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1 Exhibit 55	1 PROCEEDINGS
2 Terri Mascherin, to Anton Valukas and Others, Bates NO. JBPN 00052231	2 (On the record at 9:04 a.m.)
3	3 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Good morning.
Exhibit 56. 946 Series of E-mails, Bates Nos. JBPN 00052232 to JBPN 00052233	4 I think we're on Day 4 of our arbitration. We've had a brief
5	5 discussion off the record. I understand that there is a
Exhibit 59. 949 Series of E-mails, with Attachment, Bates Nos. JBPN 0015531 to JBPN 00015539	6 pending objection to some testimony of this witness for which a
/	7 brief has been filed and which another is about to be tendered.
Exhibit 60	8 And even though I don't have it in my hands yet, I'm going to
9	9 say that it has been tendered. And counsel have now
Exhibit 62	10 actually it has been tendered to me.
11	11 And counsel have agreed that we will take a
Exhibit 67	12 brief recess for me to review the briefs that both sides have
JBPN 00095522 to JBPN 00095523	13 submitted, and then we will resume for further further
Exhibit 68	14 limited discussion, if any, and then we will resume the
JPBN 00052268 to 00052270	
Exhibit 69	15 testimony of Ms. Mascherin.
JBPN 00048706 to JBPN 00048707	16 Anybody have anything you need to add at this
17 Exhibit 70	17 point?
	18 MR. ALIBHAI: No, sir.
19 Exhibit 71	MR. PELZ: No, sir. That's agreed.
Parti Mascherin, to Susan Levy and Others, Bates No. JBPN 00048941	20 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Then we'll be
21	21 back off the record. Thank you.
Exhibit 73	22 (Break was taken at 9:06 a.m. to 9:28 a.m.)
23	23 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: We're back on the record.
Exhibit 80	24 Thank you for giving me a little bit of time to review what you
25	25 have submitted. I think I might have taken more than my 15
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DIRECT EXAMINATION (continued)

2 BY MR. PELZ:

Q. Ms. Mascherin, I believe you had Claimant's Exhibit303 in front of you. I'm handing that to you again.

5 A. Thank you.

6 MR. PELZ: 303, Claimant's.

7 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I know. I'm just trying to 8 find it.

9 MR. PELZ: I believe it's right here.

10 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) And to briefly put us back in context,

11 I believe the previous exhibit you'd seen was 302, which was

12 your memo about a conference call you had on January 12th.

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Following the January 12th call, did you then have

15 another call with Ms. Steinberg the next day?

16 A. Yes. We talked again on the 13th.

17 Q. What was discussed with Ms. Steinberg on the 13th of

18 January 2009?

19 A. The topic on the 13th was her request that Jenner &

20 Block stay in the case and represent Parallel Networks. She

21 told us that the client was very interested in Jenner & Block

22 remaining in the case. She -- she contested a couple of the

23 things that we had said about why Jenner & Block had decided to

24 send the notice of termination, and we got into a bit of a

25 discussion about when the judge had announced the bifurcation

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1 of the damages from a liability phase, and -- but we got past 2 that pretty quickly. And she said that she had -- that she

3 understood that we had a concern about the client's failure to

4 live up to its responsibilities to keep current on the expenses

5 and asked whether we'd considered staying in the case if we

6 were to amend the fee agreement to provide for a retainer to

7 cover the expenses through the appeal.

8 And then she made a --

9 Q. So after these preliminaries, then did she present a 10 proposal to you?

11 A. She did present a proposal.

12 Q. And what was the proposal that she presented to you

13 on January 13th?

A. The proposal was that Parallel Networks would get a

15 cash retainer -- first of all, the agreement -- the existing

16 contingency fee agreement would be amended, that the -- for

17 purposes of the appeal, Parallel Networks would pay a cash

18 retainer. I don't believe in this call that she suggested a

19 particular amount for a retainer.

20 She proposed that Parallel Networks and Jenner &

21 Block agree at that time on a recommended settlement value for

22 the Oracle case in the event of an -- of a successful appeal

23 and that we amend the fee agreement essentially to cap Jenner &

24 Block's contingent recovery -- or recovery of any fees for the

25 case to a percentage of whatever that agreed value was.

Page 879 And she suggested and agreed settlement value at

2 that time of 40 million which she said broke down into 20

3 million for settlement of claims related to the Oracle products

4 and 20 million related to claims for the BEA products.

5 Q. So that's -- that's the suggestion with respect to

6 the Oracle case, correct?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. Was there a suggestion with respect to the QuinStreet

9 case?

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10 A. With respect to the QuinStreet case, she said that

11 she wanted Jenner & Block to stay in the QuinStreet case,

12 quote, in a low-key way. And I said, what does that mean, to

13 be counsel for a client in a low-key way? If you've appeared

14 in the case, you're counsel in the case. And, you know, what

15 do you mean by that? And she said, well, we don't want you to

16 do very much. We want you to try to, you know, just sort of

17 keep the case inactive, try to put things off, and -- and we

18 think that -- that, you know, eventually, it will make sense

19 for you to try to negotiate a settlement and -- at the

20 QuinStreet portion of it. And meanwhile, Parallel Networks

21 will try to get somebody else to take the Microsoft aspect. In

22 other words, to take over from us and to take the Microsoft

23 part of the case forward.

Q. Did you discuss that proposal with firm management,

25 particularly Ms. Levy?

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1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. Now, with respect to the Microsoft pleading --

3 microsoft case, was there some -- something coming up that

4 needed to be done in mid to late January 2009?

5 A. Yes. There was a deadline to answer or otherwise

6 plead to their -- whatever their complaint was called. It was

7 a third-party complaint, or I forget exactly what it was, their 8 counterclaim.

9 Q. Let me hand you what we have marked as Claimant's10 Exhibit 311.

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Now, Were you talking with other lawyers at Jenner &

13 Block with respect to how we -- what might be done with respect

14 to responding to Microsoft?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. What were you -- had you learned from other general

17 lawyers and whom were those lawyers?

18 A. I had heard from Paul Margolis that he -- we were

19 trying to figure out what the client wanted us to do, whether

20 the client wanted Jenner & Block to -- to file a response to

21 that complaint, whether the client had plans for other counsel

22 to come in and draft that response, whether the client wanted

23 local counsel to draft the response. And the deadline was 24 approaching.

25 I don't remember at this time exactly what the



Page 881 deadline was, but it was coming up. And we were counsel of

- 2 record in the case, so I was concerned about making sure
- 3 that -- that someone was preparing a responsive pleading. And
- 4 so we were having difficulty getting an answer about what we
- 5 were supposed to be doing, and Paul Margolis reported to me
- 6 that he spoke with Mr. Fokas on the 20th of January and that
- 7 Mr. Fokas told Paul that Mr. Fokas did not want Jenner & Block
- 8 to prepare a responsive pleading, that Mr. Fokas was going to 9 draft the answer himself and wanted us to simply take the
- 10 answer that he drafted and file it.
- 11 This was contrary to what Ms. Steinberg had told
- 12 me in a conversation shortly before that where she had said
- 13 that she wanted Jenner & Block to prepare the responsive
- 14 pleading. So I was trying to get clear direction from her, are
- 15 we supposed to be listening to you, or are we supposed to be
- 16 listening to Mr. Fokas?
- 17 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Claimant's
- 18 Exhibit 313. 313. Let me ask, Did you speak with Ms.
- 19 Steinberg again on or about January 20th, 2009?
- 20 A. Yes. I did.
- Q. Can you tell us what discussions occurred on that 21 22 day.
- 23 A. Yes. I gave Ms. Steinberg a counterproposal for
- 24 amending the fee agreement. I believe, at this point, her
- 25 we had had another discussion in between, and she had suggested

- 1 of this responsive pleading to Microsoft?
- 2 A. Yes, there was discussion about the Microsoft 3 pleading and --
- Q. And in advance of this discussion, had there been
- 5 discussions with local counsel with respect to the Microsoft --
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 -- response?
- 8 A. Yes. There had been a further discussion with Mr.
- 9 Fokas, where Mr. Fokas had said, well, he changed his mind
- 10 again and that he'd asked local counsel to prepare the
- pleading. And then Paul Margolis had gotten a call from local
- 12 counsel that he was concerned about signing an answer -- you
- 13 know, about preparing it himself, that he didn't feel qualified
- 14 to do it, he wasn't comfortable signing something that the
- 15 client prepared. He wanted Jenner & Block involved in
- 16 preparing any responsive pleading that was prepared because
- 17 Jenner & Block was really the firm that had done the
- 18 investigation in the case and was most familiar with what
- 19 should be said at this point in time we were talking about
- 20 filing an answer to the complaint.
- 21 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Claimant's
- 22 Exhibit 315. And my first question is, did you speak with Ms.
- 23 Steinberg again on January 21st, 2009?
 - A. Yes, I did.

24

25 Q. Did you discuss a counterproposal with respect to

- Page 882 1 specifically that -- I think I have the timing on this correct.
- 2 I think she had suggested a retainer of 250,000, but I may
- 3 have -- that might have been in response to this one. I'm not
- 4 certain of her dates. Perhaps you have another e-mail on that.
- 5 But, in any event, I conveyed a counterproposal
- 6 that -- proposing a retainer of \$500,000 for the appeal, making
- 7 it clear that Jenner & Block needed to retain the right to
- 8 withdraw from the representation to terminate the fee agreement 9 in the future should any -- you know, should need for that
- 10 arise either because the client didn't live up to the agreement
- 11 or for any other reason, such as, for example, ethical
- 12 concerns.
- 13 I told her that with regard to the QuinStreet
- 14 case, that we were recommending that the client settle the case
- 15 for \$750,000 and requested authority to negotiate a
- 16 settlement -- indicated our willingness to stay in that case to
- 17 negotiate a settlement, requesting authority to negotiate a
- 18 settlement of 750,000 or more, with Jenner & Block to be paid
- 19 the regular contingent fee that would apply under the existing
- 20 agreement for that settlement.
- 21 And I believe at this point in time, I also
- 22 suggested -- made counterproposal with regard to how to deal
- 23 with the Oracle issue, but I don't recall exactly what the --
- 24 what my proposal was on that.
- 25 Q. Was there some discussion about what to do in terms

- 1 Jenner & Block's future involvement during that phone call?
- A. Yes. Laura, in that phone call, responded to the
- 3 proposal that I had made the day before and made a -- made
- 4 another proposal about amending the fee agreement.
- Q. Okay. With respect -- let's start, first, with 5
- 6 respect to Microsoft, what was her proposal?
- 7 A. Laura suggested -- proposed that Jenner & Block would
- 8 file the answer to Microsoft's complaint, which at this point
- 9 was due the next day, January the 22nd, and would, you know,
- 10 sign that answer as counsel for Parallel Networks. She --
- Q. What was --11
- 12 A. I'm sorry.
- 13 Q. What was the discussion about -- what was the
- 14 proposal with respect to the QuinStreet case?
- A. With respect to QuinStreet, she, you know, agreed 15
- 16 with the portion of my proposal that Jenner & Block would be
- 17 authorized to negotiate and enter into a settlement on behalf
- 18 of Parallel Networks of 750,000 or more and that Jenner & Block
- 19 would receive its regular contingent fee from that settlement.
- 20 And then what she wanted us to do was -- her
- 21 proposal was that once we settled the QuinStreet portion of the
- 22 case, that Jenner & Block should try then to get the Microsoft
- 23 portion of the case stayed to give Parallel Networks sufficient 24 time to bring in different counsel to replace us as counsel in
- 25 that litigation with Microsoft.



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1 Q. And if the stay wasn't permissible, what was the

2 proposal from Ms. Steinberg?

3 A. She proposed that if Microsoft would not agree to

4 with stay, that then we could file a motion seeking to withdraw

5 from the case. She didn't specifically say that Parallel

6 Networks would agree that we could withdraw from the case. She

7 said we could file a motion and ask the Court to let us out.

8 Q. Now, on the Oracle case, what was the proposal as of 9 January 21st, 2009?

10 A. This refreshes my memory of when she made the

11 \$250,000 proposal. I had proposed -- as to the first element,

12 the retainer, I had proposed a retainer of \$500,000 for the

13 appeal, but my proposal had been that that would be to cover

14 expenses and that our fees would come from a contingent

15 recovery. And we had had some discussion about what the

16 converse of that -- whether there would be any changes to the

17 converse of that.

18 But under the existing fee agreement, she made a

19 counterproposal that rather than paying a retainer for expenses

20 and allowing us a contingent recovery for the appeal, that

21 Parallel Networks would agree to pay a retainer of \$250,000 for

22 the fees for appeal, that Jenner & Block would bill its fees at

23 half rate, half normal rates, and that the \$250,000 would have

24 to come from Parallel Networks' share of the QuinStreet

25 settlement once the QuinStreet case got settled. And if we --

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1 if our fees -- if half of our fees for the appeal were less

 $2\,$ than 250,000, we would have to refund the different -- you

3 know, remainder of the retainer to Parallel Networks.

4 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: What was the number 200 or

5 250?

6 THE WITNESS: 250,000.

7 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Okay.

A. And then she also proposed that we could negotiate --

9 we could attempt to negotiate a settlement with Oracle at any

10 point in time, but that Parallel Networks retained discretion

11 to approve or reject the settlement no matter what the amount

12 was at any time. But in the event we did achieve a settlement

13 of \$10 million or more, and Parallel Networks agreed to it,

14 that our -- that Jenner & Block's fee recovery would be capped

15 at one-third of the amount recovered in settlement, net of fees

16 paid for the appeal and any costs --

17 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Now --

18 A. -- which is kind of a complicated proposal.

19 And she also said we couldn't terminate -- she

20 also proposed that we could not terminate the engagement or the

21 fee agreement for any reason until the appeal was completely

22 concluded.

23 Q. I'm showing you Claimant's Exhibit 320, and

24 specifically, I'm going to ask you, did you speak with Ms.

25 Steinberg again on the 23rd of January 2009?

1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. With respect to January 23rd, what's happening with

3 respect to the Microsoft responsive pleading?

4 A. At this point in time, we had had a lot of

5 discussions internally about what the most prudent type of

6 responsive pleading would be to file in that case, and we came

7 to the opinion that -- we, the Jenner & Block team, came to the

8 opinion that the best type of responsive pleading actually to

9 file in that case would not be the answer that the client had

10 been planning to prepare, but rather, a motion to dismiss that

11 action for lack of personal jurisdiction because of the fact

12 that the -- we had done additional research and determined that

13 there had to be an independent basis for jurisdiction for that

14 claim by Microsoft against Parallel Networks in the case, and

15 we believed there was a very strong argument that there was no

16 basis for personal jurisdiction.

Q. Did that motion, in fact, get filed?

18 A. Yes, we did prepare and file that motion.

19 Q. Now, let me show you what we've marked as Claimant's

20 Exhibit 323 and ask you, did you -- subsequent to the 23rd, did

21 you receive an additional -- or a new proposal from Ms.

22 Steinberg on or about January 26th?

23 A. Yes, I did. She called me again that day and had

24 another proposal.

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Q. What was the proposal on January 26th?

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A. The proposal on January 26th was -- remained the same

2 with regard to QuinStreet, which is that we could settle for

3 that -- that Parallel Networks would authorize Jenner & Block

4 to settle in the amount of 750,000 or more and Jenner & Block

5 would receive its normal contingent recovery, which would have

6 been, under the existing fee agreement, one-third net of costs

7 from that settlement. And that Jenner & Block could -- once it

8 had -- once Jenner & Block had achieved that settlement with

9 QuinStreet, that Parallel Networks would agree that Jenner &

10 Block could withdraw from that whole case, the

11 QuinStreet/Microsoft case.

But in any event, if we had not achieved the

13 settlement by February the 17th, we could withdraw -- we could

14 file a motion to withdraw on February 17th. So that was the

15 QuinStreet portion of it.

16 Q. And by this time, on that motion to withdraw, was

17 there -- was Parallel Networks going to agree to that motion to

18 withdraw?

19 A. My recollection is that Parallel Networks was

20 proposing they would agree that we could withdraw at the latest

21 by February the 17th.

22 Q. Now, on the Oracle appeal, what is the proposal that

23 was presented as of January 26, 2009?

24 A. You'll recall her last proposal was a retainer of

25 250,000 for half and we would bill our fees at half rates. I



1 had countered with a proposal for a retainer of 500,000 and we 2 would bill our fees at full rates.

She then countered again, accepting the idea of

- 4 a retainer of \$500,000 for fees and expenses, but offering that
- 5 Parallel Networks would pay that in two stages. They would pay
- 6 \$200,000 immediately upon execution of an amendment to the
- 7 contingent fee agreement, and then they would pay the remaining
- 8 \$300,000 within 30 days of the execution of the amendment.
- And her proposal, again, was that in the event
- 10 that our actual fees and costs for the appeal were less than
- 11 the amount of the total retainer, at the conclusion of the
- 12 appeal, we would refund the difference to Parallel Networks.
- 13 Q. Was there discussion about Jenner & Block's ability
- 14 to withdraw in the Oracle case?
- 15 A. Yes. She agreed that Jenner & Block would be --
- 16 would retain its right to withdraw and terminate the agreement
- 17 under the -- you know, consistent with the terms of the
- 18 existing fee agreement so that -- you know, that would have
- 19 allowed -- and consistent with ethical obligations. So that
- 20 would have allowed termination for -- you know, if we
- 21 determined that it wasn't in our economic interest to proceed.
- 22 as well as for breach and for, you know, other ethical reasons.
- 23 Q. Did you discuss what recovery -- what contingent
- 24 recovery Jenner & Block might obtain if it did withdraw?
- 25 A. Yes. She proposed that in the event -- actually, I
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- 1 think this proposal was regardless whether we withdrew or not.
- 2 She was proposing that our -- that Jenner & Block's recovery --
- 3 in the event Parallel Networks obtained a recovery either in
- 4 settlement or by verdict, would be an agreed-upon amount of \$3 5 million.
- Q. Was there still further discussion about how the fees 7 paid on appeal, how that would be handled?
- A. Right. There was one additional term that she added
- 9 in this proposal that we hadn't discussed before, which was how
- 10 to handle the -- or I guess she had discussed it in her last --
- 11 as I said, she continued to take the position that if there --
- 12 that if and when there -- Parallel Networks ultimately
- 13 recovered by verdict or by settlement, the agreed-upon amount
- 14 that Jenner & Block would be paid would be \$3 million, but it
- 15 would be net of any amounts that Jenner & Block had been paid
- 16 in fees and costs for the appeal up to that time.
- 17 So, for example, if Jenner & Block had done the
- 18 appeal and our fees were \$300,000, say, and we had refunded
- 19 200,000 of the retainer to Parallel Networks, that 300,000 that
- 20 Jenner & Block had received in fees would be deducted from the
- 21 \$3 million.
- Q. Did you discuss this proposal with Ms. Levy? 22
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And did you get any authority with respect to this
- 25 proposal?

- A. Yes. I got authority to accept certain portions of
- 2 it and to make counterproposals on certain portions of it.
- 3 Q. Showing you what's been marked as Claimant's Exhibit
- 4 324. Did you send this to Ms. Steinberg on or about January
- 5 27th, 2009?
- 6 A. Yes, I did.
- 7 Q. And let's just read the first sentence.
- 8 A. I said to Ms. Steinberg, Laurie, the terms that you
- 9 proposed yesterday are acceptable to us with a few minor
- 10 changes. And I told her I was going to put them in writing
- 11 because I thought we were close enough to having a -- to be
- 12 able to start drafting an agreement that it made sense to make
- sure that -- to put them in writing and make sure that we were
- 14 clear and everybody agreed.
- Q. Was the bulk of her January 26th proposal accepted? 15
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. At least as you understood it?
- 18 A. Yes.

- 19 Q. And are the terms that you were proposing all set
- 20 forth there in Exhibit 324?
- 21 A. Yes, they are.
 - Now -- and, specifically, was there a discussion of
- 23 an amount to be paid to Jenner & Block in the event that the
- 24 agreement was terminated?
- 25 A. Yes. Our agreement at this point in time was that in

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 1 the event Jenner & Block terminated the agreement and Parallel
- 2 Networks later obtained a recovery through settlement or
- 3 verdict, that Jenner & Block's fee would be \$3 million.
- And then there was still a dispute between us
- 5 about how to deal with the question whether amounts paid for
- 6 the appeal should be deducted from that or not. In our
- 7 discussion, she had proposed that we agree to arbitrate that,
- 8 and I accepted that proposal and suggested that while that
- 9 arbitration was being -- to try to conclude that arbitration
- 10 quickly and that the amount in dispute, in the meantime, be
- 11 escrowed.
- Q. Okay. Now, in all of these discussions in January of 12
- 13 2009, was there ever any discussion or suggestion that Jenner &
- 14 Block's fee for its past work, any fee for the past work, would
- 15 be paid even if Parallel Networks didn't recover?
- 16 A. No. She never -- she never brought that up and I
- 17 never requested that.
- 18 Q. So you never indicated that any of Jenner & Block's
- 19 fee would be -- for past work would be owed unless there was a
- 20 future recovery?
- 21 A. Absolutely correct.
- 22 Q. Let me show you what has been marked as Claimant's
- 23 324. Is this a letter that you received from Ms. Steinberg on
- 24 January 28, 2009?
- 25 A. Yes, and she's responding to the proposal that we



1 just looked at in my e-mail.

