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

Thomas Neely, :

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Plaintiff,

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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.

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- 1 A. Two and a half hours, approximately.
- 2 | Q. Okay. Did you ever drive it after that?
- 3 A. I drove it a half a mile to my mother's, where it remained until
- 4 it was picked up after it was settled.
- 5 Q. Okay. Was it salvaged?
- 6 A. Yes, it was.
- 7 | Q. Okay. Have you ever driven this car or your wife ever driven
- 8 this car since this wreck?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. What injuries did you sustain in this wreck, Tom?
- 11 A. My back is messed up, along with my neck.
- 12 Q. And you're a big man. How much do you weigh?
- 13 A. Around 300. It varies between three to three-ten, somewhere
- 14 around there.
- 15 Q. Did you weigh that before this wreck?
- 16 A. Yes. I've always been big.
- 17 Q. Had you had any problems working for 12 years at Scott
- 18 | County Hospital, weighing 300 pounds?
- 19 A. No, I had not.
- 20 Q. Had you ever had any trouble working at Ridgeview
- 21 | Psychiatric Hospital weighing 300 pounds?
- 22 A. No, I have not, did not.
- Q. Okay. Had you ever been to a doctor for any neck problems of
- 24 any significance or any back problems of any significance before
- 25 this wreck?