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STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH

DISTRICT COURT
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Case Type: Civil

Timothy J. McGowan,
Plaintiff,

Case No.
09-CV-00-0000

vs.

McGowan Reporting, LLC,
Defendant.

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Deposition of
TIMOTHY J. MCGOWAN
January 1, 2009
9:00 a.m.

Reported by:
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<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - JANUARY 1, 2009 pg. 2</p> <p>1 Deposition of TIMOTHY J. MCGOWAN, 2 taken pursuant to Subpoena and taken before Timothy 3 J. McGowan, a Notary Public in and for the County 4 of Blue Earth and State of Minnesota, at the 5 offices of McGowan Reporting, LLC, 230 Westwood 6 Drive, Mankato, Minnesota, on the 1st day of 7 January, 2009, commencing at approximately 8 9:00 a.m.</p> <p>9 * * * *</p> <p>10 APPEARANCES:</p> <p>11 Representing the Plaintiff:</p> <p>12 James B. Shield, Esquire Shield Law Firm, PA 13 123 First Street Mankato, Minnesota 56001-0000 14 phone: 507-555-2345 fax: 507-555-6789 15 e-mail: James@erehwon.com</p> <p>16 Representing the Defendant:</p> <p>17 John A. Questioner, Esquire 18 Pryer & Questioner, PA 123 Main Street 19 Mankato, Minnesota 56001-0000 phone: 507-555-1234 20 fax: 507-555-5678 e-mail: John@erehwesle.com</p> <p>21 22 23 24 25</p>	<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - JANUARY 1, 2009 pg. 3</p> <p>1 INDEX</p> <p>2 EXAMINATION:</p> <p>3 By Mr. Questioner 4 4 By Mr. Shield 9</p> <p>5 REQUESTS:</p> <p>6 For information None 7 For production 8 Resume 9 9 To mark transcript None</p> <p>10 OBJECTIONS:</p> <p>11 By Mr. Shield 8 12 By Mr. Questioner None</p> <p>13 EXHIBITS:</p> <p>14 1: 2009 McGowan Reporting calendar 7 15 2: McGowan Reporting St. Patrick's Day card 8 16 3: 12/07/08 6:39 p.m. printout of McGowanReporting.com home page 10</p> <p>17 * * * * 18 WHEREUPON, the following proceedings were had: 19 * * * * 20 21 22 23 24 25</p>
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<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. QUESTIONER pg. 4</p> <p>1 TIMOTHY J. MCGOWAN, 2 having been first duly sworn, 3 testified as follows: 4 5 EXAMINATION 6 BY MR. QUESTIONER: 7 Q. Mr. McGowan, my name is John Questioner. I have a 8 few questions for you. 9 Please state your full name. 10 A. Timothy John McGowan. 11 Q. Have you ever been known by any other name? 12 A. No. 13 Q. Now, Jack and Diann McGowan are your parents? 14 A. Yes. 15 Q. How many brothers and sisters do you have? 16 A. Seven. 17 Q. Which one are you? Oldest? Youngest? What? 18 A. I'm the oldest. 19 Q. What is your address? 20 A. 230 Westwood Drive, Mankato, Minnesota 56001. 21 Q. What is your phone number? 22 A. 507-344-8194. 23 Q. Do you have a cell phone? 24 A. Yes. 25 Q. What is that number?</p>	<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. QUESTIONER pg. 6</p> <p>1 Apart from years of self-guided studies 2 in grammar, spelling, vocabulary, punctuation, and 3 usage, that's all my education. Well, and I've 4 learned a lot about personal computers since 5 getting out of school too. Friends call me Tim's 6 Tech Support -- 7 MR. SHIELD: I think you've answered him. 8 BY MR. QUESTIONER: 9 Q. Well, now, you're a court reporter, aren't you? 10 A. Yeah, since 1993. I organized as McGowan 11 Reporting, LLC, in 2003. 12 Q. Where have you practiced? 13 A. Minnesota, mostly in the Twin Cities and, of 14 course, now in Mankato since the fall of 2006. 15 Q. What services do you offer? 16 A. I report depositions, arbitrations, and statements 17 under oath -- you know, the usual. 18 I offer a few unique services. I scan 19 any exhibits and put them in a PDF file with the 20 transcript. Every entry in the transcript index is 21 a link to the content in the body of the 22 transcript. Click on a page number in the index to 23 go to that page. Click on an exhibit number to 24 jump to the scanned exhibit. Hold down the Alt key 25 on your keyboard and press the Left arrow key to</p>
