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2	BAT WORLD SANCTUARY and ) IN THE DISTRICT COURT	
3	AMANDA LOLLAR, )	
4	Plaintiffs, )	
5	VS. ) TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS	
6	MARY CUMMINS, )	
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8	Defendant. ) 352ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT	
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11	ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF	
12	AMANDA LOLLAR	
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18	numbered cause on November 8, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. to	
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20	State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the	
21	law offices of Stephanie Patton, 2101 Moneda, Haltom	
22	City, Texas, pursuant to the Texas Rules of Civil	
23	Procedure.	
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Page 5 1 MR. TURNER: Randy Turner for the 2 Plaintiff. 3 MS. CUMMINS: Mary Cummins, pro se. 4 THE REPORTER: Will this be taken under the Rules? 5 6 MS. CUMMINS: Yes. 7 AMANDA LOLLAR, having been first duly sworn, testified as follows: 8 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION 10 BY MS. CUMMINS: Ms. Lollar, if you lie under oath in the state 11 12 of Texas you can receive a minimum of 2 to 10 years in 13 prison; do you understand? 14 Α. Yes, I do. 15 Because the court reporter is going to be 16 writing this down, could you please refrain from using nodding or hand gestures, and please clearly state yes 17 18 or no. Do you agree to this? 19 A. Yes. 20 Q. Are you represented by legal counsel? 21 Α. Yes. 22 Q. Is your legal counsel, Randy Turner, here 23 today? 24 Can you please speak up a little bit? A. 25 Q. Is your legal counsel, Randy Turner, here

Page 6 1 today? 2 A. Here today, yes. 3 Q. May I please see your driver's license? A. (Witness complies.) 5 Have you ever been deposed before? Q. 6 Α. Yes. 7 What case was that for? Q. 8 It was for a case in New Mexico. 9 What was the title of that case? 10 Was the what of that case? A. 11 The title. Q. 12 A. I'm sorry, I don't recall. 13 Was it Bat World Sanctuary versus Talking Q. 14 Talons Youth Leadership? 15 Yes, it may have been. 16 Do you have a copy of that deposition? Q. 17 A. No, I do not. 18 Can you get ahold of a copy of it? Q. 19 A. No, I do not; that's confidential. 20 Q. Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? 21 Α. No. 22 Q. Has your husband ever filed for bankruptcy? 23 A. No. 24 Did your previous husband file for bankruptcy, 25 as far as you know?

Page 7 1 As far as I know, he did not. 2 What did you do to prepare for this deposition? 3 Did you review any notes or documents? 4 A. No. 5 Q. Where were you born? Killeen, Texas. 6 Α. 7 Do you spell that C-O-L-E-E-N? Q. 8 A. No. K-I-L-E-E-N. 9 Do you have any siblings? Q. 10 A. Yes. 11 Q. What are their names? 12 Α. I have a brother; his name is Michael Dennis 13 Lollar. 14 0. Any other? 15 A. No. 16 Is your father still alive? Q. 17 A. Yes. 18 What's his name? Q. 19 Luther Lollar. 20 And where does he reside? 21 A. Mineral Wells, Texas. 22 Q. And what is the name of the place where he 23 lives? 24 A. He's in nursing care. 25 What's the name of the nursing case? Q.

1 I would rather not disclose that information. 2 You realize you have to answer all questions 3 that I ask today? I would rather not disclose that information. 4 Please tell me the name of the location. 5 Q. A. 6 He's -- there's only three nursing homes in 7 Mineral Wells, and he's in one of those. And I respect 8 his privacy, and I do not want to disclose that 9 information. 10 Please tell me the name of the nursing home. 11 Α. It is --12 MR. TURNER: She's already answered your 13 question, ma'am. She's not going to give you the name of the nursing home. 14 15 MS. CUMMINS: You didn't file a protective 16 order to the name of the nursing home before this 17 deposition, you have to answer the question. 18 MR. TURNER: She's not going to answer it. 19 MS. CUMMINS: I reserve the right to depose 20 Ms. Lollar again in order to get the name of the nursing 21 home. 22 MR. TURNER: We're asserting a privilege. 23 MS. CUMMINS: What is the privilege? 24 MR. TURNER: Right of privacy.

(BY MS. CUMMINS)

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Have you ever used any other

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1	names?	
2	A.	No.
3	Q.	What was the name of your first husband?
4	A.	Mann, Carlton Herbert Mann.
5	Q.	You never used the last name Mann?
6	A.	Yes, I did use his last name.
7	Q.	Have you ever been arrested?
8	A.	No.
9	Q.	Have you ever been sued?
10	A.	No.
11	Q.	Have you ever sued anyone?
12	A.	Yes.
13	Q.	Who?
14	A.	The case that's confidential in New Mexico, and
15	you.	
16	Q.	You've never sued anyone else?
17	A.	No.
18	Q.	Do you have a Ph.D.?
19	A.	No.
20	Q.	Do you have a master's degree?
21	A.	No.
22	Q.	Do you have a college degree?
23	A.	No.
24	Q.	Do you have a high school diploma?
25	A.	No.

Page 10 1 Q. Do you have a GED? 2 Yes. 3 Q. What is the last year of schooling that you 4 actually finished? 5 Α. Tenth grade. 6 Why didn't you finish 11th and 12th? Q. 7 Because I wanted to go onto other things. A. 8 0. Such as? 9 Such as, just life. 10 Q. What was your GPA for the last couple of years 11 in school? 12 A. I don't recall. 13 Q. Did you get A's, B's? 14 A's. A. 15 So that would be a 4.0? Q. 16 A. I'm not sure. I don't recall. 17 Q. Have you gone to veterinary school? 18 Α. No, I have not. 19 Are you a licensed veterinary technician? Q. 20 Α. No. 21 Q. What animal classes have you taken? 22 Α. None. 23 How did you learn all of your animal knowledge? 24 By working with my veterinarian closely for the

past 20 years.

Page 11 What is the name of that veterinarian? 1 Q. 2 A. Tad Jarrett, DVM. 3 So he taught you, you're saying? Q. 4 A. He taught me quite a bit. 5 Who taught you how to amputate bat wings? 0. 6 A. My vet and myself. 7 Q. You taught yourself? 8 Ά. Yes. 9 Q. Who taught you how to do C-sections on bats? 10 A. My veterinarian. 11 During the May 4th hearing for temporary 12 injunction, did you say that you learned what you know 13 through the school of life and trial and error? 14 Α. Yes, I did. 15 What do you mean by trial and error? Q. 16 Α. I mean by trying to use medications and 17 procedures to save the lives of bats that are going to 18 die, and hoping that we provide a -- the necessary care 19 that allows them to live. 20 Q. What does error mean? 21 Error means that sometimes mistakes are made. Α. Sometimes a medication is used that -- when another one 22 23 would have worked better.

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So you've made mistakes?

Everyone's made mistakes.

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Page 12 1 Do you have a fish and wildlife permit? Q. 2 Α. No, I do not. I'm not required to have a fish 3 and wildlife permit. 4 Q. Do you have any protected bats? 5 No, I do not. Α. 6 How many bats do you have? Q. 7 A. Approximately 300. 8 You don't know the exact number? Q. I don't recall. I'd have to look at my 9 10 records. 11 Q. How many fruit bats do you have? 12 About 150. Α. 13 What types of native bats do you have? Q. 14 A. What types? Do you mean what species? 15 Q. What species. 16 Tadarida brasiliensis, eptesicus fuscus. Α. 17 Q. The common names. 18 A. I'm sorry? 19 Q. The common names. 20 The common names? Mexican free-tail bats, big A. 21 free-tail bats, cave myotis, big brown bats. 22 Q. That's it? 23 **A**. That's it. 24 After 10th grade, what was the first job that

you had?

1 A. I don't recall. I believe it was assistant 2 manager for a drive-in theater. 3 Q. What was your job after that? I was a dental assistant for a prosthodontist. 4 5 What training did you take in order to become a Q. dental assistant? 6 7 Α. I was trained on the job. It's a specialized 8 dentist; there's only four in the country. 9 Q. So you're not a certified dental assistant? 10 A. I was trained on the job. 11 Q. What was your job after that? 12 A. I was a welder. 13 Did you receive training on the job? Q. 14 A. Yes, I did. 15 Q. And what was your job after that? 16 A forklift driver. A. 17 What year was this? Q. 18 I do not recall. A. 19 Was it the '80s? Q. 20 A. '80s. Yeah, it must have been the '80s. 21 Q. What was your job after that? 22 I also managed convenience stores. A. 23 Q. And what was your job after that?

> I had a cleaning service. A.

> > As in maids? Q.

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1 A. No, as in a cleaning service, an actual 2 business. 3 Dry cleaning or --Q. 4 Α. Cleaning businesses and homes of --5 Okay. Q. 6 And then I ran a furniture store. I actually 7 owned and ran a furniture store after that, and then I 8 started a nonprofit. 9 When did you -- did you run the furniture store 10 with your mother? 11 Yes. We ran it together. 12 What year was this? Q. 13 I don't recall. Α. 14 When did she die? Q. 15 1994 -- actually, 1993. A. 16 And did you continue to run the furniture store Q. 17 after that? 18 A. For a few months, yes. 19 And then what did you do? 20 I liquidated the business and opened up a 21 nonprofit. 22 How have you been supporting yourself 23 personally during this time? 24 By -- I'm not sure I understand exactly what 25 you mean.

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- Q. What is your source of income?
- A. I own the property that the sanctuary resides in, and the sanctuary pays me rent.
  - O. How much rent?
  - A. 1,500 a month.
  - Q. Is that for the 217 North Oak building?
- A. That's for -- yes, it is. Out of that rent, \$900 goes to the building payment. Another 150 goes on a life insurance policy, which, all of the proceeds go back to the organization.
- Q. So if you die, the proceeds go to Bat World Sanctuary?
  - A. Bat World Sanctuary, yes.
- Q. Do you have liability insurance on the property, 217 North Oak?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. What is the name of your carrier, your insurance carrier?
  - A. I'm not sure I recall the name.
- Q. So if someone were to trip and fall on your property, they would be insured, covered?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Do you know what the limits are on that policy?
  - A. No, I do not.
  - Q. How much do you pay a year on that policy?

- A. I'm not -- I don't recall that either.
- Q. So you personally own the 217 North Oak building?
  - A. Yes.

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- Q. Who owns the building at 115 First Avenue?
- A. Bat World Sanctuary.
- Q. I'd like to show you Exhibit No. 1.

(Exhibit 1 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) What does that document say, who owns the building?
- A. The document says the Beneficial Animal Teaching Society.
  - Q. Is that correct?
  - A. It was correct at the time.
  - Q. I just pulled that up recently.
- A. Well, then these records are wrong, because Beneficial -- the organization started off as being called the Beneficial Animal Teaching Society. We officially changed the name.
  - Q. What year did you change the name?
- A. It was in the early 2000s, maybe the year 2000.

  And the bank records never got updated, but they have been updated recently.
- Q. What was the Beneficial Animal Teaching Society, was it a corporation?

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1	A. No, it was an association, nonprofit
2	association.
3	Q. Did it have a board of directors?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Who was on that board of directors?
6	A. I don't recall in the early years.
7	Q. Did you have an advisory board for that?
8	A. Yes.
9	Q. Who was on that advisory board?
10	A. I don't recall.
11	Q. So that organization is no longer active?
12	A. The organization became the organization has
13	always been there. The name was changed. That is the
14	only thing that changed about the organization.
15	Beneficial Animal Teaching Society and Bat World
16	Sanctuary are one in the same. The name has been
17	changed. It's like when you get married and you change
18	your name, you're still the same person.
19	Q. So what year did Bat World Sanctuary legally
20	exist, initially?
21	A. The facility Bat World Sanctuary existed in
22	1994.
23	Q. I meant the corporation, or the nonprofit
24	association.

The nonprofit name was changed in the year

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- Q. And it was -- Bat World Sanctuary, at that time, was a nonprofit association?
- A. Yes. The Beneficial Animal Teaching Society and the Bat World Sanctuary are one in the same. The name changed, the tax identification number remained the same. It's the same exact organization.
  - Q. What is Bat World Sanctuary, Incorporated?
  - A. I'm sorry?
  - Q. Bat World Sanctuary, Incorporated.
  - A. What was the first of your question?
  - Q. What is it?
  - A. What is it? It's our organization.
  - Q. When was that formed?
- A. We incorporated in the state of Texas in -- last year, I believe.
- Q. What or who is Bat World Sanctuary that's suing me?
- A. That is the same as Bat World Sanctuary, Incorporated. It's all one in the same.
- Q. Who's on the board of directors of Bat World Sanctuary, Incorporated?
  - A. That's common knowledge on our website.
  - O. Tell me.
  - A. I'm the president, Dottie Hyatt is the vice

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president, Michelle McCaulley is the secretary, and Denise Tomlinson is the treasurer.

- Q. Did you --
- A. It's on our website on the "about us" page.
- Q. Do you have director's and officer's insurance?
- A. Yes, we do.
- Q. How much do you pay for that a year?
- A. I don't recall.
- Q. What are the limits on that policy?
- A. I don't recall.
- Q. How many members does Bat World Sanctuary currently have?
  - A. About a thousand.
  - Q. Does Bat World Sanctuary have any employees?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Was Janet Villareal ever an employee?
  - A. No. The organization does not pay salaries.
  - Q. Did you ever give her any money?
- A. I gave her money out of my personal pocket, but the organization never paid salary.
  - Q. So you personally gave money to Janet?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. How much?
- A. I don't recall.
- Q. How much did you give her per hour?

- A. I don't recall. I never paid her per hour.
- Q. Does she still currently volunteer with you?
- A. No.

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- Q. Does she reside in Mineral Wells?
- A. I believe she does. I don't know for sure.
- Q. Are you two still on friendly terms?
- A. Yes.
- Q. What is a Bat World partner?
- A. Partner?
- Q. Mr. Turner's a partner.
- A. Oh, that's -- on our links we call some of our favorite people who have donated or helped us in the past, we call them our partners. It's the same as having a favorite page or a link page.
  - Q. So they're not legally involved with the --
  - A. No. They're just partners and -- as a friend.
- Q. So you said the Bat World Sanctuary pays you \$1,500 a month to rent the 217 Oak property?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And after you make the building payment, that is how you pay your personal expenses?
- A. Well, yeah, with what's left with the building payment and then life insurance, and then I pay my personal expenses, which amounts to food.
  - Q. Where does your husband work?

1 That's confident -- personal information. A. 2 You already told me at the hearing. Q. 3 A. Oh, okay. Then he works at Cool City Avionics. 4 When were you legally married to Larry? 5 It's been nine years ago. Almost nine years A. 6 ago, so that would be 2002. 7 Q. How much does your husband make per month? 8 MR. TURNER: We're not going to answer 9 that. 10 MS. CUMMINS: What's your objection? 11 MR. TURNER: It's privileged. 12 Ο. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Does your husband contribute 13 to any of the communal expenses? 14 **A**. Yes, he does. 15 What does he pay for? 16 He doesn't actually pay for anything 17 specifically, he just donates a certain amount of money 18 to the organization monthly. 19 How much? Q. 20 \$250. A. 21 Did you tell me that when your husband's boss 22 sells the business your husband is going to get a bonus? 23 I may have. I don't recall. 24 How much personal cash do you have right now,

you, yourself, personally?

1 A. I'm not sure. About \$26, I think. 2 \$26 cash? Q. 3 Α. Yes. Is that in all of your bank accounts? 4 Q. 5 A. Oh, I thought you meant in my wallet. 6 Q. Oh, no. 7 MR. TURNER: Hold on a second. Are you 8 asking for her personally how much money she has? 9 MS. CUMMINS: Yes, her assets. 10 MR. TURNER: She's not going to answer 11 those questions. 12 MS. CUMMINS: What's your objection? 13 MR. TURNER: It's privileged. 14 MS. CUMMINS: You didn't file a protective 15 order to net worth before the deposition. You can't 16 object. 17 MR. TURNER: She's not going to answer that 18 question. 19 MS. CUMMINS: Okay. I reserve the right to 20 re-depose her. 21 0. (BY MS. CUMMINS) What are the assets of Bat World Sanctuary? 22 23 A. I don't recall. I'd have to calculate that up. 24 How much money does Bat World Sanctuary have in their bank accounts? 25

I would have to look, and I don't recall 1 Α. 2 offhand. 3 Q. You don't know how much money Bat World Sanctuary --4 5 I haven't looked in quite some time. 6 How much money did Bat World Sanctuary just 7 receive from Bonnie Bradshaw's rehab group that just 8 closed? 9 There were two separate checks, so I think it A. 10 was over \$10,000. 11 Was it 14,000? 12 A. No, it was not. 13 Q. What is the name of the vet who signed your 14 USDA documents? 15 Cin -- you mean my USDA inspector? 16 No. Your veterinarian has to sign your USDA 0. 17 sheet every day. 18 A. Oh, that would be Tad Jarrett. 19 Q. How often does he inspect your premises? 20 A. I don't recall. He's there -- I really don't 21 recall. 22 What's the minimum amount of visits per year? Q. 23 Α. I have no idea. 24 Has he been to Bat World Sanctuary in the last Q. 25 year?

A. Yes.

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- Q. Has he been to Bat World Sanctuary at least once a year?
  - A. Oh, yes.
  - Q. What are the names of your other vets?
- A. I don't have any other vets locally. I don't work with any other vets locally.
- Q. What are the names of the other vets you work with that are not local?
- A. I work with a vet in South Dakota, and her name is Janet Messner.
  - Q. How do you work with her?
- A. She came to intern with us for two weeks. We have two vets on our advisory board, as well.
  - Q. What are the names of the advisory board vets?
  - A. Lindsey Rosen.
  - Q. Where is she?
  - A. I believe she's in North Carolina.
  - O. And the other?
    - A. Shawn Janette.
  - Q. Where's he?
- A. I believe he is in Maryland or Pennsylvania, I'm not sure.
- Q. So these are just advisory vets, they're not vets that treat your animals?

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1	A.	No, but they've all been to Bat World
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3	Q.	So your main vet, then, is Dr. Tad Jarrett?
4	A.	Yes.
5	Q.	And his office is located how far away from Bat
6	World Sa	nctuary?
7	A.	About a quarter of a mile.
8	Q.	Where do you get your isoflurane?
9	A.	From my local vet.
10	Q.	So you pick it up from his office?
11	Α.	Yes.
12	Q.	And you pay him for it?
13	À.	Yes.
14	Q.	Do you have a prescription?
15	A.	Don't need a prescription.
16	Q.	What other drugs do you get from Dr. Jarrett?
17	A.	Antibiotics.
18	Q.	Such as?
19	A.	Baytril, Clavamox, Dexamethasone, Doxycycline.
20	Q.	One second. Dexamethasone, that's a steroid,
21	right?	
22	A.	Yes.
23	Q.	Why does he give you Dex?
24	A.	For pneumonia, head injuries, back injuries.
25	It's also	o an anti-inflammatory.

Page 26 1 Q. What other drugs does he give you? 2 Did you write down Clavamox? Did you get that 3 one? Uh-huh. 4 Q. 5 Α. Did you get down Cephalexin? 6 Yes. Q. 7 A. Okay. Baytril? 8 Q. Anything else? 9 Offhand, those are the most common ones that I 10 can remember. 11 Q. What about pain relief? 12 A. Oh, Metacam, of course. Cetacaine. 13 Q. What is Cetacaine? 14 Cetacaine is a topical anesthetic; it's used on A. mucus membranes specifically. 15 16 When you receive these drugs from Dr. Jarrett, 17 do you sometimes give them to other members of Bat World 18 Sanctuary? 19 Α. No. 20 Where do they get their drugs? Q. 21 You would have to ask them. 22 What type of rabies vaccination do you 23 recommend for bats? 24 Any kind of subcu vaccination that's made for

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animals.

Page 27 1 Q. Are you talking modified live or killed? 2 Α. Killed. That's all they sell for animals, is 3 killed. 4 Q. So you recommend rabies vaccinations subcu? 5 Α. Yes. We've been doing that for 20 years. 6 Have you ever checked the titer of a bat after 7 you've given them the rabies vaccination? 8 I haven't done it personally, no. 9 So you wouldn't know if your vaccinations were 10 effective? 11 Well, we do know from certain papers, 12 scientific papers that have been published, that we were involved in the study. 13 14 So you injected bats subcu with rabies vaccination and someone else checked the titer 15 16 afterwards? 17 Yes. Boston University. 18 Q. What were the titers? 19 I'd have to look at the paper. I don't recall. 20 Do you realize most people give rabies 21 vaccinations intramuscular? 22 I don't realize that. **A**. No. 23 MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

> don't give it IM for a lot of animals. That's why they

It's not the case for a lot of animals, you

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make it subcu so you can also give it subcu. It actually states that in the directions on the bottle.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) How do you give a bat rabies vaccination?
  - A. Subcutaneously.
  - Q. So you give bats rabies vaccinations --
  - A. I have in the past.
- Q. When was the last time you gave a rabies vaccination to a bat?
  - A. I don't recall the year that it was.
  - Q. Was it within the last year?
- A. No.

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- Q. Within the last two years?
- A. No. It was when rabies vaccine was legal to buy at the feed store in Texas. You could buy it at the feed store and administer it to livestock, cats, dogs, anything you wanted to, because it was completely legal to do so.
- Q. It is no longer legal to buy rabies vaccinations at the feed store?
  - A. No. Feed stores no longer sell it.
  - O. In Texas?
- A. I'm not sure about other states, I just know Texas.
  - Q. So before, you were buying your rabies

vaccinations at the feed store and using that?

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- Q. What animals -- the rabies vaccinations that they sell at the feed stores, what animals were they made for?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Were they made for livestock?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Were they made for horses and cows only?
- A. No, I don't recall. I don't think so. The vaccine is specifically made for mammals, which would include livestock and domestic animals. Any time you use it on a wild animal, it's off-label use, is what it's considered.
- Q. Do you have a human rabies vaccine booster at Bat World Sanctuary?
  - A. Yes, we do.
  - Q. Who makes that?
  - A. I'm not sure who makes it.
  - Q. Where did you get it from?
- A. From a drug company that we have an account with.
  - Q. What's the name?
  - A. I don't recall the name of the company.
  - Q. You don't know --

- A. We have an account with them.
  - Q. If I give you a discovery request for the name of the drug company, can you give that to me?
    - A. I assume I can.

MS. CUMMINS: Okay. I will make that request in writing later.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Have you ever given a human rabies vaccine booster?
  - A. Have I ever given one?
  - Q. Yes.
  - A. Absolutely not.
  - Q. Why do you have one?
- A. In case anyone has had an exposure at Bat World. We have it on hand as a safety precaution.
- Q. So if someone were bitten by a rabid bat and you have this booster, what would you do?
- A. We would call our doctor's office, and take them to the doctor and have the booster administered by a nurse practitioner or the doctor.
- Q. Why do you have the booster at Bat World Sanctuary?
- A. Because it's faster to get somebody -- it's faster and it's safer to have it on hand. We've had it on hand for years.
  - Q. Do you need any permits to have the human

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- A. No, we do not. Most reputable wildlife centers will have it on hand.
- Q. Wouldn't it make more sense for a doctor or hospital to have it on hand?

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- A. If there's a --
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Did you give a human rabies vaccination booster to Sara Kennedy?
- A. I've never given a human rabies vaccination, or any type of injection, to any human, ever, in my entire life.
- Q. Did Sara Kennedy receive a human rabies booster vaccination while she was in Bat World Sanctuary?
  - A. While she was visiting, yes, she did.
  - Q. Who gave it to her?
  - A. Dr. Bailey's office.
  - Q. Where is he located?
- A. In Mineral Wells.
  - Q. So you took your human rabies vaccine booster to Dr. Bailey's office with Sara Kennedy and Dr. Bailey injected her?
    - A. It was the nurse practitioner.
    - Q. Why did she need the vaccination?
    - A. Because she felt like she might have been

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- Q. Did you send any of the -- did you send the bat that may have bitten her to the health department?
- A. No. It had been released. She thought she was bitten during a release. So the bat was flying free in the air. There was no way to grab the bat after that and take it to have it decapitated and tested for rabies. So, instead, as a precaution, we took her to the doctor with our vaccine so she could get a booster.
  - Q. Why did that bat come into care?
  - A. It was an orphan.
  - Q. How did it bite her at release?
- A. I don't know. It wasn't in my hand. I don't know exactly how it bit her. It was dark. Any time an intern expresses a concern about being bitten, the first thing we do is get them a booster.
  - Q. Do you have a proof of preexposure rabies card?
  - A. No. They don't give those out in Texas.
- Q. When was the last time you had your preexposure rabies shot?
- A. I had a preexposure -- oh, I don't get preexposure, I get boosters.
  - Q. When was the last time you had a booster?
  - A. Last summer.
  - Q. Who gave that to you?

