UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

EASTERN DIVISION

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LAWRENCE E. JAFFE PENSION PLAN, ON BEHALF OF ITSELF AND ALL OTHERS SIMILARLY SITUATED,, Plaintiff,))) Lead Case. No. 02-C5893) (Consolidated)
) CLASS ACTION
- against -)
HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, INC., ET. AL.,) Judge Ronald A. Guzman
Defendants.)))

DECLARATION OF THOMAS J. KAVALER IN SUPPORT OF HOUSEHOLD DEFENDANTS' DAUBERT MOTION TO EXCLUDE THE "EXPERT" TESTIMONY OF CATHERINE A. GHIGLIERI, CHARLES CROSS AND HARRIS L. <u>DEVOR</u>

STATE OF NEW YORK)
	: ss.
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

THOMAS J. KAVALER, declares as follows:

1. I am a member of the bar of the State of New York and a member of the firm Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, attorneys for defendants Household International, Inc., Household Finance Corporation, William F. Aldinger, David A. Schoenholz, and Gary Gilmer, Defendants in this action. I have been admitted to appear before this Court *pro hac vice*. I submit this declaration to place before the Court certain information and documents referenced in Defendants' *Daubert* Motion to Exclude "Expert" Testimony of Catherine A. Ghiglieri.

- Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u> is a true and correct copy of the Report of Catherine A. Ghighlieri, which was served upon Defendants by Plaintiffs in this action on August 15, 2007.
- 3. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 2</u> is a true and correct copy of the Rebuttal Report of Catherine A. Ghiglieri, which was served upon Defendants by Plaintiffs in this action on February 1, 2008.
- 4. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 3</u> is a true and correct copy of the Transcript of the Deposition of Catherine A. Ghiglieri, dated February 13, 2008.
- 5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a true and correct copy of the Rule 26 Statement of Harris L. Devor, which was served upon Defendants by Plaintiffs in this action on March 8, 2008.
- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit 5 is a true and correct copy of the Declaration of James C. Bernstein, dated February 28, 2005 and Exhibit 1 thereto.
- 7. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 6</u> is a true and correct copy of the Transcript of the Deposition of Charles Cross, dated April 9, 2008.
- 8. Attached hereto as Exhibit 7 is a true and correct copy of the Declaration of Jason M. Hall, dated January 30, 2009.
- 9. Attached hereto as Exhibit 8 is a true and correct copy of the Declaration of John L. Bley, dated January 28, 2009.
- 10. Attached hereto as Exhibit 9 is a true and correct copy of the Morgan Stanley Report, "Worth a Look," dated Oct. 10, 2002.
- 11. Attached hereto is as <u>Exhibit 10</u> is a true and correct copy of the Transcript of the Deposition of Robert E. Litan (excerpted), dated February 27, 2008.

12. Attached hereto as Exhibit 11 is a true and correct copy of the documents

bearing production control numbers HHS 02485306 - 337 produced in this litigation.

13. Attached hereto as Exhibit 12 is a true and correct copy of Exhibit 56 from the

Deposition of Joseph A. Vozar, taken on February 7, 2007.

14. Attached and hereto as Exhibit 13 is a true and correct copy of Exhibit 24

from the Deposition of Catherine A. Ghiglieri, taken on February 13, 2008.

15. Attached and hereto as Exhibit 14 is a true and correct copy of Exhibit 26

from the Deposition of Catherine A. Ghiglieri, taken on February 13, 2008.

16. Attached hereto as Exhibit 15 is a true and correct copy of the documents

bearing production control numbers HHS ED 001036 - 53 produced in this litigation.

17. Attached hereto as Exhibit 16 is a true and correct copy of the documents

bearing production control numbers HHS-ED 016421 - 433 produced in this litigation.

19. Attached hereto as Exhibit 17 is a true and correct copy of Plaintiffs Second

Supplemental Amended Response to Defendants' [Seventh] Interrogatories (excerpted), dated

August 15, 2007.

20. Attached hereto as Exhibit 18 is a true and correct copy of Exhibit 53 to the

Report of Daniel R. Fischel, served upon Defendants by Plaintiffs in this action on August 15,

2007.

Executed this 30th day of January, 2009, in New York, New York.

/s / Thomas J. Kavaler Thomas J. Kavaler

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VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF

CATHERINE A. GHIGLIERI

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8	Department - Summary of Findings		10	representing LiveNote World Service, located at 221 Main
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11 12			14	of LiveNote World Service.
13			15	Today's deposition is being taken on behalf of
14			16	Defendants and is taking place at 100 Pine Street in San
15			17	Francisco, California.
16			18	If counsel will now please introduce
17			19	yourselves and state whom you represent.
19			20	MR. BAKER: Cameron Baker on behalf of the
20			21	Plaintiffs. With me is Azra Mehdi, Luke Brooks and
21			22	Spencer Burkholz.
22			23	MR. KAVALER: Thomas J. Kavaler, Cahill,
23			24	Gordon & Reindel, LLP, for the Defendants.
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7	Plaintiffs,		/	Reindel also for the Defendants.
9	vs. Lead Case No. 02-C-5893 HOUSEHOLD INTERNATIONAL, INC.,		8	VIDEOGRAPHER: Swear the witness.
"	et al.,		9	MR. BAKER: Just one bit of housekeeping just
10	,		10	so the record is clear.
	Defendants.		11	Before the deposition started I handed counsel
11			12	for defense three pages, Ghiglieri 003 through 0005.
12	^		13	(Thereupon the oath was administered by the
1 0	oOo		14	Court Reporter to the witness.)
13 14	RE IT DEMEMBEDED, that on Wednesday		15	EXAMINATION
15	BE IT REMEMBERED, that on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 commencing at the hour of 9:29 a.m.		16	BY MR. KAVALER:
16	thereof, at the offices of Coughlin Stoia Geller		17	Q. Good morning.
17	Rudman & Robbins, LLP, 100 Pine Street, Suite 2600, S	an	18	My name is Tom Kavaler. I represent the
18	Francisco, California, before me, Carol Nygard Drobny,		19	Household Defendants in this case.
19	Certified Shorthand Reporter of the State of California,		20	I'm going to ask you some questions today.
20	there personally appeared		21	Let me start with this one.
21	CATHERINE A. GHIGLIERI,		22	How do you pronounce your name?
22	called as a witness by the Defendants, who, being by me		23	A. Ghiglieri.
23 24	first duly sworn, was thereupon examined and interrogated as hereinafter set forth.		24	Q. Ghiglieri. Okay.
	VIDEOGRAPHER: This begins the videotaped		25	If I get it wrong, please correct me. I'll
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Page 12 Page 10 all the exhibits to all the depositions, all the try to get it right. regulatory reports. Ms. Ghiglieri, have you had your deposition 2 2 Any -- anything that I asked for or inquired 3 3 taken before? about I was able to obtain. 4 4 A. I have. Q. And you selected those which you wanted to 5 O. Okay. So you know what we're about here. 5 6 rely on in your report --6 And you're a lawyer? 7 A. I am. I'm not a practicing lawyer, but I'm A. Yes. 7 8 -- from among that universe? licensed in Georgia and D.C., yeah. Q. 8 9 A. Yes, sir. 9 Q. Uh-huh. Okay. 10 Okay. And the same with the testimony, you 10 And so you understand these proceedings? had access to the depositions through LiveNote and you 11 11 selected from among that universe those portions of O. And you've written two expert reports in this 12 12 13 testimony you wanted to rely on? case? 13 14 A. Yes, sir. 14 A. I have. O. Okay. Now, do you believe that it's incumbent 15 MR. KAVALER: Let's mark those as Exhibits 1 15 upon an expert witness to give testimony that is and 2. That will be 1 and this will be 2. 16 16 (Exhibit Nos. 1 and 2 were marked for 17 reliable? 17 18 A. Identification.) 18 O. And testimony that is honest? MR. BAKER: Counsel, would you mind if Ms. 19 19 Ghiglieri uses -- uses her own copies she's brought 20 A. Yes. 20 21 O. Testimony that is unbiased? 21 here? MR. KAVALER: That's fine. So just give those 22 A. 22 to Mr. Baker, and those can be his copies. 23 O. Do you believe it is incumbent upon an expert 23 witness to be thorough and complete? 24 24 THE WITNESS: Okay. 25 A. Yes. 25 BY MR. KAVALER: Page 13 Page 11 1 Q. Do you believe an expert witness should be O. And, Ms. Ghiglieri, you're appearing today as 1 2 knowledgeable in the field about which he or she is an expert witness; is that right? 2 testifying? 3 3 A. Yes, sir. 4 Q. And have you acted as an expert witness 4 A. Yes. Q. Do you believe that an expert witness should 5 5 previously? apply a body of knowledge not generally known to lay 6 6 A. I have. 7 Q. And what standards do you hold yourself to as people? 7 8 A. Yes. 8 an expert? A. I try and -- I look at the documents, the 9 O. Do you believe an expert witness should be 9 testimony, and any other materials in an objective careful in the utilization of the materials that he or 10 10 she is working with? fashion, not for the parties that retain me or -- or, 11 And what do you mean by "careful"? 12 you know, without any bias or prejudice and arrive at my 12 Well, I'll give you some examples. 13 13 own opinions. If you're quoting, for example, you should not 14 Q. And did you do that in this case? 14 quote things out of context? 15

A. Yes, sir. 15

O. And the documents you looked at and the

testimony that you looked at are reflected in your 17 18

report?

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A. The documents that I relied upon for my 19

opinions are reflected in this report. I looked at 20

other documents that I didn't use to formulate my

22 opinions.

O. Where did you get the universe of documents 23

24 that you looked at?

A. Well, I had access to LiveNote, and so I had

A. I -- yes, I mean, that's -- you should quote straight from the document, yes.

22 O. Okay. And you shouldn't prepare a summary of 23

testimony, for example, that is not faithful to the

Quote things out of context.

O. If you're -- if you're -- in your report

quoting from a document, you shouldn't change the

meaning of a sentence by elipsing out some of the words,

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Q. And you should be well informed about the materials that you're working with about the record in this case, as you said, the universe that you found on LiveNote?

A. Well, it's beyond that.

I mean, there were other documents that weren't on LiveNote, but there were a lot of documents that were exhibits.

10 I mean, I had access to any document that I 11 wanted in this case.

Q. Uh-huh. 12

13 And you think it was part of your 14 responsibility to be well informed about what's in those 15 documents?

A. Yes. 16

17 Q. And you think it's incumbent upon an expert to 18 be diligent in her research?

A. Yes. 19

O. And to be accurate? 20

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Fair?

23 A. Yes.

Q. Forthright? 24

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THE WITNESS: Well, what I do is look at the 1 2 entire record and from a regulatory standpoint make judgments based on my experience, and, you know, what 3 I'm bringing to the table is what -- what I know from my 4

5 regulatory experience.

> So there's sometimes that you extrapolate and sometimes that you don't. It just depends on the situation.

BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. You used the phrase "from a regulatory 10 standpoint" and based on your experience as a regulator. 11

Tell me what you mean by that.

What is a "regulator" in this context? 13

A. What do you mean, "What is a 'regulator'?"

O. Well, you said "I make judgments based upon my 15 experience as a regulator, and I look at things from a 16

17 regulatory standpoint."

Right. 18 A. 19

Right? O.

20 For example, there's a thing called a

"regulator" in your automobile. I have no idea what it 21

does, but I'm sure that's not what you are. 23

No. I'm not an automobile, that's true.

Okay. So when you say, "I look at things from 24 O.

25 a regulatory standpoint," what do you mean?

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O. And not to ignore facts that are inconsistent with the opinion that you're giving in this matter?

In other words, if you're opining that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west and you see that as suggesting that the sun rises in the west and sets in the east, you shouldn't ignore that data, you should take count of it?

A. Yes.

9 Q. And would you agree that an expert should avoid unsupported extrapolation? 10

A. And what do you mean by that? 11

O. Well, for example, if you see one instance of 12 something, if you see a child with red socks, you should 13 14 not conclude that all children wear red socks?

MR. BAKER: Let me object.

That's an incomplete hypothetical. 16

THE WITNESS: Yeah. I -- I don't know how to 17

18 answer that.

BY MR. KAVALER: 19

Q. Okay. Do you know what "extrapolation" 20 21 means?

22 A. Uh-huh.

Q. Okay. When do you think it's appropriate to 23

24 extrapolate?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound.

What is a "regulator" in this context?

A. Well, a "regulator" is -- financial

3 institutions, mortgage lending.

You know, there are - I was a regulator of the funeral industry, too, in Texas, but I did not draw upon my experience in the funeral industry to opine -make my opinions in this case.

So --

Q. What -- I take it you were a regulator in 9

10 Texas?

11 A. Yes.

12 And what did you regulate?

A. I regulated banks and trust companies, prepaid 13

funeral contracts, perpetual care cemetaries, currency 14

exchanges, formed bank agencies, sale of check 15

16 licensees.

17 O. Is Household any of those things?

> A. Is Household any of those things?

19 O.

Well, they did have a thrift, which some

people consider a bank, so I -- there was one slice of 21

their operation that -- was a bank. 22

Is that what you mean?

24 Q. What percentage of Household's gross revenues 25 were accounted for by that thrift in each of the years

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that you've examined?

- 2 A. Oh, I have no idea.
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- A. I have no idea. 4
- 5 O. 25 percent?

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- 6 A. I didn't calculate it.
 - Q. 50 percent?
- 8 A. You keep asking me those questions.
 - I didn't calculate it.
- O. You have no idea what percentage of 10
- Household's gross revenues are attributable to what you
- described as a thrift? 12
- 13 A. I did not calculate it.
- Q. You have no ability whatsoever to answer my 14
- 15 question; is that right?
- A. I said I did not calculate it. 16
- 17 Q. Okay. Other than the possible fact that
- 18 Household might have included a thrift of some unknown
- dimension is there anything else about Household's
- business that came within the ambit of your regulatory 20
- scope in Texas? 21
- 22 A. Well, sure. I mean, they made mortgages, and
- the -- the fact that Household Finance is a finance 23
- company and the criticisms that was in Mr. Bley and
- Mr. Lasusa's report fails to consider what my background

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supervision. It's one of the few states that doesn't. 1

That doesn't mean that I'm not -- I don't have 2 3 experience that's directly on point with what Household 4 did on its mortgage portfolio.

Q. What that a "yes" or "no" response to my question?

Did you personally regulate Household, "yes" or "no"?

- A. No. You know that I didn't.
- Q. Okay. Now, you also mentioned -- tell me what 10 a regulator does. 11

What does a regulator do?

- A. In terms of what industry? 13
- 14 O. Well, you seem to think that it makes no 15 difference.

Let's take the finance company industry.

17 What does the regulator of a finance company do to regulate a finance company?

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A. Well, I can answer that based on my 19 20 background, which is the only thing that I should rely

21 upon, and that is a regulator goes in, makes sure --

first of all, that there's reason to give that entity a 22

23 license, which was another criticism in your expert's

report, but every regulator regardless of what they're 24

25 regulating has standards that they apply when an entity

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is with the OCC and the Texas Banking Commissioner and

that is, you know, finance companies make mortgages and so do banks, and finance companies you have to comply

with consumer laws which is Regulation Z and RESPA, and

5 Regulation B and so do banks.

the mortgage side is silly.

Also finance companies have to determine repayment capacity of borrowers, as do banks, and I have extensive experience in looking at compliance.

You know, I perform compliance examinations. I perform examinations of mortgage portfolios, you know, in banks all over the United States, and I think trying to zero in on a finance company's distinction between what they do on the mortgage side and what banks do on

I mean, tomorrow I could go to Washington state and become the Director for the Department of Financial Institutions and not miss a beat, because it's within my experience to be able to regulate finance companies.

20 So I think this distinction that I read in your expert reports is -- is silly as far --21

- 22 O. Household did business in Texas; correct?
- 23 A. Yes, they did.
- 24 O. Did you regulate Household?
 - A. As you know, Texas does not have consolidated

1 applies for a license.

> So first you have to determine if you want them operating in your state or on the federal level.

> I was a federal regulator for 18 years, and the standards are similar. You want people of high caliber operating in your state, honest people.

In banking you don't let convicted felons have a bank charter, and also you have some sort of supervisory responsibility. So you make sure that they're in compliance with the laws, and you also make sure that they have sufficient capital to operate.

In banking we call that "safety and soundness." Checking compliance with the laws, we call that "compliance."

Those are buzz words that the regulators use.

So it doesn't matter what the entity is. 16

Those are the standards that you apply. 17

18 O. Okay. Let's go back to this list we were discussing earlier of the attributes of an expert 19 20 witness.

21 I'm not sure we came to closure on extrapolation. Mr. Baker objected to my hypothetical. 22

23 Let me try another one.

24 Before concluding that something is 25 company-wide or systemic is there a threshold level of

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- A. I'm not sure that I understand that question.
- Q. Okay. If you were looking at some company to find out if it engaged in some practice and you found one instance where they engaged in it, would you say -would you testify that that company routinely and regularly engages in that practice?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Incomplete hypothetical.

THE WITNESS: It would depend on what the 11 issue is.

Consumer complaints is a good example of -- of 13 that, and the -- what you have to approach consumer complaints with and what -- what I did when I --15 supervised the complaint process that -- at the OCC and 16 at the Department of Banking is you have to take in to 17 consideration how many people generally are -- are

- 18 unhappy enough to actually file a formal complaint, 19 because all the regulators make them file complaints in
- 20 writing, and it takes time for people to, you know, pull
- 21 documents together, to actually make the -- the formal
- 22 complaint, and so you have to take in to account the
- difficulty with which -- you know, it -- the level with
- 24 which -- or the amount of effort it takes to file a
- 25 complaint.

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1 Does a regulator take in to account how large 2 the customer base is, for example, one complaint, if you have 10 customers, might or might not look different to a regulator than one complaint if you half a million 5 customers.

Do you take that in to account?

- A. You take in to account all sorts of factors.
- Okay. And when you're testifying as an expert or acting as an expert preparing an expert report, do you have to be as careful as you would be in your regular professional work?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And do you have to prepare your report 14 carefully, understanding that the Court, and the jury, 15 and adverse counsel, and experts on the other side will all rely upon what you've written?
- 17 A. Sure.
- 18 Q. And, when you're considering what significance something is, do you have to account for obvious 20 alternative explanations?
- A. I think you have to take everything in to 21 22 consideration.
 - That would be a "yes"? Q.
- 24 A. Well, I think its goes beyond that. 25

I mean, you have to take in to consideration

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If you have -- for example, you go in on an examination and you see one violation of Regulation O or one overdraft by an officer which is a violation of law, it can be, is that a systemic issue? Probably not.

If you have one complaint here and one complaint there and they're all similar, it may be something else that you conclude.

So it depends on what it is.

Q. Well, let's explore that.

10 You say one complaint of one particular thing 11 wouldn't be a systemic issue.

Is there a generally recognized threshold among regulators as when something crosses the line from being not a systemic issue to being a systemic issue?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes her 16 prior testimony.

THE WITNESS: I have never seen a regulator say you have to have 10 complaints of this before you 18 19 consider it systemic.

20 You have to take in to consideration what the 21 issue is and what you're seeing in terms of what's in the complaints, so it's more subjective.

- 23 BY MR, KAVALER:
- 24 Q. Do you have to take in to account --25

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the context. I mean, there's any number of things.

2 I -- I would never be able to just say these 3 are the things that you have to take in to consideration, but that's one of many things.

- 5 Q. Would you rely only on sound evidence?
 - What's your definition of "sound."
- 7 Q. What's your definition of "sound"?
 - A. I don't know. I didn't ask the question.
- 9 Q. So you don't know what "sound evidence" is?
- 10 A. Well, I'd like to understand the question

11 before I answer it.

12 Q. Would multiple hearsay be sound evidence?

13 Would it be something you'd rely on?

14 A says B says C told him something. Would 15 that be something you'd rely on?

16 MR. BAKER: Objection. She's not a legal 17 expert.

18 THE WITNESS: I don't look at something and 19 try and decide if it's hearsay or not. I -- I look at

all the factors in the case and then draw conclusions

21 from that.

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- 22 BY MR. KAVALER:
- 23 Q. Do you look for evidence of things like 24 surveys, or objective metrics, or things like that?
 - A. If they're available, I consider it, yes.

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Page 26 1 Q. Did you consider any such evidence in this 1 2 case? 2 3 3 A. I considered some studies and some surveys. Q. What surveys did you consider? 4 4 5 A. KPMG's study, the benchmarking study. 5 6 6 Q. Right. 7 A. The effective rate study that Household did. 7 So if it was available, I tried to consider it. 8 8 9 This -- this case is extremely document 9 intensive, and, you know, I tried to look at as many 10 documents as I possibly could. 11

- Q. Did you conduct any surveys? 12
- 13 A. No, I didn't.
- 14 O. Did you cause anyone else to conduct any 15 surveys?
- 16 A. No. I generally don't do that.
- 17 Q. As -- when you're acting as an expert, do you
- avoid going on the basis of your gut feel? 18
- 19 A. Well, I approach everything with my
- experience, and -- and I did -- I've done a lot of fraud 20
- examinations, and a lot of fraud examinations you have a 21
- 22 feeling for that something's not right, so I think
- 23 that's just part of what everyone brings to the table.
- 24 I know I do.

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25 Q. Do you utilize common sense? giving your expert opinion?

MR. BAKER: Same objection.

THE WITNESS: What do you mean by "personal" versus "professional"?

BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Well, for example, some people vote Democratic, some people vote Republican. Those are personal choices.

Some people attend one church, some people attend another church. Those are personal choices.

11 Your professional opinion, I would imagine, 12 has nothing to do with any personal matters that pertain

to you, it reflects only your professional judgment as a 13 14

regulator; is that true?

15 A. I don't know. I've never heard it sliced and 16 diced like that.

17 I -- I try and look at all the data that's involved in a case subjectively --18

19 O. Uh-huh.

20 A. -- and I try and arrive at opinions that can

be supported by what I'm looking at. 21

Do you utilize any kind of scientific method? 22

Not -- as I've seen that term used in medical 23

24 cases, and some other cases I would say no.

25 Do you make an effort to conduct processes and

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1 procedures that can be replicated by others?

2 A. I have no one else working for me, so I -- I

3 do all my own work. 4 Q. Well, do you -- have you done any study or

5 analysis, for example, that Mr. Bley could do the same study and analysis of the same data and come to the same 7 conclusion?

8 A. I think I said I haven't performed any outside 9 studies on this.

10 Q. All right. So you understand the word "replicable"? 11

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. All right. So nothing you've done is

14 replicable by our experts?

A. Well, Mr. Bley and I have the same background, 15 or at least similar backgrounds, so theoretically we 17 should be able to look at the same data and come up with the same conclusions, if that's what you mean. 18

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Q. Well, what I'm focusing on here is more 20 methodology.

21 Did the -- did you use a particular 22 methodology -- let me ask it this way.

23 Did you use a methodology which in your 24 judgment all similarly qualified regulators would

A. I hope so.

2 O. Do you consciously say to yourself, "Well, if 3 the only thing supporting what I'm saying is common sense, then I shouldn't say it"? 4

5 A. I try and look at all the documents, deposition testimony, everything that's in the case, and 7 draw as sound as conclusions as I can.

8 O. But my question is, are you bringing to bear 9 some body of expertise other than simply common sense?

10 A. Well, all of my experience, my regulatory knowledge, you know, everything I've seen over the 11 course of 30 years regarding fraud or mortgage fraud, 12 you know, supervisory issues, that's all a part of what 14 I'm bringing to the table.

Q. Do you utilize your personal opinions at all 15 when you're giving your expert opinion?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. 17 What do you mean by "personal opinions"? 18

19 Obviously, any opinion she has is a personal 20 opinion.

THE WITNESS: I don't understand the question. 21 22 BY MR. KAVALER:

23 O. Sure.

24 You exercise your -- you render your personal opinions or your professional opinions when you're

recognize as the right way to do it?

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A. I used the methodology that I used in examining regulated entities, all the regulated entities that I've ever had jurisdiction over.

I approach every case the same way. I use the same method. I look at all the data. I consider everything. I look at what the law says and apply my opinions to it.

O. Let's explore that.

When you -- when you were acting as a regulator and you were examining an entity under your jurisdiction, did you conduct an interview of the 12 entity?

A. Well, we were inside the entity, so we were 13 14 talking to people that were employed there.

Is that what you mean?

Q. Right. Yes. Precisely. 16

You had discussions with people employed by 17 18 the entity?

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20 Q. And did you have discussions with customers of

21 the entity?

22 A. Generally, no.

23 O. Uh-huh.

24 Did you take the complaints that you generated

25 from customers, show them to the people at the entity

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1 Ghiglieri?

THE WITNESS: No.

BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Oh, go ahead. Please.

5 So you ask the regulated entity for their response, because, much like Mr. Cross said in his 6 7 deposition, is, you know, you have a relationship with 8 the entity.

You want to -- you know, you have ongoing discussions with them, and so, when you get a complaint, you want to know what their side of the story is so that you can make a decision on whether or not you think there's something amiss or not. 13

When I'm hired as an expert in any case that I decide to take, I don't go out and interview the parties to the case.

17 I -- I try and look at just what the record tells me, and I draw my conclusions from it. 18

19 I -- I just -- I just do not do that. I don't 20 go out there and do that.

Q. So we have a different methodology when you 21 22 act as an expert than the methodolgy that you utilize 23 when you acted as a regulator; is that right?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous as 25 to what the term "methodology" means in this context.

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and say "What's your explanation for this?" A. Yes, that's a -- that's a routine that at

2 3 least all the regulatory agencies that I'm aware of use.

Q. Did you do anything like that here in 5 preparing to render your expert report?

A. I'm not sure I understand that question.

O. Did you sit down with anybody from Household and confront them with any of the complaints that you were looking at and ask them for their response?

10 A. No, and I would -- I never do something like 11 that.

12 O. You never do something like that when you're acting as an expert, but you always do that when you're 13 acting as a regulator? 14

15 A. Well, the regulatory process is this: You receive a complaint against an entity, you send a copy of that to the regulated entity, ask them for their 17 18 response.

19 Q. Why do you do that?

A. Because you want to see --

21 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, can you let her

22 finish.

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MR. KAVALER: Oh, sure. I thought she was 23

24 finished.

MR. BAKER: Did you finish your answer, Ms.

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THE WITNESS: Well, one of the things as an

2 expert I do is I look at the exchange of information in the process I just described that I would use if I was 3

4 still a regulator to -- to see what the exchange was

5 between the regulator and the entity such as Household,

like what was Household's response to this complaint, 7 you know, all the responses that Household had I -- I

8 looked at to see what was their response to the

9 complaints that the regulators sent them.

10 That's something that I routinely look at as 11 an expert.

Obviously, when I'm on the other side of the 13 fence, I'm getting the information and analyzing it directly from the regulated entity. 14

BY MR. KAVALER: 15

Q. So it would be fair to say you act differently 16 17 when you're acting as an expert than you would when 18 you're acting as a regulator?

19 A. Well, it's a different job. I mean, I -- when 20 I was a regulator, I had different responsibilities than 21 I do as an expert.

Q. Do you regard as part of your role as an 22 23 expert to quantify data where possible?

24 MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. 25 THE WITNESS: I'm not sure I know what you

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3 Q. Well, for example, when you say "I found X," 4 do you find it appropriate to say "I found one instance of X," "two instances," "three instances," "30 percent 5 of the things I looked at had X in them," "X was 7 universal," things like that? 8

That's quantifying.

9 MR. BAKER: Objection. Incomplete 10 hypothetical.

11 THE WITNESS: It depends on what -- what it 12 1S.

13 If I think it's necessary to put something, data like that in to the report, I will. 14

15 If I don't think it's necessary, I won't.

16 BY MR, KAVALER:

17 Q. Okay. Do you make an effort to use the best 18 evidence that's available for any particular point?

MR. BAKER: Are you using the term "best evidence" in the legal context, Mr. Kavaler, or common sense, normal definition?

22 THE WITNESS: I don't understand your 23 question.

24 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Do you make any effort to hierarchize the

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pretend to have the power to read people's minds? 2 A. I don't know what you mean by that.

3 Well, for example, you confine yourself to 4 objective facts, someone did this, someone said that, 5 someone wrote this, someone received this, as opposed to 6 they must have been thinking of X or Y.

That's mind reading; right?

MR. BAKER: Compound.

THE WITNESS: I think that when you're an expert and you're looking at a body of documents you have to make certain judgments, whether you find this reliable or that not reliable, and -- and how much weight you're going to give it to your opinions.

I mean, I think that's something that -- as an expert you have to do, because not everything is going to have the same weight to you based on your experience. BY MR. KAVALER:

18 Q. And do you consciously segregate things in to 19 different categories as having more weight based on your 20 experience or less weight based on your experience?

A. Probably subconsciously I do.

22 I think you would have to to come up with 23 conclusions based on a large number of documents.

24 Q. And do you, therefore, make an effort to rely 25 exclusively or primarily on things that have greater

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1 weight in your experience?

A. I'm not sure I -- I'm following you.

2 3 Q. You just told me that you at least

subconsciously divide things in to categories of more

5 credible and less credible or more reliable and less 6 reliable, and I'm asking whether once you've done that

7 exercise in your mind you make an effort to rely

8 exclusively on the ones you find more reliable or you

9 just use them all?

10 A. I think I — I think I would have to 11 characterize my approach to it as I try and use 12 everything and then make decisions on what my opinions are based on how reliable I feel the documents are or 13 14 the testimony, or whatever.

15 Q. So you would use in the first instance both 16 things you find reliable and things you find unreliable?

A. Well, when I say "use," maybe a better word 17 would be "consider." I think you have to take in to 18 19 consideration all of the documents that are available. 20

Q. All right. Now, when you're acting as an expert --

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23 When you're acting as a regulator, are there 24 kinds of things that you just don't take in to account, 25 you just find them insufficiently reliable to be part of

quality of the materials you're looking at?

A. Did you say "hierarchize"?

Q. Uh-huh.

A. I've never heard that word before.

I mean, I understand, I guess, what you mean.

I -- what I try and do is look at all the evidence -- all of the documents in the case, whether or not they're evidence that the Judge will accept or not.

I try and look at all the deposition testimony. I try and look at all the documents that are produced, and -- and from that I try and draw the conclusions that I think are appropriate.

13 Q. You used the phrase just now "whether the 14 Judge will accept it or not." 15

What did you mean by that?

16 A. Well, you talked about hearsay. I don't -- I 17 don't try and figure out whether something is admissible 18 or not.