2 MR. ALIBHAI: I don't think 324 is a letter.

3 THE WITNESS: The second page is.

4 MR. PELZ: The letter is attached to the e-mail.

5 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm looking at 324, and

6 there is no --

7 THE WITNESS: Oh, 327.

8 A. I think you read the Bates number.

9 MR. PELZ: Oh, I read the wrong -- sorry.

10 A. You read the Bates number.

11 MR. Pelz: It's 327. My apologies. It should

12 be a letter attached to an e-mail, if we'll get to the right --

13 thanks, Jamil.

14 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Can you just read the second sentence

15 in Ms. Steinberg's January 28th letter.

16 A. Yes. She said, I believe that what you have set

17 forth is generally in accordance with what we have discussed.

18 Q. Now, when you got this letter and reviewed this

19 letter, where did you think these -- what did you think the

20 status of these negotiations was?

A. We had reached an agreement on terms to amend the

22 contingent fee agreement, and I asked my partner, Russ Hoover,

23 to draft an amendment on those things.

Q. Now, in all of these discussions in January of 2009,

25 did Ms. Steinberg ever suggest or say that Jenner & Block's

Page 893 1 A. Yes, it did.

2 Q. Did you -- did Ms. Steinberg ever tell you that this

3 agreement wasn't essentially the terms that had been agreed to

4 between you and her?

5 A. No.

Q. On or about February 4th, did you get a letter from

7 Mr. Harvey Bines?

B A. Yes, I did.

9 Q. And I'm going to hand you Claimant's Exhibit 331.

10 Did you get that on or about February 4th, 2009?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Is that the first sort of response that you got with

13 respect to the draft first amendment that you had sent?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Now, what was -- what was your reaction when you got

16 this response?

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A. I was frustrated. I was angry.

18 Q. Why was that?

19 A. Because Laura and I had talked through the terms that

20 were reflected in the draft amendment. She had specifically

21 agreed to them. Many of them, in fact, were terms that

22 Parallel Networks itself had initially proposed and Jenner &

23 Block had consented to.

And Mr. Bines' letter, after all of that

25 discussion, said, in essence, the client -- the client now is

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1 notice of termination was in any way improper?

A. No.

Q. Did she ever suggest or say that Jenner & Block

4 didn't have the right to terminate under the agreement?

A. No

6 Q. Did she ever say or suggest that Jenner & Block would

7 not be entitled to some -- some payment in the event there was

8 a recovery by Parallel Networks?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Did she ever say or suggest that the agreement was in

11 any way unenforceable or unconscionable?

12 A. No.

13 Q. You said -- you indicated that you had Mr. Hoover

14 draft something, and I quote -- asked you to look at Claimant's

15 Exhibit 328. Is that an e-mail that you sent to Ms. Steinberg

16 on February 1st, 2009?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And what is attached to the e-mail?

19 A. The draft amendment to the contingent fee agreement

20 that Russ Hoover prepared.

21 Q. What is the document entitled?

22 A. "First Amendment to Contingent Fee Agreement."

Q. Was this -- did this first amendment contain what you

24 believed were the terms that had been discussed and essentially

25 agreed to between you and Ms. Steinberg?

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1 not willing to agree to paying the terms for payment of a

2 retainer for the appeal. The -- the client can pay you
 3 \$200,000 now, but the only thing Mr. Fokas will commit to with

4 regard to paying the rest of the retainer that's been agreed to

5 is a best-efforts obligation.

6 And my reaction to that was it would be

7 irresponsible for me to agree to a best-efforts obligation with

8 a man who was in perpetual breach of a binding obligation to

9 pay. This is a client who, time after time, seemed to have

10 told us, you'll get your money at the end of the month, you'll

11 get your money at the end of the year. And then we hear the

12 next week, oh, actually, I can't pay that, I can only pay you,

13 you know, some smaller amount of money, and had strung us along

14 for the better part of a year accumulating a debt -- you know,

15 unpaid debt to us of half a million dollars.

16 Q. And did you discuss the situation with Ms. Levy?

17 A. Oh, yes.

18 Q. And what was the determination of what response to

19 send to this letter? And I will show you Claimant's Exhibit

20 330.

21 A. This is the response that I sent to Mr. Bines'

22 letter. Susan and I were both in agreement that it was time to

23 simply act on the notice of termination, that Mr. Fokas had

 $24\,$ shown an unwillingness to live up to terms that he had just

25 authorized his counsel to agree to, and that it would not be



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 1 prudent or fruitful to continue to try to work out some sort of
- 2 arrangement for Jenner & Block to stay in the case.
- Q. Now, when you -- after you sent this letter to Mr.
- 4 Bines and Ms. Steinberg, did Mr. Bines and Ms. Steinberg ever
- 5 say or suggest that Jenner & Block couldn't go forward with
- 6 termination?
- A. No.
- 8 Q. Did they ever say or suggest that you wouldn't have a
- 9 right to receive payment if Parallel Networks recovered?
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- 11 Did they ever say or suggest that the agreement was
- 12 unenforceable?
- 13 A No.
- 14 Q. Did you send proposed papers with respect to
- 15 withdrawal from the QuinStreet matter?
- 16 A. Yes, I did.
- 17 Q. In fact, did you do that several times to Ms.
- 18 Steinberg and Mr. Bines?
- 19 A. Yes. I believe I had already sent some drafts
- 20 because we had agreement about an ultimate withdrawal date for
- 21 the QuinStreet case when I thought we had reached an agreement
- 22 on amendment to the contingent fee agreement. And I believe I
- 23 had already sent one set of drafts to Ms. Steinberg before I
- 24 received Mr. Bines's letter, and then I continued to send
- 25 drafts as the documents were prepared for all -- for
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- 1 withdrawal -- Jenner & Block's withdrawal from all of the
- Q. Did you discuss with Ms. Steinberg, specifically, the 3
- 4 withdrawal?
- A. Yes. She agreed to it. 5
- Q. After February 4th, she --
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- 8 Q. -- agreed to the withdrawal?
- 9 A. Yes. She approved the papers.
- 10 Q. Were withdrawal papers filed with the Court?
- 11 Yes. We filed an agreed motion stating that the
- 12 client and Jenner & Block agreed to Jenner & Block's
- 13 withdrawal.
- 14 Q. Were those papers sent to Ms. Steinberg and
- 15 Mr. Bines?
- 16 A. Yes. They were sent to Ms. Steinberg and Mr. Bines
- 17 ahead of time. They approved them. After we filed them, I
- 18 sent them as-filed copies, and they went out on the automatic
- 19 docket system. And Mr. Fokas also was counsel of record in the
- 20 case, and he received copies that way as well.
- 21 Q. And is what you just testified to reflected in
- 22 Claimant's Exhibit 334?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Did Parallel Networks -- any of the counsel for
- 25 Parallel Networks, including Mr. Fokas, Ms. Steinberg, Mr.

- Page 899 1 Bines, Baker Botts, local counsel in Delaware, did any of them
- 2 ever indicate that Parallel Networks was not consenting and
- 3 agreeing to the withdrawal?
- 4 A. No.
- Q. Did any of them ever advise the Court that Parallel
- 6 Networks was not consenting and agreeing to the withdrawal?
- A. No. They indicated that they mutually agreed to it.
- Q. Did the Court enter an order with respect to Jenner & 8 9 Block's withdrawal?
- 10 A. Yes. It entered an order allowing us to withdraw our
- 11 appearances.
- 12 Q. Now, did you have further discussions with Ms.
- 13 Steinberg with respect to replacement counsel?
- 14 A. Yes. I had at least one pretty extensive discussion
- 15 with her about procedures for new counsel coming in, about the
- 16 procedures for new counsel to be able to have access to
- 17 materials under the protective order.
- 18 She told me the new counsel would be Baker and
- 19 Botts. I exchanged with her drafts of a letter notifying the
- 20 Federal Circuit that Baker and Botts would be new counsel so
- 21 that any communications from the Federal Circuit would go to
- 22 them as counsel.
- 23 She requested copies of all of the -- she wanted
- 24 to know whether the engagement letters with the experts were
- 25 between -- or engagement agreements with the experts were
- 1 between Jenner & Block and the experts or the clients and the 2 experts. I looked into it, determined they were between Jenner
- 3 & Block and the experts, so I sent her copies of all of those
- 4 agreements so that Baker and Botts could deal with whatever
- 5 needed to be done to handle those agreements with the experts.
- 6 The same with regard to a consulting expert, who had an
- 7 agreement with Jenner & Block.

- 8 Q. Show you what's been marked as Claimant's Exhibit 9 341
 - A. Right. This is the whole package that I sent her.
- Q. Can you, for the record, identify the date of this 11
- 12 transmission and to whom it was sent?
- A. This is an e-mail from me to Mr. Bines and Ms. 13
- 14 Steinberg on Friday, February the 6th, 2009.
- Q. Can you just go through some of the materials that
- 16 were sent to her? And I believe they're also attached to this 17 exhibit.
- 18 A. Sure. I sent her a copy of the protective order in
- 19 the case, or it looks like maybe David Nelson forwarded the
- 20 protective order, and pointed out that once counsel substituted
- 21 in for us, because all counsel of record were automatically
- 22 covered, that they would be -- that new counsel would be
- 23 automatically covered. I told her I was collecting the expert
- 24 engagement letters and would send those. She had asked whether
- 25 we had retained local counsel or whether Mr. Fokas had retained



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1 local counsel directly. I investigated and determined that Mr.

- 2 Fokas had retained them, so I let her know about that.
- And then we had had a discussion about what to
- 4 do with regard to notifying the Federal Circuit about new
- 5 counsel. We were, at this point in time, waiting for the
- 6 appeal to the docketed in the Federal Circuit because the clerk
- 7 had informed us that until the appeal was docketed, there was
- 8 no need to file appearances, but that the clerk of court wanted
- 9 to know who counsel of record would be so that the clerk could 10 direct communications to them.
- 11 And we had just learned -- or I guess as of this
- 12 date, the appeal hadn't been docketed yet. She asked to us
- 13 hold off sending any notice to the Federal Circuit, that we
- 14 wouldn't be counsel until the following Friday. And I was
- 15 saving, well, if the appeal gets docketed in the meantime --
- 16 we're happy to hold off, but if the appeal gets docketed in the
- 17 meantime, you need to be aware that the rule in the circuit
- 18 says that counsel must file their appearance promptly, so you
- 19 need to make sure that whoever is coming in on this case files
- 20 their appearance promptly.
- 21 Q. Now, when you sent the motions and draft orders --
- 22 the motion to withdraw and the draft order with respect to the
- 23 motion to withdraw to Ms. Steinberg -- let me show you
- 24 Claimant's Exhibit 346. What was Ms. Steinberg's response when
- 25 you sent her the motion to withdraw?
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- 1 A. She said, thank you.
- 2 Q. And that's all, correct?
- 3 A Yes
- Did Jenner & Block then have to reach out to the
- 5 other counsel in the case with respect to the motion?
- A. I think at this point in time we had had to -- we
- 7 wanted to -- there was a local rule that required us to
- 8 determine whether counsel consented to the motion or not, and
- 9 so we had to have a communication with QuinStreet's counsel and
- 10 with Microsoft's counsel to make sure that we could represent
- 11 that -- that no one opposed the motion to withdraw. And we
- 12 were also seeking an -- at Ms. Steinberg's request, we were
- 13 seeking an extension of time to reply to a motion to dismiss --
- 14 I'm sorry. I guess it was Microsoft wanted an extension of
- 15 time to respond to the motion to dismiss that we had filed, and
- 16 so we had to communicate with Microsoft's counsel about
- 17 Parallel Networks' position that it would not oppose that
- 18 extension. So we had some discussions with that.
- 19 Q. Now, the date the motion to withdraw is filed is what 20 date?
- 21 A. February 9th, 2009.
- 22 Q. Now, on the very next day, were you advised that
- 23 Parallel Networks had new counsel with respect to its cases?
- 24 And I show you Claimant's Exhibit 352.
- 25 Why don't we wait a second.

- A. Yes. Ms. Steinberg told me on February 10th that
 - 2 Baker Botts would be substituting in as counsel in both the
 - 3 Oracle appeal and the QuinStreet/Microsoft case.
 - 4 Q. Did -- what did Jenner & Block do when it learned
 - 5 that Baker Botts was coming in to take over the lead of the
 - 6 Oracle and QuinStreet cases?
 - A. We talked with -- with Baker Botts pretty much right
 - 8 away. In fact, I think by the time I got Laura's message, Paul
 - 9 had already received a call from someone at Baker Botts, and
 - 10 we --

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- 11 Q. Well let's --
 - A. -- gave them whatever they needed.
- 13 Q. Yes. Let's look at Claimant's Exhibit 124.
- 14 Right. Now, Mr. --
 - ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: If you'll wait for a
- 16 second.
 - MR. PELZ: Yes, sir.
- 18 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Thank you.
- 19 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) You were talking about Mr. Margolis
- 20 having had a call?
- 21 A. Yes. Yes. And this was Mr. Margolis's e-mail to me
- 22 and others on the team letting us know that before he had even
- 23 received Ms. Steinberg's e-mail, which I had forwarded to
- 24 him -- or I guess she had copied him -- he had already received
- 25 a call from a lawyer at Baker Botts, Kevin Meek, informing him
- 1 that Baker Botts would be coming into the cases.
- Q. Did you -- with respect to the appeal, were you in
- 3 immediate communications with Baker Botts? And I show you
- 4 Claimant's Exhibit 354.
- A. Yes 5
- ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Hang on, please. 6
- 7 Would you mind reading back the question for me?
- 8 (The reporter read the requested portion.)
- 9 A. The answer is, yes. Shortly after I got Ms.
- 10 Steinberg's e-mail, I got an e-mail from Ryan Bangert at Baker
- 11 Botts making contact with me. He was asking for some
- 12 materials, and I responded right away that we had just learned
- 13 that morning that the Oracle appeal had been docketed, and that
- 14 under the Circuit's rules, Baker Botts needed to file their
- 15 appearances promptly.
- 16 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) And did you work with Mr. Bangert to
- 17 prepare what needed to be submitted to the Federal Circuit?
- 18 I'll show you Claimant's Exhibit 105.
- 19 A. Yes. I sent him --
- 20 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: It takes me a little bit
- 21 longer --

- 22 MR. PELZ: We keep bouncing --
- 23 THE WITNESS: I' sorry.
 - ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: -- to go through these
- 25 numbers, so you need to just wait a little, if you don't mind.



THE WITNESS: Sorry about that.

2 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Thank you.

- A. I sent -- we had sometime before this prepared a
- 4 letter to go to the Federal Circuit to advise the Federal
- 5 Circuit clerk who would be counsel of record for the appeal.
- 6 And we had just left the name part of it blank and I filled in
- 7 the names of the lawyers who we had been told were going to be
- 8 appearing, and I sent that as a draft to Mr. Bangert, letting
- 9 him know that he needed to notify the court.
- 10 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Was that letter shortly thereafter
- 11 transmitted to the Federal Circuit?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. To the best of your knowledge, did the appeal proceed
- 14 in accord with procedures and rules in the Federal Circuit?
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- 16 Q. Did you play any personal role in terms of the
- 17 transmission of all the files and information to Baker Botts?
- 18 A. I received a couple of requests, which I responded
- 19 to, you know, when people contacted me. But I think pretty
- 20 quickly things were turned over to Mr. Margolis and to David
- 21 Nelson, who Mr. Nelson is a paralegal and had all of the
- 22 materials. And I was copied on a number of communications
- 23 where he was sending things to them.
- Q. To your knowledge, was there ever any complaint about
- 25 the transmission and transfer of the files to Baker and Botts?
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- 1 A. No.
- Q. Now, after the transfer of the files -- in February
- 3 '09 when the transfer of the files was occurring, does Jenner &
- 4 Block make any claim for any immediate payment from Parallel
- 5 Networks?
- A. No, we didn't.
- Q. And when you're doing this file transfer, does
- 8 Parallel Networks ever indicate that Jenner & Block does not
- 9 still have a contingent right to recover?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Do -- when is -- after February of 2009, when is the
- 12 next time you speak with Ms. Steinberg?
- 13 A. I believe the next time we spoke was July of 2011.
- 14 THE REPORTER: 2008?
- 15 THE WITNESS: '11.
- 16 THE REPORTER: '11. Sorry.
- Q. (BY MR. PELZ) In June or July -- in June of 2011, 17
- 18 does Jenner & Block become aware of any things that have
- 19 happened with respect to the Oracle case?
- 20 Α. Yes
- 21 Q. What does Jenner & Block learn?
- 22 A. We learned that there had been a settlement of the
- 23 Oracle case.
- 24 Q. Does Jenner & Block thereafter ask Parallel Networks
- 25 to engage in communications with respect to a fee that would be

- 1 owed to Jenner & Block?
- A. Yes. 2

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- 3 Q. And do you participate in those discussions?
- 4 A. Yes. I do.
 - Q. And with whom do you participate?
- 6 Ms. Steinberg.
- I show you what has been marked as Claimant's Exhibit 7 8 419.
- 9 A. We must have spoken approximately in June of 2011.
- 10 Q. According to this letter, what date do you believe
- 11 you spoke to Ms. Steinberg?
- 12 A. June 28th of 2011.
- 13 Q. Was this any kind of lengthy, substantive discussion,
- 14 or do you have any recollection of this discussion?
- A. My recollection is that it was a very short call. I
- 16 think I had called her and asked to discuss Jenner & Block's
- 17 request for payment of a contingent fee from the settlement of
- 18 the Oracle case. And she said she didn't have time to talk,
- 19 but that she would send me a letter.
- 20 Q. And she's also indicating that she's going to respond
- 21 to a letter from Mr. Hoover?
- 22 A. Right. And I think we had -- she and I had
- 23 tentatively set up a time to talk the next month because she
- 24 said she was going to be too busy for the next couple of weeks.
- 25 Q. I'll show you what's been marked as Claimant's

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 1 Exhibit 420. Is this a letter from Ms. Steinberg on July 21st, 2 2011?
- 3 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And it indicates you had a phone call. When was that
- 5 phone call with her?
- 6 A. That call was on July 13th.
- Q. And what did -- did she tell you who was representing
- 8 Parallel Networks with respect to Jenner & Block's inquiry
- 9 about receipt of a fee?
- 10 A. She said that she was representing Parallel Networks
- 11 in that regard and that we should not communicate with David
- 12 Bennett and George Bosy.
- 13 THE REPORTER: I can't hear you. I'm sorry.
- 14 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. That we should not
- 15 communicate with David Bennett and George Bosy.
- 16 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Now, in the second paragraph, she
- 17 raises issues with respect to the withdrawal and with respect
- 18 to compensation and with respect to the enforceability of the
- 19 agreement.
- 20 Had any of those issues that are in the second
- 21 paragraph of this letter ever been raised in January of 2009?
- 22 A. No.

- 23 Q. To your knowledge, had they been raised any time
- 24 between January of 2009 and July of 2011?
 - A. No. The first time they were raised was on the call



1 on July the 13th.

Q. In the third paragraph, she makes a reference to 3 ethical violation and contractual breaches.

4 Had any of those issues been raised in January 5 of 2009?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Had any of those issues been raised at any time 8 between January of 2009 and July of 2011?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Is that the first time -- the call the first time you

11 heard those the call on July 13th?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Now --

14 A. And even then, she couldn't really tell us what she

15 thought they were.

16 Q. Did she identify any ethical provision?

17 A. No. She kept saying, your conduct caused us harm,

18 you acted unethically. I said, what did we do? Well, I don't

19 have to tell you. Your conduct caused us harm.

20 Q. Did -- did you thereafter make a request from Ms.

21 Steinberg for information pursuant to the terms of the

22 contract, the CFA?

23 A. Yes, I did. I sent her a letter.

24 Q. Showing you what's been marked as Claimant's Exhibit

25 422.

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A. Yes. This is the letter that I sent her.

Q. What were you asking Parallel Networks to provide to

3 Jenner & Block?

A. I was asking her to provide information that Jenner &

5 Block was entitled to under the fee agreement. There was a

6 provision, 6a, of the contingent fee agreement that required

7 Parallel Networks to provide regular accountings of all gross

8 revenues arising out of or relating to any enforcement

9 activities in which Jenner & Block has represented Parallel

10 Networks.

11 And so I sent her a letter because we had -- we

12 had asked Ms. Steinberg, in the two phone calls that we had

13 with her, what the amount of the settlement of the Oracle case

14 was, and she refused to tell us. And so I sent her a -- you

15 know, sort of a formal request in this letter under the

16 provision of the fee agreement that requires Parallel Networks

17 to report any recoveries to Jenner & Block and requested that

18 information.

19 Q. And did you believe that this information would be

20 helpful in trying to reach some kind of agreement with Parallel

21 Networks with respect to a resolution of the dispute?

22 A. No. I thought that it would. I -- and I -- I

23 believe I told her on the phone call -- or on the phone calls I

24 had with her that summer that it would be helpful to know what

25 the amount of the settlement was, because if the settlement was

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1 insubstantial, then, you know, that would affect whether it

2 made any sense for us to be having any further discussions

3 about the client paying Jenner & Block a fee. But in the other

4 hand, if the settlement was -- you know, was substantial and

5 there were funds available to pay Jenner & Block, that we were

6 entitled to that under the contingent fee agreement.