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Page 33 1 Dr. Bailey's office. A. 2 Q. How often do you get boosters? 3 Annually. A. 4 Q. Do you get your titer tested beforehand? 5 No. A. 6 Q. When was the last time you had your titer 7 tested? 8 A. Probably in the late '90s. 9 What was it at that time? Q. 10 A. I don't recall. 11 0. Who tested your titer at that time? 12 A. Dr. Singh's office. 13 S-I-N-G-H? Q. 14 Α. Yes. 15 Where is he located? Q. 16 A. He's no longer in Mineral Wells. I'm not sure 17 where he moved his practice. 18 Does your husband have a proof of preexposure 19 rabies shot card? 20 They don't give those in Texas. 21 Q. So how do you show someone that you've had your 22 preexposure shot? 23 Well --24 MR. TURNER: Objection, form. 25 (BY MS. CUMMINS) When Kay Singl -- did Kay Q.

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Singleton give you her proof of preexposure rabies card?

- I don't recall.
- Kay Singleton lives in Texas; she has a proof Q. of preexposure rabies card.
  - MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
  - MS. CUMMINS: I didn't ask a question yet.
  - MR. TURNER: Objection, sidebar.
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Did Janet Villareal have her preexposure shots?
  - Yes, she did.
  - Q. Where did she get them from?
  - A. Dr. Bailey's office.
  - Q. Who paid for them?
    - A. I did.
  - How much were they? Q.
- I don't recall. Α.
  - Q. How many shots do you need -- preexposure shots do you need before you can work with a rabies factor species?
    - A. Three.
    - Q. How much did they cost, approximately, each?
  - A. About 150.
    - When did Janet Villareal get her preexposure shots?
      - A. I don't recall.

Q. How long was it before she started working at Bat World Sanctuary?

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) How long before Janet
  Villareal started working at Bat World Sanctuary did she
  get her preexposure shots?
- A. You mean how long did she work there before she got her shots?
  - Q. No. Let me rephrase.

How much time passed from the time she received her preexposure shots to the time she started working at Bat World Sanctuary?

- A. She worked there before she received her shots, but she never handled any insectivorous bats.
  - Q. Did she handle any fruit bats?
- A. Yes, but you don't need preexposure shots to work with fruit bats.
  - Q. Don't fruit bats also get rabies?
- A. No, not the ones that are -- have been in zoos and been born and raised in captivity and have been in captivity for decades.
  - Q. But fruit bats can get rabies?
- A. They can get the Lissa virus. It's not exactly rabies, it's a different form of the virus.
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public in with the fruit bats?

- A. Absolutely not.
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- Q. So if I were to show you photos of people from the public in with the fruit bats, what would you say to that?
- A. I believe that you have pictures of interns.

  That's not exactly the public, that's not people walking in off the street and going and playing in our cages.
- Q. Can you give me a copy of Sara Kennedy's preexposure rabies vaccination card?
  - A. If I have it on hand.
- Q. When someone goes to Internet Bat World
  Sanctuary, don't they need to have proof of preexposure
  shots?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. So every time an intern shows up you collect those -- make a photocopy of those cards?
- A. Or we have them show us the cards, one or the other.
- Q. Did Kay Singleton show you her preexposure rabies card?
  - A. I don't recall. I'm sure that we received some

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- Q. Did you make a photocopy of her card?
- A. I don't recall.
- Q. You provided the health department a photocopy of one intern's card, that was Sandra Gerhardt. Did you provide the health department with any other cards?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Did I give you my proof of preexposure card?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Did I tell you what my titer was?
  - A. I don't recall that either.
  - Q. I don't have a preexposure card yet.

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

MS. CUMMINS: I didn't ask a question yet.

MR. TURNER: That was the basis of my

objection.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Do you have a copy of the preexposure rabies vaccination card for all members of Bat World Sanctuary that work with bats?
  - A. No, I don't.
  - Q. Why not?
- A. Because some places don't give cards. Some states don't give cards.
- Q. Kay Singleton lives in Texas; how did she get a card?

1 I'm not sure that she has a card. I don't recall that she has a card. 2 3 Didn't the application say we had to have proof 4 of vaccination cards? 5 Α. Your application -- the applications also state 6 -- ask for you to write in your own titer and sign that 7 you have an adequate titer. 8 Did I do that on my application? 9 I'm sure you did. 10 Q. I didn't. 11 MR. TURNER: Objection, form. 12 (BY MS. CUMMINS) Q. Now, one of the two main premises of your lawsuit against me is that I did not 13 14 have permission to take photos and videos at Bat World. 15 I would like to show you Exhibit 2, which 16 is entitled: "General Rules And Expectations During 17 Your Internship." I would like you to read number 14. 18 First, did you hand me that when I showed 19 up at Bat World Sanctuary? 20 A. Yes, I did. 21 (Exhibit 2 marked.) 22 (BY MS. CUMMINS) Could you please read number Q. 23 14. 24 Take as many pictures as you like of both

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to capture a fruit bat that flies away. Some bats may take fruit offered by hand (particularly melon) and do not mind having their picture taken with a flash.

Q. In your complaint you stated I did not have permission to take photos or videos.

What do you think that is?

- A. This is allowing you to take pictures while you're there. In the complaint, we didn't allow you -- we didn't -- you did not ask for permission to share those photos on the Internet. We don't care if anyone takes pictures. We want people to take pictures of procedures; that's how people can learn, is by reviewing those pictures and videos.
- Q. So you're telling me that you want people to take photos and videos, but you don't want them to post them on the Internet?
  - A. Not without permission.
- Q. In your complaint you state that the photos and videos were often taken without the knowledge of Bat World Sanctuary. Is that the truth?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Were you not in the room with me when I was taking photos of the bats and procedures?
  - A. Not all the time.
  - Q. Did I not take a video of you performing an

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1	episiotomy of a bat?	
2	A. Yes, of course.	
3	Q. How far away was my camera from you?	
4	A. I'm not sure. You were behind me.	
5	Q. Would you say it was a foot?	
6	A. Perhaps.	
7	Q. So you knew I was taking video of you?	
8	A. Of course.	
9	Q. Did I take photographs of you trying to suture	
10	a bat?	
11	A. I believe you did.	
12	Q. And you saw that I was there taking the	
13	photographs?	
14	A. Yes, of course.	
15	Q. So you knew, that was with your knowledge that	
L6	I took that photograph?	
L7	A. Yes.	
L8	Q. Do you also remember when you held a bat in	
L9	your hand and I was taking video of it?	
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  - Q. You had a bat in your hand -- did you have a bat in your hand which you thought might have had rabies and you were going to euthanize it?
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- A. I don't recall.
- Q. Did you tell me that it might possibly have rabies?
  - A. I don't recall.
- Q. Did you -- we'll get to the videos later, but did you point out the symptoms of rabies in the bat that you were holding in your hand?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. So you knew I was videotaping you holding that bat in your hand?
  - A. Of course.
- Q. What did you do with that bat after I stopped videotaping?
  - A. He was euthanized humanely.
  - Q. How did you euthanize him?
  - A. With isoflurane.
  - Q. How did you euthanize him with isoflurane?
- A. Would you like to know how the procedure is performed?
  - Q. Yes.
- A. The bat is placed into a soft padded roosting pouch, and isoflurane is dribbled onto a cotton ball and placed inside an air tight container so the bat can go to sleep, and left in there until they don't wake up,

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until there's no longer a heart beat, so they die while they're asleep.

- Q. So you knew that I was videotaping you when you were holding the bat in hand before you euthanized it?
  - A. Yes. I wanted you to learn.
- Q. And you also knew that I was videotaping you when you were doing the episiotomy?
  - A. Yes. Again, it was so you could learn.
- Q. And you also knew I was taking photos of you when you were trying to suture up the bat?
  - A. Yes. Again, so that you could learn.
- Q. Which photos were taken -- which photos or video were taken without your knowledge?
- A. There were photos and videos taken of the captive colony. There was a pallid bat that has cancer of the mouth that was drug out of her roost and placed on the edge of the cave --
  - Q. How did you know --
- A. -- while she was shaking and cold, and you were videotaping her.
  - MR. TURNER: Let her answer the question.
- A. You were videotaping her while she was scared to death and trying to make her way back into her little roost, because she was confused about being drug out and having flash and camera placed on her.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Were you there when the bat was drug out of her roost?
  - A. No, I was not.
  - Q. How do you know she was drug out of her roost?
- A. Because she wouldn't have been placed on -- she wouldn't naturally sit on the edge of the cave by herself, to the point where she was almost going to fall off.
- Q. You don't think she could have crawled out of her roost?
- A. No. She does crawl out of her roost to go get food and water, but they don't naturally sit on the edge of an area where they're going to naturally try -- almost fall off. That's not something any conscious animal does by itself.
- Q. Do you believe it's absolutely impossible for that pallid bat to have crawled out of her roost?
- A. I believe it is impossible for her to perch herself on the edge of a counter so that she was almost going to fall off.
- Q. So you are telling me that you believe that I dragged that bat out of her roost?
  - A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. Is that bat alive?
  - A. She died of cancer.

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Page 44 1 Q. When? 2 Α. I don't recall. A few months ago. 3 Q. What type of cancer? 4 Α. Mouth cancer. 5 Q. Did you do a necropsy? 6 A. We did a gross necropsy. 7 Who did it? Q. 8 A. Shawn Janette. 9 Q. So if I asked for a copy of that necropsy, 10 you'll be able to provide it to me? 11 I'm not sure. A. 12 Q. Why not? 13 I don't know what kind of records he has. 14 So Dr. Janette does procedures for you, but 15 doesn't keep records? 16 A. It's not necessary -- well, a lot of the 17 procedures he does are voluntary, so there's no need to 18 keep records on voluntary procedures on an animal that's 19 terminally ill. 20 What do you mean by voluntary? 21 A. He doesn't charge for his services. 22 Q. So when he doesn't charge, he doesn't keep a 23 record? 24 MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

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your veterinary records from Dr. Janette, would you be able to provide them to me?

A. I'm not sure that he has records, because he volunteers his services.

## (Exhibit 3 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'm going to show you an e-mail, Exhibit No. 3. Can you tell me what that is?
  - A. It's an e-mail from you to me.
- Q. And is there also an e-mail there from you to me in response?
- A. Oh, yes. I'm sorry, you said: "cute ones on the second page." There's a link. And then I e-mailed back with "Thank you Mary!!"
  - Q. So that is your e-mail?
  - A. Yes, that's my e-mail.
  - Q. What is the date of my e-mail to you?
  - A. June the 24th.
    - Q. And what is the date of your e-mail back to me?
  - A. June the 25th.
- Q. So you knew that I was posting these on the Internet?
- A. I knew that you had taken pictures of Cassandra with red bats in the rehab room and posted those, and that's what I believe that link is to. You had posted her playing with red bats -- or not -- excuse me, not

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playing with red bats, but treating red bats, orphans in the rehab room. And you took pictures of her doing so, as well as pictures of her with fruit bats, and posted those on the Internet.

That's why it says: Cute ones on the second page, as in, rather than something like, this is a medical procedure, on the second page.

- Q. So there were two pages of photos which were posted?
- A. Yeah. I'm not sure if I saw the first ones. I don't even recall what they are.
  - Q. Can you hand that back to me?
  - A. (Witness complies.)
- Q. This was a -- `the link that you clicked on to see the photos, what did you see when you --
- A. I remember seeing pictures of Cassandra with a red bat pup hanging on her shirt and Cassandra -- a picture of Cassandra with Peek-a-boo, one of the fruit bats, that's what I remember seeing.
- Q. That is -- you didn't -- do you remember seeing a link to an album entitled: Bats?
  - A. No, I don't.

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Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you Exhibit
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- A. It's an e-mail to me that says: I posted a few videos from my trip besides photos. Here's one of me feeding a baby Mexican free-tail bat. I hope it looks okay. I linked to your site in the video and photos.
  - Q. Do you remember reading that?
  - A. No. I don't remember reading it.
- Q. Do you remember the next morning that you commented about the videos on You Tube that you saw?
  - A. No, I don't remember. Don't recall that.
  - Q. Can you tell me what the date is of that?
  - A. That's June the 26th, 2010.
- Q. Now, the second main part of your complaint was that I posted these videotapes -- you state here that I posted the videotapes and photos on the Internet without Bat World's permission after I left the program. Is that the truth?
  - A. That's what I believe.
- Q. You just looked at the e-mails and you said that you viewed the photos before I left.
- A. I viewed these photos of Cassandra, the cute photos.
- Q. I'm going to go through -- I'd like to submit this all at once as No. 5. And, first of all, when did I first arrive at Fort Worth -- at Bat World Sanctuary, Fort Worth?

- A. I don't know when you arrived in Fort Worth. I wasn't there.
  - Q. Would that have been June 19th, 2010?
- A. I wasn't in Fort Worth. I was in Mineral Wells.
- Q. When did I arrive at Bat World Sanctuary, Mineral Wells?
- A. I don't recall. It was late at night. It was around 9 or 10:00 at night.
  - Q. You think I arrived at night?
  - A. I believe you did.
  - Q. Would that have been June 20th?
  - A. I don't recall exactly the date.
  - O. You don't remember?
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- Q. How many days was I at Bat World Sanctuary?
- A. I believe you were there six full days.
- Q. At the May 4th Temporary Injunction Hearing, do you remember stating that I was only there four days?
  - A. I may have said that. That was a mistake.
  - Q. So you were wrong?
- A. I may have misjudged the amount of days you were there, just like when you said you were there for ten days. That was also wrong.
  - Q. You don't believe I was there for ten days?

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- A. No, you were not.
  - Q. Was I in Texas for ten days?
- A. I'm not sure where you went after you left Bat World. I can't answer that.
- Q. When I first arrived at Bat World, Fort Worth, did I spend the night at Kate's house?
- A. You would have to ask Kate that. I have no idea.
- Q. So you don't remember the first day I arrived at Bat World, Mineral Wells?
- A. I don't recall the time you arrived. I believe it was late evening or possibly night.
- Q. Do you remember the June 20th? Do you remember the date, June 20th?
- A. No. It may have been the 20th. I don't recall. I've said I don't recall about 15 times I believe, so I really don't recall.
  - Q. Do you remember the day I left?
  - A. You left early in the morning.
- Q. Do you remember what day it was, date of the month?
  - A. I don't recall, again.
- Q. I provided to you in discovery, photos and videos with time stamps on them. I'm going to show you some today and I want you to tell me the dates that you

Page 50 1 These are the upload dates. see. 2 MR. TURNER: Objection, form. 3 (Exhibit 5 marked.) 4 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit No. 5. Can 5 you tell me what that is? 6 It looks like -- well, black magic marker 7 marking a picture out of something, and then it says: 8 "Baby bat pup nursing, Mary Cummins, Animal Advocates." 9 And pretty much the same thing all the way down. 10 Q. Do you see dates on the right? 11 **A** . Yes, I do. 12 (Exhibit 6 marked.) 13 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'm going to give you this, 14 Exhibit No. 6. What is that? 15 A. This is a video that you uploaded to You Tube. 16 Encircled, what does it say in the circle? Q. 17 A. June the 28th, it looks like. 18 What does it say before that? Q. 19 Α. Updated by Mary -- oh, uploaded by Mary 20 Cummins. 21 So does it say uploaded by Mary Cummins June 28th? 22 23 Yes. A. 24 (Exhibit 7,8 and 9 marked.)

(BY MS. CUMMINS)

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2	A.	June the 22nd.
3	Q.	And this?
4	A.	June 22nd.
5	Q.	This is 8. This is Exhibit 9. Can you tell me
6	the date:	?
7	A.	June the 21st. These look like some of the
8	pictures	that were taken without my permission.
9	Q.	What does it can you hand me back No. 9.
10	A.	(Witness complies.)
11	Q.	Is this a picture or a picture of a video?
12	A.	I have no idea.
13		(Exhibit 10 marked.)
14	Q.	(BY MS. CUMMINS) I'm going to hand you Exhibit
15	No. 10.	Does that say You Tube on there?
16	A.	Oh, yes it does. This looks like another video
17	that was	uploaded without my permission.
18	Q.	What is the date?
L9	A.	The date is June the 22nd.
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- Q. Can you tell me the date on this?
- A. That is June the 21st, and that is -- I can't tell if it's photo or video, but it also looks like another picture or video taken without my permission.

(Exhibit 11 & 12 marked.)

Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit No. 12. Can

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- A. That is the 22nd. It looks like a baby free-tail bat being squeezed by the head. And it was also uploaded without my permission.
  - Q. Does it say You Tube?
- A. Yes, it says You Tube. The baby looks like it's struggling. It's got its mouth open. It looks like it's being squeezed.
  - Q. Did you witness it being squeezed?
- A. No. I would have never allowed anyone to handle a baby bat that way.

(Exhibit 13 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit No. 13. Can you tell me the date?
- A. That is June the 28th. It looks like another video uploaded without my permission. It's being held wrong.
  - Q. How is it being held wrong?
- A. It's got the eye dropper jammed in its mouth, and it's not held correctly so that it won't get dirty while it's being fed.
  - Q. How is it not being held correctly?
- A. They should be held in a different position to not allow its coat to get dirty while it's being fed.
  - Q. What position would that be?

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- A. That's the position that I created.
- Q. What is the position that you created?
- A. It's called the V position.
- Q. Can you please describe it?
- A. It is a position that allows the milk to drip from the bottom of the dropper so that the pup's fur doesn't get dirty while it's being fed.
- Q. Can you show us how you would feed in that position, pretending you're holding a bat in --
- A. The bat is held this way, the dropper is held this way so that there's a V at the bottom. The pup's mouth is at the bottom of the V and the dropper is at the bottom of the V.
- Q. So you were the first person to have invented this position?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. What year was that?
- A. 1998, I believe. It may have been earlier than that.
- Q. So you're telling me right now that you are the first person ever to have fed a baby tree bat in that position?
- A. I'm the first person to have recommended that they're fed in this position -- that position. Prior to that, everyone held them in their hands and milk

saturated their coats and they ended up not surviving.

- Q. So all baby red tree bats that were fed before you discovered the V position didn't survive?
- A. I'm not sure about that. I'm -- I just know that this method allows the pups to survive at a much better rate than previous.
- Q. So only Bat World Sanctuary people feed in this position?
  - A. I'm not -- I didn't say that.
  - Q. Do you believe you own this technique?
- A. I believe we recommended it and invented the technique.
  - Q. Would you say it's proprietary?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. What is proprietary?
- A. Well, I'm sure the definition is on the Internet. I think you have written what proprietary is.
  - Q. What does it mean to you?
- A. It means that this is a method that we developed and that shouldn't be freely shared with others. It's in our book, so that method is proprietary. That means that it's -- our organization protects that method, and if people want to know about the method they should purchase the book.
  - Q. So you show this technique in your how-to book,

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- A. You mean my medical reference?
- Q. Let me get the exact title. Do you show photos of the V feeding method in your book: "Standards and Medical Management for Captive Insectivorous Bats"?
  - A. Yes. It's insectivorous bats, yes.
  - Q. Insectivorous bats.

(Exhibit 15 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) On the Internet, in your website, what is this?
  - A. That's one of the pages from our website.
  - Q. And do you have free resources?
  - A. Yes, we do.
  - Q. And under that, does it say infant care?
- A. Yes. We provide infant care free. That's one of the numerous proprietary things that we have, but the infant care, I want people to have a reference to so that they can save infants in case they can't afford to buy the book and still have access.
- Q. So someone could download your infant feeding chapter and use those techniques?
  - A. Yes, they can, from our website.
  - Q. Okay.
- A. Not from You Tube, from our website. We can share our proprietary information, but we don't allow

others to freely grab our proprietary information and spread it all over the Internet. That's why our information on our website is copyrighted.

- Q. So let's say Dick Wilkins were to read your chapter on feeding baby bats and he were to videotape himself or take photos of himself feeding baby bat and post it on the Internet. Would you be okay with that?
- A. That's his information. I can't stop him from doing what he wants to do with his information.
- Q. So if I were to have read your feeding baby bats chapter and then fed baby bats in that manner, and then took photos and videos, would you have a problem with that, and posted them on the Internet?
- A. It just depends on the content, on how you portrayed the information. It would depend on -- I can't answer a hypothetical question.
- Q. Did you put out a book, a very similar book, in 1998?
  - A. I put out two similar books.
  - Q. Did you --
  - A. Three, actually.
  - Q. What were the years?
- A. I don't recall the exact years. One was in '94, one in '98 and one in 2001, I believe.
  - Q. Is it possible that I read your 2002 version of

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this book and I read the baby chapter, and I already knew how to feed babies in the V position before I went to Bat World Sanctuary?

- A. The V position was not described in great detail in the previous books.
- Q. You said earlier today that you developed the V position in 1998?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Did you show the V feeding position in your 2002 version of the book?
- A. We described it. It wasn't shown in great detail, though.
  - Q. So there were no photos of it?
- A. No photos. Not that I recall. I'd have to actually look. I don't recall any photos. And I think it was 2001, actually.
- Q. So do you believe when I posted the photos and videos which I took at Bat World Sanctuary that I shared proprietary information?
  - A. Some of it, yes.
  - Q. What was proprietary?
- A. I'd have to actually look at everything again before I could answer that correctly.
- Q. I'm going to read to you the definition, proprietary, and then I'm going to ask you if you agree

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A. Proprietary information, also known as a trade secret, is information a company wishes to keep confidential. Proprietary information can include secret formulas, processes and methods used in production. It can also include a company's business and marketing plans, salary structure, customer lists, contracts, and details of its computer systems. In some cases, special knowledge and skills that an employee has learned on a job are considered to be a company's proprietary information.

Based on this definition, proprietary information is information that you wish to keep confidential. If you wish to keep this information confidential, why did you put it in a book?

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Do you believe that the V feeding position is proprietary?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. So you believe it's confidential?
  - A. No. I believe it's proprietary.
- Q. So you believe something that's proprietary is not necessarily confidential?
  - A. Not necessarily.
  - Q. So your V feeding position is something that

1 you want to share with others?

- A. When they purchase the book, it's one of the things, one of the many things.
- Q. But you're giving away your chapter nine, feeding baby bats, for free, you're not selling it. How do you consider that selling?
  - A. It's not selling.
- Q. By allowing people to download chapter nine, feeding baby bats --
- A. There's one proprietary piece of information in that chapter.
  - Q. What is that?
- A. That's the V position. That chapter is given away so that people can save the lives of baby bats when they find them without having to purchase the entire book. If they want the rest of the proprietary information, they have to purchase the book.
- Q. So if I were to post online tomorrow a feeding -- a video of me feeding a bat in the V position, you would not consider that proprietary?
  - A. Depends on the context on how you post it.
  - Q. What do you mean by that?
- A. Well, it's a hypothetical question, so I can't really answer it.
  - Q. I posted videos of me feeding bats in the V

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- A. Without our permission. You signed a contract at Bat World stating that you would not post anything without our permission.
- Q. You stated in your complaint that I also shared copyrighted materials.

What copyrighted materials were those?

