IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH KERRY LEWIS. Plaintiff,) No. 0710-11294 VS. CORPORATION OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, a foreign corporation sole registered) to do business in the State of Oregon; CORPORATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS AND SUCCESSORS, a foreign corporation sole registered to do business in the State of Oregon; THE BOY SCOUTS) OF AMERICA, a congressionally chartered corporation, authorized to do business in Oregon; and CASCADE PACIFIC COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS) OF AMERICA, an Oregon non-profit corporation, Defendants.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS VOLUME 24

BE IT REMEMBERED That the above-entitled matter came on regularly for trial, before the Honorable **JOHN A. WITTMAYER**, Judge of the Circuit Court of the County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, commencing at the hour of 8:48 a.m., on Thursday, the 22nd day of April, 2010, and reported in stenography by Debra K. Cheyne, Certified Court Stenographer No. 94-0291.

APPEARANCES

Kelly Clark, Paul Mones, Gilion Dumas on behalf of the Plaintiff;

Charles Smith & Christie Moilanen, on behalf of Defendant The Boy Scouts of America.

Present for 8:30 hearing: Paul Xochihua (CPC/BSA), Kristian Roggendorf (Plaintiff), Mick Seidl (Media).

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1	MR. MONES: Thank you, Your Honor.
2	PLAINTIFF'S FIRST CLOSING ARGUMENT
3	MR. MONES: May it please the Court,
4	ladies and gentlemen of the jury, counsel, Mr. Lewis,
5	Mr. Clark, and Ms. Dumas, this is the first time I've
6	gotten a chance to speak before you. Most of the time
7	has been cross examining witnesses and arguing motions
8	before the Court or arguing before the Court about the
9	various aspects of the case.
10	My job now is to discuss with you the one
11	phrase, the one aspect of Mr. Clark's statement to you,
12	which is that this phase of the case is about punishing
13	the Boy Scouts of America and deterring them and other
14	organizations that serve youth from ever engaging in
15	this type of unconscionable and deplorable behavior that
16	you have heard about over these six long weeks.
17	You have already heard and found by clear
18	and convincing evidence that the Boy Scouts of America
19	were recklessly and outrageously indifferent to a known
20	risk of harm and were consciously indifferent to the
21	safety and welfare of Kerry Lewis and others.
22	In the first phase of this case by
23	answering the last verdict the last question on the
24	verdict form yes, you have said that the Boy Scouts of
25	America need to be punished for their misconduct and

- 1 that they -- that they need to be deterred from similar
- 2 misconduct.
- 3 The concept of punishment for those who
- 4 do wrong is woven through the fabric of our society.
- 5 From someone who steals from a cash register or a wall
- 6 street executive who gets arrested, they just don't have
- 7 to give back the money; they also need to be punished.
- 8 And even if they apologize and say we won't do it again,
- 9 we won't steal, they still have to be punished.
- 10 If a company sells a defective car, and
- 11 there are accidents as a result of that, and somebody
- 12 dies, and the company recalls the car and says, we're
- 13 going to make all the best changes we can, we're going
- 14 to put on better pedals, we're going to change the
- 15 alignment, that company still gets punished.
- And why do we punish? Because that's how
- 17 we maintain order in society. That's how we maintain
- 18 justice. We maintain security and civility and order,
- 19 and most important in this case, safety; safety for
- 20 children.
- But the question today is how do you
- 22 punish an organization? You can't put the Boy Scouts of
- 23 America in jail, and nobody's asked you to do that. How
- 24 do you punish an organization that's demonstrated a
- 25 conscious, an outrageous indifference to the health and

- 1 safety of children and to Kerry Lewis?
- 2 How do you punish an organization with
- 3 \$900,000,000 in assets that makes 2.5 million dollars a
- 4 month just off the interest in its liquid account, and
- 5 that for decades through its callous policies have put
- 6 the health, safety, and welfare of thousands of children
- 7 at risk?
- 8 So your job today is to decide punitive
- 9 damages, how much -- how much it will take, ladies and
- 10 gentlemen, to stop the BSA and to punish them for what
- 11 they did to Kerry Lewis. And we submit to you based
- 12 upon what we heard this week, there's only one figure,
- 13 \$25,000,000.
- 14 And as I will detail to you, there is
- 15 nothing that happened in this past week that should
- 16 convince you that it should be anything less than
- 17 \$25,000,000. We're not asking you to shut down the Boy
- 18 Scouts of America; that would be wrong. There are tens
- 19 of thousands of millions of boys and families who
- 20 benefit from the Boy Scouts of America, but you can make
- 21 the Boy Scouts better.
- 22 Some of you may have concerns about using
- 23 money to punish the Boy Scouts of America, but that's
- 24 all we have at our disposal here. That's all we can do.
- 25 We can't put back the lives destroyed. We can't change

- 1 the families that have been changed. We can't make
- 2 better the families that have been changed permanently.
- What we can do is we can award punitive
- 4 damages and punish the behavior of the Boy Scouts of
- 5 America that created these -- this situation.
- And punitive damages are also used to
- 7 deter, deter future behavior. So when you consider your
- 8 punitive damages consider the fact that if your verdict
- 9 speaks loudly enough youth organizations around the
- 10 United States will double up and rethink their policies
- 11 and practices about the way they treat children.
- 12 This court has given you guidance --
- 13 excuse me -- I remember the lawyers all said they were
- 14 nervous when they were up here. I'm nervous, too, so
- 15 that's okay -- about what a reasonable amount of
- 16 punitive damages should be.
- 17 The Court has instructed you that there
- 18 must be a reasonable relationship between the amount of
- 19 punitive damages and the plaintiff's harm. There's no
- 20 set formula of what that relationship is.
- 21 The Judge has also instructed you that
- 22 you may consider the reprehensibility, how bad the
- 23 behavior was of the defendant's conduct, and the
- 24 defendant's financial -- financial condition in deciding
- 25 punitive damages.

- 1 The instructions the Court has given you
- 2 is like a road map. It will be up to you to apply these
- 3 instructions. But we firmly believe, as I said earlier,
- 4 that \$25,000,000 is the appropriate amount.
- Now, let's look at these guidelines of
- 6 reprehensibility one by one. You already know that the
- 7 evidence shows that -- of the reprehensible nature of
- 8 the defendant's conduct. You know how they recklessly
- 9 allowed sexual abuse go on decade after decade after
- 10 decade after decade.
- 11 You heard about how the Boy Scouts of
- 12 America covered up through secrecy their problem of
- 13 sexual abuse, how they hid the perversion files and
- 14 still continue to this day to hide the perversion files
- 15 from the parents of boys and Troop volunteers.
- The Boy Scouts of America has failed, as
- 17 I will detail in a little while, to do anything with
- 18 those I.V. -- I.V. perversion files. To understand the
- 19 circumstances under which boys like Kerry Lewis have
- 20 been molested, to understand how they've been groomed,
- 21 to understand the circumstances where they have been
- 22 molested, you listened and you heard from Mr. Walsh, and
- 23 Mr. Marshall, and the second in command that there was
- 24 nothing -- Mr. Terry -- that there was nothing to learn
- 25 from these files.

- 1 We believe the opposite is true.
- 2 You also learned that the Boy Scouts of
- 3 America failed to train its adult leaders about the very
- 4 existence of sexual abuse and how to handle that sexual
- 5 abuse in Troops if the problem ever arose.
- And if you remember my questions and Mr.
- 7 Clark's questions to witness after witness this week
- 8 about the -- how to protect your children from child
- 9 abuse and the youth protection videos, "A Time To Tell"
- and "It Can Happen To Me," which are the primary
- 11 educational vehicles -- you have to understand this --
- 12 that the Boy Scouts of America give to parents and
- 13 children, not one mention, not one mention, not even a
- 14 hair -- not even a hair of a breath of a mention of
- 15 Scouts who molest young boys.
- And you must understand that the motive
- 17 for keeping this silent -- and you heard that as well in
- 18 the first half of the case -- are the three M's: Money,
- 19 membership, and manpower. The BSA knew that if it
- 20 revealed the true extent of its problem with sexual
- 21 abuse it would scare off people; they were worried
- 22 because they didn't know how to handle the problem.
- And as a result, they hid the problem.
- 24 And by hiding the problem more abuse happened.
- 25 Also keep in mind when you consider

- 1 reprehensibility that there are thousands of children,
- 2 not just Kerry Lewis, who are represented in these boxes
- 3 right here. Hundreds of boys, nine-, 10-, 12-,
- 4 13-year-old boys whose lives have permanently been
- 5 damaged. And you can consider that in your punitive
- 6 damage award.
- 7 And what we have done in the first phase
- 8 we had to take out, pursuant to certain orders of the
- 9 Court, we had to take out the effects of abuse on kids,
- 10 some of the things in here in the files took out mention
- of how boys cope with the abuse, whether they got
- 12 counseling.
- That was all put back. And if any of you
- 14 are interested in seeing, if you want to take these
- 15 boxes back with you, you can see the devastating impact
- 16 that the Boy Scouts of America knew these files had.
- 17 But while you may not award punitive
- 18 damages to punish the defendants for the harm caused to
- 19 these other Scouts, we are only asking you to consider
- the harm suffered by these boys in evaluating the
- 21 reprehensibility of the defendant's conduct.
- Now, the next thing we -- the Court
- 23 allows you to consider is the -- is the defendant's
- financial condition when determining whether \$25,000,000
- is an appropriate amount of money.

- 1 Will you put up . . . you've learned
- 2 through Ms. Morones, whose testimony, I might add, was
- 3 uncontradicted, the Boy Scouts of America did not
- 4 present one witness, remember, not one witness -- you
- 5 never heard it from that stand there -- to say that
- 6 Ms. Morones was wrong. They never said it.
- 7 So the Boy Scouts of America, as you
- 8 heard, have \$929,000,000 in assets, yearly revenues of
- 9 \$400,000,000. I'm just going to write these numbers up
- 10 here as we -- as we talk, because it's -- and you
- 11 remember my math is terrible, but I will hopefully get
- 12 this right. So 929,000,000 in assets.
- 13 Yearly revenues of \$400,000,000,
- 14 (writing) monthly revenues of \$35,000,000, unrestricted
- 15 liquid assets of \$554,000,000. I'm just going to put
- 16 liquid assets -- I'm sorry -- a hundred million dollars
- in property, and \$67,000,000, and this is for a
- 18 liability reserve fund.
- 19 They also solely off their assets that
- 20 they have make about 2.5 million dollars per month. And
- 21 as Ms. Morones told you, it would take about nine and a
- 22 half months for the Boy Scouts of America to earn back a
- 23 penalty of \$25,000,000. But one thing that we -- that
- 24 we went over I think a little too quickly with
- 25 Ms. Morones was this Form 990. What exhibit number is

- 1 this?
- 2 I.T. TECHNICIAN: 1483.
- 3 MR. MONES: 1483. So I would urge you,
- 4 really urge you, go back in the jury room and look at
- 5 this, because I'm going to go through five points with
- 6 you right now. Can we go to 102881, please? I'm going
- 7 to talk to you about the salaries, because when you look
- 8 at the salaries of this -- of this large nonprofit, the
- 9 largest youth organization in the United States, you
- 10 learn -- and I want to go through this for a few minutes
- 11 with you a little slowly. I know Mr. Clark says I talk
- 12 too fast, so I'm going to slow down.
- Mr. Mazzuca, the CEO, earns one million,
- one hundred and sixty-three -- do you have that up
- 15 there? That looks great. Let's see if everybody can
- 16 see it. Can you all see that? Okay. \$1,163,472.
- 17 Mr. Terry, who you saw up here yesterday,
- 18 who didn't have the time or the interest to even go, you
- 19 know what? I wonder what the heck is in these files
- 20 that have been in my office for 90 years; I wonder
- 21 what's in here? He didn't have the time. Do you know
- 22 how much the Boy Scouts of America pays this man?
- 23 \$662,786.
- Then there are gentlemen below him.
- 25 Don't know who these men are, but they are the top