19 I mean, if it's been produced by either side, 20 I try and take it in to consideration, and, of course, 21 this case is just so hugely document intensive I'm sure 22 there are documents, you know, that I didn't see, but I 23 did my best to try and look at as many as possible. 24 Q. All right. Do you make it one of your principles when you're rendering an expert report not to

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the regulatory process?

- A. Nothing comes to mind that would be so insignificant that I wouldn't rely on it, but I'm sure there probably is something. I'm just not thinking of it.
- Q. Okay. And these principles that you and I have discussed here this morning so far, you've utilized those in performing your role as an expert in this case?
- 10 O. And you've utilized them in preparing your two reports which are now marked as Exhibits 1 and 2? 11
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- 13 Q. What do you understand this case to be about?
- 14A. Well, I was asked -- I can tell you what I was 15 asked to opine on, because I know that I -- I'm not the only expert that's in this case. 16

I was asked to look at whether or not 18 Household engaged in predatory lending practices, and I 19 was asked to look at their reage policies, reaging and 20 restructure policies.

- 21 Q. Okay. Do you have any understanding of what 22 the case is about, or you simply were asked to focus on 23 those two questions in a vacuum and you don't know what 24 the case is about?
- 25 A. Oh, in terms of -- well, I think I gave a

1 questions.

2 So will you explain your question first. 3

MR. KAVALER: Did you understand my question?

MR. BAKER: You don't have to answer the question 'til he makes that explanation.

6 BY MR. KAVALER:

> Q. Are you unable to answer my question? MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, I've asked you a

question. You need to clarify your question so I can 10 act appropriately.

Will you please clarify your question.

MR. KAVALER: If I thought there was any 13 chance in the world that you would start acting appropriately I would be very encouraged. I'm asking 15 the witness a question.

16 MR. BAKER: Let me hand you a copy of the 17 stipulation, and why don't you review it and why don't 18 you figure out what you're asking, and if you're asking 19 appropriate things,

20 BY MR. KAVALER:

21 Q. Ms. Ghiglieri, I'd like you to answer my 22 question. If you don't want to answer my question, 23 that's also fine. The consequences will be what they 24 are.

My question is, do you have an understanding

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brief summary of the case, but like -- I'm not the only expert, so I'm sure there's other issues there that are beyond the scope of what I was asked to opine on.

O. Do you know what kind of case this is? MR. BAKER: At this point, Tom, I want to object.

I want to ask you, Mr. Kavaler, you know the parties have a stipulation that the communications between the expert and counsel are not within the subject of deposition questions.

Are your questions here intended to elicit the 12 subject of -- matter of communications between counsel 13 and Ms. Ghiglieri, or are you attempting to find out what Ms. Ghiglieri independent of counsel understands 14 15 this case to be about?

16 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Did you understand the question?

MR. BAKER: No. I have an objection here, and we have -- the parties have an agerement.

20 Would you explain the nature of your question 21 so she can respond.

22 Because if you're asking about the subject 23 matter of communication between counsel and Ms. Ghiglieri, that's the subject of a party 24

stipulation, and you're not permitted to ask those

1 what this case is about?

> MR. BAKER: In answering your question, Ms. Ghiglieri, exclude the subject matter of any communications between counsel and yourself.

If you have an independent understanding of what this case is about.

THE WITNESS: Okay. Let's see.

How about if I refer to my report here.

BY MR. KAVALER:

- 10 Q. Tell me what page you're on, please. 11
 - A. Page 9.
- 12 Q. Uh-huh. And just so we understand each other 13 for the record, when you say "my report," you're
- 14 referring to your first report which we've marked as
- Exhibit 1 in this case; right? 15
- 16 A. I'm sorry. I do have two reports, and I will 17 call this one my rebuttal report and I'll call this one 18 my report if you're okay.

19 MR. KAVALER: The problem is the word "this 20 one" doesn't solve the problem.

21 THE WITNESS: Okay.

22 BY MR. KAVALER:

- O. Exhibit 1 --
- 24 A. Exhibit 1 is my first report.
- 25 -- is your first report.

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Page 42 Page 44 Exhibit 2 is your rebuttal report; right? 1 1 example? 2 A. Okay. 2 A. No. In Texas we have a separate Securities 3 Q. Okay. You can call it your "rebuttal report" Commissioner. and "my report," and the record will reflect when you Q. All right. Have you ever enforced any 5 say "my report" you mean Exhibit 1, --5 disclosure based law? 6 A. Exhibit 1. 6 MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. 7 Q. -- and when you say "my rebuttal report," you 7 THE WITNESS: In terms of what? 8 mean Exhibit 2; fair enough? 8 BY MR. KAVALER: 9 A. That's fine. 9 O. Any law where the kinds of -- the disclosure MR. BAKER: Both you need to slow down because 10 is part of what you're enforcing or regulating? 10 A. Well, consumer compliance laws are disclosure 11 you're talking over each other, and I'm sure the Court 11 12 Reporter would appreciate it if you would take time to 12 based. 13 answer the question and to let Ms. Ghiglieri finish her 13 Q. And tell me what you mean by "disclosure 14 statement before you interrupt her. 14 based" in that context. 15 BY MR. KAVALER: 15 A. Well, where the regulated entity has to Q. Tell me what on page 9 you want to call my 16 16 disclose certain information to a borrower. 17 attention to, please. 17 Q. Right. A. If you look at the facts of the case, this is 18 18 And what is the purpose of that kind of 19 my understanding of the case. 19 regulation? 20 Q. Okay. 20 A. Well, each law has its own purpose, but A. It's a securities fraud case against 21 21 generally they're so that the -- Applicant can compare 22 Household, and I list here some other information about 22 -- you know, Regulations Z, for example, is for the 23 borrower to be able to compare rates that they could get 24 Q. All right. And this is derived from your at various lenders. Regulation DD is so that they can 25 reading of the complaint? -- depositors can compare rates that they can get on Page 43 Page 45 A. Of the complaint and other documents. I 1 savings accounts. 2 looked at all the documents before I did this report. 2 So it just depends on what the law is and what 3 Q. Right. 3 the topic is. 4 And you understand that the Plaintiffs are a 4 O. And from the perspective of the regulated class of investors? 5 entity, the lender, how does it comply with a disclosure 5 6 A. Yes. based regime? 7 Q. And that the Plaintiffs are not borrowers from 7 Does it disclose what the regime requires it Household, they're not suing in that capacity? 8 8 to disclose? 9 A. Yes, I understand that. 9 MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound. 10 Q. And you understand that the securities laws 10 THE WITNESS: I'm not sure I follow what your are largely focused on the question of disclosure? question is. 11 11 12 MR. BAKER: Objection to the extent it calls 12 BY MR. KAVALER: 13 for a legal conclusion. Q. Okay. I'm a bank or a finance company. 13 14 THE WITNESS: Actually, I haven't given that 14 You're the regulator. There's one of these rules you 15 any thought. That's outside of anything that I was 15 just talked about, Z or DD. Presumably there's asked to opine on. So -somewhere I can go and find out what I have to disclose 16 16 BY MR. KAVALER: to the lender, and I disclose it, I put it on the piece 17 17 O. Okay. Are you aware -- withdrawn. of paper, and I say "Here are these facts." 18 18 Have you ever in any of your professional 19 19 That's how I comply with the disclosure capacities acted on behalf of investors or shareholders? 20 20 requirements? 21 A. In what respect? 21 MR. BAKER: Is that a question or is that a 22 O. Have you ever as a lawyer represented 22 statement? 23 investors? 23 THE WITNESS: I would -- I have the same

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question. Is --

25 BY MR. KAVALER:

Have you ever been a securities regulator, for

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Q. How does the regulated entity comply with the 2 disclosure requirements?

Is it by disclosing the required information? MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound.

THE WITNESS: Disclosing -- I'm sorry.

If you're asking me how a lender goes about complying with Reg Z, for example, there's certain documents they have to give the borrower that have to contain certain information, and the information has to be accurate.

So there are -- several issues. They don't 12 just fill out the form and whatever they slap on there 13 is okay for disclosure. It has to be accurate. So --BY MR. KAVALER: 14

- 15 Q. But if they -- if they do the two things you 16 mention, if they give them the required information and 17 it is accurate, then they've conformed, complied with the disclosure requirement?
- 19 A. Depending on what the requirement is, but if 20 that's all they have to do, then they would comply with 21
- 22 Q. Okay. So if they -- if they did that, for 23 example, in that one limited instance you as a regulator would have no -- would have no criticism of them from the perspective of their compliance with that disclosure

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- Q. Is that a definition that you personally created or did you go and look it up someplace?
- 3 A. I created it based on all the information 4 that's out there.
- 5 Q. Okay. And when did you create it?
- 6 A. When I was thinking about this case in 7 preparation for the deposition.
- Q. So it's not a definition that you -- let's start with that you created back when you were a 10 regulator?
 - A. No.
- 12 And it's not a definition that you created for 13 some other purpose prior to being engaged for this assignment in this case? 14
 - A. No. I -- I just said when I created it.
 - O. Right.

17 I'm just trying to flesh out so I understand 18 correctly what -- what the parameters of your testimony 19 are.

20 It's not a definition you looked up someplace 21 in a resource manual?

A. Well, there is no definition of "predatory lending" that -- any one definition, and I discussed that extensively in my report.

It's sort of like trying to come up with the

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- 1 based regime; correct?
- 2 A. For that particular law?
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- 4 A. I guess, I mean, if I'm following what you're 5 saving.
 - Q. And in that case there's nothing else that they would have to do -- withdrawn.

I think you used the phrase "predatory" earlier in your testimony, one of your answers, "predatory lending."

11 Do you recall that?

- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Okay. Are you familiar with the phrase 14 "predatory lending"?
- A. Yes. 15
- 16 Q. What does "predatory lending" mean?
- 17 A. Well, the definition that -- that I've reached
- after looking at everything that was out there during
- the class period -- I'll give you the definition that I 20 think covers what was generally known, and that is
- 21 making a loan to a financially unsophisticated borrower,
- 22 oftentimes not English-speaking, using deceptive or
- 23 illegal sales practices and with deceptive or illegal
- 24 loan terms, and I think that covers what generally was
- 25 out there during the class period.

- definition of "fraud."
- 2 As soon as you do, somebody will come up with 3 a way to get around it.

So -- but I think what I -- my definition is a good characterization of the information that was out there during the class period.

- Q. So, in other words, would you agree with me that you know predatory lending practices when you see
- 9 them, but trying to come up with any definition is difficult? 10
- 11 A. Well, I think I've -- my report reflects that
- 12 those were some of the quotes from some of the 13 regulators.
 - Q. And do you agree with that?
- 15 It's like I think it was pornography, you know
- 16 it when you see it. Several of them have said that.
- 17 But my question to you is, do you agree with that? 18
- 19 That you know it when you see it?
- 20 Q. Do you agree that predatory lending practices,
- 21 you know them when you see them, but trying to come up
- with a neat definition is difficult? 22
- 23 A. Well, I mean, I think that's a good
- 24 characterization of why it's difficult to -- to put a
 - box around it. You know, these 25 sales practices are

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considered predatory lending, and then somebody will come up with the next one, the next fraud that needs to 3 go in to the box.

Q. Is the answer to my question "yes" or "no," Ms. Ghiglieri?

MR. BAKER: Sometimes, Mr. Kavaler, a question is not capable of being answered "yes" or "no." And I'm going to object the question was asked and answered.

THE WITNESS: I think I answered your 10 question.

11 BY MR. KAVALER:

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12 O. Can't answer that question "yes" or "no"? MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, please don't badger 13

14 the witness.

15 THE WITNESS: I think I've answered it to the 16 best of my ability.

17 BY MR. KAVALER:

18 Q. Okay. I just want to make sure that the 19 record is clear that I'm giving you every opportunity in 20 the world to answer that question.

And you have given me your best answer; is 21 22 that right?

23 A. Yes.

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O. Okay. Does anyone else other than you share 24 25 that precise definition of "predatory lending"?

BY MR. KAVALER: 1

Q. Are you aware of anyone who uses the same definition that you use? 3

A. All of the definitions that I have in my 4 initial report and the discussion that I have in my rebuttal are, I guess you could say, subsumed in to the 6 7 definition that I gave you.

Can you answer that question with a "yes" or O. 9 "no"?

10 Are you aware of anyone else who uses the same definition of "predatory lending" that you use, "yes" or 11 12 "no"?

13 The ideas are the same, yes. A.

14 O. Are you aware of anyone else who uses the same 15 definition of "predatory lending" that you do, "yes" or 16 "no"?

17 A. I came up with a summary definition that I -that -- in response to your question, and so I don't 18 know if anyone has ever heard me say before to say, "Oh, yes. I agree with that." 20

Maybe John can agree with that.

22 O. Okay. Are you aware of any legislation 23 anywhere that defines "predatory lending"?

The words "predatory lending"? 24

25 O. Yes.

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A. Well, I think as I said earlier, I think it's a summary definition of various definitions that were out there. There's no one precise definition.

Mr. Bley had a definition. You know, HUD had a definition. The OCC and the OTS, everyone was coming out with trying to figure out a way to define it, and -but I think my definition is a good summary definition.

8 Q. You mentioned Mr. Bley, HUD, the OCC and the OTS. Each of those people has a different definition 10 than you and a different definition than each other; is that right? 11

A. Well, they don't use the exact words, but the 12 13 ideas are similar.

Q. But nobody uses the exact words you just used 14 15 in your testimony or in your report; correct?

A. I don't have a definition in my report. You 16 asked me what the definition was, and I --17

18 O. All right. Let me rephrase the question. Fair point. 19

20 Nobody else to your knowledge uses the same definition as the one you just testified to on this 21 record a few minutes ago; correct? 22

23 MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. THE WITNESS: What I think I said was I think 24

25 it's a good summary of what everyone has said.

Is there any legislative definition?

Has Congress enacted a predatory lending law?

Has some state legislature enacted a predatory lending law in which they say "Predatory lending for purposes of this act shall mean the following," and then give a definition?

8 report, my initial report and in my rebuttal, there's no legislatively mandated definition, but that doesn't 10 preclude the fact that people understand what "predatory

lending" is or that they don't characterize their laws 11

A. Well, I think as I discussed in both my

12 as predatory lending laws, as I gave the example of

13 North Carolina in my rebuttal report. 14 O. So there's no place that I can go and find a

legislative difference -- a legislative definition of 15 "predatory lending" which is either the same as the one 16 you gave today or different than the one you gave today; 17

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19 A. I think I just answered that there's no 20 legislative -- legislatively mandated definition of "predatory lending." 21

22 O. Okay. What about --

I'm sure if there was, they would like the one A. 24 I gave.

Q. What if -- and what about regulators?

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Are there regulators like you mentioned, the 2 HUD, or the OCC, or OTS?

Is there a standard regulatory definition of "predatory lending"?

- A. Well, if you read my report, my initial report and my rebuttal, you'll see that I quoted many examples of what -- including Mr. Bley was saying with the definition of "predatory lending," and none of them used the exact words, but all of them had similar ideas.
- 10 Q. Is it fair to say that all of them are 11 different, each than the other, and each than your 12 definition as given here today?
 - A. I don't agree with that.

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13 14 I think all of the ideas are the same, and 15 that is illegal or deceptive sales practices, loan 16 terms, and -- I think Mr. Bley might have said it best when he said, "Mortgage fraud, it's a new name for an old activity." 18

- 19 Q. Do you know what Mr. Aldinger's definition of 20 "predatory lending" is?
- 21 A. I have it in my report. I didn't memorize it.
- 22 Q. Other than you have in your report do you have
- 23 any knowledge of what Aldinger's working definition of
- "predatory lending" is today, was during his deposition,
- or was during the class period?

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- A. From what -- only what I saw in his deposition.
- Q. What about Mr. Gilmer, do you know what his definition of "predatory lending" was during the class period?
- 6 A. If I recall correctly, and I can look it up, 7 he said intentionally illegal or intentionally 8 deceptive, I believe.
- 9 Q. What about Mr. Vozar, do you know what his definition was during the class period? 10
- 11 A. I have it in my report, a snippet from his 12 deposition.
- 13 Q. And what about Mr. Scheinholz, do you know what his definition was? 14
- A. And I have it on the report. 15
- Q. Do you know whether any of the four of them 16 17 had the same definition that you gave today in your testimony? 18
- 19 A. I think mine is broader than -- theirs was 20 very restrictive, as I discussed in my report and in my 21 rebuttal. Theirs -- theirs was more restrictive than my
- 22 definition.
- 23 Q. So yours is broader than any of theirs or all 24 of theirs?
- 25 A. I believe all of theirs.

1 Q. And you believe yours is better than theirs?

A. I believe mine characterizes -- or is a good

summary of the definitions put forward by the regulators at the time of the class.

- 5 Q. But they don't -- those four individuals don't seem to share your definition; is that right?
- 7 A. Well, their definition was more restrictive 8 from what I could tell.
 - Q. Is their definition in your opinion wrong?
- A. I don't think it's broad enough to cover 10 11 "predatory lending."

12 MR. BAKER: You want to take a break?

13 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Yeah.

14 MR. BAKER: Can we take a break now? Is it a 15 good time?

16 THE WITNESS: Would it be okay to take a quick 17 break?

MR. KAVALER: Sure. Absolutely.

VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record at 10:22.

20 (Thereupon a recess was taken at 10:22 a.m.

21 and the deposition resumed at 10:35 a.m.)

22 VIDEOGRAPHER: On record at 10:35.

BY MR. KAVALER:

24 Q. Ms. Ghiglieri, let me go back over some of the 25 things that I started asking you about before to make

sure that I've completed my understanding of what you

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3 I don't mean to repeat myself. I just want to be sure I've exhausted this subject. 4

5 You didn't do any statistical analysis of 6 anything; correct?

7 A. No.

Q. You didn't do any surveys?

9 You didn't survey any companies other than

10 Household to see how Household compares to any of its 11 peers on any topic?

12 A. I never do that. I just look at the documents 13

in the case, and that's what I did here. 14 That's a "no," you didn't do that?

A. No, I never do that on any case.

16 Q. Uh-huh.

17 Okay. So on any of these practices that you talk about in your two reports you don't know whether 18 19 Household was an outlier or if they're right in the

middle of the pack? 20

21 A. Only from what I looked at in the documents in

22 the case, and there are some studies that were

23 performed. One in particular was the KPMG study that

gave me some information in terms of how they compare to

25 their peers.

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1	Q. Did the KPMG study conclude that Household was	1	quantify what some of the regulatory criticisms were.
2	an outlier or it was in the middle of the pack?	2	Q. Right.
3	A. It depended on what the topic was.	3	And when you say that you tried to quantify,
4	Q. On some topics it was an outlier and some	4	you summarized things found in other documents that you
5	topics it was in the middle of the pack?	5	reviewed?
6	A. That's what the report indicated.	6	A. I summarized this was taken from
7	Q. But other than that you didn't conduct any	7	examination reports primarily.
8	industry-wide surveys yourself?	8	Q. Right.
9	A. I never do. I just look at the documents in	9	Those examination reports are part of the
10	the case.	10	universe of documents you looked at?
11	Q. Did you conduct any regression analyses of	11	A. Yes, that's right.
12	anything?	12	Q. And when you created Exhibit E, all you did is
13	A. No, I never do that.	13	you took some things out of various of those examination
14	Q. Did you do any customer surveys?	14	reports and collected them here in Exhibit E?
15	A. No. I stay inside the documents of the case.	15	A. Yes, and then F
16	Q. Did you interview any former Household	16	Q. And Exhibit F
17	employees?	17	A are some detailed consumer complaints.
18	A. No, I didn't.	18	Q. And, again, the same methodology, you looked
19	Q. Did you interview any present Household	19	at consumer complaints that are otherwise contained in
20	employees?	20	the record of this case that you reviewed and you
21	A. No.	21	summarized certain things from those complaints
22	 Q. Did you cause anyone else to interview any 	22	A. Yes.
23	other people?	23	Q in Exhibit F.
24	 No. I think I answered that already. 	24	And Exhibit G?
25	Q. You may have.	25	A. Is just a summary of some of the public
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1	Let me ask you this. You worked entirely by	1	relations activities that occurred at Household

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- A. I work by myself. I don't have a staff.
- Q. Okay. So any time I ask you a question, I don't need to ask you did you cause anyone else to do it, because the answer is either you did it or it wasn't done?
- 8 A. Yes, that's correct.

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- 9 Q. Okay. Did you do any textural analysis of any 10 Household loan documents?
- 11 A. Only if they happened to be in the documents for this case, and I believe some of the complaints 12 might have had some loan documents there.
 - Q. Okay. And what did you do to analyze the contents of those?

16 Did you just read them or did you conduct --17 did you prepare some kind of a -- a written analysis? 18

- A. I just read them and considered them.
- Q. Okay. I notice that your report has some appendices at the end, I think A through -- H, your first report, Exhibit 1, and let's look at E through --

22 E, F, G, H.

- 23 Would it be fair to say that those are
- 24 summaries?

25 A. Appendix E is a summary that I used trying to relations activities that occurred at Household.

Q. And, again, the methodology of preparing this 3 is you looked at other documents that you've reviewed in this case and extracted certain information from them and put it on this piece of paper?

A. Yes.

Q. And Exhibit H, which is entitled "Summary of Consumer Complaints" is a chart you prepared.

Again, the basis was your review of documents that are otherwise in the universe of documents you 11 looked at in this case?

A. Yes.

And this is not an attempt, as I said, in this initial report to portray all the complaints that there were. These were the complaints that I was able to understand the complaint either because I had the actual complaint from the borrower or the regulator had additional documents, but there are many, many other complaints that I just didn't have enough information to understand all the issues of them.

- 21 Q. How many other complaints do you understand 22 there to be?
- 23 A. I didn't even attempt to count them. This --24 this file is so voluminous.
 - How voluminous is the file?

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Page 62 Page 64 A. Well, it's one of the most document intensive 1 calculate that. 2 cases I've ever worked on. 2 Q. Now you said you can't tell me how many 3 Q. But I'd like a number. 3 customer complaints there are that you are aware of that 4 Are there a hundred thousand pieces of paper? 4 are not included on Exhibit -- Appendix H. 5 A. I have -- I just have no idea. 5 Can you give me an order of magnitude? 6 Q. 200,000? 6 A. No. 7 A. I have no idea. 7 Q. Are there a hundred more? 8 Q. How many did you look at? 8 A. I have no idea. 9 A. I probably looked at how many pieces of paper 9 Q. A thousand more? 10 are in 40 banker boxes. I mean --10 A. I read quite a few more that I didn't put in 11 Q. 40 banker boxes? 11 there. A. Plus, you know, all the depositions I read on 12 12 Q. How many more? 13 LiveNote. 13 A. I have no idea. 14 O. You don't know whether or not you read a So I just have no idea how many pieces of 14 15 paper it would be. 15 million complaints? Q. But other than what you read on LiveNote you 16 A. I know I didn't read a million. 16 17 looked at 40 bankers boxes of documents? 17 Q. Okay. Did you read a hundred thousand other 18 A. I mean, I'm just taking a wild guess. 18 complaints? 19 Q. Well, I want your best -- your best evidence 19 A. I didn't count how many complaints I read. I 20 as to what you think you looked at. 20 don't think there were -- I don't think I read a hundred 21 Was it 40 boxes, give or take one or two, give 21 thousand. 22 or take five? 22 Q. This chart looks like it has about 35 or 50 23 A. I don't know. I really don't. I didn't even 23 complaints on it. Is that about right? 24 try to count it. 24 I mean, I can count them if you want. Q. Could it be 20 boxes? Could it be 50 boxes? 25 25 Appendix H. Page 63 Page 65 1 A. I have no idea. It's a lot of documents. 1 Well, let's see. One, two, three, four, five 2 Q. Could it be a thousand boxes? 2 -- maybe 40 or 50, something like that. It is what it 3 A. Maybe if you printed everything out it might 3 4 be a thousand boxes. 4 How many more do you think you're aware of 5 Q. But did you print everything out? 5 that you didn't put on Exhibit H, the same number, a 6 A. No, I didn't. 6 multiple of this? 7 Q. Did you look at things in hard copy? 7 MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. 8 A. Yes, I did. 8 THE WITNESS: I -- I just didn't count them. 9 Q. All right. You looked at -- you don't know --9 I have no idea. 10 you can't tell me whether you looked at 40 boxes of hard 10 I know that other complaints exist. All I'm copy or a thousand boxes of hard copy? 11 11 trying to say is I'm not trying to pretend or portray 12 A. Oh, hard copy? this as the universe of complaints that Household 12 13 Yeah. Q. 13 received. 14 A. I thought you meant if you printed out 14 These are the ones that I was able to 15 everything that was on LiveNote. establish. I had enough documentation to understand the 15 16 Q. No, I'm asking you about the hard copy you complaint. 16 17 looked at. 17 BY MR. KAVALER: 18 A. Oh, hard copy? 18 Q. What is the universe of complaints Household 19 Q. Was it 40 boxes or --19 received? A. Maybe 40. I just don't know. I didn't count 20 20 MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. 21 them, but a lot of documents. This case is very THE WITNESS: The universe of complaints they 21 document intensive. 22 22 received would be -- whatever they received. 23 Q. What percentage of the available universe do 23 MR. BAKER: Objection. What time frame are 24 you understand you looked at? 24 you talking about, Mr. Kavaler?

BY MR. KAVALER:

I don't know. I didn't even attempt to

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Page 66 Page 68 1 Q. Are you finished with your answer? 1 complaints where they were deriving ratios. 2 A. Sure. 2 So I'm sure in there somewhere there was a --3 Q. Okay. You can't quantify the universe of 3 a summary of how many accounts were the universe of what 4 complaints that Household received? they were talking about. 5 MR. BAKER: Same objections. 5 Q. Did you read Household's annual reports filed 6 THE WITNESS: Well, I've seen --6 with the Securities and Exchange Commission? 7 THE WITNESS: Okay. I've seen lots of 7 A. I did not. documents from Household summarizing complaints. I 8 Q. Do you know that in those reports Household would just have no idea what the universe is. 9 9 discloses how many open accounts they have at any time 10 BY MR. KAVALER: 10 or at year-end? 11 Q. How many open customer accounts did Household 11 A. I don't know what they disclosed there. 12 have during the class period? 12 The universe of complaints that you're aware 13 Open --13 of, the ones that are contained on Appendix 8 --14 Q. Customer accounts. Appendix H, rather, to Exhibit 1 plus the ones that are 15 A. What do you mean by that? 15 not contained that you just testified about in the last 16 Q. Do you understand Household deals with various 16 few minutes, do you know what percentage those are of 17 customers? 17 Household's open accounts at any given tine? 18 A. Sure. 18 No, I don't. 19 Q. And at various times customers have open and 19 Q. Are you of the impression it's a material 20 outstanding loans? 20 percentage? 21 A. And that's what you mean by "open accounts"? 21 MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous as 22 MR. BAKER: Are you referring to Household 22 to what you mean by "material." 23 International, Household Consumer Lending? THE WITNESS: It depends what your definition 23 24 Which are you -- any business? Household in 24 of "material" is, its entirety? Is that what you're asking, Mr. Kavler? 25 25 BY MR. KAVALER: Page 67 Page 69 1 THE WITNESS: What -- which -- what exactly 1 Q. Are you under the impression it represents 50 2 are you asking? 2 percent of Household's customers? 3 BY MR. KAVALER: 3 A. I don't know the exact percentage. Q. Do you have any knowledge as to how many 4 4 Q. Are you under the impression it represents 10 5 customers Household had at any given time who had open 5 percent? 6 accounts? 6 A. I just answered that. I don't know what the 7 Well, I don't understand. 7 exact percentage is. 8 Which business unit are you talking about? 8 Q. Are you under the impression it represents 9 Q. Well, I'm trying to find out what knowledge 9 less than one percent? 10 you have. 10 A. I don't know the exact percentage. 11 For instance, you could say "I know how many 11 Would it make a difference to your opinions if 12 accounts Beneficial had." "I know how many accounts 12 you knew the answer to those questions? Household Finance had." "I know how many accounts the 13 13 A. I would take it in to consideration. thrift had." "I know how many accounts the credit card 14 14 Q. All right. How would you take it in to 15 businesses had," or you can say "I know how many 15 consideration? 16 accounts globally Household International had," or you 16 A. Well, as I think I said before, when you're 17 could say "I don't have any knowledge at all." 17 looking at complaints, you can't just say, "Well there's 18 A. Well, I've read the documents where different 18 only one complaint here so we don't have to worry about 19 statistics were discussed, but I didn't memorize those. 19 it." 20 I wouldn't be able to spout them off sitting 20 You have to take in to consideration the basis 21 here today. 21 of the complaint, how geographicly dispersed they were. 22 Q. What documents gave you the number of accounts This is one of the things I was trying to look at here. 22 Household had at any given time? 23 23

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And how similar the complaints are.

So it's not just the sheer number. And also,

as I said before, regulators realize that it takes a lot

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for a person to get mad enough to actually file a 2 written complaint. So it doesn't mean that that's all the people that are affected by something, and you have to take that in to account.

- Q. But if you'd known the percentage that these complaints represent, you would have taken that in to account in coming to your opinion?
- A. I -- I try and take all of the information in the file in to account in arriving at my opinions.
- 10 Q. But you didn't know the percentage? 11 MR. BAKER: Would you please let her finish, 12 Mr. Kavaler. 13

Are you finished, Ms. Ghiglieri?

14 THE WITNESS: I don't know if I am or not.

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- Q. Okay. You didn't make any effort to 16 17 establish what the percentage of complaints was compared 18 to open customer accounts; correct?
- 19 A. I think I said to you in response to an 20 earlier question I didn't do separate statistical 21 analysis.

22 What I did, however, was look at the documents, as many of the documents as I possibly could, 23 24 and I know there were some discussions of whether there

were a lot or not that many of this, that, or the other

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1 facts so I need more facts."

correct denominator?

data; correct?

A. I don't know.

How would I know?

had accurate information or not.

2 You're -- what's produced is what's produced. 3 What questions are asked in a deposition are 4 asked. And so you are constrained by what's in the

A. Well, when you're an expert, you are

constrained by the file. It's not -- I don't view it as

an expert's responsibility to say "I don't have enough

5 file, and I do not go beyond the file. 6

I don't interview parties. I don't interview customers. I look at the documents and I look at the testimony, and that's what I did here.

some conclusion, taking in to account all the facts as

Household's open customer accounts or the majority of

Household's open customer accounts, at two extremes?

right denominator in terms of the total accounts, and so

Household to determine what they think the number of

accounts is compared to some of their other statistics.