<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. QUESTIONER pg. 5</p> <p>1 A. I can never remember. Just call the previous 2 number, and if I don't answer, press zero to get me 3 on my cell phone. 4 You didn't ask, but I have a toll-free 5 number and a fax as well. 6 Q. What is your fax number? 7 A. 507-344-2126. And the toll-free number is 8 866-452-7002. If I don't answer that, zero gets my 9 cell from there too. 10 Q. Did you graduate from high school? 11 A. Yes; I went to Loyola High School in Mankato and 12 graduated in the early '80s. 13 Q. Any college? 14 A. Three years. I went to St. Mary's College in 15 Winona, Minnesota, right after high school. I 16 needed about a half a year's credits to graduate, 17 but I left when I couldn't afford school anymore. 18 Q. Okay; any other education? 19 A. After a few years, I went to what was then known as 20 Rasmussen Business College in Minnetonka, 21 Minnesota -- or it might have had a Plymouth 22 address. It was across Highway 12 from Ridgedale. 23 Q. Did you graduate? 24 A. Yes, with an associate in applied science degree in 25 court reporting. I graduated in the early '90s.</p>	<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. QUESTIONER pg. 7</p> <p>1 return to your previous location in the document. 2 The PDF file includes bookmarks, also 3 known as outlines. These are links which appear in 4 a pane on the left side of the document, and they 5 take the reader to the index, examination, 6 exhibits, and other important sections of the 7 transcript. It's handy, I think, having the index 8 always available. 9 Because scans of exhibits are pictures, 10 really, and not searchable text, I use OCR software 11 to lay an invisible layer of the text over the 12 scanned exhibit. When you search for something in 13 the PDF file, you'll look through both the 14 transcript and the exhibits. Of course, a 15 bad-looking exhibit can yield poor OCR results: A 16 fax of a fax of a fax usually spells 17 disappointment. 18 Oh, and I also offer transcripts in 19 native Word and WordPerfect format, not the clunky 20 conversions from ASCII that I've seen elsewhere. 21 MR. QUESTIONER: I'm going to ask the 22 reporter to mark this, please. 23 (Exhibit 1 marked.) 24 BY MR. QUESTIONER: 25 Q. What is this?</p>
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<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. QUESTIONER pg. 8</p> <p>1 A. It's a calendar for 2009. 2 Q. And on the back you have calendars for 2006, 2007, 3 2008, and 2010? 4 A. Yes. 5 Q. And is this a document you've created? 6 A. Yeah, it is. It's just a WordPerfect table, you 7 know. Well, five tables, if you want to get 8 technical. 9 Q. And your logo is a shamrock, I see. How very Irish 10 of you. 11 MR. SHIELD: Objection -- 12 THE WITNESS: Sorry; no. It's a clover. 13 The graphic file I adapted called it a shamrock, 14 but it's really a four-leaf clover. 15 MR. QUESTIONER: Oh. Learned something. 16 Well, I guess that's all I had to ask 17 about that, then. 18 (Exhibit 2 marked.) 19 BY MR. QUESTIONER: 20 Q. And what's this? 21 A. It's the St. Patrick's Day card I send out. 22 Q. Is this another document you've created? 23 A. Yep. In WordPerfect. 24 I'm hoping to come up with some new text 25 this year, but the well's run dry for the moment.</p>	<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. SHIELD pg. 10</p> <p>1 Q. Do you have an e-mail address? 2 A. Yeah; it's Admin@McGowanReporting.com. 3 (Exhibit 3 marked.) 4 BY MR. SHIELD: 5 Q. Is this a printout of your Web site's home page? 6 A. That's right. As it existed on that date. 7 Q. I've used that link on your Web site to send e-mail 8 to you, and it routes to a different address. 9 A. Yes, and that one works just fine too. I was 10 trying to keep the address from being harvested by 11 spam bots, but I think that cat's long since out of 12 the bag. 13 Q. Oh, I see. 14 MR. SHIELD: That's all I have. 15 MR. QUESTIONER: I'm good. 16 MR. SHIELD: This was short, but I always 17 advise reading and signing, so that's what we'll 18 do. 19 (Time noted: 9:15 a.m.) 20 * * * * 21 22 23 24 25</p>
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<p>TIMOTHY MCGOWAN - EXAMINATION BY MR. SHIELD pg. 9</p> <p>1 Q. What's with the leprechaun? 2 A. Besides what's in the fine print on the back? 3 Q. Oh. (Reviewing document.) Guess that answers that 4 question, in a really indirect way. 5 A. There's a more prosaic version of that on my Web 6 site. 7 Q. Got it. What I still don't have, though, is a copy 8 of your resume. 9 A. I left it at home, right by the door, where I'd be 10 sure not to miss it on my way here. Obviously, 11 that's not working out for me too well. 12 Q. Can you get a copy of that to your attorney so he 13 can send it to me? 14 A. Absolutely. 15 (Document request.) 16 MR. QUESTIONER: I guess that's really 17 all I needed to get on the record. 18 MR. SHIELD: One point of clarification, 19 I think, is in order. 20 21 EXAMINATION 22 BY MR. SHIELD: 23 Q. You mentioned you have a Web site. 24 What's the address? 25 A. McGowanReporting.com.</p>	<p>(This pane intentionally blank.)</p>
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