- 1 echelon. 580,000 for Mr. Brock (ph). Mr. Stone gets
- 2 415,000. Mr. Fitzgibbons (ph) gets 386,000. Mr. Tubble
- 3 (ph) -- I'm going too fast -- 398,143. And Mr. Langston
- 4 (ph), 313,141. And Mr. Ashland (ph), 299,000.
- 5 Mr. Green, 332,000. Mr. Park, \$396,000. And then
- 6 Mr. Williams, 695,000, for a grand total -- now you
- 7 should add this up yourself, because I added this myself
- 8 on a calculator. I come up with \$5,644,405. But check
- 9 my math, please.
- 10 Let's go to page 102865. Normally, I
- 11 wouldn't think that this was -- would be something to
- 12 point out, but I think it's worth pointing out here,
- 13 just to show how active the corporation, the BSA
- 14 corporation is; this is called contractor compensation,
- 15 and it's mostly made up of law firms that the BSA pays
- 16 each year.
- 17 It paid \$3,156,000 to a firm in New York
- 18 City. It paid \$402,000 to a firm in Florida. It paid
- 19 another \$833,000 to a firm in Florida -- in Texas. It
- 20 paid another 414,000 to a firm in New Jersey.
- 21 And then there's something called
- 22 technical resources, temporary labor services. I don't
- 23 know what that is. But the total, as you can see -- and
- 24 this is a public document. This is not something that
- 25 we, you know, we had to go anywhere. But this is all on

- 1 the internet. They -- they publish this -- \$5,465,116.
- 2 And now let's go to the third category
- 3 I'd like you to look at. And this was just mentioned
- 4 before, but just to show you this is not a local YMCA,
- 5 the Boy Scouts of America. The Boy Scouts of America is
- 6 not a small nonprofit. They have a museum, a number of
- 7 museums.
- 8 And if you read the first schedule
- 9 here -- can you blow that up there, please, John? The
- 10 National Council has paintings and artifacts in various
- 11 museums and national Council-owned buildings. The
- 12 largest Council resides at the Scouting museum in the
- 13 Irving, Texas, which houses collectibles appraised at
- 14 approximately \$45,000,000.
- The last appraisal conducted in June
- 16 2006: Costs associated with acquisition and maintenance
- 17 of these collections have been expensed. And 47 -- in
- 18 this collection, which is the majority of it if you
- 19 go -- reflected on the BSA website, are Norman Rockwell
- 20 paintings. And I think we've had testimony to that
- 21 effect.
- 22 Now let's go to 102826. This is a
- 23 nonprofit corporation, the Boy Scouts of America. This
- 24 is the lobbying expenses for the Boy Scouts of America,
- 25 a congressionally-chartered corporation. They spent in

- 1 2005 \$241,663 on lobbyists. In 2006 they spent \$188,898
- 2 on lobbyists. In 2007 \$203,765, and in 2008 about the
- 3 same amount, 205,364, for a grand total over four years
- 4 of just shy under \$850,000, 839,690.
- 5 That's what they spent on lobbying. Who
- 6 were they lobbying? Ask yourself who was the Boy Scouts
- 7 of America lobbying?
- And then, which I have to admit I'm going
- 9 to go to the last page, which is -- sometimes
- 10 organizations have perks, and by the kind of perks they
- 11 have you can tell how good they're doing, you can tell
- 12 how fat they are, how rich they are, how much money is
- 13 flowing in that pipeline.
- 14 Let's look at the Boy Scouts of America,
- and remember these are contributions here and selling
- 16 the little knick knacks over the internet. John, bring
- 17 up that first Schedule J there.
- 18 I.T. TECHNICIAN: It's up.
- 19 MR. MONES: It's up. Thank you. Sorry.
- 20 Spouses of key employees are required to attend
- 21 meetings, and their expenses are reimbursed by the
- 22 company. Company, I guess, means the Boy Scouts of
- 23 America. The Boy Scouts of America is a family-oriented
- 24 organization requiring spousal participation.
- Their expenses are considered necessary

- 1 to fulfill the business purpose of the organization,
- 2 which is what? Ask yourself that question. You've been
- 3 in here for five weeks of testimony. What's the
- 4 business purpose of the corporation? Protecting
- 5 children, maybe.
- 6 The expenses are considered -- all
- 7 expenses are substantiated. The reimbursement of these
- 8 expenses are not included in employee taxable
- 9 compensation. The total expense for spousal travel in
- 10 2008 was \$72,749. That's not a lot of money compared to
- 11 a billion dollars, but you know what? It's one of those
- 12 little things that shows you how well they're doing.
- Now, the next line is even better.
- 14 Employees traveling with volunteers or overseas are
- 15 allowed to upgrade to First Class to allow the employee
- 16 to discuss business during the flight. The total First
- 17 Class travel for 2008 was \$69,302.
- 18 Well, I'd say the Boy Scouts of America
- 19 are doing pretty good if they can afford to fly their
- 20 executives First Class, because everybody knows that if
- 21 you're going to give money to a nonprofit you have to
- 22 sit in First Class. The people in First Class can't
- 23 come back to coach, I guess. That must be the logic of
- 24 it.
- Would you put the graph up, please? No.

- 1 Just the graph. So when you look and consider the
- 2 defendant's financial condition here, consider that
- 3 chart that Mr. Clark showed you. Each of these squares
- 4 equals 900 -- or 930 squares. And, John, please show
- 5 what 25,000,000 is of that. That shows you what kind of
- 6 dent this would be in the Boy Scouts of America's
- 7 financial structure. A dent, a small dent, the
- 8 proverbial drop in a bucket.
- 9 I'd like to move on to my next topic now,
- 10 get into some of the meat. The Boy Scouts, I expect,
- 11 are going to ask you not to punish them. But I ask you
- 12 what have they proven to you over the last week or the
- 13 last three days, to return a punishment -- to return a
- verdict of anything but \$25,000,000? What are they
- 15 going to say? Let's think about it.
- In 1983 we really didn't know that adult
- 17 leaders like Timur Dykes existed. Or, Dykes was too
- 18 smart and too wily for us. We never, ever had an
- 19 experience with men like him. We didn't know that Scout
- 20 leaders are like that. We did all we could based upon
- 21 the knowledge we had at the time to warn parents like
- 22 Jim and Helen Lewis about the dangers of Scout leaders
- 23 like Timur Dykes.
- 24 We had set policies and practices in
- 25 place that when a Scout leader was found to have

- 1 molested a youth the Troop and the charter organizations
- 2 were trained to make sure every parent who was in the
- 3 Troop, or better yet, even the Council knew about the
- 4 perpetrator. Or, maybe they'll say, we make sure all of
- 5 our charter organizations knew the rules to follow to
- 6 put men like Timur Dykes out of the Troops permanently.
- 7 And, of course, when we discovered Kerry
- 8 Lewis was sexually abused we apologized to him. We
- 9 asked for his forgiveness. The BSA will -- will tell
- 10 you do not punish us because look how we changed our
- 11 ways. Look at our Youth Protection program. And you're
- 12 going to receive hundreds of documents. You'll receive
- 13 an avalanche of documents.
- 14 And I'm going to remind -- I'm going to
- 15 ask you to remember four things when you look through
- 16 these documents. First, the only documents -- and I've
- 17 become a broken record on this; I'm sorry, sorry, sorry,
- 18 sorry -- but the only documents given to Scouts and
- 19 their parents are two items.
- 20 First, to Cub Scouts, and it's an insert
- 21 for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. Please read it. Please.
- 22 I'm asking you as plaintiff's counsel to read that
- 23 material. Please read it. Look through the pages.
- And you heard Mr. Terry, I mean, and --
- 25 and some of the other witnesses. It was a little

- 1 difficult for them to kind of say yes to some of my --
- 2 to agree with me that none of these had examples in them
- 3 of Scouts. But after a few questions from Mr. Clark and
- 4 I, finally we got the "yes" out of them.
- 5 Yeah. I've got to agree with you,
- 6 basically. Yeah. There's no Scouting information in
- 7 there. But you do it. Trust yourself. You look
- 8 through it yourself.
- 9 Mr. Terry had to admit, Mr. Bross had to
- 10 admit, that these pamphlets contain nothing. And I
- 11 submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, that the
- 12 pamphlets -- what was the other number?
- 13 I.T. TECHNICIAN: 1476 and 1496.
- 14 MR. MONES: Oh, right. 1476 and 1496 --
- 15 could have been produced by a school, a police
- 16 department, a YMCA, a State agency. They could have
- 17 been handed out at Fred Meyer.
- 18 Because Fred Meyer, I mean, I got my flu
- 19 shot because Fred Meyer had these things about flu
- 20 shots, and it was all about why you shouldn't get, you
- 21 know, how you get the flu, and you need to get your
- 22 shot, and it was great literature, you know. They had
- 23 great health literature to let me know whether to
- 24 protect my health.
- Well, I can see Fred Meyer having a

- 1 handout on child abuse. It's a good community --
- 2 community-minded organization. But the Boy Scouts of
- 3 America, they know where these boys are abused. They
- 4 have the boxes here. They have the evidence. They
- 5 know.
- 6 They had a responsibility to put that
- 7 information in. And the videos. "It Happened To Me,"
- 8 which is -- I was corrected -- for seven to 10-year-old
- 9 boys, and "A Time To Tell" for boys a little older, 11
- 10 to 14, look at those scenarios, and you'll see as the
- 11 witnesses admitted, nothing at all, a big zero in terms
- 12 of sexual abuse of Scouts.
- None of the situations even remotely
- 14 resemble what happens when kids are abused, nothing you
- 15 heard from Kerry Lewis or you heard from the other young
- 16 men who were molested. Or if you read any of these
- 17 files. Again, I get back to these files. If you read
- 18 any of these files you'll see that they were scenario
- 19 after scenario after scenario.
- 20 You heard me go through them with
- 21 Mr. Marshall. I went through 10, 12, 15 files with him
- 22 easily. I went through it with Dr. Warren. I went
- 23 through it with -- with our expert, Mr. Schoener. You
- 24 heard it. And then you took the time and you
- 25 diligently, I'm sure, looked through them. But none of

- 1 these situations appear in these files.
- 2 And these videos, not bad videos as they
- 3 go, but they could have been produced by the -- the
- 4 Jaycees, the Junior League, a neighborhood center,
- 5 because again, as Mr. Potts -- I know that was kind of
- 6 boring having that testimony read, the deposition
- 7 yesterday, as much as Mr. Clark and Mr. Crew tried to
- 8 make it a little lively and interesting. But you heard
- 9 Mr. Potts through his testimony six years ago say that
- 10 those are generic videos. It never mentioned or
- 11 included anything about Boy Scouts.
- Now thirdly, all the other videos you
- 13 will see and all the other documents produced for adult
- 14 leaders barely mention abuse in Scouting. And those
- 15 that do never tell the leaders to warn parents and kids
- 16 about Scout leaders who molest Scouts. There is one
- 17 tape, because I've looked at all these tapes, because
- 18 they're in evidence now, and Mr. Clark asked me to look
- 19 through them. And it was my pleasure, because I wanted
- 20 to know exactly what the Boy Scouts were doing.
- 21 And there is one video if you get a
- 22 chance to look at it which shows a man leading a boy
- 23 into the woods. You know, he's not touching him or
- 24 anything. He's just kind of walking. And, you know, it
- looks like it's outside. And it says violation of the