So I relied on -- or I looked and took in to

consideration all of the documents I could in this area.

Q. Did Household produce a document which had the

I don't have any way of checking whether they

Q. Okay. One of your goals as an expert is to be

sure that your report is based upon sufficient facts and

A. Well, one of the pitfalls with trying to do

separate analysis like that is that I may not have the

I would rather rely on the documents produced by

to whether the complaints you were looking at

represented a miniscule fraction of 1 percent of

Q. But do you first come to a conclusion before 10 you offer an opinion that there are sufficient facts and data in the file for you to have an opinion, or do you first say to yourself "There's not enough information 12 13 here. I need more information"?

14 For example, you said "I wish I had the 15 denominator." Did you ever ask anyone for the

16 denominator? 17 A. No, I didn't say that. I did not say I wish I 18 had the denominator. That mischaracterizes what I said.

- 19 Q. All right. Let me ask you this way:
- 20 Did you have the denominator?
- 21 A. Of what?
- 22 O. Of the total number of Household open 23 accounts.
- 24 For what entity? I mean --A. 25

O. For any entity.

and percentages derived.

Now, I didn't memorize them, but I took all of those documents in to consideration in arriving at my opinions.

Q. All right. But nowhere in your report do you

analyze anything like the following, "I've seen a total of X number of complaints. Household had a -- had Z number of open customer accounts at this point, therefore, I find that the ratio of complaints to open accounts is Q percent, and I deem that to be significant"?

11 12 Nothing like that appears in your report; does 13 it?

14 MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound.

15 THE WITNESS: That specific sentence I do not 16 have in my report.

BY MR. KAVALER: 17

18 Q. And you didn't perform that exercise?

19 A. I didn't perform a separate statistical 20 analysis, but I read summaries from the compliance folks

21 or whoever was analyzing the complaints and took those 22 in to consideration.

23 Q. But you did not regard it as part of your 24 obligation, your duties, your responsibility to

calculate a percentage to see whether you could come to

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Page 74 1 A. I did not go out and get separate information. 1 type. 2 I looked at all of the documents that were 2 Do you see that? 3 produced by Household, and if it was in there, I looked 3 What was the page number? at it and I considered it. 4 Q. 87. 5 I didn't make an effort to determine whether a 5 A. Okay. 6 numerator or a denominator was accurate or not. 6 Q. And it reads "Household engaged in numerous 7 I would have no way of getting access to those 7 systemic and companywide predatory lending practices." 8 records. 8 Do you see that? 9 I understand. 9 A. I do. 10 But did you make an effort to get accurate, to 10 Q. That's an important part of your conclusion; 11 find out if there was a number you could use as a 11 right? numerator and a denominator to figure out what 12 12 A. That's one of my opinions, yes. percentage of Household's accounts were showing customer 13 13 O. Uh-huh. 14 complaints? 14 And at what point does something become 15 A. I recall some information that was either 15 systemic and companywide, when it crosses some 16 given to the regulators or in internal documents where 16 threshold? 17 they discussed some of those things, and I took it in to A. Well, it depends on what the topic is. 17 consideration. 18 It -- just like with complaints, you have to 19 Q. Can you be more specific? 19 look at the nature of the complaint, what is being 20 Do you remember where you saw that? 20 complained about. 21 21 You know, you have to take all kinds of 22 Q. Is it in your -- is it reflected in any of 22 factors in to consideration, which is what I did. 23 your reports? 23 I looked at the entire file and I tried to 24 A. I looked at thousands of pieces of paper, and 24 understand what the practices were at Household, how you're asking me about an issue that I didn't 25 widespread they were, what are the other factors that Page 75 specifically address in my report, and I'm trying to be 1 2 responsive to your questions. 2 3 Q. Did you think it was an important issue? 3 4 A. Well, as I said before, when you're a 4 arrive at my conclusions. regulator and you're looking at complaints, you don't 5 Q. Wouldn't you think the first and most look to see if it's one in a universe of a thousand. 6 7 7

You look to see what is the nature of the complaint, how geographically dispersed are the complaints, if that's an issue.

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You look at all the issues that you possibly can. What's the nature of the complaint? Is it something that's important?

Is it -- is it something that is potentially harmful to the customer?

15 You know, you have to take all of those things 16 in to consideration.

So the specific number of complaints is not the most persuasive thing. It's the nature of the complaints, the similarity of the complaints, the geographic dispersion, if that's an issue.

21 You know, there are other things -- because of 22 just the energy that it takes to file a complaint you 23 can't just go based on the sheer number.

24 Q. Would you turn to page 87 of Exhibit 1, which is your first report. There's a point in there in bold

caused the practices to be practiced by the folks.

You always look at compensation. You look at audit, technology. I looked at all of those issues to

important thing to do is to find out how prevalent the practices are before you can conclude that they're systemic and companywide?

- A. Depends on what practice you're talking about.
- 10 O. Any practice. 11

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A. No. You can't weigh them the same.

12 And so I took in to consideration specific 13 practices, how prevalent they were, what the nature of 14 them was to arrive at my conclusion.

- 15 Q. All right. But you did take in to account how 16 prevalent they were?
 - A. Well, it depends on -- on what the topic is.
- 18 Q. At least some practices?

19 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kevalar, you've interrupted 20 her numerous times. I know you're capable -- well, at 21 least I think you're capable of being patient and 22 waiting for the witness to answer the question.

23 In fact, I seem to recall many depositions 24 where you were defending you asked me to do the same.

25 So I'm going to ask you one more time, could

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1 you please let the witness finish it. 2

Ms. Ghiglier, are you finished?

3 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I've lost my train of thought.

MR. BAKER: Will you stop that.

You are interrupting her. You are thwarting the purpose of her deposition. You're not letting her get her answers out.

Do not do it again.

10 BY MR. KAVALER:

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Q. You used the word "prevalent" in your last 11 12 answer.

13 Do you remember that?

14 I don't know.

15 Q. Okay. Did you make any effort to figure out 16 how prevalent any of these practices that you talk about 17 under point B on page 87 of Exhibit 1 were?

18 A. Yes, I did make an effort to look at how wide spread they were and take that in to consideration in my 19 20 opinions.

21 Q. How did you do that if you know neither the 22 numerator or the denominator, you don't know how many 23 complaints there were and don't know how many open

24 customer accounts there were? How could you figure out how prevalent a given 25

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You didn't do that calculation, I understand.

2 You understood that one of the differences of 3

positions between regulator and Household, the regulators as you recount in your report, would confront

5 Household with a complaint. Household would say some

6 variant of that's not company policy, it's a rogue

employee, and you concluded ultimately that that was not 8 true, that it was company policy and it was not a rogue

9 employee; correct?

10 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes the 11 contents of the reports.

12 THE WITNESS: I spent a lot of time in my 13 report, my initial report and in my rebuttal report,

14 talking about this issue of unauthorized and rogue

employees, and there are a lot of facets to it, but 15

16 overall I concluded that Household's explanation was not

17 accurate ---

18 BY MR, KAVALER:

19 Q. And you --

20 A. -- as far as I'm concerned.

21 Q. And as far as you're concerned, you came to 22 that conclusion without knowing either the numerator or

23 the denominator of the fraction where the numerator

24 would be how many complaints there were and the

25 denominator would be how many open accounts there were?

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MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound.

THE WITNESS: I think, as I've said numerous times in response to, I think, the same question, I looked at Household's documents, where they were summarizing complaints.

I looked at examination reports regarding complaints.

I looked at actual complaints, and I drew conclusions from all of those documents. I -- I did not do -- in this particular area for complaints, as I've been saying, just because you have a handful of complaints you don't dismiss it, because if you divide it by the sum total of the open accounts they have, it comes up to a small number, because it still might be 16 important that the nature of the complaint sometimes overrides the number and so I -- I try to take everything in to consideration, not just focus on a percentage of the complaints divided by the open accounts.

21 BY MR. KAVALER:

22 Q. All right. 23

A. And I did not do that calculation.

24 Q. Okay. Let me see if we can leave this area

behind forever.

1 A. Well, as I've said however many times I've 2 said it today, that is an irrelevant number, because you 3 have to look at what the nature of the complaints are 4 and the fact that not everyone who is affected by a 5 certain practice complains. 6

Q. Whether it's relevant or not, you didn't know it, you didn't do it, you didn't make any effort to ascertain it, and you're unable to do it today; correct?

MR. BAKER: Mischaracterizes her prior testimony.

THE WITNESS: As I think I said, I looked at lots of documents internal to Household where they discuss complaints and they characterize it as a lot, not very much, increasing, decreasing.

There -- there were many, many many, many documents talking about the number of complaints, and -versus the universe of their accounts, by state, by region.

19 There were any number of things that I 20 considered.

21 BY MR. KAVALER:

22 Q. Ms. Ghiglieri, I want to be completely fair to 23 you.

24 MR. BAKER: Ghiglieri.

25 BY MR. KAVALER:

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Q. There may come a time when I want to say to the Judge with regard to this portion of the testimony that "This witness did not make any calculation of the percentage that complaints represent of the total universe of Household customers," and I'm going to say to him that I gave you every opportunity to answer that question.

So I'm saying right now that's the use to which I'm going to put this piece of testimony. If there's anything you want to add other than what you've said repeatedly about looking at the whole universe. please feel free to do so.

Absent that I'm going to say I asked the 13 question as plainly as I know how repetively, Mr. -- Mr. Baker chastised me soundly and I'm duly chastised for 16 being repetitive, and I got no answer.

17 If I'm misunderstanding you, if you're telling 18 me --

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Q. Excuse me. Let me finish my question.

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Q. Do you believe that the methods that you used to come to your conclusions should be reliable methods?

MR. BAKER: Same objection.

THE WITNESS: I don't think I understand how you're using that term in this kind of a case.

BY MR. KAVALER:

7 Q. You believe that your reports should be the 8 product of methods that other people with your expertise 9 would also regard as the proper methods to use?

A. Well, these types of cases don't lend themselves to like medical analysis, or, you know, what other experts might do where you say this is the set method that you have to use.

But generally all regulators look at documents and come up with similar conclusions. Whether it's a mortgage file or a looking at a document to do term and compliance with Regulation Z or RESPA.

18 And from that standpoint I did use the same 19 methods that I used when I was an examiner or when I was 20 the Banking Commissioner.

21 That's the -- that's the approach that I took 22 with regard to this entire file.

Q. And you applied those methods that you just 23 24 described to the facts of this case?

25 A. Yes.

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and tell me about it, or if you want to rest on what you said, that's fine, but then I will characterize it as

I've said, and I think I'm being very fair in telling you what I'm going to do with your testimony.

If I'm misunstanding you, feel free to correct me.

A. I think it mischaracterizes my testimony to say I haven't been responsive.

I've said over and over that I didn't perform separate statistical analysis, but I did consider all of the Household documents where they discussed percentages, increasing or decreasing complaints by various business units and various states.

I considered all of that.

I didn't feel that it was relevant for me to do separate calculations because I didn't feel I had the necessary information to do it, nor did I care to.

18 I used their internal documents, which should 19 have been more accurate than anything I could have done. 20

Q. Do you believe your report should be the product of reliable principles and methods?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous.

THE WITNESS: What do you mean by "principles

24 and methods"?

25 BY MR. KAVALER: 1 Q. Now, we were talking earlier about your definition of "predatory lending," and I believe you 2 3 told me that your report does not contain a definition but you gave me a definition today in your testimony. 5 Did I understand that correctly?

A. Yes.

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8 A. I thought you might ask me for my definition, 9 so I pondered it.

Q. So you pondered it when?

11 A. In preparation for my deposition.

Yes, but when temporily, this morning, 12 Q.

13 yesterday, a week ago?

Oh, in the last week --

In the last week?

16 -- when I was preparing for my deposition.

17 So when you told me earlier today that's the 18 definition that you prepared for purposes of this case, 19 we're now refining it, it's a definition you prepared in 20

the last week?

21 A. I did not say for this case. I said for this 22 deposition.

23 MR. KAVALER: Okay.

24 THE WITNESS: That mischaracterizes --25

MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, you have to listen to

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her testimony before you misrepresent it. 2 BY MR. KAVALER:

- Q. So you prepared that definition for today's testimony?
 - A. Yes.
- O. Within the last week or so?
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8 Q. Okay. Thank you for that clarification.

9 Now, as part of your definition you said 10 something needs to be either illegal or deceptive; correct? 11

- 12 A. Yes.
- O. In most states if something is deceptive it is 13 14 illegal; is it not?
- A. Well, what I was trying to cover are the 16 statutes that make, for example, prepaid -- prepayment 17 penalties of, say, you know, seven years illegal, where there's a specific statute that covers a specific 19 practice or a specific loan term, that would fall -- in

20 the category of "illegal" in my definition.

Other things that are deceptive, either loan 22 terms, which, you know, are not properly disclosed or sales practices where, you know, somebody is putting their arm across, you know, the disclosures or whatever.

that would fall under the Deceptive Trade Practices Act

Page 87 either at the state or the federal level and also would

be illegal, but not specifically banned by a specific statute.

So in looking at all of the literature that was out there, all the statements from the various regulators, I tried to come up with what would be an all-encompassing definition of "predatory lending," and I came to that one, and I think it's a good one, because it's not that they're not illegal, it's not that they're specifically banned by a particular statute.

So that was kind of the distinction I was trying to make.

- Q. But based on what you just said you're saying that if something is -- if something is deceptive, it violates the Deceptive Trade Practices Statute either of the federal or state, and, therefore, is illegal; right?
 - A. Yes.
- 18 Q. So it comes down to this, to be predatory 19 lending something has to be illegal either under a 20 specific statute or under a specific trade practices 21 statute; right?
- 22 A. That's -- that's my view.
- 23 Q. Okay. And the converse is true, if something 24 is not illegal, it's not a deceptive trade practice.
- it's not -- let me say it again.

Is the converse also true, if something is not illegal, then it is not predatory lending?

- A. I guess that would be the converse of it, yes.
- 3 4 Q. Okay. So if I were a -- a lender and I wanted 5 to be sure that I was not a predatory lender, as long as 6 I made sure all my conduct is legal, then I would be safe from being characterizesd as a predatory lender by 8 a fair-minded regulator such as yourself?

A. Thank you for saying I'm fair-minded. But the -- the sales practices and the loans terms cannot be deceptive, and it could not be specifically banned by a statute, and if that's the case, then I would consider it not to be predatory.

Q. Right.

15 And if it's legal it's not predatory?

- 16 A. As long as everyone agrees on what that 17 definition means.
- 18 Q. Well, I guess "legal" we know what it means 19 because there are laws. And the laws are interpreted 20 daily by regulators such as yourself all around the
- 21 country, and all the companies have compliance
- 22 departments, and everybody knows what they're talking 23
- about, and the law is the law, and if it says you have
- 24 to do X the company did it or they didn't; correct? 25
 - A. Well, it's not really as easy as that in

practice, because deceptive trade practices there's no, 1 2 you know, these 15 things you can't do.

If it falls within the deceptive trade practices, it would be considered illegal.

O. Right.

You and I are saying the same thing, I think. If it's illegal, then it might be predatory. Some things might be illegal but not predatory; correct?

A. I think that's right.

- 11 Q. Okay. But nothing could be legal and still 12 predatory?
- 13 A. Yes, under -- under my view it's all predatory 14 lending activities are illegal, either specifically by statute or under the Deceptive Trade Practices Act. 15

Q. Right.

17 But all legal activities are not predatory?

- A. I believe that's right.
- 19 Q. Okay. So "predatory" winds up being a synonym for "illegal"? 20
- 21 A. Well, I don't think so, because you could have 22 a violation of Regulation O, and that's not -- that's
- 23 illegal, but it's not predatory, so I -- I don't think 24 that you can say that.
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Q. Okay. Fair point.

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All -- no. Withdrawn.

So you have -- as you've thought about today's deposition and as you came up with the definition that you gave me earlier sometime in the last week, you have receded from your position at page 15 of Exhibit 1, where you stated, quote, "A review of the predatory lending materials in this report shows that the lending does not have to be illegal or intentionally deceptive 10 in order to be predatory," and then you later corrected

that by saying there's a typo in there, the word "intentionally" should have appeared in front of the

12 13 word "illegal."

14 All of that is now replaced by your testimony 15 today?

16 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes her 17 testimony and her report.

THE WITNESS: What page is that?

19 MR. KAVALER: I'm on page 15 of Exhibit 1. 20

THE WITNESS: Let me just take a look -- a 21 quick look at that.

22 MR. BAKER: You also read something from the 23 rebuttal report or you refereced it. Where were you 24 referring to, Mr. Kavaler?

THE WITNESS: Did you just read this or did

"Does not have to be intentially illegal or intentionally deceptive in order to be predatory;" right?

A. Yes.

Q. All right. Now, if that were still your view. then I guess something could be legal but still predatory.

What you just told me a minute ago is if something is legal it's not predatory.

Am I understanding you correctly?

A. I don't think so.

12 Q. Okay. Help me out. 13

Why not?

14 A. Okay. Intentionally illegal, so a person 15 doesn't have to intentionally violate the law for it to 16 be predatory ---

17 Q. Right.

18 A. -- but it would still be illegal using my 19 definition.

20 O. I see.

21 A. Intentionally deceptive -- it doesn't have to 22 be intentionally deceptive, but if it is deceptive and 23 it violates the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, it's

24 still legal -- illegal. 25

I think I'm being exactly consistent with my

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you read what was in my rebuttal?

2 MR. KAVALER: No, I read -- I read from page 3 15, --

4 THE WITNESS: Okay.

5 MR. KAVALER: -- but I'm aware of the fact in 6 your rebuttal you said there's a typo in there. 7

THE WITNESS: Right. Right.

BY MR. KAVALER:

9 Q. I'm not ignoring that fact, but I'm reading 10 from page 15 of Exhibit 1, the paragraph right above the 11 three small bullets.

12 You see that?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. All right. And what you're telling me today 15 is you've refined your thinking on that subject?

16 A. No, I don't think it's -- it's any different.

17 Q. Okay. Well, let's see if that's true.

18 A. Okay.

19 Q. You say here "A review of the predatory

lending materials in this report shows that lending does 20

not have to be," and I'm going to give you the benefit 21 22 of your correction --

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A. Yes. Thank you.

24 Q. I'll read in the word "intentionally" even 25 though it's not in here.

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So the "intentionally" is the key. What if something is accidentally deceptive?

A. I don't think it matters. If it's deceptive, it's deceptive.

If it's illegal, it doesn't matter if they intended it to be illegal or intended it to be deceptive, but if it is deceptive, and it violates the Deceptive Trade Practices Act, it's illegal.

Q. All right. But then look back at page 15, and you don't need the word "intentionally," either the one you put in or the one you left out.

You could simply say "illegal or deceptive"?

You're right.

And what I was trying to respond to here were the stricter, narrower definitions of the Household senior management where they were -- they had a very narrow definition of "predatory lending," and based on what I can see during the class period it was broader than that.

Activities that were outside of their narrow definition were considered predatory by the regulators.

23 Q. When you say "during the class period it was 24 broader than that. I just want to be clear what I'm 25 saying.

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You're saying the correct definition of "predatory lending" in your opinion was broader than the definition held by the Household executives?

A. Taking in to consideration that there's not one definition that everyone points to and says "That's the definition," what I was trying to do is have a summary definition that took in to consideration what everyone thought about it using different words, which is wider than the narrow definition of -- of the senior management, and that's what this sentence was trying to 11 respond to, however inartfully I drafted it.

12 Q. You understood that Household management had what you call "a narrow definition;" correct? 13

14 A. Yes, I think I -- I've written in this report 15 what they said at their deposition.

16 Q. Yes. We can look at that. 17 Do you know where that is? 18

I'm happy to look at that, if you want.

19 A. Let's see.

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MR. KAVALER: It's on the top of the page. 20

21 MR. BAKER: Is it in here or is it in the 22 other one?

23 BY MR. KAVALER:

24 Q. Yeah, it's page 20 of your rebuttal report, I

25 think, on the top.

THE WITNESS: Okay.

2 MR. BAKER: We'll just let the record reflect 3 that Mr. Kavaler is not letting Ms. --

4 MR. KAVALER: The record will reflect exactly 5 what the record reflects, as it always does. It will 6 reflect everything that's going on here, Mr. Baker, as

7 you well know.

8 BY MR. KAVALER:

9 Q. All right. On page 20 you've got a bullet for 10 Mr. Gilmer and a bullet for Mr. Aldinger, and then a 11 bullet for Mr. O'Han, and then you have a paragraph in 12 text.

Do you see that?

A. And you're on page? I'm so sorry.

15 Q. Page 20 of Exhibit 2.

16 Α. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. The text reads, "These definitions of 18 'predatory lending' as given in deposition testimony

19 only slightly more reasonable than the official

20 definition, but still outside the commonly accepted

understanding of this term;" correct? 21

22 Yes, that's what I have here.

What you mean is as this testimony reflects,

Mr. Gilmer and Mr. Aldinger, who are the individual

25 Defendants in this case, apparently have a definition

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A. Just a second. I'm not there.

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4 A. Yeah. I wanted to look at what page it was in 5 my initial report. 6

Do you have it? MR. BAKER: No.

8 THE WITNESS: Let's see. I should have my computer in here so I can do a word search so I can find 9 10 it.

11 BY MR. KAVALER:

> Q. Let's look at page 20. That's sufficient for my purposes. I just want to understand what you're talking about.

And since we found this one, let's press ahead.

17 Page 20 of the rebuttal report you have the first two bullets from Mr. Gilmer and Mr. Aldinger. 18 19

Do you see that?

20 A. Would you mind if I just looked in my report 21 and got it, because I want to make sure I give you a 22 full ---

23 Q. I'd actually like you to focus on page 20 of 24 the rebuttal report for now.

We'll come back to your report later.

that differs from what you think is the commonly 1 2 accepted understanding; correct?

A. As I think I said a couple times before, I -their definition to me seemed narrower than what I thought the commonly accepted definition.

I mean, using that term, not to mean there is a definition, but just what generally everyone was saying about it.

Q. But you have no reason to believe that's not actually their definition; you just think it's the wrong definition?

A. I think it's not the full definition, is what I'm trying to say.

Q. Right. Okay.

15 Excepting that it's your view it's not the 16 full definition, nevertheless, you believe it is, in 17 fact, Mr. Gilmer's definition or Mr. Aldinger's 18 deposition -- definition; correct?

19 A. Well, it's what they said it was in the 20 deposition.

Q. Other than what they said in the deposition do 21 22 you have any other basis for thinking you know what 23 their definition was?

24 There may have been some documents where they 25 wrote what they thought it was, but just from -- you

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Page 98 know, I'm just taking, you know, what they wrote or what 2 they said as their definition. 3 Q. And what you took from what they wrote or what 4 they said as their definition is different than your 5 definition? 6 A. As I've said, I believe it's narrower. 7 Q. Narrower is a way in which it can be 8 different; right? 9 A. Yes. 10 Q. Okay. All right. 11 Let's look at what you quote Mr. Gilmer as 12 saying on page 20. 13 You say "Gary Gilmer, quote, 'My interpretation would be something illegal or something 14 that was unfair, knowingly unfair to your customers," 15 closed quote. 16 17 Do you see that? 18 A. Yes. 19 Q. And the footnote says you got that from 20 Mr. Gilmer's deposition at page 51; right? 21 A. Yes. 22 Q. Then you quote Mr. Aldinger. 23 Mr. Aldinger's definition is, "My interpretation will be something illegal or something

A. Yes, it is.

2 Okay. And you looked at Gilmer deposition page 51, and this is how you quoted him; right? Is that correct?

A. That's what I have there.

Q. Okay. Let me read you from Gilmer's deposition transcript, page 51.

8 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, are you going to give 9 the witness something so she can read along with you or 10 are you just going to read it to yourself?

BY MR. KAVALER: 11

> Q. "Question: Could you tell me what you understand the term 'predatory lending' to mean?

Answer: I'd say it's a term that's been 15 bantered about so much I'm not sure it has generally 16 accepted definition. I guess in my mind it would be any activity that would be intentionally illegal or 18 intentionally deceptive."

Do you see that?

A. Yes.

Q. Now, that is not exactly what you quoted him as saying here at footnote 76 -- I'm sorry -- Gilmer

23 page 51; is it?

24 A. I believe it's in this report, and when he 25 takes a break to change the tape I'll look and see.

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1 Do you see that? 2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And the footnote says you got that from 4

Aldinger's deposition at page 18; right? 5

6 Q. Did you notice that you ascribed verbatim the 7 same quote to Mr. Aldinger and Mr. Gil -- Gilmer? 8

that's unfair, knowingly unfair to your customers."

A. Yes, and that's why I was trying to find --

Q. Did they use the same words?

10 A. I don't know. Maybe I've got it wrong in

11 there.

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12 O. Another typo?

13 That's why I wanted to find it in my report. A.

14 Q. Uh-huh.

15 A. In my initial report, I should say.

16 Q. This is one of your reports; is it not?

17 A. When we first started, I asked you if I could

18 take a minute and find it in my initial report.

19 Q. Right. 20

But you said "no." A.

21 O. Correct.

22 A. So --

23 Q. Because it's my deposition, and I want to

24 focus on this document right now.

25 This is one of your reports; is it not? 1 Q. But Ms. Ghiglieri, at page 20 of your second 2 report you have a quote from Mr. Gilmer, which is 3 verbatim the same from as the quote Mr. Aldinger and which does not accurately track to page 51 of the Gilmer 5 deposition transcript; correct? 6

A. I'm happy to -- to make an addendum, if that's 7 a typo.

8 Q. Okay. Let's assume that either Mr. Gilmer or 9 Mr. Aldinger said this. 10

You also agree that that is a different view of "predatory lending" than your view; correct?

A. Yes.

Q. All right. Do you have any reason to believe that Mr. Gilmer did not actually think what he testified at page 51 he thought, whether Mr. Aldinger did not actually think what he testified according to you at page 18 of his deposition transcript he thought?

A. I think I'm lost on what your question is.

Okay. At page 20 you quote Mr. Aldinger saying "My interpretation would be something illegal or something that was unfair, knowingly unfair, to your customers."

23 You've told me that's a more narrow view than 24 you hold; right?

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. Do you have any reason to believe that Mr. Aldinger did not actually hold that view?

A. Well, if he said it, I'm assuming he held that view.

Q. All right. And as to Mr. Gilmer, putting aside what it says at page 20 of your report at page 51 of his transcript, he says, quote, "I guess in my mind it would be any activity which would be intentionally illegal or intentionally deceptive," closed quote.

Assuming that was his testimony, do you have 11 any reason to believe that Mr. Gilmer did not hold that view, that that was his view of "predatory lending"?

13 MR. BAKER: I'm going to object to this. 14 You've just established that was a typo. You're now 15 asking her to say a hypothetical that's based on a typo when we have accurate testimony right here. 16

17 Why don't you just ask her the question about 18 the accurate testimony and ask her if she believes that 19 Mr. Gilmer actually believed that when he said it?

MR. KAVALER: Answer my question.

21 MR. BAKER: Incomplete hypothetical then. And contrary to facts. Assumes facts not in evidence. 22

23 THE WITNESS: Can you ask me the question 24 again.

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BY MR. KAVALER: 25

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Page 104 1 A. And that's what I tried to portray here, what 2 they thought the definition was.

Q. I understand perfectly.

4 A. I made a typo there, but I think I have it 5 accurate in my report, my first report.

Q. So this -- and you weren't intentionally trying to deceive anyone?

8 A. I wasn't trying to be intentionally deceptive 9 or intentionally illegal when I made that typo.

10 Q. And yet it's -- wrong?

> A. It's wrong.

12 Right. Things can be wrong without being 13 intentionally deceptive; can't they?

A. Yes, that's true.

15 Q. And things can be wrong without being 16 fraudulent; can't they?

17 A. Well, depends. If it's a violation of a 18 statute, then it would be.

19 Q. Well, in this case it's a mere mistake; right?

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And there's no statute that says if you make a 22 typo it's a violation of the law.

Q. No, I agree there's no statute.

You did tell me earlier, though, that one of your goals as an expert is to be accurate in your use of

Q. I'll be happy to because your counsel who is the materials that you're using; correct?

2 A. Yes.

> Q. This would be an example of a case where you turned out to be inaccurate?

A. Well, I made a typo.

I mean, I -- and you didn't give me a chance to look, but I know that I have it accurate in this report here, which is probably why I haven't been given the time to look at it.

Q. That's right.

11 What you want to point out to me is that the 12 ratio, the numerator and denominator here, is probably 13 you're batting 500, you got it right once and wrong 14 once, and that's relevant to the point you're making; 15 right?

A. I'm sure --

MR. BAKER: Objection. Argumentative.

18 THE WITNESS: I'm sure -- you know, I have a

19 250-page report and a hundred page report here single 20 spaced.

21 I'm sure there are other typos that we can

22 find, but to the best of my ability I tried to portray 23 accurate information and draw my opinions based on the

24 record. 25 BY MR. KAVALER:

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BY MR. KAVALER: Q. What I did is precisely what Mr. Baker in his attempt to be a big boy suggested I should do.

understand what's going on has, obviously, confused you.

THE WITNESS: Actually, it's not my counsel.

I read you from page 51 of Mr. Gilmer's testimony. I ignored your typo, prepared to spot you the typo.

I read you precisely what Mr. Baker -- I use the word advisedly, thinks I should have read you. But I'll be happy to read it to you again.

And you understand the question precisely. The question is, when you hear Mr. Gilmer's testimony from page 51 of his transcript, do you have any reason to believe that that's not what he really thought, quote, "I guess in my mind it would be any activity which would be intentionally illegal or intentionally deceptive," closed quote?

21 Do you have any reason to believe that's not 22 what Gary Gilmer thinks?

23 A. If he said it, I'm assuming that's what he 24 thinks.

25 Q. Okay.

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Q. And you don't want me to think ill of you as an expert because you made a couple of mistakes?

MR. BAKER: Assumes facts not in evidence as if she cares what you think about her.

THE WITNESS: I mean, if you think ill of me, you think ill of me. I can't help it.

BY MR. KAVALER:

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- Q. Well, you don't want the Court to think ill of your testimony and reject it just because there's some mistakes in it; right?
- A. I'm assuming that they won't reject it because 11 12 I have a typo.
- 13 Q. But, nevertheless, you're making the point that "If got it right once and I got it wrong once," 14 15 that's important for you to focus on?
- 16 A. Well, it's just like complaints, you know. If 17 you have one complaint here and -- that somebody complains and says that, "You know, the finance company 18 19 stole my house," you would be more concerned than if 20 they said "They gave me a disclosure late" or something.

