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2 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
3 SANTA MARIA BRANCH; COOK STREET DIVISION
4 DEPARTMENT SM-2 HON. RODNEY S. MELVILLE, JUDGE
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7 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF )
8 CALIFORNIA, )
9 Plaintiff, )
10 -vs- ) No. 1133603
11 MICHAEL JOE JACKSON, )
12 Defendant. )
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- 1 Santa Maria, California
- 2 Monday, April 4, 2005
- 3 8:30 a.m.

- 5 THE COURT: Good morning.
- 6 THE JURY: (In unison) Good morning.
- 7 COUNSEL AT COUNSEL TABLE: (In unison)
- 8 Good morning, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Are you all feeling like I am?
- 10 A JUROR: Probably.
- 11 THE COURT: That damn time change.
- 12 (Laughter.)
- 13 THE COURT: All right. Counsel, call your
- 14 next witness.
- 15 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 16 We still have Jesus Salas on the stand.

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- 18 JESUS SALAS
- 19 Having been previously sworn, resumed the
- 20 stand and testified further as follows:

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- 22 THE COURT: Please be seated. You're still
- 23 under oath.

- 25 DIRECT EXAMINATION (Continued)
- 26 BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS:
- 27 Q. Good morning, Mr. Salas.

- 1 Q. I'm not sure exactly where I left off, but
- 2 I'd like to begin by going back to generalities
- 3 about Neverland.
- 4 As far as your relationship with Mr. Jackson
- 5 concerning your employment as house manager, can you
- 6 characterize the level of control that Mr. Jackson
- 7 maintained over Neverland and over the main house?
- 8 A. I would say pretty high.
- 9 Q. And as far as in terms of how demanding he
- 10 could be, could you characterize that as well?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 12 foundation.
- 13 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I can be more specific.
- 15 Q. How demanding he was about the level of his
- 16 service that was provided to him by his employers.
- 17 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vaque;
- 18 foundation.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Who was it that
- 21 determined what -- which guests -- well, let me back
- 22 up.
- 23 How was it determined, if you know, whether
- 24 a guest would be coming to Neverland or not?
- 25 A. I did not know that.
- 26 Q. Okay. And would guests of Neverland be
- 27 allowed to bring their own guests to Neverland; do

- 1 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Calls for
- 2 speculation; foundation.
- 3 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: If you know.
- 4 THE COURT: The objection is overruled.
- 5 You may answer.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I do not know that either.
- 7 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. The guests of
- 8 Neverland would be whose guests?
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Foundation; calls
- 10 for speculation.
- 11 THE COURT: Foundation is sustained.
- 12 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Do you know if people
- 13 were allowed on Neverland without Mr. Jackson's
- 14 permission?
- 15 A. I believe that if they weren't allowed by
- 16 Mr. Jackson, I don't think they would come in.
- 17 Q. Okay. And do you know who would determine
- 18 how long a guest was allowed to stay at Neverland?
- 19 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Foundation; calls
- 20 for speculation.
- 21 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: It's a foundational
- 22 question.
- 23 THE COURT: You may answer that "yes" or
- 24 "no."
- 25 THE WITNESS: I believe they didn't have no
- 26 time --
- 27 THE COURT: Just a moment. He's just asking

28 if you have the knowledge. He's not asking you what 4651

- 1 the knowledge is. Do you know who determined how
- 2 long a guest could stay? Yes or no.
- 3 THE WITNESS: No, I didn't.
- 4 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: How were children
- 5 treated at Neverland?
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 7 foundation.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Can you -- when you
- 10 were at Neverland, Mr. Salas, when you were house
- 11 manager, did you observe at any time Mr. Jackson
- 12 with child guests?
- 13 A. Yes, I did.
- 14 Q. And did Mr. Jackson ever inform you of the
- 15 level of the service he expected of his child
- 16 guests?
- 17 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading;
- 18 foundation.
- 19 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 20 You may answer.
- 21 THE WITNESS: He was -- he always expected
- 22 the best, to be treated the best.
- 23 Q. BY MR AUCHINCLOSS: If a child wanted
- 24 something at Neverland, had a request, or let's say
- 25 food, a movie, any special request of that nature,
- 26 would that request be fulfilled by the employees?
- 27 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;

- 1 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 3 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Do you know if that's
- 4 the way Mr. Jackson wanted it?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. How do you know that?
- 7 A. Because of what he told me, that -- whatever
- 8 the guests needed, we needed to provide that for
- 9 them.
- 10 Q. And did you notice whether or not this level
- 11 of service or treatment as far as the children went,
- 12 did you notice if it affected those kids' behavior
- 13 in any way?
- 14 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vaque;
- 15 foundation.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did you ever have a
- 18 chance to observe the children -- well, let me ask
- 19 you this: Were the children basically given
- 20 whatever they wanted?
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 22 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 23 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Mr. Salas, please
- 24 characterize for me, if you would, in general, the
- 25 level of service and -- well, I think you've said
- 26 before that the children were allowed the best
- 27 treatment, the best service, true?

- 1 Q. Give me an example. What are you talking
- 2 about when you say that?
- 3 A. Well, the best service I'm talking about, if
- 4 they wanted to see a movie and have their meal at
- 5 the theater or any of that kind of stuff, I mean,
- 6 they -- I would make sure that they would get it
- 7 that way. Or if they wanted to eat like anywhere
- 8 else, if they wanted to eat. If guests called me,
- 9 or the kids called me, they wanted to eat in the
- 10 train depot, I would make sure that that's where
- 11 they get their meal, or whatever they asked for.
- 12 Q. If they wanted candy, were they given candy?
- 13 A. Absolutely.
- 14 Q. If they wanted to play at the amusement
- 15 park, could they do it?
- 16 A. Absolutely.
- 17 Q. Were there any rules about that?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. As far as when and how they would play?
- 20 A. Well, there was some rules, you know, for
- 21 their safety, you know.
- 22 Q. Yes.
- 23 A. Yes. But other than that, there wasn't any
- 24 other rules.
- 25 Q. Did you have golf carts at Neverland?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Were the children allowed to use them?

28 A. There was some kids that they were allowed 4654

- 1 to use them.
- 2 Q. Who decided who got to use the golf carts?
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; foundation.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 5 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Are you aware who
- 6 allowed the children these privileges of using the
- 7 golf carts?
- 8 A. I had some control on that. We had security
- 9 or we'd have security there. Many times kids, they
- 10 were told they weren't allowed to drive certain
- 11 cars, but they were some kids that they were allowed
- 12 to drive them.
- 13 Q. If Mr. Jackson said, "Let this kid drive a
- 14 golf cart," would that kid be allowed to drive the
- 15 golf cart?
- 16 A. I would say yes.
- 17 O. Tell me about the theater at Neverland.
- 18 Could you describe it for me?
- 19 A. Well, it's a full-sized theater with a candy
- 20 bar, ice cream. It's got pretty much anything that
- 21 a kid can enjoy.
- 22 Q. Are there any unusual features as far as
- 23 where you can watch the movie?
- 24 MR. MESEREAU: Objection.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Yes, there's an upstairs --
- 26 THE COURT: Just a moment.
- 27 MR. MESEREAU: Vague and foundation.

28 THE COURT: Overruled. 4655

- 1 You may answer.
- 2 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Go ahead.
- 3 A. There's an upstairs room where people can
- 4 sit up there and watch the movie if they want to.
- 5 Q. Are there any beds in the theater?
- 6 A. Yes, there's two rooms downstairs with two
- 7 facilities for kids that they can sit in there or
- 8 lay in bed and watch a movie, if that's what they $\$
- 9 want.
- 10 Q. Is the theater ever closed? I mean, does it
- 11 have hours, I guess is my question? Is it --
- 12 A. Pretty much when Mr. Jackson is on the
- 13 property, we always kept the place open.
- 14 Q. When he had some what?
- 15 A. When Mr. Jackson is on property.
- 16 Q. I see.
- 17 A. We pretty much keep the place open for --
- 18 you know, for guests or himself.
- 19 Q. All night long?
- 20 A. All night long.
- 21 Q. Was there one person who made all the main
- 22 decisions about what happened at Neverland?
- 23 A. Well, there is the ranch manager there.
- 24 Q. Yes. And was there one person in charge of
- 25 the ranch manager?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. And did that person make all the main

- 1 A. Yes, I believe so.
- 2 Q. And who was that?
- 3 A. That would be Mr. Jackson.
- 4 Q. Now, you spoke a little bit last week about
- 5 Mr. Jackson's room. Was there -- I believe you
- 6 testified there was a combination to get in that
- 7 room?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. Was that combination ever changed?
- 10 A. Not too often, but yes, it did.
- 11 Q. How often would that combination change?
- 12 A. I believe the time that I was there, I think
- 13 it was about two times that we changed it.
- 14 Q. Okay. Now, when you say you were there, are
- 15 you referring to the time -- the full 20 years you
- 16 were there, or just the year or so that you were
- 17 house manager?
- 18 A. Just when I was the house manager.
- 19 Q. And was there a combination to get into the
- 20 main house?
- 21 A. Yes, there was.
- 22 Q. And would that ever change?
- 23 A. That one got changed more often.
- 24 Q. How often, if you could tell us?
- 25 A. I would say that we changed that about every
- 26 two months, somewhere -- somewhere along that.
- 27 Q. Were -- do you know if certain people were

- 1 Jackson's bedroom?
- 2 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 3 Q. Do you know if certain people were given the
- 4 combination to the Jackson house, the main entry
- 5 into the home?
- 6 A. Yes. Pretty much all his guests have access
- 7 to the house so they had to have the combination.
- 8 Q. And who would give them that combination?
- 9 A. Myself personal.
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. All right. Could
- 11 we have the "Input 4," Your Honor?
- 12 Q. All right. Mr. Salas, I show you People's
- 13 Exhibit No. 20. We've shown this to you before.
- 14 You've identified it as Frank Tyson.
- 15 You mentioned that at some point during your
- 16 employment, Mr. Tyson -- you mentioned something
- 17 about a problem with Mr. Jackson that Mr. Tyson had.
- 18 Do you recall that testimony?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. How do you know about that problem?
- 21 A. I believe about Mr. Jackson's frustrations.
- 22 Q. Okay. You were present when Mr. Jackson
- 23 expressed some from frustrations?
- 24 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 25 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 26 You may answer.
- 27 THE WITNESS: Yes, I did.

- 1 tell us what he was frustrated about?
- 2 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; foundation.
- 3 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll withdraw and reask.
- 4 THE COURT: Okay.
- 5 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did Mr. Jackson tell
- 6 you what he was frustrated about? That's yes or no.
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What -- did Mr. Jackson tell you what was
- 9 frustrating him?
- 10 A. He did not know about Frank bringing people
- 11 at Neverland Valley without his permission.
- 12 Q. Okay. Bringing guests without Mr. Jackson's
- 13 permission?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Who was it that informed Mr. Jackson of this
- 16 issue?
- 17 A. I don't know.
- 18 Q. Okay. And you have previously identified
- 19 People's Exhibit 35 as the Arvizo family; is that
- 20 right?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- 22 Q. You recall the time when the Arvizo family
- 23 visited Mr. Jackson in the year 2003?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Was this frustration that Mr. Jackson
- 26 expressed with Mr. Tyson before, or after, or during
- 27 the time that the Arvizo family was present at

- 1 A. That was after the family was there.
- 2 Q. After the family left?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. All right. I show you People's Exhibit No.
- 5 17. You've previously identified this individual as
- 6 Dieter.
- 7 Tell me, when was the first time you met
- 8 Mr. -- Dieter, do you know his last name? Maybe
- 9 I'll ask you that question first.
- 10 A. No, I don't remember his last name.
- 11 Q. We'll just refer to him as "Dieter." When
- 12 was the first time you met Dieter?
- 13 A. I believe it was early or mid 2002.
- 14 Q. Okay. And where did you meet him?
- 15 A. I met him at Neverland Valley.
- 16 Q. Can you tell me about the circumstances?
- 17 How is it that you met him, under what
- 18 circumstances?
- 19 A. Well, he came to the ranch as a guest, and
- 20 stayed there for a while. That's how I met him.
- 21 Q. Okay. So, we're in mid 2002. Dieter comes
- 22 and visits. Do you know how long he visited for?
- 23 A. Not exactly sure, but I believe he stayed
- 24 there for a couple of weeks the first time he came.
- 25 Q. Was Mr. Jackson there at the time?
- 26 A. Yes, he was.
- 27 Q. Was Mr. Jackson there before Dieter came on

- 1 A. I don't remember.
- 2 Q. When Dieter left the property, do you know
- 3 if Mr. Jackson left with him?
- 4 A. I'm not exactly sure if they did. But there
- 5 was a few times that they left together.
- 6 Q. Okay. So Dieter visited the property again
- 7 after that first time?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. How many times, if you can estimate?
- 10 A. Not exactly sure, but he came, I don't know,
- 11 maybe about three or four times after that.
- 12 Something like that.
- 13 Q. All right. And you said that -- some of
- 14 those times. Do you know how many times Mr. Jackson
- 15 left with him, when Dieter left?
- 16 A. I don't.
- 17 Q. Do you know how many times Dieter arrived on
- 18 the property with Mr. Jackson, if at all?
- 19 A. I would say about a couple times.
- 20 Q. Show you People's Exhibit 18, which you've
- 21 identified as Ronald. Do you know Ronald's last
- 22 name?
- 23 A. I believe his last name is Konister.
- 24 Q. Konister?
- 25 A. Something like that.
- 26 Q. Okay. We'll refer to him as "Ronald."
- 27 How -- when was the first time you met Ronald?

- 1 Q. Did Dieter come on the property with Ronald
- 2 in that period, the first visit he came?
- 3 A. They both came together.
- 4 Q. Did they leave together?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And when -- did Ronald ever come back to the
- 7 property after that?
- 8 A. Yes, he did.
- 9 Q. How many times?
- 10 A. He came back about -- I believe about
- 11 another couple times.
- 12 Q. And during the times that he visited the
- 13 ranch, did Ronald ever come to the ranch with Mr.
- 14 Jackson?
- 15 A. I believe he came once, if I can recall.
- 16 Q. Did he ever leave the ranch with Mr.
- 17 Jackson?
- 18 A. I -- I'm going to say no on that one.
- 19 Q. Okay. And while Mr. -- while Ronald was on
- 20 the property, was -- I think you said the first time
- 21 Ronald came with Dieter, and they were there the
- 22 entire time together; is that right?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- 24 Q. During those subsequent visits of Ronald,
- 25 was Dieter on the property?
- 26 A. Yes, he was.
- 27 Q. Did you ever see these two men together?

- 1 Q. How often?
- 2 A. Daily basis.
- 3 Q. Daily basis?
- 4 A. Uh-huh.
- 5 Q. Did you ever see these two men with ${\rm Mr.}$
- 6 Jackson?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 Q. How often?
- 9 A. Oh, I'm going to say at least they try to
- 10 have a meeting once a day.
- 11 Q. Do you know what Ronald's -- well, let me
- 12 back up.
- 13 Do you know what Dieter's relationship was
- 14 to Mr. Jackson?
- 15 A. No, I don't.
- 16 Q. Do you know if it was -- dealt with
- 17 friendship, business, or a combination?
- 18 A. I would say it was more business.
- 19 Q. Why do you say that?
- 20 A. Because of what they were discussing about
- 21 business in Europe.
- 22 Q. You heard them talking about business?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. What about Ronald, how would you
- 25 characterize Ronald's relationship on the same
- 26 continuum?
- 27 A. Same category.

- 1 A. Mostly business.
- 2 Q. During the time that the Arvizo family was
- 3 on the property, was at Neverland in 2003, did you
- 4 ever observe Ronald on the property at the same
- 5 time?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. How about Dieter?
- 8 A. The same.
- 9 Q. And how long were they on the property when
- 10 the Arvizos were there, if you know, or can
- 11 estimate?
- 12 A. I'd say about two weeks.
- 13 Q. Is that two weeks total, one continuous
- 14 time, or two weeks total different times?
- 15 A. It was one continuous time.
- 16 Q. What about Frank, was he on the property
- 17 during the period of time in 2003 when the Arvizo
- 18 family was on the property?
- 19 A. Yes, he was.
- 20 Q. And about how much -- same question, about
- 21 how much time was he on the property when the
- 22 Arvizos were there?
- 23 A. Well, he was living there. He was all the
- 24 time there.
- 25 Q. Okay. So whenever the Arvizos were on the
- 26 ranch, Frank was there?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. Have you ever heard of an individual by the 4664

- 1 name of Malnik? Malnik?
- 2 A. Yes, I did.
- 3 Q. Was he a visitor? Was that a man?
- 4 A. Yes, it's a man.
- 5 Q. Did you meet him?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Was he ever a visitor at the ranch?
- 8 A. At the time that I was there he only came
- 9 once, I believe.
- 10 Q. For how long?
- 11 A. I don't know. A couple weeks.
- 12 Q. Was that time that Mr. Malnik visited the
- 13 ranch, did that coincide with any time that the
- 14 Arvizos were there?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. I'm showing you People's Exhibit 3. You
- 17 didn't know this individual's name last week. But
- 18 you did recognize him. Was this individual on the
- 19 ranch at any time during the period that the Arvizos
- 20 were at Neverland?
- 21 A. I don't believe he was there around that
- 22 time.
- 23 Q. Okay. Do you remember if he was there $\operatorname{\mathsf{--}}$
- 24 you did testify that he had been at Neverland
- 25 before?
- 26 A. Right.
- 27 Q. Was he there before or after the Arvizos

- 1 A. I don't recall. He was there before.
- 2 Q. All right. Do you know an individual by the
- 3 name of Zia?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Who is Zia?
- 6 A. My understanding, he is a lawyer.
- 7 Q. Have you met him?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. Where did you meet him?
- 10 A. At the ranch.
- 11 Q. Do you know who he works for?
- 12 A. Not exactly. My understanding, he was
- 13 working for Mr. Jackson.
- 14 Q. Was Zia -- well, let me back up. How many
- 15 times did Zia visit Neverland where you saw him
- 16 there?
- 17 A. I saw him there a couple of times.
- 18 Q. Did -- any of the time that Zia was on
- 19 Neverland, did that coincide with any of the time
- 20 that the Arvizos were there in 2003?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Did you ever see Zia during that period of
- 23 time when he was visiting the ranch in 2003 talking
- 24 with Mr. Jackson?
- 25 A. I believe, yes, they did have a meeting one
- 26 time.
- 27 Q. Okay. Let's talk a little bit about the

- 1 family were visiting Neverland?
- 2 A. It was just the kids and the mother.
- 3 Q. Okay. So the three children, Davellin,
- 4 Star, Gavin, and the mother?
- 5 A. And the mother.
- 6 Q. Do you know her name?
- 7 A. Janet.
- 8 Q. Okay. Did you participate in bringing them
- 9 to Neverland in any fashion on that visit, first
- 10 visit, in 2003 I'm talking about?
- 11 A. Yes, I picked them up at Santa Barbara
- 12 Airport.
- 13 Q. Okay. And was Mr. Jackson with them at that
- 14 time?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And you drove to Neverland Ranch?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. Now, you testified that you would stay very
- 19 late pursuant to your employment at Neverland.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you'd arrive pretty early, around 7:00,
- 22 I think you said?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- 24 Q. Were you in a position to see who spent the
- 25 night in Mr. Jackson's room?
- 26 A. Yes, I was aware of who was sleeping there.
- 27 Q. Okay. And during the time that the Arvizo

28 boys, or let's say the Arvizo children, were at 4667

- 1 Neverland Ranch, can you tell me where the two boys
- 2 would sleep?
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; vague as to time.
- 4 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm talking about the
- 5 period in 2003. The visit in 2003.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: I repeat the objection. It's
- 7 vague.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: In 2003, you said that
- 10 you brought the Arvizo family to Neverland. How
- 11 long did they stay on that -- on that particular
- 12 visit?
- 13 A. Not exactly sure how long they stayed. But
- 14 I would say they stayed a week or two, something
- 15 like that.
- 16 Q. And did they -- they then left the ranch for
- 17 a period of time?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. How long did they leave the ranch for,
- 20 about, before they came back?
- 21 A. I would say about another two weeks.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. Something like that.
- 24 Q. And then when they came back to the ranch,
- 25 how long did they stay?
- 26 A. That time, I believe they stayed about
- 27 another, I would say, two weeks, three weeks.

- 1 Q. All right. When they left that time, did
- 2 they return to the ranch?
- 3 A. Yes, they came once again.
- 4 Q. Okay. And how long did they stay the third
- 5 time?
- 6 A. About another week.
- 7 Q. Okay. When they left the third time, how
- 8 long -- did they ever return to the ranch?
- 9 A. That was the last time I saw them.
- 10 Q. Okay. Now, this period of these visits that
- 11 you've just described, of visiting the ranch,
- 12 leaving, visiting, leaving, visiting, and visiting
- 13 one third time, over what period of time did all of
- 14 these visits take, if you can estimate in terms of
- 15 weeks, months? How many weeks or months did it take
- 16 for all of these visits to take place?
- 17 A. I would say about five weeks, something like
- 18 that.
- 19 Q. All right. Now, tell me how detailed your
- 20 recollections are about exact dates and exact
- 21 periods of time concerning this, the visits by the
- 22 Arvizos.
- 23 A. I -- I don't remember the dates, okay.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. It's just --
- 26 Q. Are you giving us your best estimates?
- 27 A. That is the best.

28 Q. Are you -- but are you exactly sure about 4669

- 1 the time periods and the amount of time?
- 2 A. I'm pretty sure about the time of them being
- 3 there. But not exact --
- 4 Q. When you say "the time," do you mean the
- 5 dates, or the amount of time?
- 6 A. The amount of time.
- 7 Q. Okay. So during this period of time that --
- 8 these three visits that you talked about that the
- 9 Arvizos visited Neverland, was Mr. Jackson there
- 10 during that period of time?
- 11 A. Yes, he was.
- 12 Q. Do you know if he was there the entire time
- 13 or if he had periods where he was gone?
- 14 A. I would say that he was there most of the
- 15 time. Pretty much all the time.
- 16 Q. Okay. Are you sure whether or not he -- do
- 17 you have a specific recollection of whether he left
- 18 or not and came back; do you know?
- 19 A. I don't.
- 20 Q. During the time -- these three visits --
- 21 during that period of time in which Mr. Jackson was
- 22 on the property, on Neverland okay? can you tell
- 23 me where the Arvizo boys slept?
- 24 MR. MESEREAU: Again, vague as to time.
- 25 Vague as to what visit. Vague as to what portion of
- 26 the visit.
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 1 Q. Let's do them one at a time, okay? We'll do
- 2 the first one. During the first visit in 2003 of
- 3 the Arvizo family, during the period of time that
- 4 Mr. Jackson was on the property, can you tell me
- 5 where the Arvizo boys slept?
- 6 A. There was times that they slept in the
- 7 guesthouse. Okay. There were times that they sleep
- 8 with -- with Mr. Jackson.
- 9 Q. Okay. And during the time that -- during
- 10 this second visit when they left and came back, can
- 11 you tell me, during that second visit, where did the
- 12 Arvizo boys sleep?
- 13 A. That would be about the same. They sleep
- 14 with Mr. Jackson. Most of the time I believe that
- 15 they were trying to sleep with Mr. Jackson.
- 16 Q. And same question for the third visit.
- 17 A. And that's going to be the same answer.
- 18 Q. Okay. Now, you said that they had a guest
- 19 room.
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 Q. Did -- let me ask you, first of all, while
- 22 you were manager, house manager, did you notice if
- 23 any other children slept in Mr. Jackson's room,
- 24 other than the Arvizos?
- 25 A. There was some other kids.
- 26 Q. Was it unusual for a kid who was sleeping in
- 27 Mr. Jackson's room to also have a guest room?

- 1 Q. Did you see Mr. Jackson interact with these
- 2 children who spent the night in his room?
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; vague.
- 4 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Foundational question.
- 5 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 6 You may answer.
- 7 THE WITNESS: He would spend time, because he
- 8 would play with them.
- 9 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: And while -- and I'm
- 10 just talking about the year that you were house
- 11 manager. While you were house manager, how often
- 12 would he play with these children?
- 13 A. I would say anytime that he had some spare
- 14 time he would play with the kids.
- 15 Q. Okay. Would it be -- you tell me. Would it
- 16 be daily?
- 17 A. He would try to be with them daily.
- 18 Q. As far as the children visiting the ranch,
- 19 did you notice whether or not Mr. Jackson formed --
- 20 appeared to form any special bonds with certain
- 21 children?
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 23 foundation.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 25 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Over the period of
- 26 time, and I'm talking just about the time that you
- 27 were manager of the ranch, you mentioned that you

28 would see the children play with Mr. Jackson, true? 4672

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. Where would you see them play?
- 3 A. Well, they would go to the park. They would
- 4 go for a walk. They would go bike riding. Or they
- 5 have quads, and they would ride the quads
- 6 everywhere.
- 7 Q. Quads, what -- what are quads?
- 8 A. The four-wheelers.
- 9 Q. Those are motorized vehicles?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. Did you see them in the house?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did you see them having meals together?
- 14 A. Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. Would you see this on a daily basis?
- 16 A. Pretty much.
- 17 Q. So over that period of time, did you notice
- 18 whether or not he formed any special bonds with
- 19 certain children?
- 20 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague and
- 21 foundation.
- 22 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 23 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: These children who
- 24 spent the night in Mr. Jackson's room, did they
- 25 share any common characteristics?
- 26 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 27 foundation.

28 THE COURT: Overruled. 4673

- 1 You may answer.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Go ahead and ask me the
- 3 question again.
- 4 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. The question is,
- 5 the children that spent the night in Mr. Jackson's
- 6 room that you've talked about, did they share
- 7 anything in common, any common characteristics?
- 8 MR. MESEREAU: Vague; foundation.
- 9 Objection.
- 10 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did they have anything
- 11 in common?
- 12 Sorry.
- 13 THE COURT: All right. Objection sustained.
- 14 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Do you know if these
- 15 children, whether or not -- did you notice the age
- 16 of these children?
- 17 A. They were around 10, 11. Around that age.
- 18 Q. Did you notice what gender they were?
- 19 A. No, I don't.
- 20 Q. Did you notice whether they were boys or
- 21 girls?
- 22 A. Well, yes, they were mostly boys.
- 23 Q. Did you ever see anyone else sleep in Mr.
- 24 Jackson's room other than these children?
- 25 A. Pretty much it was just the boys. That's
- 26 about it.
- 27 Q. You previously testified that there was

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. And I think you said you were somewhat
- 3 responsible for stocking the alcohol at Neverland as
- 4 house manager?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. Did Mr. Jackson drink?
- 7 A. Yes, he did.
- 8 Q. Are you aware of what his drinks of choice
- 9 were, what he liked to drink, in terms of alcohol?
- 10 A. Well, he drink wine and vodka also.
- 11 Q. Okay. Where was the wine stored on the
- 12 property?
- 13 A. Most of the wine, it was in the wine cellar.
- 14 We also have wine in the house.
- 15 Q. Where in the house?
- 16 A. In the refrigerators.
- 17 O. In the kitchen area?
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. And the vodka, where was that kept?
- 20 A. In the kitchen.
- 21 Q. Okay. Was there any -- was it any secret at
- 22 Neverland that Mr. Jackson drank alcoholic
- 23 beverages?
- 24 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague; calls for
- 25 speculation; foundation.
- 26 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 27 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Mr. Salas, were you

28 ever told by anybody that Mr. Jackson's drinking was 4675

- 1 to be concealed from anybody?
- 2 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Hearsay;
- 3 foundation.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 5 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: On which basis, Your
- 6 Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: Hearsay.
- 8 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did you see Mr. Jackson
- 9 drinking at Neverland?
- 10 A. I never saw him drinking.
- 11 Q. Have you ever seen him exhibiting the
- 12 effects of drinking?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. On how many occasions?
- 15 A. Well, lately it was on a pretty much regular
- 16 basis.
- 17 Q. A regular basis?
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. Did you ever see Mr. Jackson where he
- 20 appeared to have been drinking a great deal, that he
- 21 appeared to be drunk?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Did you ever see him appear to be drunk --
- 24 well, let me ask you this: Was there ever any
- 25 effort that you saw to conceal this fact that Mr.
- 26 Jackson had been drinking, that he was drunk, to
- 27 conceal that fact from his children?

- 1 foundation.
- 2 THE COURT: Foundation; sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Mr. Salas, when you saw
- 4 Mr. Jackson when he was drunk, did you ever see him
- 5 in the presence -- in that condition, in the
- 6 presence of his children?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 Q. On more than one occasion?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Can you tell me how many or approximate?
- 11 A. Well, I couldn't tell you exactly how many
- 12 times, but it was quite a few times.
- 13 Q. During that period of time -- and tell me --
- 14 let's get time specific here. What time frame are
- 15 we talking about? Is this when you were house
- 16 manager?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. During that period of time did you ever see
- 19 Mr. Jackson make any effort to conceal his condition
- 20 from his children?
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 22 foundation; calls for speculation.
- 23 THE COURT: I'm going to allow an answer to
- 24 that question, but again, it's a foundational
- 25 question.
- 26 So it can only be answered "yes" or "no."
- 27 I'll have the court reporter read it back to you.

28 We're asking do you have this knowledge. 4677

- 1 (Record read.)
- 2 THE WITNESS: Can you ask me the question a
- 3 different way?
- 4 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Sure.
- 5 Q. My question is, during the period of time
- 6 when you saw Mr. Jackson when he was drunk in the
- 7 presence of his children, did Mr. Jackson do
- 8 anything to hide the fact that he had been drinking
- 9 or that he was drunk when that occurred, when you
- 10 saw that?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Same objection.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 You may answer.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Not to my knowledge.
- 15 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: You said that wine is
- 16 stored in the wine cellar. Is there any hard liquor
- 17 that's ever kept in the wine cellar?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. What kind of hard liquor?
- 20 A. There's some whiskey, I believe. Some
- 21 tequila. Pretty much that's it.
- 22 Q. And was there whiskey and tequila in the
- 23 wine cellar during the time that the Arvizo children
- 24 were there in 2003?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. Did you ever see kids go into the wine
- 27 cellar, any kids, during your period of time as

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And did you ever see the Arvizo kids go into
- 3 the wine cellar?
- 4 A. I never saw them down in the wine cellar.
- 5 Q. Did you ever see them come out of the wine
- 6 cellar?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Okay. Did you ever have any reports, as
- 9 house manager, that the Arvizo children were in the
- 10 wine cellar?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 You may answer.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Not specifically the Arvizo
- 15 kids.
- 16 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. Have you ever
- 17 served wine or any alcoholic beverage to Mr. Jackson
- 18 when he was in the presence of children?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. On more than one occasion?
- 21 A. I would say that was a couple times.
- 22 Q. Do you remember any of the children that
- 23 were with him when you served him alcoholic
- 24 beverages, or wine, let's say?
- 25 A. I'm not exactly what kids were in there, but
- 26 I know the Arvizos were there, the kids, and some
- 27 other kids that were there as well.

