer?
- 21 MS. GRANT: Yes, you can.
- 22 THE WITNESS: Okay, yes. I did.
- 23 BY MR. LIBERTY:
- Q. And then did you review anything else? I think
- 25 you said you might have seen some emails. Is there

- 1 on the board about that?
- A. I don't believe so.
- 3 Q. Did you ever ask for more information about that?
- A. No, I was waiting.
- Q. Waiting for what?
- 6 A. Waiting to get more information.
 - Q. But you didn't ask for it?
- 8 A. I didn't ask for it at that point in time.
- 9 Q. Was more information ever provided?
 - A. Yes.
- 11 Q. What else was provided?
- 12 A. That it was the same Geoffrey Mott, that he had
- .3 been disbarred.
- Q. And then did you have any other communications
- 15 with anybody about that?
 - A. There were a few more emails to board members
- 17 trying -- and to seeking advice of counsel in how to
- .8 proceed and if we should proceed. This was something of
- 19 concern.
- 20 Q. And did you ever get an opinion from counsel that
- 21 you're aware of?
- 22 A. I think eventually, yes.
 - Q. Do you know what that opinion was and who it came
- 24 from?

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25 A. That we had the right to deny.

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1	Q. And who did that come from?	1	l al	l the residents.	
2	A. I'm sorry?	2	2	Q. And how are they s	sent out?
3	Q. And who did that come from?	3	3	A. Email, and I think	k some are actually mailed to
4	A. From counsel.	4	1 pe	eople who don't who pr	refer it that way.
5	Q. And when was that?	5	5	Q. Are the minutes de	etailed or what's that?
6	A. I believe it was in mid-February.	6	5	A. I'm sorry. Go ahe	ead, Steven.
7	Q. Do you know if it was before or after Mr. Mott	7	7	Q. Yeah, are they det	tailed?
8	was denied?	8	3	MS. GRANT: Object	t to the form. You can answer.
9	A. We sought, we sought advice of counsel before th	e 9	9	THE WITNESS: I ca	an go ahead?
10	denial letter was issued.	10)	MS. GRANT: Yes.	
11	Q. And then you said you got an opinion. Do you	11	l	THE WITNESS: The	y are no, they're not
12	know if that opinion came before or after his denial?	12	2	terribly detailed. The	ey give the gist of what's
13	A. I don't know. I don't know.	13	3	happened, not with grea	
14	Q. And were you a party to those communications or	14	4 BY	MR. LIBERTY:	
15	was this just communicated to you?	15	5	Q. If there was a vot	te that took place during a
16	A. I did I was a party to the communication of	16	5 me	eting, would it be inclu	uded in the minutes?
17	meeting with counsel on how to proceed.	17	7	A. I believe so, yes	
18	Q. How often are board meetings held?	18	3	O. As long as you've	been on the board, has the
19	A. Usually once a month.	19) bo	pard ever denied an appl:	
20	Q. And when you were on the board, like what was th	e 20)	A. Not before Mr. Mot	tt.
21	longest amount of time that one wasn't held once a month	.? 21	L	Q. How about after M	r. Mott?
22	A. I don't remember, I don't remember a time where	22	2	A. No.	
23	we didn't have a meeting once a month.	23	3	Q. Are association me	embers advised of the decision
24	Q. And how were they noticed?	24	4 of	the board related to a	pprovals?
25	A. There's a two-week notice. It's posted, we're	25	5	A. Yes.	
1	Page 1 told of the date probably through email or discussion,	.9 1	l	Q. Would you agree w	Page 21 ith me that a board has
2	and then it's posted for all of the residents, at least			pligations to operate in	
3	two weeks before the meeting.	3		MS. GRANT: Form.	good IdIdi.
4	Q. And where did the meetings take place?			THE WITNESS: Yes	
5	A. Prior to COVID they took place in the board room		=	MR. LIBERTY:	•
6	at Inlet Plaza. Since COVID many of the meetings in	. 6			buyer for any reason they want?
7	fact most of the meetings have been Zoom.			A. They can deny with	
8	Q. Are minutes kept of all those meetings?	8			ny because of race?
9	A. Yes.			A. No.	ny bessault of face.
10	Q. And who prepares those minutes?	10		Q. What about religion	on?
11	A. Our secretary, Roger Brinner.	11		A. No.	
12	Q. Do you know what the process is for preparing th			Q. Or disability?	
13	minutes?	13	3		don't believe so. I think
14	A. I do not.	14		nat I don't believe so	
15	Q. Do you know if they're taken right there at the	15	5	Q. So you'd agree tha	at the board probably can't
16	meeting or if it's something that happens after?	16	5 di	.scriminate, correct?	
17	A. They are taken at the meeting. Roger is taking	17		A. Yes.	
18	them as we're meeting.	18	3		any reason why the board would
19	Q. Do you ordinarily receive a copy before they	19		eny someone without a rea	= =
20	become final?	20		MS. GRANT: Form.	
21	A. Yes.	21			. Because they think, they feel
22	Q. And can you describe that process?	22		they will not be a good	-
23	A. The minutes are sent to board members just to	23		MR. LIBERTY:	.
24	review, to see if anything needs be corrected or added.	24			on to deny them without a reason
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25 Those corrections are made and then they are sent out to 25 as opposed to giving them a reason why?