- A. That is the video of a dental extraction that I believe you procured somehow from our website. Somehow or another, it was extracted from our website. It's a copyrighted video, and you shared that video.
  - Q. When did you sue me originally?
- A. I don't recall. I believe it was September of 2010.
  - Q. When was that video posted?
  - A. I don't recall that either.
  - Q. Was that video posted after September of 2010?
  - A. It may have been.
- Q. Well, then how could you have sued me for sharing copyrighted data if it hadn't been posted yet when you filed your complaint?
- A. We amended the original lawsuit, so I'm not -- without having those in front of me, I'm not sure.
- Q. What's the difference between your original complaint and your second amended complaint?

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- A. I'd have to look at those documents to explain the difference.
- Q. Do you remember when I went -- what was the date when I went to the wild sanctuary to help you clean up?
  - A. I don't recall that date.
- Q. About how many days after I first arrived at Mineral Wells did I go to the wild sanctuary?
  - A. Probably within the first day or two.
- Q. Did I tell you that I hit my head when I was in the wild sanctuary?
  - A. Yes. You said you bumped your head.
- Q. Did I tell you that I thought I had a concussion?
  - A. No, you did not.
- Q. Did I tell you that I saw turquoise spots jumping around, couldn't read and was nauseous?
- A. No, you did not, nor did you tell anyone else there, and you continued to work six days after that.
  - Q. So I worked six days after I had --
- A. Five or six days, depending on -- if you were there the first day and you bumped your head the first day you went to the wild sanctuary, you continued to work without one complaint about your head.

Several people asked you how you were

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doing, and you kept saying, I'm fine, I'm fine, I'm fine. We asked if you wanted some ice for your head and you said no.

- Q. Who -- who are these several people?
- A. There was -- Cassandra was another intern, there was Janette and myself, my husband.
- Q. Was Cassandra still interning at Bat World when I went to the wild sanctuary?
  - A. I'm not sure. I don't recall.
- Q. Do you remember the dates Cassandra was there her first time?
  - A. No, I don't, not without looking at my records.
- Q. So if I were to ask you to look at your records and get back to me and tell me the exact dates the interns were there, you would be able to tell me that?
  - A. Most likely, yes.
- Q. On the intern application sheet, isn't there an area where we can circle which dates we'd like to become an intern?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. And you don't remember which dates I was there?
  - A. No.
- Q. When did you first ask me to sign your contract?
  - A. The day you arrived, or the evening you

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- Q. Did I sign it that day?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Are you absolutely positive I signed it that day?
- A. I saw you sign it, and then I signed it and I made a copy for you.
  - Q. The first day I arrived?
- A. Yes. Everyone signs it the first day they arrive.
- Q. Are you sure that you didn't have to continue to ask me for several days?
- A. Absolutely not. Anyone who doesn't sign the contract is asked to leave.
- Q. Again, what time did I arrive at Mineral Wells?

  Can you give an estimate?
- A. As I stated earlier, I believe it was in the evening or the night of -- you said the 20th, so I will go with the 20th.
- Q. Do you remember Kate Rudroad in driving me from Fort Worth, Texas, to Mineral Wells the morning of the 20th?
  - A. I don't recall.
- Q. There was another intern there at that time, what was her name?

1 A. It was Cassandra.

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- Q. There was another intern besides her.
- A. Oh, Kat. She was from Sweden.
- Q. What's her last name?
- A. I would have to look it up. I can't pronounce it offhand.
- Q. So if I asked you for the names of all the interns, you would be able to provide that to me?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Along with how -- their exact dates they were there?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Where do you believe I signed this contract?
- A. In my office. My previous office. I'm in a different office now.
- Q. Do you remember previously stating that I was actually in a bedroom when I supposedly signed this?
- A. No. You were -- you came out and signed the contract -- it was the bedroom door, and the bed is visible from a shipping counter. The contract was on the shipping counter. You signed the contract at the shipping counter. I made a copy and gave it back to you, and you went back into the bedroom. That's what I recall.
  - Q. Did anyone else supposedly witness this?

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A. I don't know if that happened or not. I don't recall.

## (Exhibit 16 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit No. 16. Can you please spell out what is printed there on that line.
  - A. That is Mary C-U-M-M-I-N-G-S.
  - Q. Did you write that?
- A. I did, because you neglected to put your name at the top. So while you were standing there in front of me, I wrote your name and I misspelled and put Cummings instead of Cummins.
- Q. So it's your testimony today that I signed that on the bottom, and then you filled that out on the top?
- A. After you signed it on the bottom, yes. I said, "Oh, you forgot to put your name here," and I wrote it in for you.

MR. TURNER: Shall we take a short break? We've been going an hour and 15 minutes.

MS. CUMMINS: Okay.

(Break taken from 11:15 a.m. to a 11:25 a.m.)

Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Now, if I were to tell you that I arrived at Bat World Sanctuary, Fort Worth, on June 19th, and then arrived at Bat World Sanctuary, Mineral Wells, on June 20th, and then left Bat World

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Sanctuary, Mineral Wells, on 28th, would you say that is incorrect?

- A. I don't recall. I'd have to look at my records.
- Q. If I were to have arrived on June 19th and left on June 28th, wouldn't that have been ten days?
- A. You didn't arrive at Bat World Sanctuary on June the 19th.
  - Q. When did I arrive at Bat World Sanctuary?
- A. I believe it was the same day you signed the contract, and that was the 20th.
- Q. So if I were to arrived Bat World Sanctuary on June 20th and left on June 28th --
- A. If you arrived on the 20th, later in the day or at night, then you actually began the internship on the 21st, and you left six days later, that would have made it the 27th, and you left early in the morning of the 28th, then that would be about six days.
- Q. So you're now saying I did leave early in the morning on the 28th?
- A. You left early in the morning, whatever day it was. It was very early in the morning.
  - Q. Did Kay and I leave after we fed the baby bats?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. What time did we leave?

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- A. I don't recall.
- Q. Then how do you know it was early in the morning?
- A. Because I was taking care of bats when you left.
  - Q. What were you doing when we left?
  - A. I was taking care of bats in the recovery room.
- Q. You were taking care of bats in the recovery room, you weren't in the wild sanctuary?
  - A. No.
  - Q. You definitely weren't in the wild sanctuary?
  - A. No.
- Q. Do you have any mental condition that would ever effect your memory?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Do you currently have any medical conditions?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Are you taking any medication?
- A. No.
  - MR. TURNER: Hold on a second. We're not going to answer any health questions, they're privileged.
  - MS. CUMMINS: I didn't ask her for her communications with her doctor.
    - Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Are you a bat expert?

I know a lot about bats. 1 Α. I've never called 2 myself an expert. 3 Has anyone else called you a bat expert? Q. 4 Α. Many people. 5 Who? Q. A. 6 I don't recall everyone. 7 Give me a couple of names. Q. 8 Merlin Tuttle. Several people at Bat A. 9 Conservation International 10 Q. What are their names? 11 I don't recall their names. Malia Bayless 12 would be one of them. Barbara French, my coauthor. 13 Q. Where is Barbara French? 14 A. I'm not positive. I know she moved several 15 years ago. 16 0. Where did she move? 17 I'm not sure. Α. 18 Are you still friends? Q. 19 A. I haven't talked to her in several years. 20 I've noticed that a great portion of the book Q. 21 written by you and Barbara French is very similar to 22 your current book. 23 How come you don't give her credit as the 24 coauthor?

Objection, form.

MR. TURNER:

1 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Why is Barbara French not 2 listed as a coauthor on your current book? 3 Because she didn't contribute to the current book. 4 5 Q. She didn't contribute anything? 6 No. A. 7 Contributed nothing? Q. 8 A. Nothing. So you wrote everything in your current book? 9 Q. 10 Α. Yes, I did. 11 Absolutely everything? Q. 12 A. Yes, I did. 13 Q. Every word? 14 A. Every word. 15 Q. What about the diagrams, did you draw them all? 16 Did I draw them personally? Is that what 17 you're asking me? 18 0. Yes. 19 Our graphic artist drew them all, and he's A. No. 20 given credit in the book. 21 They weren't based on other people's graphics? Q. 22 They may have been. Those people are also A. 23 given credit. 24 Did Patricia Winters ever contribute to your 25 book?

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- A. Not the current book, no.
- Q. Did she contribute to the past books?
- A. She contributed some information to the very first book.
  - Q. Was that the 1994 manual or the 1998 book?
  - A. '98. She's given credit.
- Q. So she was given credit in the 1998 book. And she is not given credit in the current book because she didn't contribute?
  - A. She is no longer alive.
- Q. I know. Did you remove everything that she contributed from the 1998 book?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Do you know Dr. Patricia Brown-Berry?
- A. I know of her.
- Q. Have you ever spoken with her?
- A. Yes, I have.
  - Q. When was that?
  - A. At a conference back in the late '90s.
- Q. Did she ever write a forward for any of your books?
  - A. Yes. She wrote a forward for one of my books.
- Q. Which one?
- A. "The Bat in My Pocket: A Memorable
- 25 Friendship."

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- Q. Did she contribute to any of your books?A. No, she did not.Q. Are you and Barbara French on friendly terms?
  - A. We were the last time we talked. I haven't spoken with her in years.
    - Q. When did you talk last?
    - A. It's been three or four years ago.
  - Q. Did you tell me that Barbara French stole your microscope?
    - A. No, I did not.
  - Q. Did you tell me that Barbara French was a bat hoarder?
    - A. No, I did not.
  - Q. Did you tell me that you had to take care of all of her bats?
    - A. I've taken care of her bats several times.
  - Q. Do you have any official designation calling you a bat expert?
    - A. I'm not sure I understand that question.
    - Q. Any certificate?
  - A. There is no certificate that says you are a bat expert.
    - Q. Did you write a manual in 1994?
    - A. Yes, I did.
    - Q. What was that called?

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- A. Captive Care of -- "Captive Care and Rehabilitation of Mexican Free-tail Bats."

  Q. In that book, did you recommend euthanasia by
- A. At the time, that's what current -- that's what the current research recommended.
- Q. Did you euthanize Mexican free-tail bats by freezing them?
- A. I euthanized bats that were comatose, that were already unconscious, by freezing.

As I said, that was the current recommended method of euthanasia for insectivorous bats until we discovered that isoflurane was much more humane.

- Q. You discovered isoflurane --
- A. Bat World Sanctuary discovered that isoflurane was the most humane method to euthanize insectivorous bats.
  - Q. When did you discover this?
  - A. I don't remember exactly.
- Q. You don't believe that people have been using isoflurane to euthanize bats and other animals before that?
- A. It's been used -- yes, it's been used widely to euthanize other animals, but not specifically Mexican free-tail bats. Before, they used CO2, which is a

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1 horrific death for insectivorous bats.

- Q. So you're the first person to use isoflurane to euthanize an insectivorous bat?
- A. I didn't say that. I said we're the ones who discovered that it was the most humane method. We're the ones that published that it was the most humane method. We have a position statement on that. We're the first ones to create a position statement on the most humane methods for euthanizing insectivorous bats.
- Q. When you recommended euthanizing bats by freezing them, did you not state that you believed when -- that the bats would go into torpor and then they would humanely die?
- A. Yes. That's most often the case. That's what's been found in research.
  - Q. So bats that hibernate go into torpor?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Do Mexican free-tail bats hibernate?
  - A. They go into torpor. They go into deep torpor.
  - Q. When do they do this?
  - A. During cold weather.
- Q. When it gets cold, don't Mexican free-tail bats hibernate?
- A. No, they don't hibernate, they don't truly hibernate.

- Q. Not hibernate, I'm sorry, migrate.
  - A. They do, but they also go into torpor.
  - Q. And what areas do they go into torpor?
  - A. Wherever it's cold.
  - Q. If a bat goes into torpor, and then all of a sudden the temperature drops, would the bat wake up?
  - A. It depends on the situation. If he's unconscious, no.
    - Q. But if he were conscious, would he wake up?
    - A. He might.
    - Q. He might?
  - A. I have no idea, because that's never happened to me.
  - Q. You have no idea if a bat were to go into torpor and the temperature were to drop too low, if it would wake up or not?
  - A. That would be in a research setting where you would be able to monitor and watch a bat as it's going to sleep and then if it suddenly wake ups. I mean there's no way to know what's happening unless you were in the freezer with the bat or you have a camera.

So research has been done. I have not conducted that research. I know research has been done on that.

Q. What was the results of that research?

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- A. From what I understand, bats who are exposed to rapid freezing wake up because they're afraid that they're going to freeze to death.
- Q. So if you were to put a bat into the freezer in order to get to a certain temperature, you don't think it would wake up in there?
- A. A conscious bat might. An unconscious bat who is already agonal and approaching death would not wake up.
- Q. So you only put unconscious bats in the freezer?
  - A. Yes. That's what I said earlier.
- Q. Hasn't the American Veterinary Medical
  Association stated that freezing bats -- freezing
  animals to death is animal cruelty?
- A. They didn't say it was animal cruelty. They said it was not recommended because -- then they addressed the rapid freezing of conscious animals. It's an entirely different scenario.
  - Q. Who's Sue Bernard?
- A. Sue Bernard is the person who told me that freezing bats to death, or freezing bats as a method of euthanasia, would be the good way to do it.
  - Q. How did she tell you this?
  - A. Over the phone.

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- Q. In your book you said you received a note that said she recommends freezing. Did you receive a note?
  - A. In my book I received a note?
- Q. Yes. You made a remark, a comment in your book saying that Sue Bernard recommends freezing.
  - A. Oh, personal communication, yes.
  - Q. So she told you she freezes bats to death?
  - A. She recommended that method to me, yes.
  - Q. When?
  - A. Back in the early '90s, I believe.
- Q. Your manual came out in 1994, so it was before that?
  - A. It was before that.
- Q. In her book she stated that freezing bats to death is animal cruelty and not recommended by the AVMA. She stated that Amanda Lollar recommends freezing bats to death, but she disagrees with that.

Do you remember that in her book?

- A. I also remember Sue Bernard telling me if I ever came out with a book -- because she wrote a small manual. She said -- told me that if I came out with a book that she would make me sorry that I came out with a book. I assume that's what she was doing when she wrote that.
  - Q. What did she say word for word?

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- A. I don't recall. I just basically told you what I do remember.
  - Q. She will make you sorry.

Where does Sue Bernard live?

- A. I am not sure. I have not spoken with her in over a decade.
- Q. When Sue Bernard came out with her book, which stated that your method of euthanizing bats was cruel, did you threaten to sue the publisher?

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Did you threaten to sue the publisher of her book?
  - A. No.
- Q. Did you ever threaten to sue the publisher, your own publisher?
  - A. My own publisher?
  - Q. Of any of your books.
  - A. No.
- Q. In your 1994 manual, did you recommend gluing broken bones?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Do you have a copy of your 1994 manual?
  - A. No, I don't.
    - Q. Can you get a copy?
- A. Well, I have one, yes.

- Q. Can I have a copy? I will request it.
- A. If I -- I don't have a problem with that.
- Q. Okay.

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- A. I never recommended gluing broken bones together, if that's your question. I can continue to answer that question if you would like to know exactly how it's done.
- Q. Did you ever recommend gluing broken bones together in your 1994 manual?
- A. I never recommended gluing broken bones together as taking glue and putting it on one end and then the other end. I recommend stabilizing the wing by gluing two fingers together to stabilize the break that's inside one finger. That's an entirely different scenario than gluing two bones together like this.

  That's entirely different. Blood flow won't go through glue, and you don't glue broken bones together. That's absurd.
- Q. So if I were to get a copy of your 1994 manual, I will be able to read exactly what you're talking about now?
- A. That's also -- yes. That's also in all four manuals and books that I've written, the same exact procedure, which says nothing at all about gluing two broken bones together. Although I am aware that that's

1 what Sue Bernard stated I was trying to say. 2 (Exhibit 14 marked.) 3 (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you 4 Exhibit 14. These are photos which user WingedSonar, aka Sara Kennedy posted. Have you seen these? 5 6 Yes, I have. I gave her permission to post 7 them. 8 (Exhibit 17 marked.) 9 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit 17. What is 10 this? 11 That's a video that Sara Kennedy posted with 12 full permission from Bat World Sanctuary. 13 Does that video show the wild sanctuary and the 14 rehab center? 15 This shows a fruit bat that's being cared for 16 in our recovery room. 17 Have you ever seen that video that she made? 18 Yes, I have. Α. 19 Does her video show the wild sanctuary and the 20 rehab center? 21 A. It may. I don't recall. I don't recall the 22 entire video, but I have seen it. 23 You saw the video but you don't remember what's 24 on it?

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- Q. Do you remember if she showed any of your feeding techniques?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. Do you believe your Bat Hut is proprietary?
  - A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. Why do you believe it's proprietary?
- A. Because we elaborated on a current design that was -- had gone -- basically, that was out of -- it was discontinued. The design that was out there that was being used for bats was made for bugs. That design was discontinued. We took that design and added a lot of features to it that would make it more convenient or easier for bats to be inhabited in and -- or enclosed in, and marketed it specifically for bats.

(Exhibit 18 & 19 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Is this a photo of your Bat Hut?
  - A. Yes, it is.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?
- A. That is a photo of our Bat Hut, and this is by the company that markets, or that we get our Bat Huts from. We are in partnership with them.
- Q. So you and Port-A-Cage both own the Bat -- the Port-A-Cage Bat Hut?

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- Q. And it's proprietary?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Do you believe it's confidential?
- A. Confidential and proprietary isn't exactly the same thing.
- Q. I asked you earlier -- I read the definition of proprietary earlier, and it said it's information a company wishes to keep confidential.

How are you keeping that confidential?

- A. That's not all of the definition. There's much more to the definition on proprietary.
- Q. What does it mean to you in regard to the Bat
- A. It means that we designed this specifically for bats, therefore, we made this design specifically for bats to be sold by us, as well as Insect Lore -- I mean, not Insect Lore, but the company who we are in production with.
- Q. What's the difference between Port-A-Cage and Bat Hut?
  - A. You mean the Port A Bug?
  - Q. No, Port-A-Cage.
- A. Oh, that's just something they've named it. There's really not any difference.

1 Q. Can you hand that to me. 2 A. (Witness complies.) 3 That's just the way that they decided to market our same product. 4 5 This product has one clear vinyl side, the Bat 6 Hut does not. 7 The Bat Hut does have a vinyl side. Α. Yes. 8 Q. Where is that, in the back? 9 A. It's on the bottom. 10 Q. Oh, on the bottom of this? 11 **A**. I can't tell that that's clear. 12 Q. It's on the side for easy viewing? 13 A. Oh, I see. Okay. Then this one would be made 14 for bugs, then. 15 So that's the only difference between Bat Hut 16 and Port-A-Cage? 17 If that's what you see. I've never really looked at this before, so I'm not sure. 18 19 (Exhibit 20 marked.) 20 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Here's Exhibit 20. Can you 21 tell me what that is. 22 That is a Port A Bug. That's the item that was A. 23 discontinued. 24 Q. They don't sell it anywhere?

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- Q. I can't buy one today?
- A. I don't know that you can buy one. I know it's been discontinued. The company that makes this item does not sell it anymore.
- Q. So did you get their permission to use their design?
- A. It's been discontinued, and it's not exactly their design. It's the same shape, but it's not their same design.
  - Q. What's the difference?
- A. There's a difference in size, there's a difference in the mesh, there's a difference in the way it's constructed.
  - O. What's the difference in size?
  - A. It's taller and wider.
  - Q. Did you ever sell Port A Bugs?
  - A. No, we didn't.
    - Q. I didn't buy a couple from you?
- A. I don't believe you did. We never sold them on our website.
- Q. Do you have permission from Port A Bug to use their design?
- A. I'm not sure that it's their design. And we didn't use their design. The cage that we make is larger. It has mesh on the top that enables bats to

hang from the top, and it also has a clear floor that enables us to be able to clean it easier.

- Q. You don't see any similarities between the Port A Bug and the Bat Hut?
- A. The shape is fairly the same. Ours is larger, it's wider, sturdier, doesn't fold the same.
- Q. You don't believe that you borrowed a proprietary or copyrighted design from Port A Bug?
- A. No. The item has been discontinued by Port A Bug, so therefore we did not.
- Q. So when an item is discontinued, someone no longer owns the rights to it?
  - A. I'm not sure about that. I don't --
  - Q. Did you ask permission from Port A Bug?
- A. We -- there are more than Port A Bug that makes this same design. There are probably a dozen companies that makes the same exact shape of cage for bugs.
  - Q. What are the names of those companies?
  - A. You would have to look them up on the internet.
  - Q. Well, how do you know them?
- A. Because I've seen them. Because I tried to order some like this. The problem was that those cages fell apart easily. Which is another difference in our cage, it doesn't fall apart.
  - Q. How do you use isoflurane to anesthetize an

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- A. There's several different ways you can use it. You can -- for insectivorous bats, in particular, you use what's called the cone method, and you put a cotton ball in a cone and put some isoflurane on the cotton ball. It's called the drop-cone method. Or if you happen to have an isoflurane machine, you can use an isoflurane machine, either way.
  - Q. Do you have an isoflurane machine?
  - A. No, I don't.
  - Q. What is an isoflurane machine called?
  - A. I'm not sure.
- Q. How is isoflurane legally supposed to be used according to the label on the bottle?
- A. Well, you can use it with an actual machine or you can use a drop-cone method.
- Q. You gave a copy of the cardboard box that an isoflurane bottle came in to the city of Mineral Wells, and the label stated that it must be used with a nebulizer; do you remember that?
- A. No. It doesn't say nebulizer. A nebulizer is not an isoflurane machine.
  - Q. What do you think an isoflurane machine is?
- A. It is a machine that delivers oxygen, as well as the anesthetic, in controlled amounts. A nebulizer

does not do that.

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- Q. Would that be through a mask or intubation?
- A. It could be through a mask or a cone.

  Intubation is -- intubation is not -- doesn't have anything to do with isoflurane.
  - Q. What does intubation mean to you?
- A. That's -- intubation is when you use a tube that goes down into the -- down to the back of the throat. That doesn't have anything to do with delivering gas, unless it's with humans. And I'm not sure about human anesthesia. That might be the case with humans, but that's not normally done with animals.
- Q. Do you have a machine at Bat World Sanctuary where you can mix measured amounts of isoflurane and oxygen to give to bats?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Why not?
- A. They're very expensive, they're very costly. They're very difficult to maintain. You have to get oxygen, as well. And they're not exactly necessary. Not unless you're doing surgeries on a constant basis, are they necessary.
  - Q. Is a C-section a surgery?
  - A. Yes, it is.
  - Q. Have you done C-sections?

- A. Yes, I have.
  - Q. Is an amputation a surgery?
  - A. Yes, it is.
  - Q. Have you done amputations?
- A. Yes.

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- Q. And what method of anesthesia did you use for the amputation?
  - A. Isoflurane.
  - Q. Was it the drop-cone method?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have, at Bat World Sanctuary, a way to measure heart rate and breathing?
  - A. On an insectivorous bat?
- Q. Yes.
  - A. No one has a way to do that.
- Q. You don't have clips --
- 17 A. Have clips?
  - Q. -- to be able to monitor the heat rate?
  - A. You can't monitor the heat rate of an insectivorous bat; that's impossible.
    - Q. Why?
  - A. Because they're the size of a stick of gum, because no one really knows what the heart rate is when an insectivorous bat is under anesthesia. They don't make equipment that measures that.

- 1 So if I were to tell you that my vet can 2 measure the heart rate of a mouse --3 A. Then you've got a very good vet. 4 MS. CUMMINS: I'm about to go into a big 5 I think it would be better if we left for category. 6 lunch early, so I don't have to break it up. 7 MR. TURNER: 8 (Discussion off the record.) 9 (BY MS. CUMMINS) What type of computer do you Q. 10 have, Ms. Lollar? 11 Dell. **A**. 12 Q. What is your operating system? 13 I don't recall. Would it be Windows 7? 14 15 A. Yes. 16 What is your browser? Q. 17 I use Mozilla. **A**. Do you ever use Firefox? 18 Q. 19 Α. Same thing.
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A. I don't recall.