28 Q. Okay. Now, tell me, was there a time when 4679

- 1 you brought him some wine and four glasses?
- 2 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 3 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 4 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. Tell me -- you
- 5 said there was a couple of times that you brought
- 6 Mr. Jackson wine in the presence of children. Tell
- 7 me about the first one you remember. When was it?
- 8 A. It was at nighttime.
- 9 Q. Do you remember when it was in terms of the
- 10 year that you served as house manager,
- 11 approximately?
- 12 A. Well, it was -- I would say it was January
- 13 somewhere. January, somewhere around there.
- 14 Q. Of 2002, 2003?
- 15 A. 2003.
- 16 Q. And about what time of night?
- 17 A. It was about -- I would say it was about
- 18 nine o'clock.
- 19 Q. And where did you go, what room?
- 20 A. I went to Mr. Jackson's bedroom, upstairs.
- 21 Q. And what did you bring to Mr. Jackson's
- 22 bedroom?
- 23 A. I brought some glasses, and some wine.
- 24 Q. What type of wine; do you remember?
- 25 A. I don't remember the type of wine.
- 26 Q. Do you remember whether it was red or white?
- 27 A. I want to say that it was a white wine.

28 Q. What type of glasses did you bring? 4680

- 1 A. Glass -- it was just glass wines.
- 2 Q. I'm sorry?
- 3 A. Glass wines.
- 4 Q. Wine glass?
- 5 A. No, let me back up. It was just glasses,
- 6 normal glasses.
- 7 Q. Normal glasses?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Were they tall glasses or short glasses?
- 10 A. Short glasses.
- 11 Q. Can you describe them?
- 12 A. Short glasses.
- 13 Q. And who ordered this wine?
- 14 A. Mr. Jackson.
- 15 Q. Did you talk to him personally?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. What did he tell you?
- 18 A. He called me and asked me to bring some
- 19 glasses to his room and some wine.
- 20 Q. Did he tell you how many glasses?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. How many?
- 23 A. Four of them.
- 24 Q. All right. So you brought the -- and did
- 25 you do as he ordered you to do?
- 26 A. Yes, I did.
- 27 Q. And when you delivered this wine, did you

- 1 A. Yes, I did.
- 2 Q. Did you deliver it to the lower portion of
- 3 his bedroom or the upstairs portion?
- 4 A. Just to the lower portion.
- 5 Q. Was Mr. Jackson or any of the children
- 6 present when you delivered this wine?
- 7 A. Yes, there were.
- 8 Q. Who was present?
- 9 A. The kids that were there. Gavin, and I
- 10 believe it was also Frank's brothers, the ones that
- 11 were there. But let me tell you something else. He
- 12 also ordered some sodas with that.
- 13 Q. Okay. So what do you mean, "some sodas"?
- 14 A. He also asked me to bring some sodas with
- 15 that order.
- 16 Q. Tell me what you mean by "sodas."
- 17 A. Yes, just the normal soda cans.
- 18 Q. Soda drinks?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Now, you have previously talked to the
- 21 sheriffs about this incident, haven't you?
- 22 A. Right. Right.
- 23 Q. And described for them that you brought a
- 24 bottle of wine and glasses?
- 25 A. Uh-huh.
- 26 Q. Let me back up. Let me back up.
- 27 So you brought some wine and glasses, and

- 1 A. Uh-huh.
- 2 Q. Let's move on to the second incident first,
- 3 okay?
- 4 Tell me about the second incident. When did
- 5 that occur?
- 6 A. That was -- it was also -- it was also
- 7 nighttime.
- 8 Q. Nighttime?
- 9 A. Right.
- 10 Q. About what time?
- 11 A. That time it was about around eleven
- 12 o'clock. Somewhere around 11:00.
- 13 Q. And was this before or after the incident
- 14 that you just described?
- 15 A. That was after.
- 16 Q. And who placed the order on this occasion?
- 17 A. Mr. Jackson.
- 18 Q. And what did he order?
- 19 A. Some more wine.
- 20 Q. Okay. Did he also ask for glasses?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. How many glasses?
- 23 A. This time I believe it was just one glass.
- 24 It was just for him.
- 25 Q. Okay. And who was present when that -- when
- 26 you delivered that wine?
- 27 A. I'm not exactly sure who was there, but I

28 believe this time it was himself at night. 4683

- 1 Q. But I'm talking about -- you said there were
- 2 two times that children were present when you served
- 3 him. I'm talking about the second time that
- 4 children were present.
- 5 A. Yeah, that time I'm not exactly who was
- 6 there, how many of the kids were there.
- 7 Q. You're not sure?
- 8 A. No, I'm not sure.
- 9 Q. All right. Now, let's go back to this
- 10 time -- this first incident where you said that you
- 11 served wine and soda. You have been interviewed
- 12 about this by the sheriff's department, right?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. And you were interviewed back in, I believe
- 15 it was, 2003; is that right?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. And when you talked to the sheriff's
- 18 department about this, you never mentioned anything
- 19 about any soda?
- 20 A. No, I didn't.
- 21 Q. And why is that?
- 22 A. I don't know. It just -- it just flip out
- 23 right now to my mind.
- 24 Q. You just remembered it just this second?
- 25 A. Right.
- 26 Q. And you said that you came back and the
- 27 bottle of wine was empty?

- 1 Q. Was there any other liquor you brought?
- 2 A. No, that was the second time --
- 3 Q. I'm talking about the first time.
- 4 A. No, that was it.
- 5 Q. And when you came back, was the bottle
- 6 empty?
- 7 A. Yes, it was.
- 8 Q. Okay. The wine cellar. You said you didn't
- 9 ever have any complaints of -- hear of any
- 10 complaints regarding the Arvizos. Did you ever have
- 11 any other complaints of any other children in the
- 12 wine cellar?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And do you know which children they were?
- 15 A. When I was given those complaints, it was
- 16 about the kids from Los Olivos.
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. If I could have the
- 18 Elmo again, Your Honor, please.
- 19 Q. Showing you People's Exhibit 45. Is that
- 20 one of the kids you're talking about?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. 46?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. That's one of the kids?
- 25 A. That's correct.
- 26 Q. And 47.
- 27 A. That is correct.

28 Q. Okay. Are there any other kids that you're 4685

- 1 referring to, or is that everybody that we're
- 2 talking about?
- 3 A. No, I did get some other complaints about
- 4 some other kids which wasn't these kids.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, these three kids that -- I think
- 6 you've identified them as being from Los Olivos
- 7 previously, correct?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. We'll call them "the Los Olivos boys," okay?
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. Now, the Los Olivos boys, you said you had a
- 12 complaint, complaints regarding them in the wine
- 13 cellar. What was the nature of the complaint?
- 14 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 15 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: It's offered to explain
- 16 conduct.
- 17 THE COURT: Whose conduct?
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Mr. Salas's. And I can
- 19 tell you at sidebar where I'm going, if you like.
- 20 THE COURT: The objection is sustained.
- 21 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did you personally ever
- 22 see the Los Olivos boys in the wine cellar?
- 23 A. Not in the wine cellar, but I saw them come
- 24 out.
- 25 Q. You saw them coming out of the wine cellar.
- 26 And when you saw them coming out of the wine cellar,
- 27 what time of day are we talking about?

28 A. Early in the morning, around eight o'clock 4686 $\,$

- 1 in the morning.
- 2 Q. And during that previous -- let's say the
- 3 ten hours -- well, let's see, let me back up.
- 4 Do you know if Mr. Jackson was in the wine
- 5 cellar with them?
- 6 A. That early morning, or late night, early
- 7 morning, Mr. Jackson was with the kids.
- 8 Q. And when you saw these kids come out of the
- 9 within cellar, did you notice whether or not they
- 10 exhibited any signs of being intoxicated?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 You may answer.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yes, I did.
- 15 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Tell me what you saw.
- 16 A. When I saw the boys coming out of the
- 17 arcade, which is where the wine cellar is, the kids
- 18 weren't acting normal. So I approached one of them,
- 19 and I said, "Are you okay?" That's when I noticed
- 20 that the kids were drunk.
- 21 Q. How drunk were they, if you could
- 22 characterize it?
- 23 A. I would say that they were -- what would you
- 24 call it? I mean, you can tell that they were drunk.
- 25 I mean, I could see that they had been drinking.
- 26 Q. What were they doing that made you believe
- 27 they'd been drinking?

28 A. The way they were acting. I mean, they 4687

- 1 weren't just normal. Something was wrong with the
- 2 kids.
- 3 Q. Did you notice any other times when these
- 4 three boys had been drinking, and it was apparent to
- 5 you that they had been drinking?
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading;
- 7 relevance; foundation.
- 8 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 9 You have may answer.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Your question was what date?
- 11 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: No, my question --
- 12 you've told us about one incident where you noticed
- 13 the three Los Olivos boys had been drinking. I want
- 14 to know if you ever observed a second time that
- 15 these same boys had been drinking.
- 16 A. Yes, there was a second time.
- 17 O. And when was that?
- 18 A. I want to say it was -- it was after that
- 19 one. Not exactly sure, you know, how many weeks
- 20 after that. But I would say it was two, three weeks
- 21 after that one.
- 22 Q. And when was the first time, approximately?
- 23 A. I want to say it was in October when I saw
- 24 those kids the first time.
- 25 Q. 2002? 2003? You tell me.
- 26 A. It was 2002, I believe.
- 27 Q. Okay. And where did you see these boys the

second time when they appeared to have been 4688

- 1 drinking?
- 2 A. At the house.
- 3 Q. Inside the house?
- 4 A. Yes. Well, they were everywhere, but, yes,
- 5 they were in the house.
- 6 Q. Was Mr. Jackson on the property at that
- 7 time?
- 8 A. Yes, he was.
- 9 Q. Had these boys been spending any time with
- 10 Mr. Jackson that day?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; foundation.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Had you observed
- 14 whether or not Mr. Jackson had spent any time with
- 15 these boys earlier that day?
- 16 A. I don't believe that day he spent time with
- 17 them. They were alone.
- 18 Q. Okay. Did you see the boys all -- during
- 19 the entire time they were on the property?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. You were with them the entire time?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. So do you know whether or not they spent
- 24 time with Mr. Jackson for certain?
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading;
- 26 foundation.
- 27 THE COURT: Argumentative; sustained.

- 1 of that day did you spend actually observing the
- 2 boys? Let me back up. Let me back up. How long
- 3 were these boys on the property that particular day?
- 4 A. They were there till twelve o'clock, one
- 5 o'clock.
- 6 Q. At night?
- 7 A. Uh-huh.
- 8 Q. Or one o'clock in the morning, I guess?
- 9 A. One o'clock in the morning, yes.
- 10 Q. And when did they arrive?
- 11 A. They arrived around noontime.
- 12 Q. And how much of that time -- so that's about
- 13 12 hours, right?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Q. How many of those hours were they in a place
- 16 that you could see them, where you were actually
- 17 seeing them?
- 18 A. Well, they were back and forth, and they
- 19 were everywhere, so I really didn't have a control
- 20 of watching them or any of that stuff.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. But they were back and forth in the house,
- 23 back at the park, different places.
- 24 Q. Do you know where they got their alcohol?
- 25 A. No, I don't.
- 26 Q. Were you responsible for cleaning the wine
- 27 cellar?

- 1 Q. Did you observe any other incidents where
- 2 Mr. Jackson was in the wine cellar with children? I
- 3 mean, did that happen on other occasions? And I'm
- 4 confining this just to the time you were house
- 5 manager.
- 6 A. No, I don't.
- 7 Q. Do you know? You don't recall any other
- 8 times?
- 9 A. Not that I can remember.
- 10 Q. Okay. Now, during the time that you were
- 11 house manager, did you ever observe any adult
- 12 magazines in Mr. Jackson's private quarters?
- 13 A. Yes, I did.
- 14 Q. Did these magazines feature nudity?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And where were these -- which room were
- 17 these magazines in?
- 18 A. They were on the first floor on the left
- 19 side in one of the bathrooms.
- 20 Q. Were those magazines there in that bathroom
- 21 during the time that the Arvizos were at Neverland?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Madam Clerk, may I
- 24 double-check with you? I have three items I'm
- 25 marking. I want to double-check and make sure these
- 26 numbers haven't been used. 777, 778, and 779.
- 27 THE CLERK: No, they haven't.

- 1 May I approach, Your Honor?
- 2 THE COURT: Yes.
- 3 Q. Mr. Salas, I show you People's Exhibit 777.
- 4 Can you identify that for me, please?
- 5 A. Yes. These are some statues that were in
- 6 Mr. Jackson's office.
- 7 Q. I show you People's Exhibit 778. Would you
- 8 please identify that for me?
- 9 A. Yes, they were also in his office.
- 10 Q. And People's Exhibit 779?
- 11 A. Yes. That is correct. They were in his
- 12 office.
- 13 Q. Okay. Thank you. Can you tell me where
- 14 these statues were located?
- 15 A. They were located in Mr. Jackson's office.
- 16 They were placed on different stands.
- 17 Q. Were they on display?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Over what period of time are we talking
- 20 about?
- 21 A. Well, they have been there a long time.
- 22 Q. Were they there the entire time you were
- 23 house manager?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Were they there during the time that the
- 26 Arvizos were present on the property?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. Were they there -- did Mr. Jackson's 4692

- 1 children ever visit that office?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Your Honor, I'd like to
- 4 offer into evidence People's Exhibit 777, 778 and
- 5 779 at this time.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: No objection.
- 7 THE COURT: It's admitted. All three.
- 8 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: All right. If I may
- 9 publish these, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: All right.
- 11 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: All right. Showing you
- 12 People's Exhibit 777, is that an accurate depiction
- 13 of one of the dolls that you saw in Mr. Jackson's
- 14 office?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- 16 Q. Or statues. Whatever they are.
- 17 778, there are two photographs there. Do
- 18 those photographs accurately depict the dolls that
- 19 were present during the period of time that you were
- 20 house manager in Mr. Jackson's office?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And 779; same questions. Were those -- are
- 23 those accurate depictions of what you observed in
- 24 Mr. Jackson's office during the time that you were
- 25 house manager?
- 26 A. That is correct.
- 27 Q. All right. Going back to the period of time

28 when the Arvizos were on the property, was there -- 4693

- 1 and I want to talk about the first visit, the first
- 2 visit in 2003, after you picked up the Arvizos from
- 3 the airport.
- 4 You previously testified that they were at
- 5 Neverland for a period of approximately two weeks.
- 6 Mr. Salas, during that period of time did you
- 7 observe the Arvizo family to be restricted in any
- 8 way?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. In what way were they restricted?
- 11 A. I believe they weren't allowed to leave
- 12 Neverland Valley Ranch.
- 13 Q. And why do you say that?
- 14 A. Because I had a talk to the mother and she's
- 15 the one that told me.
- 16 MR. MESEREAU: Objection, that's hearsay.
- 17 Move to strike.
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Goes to state of mind.
- 19 Also offered to explain this witness's conduct
- 20 later.
- 21 THE COURT: I will admit it for the limited
- 22 purpose of explaining the conduct of Jesus. It's
- 23 not to be used for the truth of the matter asserted
- 24 by Janet.
- 25 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: All right.
- 26 Q. So at some point, did you personally help
- 27 the Arvizo family to get out of Neverland?

- 1 Q. How did you do that?
- 2 A. I took them down to L.A.
- 3 Q. You drove them personally?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. Did you take -- use -- I take it you used
- 6 one of Mr. Jackson's cars?
- 7 A. That is correct. I got a phone call from
- 8 her, and she wanted to talk to me about something.
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: It's offered for the same
- 11 purpose.
- 12 THE COURT: It's nonresponsive. Sustained.
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay.
- 14 Q. So tell me what precipitated your conduct of
- 15 helping the Arvizos by taking them off the property.
- 16 What happened? What was it that made you do that?
- 17 A. Like I said, she called me at my office and
- 18 wanted to talk to me. So I came over, and I thought
- 19 it was something that I needed to take care of, you
- 20 know, in the room. And she asked me to --
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: Objection, hearsay, Your
- 22 Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: I'll admit it for the limited
- 24 purpose again to explain what he's doing, not for
- 25 the truth of the matter that she asserted.
- 26 THE WITNESS: So she asked me -- she told me
- 27 if I can drive them down to L.A., that she wanted to

- 1 So I ask her, you know, "What's the reason?
- 2 Why do you want to leave the property?" She was
- 3 very --
- 4 MR. MESEREAU: Same objection.
- 5 THE COURT: Sustained after he started on
- 6 another subject.
- 7 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay.
- 8 Q. Can you tell me what her emotional state was
- 9 at the time?
- 10 A. She was very upset.
- 11 Q. How was she demonstrating that she was
- 12 upset?
- 13 A. Crying.
- 14 Q. What time of -- what time of the day or
- 15 evening are we talking about here when this
- 16 happened?
- 17 A. We're talking about nighttime.
- 18 Q. Nighttime?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Did she express any -- did she express any
- 21 fear while you were talking to her?
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: When you were talking
- 25 to her, did she appear to be fearful of something?
- 26 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.

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- 2 you noticed any.
- 3 A. Well, she looks very preoccupied. She was
- 4 just -- she wasn't comfortable there. She just
- 5 wanted to leave the property.
- 6 THE COURT: All right. Let's take our break.
- 7 (Recess taken.)
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- 1 THE COURT: Go ahead, Counsel.
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 3 Q. Before I continue where I left off with the
- 4 Arvizos, Mr. Salas, I wanted to ask you a couple of
- 5 questions about -- one involving the wine cellar.
- 6 At some time during your occupation as the
- 7 house manager, was there a safe that was put in to
- 8 keep some of the keys to various places, including
- 9 the wine cellar?
- 10 A. Yes, there was.
- 11 Q. And where was that safe put in?
- 12 A. It was in the -- inside the house in what we
- 13 call the maids' room.
- 14 Q. When was that safe put in?
- 15 A. It was during the time that we noticed the
- 16 kids were having access to alcohol.
- 17 Q. The Los Olivos boys?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. And can you help me out with the time frame
- 20 in terms of what we're -- 2002 or 2003?
- 21 A. 2003.
- 22 Q. 2003?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. You said that it was October of 2002 when
- 25 the problem occurred with the Los Olivos boys.
- 26 A. Yes, but we didn't took action until after
- 27 that. It took us a while to put the key away.

28 Q. Have you previously told detectives that it 4702

- 1 was in the -- it was around December of 2002 that
- 2 the safe was put in?
- 3 A. I must have said that. I mean, I could be
- 4 wrong.
- 5 Q. Do you have a clear recollection of exactly
- 6 when the safe went in?
- 7 A. I don't know.
- 8 Q. Do you recall that the safe was there when
- 9 the Arvizos were there?
- 10 A. Yes, it was in, the safe.
- 11 Q. All right. And the wine cellar key, was it
- 12 kept in that safe?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. All right. So when you took the Arvizos
- 15 from Neverland, what car did you use?
- 16 A. I used the Rolls Royce.
- 17 Q. And who was it that decided to use that
- 18 particular car? Whose decision was that?
- 19 A. It was my decision.
- 20 Q. Had you previously done some driving for
- 21 Mr. Jackson? I know you previously testified you
- 22 did the limo drive to Neverland. But other than
- 23 that, had you previously done some driving for
- 24 Mr. Jackson?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.
- 26 Q. And did you previously use that car on
- 27 occasion?

- 1 Q. Did you tell anybody that you were taking
- 2 the Jacksons -- or did you tell anybody that you
- 3 were taking the Arvizos off property?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. Who did you tell?
- 6 A. I told Mr. Jackson's bodyguard, Chris
- 7 Carter.
- 8 Q. And why did you tell Chris?
- 9 A. Because it was not my decision to make to
- 10 take the family off the property without telling
- 11 somebody.
- 12 Q. Okay. Was Dieter on the property at the
- 13 time?
- 14 A. Yes, he was.
- 15 Q. Was Ronald on the property at the time?
- 16 A. No, he wasn't.
- 17 Q. Was Frank on the property at the time?
- 18 A. Yes, he was.
- 19 Q. Was there a reason you didn't tell Dieter or
- 20 Frank that you were taking them off the property?
- 21 A. It was late, and the reason I didn't told
- 22 them, it was because I didn't know who to tell, so I
- 23 told Chris about the situation.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. And so --
- 26 Q. Did Miss Arvizo express to you, during that
- 27 period of time, that she was fearful of anything?

- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did Miss Arvizo express
- 3 concern to you over any particular individuals at
- 4 Neverland?
- 5 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 6 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, she did.
- 8 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Who was she concerned
- 9 about?
- 10 A. It was Dieter and Ronald.
- 11 Q. Was she concerned about Frank at all?
- 12 A. She didn't really say too much about Frank.
- 13 Q. So you drive her off the property. Where
- 14 did you take her and her children?
- 15 A. Down south, L.A.
- 16 Q. Did you take her to a residence?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Was it a house or an apartment?
- 19 A. It was a house.
- 20 Q. And was it the place -- did she direct you
- 21 to the location where she wanted to go?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Did you get in any trouble for taking the
- 24 Arvizos off the property?
- 25 A. Yes, I did.
- 26 Q. Tell me about that.
- 27 A. Well, the next day, I was told that they

28 weren't supposed to leave the property. 4705

- 1 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I can ask a couple of
- 3 other questions that will tighten it up, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: All right. I'll strike the
- 5 answer.
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: And this answer will be
- 7 offered in furtherance.
- 8 Q. Who told you you were in trouble?
- 9 A. The first person that told me, it was Frank.
- 10 Q. Frank Tyson?
- 11 A. Uh-huh.
- 12 Q. And what did Frank tell you?
- 13 A. He told me not -- that they weren't supposed
- 14 to leave the property. They were supposed to be
- 15 notified first.
- 16 Q. Who was supposed to be notified first?
- 17 A. Him.
- 18 Q. Did he tell you how to handle yourself in
- 19 the future?
- 20 A. Yes, he did.
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll rephrase.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did he make any remarks
- 25 to you concerning the future?
- 26 A. Yes, he did.
- 27 Q. What did he say?

- 1 time, not to do that anymore.
- 2 Q. Not to let the Arvizos off the property if
- 3 they come back?
- 4 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 5 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: Move to strike.
- 7 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 8 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did anybody else tell
- 9 you that you did the wrong thing?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Who was that?
- 12 A. Dieter.
- 13 Q. What did Dieter tell you?
- 14 A. Same thing.
- 15 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 16 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Same purpose.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled. It's admitted for the
- 18 limited purpose under the conspiracy instruction
- 19 that I talked to you about earlier. Go ahead.
- 20 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Tell us what Dieter
- 21 told you.
- 22 A. He told me the same thing; that next time I
- 23 should tell them about the situation first.
- 24 Q. Did the Arvizos -- well, let me back up.
- 25 When Miss Arvizo was talking to you about her desire
- 26 to leave the ranch, did you speak English with her?
- 27 A. Yes, I did.

28 Q. Did you ever speak with her in a different 4707

- 1 language?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Okay. Are you fluent in Spanish?
- 4 A. Yes, I am.
- 5 Q. Do you know if she is?
- 6 A. No, I don't.
- 7 Q. Around -- well, let's talk about when they
- 8 returned to the property. You said a short time
- 9 after the first -- they first left Neverland, the
- 10 Arvizos returned.
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Were you there when that happened?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And when they returned to the property, did
- 15 Mrs. Arvizo ever ask you to transport her off the
- 16 property on that occasion, on the second visit?
- 17 A. Yes, she --
- 18 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading; hearsay.
- 19 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Also offered to explain
- 20 conduct.
- 21 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. And
- 22 I'll admit it for the limited purpose of explaining
- 23 his behavior. Go ahead.
- 24 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: What was your answer?
- 25 A. Yes. Yes, I was.
- 26 Q. And when did she make that request of you,
- 27 in relationship to the time that she arrived?

- 1 when she asked me again.
- 2 Q. And did you take her off the property that
- 3 time?
- 4 A. No, I didn't.
- 5 Q. Why not?
- 6 A. Because I was told not to do that anymore.
- 7 Q. Now, at some point the Arvizos left
- 8 Neverland --
- 9 A. Yes, they did.
- 10 Q. -- for the final time.
- 11 Have you ever seen them since that time?
- 12 A. That was the last time I saw them.
- 13 Q. Do you recall when you were first
- 14 interviewed about the general facts that you've just
- 15 described for us by law enforcement?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And was there anything special about that
- 18 particular day when you first spoke to law
- 19 enforcement?
- 20 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague; leading.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 22 You may answer.
- 23 THE WITNESS: When you said about special,
- 24 what do you mean?
- 25 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Was there anything
- 26 unusual that happened on that date --
- 27 A. Yes.

- 1 A. Yes, it was.
- 2 Q. What was it?
- 3 A. That was when the police came over to Mr.
- 4 Jackson's house.
- 5 Q. The day of the search warrant?
- 6 A. The day of the search, yes.
- 7 Q. Do you remember what month that was?
- 8 A. It was November.
- 9 Q. Okay. So you told the police about this,
- 10 helping the Arvizos, on the same day as the search
- 11 warrant was issued, or executed, I should say; is
- 12 that accurate?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Thank you, Mr. Salas. I
- 15 have no further questions.
- 16 THE COURT: Okay. Cross-examine?
- 17 MR. MESEREAU: Yes, please, Your Honor.
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- 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MR. MESEREAU:
- 21 Q. Good morning.
- 22 A. Good morning.
- 23 Q. Is it Mr. Salas or Salazar?
- 24 A. Salas.
- 25 Q. Salas, okay. My name is Tom Mesereau and I
- 26 speak for Michael Jackson, okay?
- 27 We haven't spoken before, right?

- 1 time or something like that?
- 2 Q. I didn't. That was an investigator.
- 3 A. It wasn't you.
- 4 Q. Okay. You spoke to one of our investigators
- 5 named Jesus Castillo, correct?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And you spoke to him around January 9th,
- 8 2005, right?
- 9 A. Must have been, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. Okay. And do you know -- where did
- 11 that interview take place; do you know?
- 12 A. Yes. Was it the Holiday Inn, Santa Maria?
- 13 Q. Okay. And approximately how long do you
- 14 remember speaking with our investigator, Jesus
- 15 Castillo?
- 16 A. It took, I would say, about half an hour.
- 17 Q. Okay. And do you remember you told Mr.
- 18 Castillo that when you told the police that you
- 19 remembered Gavin and Star sleeping in Mr. Jackson's
- 20 room, you meant the lower portion of the two-level
- 21 suite, correct?
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. You told Mr. Castillo that Mr. Jackson's
- 24 room has an upstairs portion and a downstairs,
- 25 correct?
- 26 A. That is correct.
- 27 Q. And you told him that you never saw Gavin or

28 Star sleeping in Mr. Jackson's bed located upstairs, 4711

- 1 right?
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll object; foundation.
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 4 You may answer.
- 5 THE WITNESS: That is correct. I never saw
- 6 them sleeping in the bed. I saw them out of bed,
- 7 not sleeping.
- 8 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Right. The only place you
- 9 ever saw Gavin or Star sleeping was in the
- 10 downstairs portion of Mr. Jackson's room, right?
- 11 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 You may answer.
- 14 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 15 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Okay. And you remember
- 16 many guests of Mr. Jackson sleeping in his room,
- 17 sometimes upstairs and sometimes downstairs, right?
- 18 A. That is correct, if you're talking about the
- 19 boys, yes.
- 20 Q. Yeah. He had guests come and sleep from
- 21 time to time --
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. -- in that suite, correct?
- 24 A. That is correct.
- 25 Q. Sometimes you'd see them upstairs, sometimes
- 26 you'd see them downstairs, right?
- 27 A. That is correct.

28 Q. Okay. Now, one time you suspected that 4712

- 1 Gavin might have been drinking at a dinner table,
- 2 right?
- 3 A. That is correct.
- 4 Q. But you never saw Gavin drinking, right?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. And his family used to have dinner at the
- 7 dinner table, right?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. His mother used to have dinner at the dinner
- 10 table, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Now, the prosecutor asked you questions
- 13 about whether or not children have a lot of freedom
- 14 at Neverland, right?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. And your answer was basically they do,
- 17 right?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. And so do their parents have freedom at
- 20 Neverland, correct?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- 22 Q. The prosecutor asked you about something
- 23 along the lines of first-class service. Do you
- 24 remember that?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And you said that Mr. Jackson liked to have
- 27 his guests get high-quality service, right?

- 1 Q. But when you said that, you were also
- 2 including adult guests, correct?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And when you were there and you saw Janet
- 5 Arvizo there, she was getting first-class service,
- 6 true?
- 7 A. Yes, she was.
- 8 Q. Do you remember a period of time when Janet
- 9 Arvizo was there with her former husband, David
- 10 Arvizo? Do you remember that?
- 11 A. One time, yes.
- 12 Q. And they both were entitled to first-class
- 13 service, correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. And when Janet came with just her children,
- 16 she had all the privileges that guests get at
- 17 Neverland, right?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. She was able to enter the main residence,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. She was able to order food when she wanted,
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. She could sit at the dinner table at the
- 26 main house and have dinner, or lunch, or breakfast,
- 27 right?