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1	MS. GRANT: Form.	1	A. I've read multiple things since I, you know,
2	THE WITNESS: Can I answer that, Anika?	2	since I learned that I was going to be involved in this,
3	MS. GRANT: If you can, yes.	3	I had read nothing before so it's a variety of things. I
4	THE WITNESS: Okay.	4	can't pinpoint exactly what it is.
5	I believe so.	5	Q. Did you learn that he was reinstated?
6	BY MR. LIBERTY:	6	A. Yes, I did.
7	Q. You believe because they might not be a good	7	Q. Did you at any point in time learn that he was
8	neighbor would be the reason to deny them without a	8	suffering from a disability at the time of his Bar
9	reason?	9	proceedings?
10	A. I think it's more complicated than that.	10	A. I have recently.
11	Q. Can you explain?	11	Q. What about before the denial?
12	A. You want me to be specific?	12	A. Did not know anything about that.
13	Q. Yeah, it's your answer so, yes. As specific as	13	Q. You didn't review anything, those documents that
14	you can.	14	you're talking about, before the issuance of the denial?
15	A. So in this particular case, we were dealing with	15	A. No.
16	Mr. Mott who had been disbarred, who had been abusive to	16	Q. Do you know David Gury?
17	his clients and to his co-workers, and that would not	17	A. Yes, I do.
18	seem to be a good fit to be part of a healthy community	18	Q. And how do you know him?
19	in a small condo building where people live in close	19	A. He lived in Inlet Plaza. He was a neighbor and a
20	proximity to each other.	20	friend.
21	Q. So, but why wouldn't you, when issuing a denial,	21	Q. How long have you known him for? Since he moved
22	think it would be a good reason to tell Mr. Mott that's	22	in, I'm assuming?
23	the reason why he was being denied?	23	A. Yes, he was president of the association, so
24	MS. GRANT: Object to the form.	24	2016.
25	THE WITNESS: I don't know.	25	Q. So that was before you were on the board,
1	Page 23 BY MR. LIBERTY:	1	Page 25 correct?
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	BY MR. LIBERTY:		correct? A. Yes.
2 3	BY MR. LIBERTY: Q. And this information you just provided, where did you learn of this information?	2	correct? A. Yes. Q. Who was on the board with you?
2	BY MR. LIBERTY: Q. And this information you just provided, where did you learn of this information? A. Through emails.	2 3	correct? A. Yes. Q. Who was on the board with you? A. There are five of us. Ron Early, Bob Cullen,
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2	A. I don't think we ever had dinner or anything, but	2	until after the decision was made to deny Mr. Mott, I did
3	we're on friendly terms with Dave.	3	not see another contract.
4	Q. Do you know Andrea Chang?	4	Q. After Mr. Mott was denied did you see another
5	A. I do not.	5	contract?
6	Q. How about Cuppy Kraft?	6	A. Yes.
7	A. I do not.	7	Q. Do you know who that contract was from, the
8	Q. Did you ever interact with any agents regarding	8	buyer?
9	unit 304?	9	A. At some point I think I saw two contracts. One
10	A. No.	10	was from a man that I don't know the name, the second one
11	Q. Did you ever see any communications with any real	11	was from the Souaids.
12	estate agents regarding that unit?	12	Q. So was the first Filshtinski?
13	A. No.	13	A. Yes. Yes.
14	Q. Did there come a point in time that you learned	14	Q. And do you know around what time you received
15	that Mr. Gury's former unit, or current unit 304 was for	15	that?
16	sale?	16	A. I don't know.
17	A. Yes.	17	Q. Do you recall anything of the terms of that
18	Q. And when?	18	contract?
19	A. I believe it was December of 2022 when Bob Cullen	19	A. I don't remember anything unusual about it.
20	called me to tell me that it was going on the market.	20	Q. Do you recall any conversations with board
21	Q. And did there come a point in time when you	21	members regarding the Filshtinski contract?
22	learned that Mr. Mott was under contract to purchase?	22	A. No.
23	A. I'm sorry, can you repeat that?	23	Q. Do you recall any board members or anybody on the
24	Q. Did there come a point in time that you learned	24	board making any preference between Mr. Mott's versus
25	that Mr. Mott was under contract to purchase unit 304?	25	Filshtinski's contract or any comparisons?
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1	A. Yes, there came a point in time.	1	A. No, I do not.
2	Q. And when did you come to learn that?	2	Q. I think we've already covered this but there did
3	A. I don't know the exact date. I think it was in	3	come a point that Mr. Mott applied and I believe you
4	early February.	4	testified that you did review his application. Is that
5	Q. You were still on the board though, correct?	5	correct?
6	A. I was on the board, yes.	6	A. Yes.
7	Q. And how did you come do learn of that?	7	Q. I believe you also testified that you didn't call
8	A. I received an email that it had been sold, that	8	any references on the application, correct?
9	it was under contract.	9	A. Correct.
10	Q. Did you receive a copy of the contract?	10	Q. Do you know if anyone on the board did?
11	A. I did.	11	A. I do not know.
12	Q. Do you remember when?	12	Q. Did you have any contact with Mr. Mott?
13	A. Sometime in the first week or two of February.	13	A. No.
14	Q. Did you have any conversations or discussions	14	Q. Did you have any communications with Mr. Gury
15	related to the contract with anyone?	15	related to Mr. Mott's application?
16	A. No.	16	A. No.
17	Q. Did you do anything after you received the	17	Q. Do you know if anybody on the board did?
18	contract?	18	A. I don't know.
19	A. No.	19	Q. So there was a point in time that there was a
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20	Q. Around that time did you receive a second	20	denial that was issued of Mr. Mott, correct?