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- Q. What is the resolution of your monitor screen?
- A. I don't recall.
- Q. Could it be 1366 by 768?
- A. It could. I don't recall.
- Q. Have you ever visited laanimalwatch.blogspot.com?
  - A. I don't recall. I've looked at websites.
- Q. Have you ever searched Google for the phrase:
  Amanda Lollar commits animal cruelty at Bat World
  Sanctuary?
  - A. No, I haven't.
- Q. Have you ever posted comment at laanimalwatch.blogspot.com?
  - A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Has anyone at Bat World Sanctuary Mineral Texas ever posted on laanimalwatch.com?
  - A. Absolutely not.

(Exhibit 21 marked.)

Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Could you please tell me how someone, looks like it's from your computer, from your Internet service provider, was searching Google for the term: Amanda Lollar commits animal cruelty at Bat World search -- Sanctuary, and ended up posting this comment on LA Animal Watch?

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MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Can you read the comment that was posted?
  - MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Can you read what I have circled?
- A. "Mary Cummins you are a sick woman. You are only attacking Ms. Lollar because you are losing a lawsuit. Take these pages down and all the other sites like Indy and maybe they will close victimsofmisscummins.blogspot.com to public view and maybe they will stop digging into your sick pathetic excuse for a life."
  - Q. Did you post that?
  - A. No, I did not.
  - Q. Can you hand that back to me?
- A. (Witness complies.)
- Q. This was posted -- this was sent to be posted May 25th, 7:50 a.m., L.A. time.

May 25th, 9:50 a.m., which was a Wednesday, who was at Bat World Sanctuary who had access to your computer?

- MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Who was at Bat World Sanctuary May 25th at 9:50 a.m.?

I would assume myself and several volunteers. 1 A. 2 This was May 25th. 0. 3 A. The same answer, I would assume myself and 4 several volunteers. 5 Ο. What volunteers were there? 6 A. I'm trying to remember who was volunteering 7 I can't recall exactly. I'd have to check my 8 records. 9 So if I were to ask you what volunteers were 10 there May 25th you would be able to give me a list? 11 Yes. Α. 12 (Exhibit 22 marked.) 13 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is Exhibit 22. Can you 14 tell me what that is? It is a post made to my list serve. 15 Α. 16 Did you make that post? 17 A. I can't tell who made it. Yeah, it says Bat 18 World Sanctuary, so, yes, I made it. 19 Q. Could you please read that? 20 It says: Yes, she also has a criminal record. And it lists case number and several different legal --21 22 Court 1484EA, PC PTY theft, ACQ credit card W/O cons. 23 Another one says forged name on credit card, another one

says theft by forgery, invalid credit card. Another one

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Other lawsuits involve cyber squatting, which she lost via default judgment. And then it says FA Beverly Hills, Incorporated versus Mary Cummins, ET, neighbor dispute which she promptly settled, and defamation, which plaintiff abandoned because they were able to get rid of her defamation. She also goes by Mary Cummins, Mary Cummins Cobb, and Mary Katherine Cummins, and sometimes her name shows up as Mary She has used the same e-mail for years. has hundreds of aliases she uses, as well. Right now she's encouraging her Facebook friends to repost the videos and defamation I've managed to get removed. These are the same items she was ordered to remove by the court, so she is now in contempt. She either thinks she's above the law or that she will never -- or that it will never catch up to her. She typically bullies and harasses her victims into giving up, but that's not going to work for her this time around. Thank you, Debbie, for your words of encouragement on our blog. That really means a lot to us.

- Q. Can you hand that back to me.
- A. (Witness complies.)
- Q. Now, everything that you wrote there, is that the truth?
  - A. The truth as I know it.

- Q. Can you hand me the other page.
- A. (Witness complies.)
- Q. So you believe I'm a convicted criminal?
- A. We have information that shows that you have been convicted of crimes.
  - Q. Where is that information?
  - A. I have it in my computer.
- Q. So if I ask you for evidence that shows I've been convicted of crimes, you'll be able to give me that?
  - A. Yes.
  - O. What is that evidence?
  - A. It's court documents.
- Q. You have court documents which shows I have been convicted of crimes?
- A. That shows Mary Cummins, yes, has been convicted of crimes.
  - Q. Mary -- a Mary Cummins any Mary Cummins or me?
  - A. It says Mary Cummins.
- Q. So you believe a Mary Cummins. It could be one of thousands in the United States.

MR. TURNER: Let me interrupt. You're wanting to go into matters that concern another lawsuit that you filed.

MS. CUMMINS: I can ask any questions.

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MR. TURNER: That's not why we're here today. Those questions are abusive. So we're not going to answer questions about -- that pertain to the other lawsuit.

MS. CUMMINS: How is it abusive?

MR. TURNER: I'm just telling you the questions are abusive because they're irrelevant. They have nothing to do with this case. They're not in issue in this case. They're not in any pleadings in this case, and therefore it's a waste of everybody's time to go into something that's unrelated to this lawsuit.

(Exhibit 23 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show Exhibit 23.

  I'd like you to read the paragraph that's outlined on
  the second page.
- A. What Mary is doing is bad enough, but like an annoying fly she'll soon be squashed. However, when BCI made their insinuating post to over -- to over 5,000 people on their Facebook page they reached our target audience. We share the same membership base. We now stand a very real chance of facing financial ruin because of what BCI did to us.
- Q. So you posted that what Mary's doing is bad enough, but like an annoying fly she'll soon be squashed; is that correct?

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- A. That's correct. I posted that to our private group list serve.
  - Q. Was it private at the time?
- A. I don't recall. It's to our members, to our personal members that have a vested interest in Bat World Sanctuary.
- Q. This is your -- is this your Yahoo group World Bat Line?
  - A. Yes, it's our Yahoo group.
  - Q. When did you make it private?
- A. I don't recall. It was after -- it was sometime after I found out that you had placed people in our list serve that were causing damage. Someone, someone used one of our member's lists to post defamation about me, used her e-mail address to post defamation about me and posted to our list serve through her personal e-mail.
  - Q. Who was that?
  - A. I don't know. Maybe you know.
  - Q. What user name?
- A. I don't remember her exact name, but she later was appalled that someone had hacked into her e-mail account and used her address to make a post on our list serve.
  - Q. So you're saying someone hacked into one of

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1 your member's e-mail address to post on your list? 2 A. To post defamation about me, yes. 3 Do you realize hacking is a federal crime? 4 Yes, I do. A. 5 Are you accusing someone of a federal crime? 6 A. I said -- who would I know to accuse when I 7 don't know who exactly did it. 8 When did you make World Bat Line a private 9 group? 10 Α. I believe I said a few minutes ago that I don't 11 recall. 12 You don't seem to recall much, Ms. Lollar, is there a reason for that? 13 14 MR. TURNER: Objection, form. 15 answer. 16 (Exhibit 24 marked.) 17 0. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to submit Exhibit 18 No. 24. Can you tell me what this is? 19 Α. This is a letter to Donna Robins from me. 20 And how would you summarize that letter? Q. Written in 2009, so I'd have to read it to see 21 22 what it says. 23 Did you tell the city of Mineral Wells that you 24 would be building an artificial cave outside of town and

moving the bats there?

Page 97 1 A. Yes, we did. 2 Q. When did you say that? 3 A. A few years ago. 4 Have you done that? 5 We're still working on it. A. 6 You stated in your website that someone already Q. 7 donated the land? 8 A. Yes. 9 Q. Where is the land? 10 It's in Mineral Wells. A. 11 Does that show up in your 990s as an asset? Q. 12 A. It's -- the land was -- the spot was donated. The actual land was not donated to the organization. 13 14 The spot for the cave was donated. 15 So someone did not donate land? 16 A. They donated an area for the cave to be 17 built on private land, protected land. 18 0. Okay. Who owns that? 19 A. That's private information. 20 So this person is going to let you put an Q. artificial cave on there and keep it there forever? 21 22 A. Yes. 23 Q. How is it protected land? 24 A. It's land that has been in the family for 25 decades and is going to remain in the family for

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decades. It's protected for wildlife. It's wildlife habitat.

- Q. What's the zone?
- A. I'm sorry?
- Q. What is the zoning?
- A. It's outside the city limits.
- Q. Oh, so it's outside.

What have you done to construct this artificial cave?

- A. We haven't done anything yet because we're still trying to acquire the funds.
  - Q. How much have you acquired so far?
  - A. None.
- Q. On your website, doesn't it show that you've acquired some funds already?
- A. Oh, I think about \$230. Not enough to begin even breaking ground.
- Q. Did you tell the city of Mineral Wells that you will be excluding bats from your building?
  - A. Yes, I did.
  - Q. Have you done this?
  - A. We're in the process.
- Q. Did you promise them that you would have done it by last year?
  - A. No, I did not.

1 So when the bats leave this year from the wild Q. 2 sanctuary, you're going to exclude them all? 3 We're going to start the process. 4 Did you tell the city of Mineral Wells that you started the process last year? 5 6 Α. Yes, we did. 7 What did you do to start the process? Q. 8 We sealed the north side of the building. A. 9 Q. So what is still open? 10 Α. The south side. 11 So they can still go in and out through the Q. 12 south side? 13 Yes. Α. 14 Q. When are you going to seal the south side? 15 A. We're starting that process this year. 16 Ο. When will it be finished? 17 I'm not sure. Α. 18 Q. When did you tell the city it would be 19 finished? 20 Within five years. 21 You said within five years? Can you hand that Ο. 22 back to me. 23 A. (Witness complies.) 24 So if I were to ask you for any written

communications with the city of Mineral Wells which said

you will exclude the bats within five years, you'll be able to give it to me?

- A. Well, there was an oral conversation.
- Q. Was it with Donna Robins?
- A. And Lance Howerton, the city manager.
- Q. You promised to exclude the bats within five years. When did you make that promise?
  - A. I believe it was this year.
  - Q. You promised this year?
- A. Uh-huh. I also told them I would be happy to work with them about the Baker Hotel, because we're working in collaboration. I'm working with the city to help them with all the bat population in the downtown area of Mineral Wells. I've been working with them for 20 years.
- Q. Are you currently working with people who own the Baker Hotel?
  - A. Not yet, but we're going to.
- Q. When you exclude the bats from your wild sanctuary, where do you expect them to go?
- A. We're hoping they will go to the cave that's -that will be built, hopefully, by that time, or by
  another structure that we're working on currently.
  - Q. Is that the bat castle?
  - A. Yes, it is.

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- 1 Q. Where will the bat castle be located? 2 On private land. A. 3 Where? Q. That's private information. 4 Α. 5 Will it be within the city of Mineral Wells? Q. 6 A. Maybe. 7 So you don't know where the land is? Q. 8 We do know where the land will be located. 9 will be either right in -- it will be in the outskirts 10 of Mineral Wells, perhaps in a different county, because 11 the county line crosses over from Palo Pinto to Parker 12 So it will be within ten miles of Mineral 13 Wells, but in a different county. 14 So you don't currently have the exact location 15 of where you're going to build the bat castle? 16 A. No, we don't. 17 Q. Do you have any architectural drawings? 18 Α. Yes, we do. 19 So if I were to ask you for -- I mean more than 20 just the photo that you have on your website. 21 have blueprints? 22 We have technical drawings. 23
  - Is that just the photo that's on the website? Q.
  - Α. I believe on the contest we're running currently, the one you've mentioned on your website

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1 that's a farce --2 Q. Yes. 3 Α. -- that contest, we have those technical 4 drawings up on the Pepsi Refresh contest. 5 Q. Do you have any more drawings than that? 6 A. Not yet, no. 7 Who made those drawings? Q. 8 Α. My husband. 9 Q. Is your husband an architect? 10 A. He's an engineer. 11 What is the size of the bat castle dimensions? Q. 12 A. It depends on the spot of land that we actually It could be anywhere from 100 feet long to 13 choose. 14 40 feet wide, down to 60 feet long to 20 feet wide. It 15 just depends on the parcel of land we actually choose in 16 the end. 17 (Exhibit 25 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you Exhibit 25. Can you tell me what that is?
  - It is an e-mail from me to Donna Robins.
- Q. And in that e-mail, do you tell her that your Mexican free-tail bats have white stuff on their bodies?
  - Yes, I do. A.
- And you stated that you have photos of your bats with white stuff on them?

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- Q. So if I asked for the photos of your Mexican free-tail bats with white stuff on them, you'll be able to give them to me?
- A. They're not my Mexican free-tail bats. These are wild bats that have white on their bodies.
  - Q. So you took those photos?
  - A. I took the photos.
  - Q. Do Mexican free-tail bats hibernate?
  - A. No. They go into torpor, deep torpor.
  - Q. Do Mexican free-tail bats migrate?
  - A. Yes, they do.
- Q. What percent of them migrate and what percent go into torpor?
- A. It depends on the region. Tadarida brasiliensis Mexicana migrate to Mexico. Tadarida brasiliensis cynocephala stay in the United States. It depends on where they are. Cynocephala roost in Florida, Georgia, Alabama.
- Q. The bat -- Mexican free-tail bats that are in your wild sanctuary, do they hibernate?
- A. Those are Mexicana. They both go into torpor and migrate.
  - Q. Do they go into torpor in your wild sanctuary?
  - A. Yes, they do.

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- Q. So they're there year round?
  - A. It depends on the season. If it's a mild winter, they'll stay year round.
  - Q. How much money have you raised so far for the bat castle?
  - A. We haven't raised anything. It's a contest.

    We won't know if we win the contest until the end of the contest.
  - Q. On your website you talk about building an assurance colony. What type of bats will you have in that assurance colony?
  - A. We're going to try to get myotis species because they're the most vulnerable to white nose syndrome.
    - Q. Where will you get them from?
  - A. I'm not sure yet, because we haven't procured a location where we know there's a healthy colony.
    - Q. What does an assurance colony mean to you?
  - A. It means a healthy colony that has -- that is able to reproduce in captivity in the hopes that some day when white nose syndrome has been -- when the environment has been cleansed of the fungus, then those bats can be released back into the wild, keep them from being -- from disappearing completely.
    - Q. Wouldn't an assurance colony be a -- bats that

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are able to reproduce, that are healthy, that are in their natural environment, instead of a sanctuary environment?

- If they're in their natural environment then they're vulnerable to white nose, which means they will die. The only way to have an assurance colony is to take them into captivity.
- So your plan is to find a healthy group of myotis bats, take them into captivity in your sanctuary, and keep them there until the white nose syndrome threat has passed?
- It's the same thing that U.S. Fish and Wildlife is considering, and the same thing they have attempted to do, but unfortunately failed. So it's not a novel idea. It's something that many researchers are considering. It's been done with lots of different species that are in peril in the wild. It's done all the time. It's called an assurance colony for a reason.
  - Do you have permits for an assurance colony?
- A. It depends on which species we get. If we get a species that -- that -- where we need special permits, then we'll obtain those permits at that time. We don't have a permit yet because we don't have an assurance colony yet.
  - Are myotis protected?

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- A. It depends on which species.
- Q. If you were to do an assurance colony of protected myotis, would you have to get official wildlife permit?
  - A. Of course.

MS. CUMMINS: I'm going to suggest we break for lunch because the next part is going to be photos and videos.

MR. TURNER: Okay.

(Break taken from 12:16 p.m. to 1:20 p.m.)
(Exhibit 26 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Ms. Lollar, I'd like to give you Exhibit 26. Can you please read that. First, did you post that?
  - A. I don't recall if I posted that or not.
- Q. Do you see user name, batworkssanctuary circled to the right?
  - A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. Is that your user name?
  - A. Yes, it is.
    - Q. Do you --
    - A. I don't recall posting this.
- Q. You don't remember posting that?
  - A. No. I don't remember posting it.
- Q. Who do you think posted it?

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- A. I'm not sure.
  - Q. Who had access to that user name?
  - A. I'm not sure about that either.
  - Q. Do you deny posting that?
  - A. I don't recall posting it.
  - Q. Let me have it back.
  - A. (Witness complies.)
  - Q. I'm going to read what was posted here.

She came to our internship and left disgruntled after four days. I suspect it was harder than she thought it was going to be and couldn't take the workload. After she returned home to California she claimed that she bumped her head while she was with us and that we owed her \$2,500 for a CAT scan. We refused to pay, and, of course, now here we are.

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Did you post what I just said?
  - A. I don't recall posting it.
- Q. Do you check every single bat you have every single day?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. While I was at Bat World Sanctuary, I found a dead bat under your desk which only had one wing; it looked like it had been there two or three days. When

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was the last time you checked that bat?

- MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Did I give you a dead bat that only had one wing while I was at Bat World Sanctuary?
  - A. No, you did not.
  - Q. I never handed you a dead bat with one wing?
  - A. No, you did not.
- Q. I never told you that I found a dead bat with one wing under your desk?
  - A. No, you did not.
  - Q. Did I e-mail you about this?
  - A. Not that I recall.
- Q. And then do you remember e-mailing back that it couldn't have been there over two days?
  - A. No.
- Q. When I was there, did a bat with only one wing die?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Q. What type of car do you drive?
  - A. Currently, I drive a Honda Element.
- Q. Do you still have the small blue truck -- the small red truck?
  - A. Never had a small red truck.
- Q. Do you still have a small old truck?

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- Q. What type of car does your husband drive?
- A. He drives a Honda.
- Q. Is it legal for you to have a human rabies booster vaccination -- one second. Is it legal for you to possess a human rabies booster vaccination?

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Can you possess a human rabies vaccination?
  - A. Anyone can possess it.
  - Q. Do you know Rebecca Demetric?
  - A. I know of her.
  - Q. Have you spoken to her?
  - A. No.
    - Q. Have you ever spoken to her on the phone?
  - A. I may have spoken to her once about a bat.
    - Q. Have you ever e-mailed her?
  - A. Yes.
    - Q. What did you e-mail her about?
    - A. I don't recall.
- Q. Did you ever talk to her or communicate with her about me?
  - A. Several times.
    - Q. What did you communicate to her about me?
  - A. That we were involved in a lawsuit with you.

1 Q. What did you say specifically? 2 I don't recall. A. 3 Earlier you said that you had told me that your Q. 4 husband, Larry, was going to get a bonus if his boss 5 sold the business; is that true? 6 MR. TURNER: Object. We're not going to 7 answer that. Don't answer that question. 8 MS. CUMMINS: She already answered it. 9 MR. TURNER: Well, she's not going to 10 answer it again. It's privileged. And it's been asked 11 and answered, if that's true. 12 MS. CUMMINS: I was going to ask a 13 different question about it. 14 Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) When was the last time you 15 went to the eye doctor? 16 A. About three years ago. 17 Q. What's your vision? 18 Α. I don't know. 19 Q. Did you get your eyes tested? 20 A. Yes. 21 Q. Do you need glasses? 22 Α. I wear them when I drive. Yes. 23 Do you need glasses to see up close, also? Q. 24 A. Sometimes.

Do you need glasses when you operate on bats?

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- A. I use magnification, which is much better than glasses. Triple magnification, actually.
  - Q. Did you call intern Kay Singleton fat?
  - A. No, I did not.
  - O. You never called her fat?
  - A. No, I did not. You called her fat.
- Q. Did you used to have a dog that couldn't move its rear legs and it had to drag itself around Bat World Sanctuary?
- A. I have never had a dog that had to drag itself around.
- Q. You never had a dog that used its front legs to drag itself around?
- A. Absolutely not. Unless you're referring to the dog that I rescued from a pound and she ended up with hip and knee dysplasia. She had surgeries for those injuries, or for those problems. They are corrective surgeries. She has a hard time getting up, but she is on Rimadyl, daily pain medication. She plays, she runs and jumps.
  - Q. She runs and jumps?
- A. Yes, she does. She did it while you were there, but you claimed she drags herself around on the website, but she actually did it lots of times while you were there and you saw it.

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- Q. What was the final settlement in the Bat World Sanctuary versus Talking Talons Youth Leadership?
- A. That's a confidential case. I can't talk about it.
- Q. You didn't -- your attorney didn't file a protective order before the deposition. You have to answer.

MR. TURNER: No, she doesn't. She's not going to answer that question. It's privileged by court order.

MS. CUMMINS: By court order or by mutual agreement?

MR. TURNER: Well, it doesn't matter. It's privileged and that's the reason we're not going to answer it. I don't know if it's by court order or by agreement, but it's a confidential matter and we're not going to discuss it here when it doesn't have anything to do with this case.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Can you tell me what the Bat World Sanctuary versus Talking Talons Youth Leadership lawsuit was about?
- A. Again, it's the same thing that you just asked.

  It's privileged information, and I can't answer it.
- Q. I have a copy of it right here. Can you tell me what the basic claim was that you made against

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- A. I cannot talk about it. It's privileged information.
  - Q. Only the settlement agreement is confidential.

    MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) In the Talking Talons lawsuit -- who is Daniel Abram?
  - A. He is an animal rights person in New Mexico.
  - Q. When did you first meet him?
  - A. He came to an internship at Bat World.
  - Q. Did you ever date Daniel?
  - A. Yes, I did.
  - Q. Were you engaged?
  - A. Briefly.
  - Q. When were you engaged to Daniel Abram?
  - A. Don't recall exactly. In the early 2000s.
- Q. Did you have a signed contract with Daniel
  Abram of Talking Talons Youth Leadership in regard to
  Bat World Sanctuary welfare loan agreement?
- A. That's part of the lawsuit. It's privileged and confidential information.
  - Q. Was this a valid contract?
- A. Again, it's confidential information. It's part of the lawsuit.
  - Q. Did Talking Talons state that they'd never seen

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1	this contract before?
2	A. Again, that's privileged information.
3	Q. Did Talking Talons state that you forged this
4	document?
5	A. Again, that's confidential information.
6	Q. It's right here in the complaint.
7	MR. TURNER: Objection, form.
8	Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Didn't you say earlier you
9	were deposed in this lawsuit?
10	A. Yes, I was no, I never said that, you said
11	that.
12	Q. Were you deposed in this lawsuit?
13	A. Yes, I was.
14	Q. Who else was deposed?
15	A. I don't recall. No one was with me when I was
16	deposed.
17	Q. When did you stop seeing Daniel Abrams?
18	A. It's been over ten years ago. I don't remember
19	the exact day.
20	(Exhibit 27 marked.)
21	Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to enter this as
22	Exhibit 27. Do you recognize this?
23	A. Yes, I do.

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- Q. Did you forge a contract in that lawsuit?
- A. Absolutely not.
- Q. Did you predate a contract in this lawsuit?
- A. Absolutely not.
- Q. In the exhibit I just showed you, there is a contract here. Is that your signature?
  - A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Is that the signature of -- what's his name, Abram?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And is that the correct date that you both signed that contract?
  - A. If that's what it says, yes.
- Q. So you're stating right now under oath that you signed that contract?

MR. TURNER: You know, excuse me, I'm going to have to tell my client not to answer any more questions about -- we're here on Bat World Sanctuary versus Mary Cummins. We're not here on that case. That case doesn't have anything to do with why we're here. Questions about an unrelated case are abusive and we're not going to answer any more questions about an unrelated lawsuit.

MS. CUMMINS: I believe it's related

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because she forged a document in the same lawsuit just like she forged one in mine.

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) What is the correct isoflurane induction rate for putting a bat under?
  - A. It depends on the species.
  - Q. Mexican free-tail.
  - A. Probably point one.
  - Q. Point one?
  - A. One, yeah -- I'm sorry, not point one, one.
  - Q. What is the initial induction rate?
- A. Probably two. It just depends on the species and the individual, depending on the shape they're in. If they're in excellent shape it takes more, if they're in bad shape it takes less.
- Q. What would be a range for a healthy Mexican free-tail bat?
  - A. One to two.
- Q. What would be the maintenance rate after they're under?
  - A. Probably one.
- Q. When you put a bat under with isoflurane, do they feel pain?
- A. They probably feel stress, initially. It depends on the way they're actually put under, too.

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When you use an isoflurane machine they're actually under more stress because they're being held with their heads in a cone and they're struggling. When you use the cone method with a cotton ball, they normally don't know because they're -- it's held in a way that they just naturally fall asleep so there's less stress.