- 1 Q. She also was allowed to enter the kitchen
- 2 and sit at that bar area and order breakfast when
- 3 she chose, right?
- 4 A. That is correct.
- 5 Q. She also ordered room service when she
- 6 wanted, right?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 Q. And do you know which quarters she stayed
- 9 in?
- 10 A. If I remember, it was on Unit 4.
- 11 Q. And that's one of the most beautiful rooms
- 12 on that property, isn't it?
- 13 A. Yes, it is.
- 14 Q. It's a room where Elizabeth Taylor and
- 15 Marlon Brando request to stay, or used to request to
- 16 stay from time to time, correct?
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Janet was entitled to the
- 20 same service that guests like Elizabeth Taylor and
- 21 Marlon Brando would get, correct?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevancy.
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 24 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Right?
- 25 A. That is correct.
- 26 Q. And when you told the jury that the theater
- 27 would be open day and night, adult guests also were

28 allowed to go into the theater day or night, right? 4715

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. And when you told the prosecutor that there
- 3 was some rooms in the theater with beds in them,
- 4 adults could use those rooms, true?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. The prosecutor talked about candy and sodas
- 7 and food being available at all hours of date. They
- 8 were also available for adult guests, correct?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. And isn't it true that Mr. Jackson wanted
- 11 his adult guests to have special, classy service,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. Now, you saw kids at Neverland visiting when
- 15 Mr. Jackson wasn't there, correct?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 Q. And typically, if kids visited Neverland
- 18 when Mr. Jackson wasn't there, there were rules that
- 19 were supposed to be followed for safety, as you
- 20 said, right?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- 22 Q. And typically, it was their parents or
- 23 whatever adults were with them that appeared to be
- 24 in charge of them, correct?
- 25 A. That is correct.
- 26 Q. And you saw busloads of children from
- 27 various locations visit Neverland from time to time,

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. And to your knowledge, Mr. Jackson wasn't in
- 3 charge of all of those busloads of children, was he?
- 4 A. No, he wasn't.
- 5 Q. In fact, most of the time when lots of kids
- 6 would visit Neverland, some other adult appeared to
- 7 be in charge of those kids, right?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. And adults and children would visit
- 10 Neverland and be given tours of Neverland, right?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. Who typically would give those tours?
- 13 A. We assigned different people, employees of
- 14 Neverland Valley.
- 15 Q. And tell the jury how a tour would be
- 16 conducted when children and adults would visit
- 17 Neverland.
- 18 A. They were --
- 19 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Relevancy;
- 20 beyond the scope.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 22 Go ahead.
- 23 THE WITNESS: They would arrive at Neverland
- 24 Valley Ranch, park on the outside parking lot, walk
- 25 to the train station. And from there, they were
- 26 picked up either by train or walk, whatever they
- 27 preferred to do, okay, take them back to the

28 theater. Enjoy, you know, the petting zoo. They 4717

- 1 were allowed to visit where they wanted to. I mean,
- 2 we had a schedule for them and took them everywhere,
- 3 the property, to show them the place and enjoy the
- 4 place. And they ended up at the theater and at the
- 5 park.
- 6 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: And you would schedule
- 7 lots of tours from time to time, right?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. Sometimes you'd have a couple of hundred
- 10 children visiting with adults, correct?
- 11 A. That is correct. Sometimes more than that.
- 12 Q. What's the largest number of kids you
- 13 remember visiting at one time to Neverland?
- 14 A. I would say about 300, 300 kids.
- 15 Q. And did they come with adults who were in
- 16 charge of them?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And did you arrange tours for these
- 19 children as well?
- 20 A. Yes. We assigned the personnel to give them
- 21 a tour, yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And sometimes, if Michael Jackson was
- 23 on the premises, he would come out and say hello,
- 24 right?
- 25 A. That is correct.
- 26 Q. But he never was in charge of what these
- 27 kids did, right?

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; vague as to
- 2 "kids."
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer's in.
- 4 Next question.
- 5 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Who would prepare the
- 6 schedule to indicate whether children were coming to
- 7 Neverland on a particular day?
- 8 A. I believe that came from L.A. office.
- 9 Q. And would it be posted somewhere?
- 10 A. Yes. All Neverland personnel got a schedule
- 11 of the kids coming to Neverland.
- 12 Q. And would you get a schedule typically the
- 13 day before or that morning?
- 14 A. Normally we got it, like, two days before, a
- 15 day before, yes.
- 16 Q. And as part of your work, you had to look at
- 17 the future schedule every day, didn't you?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. Because almost every day something unusual
- 20 or special would be going on at Neverland, right?
- 21 A. That is correct.
- 22 Q. And how long did you work at Neverland?
- 23 A. The total was 20 years.
- 24 Q. During that 20-year period, would it be
- 25 accurate to say that many, many thousands of
- 26 children came through, right?
- 27 A. That is correct.

28 Q. They came from Los Angeles, right? 4719

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. They came from Santa Barbara, right?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. They came from foreign countries, right?
- 5 A. That is correct, yes.
- 6 Q. Based upon your experience over 20 years,
- 7 Neverland was a real attraction for children around
- 8 the world, wasn't it?
- 9 A. Yes, it was.
- 10 Q. And you considered a major part of your
- 11 responsibility to be making sure that Neverland was
- 12 kept up properly so that when children from all over
- 13 the world came, they'd have a good time, right?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. Over 20 years, it may have been hundreds of
- 16 thousands of children you saw visit, right?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. Now, the prosecutor asked you about the time
- 19 Janet Arvizo asked you to drive her to Los Angeles,
- 20 okay?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. You told Jesus Castillo, our investigator,
- 23 that at no time did anyone forcibly keep her at
- 24 Neverland Ranch, right?
- 25 A. That is correct.
- 26 Q. And at no time was she ever locked in her
- 27 room, right?

- 1 Q. And at no time was she kept at Neverland
- 2 Ranch against her will, right?
- 3 A. That is exactly what I said, yes.
- 4 Q. She called you upset and asked you to take
- 5 her home and you did so, right?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. You took her, yourself, in December; is that
- 8 correct? Do you remember what month you took her
- 9 yourself in the Rolls Royce?
- 10 A. It was December or January, somewhere around
- 11 there. Pretty bad on dates.
- 12 Q. And then she came back, what, in less than a
- 13 week?
- 14 A. I would say in about a couple weeks,
- 15 thereabout.
- 16 Q. She came back, and then, a few weeks later,
- 17 wanted to leave again, right?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. And you arranged transportation for her to
- 20 leave again, right?
- 21 A. Yes, I had to call a limo.
- 22 Q. And that was, as far as you know, the last
- 23 time you ever saw the Arvizos, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. When you drove Ms. Arvizo and her children
- 26 in the Rolls Royce, she never made any complaints
- 27 about the way she'd been treated at Neverland,

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 Q. She never said she'd been abused at
- 3 Neverland, right?
- 4 A. That is correct.
- 5 Q. She never said her children had been taken
- 6 advantage of at Neverland, right?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 Q. But she didn't seem to like Dieter or
- 9 Ronald, right?
- 10 A. That is correct, yes.
- 11 Q. And she told you she was concerned about
- 12 media attention on her family, right?
- 13 A. She mentioned about that, yes.
- 14 Q. Her concerns to you were media attention and
- 15 the fact that she didn't like Dieter, right?
- 16 A. That is correct, yes.
- 17 Q. She never complained about anything else,
- 18 did she?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. In fact, she told you she respected and
- 21 liked Michael Jackson, right?
- 22 A. Yes, she did.
- 23 Q. She never complained to you about Michael
- 24 Jackson at all, did she?
- 25 A. Never.
- 26 Q. When you drove her in the Rolls Royce, she
- 27 was in the front seat with you, right?

- 1 Q. Her children were in the back seat, right?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 Q. And you and she spoke during that three-hour
- 4 trip, right?
- 5 A. She didn't spoke too much, but, yes, she
- 6 did.
- 7 Q. Did you speak to her very much when she used
- 8 to stay at Neverland?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Okay. And in -- on that trip, excuse me,
- 11 Janet Arvizo never complained that she was being
- 12 taken out of the country against her will, did she?
- 13 A. No, she never said anything.
- 14 Q. Do you remember when she returned, you
- 15 think, within the next couple of weeks?
- 16 A. It was in the next couple of weeks, yes.
- 17 Q. Do you remember seeing her suddenly show up
- 18 with her children again?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And do you know what time of day that was?
- 21 A. I believe it was afternoon.
- 22 Q. Did you talk to her when you saw her return?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- 24 Q. You never got the impression she was there
- 25 against her will at that point, did you?
- 26 A. No, I didn't.
- 27 Q. The last time Janet and the kids left

28 Neverland, do you know who drove them home? 4723

- 1 A. Yes, I called a limousine service.
- 2 Q. So you took her in a Rolls Royce one time,
- 3 and the last time it was a limousine service that
- 4 you arranged, true?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. Do you remember any other times that Janet
- 7 and the children left Neverland?
- 8 A. That was the last time I saw them.
- 9 Q. So you're only personally aware of two times
- 10 where they left Neverland; is that right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. That you had anything to do with?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. Okay. Now, the prosecutor asked you about a
- 15 safe that was brought onto the property to lock
- 16 keys. Do you remember that?
- 17 A. Uh-huh.
- 18 Q. And if you remember, whose idea was it to
- 19 put a safe where the keys could be locked?
- 20 A. It was the ranch manager idea and my idea.
- 21 Q. Did you discuss it with Michael Jackson?
- 22 A. No, we never did.
- 23 Q. You just ordered a safe?
- 24 A. We just ordered a safe.
- 25 Q. And you put the keys in the safe?
- 26 A. That is correct.
- 27 Q. And before that, where were the keys kept?

28 A. They were kept in the same room, behind 4724

- 1 the -- behind the door to the entry to the room,
- 2 yes.
- 3 Q. Is that the entrance to the wine cellar?
- 4 A. No, no, no. That's the entrance to the
- 5 maids' room.
- 6 Q. Okay. Okay. But they were hung out in open
- 7 view, right?
- 8 A. That is correct, yes.
- 9 Q. Do you remember Frank Tyson's sister, Marie
- 10 Nicole?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you remember her staying at Neverland?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Do you remember her walking around the
- 15 property and playing with Michael Jackson?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- 17 Q. Was it your impression that the family was
- 18 close to Michael Jackson?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Did you see Frank Tyson's parents visit from
- 21 time to time?
- 22 A. That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. And do you remember their names?
- 24 A. I don't. Sorry.
- 25 Q. Did you see Frank Tyson's brothers visit
- 26 from time to time?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. Okay. You talked about a combination to Mr. 4725

- 1 Jackson's room. Remember that?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And did you always have that combination?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. Do you know if anyone else had it, to your
- 6 knowledge?
- 7 A. Ranch manager.
- 8 Q. What about staff who cleaned the room? Did
- 9 they typically have it?
- 10 A. Yes. Yes. We have -- we had another guy
- 11 there that also had it, know the combination of the
- 12 room.
- 13 Q. And that combination was changed
- 14 periodically, right?
- 15 A. My time there, we changed it about a couple
- 16 times.
- 17 Q. Okay. Do you remember it being changed
- 18 because too many people seemed to have it?
- 19 A. We noticed there was so many kids going into
- 20 the room, so we figured we change the combination,
- 21 yes.
- 22 Q. Do you remember Michael Jackson complaining
- 23 that Frank was going into his bedroom when Michael
- 24 was out of town?
- 25 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 26 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 27 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Was it your understanding

28 that Frank could get into that room on occasion? 4726

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know whether or not
- 4 Frank seemed like he could get into Michael's
- 5 bedroom from time to time?
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 7 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 8 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you ever observe Frank
- 9 in Michael Jackson's bedroom?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Did you ever see Marie Nicole in Michael
- 12 Jackson's bedroom?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And again, when I say "bedroom," we're
- 15 talking about two levels, right?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 Q. It's a rather large area, isn't it?
- 18 A. That is correct, yes.
- 19 Q. And on the lower level, people can sit down
- 20 and enjoy themselves, can't they?
- 21 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 22 Q. What do you recall there being on the lower
- 23 level of Michael Jackson's bedroom when you were
- 24 working there?
- 25 A. I just recall that it was a peaceful area
- 26 that people can sit and enjoy themselves there.
- 27 Fireplace or -- it was pretty peaceful place to be.

28 Q. And he would entertain people in the lower 4727

- 1 portion of his bedroom, correct?
- 2 A. That is correct, yes.
- 3 Q. People would get served food there, correct?
- 4 A. That is correct, yes.
- 5 Q. People would get served drinks there, right?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And you say there's a fireplace?
- 8 A. There's a fireplace there.
- 9 Q. People would sit around the fireplace and
- 10 chat, correct?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And sometimes they did it when Mr. Jackson
- 13 was there, and sometimes they did it when he wasn't
- 14 there, right?
- 15 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Foundation;
- 16 assumes facts.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 18 You may answer. Do you want the question
- 19 read back?
- 20 MR. MESEREAU: Do you want -- I'm sorry.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Answer it?
- 22 THE COURT: Yes. Do you want the question
- 23 read back?
- 24 THE WITNESS: No, I understood the question.
- 25 Pretty much when Mr. Jackson wasn't there,
- 26 nobody was allowed to go into his room.
- 27 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: There were times when he

- 1 A. Yes, there was.
- 2 Q. And they would have some fun when Mr.
- 3 Jackson wasn't even there, right?
- 4 A. That is correct, yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, approximately what year did you
- 6 start working at Neverland?
- 7 A. Since the beginning, do you mean?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. I would say in '83, 1983.
- 10 Q. '83?
- 11 A. Uh-huh.
- 12 Q. So, there was a point in time where your
- 13 daughter used to visit Neverland, right?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. And what is her name?
- 16 A. Sandra.
- 17 Q. Sandra used to visit when she was
- 18 approximately five years old, right?
- 19 A. Five, six, yes.
- 20 Q. She used to play with Michael Jackson,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 23 Q. He used to give her gifts, right?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. Now, normally do people who work at
- 26 Neverland bring their children there very often?
- 27 A. We have -- they have what is called "Family

- 1 Q. And please tell the jury what "Family Day"
- 2 is.
- 3 A. Family Day is a day where it's open for the
- 4 employees to bring all your family and have access
- 5 to all the facilities there, yes.
- 6 Q. And how often does that happen?
- 7 A. Once a year at least.
- 8 Q. And that's a big event at Neverland, right?
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. And Michael Jackson closes Neverland off for
- 11 other visits and lets all of the help and their
- 12 family take over pretty much, right?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. And it starts in the morning, doesn't it?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Goes late into the evening, right?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, you mentioned a petting zoo before.
- 19 Please tell the jury what the petting zoo is.
- 20 A. The petting zoo is a place where they have
- 21 just little animals for kids, where they can go and
- 22 play with the animals. We have -- I mean, they have
- 23 a variety of animals where kids can, pretty safe, go
- 24 and touch the animals.
- 25 Q. And what kind of animals do you have in the
- 26 petting zoo?
- 27 A. Well, they have llamas. They have deers.

- 1 else do they have? They have lots of animals.
- 2 Q. And the petting zoo is primarily designed
- 3 for kids, correct?
- 4 A. That is correct, yes.
- 5 Q. And then you have a larger zoo, right?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And please tell the jury what's in the
- 8 larger zoo.
- 9 A. Well, that's where you can find the big
- 10 animals. Like you can find elephants, lions,
- 11 chimpanzees. You can find llamas and different
- 12 other animals. Wolfs. Stuff like that.
- 13 Q. You got giraffes, right?
- 14 A. Giraffes.
- 15 Q. There's a camel?
- 16 A. Right, exactly.
- 17 Q. And typically, at least once a day, the
- 18 trainers walk two elephants through the property,
- 19 right?
- 20 A. That is correct, yes.
- 21 Q. And they walk the elephants through the
- 22 property, and very often guests, if they follow the
- 23 rules, can feed them, right?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. And Mr. Jackson will pay for bags of
- 26 doughnuts and goodies to give to the elephants,
- 27 right?

- 1 Q. Is that a once-a-day affair?
- 2 A. Yes, pretty much once a day.
- 3 Q. Okay. It's usually a big thing for kids and
- 4 their parents, right?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. Now, as part of your duties at Neverland,
- 7 you often would pay for toys for kids, correct?
- 8 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you would be reimbursed, typically, if
- 10 you spent your own money on toys, right?
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. You would get a reimbursement check of --
- 13 for as much as \$11,000 from time to time, right?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. And what kind of rules did you follow as far
- 16 as buying toys for kids is concerned?
- 17 A. Really wasn't any rules. We just went and
- 18 bought some toys.
- 19 Q. But the prosecutor asked you questions about
- 20 how influential Mr. Jackson was in running affairs.
- 21 Didn't he give you a lot of flexibility in just
- 22 going out, buying hundreds of toys, and then just
- 23 charging him for it?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. And where would you go buy those toys?
- 26 A. Toys-R-Us.
- 27 Q. Okay. Would you drive there yourself?

28 A. Pretty much Mr. Jackson came along or with 4732

- 1 the kids or some adults, yes.
- 2 Q. And Mr. Jackson would from time to time let
- 3 you drive parents and their children to Toys-R-Us,
- 4 right?
- 5 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 6 Q. And he would tell you to buy them whatever
- 7 they'd like, right?
- 8 A. That is correct, yes.
- 9 Q. You'd spend thousands of dollars on these
- 10 kids, right?
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. And that was one of your responsibilities as
- 13 ranch manager, right?
- 14 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 15 Q. To try and take care of the children as best
- 16 you could, right?
- 17 A. Correct, yes.
- 18 Q. Now, what are the safety regulations in
- 19 effect at the zoo, to your knowledge?
- 20 A. Well, there's certain regulations for the
- 21 zoo, especially with the big animals. Again, for
- 22 the safety of the guests or kids, yes.
- 23 Q. And you have all these amusement rides as
- 24 well, right?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. Please tell the jury what amusements rides
- 27 you have for the kids and the parents.

28 A. Well, there's different rides. The Ferris 4733

- 1 wheel. They have the merry-go-round. They have a
- 2 big slide. They have a -- oh, got -- they have the
- 3 Sea Dragon. They have various rides also for kids,
- 4 for small kids, yes.
- 5 Q. And when you have these busloads of kids and
- 6 adults show up and they want to use the rides, what
- 7 safety precautions do you have?
- 8 A. Well, we have a -- we just got to make sure
- 9 that the kids don't get hurt. We have regulations
- 10 for that. We have personnel there guiding the kids
- 11 and taking care of the kids so nobody gets hurt.
- 12 Q. And the personnel specialize in the
- 13 amusement park portion of Neverland, right?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. And are they in charge of maintaining the
- 16 rides, making sure the machinery's okay?
- 17 A. That is correct, yes.
- 18 Q. And were they under your supervision?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Okay. Who was supervising the people who
- 21 run the amusement park?
- 22 A. There's -- Neverland has different groups of
- 23 people, you know, like departments, what we call it,
- 24 and it was the person in charge of the amusement
- 25 park.
- 26 Q. Just like there's a group in charge of the
- 27 petting zoo and the bigger zoo, right?

- 1 Q. And when these children and these adults
- 2 visit Neverland, these different groups are all
- 3 available to make sure kids are safe, right?
- 4 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 5 Q. Now, when you have hundreds of children
- 6 running around Neverland, they can sometimes get
- 7 into all kinds of mischievous situations, right?
- 8 A. Absolutely, yes.
- 9 Q. You've seen kids caught in the house in
- 10 various rooms, right?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. And they've been politely asked to leave,
- 13 right?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. You've seen kids trying to get in doors
- 16 they're not supposed to get through, correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. You've seen kids trying to get into the
- 19 arcade whenever they can, right?
- 20 A. That is correct, yes.
- 21 Q. And kids are sometimes caught with things in
- 22 their hands, little things they found in the main
- 23 house and they have -- you have to take them away
- 24 from them, right?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. And it's never been your understanding that
- 27 Mr. Jackson is personally supervising all of this,

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. In fact, he's amazingly generous in letting
- 3 people come into his home and go through it, and see
- 4 it, right?
- 5 A. Yes, he is.
- 6 Q. And this is a large home that has a lot of
- 7 beautiful antiques, correct?
- 8 A. That is correct, yes.
- 9 Q. A lot of family pictures, right?
- 10 A. That is correct, yes.
- 11 Q. He has things he's collected from all over
- 12 the world, right?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 O. And he often lets whoever visits come
- 15 through the house so they can see all of this,
- 16 right?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And when he has guests stay over in the
- 19 guest quarters, I believe you said that they pretty
- 20 much can walk into that main house when they want,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. He has staff available all the time to
- 24 prepare a meal for them if they want one, right?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. And in that kitchen area, you have
- 27 unlocked -- an unlocked refrigerator area, correct?

- 1 Q. And they can go in there all the time and
- 2 get sodas, right?
- 3 A. That is correct.
- 4 Q. Juice, right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Milk?
- 7 A. Whatever their choice is.
- 8 Q. And you'll find wine in there, right?
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. And he lets his adult guests go in there and
- 11 get wine when they choose, correct?
- 12 A. That is correct, yes.
- 13 Q. And glasses are nearby if they want a glass,
- 14 right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. It's a very large refrigerator area, isn't
- 17 it?
- 18 A. It is.
- 19 Q. How many glass doors do you think are on
- 20 that large refrigerated area?
- 21 A. Oh, God. About six, eight, something like
- 22 that.
- 23 Q. Six or eight transparent doors they can go
- 24 into to get all kinds of beer, wine, soda, milk,
- 25 orange juice, right?
- 26 A. That is correct, yes.
- 27 Q. And there's a menu that's posted on a

- 1 A. That is correct, yes.
- 2 Q. And what do you typically find on that menu?
- 3 A. You find the menu for the food or whatever
- 4 the people wants to use.
- 5 Q. There's usually some special dishes that the
- 6 staff are preparing for that day, right?
- 7 A. Exactly, yes. Right.
- 8 Q. And there also is a standard menu that
- 9 Michael Jackson printed up that he gives that people
- 10 have to order from, right?
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. And you got sandwiches and soup and stuff
- 13 like that, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And on that bar area where people can come
- 16 anytime of day, you can sit there and just ask
- 17 whoever is there to prepare eggs or an omelet,
- 18 whatever you want, right?
- 19 A. That is correct, yes.
- 20 Q. And there are homemade buns and doughnuts
- 21 that are put on there every day, right?
- 22 A. Right.
- 23 Q. Anytime of day, 24 hours a day, you can go
- 24 into that main house and get what you want, correct?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. Even when Mr. Jackson is upstairs with his
- 27 children, very often people will come downstairs to

28 either see the house or get something to eat, right? 4738

- 1 A. That is correct, yes.
- 2 Q. The prosecutor asked you about candy and ice
- 3 cream and stuff like that. That's available to
- 4 everybody, isn't it?
- 5 A. That is correct, yes.
- 6 Q. It's not just available to children. It's
- 7 available for adults as well, right?
- 8 A. That is correct, yes.
- 9 Q. And when you walk into that theater, you've
- 10 got a whole candy/ice cream area in the front,
- 11 right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And typically, Mr. Jackson will have one of
- 14 his people there just to serve whatever people want,
- 15 right?
- 16 A. That is correct, yes.
- 17 Q. Ice cream sandwiches, ice cream cones,
- 18 right?
- 19 A. Whatever they prefer, yes.
- 20 Q. There's a big popcorn area, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. And you will see sometimes visitors looking
- 23 at movies anytime of day, right?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. And there's a huge collection of movies they
- 26 can sometimes choose from, right?
- 27 A. Right.

28 Q. And other times there are just a couple that 4739

- 1 you can choose for the day, right?
- 2 A. That is correct, yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. There are other areas of Neverland
- 4 people want to see, right?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. There are areas where they can see Mr.
- 7 Jackson's costumes that he's worn on music tours,
- 8 right?
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. There are areas where they can see his
- 11 glove? Kids love to see the gloves he's worn,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. That is correct, yes.
- 14 Q. In fact, some of the memorabilia from his
- 15 musical tours around the world are actually in an
- 16 area not far from the wine cellar; correct?
- 17 A. That is correct, yes.
- 18 Q. You also have sleeping bags stored down in
- 19 the area near where the wine cellar is, correct?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 Q. Did you work there before Mr. Jackson
- 22 purchased the property?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- 24 Q. That wine cellar area was already there when
- 25 Mr. Jackson purchased the property, right?
- 26 A. Yes, it was.
- 27 Q. Now, there is a procedures manual at

28 Neverland that, at least on paper, identifies what 4740

- 1 people are supposed to do or not do, right?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 Q. And security is a concern there, is it not?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Because if you really look at the perimeter
- 6 of Neverland, you can get in those fences, can't
- 7 you?
- 8 A. Absolutely, yes.
- 9 Q. In fact, it's -- it's easy for anyone to go
- 10 in or out of those three-rail fences anytime, right?
- 11 A. Absolutely.
- 12 Q. And you've caught people on the property who
- 13 tried to get over to Neverland and find Mr. Jackson,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Many times.
- 16 Q. And there are roads around the property
- 17 where cars drive at high speeds, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And there is also a concern that children
- 20 will somehow wander on the road, right?
- 21 A. That is correct, yes.
- 22 Q. Let me get back to Janet Arvizo.
- 23 Didn't she complain one time that she felt
- 24 Frank and Vinnie were separating her from Michael
- 25 Jackson?
- 26 A. I don't recall her telling me that, no.
- 27 Q. Did she complain that Dieter and Ronald were

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. She appeared not to like Dieter or Ronald at
- 3 all, right?
- 4 A. That is correct, yes.
- 5 Q. When Janet and the children would arrive on
- 6 the property, were they given assistance in
- 7 transporting their luggage to their rooms?
- 8 A. Absolutely.
- 9 Q. Who would help Janet transport her luggage
- 10 to her rooms?
- 11 A. Many times it was security, Neverland Valley
- 12 security, or myself.
- 13 Q. And would Janet pretty much tell you what to
- 14 carry from her car or however she got there?
- 15 A. No, not really.
- 16 Q. Who would assign the rooms to the Arvizos
- 17 when they visited and stayed at Neverland?
- 18 A. I did.
- 19 Q. And what would determine, for you, what room
- 20 to put them in?
- 21 A. It would depend. Many times we had some
- 22 other guests on the property. And if we have one
- 23 available, that was the only one that was going to
- 24 be for them. And many times I ask them, "Okay,
- 25 which room do you guys want to stay in?" So that's
- 26 how I decided.
- 27 Q. Did anyone ever complain about the room that

- 1 A. No, not really.
- 2 Q. Did the kids ever complain?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. The rooms they were placed in, as far as
- 5 you're concerned, were all beautiful rooms, weren't
- 6 they?
- 7 A. Yes, they are.
- 8 Q. They were cleaned every day, correct?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. And they had constant room service if they
- 11 wanted it, right?
- 12 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 13 Q. Mr. Jackson wanted them treated just as well
- 14 as any other guests, right?
- 15 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; asked and
- 16 answered.
- 17 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 18 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: How many times, Mr. Salas,
- 19 has the prosecution contacted you to talk to you
- 20 about the case?
- 21 A. A couple times.
- 22 Q. And how many times did you meet with
- 23 representatives of the sheriff's department?
- 24 A. A couple times.
- 25 Q. They never asked you if you ever brought
- 26 nonalcoholic beverages for the Arvizo children, did
- 27 they? They never asked you that question, did they?

- 1 Q. Now, I think you said that Michael Jackson
- 2 appeared frustrated at what Frank was doing on the
- 3 property from time to time, right?
- 4 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 5 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; misstates the
- 6 evidence.
- 7 MR. MESEREAU: I don't think it does, Your
- 8 Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer was,
- 10 "Yes." Next question.
- 11 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Michael Jackson was
- 12 frustrated that Frank was bringing guests to
- 13 Neverland without him knowing about it, right?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. And how old was Frank at the time, do you
- 16 think?
- 17 A. I'm not sure how old was he. I will say he
- 18 was about, what, 35.
- 19 Q. Early twenties?
- 20 A. Somewhere around there, yes.
- 21 Q. To your knowledge, how was Frank able to
- 22 bring guests to the property without Michael Jackson
- 23 knowing about it?
- 24 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 25 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 26 You may answer.
- 27 THE WITNESS: It was his own decision.

- 1 if you know, to bring guests onto the property
- 2 without Michael Jackson knowing about it?
- 3 A. What he would do there?
- 4 Q. Yes.
- 5 A. Just have fun at Neverland.
- 6 Q. Oh, no, excuse me. I didn't state it
- 7 properly. It's my mistake.
- 8 If Frank wanted to bring guests onto the
- 9 property without Michael Jackson knowing about it,
- 10 what would he do?
- 11 A. He would just call security and tell -- let
- 12 security know that he had some guests coming in, or
- 13 tell me.
- 14 Q. Would he typically tell them that Michael
- 15 wants them visiting?
- 16 A. No, he never said that.
- 17 Q. He just said he wanted them to visit, right?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. Okay. And he would bring a number of female
- 20 guests from time to time, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevance.
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer is,
- 24 "Correct."
- 25 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: In fact, he tried to bring
- 26 a lot of girls onto the property, didn't he?
- 27 A. That is correct.

28 Q. He used to brag to them that he was a friend 4745

- 1 to Michael Jackson, right?
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Hearsay;
- 3 relevance.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 5 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Now, you mentioned someone
- 6 named Malnik visited the property one time, right?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 Q. Did you speak to him?
- 9 A. Not in a conversation, no, I didn't.
- 10 Q. You just saw him?
- 11 A. Just saw him, say hi. And that was it.
- 12 Q. The prosecutor mentioned someone named Zia,
- 13 right?
- 14 A. That's correct. That is correct.
- 15 Q. Did you see Zia on the property?
- 16 A. Yes, I did.
- 17 Q. Did you talk to him?
- 18 A. Just for a short time. Not --
- 19 Q. And Zia was, to your knowledge, Mr.
- 20 Jackson's attorney, right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Did you see him there often?
- 23 A. No, I only saw him there a couple times.
- 24 Q. And what did you see him doing?
- 25 A. Just had a meeting with Mr. Jackson.
- 26 Q. Okay. You would see all kinds of people
- 27 visit from time to time to meet with Mr. Jackson,

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; vague.
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: I'll rephrase.
- 4 Q. The prosecutor has limited his questions to
- 5 you to Dieter, Ronald, Frank. Mr. Jackson didn't
- 6 spend all of his time meeting with these people, did
- 7 he?
- 8 A. Not all the time, no.
- 9 Q. Mr. Jackson from time to time would have
- 10 numerous visitors to Neverland to see him, correct?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; vague as to
- 13 time.
- 14 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 15 You may answer.
- 16 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 17 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You would often see a full
- 18 schedule of people visiting Neverland to see Mr.
- 19 Jackson, right?
- 20 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 22 You may answer.
- 23 THE WITNESS: That is correct.
- 24 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you recall Mr. Jackson
- 25 doing work in his studio at Neverland?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. And what do you recall seeing him doing?