So you have to take everything in to consideration, and the fact that I made a typo here but 23 I have it accurate in my first report, hopefully, I

haven't had time to look at it, shows you that I was

trying to accurately quote them and I made a mistake.

the disclosure statute.

2 Then it would not be predatory; is that right? 3 MR. BAKER: Objection to the extent you're 4

calling for a legal conclusion.

THE WITNESS: So you're saying that you made the disclosure, it was accurate and it was timely?

MR. KAVALER: Correct.

THE WITNESS: And there's a statute that requires both of those things? 10

MR. KAVALER: Correct.

11 THE WITNESS: Then I wouldn't think that there would be anything in violation of the statute, which 12 13 would be a requirement before it could be considered predatory unless it was deceptively given or fall within 14 the Deceptive Trade Practices section of it.

16 BY MR. KAVALER:

17 Q. So to get within the safe harbor, to protect 18 myself from being viewed as a predatory lender by a 19 fair-minded regulator such as yourself, if there's a 20 disclosure statute, I have to comply with it, I have to 21 make the right disclosure, I have to make it accurately,

22 I have to make it timely, if there's type size

23 requirements, I have to make it in the right type size,

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25 distribute the multiple copies.

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Q. Uh-huh.

So we talked earlier today about certain rules that require disclosure, and I think you told me that if you make the disclosure accurately, then it's not illegal.

I take it then it's also not predatory; right? If it's a disclosure based rule and you make the disclosure fully and completely, which you recite is true, then it's not predatory; correct?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Incomplete hypothetical.

THE WITNESS: Let me just take that in sections.

So if you're required to make a disclosure and you make an accurate disclosure but you don't make it timely, it would be considered a violation of the statute, and depending on how you didn't make it timely it could be considered deceptive.

19 So I don't know if it necessarily follows that 20 just because you made the disclosure, if you didn't make 21 it accurately or not timely it could still be considered 22 predatory.

23 BY MR. KAVALER:

24 Q. Let's assume you made it timely. 25

Let's assume in all respects you complied with

But assuming I comply with the statute, it is 2 legal, and, therefore, by definition not predatory; right?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes her prior testimony.

THE WITNESS: I mean, I would have to know exactly what the circumstance is, because there are some consumer laws that say you have to give something three days ahead, like the good faith estimate, for example. You have to fill it out appropriately.

Now, there was a quarrel with Household in this particular case about the range that they use, you know, from zero to \$6500 or whatever, and so there's probably something -- there are probably examples that we could come up with that would fall under deceptive that would put this in to predatory, even though the disclosures were made.

18 I'm not thinking of anything at the moment, 19 but I don't want to say in every single case just because you make the disclosure and it's accurate and 20 21 it's timely it's not going to be deceptive.

I would have to think about that a little 23 longer to make sure I was right on that.

24 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Did you see any of those in this case?

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Did you see any instance where Household's 2 conduct was legal but you still think it was predatory? 3

A. Well, of course the -- the conduct would have to be deceptive, some sort of deceptive sales practice, for it to be in the predatory category.

In other words, it didn't violate the statute but the way that it was administered the sales practice was deceptive.

- Q. That would make it illegal; right?
- 10 A. Right.
- O. Uh-huh. 11
- 12 A. I would have -- I would have to think about
- 13 that.

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- 14 Q. Okay. If at any time during this deposition you think of the answer to any of these questions, just 15 tell me you want to go back --16
- 17 A. Okay.
- -- and cover the subject again, and we'll go 18 O.
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20 A. Okay.

21 VIDEOGRAPHER: This marks the end of Tape 1 in the deposition of Catherine Ghiglieri at 11:30. 22

- 23 Going off the record.
- 24 (Thereupon a recess was taken at 11:30 a.m.
- and the deposition resumed at 11:47 a.m.) 25

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VIDEOGRAPHER: On record at 11:47.

This marks the beginning of Tape 2 in Volume 1 of the deposition of Catherine Ghiglieri.

4 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Okay. Ms. Ghiglieri, I want to be completely fair to you.

Did you find anything during the break that you want to call to my attention that you thought that I wasn't letting you call to my attention previously?

- A. You mean -- with regard to what?
- 11 Q. Well, I thought there was some feeling on your part that if you had time during the break to look at 12
- your first report you'd find something that somehow 13
- bears upon what you said in your second report. 14
- 15 A. Well, I wanted to find the Gary Gilmer quote. 16 but --
- 17 Q. But you didn't?
- A. I didn't -- I didn't do it during the break. 18
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. I'm glad to do it right now, if you're going
- 21 to ask me more questions.
- Q. No, no, no. I'm not. I just wanted to know 22 23 if you had an -- an opportunity.
- 24 A. Okay.
- 25 Okay. I'm going to ask you one more thing I

left off my list before. I apologize.

- A. Okav.
- 3 Q. You didn't do any secret shopper work; did 4 you?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Okay. You know what "secret shopper work" is? Q. 7
 - Yes. I call it "mystery shopping," but --
- 8 Q. Mystery shopping?
 - A. Yeah.
- 10 You didn't do any mystery shopping of any Q.
- 11 Household branches?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. It occurs to me that you and I know what we're 14 talking about, but so the record will know, what do you
- 15 mean by "mystery shopping"? 16
 - A. What do I know about mystery shopping?
- 17 Q. What do you -- what do you mean by it?
- 18 It's where you go in, and at the OCC we used
- 19 to do it if we thought that the regulated entity may or
- may not have been giving us the right information, and
- 21 you go in where they don't know you're the regulator.
- 22 Q. Pretending to be a customer? 23
 - Pretending to be a customer, applying for a
- 24 loan, or whatever the issue is.
 - Q. Right.

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A. And just see what the response is, or you call, ask them what the rates are on deposits, or

3 whatever it is that you're trying to find out.

MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, once again, you've interrupted. In fact, this time you managed to interrupt the witness twice.

Could you please refrain. I know you're trying to be helpful, and I know you're somewhat impatient, but would you let the witness finish and try not to interrupt.

Ms. Ghiglieri, were you finished?

12 BY MR. KAVALER:

- 13 Q. And you used to do that when you were at the 14 OCC?
- 15 A. Yes, and -- on -- on occasion we would. Just 16 depends.

17 Nine times out of 10 you can always get the

18 information that you need when you're in the bank, but if it looked like something was amiss, you could do some 19

- 20 mystery shopping and either call, or go in to a branch,
- 21 or whatever, and gather additional examination
- 22 information.
- 23 Q. And you didn't do any of that here?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Okay. Now, you did look at the various

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materials which included reports of regulators, and you looked at some depositions, and you've made use of them 3 in your -- in your two reports; correct?

A. Yes.

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5 Q. And, if you look at your rebuttal report, 6

Exhibit 2, I think it's page 61 -- the top of that page you're talking about, I guess starting at page 4, you're

responding to something that's said in the Bley and 8

9 Litan reports, and you say "There is no requirement that

10 the report of examination be put through the 11 administrative hearing process to be considered final."

12 Do you see that?

13 A. What page are you on?

14 Q. I'm at the top of 61.

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And then you quote -- you paraphrase

17 Mr. Cross.

18 You say "Mr. Cross testified the Washington DI 19 report of examination was a final report notwithstanding the fact that it did not go through the administrative 20 hearing process." 21

22 Do you see that?

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24 Q. Okay. And it's your view that reports of

examination do not need to go through administrative

the agency has authority to sign it, I mean, the 2 regulators consider that a final report.

3 Now, if something comes up that's in error, 4 you know -- you know, I probably once or twice during my career have issued an amended report where, you know, we got some information that made it look like something in 7 there was inaccurate, but I've never known anyone to say 8 this isn't a final report.

Q. And then the next sentence on page 60 of

10 Exhibit 1 says -- I'm sorry. Exhibit 2 says "As

Mr. Cross stated, quote 'We in Washington state use the 11

term 'apparent violation,' prior to actually filing 12

charges," three dots, closed quote, and a footnote call 13 14 sign number 288.

15 Do you see that?

16 A. Yes.

17 And 288 says "Cross deposition page 31"? Q.

18 A.

19 Q. That's where you got that from; correct?

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21 Q. So that's a fair paraphrase or quote of

22 Mr. Cross' testimony at that page?

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24 it out.

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25 Q. It's your quote?

hearing process to be considered final by regulators?

2 A. Yes, I -- that's my opinion. 3

Q. Okay. And that's an opinion that would be shared by most regulators?

A. That is -- to the best of my knowledge that's the opinion that most of the regulators share.

Q. Okay. And at page 60 under the bold heading B in that first paragraph you talk about, middle of the paragraph, "The requirements vary from state to state, which is why the language "apparent violation" is used in some regulatory reports of examination in some states but not in others to discuss violations of law found during regulatory examinations."

In other words, you're saying that the phrase "apparent violation" is synonymous in your usage with "violation"?

A. Well, I know that the FTIC in some states, I guess -- and Washington is one of them, where they use "apparent violation," so that they don't trigger the beginning of the APA requirements.

In Texas we didn't do that. At the OCC we didn't do it.

23 And so just depends on what the statute says 24 and -- but in terms of the report of examination, when it's signed by the agency head, or, you know, whoever in

Page 117 That's my quote. That's what I pulled out.

2 Q. No. But that was your goal? Your goal was to 3 be fair?

Sure. Α.

Q. Always?

That's always my goal. A.

7 Q. Okay. So let's look at Cross 230 -- Cross 8 page 31 and see what we find.

Let me see. Let me see.

10 It's marked as -- do we have the whole thing 11 here?

12 I tell you what. Here's what I'm going to do. 13 I don't think we need to mark these. I'll be happy to

14 if your counsel wants to. 15

This is the Cross transcript. Everybody knows what it is. That's sufficient identification.

I'm handing you a copy so you can look at it if you want, and I'm going to turn to page 31, but I'm not going to go through the exercise of giving it a deposition exhibit number and forcing the Reporter to copy hundreds of pages.

22 Okay. And Mr. Cross is asked -- he used two 23 terms.

24 On page 31. You see it? 25 Yes, I see it, uh-huh.

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"You used two terms 'violation,' I presume of either federal or state regulations or an 'apparent violation' of federal and state regulations. Are those terms of art?

Answer: Yes. We use the term 'apparent violation' prior to actually filing charges because they're essentially initial findings. It is just a term of art to allow the process, the understanding that, you know, it's not a finding by the Director that a violation has occurred. It's a finding by an examiner who is not in a position to commit the Department to charges for those violations."

Do you see that?

15 A. Yes, I do.

16 Q. Okay. And that includes the language that you 17 quoted at page 60 of your rebuttal report where you say "Mr. Cross stated, quote, 'We in Washington state" and 18 "Washington state" is in brackets, "use the term

19 20 'apparent violation' prior to actually filing charges;"

21 correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. This is the passage you were referring to?

24 A.

25 All right. Is it fair to say that what

violation.' We just prefer that our examiners talk in 2 terms of apparent violations in instead of making it 3 sound as if it's a finding of the Director."

Do you see that?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. All right. What you did throughout is you made the Washington state reports sound like they're findings of the Director; did you not?

A. Well, as I said in my rebuttal report specifically with regard to this issue, no agency is going to send out a report of examination with serious criticisms like was in Washington without the agency 13 head knowing that's going out.

Now, whether that's the Director or the -whoever is in charge of that particular area, but -- but those are serious charges, and Household and Beneficial were both large entities, and, you know, I was a regulator for 25 years, and I can tell you I never once sent out an examination report just to see what the heck 20 the regulated entity was going to say in response to the criticisms that were in the report.

22 You try and get to the bottom of it before you 23 ever issue a report of examination.

24 So -- maybe that's just a point of difference 25 that -- that I have with your experts. I don't know.

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1 But I -- in my experience I've never seen 2 anything that would be so cavalier as to just issue a 3 report, and, you know, say, well, let's just see what

4 they have to say.

5 Q. Well, when you say difference with our 6 experts, you're referring to Mr. Bley, Mr. Rotan --

A. Well, this -- this issue was in Mr. Bley and Mr. Lasusa's report.

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O. Right.

10 A. I don't know whose criticism is which -- Mr.

11 Bley or Mr. Lasusa, but --

12 Q. In this case -- in this case your difference 13 is with Mr. Cross, is it not, you do not agree with 14

Mr. Cross' testimony?

A. I don't think I've said anything that 15 16 contradicts Mr. Cross' testimony.

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So in your judgment your summary at page 60 of 18 your report, where you quote Mr. Cross as saying, quote.

19 "We in Washington state use the term 'apparent

20 violation' prior to actually filing charges," following

21 a sentence where you analagize an apparent violation to

22 an actual violation is fair to Mr. Cross' testimony at 23 page 31 where he says "It's a finding by the examiner

24 who's not in the position to commit the Department to 25

charges to those violations," and then he says "We

Mr. Cross is saying is exactly the opposite of the proposition for which you quoted him in your report?

A. No, I don't think so.

I mean, there's -- there's a whole series of -- things that a regulated entity can do to appeal an examination report, and certain statutes, you know, if you do certain things you trigger that process.

And so you characterize things so that you don't trigger that process, and that's what he's trying to say here.

11 O. Mr. Cross?

A. At least that's how I'm interpreting it.

Q. Ahh. Okay. Let me read you a little more. "Question: In order to --"

15 I'm reading from Mr. Cross' testimony on the 16 very same page --

17 A. Uh-huh.

Q. -- that you cited.

19 "Ouestion: In order to have a violation, you 20 would have to go through the Administrative Procedures 21 Act: is that a true statement?

22 Answer: I don't know if it's true, but it's 23 -- let me say it's not a clearly defined process. I

24 won't say there haven't been times when examiners have used the term 'violation,' in lieu of 'apparent

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MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. Vague and ambiguous and largely unintelligible.

THE WITNESS: Can you read me back that question.

(Record Read)

11 MR. KAVALER: After the word "examiners," "Our 12 examiners -- we prefer our examiners talk in terms of apparent violations, instead of making it sound as if 13 it's a finding of the Director. 14

15 That's my question.

16 THE WITNESS: I think I'm lost on your 17 question.

18 BY MR. KAVALER:

19 Q. My question is, did you fairly treat the 20 testimony of Mr. Cross or did you twist its meaning 180 degrees to make your point? 21

A. I don't think I twisted it. I think I was 22 23 fair, and I think that's what the sum total of his

testimony is getting at is, we have to use certain 24

terminology so that we don't trigger the APA.

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Now, did he say that specifically?

No, but I think that's what he means based on my knowledge of the APA at the federal level and the state level and what other regulatory agencies do in this regard.

Q. Now, on page 32 Mr. Cross was asked "Was there ever a violation found against Household or any of its subsidiaries by anyone who is delegated that authority?"

Somebody named Mr. Dunn said "Objection. Vague and ambiguous," and the answer was "No."

Do you see that testimony?

A. I do.

Q. Do you see any reason to disagree with that?

MR. BAKER: I would direct the witness to review the whole testimony on page 2 before answering that question or I would suggest she do so.

BY MR. KAVALER: 17

18 Q. My question is, do you have any reason to 19 quarrel with Mr. Cross' sworn testimony that no charge 20 was ever brought against Household by anyone who had 21 authority or delegated authority in the state of 22 Washington to do that?

23 A. I'm going to look at this first before I 24 answer the previous question.

MR. KAVALER: Sure. Sure.

1 THE WITNESS: I want to pull out something

2 here. I knew I was going to do that.

3 Okay. Hang on for one second.

MR. BAKER: Is this what you want?

5 THE WITNESS: No.

6 BY MR. KAVALER:

7 Q. Tell me what you're looking for. Maybe I can 8 help you find it quicker.

9 A. I just want to look at the examination report 10 here.

11 Q. Well, here's the problem I have with that, Ms. 12 Ghiglieri.

I'm not asking you anything about the 14 examination report right now. I'm asking you whether you have any reason to disagree with Mr. Cross' sworn testimony on page 32, which I read you, and I'm not sure 16 where you're going, and I'm not sure that you're going to do it on my time, so please put down the book you're looking at and answer my question.

20 If you can't answer my question, say you can't 21 answer my question.

22 A. I'm going to look at this for one second.

23 Q. All right. I'm going to ask the Judge for an 24 additional hour of time to examine you based on your

25 misconduct.

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MR. BAKER: You can do whatever you want, Mr. Kavaler.

Don't forget to point out to the Judge your speaking question where you like to pontificate on what you're going to do with the Judge, and her testimony, and also your large, long unintelligible questions, where you drone on and on, and questions that no one but yourself perhaps can understand.

I hope you point that out to the Judge as well.

BY MR. KAVALER: 11

12 Q. Mr. Ghiglieri, I'd like you to participate in the deposition, not do whatever it is you're doing 13 14 there.

15 I request you politely to put down that book 16 and pay attention to my questions and answer them. If 17 you can't, --

MR. BAKER: It's Ghiglieri, Mr. Kavaler.

19 MR. KAVALER: -- please say so.

MR. BAKER: It's Ghiglieri,

21 BY MR. KAVALER:

22 Q. I'll ask you one last time, Ms. Ghiglieri.

23 Please put down that book and pay attention to 24 this depotion. 25

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pushed back from the table, and you are not listening to my questions. You're off on some frolic of your own, reading a book of your own.

I ask you not to do that during my time, please.

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A. In order for me to answer, I think it was your previous question, I looked at the examination reports from all the states that I had them from, including Washington, and I read the entire Cross deposition here. 10 so I was trying to put in perspective what he was -- his answers were regarding this subject, and I was looking 12 at the examination report.

Now, in this examination report from 14 Washington, just as an example of what we're talking about here from March 13th -- or, March 4th of 2002, it 15 says here -- they're asking them to file a refund on a particular issue with the language "The Director of DFI has informed Household that your loan was processed in violation of blah, blah, blah.

20 So I believe that I have appropriately 21 characterized the sum total of what I've looked at as -that the report was final, but didn't trigger the APA, 22 and I believe that's an accurate characterization, not only of this testimony, but also of the documents that 24 25 I've seen from Washington.

Bates number HHS 02896445 through 57, and I believe it

2 pertains to a Washington state DFI examination delivered

3 to Household, it looks like March 4th, 2002, and it's 4

signed -- I can't read it, but it says "By order of the 5 Director of the Department of Financial Institutions,"

and that's the last page. 7

Oh. And Ms. Ghiglieri -- sorry. Ms. Ghiglieri was reading from language that is contained on that last page, which is Bates number ending in 457.

I'm sorry to interrupt you, Mr. Kavaler.

11 BY MR. KAVALER:

12 Q. Turn to your initial report at page 19, 13 please.

14 Withdrawn.

15 Go back to Exhibit H to your additional 16 report.

17 A. Exhibit H.

> Q. The last -- the last page.

19 A. Okay.

20 O. Did you review the files on any of these

21 individual customer complaints?

22 When you say "files," what do you mean?

23 Well, other than preparing this list here did

24 you look at a file relating to Jose and Barbara Nanez,

25 for instance, the complaint, the response, anything

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1 So that's the answer to how many ever 2 questions ago it was.

- Q. Do you remember the present pending question?
- 4 What did you just say? A.
- 5 Q. Do you remember the question that you're 6 trying to answer?
 - A. I don't think I could paraphrase it.
 - Q. Do you even remember what it was?
- 9 A. Yes. You were asking me about Mr. Cross' 10 testimony.

Q. I was asking you specifically whether Mr. Cross' testimony at page 32 that no violation was ever found against Household or any of its subsidiaries or anyone that was delegated that authority in the state of Washington was true.

16 A. Well, it's not true, because here I see that it says they did find a violation. They didn't say 17 18 apparent in the notice for the refund. They said a 19 violation. So there's a conflict here.

Q. So you disagree with Mr. Cross?

21 MR. BAKER: Just so -- just so the record's 22 clear, Ms. Ghiglieri, when she was referring to the 23 document, was again referring back to the -- looks like

the March -- it's a -- it's a fax -- and, it's a series 24 25 of pages lumped together under file exams Washington. 1 about it?

2 A. I looked at whatever was produced in this case 3 on it.

4 MR. KAVALER: All right. Let's mark as 5 Deposition Exhibit 1 -- 3. Sorry.

(Exhibit No. 3 was marked for Identification.)

MR. KAVALER: A document bearing production numbers HHS 02936609 through 6647.

MR. BAKER: Just one point of clarification, so -- I'm sorry I wasn't following.

11 So you did not mark Mr. Cross' deposition as 12 an exhibit?

Is this the document that you referred to?

14 Is this the entirety of his deposition,

15 volumes 1 and volume 2? 16

MR. KAVALER: Look, if you would,

17 Ms. Ghiglieri, at Exhibit 3. 18

Is that the file on Diane Hughes?

19 Did you look at that in preparing your report?

20 THE WITNESS: Did -- I'm confused by what you

handed me. I thought you said this was Mr. Nanez. 21

22 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. No. I said --

24 A. What are you saying?

I asked you if you looked at this document,

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which is Exhibit 3, in preparing your report.

It's the file on Diane Hughes.

3 If you look at Exhibit H, you'll see that

Diane Hughes' name appears about five lines down. 4

- A. Yes.
- 6 Q. She's one of the people --
- 7 A. Okav. I'm with you.
- Q. -- whose complaint you summarized in this 8
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- 10 A. Yes. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay? And this is the file you looked at to prepare that summary? 12
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- A. I don't recall seeing these ACORN audit 14 charts.
- Let me look at the rest of it here. 15
- 16 MR. KAVALER: Sure.
- MR. BAKER: Just so the record's clear, the 17
- Appendix H does have a Bates number referenced by the 18
- name -- by each name of the person listed --- or names,
- 20 I should say.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I don't believe I've seen any of
- 22 these documents.
- 23 BY MR. KAVALER:
- 24 Q. Okay. So in including Ms. Hughes on Exhibit H
- 25 you did not review this file which appears to contain

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- various documents pertaining to her complaint, it
- appears to contain something called an ACORN audit, 2
- 3 whatever that may be.
- 4 There's a benefits to the customer page.
- There's a page summarizing Ms. Hughes' various 5
- complaints and Household's responses thereto. There's a
- 7 HUD form. There's a truth in lending disclosures form.
- There's a loan repayment and security agreement, which
- appears to be signed by Ms. Hughes. There's an optional 9
- 10 credit insurance disclosure form, which appears to be
- 11 signed by Ms. Hughes. There is a document called
- 12 "Optional Real Estate Property Protection" form signed
- 13 by Ms. Hughes. There's a loan repayment and security
- 14 agreement signed by Ms. Hughes. There's an optional
- 15 credit disclosure form signed by Ms. Hughes, and then
- 16 there's another one of these ACORN audit reports, maybe
- 17 the same one, then there's a letter on the letterhead of
- 18 Diane Hughes to Beneficial, and then there's some E-mail
- 19 traffic apparently internal to Household about this
- 20 situation.
- 21 And whatever all this file represents, this is
- 22 not a file that you looked at in -- in summarizing the
- 23 Hughes complaint on to the chart which is Appendix 8 to
- 24 your original report which is Exhibit 1; correct?
- 25 A. I don't recall looking at these, and the Bates

numbers aren't the same.

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- 3 So I'm -- I can only conclude that I didn't
- 4 review this.
- Q. But this document which you didn't look at was in the universe of documents that was made available to 6 7 vou?
- 8 A. Well, there are lots and lots and lots of
- 9 documents, and I did my best to look at as many as I
- possibly could. 10
- 11 O. Okay.

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- A. Now, whether this was in there and I just 12
- 13 missed it or what, I don't know.
 - MR. KAVALER: Fair enough. Let's mark as
- Exhibit -- 4 a document bearing -- number 10 -- bears 15
- 16 production numbers HHS 02942236 through 0 -- okay.
- 17 Rather than do it that way, let me just say it
- bears the page numbers -- the Bates numbers it will show 18
- because it's a compilation of documents, so they won't 19
- 20 be consecutive, so don't waste time.
 - But let me show you what is now marked as
- Exhibit 4 in your deposition, Ms. Ghiglieri, and ask you 22
- 23 whether you've seen those documents before.
- And when I say "seen them before" I mean did 24
- 25 you review them in the course of preparing your report.

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- I'm not asking you what you might have looked at with
- Mr. Baker last night or anything like that. 2
- 3 A. Do you have one other copy of it?
 - MR. KAVALER: Sure.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
 - May I take a moment to look at it.
- 7 MR. KAVALER: Absolutely. Please.
- 8 (Exhibit No. 4 was marked for Identification.)
- 9 THE WITNESS: And this is for the same
- 10 complaint that you just showed me?
- 11 MR. KAVALER: No. I'm not telling you
- 12 anything about what it is. I'm just asking you whether
- 13 it looks familiar to you.
 - THE WITNESS: Oh, okay.
- 15 MR. KAVALER: We'll go through what it is.
 - THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 17 MR. KAVALER: Oh. Let me say it this way.
 - If you haven't seen it, we may not go through
- 19 what it is, so it will be a lot quicker.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Let me just look --
- 21 MR. KAVALER: Absolutely.
- 22 THE WITNESS: -- quickly and see if I've seen
- 23 it.
- 24 I don't recall whether I've seen this or not.
- 25 I may have. I looked at a lot of Household's responses

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Page 134 to the regulators, and it's been a while since I formulated this chart, so I very well may have seen 3 this. 4 Q. But you don't recall? 5 A. As I'm sitting here, I don't, but I looked at -- many, many complaints, responses from Household, and 6 -- and this has a lot of the same folks that I have on 7 8 this chart. 9 So -- it could have been, you know, a year, 10 year-and-a-half ago that I looked at it. 10 Q. Would it be fair for me to take the answer you 11 11 12 just gave, the don't recall answer, and convert that in 12 13 to Ms. Ghiglieri did not look at this document? 13 14 MR. BAKER: It's Ms. Ghiglieri. 15 THE WITNESS: I may have seen this document. 16 I've looked at a lot of responses to --17 BY MR. KAVALER: 17 18 Q. It wouldn't be fair of me to --18 MR. BAKER: Would you please stop interrupting 19 19 20 her. 21 Were you finished with your answer? 21 22 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I'm distracted 23 by --24 MR. KAVALER: By Mr. Baker. I understand. 24 25 MR. BAKER: No. You're distracted because 25 Page 135 you're interrupting.

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1 You said you were going to make a big issue of 2 it. You said this morning that you would try your best. 3 I don't think you are. 4 BY MR. KAVALER: 5

Q. Can you answer the question, Ms. Ghiglieri? MR. BAKER: Could you please -- will you answer me?

Will you answer me one question? Will you stop interrupting the witness? BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Can you answer the pending question?

A. Can you read back the question.

Q. Would it be fair for me to summarize your 14 testimony that you just gave about you don't recall or 15 you're not sure by saying Ms. Ghiglieri never looked at 16 this document?

Would that be a fair summary?

A. No, I don't think that's fair.

O. It would be unfair for me to convert your 20 failure to recall specifically in to a declarative "She didn't do it;" right?

22 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes her 23 prior testimony.

THE WITNESS: I'm telling you it's been a long time since I looked at a lot of these documents, and to

the best of my knowledge I may have very well seen this.

I tried to look at every document I could.

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2 BY MR. KAVALER: 3 Q. Would it be fair of me to ask, --4 MR. BAKER: Will you stop. 5 BY MR. KAVALER: 6 Q. -- to report to people who asked me how did 7 the deposition go to say that Ms. Ghiglieri testified 8 that she did not look at this document? 9 Would that be a fair summary of your 10 testimony? MR. BAKER: Before you answer the question, I 11 12 have asked you time and time again to stop interrupting the witness. You've done it repeatedly, and you even 14 now won't even give me the courtesy of looking me in the

16 my questions. I've asked you to stop interrupting the 18 witness. It is impeding her testimony. She is unable 19 sometimes to complete her answers because you've 20 interrupted her and you distract her.

eye, you're not giving me the courtesy of responding to

21 If you will not stop doing that during the 22 lunch break, if we need to, we'll call the Court and ask 23 -- get an instruction for you to stop interrupting. 24 Can you do also the common courtesy of

pronouncing her name correctly. Ghiglieri.

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3 This file is so huge there may be some that I didn't. 4 So I don't want to say definitively "Yes, I looked at this," because I don't have a Bates number 5 6 down here that I can match it to -- unless I can match 7 it. 8 Let's see here. 9 294 -- yeah, there is a Bates number here, so 10 I did see this document. 11 BY MR. KAVALER: 12 Q. Okay. Good. 13 So this document, Exhibit 4, refers to some of 14 the same people that are in your chart, which is Exhibit 15 H: correct? 16 A. Yes. 17 Q. For example, it refers to Barbara and Horace Price, and they're on your chart; correct? 18 19 A. Yes.

20 O. And it --21 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. 22 BY MR. KAVALER: 23 Q. And it refers to Mary Washington, and she's on 24 your chart; correct?

MR. BAKER: Let my interrupt.