7 Q. The -- not withstanding the -- withdrawn.

8 Let me show you what's been marked as Claimant's 9 424.

10 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: While you're looking at

11 that, let me inquire. Are we almost within like a few minutes

12 of being done?

MR. PELZ: Yes, sir, very few minutes.

14 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Thank you.

15 A. Yes.

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16 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Did you -- well, let's look at the

17 bottom e-mail. Did you need to prompt Ms. Steinberg with

18 respect to responding to your letter?

19 A. Yes. It had been ten days or more since I sent my

20 letter, and I had not heard any response from her, so I sent

21 her an -- I called her, got her voicemail. And then when I was

22 not able to reach her by phone, sent her an e-mail asking her

23 when she planned to respond to a request for information about

24 the amount of the settlement.

25 Q. And what was the response from Parallel Networks with

1 respect to providing that information?

A. First of all, she said, once again, she'd been very

3 busy and had not had time to respond to my request. Then she

4 said, I have carefully considered your letter request and

5 discussed it with Parallel Networks. Our view is that Jenner

6 is not entitled to the requested information, Best, Laura.

7 Q. Did she raise any issue with respect to

8 confidentiality as a basis for not providing this information?

9 A. No. I asked her why she thought we weren't entitled 10 to it.

11 Q. Okay. Let's go to Claimant's Exhibit 425.

12 A. This is my response to Laura -- to Laura's e-mail of

13 September 9th. I said, what's the basis for Parallel

14 Networks's position that Jenner & Block is not entitled to that

15 information?

16 Q. And what was her response?

17 A. She said, as previously noted, Paragraph 9b of the

18 contingent fee agreement is either inapplicable, or if

19 applicable, unenforceable under the governing law. It does not

20 seem plausible that Jenner has a right to information under

21 Paragraph 6a in such circumstances.

22 Q. Now, notwithstanding the fact that Parallel Networks

23 would not provide any information with respect to the

24 settlement, did you, nonetheless, have a call with Ms.

25 Steinberg in which you made a proposal with respect to how to



1 resolve the matter?

2 A. Yes, I did.

3 Q. Do you have a recollection of when that occurred?

A. I believe that call was in August of 2011.

5 Q. Did -- what did you offer to resolve the matter for

6 her?

MR. ALIBHAI: Objection. Arbitrator Grissom, 8 this is a new discussion. This is not the contract negotiation

9 anymore. Now there's a dispute. They've put a litigation hold

10 in place, and he's specifically asking for an offer of

11 compromise from this witness, exactly what Rule 408 prohibits.

12 MR. PELZ: Just briefly, Arbitrator Grissom, I

13 think I have to elicit this testimony. This is a demand. In

14 order to obtain our attorneys' fees in this case, I need to

15 make -- provide evidence that we made a demand. They're

16 raising, as a defense, excessive demand. I have to put in the

17 evidence with respect to what the demand was made. If I don't

18 put this in, they'll argue -- they'll continue to argue this

19 excessive demand provision, insisting that we never gave them

20 any reasonable compromise.

21 You know, not only am I entitled to, I have to

22 under the rules in order to rebut the affirmative defense that

23 they're raising to our contractual right to obtain fees in this

24 arbitration.

25 MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, he didn't say

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Page 915 1 of the pending demand that's there. He's calling it a demand

2 when he knows it's an offer of settlement to say the \$10

3 million we requested in June, we'll take less.

4 MR. PELZ: Arbitrator Grissom, I am sure you

5 have participated in many mediations. You start with an

6 initial demand, you start with an initial offer, you make

7 another demand. Those are all demands. When you change your

8 number, that doesn't make it not a demand. It's a new demand.

9 There's nothing that says you are bound and you can only make

10 one demand. Any time you make a demand, it's a new demand.

11 There could be hundreds of demands in a case.

12 MR. ALIBHAI: And all those offers of compromise

13 in a mediation would never be admissible in any court of law,

14 both by Texas law, which prohibits mediation statements from

15 being confidential, and because of Texas Rule 408 and Federal

16 Rule 408.

17 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Well, I think the rule on

18 settlement negotiations is premised on their usual

19 considerations of those maybe in a mediation context or

20 otherwise. But here, apparently, one of the issues in the case

21 is whether or not a demand that Jenner & Block has made was

22 inappropriate or unconscionable or some other -- some other

23 like description. Since that issue is apparently in the case,

24 and if I'm wrong, please educate me, then I think the question

25 is permissible, so I'll overrule the objection.

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Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Did you get -- what was Ms.

3 Steinberg's response?

A. \$3 million.

A. Her response was, the fee agreement is unenforceable,

5 we won't pay you anything.

6 Q. Did Ms. Steinberg ever suggest -- tell you anything

7 also with respect to whether she had authority?

A. She said she didn't have authority to offer any

9 amount.

10 Q. Did you inquire whether there was anybody else you

11 could talk to?

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13 Q. And what did --

14 A. She said, no, you need to talk to me. I said, you

15 mean to tell me I need talk to you, but you don't have

16 authority to -- to make any kind of agreement? And she said,

17 yes, that's right.

18 MR. PELZ: Arbitrator Grissom, I'm looking for

19 one document. We'll take a break. If I find it, I'll have

20 questions on that one document. If I don't find it, I don't

21 believe I'll have any further questions.

22 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Very good.

23 Let's take a break for ten minutes.

24 (Break was taken at 10:43 a.m. to 10:57 a.m.)

25 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. We're back on

1 that it was a demand. He said it was offer of compromise to 2 the amount to resolve. I think the question can be read back.

3 The demand was made on June 17th, 2011, by Mr.

4 Hoover. It's in the record. A demand was made by Mr. Koning

5 in September of 2012, which is in the record. The demands are 6 on the record. He's asking for the offer of compromise that

7 was made to resolve the demand that had been made in June 2011.

8 And I'd like the question read back so it's

9 clear what the information --

10 MR. PELZ: I'll be happy to ensure that --

Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Did you make a demand of Parallel 11

12 Networks with respect --

13 MR. ALIBHAI: I have a pending objection.

14 MR. PELZ: I'll withdraw the question rather

15 than deal with that problem.

ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: If the question is 16

17 withdrawn, then it's a (inaudible).

18 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Did you make a demand of Parallel

19 Networks for an amount to pay for the claim Jenner & Block was

20 asserting? 21 A. Yes.

22 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Stop for just one second.

23 Are you objecting to that?

MR. ALIBHAI: Yes, because he's just rephrased

25 it as demand. It's not a demand. It's an offer of compromise



1 the record.

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2 MR. PELZ: I have no further questions of this

3 witness at this time.

4 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Mr. Alibhai?

CROSS-EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. ALIBHAI:

7 Q. Good morning, Ms. Mascherin.

8 A. Good morning.

Q. You and I met at your deposition taken in this 9

10 arbitration, correct?

11 A. Yes, we did.

12 Q. And I'm the one who took that deposition?

13 A. Yes

14 Q. I want to talk about, first, your involvement in the

15 QuinStreet and Oracle cases.

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. That started in August of 2008, correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And you weren't working on the QuinStreet matter?

20 A. I didn't do anything precisely on the QuinStreet

21 matter for sometime after August.

22 Q. You were looking at the damages issues in the Oracle

23 matter?

1 2009?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. That's the one that was going to trial in January of 1 Parallel Networks's damage expert, Mr. Wagner?

2 A. Right. I think it was a Daubert motion.

3 Q. And the other motion was a motion by Parallel

4 Networks to exclude oracle's damages expert, Mr. Musika?

5 A. Yes, right. Also a Daubert motion.

6 Q. And that briefing was then to be completed the

7 following week, according to Mr. Bennett?

A. Yes.

9 Q. And so, at that time, you were sent the expert

10 reports and depositions, and then later on, you were sent the

11 briefing on the motions?

12 A. Yeah, I don't remember exactly what order I got

13 things in, but, yes, I did receive all of that.

14 Q. Between August 28th and the hearing in October 3rd,

15 what work did you perform on the damages side of the case?

16 A. At that point, all I was doing was reading some

17 materials and starting to get up to speed, and I had some

discussions with David Bennett and Harry Roper and others on

19 the team --

20 Q. And you mentioned --

A. -- about the case. 21

22 Q. Sorry.

23 Now, you mentioned that there was a hearing on

24 October 3rd in Delaware. Do you recall that?

25 A. Yes

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3 Q. So let's look at Respondent's Exhibit 38, which we

4 previously have looked at.

A. That's right.

5 A. Yes.

6 MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, it's

7 Respondent's. The green notebook.

8 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm sorry. Thank you.

9 Thank you.

Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) And Respondent's Exhibit 38 is an 10

11 exchange of e-mails between you and Mr. Bennett about you

12 coming onto the case?

13 A. And Mr. Roper, yes.

14 Q. And at the time that you come into the case, the

15 expert reports for both experts have been served?

16 A. That's right.

17 Q. The depositions have been taken?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And the parties were in the process of briefing

20 several motions related to damages?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. One of those motions was Oracle's motion to exclude

23 foreign sales?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Another motion was Oracle's motion to exclude

Page 920 Q. At that hearing, one of the issues that was planned

1 2 to be discussed was all this damages-related motion practice

3 that we've just gone through, right?

A. Correct. They were -- our understanding was they

5 would all be on the agenda.

Q. But you didn't go to that hearing?

A. I did not go to the hearing. I believe I was in

8 London for a -- I had a trip as an officer of the Bar

9 Association at the time and, we had two conferences back to

10 back that we were doing in London. And I left in the end of

11 September and returned sometime in early -- it was about a -- I

12 was there about a week. So I believe I was actually out of the

13 country the date of that first hearing that took place after I

14 joined the case.

15 Q. So you didn't go to the hearing?

16 A. Correct.

Q. Now, you mentioned yesterday that the first you'd 17

18 ever heard that the case was going to be bifurcated was after

19 the hearing occurred?

20 A. Right. But when I got the report of what had

21 happened at the hearing, that's right.

22 Q. But you recall that we discussed this issue at your

23 deposition, right?

24 A. I remember you asked me whether I knew about it

25 before then, and I said that I didn't.



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- 1 Q. And I showed you that there had been a hearing in
- 2 March where the issue had been discussed by Judge Robinson in
- 3 the QuinStreet case?
- 4 A. You showed me a document. It's contrary to my
- 5 recollection of what David Bennett and George Bosy and Harry
- 6 Roper told me about what was going to happen. When I first met
- 7 with them, the first I heard of bifurcation was early October.
- $8\,$ Q. Take a look at Respondent's Exhibit 31. This is an $9\,$ e-mail from Mr. Bennett to the members of the then-trial team,
- 11 A. Yes, in March of 2008.
- 12 Q. March 17th, 2008?
- 13 A. Yes.

10 correct?

- 14 Q. And he's recounting a hearing that had occurred with
- 15 Judge Robinson?
- 16 A. That appears to be the case, yes.
- 17 Q. And turn to the bottom, in the last page -- I'm
- 18 sorry -- last paragraph.
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 Q. And he tells the team that, the worst news is that,
- 21 apparently, Judge Robinson has recently taken the position of
- 22 bifurcating damages from the case until the Federal Circuit has
- 23 resolved all the other issues in the case. So I would expect a
- 24 motion from Oracle to bifurcate damages.
- 25 A. Right. He's saying that he expects Oracle will move

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 1 Mr. Bennett told me when I got involved in the case, was that
 - 2 the whole case was going to trial in January of 2009.
 - 3 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) And you weren't copied on
 - 4 Respondent's Exhibit 31, correct?
 - 5 A. Correct.
 - 6 Q. And that's because you weren't working on that case
 - 7 at that time?
 - 8 A. Correct.
 - 9 Q. The damages motions that were scheduled for hearing
 - 10 on October 3rd were denied without prejudice, correct?
 - 11 A. That's correct.
 - 12 Q. And then, after the hearing on October 3rd, there was
 - 13 a mediation that occurred on October 8th in the Oracle case?
 - 14 A. Correct.
 - 15 Q. And you didn't attend that either?
 - 16 A. That's right.
 - 17 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Exhibit 46.
 - 18 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Respondent's?
 - 19 MR. ALIBHAI: Respondent's Exhibit 46.
 - 20 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) It's a memorandum that you
 - 21 discussed with Mr. Pelz yesterday, correct?
 - 22 A. Yes.
 - 23 Q. And this is your memorandum to the chairman of the
 - 24 firm and to the managing partner of the firm regarding
 - 25 settlement strategy in the Oracle case?

- 1 to bifurcate. 1 A.
 2 Q. So Jenner & Block had some knowledge that there was a 2 Q.
- 3 possibility of bifurcation going back to March 2008?
- 4 A. I can't --
- 5 MR. PELZ: Object to the form of the question.
- 6 A. I can't tell you that --
- 7 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Let me stop you for just a
- 8 second. When there's a pending objection, I need for you to 9 stop.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
- 11 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I probably don't need to
- 12 tell you that --
- 13 THE WITNESS: I should know that. Sorry.
- 14 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: -- but I do need to remind
- 15 you.
- 16 The objection was?
- 17 MR. PELZ: I object to the form of the question
- 18 with respect to Jenner & Block knowing. I'm not sure if he
- 19 wants to talk about individuals, the people knowing, and those
- 20 people are members of Jenner & Block, but I'm not sure what he
- 21 means -- if he's meaning to imply something beyond that.
- 22 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Overruled. You can answer.
- 23 A. I don't know what people believed based on what was
- 24 apparently said at that hearing. I wasn't there. All I can
- 25 tell you is that my understanding, based on what Mr. Roper and

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you make a number of recommendations in this
- 3 memorandum, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And the first one, which is on Page 1, marked
- 6 Paragraph 1, is that mediation should be reconvened with the
- 7 goal of settling before trial and, if possible, before the
- 8 pretrial conference?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And the amount should be \$30 million or more?
- 11 A. That was my opinion.
- 12 Q. That was your opinion that that was a reasonable
- 13 settlement in light of the risks and opportunity in the case?
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. And the risks and opportunity in the case that you're
- 16 looking at to make that determination are what possible damages
- 17 are being sought and what's the likely amount that could be
- 18 recovered?
- 19 A. Those are among the risks and opportunities that I
- 20 was looking at. I was also looking at the time to judgment --
- 21 time to ultimate damages judgment. I was looking at the --
- because there had been a change in circumstance by this point,that we'd be informed that the judge was going to bifurcate the
- 24 damages. So there's -- you know, there's a time value of money
- 25 issue.



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I was also considering the fact that, separate

and apart from whatever happened in the Oracle trial and -
itself, there was this re-exam proceeding that was pending, and

there had been a disadvantageous office action in that re-exam,

which, particularly given that it now appeared that the -- it

would take longer to complete the Oracle case if -- all the way

to a judgment -- final judgment on damages in the case that we

8 had originally anticipated, it seemed there was a greater9 likelihood that the re-exam proceeding might get ahead of the

10 Oracle case. And if there were negative results from the11 re-exam proceeding, that could torpedo the whole case.

So there were risks that don't have anything
directly to do with the damages cases that's been presented,
that came into play, some of which were new risks because of

15 the bifurcation of the case and relatively new risks because of 16 the office action.

Q. So with respect to the bifurcation of the case, thedelay in getting to a final judgment that included a damagesaward factored into your calculations?

20 A. Yes, it did.

Q. Now, if you turn to Page 2, you discuss under point 3the contingent fee committee should consider whether the firm

23 should continue its contingent fee agreement with epicRealm,

24 right?

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25 A. Correct.

Q. And whether we should pursue other lawsuits to

2 enforce the patents that it owns?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. So that's two different thoughts, correct?

5 A. I don't think so, really. At this point in time, my

6 focus was -- with regard to Point 3 was whether it meant --

7 whether it made sense to continue this relationship beyond the

8 case -- the Oracle case that we were already counsel of record

9 in, and then, you know, what to do about the -- the QuinStreet

10 case, which was, at the time, the smaller of the two cases. I

11 don't think at this point we had yet -- I don't believe at this

12 point there had been a Microsoft pleading.

13 But I was -- my intent in Point 3 was really

14 focusing on, we had an agreement that, by its terms, was

15 broader than QuinStreet and Oracle. And I thought that the

16 contingent fee agreement ought to look at the whole

17 relationship with this client in view of the fact that the

18 client was in breach, and was in breach to a significant dollar

19 amount, and determine whether it made sense to continue with --

20 you know, with that broad agreement.

21 And there were some -- I didn't have a lot of

22 information at this time, but I understood there were some

23 other cases the client wanted the firm to consider. And I

24 wanted to make sure that someone in management was aware that

25 this -- that there was this -- you know, we had these issues

1 with the client being in breach in case the contingent fee

2 committee was going to be acting on any of those requests to

3 take on new cases.

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MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, I'm going to

5 object to that answer as nonresponsive.

6 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: You're going to have to 7 read the question back to me.

(The reporter read the requested portion.)

9 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I think it may be more.

10 You need ask the question you want answered again, then we'll11 deal with it.

12 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Okay. Paragraph 3 contains two

13 different concepts. One, whether to continue the fee agreement

14 with epicRealm based on the cases that already exist; and, two,

15 whether to pursue other lawsuits to enforce patents that

16 Parallel Networks owns.

17 A. That's not how I intended it. That's not what I was

18 intending to convey.

19 Q. So with respect to the opportunity to represent

20 Parallel Networks in other matters, you were not considering

21 that separate and apart?

22 A. I think that was part of -- I saw this as one -- I

23 saw three as one issue, focusing not on whether we should

24 terminate that agreement with regard to the existing cases, but

25 rather whether we should terminate the agreement to the extent

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1 that it went beyond the cases we were already counsel of record

2 in. That's what -- that's what I was thinking.

Q. And terminate the agreement with respect to the cases

4 in which you were counsel of record?

5 A. No. I don't think I was making any recommendation

6 about terminating with regard -- at this time about -- about

7 terminating with regard to the Oracle and QuinStreet cases,

 $8\,$ making recommendations about trying to settle those cases.

9 Q. If you turn to the bottom of Page 2, you talk about a

10 case that was tried in Texas against a single Web site

11 defendant?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Oracle was not a single Web site defendant, right?

14 A. Oracle -- the Oracle case was a much bigger case than

15 the Texas case. I don't remember exactly how many Web sites

16 were involved. I think the answer to your question is they

17 weren't, but I'm not certain.

18 Q. How did Oracle infringe the patents in suit?

19 A. I don't remember the detail of the infringement

20 analysis. I'm sorry.

21 Q. What did Oracle sell that it was accused of

22 infringement?

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A. Either software or processors. I don't recall.

Q. Whatever it is that they did is how you determined

25 the royalty base that was an issue in the damages report,



1 right?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. It was based on their sales of the accused products?

4 A. Yes

Q. So turning to Page 3, you talk about the damages in

6 the case, correct?

A. Right, the damages claims.

Q. And you start with, on the first full paragraph on 8

9 Page 3, with the concept that the total damages claim was

10 approximately \$400 million?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. That's from Dr. Wagner's report?

13 A. Mr. Wagner, yes.

14 Q. Mr. Wagner's report.

15 And he had used a certain royalty rate to come

16 up with that amount?

17 A. Two different royalty rates, yes.

18 Q. And he had also included foreign sales that he

19 thought should be included in the royalty base?

20 A. He'd included foreign sales. I don't remember

21 whether he made a specific -- whether he made an independent

22 assessment that they should be recoverable or whether he was

23 asked to assume that they would be recoverable and calculate

24 what they would be. But, yes, he did include foreign sales.

25 Q. And that report was written in conjunction with

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1 Jenner & Block lawyers working with them?

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3 Q. And so, presumably, they either approved it or

4 instructed him to do so, include the foreign sales?

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Q. And you then had conversations with Mr. Harris 6

7 regarding what is a more likely damages award?

A. In Mr. Harris' view, yes.

9 Q. And Mr. Harris had disagreed with the trial team?

10 A. I don't think he disagreed. I think it was a matter

11 of assigning different likelihoods of success. I think

12 reasonable minds could differ with regard to both -- you know,

13 reasonable minds could differ with regard to what -- which

14 was the -- which royalty rate was more likely to be persuasive

15 to the judge or jury and how the judge would come out on the

16 legal issue, whether the foreign sales could be included or

17 couldn't be included. I would say it was -- he had a different

18 view of the strengths and weaknesses.

19 Q. Well, if you look at the paragraph that begins, Don 20 Harris --

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22 Q. -- and you look four lines in, doesn't it say, Don

23 disagrees with the trial team's view that we are likely to

24 recover damages for foreign sales?

25 A. Correct. He thought it was less likely -- the team Page 931
1 -- the trial team thought it was likely that Parallel Networks

2 would recover damages for foreign sales. Don disagreed that it 3 was likely.

4 Q. In coming up with what was likely to be the case

5 worth, did you have a discussion with Mr. Roper and others

6 about their experience in the Union Carbide case?

A. I don't remember if we talked about the Union Carbide

8 case. I did have several discussions with Mr. Roper and Mr.

9 Bosv and Mr. Bennett.

10 Q. And I'm asking you whether you had a discussion with

11 them about the Union Carbide case.

12 A. I don't remember whether we talked about that case.

13 Q. Did they tell about a case in which Judge Robinson

14 had eliminated out foreign sales and that they went to the

15 Federal Circuit and got her reversed on that very issue?

16 A. We may have talked about that. I don't remember.

Q. But you didn't note that here?

18 A. No. I didn't note it here.

19 Q. You didn't note that the trial team has previously

20 litigated this issue in front of Judge Robinson and got it

21 reversed on this very issue?