28 A. Doing some recording. Dancing. Practicing. 4747

- 1 Yes.
- 2 Q. Did you watch him practice dance?
- 3 A. No, I didn't.
- 4 Q. And how did you know he was practicing
- 5 dance? Would he tell you?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. And would he tell you not to let anyone in,
- 8 that he's doing his creative work?
- 9 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 10 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 11 You may answer.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Because of his work, yes, he
- 13 did not want to be bothered, yes.
- 14 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you also see him
- 15 teaching kids how to dance from time to time?
- 16 A. I never saw that.
- 17 Q. Okay. How about in his recording studio,
- 18 would he bring kids and adults into his recording
- 19 studio to see it?
- 20 A. Yes, he did.
- 21 Q. And didn't he used to show them how he does
- 22 his work in his recording studio?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And sometimes he wanted to just be left
- 25 alone in there, right?
- 26 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 27 Q. And when he wanted to be left alone, he'd

- 1 A. That's correct, yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Now, you would see Mr. Jackson awake
- 3 on his property at all different hours, right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Sometimes he gets up at 3:00 in the morning,
- 6 doesn't he?
- 7 A. That is correct, yes.
- 8 Q. And he will take walks alone on his
- 9 property, right?
- 10 A. That's right.
- 11 Q. That's how he does a lot of his composing,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 15 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 16 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You'd also see Mr. Jackson
- 17 from time to time driving alone on his property,
- 18 right?
- 19 A. That is correct, yes.
- 20 Q. Would you know in advance if Mr. Jackson was
- 21 going to leave the property to go somewhere?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And who would you -- who would tell you that
- 24 Mr. Jackson was leaving the property?
- 25 A. Sometimes I found out about -- by his
- 26 bodyguard.
- 27 Q. Okay. And what are some of the other ways

28 that you would find out Mr. Jackson might be either 4749

- 1 leaving the property or going out of town?
- 2 A. By Mr. Jackson.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did you speak to Mr. Jackson every
- 4 day when he was there?
- 5 A. Pretty much, yes.
- 6 Q. When he wasn't there, who would you speak
- 7 to?
- 8 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Ambiguous;
- 9 relevance.
- 10 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 11 THE WITNESS: When he wasn't there, well,
- 12 nobody is -- the ranch manager.
- 13 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let me ask you this: When
- 14 Mr. Jackson's out of town, which you saw him do
- 15 quite often during your 20 years there, right?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. You saw him go on music tours, right?
- 18 A. That is correct.
- 19 Q. And you saw him travel to various cities in
- 20 America, right?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And he would travel to various cities around
- 23 the world, right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. When he's not there, does the place pretty
- 26 much run the way it runs when he's there?
- 27 A. It runs the same way.

28 Q. And that's because there are various 4750

- 1 procedures in effect to make sure it runs properly,
- 2 correct?
- 3 A. That is correct, yes.
- 4 Q. When Mr. Jackson's there, he's not walking
- 5 around the property just running everything, is he?
- 6 A. No, no.
- 7 Q. In fact, very often when he's there, you
- 8 hardly see him, right?
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. Because Mr. Jackson is doing his creative
- 11 work for hours and hours on end, right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. So how does the place sort of run when he's
- 14 not there? I mean, if you can explain it.
- 15 A. Because of the people in charge of running
- 16 the place, so we'll -- the place always running the
- 17 same, so -- whether he's there or not.
- 18 Q. And even if he's there, you have to report
- 19 to other individuals to get information, don't you?
- 20 A. That is correct, yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. So when the prosecutor asked you
- 22 about your reporting directly to Michael Jackson,
- 23 you didn't mean you're talking to him all day about
- 24 what's going on?
- 25 A. No.
- 26 Q. And if you report to him on a given day, it
- 27 might be just one time, right?

- 1 Q. Okay. In response to the prosecutor's
- 2 questions, you mentioned some things about Frank
- 3 saying he'll take care of things, correct?
- 4 A. Correct, yes.
- 5 Q. But Frank also used to brag about how close
- 6 he was to Michael Jackson, didn't he?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 Q. You didn't get the impression he was always
- 9 telling the truth, did you?
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; calls for a
- 11 conclusion.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You said, in response to
- 14 the prosecutor's questions, that on occasion you
- 15 would see Frank and Michael Jackson together, right?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. But you also often saw Frank not around Mr.
- 18 Jackson, correct?
- 19 A. Oh, yes.
- 20 Q. And you often saw Mr. Jackson without Frank,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. And you didn't really know what work Frank
- 24 was doing, correct?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. But from time to time, he would try and brag
- 27 that he was in the music business, right?

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 2 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 3 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: I want to ask you a little
- 4 more about security at Neverland, okay? It's about
- 5 2800 acres of property, right?
- 6 A. Uh-huh.
- 7 Q. Very spread out over hills, right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And it's surrounded by these fences that you
- 10 said anybody could come in, right?
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. You have a front gate that you have to stop
- 13 at if you're driving in, right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And you have to push a button and identify
- 16 who you are, right?
- 17 A. That is correct, yes.
- 18 Q. And people at that security gate typically
- 19 have a list of who's supposed to be allowed in,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. Right.
- 22 Q. And I think what you said is that Frank
- 23 would often call the people at that gate and say,
- 24 "Let so and so in," right?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. Okay. Now, you did indicate there had been
- 27 efforts by people to drive and get onto the property

- 1 A. Right.
- 2 Q. And you have some security guards who patrol
- 3 the property a bit, right?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. And they don't have weapons, right?
- 6 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 7 Q. Because Michael Jackson doesn't want weapons
- 8 on his property, right?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Foundation;
- 11 hearsay.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know whether or not
- 14 Mr. Jackson has a policy that he doesn't want
- 15 weapons on his property?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- 17 Q. And he's typically very concerned about his
- 18 children's safety, correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. You said that Frank was staying in the video
- 21 library, right?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. And was there a bed in there?
- 24 A. It's a couch that turns into a bed, yes.
- 25 Q. Is that where he would stay when he visited?
- 26 A. Correct.
- 27 Q. There were long periods of time Frank wasn't

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection as to -- vague
- 2 as to time.
- 3 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let's go to 2003.
- 4 I'll rephrase it, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: All right.
- 6 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let's take the year 2003.
- 7 There were periods of time you wouldn't even see
- 8 Frank on the property, right?
- 9 A. There was some times, yes.
- 10 Q. And there are times you would also see him,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. Correct. Yes.
- 13 Q. There were times you would see Dieter on the
- 14 property, right?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. And there were times you wouldn't see him at
- 17 all, right?
- 18 A. Correct. Yes.
- 19 Q. There were times you'd see Ron on the
- 20 property, correct?
- 21 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 22 Q. And there were times you wouldn't see him at
- 23 all?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. And during this period of time, you had your
- 26 constant visitors on a daily basis to the property,
- 27 correct?

- 1 Q. You had many other people who had scheduled
- 2 meetings with Michael Jackson, right?
- 3 A. Right. Yes.
- 4 Q. And you also had your periodic tours of
- 5 children and adults to Neverland, right?
- 6 A. That is correct, yes.
- 7 Q. You indicated that you think that Mr.
- 8 Jackson was at Neverland when the Arvizos visited in
- 9 2003, right?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 Q. You're not sure that he was there every day,
- 12 though, are you?
- 13 A. That is right, yes.
- 14 Q. If there were days he wasn't there when the
- 15 Arvizos were there in 2003, you're just not sure,
- 16 correct?
- 17 That's a bad question. Let me -- I don't
- 18 think I could answer that one.
- 19 In 2003 when the Arvizos were at Neverland,
- 20 sometimes Michael Jackson was there and sometimes he
- 21 wasn't, right?
- 22 A. That is correct. There was days that he was
- 23 not there, yes.
- 24 Q. There were times he was out of town, right?
- 25 A. Right.
- 26 Q. There were times he was gone from the
- 27 premises during the day, right?

- 1 Q. There were times he was in his studio,
- 2 right?
- 3 A. That is correct, yes.
- 4 Q. There were times he was doing his dance
- 5 routines, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. There were times he was taking children
- 8 around Neverland on a tour, right?
- 9 A. Correct, yes.
- 10 Q. And there would be constant meetings of one
- 11 form or another involving Michael Jackson with other
- 12 people, correct?
- 13 A. That is correct, yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. The prosecutor asked you about
- 15 Michael Jackson playing with kids. Michael Jackson
- 16 plays with kids all the time at Neverland, doesn't
- 17 he?
- 18 A. Yes, he does.
- 19 Q. He often acts like a kid himself, doesn't
- 20 he?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And he takes pride particularly in bringing
- 23 inner city kids to Neverland to have fun, doesn't
- 24 he?
- 25 A. Correct. Yes.
- 26 Q. We're talking about kids from poverty, kids
- 27 from broken homes, right?

- 1 Q. He sometimes personally arranges those
- 2 visits himself, doesn't he?
- 3 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 4 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 5 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know whether or not
- 6 Michael Jackson sometimes personally arranges visits
- 7 by kids to Neverland?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And typically when these busloads of kids
- 10 get to Neverland, they all want to see Michael
- 11 Jackson, right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And sometimes you schedule all these kids
- 14 and these adults to be at a certain location to wait
- 15 for Michael to come out and see them, right?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll object as cumulative.
- 18 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Isn't that true?
- 20 A. That is correct, yes.
- 21 Q. And he would call you and arrange to have
- 22 toys available for all these kids when they would
- 23 visit, right?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. And you would typically have all the kids
- 26 assemble on the property, and staff would start
- 27 distributing toys to them, right?

- 1 Q. And very often in the middle of the toy
- 2 distribution, Michael comes out to see the kids,
- 3 right?
- 4 A. On some occasion, yes.
- 5 Q. And you'll see them running to Michael.
- 6 They want to see him; they want to touch him, right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. The adults will do the same, correct?
- 9 A. Correct, yes.
- 10 Q. Now, the prosecutor asked you what these
- 11 children do at Neverland, and you talked about bike
- 12 riding.
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. What did you mean by bike riding?
- 15 A. He's got so many toys, they can just take
- 16 off on the quad-runners, scooters. That's what I
- 17 meant.
- 18 Q. And you never got the impression Michael
- 19 Jackson was supervising the bike riding, did you?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. People on the property who worked for Mr.
- 22 Jackson take care of that, don't they?
- 23 A. Especially security, yes.
- 24 Q. And also you expect the parents or the
- 25 adults in charge to have some responsibility, right?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. You talked about quads, okay. And what did

- 1 A. They have those four-wheelers that they can
- 2 go off, off the road. That's --
- 3 Q. And they typically ride on the roads at
- 4 Neverland, right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And who supervises that, typically?
- 7 A. Oh, themself. Themselves or security.
- 8 Q. You have never thought Michael Jackson was
- 9 walking around supervising who got into those
- 10 vehicles, did you?
- 11 A. No, no.
- 12 Q. He doesn't seem to supervise any of that,
- 13 does he?
- 14 A. No, he doesn't.
- 15 Q. Okay. He assumes staff on the premises
- 16 will, right?
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Objection. No
- 18 foundation, as to what Mr. Jackson assumes. Calls
- 19 for speculation.
- 20 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 21 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You told the prosecutor
- 22 that sometimes Michael Jackson would play with kids
- 23 on a daily basis, right?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. And you would see him playing with kids all
- 26 over the premises, right?
- 27 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; asked and

- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you see Michael
- 3 Jackson take these kids to the petting zoo?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Did you see him take them to the bigger zoo?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Did you see him take them to the arcade?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Did you see him take them to the theater?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. How about ride with them on the train?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Okay. This went on all the time, didn't it?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. Now, the prosecutor asked you questions
- 16 about Mr. Jackson appearing intoxicated, okay?
- 17 A. Right.
- 18 Q. Now, you never saw him drinking, right?
- 19 A. No, I didn't.
- 20 Q. And were you aware that there were times
- 21 when he had a prescription drug problem?
- 22 A. Yes, I -- yes, I was.
- 23 Q. And he had gotten a lot of injections from
- 24 various physicians?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 1 Jackson had -- excuse me, let me rephrase. Did you
- 2 know whether or not Mr. Jackson at various times had
- 3 a prescription drug problem?
- 4 A. Yes, I did.
- 5 Q. And did you know he was treated for that?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. When you saw him appearing intoxicated, you
- 8 don't know what the cause was, correct?
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. You knew he had suffered severe burns on his
- 11 body, didn't you?
- 12 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Foundation;
- 13 relevance.
- 14 THE COURT: Foundation; sustained.
- 15 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you know whether or
- 16 not, during one entertainment event, Mr. Jackson
- 17 suffered severe burns all over his body?
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Ob -- I'll --
- 19 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 20 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you know he was being
- 21 treated for that?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; vague as to
- 23 time.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 25 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you know whether or
- 26 not Mr. Jackson was being treated by physicians with
- 27 medication because he'd been badly burned?

- 1 time.
- 2 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: At any time?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. That was common knowledge at Neverland, was
- 5 it not?
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll object and move to
- 7 strike the last answer. Still vague as to time.
- 8 THE COURT: Stricken.
- 9 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: During the year 2002, were
- 10 you aware -- excuse me. During the year 2002, do
- 11 you know whether or not Michael Jackson was being
- 12 treated by various physicians for health problems?
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Vague as to
- 14 "health problems."
- 15 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 16 You may answer.
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll object as to
- 18 foundation.
- 19 THE COURT: The answer -- the question calls
- 20 for a "yes" or "no" answer. You may answer.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 22 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: And during the year 2002,
- 23 were you aware that Mr. Jackson --
- 24 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection to the form of
- 25 the question. "Were you aware" assumes facts.
- 26 THE COURT: You have to let him finish the
- 27 question.

- 1 you aware -- excuse me. During the year 2002, did
- 2 you know whether or not Mr. Jackson was taking
- 3 medications for a broken leg?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. During the year 2002, did you know whether
- 6 or not Mr. Jackson was taking medications for a foot
- 7 problem?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And during the year 2002, did you know
- 10 whether or not Mr. Jackson had recurring problems
- 11 because he had been badly burned?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. During the year 2002, did you know whether
- 14 or not Mr. Jackson had back problems?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm going to object as to
- 17 foundation.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: During the year 2003, did
- 20 you know whether or not Mr. Jackson was taking
- 21 prescription drugs for a leg problem?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know whether or not
- 25 Mr. Jackson took prescription drugs in the year 2003
- 26 while you were working there?
- 27 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 2 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you recall seeing Mr.
- 3 Jackson's children in his bedroom?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. They would be in there a lot during the time
- 6 you worked there, right?
- 7 A. That is correct, yes.
- 8 Q. You would see his children at the lower
- 9 level, right?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. You would see them in his bedroom upstairs,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. Correct, yes.
- 14 Q. Did you typically spend much time with Mr.
- 15 Jackson's children?
- 16 A. I would say I didn't spend too much time
- 17 with them because -- but saw them, I mean, every day
- 18 there, yes.
- 19 Q. Every day?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And you would mainly see them in the main
- 22 house?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Would you see them on the property also?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. But you saw them in his room quite often,
- 27 didn't you?

- 1 Q. Do you know anything about an alarm system
- 2 that one has to use to get into Mr. Jackson's
- 3 bedroom?
- 4 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; vague as to
- 5 "one has to use" an alarm system.
- 6 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 7 You may answer.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 9 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: And have you set off that
- 10 alarm from time to time?
- 11 A. No, not really.
- 12 Q. Have you heard the alarm go off?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Okay. Do you know much about that alarm
- 15 system?
- 16 A. I know about it, but I -- you know, not --
- 17 didn't get involved in that too much.
- 18 Q. It's not something that you would typically
- 19 handle?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Okay. Okay. Have you seen Mr. Jackson
- 22 entertain adults at his home in the evening?
- 23 A. Oh, yes.
- 24 Q. He does that quite often, doesn't he?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. And when he does that, you often see adults
- 27 drinking alcohol, don't you?

- 1 Q. You see staff serving them alcohol, right?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. And they're free to go into the kitchen area
- 4 and grab alcohol if they want to, typically, right?
- 5 A. That is correct, yes.
- 6 Q. You've also seen them served alcohol in his
- 7 bedroom, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. You've seen adults sitting in the lower
- 10 level of his bedroom drinking, right?
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. And typically there would be an order placed
- 13 by someone, and staff will bring alcohol into his
- 14 bedroom for that purpose, right?
- 15 A. Right.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, the prosecutor asked you about
- 17 complaints involving kids in the wine cellar, right?
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. During the 20 years you worked at Neverland,
- 20 that area you call the wine cellar was always a wine
- 21 cellar, was it not?
- 22 A. That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. And this is the area that you said, close
- 24 by, has an area which has Mr. Jackson's memorabilia
- 25 from tours around the world, right?
- 26 A. Correct, yes.
- 27 Q. And in that area nearby is where you can see

28 his costumes, his gloves, and things of that sort, 4767

- 1 right?
- 2 A. That is correct, yes.
- 3 Q. And typically kids and adults want to go
- 4 there and see all these costumes from his very
- 5 successful music career, right?
- 6 A. That is right, yes.
- 7 Q. And once in a while, somebody will bring
- 8 people down to that cellar area so they can see all
- 9 that memorabilia, right?
- 10 A. Right.
- 11 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Misstates the
- 12 evidence that the memorabilia is in the cellar area.
- 13 MR. MESEREAU: That's what he testified to,
- 14 Your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: No, it's not. Rephrase your
- 16 question.
- 17 MR. MESEREAU: Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. Let's take the area that we've identified as
- 19 the wine cellar, okay? You got to go down the
- 20 stairs to get there, right?
- 21 A. Right, yes.
- 22 Q. When you get down those stairs, where do you
- 23 see the wine cellar when you reach the foot of the
- 24 stairs?
- 25 A. It's on the wall. Placed on the wall.
- 26 Q. There are other areas around the wine cellar
- 27 which have other purposes in the house, right?

- 1 Q. And doesn't one of those areas have
- 2 costumes, gloves, and memorabilia from Mr. Jackson's
- 3 tours?
- 4 A. Not specifically in that area.
- 5 Q. Well, it's not far away, though, right?
- 6 A. It's outside there.
- 7 Q. But you can certainly -- from time to time,
- 8 he has stored stuff there, hasn't he?
- 9 A. Yes. I would say that, yes.
- 10 Q. And sometimes people have gone down to look
- 11 at that stuff, right?
- 12 A. That is correct, yes.
- 13 Q. And there's some other areas at Neverland
- 14 where that stuff is stored as well, right?
- 15 A. The main part, yes.
- 16 Q. Because there's a ton of stuff.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. From a long, successful career.
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Now, during the 20 years you've been at
- 21 Neverland, there have been very few complaints about
- 22 children being in the wine cellar, right?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- 24 Q. You're talking about maybe a couple over a
- 25 20-year period, right?
- 26 A. That is correct, during my time there, yes.
- 27 Q. Mr. Jackson's policy is not to let kids in

- 1 A. That is correct, yes.
- 2 Q. The prosecutor talked about young boys from
- 3 Los Olivos, and you identified their pictures,
- 4 right?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. And you've seen them there with their
- 7 parents from time to time, haven't you?
- 8 A. No, not with their parents.
- 9 Q. The parents have visited?
- 10 A. Yes, yes.
- 11 Q. But they also have come from time to time on
- 12 their own, correct?
- 13 A. Themself, yes.
- 14 Q. And they've come from time to time when Mr.
- 15 Jackson wasn't even there, right?
- 16 A. That is correct, yes.
- 17 Q. And people on the property know them,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And generally nobody objects to their
- 21 visiting Neverland, right?
- 22 A. That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. They sometimes come alone and they sometimes
- 24 come with their parents, right?
- 25 A. Yes.
- 26 Q. They're really neighbors, aren't they?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. And once in a while they've gotten into some 4770

- 1 trouble there, correct?
- 2 A. That is correct, yes.
- 3 Q. They've been known as mischievous kids,
- 4 right?
- 5 A. Right.
- 6 Q. They've been caught in various places around
- 7 Neverland, haven't they?
- 8 A. That is correct, yes.
- 9 Q. They've been caught in rooms, true?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. They were caught playing hide-and-seek in
- 12 the house, weren't they?
- 13 A. Right, yes.
- 14 Q. Now, if you catch kids playing hide-and-seek
- 15 in the house or getting into trouble, typically what
- 16 do you do?
- 17 A. Well, you try to explain to them that -- you
- 18 know, if you caught them doing something they're not
- 19 supposed to be doing, you just let them know that,
- 20 you know, that's not what they should be -- you
- 21 know, that there's some certain things that, you
- 22 know, they're allowed to do, there's things that
- 23 they're not allowed to do, so we let them know.
- 24 Q. But like -- let's take these kids from Los
- 25 Olivos that are neighbors who are allowed on the
- 26 property, and sometimes their parents aren't there.
- 27 Who kind of watches them when they come alone?

28 A. Pretty much nobody. They're on their own. 4771

- 1 Q. Do people on the property keep an eye on
- 2 them, or what happens?
- 3 A. Well, you know, I would say yes, security,
- 4 just for safety reasons, yes. Or the staff
- 5 personnel if they're at the amusement park, yes.
- 6 Q. If they go into the main house, which they
- 7 do from time to time, who would be in the main house
- 8 typically, who might see them?
- 9 A. I would say that will be the maids, the
- 10 cooks, yes. Or myself.
- 11 Q. And if they start going upstairs into the
- 12 bedrooms, who are they likely to run into?
- 13 A. Well, they'll run into the doors. They
- 14 can't go in.
- 15 Q. Besides the doors, who might they see? Will
- 16 they see the people who are cleaning?
- 17 A. Yes, they might run into maids or somebody
- 18 else from the house staff. Yes.
- 19 Q. And how many kids are we talking about?
- 20 A. We're talking about the --
- 21 Q. Three?
- 22 A. Three kids, yes.
- 23 Q. All right. And how long have they been
- 24 coming onto the property, to your knowledge? Excuse
- 25 me, let me rephrase that.
- 26 When you were working there, for how long a
- 27 period of time do you remember their coming freely

- 1 A. They would come in frequently.
- 2 Q. Regularly?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Would it be in the evening, morning,
- 5 weekends? What would it be?
- 6 A. It would be weekends or days, yes.
- 7 Q. And how would they get on? Would they go
- 8 through the main gate?
- 9 A. Yes, they did.
- 10 Q. And do people in the main gate know them?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And do they typically just let them walk
- 13 onto the property?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Would somebody drive them anywhere?
- 16 A. Well, sometimes they drove to the place,
- 17 so -- yes, they drove their own car.
- 18 Q. And how old were these young boys?
- 19 A. Young kids; 15, 16.
- 20 Q. 15, 16?
- 21 A. Yes, yes.
- 22 Q. And they're the ones that got in trouble
- 23 from time to time?
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. All right. Would anyone call their parents
- 26 up typically and say, "Your teenaged kids are in
- 27 trouble"?

- 1 Q. Okay. Were they ever asked to leave the
- 2 property, to your knowledge?
- 3 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 4 Q. Actually, Mr. Jackson didn't want them to
- 5 get in trouble with their parents, did he?
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Calls for
- 7 speculation; no foundation.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let me ask you a few more
- 10 questions about the Arvizos at Neverland.
- 11 You saw the Arvizo children roaming freely
- 12 around Neverland when they stayed there, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. They'd use the amusement rides when they
- 15 chose, correct?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 Q. They'd go into the theater when they wanted
- 18 to, right?
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 Q. They jumped on the train when they wanted
- 21 to, right?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. And they would visit the zoo when they
- 24 chose, right?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. Did you ever see the mother supervising the
- 27 children at Neverland?

- 1 Q. Did you ever see her keeping an eye on the
- 2 children at Neverland?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. When you saw them at the zoo, do you recall
- 5 the mother ever being with them?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. When you saw the Arvizo children at the
- 8 amusement park on the rides, did you ever see the
- 9 mother with them?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; cumulative.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 THE WITNESS: No.
- 14 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: When you saw the Arvizo
- 15 children on the train, did you ever see their mother
- 16 with them?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. When you saw the Arvizo children in the
- 19 theater, did you see the mother with them?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. But you saw the mother eating in the main
- 22 house, didn't you?
- 23 A. That is correct, yes.
- 24 Q. And you saw her walking around the property,
- 25 right?
- 26 A. Right.
- 27 Q. Would you describe the Arvizo children as

- 1 A. At some point.
- 2 Q. Well, they got in trouble at the amusement
- 3 park, didn't they?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Tell the jury what happened.
- 6 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; 403.
- 7 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. But
- 8 we're going to take our break, so we'll start with
- 9 that question when we come back.
- 10 (Recess taken.)
- 11 THE COURT: Counsel? Go ahead.
- 12 MR. MESEREAU: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 Q. Just a couple more questions.
- 14 You mentioned that the Arvizo family
- 15 returned to Neverland a number of times in 2003,
- 16 right?
- 17 A. That is correct, yes.
- 18 Q. Do you know how they got to Neverland?
- 19 A. I believe they did on the limo.
- 20 Q. A limo?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Was it your impression that the Arvizos had
- 23 access to a limousine service when they wanted to?
- 24 MR AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: I think there is a
- 26 foundation, Your Honor.
- 27 THE COURT: I'll sustain the objection.

- 1 least one occasion you called a limousine service so
- 2 the Arvizos could leave Neverland, right?
- 3 A. That is correct. Yes.
- 4 Q. And you said on the other occasion you took
- 5 Michael's Rolls Royce and drove them yourself,
- 6 right?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And that was in the middle of the night when
- 9 Janet wanted to leave, right?
- 10 A. That is correct, yes.
- 11 Q. And I believe you said on other occasions
- 12 when the Arvizos left Neverland, it was your
- 13 understanding they always had a limousine, correct?
- 14 A. That is correct, yes.
- 15 Q. Do you know who would arrange for the
- 16 limousines to transport the Arvizos?
- 17 A. I called them personally.
- 18 Q. You would do it personally?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. How many times do you think you personally
- 21 called a limousine service to transport the Arvizos?
- 22 A. I think it was around three times.
- 23 Somewhere around there.
- 24 Q. Is there a particular limousine service that
- 25 you would normally call?
- 26 A. It's out of Santa Barbara. And it's
- 27 called -- what is it called? Limo Link, I believe.

28 Q. Okay. Now, you wouldn't discuss with 4777

- 1 Michael Jackson the fact that you wanted to call a
- 2 limousine service, right?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. You had enough authority to do that if you
- 5 thought it was the appropriate thing to do, right?
- 6 A. That is correct, yes.
- 7 Q. And was it your understanding that from time
- 8 to time guests of Mr. Jackson would need a
- 9 limousine?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And you would get a call from someone asking
- 12 for you to arrange for a limousine, correct?
- 13 A. That is correct, yes.
- 14 Q. Actually, Mr. Jackson was pretty generous
- 15 with arranging for limousines to take his guests off
- 16 the property, wasn't he?
- 17 A. Correct, yes.
- 18 Q. Do you recall Janet Arvizo from time to time
- 19 leaving the premises to go into town?
- 20 A. I believe there was only one time.
- 21 Q. And did she talk to you about that?
- 22 A. Yes, she did.
- 23 Q. Was it your understanding she was getting a
- 24 body wax that day?
- 25 A. That is correct, yes.
- 26 Q. And was it arranged for a limousine to take
- 27 her to the body wax place?

- 1 Q. How did she get to the body wax place?
- 2 A. I sent one of the maids with her.
- 3 Q. So you arranged for a maid to drive her to
- 4 the body wax?
- 5 A. That, yes.
- 6 Q. That was a salon, right?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 Q. And was that in Los Olivos, if you know?
- 9 A. Los Olivos or Solvang, somewhere in there.
- 10 Q. Okay. Okay. She was away for quite a while
- 11 that day, correct?
- 12 A. Correct, yes.
- 13 Q. Do you recall it being three or four hours?
- 14 A. Somewhere around there, yes.
- 15 Q. Now, did Janet tell you she wanted to get a
- 16 body wax at a salon that day?
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Why did you arrange for
- 20 one of the maids to drive Janet Arvizo off the
- 21 premises to get a body wax?
- 22 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Foundation;
- 23 hearsay.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 25 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know why one of the
- 26 maids drove Janet Arvizo off the premises to get a
- 27 body wax?

- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Were you in charge of the
- 3 maid who drove Janet Arvizo off the premises to get
- 4 a body wax?
- 5 A. Yes, I was.
- 6 Q. Did you ask the maid to do that?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; hearsay.
- 9 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 10 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Why did you ask the maid
- 11 to do that?
- 12 A. Well, I figured it was a --
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection. Hearsay;
- 14 foundation.
- 15 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 16 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know which car the
- 17 maid used?
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; relevance.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 20 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Just a couple more
- 21 questions. Do you recall -- do you recall Mr.
- 22 Jackson traveling to Florida during 2003?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Do you recall Mr. Jackson traveling to Las
- 25 Vegas during 2003?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Do you recall him traveling anywhere else,

- 1 A. Pretty much, that I can remember was just
- 2 Florida and Vegas.
- 3 Q. Okay. Finally, the prosecutor asked you
- 4 questions about some beds in the theater. Remember
- 5 that?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. Aren't those hospital beds for handicapped
- 8 kids?
- 9 A. Yes, they are.
- 10 MR. MESEREAU: No further questions.
- 11
- 12 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 13 BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS:
- 14 Q. Mr. Salas, those hospital beds in the
- 15 theater, does Mr. Jackson use those beds personally?
- 16 A. Occasionally, yes, to watch a movie.
- 17 Q. Do other kids who were not handicapped use
- 18 those beds?
- 19 A. Yes, they do.
- 20 Q. As far as the limousines go, you testified
- 21 on direct examination that you were told not to let
- 22 the Arvizos off the property unless you got
- 23 approval; is that correct?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. And you said that you arranged for three
- 26 limousines -- three times that you arranged for
- 27 limousines to transport the Arvizos off the

- 1 A. That I can remember, yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Was this all -- those three times,
- 3 were they all in 2003 during that period of time
- 4 you've testified about?
- 5 A. I believe it was one time in 2002.
- 6 Q. Okay. So the other two times that you
- 7 ordered a limousine service to transport the
- 8 Arvizos, did you get permission from somebody at the
- 9 ranch to let them off the property?
- 10 A. Yes, I did.
- 11 Q. Who did you get permission from?
- 12 A. I got permission from -- it was Frank, yes.
- 13 Q. All right. You talked a little bit about a
- 14 time at the dinner table when you suspected that
- 15 Gavin had been drinking. Do you remember --
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. -- testifying about that?
- 18 Was Michael Jackson present at the dinner
- 19 table that night?
- 20 A. No, he was not.
- 21 Q. Was Frank present at the dinner table that
- 22 night?
- 23 A. Yes, he was.
- 24 Q. And did you ultimately determine whether
- 25 Gavin had been drinking that night?
- 26 A. Didn't really specify that, but I -- just by
- 27 the way he was acting, I knew that he was drinking.