- Q. You're saying there's less stress when they use the isoflurane machine?
  - A. There's more stress.
  - Q. When they put a cone over the head?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. But in your drop anesthetic mode you also put a cone over the head?
- A. Most of the time the animal -- the bat is put in between a cloth, or the cone is held over their head in a way that the fumes drift around to the front of their face, they're not forced with their head inside of a cone and struggling the entire time they're being knocked out. They just naturally fall asleep rather than being -- having their heads forced into something until they are knocked out.
  - Q. So you don't put the bat's head into the cone?
- A. After it falls as leep. No. You never put it in the cone. You put the cone slightly in front of its face, but you never put -- in the drop method you never

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put the bat's face in the cone. That would be the same thing as using an isoflurane machine, where their whole head is shoved inside the cone.

- Q. When you have the bat's head inside the cone, are they also getting oxygen?
- A. As I said before, the bat's head is not inside the cone.
- Q. I'm not talking the initial induction, but maintenance.
- A. Are you talking about with an isoflurane machine?
  - Q. No, with your drop.
- A. Okay. And again, that's not -- there's not any oxygen involved. It's -- and it's not inside the cone, it's slightly outside. The cone is sitting in front of the bat's face. So it's getting natural oxygen, it's not getting just all isoflurane.
- Q. I'm not talking initial induction, I'm talking maintenance anesthetic.
- A. Maintenance anesthetic is right in front of the bat's face. His head is not inside the cone; it's never inside the cone.

(Exhibit 28 marked.)

Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to present to you Exhibit 28. Can you please read what is circled?

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- A. This entire part?
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- A. Oh, I see. This is not my book.
- Q. No.
- A. This is written by someone else again. I believe this is written by Sue Bernard.

Lollar Schmidt-French described a method of inhalation anesthesia in bats in the absence of a gas anesthetic machine, using a cotton ball soaked in isoflurane and placed around the bat's nose. The major problem with this technique is a lack of adequate oxygen flow, which could result in suffocation before the anesthetic has a chance to take a effect. Conversely, because this method does not afford a consistent level of anesthesia, the bat can awaken too soon. This method should only be used in emergency situations where an anesthesia machine is not available.

- Q. Can you hand that back to me.
- A. First, her method that she has described, where
  -- her text where she's describing our method, the
  description is wrong.
  - Q. I just asked you to read it.
- A. The second thing is that she also states, as we do, that this method should only be used in an emergency situation, which is exactly what we recommend -- I

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- Q. When you amputate the wing of a bat, what type of anesthesia method do you use?
  - A. I use isoflurane, the cone method.
  - Q. Now, why don't you take the bat to the vet?
- A. It depends. Sometimes I do. It depends on the situation. If the vet is not available, if the vet is not there, if there's going to be a long wait and the bat may die in the process. It depends on the entire situation. Sometimes I use a vet, sometimes I don't. But because I'm trained by a veterinarian and have been so for 20 years, and I have all of the equipment and the proper medical procedures available to me, and I'm allowed to do that, then I do that myself when I need to in order to save a life of a bat.
- Q. How do you feel you're allowed to do that legally?
- A. Because -- it's not illegal. If it's not illegal, then it's legal.
- Q. So you feel that it is legal for you, someone who didn't get past the 10th grade, who's never been to veterinary school, to operate on bats without proper anesthetic machines?
- A. Well, there are a lot of people -- let me first state that there are several people who have never

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graduated high school that have done phenomenal things, such as Simon Cowell, Walt Disney, Peter Jennings, Thomas Edison, Richard Branson. And also, isoflurane machines aren't necessary to perform surgeries. as you use -- as long as you use an anesthetic and you use it in a humane manner and the animal's life is saved without any pain in the process, then you have done a decent job in saving that animal. And as long as it's an emergency procedure.

- So every time you've operated on a bat, it's Q. been an emergency procedure?
- Why would I operate without it being an Α. emergency procedure. That makes no sense.
- When I was at Bat World Sanctuary, you did an episiotomy on a bat?
  - Α. Yes.
  - Q. Do you remember what time that was?
  - A. I don't recall.
  - Could it have been 11:30 a.m.? Q.
  - It could have been.
- Your veterinarian is available Monday through Saturday from 9:00 until 6:00?
  - Unless he's on vacation.
- When that bat needed an episiotomy, did you call your vet?

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Q. Why not?

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No, I did not.

- A. Because I've done dozens of those episiotomies. He's trained me how to do them. I know how to do them successfully. And that bat was saved. She lived. She was cared for by a person with the U.S. Forest Service, by my vice president, by several people after you left. After you claimed she had died, several people cared for that same bat and can prove that she lived.
  - Q. Do you have any physical proof that she lived?
- A. I have all those witnesses that prove that she lived.
  - Q. So they're going to say that she lived?
  - A. Oh, yes.

(Exhibit 29 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you this Exhibit No. 29, if you could read what's marked.
- A. Barbara and I had both done C-section, amputations, etc. I've also neutered a dozen or so free-tails. Most vets don't or -- won't or don't want to work on bats. If you're lucky enough to have a vet who will supply you with the isoflurane and show you the basics, you've got nothing to lose by trying. I don't think it takes a lot of nerve, just realization that knowing that without surgical intervention the bat is

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going to die. If it dies while under anesthesia, at least it had a more merciful death than it would have had otherwise. And hopefully you've learned something in the process, something that you may be able to use to save the next bat. (For the record, I practiced neutering dozens -- excuse me. I practiced neutering dead specimens before attempting it on any live bats.

Neutering becomes -- became necessary to control the 63 'a little too happy for my own good' bats in my non-releasable colony.)

Surgery and suturing methods are described in the book. The second edition has details and photos of a free-tail neuter.

- Q. So you admit that you do C-sections and amputations on bats?
  - A. Yes. I have done so in the past.
- Q. And you believe that it is legal for you, a non-veterinarian, to perform these operations on these animals?
- A. During emergency situations, as we describe in our book, when you don't have a veterinarian's help available, yes, it is legal, it is acceptable.
- Q. When I was at Bat World Sanctuary and you performed an episiotomy on a bat, was your veterinarian available or not?

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- A. He was probably on vacation.
- Q. Did you call him?
- A. No, because I knew he was on vacation.
- Q. So if I were to depose him, he will say he's on vacation?
  - A. I don't know what he will say.
  - Q. You just said he was on vacation.
  - A. Well --

MR. TURNER: Well, you're asking her to speculate about what another witness is going to say, so we're going to object to speculation.

THE WITNESS: Besides, why would I call him when he's trained me to do that very procedure so that I wouldn't have to call him for every single emergency.

Why would I make the bat suffer and wait another two or three hours when she was in agony and she needed help right then, why would I do that?

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) If your veterinarian is only five, six blocks away, how long would it have taken you to get that bat to the veterinarian?
- A. Why would I do that when he has trained me to do that exact procedure, and I have done dozens of procedures prior to that same thing? Why would I take that one special bat to him when I have not done so in the past, because I'm trained to do it? Why would I do

1 that? Because you're there? That makes no sense to me. 2 Are you a veterinarian? 0. 3 A. Of course not. 4 Q. Do you have a vet tech certification? 5 No, I don't. But, as I said earlier, I'm Α. 6 trained. I've been trained for 20 years. I've written 7 four books on the subject. So you believe it's legal for you to perform 8 9 surgery on bats? 10 It's not illegal. A. 11 What is your theory of law to support that? Q. 12 Α. The fact that there's no law saying it's 13 illegal to perform life-saving surgeries on bats. I haven't found that law, if it exists. 14 15 Q. Where have you seen that written? 16 Where have you seen that it's illegal? Α. 17 In the Texas Veterinary Board. Q. 18 How is it illegal? I'm not sure what you're A. 19 saying. I've never seen that it is illegal to perform a 20 life saving procedure on an animal.

- 21 Do you believe anyone can perform surgery on 22 animals?
  - A. Of course not.
  - Q. What gives you the privilege and right?
  - Twenty years of experience in working with a A.

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veterinarian, twenty years of training other veterinarians on how to do these same procedures.

- Q. You have trained veterinarians how to do episiotomies?
- A. I have. I trained one last summer. We've had conservation scientists, biologists, researchers, veterinarians, rehabilitators. Conservationists come from around the world to train in our workshops, from every bat inhabitant continent in the world.
  - Q. Did you teach me how to perform episiotomies?
  - A. I tried to, but apparently you couldn't learn.

    (Exhibit 30 marked.)
- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you Exhibit 30, if you could please read that.
- A. Call it crazy. For those who have had a problem with Nexaband or Vetbond glues to stabilize wing fractures, Crazy Glue gel works just as well. Stay away from super glues or any other brand because -- use Crazy Glue and make sure to use the gel. I've been using it for the past six months with no problems, even on amputations, to create a cushion after suturing. You can get Crazy Glue at any Wal-Mart or similar store. As usual, don't apply it directly from the tube. Here's complete directions in case anyone has missed the page.
  - Q. So this Crazy Glue that you're using, it's the

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1	over-the-counter Crazy Glue gel?
2	A. Yes, it is.
3	Q. And did you read the label on over-the-counter
4	Crazy Glue gel?
5	A. No. Maybe you can tell me what it says.
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7	A. I assume that that means don't try to glue your
8	fingers together if you're a human.
9	Q. Do you know if Crazy Glue is toxic to skin?
10	A. Not that I'm aware of.
11	Q. Do you belive you are using the product
12	according to the label?
13	A. No.
14	Q. You knew you weren't using the product
15	according to the label?
16	A. Apparently so. It doesn't say to it doesn't
17	say "don't use this on bats to help hem survive their
18	injuries."
19	(Exhibit 31 marked.)
20	Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'd like to show you
21	Exhibit 31. Who is cutting that bat's wing off?
22	A. I believe that was it was either me or it
23	could have been a veterinarian that was attending one of
24	our workshops.

Why did you have to cut the bat's wing off?

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- A. Because it was necrotic, it was dead, it was going to kill the bat if it wasn't amputated. It was also causing him great pain.
  - Q. Is that bat under anesthesia?
  - A. Yes, it is.
  - Q. Can I have that?
  - A. (Witness complies.)

I assume these are pages from my copyrighted book that you somehow had access to.

- Q. These are pages from your book.
- A. From my copyrighted book.

(Exhibit 32 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) That's Exhibit 32. Who's cutting that wing off?
- A. It's either me or the veterinarian that was attending one of our workshops. Again, the bat is under anesthesia. The wing was necrotic. It was going to die if it wasn't amputated. It was also causing him a great amount of pain.

(Exhibit 33 marked.)

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) This is also from your book.

  And can you read the bottom that's circled.
- A. The author routinely vaccinates bats taken in from the wild that will be added to captive study colonies in order to minimize potential -- the potential

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for disease transmission to other captives, as well as bats that are released. Each bat is injected subcutaneously with 0.1 ml. See medications.

- Q. So you vaccinate bats for rabies?
- A. We did at one time, yes. We still recommend that they're done though.
  - Q. Is this a current page from your book?
- A. It could be. I must have copy-pasted that information, so it may have made it into the book without me re-editing that portion. But that doesn't mean we still currently do it.
- Q. So you don't currently vaccinate bats for rabies?
  - A. No, but we still recommend it.

MS. CUMMINS: We're going to take a short break so he can change the tape, and then I'm going to set this up so we can watch photos and video, and then we should be done in a half an hour.

(Break taken from 1:48 p.m. to break 1:51 p.m.)

(Exhibit 34 marked.)

Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'm going to first show some photos and then some videos, and I want you, Amanda Lollar, to tell me how you feel these are defamatory copyrighted data or proprietary data.

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This is going to be Exhibit 33, the entire disk.

## What is that a photo of?

- A. It is a photo of you holding a red bat and he's -- it looks like you're squeezing his head, and his tongue is sticking out the side because he needs to get in a more comfortable position. He's apparently very uncomfortable.
- You don't think he's possibly licking food off of his lips?
- No. They do not lick like that. stressed out position.
  - How is this photo defamatory?
- It's not defamatory. It's proprietary because you're showing our equipment in the background.
  - What is your equipment in the background? Q.
  - It looks like a Bat Hut.
- So you believe a layperson can clearly tell Q. that that is a Bat Hut?
  - They could, yes.
- And how do you believe this is sharing proprietary data?
- Because the Bat Huts are proprietary. I've already answered that.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?

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- A. It looks like a -- red bats hanging on one of our Bat Huts in a weird sideways position because you don't have it angled right.
  - Q. How is this defamatory?
- A. Again, it's showing -- it's not defamatory, it's proprietary. You've got a Bat Hut in the picture again.
  - Q. So you believe you own the Bat Hut?
  - A. We do own the Bat Hut.
- Q. Even though, for all you know, this could be a Port A Bug or a Port-A-Cage?
- A. Well, it was taken at our facility, so it was a Bat Hut.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?
- A. It's a repeat of the one you just showed, except it's a smaller portion of it. And, again, it's the Bat Hut. It's proprietary. It's our facility.
- Q. So do you -- is it your belief that you are the only person who is allowed to show bats hanging on a Bat Hut?
- A. That was taken in our facility in which you signed a contract agreeing not to share proprietary information. That's why that picture is in question, is because you signed a contract agreeing not to share the information without permission, and you shared it

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- Q. How does this damage you or Bat World Sanctuary?
- A. It goes back to the contract. You'd have to look at the verbiage on the contract and you could probably figure it out.
  - Q. How does it damage you?
- A. You were showing proprietary information which you agreed not to show.
- Q. Is this causing you financial damage to show that information?
  - A. It could.
  - Q. How?
- A. I would have to figure -- I would have to go back and calculate the exact damages.
- Q. How would you -- what formula would you use to calculate the damages?
- A. It's something I would need to give some thought to.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?
- A. It looks like -- it looks like -- I believe that is your hand and -- I'm not sure. Is that your hand? I can't tell.
  - Q. What is that a photo of?
  - A. That looks like you squeezing a baby Mexican

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free-tail bat on the sides so that it looks very uncomfortable.

- Q. So if there were a photo of you holding a similar bat in that position you would be squeezing it, making it feel uncomfortable?
  - A. I wouldn't hold a bat in that position.
- Q. There aren't some photos of you holding a bat like this online?
  - A. No.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?
- A. It looks like an adult Mexican free-tail bat being held.
  - Q. How is this defamatory?
  - A. It's not defamatory.
- Q. How is this showing copyrighted proprietary data?
- A. It has a Bat Hut in the background. I think we've all -- we've discussed the Bat Huts before. It's the same exact argument.
- Q. Do you believe a layperson will recognize that that is a Bat Hut in the background?
  - A. I believe they could.
  - Q. What is that a photo of?
- A. That's a photo of red bats inside of one of our cages, inside the orphan insectivorous bat cage for tree

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- Q. Is this sharing proprietary or copyrighted data?
- A. Both, actually, because that's the same set-up that's in our book and the same set-up that you signed a contract saying you would not disclose, same information.
- Q. Do you own the carrier that the bats are hanging in?
  - A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Do you own all rights to it? Did you invent it?
  - A. No, of course not.
  - Q. Isn't that a pet -- a fabric pet carrier?
- A. It's a carrier that has been modified specifically to house insectivorous bat pups.
  - Q. How has it been modified?
- A. That's proprietary information, the same information that you signed a contract saying you wouldn't disclose.
- Q. Wouldn't you say that this is a fabric pet carrier that someone has just tacked some fake leaves to the ceiling?
  - A. No. I would not say that.
  - Q. What is that a photo of?

A. That's a photo of the south side of a wild sanctuary building.

On that photo, did you take that photo?

- Q. Yes.
- A. Isn't that when you were supposed to have passed out inside the wild sanctuary? If you passed, out, how did you make it out onto the roof to take that photograph?
  - Q. Whose deposition is this?
- A. It was just a question. It was kind of curious because you said you passed out and you were laying on your back on the floor inside the wild sanctuary, but you would have to have crawlen [sic] through the window after you bumped your head to have taken that picture from the outside. So it's just kind of curious to me that you have that picture when you're supposed to have been passed out.
- Q. Did you look at any of the time date stamps of any of these images that I gave to you on the discovery disk?
  - A. No.
- Q. Well, I seem to have lost them when I put them into this computer.

What is that a photo of?

A. It's a photo of guano.

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- Q. Does that show proprietary or copyrighted data?
  - A. It's hard for me to tell. I don't know if that's one of the photographs that we have talked about. So I can't really recall if that one is one of our lineup, but it does not -- it shows guano that has been swept up, is all it shows.
  - Q. How do you feel this shares copyrighted and proprietary data?
  - A. I don't think that is one of the photographs that we are claiming is proprietary or defamatory.
    - Q. What is that a photo of?
  - A. That's a photo of the albino free-tail bat at Bat World. It looks like that may have been one of the photographs you took without permission.
  - Q. How is it sharing proprietary or copyrighted data?
  - A. That's not one of the photos that we have claimed as proprietary or defamatory.
    - Q. Are you positive?
    - A. I'm pretty sure.
    - Q. What is this a photo of?
  - A. It's a photo of you holding a pallid bat in an unnatural position. That's another photograph you took without my permission.
    - Q. How is it sharing proprietary or copyrighted

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- A. It shows the background. It shows the inside of the captive bat habitat that's in the book, the same book that you received at the internship and signed a contract saying that you wouldn't share the information.
  - Q. Do you have photos online of your set-up?
  - A. I don't believe I do.
- Q. You don't believe you have photos of this desk here in the background with these couches?
  - A. That's not a desk. It's a miniature cave.
- Q. Do you believe -- do you have video of this set-up?
  - A. We have video. We posted that.
- Q. Okay. So you posted video and you posted photos of this set-up?
  - A. We didn't sign a contract saying we wouldn't.
- Q. But the information has already been shared, it's already public, is that what you're saying?
- A. Some of it is public, but it's not the same thing as what you shared during the internship.
  - Q. What is this a photo of?
  - A. That's a photo of Cassandra with Peek-a-boo.
  - Q. How is it sharing proprietary copyrighted data?
- A. It's not. It's part of the -- it's not one of the photographs. You're showing a lot of photographs

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- Are you positive these aren't photos you asked me to remove?
- I am positive that picture of Cassandra is not part of this case, I am absolutely positive.
- You didn't send an e-mail to Yahoo flicker demanding I remove them?
- I don't recall which pictures that we were -that I asked -- they were listed in the injunction. The pictures that you were ordered to take down that you never did, I asked Yahoo to remove those pictures.
- Are you saying that I never took down the photos that I was ordered to take down in the injunction?
  - That's exactly what I'm saying.
  - Do you have proof of this?
- Α. I had to get them down myself. If you were going to take them down it seems like you would have done so when you were ordered, rather than having to have me go to flicker and ask them to please remove them with the injunction. If you were going to remove them they shouldn't have sat up there for another six weeks, they should have come down immediately. And some of those pictures you have since also stated were only made private. You never even took them down, you only made

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- Q. What is this a picture of?
- A. It's a picture of me holding oxygen in front of a bat.
  - Q. What is this bottle over here?
  - A. That's isoflurane.
  - Q. Are you wearing gloves?
- A. No, because I'm not doing any surgical procedure. I'm administering oxygen which is not a surgical procedure.
  - Q. What did you just do to that bat?
- A. Apparently nothing. It doesn't look like anything has been done. There's no instruments there. There's nothing to show anything's been done except that the bat is receiving oxygen.

There was gloves in that picture, would you like to go back to that one? There was surgical gloves there and there.

- Q. What are you doing in this picture?
- A. That picture, I am suturing up a bat who has been sliced open by a hawk.
- Q. When I was there, didn't you tell me that she was sliced open by an owl?
- A. Oh, excuse me, an owl. Yes, you're absolutely right, it was an owl.

- Q. What is this a bottle of?
  - A. That's a bottle of isoflurane. There's triple magnification there that I'm using so I can see better. There's six ought sutures, which are absorbable, and there's our surgical gloves that I'm wearing.
  - Q. Who else was present when you were trying to suture up this bat?
  - A. When I did suture up the bat successfully, you were there, as well as Kay Singleton, I believe. No, Kay Singleton kept leaving the room, so it may have just been you. I'm not sure.
    - Q. Was Janet Villareal there?
    - A. She may have been. I don't recall.
  - Q. Did you lose -- did you lose the needle in the bat?
  - A. That's impossible. The bat is -- is the size of a stick of -- or a package of gum and the needle is about the size -- is about an inch long. There's no way you could lose a needle inside a bat that size.
    - Q. You believe that needle was an inch long?
  - A. Curved, yes. If you straighten it up, it's going to be an inch. It's a curved needle.
  - Q. Didn't you drop that needle in the bat and

    Janette had to pick it up because you couldn't see it?
    - A. Absolutely not.

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- 1 Q. Did Janette pick up the needle without gloves 2 on? 3 A. Absolutely not. 4 Q. So if I were to depose Janette she will 5 definitely say that she didn't have to pick up that needle --6 7 I can't state what someone else would say, but 8 I can say that absolutely did not happen.
  - Where are you performing this suture job? Q.
  - In our recovery rehabilitation room. Α.
  - Q. Do you also feed the bats right there?
  - A. Yes, we do.
  - Q. You don't have a surgical room?
  - Do you have a surgical room? A.
  - Q. I don't perform surgery. I take them to the vet.
  - That's right. You don't get many bats in, I Α. forgot.
    - What are you doing here? Q.
  - Looks like the same bat. As you can see, the cone -- her head is not shoved inside the cone, it's in front of the cone like we discussed earlier. It's the same bat that I'm still working on, the bat that actually did survive and was later released. believe you actually lost that bat. She got loose, and

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I found her later on the back of a Bat Hut, after you had left, because you had failed to put her up.

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- Q. Who?
- A. My husband and Janette.
- Q. Your husband and Janette were there --
- A. We all looked for her for several hours after you left because she was misplaced. She was not found anywhere.
- Q. Is this the bat that supposedly went flying through the kitchen area?
- A. No, that was another one, when you left the cage door open and all the red bats were flying through the kitchen.
  - Q. Do you have witnesses for that?
  - A. Yes, I do.
  - Q. Who?
- A. As well as the little free-tail bats, when you left that cage open and they came crawling out from under the refrigerator.
- Q. Who are your witnesses to the bats flying through the kitchen area?
  - A. Janette Villareal and my husband.

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- Q. Did this bat come to during surgery?
- A. That is oxygen there being administered, so they always come to when you're delivering oxygen.
- Q. I wasn't talking about the photo. I was asking you, after you put this bat under, didn't she come to during surgery?
- A. When they become light they start to wake up a little bit, then you actually have to add more isoflurane onto the cotton ball so they go deep under again.
- Q. So your anesthesia method is they go under and then they kind of come to a little bit, then you put them under again?
- A. Depends on the condition of the animal. Sometimes they do that.
  - Q. So the animal is coming to mid surgery?
- A. They don't come to completely. They may wake up, and you notice that by their respiration increasing. It moves down from the abdomen. It starts to move -- to go faster in the abdomen. Sometimes it moves up into the chest. Sometimes a wing will flinch; that's when you know you're supposed to add more isoflurane, opposed to the opposite of adding too much and the bat not waking up at all, ever.
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Q. It's not happened to me.

It's happened to everyone.

A. It's because you don't do surgeries.

MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) What is this a photo of?
- A. That's a photo of red bats eating -- trying to -- or learning how to self-feed meal worms out of what's called a red bat feeder. That is proprietary information that we created.
- Q. So having meal worms in a container and having bats try to eat them is proprietary?
- A. The way this set-up is, yes. Anyone can have bats trying to eat meal worms out of a dish; that's done all the time. This particular set-up is proprietary. It's called a red bat feeder; it was developed at Bat World Sanctuary.
  - Q. How is this different than just --
- A. Well, you can look at the picture and see how it's different. It's not just bats sitting in a dish out in the open.
- Q. I want to look at some video now. Can you tell me what this is a video of?
- A. It's a video of a Mexican free-tail bat. It looks like he's inside a Bat Hut, and there's two roosting pouches stacked on top of each other.