- 1 one-on-one contact rule. And so that's all there is.
- 2 And then the next picture in the Youth
- 3 Protection training video, is of a kid -- you have my
- 4 cell phone there -- is a kid running out of the bathroom
- 5 with a face like this, and looking at a video -- looking
- 6 at his cell phone as he's taking a picture of somebody
- 7 in the bathroom.
- And you heard Mr. Terry say, oh, that's a
- 9 really big problem, a really big problem in the Scouts
- 10 kids taking videos of each other in bathrooms with cell
- 11 phones. I bet you they have tens of thousands of files
- 12 of kids with cell phones.
- But there's no mention of any of the
- 14 information, ladies and gentlemen, that you could learn
- 15 from these files here, nothing that tells boys what to
- 16 look for in terms of grooming, nothing tells -- that
- 17 tells boys what to look for in terms of Scout leaders
- 18 who would buy presents for them or tells parents.
- And number four, the only documents that
- 20 you will see that directly address abuse by Scouts, and
- 21 there aren't a lot of them, are internal documents sent
- 22 to only the staff, the paid staff of the BSA.
- 23 You heard Mr. Robinson say -- and this
- 24 is -- this is not new news -- you heard Mr. Robinson say
- 25 when he was on the stand I said to him, when did you

- 1 first find out about sexual abuse in Scouting.
- He said, I found out in 1960. Mr. Terry
- 3 found out in 1969. So they knew about the problem, but
- 4 they were not going to let that information get into any
- 5 of these publications.
- And so yesterday Mr. Smith asked you, I
- 7 think it was No. 2286, you'll probably -- he'll probably
- 8 talk about it. He flashed it twice up on the screen.
- 9 Look at that letter. That's only to Scout
- 10 professionals. It talks about child abuse, sure. It's
- 11 only internal.
- 12 And I want to also reference you to Boy
- 13 Scout internal document 2295. I want you to look at
- 14 that, because I think that's important. This came out
- in 1988, and it's now in evidence. It's only sent
- 16 around -- do you have the cover page?
- MR. CLARK: It's up there.
- 18 MR. MONES: Oh. It's up there. How to
- 19 deal with it. This is a BSA staff orientation for the
- 20 professional staff. If you go to page 2. Okay. This
- 21 is what they told their people. And I'd like you to
- 22 focus on No. 2. Just bring that up. Thanks, John.
- 23 Child abuse has an effect on the BSA internally and
- 24 externally.
- I remember you -- if you remember, I

- 1 asked him questions about that. Now let's go down to
- 2 the second bullet point. This is what they've admitted
- 3 to themselves: It can injure the reputation of the Boy
- 4 Scouts of America and cause it to lose community
- 5 support. And then in parenthesis, manpower and
- 6 financial support.
- 7 Remember Mr. O'Connor up there who was
- 8 so -- was so thoroughly cross examined as if he was some
- 9 faker by the defense counsel? Remember he talked about
- 10 manpower and membership? He wasn't making it up. It's
- 11 right there in the -- in their internal documents. They
- 12 admit that this stuff is bad for business; child sexual
- 13 abuse is bad for business. You can take it down now.
- And I'll admit to you, and we're not --
- 15 we're going to be honest about it. Two videos, got some
- 16 good basic stuff in it for parents. But considering
- 17 what the Boy Scouts of America knew for -- and -- and
- 18 these documents were -- these videos were produced in
- 19 the late '80s, early '90s -- considering what they knew
- 20 for almost 70 years, these documents, "How To Protect
- 21 Your Child From Child Abuse" and the videos, we submit
- 22 to you, are false and misleading as they reflect the
- 23 real incidents of sexual abuse in Scouting.
- Now getting back to what the BSA proved
- 25 to you and didn't prove to you this week, did they

- 1 demonstrate to you that they could have done more? No.
- 2 Everything that came out of the mouths of the BSA was,
- 3 we are the best. We have never done anything wrong
- 4 (motioning). Our programs are the best. We are better
- 5 than any other youth group.
- In fact, as Mr. Clark reminded you, the
- 7 only person that really did anything wrong here
- 8 according to the Boy Scouts of America was Kerry Lewis,
- 9 a meth head from Klamath Falls whose family had bad
- 10 genetics. And you know what? Maybe Kerry Lewis was at
- 11 fault. Blame Kerry Lewis because he trusted too much.
- 12 Blame Kerry Lewis.
- 13 MR. SMITH: Objection, Your Honor.
- 14 There's no claim of --
- 15 THE COURT: Sustained. The objection is
- 16 sustained.
- MR. SMITH: Thank you.
- 18 THE COURT: Move on to another area of
- 19 argument.
- 20 MR. MONES: I will, Your Honor. Sure the
- 21 BSA told you in Phase 1 it was Timur Dykes' fault, but
- 22 they never took an iota of responsibility this week for
- 23 how their policies created a Timur Dykes. When a tiger
- 24 gets out of the zoo and maims someone you know that the
- 25 real problem is not the tiger, but who let the tiger

- 1 out.
- And, ladies and gentlemen, the BSA let
- 3 the tiger out. And they have acted in this courtroom
- 4 over the last six weeks as they -- as if they've done
- 5 nothing wrong, and nothing you heard on this witness
- 6 stand or from counsel should convince you otherwise.
- 7 And when you look at what the BSA proved
- 8 and did not prove, look at what has not changed within
- 9 the Boy Scouts of America. Excuse me. The BSA still
- 10 does not mandate child sexual abuse training across the
- 11 board. The BSA doesn't make Youth Protection training,
- 12 you heard it yesterday, as a condition of registration
- 13 for adults.
- 14 And it doesn't require the training of
- 15 unregistered adults. And as Mr. Terry said, he doesn't
- 16 even know how many unregistered adults. I think
- 17 Mr. Xochihua during his examination threw out the figure
- of 500,000 unregistered adults.
- 19 Number two, the BSA's warning and
- 20 education information to parents and children, as I said
- 21 just a few minutes ago, doesn't reveal the reality of
- 22 abuse by Scout leaders. At best it pays lip service to
- 23 it.
- And to this day as we sit here right now,
- 25 the BSA still has not done a comprehensive analysis of

- 1 the I.V. files or what could be learned from them. In
- 2 fact, you know that none of the bigwigs in the BSA even
- 3 have an interest in what's in these boxes. I told you
- 4 that earlier.
- 5 And the tragic irony is, is that a group
- of strangers, a Portland, Oregon, jury, far removed from
- 7 Irving, Texas, knows more about what's in these files
- 8 than I'm sure Mr. Marshall does, and I'm sure Mr. Terry
- 9 does, and Mr. Walsh, who, I mean, it was like
- 10 (motioning) -- it was like, oh, I can't be bothered.
- 11 You saw his video. I don't -- I don't -- I could if I
- 12 wanted to, but I don't want to look at those files.
- 13 That's amazing when you think about it.
- 14 A jury knows more, who just came together out of the
- 15 fact that they got a letter in the mail from the County,
- 16 and they went through the jury selection process, and
- 17 you were asked to sit on this jury. You're an impartial
- 18 group of people, and you know more, probably I would
- 19 say, and there's been no evidence to the contrary, than
- 20 the entire brass of the BSA put together about what's in
- 21 these boxes, because when the BSA really wants to know
- 22 what's put in these boxes what do they do?
- 23 They go to Dr. Warren, or they bring in
- 24 Dr. Bross, who talks about the mythical Dave Finkelhor,
- 25 whoever he is. He doesn't exist in this courtroom.

- 1 He's a ghost. You never heard any testimony from him.
- 2 You only heard people talk about the great Dr.
- 3 Finklehor. It was -- it was as if Dr. Bross when he was
- 4 being examined by Mr. Kelly could not say enough great
- 5 things about Mr. Finkelhor -- or Dr. Finkelhor, as if he
- 6 was the Boy Scouts of America's answer to all of their
- 7 child sexual abuse problems.
- I had these files stacked up in my living
- 9 room table before I examined Mr. Marshall a few weeks
- 10 ago. And I thought, what would these files -- because I
- 11 kept reading through them. And really, it was so
- 12 depressing. And I don't know if any of you who have
- 13 read these files felt like that. But it was hard
- 14 reading these files. This was not easy work. It was
- 15 not easy.
- But if these files could speak to Kerry
- 17 Lewis what would they say? Be careful. There are adult
- 18 leaders who seem to be friendly, but they have bad
- 19 intentions. Be careful. There are adult leaders who
- 20 ply young boys with presents, and attention, and good
- 21 time, and help them with their merit badges, all for
- 22 using them in some very bad way.
- 23 Be careful. There are men like Timur
- 24 Dykes who are as bad for Scouting as a fire breaking out
- 25 in a Boy Scout pup tent. But unfortunately, ladies and

- 1 gentlemen, these files were just pieces of paper, pieces
- 2 of paper mindlessly compiled and collated, day in and
- 3 day out, month in and month out, year in and year out by
- 4 people like Mr. Ernst, BSA functionaries who wrote
- 5 letters to the counsels, collected newspaper articles,
- 6 angry letters from parents, and records of sex crimes
- 7 convictions.
- 8 Men like Paul Ernst and Nathaniel
- 9 Marshall, good men, I'm sure. He's a good man. When I
- 10 cross examined him we did get into it a bit. But he's a
- 11 good man. I have no doubt about his intentions. But he
- 12 was in an organization that was -- that -- that was like
- 13 the rust corroding, because they hid secrets.
- 14 He didn't -- Mr. Ernst, and really
- 15 Mr. Ernst is the one who was there much longer than
- 16 Mr. Marshall. Mr. Ernst didn't ring any bell. Sure
- 17 they had a fire hose up there to put out the fire of the
- 18 news. Remember that?
- 19 Mr. Ernst never went to his boss and
- 20 said, oh, my God. Young boys are getting sexually
- 21 abused. You didn't see any letters back like that from
- 22 Mr. Ernst, did you? We've got to do something about
- 23 this problem. This is terrible.
- 24 Hey, listen. Everything that -- the
- defendants have tried to convince you that, oh, 1980.