22 A. I don't remember if we talked about that case. And

23 if we -- and regardless of whether we talked about that case or

24 not, I did not refer to it in here.

25 Q. And so the maximum award, based upon an application

Page 932 1 of a 3 percent royalty on domestic sales only, would be \$90

2 million?

3 A. Approximately. Q. Much less than the 400 million that Mr. Wagner had 4

5 put in his report?

A. Well, much less than the total amount, given all the

7 permeations in Mr. Wagner's report, yes.

Q. And so assuming all those risks, Mr. Harris thought

9 that the case was worth less than \$100 million?

10 A. Correct.

Q. And his gut estimate is that it's probably worth more 11

12 than 25 to \$30 million if tried successfully?

13 A. That's what he told me, yes.

14 Q. Had you been told what the offer had been made to

15 Oracle to settle the case at mediation that had been held a few

16 weeks before this?

17 A. An offer by Parallel Networks?

18 Q. Yes, ma'am.

19 A. I believe I had, but I don't remember now what it

20 was.

Q. It was \$90 million, wasn't it? 21

22 A. I don't remember. That could be right.

23 Q. Mr. Harris had written a memo about the mediation

24 that you had seen, correct?

25 A. Correct.



Q. You mentioned then, after the damages issue, about

- 2 this re-examination?
- A. That's right.
- 4 Q. How many re-examinations have you handled at the PTO?
- A. I don't practice before the PTO. I'm not admitted to
- 6 Patent Bar.
- Q. And Mr. Harris is not admitted before the Patent Bar 8 either, is he?
- 9 A. I don't believe he is, no.
- 10 Q. And how many re-examinations has he ever handled?
- 11 A. Well, if he's not admitted before the Patent Bar, he
- 12 can't handle a re-examination, which you have to be admitted to
- 13 the Patent Bar.
- 14 Q. It's a separate bar that you have to get admitted to?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And what was the defendant's damages expert number
- 17 that they were proposing if infringement had been found?
- 18 A. It was much smaller. I don't remember exactly what
- 19 it was.
- Q. Smaller than Mr. Wagner's? 20
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 And somewhere between zero and 400 million?
- 23 A. Yeah. I just don't remember what the amount was.
- 24 Q. Was it less than the -- was it more than the amount
- 25 that was Mr. Harris' gut estimate?

- A. No. My recollection is it was smaller than that. It 1 2 was more like in the tens of millions
- Q. And Mr. Harris' gut estimate is in the tens of
- 4 millions too, right?
- A. Actually, here it is. Oracle's damages expert sets 5
- 6 damages at a range of 12 million to 15 million
- 7 I'm sorry. Your question?
- 8 Q. I think you answered it.
- 9 If you turn to Page 4, you discuss the
- 10 settlement conference that the federal magistrate judge had
- 11 handled, correct, at the bottom there?
- 12
- 13 Q. And the magistrate judge thought that, possibly,
- 14 there'd be a 30 to \$50 million settlement, but, quote, those
- 15 numbers would be a stretch, unquote?
- 16 A. That's what Mr. Bosy reported, yes.
- Q. And that Oracle had never paid more than \$20 million 17
- 18 to settle a patent infringement lawsuit, according to what had
- 19 been heard about that?
- 20 A. That's what the magistrate told Mr. Bosy Oracle's
- 21 counsel had said, yes.
- Q. And the federal magistrate judge, as you note on the 22
- 23 top of Page 5, was willing to reconvene the mediation?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And you end on Page 7 with the recommendation that

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 1 the contingent fee committee re-examine the contingent fee
- 2 agreement with epicRealm and determine whether it is in the
- 3 firm's strategic and financial interest to continue its
- 4 engagement with epicRealm and to pursue additional lawsuits?
- 5 A. Yes.
- And you sent this memorandum, I think we said, to Mr. 6 Q.
- 7 Valukas and Ms. Levy?
- A. Yes. Also Mr. Roper, Mr. Bosy, and Mr. Bricker.
- 9 Q. And Ms. Levy responded to you --
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. -- by e-mail?
- 12 A. Yes, she did.
- 13 Did you send a copy of this memo to the client?
- 14 I did not send a copy of the memo to the client.
- 15 You billed the client for working on this memo.
- 16 right?
- 17 A. For some of the work, for the settlement analysis,
- 18 and my -- which included several discussions with Mr. Roper,
- 19 Mr. Bosy and Mr. Harris, yes.
- 20 Q. What the case was worth, based upon what you and Mr.
- 21 Harris had discussed, was a factor in your analysis to
- 22 reconvene the mediation?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And to try to now settle it in the 30 to \$50 million
- 25 range?

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- A. It was a factor in my recommendation to try to do 2 that, yes.
- 3 Q. And so the -- if the number that had been given to
- 4 the client about what range to settle in was different than the
- 5 analysis that you and Mr. Harris had now done, wasn't that
- 6 information that would have been important to a client?
- A. It may well have been. And I talked to Mr. Roper and
- 8 Mr. Bosy about that at some length when we were preparing this.
- 9 They worked on the memo with me. They reviewed it.
- 10 My understanding was that Mr. Bosy was talking
- 11 to the client about this whole analysis that we were going
- 12 through, about what the case was worth and whether it made
- 13 sense or didn't make sense to try to settle the case -- to make
- 14 another effort to settle the case after the mediation.
- Q. You're now the partner in charge of damages on this 15 16 case?
- A. I wouldn't say I was the partner in charge of damages 17
- 18 in the case. I would say I was brought in to help try the
- 19 case, and I was asked to work on the damages part of the case.
- 20 Q. You're going to try the damages part of this case?
- 21 A. That was the plan, yes.
- 22 Q. And the only other partner working on the damages
- 23 part of the case was Mr. Bennett?
- 24 A. No. I think it was several people who had been
- 25 working on it. Mr. Bennett --



- 1 Q. Primarily working on it.
- 2 A. -- would have certainly been leading the effort.
- 3 Q. Yes, I meant primarily.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Certainly all the people on the team worked on
- 6 different parts of the case?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 Q. But primarily, it was Mr. Bennett?
- 9 A. That was my understanding.
- 10 Q. Who was -- recently had become a partner in the firm?
- 11 A. He was a relatively junior partner, right.
- 12 Q. And so you had been working on the case approximately
- 13 two months?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. August 28th to around the end of October, two months?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. And you've had no communications with the client yet?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. You personally.
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. Let me show you what's Respondent's Exhibit 50.
- 22 Respondent's Exhibit 50, the bottom e-mail, is the e-mail from
- 23 you to Mr. Levy and -- Ms. Levy and Mr. Valukas, copying
- 24 others, attaching the memo that we just discussed in
- 25 Respondent's Exhibit 46.
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- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. And the top e-mail is Ms. Levy's response to you and 3 others?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And she directs the response to Mr. Roper, to you and
- 6 to Mr. Bosy?
- 7 A. That's right. Well, the first part of it, yes.
- 8 Q. And she says that, we agree with the recommendations
- 9 in the memorandum?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And then she says, please -- and continues on, right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And she copies the language from Paragraph 1 of your
- 14 memorandum, Exhibit 46 -- Respondent's Exhibit 46, word for
- 15 word?
- 16 A. Part of it. ves.
- 17 Q. Reconvene mediation in epicRealm v. Oracle with the
- 18 goal of achieving a settlement before trial and, if possible,
- 19 before the pretrial conference, in an amount of \$30 million or 20 more?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Were you aware that at the mediation the trial team
- 23 had told Parallel Networks not to go below \$60 million?
- 24 A. I knew that there had been discussions. I don't
- 25 remember, as I sit here today, exactly what I knew at the time.

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 1 I knew that there'd been discussions about the advice that had
- 2 been given to the client of the mediation. But as I sit here
- 3 today, I don't remember.
- 4 Q. Did you call Parallel Networks and tell them that
- 5 this was the recommendation of the managing partner of the 6 firm?
- 7 A. No.

- 8 Q. Did you instruct anyone at Jenner & Block to call
- 9 Parallel Networks and tell them that this was the instruction
- 10 of the managing partner of the firm?
- 11 A. No. I didn't -- I didn't instruct anybody to tell
- 12 the client that this was the managing partner's instruction. I
- 13 gave -- I talked to Harry and George following Susan's e-mail,
- 14 and we talked about, you know, what made the most sense
- 15 strategically with regard to proceeding with the mediation and
- 16 got into, then, a discussion about getting back to the BEA
- 17 aspect of the case, which I hadn't previously appreciated.
- 18 Q. Did you contact opposing counsel to try to reconvene
- 19 mediation?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Do you know if anyone contacted opposing counsel --
- 22 counsel for Oracle -- to try to reconvene mediation?
- 23 A. I know that there were discussions between folks on
- 24 our trial team and Oracle's counsel about continuing, you know,
- 25 discussion from the mediation during this time period because
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- 1 there had been this promise to provide information about the
- 2 BEA products. And I received report -- I remember hearing
- 3 reports from someone on the team -- I don't remember who it
- 4 was -- that was communicating with Oracle's counsel about that.
- 5 Q. Did you contact Magistrate Judge Thynge to try to
- 6 reconvene the mediation?
- 7 A. No. We didn't have agreement to reconvene the
- 8 mediation.

- 9 Q. Did you contact Magistrate Judge Thynge to see if she
- 10 could pursue reconvening the mediation?
- 11 A. I did not.
 - Q. Do you know if anyone from Jenner & Block did?
- 13 A. I don't know. I don't believe so.
- 14 Q. And she had offered, right, at the end of the
- 15 mediation, keep me in the loop, I will be happy to continue to 16 help?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's
- 19 Exhibit 49. Is this a memorandum from Mr. Bosy to the
- 20 contingent fee committee regarding the additional contingency
- 21 fee cases that had been offered by Parallel Networks?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And one of the things it talks about is BEA, which
- 24 had been acquired by Oracle?
- 25 A. That's right.



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- Q. Did you see a copy of this memorandum at the time
- 2 that it was sent to the contingency fee committee?
- A. I saw it at some point. I -- George did not copy me
- 4 on it, but I don't remember how long after he transmitted it to
- 5 the committee I saw it.
- Q. He mentions in the second paragraph, last sentence,
- 7 that the issues in the QuinStreet and Oracle case were recently
- 8 addressed in a memo from Terri Mascherin and will not be
- 9 repeated here. Do you see that? Second paragraph.
- 10 A. Oh, I'm sorry. I was looking at the wrong paragraph.
- 11 Yes.
- 12 Q. And that's a reference to your October 21 memorandum,
- 13 Respondent's Exhibit 46?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Now, you mentioned this issue about BEA. That's one
- 16 of the issues addressed in Mr. Bosy's memorandum?
- 17 A. Yes, although he sort of -- he's sort of addressing
- 18 it here as a separate case.
- 19 Q. And it's not a separate case, is it?
- 20 A. That was a point of dispute at this time between
- 21 Parallel Networks and Oracle. Oracle was trying to bring it
- 22 into the case that was already pending. Parallel Networks was
- 23 taking the position that discovery had already closed, you
- 24 know, this case had been prepared with regard to a particular
- 25 set of products, and the BEA products that Oracle had come to
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- 1 own by virtue of this acquisition that took place while the
- 2 case was pending should be dealt with in a separate lawsuit. 3
- MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, we're going to
- 4 switch to Claimant's Exhibit 68.
- 5 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) This is an e-mail from you to Ms.
- 6 Levy, copying others, regarding settlement strategy about
- 7 Oracle?
- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you note that BEA was a company that Oracle had
- 10 acquired this past summer?
- 11 A. Yes.
- Q. And you further note at the end of the paragraph that 12
- 13 the team believed, based on publicly-available information,
- 14 that BEA's products infringed?
- 15 A. That's right.
- Q. And one of the issues that had come up at the
- 17 mediation in October was Oracle was taking the position that
- 18 BEA's products didn't infringe?
- 19 A. I think that that's right. This was the first time
- 20 that I was told about any discussion about BEA at the
- 21 mediation, so I'm not certain -- I don't remember exactly what
- 22 George told me at this point.
- I think they were taking the position -- I think
- 24 Oracle was taking the position they didn't infringe, and they
- 25 had information they could show us that would prove it -- they

- 1 would prove it to us or something.
- Q. And a month after the mediation, they still haven't
- 3 provided that information, right?
- A. It's like three weeks or so, correct.
 - Q. Between October 8th and November 2nd, they hadn't
- 6 provided the information?
- 7 A. Right.
- Q. As we've discussed, December 4th, Judge Robinson 8
- 9 finds that as a matter of law the Oracle products do not
- 10 infringe the patents in suit?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's
- 13 Exhibit 55. This is an e-mail from you to Mr. Valukas and Ms.
- 14 Levy, copying others?
- A. Yes. 15
- 16 Q. And there was a pretrial conference scheduled the
- 17 next day in Wilmington, Delaware?
- 18 Right.
- 19 Q. The day after the summary judgment ruling was
- 20 announced?
- 21 A. That's right.
- 22 Q. And the position that Jenner & Block lawyers were
- 23 going to take at the hearing was that there was no longer a
- 24 need for the January trial on invalidity or on unenforceability
- 25 issues because there's no case of controversy?

- 1 A. Right, but in essence, those claims had been mooted
- 2 by her summary judgment decision. That was one that was a
- 3 possible strategy, right.
- Q. And then there was a discussion where you were
- 5 considering whether to file a motion for reconsideration?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. And then turn to the third paragraph.
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. You said, once we know what happens tomorrow, we will
- 10 have a decision to make regarding how much longer Jenner &
- 11 Block will continue the representation?
- 12 A. Right.
- 13 Q. And you're talking about the representation in the
- 14 Oracle case?
- A. The representation of Parallel Networks. 15
- 16 Q. In the Oracle case?
- 17 A. And in the other matters, yes.
- 18 Q. Oracle, as well as others?
- 19 Yes.
- 20 Then you say, our contingent fee agreement allows us
- 21 to terminate the engagement for any reason?
- 22 A. Right.
- 23 Q. On 30 days' notice, right?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. And so long as it is consistent with our ethical



1 obligations?

2 A. Right.

- Q. And this was based on your reading of the contingent
- 4 fee agreement?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 And your view was that, if Jenner & Block terminated
- 7 and the client recovered money, either by judgment or
- 8 settlement, that Jenner & Block remained entitled to be
- 9 compensated at a minimum for our fees incurred based upon our
- 10 regular hourly rates?
- 11 A. Right.
- 12 Q. So that the floor for any recovery by Jenner & Block
- 13 was the hourly rates that had been expended thus far?
- 14 A. I'm not certain that's what I meant to convey, but I
- 15 certainly meant to convey we'd be entitled to our hourly rates
- 16 as of the date of withdrawal.
- 17 Q. So if as of, let's take, for example, January 2nd,
- 18 2009, Jenner & Block has put in \$10.2 million worth of time at
- 19 regular hourly rates in the QuinStreet/Oracle cases, that's the
- 20 amount that it's entitled to recover?
- A. If there was a successful recovery and a judgment or 21
- 22 a settlement, that's how I read 9b, that we'd be compensated
- 23 for our actual effort based on actual hourly rates up to the
- 24 date of withdrawal with the caveats that, you know, minus,
- 25 transition costs.

- Q. And Ms. Levy responded to your e-mail in Respondent's 1 2 Exhibit 56?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. And she asked whether -- in the e-mail second from
- 5 the bottom, whether there were any claims against BEA that were 6 pending?
- 7 A. Right.

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- Q. There had never been claims brought against BEA?
- A. I think she misunderstood my prior -- she evidently
- 10 misunderstood my prior e-mail and thought there was already a
- 11 separate set of claims against BEA. And so I corrected her and
- 12 tried to remind her of what I had said in my prior e-mail.
- 13 Q. And so there were not any claims pending against BEA?
- 14 A. That was our view. I've already explained what
- 15 Oracle's view was, that they should be somehow swept into that 16 case.
- Q. There had not been any accusations of infringement 17
- 18 alleged in the case with respect to BEA products?
- 19 A. Absolutely. That was our position.
- 20 Q. Well, that was true, right?
- 21 A. That was absolutely true. I think Oracle was wrong.
- 22 Q. But the question wasn't whether you'd asserted
- 23 anything. It's whether the case or controversy was still
- 24 there, whether the Court had Article III jurisdiction over this 25 case.

- Page 945 A. I'm sorry. I'm not understand -- you mean that
 - 2 Ms. Levy's question was whether there was --
 - 3 Q. No. There's two things going on, right? One is, you
 - 4 have -- Jenner & Block, on behalf of Parallel Networks, has not
 - 5 accused a BEA product of infringement?
 - 6 A. That's right.
 - 7 Q. There's not a technical expert report that says
 - 8 here's the product and here's how it meets all the limitations
 - 9 of the claims?
 - 10 A. Right.
 - 11 Q. But the position that Oracle was taking is, because
 - 12 we own BEA now, we still have to argue about the validity of
 - 13 these patents because they could be asserted against BEA 14 products?
 - A. Okay. I see where you're going. Yes, you're 15 16 correct.
 - 17 Q. And that was because they had acquired BEA this past
 - 18 summer, as you note in your e-mail to Ms. Levy --
 - 19 A. Right.
 - Q. -- dated December 5th?
 - 21 A. Right.

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- 22 Q. Do you know what products it was that Oracle had
- 23 acquired of BEA's that potentially infringed?
- 24 A. No, I don't remember. And I don't know if we ever
- 25 really discussed that in detail back at this time.

- Q. And so you weren't able to ever form an opinion as to 2 whether the summary judgment order of noninfringement applied
- 3 to the BEA products or not?
- A. Right. That was still a -- I think that that was an
- 5 issue that our trial team, those who knew more about the BEA
- 6 products based on the public info than I did, and Oracle's
- 7 counsel were still not in agreement about -- at the -- you
- 8 know, in December of 2008. We didn't have the information.
- 9 Q. My question was more specific.
- 10 A. Yes.
- Q. There's a dispute between Oracle counsel and Parallel 11
- 12 Networks' counsel, as there often is in patent infringement
- 13 cases, about whether certain products infringed, right?
- 14 A. Right.
- Specifically whether the BEA products infringed? 15
- 16 A. Yes, with the caveat that we didn't have much
- 17 information about the BEA products. All we had was whatever
- 18 product information was available publicly.
- 19 Q. And my question was, had you formed an opinion as to
- 20 whether the district court's summary judgment opinion regarding
- 21 noninfringement of Oracle products would or would not apply to
- 22 the BEA products?
- 23 A. No. I don't think we were at a point to have been
- 24 able to form any -- had formed kind of informed opinion about
- 25 that yet.



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- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's
- 2 Exhibit 59. And you can look at whatever you need to look at,
- 3 but I want to ask you about the e-mail on December 11th from
- 4 you, last paragraph. So it's the second page of the document.
- 5 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Which document are we on?
- 6 MR. ALIBHAI: Respondent's 59, sir.
- ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Thank you. 7
- Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Do you see the e-mail we're 8
- 9 referring to here?
- 10 Yeah. Let me read my e-mail.
- 11 Q. Sure.
- 12 A. Okay. And you're directing me to the last paragraph
- 13 of mine?
- 14 Q. Yes, ma'am.
- 15 A. Okav.
- 16 Q. And this is in connection with a discussion about a
- 17 motion to reconsider that you're preparing?
- 18 A. That's right.
- 19 Q. Ms. Chen informs me that there are more pages to it
- 20 and didn't have them all.
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. All right. So back to this e-mail.
- 23 A Yes
- 24 Q. Based upon your review of the summary judgment
- 25 papers, you thought that part of Judge Robinson's decision was

- Page 951 1 part of Judge Robinson's decision was based upon her perception
- 2 that Oracle's expert's declaration was detailed and cited
- 3 sources, whereas Parallel Networks' expert's declaration was
- 4 short and conclusory and didn't cite sources?
- 5 A. Yes, I was concerned about that.
 - Q. And so one of the things that you wanted to do was to
- 7 make sure and go through the entire summary judgment record and
- 8 find all the facts that created the fact issue that should have
- 9 precluded summary judgment?
- A. Right. I thought we needed to really muster all the
- 11 factual information that we could from the record to show her
- 12 that she was wrong, that there weren't -- you know, that there
- 13 weren't disputed facts on this point of how the releasing
- 14 worked.