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25 denial?

Q. So you don't recall any other contracts besides

A. I did not receive a contract. I don't think I

24 Mr. Mott around that time in February?

Q. And do you know who prepared the denial?

Q. Do you know whose decision it was to issue the

A. I believe it was Ron Early.

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Page 30 Page 32 It was the board's decision. 1 Α. Yes. 2 And was there a meeting held? And then after that meeting, was there ever 3 another meeting related to Mr. Mott's application? A. Yes, there was. 4 Do you recall when that meeting was? There was a meeting with the attorney. 5 I don't, I'm sorry. I would be guessing. I 5 So there was a meeting with an attorney present? 6 would say it was the second week of February. Yes. Α. 7 Q. Was that a noticed meeting? When? Ο. 8 A. I'm sorry? 8 I don't know. I would say mid-February would be Α. 9 Q. Was that a noticed meeting? 9 my best guess. 10 MS. GRANT: Form. Q. You had a meeting and then there was another 10 11 THE WITNESS: It was a meeting not noticed to the meeting. Was that second meeting before or after the 12 denial of Mr. Mott? entire community, no. Just to the board, just the 12 13 A. The second meeting, was it before or after the board members. 13 14 BY MR. LIBERTY: denial? I don't know. I think, I think we were working 15 Q. So was there any minutes taken of this meeting? through it and trying to figure out what needed to be 16 A. Yes, I believe so. 16 done. Q. Was this a special meeting? 17 17 Q. So what I'm trying to get at and what I'm trying 18 to understand is, you held a meeting which you said was 18 Α. Yes. 19 in the second week of February, that at that meeting Q. Was any attorneys present? 2.0 A. I'm having -- I'm having problems keeping the there was no -- well, you didn't know, you don't recall 21 meetings separate, but I don't think -- I don't know. I if there was a vote, there was no final decision, that 21 22 don't know. you were going the seek the advice of an attorney, then O. I think the term is executive session. Was it an 23 the advice of attorney was sought and we know that there executive session, this meeting? was an issue of the denial of Mr. Mott. 24 25 25 A. Yes. My question is, was there another meeting where a Page 31 Page 33 But you don't recall if there was an attorney vote was taken regarding the denial of Mr. Mott? present? MS. GRANT: Object to form. 3 A. I don't think, I do not believe there was an 3 THE WITNESS: There was a vote taken. There was attorney present at that. I think at that point we 4 also -decided to seek legal counsel on how to proceed. 5 MS. GRANT: Sorry, I just wanted to get my 6 Q. So at that meeting, who was present? 6 objection in for Donna, our court reporter, so just 7 7 A. I believe it was Ron Early, Roger Brinner, Bob object to the form of the question. Cullen and myself. 8 You can answer, if you can. 9 And at that meeting you said that you made the 9 THE WITNESS: There was an email sent out, determination to seek legal counsel. Was there ever a 10 minutes of that meeting of the executive session, and 11 final decision made then regarding the application? 11 you may have that. If you can produce that, I can 12 Yes. At that meeting? 12 better answer your question. 13 Yes. At that meeting. 