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Page 138 Page 140 1 I believe the testimony or Mr. Kavaler's Q. Generally regarded as reputable in the 2 representation was this was not one document. regulator community? 3 So it appears he's combined what may be 3 A. As far as the regulators go; is that your 4 several documents together. 4 question? 5 So the fact that a particular Bates number 5 Q. Yes. 6 refers to one document in here doesn't mean that you've 6 A. Yes, ACORN, you know, has a reputation that, 7 seen all these, and you should be aware of that. you know, they're pretty aggressive when it comes to 8 THE WITNESS: Yes. consumer issues, and the regulators, especially at the 9 MR. BAKER: He's probably not intentionally 9 federal level, have quite a bit of interaction with 10 trying to deceive you, but he may have innocently done 10 them. so. But just be aware of that. 11 11 Q. Now, when I asked you that question, you asked 12 BY MR. KAVALER: 12 me whether I meant in the regulatory community. Q. The pending question, Ms. Ghiglieri, is 13 13 Is there some other community that you're 14about --14 aware of that has a different view of ACORN? 15 MR. BAKER: Ghiglieri. 15 A. Well, the folks at Household didn't think too 16 BY MR. KAVLER: 16 highly of them. 17 O. -- Mary Washington. 17 I have some information, quotes, in my 18 She's one of the people on your chart, Exhibit 18 rebuttal report and in my initial report that, you know, 19 H? they weren't too happy with the complaints that they 19 20 A. Your question is whether Mary Washington is on 20 were generating. 21 my chart? 21 But -- but I think the regulators, you know, 22 22 Q. Yes. generally feel that they're reputable. A. Yes, I see Mary Washington. 23 23 Q. Did you know what the Grand Jury in the 24 Q. And Virginia Kaiser is on your chart? 24 Western District of Missouri thought about the ACORN 25 Yes. folks that it indicted in 2006? Page 139 Page 141 Q. And Edward and Brenda Waters are on your 1 A. No. I have no idea. 2 chart? 2 Q. Are you familiar with that case? 3 Α. Yes. 3 A. No. 4 Q. And Mildred Camp is on your chart? 4 Q. Uh-huh. 5 Okay. Do you see that Household has a --A. Yes. Beneficial has a heading here that says "Household's 6 Okay. Now, in -- in Exhibit 4, which is a 6 7 letter from Beneficial to the Commissioner of Financial 7 Responsible Lending Policies"? Regulation in Baltimore, Maryland, Prudential -- I'm 8 A. And you're on the first page? 9 sorry -- Beneficial is responding to some of the claims 9 Q. On the first page. asserted by a group called ACORN. 10 10 A. 11 Do you see that? 11 Q. And in the second paragraph under "credit 12 A. Am I looking at -insurance," it says "Household does not require 13 Q. The first -- the first line of the first page 13 insurance as a condition for loan approval." 14 of this exhibit says, "Thank you for the opportunity to 14 Do you see that? respond to the letter your office received from the 15 A. I do. representative of the Association of Community 16 16 Q. All right. And then the last sentence reads, 17 Organizations for Reform, now ACORN." 17 "In addition to employee communications and disclosures, 18 Do you see that? our customer orientation video, and our customer 19 A. Yes. 19 satisfaction survey, all restate the optionality of Q. Do you know who ACORN is? 20 insurance." 20 A. I do. 21 21 Do you see that? Q. Who is ACORN? A. I do. 22 22

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24 prepayment penalties.

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Q. The next page there's a section talking about

It's a prepayment fee generally to allow

MR. BAKER: Grammatically it's what is ACORN.

A. That's a community activist group.

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25 BY MR. KAVALER:

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Q. And the last sentence in that paragraph reads, " Household's prepayments are clearly disclosed in our loan agreements, and, again, highlighted in our customer orientation video and customer satisfaction survey."

Do you see that?

A. I see it.

10 11 Q. Did you see as you went through these 12 materials numerous examples of customer loan agreements in which the prepayment penalties were highlighted and 13 clearly disclosed and a separate discloure form telling 15 the customer they had a right to view a video on this subject and asking the customer to check a box,

indicating, "Yes, I'd like to see the video," or "No, I 17 18 don't want to see the video"?

19 MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague as to time 20 frame.

THE WITNESS: That would -- there were a lot 21 22 of parts to that question.

Do you want me to pick one to answer or do you want to --

25 BY MR. KAVALER:

1 characterizing the prepayment penalty as fully 2 disclosed.

3 And -- and because there was a lot of 4 confusion on the part of the customers, whether or not 5 there was a prepayment penalty. 6

Now, as far as the video, I -- could you read me back the portion of the question regarding the video. (Record Read)

9 THE WITNESS: I don't know what you mean by 10 that, so I don't know how to answer that question, that 11 portion of it.

12 BY MR. BAKER:

13 Q. In your answer you said "There's a lot of confusion on the part of customers regarding the 14 15 prepayment penalty." 16

Did you conduct any study, survey, or analysis to determine how prevalent that was, in other words, what percentage of Household's -- how many customers nationwide were confused by this, 1 percent, 2 percent, 38 percent, 79 percent, anything like that?

A. I think we have gone through that earlier.

22 I did not perform specific statistical 23 analysis, and in both of my reports I talk about the 24 problems with the complaint tracking system by the fact

that if people made a complaint to the branches, it was

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I'd like you to answer all of them.

Did you see documents of that kind fully disclosing prepayment penalties, fully disclosing the fact that there was a video people could watch, and asking people to acknowledge that they had received those disclosures?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Compound. THE WITNESS: Can you read that question back to me.

(Record Read)

THE WITNESS: I saw -- in my review of the record I saw a lot of documents, and testimony, and internal documents regarding the disclosure of the prepayment penalty, and one thing that I discussed in my -- both of my reports is that the prepayment penalty was included in the loan documents, however, it was buried in the loan terms, I think, is how the -- Andrew Carr -when they were going through, trying to increase growth at Household.

20 And the prepayment penalty issues that I 21 discussed in my report, people were confused by whether or not there was a prepayment penalty, and they would 23 ask Household employees about it, and they were either 24 told "We'll waive it" or "There is no penalty" when there really was, and so I quarrel with in your question

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1 not tracked. Only those that made it up certain levels 2 were included in the tracking process, and so even if I 3 were to do some sort of statistical analysis. I don't

4 know how valid it would be.

5 Q. Do you know any way to do a statistical 6 analysis of something without looking at Household's 7 tracking reports? 8

A. I don't understand that question.

MR. BAKER: I'm going to object as vague and 10 ambiguous myself.

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

MR. BAKER: You're normally supposed to give me a chance to do that.

14 THE WITNESS: I know. I'm so sorry. I'm 15 sorry.

16 MR. BAKER: All right. You should be sorry. 17 MR. BURKHOLZ: Sorry. I see you have extra 18 copies of the exhibits. Can we each have copies?

19 MR. HALL: Where possible.

20 MR. BURKHOLZ: I thought you were just looking 21 at the one she had.

22 BY MR. KAVALER:

23 Q. On the third page of this document, Exhibit 4, 24 with regard to Barbara and Horace Price, you see where 25 it says "ACORN's letter states that Mr. and Mrs. Price

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- were threatened with the loss of their home, even though
- 2 their account was a retail installment contract, not a
- motgage. The complaint also states that the Prices were
- 4 pressured in to refinancing their sales contact at a
- 5 higher interest rate and were unaware of the insurance
- coverage on their refinanced account," and then down
- 7 below under "loan benefits," there's two bullets. The
- 8 first one says "By establishing the direct loan we
- 9 reduced the Prices' monthly obligation to Beneficial by
- 10 \$57 a month."

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- Do you see that?
- 12 A. I see it.
- 13 Q. Did you check to see if that statement by
- 14 Beneficial, or Household, or whoever made it here. I
- 15 guess Beneficial, was accurate?
- 16 A. Which statement?
- 17 You read me several.
- 18 Q. That they -- well, only one of those
- 19 statements is by Beneficial.
- You understood that the first one was ACORN's 20
- 21 assertion; right?
- 22 A. Then I'm confused by what you said.
- 23 I'm sorry.
- 24 Q. When Beneficial recites loan benefits, did you
- 25 check to see whether the loan that Household or

- these complaints and go somewhere to try and find out if
- -- if it was accurate. 3 Q. Did you assume they were -- things like this,
- for example, when Beneficial is reciting these various
- things here, did you assume they're accurate or did you
- assume they were inaccurate?
- 7 A. I assumed they were accurate unless I saw 8 documents that conflicted with what they wrote here, and
- 9 I've articulated those in my rebuttal.
- 10 Q. And except as articulated in your rebuttal you 11 assumed they were accurate?
- 12 A. Yes, assuming that I articulated every single
- 13 solitary one, which is probably not the case. 14
- But let's -- let's just say the major ones 15 that I thought were inaccurate I put in this rebuttal.
- 16 Q. And what weight did you give to these 17
- responses by Household to the various complaints that you deemed to be accruate except where you've indicated
- in your rebuttal that you didn't?
- 20 A. And when you say -- what do you mean by what 21 weight do I give?
- 22 Well, what I see here is a -- a document in
- 23 which Household is writing to a regulator; correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 And it's saying "We've been presented with a

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- Beneficial extended to the Prices actually had that 2 beneficial impact?
- 3 A. I didn't check that particular issue, no.
 - Q. Okay. Down below there's a heading called "Interest Rate."

It says "The rate on the Prices' direct loan was higher than the rate on the retail installment contract, and it did extend the term, however this loan provided the Prices with the lowest monthly payments to assist them with their budget circumstances at the 11 time."

12 Do you see that?

- A. I see it.
- 14 Q. Did you make any inquiry as to whether that
- was an accurate statement by Beneficial? 15
- 16 A. I -- I looked at lots and lots of documents. 17 and I did not make an inquiry as to whether or not
- 18 everything that Household said in these documents were
- 19 accurate, unless I found some conflicting testimony or
- 20 another document which -- I go in to some detail in my
- 21 rebuttal report about responses to Household that I
- 22 thought were inaccurate or misleading.
- 23 And so to the extent that I saw conflicting 24 testimony, I would try and weigh with the responses, but
 - I did not take each of their individual responses to

- series of complaints given to you by ACORN. We
- 2 responded in this document to these complaints;"
- 3 correct?

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- A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And in each case Household recites the
- complaint and then it gives an answer and says and 7 here's our response; correct?
 - A. Yes.
- 9 O. And you just told me that except where
- 10 indicated in your rebuttal report, allowing for human
- 11 error, of course, if you didn't indicate something wrong
- 12 with it in your rebuttal report, you accepted
- 13 Household's explanation as correct?
- 14 A. No, no, no. That mischaracterizes my
- 15 testimony.
- 16 What -- what I attempted to do, taking in to 17 consideration there's so many documents here, I -- I
- 18 looked at complaints. I looked at Household's response
- 19 where I -- where I could find it, and I looked at the
- 20 examination reports that may have addressed it, saying
- 21 whether the regulators thought that was a valid response
- 22 or not, and I took all of these documents in to
- 23 consideration in formulating my opinions, but I would --
- 24 there's no way I would characterize -- or agree with
- what you just said, and that is that if it's not in my 25

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rebuttal report, I agree with Household's answer. 2

That's absolutely not the case.

MR. BAKER: Ms. Ghiglieri, if you want, perhaps you should review your rebuttal report, the comments you made specifically regarding Household's responses to regulators, and that's on page 62 of your rebuttal report, and I think that will help you determine how to respond to Mr. Kavaler's questions on this issue.

10 MR. KAVALER: No. I object to that process, 11 Ms. Ghiglieri.

I have a different question I want to ask you. and I'm going to move on, and if Mr. Baker wants to do that on his cross examination, he's fine.

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16 Q. Here's my question:

17 Did you discount any of Household's 18 explanations for any of the -- any of its responses to 19 the regulators?

20 MR. BAKER: I would again think that you should look at your Exhibit B -- or Exhibit 2 page 62, 21 which discusses that issue. 22

23 THE WITNESS: Would you ask me that question 24 again.

25 MR. KAVALER: Sure.

1 factors that I found in their responses to the 2 regulators, and it kind of varnished all of their other 3 responses.

Q. Now, if a regulator came to that conclusion, what would a regulator do?

A. Well, they would do what they did here, and they would go back to them and say, "We don't believe what you're telling us, and we want you to, you know, refund money, you know, pay a fine or whatever."

I mean, that is the conclusion that the regulators came to.

Q. Or they would go back and say to Household, "We don't find this response credible," to use your word, "Please give us a better response;" isn't that true?

16 A. Well, why would they do that? Because then 17 they would just keep getting responses that they found 18 to be unreliable.

19 Generally regulators don't give a regulated 20 entity another opportunity to give them another 21 unreliable response. They go on and take some sort of 22 action.

23 And -- and I cite in my report and in my 24 rebuttal -- I -- one specifically that comes to mind is 25 the Iowa A.G. where she said, you know, "There are

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Please read back the question.

2 (Record Read)

3 THE WITNESS: Which responses are you asking 4 me about?

5 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Throughout the process of forming your opinion, when you saw that Household responded to a regulator --

Yes.

Q. -- did you sometimes say "I discount that. I find that response to be wholly unpersuasive, wholly unaccepptable, uncredible, untrue," whatever?

A. In the beginning, when I started through this process, I assumed that what Household was saying was credible, and the more documents that I looked at and the more responses I looked at based on deposition testimony, internal documents, or whatever, the more unreliable just as a general pattern I found Household's responses.

20 Now, it may be that there's a response in 21 here, and we haven't gone through every line, that I'll say "I agree with that," "I don't agree with that," 22 23 based on other knowledge I have, but, as I said in my 24 rebuttal report here, generally I've found Household's 25 responses to be unreliable, because of some major

things that, you know, they told us, and it's just not what was happening on the ground," for example.

And so they -- their responses -- the responses that Household made to them became varnished as unreliable.

Q. So a regulator would not go back to Household and ask for a better explanation; that's your testimony?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. THE WITNESS: Well -- you know, you're pulling out a document, so maybe somewhere someone asked them

to, but I don't know why they would. 12 If they found their answers to be unreliable. 13 they should take enforcement action, which is what most 14 of them did.

15 MR. KAVALER: No. That's not what I'm looking 16 for.

Oh, maybe it is. You're right.

18 BY MR. KAVALER:

19 Q. Let's go back to Exhibit 3. I think that's 20 the one you testified you didn't see.

A. My documents aren't marked, so I don't know 21 22 what you're talking about.

23 Q. The Doreen Hughes file.

24 MR. BAKER: I think the witness needs another 25 copy.

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3	MR. KAVALER: What happened to the one I gave her?	2	BY MR. KAVALER:
4	THE WITNESS: I don't know.	3	Q. Do you see the paragraph I read to you?
5		4	A. And what was that that you read?
6	MR. BAKER: Actually, not her counsel. I took it.	5	Q. The one that I read.
7	THE WITNESS: What is this number?	6	A. Can you read that back to me.
8	MR. KAVALER: 3.	7	Q. You've forgotten what I read?
9	THE WITNESS: I'm going to mark them.	8	A. Everyone is talking at the same time. I'm
10		9	trying to be responsive.
11		10	Q. No. Not everyone is talking.
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14	13 3	13	reviewing Court.
15		14	Mr. Baker is under the impression he's smarter
16	- y y	15	than I am, he's smarter than the Judge is, and he won't
17	of these things are actual Household or Beneficial agreements with Doreen Hughes; correct?	16	get caught. He will get caught and there will be
18	A. What page are you on? I'm sorry.	17	retribution. There will be penalties. There will be
19	Q. Well, thumb through it. A lot of these are	18	justice.
20		20	But, if he wants to do that, that's absolutely
21	disclosures?	21	his right. I can't stop him. I'm not his counsel.
22	These are documents that Ms. Hughes signed.	22	Apparently there's no one on his side giving
23	For example, I'll direct you specifically to a	23	him any useful advice. So we'll just have to both put
24	couple.	24	up with constant interruptions and childish behavior, but there it is.
25	A. I haven't come to one yet, but let's see	25	
		123	"Prepayment penalty. A prepayment penalty may
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1 1	what's in here.	1	be assessed in the following situations:"
2	Q. Okay. Let's look at page 2936623. It's	2	Do you see that paragraph?
3	called "Loan Repayment and Security Agreement."	3	A. I do.
4	Do you see that?	4	Q. Okay. Is that in your view concealed or
5	A. Yes.	5	hidden or something?
6	Q. All right. Paragraph one, two, three, four	6	A. Well, I discussed this issue quite a bit in my
7	fourth one down, solid caps, "Prepayment Penalty."	7	report.
8	It says "A prepayment penalty will be assessed	8	Q. But I'm asking you a question now about this
9	in the following situations."	9	particular document.
10	Do you see that?	10	MR. BAKER: Could you please let her finish.
11	A. I do.	11	Feel free to finish your answer.
12	MR. BAKER: That's actually the fifth	12	THE WITNESS: In my report of or in my
13	paragraph down. The fourth one just says prepayment	13	expert report and in my rebuttal I talk about disclosure
14	says "You may prepay your loan at any time and may be	14	of prepayment penalties and how you know, you have a
15	charged a prepayment penalty. If you prepay, the	15	stack of documents that you sign at a closing.
17	principal's fully earned when this loan is made and you will not be optified to the professional of the pr	16	The customers were confused about whether
18	will not be entitled to the refund of the points."	17	there was a prepayment penalty, and I acknowledgedd that
19	That's the fourth paragraph.	18	there is a prepayment penalty section in the loan
20	Do you see that, Ms. Ghiglieri?	19	documents.
21	THE WITNESS: I do. BY MR. KAVALER;	20	Whether the the customer understood that or
22		21	not, I I don't know, but based on the complaints it
23	Q. Do you see the paragraph I read to you?	22	looked like there was confusion.
24	MR. BAKER: Are you referring to the fifth paragraph now, Mr. Kavaler?	23	There was some discussion with Household
25	THE WITNESS: And which paragraph are you	24 25	employees about, you know, while there's a prepayment penalty, I didn't think there was. Well, that can be
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So there was iterations of issues surrounding prepayment penalties, and I acknowledge that I'm looking at it in the loan document, but whether the customer understood that it was in there is another issue. BY MR. KAVALER:

- 7 O. Did you talk to any customers to find out why they didn't understand it? 8
- A. I've already testified that I did not talk to 9 10 customers, I did not talk to Household employees, I looked only at the record. 11
- 12 O. Okay. Do you know how many states -- in how many states the law is to the effect that when a person 13 signs a document they're presumed to have read it and understood it? 15
- 16 A. I assume all states.
- 17 O. Uh-huh.

Do you know what percentage of Household's or 18 Beneficial's total customers at any given time claim not 19 20 to have understood or noticed the paragraph with the solid capital letters "Prepayment Penalty" or an analogous paragraph in a document like this? 22 23 THE WITNESS: Could you read that back to me.

24 (Record Read)

25 THE WITNESS: I -- I do not know what Page 160

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1 There were a lot of issues regarding this form 2 that I read in the regulatory reports, and there were specific criticisms by the regulators about the ability to -- especially I think it was in the Washington report, someone to go back through and check whether the insurance -- you know, whether they wanted this 6 7 insurance.

I also saw in some of the complaints that customers complained that when they got to the closing the insurance was already a part of the package, and I saw in the training documents that Household trained their employees to say, you know, assume that you're 12 13 going to sell insurance like the assumptive close, and when the customers complain and say, "You know, you have 14 a chance to cancel it. We'll just do it on a free 15 16 look."

So there are a lot of issues surrounding this 18 form and whether or not insurance was required or not, and I go in to a lot of detail in my report and in my rebuttal about other issues, such as penetration rates, and that's one thing that I've checked as an examiner and the regulators look at, too, to determine if the practice by the lender is different than what they're saying.

So if they say, "No, it's not required," but

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percentage at any one given time.

BY MR. JAVAKER: 2

3 Q. Let's turn to the next page, 293625, it's called "CE Optional Credit Insurance Disclosure."

5 Do you see that?

6 A. Yes.

7 O. All right. And the first full left line in the full left margin says "Credit insurance is optional, not required to obtain this loan," and that's in solid 9 capital letters. 10

Do you see that? 11

12 A. Yes.

O. And then there are a bunch of boxes down below 13 that the customer can check including one that says "no 14 15 insurance."

16 Do you see that?

17 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes the testimony. Also assumes facts not in evidence that the customer can check this particular box or any box on 19 this form. 20

THE WITNESS: I see this box on the form. 21

22 BY MR, KAVALER:

23 Q. Uh-huh.

And then turn to the --24

25 There were -- I'm not done with my answer.

the penetration rate is real high, the conclusion the

regulators reach is that it is, in fact, required and 2

that is a conclusion that I reached. 3

4 So, if you're moving on from this form, I just want to make sure that I say there -- there's a lot of of issues surrounding this form in this case. 6

O. I may or may not be moving on from the form, but in the meantime I want to ask you these questions before we break for lunch.

10 A. Okay.

Are we moving on from this form, did you say?

12 O. Well, I'm going to ask you some questions at

the moment --13

14 A. Okay.

15 Q. -- and we'll come back to this form.

16 A. Okay.

17 O. Are you aware whether Household disclosed to its shareholders the very subject you were just talking 18

19 about, that there were issues out there in the regulator

community and in the ACORN community about the way 20

Household dealt with the whole issue of credit 21

22 insurance?

23 A. In -- in what document are you asking?

24 Any documents. Q.

25 That was outside the scope of what I was asked

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to look at, and I -- I don't recall seeing anything one 2 way or the other.

- Q. Are you aware that Household disclosed to its shareholders and to the market generally that there were issues in the regulator community about prepayment penalties?
- 7 A. I'm not sure I understand specifically your 8 question.

Can you read it back to me, please.

10 (Record Read)

THE WITNESS: I don't understand that

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13 BY MR. KAVALER:

- 14 Q. I'll ask you a different one.
- 15 Okay.
- 16 Q. Are you aware that Household disclosed to its 17 shareholders and to the market generally what its 18 practices were with regard to prepayment penalties?
- 19 A. Umm -- that's outside of what I was asked to

20 look at, and I don't recall seeing that. 21

- Q. Are you aware that Household disclosed to its 22 shareholders and to the market generally what its 23 practices were with regard to loan to value ratios?
- 24 MR. BAKER: Okay. And, again, I just would
- 25 caution the witness that statements made by Mr. Kavaler

property? A. -- of another loan, yeah.

Q. More than one loan on the same piece of

5 A. And sometimes it was unsecured, but it was 6 connected to the same time. So --

Q. Are you aware that Household disclosed its practices with regard to that phenomenon, side loans, to its shareholders and to the investment community at 10 large?

A. I don't recall looking at those documents.

12 MR. KAVALER: I believe Mr. Burkholz indicated 13 he wanted to break for lunch around a quarter to 1:00.

14 It's about a quarter to 1:00, five minutes over.

15 So I would be happy to take a lunch break. 16 Say an hour?

17 VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record at 12:51.

18 (Thereupon a recess was taken at 12:51 p.m. 19 and the deposition resumed at 1:46 p.m.)

20 VIDEOGRAPHER: On record at 1:46.

21 BY MR. KAVALER:

22 Q. Ms. Ghiglieri, turn, please, to page 75 of

23 Exhibit 1. 24 You see one paragraph up from the bottom

25 you're talking about Thomas Schneider?

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about were or were not disclosed are not evidence or not 2 necessarily true.

3 THE WITNESS: Could you read that back to me 4 again.

5 (Record Read)

THE WITNESS: I do remember seeing some documents that I've discussed in the -- the reports that

9 No, that's not right.

10 As I'm sitting here, I can't think of

11 anything, but I think I have seen some documents on 12 that.

13 Q. What is a "side loan"?

14 Do you know?

- A. A "side loan"?
- 16 O. Uh-huh.
- 17 A. Well, as Household used it, it was a loan

18 secured by the property, by the home that was over and 19

above the first mortgage. 20

Q. The second loan?

21 Well, in some cases they call it "a second

22 loan." Sometimes they called it a -- an "unsecured

23 loan." Sometimes they called it a "personal home loan,"

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2 And you say that he testified that it happened

3 -- that in the course of answering a consumer complaint 4 he would find that the customer was lied to by a

5 Household employee.

Do you see that?

A. Yes.

8 Q. You see Schneider deposition page 127?

9 A. Yes.

10 O. So if I look at 127, I'll find Mr. Schneider 11

giving that testimony? 12

A. You should, yeah.

13 Well, I know I should, but the question is, O.

14 will I?

A. Well, unless I put down the wrong page number. 15 16 I tried to have it be accurate.

17 Q. Okay. Let's look at Mr. Schneider's

18 deposition. You did put down the wrong page number, but

19 20 I'm not going to hold that against you.

At page 128 -- you know what? You're right in part. Mr. Sloane's objection is on 127. The question begins on 127.

24 Let's see.

"Question: Let me see if I understand this

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MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, you just want to hang on one second so if I find it I think we can follow along with you.

MR KAVALER: No. You know, I'm going to start even earlier on the page.

I'll start all the way back here.

8 "Question: Did any of your investigations 9 result in the conclusion that customers were actually 10 misled by Household?

Answer: Typically on this type of investigation my department did not do the investigations. It was done by the sales group.

Question: I'm not focusing specifically here. I'm now referring to any investigations that you did from '99 in to 2002 in response to the complaints of the examination -- or the examinations that came in to your department. Did you or your department conclude that customers were actually misled by Household?"

Mr. Sloane made an objection.

20 21 "Answer: Let me see if I understand this 22 right. Are you saying that any time that I in the 23 course of answering complaints and in all the different 24 states did I ever find an incident where a customer lied 25 -- where a customer was lied to?

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1 Question: Yes. 2

Answer: I'm sure that happened.

Question: Okay. Do you recall any specific instances?

Answer: No. It was such a rarity. I mean. those employees, they are gone and off to the next race."

Is that the testimony you're referring to?

- A. The testimony -- that -- I guess it starts on page 128, is the testimony I was characterizing here. yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. And let me -- now that we're focused on 13 the exact testimony let me read the testimony again.
- 14 MR. BAKER: Do you want to give her a copy of 15 it?
- BY MR. KAVALER: 16
 - O. Okay.

"Do you recall any specific instances?

19 Answer: No. It was such a rarity. I mean. 20 those employees, they were gone and off to the next 21 race."

22 Do you believe that that testimony by

23 Mr. Schneider is fairly encapsulated by your statement 24 at page 75 he testified that it had happened -- that in

25 the course of answering a consumer complaint he would

1 find that the customer was lied to by a Household 2 employee?

- A. I don't have it right in front of me, but --
- Q. Feel free to look at it. It's right there next to you.

6 MR. BAKER: No, actually, we have page 127.

THE WITNESS: The next page.

MR. KAVALER: Oh, okay.

MR. BAKER: So if you have 128, we would appreciate it if you share it with the witness.

11 THE WITNESS: May I look at what you've read 12 to me?

13 MR. KAVALER: Why don't you have 128?

14 Do you know what the answer is, Ms. Ghiglieri? 15 MR. BAKER: Are you going to -- are you going

16 to help her or are you just going to badger her? 17 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. No, it's a question.

19 Do you know why --

20 A. I would like to refer to the --

21 Do you know why your counsel has the wrong 22 page?

23 A. Well, no, we don't have the wrong page. We

24 have 127, which is what I --

25 That's my point. That's precisely my point.

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Your report at page 75 cites to page 127.

Your diligent counsel has page 127. The testimony, of course, is on page 128, and this is another typo; correct?

A. Well, it starts on 127.

Q. Okay. But it now turns, to understand you, one needs 128; correct?

A. It continues over to 128.

Q. Well, actually, the testimony you're quoting from, or paraphrasing, or misquoting is on 128; correct?

And the reason you can't answer my question --

12 A. I take exception to characterizing what I have 13 here as "misquoting."

Q. Right. That's what we're finding out right 15 now.

The reason we're having a problem is because both your counsel and I thought your report was accurate when you said page 127, and it turns out the page we need is 128; correct?

MR. BAKER: No. The reason why we're having a problem here is you in your wisdom have decided not to share testimony that you want to present to the witness.

23 You want to ask her about the testimony but 24 you don't want to present it to her.

Any other lawyer would, in fact, give the

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witness the testimony, let her look at it, look at her answer, your question.

You decide you don't want to do that. That's the source of the problem.

BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Can you answer the pending question? MR. BAKER: What pending question? There happens to be several.

Why don't you pick and choose?

THE WITNESS: I don't want to answer it until

11 I look at what you're reading, and I don't have it here.

MR. KAVALER: Okay. I'll be happy to show you what I'm reading from.

14 THE WITNESS: Okay.

MR. KAVALER: Here's page 128 here. You can't

16 have the binder, but you can look at it.

17 THE WITNESS: Okay.

MR. KAVALER: Okay. I'll hold it. I'll hold

19 it.

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MR. BAKER: I don't think she can read it that

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THE WITNESS: I can't see it from there.

MR. KAVALER: All right. Then we'll have to

4 proceed in another fashion. I won't let Mr. Baker touch

25 my book.

ner 1 Would you read back the question.

2 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. The question is -- page 75, your sentence about Mr. Schneider's deposition cited at page 127 a

5 fair summary of what Mr. Schneider actually said at his

6 deposition, "yes" or "no"?

A. I think it's a fair characterization, yes.

Q. Okay. Now, Ms. Ghiglieri, did you addressyourself to the subject of loan flipping?

10 A. Yes. In the reports, are you talking about?

Q. Yes.

And you said that Household engaged in loan flipping, a predatory practice which you defined as repeated refinancing of loans; correct?

A. That's how I defined it, yes.

Q. Uh-huh. And is it your view that that is a

17 systemic and companywide predatory lending practice of

18 Household?

19 A. Well, repeated refinancings was actually -- 20 one of the ways that the internal documents -- that the

21 internal documents that I looked at was a way for

22 Household to grow their loan portfolio, and I cite in my

23 report and in my rebuttal numerous documents where they

24 talk about refinancing either their own loans or loans

25 outside of Household.

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MR. BAKER: Luke, you want to get -- see if we can get page 128.

All right. We'll get you 128, and then you can ask the witness the question.

MR. KAVALER: That's fine. I'm happy to show the witness my binder. I will not allow Mr. Baker to touch my work product.

MR. BAKER: All right. That's fine.

Look, I don't need to look at it.

MR. KAVALER: All right. Then you sit in your 11 chair.

Ms. Ghiglieri, please look at page 128 here.

BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. And my question to you, ma'am, is, is your 15 statement on page 75 --

16 A. Wait, wait. Wait 'til I have a chance to look 17 at it, please.

Q. I'm telling you what the question is so you have what you're looking at.

Is your statement on page 1 -- on page 75 of your initial report a fair summary of that testimony, 22 "yes" or "no"?

MR. BAKER: And here, Cathy. Here's the report on page 175.

THE WITNESS: I've got it.

The compensation plan compensated the employees for doing refinances, and, of course, nothing is in isolation.

When they would do a refinance, you know,

sometimes they would split the loan. There were —

sometimes they would split the loan. There were -there are all kinds of issues that I talk about

7 specifically in my rebuttal report and in my initial

8 report.9 O.

Q. But not withstanding all of that --

10 A. But I give you -11 O. And Mr. Baker w

Q. And Mr. Baker will say I'm interrupting you,

12 but let's do this. If you don't understand my question,

13 just say "I don't understand it."

A. Then I'm not through.

Q. Because you're not even close to answering;

16 okay?

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We did a lot of that this morning. This afternoon we're going to try to be focused.

So if you don't understand the question --

A. I'm not through with my answer.

21 Q. Fine. I withdraw the question.

22 I'm going to ask another question.

At page 87 you say in a bold headline,

24 "Household engaged in numerous systemic and companywide

25 predatory lending practices," and the second bullet

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under that is "loan flipping." 1

Do you see that?

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- 4 Q. Is it your impression, or conclusion, or
- expert testimony, that loan flipping was systemic and
- companywide at Household? 6 7
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Uh-huh.