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- 15 Q. And so I think you testified yesterday that people
- 16 were excited when the Markman order came in?
- 17 A. Right. When the claim construction -- my
- 18 recollection is the claim construction ruling came over the
- 19 wires first, followed by, you know, some amount of time by the
- 20 summary judgment ruling. And the claim construction people
- 21 were pleased with because she had largely accepted Parallel
- 22 Networks's claim construction, as I recall. And then the
- 23 summary judgment ruling came in.
 - Q. So there were a few factors that made Jenner & Block
- 25 think that the Court's -- District Court's summary judgment

- 1 order was erroneous, correct? And I want to go through some of 2 them.
- 3 A. Well, I don't remember how many different things
- 4 there were, but we thought that the decision was erroneous, and
- 5 we thought we had a good motion to reconsider.
- Q. One of the reasons that you thought the decision was
- 7 erroneous was because it was inconsistent with the Markman
- 8 order that she had just entered the same day, just prior?
- 9 A. That could be. I don't recall that specifically.
- 10 Q. A second reason that Jenner & Block thought that the
- 11 District Court's order was erroneous was that there were
- 12 conflicts between what the experts were saying, and that alone
- 13 should have created a fact question?
- 14 A. Yeah, that was an argument that I thought we needed
- 15 to develop, yes.
- 16 Q. And that there -- as you work on this in December,
- 17 you had found specifically where she had discussed the
- 18 conflicts between fact -- excuse me -- conflicts between
- 19 experts can create a fact question?
- 20 A. We had -- we were aware of cases like that. Mr.
- 21 Fokas had found one himself, and I had an associate produce 22 one, too.
- 23 Q. And then the third and simplest reason why the
- 24 Court's summary judgment of noninfringement was erroneous was
- 25 that this was not an issue capable of determination as a matter



- 2 the Oracle's expert, right --
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. -- was detailing and citing sources; whereas Finkel,
- 5 Parallel Networks' expert, declaration was conclusory and short
- 6 and didn't cite sources? ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm sorry to interrupt you 7
- 8 here, but I can't tell where you are based on what I'm looking 9 at.
- 10
- MR. ALIBHAI: Sir, Respondent's Exhibit 59, is a 11 chain of e-mails --
- 12 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm on the exhibit, but you
- 13 didn't give me the right, you know, trail of crumbs to find
- 14 where you are. There's a lot of stuff on here.
- 15 MR. ALIBHAI: All right. So it's the second
- 16 page, which looks like that. And then we're going to towards
- 17 the bottom of it, which is the e-mail from Ms. Mascherin dated
- 18 December 11th, 2008, at 11:10 p.m.
- 19 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Okay. Thank you.
- 20 MR. ALIBHAI: And then it's the last paragraph.
- 21 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Okay.
- 22 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Was that your impression?
- 23 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm sorry. I have no idea 24 what the question was.
- 25 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Was it your impression that a large



- 1 of law? It was a factually-driven issue on which there was
- 2 disputed facts?
- A. Right. I don't know that I'd call that the simplest
- 4 issue, but, yes, that was a big issue.
- Q. Well, you can't have summary judgment as a matter of
- 6 law if there's a fact dispute?
- A. Correct. And we thought there was a fact -- evidence 8 of a fact dispute.
- 9 Q. And infringement is a question for the jury to
- 10 determine?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. It was not --
- 13 A. So long as there's a disputed fact, yes.
- Q. This was not an issue of law she was ruling on. She 14
- 15 was ruling on a fact issue?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And so you discussed yesterday that a number of hours
- 18 were spent by the various people working on the case, including
- 19 some appellate team counsel that are brought in to help,
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And a motion for reconsideration is actually filed?
- 23 A. That's right.
- Q. But Jenner & Block decided to withdraw the motion for
- 25 reconsideration as part of its stipulation that it entered into
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- 1 with Oracle's counsel?
- A. Right, as part of the whole agreement that was
- 3 reached with Oracle's counsel.
- Q. Which then meant that Judge Robinson didn't have to
- 5 go back and look at all the issues that you raised in the
- 6 motion for reconsideration?
- A. That's right.
- Q. And you were then putting it in the hands of the
- 9 Federal Circuit to go back and do that?
- 10 A. Correct.
- Q. Did you think that you had a higher likelihood of 11
- 12 success on appeal to the Federal Circuit versus a motion for
- 13 reconsideration with Judge Robinson?
- 14 A. Me personally?
- 15 Q. Yes, ma'am.
- 16 A. Yes, because in my experience, judges find it
- 17 difficult to reconsider a decision that they've just made.
- 18 Q. But you had good grounds for those motions for
- 19 reconsideration, right?
- 20 A. Well, I thought that we did, but it wouldn't be the
- 21 first time.
- 22 Q. That you and a judge disagreed?
- 23 A. Right.
- 24 Q. I'm going to show you what's marked as Respondent's
- 25 Exhibit 60. And if we look at the document, it's a chain of

- Page 955 1 e-mails, but I want to start with your e-mail on the bottom
- 2 dated Friday, December 12th.
- 3 A. Okay.
- 4 Q. And this is an e-mail from you to Ms. Levy?
- 5
- Q. If you turn to the second page, you're talking about 6
- 7 the possibility of settlement of the Oracle case after the
- 8 summary judgment ruling?
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. So it's a summary judgment ruling, right?
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- 12 Q. And this e-mail is dated December 12th?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. And you have a section or a header called, 14
- 15 Possibility of Settlement?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And you had become informed that Oracle's counsel was
- 18 interested at this point in reconvening the mediation?
- 19 A. That's right.
- And that they thought that they would not pay eight 20 Q.
- 21 figures?

- 22 A. That's what he had told Mr. Bosy.
- 23 Q. That he would not pay tens of millions of dollars?
- 25 Q. And the question was whether Parallel Networks would
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 1 be interested in a seven-figure settlement now that Parallel
- 2 Networks faces the need to appeal the noninfringement judgment?
- 3 A. Right.
- Q. In that same page, you have a header called,
- 5 Possibility of Payment of Outstanding Expenses?
- 6
- Q. And the back expenses that are owed at this time are 7
- 8 about \$550,000?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. And there were two settlements that were pending in
- 11 the Texas cases?
- A. That's what we understood at the time, yes. 12
- 13 Q. This is from Mr. Roper that you understood that?
- 14 A. Right, from what others had -- from what either the
- 15 client or other counsel had told Mr. Roper, yes.
- 16
- A. We weren't directly involved in those cases at this 17
- 18 time
- 19 Q. You were counsel of record in those cases, weren't
- 20 you?
- A. I don't think -- I was not counsel of record. I know 21
- 22 Mr. Margolis had gone down and observed the trial in one of
- 23 them. I don't recall Jenner & Block being counsel of record in
- 24 those cases. You may be able to correct me if I'm wrong, but I
- 25 don't recall that being the case.



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1 We certainly were not lead counsel. We hadn't

- 2 tried the case that was tried in the summer, and we weren't
- 3 handling the other case that Mr. Roper was talking about.
- 4 Q. And the estimate was that the client would net about
- 5 1.8 million for both settlements?
- 6 A. That's what we were being told.
- 7 Q. But it wasn't just what you were being told. It was
- 8 based upon the draft agreements that you had seen?
- 9 A. I had not seen draft agreements.
- 10 Q. If you'll look at --
- 11 A. My understanding is some of my colleagues may have.
- 12 Q. You reference, based upon the draft agreements in the
- 13 middle of that paragraph, right?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. And you thought that if those settlements did go
- 16 through, the client should have enough money to pay us a
- 17 retainer to cover the expenses for the trial, if that trial has
- 18 to proceed in January?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. This is the trial that Oracle is pushing on its
- 21 invalidity defenses?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. And then Mr. Bosy and Mr. Margolis have estimated the
- 24 expenses for you?
- 25 A. Yes.
 - Q. And you've summarized them below?
- 2 A. Yes.

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- 3 Q. And if the trial was held only on the validity issues
- 4 that Oracle was raising, the projected cost was \$157,000?
- A. I think that's right.
- 6 Q. And if the trial was on all issues, because the
- 7 motion to reconsider was granted, then the projected cost was
- 8 \$365,000?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And it would be \$50,000 less if you weren't able to
- 11 do a jury focus group?
- 12 A. Correct. These are all estimates, obviously.
- 13 Q. These are estimates provided to you by Mr. Margolis?
- 14 A. Yes, uh-huh. And --
- 15 Q. And Mr. Bosy?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. That you're sending to Ms. Levy?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And then if you turn to Page 3, the last bullet point
- 20 at the top of the page, you say, if trial does proceed in
- 21 January, we'll have to decide after trial whether to terminate
- 22 the engagement?
- 23 A. Right.
- 24 Q. You knew that you wouldn't have been able to withdraw
- 25 from Judge Robinson's court a few weeks before trial?

- A. That was my belief.
- 2 Q. And then you talk about the QuinStreet case next?
- 3 A. Yes
- 4 Q. That whole discussion was about Oracle, right?
- 5 A. Yeah, what came before was federal.
- 6 Q. So Section B is about QuinStreet?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you talk about the possibility of settlement,
- 9 that you thought a settlement could be achieved in the amount
- 10 of \$750,000?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And you hadn't been involved in any of these
- 13 settlement discussions?
- 14 A. That's right.
 - Q. In fact, as we sit here today, you've never been
- 16 involved in any settlement discussions with QuinStreet or
- 17 Oracle counsel?
- 18 A. I may have been in one discussion with Mr. Bosy and
- 19 Oracle's counsel when we were talking about Proposal A and
- 20 Proposal B in December, but substantially, you're right. I
- 21 wasn't the lawyer involved directly in the settlement
- 22 negotiations.
- 23 Q. And based upon information you received from others,
- 24 you say in the Possibility of Settlement paragraph, to date,
- 25 our client has not been willing to accept a settlement in that
- Page 960
- 1 amount?

- 2 A. Correct.
- Q. Then you talk about the background of that case?
- 4 A. Right
- 5 Q. The investment of the firm in that case was \$1
- 6 million at that time?
- 7 A. Yes, approximately.
 - Q. If you go down to the fourth bullet point, you say,
- 9 if only QuinStreet is a defendant in the case, we anticipate
- 10 the damages range from a few million, in which case we would
- 11 $\,$ not recoup our investment in the case, to approximately 20 to
- 12 30 million, at which level we would probably recoup our
- 13 investment, perhaps plus a small bonus.
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. And you had not done an independent damages analysis
- 16 in the QuinStreet case?
- 17 A. No. The case was not far enough along for there to
- 18 be a really robust analysis of what the damages were. This was
- 19 more of a back-of-the-envelope estimate that the team had given
- 20 me when I asked how much the damages would likely be.
- 21 Q. And as of December 12th, you say in the last bullet
- 22 on that page, we've told the client that we wish to terminate
- 23 our engagement on this case?
- 24 A. In the QuinStreet case, because of the Microsoft
- 25 aspects, yes.



- 1 Q. And as you say, beginning in the last sentence on
- 2 that page, continuing over, the firm was waiting to see what
- 3 would happen with Oracle before deciding to finally terminate
- 4 the engagement of QuinStreet?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. Now, you also discuss at the end of this e-mail the
- 7 firm's right to terminate.
- A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you say, we may terminate on 30 days' notice --
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. -- consistent with our ethical obligations?
- 12 A. Right.
- 13 Q. And if you terminate and Parallel Networks succeeds
- 14 in recovering damages, the firm remained entitled to be paid,
- 15 one, fees incurred up to the time of termination at our
- 16 regularly hour --
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. -- regular hourly rates?
- 19 A. Yes. That's a typo.
- 20 Q. Any expenses that aren't paid?
- 21 A. Right.
- 22 Q. And, three, a fair portion of the contingent fee
- 23 award based upon our contribution and the result achieved as of
- 24 the time of termination, to the extent that we had not yet been
- 25 paid for all our fees incurred.

A. Correct.

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- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's
- 3 Exhibit 62. And I want to start at the very back at Exhibit
- 4 62 --

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- 5 A. Okay. Give me a second.
- 6 Q. -- which will be the first e-mail in the chain.
- 7 A. Okay.
- 8 Q. And that's an e-mail from Mr. Gilliland, who is
- 9 counsel for Oracle, right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And he is proposing Option A and Option B that we've
- 12 been talking about?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Option A is how to get the summary judgment order
- 15 final and appealable?
- 16 A. Right. Doing away with the trial in January so that
- 17 the case can go on directly to appeal.
- 18 Q. And then there's an Option B, which is a final
- 19 settlement payment by Oracle of significantly less than eight
- 20 figures, which would include the leases and licenses for all
- 21 Oracle and BEA products?
- 22 A. Right.
- Q. So the settlement that Oracle wanted was to cover the
- 24 BEA products that had not been accused yet?
- 25 A. That's what he was saying in this e-mail, yes.

- Page 963 Q. That's what Mr. Pelz was asking about yesterday,
- 2 right, that no outside counsel would agree to a settlement
- 3 where they would then be sued for a different product because
- 4 you'd have problems with the GC and CEO?
 - MR. PELZ: Object to the form of the question.
- 6 MR. ALIBHAI: Object to the form of your
- 7 question?

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- MR. PELZ: No.
- 9 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: What is your specific
- 10 objection?
- 11 MR. PELZ: I'm not even sure that was a question
- 12 I asked this witness. I could be wrong, but I believe that's a
- 13 question I asked a different witness. And of course Ms.
- 14 Mascherin couldn't have -- wasn't in the room and couldn't have
- 15 been told about those questions and those answers.
- 16 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Would you like to rephrase
- 17 your question?
- 18 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Did you and Mr. Pelz discuss
- 19 yesterday a settlement of certain product lines and not other
- 20 product lines?
- 21 A. We talked -- Mr. Pelz asked me some questions about
- 22 the -- about Oracle's desire to wrap the BEA products into this
- 23 settlement and not Oracle's position that it didn't want those
- 24 products to be subject to a later suit, yes.
- 25 Q. And that, if somebody did that, that they'd have a
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- 1 problem with their general counsel that they report to?
- A. I don't recall if he asked me that, but I would
- 3 imagine it would be the case if Oracle's counsel were to leave
- 4 the possibility of a second suit, that it would be Oracle's
- 5 desire to get rid of that.
- 6 Q. And then if you turn to Page 2 of this e-mail chain,
- 7 the e-mail from the bottom is from you to Mr. Bosy, copying
- 8 Mr. Roper and Ms. Levy, dated December 16th, 2008, 10:34 a.m.?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. Do you see where I am?
- 11 A. The "Why doesn't the client want to pursue a monetary
- 12 settlement?"
- 13 Q. Yes. That was your question?
- 14 A. Right. Right. I wanted to know why because George
- 15 had said the client wanted to pursue A but not B, so I said,
- 16 why?
- 17 Q. And what was Mr. Bosy's response through his
- 18 assistant to you?
- 19 A. He said, the client isn't interested in a settlement
- 20 along those monetary lines.
- 21 Q. Tim Willette is Mr. Bosy's assistant, right?
- 22 A. He was, yes.
- 23 Q. And Mr. Bosy didn't send e-mails, correct?
- 24 A. I don't remember if he ever -- well, the one before
- 25 that was directly from Mr. Bosy. Looks like he did sometimeS



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Page 965 1 send them himself and sometimes Tim sent them for him. But I

- 2 knew who Tim was, and I knew if it was coming from Tim that
- 3 that was Mr. Bosy.
- Q. Who is Jim -- oh, we talked about Jim Gilliland.
- 5 That's Oracle's counsel, right?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Let's talk about Respondent's Exhibit 67. And I want
- 8 to start with the e-mail on the bottom from Mr. Gilliland.
- 9 A. Okay. Give me a second. Okay.
- 10 Q. And so this is further discussion about this Option
- 11 A/Option B concept?
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. Option A is how to make the trial go away, make the
- 14 order final and appealable?
- A. Yes. 15
- 16 Q. Option B is settle for single digits millions of
- 17 dollars, which covers Oracle and BEA's products?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And when you get to Option A, the requirements that
- 20 Oracle is requiring are dismissal of the invalidity case
- 21 without prejudice, right?
- 22 A. Right.
- 23 Q. That all their invalidity defenses be preserved?
- 24
- 25 Q. The noninfringement ruling would be immediately

- Q. And then the first e-mail -- I guess actually it's
- 2 the second e-mail. The first e-mail is from Mr. Willette on
- 3 behalf of Mr. Bosy forwarding the entire chain to you, right?
- 4 A. And others, yes.
- 5 Q. On 68?
- 6 A. The first e-mail at the bottom?
- 7 Q. I'm sorry. I flipped back to the first page.
- 8 A. Oh, okay. Sorry.
- 9 Q. Not at all.
- A. Yes. 10
- 11 Q. He's forwarding the entire chain to you?
- 12
- 13 Q. And the e-mail below is an e-mail from Mr. Fokas to
- 14 Mr. Bosy?
- 15 A. That's right.
- 16 Q. And he says, if you want my personal opinion, we
- 17 should not agree to anything. File the motion for
- 18 reconsideration, try the case on invalidity and inequitable
- 19 conduct if that's what Oracle wants to do, and take up an
- 20 appeal if she won't reverse herself on noninfringement.
- 21 A. Yeah, that's what he was saying at this point in
- 22 time. I think there's an e-mail from him a couple of days
- 23 before saying, why don't we get the trial and invalidity
- 24 dismissed and make the summary judgment final and take it up on
- 25 appeal.

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- Q. Did you respond to this e-mail from Mr. Fokas?
- A. I did not respond to the e-mail from Mr. Fokas, but
- 3 we spoke shortly after this, on the 18th, with Mr. Fokas. I
- 4 didn't respond to him by e-mail. We talked about these issues
- 5 on the call on the 18th.
- Q. That was the only time you ever spoke with Mr. Fokas 6
- 7 yourself, correct --
- A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. -- was this call you referenced?
- 10 A. Correct.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's 11
- 12 Exhibit 69. Respondent's Exhibit 69, if you turn to pages 2
- 13 and 3 of it, is, again, Mr. Gilliland's e-mail?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. Option A and Option B?
- 16 A. Right.
- Q. And then you take that e-mail and you forward it to 17
- 18 Ms. Levy and Mr. Bricker?
- 19 A. Well, there was the e-mail from Mr. Gilliland, and
- 20 then there was an e-mail from George Bosy about a discussion he
- 21 had with Gilliland, all of which I was copied on that second
- 22 one. And I just -- I forwarded that, along with my discussion
- 23 to Ms. Levy, Mr. Bricker, and I think the same people who had
- 24 been copied on the prior -- or at least some of the ones who
- 25 were copied on the prior.

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- Q. And that all cases against Oracle and BEA customers 3
- 4 would be stayed, pending appeal?
- A. Right, that's what he says.
- Q. And then, finally, that if the summary judgment order
- 7 of noninfringement regarding Oracle products is affirmed on
- 8 appeal, that it covers BEA, too, and can't sue for BEA products 9 anymore?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. The motion for reconsideration being decided by Judge
- 12 Robinson didn't have that risk, right? If she denied the
- 13 motion for reconsideration, it wouldn't mean that BEA's
- 14 products couldn't be sued for noninfringement?
- A. Yeah, that's right. Oracle was asking for something 15
- 16 more in exchange for giving up the trial, you know, that was
- 17 scheduled in January and allowing Parallel Networks to be able
- 18 to take immediate appeal with the federal circuit of the
- 19 summary judgment ruling.
- 20 Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Exhibit 68,
- 21 which, if you'll confirm for me, the bottom of 68 is a 22 discussion that we just looked at with Mr. Gilliland's
- 23 conditions for Option A as to how to make this final appeal.
- 24 That's on the bottom of Page 2, right?
- 25 A. Yes.



- Q. And it's an update regarding resolution of Parallel
- 2 Networks' cases and how to get Jenner & Block paid?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And that was one of the goals that you were trying to
- 5 accomplish, was to get Jenner & Block paid for outstanding
- 6 expenses?
- 7 A. Constantly, yes.
- 8 Q. And the other goal was to deal with the summary
- 9 judgment order and either get it reconsidered or appealed?
- 10 A. That was another thing that we had to do, yes.
- 11 Q. And then, on December 18th, an agreement is reached
- 12 with Oracle and the papers are being drafted?
- 13 A. Right.
- 14 Q. That's what Paragraph 1 is about?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. And then you say, in the second paragraph of Section
- 17 1, that once that agreement is done, we have to consider
- 18 whether the client would pursue a monetary settlement with
- 19 Oracle as outlined in "B" below?
- 20 A. Right, whether they want to pursue settlement
- 21 discussions or not.
- 22 Q. And the "B" below, you're referring to Mr.
- 23 Gilliland's Option B?
- 24 A. Yeah, his suggestion that we discuss settlement,
- 25 right.

- Q. Complete/final settlement for payment by Oracle of 2 significantly less than eight figures, which would include the
- 3 releases and licenses for all Oracle and BEA products?
- A. That was his initial demand, yes. The concept was,
- 5 once we get this agreement done, to finalize the district court
- 6 proceedings in the Oracle case so that Mr. Fokas can take that
- 7 up on appeal immediately, does Mr. Fokas want to pursue trying
- 8 to settle the Oracle case or not. I wasn't meaning to refer
- 9 specifically to, you know, exactly on the terms that Gilliland
- 10 suggested, but does it make sense, once we've got this piece of
- 11 it wrapped up, to -- you know, shouldn't we talk to the client
- 12 about whether he wants to pursue settlement with Oracle.
- 13 Q. Because doing Option A didn't preclude settlements?
- 14 A. Sure. You can always settle.
- Q. And you say, in the second sentence, that you had
- 16 discussed the risks and costs associated with continuing to
- 17 pursue the case, meaning the appeal?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And have --
- 20 A. And subsequent proceedings.
- 21 Q. Appeal and further proceedings if the appeal is
- 22 successful?
- 23 A. Right.
- 24 Q. And have recommended that the client discuss
- 25 settlement with Oracle?