13 BY MR. LIBERTY: 14 A. I think there were concerns raised. I can't Q. So you think the minutes of the executive session 15 remember if the final decision was made then or not. would -- make you aware of whether or not there was a 16 Q. So was there -- do you know if there was a vote 16 vote or not? 17 17 taken at that meeting? A. Yes. It might. It might. I don't know. 18 A. I don't remember. 18 Q. Let's -- I'll come back to that then, so let's 19 Q. So then correct me if I'm misunderstanding, but ask a couple for questions, we can take a break, I can 20 there was that meeting and at that meeting, there was pull up those executive session minutes and we can come concerns and a decision to seek the advice of an 21 back. 22 attorney, correct? 22 Okay. 23 23 Let's do that. Let's take a small break. I'll A. Yes.

five minutes.

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Q. And then after that point in time is when advice

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25 of attorney was sought?

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1 2	Page 34 (A discussion was held off the record.) (A brief recess was taken from 10:42 a.m. to
3	10:49 a.m.)
4	BY MR. LIBERTY:
5	Q. So I pulled up the minutes from what you were
6	saying would help, which was the executive session which
7	you didn't know the exact date but you said was about the
8	second week of February. Is that correct?
9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Let me try to share my screen. Are you viewing
11	my screen?
12	A. Yes, I am.
13	Q. Are you able to see this document?
14	A. I can see the minutes of the meeting. I'm not
15	seeing the executive minutes.
16	Q. So this is dated February 13, 2023, correct?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. And have you seen this document before?
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. Can you tell me what this document is?
21	A. Those are the minutes from the regular board
22	member in February.
23	Q. And February 13th, correct?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. I'm going to be mark this as Plaintiff's
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1	Page 35 Exhibit 1.
2	(Exhibit No. 1, Minutes from Regular Board
3	Meeting, was marked for identification.)

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	1	A. It was a denial of the application of Mr. Mott to
	2	buy Mr. Gury's unit.
	3	Q. And this was on February 15th, 2023, correct?
	4	A. Yes.
	5	Q. So that was you'd agree that's two days after
	6	this February 13th executive session?
	7	A. Yes.
	8	Q. Do you remember if there was any meetings that
	9	were held in between February 13th and the 15th?
	10	A. I do not remember.
	11	Q. Do you have any knowledge of any votes that were
	12	taken in between the 13th and the 15th?
	13	A. I do not remember.
	14	Q. So at the time of the application process, you
	15	told me that there was emails related to the Bar
	16	decision. I know that you since testified that you did
	17	review the decision but prior to the denial did you ever
	18	review that Bar decision?
	19	A. No.
	20	MS. GRANT: Object to the form.
	21	BY MR. LIBERTY:
	22	Q. So we also you also testified that you saw
	23	after denial about Mr. Mott's ability. Before that, was
	24	there ever any discussions regarding anything about his
	25	mental status or his disability?
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24 that since the denial, you learned that during the time

25 of the Bar proceedings and events, that Mr. Mott was

Q. And we'll scroll down and then you have a second

6 page that says executive session, February 13, 2023.