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- Q. Is he trying to crawl out?
  - A. Yeah. He did crawl out and then you put him back in.
    - Q. How is that proprietary?
  - A. It shows roosting pouches and it shows the Bat Hut.
    - Q. What is this a video of?
  - A. It's a video of you holding a red bat in the V position, except you're holding it upright rather than this way. It also shows a Bat Hut --
    - Q. This is the V position?
  - A. Yes, it's the beginning of the V position. It shows the Bat Hut in the background, as well.
  - Q. And that's showing proprietary copyrighted data?
  - A. Yes. Do you want me to describe what's happening? That's when you're helping me with the light, because you offered to help.
    - Q. Tell me what's happening.
  - A. You were adjusting the light and trying to focus the camera. It looks like you're having a hard time adjusting the camera.
    - Q. How deep would you say you just cut her?
  - A. About half a millimeter. There I was asking about Kay because she seemed to have disappeared every

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time I wanted to try to teach her something.

- Q. Was she taking a shower because she just got back from the wild sanctuary?
- A. No. She was asked to stay in the room, and she didn't stay in the room.

You're taking pictures during the procedures for the book so that others may have this information to save the lives of other bats in the same predicament. People have pictures and video, then they're able to save the lives of the animals a lot better than just going by text.

- Q. So pictures and video are a good thing?
- A. They're a good thing when used in the right manner. That's why our subscription book has videos in it, as well.
- Q. Now, you're going to cut her -- this is the third time, isn't it?
  - A. There's two times in one.
  - Q. So there's three?
- A. There's three -- three cuts. One was in -- on one side, the other cut was the same place on the same side, a little bit more. The third cut was on the other side. It's called a twin episiotomy. It's done quite frequently.
  - Q. But you cut her three times, correct?

A. I cut her three times, but two times in the same position. That's why I didn't want to cut her too much. The incision was so small on the first one, that I had to make it a tiny bit larger in the same spot.

That's not cutting her three times or creating three incisions, it was two incisions. Do you understand what I'm trying to say?

There, I'm apologizing to the bat because I don't want to cause her any more stress than I have to.

As you can see, I'm wearing surgical gloves. I said I wish I could knock her out, but I can't.

I believe on your blog you posted something about that. And the reason that you don't is because you're hoping the baby is alive. If you knock the mother out the anesthesia also goes to the baby which decreases his chance of surviving. After the mother is anesthetized or after the mother --

- Q. What's happening now, besides your taking photos, right?
- A. And you're taking video, that's what's happening. Of course, you didn't start the video early enough to catch the fact that she had --
  - Q. Excuse me. Can you stop for one second?
  - A. -- pain medication prior to starting.
  - Q. I want you to tell me what you just said over

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- A. I said she's going to prolapse. That doesn't mean she's --
  - Q. What would cause her to prolapse?
- A. The pup being too large and it causing the stress involved in trying to have a pup that's too large.
- Q. Could a prolapse also be caused from cutting too much?
- A. No. It just depends on the whole situation. You never know, but the bat did not prolapse. I said she's going to prolapse because I was afraid she was going to prolapse, but she did not prolapse. You can clearly see she did not.
  - Q. So you were wrong?
- A. I was wrong. She did not prolapse. I said that in fear that she might prolapse, but she did not.

  And I was glad I was wrong, that was a good thing.
  - Q. Let's watch this again.
- A. Okay. Now if we could stop it right there, because you clearly have said -- stated before that you thought I pulled her entire vagina out. You can clearly see that that was placenta. She never prolapsed and she never -- she never prolapsed and the baby was stillborn. That is not her vagina; that's placenta. That's what

happens when a baby is born, there's placenta that also comes out.

- Q. What is this?
- A. That's placenta. Have you ever seen placenta before?
  - Q. Yes.
  - A. That's placenta. It's called afterbirth.

The opening is too big because the pup was so large, not because I cut too much. I guess that's the point you're trying to get to. The pup was too large, that's why the opening was too big.

- Q. Do you have a veterinarian statement stating that they examined this bat and she did not prolapse?
  - A. Well, why would I need that?
- Q. Wouldn't you want this bat to see a veterinarian after this difficult birth?
- A. As I stated before, I've been doing this for 20 years. I'm trained. A veterinarian trained with me last year and wrote a letter saying that -- because I did another episiotomy last summer, and this letter stated that she learned a lot from the episiotomy and that it was done at the level any vet could have done it or better.
- Q. You stated earlier that you can't give anesthetic to the mother because it might be passed to

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- A. Not anesthetic, anesthesia.
- Q. Okay.
- A. Anesthetic is pain reliever. The bat had

  Cetacaine on her vaginal area. She also had Metacam

  before she got -- before she -- we ever started the

  procedure. You neglected to take the video or you

  sliced that part of the video off before you uploaded --
  - Q. How did you administer Metacam to her?
  - A. Orally. That's how you always administer it.
  - Q. How long before you started?
- A. Probably, I don't know, five minutes, until we got all the instruments out and got ready.
- Q. You believe that if you ingest Metacam orally within five minutes, you will have --
- A. The Metacam will kick in at some point during the procedure. The Cetacaine, which is a topical anesthetic is provided to -- that's to -- provided to give anesthetic to the area that you're going to cut so that there's no pain involved. The same thing with dental extractions.
- Q. Let me ask you a question. Cetacaine, this is a topical skin anesthetic?
- A. It's a topical anesthetic specifically for mucous membranes. It's a veterinary product. It's a

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prescription product that we have.

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Q. If someone were cutting your vagina would that help?

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A. Oh, definitely. It's a human product. That's what it's made for.

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Q. Would it take away all pain?

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A. It may not take away all pain, but that's what Metacam is for. It kicks in; it helps.

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Q. Do you believe that after ingesting it within five minutes Metacam takes effect?

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A. I believe that it helps.

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Q. And when did -- did you administer the Metacam?

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A. Yes, I did.

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Q. Who saw you administer it?

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A. Whoever was there. You were there, you saw it.

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Q. No, I didn't.

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A. Well, then you probably weren't --

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MR. TURNER: Objection, form.

19 20 A. I believe this is the same video you denied taking the video on You Tube. When people called you

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out about taking the video, you said, "Oh, no that

I didn't take that video."

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Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) I'm not going to answer.

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A. I think you said that over on your Facebook page, too, when people called you out about actually

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taking the video, when you tried to make it look like cruelty.

- Q. Okay. So you can't knock her out. Recently you did an episiotomy and you had the vet from another state watching you.
  - A. Exactly.
  - Q. What did you give that bat?
- A. After? That procedure was done exactly like this one. After it was discovered the pup was stillborn, the mother was anesthetized so her vaginal incisions could be either sutured or glued with surgical glue.
- Q. So you knew that baby was dead before you took it out?
  - A. No. That's why she didn't get anesthesia.
  - Q. The one that you just did, not this one.
- A. Both of them. It's always done the same way.

  There's no change in that. If you think the baby is

  going to live during an episiotomy, you don't administer

  general anesthesia because you knock the baby out, too,

  and it decreases its chance of surviving once it's born.

  Once you discover that pup is dead, there's no reason

  for that mother not to be knocked out. You cannot

  suture or use surgical glue on the vaginal area of a bat

  unless that bat is knocked out, because you're talking

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about an area that's as big as this pen.

- Q. I have a question, and my question is: The episiotomy that you did recently with the vet from out of state, did you give that bat anesthesia?
- A. Was she anesthetized after the baby was discovered dead and stillborn?
  - Q. So you anesthetized afterwards?
- A. Is that -- I'm trying to understand. Yes. The same way this one was done.
  - Q. Okay.
- A. The one that you said died, when she actually lived.
- Q. What time of day did you perform this episiotomy?
  - A. This one?
  - Q. Yes.
  - A. I don't really recall.
  - Q. Who was there?
- A. You were. You filmed it.
  - Q. Who else?
  - A. Janette Villareal, and Kay, as we have stated earlier, decided to disappear because she didn't want to learn, apparently.
  - Q. Wasn't Kay in the shower because you told her to take a shower because she just came from the wild

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- A. Absolutely not. Why would I ask "Where's Kay" if I -- if I had just sent her to the shower, why would I say in the middle of it "Where's Kay?" That makes no sense.
- Q. No. So I gave you in discovery, videos and photos with the time date stamp and the time date stamp on this. California time is 9:38 a.m., and Texas time would be 11:38 a.m. Is your vet open at 11:38 a.m.?
  - A. Yes, he is.
  - Q. And you're stating that you did not call him?
- A. Again, I've trained with this vet for 20 years.

  I have done this procedure numerous times to save the

  lives of these bats.

You have to understand that when -- this is an animal that their babies are born one-third the size of the mother. That's the equivalent of a 120-pound woman having a 40-pound baby. If that baby is stuck in a birth canal of a woman, she's going to want that thing out of there soon. And if not, it will kill the mother. It has to be done soon. That's why I've been trained to do it, that's why --

Q. You're stating --

THE REPORTER: You guys need to talk one at a time. I can't get you both.

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Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) Let me ask a question here.

You are now stating -
MR. TURNER: Are we finished with the

video?

MS. CUMMINS: No, not yet. We'll be done in ten minutes.

- Q. (BY MS. CUMMINS) You're now stating that a baby Mexican free-tail bat is 33 percent the size of the mother?
- A. I said one-third the size of the mother, yes. Well, let me back up.
  - Q. Are you sure it's not 25 percent?
- A. It can be one-quarter to one-third. That one was about one-third. That is why her vaginal canal was so large, that is why I thought she was going to prolapse. First time mothers have a much more difficult time.
- Q. Every time you take the light off you're taking photos, correct?
- A. Correct. You're helping me with the light, remember, you offered to do that?
  - Q. What is that thing --
- A. You remember you offered to turn the light on and off for me? What is what?
  - Q. Is the mother bat kicking?

- A. She's struggling. She doesn't like to be held in that position. Like any wild animal, she doesn't understand that she's being helped. She's in pain.
- Q. Did she go into shock and pass out as soon as --
- A. She absolutely did not. That's the text that you added that is absolutely false to the video.
- Q. And if I depose Janette Villareal she will say the same?
- A. I'm not sure what she will say, because I'm not her.

MS. CUMMINS: Well, I'm done with the photos and video. Let's go off.

(Break taken from 2:25 p.m. to.

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MS. CUMMINS: The witness has refused to answer quite a few questions. I may file a motion to compel and sanctions, and I reserve the right to depose her at a later date to get the answers to these questions. And I also reserve the right to depose her based on the minutes from the last hearing, which I wasn't able to receive yet. And I pass the witness.

MR. TURNER: No questions, at this time.

(Witness excused.)

(Deposition concluded.)

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### **GENERAL RULES AND EXPECTATIONS DURING YOUR INTERNSHIP**

We run a tight ship here at Bat World Sanctuary, but we also run a fun ship. We believe in laughter, practical jokes, cookies and anything else it takes to ease stress during what may be the hardest work you've ever done. The rules below are the tight part of our ship. Cookies come later.

- 1. If you make a mess please clean it up. If you move something, open something, or use something, please put it back where it belongs.
- 2. ALWAYS close the outer gate before opening the inner cage because the dogs will run out.
- 3. Do not leave food laying out all night because it attracts bugs.
- 4. Do not set items down within reach of the dogs if you do not wish it to become a chew toy. They are hooligans will rummage through open bags and purses for goodies, so please keep your personal items out of their reach.
- 5. Keep your bedroom door closed during the day as the dogs will go into your room and have a pee party.
- 6. Morning feedings can start as early as 7AM. Plan to rise early every day to meet feeding schedules.
- 7. Milk scoops, eye droppers and forceps should remain in rehab drying basket or bins when not in use. Always return these items to this area clean. If you find bowls or utensils out of place please do not put them up as they may be in use.
- 8. Keep all wild/rescued bats from the wild sanctuary in rehab area only. **Do not** carry them into the flight cage area as mites may be transferred to the captive colony.
- 9. Do not visit the wild sanctuary during late night hours as it causes too much disturbance to the wild colony.
- 10. Excluding emergencies, please do not disturb anyone working in the office. The Bat World organization must continue to function throughout the internship program.
- 11. Avoid talking loudly in the bat hospital area, most particularly when new arrivals are being treated.
- 12. USE CAUTION around the exam lights and water they are very hoti
- 13. Always ask permission to enter the fruit bats cage, and always wash your hands before going in.
- 14. Take as many pictures as you like of both procedures and bats. However, do not follow or attempt to capture a fruit bat that files away. Some bats may take fruit offered by hand (particularly melon) and do not mind having their picture taken with a flash.
- 15. When sheets are down-in-fruit-bat cage, walk very slowly to prevent the sheets from bunching up. Please fix any sheets/paper that gaps.
- 16. Never rearrange items or dish holders in the cages and never leave items that do not belong.
- 17. Two topics that are not open for discussion during your stay with us are religion and politics. Please keep your opinions on those topics to yourself.
- 18. If you become frustrated or overtired, please let us know so a break can be arranged for you.
- 19. During down time (between feedings) please help out by filling syringes and cutting nursing tips.
- 20. At the end of your internship, please leave your room as you found it. Dust your room, empty your trash, and sweep and mop the floor. Also, strip the bed, wash the sheets and remake the bed for the next intern.

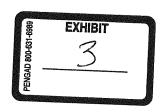
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Thank you Mary!!



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Up close video feeding baby bat from Mary Cummins

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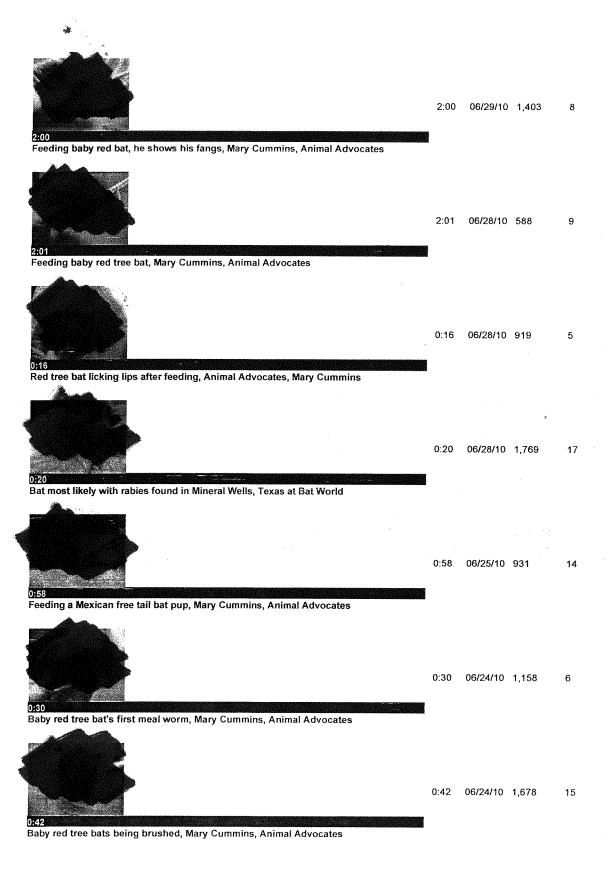
I posted a few videos from my trip besides photos. Here is one of me feeding a baby mexican bat. I hope it looks okay.

I linked to your site in the video and photos.

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When they curl their legs up have watery eyes, have tremors, do odd motions, are very sensitive to sound, do not want to eat or drink...they most likely have rables. Very, very few bats have rables. When they get rables they tall to the ground and just sit there until they die. They do not seek out people to bite. We were intentionally picking up bats off the ground in the Bat World colony. We'd find about two rabid bats a day. He was humanely euthanized in that plastic box with isofluorane which Amanda Lollar administered. The isofluorane is in the brown bottle with the purple top in the background. FYI that is not my hand. That is Amanda's hand. I would never hold a rabid bat in my bare hand. No one should ever pick up a bat on the ground without gloves. We are licensed wildlife rehabilitators.

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Sincerely,

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The Health Department just emailed me. They told me that I must tell people never to pick up a bat with bare hands. Always use gloves. Again, that

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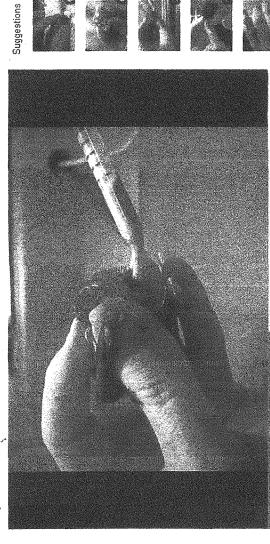
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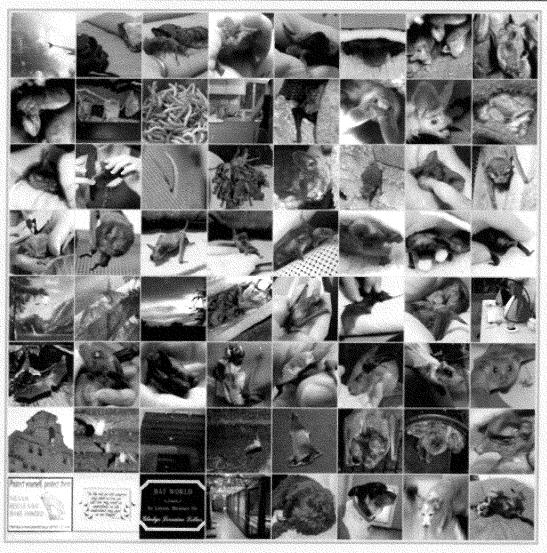
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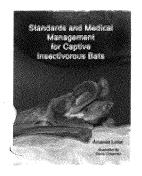
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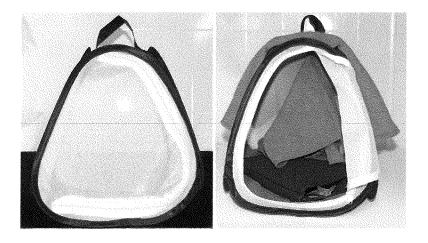
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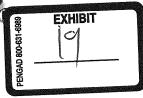
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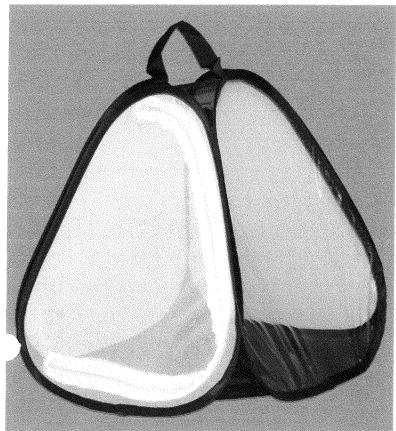


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June 26, 2009

Donna Robins Health Inspector, City of Mineral Wells 211 SW 1st Ave Mineral Wells, TX 76067

Dear Donna Robins,

I understand you may have concerns about our building located at 115 NE 1st Avenue, where a colony of Mexican free-tailed bats resides. I would like to take this opportunity to explain the history of the building as well as our future plans.

This building was purchased in 1993 specifically to save the bats that resided in the crawl-space above the second floor. At the time, the resident colony had been using this building as habitat for an estimated 50 years. Over the years we have made numerous improvements to the structure, including removal of the ceiling planks in order to clean the south side of the crawlspace (where the majority of bats now reside). This initial clean-up took several months and we removed approximately 6000 lbs of guano. Since then, we have made several other improvements including the addition of a new roof, foundation repair, repainting and stabilizing the back wall, and adding solar-powered extraction fans. Daily clean up of the guano also takes place.

Free-tail bets have taken advantage of the older buildings in Mineral Wells -as well as other towns throughout TX- for the past few decades. As our town also serves as a migratory stop-over for these bats, colonies are located in almost every building in our downtown area. including the Baker Hotel where approximately100,000 to 150,000 bats reside. Our wild sanctuary is home to approximately 30,000 bats. When the building was originally purchased it contained around 20,000. Over the past 15 years I have helped several businesses exclude nuisance bat colonies from their buildings, including First State Bank (previous building), Mineral Wells Office Supply, Earl Clark's sound studio, Mark Witchorke's antique store, Hanchy's Leather Goods, Farm Bureau Insurance, George's Men's Wear, Coys Barber Shop, Hills Style Shop, as well as a few residences. Bats are extremely territorial and, if unable to re-enter their old roost due to eviction, they will seek shelter in a nearby building. If they cannot find shelter they generally end up grounded, creating a potential heath hazard as grounded bats are more likely to come into contact with people and pets. The wild sanctuary has provided an alternate roost for these evicted bats by giving them a place to roost away from the public, and out of other businesses. As bat colonies have been evicted from other businesses throughout the years, the number of bats in our wild sanctuary has subsequently increased. (It should be noted that the bats in this building eat an estimated 150-million bugs nightly in Mineral Wells and the surrounding countryside.)

I also help collect bats that have wandered or become lost inside buildings throughout Mineral Wells, including Perry Equipment, Houston, Travis, and Lee Elementary schools, Mineral Wells High School, Beal's Dept. Store, Tractor Supply, Family Dollar, Save-a-Lot, Metro, Mr. Jims Pizza, Pulidos, Penny's Florist, Downtown Video, Garrets, Whatley's Auto, Crawford Accounting, the Christian Book Store, The Crazy Hotel, the post office, City Hall, and the Police Station to name a few. All of these bats are subsequently released into our wild sanctuary, away from the public.

For the past several weeks we have been involved in cleaning the crawl space on the north side of the building, removing guano that has been in the building for perhaps 50 years or more. I am sure the building produced an unusually strong odor at this time. (Please note that, although offensive, the odor of guano is not a health threat, as stated in the enclosed letter to Charles Simms from Melissa Starnes, a Texas Perks and Wildlife Permits Official who visited the sanctuary in 2002.) The removal of 50 year-old guano is the first step in a process we are involved in to actually move the bats into a man-made cave outside the city limits (as explained below). Our building, as well as the other buildings where bat colonies reside, also produce more odor when it is humid. However, during dry weather, as in the past week, an odor can hardly be detected. Interestingly, a meteorologist visited us about two years ago and stated that the Baker Hotel had a very strong odor. She later sent the enclosed document explaining how the odor can travel downward from the hotel and subse-



quently be blamed on our wild sanctuary.

I have also enclosed several letters and articles that will help to explain our future plans a bit better. Depending on funding, it is our hopes to begin the process of relocating the bats within the next two years. I personally wish it could happen tomorrow, but funding and manipulating wildlife behavior dictates how fast it will occur.

As the city grows, so does the potential for bat/human contact. This cave will also provide a roost for future displaced bats in the city. Acreage has been donated for this manmade cave, which will be located north of town and outside the city limits of Mineral Wells.

You may be aware of White Nose Syndrome (WNS), a fungus that is currently affecting bats (article enclosed). It is the most devastating condition to ever hit wild bat populations in all recorded history. It has wiped out 95 to 100 percent of cave dwelling bats in nine states so far. The fungus is cold-loving and scientists previously believed the bats in TX are potentially safe from the condition, however, last week it was discovered that the fungus can survive in temperatures that exceed 200 degrees Fahrenheit. We currently have an intern with the US Forest Service, and in late July, US Fish and Wildlife officials will be training here on collecting and maintaining breeding colonies of endangered species of bats. The wild sanctuary is essential to this training, as it has been in the past for other research projects for universities and scientists around the world.

I hope this letter helps to answer any questions and concerns. If I can be of any further help please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at 940-325-3404, Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

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Amanda Lollar, Founder/President Bat World Sanctuary

CC: Lance Howerton, City Manager



#### Donna Robbins < codeenforcement@mineralwellstx.gov>

#### **Bats**

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Donna Robbins < codeenforcement@mineralwellstx.gov>
To: Bat World Sanctuary < sanctuary@batworld.org>

Mon, Oct 18, 2010 at 8:47 AM

Amanda,

When we spoke in May, you stated White Nose Syndrome had made it to Oklahoma and was likely in Texas as well. I just wanted to touch base with you to see if you had any updates on the situation.

I understand you were preparing to block off one entrance of your building to the bats. Can you tell me where you stand with bat extraction from the building?

Thank You.

Donna Robbins, Health Inspector Code Enforcement Officer City of Mineral Wells Office: 940-328-7718

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Mon, Oct 18, 2010 at 9:56 AM

Hi Donna,

About half of the bats in our building have something white on their ears and various body parts (pictures attached). I sent swabs in to the National Wildlife Health Center a couple of weeks ago and have not heard anything confirming white nose yet. The bats do not act like the white stuff is having any ill efect on them yet.