- A. Right. And find out what they'll offer.
- 2 Q. And depending on whether the client decides to pursue
- 3 settlement to prosecute the appeal --
- 4 A. Right.
- 5 Q. -- the firm needed to decide whether to terminate our
- 6 engagement with the client --
- 7 A. Right.
- Q. -- which we have the right to do on 30 days' notice? 8
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. And then if you'll flip down to Section 2, you
- 11 discuss the prospects for the client bringing in money
- 12 necessary to pay the firm?
- 13 A. Right.

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- 14 Q. One was the settlement of Herbalife case in Texas?
 - A. Right. That's what the client was telling us.
- 16 Q. And you were told that the parties were obtaining
- 17 signatures on the final settlement agreement?
- 18 A. That's what we were told, yes.
 - Q. And that the settlement of the FriendFinder case in
- 20 Texas was another option?
- 21 That was another possible source of funds, yes.
 - And then the third source of funds would be the
- 23 settlement of the QuinStreet case?
 - A. Right.
- 25 Q. Which you thought could get settled for close to

- Page 972 -- or I guess Mr. Margolis thought could get settled for
- 2 close to \$750,000?
- 3 A. Right. He was the one who had had the discussions
- 4 with their counsel.
- Q. And then you note in this parenthetical that this 5
- 6 contingency fee award was 33 percent of net proceeds, right?
- 7 A. Under the agreement, yes.
- But net proceeds was not a defined term?
- 9 A. Right. Net revenues is a defined term, net proceeds
- 10 isn't.
- Q. And so you thought it was unclear whether the firm 11
- 12 would get 33 percent of \$750,000 or 33 percent of the net
- 13 settlement after the expenses were paid?
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- 15 MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, that's a good
- 16 stopping point if you want to take a lunch.
- 17 MR. PELZ: Yes. They knocked at the door about
- 18 ten minutes ago -- I didn't interrupt -- while we were talking
- 19 about this exhibit. But they did knock on the door about ten
- 20 minutes ago.
- 21 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I know. I know. I was
- 22 trying not to interrupt our flow.
- 23 All right. If there's no objection, why don't
- 24 we have lunch now, and we'll resume in an hour unless you have
- 25 something else you need to bring up.



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1	Page 973 MR. PELZ: We have one Mr. Jimenez-Ekman has	1	Page 975 MR. JIMENEZ-EKMAN: Thank you.
	something he wants to present.	2	ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. All right.
3			Subject to that, may we please have lunch? We're off the
	MR. JIMENEZ-EKMAN: Mr. Grissom, just very		
	briefly		record.
5	ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Just wait a minute. Okay.	5	(Lunch break was taken at 12:23 p.m. to 1:28
6	MR. JIMENEZ-EKMAN: Mr. Grissom, we're not sure	6	p.m.)
7	yet who they're planning to call tomorrow, but we do have a	7	ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: We're back on the record.
8	short brief regarding an issue that we expect to be presented	8	I think we have everyone back, and we can then resume our
9	by Mr. Lowery's testimony. And it is crystallized into	9	afternoon hearing with the testimony that was just before lunch
10	something we would like to raise with the Court based on the	10	with Ms. Mascherin.
11	failure of Parallel Networks to raise it with other issues that	11	MR. ALIBHAI: Thank you, Arbitrator Grissom.
12	they said I'm sorry with other witnesses that they said	12	Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Before the break, we were talking
13	they might do. So it's a short brief. I have a copy for you	13	about Respondent's 69.
14	and for Parallel Networks' counsel, and I just wanted to hand	14	A. Yes.
15	it out and get that process going.	15	Q. And you were talking about a number of different
16	ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: So this has to do with	16	settlements that could occur in which the monies could be used
17	Mr. Lowery's testimony and whether or not other witnesses have	17	to pay expenses that were owed to the firm?
18	testified about certain issues?	18	A. Right. This is based on things that Mr. Fokas told
19	MR. JIMENEZ-EKMAN: Well, specifically, as we've	19	Mr. Bosy.
20	visited about many times in this case, this has to do with some	20	Q. Let's look at Exhibit Respondent's Exhibit 70.
21	of the QuinStreet documents. As you may recall, you ordered	21	The bottom portion is an e-mail from Mr. Margolis to you, among
22	Parallel Networks to specify which QuinStreet documents they	22	others, saying that both FriendFinder and Herbalife had both
23	were going to use. On October 2nd, they did narrow the	23	settled, right?
24	universe of documents. And then, on October 4th, we	24	A. Yes.
25	received I'm sorry on October 2nd, we received a copy of	25	Q. And those are the two of the settlements that are
1	Page 974 them.	1	Page 976 referred to your Respondent's Exhibit 69?
			A. Yes.
2	In connection with the briefing on that issue,	2	A. 165.

Q. And then Mr. Margolis thought that, therefore, there

4 will be money to pay all of the outstanding expenses?

5 A. Right.

6 Q. And the first part of your response was, great?

7 A. Yes

8 Q. Because that was one of the things that you were

9 hoping to get done was collect the expenses that were past due?

A. Correct

11 Q. And that's one of the things that Ms. Levy had asked

12 you to accomplish, was getting the outstanding expenses paid?

13 A. Yes, since August.

14 Q. Since you came onto the case?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Let me show you what's Exhibit 71. You then relay

17 the information about the settlements, Herbalife and

18 FriendFinder, to Ms. Levy?

19 A. Yes.

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20 Q. And you had previously been told that when the

21 Herbalife case settled, that \$250,000 of it was going to be

22 paid to Jenner & Block?

23 A. Mr. Fokas had told us earlier that it would be

24 something between 200 and 250 from that case.

Q. And what you said to Ms. Levy was the Herbalife case,

 $\ensuremath{\mathtt{3}}$ you may recall that in addition to the discovery violation, we

4 had grave concerns that they hadn't identified any expert

5 witness to testify about these obviously highly-technical

6 documents. Mr. Alibhai told you during that hearing, well, I 7 might use these documents with Mr. Margolis, I might use them

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8 with Mr. Roper, I might use them with Mr. Lowery. Well, Mr.

9 Margolis and Mr. Roper have been up and down off the stand now,

10 and there was nary a question about any of those documents.

Now, we're about to get into their case, and our

12 suspicion is that Mr. Lowery, who has not been identified as an

13 expert and who's not provided an expert report, will be asked

14 to comment on these documents, which I think you will see are,

15 to the mere mortal, gibberish. And to the extent -- and the

16 law is very clear that if you are going to give an opinion

17 about patent infringement, you need an expert to do that unless

18 the technology is obvious. And so we put together a short

19 brief that collects those issues into one place. And rather

20 than take it up when Mr. Lowery is called to the stand and

21 asked to look at the first of these highly-technical documents,

22 we'd like to have -- to raise this beforehand, give Parallel

23 Networks an opportunity to respond, and have that dealt with

24 before he gets on the stand. That's the gist of the paper.

25 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right.



1 the one from which we'll receive about \$250,000?

- A. Right.
- Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Respondent's
- 4 Exhibit 73.
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- Q. This is a chain of e-mails between you and Ms. Levy, 6 7 among others?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you had previously said in Respondent's Exhibit
- 10 69, if you that have in front of you, that the agreement with
- 11 Oracle's counsel about the stipulation had already been
- 12 reached?
- 13 A. Right.
- 14 Q. And it had to be papered up?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. And then in this e-mail, Respondent's Exhibit 73,
- 17 you're saying that the agreement's been reached and describing
- 18 the terms of it?
- 19 A. In the bottom e-mail, yes.
- 20 Q. And then looking at the third paragraph -- the
- 21 stipulation had to be approved by the Court, right?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And so in the third paragraph, you're referencing
- 24 that once the order approving the stipulation has been entered,
- 25 the client has the right to appeal and the firm needs to decide

- Q. -- the summary judgment ruling final?
- 2 A. That's right.

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- 3 Q. And then you respond on the settlement point that you
- 4 intend to continue to try to persuade Mr. Fokas to discuss an
- 5 overall settlement with Oracle?
- A. Right. Because he had said that he would talk to us 6 7 about it once we got the Oracle deal done.
- Q. But you thought that he was more interested in the 8
- 9 appeal rather than settling?
- 10 A. That seemed -- based on my -- based on the discussion
- 11 that I had been part of with Mr. Fokas the week before, that
- 12 was my impression, that he seemed to be very interested in
- 13 pursuing the appeal but not terribly interested in pursuing
- 14 settlement. But he did agree that he would talk to us again
- 15 about whether it made sense to pursue settlement once we'd
- 16 gotten everything done with Oracle.
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 - Q. As you were finalizing the stipulation to make the
- 18 summary judgment order final, you had already worked with Mr.
- 19 Goldman and Mr. Smith from the appellate group, right?
- 20 A. On the motion to reconsider?
- 21 Q. Yes. ma'am.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And you asked them to prepare a budget for what a
- 24 potential appeal to the Federal Circuit would like look like?
- 25 A. Yes

- Page 978 1 whether to terminate the representation now or whether to agree
- 2 to handle the appeal?
- A. Once the order -- there were -- there was at least
- 4 an -- there were a couple of orders, I think, that had to be
- 5 entered. There was -- there were orders involved -- I don't
- 6 remember exactly how many different ones we had to draft. But 7 there were orders involving getting rid of the trial, you know,
- 8 recording the -- memorializing the terms of the stipulation
- 9 about dismissing the counterclaims without prejudice,
- 10 withdrawing the motion to reconsider. And then you have to
- 11 have -- you can't file a notice of appeal until there's a
- 12 judgment that's entered. So we had to get all of that done,
- 13 and then the client would have the right to appeal.
- 14 Q. And the firm needed to decide whether to terminate
- 15 the representation at that point or whether to agree to handle
- 16 the appeal?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And then Ms. Levy asked what happened to the motion
- 19 to reconsider, right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And she asked about the settlement meeting?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. The motion to reconsider had been withdrawn as part
- 24 of the stipulation to make the judgment final --
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. Is Respondent's Exhibit 80 their budget that they 1 2 provided to you?
- 3 A Yes
- Q. And looking at the top e-mail, they were estimating
- 5 \$400,000 of lawyer time for two briefs in the Federal Circuit
- 6 and the oral argument?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And then they say out-of-pocket expenses would be
- 9 relatively minimal?
- A. Yes. 10
- Q. The expenses would be also -- they were in D.C., both 11
- 12 of them?
- 13 A Yes
- 14 Q. So there was a meeting with D.C. folks for
- 15 potentially them to come to Chicago where the Jenner & Block
- 16 lawyers working on the case were? That was one type of
- 17 expense?
- 18 A. That's one thing they were noting.
- 19 Q. And then there would be the cost of printing and
- 20 binding of briefs?
- 21 A. Right.
- 22 Q. And then Ms. Levy, at the end of the year, requested
- 23 a memorandum about what the status was of whether to terminate
- 24 the engagement or continue on?
- 25 A. She requested a memorandum about summarizing the



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- 1 discussions that various of us had had and our -- the consensus
- 2 that we'd reached about sending Notice of Termination. In
- 3 other words, she wanted me to sort of put it all in one place
- 4 to memorialize what had happened.
- 5 Q. Is Respondent's Exhibit 82 the memorandum you 6 prepared?
- A. Yes, it is.
- Q. Turn, if you would, to the second page the exhibit, 8
- 9 which is the beginning of the memorandum, and turn to the 10 second paragraph.
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Under the contingent fee agreement that's referenced
- 13 there, the client did not have to pay for hourly fees, correct?
- A. Assuming that we were still in the -- in a 14
- 15 pre-termination phase, yes. That's what this paragraph
- 16 addresses. But the basic agreement is a contingent agreement,
- 17 contingent upon recovery in the case.
- 18 Q. And so under the contingent fee agreement that was in
- 19 place at that time, there was no obligation by the client to
- 20 pay hourly fees?
- 21 A. As things existed -- the current state of affairs at 22 that time, yes.
- 23
- Q. You say that the agreement provides the client is to
- 24 pay expenses on 30-day terms?
- 25 A. Yes, that's what I say.

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- 1 Q. And then you also say in the fifth line of that
- 2 paragraph, the agreement permits us to terminate the
- 3 representation at any time?
- A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Consistent with our ethical obligations?
- Q. And that if Jenner & Block terminated and the client
- 8 recovered, the firm was entitled to be paid all unpaid
- 9 expenses, as well as to be compensated for the time they
- 10 devoted to the representation through termination at our
- 11 regular hourly rates?
- 12 A Yes
- 13 Q. And in the bottom paragraph on that page, it
- 14 discusses the Oracle case, correct?
- A. Yes. 15
- Q. And it says that in connection with working on
- 17 converting the summary judgment order to a final judgment, that
- 18 Jenner & Block advised Parallel Networks that it would be in
- 19 the client's best interest to accept Oracle's invitation to
- 20 reconvene settlement discussions?
- 21 A. Right, to find out what they were willing to offer.
- 22 Q. And at that time. Oracle's counsel was interested in
- 23 settling but that in his view, the settlement would not reach
- 24 eight figures?
- 25 Right. That's what he said.

- Q. That was Mr. Gilliland?
- 2 A. Yes, the e-mail that we've looked at.
- 3 Q. Turning to the next page, you say at the top, until
- 4 recently, the client was several months in arrears on its
- 5 obligation to pay expenses?
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. So those settlements that we had discuss had closed
- 8 and funded?
- A. As of the time I wrote this memo, the client had paid 9
- 10 the past-due expenses. I assume that came from the proceeds of
- 11 the settlement. That's what he told us.
- Q. And that's what you said, right, looking at the 12
- 13 next page?
- 14 A. Yes. That was my understanding based on what the
- 15 client was telling us.
- 16 Q. The client paid the past-due expenses totaling about
- 17 \$550,000 last week with proceeds from the settlement of two
- 18 other cases that had been handled by other law firms?
 - A. Right. That's what he told us the source was.
- 20 Q. Turning to the next paragraph, "the second case
- 21 QuinStreet" is how it begins --
- 22 A. Yes.

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- 23 -- that's talking about the QuinStreet case now?
 - A. Yes, along with Microsoft.
- 25 Q. And if you look down about halfway into that

- 1 paragraph, it starts with "based upon those discussions"
- 2 You thought that the QuinStreet case could be
- 3 settled for approximately \$750,000?
- A. Based on the discussions with QuinStreet's lawyers,
- 5 right, prior to Microsoft filing.
- Q. Which is discussions that Mr. Margolis was having
- 7 with QuinStreet's counsel?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And you said, two weeks ago we recommended to the
- 10 client that he continue settlement discussions with
- 11 QuinStreet?
- 12 A. Right.
- 13 Q. That was actually a conversation that you're
- 14 referring to that you were a part of?
- A. Right. That was the December 18th, discussion. 15
 - Q. And then it goes, at the fourth paragraph, to a
- 17 discussion about a conversation that Mr. Roper and Mr. Margolis
- 18 had with the client?
- 19 A. Yes
- 20 Q. And I think you testified about this on direct, and I
- 21 want to make sure I understand this. The suggestion was that
- 22 Jenner & Block stay in both cases, right? It's a multifaceted
- 23 proposal, so I want to break it down a little bit.
- 24 A. Well, I can't agree "yes" or "no" with the way you've
- 25 just phrased that question because there was a very significant



- 1 limitation on our willingness to stay in the QuinStreet case.
- 2 Q. Stay in QuinStreet but not Microsoft?
- 3 A. Stay in QuinStreet and try to achieve a settlement,
- 4 if that could be achieved, you know, relatively promptly.
- 5 Q. Okay. So with respect to the QuinStreet, not
- 6 terminate the representation, continue on for the limited
- 7 purpose of trying to settle it?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. With respect to the Oracle case, Jenner & Block would
- 10 handle the appeal?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And would not agree to do any further work if there
- 13 was successful appeal and there was a remand thereafter to the
- 14 district court?
- 15 A. Well, what we wanted -- what we proposed -- what
- 16 Harry and Paul proposed was that we would handle the appeal
- 17 under the current agreement and that we -- we, at that point,
- 18 recommended that, you know, assuming the appeal was handled
- 19 successfully and that there was -- you know, there was a
- 20 positive result, that the client then authorized us to attempt
- 21 to negotiate a settlement with Oracle. I don't think the -- we
- 22 certainly didn't propose that we would stay in the case all the
- 23 way through, you know, subsequent trial, appeal, you know,
- 24 trial, and all of that. But we did -- we did offer to stay in
- 25 the case under the current structure through the appeal and
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- 1 then try to get them a good settlement.
- Q. So the proposal was that Jenner & Block would
- 3 represent Parallel Networks in an appeal to the Federal Circuit
- 4 regarding summary judgment finding of noninfringement, and if
- 5 it was successful --
- 6 A. Try to get them a good settlement.
- 7 Q. And if the settlement wasn't achieved?
- 8 A. We didn't really -- we didn't address what would
- 9 happen after that. We were still very concerned about the
- 10 economic disadvantages to the firm from the lengthy additional
- 11 proceedings that might be necessary.
- 12 Q. Because it'd be a trial, a potential appeal, and
- 13 then --
- 14 A. Another trial.
- 15 Q. -- trial and damages?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And then maybe even another appeal?
- 18 A. And then possibly another appeal, right. But we
- 19 did -- we told them we'd be willing to stay in through the
- 20 appeal because, you know, we thought there was a good appeal
- 21 and try to get him a good settlement coming out of the
- 22 (inaudible).
- $\,$ 23 $\,$ Q. "We," meaning the people that have been working on
- 24 the motion for reconsideration?
- 25 A. "We," meaning the Jenner & Block team, including --

- Page 987 1 you know, the plan would be that Paul Smith and Marc Goldman
- 2 would be lead counsel.
- 3 Q. And in the next paragraph you say that the proposal
- 4 that the client has made was not attractive?
- 5 A. Right. He didn't want us -- he wanted us to stay in
- 6 QuinStreet and Microsoft and Oracle. He said that if we -- you
- 7 know, that he wouldn't be able to get anybody to take the
- 8 QuinStreet case if he couldn't offer them the Oracle case,
- 9 too.

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- 10 Q. And you discussed that proposal, and you, Mr.
- 11 Margolis and Mr. Roper and Ms. Levy agreed that it was not an
- 12 attractive proposal?
- 13 A. Right, and Mr. Smith. I guess Paul meant --
- 14 Q. We don't know who Paul refers to?
 - A. Yeah, I -- you know, I'm not sure which Paul it was.
- 16 Q. Okay. And there are two reasons that you list for
- 17 why that proposal was not attractive, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And one is the size of the existing -- given the size
- 20 of the existing investment. Do you see that?
- 21 A. Right. Under his proposal -- his proposal was
- 22 economically unattractive compared to the one we had made to 23 him.
- 24 Q. For Jenner & Block?
- 25 A. Right.