4 BY MR. LIBERTY:

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1	suffering from mental disability.	1	A. Only my husband.
2	My question is since learning of that	2	Q. And what did you discuss with your husband?
3	information, do you have any reservations about the fact	3	A. What had happened.
4	that a denial was issued based on events which occurred	4	Q. And what did you tell him?
5	when he was suffering from a mental illness.	5	A. That we had an applicant who had been disbarred,
6	MS. GRANT: Object to the form.	6	had been abusive to his co-workers and his clients and
7	Mischaracterization of testimony.	7	that we had denied application.
8	THE WITNESS: No.	8	Q. Did you discuss that with Mr. Gury?
9	BY MR. LIBERTY:	9	A. No.
10	Q. Why not? Why not?	10	Q. Do you know if anybody on the board discussed it
11	A. Is that a question for me, Steven?	11	with Mr. Gury?
12	Q. Yeah.	12	A. I believe Ron Early talked directly to Dave Gury
13	A. Okay. Because I think his actions have proven as	13	before the denial was issued.
14	we've gone on, have proven that he would not be a good	14	Q. And what do you know about that conversation?
15	neighbor.	15	A. Nothing, other than I believe it happened.
16	Q. And what has happened as you've gone on that	16	Q. Did anybody on the board have any reservations
17	proved he would not be a good neighbor?	17	about denying Mr. Mott?
18	A. The legal issues that we've gotten involved in.	18	A. I don't know.
19	Q. So you think he would not be a good neighbor	19	Q. He was ultimately denied for no reason. Is that correct?
20 21	because of the allegations of this lawsuit that he is saying he was discriminated against?	20	MS. GRANT: Form.
22	MS. GRANT: Object to the form.	22	THE WITNESS: He was.
23	BY MR. LIBERTY:	23	MS. GRANT: I object to the form.
24	Q. Why would he not be a good neighbor? Because he	24	THE WITNESS: He was denied without cause.
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1	0.	And what was that informa	ation? Was that just a 1	

- document, the board decision? 3 A. It was a document that talked about the
- 4 disbarment, why he had been disbarred and substantiated
- the fact that we had from the Google search. 5
- 6 Q. Are you aware of the requirements of the
- 7 declaration for issuing a denial what the requirements
- are after issuing a denial without giving cause?
- 9 Α. Yes.

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- Q. And can you tell me what those are? 10
- A. The board then has to find a second buyer who 11
- buys with the same or similar terms. 12
- 13 Q. And what's the timeline for that?
- A. And it has to close within 30 days. 14
- 15 Q. After the issuance of Mr. Mott, was that
- provision of the dec discussed among the board? 16
- A. I don't remember. I assume so. 17
- Were you still on the board at that time? 18
- 19 Yes. I was on the board. I went off March 27th.
- 20 Do you recall any meetings regarding that issue
- 21 point?
- 22 A. I do not recall meetings.
- 23 Q. Do you know if it was ultimately determined that
- the board needed to produce a contract for unit 304?
- 25 A. Yes. That was known.

- A. I honestly don't remember.
 - Q. Did you review the application?
- I saw it at some point in time. I don't remember
- when it was.

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- 5 Q. Were background searches performed?
 - A. There was some kind of a search performed because
- we knew he was, he had a scientific background. I don't
- know much more than that. I did not perform the
- 9 background search.
 - Q. Do you know if Google searches were performed?
- A. I don't know. I assume they might have been. 11
- Q. Was an interview scheduled for him? 12
 - A. I don't know that his application got that far.
- I'm not sure he ever completed the application form to
- proceed.

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- Q. So do you know if he was ever approved by the
- board? 17
- 18 A. He was not.
- 19 Q. Do you know Robert and Mary Jane Souaid?
- A. I know the name. I've met them in the interview. 20
 - Q. Were they ever Googled?
- 22 A. I did not.
- Q. Did they apply to the association? 23
 - They did.
- 25 Do you know if a Google search was performed?