There are still a lot of bats in town, more so than usual because of the warm weather. I planned to seal the north, east and west sides of the building this winter -in Dec or Jan- after the bats are gone. There are more migrating through right now. I've picked bats up from inside the stores around Payless shoes, Bealls, and a church last week.

I'll keep you posted on what I hear back on the swabs. Hopefully it won't take much longer.

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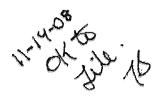
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TALKING TALONS YOUTH LEADERSHIP, a Non-Profit Corporation

## SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, INJUNCTIVE RELIEF, SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES

Plaintiff, for its Second Amended Complaint, states:

- Plaintiff is a non-profit corporation established in the State of Texas for the purpose of providing worldwide rescue and sanctuary services for bats. Plaintiff does, and at all times material hereto, did business in the State of New Mexico.
- Defendant is a Domestic Non-Profit Corporation with its primary place of business in Bernalillo County, New Mexico.
- The parties acted through their authorized officers, directors, employees,
   volunteers, or agents at all times material to the allegations made in this complaint.
- 4. The Second Judicial District Court for the State of New Mexico has jurisdiction over the parties named in this complaint, as well as the subject matter raised therein.
- 5. Venue is proper in Bernalillo County, New Mexico.
- 6. Plaintiff's complaint arises out of a written contract entered into by the parties on November 5, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and incorporated herein, whereby Plaintiff loaned 52 bats to Defendant for educational purposes, in exchange for Defendant's promise to follow stated guidelines for welfare of the bats.



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- 7. Defendant breached Paragraph No. 2 of the parties' contract by failing to provide proper food, housing, and daily enrichment for the bats.
- Defendant breached Paragraph 3 of the contract by failing to adhere to the
   American Sanctuary Association code of ethics for animals held in captivity.
- Defendant breached Paragraph 5 of the contract by failing to neuter any male bats born of the bats originally loaned by Plaintiff.
- 10. Defendant breached Paragraph 7 of the contract by failing to promptly apprise
  Plaintiff of the death of bats loaned to Defendant, by failing to provide necropsies, and by
  failing to provide details of all necropsies to Plaintiff.
- 11. Paragraph 9 of the contract provides that Plaintiff may repossess the bats if, in Plaintiff's opinion, any provision of the contract is being violated.
- 12. Defendant violated Paragraph 9 by failing to return the bats to Plaintiff upon demand.

#### REQUEST FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

Plaintiff incorporates Paragraphs 1-12, herein.

- 13. Upon information and belief, some of the bats loaned by Plaintiff to Defendant recently died due to the cold conditions in which they are kept by Defendant. An order enjoining Defendant from continuing to keep the bats loaned to it by Defendant, and requiring Defendant to immediately return the bats to Plaintiff is necessary in order to prevent Plaintiff and the bats from suffering irreparable harm.
- 14. It was necessary for Plaintiff to retain an attorney for the return of the bats, and Plaintiff is therefore entitled to an award of attorney's fees pursuant to Paragraph 9 of the contract.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff requests judgment against Defendant, as well as the

#### following relief:

- A. An order enjoining Defendant from continuing to keep the bats loaned to it by Plaintiff;
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Respectfully submitted by:

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#### **Bat World Sanctuary** WELFARE/LOAN AGREEMENT

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The undersigned parties representing the institutions listed below agree to the following transaction.

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Daniel Abram Executive Director

Talking Talons Youth Leadership

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

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TALKING TALONS YOUTH LEADERSHIP, a Non-Profit Corporation

Defendant/ Third-Party Plaintiff,

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DANIEL ABRAM, an individual.

Third-Party Defendant.

## DEFENDANT'S ANSWER TO SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT AND THIRD-PARTY COMPLAINT FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT. FRAUDULENT MISREPRESENTATION AND EQUITABLE INDEMNIFICATION

For its Answer to the Second Amended Complaint (hereafter, "Complaint"), Defendant Talking Talons Youth Leadership states:

#### FIRST DEFENSE

- 1. In response to paragraph 1 of the Complaint, Defendant admits that Plaintiff is a non-profit corporation established in the State of Texas and doing business at all material times in the State of New Mexico. Defendant is without knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in paragraph I, and therefore denies the same.
  - 2. Defendant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the Complaint.
- 3. In response to paragraph 3 of the Complaint, Defendant donies acting through its authorized officers, directors, employees, volunteers, or agents with respect to the allegations

- 9. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the Complaint.
- 10. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 10 of the Complaint.
- Paragraph 11 of the Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 11 of the Complaint.
- 12. Paragraph 12 of the Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 12 of the Complaint.
  - 13. Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 13 of the Complaint.
- 14. Paragraph 14 of the Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, Defendant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 14 of the Complaint and affirmatively states that the parties never entered into a binding, legally enforceable contract.
- 15. Defendants deny that Plaintiff is entitled to any of the relief requested in paragraphs A, B, C, D, and E that follow paragraph 14 of the Complaint.
- 16. Defendants deny each and every allegation of the Complaint not expressly admitted herein.

#### SECOND DEFENSE

17. As a further, separate, and alternative defense, Defendant states that Plaintiff's Complaint is barred, in part, for lack of consideration.

#### THIRD DEFENSE

18. As a further, separate, and alternative defense, Defendant states that the Complaint fails, in whole or in part, to state a claim upon which relief may be granted.

#### FOURTH DEFENSE

19. As a further, separate, and alternative defense, Defendant states that the proximate cause, or at least a contributing proximate cause, of Plaintiff's alleged damages was the fault or negligence of Plaintiff or a third party for whose conduct Defendant is not responsible, and any recovery that might otherwise ensue must either be barred or reduced accordingly by application of the principles of comparative fault.

#### FIFTH DEFENSE

20. As a further, separate, and alternative defense, Defendant states Plaintiff's damages, which are denied, must be offset by amounts that Plaintiff owes to Defendant.

#### SIXTH DEFENSE

21. Defendant reserves the right to raise any defenses, cross-claims or counterclaims as may be available upon facts to be developed in discovery and/or applicable substantive law and to amend their Answer.

WHEREFORE, having fully answered the Complaint, such Complaint should be dismissed with prejudice or judgment entered for Defendant together with an award of costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees, and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, FRAUDULENT MISREPRESENTATION AND EQUITABLE INDEMNIFICATION

For its Third-Party Complaint against Third-Party Defendant Daniel Abram ("Abram"), Defendant / Third-Party Plaintiff Talking Talons Youth Leadership ("Talking Talons") states:

#### PARTIES, JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. Talking Talons is a non-profit domestic corporation with its principal place of business in Tijeras. New Mexico.

- 2. Third-Party Defendant Daniel Abram ("Abram") is a resident of Bernalillo County, New Mexico.
- 3. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the Third-Party Complaint and personal jurisdiction over the parties.
  - 4. Venue is proper in this Court.

#### GENERAL FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 5. From approximately January 1, 1998 to January 16, 2008, Abram was Executive Director/ Program Coordinator for Talking Talons Youth Leadership.
- During his tenure with Talking Talons, Abram was employed pursuant to the 6, terms and conditions of an employment contract.
- 7. Abram's original employment contract was executed on January 15, 1998. This contract was subsequently replaced and renewed on May 6, 2002.
  - 8. The employment contract executed in 1998 contained the following provision:

Powers. The employee may not enter into any contract or incur any expenses obligating TTYL funds or otherwise bind TTYL in any way without the written authority of the TTYL Board of Directors or any individual director empowered by the Board to act in its behalf. Any contracts that the employee enters without this written authorization will not be binding on TTYL.

(Relevant excerpt attached hereto as Exhibit A).

- 9. The May 6, 2002 contract contained an identical provision. (Relevant excerpt attached hereto as Exhibit B).
- Pursuant to the express terms of Abram's 1998 and 2002 employment contracts 10. with Talking Talons, Abram was prohibited from entering into any contract or otherwise binding Talking Talons without written authority.

- 11. Abram never sought written authority from the Talking Talons Board of Directors or any individual director to enter into a Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary.
- 12. Abram did not obtain written authority from the Talking Talons Board of Directors or any individual director to enter into a Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary.
- In 2001, Abram represented to the Talking Talons Board of Directors that the bats Talking Talons received from Bat World Sanctuary were transferred to the organization with no expectation of Bat World retaining ownership and that no documentation concerning the transfer was ever executed.
- In 2004, after a personal relationship between Abram and Amanda Lollar. President of Bat World Sanctuary ("Bat World") ended, a dispute arose between the two concerning the piercing of bats and Lollar subsequently demanded that Abram to return the bats previously sent to Talking Talons. At this time, Abram once again represented to Talking Talons Board of Directors that the bats received from Bat World Sanctuary were transferred to the organization with no expectation of Bat World retaining ownership and that no documentation concerning the transfer was ever executed.
- 15. In fact, in a communication transmitted to Lollar on September 24. 2004 and shared with the Talking Talons Board of Directors. Abram stated that he considered the bats a gift. Abram also indicated that he and Lollar should have put together some official transfer of ownership or loan paperwork together, but they failed to do so as they were, at the time, engaged in a personal relationship.
- 16. Upon information and belief, Lollar and Abram reconciled at some point prior to the purported Welfare/Loan Agreement first surfacing.

- 17. Talking Talons had no knowledge, either express or implied, of the existence of any contractual agreement with Bat World until it received a letter from Bat World Sanctuary's attorney on October 15, 2008.
- 18. Bat World alleges herein, and Talking Talons denies, that Bat World and Talking Talons entered into a written contract on November 5, 2001; that Bat World agreed to loan Talking Talons 52 bats for educational purposes; that Daniel Abram executed the contract on behalf of Talking Talons; and, that Talking Talons would agree to pay reasonable attorney's fees in the event an attorney is consulted or if suit is brought for the return of the bats.
- 19. Bat World alleges herein, and Talking Talons denies, that it is entitled to the award of attorney's fees and costs pursuant to the November 5, 2001 contract that Daniel Abram allegedly executed on behalf of Talking Talons.
- Talking Talons has incurred, and will continue to incur, substantial costs in defending Bat World's claims, including attorney's fees, investigation expenses, expert fees, and other costs.

#### COUNT I: BREACH OF CONTRACT

- During his tenure with Talking Talons, Abram was employed pursuant to the terms and conditions of an employment contract executed on January 15, 1998. This contract was subsequently replaced and renewed on May 6, 2002.
- 22. During his tenure with Talking Talons, Abram was at all times contractually prohibited from entering into any contract or incurring any expenses obligating Talking Talons' funds or otherwise binding Talking Talons in any way without the written authority of the Talking Talons Board of Directors or any individual director empowered by the Board to act in its behalf.

- 23. On December 12, 2008, Abram represented that he signed a Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary on behalf of Talking Talons Youth Leadership. Abram never obtained the written authority of Talking Talons Board of Directors to enter into a Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary.
- 24. By signing the Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary on behalf of Talking Talons Youth Leadership Abram materially breached his employment contract with Talking Talons.
- 25. Talking Talons has incurred and will continue to incur damages, including but not limited to, continued attorney's fees and costs associated with Bat World's claims based on the contract Abram allegedly and improperly entered on behalf Talking Talons, and payment of any settlement or judgment obtained by Bat World.

#### COUNT II: FRAUDULENT MISREPRESENTATION

- Abram represented to the Talking Talons Board of Directors in 2001 and again in 2004 that the bats Talking Talons received from Bat World were that the bats received from Bat World Sanctuary were transferred to the organization with no expectation of Bat World retaining ownership and that no documentation concerning the transfer was ever executed.
- 27. Abram's previous representation that he signed the Welfare/Loan Agreement with Bat World Sanctuary on behalf of Talking Talons Youth Leadership in November of 2001 shows that he was aware of the falsity of his representations at the time they were being made.
- 28. Abram's repeated representations that the bats were received from Bat World without any expectation of Bat World retaining ownership were made with the intent to deceive and induce Talking Talons Board of Directors to rely on the representation.
  - 29. Talking Talons Board of Directors did in fact rely on the representations.

30. As a direct and natural consequence of Talking Talons' reliance on Abram's fraudulent representations, Talking Talons has incurred and will continue to incur damages, including but not limited to, continued attorney's fees and costs associated with Bat World's claims based on the contract Abram allegedly and improperly entered on behalf Talking Talons, and payment of any settlement or judgment obtained by Bat World.

#### COUNT III: EQUITABLE INDEMNIFICATION

- 31. Talking Talons has incurred and will continue to incur damages, including but not limited to, continued attorney's fees and costs associated with Bat World's claims based on the contract Abram allegedly and improperly entered on behalf Talking Talons, and payment of any settlement or judgment obtained by Bat World.
- 32. If Bat World proves its allegations against Talking Talons, then Talking Talons will be forced to incur damages as a direct result of Abram's improperly entering a contract on behalf Talking Talons.
- 33. Talking Talons is, therefore, entitled to equitable indemnification from Abram to the extent it is forced to incur damages as a result of his actions.

WHEREFORE, Third Party Plaintiff Talking Talons Youth Leadership respectfully requests that this Court enter judgment on the Third-Party Complaint in its favor, for relief to Talking Talons pursuant to all claims set forth within the Third-Party Complaint, for an award of costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees, and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading was sent by certified mail to the following individuals on this 9th day of January, 2009.

Gregory Gahan 1400 Central Avenue, SE Suite 2000 Albuquerque, NM 87106

MODRALL, SPERLING, ROEHL, HARRIS & SISK, P.A.

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#### EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

This contract dated Jan 15, 1998, to begin Jan 1, 1998, is made between Talking Talons Youth Leadership, Inc., PO Box 2020, Tijeras, NM 87059 ("TTYL") and Daniel Abram, 55 Young Road, Tijeras, NM 87059 ("Abram")

#### I. Employment:

TTYL hereby employs Abram as Executive Director/Program Coordinator and Abram hereby accepts such employment according to the terms and conditions of this contract.

#### II. Duties:

The duties of the position of Executive Director/ Program Coordinator are generally described as follows:

A. Establishes and determines, in conjunction with the Founder/ National Development Coordinator, and Board of Directors, major corporate and programmatic decisions, philosophy, mission and goals; delegates responsibility in the implementation of these. Develops direction of program, both under the existing format and under new formats to be developed by Abram working with the Board of Directors and Founder/National Development Coordinator. Assumes ultimate responsibility for the day to day operation of the corporation and program components in accordance with prescribed policies and procedures. Oversees corporate matters including but not limited to financial, educational, staffing, program, fundraising, and volunteer management. Serves as ex-officio on the Board of Directors. Responsible for conduct of personnel matters, including selection, continuation and termination of personnel, and interviewing and training of employees. Responsible for implementation/enforcement of company Policies and Procedures. Ensures compliance with relevant permits and licenses. Supervises employee and volunteer interaction with youth participants. Oversees and participates in programmatic activities, coordination and scheduling, and animal caretaking. Coordinates with Animal Supervisor in establishing procedures and direction of animal caretaking. Establishes personnel roles and responsibilities, and personnel structure. Maintains standards for personnel performance and service delivery. Oversees preparation of budgets and grant proposals. Acts as chief spokesperson for the organization locally, and as liaison between staff and the Board, and between clients, contractual personnel, volunteers and the Board. Establishes effective collaborative relationships with other appropriate agencies and relevant federal, state and local officials. Develops appropriate reports and data reflecting program progress, concerns, needs, results of audits and evaluations, and provides the Board with appropriate data. Develops and maintains methods whereby the corporation can best utilize its funds to carry out the corporate mission. Participates in public relations for overall growth and increased community/state awareness of the organization. Carries out supervisory

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responsibilities including appraising performance, rewarding and disciplining employees, addressing complaints and resolving problems.

- B. Additional duties: Abram shall perform such additional work as may be required by TTYL from time to time under the terms and conditions and according to the directions and instructions of TTYL, including training and certification in prevention.
- C. Change of Duties: The duties of Abram may be changed from time to time without having any effect upon any other terms of this contract.

#### III. TTYL Rules and Regulations:

Abram agrees to abide by all rules and regulations of TTYL which are presently in force or which may be establihed during the term of this contract; including but not limited to those rules and regulations set forth in the Employee Handbook. Abram agrees to follow the directions of TTYL with respect to the methods used in performing his duties.

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#### VI. Place of Employment:

Abram's initial place of employment shall be the TTYL office, located at 11804A South Highway 337, Tijeras, NM and the various locations of the TTYL programs, animal housing locations, training sessions, and activities. TTYL may require that Abram work at such other places as TTYL may direct.



# Talking Talons Employment Contract

This contract renewal dated May 6, 2002, is made between Talking Talons Youth Leadership, Inc., PO Box 2020, Tijeras, NM, 87059-2020, and Daniel Stephen Abram, 55 Young Road, Tijeras, NM, 87059, (505) 281-6317. The following contract replaces that previously developed on January 15, 1998.

#### I. Employment

Talking Talons Youth Leadership (here forward "TTYL") hereby employs Daniel Abram (here forward "the employee") as Executive Director and Daniel Abram hereby accepts employment according to the terms and conditions of this contract. New Mexico is an "at will" employment state, which means that the employer or employees may terminate employment for any or no reason at any time. However, it is the philosophy of the corporation that both employer and employee should engage in a long-term professional relationship of mutual benefit. TTYL and the employee should make every possible effort to allow one month between the time of notification and actual date of termination of this contract.

#### II. Description of Duties

The duties of the position titled Executive Director are generally described as follows:

- a) Actively support the mission of TTYL as outlined in the corporation's Policies and Procedures within the organization and in the community. MISSION STATEMENT: To elevate youth to become effective advocates and ethical stewards of themselves, wildlife, and our environment.
- b) Establishes and determines, in conjunction with the Board of Directors, decisions regarding major corporate and programmatic functions, philosophical approaches, mission, organizational goals, staffing roles. Delegates responsibility in the implementation of these decisions.
- c) Assumes ultimate responsibility for day-to-day operations of the corporation, its facilities, and its programmatic components in accordance with the prescribed Policies and Procedures.
  - i) Sets standards for appearance and cleanliness of TTYL facilities and oversees the implementation of those standards
  - ii) Serves as curator for Conservation Museum exhibits and designs the layout of new exhibits
  - iii) Answers questions of staff and assists in problem solving. Makes daily decisions about service delivery, facilities maintenance, personnel issues, etc., with attention to the overall organizational situation

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- tii) Works with local media to promote TTYL in newspapers, television and radio. Creates press releases and advertisements for general awareness and/or awareness of special projects or accomplishments
- iv) Maintains collaborative relationships with schools and other youth development groups
- Oversees the care and rehabilitation of the captive wild animals needed to implement youth/community programs
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  - iv) Designs and builds appropriate animal enclosures (permanent, transportation, exhibition)
  - V) Provides ambulatory and/or long-term care for educational animals that require it; contacts local veterinarians or wildlife rehabilitators for guidance
  - vi) Maintains a nation-wide network of animal experts to assist in decision making surrounding the use and care of non-releasable wildlife
- l) Designs and produces the quarterly Talon Talk newsletter and the TTYL Armual Report
- m) Creates original artwork for the organization for promotional use
- n) Ferforms additional duties as directed by the TTYL Board of Directors.

The duties of the Executive Director may be changed at any time by the TTYL Board of Directors without having any effect upon the terms of this contract.

#### III. Rules and Regulations

The employee agrees to abide by all rules and regulations of TTYL which are presently in force or which may be established during the term of this contract; including but not limited to those rules and regulations set forth in the Employee Handbook. The employee agrees to follow the directions of TTYL with respect to the methods used in performing his duties.

#### IV. Powers

The employee may not enter into any contract or incur any expenses obligating TTYL funds or otherwise bind TTYL in any way without the written authority of the TTYL Board of Directors or any individual director empowered by the Board to act in its behalf. Any contracts that the employee enters into without this written authorization will not be binding on TTYL.

#### V. Conflict of Interest

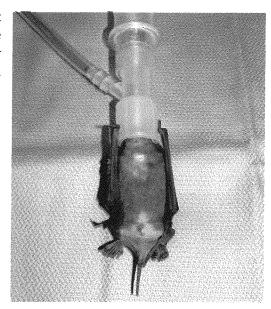
TTYL agrees that the employee may continue to engage in any paid or volunteer work to the extent to which such pursuits do not interfere or cause a conflict of interest with his employment by TTYL. The employee shall not promote the interests of any individual, group or organization adverse to the interests of TTYL during the course of his tenure or for five years thereafter.

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1 L/min. and the gas at 4%. Once the bat is anesthetized, it is removed from the nose cone and its head placed completely inside the tubing (Fig. 9-4). The bat can then be taped in place for surgery (Fig. 9-5). For very small species, such as pipistrelles, strips of bathroom tissue can be tucked around the edge of the tubing to help provide a good seal. Once a bat is secured inside the anesthetic device, the gas level may be reduced to 2% for maintenance (3% for some individuals).

For induction with sevoflurane, the oxygen level should be approximately 1 L/min. and the gas flow 6% until the desired level of anesthesia is achieved. At this time, isoflurane can be used for maintenance. The author has found that sevoflurane is excellent for induction due to its smoothness and rapid action, but it can be problematic when used to



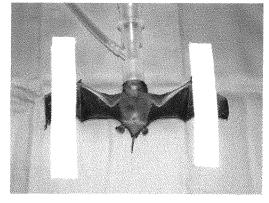
**Fig. 9-4.** For maintenance anesthesia, the tubing feeding gas to the nose cone is detached, and the bat's head is placed inside the tubing. Photo by the author.

maintain anesthesia. The animal can awaken quickly or enter a dangerously deep state of anesthesia. The combination of sevoflurane and isoflurane appears to be ideal for anesthetizing heterothermic bats.

Respiration must be carefully monitored, and in the case of respiratory arrest, resuscitation is achieved by allowing the animal to breathe pure oxygen for a short period of time. It is not unusual for heterothermic bats to experience periods of respiratory arrest under anesthesia, and therefore the anesthetist must be extremely vigilant.

Lollar and Schmidt-French (1998) described a method of inhalation anesthesia

in bats in the absence of a gas anesthetic machine, using a cotton ball soaked in isoflurane and placed around the bat's nose. The major problem with this technique is the lack of adequate oxygen flow, which could result in suffocation before the anesthetic has a chance to take effect. Conversely, because this method does not afford a consistent level of anesthesia, a bat can awaken too soon. This method should only be used in emergency situations where an anesthesia machine is not available.



**Fig. 9-5.** Once a bat is undergoing maintenance anesthesia, it can be taped in place for surgery. Photo by the author.

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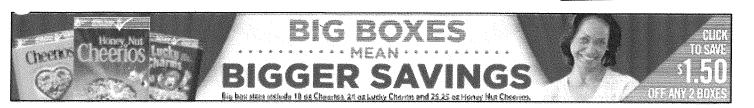
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Barbara and I have both done c-sections, amputations, etc. I've also neutered a dozen or so free-tails. Most vets won't or don't want to work on bats. If you're lucky enough to have a vet who will supply you with isoflurane and show you the basics, you've got nothing to lose by trying. I don't think it takes a lot of nerve--just the realization of knowing that without surgical intervention the bat is going to die. If it dies while under anesthesia at least it had a more merciful death then it would have had otherwise. And hopefully you've learned something in the process--something that you may be able to use to save the next bat. (For the record, I practiced neutering dead specimens before attempting it on any live bats. Neutering became necessary to control the 63 'a little too happy for my own good' bats in my non-releasable colony.)

Surgical/suturing methods are described in the book. The second edition has details/photos of a free-tail neuter.