- 1 That was a really long time ago. 1970, oh, we could do
- 2 nothing about sexual abuse. Well, I'll tell you that
- 3 back in those days there were police officers who
- 4 arrested people. There were juries who convicted
- 5 people, and there are prisons that house people back in
- 6 the '30s, the '40s, the '50s, the '60s, who did horrible
- 7 crimes to kids, not as many as there are today, but
- 8 they -- they -- people still knew it was wrong.
- 9 Don't tell yourself, be convinced in
- 10 terms of looking at reprehensibility here, that people
- 11 didn't know, that Mr. Ernst didn't know, that it was
- 12 wrong. Don't let them know that -- or don't let them
- 13 convince you of that.
- I can tell you one obvious way the files could
- 15 have been used is to tell parents and adult leaders
- 16 about how maybe a simple statement could have been told
- 17 to them. Maybe they could have been told that there are
- 18 Scout leaders, Scouting is safe, but there are Scout
- 19 leaders that have been ejected over the years for trying
- 20 to hurt little boys. That's all they did.
- 21 That's all you would have to say. We know
- 22 about the problem. You don't have to be very graphic or
- 23 detailed. We know about the problem. Be careful with
- 24 your sons. The BSA could have been honest with Helen
- 25 and Jim Lewis and the millions of other parents right

- 1 through to today just by putting in non -- non alarming
- 2 words what I've just told you.
- 3 Now getting back to deal with what the BSA
- 4 doesn't do. And by the way, ladies and gentlemen,
- 5 there's no way the BSA is going to do this on their own.
- 6 No way. No way they're going to change their documents,
- 7 no way they're going to inform their -- their Scouts
- 8 about it.
- 9 The only way it's going to be done is through
- 10 a punitive damage award of \$25,000,000. That's the only
- 11 way. Because you heard Mr. Terry: They're not going to
- 12 do it; they're just not going to do it.
- 13 Regardless of what their documents say, also
- 14 you know that Martin Walsh, the BSA executive who told
- 15 you they still don't mandate reporting of child abuse to
- 16 law enforcement or to Child Protective Services.
- 17 Regardless of what's in the documents, remember what he
- 18 said: Only if the local law requires it.
- 19 That means if the mandatory reporting laws in
- 20 a specific state do not contain a requirement for
- 21 private nonprofits to report sexual abuse then there
- 22 will be no reports.
- 23 And again, the BSA still refuses to mandate
- 24 child abuse training across the board. How many decades
- 25 now have they been holding on to the legal fiction that

- 1 they don't have the power to control local Troops? How
- 2 many witnesses said they're moving towards it, just over
- 3 the horizon, at least. How many boys have been abused
- 4 while the BSA has been moving towards training?
- 5 The fact is, if they can mandate criminal
- 6 background checks, they can mandate registration.
- 7 Why doesn't the BSA do this? Because they've
- 8 made a deliberate decision not to, and they're still
- 9 doing it, still putting liability concerns and legal
- 10 fictions and interests of the organization ahead of the
- 11 safety of boys. But if it comes to kicking out a
- 12 homosexual leader in New Jersey, boy, that -- the Boy
- 13 Scouts of America is right there, right on their horse
- 14 kicking that Boy Scout leader out.
- That exercises some very direct control. But
- 16 when it comes to requiring training in child abuse, no,
- 17 we don't -- we don't have control.
- 18 The fact is, if you closed your eyes and
- 19 listened to much of the testimony this week from Phase
- 20 1, you would -- from Phase 2, you would think you were
- 21 in Phase 1, because in so many ways nothing has changed.
- 22 It's the same old same old.
- Next, though the BSA did institute the -- the
- 24 Two Deep Rule, and no one-on-one contact, and no adults
- 25 sleeping with kids in tents, those are things that

- 1 Mr. Terry admitted to you they could have done 20 years
- 2 earlier. The Youth Protection policies when you
- 3 consider all the information the BSA possesses on child
- 4 sexual abuse are in the final analysis carefully
- 5 constructed window dressing to cover up and to -- and to
- 6 deflect criticism.
- 7 That, ladies and gentlemen, is the only
- 8 reasonable conclusion to be seen from the BSA's
- 9 treatment of the I.V. files. Even look at Mr. Potts'
- 10 testimony, if you remember it, an article on child
- 11 sexual abuse that he put his name on for the
- 12 International Journal of Child Abuse was ghost written
- 13 by none other than a PR person.
- 14 A woman in San Antonio, Texas, and the
- 15 reason -- let me just back up. Why -- why do we need
- 16 education? Because of this situation. A woman in San
- 17 Antonio, Texas, is led to believe her son could never be
- 18 sexually molested by his trusted Scout leader. Only one
- 19 day several years later in around 2007 after the
- 20 Assistant Scout leader -- and you heard Ms. Hoy -- had
- 21 groomed her son, bought presents for him in exactly the
- 22 same way, if you listened closely, that Kerry Lewis was
- 23 molested 25 years ago, she gets a phone call, the worst
- 24 phone call a parent could get, aside from the fact that
- your child has been physically injured or worse.

- 1 Ma'am, I'm a police detective. I'm very sorry
- 2 to tell you this, but you have to come down to the
- 3 station. Your son has been sexually molested by his
- 4 Scout leader. I'm not saying, ladies and gentlemen,
- 5 that the literature would definitely have prevented it.
- 6 But it's the kind -- if they informed parents of this
- 7 danger, it's the kind of a thing that would be
- 8 foreseeable that parents would rely upon.
- 9 And the BSA we're not saying is an absolute
- 10 insurer against all risks. We know that. Kids can go
- in a car on a BSA trip and get into a car accident. You
- 12 may even hear that from the defense. What we are
- 13 saying, though, is talking about -- and Mr. Clark talked
- 14 about this in his opening statement and in his closing
- 15 statement -- is foreseeability based upon its files what
- 16 it knew, the BSA must exercise due care to protect the
- 17 boys and girls -- to protect the boys.
- 18 And ladies and gentlemen, it's been shown that
- 19 they have not done that in 25 years. The BSA has within
- 20 its ability the power to reduce the risk that Scouts are
- 21 sexually abused by providing parents and Scouts the
- 22 needed information.
- 23 And you know what? Not too much to ask from
- 24 the nation's largest youth organization with a billion
- 25 dollars. But the BSA is not going to do this on its

- 1 own. One of your most important jobs is to make the BSA
- 2 do it. Your verdict has to speak loud enough to say
- 3 change your policies, tell parents about the abuse, tell
- 4 parents information that they can use to protect their
- 5 kids.
- 6 Repentance is woven into the fabric of our
- 7 society. When someone merely makes a mistake or
- 8 consciously commits a grievous wrong they apologize.
- 9 One of the first things we do with our children is we
- 10 teach them when they break a toy of a friend is they
- 11 apologize.
- 12 When common criminals -- and I've spent a lot
- 13 of time in criminal courts throughout the United
- 14 States -- when a common criminal comes before a judge,
- 15 typically what they do is they apologize and ask for
- 16 forgiveness.
- 17 And because these defendants -- this defendant
- 18 has refused to apologize for anything, has been -- has
- 19 been graphically demonstrated by their press release
- 20 which criticized the verdict of this jury, your punitive
- 21 damage award must do what the BSA refuses to do on its
- 22 own.
- 23 Your verdict must be sufficient enough to be
- 24 the equivalent of making the BSA admit they have to
- 25 change direction. And if the verdict is not high enough

- 1 then the message will not be clear enough and they won't
- 2 change.
- 3 So when you punish the BSA please
- 4 consider the amount of your award to be sufficient to
- 5 make the BSA say that they were wrong, not just to Kerry
- 6 Lewis, but to thousands of boys who have been abused.
- 7 And the lack of contrition, this attitude
- 8 I just mentioned, is putting their head down in the sand
- 9 and damn the torpedoes to full speed ahead was
- 10 demonstrated by this BSA press release released within
- 11 an hour of this verdict.
- Would you just put it up, please?
- 13 This press release, ladies and gentlemen,
- 14 you know, members, if we were sort of on TV like Exhibit
- 15 1, Perry Mason style, this is Exhibit 1 that shows clear
- 16 and convincing evidence of the reprehensibility of the
- 17 BSA's action; the BSA, that hallowed American
- 18 institution, this demonstrates believes it is above the
- 19 law, regardless of what counsel may say to you when he
- 20 stands up here, because this, these words, ladies and
- 21 gentlemen -- and Mr. Terry didn't know anything about
- 22 this -- they sent the second in command here to testify.
- 23 And he didn't -- he's in -- I couldn't
- 24 even follow how much he's in charge of. He didn't know?
- 25 He didn't know about this response put on their website?

- "We are grave" -- I want to read out
- 2 loud just -- just -- and bear with me, because I think
- 3 the words when you listen to them also resonate more
- 4 deeply.
- 5 "We are gravely disappointed with the
- 6 verdict. We believe that the allegations made against
- 7 our youth protection efforts are not valid. We intend
- 8 to appeal. We are saddened by what happened to the
- 9 plaintiff. The actions of the man who committed these
- 10 crimes do not represent the values and ideals of the Boy
- 11 Scouts of America. The safety of young people currently
- in the Scouting program has never been in question
- 13 during these legal proceedings.
- "The case focused on the discussion about
- 15 what society and the BSA knew about child abuse
- 16 approximately three decades ago. This is a longstanding
- 17 societal issue that every youth-serving organization
- 18 must address.
- 19 "Based on the standard of care at that
- 20 time the BSA believes it acted responsibly, and that the
- 21 evidence presented during the trial does not justify the
- 22 verdict.
- 23 "The safety of our youth members and
- 24 participants are our highest priority. Throughout the
- 25 decades we have been on the forefront of training our

- 1 leaders and youth in recognizing and preventing abuse
- 2 through our comprehensive youth protection training."
- Now, when we went through that little
- 4 charade before of saying, we're the best; we don't do
- 5 wrong, I was just giving a little look see into what
- 6 they actually said. I wasn't making anything up. You
- 7 know, they say, oh, the plaintiff's lawyers they make
- 8 things up. They want to make things look good for their
- 9 client. They want money. They want -- they want to
- 10 make things look bad for the defense.
- No. I didn't have to make anything up.
- 12 These guys did it themselves. Outrageous. This is
- 13 outrageous.
- Whatever happened to respect for the jury
- 15 system? Whatever happened even to common criminals?
- 16 You can just think about it. While we disagree with the
- 17 verdict, we respect the jury. Could have said that.
- 18 This is only a press release quoting Mr. -- paraphrasing
- 19 Mr. Clark that only a PR firm could love.
- 20 A verdict of \$25,000,000 I'll tell you,
- 21 ladies and gentlemen, that will prevent these press
- 22 releases from being released again if the Boy Scouts of
- 23 America ever have to come into a courtroom. They won't
- 24 be doing this again. And that's what \$25,000,000 will
- 25 do to punish them. They are unbowed. They don't care.

- In our justice system punishment is good.
- 2 Punishment is good for the soul, and punishment will be
- 3 good for the victim to give closure, and punishment is
- 4 going to be good for the BSA. Punishment is good,
- 5 because it makes people repent. And that's what has to
- 6 happen.
- 7 The reason to this day that the BSA has
- 8 not acknowledged what they did and not acknowledged the
- 9 seriousness of the problem is they haven't been forced
- 10 to. You saw all my questions, both on the video, during
- 11 depositions, and I had asked -- I must have asked
- 12 Mister -- Mr. Marshall four or five times is sexual
- 13 abuse a problem. I asked Mr. Marshall who said, what's
- 14 the word "problem" mean.
- And back in 2004 to show you that there's
- 16 a continuous party line, because I want -- we wanted to
- 17 show you that way back in 2004 they marched forward to
- 18 2006 and they have the same party line. Excuse me,
- 19 counsel. They have the same party line. Haven't
- 20 changed at all.
- 21 But your verdict can make them change if
- 22 it speaks loud enough. As being the most trusted
- 23 organization for youth in the nation, the BSA has
- 24 portrayed itself as the gold standard for youth
- 25 programs. It is like no other youth organization in the

- 1 United States.
- 2 It cannot be compared to a local
- 3 recreation program. It cannot be compared to a summer
- 4 camp program. It is not like Friendly House in
- 5 Northwest Portland. It is not like the rec -- the local
- 6 rec center in Clackamas County. It is not like any
- 7 local recreation center or youth program. It can't be
- 8 compared to Little League. It can't be compared to Pop
- 9 Warner Football. It just isn't the same. And you know
- 10 it from being here.
- 11 The oaths that people take, lifelong
- 12 Scouts. This is a culture. This is not an afternoon
- 13 rec program. These people take the lives of young boys
- 14 just like the Catholic Church does, and it molds them,
- 15 and it seeks to have them in their -- in their lives
- 16 forever. And that's why older gentlemen -- I'll ask
- 17 counsel what's the name of the man . . .
- 18 (Counsel confer.)
- 19 MR. MONES: We can't remember the name.
- 20 We can't remember. It's closing argument. Anyway, the
- 21 old gentleman who testified up here -- you said he was
- 22 your friend, didn't you?
- MR. CLARK: Mr. Jim Veen.
- 24 MR. MONES: Jim -- Jim Veen. He is --
- 25 he's, you know, 80 years old, came in here, was -- that

- 1 man is full of respect. He is the soul, the heart and
- 2 soul of the Boy Scouts of America. Great respect for
- 3 that man.
- But he has been a Scout since he has been
- 5 a little boy. The Boy Scouts, you know, I mean, I
- 6 played Little League. I don't even know who my Little
- 7 League coach is anymore, and nor -- nor would anybody
- 8 else. The Boy Scouts of America wear uniforms; they
- 9 take an oath.
- 10 Can you put up the next image, please?
- 11 Look at this. This is a picture, a
- 12 painting by Norman Rockwell. This painting that sits in
- 13 the Boy Scout National Museum shows you in no uncertain
- 14 terms how one of our great American artists, Norman
- 15 Rockwell, and I might add, it was a blasphemy on Norman
- 16 Rockwell to be compared to a pornographer. I just want
- 17 to say that one thing. I'm not going to say anything
- 18 more about it. That was terrible that that was -- that
- 19 those words were uttered in this courtroom.
- 20 These paintings are an idealized version
- 21 of what the Boy Scouts of America think. Look at it.
- 22 There's George Washington and the Boy Scout's facing
- 23 forward, looking into the future, with the halo of the
- 24 Sun around it. It has images of God, America, and
- 25 Country.

