IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE AT KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

Thomas Neely, :

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Plaintiff,

:

vs. : Case No. 3:05-cv-304

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Fox of Oak Ridge, : Jury Trial-Day 1

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Defendant. :

Transcript of proceedings before the Honorable H. Bruce Guyton,

U. S. Magistrate Judge, on June 20th, 2006.

Appearances:

On behalf of the Plaintiff:

Robert J. English, Esq. Michael C. Inman, Esq. Knoxville, Tennessee

On behalf of the Defendant:

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Court Reporter:

Donnetta Kocuba, RMR 800 Market Street, Suite 132 Knoxville, Tennessee 37902 (865) 524-4590 now. These will be the first three items of evidence that you will take in this case.

Number one, the Plaintiff, Thomas Neely, was a citizen and resident of McCreary County, Kentucky, at all times material to this case. Number two, Defendant was a citizen of the State of Tennessee at all times material to this case. Number three, on July 12, 2004, the Defendant's driver, Benjamin Curd, was operating a Chevrolet van as the agent of the Defendant, Fox of Oak Ridge, Incorporated. There was a motor vehicle collision between the Defendant's van and the automobile driven by the Plaintiff, Thomas Neely.

All right. Counsel, I feel like—it's past 11:45, and we should go ahead and take a lunch break rather than start with the first witness, unless you have one that's just going to be 15 minutes.

MR. ENGLISH: No, your Honor. My first witness is going to be sort of lengthy.

THE COURT: I thought so. All right. Let's go ahead and take our break. If everyone could be back in the courtroom at one o'clock, back at one o'clock. Does that give everyone enough time? Members of the jury, if you will come to the back with the deputy clerk, she wants to make sure you each have your juror tag to wear when you leave the building.

(Recess had 11:48 a.m.; reconvened without jury 1:01 p.m.)

THE COURT: All right. Counsel, are we ready to bring in the jury?