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- 1 Q. And one part of it is based upon the size of the
- 2 existing investment?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And that is -- if you look at the very first line on
- 5 Page 2, the outstanding fee investment for Oracle is
- 6 approximately \$10 million?
- 7 A. Right. As compared to the way he was proposing that 8 we limit our fee.
- 9 Q. Because if you limited your fee to based upon an
- 10 amount that was discussed right now, the settlement number, in
- 11 order recoup the 10 million, would have to be at least \$30
- 12 million?
- 13 A. Thereabouts. I think it gets a little more
- 14 complicated than that because there's a declining percentage.
- 15 Q. Because at some point it goes down from a third to 28 16 percent?
- 17 A. Yeah. I don't remember where that break point was.
- 18 Q. Around \$15 million, right?
- 19 A. Yeah, I think so, and so it's probably not --
- 20 Q. So a little bit over 30 million?
- 21 A. It's not going to -- it's going to be more than 30
- 22 million. I don't remember -- I don't remember what the math
- 23 would be that you'd have to do to figure out what the
- 24 (inaudible).
- 25 Q. And then on the flipside, if you terminated under the



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 1 existing fee agreement, you had the right to recoup the full 2 investment?
- A. Assuming a successful recovery, yes.
- Q. And, number two, that you were not interested in
- 5 prosecuting the QuinStreet case at trial?
- 6 A. Right.
- Q. And during these discussions that you had or that
- 8 Jenner & Block lawyers had with Mr. Fokas at the end of
- 9 December, did anyone encourage him to seek outside counsel at 10 that time?
- 11 A. Did anybody encourage him to seek outside counsel? I
- 12 don't think we explicitly encouraged him to seek outside
- 13 counsel.
- 14 Q. If I remember correctly, when you were looking at the
- 15 fee agreement in October, one of the things that you were
- 16 considering was whether the fee agreement should be modified
- 17 and the percentage should be increased in favor of Jenner &
- 18 Block to account for the fact that you had been fronting the
- 19 expenses?
- 20 A. That's one thing that we were considering. Mr. Fokas
- 21 was the one who had suggested that.
- 22 Q. Mr. Fokas had suggested that in connection with the
- 23 111 cases, correct?
- 24 A. I was told by Mr. Bosy he had suggested it as a
- 25 global matter, and then we got the e-mail suggesting it with
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- 1 respect to the cases he wanted to bring in the other patent as 2 well.
- Q. You've never seen any documents where that suggestion 3
- 4 was made with respect to the existing figure?
- A. From Mr. Fokas, no. I'm relying on what Mr. Bosy 5 6 told me.
- 7 Q. And so when you were considering the modification of
- 8 the fee agreement, you personally looked at articles from ALAS
- 9 (phonetic) about mid-representation fee agreement changes?
- 10 A. I looked at some articles, yes.
- Q. And there was concern that's stated in those articles
- 12 about how the lawyer could have taken advantage of the client
- 13 in the middle of the relationship, trying to change the fee
- 15 A. I don't remember exactly what the articles addressed.
- 16 I do recall that there was reason to be concerned about
- 17 mid-agreement modification.
- 18 Q. And what ALAS (phonetic) recommends is that if a law
- 19 firm and the client are going to enter into a mid-engagement
- 20 modification, that the lawyer tell the client, you need to go
- 21 get outside counsel to advise you in this situation?
- 22 A. I don't remember. If you represent that's what the
- 23 article said, then I don't have any reason to --
- 24 Q. Do you have that recollection?
- 25 A. I don't remember the articles. I remember that there

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 1 was an issue, and I also remember it never went anywhere at 2 that time.
- Q. You testified yesterday that you thought it made 3
- 4 sense to settle the QuinStreet case, right?
- 5
- Q. And that you could get rid of the QuinStreet part of 6
- 7 it and then maybe the Microsoft part would get transferred
- 8 because there wouldn't be jurisdiction in Texas? It'd get
- 9 dismissed there, wouldn't it?
- 10 A. There would be jurisdiction in Delaware.
- 11 Q. I may have said that wrong.
- 12 A. But, yes, other than --
- 13 Q. I'm still here in Texas.
- 14 A. -- other than that, I agree.
- 15 Q. So if the QuinStreet portion of the case -- it's one
- 16 case, right?
- 17 A. It was -- it was one case at that time, yes.
- 18 Q. So if the QuinStreet portion of that case was settled
- 19 and dismissed, then there may not be personal jurisdiction over
- 20 Parallel Networks in Delaware for the Microsoft portion of the
- 21 case?
- 22 A. Correct. We believed there was a good argument that
- 23 Microsoft had to demonstrate an independent basis for
- 24 jurisdiction.
- 25 Q. You had prepared the memorandum that we looked at the
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- 1 beginning of your testimony today, which is Respondent's
- 2 Exhibit 46, regarding the damages in the Oracle case, right?
- 3 A Yes
- Q. Had you ever prepared such a memorandum regarding the
- 5 QuinStreet case?
- A. Like this?
- O Yes 7
- 8 A. No, not this extensive.
- 9 Q. Had you analyzed what the accused products were and
- 10 the potential royalty base involved?
- 11 A. I had not personally. I relied upon the information
- 12 that the other members of the team provided about what they'd
- 13 been able to do to date based on what the -- what information
- 14 they had. The case was still in the pleading stages and
- 15 were -- you know, was far from being fully developed.
- 16 Q. On January 2nd, 2009, a termination letter was sent
- 17 to Parallel Networks, correct?
- 18 A. A Notice of Termination, yes.
- 19 Q. And that was from Mr. Margolis?
- 20 A. It was signed by Mr. Margolis. It was from the firm.
- Q. And there was a call that preceded the sending of the 21
- 22 January 2nd letter?
- 23 A. A call between -- you mean the call between Mr.
- 24 Margolis and Mr. Fokas?
- 25 Q. Yes. Thank you.



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2 Q. And the firm had told Mr. Margolis to call first?

3 A. I believe that's true.

4 Q. And the termination of representation letter

5 references Paragraph 9a of the agreement, right?

A. I believe it's 9b. 6

7 Q. This is Respondent's Exhibit 87.

A. I believe it's 9b. 8

9 Q. Take a look at it, in the last paragraph.

10 A. Oh, there's a typo. Oh, it is in 9a because 9b

11 refers to 9a.

12 Q. What's in 9a?

A. 9a is a paragraph that deals with Parallel Networks' 13

14 right to terminate. 9b deals with Jenner & Block's right to

15 terminate. And at the end of 9b, it says to -- you know, to

16 determine what Jenner & Block is entitled to be paid in this

17 circumstance, you go back to 9a.

18 Q. And then you were testifying yesterday, we were

19 discussing the Oracle and the QuinStreet cases and you said, as

20 to QuinStreet, Jenner & Block was recommending to settle that

21 case at that time in December 2008?

22 A Yes

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Q. And you'd been after the client for many months to

24 settle QuinStreet?

25 A. Right. And it made all the sense in the world. If

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1 the client was saying he wanted 950,000 you know, we had a 2 very good indication that there was at least 750,000. It

3 didn't seem that we were very far apart. It seemed the case

4 could easily be settled for an amount the client would accept.

Q. All right. That brings me to the testimony that you

6 gave this morning. And the easiest thing to do would be to put

7 aside the exhibits that we've talked about so far.

8 A. Okay.

Q. We're going to go through some of the exhibits that

10 Mr. Pelz showed you today. I don't know if the stacks are

11 divided up that way.

12 A. From January?

13 Q. No. I want to talk about Claimant's Exhibit 303,

14 which is your conversation with Ms. Steinberg.

15 A. Okay. Give me a second.

16 Q. Sure. And for a frame of reference, it's an e-mail

17 that's redacted at the top of it, if that's easier to find.

18 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: If we're going to go

19 binder-hopping again, if y'all, you know, will give me a moment 20 to find everything before you ask questions and answer them?

21 MR. ALIBHAI: Certainly.

22 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Ms. Mascherin, to make it easier

23 for you, I'll give you another copy.

A. That'd be great because I don't know where it is in

25 this stack. Thank you. Okay.

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Q. It's the exhibit that you discussed with Mr. Pelz

2 this morning, right?

3 A. That's one of them, yes.

4 Q. And it recounts a conversation that you had with Ms.

5 Steinberg, who was outside corporate counsel for Parallel

6 Networks?

A. Yes.

Q. One of the issues that Ms. Steinberg raised was that 8

9 with respect to the Oracle appeal, to give Jenner & Block peace

10 of mind with respect to expenses, that Parallel Networks would

give Jenner & Block a retainer sufficient to cover the expenses

12 on appeal?

13 A. Yes, that's one thing she said.

14 Q. And the expenses on appeal, according to the

15 appellate team, were going to be relatively minimal?

16 A. Based on the back-of-the-envelope estimate that Paul

17 and Marc had done, yes.

Q. Well, you've handled appeals?

A. Yes. 19

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20 Q. And to a Federal Circuit court?

21 A. Yes.

22 The biggest expense is the copying and binding and

23 putting together the briefs and the appendix, right?

24 A. That and any, you know, travel that might be

25 involved. But we didn't talk about it in December. It's

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1 conceivable that there would be consultation with some of the

2 experts or that sort of thing. There could be -- I don't want 3 to quibble, you know. I just want to point out there might

4 have been some expenses that Paul and Marc might not have taken

5 into account, but they certainly would not have been expenses

6 to the level that you get preparing for a trial.

7 Q. Tens of thousands of dollars?

8 A. One would hope.

9 Q. And you explained to Ms. Steinberg that the expense

10 issue, in the third full paragraph on Page 2, was just one of

11 the issues that had caused Jenner & Block to terminate the

12 relationship?

A. Yes. 13

14 Q. That the other issues were the client's reluctance to

15 consider settlement?

16 A. Yes.

Q. And that's in both the QuinStreet and the Oracle 17

18 cases?

19 A. Yes.

20 And then the fact that the Oracle case changed

21 because of the bifurcation and the addition of Microsoft?

22 A. Oracle because of the bifurcation and Microsoft to

23 the QuinStreet case, yes.

24 Q. Which would create a longer schedule in both of those

25 cases?



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- 1 A. Yes, and with regard to Microsoft, would greatly
- 2 expand the scope of the case.
- 3 Q. But Jenner & Block wasn't going to handle the
- 4 Microsoft case no matter what, right?
- A. That's what we told the client.
- 6 Q. I'm not talking about what you told client. You had
- 7 never agreed to undertake that representation?
- 8 A. That's correct. However, as I explained yesterday,
- 9 we were counsel of record in the case in which that claim was
- 10 pending. And unless and until we withdrew from that case where
- 11 that claim was pending or somebody else came in as lead counsel
- 12 to handle it, we were in that case.
- 13 Q. And then you reminded Ms. Steinberg that either side
- 14 had the right to terminate the relationship at any time for any
- 15 reason?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Subject only to the notice period, which is 30
- 18 days?

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- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And Jenner & Block complied with that ethical
- 21 obligation?
- 22 A. Correct.
- -- -- -- -- --
- 24 e-mail from you to Jenner & Block lawyers?
- 25 A. Yes.
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- 1 Q. Who is William Heinz?
- 2 A. He's one of our firm counsel.
- 3 Q. And Mr. Hoover is also firm counsel?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And you start with saying, I spoke with Laura
- 6 Steinberg today and conveyed the proposal outlined below except

Q. Let me show you Claimant's Exhibit 313. This is an

- 7 that I proposed a retainer of \$500,000 for the appeal.
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. The proposal that you're referring to, is that
- 10 redacted?
- 11 A. From this document, yes.
- 12 Q. It's information that you conveyed to Ms. Steinberg?
- 13 A. The information that I conveyed to Ms. Steinberg
- 14 was -- I can tell you what that information was. It's redacted
- 15 from this document, I suspect, because it was laid out in an
- 16 e-mail that I sent to firm counsel asking for their review --
- 17 you know, this whole group's review, but including firm
- 18 counsel, of the terms that I -- that I had, you know, developed
- 19 that I was proposing that I offered to Ms. Steinberg.
- 20 Q. In 2008, were you working with Mr. Markowski as firm
- 21 counsel on issues related to the Jenner & Block and Parallel
- 22 Networks relationship?
- $\,$ 23 $\,$ A. 2008? The only person I remember consulting with at
- 24 any point in 2008 regarding this client was Mr. Markowski.
- 25 Q. Who's firm counsel?

- 1 A. He was firm counsel, yeah. We have several firm
- 2 counsel.
- 3 Q. Right. And so in 2009, Mr. Markowski is no longer at
- 4 the firm. At some point he leaves and goes to be in-house
- 5 counsel, right?
- 6 A. At some point after this.
- 7 Q. So why do you switch from talking to Mr. Markowski
- 8 and now you're talking to Mr. Heinz and Mr. Hoover?
- 9 A. I think that -- I think that Mr. Markowski at some
- 10 point along the way had consulted with Mr. Heinz and Mr. Hoover
- 11 about something, and he started copying them.
- 12 Q. And so the proposal that's outlined below is what you
- 13 told Ms. Steinberg, except that you proposed a retainer of
- 14 \$500,000 for the appeal?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. What was the proposal below?
- 17 A. It was a proposal that we would -- that -- that they
- 18 would -- Parallel Networks would pay a retainer for the appeal,
- 19 not just for expenses, but to cover fees as well for the appeal
- 20 that we -- and that we'd record fees against that retainer;
- 21 that the client would then authorize -- would also agree that
- 22 assuming that the appeal was successfully completed, that the
- 23 client would authorize us to engage in settlement negotiations
- 24 in the Oracle case and attempt to achieve a -- you know, an
- 25 acceptable settlement; that the client would authorize us to

- 1 negotiate a settlement of the QuinStreet case for at least
- 2 \$750,000 and that the fee -- that Jenner & Block's fee, if that
- 3 settlement could be achieved in QuinStreet, would be based on
- 4 the regular contingent fee agreement. So it would be a 33 and
- 5 one-third percent fee. But that failing ability to achieve a
- 6 settlement with QuinStreet, that Jenner & Block would withdraw
- 7 from that case and the client would hire substitute counsel to
- 8 litigate the case against QuinStreet and Microsoft.
- 9 Q. So with respect to the QuinStreet case, Jenner &
- 10 Block was not going to do anything with the Microsoft line?
- 11 A. Right. We were requesting authority to attempt to
- 12 negotiate a settlement with QuinStreet only.
- 13 Q. And act only as settlement counsel?
- 14 A. Well, I don't think we put that fine a point on it.
- 15 At this point in time, I don't think I did when I talked to
- 16 Laura about it.
- 17 Q. You're not going to litigate that case?
- 18 A. Right. The idea was that we would try to settle the
- 19 case, which we thought could be done relatively soon. There
- 20 was, as we've discussed, a mediation already scheduled in that
- 21 case for January. We thought if not before, that a settlement
- 22 could be negotiated at that mediation if we had the authority
- 23 that we thought was reasonable authority to go negotiate the 24 settlement.
- 25 Q. And if the settlement could not be achieved at



1 \$750,000 or higher --

A. We'd withdraw and Parallel Networks would hire

 $\ensuremath{\mathtt{3}}$ somebody else to take that case and whatever is left of it and

4 litigate it.

5 Q. And with respect to handling the Oracle appeal, the

6 fee agreement in place would be amended and the client would

7 now pay hourly for the work done?

A. Up to a retainer.

9 Q. Capped at \$500,000?

10 A. Uh-huh.

11 Q. And this was in response to Ms. Steinberg's "we'll

12 give you a retainer for the expenses"?

13 A. Right. I said, well, how about a retainer for -- you

14 know, instead of a retainer for expenses, how about retainer

15 for fees?

16 Q. And what was the amount that you had been discussing

17 that you'd changed to \$500,000?

18 A. I think somebody in this dialogue had suggested

19 750,000, and I thought that was high.

20 Q. Based upon?

21 A. Based upon the budget.

22 Q. That Mr. Smith had prepared for you?

23 A. Right. I thought 500 would cover the fees and

24 expenses.

25 Q. Turn to Claimant's Exhibit 315, if you will.

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1 A. Okay.

Q. This is an e-mail from you to Ms. Levy, Mr. Roper,

3 Mr. Markowski and Mr. Heinz and Mr. Hoover, copying Mr. Smith

4 and Mr. Margolis, correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And on the "To" line, Mr. Markowski and Mr. Heinz and

7 Mr. Hoover are firm counsel?

B A. Yes.

9 Q. And you start this e-mail with "Privileged and

10 Confidential"?

11 A. Right.

12 Q. Why is it privileged and confidential?

13 A. It's just a habit that I have whenever I -- I try to.

14 Maybe I didn't on the last one. If I'm copying firm counsel, I

15 try to say that. Looks like I didn't on that one.

16 Q. So when you're writing to the firm counsel, you try

17 to mark the e-mails that are privileged and confidential as to

18 Jenner & Block?

19 A. Yes. It's a -- it's a --

20 Q. You're a litigator.

21 A. It's something I -- yeah. It's just something I do.

22 Q. So it's a knee-jerk reaction?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. So this is a recap of the conversation that you had

25 with Ms. Steinberg?

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A. Yeah. It was the next conversation, I believe, after

2 the one that's recapped in the prior e-mail.

3 Q. Flip to Claimant's Exhibit 320, if you would. This

4 is recounting another conversation that you had with Ms.

5 Steinberg?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And the proposal regarding QuinStreet still at this

8 time is that Jenner & Block would stay in the case only until

9 February 9th for purposes of negotiating the settlement with

10 QuinStreet?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And so, again, that's all that Jenner & Block is

13 willing to commit to do with respect to QuinStreet case between

14 January 23rd and February 9th?

15 A. That's what we -- no, I don't think that's right. We

16 were preparing the responsive pleading. We were dealing with

17 the other things that had to happen in the case, but we didn't

18 want to continue in the case past February the 9th because

19 deadlines were -- you know, there was deadlines impending after

20 that for other things that needed to be done to move forward in

21 the case. But we were willing still to try to get that

22 settlement which we thought could be done. We were offering to

Q. So the QuinStreet case involves deadlines related to

25 Microsoft and deadlines related to QuinStreet.

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A. Correct.

2 Q. With respect to the party QuinStreet, not the case --

A. Yes.

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23 do that.

4 Q. -- the activity that Jenner & Block was going to

5 handle between January 23rd and February 9th was achieve a

6 settlement?

7 A. That's what we were proposing to do. We were never

8 authorized to do it, right.

9 Q. Or withdraw --

10 A. Right.

11 Q. -- if the settlement doesn't happen?

12 A. Right.

13 Q. And so maybe attending the mediation would have been

14 part of the work?

15 A. Oh, sure, sure. If the mediation had happened, we

16 would have participated. But as things were, everybody agreed

17 to put off the mediation because Mr. Fokas didn't want to talk

18 settlement with QuinStreet.

19 Q. And if the QuinStreet case had been settled for

20 \$750,000 Jenner & Block's fee would have been what?

A. Approximately 250,000 I don't know if there were expenses outstanding.

23 Q. You're not aware of any expenses that were

24 outstanding?

25 A. I don't remember if there were or there weren't.



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 1 There had been work done in the case. There were probably at
- 2 least some incidental expenses.
- 3 Q. Let me show you Respondent's Exhibit 95.
- 4 MR. ALIBHAI: Switching to Respondent's,
- 5 Arbitrator Grissom.
- A. Yes 6
- Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) So around this time, you were
- 8 discussing the fact that there was a call and that you needed
- 9 to be on the call, and you were trying to work out an agreement
- 10 which would allow the firm to finalize a settlement with
- 11 QuinStreet?
- A. To attempt to finalize a settlement, yes. 12
- 13 Q. And Mr. Margolis remarks that, hopefully, QuinStreet
- 14 will still want to settle?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. And your response was that if they don't, the firm
- 17 will withdraw?
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. And that's consistent with the discussions that
- 20 you've been having with Ms. Steinberg about the scope of the
- 21 representation that Jenner & Block was willing to do with
- 22 respect to QuinStreet?
- 23 A. Yeah. That's right. That's right. And this was the
- 24 point where we had -- where she and I had reached agreement on
- 25 all the terms.

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- 1 Q. Not all the terms, right?
- A. The only thing that was still outstanding between Ms.
- 3 Steinberg and me was this question of how to draft an
- 4 arbitration provision. Because we had -- because we were -- we
- 5 had different views about if -- if there was ultimately a
- 6 recovery in the case after Jenner & Block had terminated the
- 7 fee agreement as amended, we'd agreed that Jenner & Block's fee
- 8 would be \$3 million if there was a positive recovery. And she
- 9 was saying any amounts paid toward the appeal should be
- 10 deducted from the three, and I was saying that the three should
- 11 be separate from any amounts paid for the appeal. And we
- 12 had -- she had proposed, why don't we agree to arbitrate that?
- 13 And I had said, okay, that's acceptable, you know, would you
- 14 please draft arbitration language that you think would work for
- 15 this.
- 16 Q. So before we talk about the discussion about the
- 17 arbitration language, the first issue was whether the hourly
- 18 fees paid by Parallel Networks for Jenner & Block to handle the
- 19 appeal under an amended contingent fee agreement would count
- 20 against the amount that Jenner & Block was entitled to
- 21 receive?
- 22 A. Against the 3 million, yes. That was the issue.
- 23 Q. And you, on behalf of Jenner & Block, who were
- 24 negotiating with her wanted it to not to count?
- 25 A. Correct.

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 Q. Because that would mean a higher recovery for Jenner
- 2 & Block?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And she, on behalf the Parallel Networks, wanted it
- 5 to count?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Because that would reduce the amount to Parallel
- 8 Networks?
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. And because you couldn't agree, the thing that you
- 11 guys were discussing was, let's put it in the arbitration
- 12 provision and have an arbitrator decide whether that should
- 13 count or not count?
- 14 A. That's what she had proposed, yes. And I said, okay,
- 15 would you draft a provision and let's take a look at it.
- 16 Q. And whatever different things you discussed with Ms.
- 17 Steinberg and a contingent fee agreement that was drafted, it
- was never signed by either party, right?
 - A. That's correct.
- 20 Q. And firm counsel had to draft that agreement,
- 21 correct?

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- 22 A. I asked Mr. Hoover to draft it, yes.
- 23 Q. Let me show you Respondent's 100. Briefly looking at
- 24 the e-mail, it's from you to Ms. Steinberg and you're copying
- 25 Mr. Hoover?

- 1 A That's correct
- 2 Q. And he's firm counsel?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And he's the one that created this draft?
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- Q. And so attached is the draft that he prepared that 6
- 7 you're forwarding?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And turning to Page 2, where it says "now,
- 10 therefore," and there's numbered paragraphs that follow, Page 2
- 11 of the agreement itself.
- 12 A. Okay. I'm with you.
- 13 Q. Paragraph 1, you are asking Ms. Steinberg to agree as
- 14 part of this agreement that Parallel Networks consents to
- 15 Jenner & Block seeking leave to withdraw from the
- 16 QuinStreet/Microsoft case?
- A. Yes. 17
- 18 Q. And then Paragraph 4, which is on Pages 2 and 3,
- 19 you're requiring the client to consent to a settlement of at
- 20 least \$750,000?
- 21 A. We're -- we were asking for authority to enter into a
- 22 settlement of at least 750
- 23 Q. And the client was supposed to approve that number in
- 24 advance?
- 25 A. Yes, as I've been discussing all along.



Q. Right. Turning to Paragraph 6.

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Sorry. Paragraph 5.

4 And if Jenner & Block did not withdraw from

5 either the QuinStreet or the Oracle cases, the contingent fee

6 agreement governed -- the existing contingent fee agreement 7 governed the fee?

8 A. Right.

9 Q. And in Paragraph 6, it discusses the terms under

10 which Jenner & Block would handle the appeal?

A. Correct.

12 Q. And this is an amendment of the contingency fee

13 agreement that's in place?

14 A. Yes, it would have been an amendment.

15 Q. Because now it's an hourly fee arrangement that's

16 capped at \$500,000?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And in Subparagraph E, Jenner & Block is reserving

19 the right to withdraw from the Oracle case after the decision

20 of the Court of Appeals?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. So Jenner & Block is not signing up for further

23 proceedings in the district court if the case is remanded?