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- And how was that known?
- Well, it's part of our document.
- Did you ever have that issue come up at any point
- 4 in time before Mr. Mott?
- 5 Where we had to produce a second buyer?
- 6 Yeah.
- 7 A.
- 8 Q. Did the board undergo efforts to produce a new
- 9 buyer?
- 10 Yes. Α.
- 11 Can you tell me what was done?
- 12 A. I believe they contacted Andrea Chang when they
- knew that there were other people who were interested in
- 14 the unit.
- 15 Q. Andrea Chang was Mr. Gury's agent, correct?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 Do you know who contacted Andrea Chang?
- A. I don't know. 18
- Were you involved with that process whatsoever of 19
- 20 obtaining a new buyer?
- 21 A. Nο.
- Q. Was there ever an application that you're aware
- 23 of for Michael Filshtinski?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And when did you receive that application?

- A. I don't know.
 - Was there ever any communications with you
- regarding their application?
- A. I saw their application and I was part of the
- interview.
- 6 When did the interview occur?
 - I was still on the board so maybe they were
- interviewed the end of February.
- 9 Q. Were they approved as buyers?
 - A. They were.
- 11 And how were they introduced to the board?
- 12 Through an application and an interview.
 - But were they introduced by an agent?
- 14 No. I met them at the interview.
 - You told me that Mr. Early contacted Andrea Chang
- but you don't know who Andrea Chang was. Is that
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. No, I don't know Andrea Chang. I know, I didn't
- know if she was the seller or the buyer's realtor.
- 20 Q. Do you know who Mr. Gury's realtor was?
- A. I do as of now. 21
- 22 Q. Who is that?
- 23 A. Andrea Chang.
- 24 And the Souaids, were the Souaids introduced to
- the board by Andrea Chang?

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Page 46 I don't know. I was introduced to the Souaids

2 when they came for their interview. I assume -- I don't

3 know.

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- 4 Q. Do you ever recall seeing a contract from them?
 - A. I believe I did.
- 6 Q. Do you know how that contract came to be?
- 7 A. I do not.
- 8 Can I say a little bit more?
- 9 MS. GRANT: Not unless there's a question, Kris.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 11 MS. GRANT: Just wait for the pending question
- 12 and then respond to that.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 14 BY MR. LIBERTY:
- 15 Q. Do you have anything you want to add to the
- 16 contract with the Souaids?
- 17 A. Just that the Souaids were our backup buyer that
- 18 needed to be produced by the board.
- 19 Q. But you don't know how they came to enter into
- 20 contract you testified to, correct?
- 21 A. Okay. I'm getting contract and application
- 22 confused. So how they came to contract.
- 23 O. Yeah.
- 24 A. I assume, but don't know for sure, that when Ron
- 25 Early spoke to Andrea Chang to see if there were backup

- 1 closing.
 - Q. How?
- A. By putting some type of a legal maneuver lawsuit
- 4 in place making it impossible for the Souaids to close.
 - Q. Are you aware that the Souaids had language in
- 6 their contract giving them a right to cancel the
- 7 contract?

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- A. I am not.
- 9 Q. Are you aware that the Souaids cancelled their
 - contract?
- 11 A. I was not.
- 12 Q. So then you dispute that Mr. Mott is deemed
- 13 approved under the terms of the dec?
- 14 MS. GRANT: Object to the form.
- 15 THE WITNESS: I cannot make a legal judgment on
- 16 that.
- 17 BY MR. LIBERTY:
- 18 Q. Are you in possession of any emails or text
- 9 messages which relate to the parties or events that were
- 20 discussed today that have not been produced to your
- 21 counsel?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 O. Let me take another three-minute break.
 - (A discussion was held off the record.)
- 25 (A brief recess was taken from 11:09 a.m. to

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- 1 buyers, that Andrea Chang went back to them and a
- 2 contract was written.
- 3 Q. Do you know if they ultimately closed on their
- 4 purchase?
- 5 A. They did not.
- 6 Q. Since they were not approved, what happens if an
- 7 alternative under the dec does not close within those
- 8 allotted 30 days?
- 9 A. Well, according to the document, the first buyer
- 10 then receives the property. However, in this particular
- 11 case where there was legal maneuvering to make that very
- 12 thing happen, I doubt that seems appropriate.
- 13 Q. What legal maneuvering?
- 14 A. Some type of a lawsuit.
- 15 Q. Okay. So the lawsuit we're here today?
- 16 A. I think it was -- I don't know. I don't know.
- 17 Q. So correct me if I'm wrong; what I'm
- 18 understanding your testimony is that under the dec, if
- 19 the alternative buyer doesn't close within 30 days, the
- 20 original buyer is deemed approved. Is that correct?
- 21 A. I don't know. I'm not a lawyer. I can't
- 22 interpret that.
- 23 Q. So what is your understanding of the dec then?
- 24 A. My understanding would be that the first buyer is
- 25 approved but in this case, the first buyer prevented the