#### Amanda

- > I don't think most of us would have the nerve to do surgery
- > on a bat. But I was wondering if anyone has I know Carol
- > Amanda maybe Barbara have is there any pictures of the
- > surgery and is there any information about how to suture. I
- > figured it might be good to add a page in your book if you
- > don't have one yet. I'm just thinking if it's a choice of
- > the bat living or dieting I vote on living as long as it's
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For those that have had a problem with Nexaband or Vetbond glues

stabilize wing fractures, Crazy Glue gel works very well. Stay away from

super glues or any other brand, use Crazy Glue and make sure to use

gel. I've been using it for the past 6 months with no problems, even

amputations (to create a cushion after suturing). You can get Crazy glue at

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Amputations of the second through the fourth fingers generally have little impact in a roosting cage and can often be performed so that the injury is not obvious when me wing is routed against the bat's body. Amputations at the forearm have a much more profound affect on terrestrial activity, although these bats quickly learn to use the elbow to rebalance and maneuver. Amputations that require removal of the limb above the elbow (humeral amputations) will result in significant impairment even for bats well adapted to terrestrial activity; however, the author has had several *T. brasiliensis* with such amputations that have participated in mating activity for over a decade. Males actively defend established territory and harems of females against other males, and female amputees give birth and successfully raise their young with little difficulty.

In general, species that are terrestrially agile typically adapt very well to partial amputations of the wing providing they have appropriate caging modifications (see Permanent Housing, Non-Flighted Bats). Tree bats have been known to exhibit depression after amputations, and therefore must be provided with exceptional care to avoid depression and a poor quality of life. Amputations should always be performed under general anesthesia (see Anesthesia). Amputations must be carefully examined to determine the precise amputation site. It is best to perform the amputation 3 to 5mm proximal to the injury or infection site.

For amputations of the radius, locate the large vessel in the wing (Figure 12-20A). Cut through the membrane along the yellow line as indicated. After the wing has been amputated, deglove the radius by gently pulling the skin back from the amputation site. Trim the bone back by an additional 2mm to 3mm (Figure 12-20B). Control any bleeding by gently applying pressure with a sterile gauze pad at the amputation site. Slip the skin back over the trimmed bone and close it with one to two absorbable sutures, size 5-0 to 6-0 (Figure 12-20C). Tie the suture securely and trim off the excess.

Remove the bat from anesthesia and hold it with the head lower than the rest of the body. This helps to wake the bat, so be sure to hold the bat securely. Pour a small pool of tissue adhesive onto a clean, non-absorbable surface. Then, hold the wing securely between your thumb and forefinger and dip the amputation site into the glue. Be sure to keep the bat's head lower than the rest of the body, and keep the bat securely in this position until the glue dries. After the glue has dried, dip the wing into the glue a second time (Figure 12-20D). A second application of glue will provide a protective layer and help to pad the limb as the bat climbs on cage surfaces.

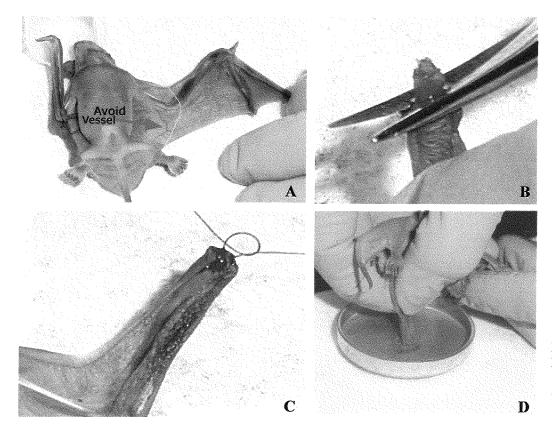


Figure 12-20. A: The bat is anesthetized and the amputation site is determined. B: The amputation site is degloved and the bone is trimmed back an additional 2mm to 3mm. C: A suture is used to close the site. **D:** The bat is removed from anesthesia and held upside down while the amputation site is dipped into a small pool of tissue adhesive. The first layer of adhesive is allowed to dry, and the site is again dipped into the adhesive to create a second layer, which will help pad the injury as it heals. Bat World facility. T. brasiliensis. Photos by C. Myers.

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#### ANESTHESIA

Isoflurane is an inhalant anesthetic used on animals that produces rapid induction of anesthesia with a short recovery period. The author has not observed any adverse reactions to Isoflurane in insectivorous bats, although physical reactions such as erections in male Vespertilionidae sometimes occur. Isoflurane is not significantly metabolized, therefore toxic metabolites are not produced as they are with other inhalants such as Methoxyflurane and Halothane.

In veterinary practice Isoflurane is used with a precision, temperature-compensated vaporizer. A modified cone induction system is necessary for use on insectivorous bats. This system is constructed by cutting off the closed end of the plastic casing used to package a 12ml syringe and taping the modified end of the casing to the y-piece connecting the inhalation/exhalation hoses. The flared end of the casing is placed over the bat's head while the bat is hand-held until relaxation of the wings and legs indicate anesthesia. Bats generally remain at a surgical plane of anesthesia at a level of 1% to 2% Isoflurane.

When veterinary assistance is not available, emergency surgical procedures can be performed by experienced bat care specialists using Isoflurane anesthesia administered in the plastic case used to package a 6ml syringe. Place a cotton ball into the closed end of the plastic case. For a 10g to 15g bat, use anywhere from 0.3ml to 3.0ml of Isoflurane onto the cotton ball. This is typically sufficient to induce anesthesia within 10 to 30 seconds. (When using lower doses, it may be necessary to add Isoflurane to the cotton ball periodically.) Hold the bat with the head lower than the rest of the body and place the case at the back of the bat's head, allowing the fumes to drift over the bat's face (Figure 10-3A). Depending on the physical condition of the bat, it can take anywhere from a few seconds to a few minutes to anesthetize the bat. To make sure the bat is properly anesthetized, release one of the feet from its grip. If the bat does not attempt to re-establish its grip, it is anesthetized. Once anesthetized, allow the case to remain about 1.0cm to 2.0cm above the bat's head as the surgical procedure is performed (Figure 10-3B).

Closely observe the bat's respiration during anesthesia, and place the casing back over the bat's head at the first sign of movement other than respiration. The bat's respiration will be slower than it was prior to anesthesia, but clearly visible. The case should remain in position during the procedure. It is critical to monitor respiration throughout anesthesia. If respiration increases anytime during the procedure, the case should be lowered farther over the bat's head. It may be necessary to add additional Isoflurane to the cotton ball in the plastic casing at this time. If respiration becomes shallow or visible in the chest region at any time during the procedure, immediately remove the case away from the bat. Position the bat's head so it is lower than the rest of the body. To quickly bring the bat out of anesthesia, open the mouth and gently stimulate the tongue with a cotton swab. Then briskly massage the chest, and administer oxygen (see Oxygen Therapy).

After surgery is completed, if respiration becomes shallow (not clearly visible), administer oxygen until improvement is seen (see Oxygen Therapy). Note: Do not feed bats three hours before or immediately after administering anesthesia.



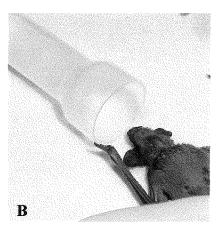


Figure 10-3. A: The anesthesia is administered to a free-tailed bat by placing the flared end of the case over the bat's head. B: After the bat is anesthetized, the case is placed about 1.0cm to 2.0cm above the bat's head as the procedure is performed. T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility. Photo by A. Lollar.

Abscessed teeth are easily identified by redness and swelling of the gums at the site of the infected tooth (Figure 11-7A). Abscessed teeth that are loose in the socket can be easily extracted without the use of anesthesia, although an application of Cetacaine<sup>®</sup> Gel is recommended beforehand, to numb the area.

Forceps 6 inches in length are recommended in order to provide the necessary leverage for an extraction. After Cetacaine® Gel has been applied to the gums, use a cotton swab to prop the bat's mouth open for the procedure. Use the forceps to apply gentle pressure against the side of the suspected tooth to determine if it is loose in the socket. (Some abscessed teeth will actually dislodge with pressure applied in the manner.) It is not unusual to find that more than one tooth is loose and also needs to be extracted.

Using the forceps, grasp the tooth on both sides, and gently rock the tooth back and forth while exerting a slow pulling motion. Do not pull or twist a tooth because it is likely to break off, leaving the root behind, or even fracture the jaw. This is critically important when extracting the canine teeth because of their exceptionally long roots (Figure 11-7B).

After an extraction, allow the bat to bite on a gauze pad to help stop the bleeding. There is typically minimal bleeding and rapid healing after an extraction. Manuka honey applied to inflamed gums and extraction sites can ease pain and promote healing.

The author recommends against extracting canine teeth that are not already loose in the socket due to the risk of leaving the root behind. If a portion of the root is left in the gum, severe pain and subsequent infection can result and the root will need to be surgically extracted. If the tooth is not loose, do not attempt extraction. Continue antibiotic treatment for the prescribed period. Wild bats with dental abscesses that have extended into the chest or head should be humanely euthanized.

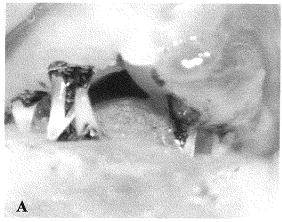
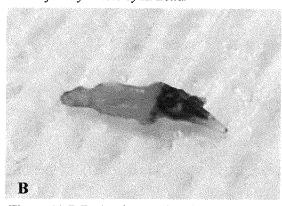


Figure 11-7. A: Both staining and an abscess are evident in this free-tailed bat. T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility. Photo by A. Lollar



**Figure 11-7. B:** An abscessed canine tooth pulled from the above pictured free-tailed bat. Note the exceptionally long root, making extractions of the canine teeth very difficult. *T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility. Photo by A. Lollar.* 

amniotic fluid, and rapid, heavy respiration may be observed. Some females will vocalize during the birthing process. Although most megabats are born in a head-first position typical of other mammals, many microbats are born feet first.

Pups are typically naked at birth and will be pink in color (although some, such as red bats, are born with patches of a fine, pale gray, peach-like fuzz). Pups may be born with eyes open (Figure 8-6), as is the case with the Brazilian free-tailed bat (T. brasiliensis - Lollar, 1994) or with eyes closed, as is the case with most other species. A normal birth can take anywhere from a few minutes to a couple of hours. The placenta is expelled after birth and remains connected to the pup via the umbilicus. Do not attempt to detach it from the pup. Circulation through umbilical vessels continues in some species for several minutes, after which the cord rapidly blanches as circula-



Figure 8-6. A newborn pup, still attached to the mother through the umbilical cord. T. brasiliensis. Photo by A. Lollar.

tion ceases. When the cord dries up the placenta detaches, normally within 24 to 48 hours of birth. If the cord is cut or broken before circulation ceases, the neonate will bleed to death. If the umbilicus tears or breaks, the cord should be ligated. In some species, such as the evening bat (*N. humeralis*), mothers eat the placenta and umbilical cord to within 2.0mm to 3.0mm of the navel the first hour to hour and a half following delivery.

Following a normal birth, mothers generally rest for a few moments and then clean and bond with their infants. Mothers and pups exchange vocalizations and mothers often rub their muzzles on the infant's face and body. However, sometimes a mother will coax an infant onto the ceiling or cage wall and then ignore the pup until she has groomed herself, after which she will begin cleaning and then nursing the infant. Some species, such as cave bats (M. velifer) tend to keep their pups neatly tucked under one wing most of the time for the first several days of life. Others, such as the Brazilian free-tailed bat (T. brasiliensis) roost separately from their pups most of the

time, only moving to the pup to nurse it; it is particularly important that incubation be provided for these pups.

#### Difficult Birth

If a birth has not occurred within one or two hours of the onset of behavioral cues described above, the mother may be experiencing difficulty and should be examined. If a pup can been seen at the vaginal opening, it may be improperly positioned so that the head or a wing is lowest in the vaginal canal. Because it is extremely difficult to reposition a fetus in a small bat, surgical intervention may be required. In an emergency situation when veterinary help is not available, a caretaker may need to intervene.

Figure 8-7. A pup stuck in the vaginal opening of a free-tailed bat. T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility.



If the fetus is positioned at the vaginal opening, but the opening does not seem to be dilating enough to allow the infant through, an episiotomy may be necessary. Using a cotton swab, apply Cetacaine® to the vagina to anesthetize the area (Figure 8-8A). Then, using small sterile surgical scissors, make a small snip through the skin and underlying muscle on one or both of the lateral sides of the vaginal opening. Do not make an incision down towards the rectum or up towards the anterior labial commissure. The incisions should be made at the three o'clock and nine o'clock positions (Figure 8-8B). Try not make an incision any longer than 1.0mm as a larger incision may cause the oterus to prolapse. Be careful not to cut or bruise the fetus.

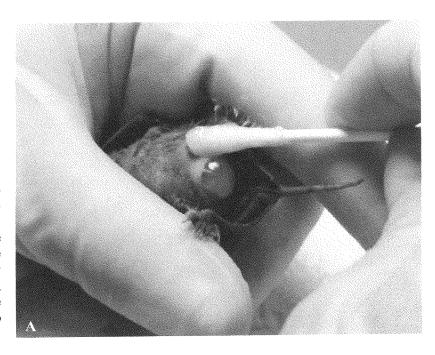
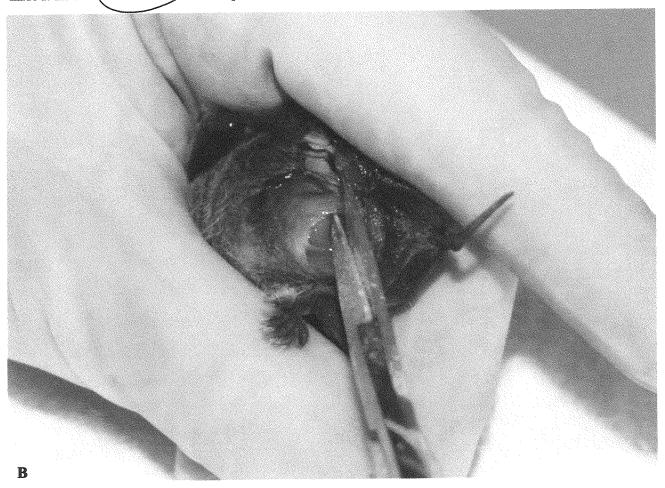


Figure 8-8. A: Apply Cetacaine® (a numbing agent) to anesthetize the vaginal opening. B: Very small incisions should be made at the three o'clock and nine o'clock positions. T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility. Photo by J. Waltz.



After making the incision, firmly but gently grasp the emerging pup with the fingertips, and slowly and very gently pull it out of the birth canal during a contraction (Figure 8-9A). Pulling on the pup with too much force may cause the uterus to prolapse, in other words, the uterus protrudes through the vaginal opening and outside of the bat's body. If this happens, hold the female upside down in the hand, carefully extract the placenta without tearing it or detaching it from the pup, then use the rounded tip of a small sterile rubber catheter lubricated with water-soluble jelly to gently "tuck" the uterus back-inside the vagina. If the uterus cannot be tucked back inside, or if it repeatedly prolapses, it will need to be ligated and removed.

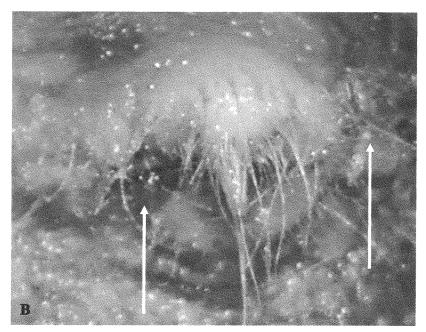
After the pup has emerged, gently but quickly clean its face of any fluid or vernix. Then, massage the pup's chest to encourage respiration. If necessary, wrap the pup in a soft cloth and administer oxygen (see Medications) while completing the episiotomy on the mother.

Gently clean the mother's abdomen with gauze pads dampened with warm sterile water, and dry the area thoroughly. Close the incisions with Gluture<sup>®</sup>. Magnification is strongly recommended when applying this product to close episiotomies. Do not apply the glue directly from the container, rather, use a small sterile instrument to apply. Be extremely careful to avoid gluing anything other than then the incised areas (Figure 8-9B). Bats that have had an episiotomy or a prolapsed uterus should be injected with an electrolyte solution and an injection of Baytril, followed by



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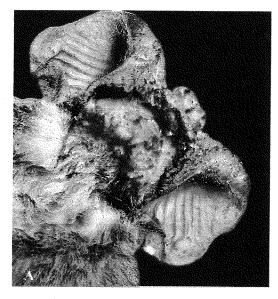
the oral mixture of Cephalexin Baytril® 2 times a day for 10 days, followed by oral administration of Cephalexin alone 2 times a day for an additional 20 days (see Medications).

If the uterus does not prolapse following an episiotomy, the afterbirth should be expelled with, or immediately after, the pup has emerged. If it is not expelled, do not attempt to pull it out. The afterbirth, which is still connecting mother and infant, will eventually be expelled by the mother.

While not always a reliable ind ion, uninjured crevice bats with rabies may be found in exposed areas during daylight. Other signs that may indicate the presence of rabies include emaciation, glassy, watery or matted eyes, a heavy ectoparasite load, a hunched back, and petechial hemorrhage on the ears (although similar signs may also accompany other conditions including respiratory disease, heat exhaustion, internal injuries and back injuries — Lollar, 1994). The author has also found that the presence of dirt and/or other foreign substances in or around a bat's mouth may be another indication of rabies infection, possibly resulting when an infected animal bites at the ground or other surroundings. Other signs observed by the author include disoriented flight, uncoordinated movements, seizures, spastic paralysis of one or both legs, ataxia, one or both legs clamped tightly against the abdomen (T. brasiliensis in particular, Figure 11-20), lesions around the mouth and chin (Figure 11-21A), abraded gums or a blistered appearance under the upper lip, glassy/watery eyes (Figure 11-21B) abnormal vocalization, hypersensitivity to sound and light, exhibiting anger (by jerking the body) rather than fear, falling asleep while being examined, and agonal respiration. The bat may also accept soft food or milk formula when offered, but does not swallow, has an inability to swallow, or aspirates upon swallowing. Additionally, the bat may chew on mealworms as if eating but then allow the chewed pieces to fall from its mouth.

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Caretakers should protect themselves and humanely euthanize bats demonstrating signs of rabies infection (see Rabies [Primary and Secondary Signs] in the Diagnostic chart for help in determining when to euthanize bats suspected of rabies infection). Depending on state guidelines, bats suspected of rabies must be turned over to the proper authorities for rabies testing. Care should be taken to prevent physical damage to the brain of an animal that must be tested for rabies. In case of an animal bite and/or scratch or contact with saliva or nervous tissue from a suspect animal, consult your family physician or local or state health department immediately. If local or state health department personnel are unavailable, call the Viral and Rickettsial Diseases Division of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at (404) 639-1075 weekdays, or at (404) 639-2888 nights, weekends and holidays.



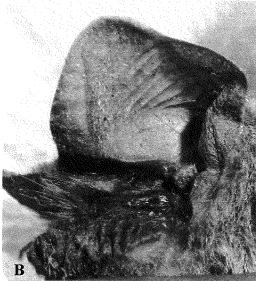


Figure 11-21. A: Lesions on the chin, petechial hemorrhage on the ears. B: Watery eyes. T. brasiliensis. Photo by A. Lollar.

There has been little research in the area of rabies vaccination for bats, as vaccination of large, wild populations may not be a feasible undertaking. However, Charles Trimarchi, DVM, with the New York State Department of Health states that, "While most health agencies neither endorse nor prohibit extra-label use of rabies vaccines in wildlife, modern vaccines may protect wild species and because they are killed-virus vaccines, do not pose a risk of vaccine-induced rabies infection" (Trimarchi, 1996).

The author routinely vaccinates bats taken in from the wild that will be added to captive study colonies in order to minimize the potential for disease transmission to other captives, as well as bats that are released. Each bat is injected subcutaneously with 0.ml (see Medications).

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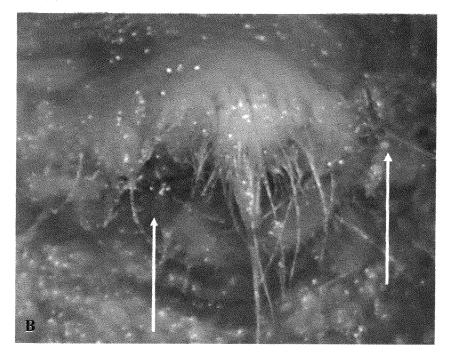
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If the uterus does not prolapse following an episiotomy, the afterbirth should be expelled with, or immediately after, the pup has emerged. If it is not expelled, do not attempt to pull it out. The afterbirth, which is still connecting mother and infant, will eventually be expelled by the mother.

amniotic fluid, and rapid, heavy respiration may be observed. Some females will vocalize during the birthing process. Although most megabats are born in a head-first position typical of other mammals, many microbats are born feet first.

Pups are typically naked at birth and will be pink in color (although some, such as red bats, are born with patches of a fine, pale gray, peach-like fuzz). Pups may be born with eyes open (Figure 8-6), as is the case with the Brazilian free-tailed bat (T. brasiliensis - Lollar, 1994) or with eyes closed, as is the case with most other species. A normal birth can take anywhere from a few minutes to a couple of hours. The placenta is expelled after birth and remains connected to the pup via the umbilicus. Do not attempt to detach it from the pup. Circulation through umbilical vessels continues in some species for several minutes, after which the cord rapidly blanches as circula-



Figure 8-6. A newborn pup, still attached to the mother through the umbilical cord. T. brasiliensis. Photo by A. Lollar.

tion ceases. When the cord dries up the placenta detaches, normally within 24 to 48 hours of birth. If the cord is cut or broken before circulation ceases, the neonate will bleed to death. If the umbilicus tears or breaks, the cord should be ligated. In some species, such as the evening bat (*N. humeralis*), mothers eat the placenta and umbilical cord to within 2.0mm to 3.0mm of the navel the first hour to hour and a half following delivery.

Following a normal birth, mothers generally rest for a few moments and then clean and bond with their infants. Mothers and pups exchange vocalizations and mothers often rub their muzzles on the infant's face and body. However, sometimes a mother will coax an infant onto the ceiling or cage wall and then ignore the pup until she has groomed herself, after which she will begin cleaning and then nursing the infant. Some species, such as cave bats (*M. velifer*) tend to keep their pups neatly tucked under one wing most of the time for the first several days of life. Others, such as the Brazilian free-tailed bat (*T. brasiliensis*) roost separately from their pups most of the

time, only moving to the pup to nurse it; it is particularly important that incubation be provided for these pups.

#### **Difficult Birth**

If a birth has not occurred within one or two hours of the onset of behavioral cues described above, the mother may be experiencing difficulty and should be examined. If a pup can been seen at the vaginal opening, it may be improperly positioned so that the head or a wing is lowest in the vaginal canal. Because it is extremely difficult to reposition a fetus in a small bat, surgical intervention may be required. In an emergency situation when veterinary help is not available, a caretaker may need to intervene.

**Figure 8-7.** A pup stuck in the vaginal opening of a free-tailed bat. *T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility.* 



If the fetus is positioned at the vaginal opening, but the opening does not seem to be dilating enough to allow the infant through, an episiotomy may be necessary. Using a cotton swab, apply Cetacaine® to the vagina to anesthetize the area (Figure 8-8A). Then, using small sterile surgical scissors, make a small snip through the skin and underlying muscle on one or both of the lateral sides of the vaginal opening. Do not make an incision down towards the rectum or up towards the anterior labial commissure. The incisions should be made at the three o'clock and nine o'clock positions (Figure 8-8B). Try not make an incision any longer than 1.0mm, as a larger incision may cause the uterus to prolapse. Be careful not to cut or bruise the fetus.

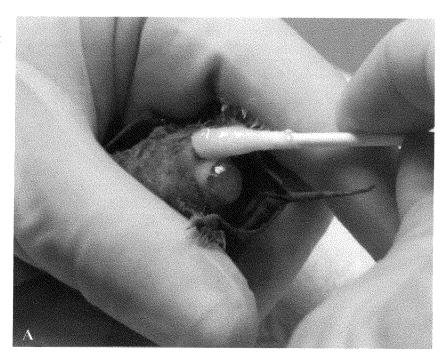


Figure 8-8. A: Apply Cetacaine® (a numbing agent) to anesthetize the vaginal opening. B: Very small incisions should be made at the three o'clock and nine o'clock positions. T. brasiliensis. Bat World facility. Photo by J. Waltz.