- 1 And the Boy Scouts of America have
- 2 wrapped themselves in our great nation. Every one of us
- 3 makes up the United States of America. And the Boy
- 4 Scouts of America have chosen through hanging this
- 5 painting to wrap themselves in the mantle of this great
- 6 nation.
- Well, if you do that, then your
- 8 responsibilities better be up to -- better be up to par
- 9 for that.
- 10 The Boy Scouts of America celebrates its
- 11 centennial this year, one hundred years. It has the
- 12 support of titans of industry, former presidents of the
- 13 United States, members of Congress. It has tens of
- 14 millions of dollars donated a year, hundreds -- a
- 15 hundred million dollars worth of property. It gets
- 16 money from little kids on corners in New York City, the
- 17 corners of Nevada, Portland, Oregon, Denver, Colorado,
- 18 who give their hard-earned money to the Boy Scouts of
- 19 America.
- They can withstand the 25,000,000-dollar
- 21 verdict. And it has good people. It has Mr. Toyooka
- 22 and Ms. Martin. Why didn't we -- why didn't we -- why
- 23 didn't we cross Ms. Martin? Why didn't I do with
- 24 Ms. Martin what I did with Ms. Marshall in terms of
- 25 those cross examinations?

- Because Ms. Martin is a good woman, and
- 2 Mr. Toyooka is a good man. I told that to Mr. Xochihua
- 3 after -- after -- after the hearing. Good man. He's
- 4 the heart and soul. He should be -- he should be the
- 5 president of the CPC, I'll tell you, rather than
- 6 Mr. Grant. Maybe he should be where Mr. -- where --
- 7 where -- where Mr. Terry should be.
- 8 Heart and soul of the Boy Scouts of
- 9 America. And if you give a 25,000,000-dollar award to
- 10 the -- 25,000,000-dollar punitive award you will make
- 11 the Boy Scouts of America better and safer. You won't
- 12 break the Boy Scouts of America's back. By your verdict
- 13 you will tell the biggest and most powerful youth
- 14 organization in the United States to change the way it
- 15 treats children.
- And if you do that you will change the
- 17 way that other youth organizations treat their children.
- 18 And in the process, ladies and gentlemen, the verdict
- 19 you render here in Room -- Courtroom 518, in the
- 20 Multnomah County Courthouse in Portland, Oregon, will
- 21 affect thousands of children, because you stood up for
- 22 kids.
- Thank you.
- 24 THE COURT: Mr. Smith, go ahead, sir.
- MR. SMITH: Thank you, Your Honor.

1 DEFENDANT'S CLOSING ARGUMENT

- MR. SMITH: If it please the Court,
- 3 counsel, Mr. Lewis, ladies and gentlemen of the jury,
- 4 I'm not much for theatrics. I'm not much of one for
- 5 opening boxes that have only been opened twice in this
- 6 courtroom for you and document files on the floor during
- 7 the opening statement. And I'm not much of one for
- 8 opening them now and telling you what's in them and what
- 9 isn't in them.
- I had plenty of opportunity to talk to
- 11 you about what's in those boxes and how those files are
- 12 treated on a confidential basis at the closing of Phase
- 13 1 of this trial. And I'm relatively certain that all of
- 14 you remember my comments about confidentiality. I might
- touch on that again later in this discussion; I don't
- 16 know.
- 17 It's never failed -- and I've been at
- 18 this a long time; I'm not prematurely gray -- walking up
- 19 to the courthouse I think I know what I'm going to tell
- 20 that jury when I get up here in closing argument. And
- 21 it never fails. I hear the other lawyer talk, and it
- 22 completely changes what I want to tell folks.
- And I'll tell you in my experience as a
- 24 lawyer I've never represented a client that has been in
- 25 this situation. And I've been doing this for a long

- 1 time.
- 2 You've already rendered a verdict in
- 3 Phase 1, and you folks have told the Boy Scouts that
- 4 they're subject to punitive damages and they've made a
- 5 mistake here. And the Boy Scouts begrudgingly have to
- 6 accept that, don't they, because that's our system. And
- 7 nobody, including myself and the Boy Scouts of America,
- 8 are ever going to disagree with the jury system. So
- 9 let's set that aside. It's the greatest system we've
- 10 got. It's the only system we've got worldwide that
- 11 works like it does. And I'm proud to be able to work in
- 12 the system.
- 13 And the Boy Scouts have got an
- 14 opportunity to come in and present their case to you
- 15 just as any individual does. And they're to be treated
- in the same light and given the same consideration. And
- 17 all the shouting during Phase 1 at the close of that
- 18 case, and talking about secrecy, and talking about
- 19 hiding details, and talking about the lawyers that are
- 20 representing counsel and representing the parties,
- 21 that's all well and good, but it's just not my style.
- 22 I'm going to talk to you about some of
- 23 the details in this case, though, make no mistake about
- 24 it. In opening statement a couple of days ago, but now
- 25 it seems like for Phase 2, I probably spoke less than

- 1 five minutes. And I'm going to take a little longer
- 2 this afternoon. I've got some things I want to review
- 3 with you, but I want to remind you again what I say is
- 4 closing argument.
- 5 And make no mistake about it, I hope to
- 6 convince you about the Boy Scouts of America's position
- 7 in this case, Phase 2. If I touch on something that is
- 8 different than you recall it, you're to go by your own
- 9 notes, and you know that, because what I'm doing is
- 10 simply argument. It's not evidence. And the Court's
- 11 already told you that.
- 12 I'll also remind you that if there's
- 13 something I've done as a lawyer, and again, that's kind
- of a tired refrain, I'm sure, but it's important to the
- 15 clients in this case, and I'm sure Mr. Mones will tell
- 16 you the same thing, that if there's something the
- 17 lawyers have done in this case that you found
- 18 objectionable, we all ask that you not hold it against
- 19 our client, because it's the client's case; it's not
- 20 mine.
- I've had to make a lot of objections this
- 22 week in this case, and sometimes that looks bad to
- 23 juries, but it's necessary to protect the client. And I
- 24 know you understand that. And I'd like to ask you
- 25 again, do not hold it against the Boy Scouts of America.

- Now, what's happened in this case -- if I
- 2 haven't done something, what have the Boy Scouts done to
- 3 irritate you and get you inflamed about this case? And
- 4 you've heard all about it. You've been shown this press
- 5 release. There's things that you folks will find out
- 6 probably after this trial is over that may -- may help
- 7 you understand the things we can't touch on here.
- 8 This press release has been shown to you.
- 9 It's been read to you by counsel. And you've heard that
- 10 this press release indicates that the Boy Scouts of
- 11 America haven't learned anything because of this press
- 12 release, that this verdict in Phase 1 of the trial
- hasn't taught them anything, and you ought to penalize
- 14 them for it.
- 15 And I'd ask you to stop, back up, and
- 16 reflect on that. And I welcome you to take a look at
- 17 this statement. I'm going to just read parts of it. I
- 18 read parts of this statement to you on opening
- 19 statement:
- 20 "We are saddened by what happened to the
- 21 plaintiff." Now that is true.
- The actions of the man who committed
- 23 these crimes do not represent the values and the ideas
- of the Boy Scouts of America." And that is true.
- 25 "The case focused on a discussion about

- 1 what -- what society and the BSA knew about child abuse
- 2 approximately three decades ago." That also is true.
- This is a long-standing social issue
- 4 that every youth-serving organization must address."
- 5 And wouldn't you agree that's also true? And that's
- 6 been the evidence throughout the course of this case.
- 7 That was posted on the Boy Scouts'
- 8 website. It wasn't released to the media. And I as a
- 9 lawyer haven't talked to the media. And the media's
- 10 obviously been here in this courtroom. And you folks
- 11 are to be congratulated and commended for your results
- 12 in this Phase 1 of the case. And I hope we can say that
- 13 after Phase 2.
- But if any of you after hearing Mr.
- 15 Clark's opening statement in Phase 1 of this case could
- 16 have avoided what occurred out here in the street when
- 17 you left the courtroom that day it would be amazing.
- 18 The Oregonian's box with a paper in it --
- MR. MONES: Objection.
- 20 THE COURT: The objection is sustained.
- 21 Argue the evidence, Mr. Smith.
- 22 MR. SMITH: In any event, there's been a
- 23 good deal of media attention to this case, folks, and
- 24 you've seen it.
- MR. MONES: Objection.

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MR. SMITH: What's --
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                    THE COURT: That's -- you're moving on to
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     another subject?
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                    MR. SMITH: Yes, I am.
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                    THE COURT: I thought so. Go ahead.
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                    MR. SMITH: What's -- what's underlying
     this response in terms of this posting on this website?
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     Do you really believe anybody associated with the Boy
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     Scouts of America's national office, a national
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     organization, condones child abuse? Do you really
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     believe that the hundreds of Councils throughout this
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     country, the thousands of staff members, and the
    millions of volunteers condone child abuse or would ever
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    knowingly allow it and ever encourage it?
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                    Does anybody really believe that?
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                    So what's underlying the response by the
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    Boy Scouts of America (pointing) to post this on a
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     Website? Because the case in Phase 1 focused on a
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     standard 25 to 30 years ago. You folks didn't hear one
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     shred of evidence, really, about what's occurred from
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     the years on in terms of the Youth Protection program
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     that the Boy Scouts have instituted and were working on.
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                    It's a little bit like -- and I'm sure
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    most of you remember he passed away here I think a
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couple of years ago now -- Paul Harvey used to say and

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- 1 had a program, "Now you've heard the rest the story."
- 2 And that's what the Boy Scouts of America have tried to
- 3 relate to you during Phase 2 of this case. Counsel --
- 4 THE COURT: Excuse me, Mr. Smith. You
- 5 with the camera, your red flash is in violation of our
- 6 court rules. You will not use it again. Do you
- 7 understand, ma'am?
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes. Sorry.
- 9 THE COURT: Excuse me, Mr. Smith, for
- 10 interrupting your argument.
- 11 MR. SMITH: Thank you. I hadn't noticed
- 12 it.
- 13 THE COURT: Well, I'm looking in that
- 14 direction.
- MR. SMITH: I know you are, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Go ahead.
- 17 MR. SMITH: Thank you. This business
- 18 about an apology has come up. And you heard the
- 19 questions. We haven't even apologized to the plaintiff.
- 20 We haven't apologized to the parents. We haven't
- 21 apologized to the country about the problem of child
- 22 sexual abuse in the Boy Scouts of America.
- This courthouse, ladies and gentlemen, is
- 24 full of cases every day where if an apology could
- 25 resolve it, maybe that would be done. But again, the