- 1 11:17 a.m.)
- MR. LIBERTY: I don't have anymore questions I
- believe Mr. Arora might have some questions.
 - CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY MR. ARORA:
- 6 Q. Okay. So I have a few questions. Give me a
- 7 minute. We introduced prior to the deposition. I'm
- 8 counsel for Mr. Gury and my name is Harsh Arora. I have
- 9 a few follow-up questions for you. Everything as far as
- instructions are concerned that Mr. Liberty provided to
- 11 you previously, remain the same. If there's any
- 12 clarification that you need from me, please ask so and
- 3 I'll be happy to provide it.
- Just to be clear, you had left the board in end
- 15 of March of this year prior to the board's determination
 - of not issuing the certificate of approval to Mr. Gury,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. Yes. I left the board on March 27th, which was
- 19 before the settlement fell through so I wasn't part of
- 20 those discussions.
- 21 Q. And you weren't involved with the board when
- 22 Mr. and Mrs. Souaid terminated their contract with
- 23 Mr. Gury, correct?
 - A. That's correct.
 - Q. As far as the contract with Mr. Mott is

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Kristina Engel August 28, 2023 Page 50 1 concerned, you previously testified to the fact that you 2 were involved with the review of that application, 3 correct? 4 Yes. Α. 5 Q. And that of the application -- do you recall if the application was received on or around February 11th 7 of 2023? did not execute? 8 A. I think, I believe that's true because I think 8 9 the 12th was the Super Bowl and I think that's when we 9 started having concerns, so it was sometime around then. 10 BY MR. ARORA: 10 Okay. And was that through like an email that 11 11 12 was received by you that you know from someone? 13 A. I believe it was an email from Ron Early. Q. Okay. So let me try to show you that email. 14 14 Α. No. 15 15 Can you see my screen? 16 A. Yes, I can. Mr. Gury? 16 17 Okay. So what I'm going to mark as Defendant's 17 18 Exhibit 1 the email dated February 11, 2023 and it 18 appears to be and email from Mr. Early to the board 19 20 members including yourself, correct? 21 A. Yes.

Page 52 Q. Were those two documents received prior to the rejection of Mr. Mott's application by the board? A. The contract and the application were both received before Mr. Mott was rejected. Q. Are you aware of any document that was required to complete the transfer of the property that Mr. Gury MR. LIBERTY: Object to the form. THE WITNESS: I don't know. Q. Did the association require Mr. Gury to make a personal appearance in connection with the association's decision to approve Mr. Mott's application? Q. Did the board discuss Mr. Mott's disbarment with A. I don't know. Q. Did you ever discuss it with him? I did -- no, I did not. Was the board aware that the approval or 21 rejection of Mr. Mott's application could be problematic? 22 A. We made our decision based on legal counsel and felt we had the right to do what we did. Q. Did the board consider in any of the meetings that you attended, executive or other regular board Page 53 meetings, where the board considered that denial of Mr. Mott's application could result in litigation against Mr.

(Exhibit No. 1, Email dated 2/11/2023, was marked 22 23 for identification.) 24 BY MR. ARORA: 25 Q. So by looking at this email, does this refresh Page 51 1 your recollection that to confirm that the application of 2 Mr. Mott was received by the board on February 11th? So after February 11th and before what you saw was a combination of or actually a rejection of Mr. Mott's application, were there any documents that the board was waiting for or had requested from Mr. Gury? 8 A. Not that I remember. Were there any documents that Mr. Gury could have provided which could have helped the board to approve Mr. 11 Mott's application? 12 A. I don't know. 13 MS. GRANT: Form. 14 BY MR. ARORA: 15 Did the board ask for any specific documents from Mr. Gury to support Mr. Mott's application? 17 MS. GRANT: Form. 18 THE WITNESS: Not that I know of. 19 BY MR. ARORA: 20 Q. And so what is involved in initiating the approval process as far as the documents are concerned? 22 What documents does the association require to initiate

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the approval process?