9 Is it your impression or testimony that it was condoned by senior management? 10

A. I -- my opinions that I've discussed in my 11 12 report and in my rebuttal specifically say it was condoned by senior management. 13

14 Q. Okay.

A. And also I discuss equity stripping and equity 15

16 based lending.

So, I mean, there's a whole host of areas around loan flipping that -- that I discuss, and that I was trying to give a more complete answer before.

20 MR. KAVALER: Let's mark as Exhibit Number 4

21 -- you've given a great answer. Thank you.

22 Let's mark as Exhibit Number 5 a document

23 bearing production number HHS 338820.

24 (Exhibit No. 5 was marked for Identification.)

25 BY MR. KAVALER:

1 Mr. Gilmer was at the time one of the three

2 most or four most senior officers of Household?

3 A. Yes.

O. Uh-huh.

Mr. Gilmer says in his E-mail -- can you tell who it's to?

A. There's a list of people at the top.

8 Do you know who any of them are? O.

A. Mr. Detelich I know. Mr. Quigley's one of the

10 employees down below.

11 Q. All right.

> I don't know who the other folks are. A.

Mr. Gilmer says, "There is a tremendous 13

14 difference in our procedures and those companies who

15 employ loan flipping tactics. Loan flipping is an

abhorrent practice where a company orchestrates a tactic 16

17 designed to gouge consumers by employing a practice of

18 making a rapid succession of loans to a customer where

19 little or no value is provided to the customer, i.e.,

20 no or minimal cash advance, and where the objective is

21 to load up the customer with outrageous fees, points,

22 rates and/or worthless products, often without any

23 explanation and/or disclosure to the customer."

24 And he cites an example, and then he says, 25

"This kind of behavior is absolutely not our policy,

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1 Q. Did you see that document in the course of your review of a large universe of Household documents?

- 3 A. Yes, I did see this. I cited it.
- 4 Q. Okay. Correct.
- 5 A. Possibly with another.
- 6 Q. This is from Mr. Gilmer; correct?

7 MR. BAKER: Is the record -- just so we're

clear on this, is Exhibit 5 a complete document, or have 8

you excluded a -- another page that there's initial

10 E-mail from Mr. Gilmer that's part of this E-mail chain? 11 BY MR. KAVALER:

12 O. You recognize Exhibit 5 to be an E-mail from 13 Gilmer; correct?

MR. BAKER: Okay. So let me object to the use 14 15 of this document as incomplete.

16 THE WITNESS: Excuse me.

17 Would you ask me that question again.

18 BY MR. KAVALER:

- Q. For the third time, you recognize this as an 19
- 20 E-mail from Mr. Gilmer; correct?
- 21 A. Well, there's several E-mail.
- 22 Q. The one on the top, the first one on the page?
- 23 A. Yes. Yes.
- O. Mr. Gilmer is a named Defendant in this case? 24

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1 and, in fact, we cannot ever allow it to happen."

2 You see that?

And that's all in solid capital letters?

A. Yes, I see it.

5 Q. Did you take that in to account in coming to

the conclusion that senior management condoned loan 7 flipping?

8 A. I took this E-mail in to account and looked

9 at, again, all the documents, deposition testimony, and

10 complaints and regulatory reports, and what -- what

11 actually was happening in Household, which was condoned

by senior management, was loan flipping or equity

stripping, and all you have to do -- and I've discussed

14this in detail in my rebuttal, and in -- in my initial

15 report.

16 But let's just take, for example, the

17 compensation plan. The compensation plan compensated 18 employees for doing just this thing, and the employee

that's down below here, Scott Quigley, says "I thought 19

20 loan flipping was, you know, what we did," and this is a

21 case where Household said one thing and actually --

22 something else was happening on the ground.

23 There are numerous instances of this, but one 24 only has to look at the compensation plan, and there are

other ways that you can tell there was loan flipping

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going on, but I think the strongest is looking at the compensation plan to see what people were rewarded for doing, and one of the things that they were rewarded for doing was continual refinances.

The second document that I recall, and, of course, there's so many documents here I can go through this rebuttal to pull them all out, but is a -- document from Mr. Gilmer where he's talking about -- I believe it was to Mr. Aldinger where he said that he wanted to do refinances of the HMS portfolio or maybe it was Mr. Schenholz.

And so -- what he wanted to do and what he says Household doesn't do are directly at odds.

And so my conclusion in my rebuttal report and in my initial report was that, in fact, systemic loan flipping, equity based lending, or equity stripping was occurring.

Another example of why I concluded it is because Household decided to make a hundred percent LTV loans, and with a second loan would go up to 125 percent, which is basically equity stripping, and the employees, you know, would be compensated based on how many loans they made, and -- and they could go up to 125 percent combined loan to value.

So I believe based on looking at all the

in fact, doing another.

2 O. Turn to your rebuttal report at page 29, 3 please.

If I understand you correctly, you looked at something called the "Net Tangible Benefits Test" that Household used and you were unimpressed with it?

A. Yes. I'm discussing it here on page 29. MR. KAVALER: Uh-huh.

9 Let's mark as Exhibit 6 a document bearing 10 production numbers HOO 7543 through 45.

(Exhibit No. 6 was marked for Identification.) 11 12

BY MR. KAVALER:

O. Is that a document you looked at in your -- in 13 your review of your documents that you reviewed in 14 15 preparing your reports?

A. What is this number?

THE REPORTER: 6.

18 THE WITNESS: Okay.

What was your question?

20 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Let me see the document you're looking at.

22 Oh. A.

Okay. The question is, did you see that 23

document in the course of preparing your reports? 24 25

I don't recall seeing this specific one, but a

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documents that this, in fact, was happening, 2

notwithstanding this document that you've given me to

look at, which I've discussed in my reports. 3

O. So although Mr. Gilmer is sending this memo, 4 this E-mail, in solid capital letters saying it's an 5

abhorrent practice, saying we don't want to do it, we don't want it done, then he tells this guy "If you think 7

it's happening in your branch, you should call me

immediately," nothwithstanding that, you concluded

10 senior management including Mr. Gilmer actually supported this practice, which he called abhorrent and

12 which he said should never be allowed to happen; correct?

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A. Well, I just discussed three or four different 14 items that I looked at that directly contradict this. 15

So my conclusion is that he said one thing, 16 but, in fact, was doing another. 17

Q. Okay.

A. I see here in my rebuttal one other document 19

20 that I used in this area, and that was a memo from

Mr. Vozar, where he says "Seems to me our policy 22 encourages flipping," and there may be more, if I

actually took a little bit more time to read it. 23

But those were a few of the documents that 24 persuaded me that Mr. Gilmer was saying one thing, and, 25

lot of what's in here I've seen in other documents.

Q. All right. And this is -- you mentioned 2 3 compensation a couple minutes ago?

A. Yes.

O. And you see this is something called a "2001

Sales Compensation Plan Rules and Regulations" effective 6 7 January 1, 2001?

A. I see that's the title of it.

O. And if you look at the second page, it says "Responsible Lending Statement."

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It says "Each and every loan we prepare for 11 our customers must provide our customers with tangible 12 benefits according to company policy," and the word 13

"must" is capitalized. 14

15 Do you see that?

I see that.

O. And underneath that it says, "In the event it 17

is determined by management that a loan was made to a 18 customer and no tangible benefit exists, a penalty will 19

occur. This penalty will involve suspension and/or 20

cancellation of part or all of your subsequent incentive 21

payments. In addition, corrective action may apply up 22

to and including termination of employment." 23

24 Do you see that?

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Q. All right. And how did that impact your 1 thinking about the subject of whether senior management 2 actually meant what it said about the responsible lending policy and the net tangible benefit rule in 4 light of compensation issues as you mentioned in your 5 testimony a minute ago?

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MR. BAKER: Objection. Vague and ambiguous. THE WITNESS: As I said, I -- I don't recall seeing this specific document, but I would like to address this.

Having written policies and procedures, as I've discussed in my reports, is something that you always want a lender to have so that employees know what they're supposed to be doing.

But what regulators do is they take the additional step to determine whether or not the policies are being complied with, and based on the documents that I've seen it -- it makes me suspicious that this was, in fact, not occurring because, if you look at the appendix that I have to my rebuttal, if you look at the benefits test studies that they did --

MR. BAKER: Is that Appendix D?

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. You're right. 23

It's Appendix D of to my rebuttal.

They did a benefits test, and you can see on 25

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extensively in both of my reports, the QAC was eliminated and the duties given to the District Sales 2 3 Managers, who were compensated based on the branches meeting their quotas. 4

And I would be interested to see who was checking for compliance with those, and where there were problems what was done about it, and that -- that would be something that I would like to see.

Q. You'd be interested in seeing people terminated for compliance violations?

A. Well, you're giving me their policy. I'm reading their policy, and it says

"corrective action may apply up to and including 13 14 termination."

Q. Right.

A. So it mischaracterizes my testimony to say I 16 want to see people terminated --17

O. No, no, no, no. You misheard me. 18

A. -- for compliance.

O. You want to see documents reflecting that 20

people were terminated? 21 22

A. I want to see whether or not this policy was checked for compliance, who did it, and what were the 23 24 results.

Q. Uh-huh.

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here that the customer did not benefit from these loans.

Now, what I've included here is a series of studies that they did, but I included one as an example, and we can get the rest of them out and look at them, if vou want.

But you can see that the interest rate that they paid off was just on the first one 7.5 percent, and the contract APR -- I'm sorry -- the APR rate was 11 percent, and for this one they paid 7. -- or I'm sorry -- they paid 5 percent in fees.

And so if this was, in fact, the case, then 11 whoever made all of these loans in all of these studies 12 here, something would have been done, and I saw no 13 documents where someone was -- does that say "up to and 14 including termination of employment or corrective 15 action"? 16

I did not see any files that told me that, in 17 fact, this policy was being fulfilled. 18

BY MR. KAVALER: 19

O. And if you'd seen such files, would it have 20 impacted your view? 21

A. I would have been interested to see how these 22 policies -- there would have been a couple of things I 23 would have liked to have seen, who was checking to see

if there was compliance, because I think, as I said

And you mentioned the QAC being eliminated. You understood, did you not, that that was a return to the structure Household had had for its entire

hundred plus history save only the last couple of years?

A. I understand that.

I still have a problem with it, but I understand that.

O. Okay. All right.

Let's turn to -- if you would turn to your rebuttal report at page 44, you're criticizing the Bley report for ignoring compensation plans, and in the second -- I'm sorry -- the first full paragraph under that heading about four lines down you say, "More 13 persuasive indicators of actual practices include such things as compensation plans, because they create the financial incentives that motivate company practices."

17 Do you see that?

A. Yes.

Q. And the document we just looked at, Exhibit 6, 19

20 is one of those compensation plans; correct? A. Well, the documents that I saw, the 21

compensation plans were more -- they took a different 22

format from this, and you could tell what the 23

percentages were that the people got compensated. 24 25

I don't know -- I can't remember what they

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were called. We could look them up, but it took a different format from this.

Q. But this is a sales compensation plan; correct?

It's called "The 2001 Sales Compensation Plan Rules and Regulations"?

MR. BAKER: Objection. Assumes facts not in evidence.

THE WITNESS: I understand that's what this is entitled, but this is not the document that I was referring to.

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- 13 Q. You don't remember seeing this document in 14 your review of the 40 banker's boxes?
- 15 A. I don't -- I don't recall seeing this, no.
- 16 Q. So either you saw it and you don't remember it 17 or you didn't see it?

18 MR. BAKER: Or it wasn't produced in this 19 case.

THE WITNESS: Any -- any and all of them.

21 I mean, I don't recall. I may have it, but I 22 was relying on this information -- on different 23 documents that had to do with compensation.

24 BY MR. KAVALER:

numbers and that.

25 Q. Okay.

Exhibit 56 appears to be a four-page document and the document that's given to the witness is a two-page

document, so, obviously, there's something different.

4 MR. KAVALER: Ms. Ghiglieri, are the first two 5 pages of Exhibit 56 the same as the two pages of Exhibit 6

7 MR. BAKER: You want the witness to take the 8 time to read them and confirm that's the case or is this just a question that you can answer yourself?

10 BY MR. KAVALER:

11 Q. Why don't you look at Vozar Exhibit 56. 12 Does it have that paragraph at the bottom, it

13 says, "The reason that we have so many loans over one hundred percent --" 14

15 Under two, second paragraph under that number. 16 Do you see it?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Okay. Read me the full sentence, please.

19 Read me the full sentence from Vozar 56.

20 The full sentence or --

21 Q. Beginning with "The reason we have so many

22 loans."

23 "The reason that we have so many loans over a

24 hundred percent in the prospectus is a difference in

25 definition."

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MR. BAKER: He asked you to read one sentence.

MR. KAVALER: One sentence. THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

We can pull them out if you want to get them. Q. Okay. In your rebuttal report - I think it's

A. Which -- I mean, which I've noted with Bates

5 page 32. Let me just see.

In footnote 140 you quote Mr. Vozar as saying, "Mr. Vozar acknowledged internally that Household's practice of adding points and insurance fees to the loan balance was, quote, 'the reason we have so many loans over one hundred percent," and then it says four dots, closed quote.

Do you see that?

A. I do.

Q. And that's from Vozar Deposition Exhibit 56. Let me show you a document which we'll mark as

16 Exhibit 7.

(Exhibit No. 7 was marked for Identification.)

THE WITNESS: What's this number?

19 THE REPORTER: 7.

BY MR. KAVALER: 20

21 Q. Is that Mr. Vozar's memo that you're 22 referring to?

23 A. I don't know. I need to get out the -- can we 24 pull it out?

25 MR. BAKER: Just so the record reflects. BY MR. KAVALR:

Q. Now, is that sentence in Mr. Vozar's memo that 5 6 you just read me fairly summarized by your quotation 7 with an elipses in it in footnote 140 in your rebuttal 8 report? 9

A. I think it fairly characterizes it.

10 Q. Okay. So you think eliminating the words 11 where he says "The reason we have something is because 12 of X," you leave out the X, and you put the words "The 13 reason we have something" behind some text of your own, that doesn't change the meaning? 14 15

A. Well, I could have either quoted it or I could summarize it, and sometimes I do one or the other.

I try to accurately characterize it. I think this is an accurate characterization.

19 Q. All right. Just so that we're clear, the

20 footnote reads, "Mr. Vozar acknowledged internally that

Household's practice of adding points and insurance fees 21

to the loan balance was the reason we have so many loans 22 23 over a hundred percent," and what Mr. Vozar actually

24 said was, "The reason we have so many loans over 100

percent in the prospectus is a difference of

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Page 190 Page 192 definition." BY MR. KAVALER: 2 And you believe those two are the same? 2 Q. With the same Bates numbers on the second page 3 MR. BAKER: Objection. Asked and answered. 3 with the Bates number ending in 41 you see that's 4 THE WITNESS: Well, you have to take in to Mr. Hennigan talking and he says in the bottom of the 5 consideration the rest of the information that's in this second full paragraph, "I want you to address document, and what I started to read when you told me to recommended disciplinary action up to and including 7 stop was that, in fact, they do finance points and 7 termination." insurance fees, that they did not take in to account in 8 Do you see that? 9 the combined loan to value calculation, but they had to 9 A. I'm -- what page are you on? 10 disclose it in their securitizations, as I understand 10 Q. It's the second page ending in 841. 11 this, although the securitization issue was outside of 11 Okay. And where on this page? 12 what I was asked to look at, but I just saw documents Q. The first full paragraph, beginning with the 12 13 discussing that, so I don't think I've mischaracterized 13 word "thirdly." 14 it. I've taken it all in to account. A. Okay. 14 15 BY MR. KAVALER: 15 Q. You see the last sentence. This is Hennigan. 16 Q. By adding the three dots and leaving out the 16 He says "I want you to address recommended disciplinary 17 part of Mr. Vozar's sentence where he explained that action up to and including termination." 17 18 it's because of a difference in definition, you were 18 Do you see that? 19 being fair? 19 A. I see it. 20 A. I believe I was accurately characterizing it, 20 Q. Okay. That's Mr. Hennigan saying somebody 21 yes. 21 should be fired for this; right? 22 Q. Okay. 22 A. Well, "disciplinary action" is what he says up 23 MR. BAKER: Are we finished with Exhibit 56? 23 to and including. 24 Are we finished with Vozar Exhibit 56? 24 Q. All right. 25 Can we put this away? 25 Do you know if anybody was fired? Page 191 Page 193 Mr. Hall? You don't know? 1 A. I don't know. 1 2 I'll put it away. 2 Were they? 3 BY MR. KAVALER: 3 Q. And then below there's a -- an E-mail from Q. If you'll look at your initial report at page Kevin Sullivan, and he says that they're in the process 102, at the top, I think it begins on the page before, 5 5 of calling customers who cancelled insurance, et cetera, you're talking about an E-mail regarding Arizona 6 all calls are not complete, and he gives the report on insurance cancellations, and you quote from it for 7 the status of those calls. 8 several lines, and you give a citation to the Bates 8 Do you see that? 9 numbers, and you say that which responded to this E-mail 9 A. And are you still on the second page? 10 -- saying "This is discouraging considering the emphasis 10 Q. I am. 11 we placed on this issues. Ned, as we've been 11 A. And what section on the second page? 12 discussing, our focus should be on supervision of the 12 Q. It's the portion you quote at the top of page 13 employees who violated policy. Someone other than AE 102 of your report. 13 14 must be held accountable to resolve these issues for 14 "I need to let you know --" good." 15 15 And is there a question? 16 Do you see that language? 16 Q. You see that? 17 A. I see it. 17 You understood that this showed that Household 18 Q. And the understanding you derived from that is 18 was conducting an investigation, they were calling these 19 that Household actually was tolerating insurance packing 19 people trying to find out what happened; correct? even though it said it was prohibiting it; correct? 20 20 A. Can you read back that question. A. Yes, that's my conclusion. 21 21 (Record Read) 22 MR. KAVALER: Uh-huh. 22 THE WITNESS: I want to take a minute just to 23 And if you'll look at Exhibit 8 -- which is a 23 look at this document in its entirety. 24 copy of the E-mail you're citing there, 24 MR. KAVALER: I'll withdraw the question. 25 (Exhibit No. 8 was marked for Identification.) 25 Let's move on.

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1 THE WITNESS: Okay. 2

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Q. Let me show you a document which we'll mark Number 9.

(Exhibit No. 9 was marked for Identification.) BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Is this one of the documents that you looked at called "HFC Sales Incentive Compensation Program Document, March 1998"?

Is this one of the documents you looked at in review of your documents to prepare these reports?

- 12 A. The -- the information that's in here I've 13 seen it in another document. I don't recall seeing this 14 exact document.
- 15 Q. Uh-huh.
- A. But I've seen this information, a thing called 16 17 "Compensation Plan."
- 18 Q. Uh-huh. And you see in here in the second 19 page it says -- end of the second paragraph, "Should an 20 employee be found in violation of any procedure or 21 ethical policies, management reserves the right to 22 withhold or reduce any incentive payment based on 23 calculation methods set forth."

Do you see that?

A. I see it. I didn't see any evidence that

their compensation was being withheld, or any -- any

2 sort of thing where they were in violation of this, and

3 that's the missing piece here.

BY MR. KAVALER: 4

Q. That's important?

6 A. Well, I mean, you can have all the written 7 policies in the world, but if people aren't complying with them, what good are they?

And, as I said, you know, that's one of the quarrels that the AGs had, is they were saying Household has policies and procedures, but it's not what's happening on the ground.

So that's the missing piece from what you're asking me here.

15 Q. And this document on the same page has a heading called "Honesty, Candor and Integrity," a box 16 17 that says, You must be honest," italicized, "and provide your customer full disclosure of all steps of the loan 18 19 process."

20 Next box, "You must have candor," also 21 italicized, "be always telling the truth, even though it 22 might not be popular at the time.

23 Next box, "You must have integrity," itilicized, "as the company you represent has the 24 25 highest ethical standards."

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that, in fact, was what was happening. I didn't see any document to that effect.

Q. You didn't see anybody being fired for violating any of these ethical rules or policies;

A. I didn't see anybody having their -- doesn't it say "reduce or withhold the incentive payment based on the calculation methods set forth"?

I didn't see a document that said they violated this and so we're withholding their compensation.

Q. But, nevertheless, whether you saw those documents or not, this is the compensation plan of the company, and it tells employees if you violate these procedures, if you act in an unethical manner, you're subject to having your compensation reduced or withhheld;" right?

MR. BAKER: Just so the record is clear, this 19 is the compensation plan for 1998.

THE WITNESS: The -- this goes back to what I said previously and that is you want to see written policies in a lending institution, but regulators also 22 want to see, and this is the approach that I took, is I want to see if, in fact, this is being complied with, 24 and I saw no evidence where people were being chastized,

Next page is called "Code of HFC Sales Ethics."

The fourth checkmark down says, "We're completely honest with our customers at all times, making sure they understand what they're committing to. We explain all elements of the sale in a manner which is completely understood by our customers."

Can you agree that that is what's contained in this Sales Incentive Compensation Plan document dated March 1, 1998?

A. That's what it says here, but the quarrel that I have with it and which I discuss extensively in both of these reports is that, in fact, what was happening in the branches wasn't that they were telling the truth.

You know, a lot of times they would say "No. There is no prepayment penalty," or "Go ahead and take this insurance, you know, you have 30 days to cancel."

I mean, there are -- there are any number of those types of issues which go directly against this in policy that I discuss in -- in both of these reports.

So having all the written policies in the world doesn't do any good if no one's following them.

Q. And just so I'm understanding you, the incidents you're referring to are the same as we talked about this morning, that is, an incident here, an

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incident there, antedotal, and you made no study to determine the numerator or the denominator, whether that represents 1 percent of Household's accounts, 23 percent of Household's accountts, 98 percent of Household's 4 accounts, they're just some random bunch of episodes that you looked at; right? 6

A. Well, let me see if I can break -- break this down.

First of all, it's not anecdotal. They were complaints that were lodged.

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The regulatory agency reports that I looked at had -- even if you take Washington state aside, there were conclusions that the regulators reached that said the opposite of what's here, that there were -- even -even the senior management, when they would respond to examination reports wouldn't tell the truth.

So there are a lot of conflicts between this policy and what was actually happening at Household, and even what the senior management was saying was going on.

Q. But you can't quantify that, huh?

A. So that's only a portion of what you've said.

22 The other thing that I've said repeatedly is 23 the sheer number of complaints in and of itself is not what you say -- there's only one complaint, there's only 10 complaints, you know, we're not going to worry about Page 200

1 So if you go back and look at my report where 2 I talk about Jim Dell giving his testimony in front of 3 Congress, all those types of things are what was 4 happening in Household. 5

O. Go to the page ending with number 152. VIDEOGRAPHER: We need to change the tape. MR. KAVALER: Okay.

8 THE VIDEO: This marks the end of Tape 2, and 9 Volume 1 in the deposition of Catherine Ghiglieri. At 2:36 going off the record. 10

> (Thereupon a recess was taken at 2:36 p.m. and the deposition resumed at 2:50 p.m.)

13 VIDEOGRAPHER: On record at 2:50. This marks 14 the beginning of tape 3 in volume 1 of the deposition of 15 Katherine Ghiglieri.

16 BY MR. KAVALER:

> Q. In document 9, which you still have in front of you, if you turn to the page ending in 152, you'll see the following paragraph. "Compliance. Branch audits are a regular part of business and are conducted on a routine basis. Based on the severity of

22 noncompliance situation the BSM may receive a reprimand

23 and a short time, generally 30 days, in which to correct the error. If the branch does not successfully complete 24

25 the follow-up audit, the BSM will lose one hundred

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it because it's a small percentage.

That's not right.

You look at what the complaints are based on. You look at the nature of the complaints, and in Household's case they looked at it and saw that there were similar complaints being lodged in different parts of the country.

The effective rate presentation is a good example. You know, there were complaints on -- in all parts of the country saying, you know, "I was told I was going to have an effective rate of 7 percent," but no customer could come up with that language.

So it was something that people were trained to do. Lou Walters training was held everywhere but in the southwest, and, of course, they had done this Hueman teaching the tea sale and the trap sale.

So it was widespread, and you can take any number of complaints and divide it by Household's number of accounts and say it's immaterial, but that's not what the regulators found and that's not what my conclusions are.

21 22 My conclusions are it was serious, it misled customers, and it -- it went directly against these policies that said, you know, "We're held to the highest 24 25 standard."

percent of his/her incentive pay for the next possible 2 BSM monthly incentive payout. Incentive pay will 3 continue to be withheld until the audit concerns is

fully corrected." 4

Do you see that?

A. I see it.

O. And then on page ending 154, again, it says "Compliance. Branch audits are a regular part of

9 business and are conducted on a routine basis. Based on

10 the severity of a noncompliance situation a branch may 11

receive reprimand and a short time, generally 30 days, 12 in which to correct the error. Senior management will

13 review noncompliance situations and determine the

14 appropriate corrective action necessary, parens, this

may include but not be limited to deductions from 15

incentive compensation, closed parens, to minimize 16 17 future errors."

And, again, those are the kind of policies regulators like to see, but they don't answer the question of what's actually happening on the ground; correct?

22 A. Yes.

23 And, in fact, this date -- the QAC, I believe 24 was disbanded after this document, if I'm not mistaken. 25

So when they're talking about "branch

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Page 202 audits" -- let me just check. A. Well, now, there was some discussion around Oh, wait. I've got the wrong report. Let me 2 2 3 just make sure I'm right on this. 3 I wish I had -- could do a word search real 4 4 5 quick here. Let's see. 5 6 MR. BAKER: Maybe page 49? 6 7 THE WITNESS: No. I want to check the date 7 that the OAC was disbanded. 8 9 What's the date? 9 10 Yeah. So -- so this document talks about the 10 11 audit, and at this time the QAC was doing the audit and 11 12 that's another issue that I have, was the QAC being 12 there wasn't. 13 disbanded and having the DSMs do the audits of this type 13 of stuff, because their compensation, as you read here, 14 there was. 14 15 is directly affected by what happens at the branch. And 15 16 if their sales goals are met -- and policies like this 16 would be good if people's compensation was diminished if 17 17 they didn't comply, but there's no evidence that I saw 19 that they actually fulfilled this policy. 19 20 MR. KAVALER: Right. 20 21 Let's mark as Exhibit 10 a document bearing production numbers H 4616 through H 4618. 22 I did not see that. 23 (Exhibit No. 10 was marked for 23 BY MR, KAVALER: 24 Identification.) 24 Q. Uh-huh. Okay. 25 MR. KAVALER: Oh. I'm sorry. That's number 25 Page 203 84. I apologize. 1 2

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Melissa Drury, I think was her name --MR. BAKER: Melissa Rutland-Drury. THE WITNESS: I'm sorry Rutland-Drury. Melissa Rutland-Drury, whether, you know, there was some sort of action taken against her, and I know that there was no action taken for a while, and then eventually she was terminated.

Dennis Hueman, there was some discussion about whether there was a reprimand, and there was some confusion in the testimony about that, because he says

I think it was Detelich or somebody that said

But I'm not saying that I didn't see evidence of anyone being terminated. What I would have liked to have seen is these policies being checked for compliance by audit, or whoever, and then looking at a summary of what was actually done to these employees, was their pay reduced, were they put on suspension, what actually 21 happened in accordance with these policies.

And, indeed, at page 86 of your first report,

BY MR, KAVALER:

Q. Is this a document you saw in your review of 3 the 40 boxes of documents that you reviewed in 5 preparation for your reports?

A. Let's see.

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7 I don't recall this document, but I know there 8 was testimony as to in light of Dennis Hueman and Melissa Drury up in Washington about whether or not they 10 were -- some sort of an action was taken, and some of 11 the information that's in here was discussed in -- in 12 that testimony, but I didn't see this specific document. Q. Okay. And you see at the end of the first 13

full paragraph in the summary the last sentence says, 14 15 "For example, an employee who violates company policy or commits other serious offenses may be immediately

terminated"? 17 18

A. I see that in here.

Q. Right. And this is a Hueman resources 19

20 guidelines and procedures?

21 A. Yes.

22 O. Dated in October of '01?

23 A. '01. I see that.

24 Q. But you didn't see anybody being terminated

for violating these guidelines? 25

Exhibit 1, in the bottom bullet on the bottom of the

2 page you say, "No employees were fired or censured for

noncompliance:" correct? 3

MR. BAKER: What was the page again,

5 Mr. Kavaler? 6

THE WITNESS: Tell me the number again.

7 MR. KAVALER: 86. 8 THE WITNESS: 86.

9 Do I have the wrong one?

10 BY MR. KAVALER:

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A. Yes.

Q. It says "No employees were fired or centured 14

15 for noncompliance." 16

That's based on your review of the record?

17 A. Melissa Drury-Rutland --

MR. BAKER: Rutland-Drury.

19 THE WITNESS: Rutland-Drury.

MR. KAVALER: Let's -- let's -- let's --

21 let's --

22 THE WITNESS: Do you know who I'm talking

23 about?