- 1 parties that are defending cases in this courthouse and
- 2 in this courtroom have got a right to come in and tell
- 3 their side of the story like the rest of the story that
- 4 Paul Harvey used to give.
- 5 And had there been an apology, had there
- 6 been an apology, what would these lawyers be telling
- 7 you? Why did it take so long? And one of the answers
- 8 there is the rareness of child sexual abuse in this
- 9 country. And you've heard plenty about it and how that
- 10 came about through experts.
- Is the only way to prevent child sexual
- 12 abuse in an organization like Scouting or any other
- 13 youth organization to apologize and warn about
- 14 Scoutmasters in the case of the Boy Scouts -- Boy Scouts
- 15 of America? Is that the only way to deal with it?
- When you have an opportunity to review
- 17 the exhibit materials in this case, and counsel's
- 18 indicated to you there's going to be hundreds of
- 19 exhibits. We tried to par those back. Some of them are
- 20 cumulative because they're ongoing and republished. And
- 21 you've heard some testimony about that. And I'll touch
- 22 on it maybe a little later.
- 23 But I would submit to you respectfully,
- 24 ladies and gentlemen, that when you look at these
- 25 manuals, and when you look at some of the materials that

- 1 are given to parents, would any parent not get the
- 2 message, not get the message that there's a serious
- 3 danger of child abuse, period, and not only in Scouts,
- 4 but outside Scouts.
- 5 And again, I'll touch on that with some
- of these exhibits. But the BSA, I would submit again
- 7 respectfully to you, is trying to assist in bringing
- 8 that risk to parents' attention, and we've done so with
- 9 some of the materials we've provided.
- The evidence here has been just over a
- 11 short week. I'm not going to review a lot of the
- 12 testimony. We asked four people who'd been involved in
- 13 Scouting who were actually contacted in behalf of the
- 14 counsel when they were involved in this case, and we
- 15 asked them to stay available and come in and testify on
- 16 behalf of the Boy Scouts of America: Shari Spencer, Dan
- 17 Toyooka, Marilyn Martin, and Russell Garrett.
- 18 They come from all walks of life. And
- 19 you heard what they did -- what they do in their private
- 20 life in terms of their employment and that kind of thing
- 21 and their family. They were all involved in Scouting as
- 22 youths.
- Now, they talked to you about their
- 24 training during that period of time. They talked to you
- 25 about serving as trainers. And they talked to you about

- 1 the application of the Youth Protection program and its
- 2 principles. And I'm not going to go through all those.
- 3 You're going to have plenty of time to look at them in
- 4 these exhibits.
- 5 Mr. Terry outlined for you the best way
- 6 we could think -- could think to do it was to try to
- 7 have some -- something to put up on the screen here to
- 8 kind of outline what has occurred and what has happened
- 9 over the years.
- 10 He talked to you about landmark -- or
- 11 testified to you about landmark periods of time in terms
- of the Youth Protection program, and landmark materials,
- and pointed out that they're continually being updated
- 14 and improved. And I think you'll find that in some of
- 15 the materials that you'll have a chance to look at. And
- 16 relied on what counsel has suggested to you is this
- 17 ghost, David Finkelhor. I don't know if any of you
- 18 remember.
- 19 It's kind of an unusual name to begin
- 20 with. David Finkelhor's name came up in Phase 1 of this
- 21 case because his name was replete throughout some of the
- 22 exhibits. He's a, if not world-renowned expert, he's
- 23 just about the leading expert of child sexual abuse in
- 24 this country.
- 25 And you were told by Mr. Terry that the

- 1 BSA commissioned a group of experts, a staff of experts,
- 2 and it was led by Dr. David Finkelhor. And he gave you
- 3 the names of the other people. And we've heard those
- 4 names bandied around here. I won't belabor the point.
- 5 You heard their names. All leading researchers and
- 6 scientists in this field. And the Boy Scouts got them
- 7 together and have relied on them to assist with their
- 8 Youth Protection training program.
- 9 And -- and after that, after that was
- 10 done, Dr. Finkelhor, you'll recall -- you'll recall from
- 11 Mr. Terry's testimony, sent a couple of graduate
- 12 students in and took a look at some of these files. And
- 13 fortunately or unfortunately, unfortunately in this
- 14 case, really, there wasn't that much there to work with,
- 15 not that much to work with for a consultant like him.
- And yet, he still -- matters are still
- 17 under discussion with the Boy Scouts of America as to
- 18 what could be done to improve the program still.
- 19 But you heard from Dr. Warren, who had
- 20 perhaps more time to look at all these records. We
- 21 really don't know based on the graduate students that
- 22 looked at the -- looked at the records on behalf of
- 23 Dr. Finkelhor how to prepare that. But Dr. Warren told
- 24 you in Phase 1 of this case that there was simply not
- 25 enough information in these I.V. files to develop -- I

- 1 think she called it an empirical scientific analysis of
- 2 what might be done in an effort to further the cause of
- 3 prevention of child sexual abuse.
- And you know from Phase 1, and maybe it
- 5 was obvious in Phase 2, that that's not the purpose of
- 6 these files. It's simply not the purpose. It's to keep
- 7 bad people out. And there's been references. In Phase
- 8 1 there was a reference in closing argument, I think it
- 9 was, to the Catholic Church. And there's been a great
- 10 deal of media attention on the Catholic Church here
- 11 these last couple of months.
- 12 And there was reference here today in
- 13 closing argument to the problems of the Catholic Church.
- 14 And I would submit respectfully to you that if it was
- 15 possible and the Catholic Church had a program like this
- 16 that would keep track of pedophiles, to keep track of
- 17 undesirables that were trying to be involved with the
- 18 Scouts, just as if they were trying to be involved with
- 19 the Catholic Church, and were moved around, this is the
- 20 kind -- this is the kind of system that hopefully would
- 21 track them.
- It's not full proof. It's not perfect,
- 23 but that's what it's designed to do, so that people
- 24 cannot be moved around, and not by the Boy Scouts of
- 25 America, cannot move around voluntarily. A predator can

- 1 not move from the state of Oregon to Florida or anywhere
- 2 else in this country, hopefully, and if their name is in
- 3 this file and there's a file on them, they can never be
- 4 involved with the Boy Scouts again.
- 5 And I ask you folks what is wrong with
- 6 that? What's wrong with trying to maintain that kind of
- 7 control? We asked Dr. Donald Bross to come in, because
- 8 he's got 34 years experience in this field, and he's a
- 9 recognized expert in the field of sexual abuse of
- 10 children.
- 11 And he told you about his background and
- 12 credentials. And his -- his testimony was kind of
- 13 exhausting. And I don't know if you folks were able to
- 14 follow all of it. He was a little difficult to follow.
- 15 We had one of those microphone on him because he's got a
- 16 soft voice. But we have the advantage of these daily
- 17 transcripts through the hard work of folks like this
- 18 court reporter here who is taking everything down we're
- 19 saying.
- 20 And one of the questions that was asked
- 21 on cross examination of Dr. Bross was: So your
- 22 testimony is what the Boy Scouts knew about child abuse
- is no different than what anybody else knew in the 1980,
- 24 right?
- ANSWER: Well, I think that when they

- 1 started going out and seeking experts they probably
- 2 legally sought out more information than a lot of
- 3 organizations that I was familiar with.
- 4 And he was asked on redirect examination:
- 5 Doctor, in your position has the Boy Scouts of America
- 6 accepted that responsibility for child sexual abuse?
- 7 ANSWER: I wouldn't be here if I hadn't
- 8 witnessed their investment and participated in their
- 9 investment in keeping boys in the organization safe.
- 10 And this is a recognized, leading expert
- in the country, ladies and gentlemen.
- 12 QUESTION: And so that answer in a
- 13 nutshell is yes?
- 14 ANSWER: Yes.
- 15 And, sir, are you aware of any youth
- oriented-organizations that make it a point to announce
- 17 that they've got problems involving thousands of their
- 18 members being abused?
- 19 And the answer was no.
- 20 Do you find anything unusual or out of
- 21 the ordinary about the fact the Boy Scouts have kept
- 22 confidential records in an effort to track abusers in
- 23 this country?
- Again, the answer was no.
- Did you see anything unusual about them

- 1 trying to cross check and keep people that might be
- 2 pedophiles out of the organization?
- 3 No.
- And does it surprise you that they want
- 5 to keep that information confidential?
- 6 Well, no, not given my experience in
- 7 having these kinds of files get out, because it produced
- 8 organizations that by mistake or by improper release
- 9 have ended up with tremendous problems with slander, and
- 10 defamation, and other kinds of lawsuits for making these
- 11 allegations without having criminal convictions or very,
- 12 very powerful evidence to support them.
- 13 And there's a lawyer talking who has done
- 14 this who has represented children against organizations
- 15 like that for ten or 12 years during the course of his
- 16 practice.
- 17 And, yes, Dr. Donald Bross relies on
- 18 somebody like that. He said his reliance is not
- 19 misplaced if you heard his testimony on Dr. Finkelhor's
- 20 analysis. So again, the BSA tried to assemble one of
- 21 the finest teams of consultants in the country to look
- 22 at this problem and help us.
- 23 And the overwhelming evidence, I would
- 24 submit to you, ladies and gentlemen, in this case,
- 25 particularly Phase 2, is that the BSA is doing its very

- 1 level best to see to it that's done. Again, it's not
- 2 perfect; it's not flawless, but it's unmatched. And
- 3 yet, you're being asked or you're being told it's not
- 4 good enough, so they've got to be punished.
- 5 I said it in closing argument in Phase 1
- of this case, and I'm going to say it again. We're
- 7 damned if we do; we're damned if we don't.
- 8 So what are some of the exhibits that
- 9 you're going to have an opportunity to look at? Some of
- 10 these have, perhaps, been put up on the wall. I
- 11 don't -- I don't recall now. But I want to talk to you
- 12 a little bit about some of the records you're going to
- 13 see and in the hopes that they may be illustrative of
- 14 some of the Boy Scouts' positions in the case.
- 15 First, ladies and gentlemen, it should be
- 16 perfectly clear, and I hope it is, the Boy Scouts of
- 17 America never came into this case and denied that abuse
- 18 had not occurred. We never did that.
- 19 It's not in the pleadings, and if it was,
- 20 you'd have heard about it. And you didn't hear anything
- 21 like that from counsel. We've never denied it.
- 22 And we never, ever blamed this young man
- on what occurred with Timur Dykes. And we never, ever
- 24 blamed his family, particularly his mother. And any
- 25 suggestions to the contrary is wholly inappropriate and

- 1 incorrect.
- I did tell you we're not coming in here
- 3 and making any excuses. And we're not. The facts are
- 4 what they are. The records are what they are.
- 5 Abuse can happen and it can happen in
- 6 Scouting. And counsel's right; this is an internal
- 7 memo. We showed it to you. It's -- it's Exhibit 2286.
- 8 It's directed to the leadership of the Boy Scouts of
- 9 America. And that goes right down the line to all
- 10 staff. And this is dated May 22, 1986, folks, not too
- 11 long after this -- we were dealing with the incidents in
- 12 the -- in the first phase of this case.
- 13 Child abuse has become a concern in our
- 14 society which we must do something about. It can happen
- 15 almost anywhere, in and outside of the child's home. It
- 16 can happen in Scouting. It cannot be ignored. Is that
- 17 somebody at National saying, hey, let's hide the ball?
- 18 The staff?
- 19 Child abuse can be physical, mental,
- 20 sexual and even verbal. It can come from a variety of
- 21 sources within Scouting, including abuse by other
- 22 Scouts, by leaders, by Merit Badge counselors, and by
- 23 parents. Child abuse must be stamped out. Let's not be
- 24 afraid to talk about it.
- The next exhibit I want to talk to you