25 and those are the two documents.

Gury? MS. GRANT: Form. THE WITNESS: I don't know. 6 BY MR. ARORA: Did the board in any of its executive sessions or board meetings discuss if Mr. Mott's application was denied, that it could result in litigation against the association? MS. GRANT: Form. 12 BY MR. ARORA: 13 0. Or the board? 14 MS. GRANT: Same objection. 15 THE WITNESS: I can answer? 16 MS. GRANT: Yes, if you can. If you can. 17 THE WITNESS: Certainly that was, that was something we considered but we felt we had the right 18 19 to go forward. 20 BY MR. ARORA: 21 Q. You had mentioned previously in your testimony about knowledge of an application that was put in by or was being considered or you had knowledge of from 24 Mr. Filshtinski. Do you recall that? 25 A. Yes.

54 to 57 Page 54 Page 56 discussions that the board had considering denial of ${\mbox{Mr}}$. Q. Did the board perform from your knowledge any due 1 2 diligence to review an application from Mr. Filshtinski? Mott's application? 3 A. I think his application, it was submitted, but 3 MS. GRANT: Object to the form. Predicate. there was a contingencies on it that was not met in a Compound. 5 BY MR. ARORA: 5 timely manner. Q. And do you remember what that contingencies was? 6 Q. You can respond. 6 7 I do not. A. Okay. Certainly there would have been concerns What Mr. Filshtinski's application automatically about Dave. I do not remember specific conversations 8 9 approved by rejection of Mr. Mott's application? about legal entanglement. We all felt, we all felt that I do not think so. we -- we all had sympathy for the position Dave was in 10 11 So the board's position at that time in February but we felt we had a backup buyer. of 2023, after rejection of Mr. Mott's application, was 12 12 Q. Do you know what a lis pendens is? 13 that Mr. Filshtinski would have to put in his application 13 A. I do not. 14 14 to seek an approval, correct? Were you aware at any time prior to leaving the 15 A. Yes. board that because of the pending lawsuit, that Mr. Gury cannot sell his property? 16 So did the board ever a proof Mr. Filshtinski's application? MS. GRANT: Object to the form. 17 17 18 BY MR. ARORA: 18 Α. 19 Q. You can respond. And I think that previously you testified that 19 20 his application didn't get that far. Do you know the 20 A. No. 21 circumstances behind that? 21 Q. Do you know if the board in any of its executive A. I think there were contingencies that were not 22 meetings or regular board meetings discussed that issue? 23 met and they had to be met by a certain date, and they 23 A. Not when I was on the board. MR. ARORA: So if I can get like a two-minute were not. 24 24 25 25 Q. Was that due to the failure on part of break, I might be wrapping up. Thank you. Page 57 Page 55 1 Mr. Filshtinski to not be able to have such contingencies (A discussion was held off the record.) 2 be met? (A brief recess was taken from 11:31 a.m. to 3 A. I don't know. 11:32 a.m.) Q. So from what you know of or what you may MR. ARORA: Thank you, Ms. Engel. I don't have anymore questions. remember, what did the association do to pursue providing Mr. Gury with a substitute purchase contract upon denial 6 MS. GRANT: I don't have any as well. If 7 of Mr. Mott's application? ordered, we'll read. A. I believe they contacted Andrea Chang to find out 8 MR. LIBERTY: I'm going to order. who the backup buyers were. 9 THE COURT REPORTER: Would anybody like a copy? 10 Q. And based on your prior testimony, was that the 10 MS. GRANT: I'm not going to order. 11 Souaids or were those backup buyers, Mr. and Mrs. 11 MR. ARORA: We are not ordering at this time 12 Souaid? 12 either. 13 A. Yes. 13 MS. GRANT: Thank you so much for your time. 14 Q. Did -- were there any discussions or did the 14 (The deposition was concluded at 11:34 a.m.)

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board consider that Mr. Gury could incur damages upon

A. I don't remember. Dave is a friend. He's a

concern. I don't know if there were discussions about

Q. So you don't remember any such discussions

22 pertaining to problems that Mr. Gury could encounter in

this one, or having force to pay the carrying costs

because he's entangled in litigation as part of the

connection with being entangled in a lawsuit, such as

rejection of Mr. Mott's application?

18 fellow resident. Certainly there would have been

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