28 Q. Was there another time when you saw Gavin 4782

- 1 when he appeared to be drinking?
- 2 A. That was the only time.
- 3 Q. And that only time that you saw him
- 4 drinking, that he appeared to be intoxicated, what
- 5 was he doing that made you think that?
- 6 A. The way he was acting, just not normal.
- 7 Just his reactions.
- 8 Q. Had you had occasion to see Gavin a number
- 9 of times before that or after that when he was
- 10 acting normal, in your opinion?
- 11 A. Ask the question again.
- 12 Q. I guess my question is, did you have a good
- 13 frame of reference for judging whether Gavin was
- 14 acting normal or not?
- 15 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Vague;
- 16 foundation.
- 17 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 18 You may answer.
- 19 THE WITNESS: That was the only time I saw
- 20 that I noticed that.
- 21 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. So my question
- 22 was, did you spend enough time around Gavin to feel
- 23 as if you could make a call as to whether or not he
- 24 was acting drunk or not? Do you understand that
- 25 question?
- 26 A. Yes, I do.
- 27 I would say yes, I --

28 Q. Okay. And how was he acting that made you 4783

- 1 think he was -- how was he acting differently on
- 2 that evening that made you think he was drunk?
- 3 A. Pretty simple. Just when somebody's drunk,
- 4 I mean, you can tell by the way they look, their
- 5 reaction, of the way they look, the way they talk.
- 6 Just verbal, the way he was talking.
- 7 Q. Was it obvious to you he'd been drinking?
- 8 A. I would say yes.
- 9 Q. And you said Frank was at the table. Who
- 10 else was at the table that night?
- 11 A. I believe it was Vinnie and some of Frank's
- 12 guests, I believe it was. A couple girls, something
- 13 like that.
- 14 O. Was Gavin's mother around?
- 15 A. No, she was not.
- 16 Q. Now, as far as where the kids slept -- and
- 17 maybe I'll back up, because I don't think I asked
- 18 this question.
- 19 What time of day was it that you saw Gavin
- 20 where you thought he'd been drinking?
- 21 A. I would say it was about around nine
- 22 o'clock, nighttime.
- 23 Q. Nighttime?
- 24 A. Uh-huh.
- 25 Q. Was Mr. Jackson on the property at that
- 26 time?
- 27 A. Yes, he was.

28 Q. When children slept in Mr. Jackson's 4784

- 1 bedroom, do you know, personally know, where they
- 2 slept in the bedroom, as far as where they slept,
- 3 upstairs or downstairs? Did you see it?
- 4 A. I didn't see exactly who slept on Mr.
- 5 Jackson's bed, but I know there was kids there
- 6 and -- yes.
- 7 Q. So you never spent the night in Mr.
- 8 Jackson's bedroom, I take it?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. So you don't know where the kids slept after
- 11 you left the room?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. But you were in the room at times when kids
- 14 were there?
- 15 A. Right. Yes.
- 16 Q. And in terms of these kids, were they all
- 17 boys that slept in Mr. Jackson's room?
- 18 A. Pretty much, yes.
- 19 Q. Now, Mr. Mesereau asked you about the
- 20 first-class treatment that everyone received at
- 21 Neverland. And you basically said that the adults
- 22 got first-class treatment, too?
- 23 A. That is correct, yes.
- 24 Q. Okay. So did the kids get the same
- 25 first-class treatment that the adults did?
- 26 A. Absolutely.
- 27 Q. Were they basically treated just like the

- 1 A. Just like the adults.
- 2 Q. And these kids, when they were at Neverland
- 3 during the 20 years you were there, did these kids
- 4 ever have supervision?
- 5 A. Do you mean by --
- 6 Q. By Neverland. Any organized supervision of
- 7 these children while they were at Neverland?
- 8 A. We really didn't have supervision. They had
- 9 security that would keep an eye on the guests, or
- 10 even the Neverland staff working at certain places,
- 11 they had to make sure that the kids were safe. Not
- 12 supervising them, but just for safety.
- 13 Q. Okay. So if an employee was around and saw
- 14 something dangerous, they might intervene; is that
- 15 fair to say?
- 16 A. Of course, yes.
- 17 Q. But the employees, they weren't running
- 18 around supervising these kids where they were?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. They were allowed to run around wherever
- 21 they wanted, do whatever they wanted?
- 22 A. Absolutely.
- 23 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 25 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Some of this is offered as
- 26 impeachment.
- 27 THE COURT: Well, that was leading, so....

- 1 Q. Now, as far as the busloads of children go,
- 2 were these children treated differently than the
- 3 children who were guests at Neverland?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Were the busloads of children allowed to
- 6 spend the night in Michael Jackson's room?
- 7 A. None of those kids spent the night in his
- 8 room.
- 9 Q. Okay. Were they given the access code to
- 10 the house?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Okay. Were they allowed to -- were these
- 13 children, did they bring their own supervision with
- 14 them, adult supervision?
- 15 A. Yes, they did.
- 16 Q. Was it organized? Were they organized as to
- 17 where they would go and how they would spend their
- 18 time at Neverland?
- 19 A. Absolutely, yes.
- 20 Q. Was Mr. Jackson even there when those
- 21 busloads of kids would arrive or be there?
- 22 A. Many times he was there. Many times he
- 23 wasn't there.
- 24 Q. Okay. When he was there, would he always
- 25 come out or sometimes come out?
- 26 A. Sometimes come out.
- 27 Q. So there were times busloads of kids would

28 arrive and Mr. Jackson wouldn't even come out to say 4787

- 1 hi?
- 2 A. Yes. There was times that he --
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading;
- 4 misstates the evidence.
- 5 THE COURT: Overruled. The answer is, "Yes."
- 6 Next question.
- 7 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: As far as Janet, when
- 8 she was -- when she left Neverland the first time
- 9 with her family, in the interview with the sheriff's
- 10 department, didn't you say that, "The whole family,
- 11 they were not allowed to go nowhere"?
- 12 A. Yes. That's what I said, yes.
- 13 Q. And that, "They had them there always, and
- 14 they were with supervision"?
- 15 A. According to what she told me, yes.
- 16 Q. Didn't you say Frank Tyson was one of the
- 17 individuals involved in the handling of the Arvizo
- 18 family?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And did you say that Salas -- did you say
- 21 that ranch employees were required to go through
- 22 Frank Tyson with questions or problems regarding the
- 23 Arvizo family?
- 24 A. That is correct, yes.
- 25 Q. Did you also say that Tyson -- that you
- 26 believed Tyson would then, in turn, go through Mr.
- 27 Jackson?

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: This is impeachment.
- 2 MR. MESEREAU: No foundation.
- 3 THE COURT: The objection is overruled.
- 4 You may answer.
- 5 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Did you say that Tyson
- 6 would then, in turn, go through Mr. Jackson?
- 7 A. Correct, yes.
- 8 Q. Did you say that the Arvizo family was not
- 9 being allowed to leave the Neverland Ranch even
- 10 though the mother wished to leave with her children?
- 11 A. That's correct, yes.
- 12 Q. In the grand jury, when you testified, you
- 13 were asked this question: You were asked whether or
- 14 not you believed Janet Arvizo and her family was
- 15 being kept against their will. You said, "Yes"; is
- 16 that true?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Foundation;
- 19 leading.
- 20 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Offered as impeachment.
- 21 THE COURT: Overruled. He said, "Yes."
- 22 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: And is that a true
- 23 statement?
- 24 THE COURT: He said, "Yes."
- 25 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay.
- 26 Q. You said -- I believe when Mr. Mesereau was
- 27 up here, you said that Mrs. Arvizo was never

- 1 A. That is correct, yes.
- 2 Q. So no one ever used physical force on her?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. You said that when you took her home, that
- 5 she told you that she was -- you told Mr. Mesereau
- 6 that she was upset with the people at Neverland
- 7 Ranch?
- 8 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; misstates the
- 9 evidence.
- 10 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Upset with Ronald -- I
- 11 believe it was Dieter.
- 12 THE COURT: Do you want to rephrase the
- 13 question?
- 14 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Yeah.
- 15 Q. You told Mr. Mesereau that when you were
- 16 taking Janet and the children home that first time,
- 17 that she was upset with Dieter; is that correct?
- 18 A. That is correct, yes.
- 19 Q. Didn't you also previously state that she
- 20 said she was upset with Frank as well, or no? You
- 21 tell me.
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Now, you also told Mr. Mesereau that the $\ensuremath{\text{--}}$
- 24 at that time, when she left Neverland Ranch the
- 25 first time, she was not angry at Michael Jackson?
- 26 A. That is correct, yes.
- 27 Q. Okay. After she left Neverland that first

28 time, did you ever talk to her about whether she was 4790

- 1 still angry at Michael Jackson?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you have much contact with her after
- 4 that first time?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Do you have any idea whether she is angry at
- 7 Michael Jackson today?
- 8 A. I have no idea.
- 9 Q. You mentioned that you allowed your daughter
- 10 Sandra to visit Mr. Jackson at Neverland.
- 11 A. That is correct, yes.
- 12 Q. When was that?
- 13 A. '91, '92, somewhere around there maybe.
- 14 Maybe later than that. I'm not quite sure.
- 15 Q. So early '90s?
- 16 A. I would say so, yes.
- 17 Q. Was it one occasion?
- 18 A. I believe it was about three times.
- 19 Q. Three times that she personally spent time
- 20 with Mr. Jackson?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Were all three of those occasions in '90,
- 23 '91, in that early -- early 1990s?
- 24 A. It was during the same time, yes.
- 25 Q. Did you ever allow your daughter to sleep
- 26 with Mr. Jackson?
- 27 A. She never slept over there.

28 Q. Okay. Would you ever allow your daughter to 4791

- 1 sleep with Mr. Jackson?
- 2 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Calls for
- 3 speculation; leading; foundation.
- 4 THE COURT: It's argumentative; sustained.
- 5 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Knowing what you know
- 6 today, based upon all your time at Neverland, do you
- 7 believe this place is a healthy place, would be a
- 8 healthy place for your daughter to visit?
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Opinion;
- 10 foundation; relevance.
- 11 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: This was offered as an
- 12 opinion as to --
- 13 THE COURT: The objection is sustained.
- 14 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Is it true to say that
- 15 the kids do get hurt at Neverland?
- 16 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Relevance; beyond
- 17 the scope; leading.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 19 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Do kids ever get hurt
- 20 at Neverland?
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: Same objection.
- 22 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 23 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Counsel asked the
- 24 question.
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: I never asked that question.
- 26 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Talked about safety.
- 27 THE COURT: All right. Quit talking to each

- 1 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. You said that some people invade Neverland
- 3 or come in from the outside, correct?
- 4 A. Correct, yes.
- 5 Q. How far is Neverland away from the nearest
- 6 town?
- 7 A. Six miles.
- 8 Q. How do these people get out there?
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; foundation.
- 10 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: If you know.
- 11 THE COURT: The foundation is sustained.
- 12 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. Do you know how
- 13 these people get out there?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. How do they get out there?
- 16 A. Driving.
- 17 Q. Okay. So these people who visit -- who try
- 18 to get into Neverland have a car?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Where is the car?
- 21 A. They park on the outside of the property.
- 22 Q. You also said that Janet complained about
- 23 being separated from Michael, that Dieter was
- 24 separating her from Michael. Yes?
- 25 A. Yes. That was her expression, yes.
- 26 Q. Didn't she say that she was -- didn't she
- 27 complain that Dieter was separating her from Michael

- 1 A. Not exactly what she said. She said that
- 2 she was being separated from Michael.
- 3 Q. Okay. But didn't she reference her children
- 4 when she was talking about that?
- 5 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; asked and
- 6 answered.
- 7 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 8 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: You say "not exactly."
- 9 What do you mean?
- 10 A. She never mentioned the kids.
- 11 Q. Did she ever complain about being separated
- 12 from her kids?
- 13 A. No, sir.
- 14 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 15 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: When Janet was at
- 16 Neverland --
- 17 THE COURT: Wait. There was an objection.
- 18 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'm sorry.
- 19 MR. MESEREAU: I'll withdraw the objection.
- 20 THE COURT: Go ahead, Counsel.
- 21 (Laughter.)
- 22 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: When Janet was at
- 23 Neverland, did she -- well, let me strike that.
- 24 Do you know where Janet would spend most of
- 25 her time while she was at Neverland?
- 26 A. She spent most of her time in the
- 27 guesthouse.

28 Q. Do you know where she would take her meals? 4794

- 1 A. Many times she -- most of the time she took
- 2 it in the room. There was times that she went in
- 3 the kitchen.
- 4 Q. When Mr. Mesereau asked you if things kind
- 5 of run themselves or keep running at Neverland when
- 6 Michael is not there, who is it that makes the
- 7 determination in general about how Neverland is run
- 8 as a ranch? Who is it that makes the ultimate call?
- 9 A. Okay, for the place would be run, I mean, we
- 10 have a staff. We have a ranch manager.
- 11 Q. Uh-huh.
- 12 A. And that's how we do it. I mean, that's how
- 13 they used to do it. Just do it together.
- 14 Q. Who tells the ranch manager how he wants
- 15 that place run?
- 16 A. On the major decisions, I guess it comes
- 17 from L.A. also.
- 18 Q. Does Michael have anything to do with how he
- 19 wants that place run?
- 20 A. I'm not sure if he has something to do with
- 21 that, but he will tell you what he likes.
- 22 Q. When Mr. Jackson is on the property, do the
- 23 employees act differently?
- 24 A. No. They shouldn't.
- 25 Q. There's no difference between when he's on
- 26 the property or off the property?
- 27 A. No, because the place needs to run the same

- 1 Q. But isn't Neverland Ranch run exactly the
- 2 way Michael Jackson wants it?
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Leading and asked
- 4 and answered.
- 5 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Offered as impeachment.
- 6 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 7 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Who is the person who
- 8 ultimately makes the determination as to what
- 9 happens at Neverland?
- 10 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. It's been asked
- 11 and answered a couple of times.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay.
- 14 Q. Let me back off, then, and go to -- okay, so
- 15 sometimes someone in Los Angeles makes the decision,
- 16 right?
- 17 A. Uh-huh.
- 18 Q. Who tells the person in Los Angeles what
- 19 they want?
- 20 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; foundation.
- 21 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 22 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Have you ever seen guns
- 23 on Neverland Ranch?
- 24 A. Not now, okay.
- 25 Q. Not now?
- 26 A. Before, at the beginning, yes.
- 27 Q. There were guns?

- 1 Q. Tell me about it.
- 2 A. That was at the beginning when Mr. Jackson
- 3 bought the place. Security was carrying guns.
- 4 Q. Was there a period of time when guns were
- 5 not kept -- not -- the security was not armed?
- 6 A. Yes, it came to the point that I guess Mr.
- 7 Jackson didn't want any guns at the place, and
- 8 nobody was carrying any weapons anymore.
- 9 Q. Did that ever change again?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Was there a time when a few people carried
- 12 guns at Neverland?
- 13 A. Not that I was aware of.
- 14 O. You said that when the Arvizo children were
- 15 there, that Mr. Jackson was in constant meetings.
- 16 You also said that he was constantly playing with
- 17 the children.
- 18 A. That is correct, yes.
- 19 Q. So he was doing both of those things at the
- 20 same time or --
- 21 A. Not at the same time. You know, when he was
- 22 in meetings, he was in meetings. When he had some
- 23 time free, he was playing with kids or he was by
- 24 himself.
- 25 Q. Okay. Who was he having these constant
- 26 meetings with? Who was there when he was having
- 27 these constant meetings?

- 1 Q. Okay. How about -- was Frank Tyson one of
- 2 them?
- 3 A. Not really.
- 4 Q. But he did have meetings with Frank?
- 5 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; asked and
- 6 answered.
- 7 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 8 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: You also said that Mr.
- 9 Jackson was -- you answered some questions about him
- 10 taking prescriptions, prescription medication.
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Do you know the difference between somebody
- 13 who is drunk and somebody who is taking some
- 14 medication?
- 15 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; vague.
- 16 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 17 O. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Go ahead.
- 18 A. No, I guess I don't have a way of describing
- 19 that.
- 20 Q. Well, were there times when you were serving
- 21 Mr. Jackson alcohol when he appeared to be drunk?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And do you know how often Mr. Jackson would
- 24 have alcohol?
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; vague as to time.
- 26 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll be specific.
- 27 Q. During this period in early 2003.

- 1 Q. Daily?
- 2 A. I said regular basis.
- 3 Q. Could you smell alcohol on him when you saw
- 4 him during these periods he appeared to be drunk?
- 5 A. No, I never got so close to him to be able
- 6 to smell.
- 7 Q. You said that Mr. Jackson's policy was not
- 8 to let kids in the wine cellar. Was this a --
- 9 A. That is correct, yes.
- 10 Q. Was that a written policy?
- 11 A. That was a policy, yes.
- 12 Q. Was that -- was it okay for kids to be in
- 13 the wine cellar if he was there?
- 14 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 15 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 16 You may answer.
- 17 THE WITNESS: I believe when he was there, I
- 18 guess it was okay for the kids, yes.
- 19 Q. BY MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. And did you
- 20 testify that there were times when he was in the
- 21 wine cellar with children?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; misstates the
- 24 evidence.
- 25 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: I'll rephrase it.
- 26 Q. Were there times when he was in the wine
- 27 cellar with children?

- 1 Q. You have spoken to myself and various
- 2 members of law enforcement in preparation for this
- 3 case.
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Has anyone ever told you to tell anything
- 6 but the truth?
- 7 A. That is correct, nobody did.
- 8 Q. I'm sorry?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Okay. Thank you. No
- 11 further questions.
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- 13 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. MESEREAU:
- 15 Q. Just briefly. During the 20 years you
- 16 worked at Neverland for Mr. Jackson, it was always
- 17 his policy that children are not to be in the wine
- 18 cellar, true?
- 19 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; foundation.
- 20 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 21 You may answer.
- 22 THE WITNESS: That is correct, yes.
- 23 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: And Mr. Jackson sometimes
- 24 would give people tours of his own home, correct?
- 25 A. That is correct.
- 26 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Objection; beyond the
- 27 scope.

- 1 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: And obviously, as the
- 2 owner of the home, he can take people anywhere he
- 3 wants in his home, right?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Now, when you were driving Janet to Los
- 6 Angeles, she never asked you to call the police, did
- 7 she?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. When you arranged for the limousine to take
- 10 the Arvizos to Los Angeles, they never asked you to
- 11 call the police, did they?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. In fact, she never asked you to call the
- 14 police at any time, did she?
- 15 A. No, she didn't.
- 16 MR. MESEREAU: No further questions.
- 17 MR. AUCHINCLOSS: Nothing further.
- 18 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. You may
- 19 step down.
- 20 MR. ZONEN: Your Honor, we'll call Jason
- 21 Francia to the stand, please.
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: Your Honor, before we start,
- 23 is there an instruction?
- 24 THE COURT: Yes.
- 25 BAILIFF NARRON: Step up to the chair.
- 26 Remain standing and face the clerk.
- 27 MR. FRANCIA: The clerk.

- 2 JASON FRANCIA
- 3 Having been sworn, testified as follows:

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- 5 THE WITNESS: I do.
- 6 THE CLERK: Please be seated. State and
- 7 spell your name for the record.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Jason Francia. And spell my
- 9 last name? F-r-a-n-c-i-a.
- 10 THE COURT: Mr. Francia, I'm going to ask you
- 11 to sit back with the bailiff just for a moment.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 13 THE COURT: (To the witness) If you'll just
- 14 have a seat while I instruct, please.
- 15 (To the jury) Ah, I can see you again.
- 16 (Laughter.)
- 17 THE COURT: Before -- I'm going to give you a
- 18 special instruction now.
- 19 One of the things I want to mention before I
- 20 give you these special instructions, though, is that
- 21 I know this daylight savings time is tough on us. I
- 22 was noticing a few drooping eyelids along here. If
- 23 you start, you know, feeling sleepy or something,
- 24 hold up your hand, and maybe we'll stand up and
- 25 stretch or something. It's really hard during these
- 26 time changes, and I know that, so I just want you to
- 27 know we can help you on that, too.

- 1 different types of evidence which you may hear. One
- 2 relates to a prior uncharged sexual offenses. And
- 3 two relates to a prior conduct -- to prior conduct
- 4 leading to possible uncharged sexual offenses.
- 5 First, the instruction for the prior sexual
- 6 offenses:
- 7 If you find that the defendant committed a
- 8 prior sexual offense, you may, but are not required
- 9 to infer that the defendant had a disposition to
- 10 commit sexual offenses. If you find that the
- 11 defendant had this disposition, you may, but are not
- 12 required to infer that he was likely to commit and
- 13 did commit the crime or crimes of which he is
- 14 accused.
- 15 However, if you find, by a preponderance of
- 16 the evidence, that the defendant committed a prior
- 17 sexual offense, that is not sufficient, by itself,
- 18 to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that he committed
- 19 the charged crime.
- 20 If you determine an inference properly can
- 21 be drawn from this evidence, this inference is
- 22 simply one item for you to consider, along with all
- 23 other evidence, in determining whether the defendant
- 24 has been proved quilty beyond a reasonable doubt of
- 25 the charged crime.
- 26 Unless you are otherwise instructed, you
- 27 must not consider this evidence for any other

- 1 Within the meaning of the preceding
- 2 instruction, the prosecution has the burden of
- 3 proving, by a preponderance of the evidence, that
- 4 the defendant committed sexual offenses other than
- 5 for which he is on trial. You must not consider
- 6 this evidence for any purpose unless you find, by a
- 7 preponderance of the evidence, that the defendant
- 8 committed sexual offenses.
- 9 If you find other crimes were committed by a
- 10 preponderance of the evidence, you are nevertheless
- 11 cautioned and reminded that before a defendant can
- 12 be found guilty of any crime charged in this trial,
- 13 the evidence of the whole must persuade you beyond a
- 14 reasonable doubt that the defendant is quilty of
- 15 that crime.
- 16 This is the second part of the evidence:
- 17 You will hear evidence that is being
- 18 introduced for the purpose of showing conduct of the
- 19 defendant leading to possible sexual offenses other
- 20 than that for which he is on trial. This evidence,
- 21 if believed, may not be considered by you to prove
- 22 that Mr. Jackson is a person of bad character or
- 23 that he has a disposition to commit crimes. It may
- 24 be considered by you only for the limited purpose to
- 25 determine if it tends to show a characteristic
- 26 method, plan or scheme in the commission of criminal
- 27 acts similar to the method, plan or scheme used in

28 the commission of the offense in this case, which 4804

- 1 would further tend to show the existence of the
- 2 intent, which is a necessary element of the crime or
- 3 a motive for the commission of the crime charged.
- 4 For the limited purpose for which you may
- 5 consider such evidence, you must weigh it in the
- 6 same manner as you do all other evidence in this
- 7 case. You are not permitted to consider such
- 8 evidence for any other purpose.
- 9 "Preponderance of the evidence" means
- 10 evidence that has more convincing force than that
- 11 opposed to it. If the evidence is so evenly
- 12 balanced that you are unable to find that the
- 13 defendant -- that the evidence on either side of an
- 14 issue preponderates, your finding on that issue must
- 15 be against the party who had the burden of proving
- 16 it. You should consider all of the evidence bearing
- 17 upon every issue regardless of who produced it.
- 18 So, we are -- we have two possible types of
- 19 evidence that you may hear, starting now. One
- 20 relates to prior uncharged sexual offenses. That
- 21 evidence, if the burden of proof preponderance of
- 22 the evidence is met may be used to show a
- 23 propensity to commit a similar crime.
- 24 The second type of evidence that you may
- 25 hear is evidence that -- of conduct leading up to
- 26 possible sexual offenses. And that may not be used
- 27 to show a propensity to commit a crime. It can only

 $28\ \mbox{be}$ used to show the things that I mentioned to you. 4805

- 1 I won't go through them again.
- 2 Complicated, yes. I'll discuss it more with
- 3 you later. It's just an advantage to have it given
- 4 to you in advance of hearing the evidence.
- 5 MR. ZONEN: Was the witness sworn?
- 6 THE COURT: He was sworn. You may proceed.

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- 8 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 9 BY MR. ZONEN:
- 10 Q. Mr. Francia, good afternoon.
- 11 Sir, we've had to tell everybody so far that
- 12 you need to stay fairly close to the microphone
- 13 because it's hard to be heard in the far reaches of
- 14 the courtroom otherwise.
- 15 Tell me, how old are you at this time?
- 16 A. 24.
- 17 Q. Where do you work? What kind of work do you
- 18 do?
- 19 A. I sell auto parts right now. And I run a
- 20 mentoring program for kind of like the probation
- 21 department. Probation department refers kids to me,
- 22 to my organization, and we mentor them through them
- 23 not being truants and not committing crimes again.
- 24 Q. Let's start with the auto parts, and then we
- 25 can go to the other ones.
- 26 A. Okay.
- 27 Q. What do you do in the auto parts store?

- 1 to me with a car that's broken, and then they ask
- 2 for advice, and I just sell them a starter or an
- 3 alternator, or so on, so forth.
- 4 Q. You've been doing that for about how long?
- 5 A. I did this prior, so six -- probably a
- 6 little less than a year.
- 7 Q. Okay. Let's go to the mentoring program.
- 8 Who do you work for in the mentoring program?
- 9 A. Pete Taylor. It's through a church that I
- 10 belong to, but yet it's still its kind of own
- 11 identity. It's Foursquare Youth Programs. That's
- 12 the official title.
- 13 Q. And the nature of the work, by "mentoring,"
- 14 what do you mean?
- 15 A. I'm the lead mentor. And the ultimate goal
- 16 is, let me see, the probation department kind of
- 17 says these kids need to be mentored. They needed to
- 18 go through three programs. Sometimes community
- 19 service or community service, mentoring, or some
- 20 sort of jobs program or something else. And I'm one
- 21 of their steps to get off of probation.
- 22 So what we try to do is match them up with a
- 23 mentor, and that's my job, to try to match them up
- 24 with mentors. And I take them out the first and
- 25 third Saturdays of every month and we try -- just
- 26 hang out with them and show them that there's
- 27 something more to life than crime, or than ditching,

28 or than partying, or than drugs, or than anything 4807

- 1 else. There's more to life. We show them there's
- 2 Frisbee golf. I've showed the guys how to change
- 3 the oil and change a tire.
- 4 My wife is helping. And she shows them how
- 5 to cook, make purses with the girls and --
- 6 Q. You've been doing this for how long?
- 7 A. I've been doing this, this exact job, for
- 8 about six months. This type of work for probably
- 9 since I was 18.
- 10 Q. Okay. When you were 18, did you start some
- 11 kind of an internship program dealing with this?
- 12 A. Yeah, I have started an internship with
- 13 Santa Maria Foursquare Church. Was -- and was
- 14 pretty much training to be -- to work with junior
- 15 high, to high school, to college-aged people. And I
- 16 just -- I -- I wanted to be trained in that, because
- 17 I have a passion for that, so I started that. I did
- 18 that for about two and a half years with Santa Maria
- 19 Foursquare Church.
- 20 Q. Did you ever work as a youth pastor?
- 21 A. Yeah. I did that in 2003 to 2004, from my
- 22 understanding. I can't really remember right now.
- 23 I'm kind of nervous, just to let you guys know.
- 24 Q. That's okay. What is a youth pastor?
- 25 A. Well, I was a youth pastor. That was, I
- 26 guess, my official title. But I worked with
- 27 13-year-olds to 25- or 26-year-olds. And pretty

- 1 within a church. And you work with junior high and
- 2 high schoolers. And then what I try to do is
- 3 address the collegers in a different format. And
- 4 then I've had the college students help me with the
- 5 junior highers and high schoolers. So just talk
- 6 about ethics, God, morals, and doing good.
- 7 Q. You've been doing htis consistently since
- 8 age 18?
- 9 A. Yeah, pretty much.
- 10 Q. Tell us which church this is again, please.
- 11 A. The one I was a youth pastor, I did that
- 12 through Oceano Foursquare. It was really known as
- 13 Kings Way a long time ago. But pretty much Oceano
- 14 Foursquare.
- 15 Q. Mr. Francia, you've been living in the Santa
- 16 Maria area for how long?
- 17 A. In the Santa Maria area -- let me see. We
- 18 moved up here in '88. Then I moved away when I
- 19 graduated high school for like four months. And I'm
- 20 still living here now.
- 21 Q. All right. You say "we" moved up here in
- 22 '88. Who moved in '88?
- 23 A. My mom and I. It was just me and my mom.
- 24 Q. Based on what you tell us is your age, can I
- 25 assume you were born in 1980?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. Okay. What type of work did your mother do

- 1 A. She was working for Michael Jackson.
- 2 Q. All right. Is Michael Jackson in this
- 3 courtroom today?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And could you --
- 6 A. He's right there.
- 7 Q. By telling us what he's --
- 8 A. He's the light-complected gentleman.
- 9 MR. ZONEN: Thank you.
- 10 Could the record so reflect, Your Honor?
- 11 THE COURT: Yes.
- 12 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: What type of work did your
- 13 mother do for Michael Jackson?
- 14 A. She was a personal maid. At first she was
- 15 just a maid. And from my understanding, my mom's
- 16 just a hard worker and she moved up.
- 17 Q. Was she his maid prior to moving up here to
- 18 Santa Maria?
- 19 A. I don't know if she was his full-on, like,
- 20 personal maid and -- but she was, yeah. Yeah, she
- 21 was his maid.
- 22 Q. From what period of time in Los Angeles was
- 23 she working for Michael Jackson?
- 24 A. I think '86. But my mom tells me '85. I
- 25 have no -- it's around '86, '85. I don't know.
- 26 Q. When did you first meet Mr. Jackson?
- 27 A. I was probably six. I think. Six or seven.