- 1 about might sound a little, oh, I don't know. It's
- 2 aimed at Cub Scouts, but it talks about something that
- 3 we would submit to you could be important in your
- 4 considerations.
- 5 It talks about the -- it's Exhibit 25 --
- 6 2356. Excuse me. It's a 2009 publication. And it
- 7 talks about the Bobcat requirements for Cub Scouts. And
- 8 it's the first badge every boy earns in the Cub Scout --
- 9 in the Cub Scout level. And it talks about the law of
- 10 the pack. And it talks about it in levels that,
- 11 hopefully, will resonate with a Cub Scout.
- 12 And it defines Aquila. I hope I'm
- 13 pronouncing that right. But Aquila is the Scout name
- 14 for a leader. Some of the people you might call Aquila,
- 15 this exhibit says, are your parents, your teacher, and
- 16 your Cub Scout leader.
- 17 And then you'll find an exhibit, 2297,
- 18 "How To Protect Your Children From Child Abuse and Drug
- 19 Abuse, a Parents' Guide, " at page -- it's actually page
- 20 7 of 14. It's got some different numbers in there as
- 21 well, but it's page 7 of 14 on the exhibit list. It's
- 22 page 11 on that pamphlet.
- The law of the pack includes the phrase:
- 24 The Cub Scout follows Aquila. Aquila is a good leader
- 25 and should never ask the Cub Scout to do something that

- 1 the Cub Scout feels bad about. If Aquila, who -- if
- 2 Aquila, who might be a teacher, a coach, or other youth
- 3 leader even asks a Cub Scout to do something he thinks
- 4 is bad the Cub -- the Cub Scout has a right to say no
- 5 and to tell his parent.
- I would submit again to you that's
- 7 recognition by the Scouts that clearly abuse can happen
- 8 in Scouting, and they're fully aware of it, and they've
- 9 talked about it through the organization. There's an
- 10 exhibit, trial Exhibit 2296. It's a 1988 publication,
- 11 and it talks about camp. And it talks about camp
- 12 leadership.
- And right in this, "Youth Protection
- 14 Guidelines for School Leadership": If you suspect that
- 15 a child in camp is a victim of child abuse you must
- 16 report this to camp director or program director. And
- 17 it goes on. But it talks about abuse of children in
- 18 Scout camps. Is that the Scouts not talking about abuse
- 19 among the Scouting -- the Scouting organization? I
- 20 submit to you respectfully it's not.
- Exhibit 2323. It's a 1993 printing.
- 22 It's printed in Hispanic and English both. At page 15
- of this 19-page exhibit there's this sentence about
- 24 three paragraphs, four paragraphs down: If suspected --
- 25 if a suspected molestation occurred within Scouting

- 1 report the case to your local Scout Council officials
- 2 and the head of the organization that sponsors your
- 3 child's pack, Troop, team, or post, again talking about
- 4 abuse in Scouting by Scouts.
- 5 And could we have, please, just the
- 6 introduction. I think it's 2347. Am I correct about
- 7 that, sir?
- 8 I.T. TECHNICIAN: Uh-huh.
- 9 MR. SMITH: Thank you. If we could just
- 10 show that. You've seen this once, and I'm not -- but I
- 11 just want to show the introduction just to remind you of
- 12 what was said in this introductory material.
- 13 (Video:) This is a production of the Boy
- 14 Scouts of America. Welcome to Youth Protection
- 15 training. This program is designed for volunteer
- 16 leaders, and parents of boys, and Cub Scouts in the Boy
- 17 Scout program.
- 18 Child abuse is a significant social
- 19 problem, harming not only the victims and their
- 20 families, but also causing negative impacts on
- 21 youth-serving organizations and our community.
- This training program focuses on BSA's
- 23 developed Youth Protection Guidelines, the rules we
- 24 follow to the eliminate or reduce the opportunities for
- 25 abuse to occur within a Scouting program.

- 1 These rules take into account the kinds
- 2 of activities included in Scouting and how these
- 3 activities could present an opportunity for abuse.
- 4 After completing the training you should be able to --
- 5 MR. SMITH: That's fine. Thank you very
- 6 much. Within the Scouting program there are what I
- 7 would respectfully submit to you are barriers as well
- 8 that the Boy Scouts of America put into place to try to
- 9 control this and try to prevent it. And again, I'm
- 10 talking about child abuse.
- 11 Those barriers include "Are You Qualified
- 12 To Be a Volunteer Leader"? That's trial Exhibit 2285 --
- or defense Exhibit 2285. I'm sorry. And you'll find
- 14 that this is an application, and it's detailed. It's an
- 15 adult application. And I would urge you to look at it
- and look at what's asked of people who are applying to
- 17 get into the Scouting program:
- 18 Employment references, previous jobs,
- 19 have they been involved in Scouting before? It's a
- 20 detailed application. It's a step in the direction to
- 21 control this kind of problem. And this is a July 1988
- 22 publication.
- 23 And I believe Defendant's Exhibit 2286
- 24 was discussed with you. But it was a letter from Robert
- 25 Mazzuca, the Chief Scout Executive, back in June 2 of

- 1 2008. That's not too long ago really. And it's talking
- 2 about beginning in 2003 the BSA's required a criminal
- 3 background check for all new volunteers.
- 4 "The policy was implemented to verify the
- 5 prospective volunteers to meet our standards of
- 6 leadership. It has been a valuable addition to our
- 7 overall Youth Protection program. I am asking your help
- 8 with this effort. Our registration records indicate
- 9 that because your tenure as a registered volunteer with
- 10 the Boy Scouts of America began in 2003 a criminal
- 11 background check has not been conducted on you."
- The names are blocked out in this, but
- 13 not only did they -- did they want criminal background
- 14 checks on people coming into the program, they went back
- 15 and got them in the past.
- Mr. Devore testified here just a few days
- 17 ago. And we asked him about Exhibit 2392, "Child Abuse
- 18 Reporting Requirements for the Local Council." All I'm
- 19 asking you to do is take a look at it, and you'll see
- 20 what's being done to try to the erect barriers and track
- 21 this problem.
- 22 Trial Exhibit 2280 is entitled "Barriers
- 23 Against Child Sexual Abuse." And I would definitely
- 24 commend this to you as an exhibit to look at. It says
- on page -- it's actually page 27 of 28 of the exhibits.

- 1 It's page 52 of that particular publication.
- And it says on that page: An important
- 3 key to protecting children in Scouting and elsewhere
- 4 from sexual abuse is to the eliminate dangerous
- 5 circumstances before they arrive -- before they arise.
- And in this article published in
- 7 September 1988 is the following: In addition to the
- 8 screening methods -- I probably should go up a paragraph
- 9 on this.
- 10 "How else is the BSA creating barriers
- 11 against would be molesters? Some safeguards have been
- 12 in place for years. Others are more recent, and still
- others are being readied for future use. In addition to
- 14 the screening methods used to -- used locally by
- 15 chartered organizations, the BSA's confidential file has
- 16 been used for decades to exclude anyone who would be
- 17 unfit as a Scout leader because of moral, criminal, or
- 18 other reasons."
- 19 This was published in the Scouting
- 20 magazine, ladies and gentlemen, again, in 1988. The
- 21 so-called secret files discussed in a publication that
- 22 goes out to a million people, according to Mr. Terry, in
- 23 the Scouting community, parents, and anybody else
- involved that's on the registration list or is
- 25 interested in reading it.

- 1 You've heard a lot about training.
- 2 You'll see lots of exhibits about it if you care to look
- 3 at them. I would just submit to you that one of them is
- 4 2370, a defendant's exhibit, and it's a little
- 5 guideline, just a segment of it, for "Facilitators
- 6 Guide, " it's entitled. And it simply says that:
- 7 "The Boy Scouts of America deeply
- 8 appreciates your acceptance of the responsibility to
- 9 facilitate this session of Youth Protection Guideline
- 10 training for volunteers and parents. This training is
- 11 an important part of our strategy for helping to protect
- 12 our members from child abuse.
- "You must learn the specific reporting
- 14 procedures used in your BSA local Council and add them
- to the handout materials for participation in your
- 16 training sessions."
- 17 And this is for the folks that you heard
- 18 about -- that are training -- doing training. And it's
- 19 got kind of a simplistic little notice maybe that you
- 20 can take a look at, for publishing locally in terms of
- 21 where the training's going to be, who's going to conduct
- 22 it, and that sort of thing.
- 23 It also says: How can parents help
- 24 protect their children at page 3 of that -- of that
- 25 publication. And it indicates this information is

- 1 provided so that parents can detect any deviations from
- 2 the BSA-approved program.
- 3 And I know this gets to be kind of slow
- 4 going, but I'm not flashing it up on the screen. So I'm
- 5 going to just finish up with one more matter here
- 6 involving the exhibits, and I won't go any further with
- 7 it.
- 8 In 1994, and this is a revision, you
- 9 heard about it from counsel. And you've heard about
- 10 this business of apology again. And I don't know
- 11 whether this fits in with being apologetic or not. But
- 12 counseling was discussed, I know, and -- and maybe it
- 13 wasn't clear at the time it was discussed.
- But this is a revision of the procedures
- 15 for maintaining standards and membership again. And it
- 16 was produced in 1994. And it talks about counseling
- 17 being available. And it talks about offering support
- 18 for counseling of individuals whose abuse has occurred
- 19 within Scouting and who wish to receive counseling.
- 20 Abuse that has occurred within Scouting.
- Does that sound like an organization
- that's denying that there isn't abuse in Scouting?
- 23 Again, this is the "Procedures for Maintaining Standards
- of Membership."
- 25 And then it goes on to say what you do in

- order to see about looking into counseling. I won't go
- 2 through that. But it says: Generally, if counseling is
- 3 elected the parents should be told the Council will pay
- 4 for up to three months of therapeutic care for the Scout
- 5 victim and the parents, consisting of weekly sessions
- 6 not to exceed \$125 per session. And if counseling for
- 7 the victim is still necessary after three months further
- 8 payment will be considered, et cetera, et cetera, et
- 9 cetera.
- Now, does that sounds like an uncaring,
- 11 indifferent, man-endangering organization, reflecting a
- 12 state of mind that the heck with it, I ask you? And
- 13 this is not the only piece of evidence in this file to
- 14 look at, but it will give you an idea of what the Boy
- 15 Scouts have done since the mid '80s.
- And again, it's something we couldn't
- 17 talk to you about in Phase 1 of this trial. If the
- 18 Youth Protection program that has been developed, and
- 19 refined, and improved, and published since the mid '80s
- 20 is so bad, folks, there hasn't been one expert called in
- 21 the rebuttal portion of this case to say that. There's
- 22 not been one expert to come in and tell you that.
- The only expert who's testified has been
- 24 Dr. Bross, and he has thoroughly one hundred and
- one percent endorsed the program, and he's told you his

- 1 opinion about it.
- No one acknowledged in the field has come
- 3 forward to criticize or to try to take apart this Youth
- 4 Protection program that's been developed. Had there
- 5 been any expert available to do that you can bet that
- 6 counsel would have brought them in and would have
- 7 criticized this program. There hasn't been one. And
- 8 I'd ask you to consider that respectfully.
- 9 The BSA has relied on leading experts in
- 10 the field to establish its Youth Protection program.
- 11 And it's followed through with it. And it's still
- 12 working on improving it. And I'm asking you as their
- 13 lawyer, I'm asking you on their behalf not to penalize
- 14 them for it.
- 15 Counsel's's going to have a chance to get
- 16 up and talk to you when I sit down. And I would just
- 17 ask you respectfully -- respectfully, that if I've
- 18 touched on something that is worthwhile for your
- 19 consideration after you hear counsel's closing remarks
- 20 when you go into the jury room that you treat it
- 21 accordingly.
- 22 I want to thank you on behalf of the Boy
- 23 Scouts of America for your attention and on behalf of
- 24 myself as well. Thank you.
- THE COURT: Jurors, we're going to take a