24 MR. KAVALER: I do.

25 THE WITNESS: Melissa.

Page 206 Page 208 BY MR. KAVALER: 1 1 Bearing production number HHS 3006598. 2 O. Melissa. 2 And this document is headed "Compliance, 3 Other than Melissa nobody was fired for 3 Violation and Exception Report by Department Manager," 4 noncompliance, as far as you know? and it says "April '99," and then it identifies some 4 5 A. As far as I was able to determine from the 5 people. 6 record. 6 (Exhibit Number 11 was marked for 7 Now, that's not to say no one was, but in all 7 Identification.) 8 the depositions I did not see a document or -- or any 8 BY MR. KAVALER: 9 other document. One may exist, but I did not see it. 9 Q. Do you know -- did you see this? 10 Q. Okay. Okay. 10 A. No, I haven't seen this. 11 And in your mind that calls in to question the 11 Q. Okay. Do you know what it is? 12 validity of these various policies? 12 A. No, other than what it just says at the top. 13 A. It doesn't call in to question the validity of 13 MR. KAVALER: Okay. 14 the policy. 14 MR. BAKER: Just can I have a statement for 15 It calls in to question whether -- what was 15 the record, Mr. Kavaler, as to whether this is a 16 happening on the ground in practice was in compliance complete document or this is one page that you've 16 with the policies, because you can have all the great 17 extracted from a larger document? policies in the world, but if no one is complying with 18 18 MR. KAVALER: Okay. Let's mark as Exhibit them, they don't do any good, and that's the quarrel 19 19 12 --20 that -- that I have. 20 THE WITNESS: May I ask a question? 21 I didn't look at ever policy they have and 21 So is this Exhibit 12 or is this 11? 22 judge the actual policy, which I would have done -- I 22 THE REPORTER: 11. 23 mean that's what regulators do. 23 THE WITNESS: So are you telling me that these 24 That's not a part of what I did. 24 employees were fired for violations that are shown here? 25 Q. All right. And look at page 55 of your same 25 Is that what this document is? Page 207 Page 209 first report, Exhibit 1. Your bolded point heading 1 MR. KAVALER: You got 12? 2 there, says "Until June 2002 employees such as Dennis 2 Mark this as 12. 3 Hueman and Melissa Rutland-Drury were not fired for 3 (Exhibit No. 12 was marked for noncompliance with Household's policies;" right? 4 Identification.) 5 A. I'm sorry. I -- page 56 or 55? 5 BY MR. KAVALER: 6 O. 55. 6 Q. Did you see a document like this, or this --7 A. Oh. I'm sorry. I'm on the wrong page. 7 did you see this document, Exhibit 12 or other documents 8 Q. Point heading. 8 like it, in the course of your review of the 40 boxes of 9 I've read it accurately? 9 documents that you reviewed in preparing your reports? 10 A. Yes. 10 A. May I make a comment about this Exhibit 11? 11 Are you reading the heading there? 11 Go back? 12 Q. Yes. 12 Q. No. We're not talking about Exhibit 11 now. 13 A. Yes. 13 You told me you never saw it before. 14 Q. So, again, you found no evidence in the 14 We're talking about Exhibit 12. 15 documents you looked at that anybody was fired for 15 My question is, do you recognize Exhibit 12? noncompliance with Household's policies prior to June of 16 16 MR. BAKER: Ms. Ghiglieri, if you want to make 17 2002? 17 a comment about Exhibit 11 --18 A. Of the documents that I looked at, that's 18 MR. KAVALER: Excuse me. 19 right. 19 Ms. Ghiglieri, Mr. Baker is not allowed to 20 Q. Okay. 20 high-jack my deposition. There is no pending question 21 A. There very well may be, but I did not see it. 21 about Exhibit 11. 22 MR. KAVALER: Jason, 85 -- 85, 86, 87. 22 You must answer the pending questions. You 23 Let's start with 85. Let's mark as Exhibit 11 23 may not respond to Mr. Baker's running commentary, his 24 a one-page document bearing -- I'm sorry -- I was going 24 witness coaching, his outrageous behavior, his to hand it to her. I'm doing your job. 25 impermissible interjections, his frequent violations of

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Magistrate Jolan's -- Nolan's strict instructions as to 2 how to behave yourself at a deposition, which he said there would be sanctions for violating. You may not let

any of that deter you from doing your job, which is to 4 5 answer my questions as best you can.

Just ignore him.

7 My question was, did you see this document or 8 documents like it in the course of your review, "yes" or 9 "no"?

10 THE WITNESS: Yes.

11 BY MR. KAVALER:

- Q. Okay. If you turn to the last page, the 12
- second page, under the words "Action Plan," do you see 13 14 that?

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- 15 A. I do.
- 16 Q. It says "Immediate loss \$11,000,000 refunded
- points to customer. BSM Woody Aldridge was terminated
- 18 on February 28th, 2001, due to deceptive loan
- 19 practices."
- 20 Do you see that?
- 21 A. I see it.
- 22 Q. Would this be an example of somebody who was
- 23 terminated prior to June 2002 for noncompliance with
- Household's policies? 24
- 25 A. Yes, it would be an example.

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- 2 A. Or how many people had a reduction in pay.
- 3 Q. In pay, sure.
 - A. I didn't see any summaries of that, and -- you
- know, there were no exhibits attached to the
- 6 depositions.
- 7 Q. So you concluded because you didn't see any that it never happened; right? 8
- 9 A. Well, I looked at a lot of documents, and I 10 searched for it and didn't see any.
 - So, if it does exist, like I said, if there's
- 12 more information that becomes available, I will take
- 13 that in to consideration.
- 14 O. Sure.
- 15 A. So if you've got studies, I would like to see
- 16 that.

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- 17 Q. Do you know how many documents were produced
- 18 by Household in this case?
- 19 A. I don't know the total. A lot.
- 20 Do you know whether there's a million?
- 21 I don't.
- 22 Q. Two million? Three million?
 - A. I don't know the number.
- 24 Q. Do you know that Household produced over five
- 25 million documents?

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- Q. All right. So if you had focused on this document, you would have changed your heading on page 55
- 3 of your initial report, which is Exhibit 1, where you
- said "Until 2002 employees were not fired for
- 5 noncompliance with Household's policies," to say "Until
- 6 2001" or you would have said "except for one guy"?
 - A. Well, this is the type of information that I
- 8 would like to see -- to see what -- how broad based the
- 9 sanctions were against the employees to see if it
- 10 complies with the policies, and what types of violations 11 were found, because, for example, in the -- this
- 12 document that you handed me, it doesn't have any 13 violations of what we're talking about here.

14 It's got a fair dec collection document and 15 things.

- 16 Q. You're pointing to 11?
- 17 A. I don't know. Whatever the document is.
- 18 Q. But the document we're looking at is 12, which
- 19 says "A branch manager was fired for violating Household
- 20 policy in 2001;" correct?
- 21 A. Right. Right.
- 22 And then some of the issues are contained in
- 23 here.

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24 Q. And your point is you'd like to know how much of that was going on, how many branch managers were

- Never knew that 'til just now?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 O. And somehow 40,000 of those or 40 boxes of
- those wound up in your possession; right?
- 5 A. Well, that's just a number that I threw out.
- 6 I looked at a lot of documents.
- 7 Q. Did you look at five million documents? 8
 - A. I didn't look at every single solitary
- 9 document.
- 10 Q. All right. Is it possible somewhere in the
- 11 five million there are documents showing exactly how
- 12 many people were fired and exactly how many people had
- 13 their compensation cut for violating policies?
- 14 A. It's possible, and I would like to see that
- 15 information.
- 16 Q. But based on what you saw you concluded that
- 17 until June 2002 employees such as Dennis Hueman and
- Melissa Rutland-Drury were not fired for noncompliance 18
- 19 with Household policies, that's on page 55 of Exhibit 1,
- 20 and now looking at Exhibit 12 you would modify that to
- 21 say, well, except for Woody Aldridge, a branch manager?
- 22 A. Well, I can only generate my opinions based on
- 23 the -- you know, the documents that I look at.
- 24 Based on the documents I looked at these were 25 the conclusions that I reached.

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1	Q. Understood.
2	But I'm asking whether you would change your
3	conclusion now.
4	A. Well, I mean, this is one.
5	I would like to see how many, was there a
6	study done? Was compliance checked with the policy?
7	I mean, there are a lot of issues.
8	Q. But at least we know there was one branch
9	manager who was terminated in February '01, and we know
10	his name and we know something about him?
11	A. And we know it's in Ohio.
12	Q. Okay. So we're making progress.
13	Let's mark as Exhibit 13 a document bearing
14	production numbers HHS-ED 501232 through 501235.
15	(Exhibit Number 13 was marked for
16	Identification.)
17	BY MR. KAVALER:
18	Q. This is another document like Exhibit 12.
19	Do you see that?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. And you see it says in the first one under
22	"Actions taken," "Two account executives were
23	terminated for violation of the recission policy. The
24	BSM was put on corrective action."
25	Do you see that?
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to say it just bolsters my discussion how nationwide these practices were that they're doing stuff, censured people all over the country, not just in one location, which was a Household argument, "Oh, this is -- umm --5 isolated and unauthorized," or whatever. Q. Haven't you put your finger on the entire problem with both of your reports, Mrs. Ghiglieri? A. No.

9 Q. Isn't that single answer you gave the single most telling point of what's wrong with your reports? 11

A. No. I think it bolsters what my reports say.

12 Q. That's my point. 13 You don't see it; do you? 14

A. I think my reports are right on target.

Q. Uh-huh. Okay.

16 So now we're up to three people who the record reveals were fired but didn't make it in to page 55 of your report in bold heading that says "Until 2002 nobody 19 was fired;" right?

20 A. Right.

And how many employees does Household -- did Household have, 50,000 or so?

Q. Oh. Let me understand.

24 So you need to know the numerator and the 25 denominator now to understand whether this is

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A. All I'm saying is putting it in what you were asking me this morning.

Q. Yeah. But you understand the rule of goose/gander; don't you?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. I agree with you. You're absolutely right. You're absolutely correct.

To know whether this is significant we have to know how many employees there were and then we can say the gazentas. You know what the gazentas are?

Three gazentas, that number, a certain number of times and that will give us a ratio or a percentage; right?

A. I've heard that before, right.

Q. And if all they did is fire three people out of, let's say, 50,000 then it's insignificant; right?

A. Well, how come this practice -- these 18 19 practices were widespread, and you only are showing me -- well, you're probably going to show me some more, but 20 21 how many --

22 Q. Oh, yeah. Oh, yeah.

23 A. I would like to know why it wasn't more than 24 that, because I found evidence of practices nationwide. 25

Well, how many people did you find engaged in

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        A. I see that.
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       Q. And this is based on a visit that took place
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     on January 16 and 17 and in 2001; correct?
       A. Yes, in Jersey, New Jersey, I guess.
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       O. In New Jersey.
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           So different than Ohio?
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       A. Yes.
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       Q. Okay.
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       A. But this goes to my reports directly in that
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     these practices were being done companywide instead of
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     just in Bellingham where Melissa Rutland-Drury was
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       Q. And we now have seen a guy who was fired in
     Ohio, and we now see two more people being fired in New
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     Jersey; correct?
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       A. Yes.
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       Q. So your point ---
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 A. Weren't the same sort of practices that I

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    discuss in my report.
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       Q. Exactly my point.
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           So what you now learned is that contrary to
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    what you said at page 55 of your report that until 2002
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    people were not fired for noncompliance with policies,
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    we're now up to three people; correct?
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- A. I didn't find specific people engaged. I found branches engaged.
 - O. Right.
- A. Or I found states engaged, and I found training done nationwide.

I found complaints around the country.

- 8 Q. Do you have any reason to believe Household 9 didn't fire every single person it found was responsible 10 for any of these violations?
- 11 A. I'm -- I -- I never saw any sort of summary of 12 that, any problem.

Now --

14 Q. Five minutes ago you testified nobody was 15 fired, you saw nothing that said anybody was fired.

16 I've now shown you two or three documents. 17 We're up to three. You're a very smart lady. You know 18 what the next document is, it's going to be four, it's going to go higher. I got a whole bunch of people who 19 20 were fired here.

21 So clearly there's something wrong with your 22 process; isn't there?

23 You didn't see any of the -- you didn't focus 24 on or, as you said, it didn't bolster your argument.

You didn't --

E-mail where he said, you know, "We don't engage in loan 2 flipping."

3 Q. All right. But there's not one single

document that you've ever seen where Mr. Gilmer says to 5 the field, "Look, on occasion I'll write these memos

that say these good pious things, but that's just window

dressing. Ignore them. Here's what I really want you to do"?

You've not seen anything like that?

10 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes her 11 prior testimony.

12 THE WITNESS: I haven't seen an E-mail or a 13 memo that says those specific words, but I've seen other documents that in effect go against saying that they 15 don't do loan flipping.

16 BY MR. KAVALER:

17 Q. But somehow he got the word out to all the 18 employees.

19 How many employees were they? 20 Do you know that?

21 A. No.

22 Q. He got the word out to all the employees

23 somehow magically that you should ignore this constant

stream of memos from senior management exhorting them to

do the right thing, benefit the customers, act with high

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A. No. No. I never said that, it didn't bolster my argument. That totally mischaracterizes any of my testimony.

Q. Well, the record is what the record is. Let me ask you this question, Ms. Ghiglieri. You told us before the break that you reject all Mr. Gilmer's pious statements where he says, "We don't like to do this, this is all bad, because it was all happening out there in the field."

Did you see any documents from Mr. Gilmer saying to people, "Look, don't pay attention to all those memos I send out in the big, bold, angry print saying this stuff is abhorrent to me and we don't do it. I really want you to do it, but just ignore my -- my memo saying don't do it?"

Did you see anything like that?

- A. I discussed several documents that are like that, where he --
 - Q. Where he says "ignore my other memos"?
- 20 No, where he talks about refinancing the whole 21 HMS portfolio, where they talk about compensation and 22 what they were going to reward people for, and I can

take a look in to my report and my rebuttal report and 23 identify several other documents, but there are other

documents that are contra Mr. Gilmore's -- Mr. Gilmer's

moral tone, that's what management wants you to do, that's what this company is about.

Somehow he got the word out that nobody should actually believe that and thousands upon thousands of employees got the message and acted accordingly.

Is that what you concluded?

A. Well, no.

In my report and in the rebuttal report I discuss extensively about training and what these folks were trained to do, to make the effective rate presentations, to mask what the true APR is because the rates weren't competitive, and training occurred nationwide. Complaints were nationwide with similar things.

15 And there was 50 percent turnover that they 16 had in these branches. In fact, we even looked at the 17 rates, that they increased them over the benchmark and 18 took out the people that didn't meet the margin 19 incentive, and on average rates were increased over what 20 they should have been based on their creditworthiness by 21 a point-and-a-half.

So there were just a myriad of things that the folks were trained to do, the branches were -- had sales goals that were -- at a certain level or they weren't going to get compensated, that directly contradicted

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Page 222 Page 224 what Gilmer's memo said about loan flipping. 1 Yes. A. 2 Q. Did you look at the turnover? 2 And it says in the first one, "Actions taken. 3 You mentioned Household's turnover was close 3 BSM Sanchez has filed her second visit in a row. 4 to 50 percent. Recommendation is that January's bonus be withheld and 5 Did you look at the turnover of any of 5 all future bonuses withheld until she passes the audit 6 Household's peers? 6 and a controlled environment is in place. A full 7 A. I told you that I didn't look at Household's 7 periodic visit will be done in 45 days." 8 peers. 8 Do you see that? 9 Q. So you don't know whether that's a high 9 A. I see that. 10 turnover, a medium turnover, or a low turnover? 10 O. Uh-huh. 11 A. Except for documents that were produced in 11 Did you see anything like that when you were 12 this report like the KPMG benchmarking study. looking at these 40 boxes of documents to prepare your 12 13 Q. I'm not asking you to reveal any conversations 13 reports? 14 you had with counsel. A. I saw documents similar to this. 14 15 But no one told you not to look at anything 15 I don't recall seeing this specific one, but 16 you wanted to look at, or you looked at whatever you 16 similar documents. 17 thought you should look at it? 17 O. Right. I understand. 18 A. I looked at whatever I thought I should look 18 A. And this one was San Diego. 19 at, but I do not do outside studies when I do an expert 19 San Diego. 20 witness report. 20 So this is yet another place where somebody is 21 Q. So you don't do anything to look at any of being -- having their compensation adversely impacted 21 22 Household's peers to see whether this is normal or 22 for misconduct; right? abnormal, whether Household is an outlier in any 23 A. That's what it says, yes. respect, or whether it's right in the middle of the 24 Q. Uh-huh. Okay. pack other than looking at the KPMG benchmark study? 25 Let's look at your rebuttal report, Exhibit 2, Page 223 Page 225 1 A. Well, when I'm looking at 50 percent turnover at page 25, I think, and you say in the paragraph, third 2 and you have half of your employees that are turning paragraph under the heading -- well, the heading reads, 2 over every year, regardless of what the peers are doing. 3 "The Bley report and Litan reports failed to understand 4 that seems high to me. 4 Household's insurance products and practices." 5 It's hard to have any sort of consistency when 5 Do you see that? 6 you have half of your people that are new at any given 6 A. Yes. 7 time. 7 Q. All right. 8 Q. What was the turnover at the executive level? 8 Three paragraphs down you say, "The Bley 9 What was the average longevity of senior 9 report relies on Household's strained calculation of executives? Do you know that? 10 10 penetration rates for insurance sales, which included in 11 A. I don't recall that I saw that. 11 the calculation the loans to borrowers who are 12 Q. Was it 22 years? 12 ineligible for the insurance, including loans to 13 A. In the depositions I saw that a lot of them 13 borrowers who are ineligible for insurnce masks the true had been with Household a long time, but I don't know 14 14 penetration ratio. Instead, regulators calculate 15 what the average is. 15 penetration ratios by determining the number of loans 16 Okay. Let's go back to where we were. that have insurance as a percentage of the number of 16 17 Let's look at Exhibit 14. 17 loans where the loan applicants are eligible for the 18 A. Do I have it? 18 insurance." 19 (Thereupon Exhibit 14 was marked for 19 Do you see that? 20 Identification.) 20 A. Yes. 21 BY MR. KAVALER: 21 Q. And you have a footnote there which cites 22 Q. It's a document bearing production numbers 22 yourself, your first report, for that proposition.

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Do you see that?

Yes.

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Okay. And what you're telling us there is

And you see that's another one of these Unsat

follow up forms like the last couple we looked at?

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1	that's what regulators do?	1	I withdraw exhibit what number was it?
2	A. Right.	2	THE REPORTER: 15.
3	And if you look above that, I also cite the	3	MR. KAVALER: 15.
4	OCC's retail lending examination procedures, which also	4	Can I have the copy back, please.
5	discusses that.	5	MR. BAKER: It's got my work product on it.
6	Q. Right. Okay.	6	MR. KAVALER: Tear off the page with your work
7	And the OCC is a regulator?	7	product.
8	A. What?	8	You're capable of putting a number on the
9	Q. The OCC is a regulator?	9	document. I'm impressed.
10	A. Yes.	10	Okay. Here's what I'm going to do.
11	Q. And so is the OTS?	11	I'm going to tear off the first page. I'm
12	A. Yes.	12	going to tear out pages is there a stapler down there
13	Q. Uh-huh. And they're among the regulators who,	13	somewhere, David?
14	as you say here, calculate penetration ratios by	14	MR. OWEN: I don't see one. I'm sure we can
15	determining the number of loans that have insurance as a	15	get one.
16	percentage of the number of loans where the loan	16	MR. KAVALER: Okay. Make comforming copies
17	applicants are eligible for the insurance?	17	for Mr. Baker. Just give him the cover and 18 and 19.
18	A. Yes.	18	You don't have to give him a cover. He's got a cover.
19	MR. KAVALER: Okay. Let's mark as Exhibit 15	19	What about 18 and 19?
20	a document bearing production numbers OTS 32 through 50.	20	I'm giving you the cover and 18 and 19, and
21	(Exhibit No. 15 was marked for	21	this will be 15-A 16. Call it 16.
22	Identification.)	22	It will be 16 and I tell you right now, I tore
23	MR. KAVALER: I stand corrected. 33 through	23	them out of the rest of the document. It's out of
24	123.	24	context. That's 16. Look at 16.
25	BY MR. KAVALER:	25	And make a set for the Reporter.
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1	Q. All right. And it's a big multi-page	1	MR. BAKER: What pages are you using?
2	document. You don't need to look at all of it.	2	15 and 16 are those the pages you're using,
3	Turn to the one two pages bearing having	3	Mr. Kavaler.
4	Bates numbers ending in 49 and 50.	4	MR. KAVALER: Pages 49 and 50, Bates numbers
5	There's a heading called "High Insurance	5	49 and 50.
6	Penetration Rates."	6	Is that what you gave him? Uh-huh.
7	Do you see that?	7	(Exhibit Number 16 was marked for
8	MR. BAKER: Ms. Ghiglieri, feel free to	8	Identification.)
9	review the entire portion of the document that you feel	9	BY MR. KAVALER:
10	necessary to review in order to answer any questions.	10	Q. Do you see where it says "high insurance
11	BY MR. KAVALER:	11	penetration rates"?
12	Q. Well, let's start with the cover. It's a	12	A. Yes. I just want a minute to look at this.
13	Special Compliance Examination Report and it deals with	13	Q. Oh, sure. Absolutely. Take as long as you
14	Household; correct?	14	need to look at those two pages, but we're not going to
15	A. Yes. So the bank and the finance company.	15	sit here while you read a hundred page document which I
16	Q. Okay. Now I'm going to direct your attention	16	tell you I have no questions about at the encouragement
17	to these two pages.	17	of your counsel.
18	If you want to look through the rest of the	18	We've done enough of that all day.
19	document to see what it's about, we'll have to deal with	19	Have you had an opportunity to look at those
20	that.	20	two pages?
21	Do you feel it necessary to read the document?	21	A. One more second.
22	A. I would like to just take a moment and read	22	Q. Uh-huh.
23	these pages.	23	À. Okay.
24	MR. KAVALER: Hand it back to me. Hand it	24	Q. Okay?
25	back to me.	25	You see in this document the Office of Thrift

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Supervision, a regulator, has two tables, one shows at the bottom of the first page with Bates number ending in 2

49 "Insurance Penetration Rates for 2001, "Insurance

3 Eligible Loans," and the second one on page ending in

Bates number 50, says "Insurance Penetration Rates For

2001, All Loans." 6

Do you see that?

A. I see it.

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O. Does this reflect the fact --

10 Withdrawn.

11 And the text above those -- the first chart reads in the second sentence in describing these tables, 12

"The first table discloses the percentage of insurance 13

penetration to those loans where the borrowers were 14

15 insurance eligible. The second table discloses

percentage rates but is based on all loans regardless of

17 borrower eligibility."

18 Do you see that?

19 A. I see it.

20 Q. Does that suggest that in examining the

21 question of penetration and specifically in examining

the question of insurance penetration rates with regard 22

to Household, at least this regulator, the OTS, found it

24 appropriate to look at both eligible loans and

25 ineligible loans?

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insurance," and here's an instance of OTS, a federal 2 regulator, doing it the other way; right?

A. No. They did it the way I said.

4 They just happened to have additional

information. So, I mean, it makes no sense unless 5

6 there's a specific reason. There might have been, you

know, a problem with gathering some certain type of information, but it -- the first table is what is the

9 norm, and that's what I have in my report.

10 MR. KAVALER: Uh-huh.

11 Okay. Let's look at your rebuttal report,

12 Exhibit 2, at page 35.

13 In the paragraph beginning on a substantive

14 level about three-quarters of the way down there's a

15 sentence that reads, "As noted in my earlier report, the

16 Ernst & Young interviews indicated that most loans had

17 the maximum points, 7.25 percent."

18 Do you see that?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

20 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Let's mark as 17 a document bearing production

22 numbers HHS-ED 1057 through 1059.

23 And that's the document you cite in footnote

24 15; right?

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. I'm sorry. 2 153 on page 35; right?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay.

5 A. Footnote 153.

(Exhibit Number 17 was marked for

Identification.)

8 Q. And the language you quote from or refer to is

on the second page. It's the third sentence in the 9

10 paragraph in the bullet under "Rates." It says "BSM has

11 identified that most real estate loans have full points

sold, parentheses, 7.25 percent." 12

Do you see that?

A. Yes, I do. 14

15 Q. The very next sentence says, "This is strongly

16 based on customers' desires for lowest possible rates."

17 Do you see that? 18

A. I see that written here, but I don't believe

19 that the discount points had anything to do with the

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In fact, the chart that I have in the back 21

22 here of my rebuttal shows clearly that rates were

actually increased over the -- the benchmark rate. 23

24 Q. But regardless of what you believe, at page 35 25 you were attributing a comment to Ernst & Young; right?

A. Here they did both, but regulators normally look at the percentage of penetration rates for eligible loans.

There was a reason why they did this.

5 You're free to do something like that, but it's less meaningful, because you can't sell insurance 6 7 to people who are not eligible.

So to look at a penetration rate based on ineligible borrowers makes no sense.

So, for whatever reason they did it, it's not something that's, you know, forbidden, but normally you don't see it.

The first table is what you look at --

14 Q. Right.

A. -- when you're examining a lender. 15

O. But you acknowledge that the OTS is a federal 16 regulator? 17

18 A. Sure. Of course, they are.

19 O. And your statement at page 25 is not that

regulators sometimes do this or regulators may do this, 20 21 they may do something else.

Your statement is "Regulators calculate 22 penetration ratios by determining the number of loans 23 24 that have insurance as a percentage of the number of

25 loans where loan applicants are eligible for the

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Ghiglieri, Catherine A. Page 234 Page 236 You say, "As noted in my earlier report, the 1 1 A. Yes. 2 Ernst & Young interviews indicated that most loans had 2 Q. Okay. And, in fact, you make s reference to maximum points, 7.25 percent;" correct? it in your report? 3 A. That's what it says here. 4 4 A. Yes. 5 5 O. That's what it says. O. Sorry. 6 A. Here's an Ernst & Young interview --6 And you cite this at the bottom of 24 under a 7 Q. Right. 7 heading that says "Household's corporate culture 8 A. -- that said most of the loans --8 emphasized growth at the cost of compliance." 9 O. And the full -- the full context of what Ernst 9 Do you see that? & Young said is "BSM has identified that most RE loans A. Are you in my regular -- my first report? 10 have full points sold, parens, 7.25 percent, closed Q. I'm in your first report, page 24. 11 11 parens. This is strongly based on customers' desires 12 A. Okay. 24. for lowest possible rates." 13 Q. You've got a heading there. 13 14 And whether you believed it or not, isn't it 14 A. Hang on for one second. 15 fair to say that you quoted Ernst & Young's report out MR. BAKER: Give us a chance, Mr. Kavaler, to 15 of context because you left out the second half of that 16 16 catch up with you. 17 17 quotation? MR. KAVALER: Life isn't long enough. BY MR. KAVALER: 18 A. The second half of that quotation is discussed 18 extensively in both of these reports about whether or Q. Okay. You see the heading, Ms. Ghiglieri, 19 19 not discount points were actually used to buy down the 20 "Household's corporate culture emphasized growth at the 20 cost of compliance"? rate. And --21 21 Q. You disagree with Ernst & Young? 22 22 A. Yes. 23 A. -- based -- based on what I saw in the record, 23 Q. Okay. And you discussed Mr. Gilmer's Growth, and also the regulators agree with me, that the discount Growth, Growth memo right under that? 24 rates had nothing to do with the customer buying down 25 A. Yes. Page 235 Page 237 their rate. 1 Q. Okay. Let's look at Exhibit Number 18 1 2 2 But you disagree with Ernst & Young? together. That's the Growth, Growth, Growth memo. A. Well, Ernst & Young here is -- this is a 3 3 On the second page, page ending in 314, in the summary of their interview with Household's staff, and paragraph about halfway down in the answer he says as 4 5 I'm quoting that. 5 follows, last three lines, "Given our past history of 6 Q. Well, you're quoting part of it. 6 taking good care of our customers --" 7 7 A. I'm sorry. I don't know where you are. A. Well, I quoted it correctly from here. 8 O. You quoted it out of context; didn't you? 8 Q. Halfway down the page it says, "A, you are 9 9 A. No, I didn't. absolutely correct." 10 Q. You left out the thing that Ernst & Young put 10 Do you see that? right next to it to explain what they were saying? A. Okay. 11 11 MR. BAKER: Objection. Mischaracterizes the 12 12 Q. All right. End of that paragraph. 13 testimony. 13 "Given our past history of taking good care of 14 THE WITNESS: I don't think I mischaracterized 14 our customers and our commitment to do so in the future 15 it, and, in fact, I extensively discussed the next 15 I'm confident that we will be able to make this

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customers just how good we are." On page 315 at the top he says -- in the first 20 paragraph, second sentence, "By that I mean to say that we are one -- we are truly one company with a singular focus, to take care of our customers. If we do that well, our customers, our employees, and our shareholders will benefit."

strategic change with minimal customer disruption. In

fact, this is another opportunity to demonstrate to our

Do you see that?

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sentence throughout my other two -- the two reports.

Let's mark as 18 a document bearing production

Q. This is a memo from Mr. Gilmer headed "Growth,

MR, KAVALER: All right. 53.

(Exhibit No. 18 was marked for

You've seen this document before?

numbers HHS 2904313 through 14.

Identification.)

BY MR. KAVALER:

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Q. Okay. And that is a document that you used to support your position that Household's corporate culture emphasized growth at the cost of compliance?

MR. BAKER: Just so the record is clear, are you representing this as Gilmer Exhibit 23? Because it doesn't appear to be the case.

THE WITNESS: This doesn't have all the Bates numbers of what I've got here.

This only has 13 to 15, and I say -- it's 10 10 to 19, so I don't know what else is there. 11

12 BY MR. KAVALER:

- 13 Q. Can you answer the pending question?
- A. I'm not sure I can, because this document 14 isn't what I cited. 15
- 16 Q. You testified a minute ago that you're familiar with this document. This is Mr. Gilmer's 17 Growth, Growth memo; right? 18
- 19 A. It's not entirely what I cited.
- 20 Q. Your report says "The Growth, Growth, Growth memo at page 24." 21

I've read you some quotes from it, and my 22 23 question to you is nothing about Bates numbers, nothing 24 about pages, nothing about any of that.

25 My question very simply was, this is a

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2 MR. BAKER: Ms. Ghiglieri, he wants you to 3 review the document and answer his question. 4

I think that's what he wants you to do, and so, if you'd review that document and determine if you believe it supports your position.

THE WITNESS: Okay. All right.

MR. BAKER: Is that what you want, Mr. Kavler? Okay. Barring an answer we're going to assume

10 that's the case.

11 BY MR. KAVALER:

- O. I put a question to you, Ms. Ghiglieri. You answer it as best you can.
- A. Okay. I'm going to look at this document.
- Q. If you want to be -- if you want to act in a manner other than as a proper witness, you feel free to do that, too. You can do anything you want.

18 Everything is on the record. It will all be 19 reviewed by the Court, and we'll see what everybody was 20 doing, and it will all be clear.

A. Could you read back the question to me.

22 (Record Read)

THE WITNESS: Okay. It supports my position.

24 It's not all of the documents that support my position,

but it's one of them.

document whose quotes I've accurately read to you that in your view supports the proposition that Household's corporate culture emphasized growth at the cost of

compliance; correct? 4 5

A. And I'm telling you that the document that I cite is not this document.

MR. KAVALER: Fine.

8 BY MR. KAVALER:

9 Q. Does that document -- does Exhibit 18 support 10 the proposition that Household's corporate culture 11 emphasized growth at the cost of compliance, "yes" or 12 "no"?

13 A. The documents that I cite in my report I 14 feel --

15 BY MR. KAVALER:

- Q. Ms. Ghiglier, answer my question, please.
- 17 A. I'm trying to answer your question.
- Q. No, you're not. You're not even coming close. 18 19 Listen to my question carefully.