- 1 ago.
- 2 Q. Did you ever have occasion to go to his
- 3 residence in Los Angeles?
- 4 A. Yeah, the one in Encino, yeah. I went there
- 5 probably a lot, like 10, 11, 12 times. I don't
- 6 know. Often my mom -- it was just me and my mom, so
- 7 a single mom and just me. She needed to babysit me
- 8 pretty much, so we had nobody else; no dad, no
- 9 brothers and sisters.
- 10 Q. Your father wasn't in the picture?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And there was no other kids; is that
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 Q. During the time that you were living in Los
- 16 Angeles before moving up to Santa Maria, from the
- 17 time your mother began working for Mr. Jackson, tell
- 18 us approximately how often you went to his
- 19 residence.
- 20 A. I'm sorry, can you repeat that?
- 21 Q. Tell us approximately how often you went to
- 22 his residence.
- 23 A. Throughout my whole life of my --
- 24 Q. While living in Los Angeles.
- 25 A. Oh.
- 26 Q. Before moving to Santa Maria.
- 27 A. I went to Encino. He owned a lot of stuff.

- 1 mansion, and then there's the, like, apartment
- 2 hideaway thing. I think I went to Encino, which is
- 3 the big mansion, I don't know, about six, seven
- 4 times.
- 5 Q. Did other members of the Jackson family
- 6 reside at that location as well?
- 7 A. Yeah. Yeah.
- 8 Q. Can you tell us who lived there?
- 9 A. Mom and dad, I know that. I think they
- 10 lived above the garages. I think. That's where I
- 11 met them.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- 13 A. I think Janet lived there as well. By -- I
- 14 don't know. Other than that, that's all I remember.
- 15 Q. We're talking about almost 20 years ago; is
- 16 that correct?
- 17 A. Correct. Yeah. That -- yeah.
- 18 Q. Did you go to a different location where
- 19 Michael Jackson lived in the Los Angeles area as
- 20 well?
- 21 A. Yeah. In the Los Angeles area, yeah, like
- 22 Hollywood.
- 23 Q. And can you describe that place for us?
- 24 A. Yeah. It was -- it didn't have much
- 25 furniture. It was probably the tenth floor, because
- 26 you could look over pretty much a lot of Hollywood
- 27 and Beverly Hills. I think it was Beverly Hills.

- 1 Had a couple toys, telescope. Kitchen. But just
- 2 not a lot of furniture. It was like a condo pretty
- 3 much.
- 4 Q. And the reason that you would go to that
- 5 location?
- 6 A. My mom had to clean everything. My mom was
- 7 just a clean lady.
- 8 Q. Was she the only person cleaning his
- 9 residence, as far as you knew?
- 10 A. No, there was other maids. But from my
- 11 understanding, just my mom did a kickin' job. She
- 12 just did a really good job at cleaning, a really
- 13 good job at working just as a whole. She was just a
- 14 good worker.
- 15 Q. And there was nowhere to leave you when she
- 16 went off to clean?
- 17 A. Yeah. Sometimes she may -- she would leave
- 18 me with my aunt, but my aunt had to go to work as
- 19 well. Everybody in my family was workers.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. And even -- even -- shoot, even I helped my
- 22 aunt at times.
- 23 Q. Now, on the occasions when you would go to
- 24 the -- what was it called? The hideout or hideaway?
- 25 A. Yeah, my mom called it "the hideout."
- 26 Q. Do you know why?
- 27 A. Probably because nobody knew about it. I

- 1 MR. MESEREAU: Calls for speculation.
- 2 MR. ZONEN: Withdraw the question.
- 3 Q. Did Mr. Jackson ever mention the name of
- 4 that place to you in any of his conversations to
- 5 you?
- 6 A. I don't remember.
- 7 Q. All right. Was that something you enjoyed
- 8 doing, going to either of those two places?
- 9 A. The mansion I did, just because of the
- 10 arcade. I was young. It was fun. There was toys.
- 11 Q. Tell us about the arcade at the mansion.
- 12 A. Shoot. It had an old karate game. It just
- 13 had a lot of video games in there, and it was fun
- 14 for kids. It was -- I think he even had a laser tag
- 15 set. I don't remember. But he had a lot of stuff,
- 16 a lot of toys.
- 17 Q. There was a lot that you could do while you
- 18 were there?
- 19 A. At the mansion, yeah.
- 20 Q. And you enjoyed doing that?
- 21 A. Yeah.
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 23 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry?
- 24 THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead. Next
- 25 question.
- 26 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 27 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: At the other place, the place

28 in Los Angeles, the hideaway, was that something you 4814

- 1 enjoyed doing?
- 2 A. Yes and no. There wasn't that many toys.
- 3 My mom wouldn't let me go out anywhere else, and
- 4 there wasn't that many toys. It was a condo, so
- 5 it's not like I could play with the elevator all day
- 6 long. There was not that many toys. There was just
- 7 a train set. A train set gets boring. It just goes
- 8 around in circles. And there wasn't that many toys.
- 9 Q. Did you ever spend the night at either of
- 10 those two locations?
- 11 A. Encino -- the mansion I didn't, which is in
- 12 Encino. And the hideaway we did, I believe, with my
- 13 mom.
- 14 Q. All right. Do you know approximately how
- 15 many occasions?
- 16 A. I don't recall. I don't remember.
- 17 O. Were there beds or furniture there?
- 18 A. I don't believe so. I think there was an
- 19 L-shaped couch like one of those that you put in a
- 20 corner. There was a chair. I know that, because --
- 21 stuff. There wasn't that much furniture.
- 22 Q. How old were you when you moved to Santa
- 23 Maria?
- 24 A. '88 or '89. Eight years old. Yeah.
- 25 Because I stopped playing baseball. Played baseball
- 26 for a little.
- 27 Q. When you moved to the Santa Maria area, what

- 1 A. She was -- I believe her title, from what
- 2 she told me, was Michael Jackson's personal maid,
- 3 and she had, like, all the keys. She was the best
- 4 maid he had, I guess.
- 5 Q. Did you ever go to Neverland?
- 6 A. Yeah. Yeah, I did.
- 7 Q. Tell us approximately how old you were
- 8 during that period of time.
- 9 A. I think when it first opened, it was just --
- 10 I went there. They probably had a party there. How
- 11 old was I? Probably around nine. Eight.
- 12 Q. Approximately how many times do you think
- 13 you went to Neverland?
- 14 A. Five, four. Five or four.
- 15 Q. Always with your mother?
- 16 A. Yeah. There was no other way to get up
- 17 there, yeah.
- 18 Q. Did you ever spend the night at Neverland?
- 19 A. Yes. With -- yeah, I remember distinctly,
- 20 because I think I was hearing bats or something, on
- 21 the ranch, or something, and I couldn't sleep, so --
- 22 but I was sleeping with my mom, like in the same
- 23 room, in the same area with my mom, and, yeah. I
- 24 couldn't sleep.
- 25 Q. Were you ever in Michael Jackson's bedroom?
- 26 A. Yes.
- 27 Q. On how many occasions?

- 1 Once -- one I know for sure, because we were
- 2 all laying in the bed watching T.V.
- 3 Q. And who is "we were all"?
- 4 A. Michael and a bunch of other kids.
- 5 Q. Okay. Do you know how many?
- 6 A. I don't. Seven. Six. But I don't -- I
- 7 don't.
- 8 Q. Do you know any of the names?
- 9 A. I'm really bad at names. Even to this day.
- 10 I called you "Mark" earlier.
- 11 Q. That's not me.
- 12 A. Yeah, I know.
- 13 Q. Do you know how old you were when your
- 14 mother stopped her employment at Neverland?
- 15 A. I'm thinking 11, because I was -- I remember
- 16 hearing about -- I was playing in the pool, and she
- 17 told me, "I quit."
- 18 Q. You were playing in the pool where?
- 19 A. At a friend's house, and when I was 11, I
- 20 was friends with him.
- 21 Q. I'd like to go back to, if I could, please,
- 22 the period of time in Los Angeles prior to moving up
- 23 to Santa Maria.
- 24 Was there ever an occasion that you were
- 25 with Michael Jackson where something happened that
- 26 made you feel uncomfortable?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. Did that happen more than once? 4817

- 1 A. Yeah.
- 2 Q. Do you have a recollection of these events?
- 3 A. Yeah.
- 4 Q. Let's begin with the first one. What
- 5 happened?
- 6 A. Okay. Well, the first time that I felt
- 7 uncomfortable with him was in the hideout, which is
- 8 the place in Encino -- not in Encino, I'm sorry. In
- 9 Hollywood. And -- shoot. I was seven and -- I
- 10 don't know, at seven years old, I don't think --
- 11 okay. I may have not felt uncomfortable, but then
- 12 now I think about it, that shouldn't have been done.
- 13 But I didn't feel uncomfortable.
- 14 Q. What happened?
- 15 A. I was sitting on his lap, and I was young,
- 16 and I was small. I'm still thin. I was even
- 17 thinner then. Sitting on his lap, watching T.V.,
- 18 which that's normal enough in itself. And then
- 19 we -- I was kind of facing the T.V., and he was
- 20 facing the T.V. as well, so my back was to his
- 21 chest. And it was -- there was just one chair, and
- 22 there wasn't much furniture in that hideout place.
- 23 And I was just sitting there watching T.V., and so
- 24 was he. I think we were watching cartoons. And he
- 25 just started tickling me, which, cool, shoot, I was
- 26 a tickle guy. I tickled him back, but still kind of
- 27 from the back, kind of reaching around.

- 1 I can't completely remember right now. But we
- 2 somehow got on the floor, tickling still, because
- 3 I'm doing what -- these little kid things, you know,
- 4 when you shimmy back and forth.
- 5 And then I'm tickling and he's tickling, and
- 6 I'm tickling and he's tickling, and it eventually
- 7 moved down to -- to -- to my little private region
- 8 when you're a little kid. I don't know if you want
- 9 me to call it specifically something, but around my
- 10 crotch area. And I didn't -- you know, you're
- 11 seven. I didn't think it was wrong. Well, I did.
- 12 Because he's tickling, but I'm laughing, and I'm
- 13 tickling him back, trying to get him to stop, but
- 14 then I'm tickling too much. I'm laughing too much.
- 15 And eventually it stopped. I don't know how.
- 16 Q. Did he actually make contact with your
- 17 genital area?
- 18 A. Not skin to skin, but, yeah. Yeah, he was
- 19 on my clothes, yeah.
- 20 Q. Do you know for approximately how long?
- 21 A. Distinctly I can't remember. It was a
- 22 while, though.
- 23 Q. By a little while, can you give us a sense
- 24 of it?
- 25 A. More than three minutes, less than 20. Less
- 26 than ten minutes, I think.
- 27 Q. Okay.

- 1 didn't end soon. It didn't end fast.
- 2 Q. But the amount of time that his hand was
- 3 actually in the region of your genitalia?
- 4 A. I cannot remember.
- 5 Q. Okay. And you commented that this was not
- 6 skin to skin touching; in other words, his hand
- 7 directly on either your penis or testicles.
- 8 Is that --
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; asked and
- 10 answered.
- 11 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 12 You may answer.
- 13 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: That it was not directly on
- 14 your genitalia; is that correct?
- 15 A. Correct. It wasn't -- he didn't touch me.
- 16 He was touching on top of the skin, but -- but
- 17 not -- on top of my shorts, but still --
- 18 Q. Do you remember what you were wearing at the
- 19 time?
- 20 A. Probably shorts. I don't remember
- 21 specifically. I think those orange shorts that my
- 22 mom made me, because, again, we were poor, but my
- 23 mom made me clothes. And I was always wearing
- 24 shorts, always wearing shorts.
- 25 Q. And she had orange shorts that she had made
- 26 for you?
- 27 A. Yeah, there was orange shorts that she made

- 1 Q. Were they shorts you wore a lot?
- 2 A. Probably, yeah. Because -- yeah.
- 3 Q. Did -- as you think back now, today, of
- 4 course we're talking about quite some number of
- 5 years ago, do you remember how you felt at the time
- 6 this happened, if that was at all strange for you?
- 7 A. You know, I don't. It was -- I don't
- 8 remember. At seven, it probably -- well, I probably
- 9 did think it was weird, but not super weird. Just
- 10 because you're tickling, and it's -- but I guess
- 11 that would be weird. My fault.
- 12 Q. Was there another instance?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 O. Was that also at the hideout?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Tell us what happened, please.
- 17 A. I was watching cartoons again, and probably
- 18 in the same room, because I think there was only one
- 19 room in that whole place.
- 20 And we somehow -- I was somehow -- there was
- 21 a sleeping bag involved. I don't know -- I think I
- 22 was on top of it. And I was watching T.V., laying
- 23 down on the ground, and Michael was pretty much
- 24 behind me, like spooning me. I don't know how we
- 25 got there. I was like eight, eight and a half. It
- 26 was a little while after. And again with the
- 27 tickling. But this time it wasn't as long, and I

- 1 laughing as much, I guess.
- 2 Q. You were in a sleeping bag, or on a sleeping
- 3 bag?
- 4 A. On, I think.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 A. On, not in.
- 7 Q. All right. Do you remember -- you said this
- 8 was in the hideout?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Were there a number of rooms in the hideout?
- 11 A. I think there was only one, I think. Yeah.
- 12 I think there was only one, if I could -- hold on.
- 13 Let me -- there was a rest room. There was a
- 14 kitchen. There was a big main room. And there was
- 15 a room off to the left, if you're looking out the
- 16 window. Yeah, I think there was only one.
- 17 Q. All right. Where was your mother during
- 18 this time?
- 19 A. Probably cleaning. She was always cleaning.
- 20 Q. But --
- 21 A. To this day she cleans.
- 22 Q. Do you know in what room at that point?
- 23 A. No, I don't. I don't know.
- 24 Q. Was she in the room with you at the time?
- 25 A. No, she wasn't, or else she probably would
- 26 have kicked my butt or something.
- 27 Q. In the private -- in the prior event that

28 you described, was your mother in the room at that 4822

- 1 time?
- 2 A. No, she wasn't in the room.
- 3 Q. But if you were at the hideout, then she was
- 4 there; is that a correct statement?
- 5 A. Correct. Or sometimes she may have run down
- 6 to get something to eat. Remembering now, there was
- 7 a couple times that Michael actually asked her to
- 8 get chips, or get something, or get something from
- 9 downstairs, or maybe even from the lobby. That's
- 10 what I'm thinking.
- 11 Q. What was downstairs? Was that a --
- 12 A. I think there was probably like a restaurant
- 13 or something downstairs, but I don't really -- I
- 14 have no clue.
- 15 Q. But the apartment that you're describing is
- 16 a single floor? There's no upstairs or downstairs
- 17 to it?
- 18 A. Oh, yeah.
- 19 Q. And this is a large building in Los Angeles?
- 20 A. Yeah.
- 21 Q. All right. When do you think was the last
- 22 time that you had been to that building?
- 23 A. When was the last time I was there?
- 24 Q. Yeah.
- 25 A. I'm thinking nine, eight.
- 26 Q. Age eight or age nine?
- 27 A. Yeah.

28 Q. Even after you moved up to Santa Maria? 4823

- 1 A. I believe so. Just because my mom had no
- 2 one to leave me up in Santa Maria with. We -- new
- 3 town.
- 4 Q. Let me go back to the second event. In the
- 5 second event we're talking about, you were in a
- 6 sleeping bag?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Was there a bed in that room?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Was that Mr. Jackson's bedroom; do you know?
- 11 A. I don't know.
- 12 Q. Was there a television in that room?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 O. Was there more than one T.V. in that
- 15 apartment, to your knowledge?
- 16 A. I don't think so.
- 17 Q. Were you watching television at that time?
- 18 A. Yeah.
- 19 Q. Do you remember if it was late at night or
- 20 midday? Do you have any way of knowing?
- 21 A. It may have been midday, but I don't know.
- 22 Q. Can you describe the building for us in
- 23 general, in terms of how it was laid out?
- 24 A. Almost like a typical apartment or a condo.
- 25 You walk in the front door, there's a big living
- 26 room. There's -- there's a telescope in there.
- 27 There's a bunch of toys. There's a couch. And then

- 1 Q. Okay. The room that has the couch, is that
- 2 the room where the sleeping bag was?
- 3 A. No, the room that has the couch didn't have
- 4 any furniture but the chair, I think. I'm pretty
- 5 sure.
- 6 Q. And now the sleeping bag itself, on the
- 7 floor?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Was it a normal-sized sleeping bag?
- 10 A. I believe so. I would think so.
- 11 Q. You used the expression "spooning." What
- 12 does that mean?
- 13 A. Something that you do with your wife.
- 14 Something that you do with a girlfriend. Spooning.
- 15 Like --
- 16 Q. Describe the position for us, if you would.
- 17 A. Wow. When somebody is holding you and
- 18 you're laying on your side and they're holding you
- 19 from behind.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. Thanks.
- 22 Q. Was that the position that you were in with
- 23 Mr. Jackson?
- 24 A. Yeah.
- 25 Q. Were you in front or behind?
- 26 A. I was in front.
- 27 Q. Do you remember where his arms were?

- 1 Q. Was the tickling done again?
- 2 A. Yeah.
- 3 Q. Was this something that you and Mr. Jackson
- 4 did frequently, tickling?
- 5 A. Whenever something happened.
- 6 Q. Okay. On this occasion, when he was
- 7 tickling you, what happened?
- 8 A. We were tickling -- oh, he was tickling me
- 9 at first, and I was just watching T.V. Probably
- 10 cartoons again. And he was just tickling me from
- 11 behind, and in my genital area. And I was laughing,
- 12 and I was trying to tickle him back. And -- go
- 13 ahead.
- 14 Q. His hands made contact with your genitalia?
- 15 A. From the top of the clothes.
- 16 Q. Do you remember what you were wearing on
- 17 that occasion?
- 18 A. Probably shorts again.
- 19 Q. Simply because you do?
- 20 A. Simply because it's hot in L.A., yeah, and I
- 21 always wore shorts. I think every picture I have --
- 22 well, not "every," but there was a lot of pictures
- 23 of me wearing shorts when I was younger.
- 24 Q. Are you mindful of his hand reaching your
- 25 crotch at the time; you were thinking about that at
- 26 the time?
- 27 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.

- 1 asked me.
- 2 THE COURT: Just a moment.
- 3 THE WITNESS: I don't understand, yeah.
- 4 MR. ZONEN: Thank you.
- 5 Q. Was it -- were you aware of it happening
- 6 while it was happening?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And how long was his hand there?
- 11 A. Two cartoons' worth. A cartoon and a half
- 12 worth.
- 13 Q. And you were watching cartoons on television
- 14 at the time?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. How long is a cartoon? It's been a while
- 17 since I've seen one.
- 18 A. It's been a while for me, too.
- 19 Does anybody here watch cartoons?
- 20 Q. Tell us the best of your recollection. We
- 21 can't let them be witnesses at the moment.
- 22 A. A "Woody Woodpecker" I guess would last
- 23 four, five minutes.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. Five, six minutes.
- 26 Q. So the contact in the area of your genitalia
- 27 was at least four or five minutes?

- 1 Q. Did it feel strange to you at the time?
- 2 A. Yes and no. "No" because -- "no" because
- 3 it's all fun, and it's supposed to be innocent, and
- 4 you're a little kid, and you're having fun, and --
- 5 you're a little kid.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. And "yes" it's not right.
- 8 Q. Did Mr. Jackson ever give you money?
- 9 A. Yeah.
- 10 Q. On how many occasions did he give you money?
- 11 A. Pretty much at every tickle thing there was
- 12 money.
- 13 Q. Explain that, what you mean by that, "at
- 14 every tickle thing there was money." Explain what
- 15 you mean, please.
- 16 A. Every time I was being tickled, there was
- 17 always some sort of money exchanged. Not exchanged.
- 18 There was money given. It was just that.
- 19 Q. Before, after, during?
- 20 A. After. And it was kind of a, "Don't tell
- 21 your mom, about the money."
- 22 Q. Well, what would he give you?
- 23 A. A hundred-dollar bill.
- 24 Q. A hundred-dollar bill?
- 25 A. Yeah.
- 26 Q. Did he do this on more than one occasion?
- 27 A. Yeah, because I had a lot of money. Well, I

28 didn't have a lot of money. My mom took the money, 4828

- 1 because she would find out that I got hundred-dollar
- 2 bills, and then she'd get mad at me for taking some
- 3 stranger's -- well, not stranger's, but somebody's
- 4 money.
- 5 Q. Do you remember if, in fact, you got the
- 6 money on both of those two occasions?
- 7 A. Yeah. Yeah, I did.
- 8 Q. Were there ever any other occasions, whether
- 9 in Los Angeles or any other occasion or any other
- 10 location where something happened that made you feel
- 11 uncomfortable?
- 12 A. Yeah.
- 13 Q. And where was that?
- 14 A. At the ranch.
- 15 Q. Do you remember how old you were?
- 16 A. Ten and a half, ten. I was older.
- 17 Q. And you have a recollection of this event?
- 18 A. Yeah.
- 19 Q. There's water there also, if you need
- 20 anything.
- 21 A. Oh, I was wondering. I thought it was
- 22 coffee. I was hoping it wasn't.
- 23 Q. No, it's water. And feel free to take some
- 24 if you need some.
- 25 A. Okay.
- 26 Q. You think you were about ten or ten and a
- 27 half?

- 1 Q. It was prior to the time that your mother
- 2 quit her job there?
- 3 A. Yeah.
- 4 Q. Did you ever go back to Neverland after your
- 5 mother quit her job there?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Do you remember where this event took place,
- 8 where at Neverland?
- 9 A. What, the event?
- 10 Q. That made you feel uncomfortable.
- 11 A. Yeah. It was in the arcade room. There was
- 12 a loft area.
- 13 Q. Describe what the arcade is.
- 14 A. A place where there's a bunch of video
- 15 games, and there was a pool table, and I think there
- 16 was a fireplace. I think that was up in the loft.
- 17 I think. That was a long time ago. But, yeah, it's
- 18 Street Fighter, the original one, in there, and
- 19 pool tables, and a couple of other video games.
- 20 Q. On what part of the arcade were you at the
- 21 time this happened?
- 22 A. I was in the loft.
- 23 Q. Upstairs?
- 24 A. Yeah.
- 25 Q. Was anybody else up there with you?
- 26 A. No.
- 27 Q. Was Mr. Jackson there?

- 1 Q. By "other people," I mean other people than
- 2 you and Mr. Jackson.
- 3 A. It was just him and I.
- 4 Q. Do you recall approximately what time of day
- 5 or evening it was?
- 6 A. No. Nighttime.
- 7 Q. Was your mother working that day?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Were there ever occasions when you were at
- 10 Neverland and your mother wasn't working?
- 11 A. Yeah, when we'd have parties and stuff, but
- 12 I think she'd still work, because she'd always walk
- 13 around cleaning even though she wasn't dressed for
- 14 it.
- 15 Q. Were there ever occasions when you were at
- 16 Neverland and your mother was not there?
- 17 A. No, she was always there.
- 18 Q. On this occasion, was your mother in the
- 19 arcade?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Was she working that day?
- 22 A. Probably.
- 23 Q. Do you remember where her assignment would
- 24 have taken her? Did she go to specific locations?
- 25 A. In the ranch?
- 26 Q. Yes.
- 27 A. At the ranch area. She was cleaning

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 A. She wasn't in the arcade.
- 3 Q. Okay. And what happened when you were in
- 4 the arcade.
- 5 A. In the loft?
- 6 Q. Yes, please.
- 7 A. I think I was playing Sega Genesis.
- 8 Q. Tell us what that is, please.
- 9 A. It's -- it's a video game. I was just a
- 10 video-game-playing kid.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. There was a video game. There was a T.V. up
- 13 there, I believe. It was a really big T.V., and I
- 14 was playing, and then he started tickling me, and I
- 15 think there was -- there was a couch up there,
- 16 because we somehow managed to end up on the couch.
- 17 It took a lot of counseling to get over,
- 18 just to let you know.
- 19 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Move to strike;
- 20 nonresponsive.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.
- 22 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Let's see if we can restrict
- 23 our answers just to the questions, if we can. I'll
- 24 ask you some questions about that later.
- 25 You were on the couch. Do you know if both
- 26 of you were sitting on the couch?
- 27 A. Hold on.

- 1 Q. Okay. How were you laying down? How were
- 2 you positioned relative to Mr. Jackson?
- 3 A. Probably about -- no, it was in the spooning
- 4 position again.
- 5 Q. Okay. Was he behind you or in front of you?
- 6 A. Behind me.
- 7 Q. And then what happened?
- 8 A. We were tickling -- well, he was tickling
- 9 and I was laughing. And -- and -- and we -- it
- 10 was -- he was -- he was tickling me in the....
- 11 So much happening right now. Can we take a
- 12 break or something?
- 13 MR. ZONEN: Can we take just a moment, Your
- 14 Honor?
- 15 THE COURT: Okay. Sure.
- 16 MR. ZONEN: Just a break for a moment or
- 17 two?
- 18 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. All right.
- 20 Q. You were on the couch, and you said in the
- 21 spooning position?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- 23 Q. Tell us what happened, please, the best you
- 24 can.
- 25 A. He was tickling me. And then I was wearing
- 26 shorts again, I'm pretty sure, and, yeah, because he
- 27 had to have reached under. We were tickling; I was

- 1 laughing, and he's tickling. And then he reached up
- 2 and -- and to my privates, yeah.
- 3 Q. Did he actually touch your --
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 Q. Touch you?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Did he touch your penis or your testicles?
- 8 A. I think option two, yeah.
- 9 Q. Your testicles?
- 10 A. Yeah, that one.
- 11 Q. For what period of time?
- 12 A. I don't remember. Three minutes, two
- 13 minutes.
- 14 Q. Was it tickling?
- 15 A. Probably, because I think I was still
- 16 laughing. But, you know, it may have been the other
- 17 hand.
- 18 Q. Were you mindful of it at the time? Were
- 19 you aware at the time he was doing it?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. What were you thinking at the time? You're
- 22 now ten and a half years old. What were you
- 23 thinking?
- 24 A. "I should probably go."
- 25 Q. How did it end; do you know?
- 26 A. Either my mom -- I don't -- I don't remember
- 27 how it ended.

- 1 A. Huh-uh.
- 2 Q. Do you remember getting up?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Did you think about it afterward?
- 5 A. Yeah. No, well, not instantly right
- 6 afterwards. You're ten. You don't want to think
- 7 about that stuff.
- 8 Q. Was Mr. Jackson still giving you money at
- 9 that time?
- 10 A. That time I didn't get any money.
- 11 Q. Did you tell anybody about that right
- 12 afterward?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Did you tell your mother, ever?
- 15 A. No. I don't even think to this day she
- 16 knows.
- 17 Q. All right. At some point in time this
- 18 became known to somebody; is that right?
- 19 A. Yeah.
- 20 Q. Who did you tell? Who was the first person
- 21 you told about it?
- 22 A. Probably God. But --
- 23 Q. Let's go to number two, then. Who was the
- 24 second person?
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: Move to strike that comment,
- 26 Your Honor. Nonresponsive.
- 27 THE COURT: Well, it's responsive.

- 1 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Who else did you --
- 2 A. Who did I tell? I forgot their names, but
- 3 there was two detectives. Yeah, I told those two
- 4 guys.
- 5 Q. Before or after your mother had quit her
- 6 position at Neverland?
- 7 A. She had already quit.
- 8 Q. All right. At some point in time police
- 9 came to you and said they wanted to talk to you; is
- 10 that right?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; leading.
- 12 THE WITNESS: This is going to be hard for
- 13 me to get through. Sorry.
- 14 THE COURT: Okay. The objection is
- 15 overruled.
- 16 You may answer.
- 17 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Go ahead.
- 18 A. Yeah, they wanted to come and talk to me.
- 19 I was 13. I was in eighth grade, I think. Yeah.
- 20 I -- yeah.
- 21 Q. Around 1993?
- 22 A. Yeah. It was '93, I think, yeah.
- 23 Q. Did you know in advance that they wanted to
- 24 speak with you?
- 25 A. No. Not until the big day that this
- 26 crappiness started.
- 27 Q. Okay. At some point in time, they showed

- 1 A. Yeah. They showed up probably around 4:00,
- 2 because I had judo practice at, like, 6:00.
- 3 Q. So it was about -- I'm sorry, you had judo
- 4 practice afterward?
- 5 A. Yeah, I had to go to judo practice right
- 6 after, and I don't think I went because I was
- 7 crying.
- 8 Q. So you think it was about four o'clock in
- 9 the afternoon?
- 10 A. I think they came around four o'clock.
- 11 Q. Do you remember how many people came?
- 12 A. I think two. But I don't remember.
- 13 Q. Was your mother present during the course of
- 14 that interview?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Do you know if that interview was
- 17 tape-recorded?
- 18 A. Yeah, it was tape-recorded because I
- 19 listened to the tapes.
- 20 Q. You listened to it recently?
- 21 A. Yeah.
- 22 Q. Do you know if a transcription had ever been
- 23 prepared of that interview?
- 24 A. A trans -- yeah, it has been.
- 25 Q. And did you, in fact, review that
- 26 transcription as well?
- 27 A. Yeah. While I was reading it, yeah.

28 Q. The people who were present during the 4837

- 1 course of that interview, you and how many
- 2 detectives?
- 3 A. Two. Two detectives. Me and two other
- 4 guys.
- 5 Q. They were both men?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. Had you ever -- did you know them prior to
- 8 that time?
- 9 A. No. No.
- 10 Q. Have you seen either one of them since?
- 11 A. Yeah, I just bumped into one outside. We
- 12 were talking a while. I was waiting for -- to be
- 13 called up here.
- 14 Q. Okay. Just today, right before you
- 15 testified you saw one of them?
- 16 A. Yeah.
- 17 Q. Did you recognize him?
- 18 A. No, I didn't. He said, "You probably don't
- 19 remember me." And I said, "No." And he told me who
- 20 he was. And then I was like, "Hey, that was you."
- 21 Q. Do you know where they were from, the
- 22 agency?
- 23 A. The police?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. No.
- 26 Q. At the time that you were having that
- 27 conversation?