- 1 15-minute break now before we hear from Mr. Mones.
- 2 (Jury excused. Recess.)
- 3 THE CLERK: All rise. Court is back in
- 4 session.
- 5 THE COURT: All right. Be seated, folks.
- 6 We'll bring the jury in, and Mr. Mones can make his
- 7 rebuttal argument.
- 8 (Jury returns.)
- 9 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead, Mr.
- 10 Mones.
- MR. MONES: Thank you.
- 12 THE COURT: Rebuttal argument.
- 13 PLAINTIFF'S REBUTTAL ARGUMENT
- MR. MONES: Good afternoon, ladies and
- 15 gentlemen. This is my last opportunity to talk to you.
- 16 I wanted to start by bringing it back to Kerry Lewis and
- 17 remind you that punitive damages has two parts.
- I spent some time talking about
- 19 deterrence and punishment of what they did to Kerry
- 20 Lewis. I want to talk about the punishment just for
- 21 Kerry Lewis. Regardless of what your decision is with
- 22 respect to deterrence, how much deterrence, they still
- 23 need to be punished and deserve to be punished for what
- 24 happened to Kerry Lewis.
- Whatever happened after 1985 it came too

- 1 late for Kerry Lewis. It did nothing to prevent his
- 2 abuse. It did nothing to save him from being molested
- 3 by Timur Dykes.
- 4 Punitive damages, the purpose of which is
- 5 to punish the behavior and the conduct that created the
- 6 abuse, so remember that when you go back into the
- 7 courtroom (verbatim).
- 8 Let me just go over some specific points
- 9 with respect to David Finkelhor. If, in fact, David
- 10 Finkelhor was the expert that they said he was, he would
- 11 have been in this courtroom; he would have testified for
- 12 this jury.
- 13 Secondly, Mr. Smith made a point of
- 14 saying, well, if anybody -- if the plaintiffs had any
- 15 attorney -- any expert who was going to say the BSA
- 16 program was bad they would have brought him in. The
- 17 point of fact is we believe we proved our case to you
- 18 clearly and convincingly by showing you through the
- 19 admission of their own witnesses that none of the BSA
- 20 documents that goes to the two primary parties that
- 21 really are at the heart of this, the parents and their
- 22 children, talk about the sexual abuse of Scouts.
- 23 And when you do go through those
- 24 documents you will see most of the documents that do
- 25 mention this area of sexual abuse are the documents for

- 1 paid counsel. For example, the procedures for
- 2 maintaining standards of leadership that Mr. Smith told
- 3 you about, those just go to paid counsel staff.
- And if counseling -- if it's true that
- 5 counseling is offered, why did Ms. Hoy say that in 2007
- 6 her son was never offered counseling? (Juror sneezes.)
- 7 Bless you.
- 8 And if the -- if the changes in the BSA
- 9 program were still under discussion with Dr. Finkelhor
- 10 that doesn't help people who are still being molested
- 11 now. Dr. Warren -- Dr. Warren looked at the files, but
- 12 I think she said nothing could be done. If you look at
- 13 -- remember what Dr. Schoener said way back when?
- 14 He said they were full of examples of
- 15 what could be learned from the sexual abuse of Scouts.
- 16 And in addition, again there was a representation of
- 17 these files are used to keep people out permanently.
- 18 Then you have to ask yourself what about the probation
- 19 program?
- 20 If you remember I asked some questions
- 21 about remember that one file that came up and up again?
- 22 If it don't stink, don't stir it. The file that was
- 23 representative of the BSA keeping things quiet.
- 24 Remember, that man was arrested in 1972 for molesting a
- 25 child.

- 1 He came back. In 1979 they allowed him
- 2 back in, and he woke up in a pup tent, because a kid
- 3 came in and punched that Scout in the chest. And then
- 4 there's a note in 1981 -- 1989 to Paul Ernst, is this
- 5 guy still in the Boy Scouting program? So obviously,
- 6 whatever this program is in terms of probation it's not
- 7 working to keep out Scout abusers.
- 8 And in terms of the Boy Scouts of America
- 9 having the same amount of information on sexual abuse as
- 10 other organizations, please remember the testimony of
- 11 Mr. Wolff from the Big Brothers and Big Sisters. He
- 12 said the Boy Scouts had way more information than Big
- 13 Brothers and Sisters. Big Brothers and Sisters I think
- 14 he had testified had maybe 30 cases, just a handful of
- 15 cases. They weren't keeping cases for decades.
- And in terms of what the defendants in
- 17 this case said about Kerry Lewis and his family, please
- 18 remember that Mr. Grant who testified here is the head
- 19 of the CPC. The CPC is controlled by the Boy Scouts of
- 20 America.
- In fact, you heard Mr. Toyooka say when
- 22 asked about the Boy Scout Council he said the Boy
- 23 Scout -- he's a true sport by any defense witness -- the
- 24 Council and the BSA are one and the same thing, putting
- 25 a lie to the fiction that the Boy Scouts of America are

- 1 different and an independent entity from the -- from the
- 2 Council.
- 3 And remember Mr. Grant said, quite
- 4 remarkable as it was, that the parents need to be put in
- 5 jail for sending their child over to Mr. Dykes' house.
- 6 So please again remember that the
- 7 defendants here need to be punished for that behavior of
- 8 what was done to Kerry Lewis between 1983 and 1984.
- 9 If you remember the video that was put up
- 10 by Mr. Smith just a few minutes ago, what did it say in
- 11 the crawl? About three million kids are abused a year
- in the United States. It didn't say that in any one
- 13 year 2,000 or 3,000 Scouts are molested by their adult
- 14 leaders.
- 15 If you're speaking to parents and Scouts
- 16 you tell them -- if you're worried about their abuse by
- 17 adult leaders, you tell them how many Scouts are abused,
- 18 not how many people are abused in society -- Scouts were
- 19 abused in society.
- In terms of the confidentiality of the
- 21 files, confidentiality we respect -- you can respect
- 22 confidentiality. Confidentiality doesn't mean secrecy.
- 23 Mr. Smith and the defendants repeat that the files are
- 24 confidential; you can't look at them because they're
- 25 confidential.

- 1 They could have studied the files, could
- 2 have opened up, as I said in my first part of my
- 3 statement, and looked at the files, learned something.
- 4 If Mr. -- Dr. Finkelhor can't find anything, or whoever
- 5 he is, and maybe Dr. Warren can't find anything from it,
- 6 clearly Dr. Schoener could be brought in if they wanted
- 7 to tell them what was in those files and how they could
- 8 learn from them.
- 9 They could publish a study. They could
- 10 let people know these files exist. They don't have to
- 11 release any names. Nobody's interested in ruining any
- 12 reputations. The plaintiffs are not saying publish all
- 13 these names, and -- and -- and that's the only way you
- 14 could use this information.
- You could say the number of boys that
- 16 have been molested on campouts. You could look at the
- 17 number of boys molested on one-on-one contacts.
- 18 Please remember that when I asked
- 19 Mr. Marshall about the effectiveness -- or maybe it was
- 20 Mr. Potts was asked the effectiveness of the Youth
- 21 Protection program did they compare it to the I.V.
- 22 files? No. How do you know your program is working
- 23 unless you have something to compare it to?
- 24 And -- and -- and on that point I would
- 25 recommend you to look at the exhibit which we offered

- 1 yesterday, which was a document that was a response from
- 2 the Boy Scouts of America in another case concerning the
- 3 number of I.V. files. And that document states that --
- 4 and it's from Mr. Honeywell's office -- that document
- 5 states that between 1970 and 2007, 5,177 Scouts -- or
- 6 Scout leaders were put into the I.V. files.
- 7 If you do the simple math you will see if
- 8 you divide 37 into 5,199, that number is about 140 per
- 9 year.
- 10 If you remember Mr. Xochihua's example on
- 11 the White Paper looking in between 1965 and 1985, that
- 12 worked out to be about 50 Scout leaders a year. 140 is
- 13 about one Scout leader -- and that's about one Scout
- 14 leader a week. 140 is about three Scout leaders a week.
- 15 And that shows something may not be working. And we
- 16 submit it's not.
- 17 Where does a burglar go when he wants to
- 18 break into a house? He looks for homes where there's
- 19 easy access, get in and get out undetected. The same is
- 20 true with youth organizations and molesters. Molesters
- 21 look for unlocked doors, unlocked windows. And unless
- 22 the Boy Scouts of America fundamentally alters its
- 23 program it will still have open doors and open windows
- 24 for these Scout leaders.
- The major theme of our case were two:

- 1 What could have been done to protect Kerry Lewis, and
- 2 the protection of children's safety. And your verdict
- 3 in this case will not mean just protection for the
- 4 safety of children in Troop 719 or in Portland, Oregon,
- 5 but if your verdict is significant and clear and
- 6 speaking to the Boy Scouts of America, it will affect
- 7 children in all youth-serving organizations from the
- 8 Camp Fire Girls, to the Big Brothers and Sisters, to
- 9 other youth organizations around the United States.
- 10 Was it a freak accident that happened to
- 11 Kerry Lewis? No. The Boy Scouts of America knew for
- 12 years what was going on. They could have educated.
- 13 They could have warned in some way, but they didn't.
- 14 And that was reprehensible behavior as you have
- 15 previously found. It was not a freak accident. It was
- 16 a conscious and deliberate decision -- conscious and
- 17 deliberate policy not to tell people.
- 18 The Boy Scouts of America has forgotten
- 19 the Scout oath. The Boy Scouts of America has forgotten
- 20 Scout law repeated by the various witnesses on this
- 21 stand. The boys in Troop 719 or in some Troop in Peoria
- 22 or -- or Pittsburgh don't have the voice to stand up and
- 23 say to the Boy Scouts, you know what? We need safer
- 24 programs. They don't have that voice.
- But you have that voice. You can be the

- 1 voice of these Scouts around the country. You can be
- 2 Kerry Lewis' voice if your verdict speaks loud enough.
- 3 Your verdict must warn. Your verdict must speak loud
- 4 enough to the Boy Scouts of America hierarchy, to men
- 5 like Martin Walsh, to men like Mr. Terry -- James Terry,
- 6 that the some time -- that the next time Mr. Walsh is
- 7 asked is child sexual abuse a problem in the Boy Scouts
- 8 of America, he's not going to say, problem? What does
- 9 that mean. He's going to say, you know what? I am sad
- 10 to tell you, yes, sexual abuse has been a problem in the
- 11 Boy Scouts of America.
- But we are working our tails off every
- 13 single day to make it better. We are trying to prevent
- 14 Scouts from being molested. And the reason -- and I'm
- 15 ashamed of what happened in the past. I'm ashamed we
- 16 didn't do more. We were wrong. And the reason we're
- 17 doing more is there was a jury in Portland, Oregon, that
- 18 woke us up. And now we will speak the truth.
- 19 Thank you.
- 20 THE COURT: Jurors, I will remind you of
- 21 some of the housekeeping instructions that I gave last
- 22 week, week before last, whatever it was.
- 23 Remember, there are no time limits on
- 24 your deliberations. This will take you however long it
- 25 takes you. I'll have the Clerk check on you as we get