20 Does the document you're holding in your hand, 21 Exhibit 18, whatever it is, whatever it turns out to be,

whatever the record ultimately reveals it is, whatever 22

is beyond Mr. Baker's kin, does that document support 23

24 your proposition that Household's corporate culture emphasized growth at the cost of compliance, "yes" or Page 241

1 And one of -- of course, you've read quite a 2 few quotes, and this is a two-and-a-half page document, 3 but one of the things I focused on in this document is 4 the elimination of the QAC, which I've discussed earlier 5 and I discuss in both of my reports about the quarrel 6 that I have with giving the QAC responsibilities to the 7 sales staff, but I believe that this in part supports 8

MR. KAVALER: Let's mark as 19 a one-page document bearing production number HHS 2362549.

what I'm saying here, as do the other documents I cite.

11 This is an E-mail from Mr. Gilmer on ethical 12 behavior dated October 3, 2001.

> (Exhibit Number 19 was marked for Identification.)

15 BY MR. KAVALER:

16 Q. Did you see this E-mail?

A. Let me read it and see if I've seen it.

18 I'm not sure that I have seen this. I've seen 19 mentions to some of the issues in here, but I don't know 20 if I've seen this specific document. 21

O. Okay. Mr. Gilmer says "Taking good care of our company is everyone's responsibility, yours and mine. With each loan we make, with every customer we serve, we uphold Household's 123-year reputation as a

24 25 fair and ethical lender. This is -- that is why, when

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1 people violate our standard of ethics, they damage our reputation, and they hurt you and me. That, too, is why 3 we want to insure all employees have every opportunity and avenue to escalate concerns or known violations of Household's ethical standards. To this end and in keeping with our tradition of open communications we are 6 introducing a specific toll free telephone line to be 7 used to report any incidents or suspicion of fraud." 8

The next paragraph he talks about the line. The paragraph after that he says, "In the very rare circumstance where you know of or suspect a violation of policy, it is your responsibility to bring this to the attention of your direct manager or management team."

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Down at the bottom paragraph he says, "As I 16 have communicated before, I take pride in the fact that we maintain a zero tolerance for inappropriate unethical behavior and demonstrate that with swift action."

Are those thoughts expressed by Mr. Gilmer 19 20 sent in this E-mail sent to all consumer lending employees on October 3, 2001 consistent with your 21 conclusion at page 24 of your initial report, Exhibit 1, 22 23 that Household's corporate culture emphasized growth at the cost of compliance"? 24

A. It's directly -- my report directly

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A. But he also told them they had to grow at a 1 2 certain rate, that they had to sell -- have a penetration rate of insurance of 75 percent that went up 3 4 to 80 percent.

I mean, you know, what these memos said and what they were being compensated on, what their goals were in the branches conflict.

- 8 O. Is growth good for the shareholders? 9
 - As a general proposition? A.
- 10 O. Sure.
- A. If it's profitable growth. 11
 - O. Uh-huh.

13 And Mr. Gilmer's job is to make the company profitable for the shareholders; is it not? 14

- A. My quarrel is not with growth for growth 15 16 itself.
- 17 O. Can you answer my question?
- A. I'm trying to be responsive to your question. 18
 - Well, the answer would be "yes" or "no," and then you can explain if you want.
- 20 A. I -- what was the question then?
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- 22 Q. Is Mr. Gilmer's job to make the company 23 profitable for the shareholders?
- A. Yes, but I quarrel with the steps that he took 24 to make it -- to grow the company and -- I don't know if 25

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- contradicts this, but I still believe that my report is accurate. Based on all the documents I've seen there's 2
- 3 a disconnect with what Household said they were doing
- and what was actually being done, and the regulatory
- agencies also agree with me, that they put out a lot of
- policies that looked like they were really tough on
- unethical behavior, and, yet, unethical behavior was occurring, and, of course, I discuss in my reports that
- I think the compensation plans for the various issuers
- 10 helped drive that behavior in a large part because
- employees were compensated based on in engaging in 11

predatory lending practices. 12 So this does contradict my report. I stand by 13

14 my report.

O. Did you see any indication that the word was 15 coming back up to Mr. Gilmer that people were, contrary 16 to his repeated and emphatic memoranda that we've looked 17 at together today, doing these bad things? 18

Did that word came back up to Mr. Gilmer?

- A. I don't think I'm following your question. 20
- O. Well, the word came down from Gilmer, as in 21
- this memo and others, that he wants people to behave in 22
- a highly ethical manner; correct? 23
- That's what this says. 24
- 25 Right. And you're saying --

- I want to say make it profitable, since they ended up paying such large fines and refunds and change their
- 2 business model, but my quarrel consistently throughout 3
- 4 my two reports is the steps that he took and that they
- 5 took to make those growth goals.
 - O. Did you misspeak in your last answer?
- 7 A. I don't understand the question.
 - O. You don't have a quarrel with Mr. Gilmer; do
- 9 you? You have an expert opinion.

I thought you were an expert giving an opinion 10 on what is and is not predatory lending. 11

You're not an expert on corporate governance; 12 13 are you?

A. Well, in fact, I do teach corporate governance 14 to bank directors. 15

Q. I see. 16

Are you an expert in profitability of company 17 -- public companies? 18

- 19 A. I don't serve as a damages expert.
 - O. Have you ever been a senior officer of a
- 21 public company?
- A. I've been a board member of a public company. 22
- Q. How did that work out? 23
- 24 Well, I ended up resigning, because I wasn't
- 25 happy with how things were going.

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1 Q. Uh-huh.

2 And that was Net Bank, Incorporated; right?

- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And you were on the audit committee and you
- were on -- chairman of the risk committee; correct? 5
- 6 A. Of the bank.
- 7 Q. Uh-huh.
- 8 A. I was on the audit committee of the holding 9 company.
- 10 Q. And that bank was closed by the Office of 11 Thrift Supervision and put in to FCIC receivership; 12 correct?
- 13 A. Right. It wasn't -- I wasn't on the board when that happened. 14

15 In fact, when I left the board it was still 16 rated in good condition, but I was unhappy with the 17 direction of the company, and it ultimately failed for

18 some of the reasons I was unhappy about.

- 19 Q. Within two years of the time you left?
- 20 A. Slightly over two years, yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. And one of the things that happened at
- 22 Net Bank on your watch was an operating subsidiary was
- transferred from one entity to another to take advantage
- 24 of federal preemption; right?
- A. I'm not sure I know what you're talking about. 25

1 MR. BAKER: Objection to the extent it calls 2 for a legal conclusion.

3 THE WITNESS: The 10K is not the form for 4 giving that information to the thrift regulators.

5 BY MR. KAVALER:

- 6 Q. The 10K is a publicly filed document filed by 7 a public company to put on the marketplace various 8 information: is it not?
 - A. Yes.

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- 10 Q. So there's nothing confidential about a 10K; 11 is there?
- 12 A. No, but the information that's exchanged with 13 the regulators goes beyond that.
- 14 Q. I didn't ask a word about regulators. I asked 15 vou about --
- 16 A. You said it's used for giving information to 17 the regulators.
 - Q. Right. That's correct, the securities regulators. The SEC is a regulator; is it not?
- 20 Well, you didn't define which regulators you 21 meant.
- 22 Q. You didn't understand what regulator I was 23 talking about when I was talking about filing a 10K?

24 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, don't argue with the 25 witness.

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1 MR. KAVALER: Okay.

2 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, I'm not sure where 3 you're going with this, but I'll caution the witness to 4 the extent that there is confidential information

5 regarding Net Bank, I assume you understand what your 6 obligations are.

7 THE WITNESS: Yes.

MR. BAKER: I'm not instructing you not to 8 answer. I'm just raising that issue, to answer to the 10 best of your ability.

BY MR. KAVALER: 11

- 12 Q. Are you familiar with something called a "Form 10K"? 13
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Is that confidential information of any kind?
- 16 A. What's in the 10K?
- 17 Yes. O.
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Filed with the United States Securities and
- **Exchange Commission?** 20
- 21 Yes.
- 22 For the purpose of giving full and accurate
- 23 disclosure to the shareholders, the marketplace, the
- 24 government regulators, the exchanges and everyone else;
- 25 correct?

You've been using the term "regulator"

- 2 throughout the course of this deposition, and it's 3 widely understood by everyone you meant everybody but
- 4 the SEC, and for you now to find fault with the witness
- 5 failing to construe the term the way you used it before 6
 - is ridiculous.
- 7 BY MR. KAVALER:
- 8 Q. You understand the SEC is a securities 9 regulator?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. And you understand there's nothing whatsoever 11 confidential about anything contained in a 10K filed 12 13 with the SEC?
- 14 A. I understand that.

MR. KAVALER: I knew you did.

16 MR. BAKER: Mr. Kavaler, you've been going 17 about an hour.

18 Do you want to take a break now and review 19 your documents and ask a question after that?

20 MR. KAVALER: No. We'll take a break after 21 this document.

22 BY MR. KAVALER:

23 Q. Now you know that Net Bank's 10K describes, 24 among other things, the business that Net Bank is in: 25 correct?

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Page 250 1 A. I'm assuming that -- what -- which 10K are you 1 You knew that that bank was in those looking at? businesses; right? 2

3 Q. Well, I'm looking at the one for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. 4 5

Were you a director at that time?

A. Let's see what the dates were.

I know when I left. I don't know when I joined.

9 Q. Would it help refresh your recollection if I suggest that you were a member of the audit committee 10 11 from December 2003 to September 2005?

12 A. Is that what I have in my --

13 Q. Does that refresh your recollection?

A. I'll refresh my recollection here.

15 Q. Okay.

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16 A. I wasn't on the audit committee -- I wasn't on

these committees for this date. 17

18 Q. Were you on the board in the year ending

December 31, 2004? 19

20 A. Yes.

O. Thank you. 21

22 A. I was on the board.

23 Q. Net Bank's 10K reveals that -- or cites that

24 nonconforming mortgage loans are more expensive to

process than agency eligible mortgage loans.

those businesses; correct? 11 A. I -- they were in the mortgage business, 12

you're reading from.

BY MR. KAVALER:

13 that's right. 14 Q. The company -- the 10K further says, "The

MR. BAKER: I'm going to object to these

testimony -- the document that you're reading from, and

Q. Nevertheless, you knew that Net Bank was in

THE WITNESS: And I would like to see what

questions because you're not giving the witness the

so she can't understand the quote in context.

15 company also purchases and originates mortgage loans 16 featuring a variety of combinations of interest rates 17 and discount points so that borrowers may elect to pay higher points at closing and less interest over the life 18 19 of the loan or pay a higher interest rate and reduce or 20 eliminate points payable at closing.

You knew that that was a business practice of Net Bank?

23 A. That's a common practice in mortgage 24 companies, yes.

25 Q. Nothing wrong with that?

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1 Do you know what they're talking about?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Do you agree with that?

A. Yes. 4

5 Q. And it says, "However, the margin on sale

makes these products generally the company's highest 7 profit mortgage offering."

Do you agree with that?

9 A. Yes.

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10 Q. And Net Bank, while you were director,

attempted to maximize its profits; right? 11

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13 Q. The 10K also says "15-year and 30-year

conventional mortgage loans and 15-year and 30-year FHA

loans and VA loans --" 15

16 I'm sorry. I'll start again.

17 "In addition to 15-year and 30-year

conventional mortgage loans and 15-year and 30-year FHA 18

loans and VA loans Net Bank purchases and originates 19

20 products designed to provide lower interest rates to

21 borrowers or lower principal and interest payments to

22 borrowers, including balloon mortgage loans that have

23 relatively short terms, i.e., 5 or 7 years, and longer

amortization schedules, i.e., 25 or 30 years, and

adjustible rate mortgage loans."

A. No, if it's -- if it's actually the case.

2 I mean, that's a quarrel that we have with --3 that I have with Household's practices.

I don't believe the discount points were used to reduce the rate.

O. But if the company is doing what Net Bank describes itself as doing in this 10K, there's nothing wrong with that?

9 A. No. What you've read so far, there's nothing 10 wrong with that. 11

MR. KAVALER: Okay. You want to take a break? We can take a break.

VIDEOGRAPHER: Off the record at 3:22. (Thereupon a recess was taken at 3:22 p.m. and the deposition resumed at 4:08 p.m.)

16 VIDEOGRAPHER: On record at 4:08.

17 BY MR. KAVALER:

Q. Now, Ms. Ghiglieri, during the time that you 18 19 were a director of Net Bank, Meritage Mortgage 20 Corporation was a sub of Net Bank?

21 A. I think it was an acquisition during the time. 22 I can't remember. At one point in time they were a sub,

but I don't think it was for very long when I was on the 24 board.

Q. And it was transferred as an operating sub --

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it was a transfer to the bank from somewhere else in the corporate family or transferred away from the bank?

Do you remember something about that?

- A. I thought it was an acquisition, but I might be wrong.
- Q. Well, it could be that after it was acquired it might have been transferred.

Do you remember something about it being moved around somewhere in the corporate structure?

- A. I don't remember that. 10
- O. Was Net Bank state regulated or federally 11 12 regulated?
- A. They were a federal thrift. 13
- 14 Q. Did it have any operations that were a subject of state regulation? 15
- A. They had many subsidiaries. 16

I don't know if any of them come to mind other 17 than maybe, you know, having to register to do business. 18

19 I don't -- I don't think so. I'd have to look

20 at the list and see.

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21 Q. Okay. Let me see 46.

22 Hang on one second.

23 You testified earlier just before the break

about -- something about penetration rates, and you mentioned numbers like 75 percent and 80 percent.

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1 And the penetration rate is one of the things 2 you can look at to make a determination if, in fact, it 3 looks to you like insurance is being required.

4 When I look at this, my rule of thumb is 5 generally 50 percent. If you have greater than 50 6 percent penetration, then you look to see if -- you 7 know, you might want to look at other information to see 8 if it's required.

Some of the regulators also looked at it and found that they thought it was required, so that's the significance of the customer exception rate or 11 penetration rate, however you want to say it.

Q. And at page 100 of your initial report, 13

14 Exhibit 1, at the top you make reference to some OTS

15 reports which you say found evidence of insurance packing both at Household Bank, FSP, and Household 16

Finance Corporation which ran both the Beneficial and 17

HFC sales offices. 18

19 Do you see that?

20 A. I'm not sure. Let me see.

21 Top of the page, first line at page 100.

22 A. Okay.

Q. And then you say, "Earlier OTS examinations

also found evidence of predatory lending practices

respecting insurance sales; correct?

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1 Do you remember that testimony? 2

A. Well, the customer exception rates that Household wanted each branch to have, --

Q. Right.

A. -- if I remember correctly, those started out at 70 percent, and they were increased to 75, and I believe I saw one document that said 80 was the goal.

O. Uh-huh.

And what is the significance of those ranges? Is that high?

Is that probative of something? 11

What does it tell you, that those numbers 12

13 exist?

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A. Well, when a regulator looks at mortgage 14 lending, and where you have the sale of insurance, and 15 the -- one of the things that you regularly do is check

for compliance with Regulation Z, and you have to 17 18 determine whether or not insurance is required in order

to know if it should be in the amount financed or not.

20 and -- or the finance charge.

And so, if the bank says -- or the finance 22 company says it's not required, you look at the penetration rate to see if that's telling a different

23 story than what the policy says we talked about before, 25 policies versus practice.

A. Yes.

2 MR. KAVLER: Okay. Let's mark as Exhibit 20 a 3 document bearing production numbers OTS 001 through 12 -- through 12, 1 through 12.

Okay. It's two separate documents.

7 Let's mark it -- let's start with -- hang on a 8 second.

Let's see what we're doing.

10 Let's start with the first one, we'll mark

that as Exhibit 20, and it will be 001 through 6.

12 (Exhibit No. 20 was marked for

Identification.)

14 BY MR. KAVALER:

15 Q. And that is an OTS report of an examination dated April 2, 2001 of Household Bank, FSB; correct? 16

18 Q. Okay. And on page 0004, there's only a few 19 lines at the bottom.

It says, "The former Household office did not offer personal property insurance. Otherwise credit, life, disability, unemployment, and personal property insurance are offered at all the branches. Buying the insurance is optional."

Do you see that?

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Page 258 Page 260 1 A. I see it. 1 Where are you now? 2 Q. Do you agree with the OTS that buying 2 There's only one other paragraph on that page. 3 insurance was optional at Household? 3 Everything else has been redacted. I'm in the 4 A. Well, now, they had a different -- excuse me 4 other paragraph. -- analysis of it when they did examinations. 5 A. Okay. I see it. 6 This -- this was dated before the one I sent 6 O. Okay. You agree with those conclusions by the 7 in my report. 7 OTS or not? 8 O. Right. 8 A. Well, I have -- I have no way of knowing. 9 But on this occasion the OTS did an 9 All I know is that I have snippets of a report investigation in April of 2001 and concluded that buying 10 10 that's dated prior to their special compliance insurance is optional; right? 11 examination, and I know at this time during the special 11 12 A. And that's what it says here. compliance examination they looked at not only the 13 I don't know what -- of course, there's a lot 13 thrift, but also at HFC, and they came up with different 14 of redacted information here. 14 conclusions. 15 I don't know what the scope of this 15 And that's not unusual for regulators, because 16 examination was, but I do know that when they did a 16 you have different scopes of examination. 17 special compliance examination, which this was 17 You might get complaints that you start to specifically targeted, they found that it -- it was, in 18 18 look in to, and, you know, you might come up with 19 fact, not optional. 19 different examination findings. 20 Q. But, nevertheless, what it says there on this 20 That happened all the time, both at the OCC 21 piece of paper which is an OTS report is buying 21 and at the Department of Banking. 22 insurance is optional, and you disagree with that: 22 MR. KAVALER: All right. Let's look at the 23 right? 23 "Report of the Special Compliance Examination." 24 A. It says that on this piece of paper. 24 We'll mark it as Exhibit 21. 25 Q. You disagree with that? 25 (Exhibit No. 21 was marked for Page 259 Page 261 1 A. There's a lot of redacted information. 1 Identification.) 2 Q. Do you know why? 2 MR. KAVALER: It bears production numbers OTS 3 So I can't tell if there's anything here that 3 7 through 12. 4 would affect it or what the scope of the examination 4 BY MR. KAVALER: 5 was. 5 Q. And this is dated March 28th, 2001. 6 Q. Do you know why there are redactions? Is this the special compliance examination you 6 7 A. I don't know why it was redacted. 7 were referring to? 8 Q. Do you know who redacted it? 8 A. No. The one that I have -- well, I don't know 9 A. I'm assuming the OTS did. 9 if it is or not. Q. If the OTS did, do you know why the OTS would 10 10 Q. All right. In any event, it is a special 11 do that? 11 compliance investigation by the OTS of Household Bank; 12 A. I mean, I can only speculate. 12 correct? 13 Q. If you don't know, you don't know. 13 A. I can't tell when it was started. Let's see 14 You don't know? 14 if the Bates number is the same. A. I don't know why they redacted it. 15 15 Q. Well, let's start with the first page. It 16 Q. Okay. Next page, page 005, first full 16 says "Report of Special Compliance Examination." 17 paragraph. 17 Do you see that? 18 The first sentence reads "The BSM and AE use a 18 A. I see that. compelling insurance sales pitch." 19 19 Q. Okay. And then below it says "Subject." It 20 Do you see that? 20 gives a document number and says "Household Bank, FSB." 21 A. I see that. 21 Do you see that? 22 Q. Paragraph at the bottom of the page, "A 22 A. I see that, 23 substantial amount of insurance sales results from loan 23 Q. You have any reason to believe this is not a 24 origination." 24 report of a special compliance examination of Household 25 Do you see that? 25 Bank, FSB by the OTS?

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1	A. I don't know if it's the same one as I	1	productions numbers HHS 3418264 through 276.
2	referenced.	2	THE WITNESS: Oh. You asked me a question
3	Q. I didn't ask you that.	3	about this OTS examination.
4	Do you have any reason to believe this is not	4	This was done almost a full year before the
5	a report of a special compliance examination of	5	one that I quote in in my report.
6	Household Bank, FSB by the OTS?	6	MR. KAVALER: I assure you, I didn't ask you
7	A. I mean, that's what it says.	7	any such question.
8	I have no reason to think this is a	8	I asked you if you knew what it was and I
9	trumped up document.	9	asked you if you agreed with what it said.
10	Q. Okay. Look at page OTS 0010. It's about the	10	THE WITNESS: And
11	fourth page in.	11	MR. KAVALER: We're on 22 now.
12	You see down at the bottom under "Positive	12	THE WITNESS: And okay. So my answer is
13	General Attributes" there's a bullet. It says "Credit	13	incomplete with regard to that.
14	insurance, parentheses, life, disability, and	14	MR. KAVALER: Right. Your answer is your
15	unemployment, closed parentheses, disclosures clearly	15	answer. The record is the record.
16	indicate that the purchase of this insurance is	16	Mr. Baker will cross examine when he wants.
17	voluntary and not required to obtain credit and that the	17	THE WITNESS: Okay.
18	institution intends to make a profit from its sale."	18	BY MR. KAVALER:
19	Do you see that?	19	Q. Okay. Look at Exhibit 22.
20	A. I see that.	20	Have you seen this before?
21	Q. Do you agree or disagree with the OTS on that	21	A. Let's see here.
22 23	subject?	22	Q. Withdraw the question.
24	A. I don't know if this is the same document that I looked at. So I	23	Did you become aware in the course of your
25		24	inquiry that when Mr. Hueman's videotape surfaced
23	Q. Ms. Ghiglieri, I'm not asking anything about	25	certain things occurred?
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1	the same document.	1	MR. BAKER: It's Hueman.
2	Listen to my question.	2	THE WITNESS: And by "certain things" you mean
3	Do you agree or disagree with the OTS's	3	what?
4	statement at that bullet point?	4	BY MR. KAVALER:
5	Yes, I agree; no, I don't agree?	5	Q. Well, what do you understand happened when it
6 7	A. I don't have a basis for agreeing or	6	became known to senior management?
0	disagreeing because I don't know if this is a similar	7	Let's take Mr. Detelich.
9	document than the one that I saw.	8	Have you read Mr. Detelich's deposition?
10	Q. But the OTS is a federal regulator which has	9	A. Yes.
11	jurisdiction over Household Bank, FSB; right? Or did at this point in time?	10	Q. All right. What was Mr. Detelich's reaction
12	A. Yes.	11	when he found out about the videotape?
13	MR. KAVALER: Okay. Let's mark as Exhibit 22	12 13	A. He wanted well, I don't recall specifically
14	59, I think.	14	what his response was, but I know that the videotape was
15	(Exhibit Number 22 was marked for	15	recalled. Q. Right.
16	Identification.)	16	• •
17	BY MR. KAVALER:	17	And Mr. Detelich wanted Mr. Hueman to get all the copies back.
18	Q. You made reference earlier to Mr. Hueman.	18	Do you remember that?
19	You remember him?	19	A. Yes.
20	A. Yes.	20	Q. And there was a lot toing and froing about
21	Q. And he was the guy with the video?	21	finding all the copies, and they got back 89 out of 91
22	Yes?	22	and they found the other two, and et cetera.
23	A. Yes.	23	Do you remember all that stuff?
24	MR. KAVALER: Okay. Let's mark as Exhibit 22	24	A. Yes.
25	a series of documents, various documents bearing	25	Q. And what was Mr. Detelich's reason for wanting
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- A. He testified that he didn't like what was on the -- the tape.
 - Q. Right.

As soon as he saw it he said that was wrong; 6 right?

A. Well, I don't know if that's -- an accurate portrayal of -- of his testimony.

I would have to go and look specifically at what he said.

Q. Well, he sent Mr. Hueman a --

I take it back.

He sent Mr. O'Han an E-mail about the video saying "You definitely need to review the video as Dennis is teaching some practices that need to be addressed," et cetera, et cetera.

He talks about this. He specifically says that. He says, "This is just plain wrong."

19 Remember that video?

- 20 A. Are you reading from this packet?
- Q. It's the last page of this packet, but I'm
- 22 asking you whether you remember it.
- A. I remember that.
- Q. Okay. What conclusion did you draw about the
- 25 entire episode, Mr. Hueman putting out the video,

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- Mr. Detelich finding out about it and saying it was wrong, Mr. Detelich telling Mr. Hueman to get all the
- 3 copies back, Mr. Detelich testifying that he reprimanded

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What was your take on all of that as a regulator?

A. Well, I've looked at all the information regarding that, and there's some additional things that — that you didn't list out that I took in to

10 consideration also.11 One was that

One was that Dennis Hueman said that nothing had been done with him, which we talked about earlier, which contradicted what Mr. Detelich said.

But it told me that the practices that were on the tape were already being employed by the sales staff.

Dennis Hueman testified that he had been doing all that, and he just made the video to have it be a training tool, and some of the complaints that surfaced bore that out.

So I took all of that information in to consideration in my discussions in these two reports.

- Q. Did you appreciate that the sum of all that
- 23 testimony about Mr. Hueman and Mr. Detelich comes down 24 to this:
 - Mr. Hueman was doing whatever he was doing.

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Mr. Detelich didn't know about it. When Mr. Detelich
found out about it, he immediately put a stop to it, and
he took all the copies of the videotape out of
circulation, and he told Mr. Hueman "You can't do that."
Is that a fair summary?

A. I don't know if that's accurate, because the -- Lou Walter was doing effective rate presentation training of the DSNs and the BSMs in all of the different districts except for Dennis Hueman's, but a lot of the information that was on that video and that is in that presentation they had similar concepts.

And the -- I discuss in detail that not only were the branch sales offices using effective rate presentations, or comparative rate, or the T sale, or whatever you want to say to compare the mortgage -- or all the interest rates that the borrower currently had with what Household was proposing, but that there were some complaints to the regulators about that.

And so I concluded that notwithstanding the pulling back of the video, that -- that these, you know,

branch offices were trained to sell -- to sell loans in
this certain way, and regardless of pulling back that

video or not, it didn't do anything to reduce the fact

that that's how they were selling the loans, either the

25 fact that he made it or that it was pulled back had no

effect, because everyone was still doing it.

Q. And you know when senior management found out about what Lou Walter was doing they put a stop to that also; right?

A. Well, I think there was some conflicting testimony about that, because the documents that I saw had selling first mortgages, and it would say, you know, this division and that division, the central division, the northeast division, and so people were out there training the sales staff to do certain things, and then you have these complaints popping up where people said "Well, I was told that my effective rate was going to be 8 percent."

So I -- I think there was some conflicting testimony about whether or not Lou Walters' training was, you know, halted right away or whatever.

It seemed like --

Q. Did you resolve that conflict?

A. Well, my conclusion was that, in fact, people
 were using the effective rate training, and until the
 responsible lending seminar that occurred, I believe it

was, in June of 2002 and after, you know, they found out

about different regulators that were concerned about
 their practices, and I believe even maybe they had been

sued in Washington and in California, you know, they

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started looking at what's out there, and trying to pull together what the training was, and that's when they got -- they were trying to determine what was out there, and they said, "Okay. Stop doing this or stop doing that."

But it wasn't until then that they -- they started issuing these bulletins saying "Don't use effective rate. Don't do this presentation."

- Q. But at some point -- at some point they issued those bulletins?
- 10 A. Just one second. Let's see if I can stop 11 coughing here.

12 They also purged the files of those effective 13 rate presentations.

14 So it's hard to know exactly what they were doing and where they were doing it, but --15

Q. What did you make of that?

17 A. Well, whenever I see wholesale destruction of documents, it makes me nervous that they're trying to 18 19 destroy evidence rather than trying to, you know, sanitize the files, has a negative connotation to me. 20

21 Q. Uh-huh. Uh-huh.

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22 The regulators wouldn't be able to tell what 23 happened.

24 They wouldn't -- they, themselves, wouldn't be 25 able to do an investigation to determine who had been

affected by these misleading presentations, and what I

an audit of the files, saying these are the people that

correct it, but, instead, their response was "Let's just

were harmed, and this is what we're going to do to

would have expected to see as a regulator is them doing

he directed all the additional copies of unauthorized forms be destroyed.

A. Well, let's take them each individually. Wholesale destruction of documents, I don't think that was the right thing to do.

If they were destroying blank forms that they didn't want people to use, that's one thing, but going in to a file and taking out a document, that doesn't allow them to determine the full extent of the problem and take corrective action.

So I don't agree with that.

Pulling back Dennis Hueman's videos, that's a 13 fine thing to do, but what they should have also done is an investigation to determine who was using these practices in what branches specifically, and they should have done some revised training to determine -- or to make sure that -- if they didn't want this effective rate presentation being done, that they weren't being done.

They also should have looked at the 21 compensation plans to make sure that they weren't rewarding people for the wrong type of behavior, and I think you had a third thing, but I've lost what it was.

Q. At page 66 of your rebuttal report, which is 25 Exhibit 2, you say in the second paragraph --

A. Hang on for one second.

1 2 Let me get to it.

MR. BAKER: What page, again, was it? 3

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5 MR. BAKER: Of the first one?

Q. The documents that were collected and 7

destroyed were additional copies of documents that were not approved in the first place, and the effort was to be sure they weren't used accidentally by other people.

Did you know that?

destroy all these documents."

A. There's documentation in this record that indicated they went in and looked in the files and took things out, not that they just were destroying blank forms.

16 That's the impression I'm getting from what 17 you said.

- 18 Q. Did you read Detelich's testimony on the 19 subject?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- 21 Q. And did you think Detelich was doing the right 22 thing or the wrong thing?
- 23 When he did what? A.
- When he reacted to this problem with the 24
- 25 videotape, when he found out about Lou Walter, and when

THE WITNESS: 66.

6 THE WITNESS: Of the rebuttal.

BY MR. KAVALER;

8 Q. In the second paragraph you say about four 9 lines down, "It does not appear that there was any 10 attempt by the central office handling the complaints to contact the borrower directly." 11

12 Do you see that?

A. Yes.

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14 Q. And then your footnote call sign is 318, that 15 says Allcock deposition, page 30?

16 A. Yes.

Q. Page 30, Ms. Allcock was asked:

18 "You directed a process where Ms. Medura, if I 19 understand this correctly, would receive a complaint and 20 then would rely upon the, tell me if I have this wrong.

21 would rely upon DGM or the RGM to provide the underlying information; is that correct?"

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Ouestion: This is a sales -- a sales issue. 24 Answer: Again, to the best of my knowledge. 25

Question: Okay,

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