A. Right. Jenner & Block may withdraw.

25 Q. And then in Paragraph 8 on Page 4 of the draft

e draft

Page 1010 1 amendment, there's an attempt to determine what the fees

2 calculated on the quantum meruit basis would be?

3 A. (No audible response.)

4 Q. Let me rephrase the question.

5 Paragraph 8 discusses the amounts that Jenner &

6 Block would be entitled to receive if Parallel Networks

7 receives revenues from those cases after Jenner & Block has

8 withdrawn?

9 A. Yes.

Q. And with respect to the QuinStreet/Microsoft case,

11 Jenner & Block was limiting it to \$330,000?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you thought the settlement that could be reached

14 at that time was \$750,000?

15 A. Yes. But the area of disagreement was basically

16 between 750 and 950,000. The client wanted something closer to

17 a million. We thought it could be settled for at least 750

18 We figured if the client wasn't going to authorize us to settle

19 the case for 750 that must mean the client thought we could

20 get more out of the case than 750 and, therefore, it would be

21 reasonable that the quantum meruit fee would be, you know, a

22 comparable percentage of what he thought the case was worth,

23 and taking roughly 750 and million, said 333.

24 Q. So this is based upon the upper end of what the

25 client was negotiating in terms of amount at that time?

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A. Right, because this is all on the theory that we've

2 withdrawn from the case before there's been a settlement, which

3 means, you know, we haven't gotten a settlement at -- you know,

4 we haven't done the settlement at 750. So, therefore, he must

5 be holding out for more money than 750

6 Q. And then with respect to the Oracle case, it's \$3 7 million?

A. That's right.

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9 Q. And that's based upon Mr. Gilliland's, we're not

10 talking eight figures it's less than that?

11 A. Conceptually, that's how we started talking about

12 this number. Like we were saying what we thought Mr. Fokas

13 should have been willing to have a serious settlement

14 discussion now, and we're willing to put our money where our

15 mouth is and say if we terminate, we'll stick by, you know,

16 what we're saying now, which is, we think you ought to be

17 finding out what they'll offering. And if that's

18 approximately -- call it \$10 million or \$9 million then you

19 should willing to pay us -- to agree to pay us 3.

20 Q. And you say this is what you're talking about, but

21 you, on behalf of Jenner & Block, had agreed to this?

22 A. Yes, with Susan's approval.

23 Q. And then Paragraph 9 is that arbitration provision

24 that had to be proposed regarding the Oracle appeal?

25 A. Yes.

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Q. And just so I'm clear, this quantum meruit of \$3

2 million in the Oracle case, that presumes that Jenner & Block

3 has handled the appeal all the way through, a decision has been

4 made at the Federal Circuit, and that the decision was

5 favorable and remanded the case back down?

A. It presumes that the case has -- that there's been a

7 favorable recovery in the case. It doesn't presume anything

8 else, because the agreement permitted us to withdraw from the

9 case following the Court of Appeals decision. It also

10 permitted us to seek leave to withdraw before a Court of

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11 Appeals decision if we believed there was good cause to

12 withdraw, which could include an ethical reason. It could also

13 include, for example, the client's breach of the fee agreement,

14 which I, for one, was very concerned about reserving the right

15 to withdraw for it because he'd been in breach perpetually the

17 So I didn't want to get -- I didn't want -- so

18 there could have -- had this agreement been entered into, there

19 could have been a scenario where we withdrew in the middle of

20 the appeal, say, for example, because Mr. Fokas didn't pay the

21 amounts that he committed to pay. Somebody else came in, did

22 the appeal, there was ultimately success, then Paragraph 8

23 would -- would cover what our -- what Jenner & Block's fee

24 would be.

25 Q. Let me break it up for you. If Jenner & Block is



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- 1 representing Parallel Networks in connection with the appeal
- 2 under this amended fee agreement, which is proposed in
- 3 Respondent's Exhibit 100 --
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. -- and the case settled on appeal --
- 6 A. Yes
- 7 Q. -- or the day after the Federal Circuit announced its
- 8 decision, right?
- 9 A. Before we withdrew. We're still counsel --
- 10 Q. There's no withdrawal. You're counsel of record.
- 11 A. We're still counsel on the case.
- 12 Q. You've agreed to handle the appeal, right? You have
- 13 to answer "yes" or "no."
- 14 A. I'm sorry. Yes.
- 15 Q. And so then in that situation, the fee is not
- 16 governed by this agreement, it's governed by the contingent fee
- 17 agreement that's already in place?
- 18 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- 20 A. And I may have misunderstood your prior question.
- 21 Q. And that's what I wanted to clear up.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. The way that Paragraph 8 comes into place is that
- 24 Jenner & Block is handling the appeal and then withdraws and
- 25 then there's a successful recovery, right?

- 1 your e-mail.
- 2 As part of the negotiations with Ms. Steinberg,
- 3 you had already asked for her to consent to Jenner & Block's
- 4 withdrawal from the QuinStreet case?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And --
- 7 A. And she had agreed.
- 8 Q. And so you were here, saying, I need to check with
- 9 Ms. Steinberg to see if Parallel Networks still consents to us
- 10 withdrawing?
- 11 A. Right. After I got -- after the letter from Mr.
- 12 Bines, I wasn't sure what they were thinking.
- 13 Q. And you said, if they don't, then you need to beef up
- 14 the current draft?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. And the ground for withdrawing is that Jenner & Block
- 17 had terminated the existing fee agreement and that Jenner &
- 18 Block and Parallel Networks had not been able to reach a
- 19 mutually agreeable fee agreement?
- 20 A. Right.
- 21 Q. And eventually a motion to withdraw was filed --
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. -- in the QuinStreet case?
 - A. Yes

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25 Q. And a draft of it was sent to Ms. Steinberg?

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- Page 1014 A. There's a successful recovery after we withdraw,
- 2 yes.

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- 3 Q. Right.
- 4 A. Yes. The key is not whether the appeal is done or
- 5 not, the key is whether Jenner & Block has withdrawn or not.
- 6 Q. And Jenner & Block's only looking for, with respect
- 7 to unfettered right to terminate, that it be following the
- 8 decision of the Court of Appeals?
- 9 A. Right. It was our -- we anticipated -- we
- 10 anticipated, barring something like a breach or an ethical
- 11 issue, that we would handle the appeal through the decision.
- 12 Q. And that's reflected in Paragraph 6e?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Jenner & Block never made an appearance in the
- 15 Federal Circuit, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And so it just sent a letter to the Federal Circuit
- 18 telling it -- telling the Court that, we're not going to be
- 19 counsel of record, we just filed the notice of appeal?
- 20 A. Right. Because the deadline to file the appearance
- 21 doesn't come until they docket the appeal, which ended up
- 22 happening right at the time we were withdrawing and Baker Botts
- 23 was coming in.
- 24 Q. Let me have you look at Respondent's Exhibit 101.
- 25 And I want to focus your attention on the third paragraph of

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. You have that look.
- 3 Claimant's Exhibit 337 --
- 4 A. Do you need this?
- 5 Q. No. You can use that.
- 6 A. Claimant's?
- 7 Q. 337.
- 8 A. Okay. Yes. Sorry.
- 9 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: You need to wait on me.
- 10 All right.
- 11 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) That's an e-mail from you
- 12 transmitting the draft of the motion to withdraw?
- 13 A. Yes. And I note I'd already sent her copies
- 14 earlier -- the same draft earlier in the week.
- 15 Q. And if we turn to the next page, that's the draft
- 16 motion to withdraw?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And Paragraph 3 of the draft says, Parallel Networks
- 19 consents to Jenner & Block's withdrawal as counsel in this
- 20 case?

- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And she changed that?
- 23 A. She may have. I don't know.
 - Q. And that's reflected in Claimant's Exhibit 344. Just
- 25 keep those together.



ARBITRATOR GRISSOM:	What's the other	Page 1017 exhibit?

- 2 MR. ALIBHAI: 344 is the filed version.
- 3 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) If you turn into the third page of
- 4 that exhibit and you look at Paragraph 3, rather than saying
- 5 that Parallel Networks consented, it was only that Parallel
- 6 Networks did not object?
- 7 A. Right. Although I note she doesn't change 2, where
- 8 we said Parallel Networks and Jenner & Block have mutually
- 9 agreed. So I don't know why she changed 3. The point was she
- 10 never -- you know, she always agreed. She never raised any
- 11 issue about Parallel Networks not agreeing, not consenting,
- 12 objecting in any way.
- 13 Q. Well, you didn't have the call with her, did you,
- 14 about this motion?
- 15 A. I talked to Laura Steinberg dozens of times between
- 16 January and this time, and she never expressed any disagreement
- 17 or ever indicated that they wouldn't consent to Jenner & Block
- 18 withdrawing. The only negotiation was whether it would be
- 19 February the 9th or February the 17th.
- 20 Q. In connection with filing the motion to withdraw, you
- 21 sent Ms. Steinberg a draft of the motion?
- 22 A. Yes
- 23 Q. And in fact, according to you, you sent it to her
- 24 twice based on that e-mail?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 A. We heard that the Oracle case had settled. We
- 2 checked the docket and confirmed that that was the case and
- 3 sent her a letter sent -- not sent her a letter. We contacted
- 4 David Bennett, who we knew had been counsel of record in the
- 5 trial. We inquired about the settlement, said that we were
- 6 interested in having a discussion with Parallel Networks about
- 7 their fee under the contingent fee agreement. Mr. Bennett
- 8 said, send me a letter.
- 9 So my partner, Russ Hoover, sent a letter. And
- 10 then either Laura left me a message or I -- I don't remember
- 11 how we decided that we should communicate with Laura Steinberg.
- 12 Either she left me a message and I returned her call, or I
- 13 suggested, why don't I put in a call to Laura because she had
- 14 been outside counsel. But in any event, she and I ended up
- 15 talking in June.
- 16 Q. So after Mr. Hoover's letter to Mr. Bennett -- which
- 17 is the demand letter, right?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. -- either you called Ms. Steinberg or she called you?
- 20 A. Yes
- 21 Q. And at that time, Jenner & Block was asking for
- 22 copies of your fee agreement -- I'm sorry -- the settlement
- 23 agreement?
- A. We asked for information about the settlement. We
- 25 certainly asked what the amount of the settlement was. I don't

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- Q. And then Mr. Margolis conferred with her?
- 2 A. I don't remember. He may have.
- 3 Q. I'm sorry. It's not -- you conferred with her on the
- 4 motion, didn't you?
- 5 A. It's -- it's much more likely that I talked to her
- 6 about it than Paul talked to her.
- 7 Q. Let me show you Respondent's Exhibit 103.
- 8 A. Okay.
- 9 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Not yet.
- 10 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) Mr. Margolis spoke to counsel for
- 11 Microsoft and QuinStreet about the motion to withdraw?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. And you spoke to Ms. Steinberg?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And in Paragraph 2, you reflect that she authorized
- 16 us, Jenner & Block, to say that Parallel Networks does not
- 17 object to the motion?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. And then during -- sorry -- after -- you're done with 20 that.
- 21 After February 2009, you don't communicate with
- 22 Ms. Steinberg until June 2011?
- 23 A. That's right.
- 24 Q. What precipitated having conversations with Ms.
- 25 Steinberg in June 2011?

- 1 recall if we asked for copies of the settlement agreement or 2 not. We may have.
- 3 Q. Have you personally now seen the settlement
- 4 agreements?
- 5 A. I have not.
- Q. Do you understand that they have confidentiality
- 7 provisions which preclude certain people from seeing them?
- 8 A. I don't know what they say because I haven't seen
- 9 them. I haven't been told anything about them. I assume
- 10 settlement agreements exist because people usually draft them,
- 11 but that's really all I know.
- 12 Q. So you don't know what the settlement amounts are?
- 13 A. I do not.
- 14 Q. And then you had a conversation with Ms. Steinberg
- 15 later in 2011 where you offered to settle the outstanding \$10
- 16 million demand for \$3 million?
- 17 A. I asked -- I requested that Parallel Networks pay 3
- 18 million. Told her that Jenner & Block would accept 3 million
- 19 because that was the amount that she and I, after much
- 20 discussion in January of '09, had agreed would be an
- 21 appropriate fee post-withdrawal for the Oracle case.
 22 Q. And have you remained -- have you reviewed the demand
- 23 for arbitration that was ultimately filed in this case?
- 24 A. I did back when it was filed. I haven't looked at it
- 25 recently.



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Page 1021 Q. And was the fee that was being sought in there the \$3	Page 1023 1 Q. You're referring to Paragraph 6 of that agreement?
2 million that you discussed with Ms. Steinberg?	2 Is that what you're referring to?
3 A. I'm sorry	3 A. Yes. 6a I believe it is.
4 MR. PELZ: Object to the form of the question;	4 Q. And did 6a survive termination?
5 misstates the demand.	5 A. I think so.
6 A. I don't remember what the demand	6 Q. Does it say it does?
7 MR. ALIBHAI: You have to let the arbitrator	7 A. I don't think it says it doesn't.
8 rule on the objections.9 THE WITNESS: Oh, I'm sorry.	, ,
•	9 Paragraph 6, that's the contingency fee agreement that was
	10 terminated by Jenner & Block in February of 2009?
11 MR. PELZ: If she doesn't remember, it's not	11 A. Correct.
12 going to change the answer.	12 Q. And the Notice of Termination was sent January of
13 THE WITNESS: I don't remember. Sorry.	13 2009?
14 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right.	14 A. Correct.
15 Q. (BY MR. ALIBHAI) And are you aware that a new demand	MR. ALIBHAI: Can we take a five-minute break,
16 was sent by Jenner & Block in September of 2012 in this case?	16 Arbitrator Grissom?
17 A. I know that Joel had communications with Laura	17 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Yes. We're off the record.
18 Steinberg after I did. I don't remember exactly	18 (Break was taken at 2:49 p.m. to 2:58 p.m.)
19 Q. You may be wrong on the timing. September of 2012.	19 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Okay. We are back on the
20 A. 2012?	20 record.
21 Q. Last month.	21 MR. ALIBHAI: Arbitrator Grissom, we pass the
22 A. No, I'm not aware of that.	22 witness.
23 Q. You've never seen Respondent's Exhibit 117 before?	23 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Mr. Pelz?
24 A. I have not.	24 MR. PELZ: Thank you, Arbitrator Grissom.
25 Q. Did you have discussions with anyone about the amount	25 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
Page 1022 1 that should be demanded from Parallel Networks in connection	1 BY MR. PELZ:
2 with this arbitration?	2 Q. Ms. Mascherin, can I get you to look at Claimant's
3 A. At what time?	3 Exhibit 253?
4 Q. Around the time that Respondent's Exhibit 117 was	4 A. Yes.
5 sent?	5 Q. You were asked questions about this memo that was
6 A. No.	6 sent to you from Ms. Levy with respect to recommending
7 Q. And with respect to the request that you made for the	7 reinstituting mediation. Can you please give us the date of
·	8 that memo?
8 settlement agreements in 2011	
9 A. I didn't make a request for settlement agreements.	9 A. Her memo is October 28th.
10 Q. You wanted to know the amount?	10 Q. What year?
11 A. Yes.	11 A. 2008.
12 Q. As a litigator, you're well aware that the amount is	12 Q. And now can you please look at Claimant's Exhibit 68.
13 usually one of the most important things that's meant to be	13 A. Yes.
14 kept confidential?	MR. PELZ: Give Arbitrator Grissom a chance.
15 A. That may or may not be. What I knew was that we had	15 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: I'm there.
16 a contract with Parallel Networks which required Parallel	16 Q. (BY MR. PELZ) Okay. Is Claimant's Exhibit 68 your
17 Networks to report to us, I believe, on a biannual basis any	17 response to Ms. Levy with respect to her suggestion that
18 amounts received on you know, as a result of the actions	18 mediation be looked into?
19 that Jenner & Block in which Jenner & Block had acted as	19 A. Yes.
20 counsel for Parallel Networks. So whatever confidentiality	20 Q. And what date is that?
21 provisions there might be to a settlement number or a	21 A. November the 2nd.
22 settlement agreement, I felt that Jenner & Block had a	22 Q. So that's how many days from Ms. Levy's memo to your
23 contractual right and Parallel Networks had a contractual	23 memo?
24 obligation give us the information about how much was	24 A. Five days.
25 recovered	25 And what do you tall Ma Lavay about the present

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25 recovered.

Q. And what do you tell Ms. Levy about the present

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1 practical availability of mediation discussions?

- A. I explained to her that based upon what was going on 3 with respect to Oracle's request to include the BEA products in
- 4 any settlement, that as a practical matter, we couldn't do
- 5 anything to advance settlement discussions until we had the
- 6 information that Oracle had agreed to provide so that we could
- 7 assess whether those products were infringing or not, and if
- 8 they were, what we thought, you know, the value of a settlement
- 9 with respect to those products would be.
- 10 Q. In light of that situation, did it make any sense to
- 11 call up Magistrate Judge Thynge at this time to try to start
- 12 mediation again?
- 13 A. No, it didn't, because she had specifically --
- 14 apparently there'd been a specific discussion with the mediator
- 15 about Oracle's need to produce that information before the
- 16 parties could reconvene with her.
- 17 Q. And following this, Ms. Levy didn't ask you to do
- 18 anything further with the mediation at that time, did she?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Now, with respect to the questions that Mr. Alibhai
- 21 was just asking you about the notice of withdrawal with respect
- 22 to the QuinStreet case that was submitted to Judge Robinson --
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. -- at any time did any of the lawyers for Parallet
- 25 Networks in the Delaware action -- and that included Baker

- 1 as to what Ms. Steinberg knew and understood.
 - 2 MR. PELZ: Let me withdraw it and restate the 3 question.
 - Q. (BY MR. PELZ) In February of 2009, did Ms. Steinberg
 - 5 say to you things that indicated that she was aware that Jenner
 - 6 & Block would be requesting fees in the event that Parallel
 - 7 Networks recovered monies in the cases in which Jenner & Block
 - 8 had served as counsel?
 - 9 MR. ALIBHAI: Same objection. He's still asking
 - 10 her to testify as to what Ms. Steinberg's awareness was.
 - 11 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Overruled.
 - 12 A. Yes. The -- specifically in this discussion what she
 - 13 was -- what she was asking -- or what this is a summary of is
 - 14 that she was saying, you know, we know you have this -- she
 - 15 said to me, I know you have this -- the contingent fee
 - 16 agreement. I understand that. Are you going to be asserting
 - 17 an attorney's lien? Are you going to be refusing to turn over
 - 18 the file until you get paid? And I said, no, we'll cooperate
 - 19 with transitioning to new counsel as we're required to do under
 - 20 the agreement.
 - The premise of all of the discussions that Laura
 - 22 and I had had from the first time she contacted me in January
 - 23 of 2009 was that Jenner & Block, you know, post-termination of
 - 24 the contingent fee agreement, had a right ultimately to recover
 - 25 something in the event of a -- of a positive recovery by the

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 1 Botts, that included the local counsel, that included Mr. Fokas
- 2 himself -- did any of those lawyers ever make any
- 3 representation to Judge Robinson that Parallel Networks did not
- 4 fully consent and agree to the withdrawal of Jenner & Block?
- 5 A. No.
- Q. Did Ms. Steinberg or Mr. Bines ever suggest that they
- 7 didn't fully agree to -- consent and agree to the withdrawal of
- 8 Jenner & Block?
- 9 A. No. Ms. Steinberg told us that she did agree.
- 10 Q. I want to show you -- well, when you looked at it
- 11 with Mr. Alibhai, it was Respondent's 103. If you could direct
- 12 your attention to the second page of that exhibit.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Can you read the first two sentences?
- 15 A. On the second page?
- 16 Q. Yes, on the second page.
- 17 A. Laura then began discussing transition to new
- 18 counsel. She asked whether we would agree to turn over our
- 19 files and assist new counsel despite our situation regarding
- 20 our fee agreement with Parallel Networks.
- 21 Q. At this time, in February of 2009, did Ms. Steinberg
- 22 know and understand that Jenner & Block was going to -- was
- 23 making a request to recover some fees in the event that
- 24 Parallel Networks obtained recovery?
- 25 MR. ALIBHAI: Objection. Calls for speculation

- Page 1028 1 client by way of litigation or settlement. And all of our
- 2 discussions were in that context. And here she's saying --
- 3 she's asking me, you're not going to file an attorney's lien
- 4 and assert, you know, a right to keep the file on account of
- 5 what you're owed, are you? And I said, no, we'll transition to
- 6 new counsel.
- MR. PELZ: Nothing further at this time. 7
- 8 MR. ALIBHAI: Nothing further.
- 9 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. Counsel, may
- 10 this witness be excused?
- 11 MR PFL7: Yes sir.
- 12 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Assuming she is so
- 13 inclined?
- 14 THE WITNESS: I am so inclined. Thank you.
- 15 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Okay. You are excused.
- 16 Thank you, Ms. Mascherin.
- 17 (Pause in proceedings.)
- 18 Counsel, is this Ms. Levy?
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 20 MR. PELZ: It is.
- 21 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: All right. How are you?
- 22 I'm Jerry Grissom. I'm the arbitrator.
- 23 THE WITNESS: Nice to meet you.
- 24 ARBITRATOR GRISSOM: Welcome to the party.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