- 1 Q. I don't mean now, but at the time you had
- 2 the conversation with them.
- 3 A. No, I just knew they were police officers.
- 4 Q. Did you know they were tape-recording it at
- 5 the time?
- 6 A. Yeah, because he showed me and -- he showed
- 7 me the tape-recording. And the tape-recorder was
- 8 sitting right in front.
- 9 Q. Did you know what it was all about at the
- 10 time you sat down at the table with them?
- 11 A. I knew it was about Michael Jackson just
- 12 because it was on T.V. all the time, and -- yeah.
- 13 Q. So there was already something going on in
- 14 the news; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Okay. Did your mother know that you were
- 17 entering an interview with them?
- 18 A. Yes. She had to have let me go.
- 19 Q. All right.
- 20 A. My mom knew where I was at all times.
- 21 Q. Do you remember where you were for this
- 22 interview?
- 23 A. Yeah. At the juvenile hall, or the
- 24 sheriff's department.
- 25 Q. So it was over in the -- in where, in Santa
- 26 Maria?
- 27 A. Yeah, in Santa Maria. Well, in Orcutt,

- 1 Q. Do you recall how long that conversation
- 2 was?
- 3 A. I don't recall. An hour, hour and a half.
- 4 Q. All right. And that's consistent with your
- 5 having reviewed that tape-recording as well?
- 6 A. Right. Right.
- 7 Q. And your mother did know that you were going
- 8 to be there; is that right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Was she at the building at the time you were
- 11 there?
- 12 A. I don't think so. I think she was in our
- 13 little studio apartment still.
- 14 Q. Okay. In the course of that interview, did
- 15 you discuss with them what had happened to you?
- 16 A. Let me drink some water.
- 17 O. Go ahead.
- 18 A. Pump?
- 19 Q. It's confusing. There's a button on the
- 20 top.
- 21 A. I'm not a coffee drinker, sorry. It's a
- 22 coffee thing, I think.
- 23 I'm sorry. What was the question again?
- 24 Q. Did you discuss with the detectives what had
- 25 happened to you with Mr. Jackson?
- 26 A. Yes. Eventually. But at first I didn't
- 27 want to. I was fighting it with everything that I

- 1 Q. Why?
- 2 A. Because it's embarrassing. It's
- 3 embarrassing now, and I'm 24 years old.
- 4 Q. Okay. Was it harder then, at age 13?
- 5 A. Yeah.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Relevance; move
- 7 to strike; leading.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained; stricken.
- 9 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Ultimately --
- 10 A. It was difficult for me.
- 11 Q. -- did you disclose to them the information
- 12 that you gave us today?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. At some point in time, did you have an
- 15 interview or were you represented by a private
- 16 lawyer?
- 17 A. At some point, yeah, in time I was.
- 18 Q. Do you remember the name of that lawyer?
- 19 A. Yeah, Terry -- Terry Cannon. And Kris
- 20 Kallman.
- 21 Q. There were two lawyers who represented you?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- 23 Q. Do you know if -- was this after this
- 24 interview?
- 25 A. Yes, it was after this interview. It was
- 26 like two months after this interview, I think.
- 27 Q. Were you ever called for a deposition?

28 A. I was never called for a deposition. 4841

- 1 Q. Did you ever know a young man by the name of
- 2 Jordan Chandler, or Jordie Chandler?
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; relevance.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Did I --
- 5 MR. MESEREAU: Relevance; foundation; move
- 6 to strike.
- 7 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 8 You may answer.
- 9 THE WITNESS: Did I ever meet him?
- 10 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Yes.
- 11 A. I probably did, but I -- I don't remember
- 12 names. I'm really bad with names. And I'm not --
- 13 Q. Do you know if you were being prepared at
- 14 any time to give a deposition in a case involving
- 15 Mr. Chandler?
- 16 A. No. What -- prepared by -- I don't know
- 17 what you mean by "prepared."
- 18 Q. Did your attorneys ever talk to you about
- 19 the possibility of your going in and giving a
- 20 deposition?
- 21 A. No. I don't think so. I don't remember.
- 22 Q. At some point in time, was there a
- 23 settlement of some kind of a case involving you and
- 24 Mr. Jackson? We're not going to get into the
- 25 specifics of the amounts, but was there a
- 26 settlement?
- 27 A. Yes.

28 Q. Do you know if a lawsuit was ever actually 4842

- 1 filed?
- 2 A. No. I don't think so, no. Because there
- 3 was a settlement, so there was no lawsuit.
- 4 Q. All right. Did you have anything to do with
- 5 it? In other words, did you say anything one way or
- 6 the other about asking to have money?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. But were you consulted in any way about what
- 9 was going to happen on that?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Okay. Was -- did you go into counseling at
- 12 this time?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 O. And --
- 15 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; relevance.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Oh, I'm sorry.
- 17 MR. ZONEN: I think it's relevant.
- 18 MR. MESEREAU: And leading.
- 19 THE COURT: I'll allow the question. The
- 20 question and answer was, "Yes."
- 21 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: For what period of time did
- 22 you stay in counseling?
- 23 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Relevance; 352.
- 24 MR. ZONEN: I believe it's appropriate under
- 25 People vs. Bledsoe and Shirley.
- 26 THE COURT: Go ahead. I'll allow the
- 27 question.

- 1 you stay in counseling?
- 2 A. Shoot, like a week after the sheriffs
- 3 interviewing me, or police, or whoever they were.
- 4 And --
- 5 Q. That's when it started?
- 6 A. Till I was 18, yeah.
- 7 Q. Till you were 18?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Mr. Francia, recently have you been under
- 10 surveillance?
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 MR. MESEREAU: Objection. Relevance; 352.
- 13 THE WITNESS: We might be going there. I
- 14 don't know.
- 15 THE COURT: I'm not sure what the relevance
- 16 is. Do you want to approach?
- 17 MR. ZONEN: Yes, I think so.
- 18 (Discussion held off the record at sidebar.)
- 19 THE COURT: Looks like it's time for our
- 20 afternoon break.
- 21 (Recess taken.)
- 22 THE COURT: For the record, the objection
- 23 was sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Mr. Francia, you stated
- 25 earlier, you gave the statement, "When all this,"
- 26 and I think you used the word "crappiness began."
- 27 What were you referring to?

- 1 had hidden it, and it was stowed away in a far off
- 2 place. And that's what I meant. It was time for it
- 3 to come out.
- 4 Q. Were you aware of your mother going on
- 5 television at some time back in 1993 or '94?
- 6 A. I knew about it when she was finally on
- 7 T.V., yeah. I -- she told me --
- 8 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; hearsay.
- 9 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 10 Q. BY MR. ZONEN: Were you consulted about that
- 11 prior to --
- 12 THE COURT: They can't hear.
- 13 Who didn't hear back there? Counsel here?
- 14 MR. ZONEN: Is it on or off? I can't tell.
- 15 Is it on? It's on.
- 16 Q. Were you consulted by anybody prior to your
- 17 mother going on television?
- 18 A. Was I?
- 19 Q. Yes.
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Okay. Did it cause you problems when that
- 22 happened?
- 23 A. Yeah.
- 24 Q. And in what way?
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: Objection; relevance.
- 26 THE WITNESS: It made --
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.

28 THE WITNESS: Okay. 4845

- 1 MR. ZONEN: I have no further questions.
- 2 THE WITNESS: Can I get a jacket? It's cold
- 3 over here. I think I heard them say it's cold, too.
- 4 Thanks.

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- 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MR. MESEREAU:
- 8 Q. Good afternoon.
- 9 A. Hi.
- 10 Q. My name is Tom Mesereau, and I speak for
- 11 Michael Jackson.
- 12 A. Okay.
- 13 Q. If anything I ask you is not clear, please
- 14 don't answer. Just say, "I don't understand it,"
- 15 okay? And I'll try to rephrase it.
- 16 If you ever want to take a break, just say
- 17 so, and if Judge Melville lets you, you can. But I
- 18 don't want you to answer anything I ask you unless
- 19 it's very clear to you what I'm asking you and you
- 20 feel like you can answer it, okay?
- 21 A. Sounds good.
- 22 Q. So you know who I am, I'm on his side, okay?
- 23 A. Okay.
- 24 Q. We've never met before, right?
- 25 A. Correct.
- 26 Q. And we've never spoken before, right?
- 27 A. I don't think so.

28 Q. Okay. Now, the prosecutor mentioned the 4846

- 1 fact that your mother, at one point many years ago,
- 2 went on the television show Hard Copy, right?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. And at some point you learned about that,
- 5 right?
- 6 A. At some point I learned about what?
- 7 Q. Your mom going on the television show Hard
- 8 Copy?
- 9 A. At some point I learned about it, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. And at some point you learned that
- 11 she took \$20,000 to go on the T.V. show Hard Copy,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. You don't know anything about that?
- 15 A. I do not.
- 16 Q. You've never heard that to date?
- 17 A. I have heard of it today.
- 18 Q. When did you first learn that your mother
- 19 have gone on the T.V. show Hard Copy and accepted
- 20 \$20,000?
- 21 A. Right now. Well, it may actually -- two
- 22 days ago, I think.
- 23 Q. You never knew it until two days ago?
- 24 A. That is correct. The reason....
- 25 Q. Now, at some point, your mother met with
- 26 someone from The National Enquirer, right?
- 27 A. I don't know.

28 Q. You don't know anything about that? 4847

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. When did you first learn that your mom had
- 3 gone on the T.V. show Hard Copy to talk about Mr.
- 4 Jackson?
- 5 A. When did I first learn --
- 6 Q. Yes.
- 7 A. -- that my mom went on T.V?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. On Hard Copy?
- 10 Q. Yes.
- 11 A. I think it was when I saw it on T.V.
- 12 Q. And that would have been when?
- 13 A. I have no clue.
- 14 Q. Do you have any idea what year?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Does more than ten years ago sound right to
- 17 you?
- 18 A. If you told me five years ago, I'd say okay.
- 19 This whole past -- all these incidents, yeah.
- 20 Q. Now, your mother at some point retained
- 21 lawyers to represent you and she, correct?
- 22 A. I don't know if she got them. I don't think
- 23 she did.
- 24 Q. Well, you were a -- really a little boy,
- 25 right, when lawyers were suddenly with you?
- 26 A. I'm sorry?
- 27 Q. Weren't you very little, very young, when

- 1 A. I was young when all of this stuff happened,
 2 yes.
- 3 Q. How old do you think you were when you first
- 4 met a lawyer involving Mr. Jackson?
- 5 A. Were those two detectives lawyers?
- 6 Q. No. No, they're with the sheriff's --
- 7 A. They're just detectives?
- 8 Q. And you met them recently, haven't you?
- 9 A. No, I just met one of them right outside.
- 10 Q. Okay. One of the two detectives that first
- 11 talked to you?
- 12 A. Yeah. We were talking about life.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, when you first met them, you
- 14 knew they were with law enforcement, right?
- 15 A. When I first met them?
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. I don't really know who they -- no, I
- 18 don't -- I didn't think -- yes. I don't know.
- 19 I didn't understand the question I guess.
- 20 Q. Okay. Just tell me if you don't understand
- 21 a question.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. You learned at some point your mother went
- 24 on Hard Copy, correct?
- 25 A. I learned at some point that my mom went on
- 26 Hard Copy.
- 27 Q. Yes.

- 1 Q. And you saw it on T.V., right?
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. And at some point you learned that your
- 4 mother accepted \$20,000 to be on Hard Copy, correct?
- 5 A. You already asked that.
- 6 MR. ZONEN: And I so object as asked and
- 7 answered.
- 8 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 9 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: When did you first, if you
- 10 remember, talk to a lawyer about anything Mr.
- 11 Jackson allegedly did?
- 12 A. What he -- when did I tell somebody or tell
- 13 the lawyer? Repeat that.
- 14 Q. Yeah, when did you first meet a lawyer to
- 15 talk about your claim regarding Mr. Jackson's
- 16 behavior?
- 17 A. I don't remember.
- 18 Q. Do you know approximately when it was?
- 19 A. I think the only -- I don't think I ever
- 20 told Terry or Kris if he molested me or not.
- 21 Q. Okay. Now, Terry is who?
- 22 A. Terry?
- 23 Q. Terry is the lawyer?
- 24 A. Terry is a lawyer.
- 25 Q. That's Terry Cannon, correct?
- 26 A. Correct.
- 27 Q. And Kris is who?

- 1 lawyer.
- 2 Q. You mentioned him in response to the
- 3 prosecutor's questions. Didn't you say Kris was a
- 4 lawyer?
- 5 A. I don't remember the prosecutor's questions.
- 6 Q. Do you have a lawyer named Kris?
- 7 A. Right now? No.
- 8 Q. Have you ever had a lawyer named Kris?
- 9 A. I believe so.
- 10 Q. And do you know Kris's last name?
- 11 A. That's what I just said. I don't remember.
- 12 Q. Okay. Now, did I hear you just say you
- 13 never told either lawyer that you had been molested?
- 14 A. I don't -- I'm sorry?
- 15 Q. Did I hear you just say that you never told
- 16 either lawyer you'd been molested?
- 17 A. I said I didn't know. That's what I said.
- 18 Q. You told the lawyers you didn't know?
- 19 A. No, I told you I didn't know.
- 20 Q. You told me you didn't know whether or not
- 21 you had told any lawyer you'd been molested, right?
- 22 A. Not any lawyer.
- 23 Q. Okay. I'm not understanding you.
- 24 A. I'm not understanding you either.
- 25 Q. Let me rephrase the question.
- 26 A. Okay.
- 27 Q. Did you ever tell Attorney Terry Cannon

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And did you ever tell Attorney Kris you'd
- 3 been molested?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Okay. Approximately when did you do that?
- 6 A. I don't remember. I was young.
- 7 Q. Do you know approximately what year it would
- 8 have been?
- 9 A. I'd go with '94 or '93 or '95.
- 10 Q. And how old were you in '93?
- 11 A. I was 13. Well, yeah. My birthday's May
- 12 30th, so --
- 13 Q. How old were you when you claim Mr. Jackson
- 14 first tickled you improperly?
- 15 A. Seven and a half the first time.
- 16 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object as vague
- 17 when we're referring to the claim or the tickling.
- 18 MR. MESEREAU: I think I was -- I'll
- 19 rephrase it if the Court wants me to. I think I was
- 20 clear.
- 21 THE COURT: The objection's overruled. The
- 22 answer was given.
- 23 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Are you telling the jury
- 24 that at some point -- excuse me. Let me start
- 25 again.
- 26 As of today, you're telling this jury you've
- 27 never told your mother what you claim Mr. Jackson

- 1 A. I believe in counseling. I never told her
- 2 specifics on -- that I was molested, but I did in
- 3 counseling tell her that I was molested.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. But it was in -- shoot. It was a crying
- 6 time for --
- 7 Q. Okay. I'm not asking you about the details.
- 8 Just answer my questions.
- 9 A. It was just hard for me to remember because
- 10 I was crying.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- 12 A. So -- I was young, and I was 14 or 15.
- 13 Q. So when you told the jury earlier that you
- 14 never told your mother about this, that wasn't true,
- 15 right?
- 16 A. I'm sorry, I probably spoke quickly.
- 17 Q. So when you told that to the jury, that was
- 18 not really correct, right?
- 19 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object as vague.
- 20 What is "not," or "that"?
- 21 THE COURT: The objection's overruled.
- 22 I'll have the court reporter read the
- 23 question back to you.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 25 (Record read.)
- 26 THE WITNESS: And when I told "that" being --
- 27 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let me rephrase it.

- 1 prosecutor's questions, that you had never told your
- 2 mother you were molested, that wasn't true, right?
- 3 A. I was mistaken.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. Yeah.
- 6 Q. Okay. In fact, you had told your mother
- 7 that you were molested, right?
- 8 A. Yeah, I must have misunderstood his question
- 9 with the -- with the details of it. I never told my
- 10 mom that I was molested three times by Michael
- 11 Jackson. My mom, I don't even think to this day,
- 12 knows that I was molested three times and the
- 13 specifics of it. If she does, then she does, and
- 14 that sucks.
- 15 Q. Your mother went on the T.V. show Hard Copy
- 16 in the early '90s, right?
- 17 A. Okay. I --
- 18 Q. Do you know if that's true?
- 19 A. She was on Hard Copy.
- 20 Q. She was on Hard Copy in 1993, was she not?
- 21 A. If you told me '94, I'd agree. I don't
- 22 know. I don't know the exact year. I do not.
- 23 Q. Are you telling the jury that before your
- 24 mother went on Hard Copy, you never discussed what
- 25 you claim Mr. Jackson did to you with your mother?
- 26 A. Yeah, I'm pretty sure that I never told my
- 27 mom that he molested me before Hard Copy.

28 Q. And before sheriffs came to talk to you for 4854

- 1 the first time, had you told anyone that you had
- 2 been molested by Michael Jackson?
- 3 A. I don't think so, no.
- 4 Q. They just kind of came one day and surprised
- 5 you?
- 6 (Laughter.)
- 7 A. Yeah.
- 8 THE COURT: Just a moment, Counsel.
- 9 (To the audience) I'm not going to put up
- 10 with that.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Thanks.
- 12 THE COURT: If there's any laughing again,
- 13 I'll remove people from the courtroom.
- 14 Go ahead, Counsel.
- 15 MR. MESEREAU: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 16 Q. You have -- you all right?
- 17 A. Yeah. I was just a little tense. Sorry.
- 18 Q. You have reviewed the tape and transcript of
- 19 your first interview with the sheriffs, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And when did you review that interview?
- 22 A. Like when did I listen to the tapes again?
- 23 Is that what you're asking?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. Sunday.
- 26 Q. And how did you get the tape?
- 27 A. Chris I don't know his last name gave

- 1 Q. Is that the lawyer?
- 2 A. No. He's not a lawyer, I don't think.
- 3 Q. Is he a sheriff?
- 4 A. It's a tall man.
- 5 Q. Is he a sheriff?
- 6 A. I don't know. I believe so.
- 7 Q. How did you run into him?
- 8 A. I met him when I met all these gentlemen.
- 9 Q. The prosecutors?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Okay. So Chris was with the prosecutors
- 12 when you met them last, right?
- 13 A. I'm sorry?
- 14 Q. Chris was with the prosecutors when you
- 15 spoke to the prosecutors, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And Chris gave you a tape of your interview
- 18 from 1993, correct?
- 19 A. I believe that's the year, yes.
- 20 Q. And if you remember, who was at that
- 21 interview in 1993?
- 22 A. I don't remember. Two men. Detectives, I
- 23 believe.
- 24 Q. And where did it take place?
- 25 A. I already answered that to him.
- 26 Q. Would you please answer it again for me?
- 27 Where did it take place?

28 A. At the sheriff's station, or the probation -- 4856

- 1 I think it was the sheriff's.
- 2 Q. Was that in Santa Maria?
- 3 A. In Orcutt.
- 4 Q. In Orcutt, okay.
- 5 You were given a copy of the tape to listen
- 6 to, right?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 Q. And you were given a transcript of the tape
- 9 to read, right?
- 10 A. Yeah.
- 11 Q. And you did that, right?
- 12 A. Yeah.
- 13 Q. And a Detective Russell Birchim from the
- 14 Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department was
- 15 present for that interview, right?
- 16 A. I don't remember his name.
- 17 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I just
- 18 show you a copy of the transcript?
- 19 MR. ZONEN: I'll object as to which
- 20 interview. Talking about the 1993 one, or the
- 21 recent one where he reviewed the transcript?
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: I'm talking about the 1993
- 23 one.
- 24 MR. ZONEN: I'm sorry.
- 25 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Let's get back to the 1993
- 26 interview.
- 27 A. Okay.

28 Q. You have recently reviewed a transcript of 4857

- 1 that interview, right?
- 2 A. In the '93 interview?
- 3 O. Yes.
- 4 A. The tape and the transcript?
- 5 Q. Yes.
- 6 A. Have I reviewed them both?
- 7 Q. Yes.
- 8 A. Didn't I answer you that already?
- 9 Q. Would you please clarify it? Because
- 10 there's been some confusion.
- 11 A. Yes, I have.
- 12 Q. You have listened to the tape and you've
- 13 read the transcript, right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. But as you sit here today, you're not sure
- 16 who was at the interview with you in 1993, right?
- 17 A. I was 13 years old.
- 18 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I show
- 19 you a copy of the transcript with the names of the
- 20 people who were with you?
- 21 A. Sure.
- 22 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 23 THE COURT: Yes.
- 24 MR. MESEREAU: Thank you.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 26 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 27 look at that transcript? Mr. Francia, have you had

 $28\ \text{a}$ chance to look at the transcript I just showed 4858

- 1 you?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did it refresh your recollection
- 4 about who was there for that interview?
- 5 A. Yeah. I just read it. It said Vince and
- 6 Russell.
- 7 Q. Vince Neglia and Russell Birchim, right?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. Okay. Okay. Now, did someone tell you to
- 10 review that transcript before you testified?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Who told you to review that transcript
- 13 before you testified?
- 14 A. I'm under some pressure. Mark -- it's not
- 15 Mark. It's Russ. I'm so bad with names.
- 16 Q. Is it Prosecutor Zonen, who just asked you
- 17 questions?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. Okay. Did he tell you you'd be asked
- 20 questions about that?
- 21 A. About --
- 22 Q. What you said in that interview in 1993?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Okay. Did he tell you to study it carefully
- 25 and make sure you knew what you said and didn't say,
- 26 right?
- 27 A. Actually, he didn't say, "Study it

- 1 Q. Did he tell you to read it?
- 2 A. He told me to review it.
- 3 Q. Okay. Okay. Now, you were how old when you
- 4 were interviewed in 1993?
- 5 A. I think on that, it says the date. I could
- 6 tell you the -- I could tell you how old I was.
- 7 Q. Okay. The date was November 4th, 1993.
- 8 A. I was 13.
- 9 Q. 13. Okay. Is that the first time you were
- 10 ever interviewed by any police officer regarding
- 11 Michael Jackson?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, you told the police that you and
- 14 Mr. Jackson were talking to one another in that
- 15 hideout area, right?
- 16 A. I -- I was kind of banging my -- I told the
- 17 police that I was --
- 18 Q. Talking to Mr. Jackson at a place you
- 19 described as the hideout.
- 20 A. Yes, I have talked to Jackson at the place,
- 21 at the hideout.
- 22 Q. And that was a place where Mr. Jackson used
- 23 to go when he didn't want the public or the press or
- 24 anyone knowing he was there, true?
- 25 A. I'm assuming that.
- 26 MR. ZONEN: Objection as speculative.
- 27 THE COURT: Just --

- 1 you --
- 2 THE COURT: I haven't ruled on it.
- 3 MR. MESEREAU: Oh, I thought you had, Your
- 4 Honor. Sorry.
- 5 THE COURT: I'll allow the question, and the
- 6 answer was, "I assume that."
- 7 Go ahead, Counsel.
- 8 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did Mr. Jackson tell you
- 9 that this was a place that he didn't want the public
- 10 or the press following him to?
- 11 A. I don't know.
- 12 Q. Okay. All right. In that interview, you
- 13 told the police that you were sitting on Mr.
- 14 Jackson's lap, right?
- 15 A. I'm sorry?
- 16 Q. In that interview, you told the police you
- 17 were sitting on Mr. Jackson's lap, correct?
- 18 A. In the '93 11 -- is that this one that
- 19 you're reviewing right now?
- 20 Q. Yes.
- 21 A. The one you showed me? Yes.
- 22 Q. Yes. And you told them that at one point,
- 23 he started tickling you and you started tickling
- 24 him, right?
- 25 A. Yeah.
- 26 Q. And then you told the police, "I have this
- 27 blackout. I can't remember anything else," right?

- 1 Q. I understand. But I just want to go forward
- 2 and ask you some questions about it.
- 3 A. Oh, okay.
- 4 Q. But on that particular date, you told the
- 5 police that you had blacked everything out after you
- 6 and Mr. Jackson started tickling, right, tickling
- 7 each other, correct?
- 8 A. Yeah.
- 9 Q. Okay. You told the police you knew that
- 10 Michael Jackson had a reputation of being nice to
- 11 kids, right?
- 12 A. I'm sorry?
- 13 Q. You told the police that Mr. Jackson had a
- 14 reputation for being very nice to kids, right?
- 15 MR. ZONEN: Objection; hearsay.
- 16 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 17 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: What did you tell the
- 18 police about Mr. Jackson's reputation?
- 19 MR. ZONEN: Objection; irrelevant.
- 20 THE WITNESS: I don't remember.
- 21 MR. ZONEN: And hearsay.
- 22 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 23 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You were in that apartment
- 24 because your mother brought you there, right?
- 25 A. My mom did bring me there to the hideout.
- 26 Q. She brought you there and she was working in
- 27 the apartment, correct?

- 1 Q. And how many rooms do you remember there
- 2 being in that apartment?
- 3 A. I remember one, but I could be mistaken.
- 4 Q. The first time you claim you were improperly
- 5 tickled, was that on a chair?
- 6 A. Yeah.
- 7 Q. And that was when your mom was cleaning the
- 8 apartment, correct?
- 9 A. She wasn't in the room.
- 10 Q. She wasn't in the room then?
- 11 A. She was not in the room with me.
- 12 Q. You sure of that?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 Q. Well, you told the police you had a blackout
- 15 and didn't remember anything after -- after you and
- 16 Mr. Jackson were tickling each other, right?
- 17 A. I blocked it out. I didn't blank it out.
- 18 I just didn't never want to repeat that stuff again.
- 19 Q. Okay. Do you remember, in one of your
- 20 police interviews, the police telling you, "This is
- 21 what happened, right?" And you said, "Well, I'll
- 22 have to work on that"? Do you remember using words
- 23 like that?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Okay. Have you looked at the transcripts of
- 26 both your police interviews?
- 27 A. No.

- 1 A. I believe so.
- 2 Q. Okay. Okay. Now, you told the police you
- 3 didn't want to sit on the floor, right?
- 4 A. I don't know what you're talking about right
- 5 now.
- 6 Q. Did you ever tell the police you wouldn't
- 7 want to sit on Mr. Jackson's floor?
- 8 A. Are you talking about the hideout?
- 9 Q. Yes.
- 10 A. I -- yeah, I remember -- I don't remember
- 11 saying that. I remember hearing that on the tape.
- 12 Q. You did hear it on the tape, right?
- 13 A. Yeah.
- 14 Q. And it's your voice, right? Right?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Okay. You told the police....
- 17 Let's talk about the first incident you
- 18 claim happened, okay?
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Now, you claim you both were clothed,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. You claim you were sitting in Mr. Jackson's
- 24 lap, right?
- 25 A. On one leg, yeah.
- 26 Q. Okay. And you claim he started tickling
- 27 you, right?

- 1 Q. You tickled back, correct?
- 2 A. Yeah.
- 3 Q. And you were watching cartoons, right?
- 4 A. Yeah.
- 5 Q. Had you ever watched cartoons with Mr.
- 6 Jackson before?
- 7 A. I don't remember.
- 8 Q. Had you ever watched cartoons with him in
- 9 Encino?
- 10 A. I'm sorry?
- 11 Q. Had you ever watched cartoons with Mr.
- 12 Jackson in Encino?
- 13 A. I don't remember.
- 14 Q. Okay. Do you remember either Mr. Jackson
- 15 tickling you or tickling him at the home in Encino?
- 16 A. I don't remember any of that in Encino.
- 17 Q. Where was your mother, if you know, when you
- 18 say you were improperly tickled?
- 19 A. I don't.
- 20 Q. Did she come back at some point?
- 21 A. I had to have left there with my mother, so
- 22 I think she did.
- 23 Q. And how old were you on that particular day?
- 24 A. I answered that already, and I thought seven
- 25 and a half. Seven, eight.
- 26 Q. Okay. You told the jury that you tickled
- 27 each other and then you went to the floor and you

- 1 A. I don't remember after what?
- 2 Q. You went to the floor.
- 3 A. I don't remember after he was playing with
- 4 my balls.
- 5 Q. Well, that's what you said later on.
- 6 Earlier interviews you denied that, didn't you?
- 7 MR. ZONEN: I think we're vague now.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 9 MR. ZONEN: I'll object as vague.
- 10 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 11 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Early in your interviews,
- 12 you denied being touched in your private areas,
- 13 didn't you?
- 14 A. Yeah. I was scared.
- 15 Q. They were pretty long interviews, weren't
- 16 they?
- 17 A. I believe so. Yeah, they were. They were
- 18 long in my time. To a kid, an hour's a long time.
- 19 Q. Do you remember in your first police
- 20 interview in 1993 telling the police, "I'll just say
- 21 this out flat. I don't remember him trying anything
- 22 with me except for the tickling"? Do you remember
- 23 that?
- 24 A. Do I remember saying that?
- 25 Q. Yes.
- 26 A. No. But I've heard that on the voice.
- 27 Yeah, I was fighting them with everything I had.

- 1 police that at that apartment there was a humongous
- 2 T.V., right?
- 3 A. In what apartment?
- 4 Q. Mr. Jackson's apartment, where you say you
- 5 were improperly tickled, right?
- 6 A. The hideout?
- 7 Q. That's what you call the hideout. I'm
- 8 calling it the apartment. You call it the hideout,
- 9 right?
- 10 A. Okay. My mom called it the hideout. That's
- 11 why I called it the hideout.
- 12 Q. You told the police in 1993 there was a
- 13 humongous T.V., right?
- 14 A. I don't know.
- 15 Q. You said, "It was 46-inch, something like
- 16 it"?
- 17 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object as to
- 18 hearsay.
- 19 THE WITNESS: I don't know.
- 20 THE COURT: Just a moment.
- 21 Sustained.
- 22 You need to wait until I rule on the
- 23 objection.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Oh, sorry.
- 25 THE COURT: Go ahead.
- 26 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you remember telling
- 27 the police in that interview, "We started tickling

28 each other and my mom just grabbed me and, 'Let's 4867

- 1 go'"?
- 2 A. I don't remember.
- 3 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I just
- 4 show you a page of it?
- 5 A. Probably would.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: You may.
- 8 MR. ZONEN: What page?
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: It would be page 26.
- 10 MR. ZONEN: Thank you.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Okay. I see that.
- 12 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 13 look at that? Does it refresh your recollection
- 14 about what you told the police in that interview?
- 15 A. No, not really.
- 16 Q. Well, on a number of occasions, you told
- 17 them, "We tickled each other and then I left,"
- 18 didn't you, words to that effect?
- 19 A. Yeah. Again, I was fighting with everything
- 20 I had.
- 21 Q. I'm not asking you what you were doing. I'm
- 22 just asking if that's true, okay? On a number of
- 23 occasions, you said, "We just tickled each other and
- 24 then I left," right?
- 25 A. Okay.
- 26 Q. Is that correct?
- 27 A. Yes. And then I also told them that he

- 1 Q. On many occasions in that interview you
- 2 denied being molested, didn't you?
- 3 A. Yeah, at first.
- 4 Q. And the police kept leaning on you to admit
- 5 you had been molested, true?
- 6 A. It wasn't like a twisting the arm. It
- 7 was -- I was again fighting. I didn't want to be
- 8 embarrassed at school. I didn't want to be
- 9 embarrassed anywhere. I was 13.
- 10 Q. So you were lying to the police?
- 11 A. Yeah. I was at first.
- 12 Q. Okay. Now, shortly after this -- let me
- 13 rephrase that.
- 14 How long after this did you and your mother
- 15 get lawyers and threaten to sue Mr. Jackson; do you
- 16 know?
- 17 MR. ZONEN: Objection as compound, "you and
- 18 your mother." And vague.
- 19 THE COURT: Sustained. Compound.
- 20 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you remember in that
- 21 interview being asked, "Is Mr. Jackson
- 22 touchy-feely?" And you said, "I don't remember.
- 23 I distinctly don't remember"?
- 24 A. I don't remember that interview.
- 25 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I show
- 26 you that page?
- 27 A. If you show me the page, I'm still not going

- 1 Q. Well, you've --
- 2 A. I could -- if it says on the transcript,
- 3 then I'll say, okay, I said it when I was younger.
- 4 But I don't remember right now.
- 5 Q. But you've listened to the tape and read the
- 6 transcript to prepare for today, correct?
- 7 A. This is pretty nerve-racking being here
- 8 right now, so for me to say I'm prepared for this?
- 9 I'm not prepared for this.
- 10 Q. Well, I do have to ask you questions, you
- 11 understand that?
- 12 A. I totally understand.
- 13 Q. Okay. Now, you told police in that
- 14 interview, they asked you if Mr. Jackson was
- 15 touchy-feely, and you said, "I don't remember. I
- 16 distinctly don't remember." Remember that?
- 17 A. Do I remember that? No, I don't remember
- 18 that.
- 19 Q. Might it refresh your recollection if I just
- 20 show you that page?
- 21 A. We just did this again.
- 22 MR. ZONEN: Objection; asked and answered.
- 23 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 24 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Remember telling the
- 25 police you just remember the tickling; it was fun?
- 26 A. It was fun to be tickled, to laugh. That's
- 27 fun.

28 Q. Okay. That's what you told the police in 4870

- 1 that interview, correct?
- 2 A. What I'm telling you right now is that it's
- 3 fun to laugh. I don't know what I told them.
- 4 Q. Might it refresh your recollection if I just
- 5 show you a page of transcript?
- 6 A. I'll agree with it if it says it on there,
- 7 but I -- to remember that all right now, I don't
- 8 remember.
- 9 Q. You told the police Mr. Jackson never kissed
- 10 you, right?
- 11 A. I remember saying that. I remember hearing
- 12 that on the tape.
- 13 Q. And you told them that he just hugged you
- 14 goodbye when you left with your mom, right?
- 15 A. At first. I believe that's in the very
- 16 beginning of the transcript.
- 17 Q. You were asked if you had met Brooke Shields
- 18 by the police. Do you remember that?
- 19 MR. ZONEN: Objection; hearsay.
- 20 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 21 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Did you ever meet Brooke
- 22 Shields?
- 23 MR. ZONEN: Objection; irrelevant.
- 24 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 25 You may answer.
- 26 THE WITNESS: Heck if I know.
- 27 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you remember whether or

- 1 point in his life?
- 2 MR. ZONEN: Objection; speculative.
- 3 THE COURT: You may answer.
- 4 THE WITNESS: When I was --
- 5 THE COURT: The question is, do you know?
- 6 Just "yes" or "no."
- 7 THE WITNESS: Okay. I don't know.
- 8 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Now, at this point, do you
- 9 know whether or not you've ever obtained money from
- 10 Mr. Jackson?
- 11 A. One more time.
- 12 Q. At this point in time, do you know whether
- 13 or not you've ever obtained money from Mr. Jackson
- 14 other than what you just described?
- 15 A. Other than the money that he put down my
- 16 pants?
- 17 Q. Yes.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. At some point you and your mother settled a
- 20 case with Mr. Jackson, correct?
- 21 A. I don't remember signing papers.
- 22 Q. You're how old today?
- 23 A. I'm 24.
- 24 Q. And you're telling the jury you don't know
- 25 whether you and your mother ever reached a financial
- 26 settlement with Mr. Jackson?
- 27 A. There was a financial settlement.

28 Q. Okay. And when did you learn about that? 4872

- 1 A. I believe I was 17.
- 2 Q. Do you remember signing documents in that?
- 3 A. At 17, I don't remember.
- 4 Q. Okay. Do you remember looking at that
- 5 agreement?
- 6 A. At 17, I did not look at that agreement.
- 7 Q. And now, at 17, you knew that your mother
- 8 had already gone on television attacking Mr.
- 9 Jackson, right?
- 10 A. When she was on Hard Copy, is that what
- 11 you're talking about?
- 12 Q. Yes.
- 13 A. Yes. At 17, I heard she had already been on
- 14 Hard Copy.
- 15 Q. And at some point she met with Attorney
- 16 Larry Feldman, did she not?
- 17 A. I don't know.
- 18 Q. Okay. But at 17, you certainly knew that
- 19 your mother had hired attorneys who were threatening
- 20 to sue Mr. Jackson if they didn't get some money,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. No, I do not.
- 23 Q. Didn't know anything about that at 17?
- 24 A. Call me a stupid kid. I didn't know.
- 25 Q. Okay. But you certainly learned about it at
- 26 some point?
- 27 A. Yeah. I learned about it at some point.

28 Q. Which did you learn about the fact that your 4873

- 1 lawyers were threatening to go public and sue Mr.
- 2 Jackson unless you and your mother got money?
- 3 A. All of that stuff I don't know about. I
- 4 knew that there was a settlement. I don't know how
- 5 they fought, or what they argued about, or what they
- 6 talked about.
- 7 Q. You've never discussed it with your mom?
- 8 A. About -- I have never discussed what, the
- 9 settlement?
- 10 Q. Yes.
- 11 A. Yes, I have.
- 12 Q. Have you ever discussed how the settlement
- 13 came about with your mom?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay. Okay. And do you remember reading a
- 16 settlement document?
- 17 MR. ZONEN: Objection; asked and answered.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You were asked to sign a
- 20 settlement document at some point, right?
- 21 A. Probably.
- 22 Q. And in that document, Mr. Jackson denied
- 23 doing anything wrong, correct?
- 24 MR. ZONEN: Objection; assumes facts not in
- 25 evidence.
- 26 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 27 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know whether or not

 $28\ \mathrm{in}\ \mathrm{that}\ \mathrm{settlement}\ \mathrm{document}\ \mathrm{you}\ \mathrm{signed}\ \mathrm{Mr.}\ \mathrm{Jackson}\ 4874$

- 1 denies ever doing anything wrong?
- 2 MR. ZONEN: Objection. No evidence he
- 3 signed it, he viewed a document or signed a
- 4 document.
- 5 THE COURT: The objection is sustained. He
- 6 said -- when you asked him if he signed it, he said,
- 7 "Probably." So you haven't established that he
- 8 signed it.
- 9 MR. MESEREAU: Okay.
- 10 Q. At the age of 24, and as you sit here today,
- 11 you don't know if you ever signed a settlement
- 12 document with Mr. Jackson?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. As you sit here today, at the age of 24, do
- 15 you know if your mother ever signed a settlement
- 16 document with Mr. Jackson?
- 17 A. I think she did.
- 18 Q. Do you know if any money has come your way
- 19 through a settlement with Mr. Jackson?
- 20 A. Money has, yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. And when did you first learn about
- 22 that?
- 23 A. I answered that I thought. At 17.
- 24 Q. Okay. And you've had many discussions with
- 25 your mom about that, right?
- 26 A. No. We -- me and my mom have a weird
- 27 relationship. Well, not a weird relationship. We

- 1 Q. Okay. Do you remember constantly telling
- 2 the people who interviewed you in 1993 that you
- 3 didn't remember Mr. Jackson doing anything improper?
- 4 A. I don't remember now, but I -- in listening
- 5 to the tapes, I remember when I was -- at first I
- 6 was denying everything.
- 7 Q. You've told the police that he tickled you,
- 8 you tickled him, you both laughed, and then you went
- 9 home, right, early in the interview?
- 10 A. I think I told him that I blacked it out
- 11 or -- yeah.
- 12 Q. And you told the police at one point as they
- 13 tried to get you to say he had molested you, you
- 14 said, "If I don't remember, I don't remember,"
- 15 right?
- 16 A. Yeah.
- 17 Q. The police kept trying to tell you to say
- 18 that Mr. Jackson put his hands somewhere that was
- 19 improper, right?
- 20 A. No, they didn't.
- 21 Q. Do you remember these long paragraph
- 22 questions where they'd say, essentially, "Admit to
- 23 us he did something improper"?
- 24 A. They said, "If he did something, then tell
- 25 us." That's what I remember. You could give me
- 26 that, and I'll read it.
- 27 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I show

28 you one of the paragraph questions they asked you? 4876

- 1 A. Well, this is -- I'm telling you what I
- 2 remember. It's not going to change my memory.
- 3 Q. It's not going to change your memory to look
- 4 at the transcript?
- 5 A. No. What I remember is them telling me, "If
- 6 he did something, then tell us." And I was, "No,
- 7 I'm not gay." I was fighting it again.
- 8 Q. You repeatedly told them, "I have nothing to
- 9 tell you. I don't remember anything," right?
- 10 A. I'm sorry?
- 11 Q. You repeatedly told them you had nothing to
- 12 tell them because you didn't remember anything
- 13 improper?
- 14 A. In the very beginning, yeah.
- 15 Q. Yes. Now, in your response to the
- 16 prosecutor's questions about the first time you say
- 17 you were improperly touched okay? -
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. -- did you say words to the effect, "At some
- 20 point we were on the floor"?
- 21 A. I believe I did, yeah.
- 22 Q. Okay. And then you said, in response to the
- 23 prosecutor's questions, "I can't remember anything
- 24 after that," right?
- 25 A. I'm sorry?
- 26 Q. After saying that you went to the floor,
- 27 earlier today --

- 1 Q. -- you then said, "I don't remember anything
- 2 after that," correct?
- 3 MR. ZONEN: I'm going to object as asked and
- 4 answered.
- 5 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 6 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you remember anything
- 7 that happened after you went to the floor during the
- 8 first time you say you were improperly touched?
- 9 A. Isn't that the same question that you just
- 10 asked?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: Your Honor, could the witness
- 12 be instructed to respond?
- 13 MR. ZONEN: I'm not certain as to the --
- 14 THE COURT: Just a moment.
- 15 (To the witness) The problem we have is you
- 16 don't get to object to his questions. If the
- 17 District Attorney wants to object, he can. If the
- 18 District Attorney doesn't object, then you just
- 19 answer the question.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 21 THE COURT: Just a moment. I'll have the
- 22 question read back.
- 23 MR. MESEREAU: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Sorry.
- 25 (Record read.)
- 26 THE WITNESS: After he touched me? Like in
- 27 my genitalia?

- 1 floor?
- 2 A. I thought we were already on the floor.
- 3 THE COURT: You're asking him a different
- 4 question.
- 5 MR. MESEREAU: Okay.
- 6 Q. Do you want the first question? Do you want
- 7 the first question read back again?
- 8 I'll start again, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Okay.
- 10 MR. MESEREAU: Okay.
- 11 Q. You said you were sitting in a chair with
- 12 Mr. Jackson, right?
- 13 A. Okay. I was on his lap, yeah.
- 14 Q. You said you were tickling each other at one
- 15 point, right?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. And at one point you said you went to the
- 18 floor, correct?
- 19 A. Right.
- 20 Q. Were you tickling each other on the floor,
- 21 as far as you remember?
- 22 A. As far as I remember, I believe so, yeah.
- 23 Q. And there was a lot of laughing going on,
- 24 right?
- 25 A. Yeah. Yeah.
- 26 Q. And then at some point your mom came back,
- 27 right?

- 1 Q. I'm just asking you.
- 2 THE COURT: Just answer.
- 3 THE WITNESS: No, I'm literally asking you.
- 4 No, I don't think I said that.
- 5 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Didn't she come back at
- 6 some point and then take you home?
- 7 A. She must have, yeah. She had to have taken
- 8 me home.
- 9 Q. In your interview in 1993, the police asked
- 10 you if Mr. Jackson rubbed your penis, and you said,
- 11 "No," correct?
- 12 A. Yeah.
- 13 Q. Right?
- 14 A. In the beginning, yeah.
- 15 Q. Well, pretty late in the interview, wasn't
- 16 it?
- 17 A. I have no clue.
- 18 Q. You said, "It was a tickling. He didn't rub
- 19 me there," correct?
- 20 A. Oh. Okay. If we're going that --
- 21 Q. Is that right?
- 22 A. Yeah, he was playing with my stuff, not
- 23 rubbing it. In a stroking manner.
- 24 Q. I know the point you're trying to make to
- 25 the jury, but I'm just asking you the facts, okay?
- 26 MR. ZONEN: I think that's argumentative.
- 27 THE COURT: Sustained.

- 1 "He never rubbed me there. It was just a tickling,"
- 2 correct?
- 3 MR. ZONEN: Objection; asked and answered.
- 4 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 5 You may answer.
- 6 THE WITNESS: One more time.
- 7 THE COURT: I'll have the court reporter....
- 8 (Record read.)
- 9 THE WITNESS: I don't remember.
- 10 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Would it refresh your
- 11 recollection if I show you a transcript?
- 12 A. I don't remember. I'll say I don't
- 13 remember, but I'll agree with what the transcript
- 14 says.
- 15 Q. Okay. Well, I'm not trying to put words in
- 16 your mouth. Would you like to look at it?
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 19 THE COURT: All right.
- 20 MR. ZONEN: What page, Counsel?
- 21 MR. MESEREAU: 45.
- 22 MR. ZONEN: Thank you.
- 23 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 24 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 25 look at that transcript?
- 26 A. I did.
- 27 Q. Does it refresh your recollection about what

- 1 A. No. But in reading it, it said, "Well,
- 2 yeah" in the very beginning of that sentence.
- 3 Q. It says, "Well, yeah, he's not rubbing it,
- 4 but tickling," right?
- 5 A. That's what it said, I believe.
- 6 Q. And you said it was on top of your pants; is
- 7 that correct?
- 8 A. The first time --
- 9 Q. Yes.
- 10 A. -- that he molested me?
- 11 Q. The first time you say he molested you, you
- 12 say it was on top of your pants, right?
- 13 A. Pants or shorts. My clothing.
- 14 Q. You said he never put his hands in your
- 15 shorts, right?
- 16 A. Right now? Do I say he never -- no, he did
- 17 it at the very end. The last time he molested me,
- 18 he did put his hands in my shorts.
- 19 Q. Okay. We're talking about the first time.
- 20 A. The first time he didn't.
- 21 Q. Okay. And how much time elapsed, if you
- 22 know, between the first time you say you were
- 23 touched and the second time?
- 24 A. I'm quessing a year.
- 25 Q. And how much time elapsed between the second
- 26 time you claim you were improperly touched and the
- 27 third time?

- 1 Q. Okay. So let me just, for the record, get
- 2 your ages each time. The first time you were around
- 3 seven, right?
- 4 A. Sounds about right. Seven, seven and a
- 5 half.
- 6 Q. The next time you were around eight?
- 7 A. Eight, eight and a half, or nine. Yeah.
- 8 Q. And the third time you're how old, do you
- 9 think?
- 10 A. Ten, ten and a half.
- 11 Q. Okay. And did you have any contact with Mr.
- 12 Jackson in between those three events you've
- 13 described?
- 14 A. I believe I did.
- 15 Q. Now, let's talk about contact between the
- 16 first event that you've described and the second.
- 17 What kind of contact did you have with Mr. Jackson?
- 18 A. Actually, between the first time he molested
- 19 me and the second time he molested me, I don't think
- 20 there was contact between those two times.
- 21 Q. Now, has someone told you to make sure you
- 22 use the word "molest" repeatedly in your testimony?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Have you discussed your testimony with any
- 25 lawyer before you came in today?
- 26 A. No.
- 27 Q. Discussed it with your mom before you came

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Not at all?
- 3 A. Me and my mom?
- 4 Q. Yeah.
- 5 A. I haven't -- no. I haven't talked to her
- 6 much.
- 7 Q. Does she know you're here today, to your
- 8 knowledge?
- 9 A. Yeah, I think she does.
- 10 Q. You're not sure?
- 11 A. I'm pretty sure she does.
- 12 Q. Okay. Have you talked to her about it?
- 13 A. About me coming on the stand?
- 14 O. Yes.
- 15 A. No, I have not.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, the prosecutor asked you how
- 17 long the tickling continued the first time, right?
- 18 A. Okay. Yes.
- 19 Q. But you didn't time how long the tickling
- 20 continued?
- 21 A. No, I didn't have a stopwatch.
- 22 Q. You don't really know how long it continued,
- 23 do you?
- 24 A. I could go by Woody Woodpecker, but -- I
- 25 could go by cartoons, but I didn't have a -- I
- 26 probably did have a watch on, but I didn't time it.
- 27 Q. You've told the police nothing happened skin

- 1 A. At first.
- 2 Q. Well, you still say nothing -- there was no
- 3 touching skin to skin --
- 4 MR. ZONEN: Objection.
- 5 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: -- in the first event,
- 6 right?
- 7 MR. ZONEN: Withdraw the objection.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Are we talking -- yes, we are
- 9 talking the first event, so -- correct?
- 10 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Yes. No skin-to-skin
- 11 touching, correct?
- 12 A. Correct. I just sometimes get confused if
- 13 you're talking first event, second event, third
- 14 event.
- 15 Q. Unless I say otherwise, let's assume I'm
- 16 talking about the first event. Okay?
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. Now, after that first event happened --
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. -- you claim you never told anyone about it,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. After the second event happened, you claim
- 24 you never told anyone about it, right?
- 25 A. After the second time it happened?
- 26 Q. Yes.
- 27 A. Yes, I did not.

28 Q. After the third time it happened, you claim 4885

- 1 you never told anyone about it, and then suddenly
- 2 the police came one day, right?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. Okay. Between the first and the second
- 5 event, how often did you see Michael Jackson?
- 6 A. Between the first and the second?
- 7 Q. Yes.
- 8 A. I thought I said none. I didn't think I saw
- 9 him in between 1 and 2.
- 10 Q. You didn't see him at all?
- 11 A. I don't think so. I don't remember.
- 12 Q. Okay. I mean, your mother still was working
- 13 for Mr. Jackson, right?
- 14 A. Yeah.
- 15 Q. And she used to clean his house, right?
- 16 A. Clean the mansion, yeah.
- 17 Q. And would you go over to the mansion with
- 18 her, still, from time to time?
- 19 A. At times, yeah.
- 20 Q. Do you recall seeing Mr. Jackson anytime
- 21 after -- or excuse me, between the first and the
- 22 second event?
- 23 A. I don't recall it.
- 24 Q. Okay. The second event you've described --
- 25 actually, let me go back to the first one.
- 26 You said you don't remember how it felt, you
- 27 were too young, right?

- 1 Q. Yeah. Going back to the first event.
- 2 A. Okay.
- 3 Q. Correct me if I'm wrong, I think you said,
- 4 "I don't remember how it felt. I was too young,"
- 5 right?
- 6 A. I believe that's what I said, yeah. When he
- 7 was doing his interview or --
- 8 Q. Pardon me?
- 9 A. -- when he was asking me the questions?
- 10 Q. Yes. Yes.
- 11 A. Yeah.
- 12 Q. Okay. And you don't recall -- excuse me.
- 13 And the year you think that happened was
- 14 when? When do you think?
- 15 A. The first time?
- 16 Q. Yes, please.
- 17 A. I'm thinking '87, '88.
- 18 Q. '87, '88?
- 19 A. Yeah, around there.
- 20 Q. Okay. 17, 18 years ago, right?
- 21 A. Right.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. Well, yeah.
- 24 Q. You said that you've done some therapy,
- 25 right?
- 26 A. That I've gone through counseling, yeah.
- 27 Q. Yes. And without going into what you said,

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. -- have you done anything, exercises or
- 3 anything, to try and refresh your memory about what
- 4 happened in '87 or '88?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Okay. And has any representative of the
- 7 police department been involved in any of your
- 8 counseling sessions?
- 9 A. No, I don't think so. Well, there was the
- 10 one time that the -- that I first met Mr. Sneddon, I
- 11 think that's his name. And it wasn't a counseling
- 12 session. But Mike Craft, which was my counselor,
- 13 was there.
- 14 Q. Was there with Mr. Sneddon present?
- 15 A. I think he was there, but I was 13.
- 16 Q. Okay. And to your knowledge, was Mr.
- 17 Sneddon talking to your counselor?
- 18 A. I don't know.
- 19 Q. Okay. This is 12 years ago, approximately?
- 20 A. In '93.
- 21 Q. Okay. Okay.
- 22 A. Or '94.
- 23 Q. Okay. But you don't know what your
- 24 counselor or Mr. Sneddon said to each other, right?
- 25 You wouldn't know?
- 26 A. I wouldn't know.
- 27 Q. Okay. Do you know how long Mr. Sneddon and

- 1 MR. ZONEN: Objection; assumes facts not in
- 2 evidence, that they met.
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 4 You may answer.
- 5 THE WITNESS: I don't even know if they met.
- 6 I don't even -- well, they had to have met because
- 7 they were in the same room, if they were in the same
- 8 room. But I don't know.
- 9 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Do you know where they
- 10 were in the same room?
- 11 A. Yeah, when they were in front of me.
- 12 Q. Do you know where that room was?
- 13 A. Yeah, it was in where I got my counseling.
- 14 It was my counselor's office.
- 15 Q. So Mr. Sneddon came to your counselor's
- 16 office, correct?
- 17 A. That's what it -- I'm telling you this,
- 18 because I think I remember meeting him there.
- 19 Q. Okay. Do you know if your counselor's been
- 20 in touch with Mr. Sneddon?
- 21 A. I don't.
- 22 Q. Do you know if he's spoken to Mr. Sneddon at
- 23 any time other than that day?
- 24 A. I don't.
- 25 Q. Okay. All right. Now, the second time you
- 26 claim you were improperly tickled, you said you were
- 27 lying on top of a sleeping bag, correct?

- 1 Q. Well, you told the police it was on top.
- 2 You were not in, right?
- 3 A. I think it says that on the transcripts.
- 4 Q. Okay. And that was a large sleeping bag
- 5 that took up most of the floor, correct, as far as
- 6 you remember?
- 7 A. I can't see a sleeping bag taking up the
- 8 whole floor in a room, now, because it's gigantic.
- 9 But I think I said that when I was younger.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you remember mentioning Steven
- 11 Segall to the police?
- 12 A. Yeah, I do.
- 13 Q. And why did you Steven Segall?
- 14 A. Why did I mention him? I don't know.
- 15 Because I played pool against him, I think.
- 16 Q. Was that with Michael Jackson?
- 17 A. I think he was there.
- 18 Q. Okay. Was that at Neverland; do you know?
- 19 A. I think it was -- yeah, I'm pretty sure it
- 20 was at Neverland. It was at Neverland.
- 21 Q. Now, in the second event that you've
- 22 described, you also claim that there was no
- 23 skin-to-skin touching, correct?
- 24 A. On the second event, I don't -- yes, that is
- 25 what I claim.
- 26 Q. And what you said was that that also began
- 27 like tickling, correct?

- 1 Q. Okay. You were tickling each other, right?
- 2 A. I'm sorry?
- 3 Q. You were tickling each other at that point?
- 4 A. Yeah, it started off with him tickling me.
- 5 Q. Okay. And that was at the -- what you call
- 6 the hideout as well, right, the second event?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Where was your mom at that point?
- 9 A. I don't know. Not in the room.
- 10 Q. Okay. All right. You're on the floor, and
- 11 you're in that position you described, right?
- 12 A. What -- when he's kind of spooning in and
- 13 holding me? Yeah.
- 14 Q. And he starts tickling you, right?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. You tickle him back, right?
- 17 A. Probably.
- 18 Q. You're watching television, right?
- 19 A. Probably, yeah.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. Yeah. Well, I mean -- I'm sorry. I am
- 22 watching T.V., but I don't know whether I'm tickling
- 23 him back or watching T.V.
- 24 Q. You're both laughing, right?
- 25 A. Probably.
- 26 Q. And then you say at some point he improperly
- 27 tickled you in your private area, correct?

- 1 Q. Do you remember telling the police it was --
- 2 it was no more than a 30-second thing?
- 3 A. I don't remember that.
- 4 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I show
- 5 you a portion of the transcript of your police
- 6 interview?
- 7 A. It wouldn't. I could look at it again, but
- 8 it wouldn't make me remember.
- 9 Q. Do you want to give it a try?
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 12 THE COURT: Yes.
- 13 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 14 look at that page?
- 15 A. I did.
- 16 Q. Does it refresh your recollection about what
- 17 you told the police?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. You don't remember their asking you if it
- 20 was just like a passing thing, and you said, "It's
- 21 no more than a 30-second thing"?
- 22 THE COURT: Counsel, that's not how you
- 23 refresh recollection. He said it didn't refresh his
- 24 recollection.
- 25 MR. MESEREAU: Okay.
- 26 Q. Do you remember telling the police, when
- 27 they asked you how long it was, you don't know, "We

28 were just laughing the whole time"? 4892

- 1 A. No, I don't remember that.
- 2 Q. Okay. Okay. Do you remember being asked if
- 3 anything improper happened at the ranch, and you
- 4 said, "I was around too many people"?
- 5 A. I'm sorry?
- 6 Q. Do you remember police saying to you, "Did
- 7 anything improper ever happen at the ranch?" And
- 8 you said, "I was around too many people"?
- 9 A. I remember hearing that on the tape.
- 10 Q. Okay. But you don't remember saying that?
- 11 A. I don't remember saying that.
- 12 Q. Do you remember hearing your voice say that
- 13 on the tape?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And in that 1993 interview, when it came to
- 16 talking about what happened at the arcade, you
- 17 didn't know if he'd really touched you improperly,
- 18 right?
- 19 A. I knew.
- 20 Q. Well, you kept responding, "I don't know,"
- 21 and then you'd say, "If he really did touch, it was
- 22 in the arcade"?
- 23 A. No --
- 24 Q. And you were asked, "Do you think he did
- 25 it?" And you said, "I don't know"?
- 26 A. I knew.
- 27 Q. But you told the police you didn't know,

- 1 A. I don't remember. If you bring that thing
- 2 to me again, I'm going to -- yes.
- 3 Q. Would it refresh your recollection to look
- 4 at it?
- 5 A. Yes, bring it over.
- 6 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: Yes.
- 8 THE WITNESS: You should just drop one off.
- 9 Okay.
- 10 MR. ZONEN: What page, Counsel?
- 11 MR. MESEREAU: That would be 57 and 58.
- 12 MR. ZONEN: Thank you.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 14 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 15 look at those pages?
- 16 A. I did.
- 17 Q. Does looking at those pages refresh your
- 18 recollection about what you have told the police --
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. -- in '93?
- 21 A. I was 13. Eleven years ago.
- 22 Q. You weren't even sure you were tickled at
- 23 all. Remember that?
- 24 A. I don't remember that I -- I knew.
- 25 Q. Remember telling the police, "You guys are
- 26 pushy"?
- 27 A. Yeah. I remember telling the police that.

28 Q. Okay. And after they kept pushing you, you 4894

- 1 finally said, "You know, I think he did tickle me,"
- 2 right?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Do you remember that? Do you remember at
- 5 first saying you didn't know, and then after --
- 6 A. Yeah, I remember saying at first, "I don't
- 7 know."
- 8 Q. And after telling the police, "You guys are
- 9 pushy," you eventually finally said, "Yes, he
- 10 tickled me," right?
- 11 A. I believe that's how it went.
- 12 Q. Okay. You kind of went back and forth
- 13 during the interview, didn't you? One second you'd
- 14 say, "He tickled me," and the next second you'd say
- 15 you're not sure, right?
- 16 A. I was trying to figure out how to get out of
- 17 there.
- 18 Q. I understand. And you remember exactly how
- 19 you felt in 1993 during the interview, right?
- 20 A. The feeling of, yeah, crying and crappiness.
- 21 Q. Okay. Do you remember the police kept
- 22 trying to get you to say he's a molester?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I show
- 25 you what one officer said to you about that?
- 26 A. Bring it over.
- 27 MR. MESEREAU: May I approach?

28 MR. ZONEN: Perhaps the witness could 4895

- 1 indicate whether it would refresh his recollection.
- 2 THE WITNESS: It wouldn't.
- 3 THE COURT: When he said "Bring it over,"
- 4 that sort of means like he'll see if it refreshes
- 5 his recollection.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 7 THE COURT: It's a shortcut. Go ahead.
- 8 MR. MESEREAU: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: We're down to the last seconds
- 10 here. Run.
- 11 (Laughter.)
- 12 MR. ZONEN: What page, Counsel?
- 13 MR. MESEREAU: 60.
- 14 MR. ZONEN: What line, please? It's not
- 15 numbered. Never mind.
- 16 MR. MESEREAU: Towards the bottom. Towards
- 17 the bottom.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 19 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: You're 13 years old.
- 20 You're sitting there, and one officer said to you --
- 21 THE COURT: Wait a minute now. Are you going
- 22 to ask him if it refreshes his memory?
- 23 Q. BY MR. MESEREAU: Have you had a chance to
- 24 look at that transcript? Does it refresh your
- 25 recollection that an officer looked at you said --
- 26 THE COURT: Just a moment, Counsel.
- 27 MR. MESEREAU: Okay.

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1 his recollection.
2 All right. This is the end of the day.
3 (Laughter.)
4 See you tomorrow.
5 THE COURT: Go to bed one hour early.
6 (The proceedings adjourned at 2:30 p.m.)
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