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- 1 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: WELCOME. CALL TO ORDER. THE MATTER
- 2 AT HAND IS THE APPROVAL OF THE JULY 27th, 2012, MINUTES. I
- 3 UNDERSTAND WE HAVE A SPEAKER WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK FOR THREE
- 4 MINUTES ON THAT. WILL YOU COME FORWARD, PLEASE?

- 6 ERIC PREVIN: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN
- 7 AND I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRCIT 3 AND I'LL TRY TO
- 8 STAY WITHIN THE THREE MINUTES. I SIGNED UP ALSO TO HEAR THE
- 9 REPORT FROM MS. KRINSKY AND MR. DROOYAN BUT I WILL MAKE MY
- 10 COMMENTS AS BRIEF AS I CAN. FRIDAY, LAST WEEK, THERE WAS
- 11 TESTIMONY FROM SHERIFF BACA AND THE UNDERSHERIFF MR. TANAKA --
- 12 WE ALL HEARD IT. IT WAS DISTURBING HOW -- AND I DON'T USE THE
- 13 TERM DISRESPECTFULLY -- CLUELESS, THE TWO LEADERS CLAIM TO BE
- 14 REGARDING THESE VERY IMPORTANT ISSUES OF VIOLENCE IN OUR
- 15 JAILS. I CAN ONLY SAY THAT AT THIS TIME THAT, IN THE
- 16 BEGINNING, THIS COMMISSION SEEMED TO HAVE A CHARGE THAT SEEMED
- 17 ALMOST UNFATHOMABLE BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE ACTUAL FINDING
- 18 AUTHORITY. THIS IS NOT A COURT OF LAW WHERE PEOPLE TESTIFY AND
- 19 YOU PROVIDE SOME SORT OF A JUDGMENT. BUT IT IS A COMMISSION,
- 20 IN FACT, THAT'S COMPRISED OF CITIZENS. THOUGH YOU ALL HAVE
- 21 THAT SPECIAL EXPERTISE, I AM HOPEFUL THAT AS YOU GO FORWARD
- 22 AND DELIBERATE ABOUT WHAT WE HEARD ON FRIDAY AND WHAT WE WILL
- 23 HEAR MORE OF TODAY. I GLANCED FORWARD TO WHAT ALADS HAS TO
- 24 REPORT. AND THE REALITY IS WE HAVE A CRISIS OF LEADERSHIP.
- 25 THOUGH, MANY OF YOU TOOK THE TIME TO COMMEND THE SHERIFF AND

- 1 THE UNDERSHERIFF FOR THEIR BRAVERY IN COMING FORWARD, AND
- 2 CERTAINLY FOR MR. BACA'S WILLINGNESS TO TAKE THE BLAME.
- 3 REGULAR CITIZENS LIKE ME LOOK AT THIS AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT
- 4 IS IN NEED OF NEW LEADERSHIP. NOW, OF COURSE, THESE ARE
- 5 ELECTED OFFICIALS AND IN TODAY'S LOS ANGELES TIMES, ANOTHER
- 6 ELECTED OFFICIAL, MR. NOGUEZ IS MIRED IN. AND WE'RE HAVING
- 7 DIFFICULTY WITH SOME OF THESE ISSUES. YOU, OBVIOUSLY, CAN'T
- 8 SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS. YOU CAN'T SOLVE THE SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS
- 9 WE HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH THE "HAVES' VERSUS THE "HAVE-
- 10 NOTS." WHAT CAN YOU, DO I HOPE, IS RAISE YOUR VOICES WHEN YOU
- 11 PRESENT THIS REPORT AND MAKE IT CLEAR THAT A MAN WHO SAYS,
- 12 "DON'T ELECT ME, IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE FACT THAT THESE
- 13 EGREGIOUS PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN UNCOVERED." IT JUST DOES NOT FEEL
- 14 LIKE THE RIGHT TONE TO SET. IT MAY BE A GOOD TONE TO SET FOR
- 15 THE RANK AND FILE DEPUTIES WHO WILL FEEL MORE PROTECTED, FOR
- 16 EXAMPLE, THAN THE CITIZENS WHO DO INTERACT WITH LAW
- 17 ENFORCEMENT. I WANT TO JUST SAY, 99% OR MORE OF THESE GUYS ARE
- 18 -- I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT NUMBERS -- ARE PROBABLY GOOD PUBLIC
- 19 SERVANTS LIKE MANY OF YOU ARE, WHO ARE FOCUSED ON UPHOLDING
- 20 THE LAW; BUT THIS IS AN AREA WHERE WE NEED YOUR -- NOT YOUR
- 21 LOYALTY TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS -- BUT YOUR COMMITMENT TO
- 22 THE PEOPLE TO WRITE AS SCATHING AND PROFOUND A REPORT AS YOU
- 23 POSSIBLY CAN, TO URGE THE SHERIFF TO TERMINATE MR. TANAKA AND
- 24 THEN TO STEP DOWN PENDING SOME WAY IN WHICH WE CAN REPLACE
- 25 LEADERSHIP. WE NEED A NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN. IT'S NOT THAT MR.

- 1 BACA IS NOT A GOOD MAN. I THINK WE HAVE ALL UNDERSTOOD HE WAS
- 2 A GOOD MAN. IT'S JUST THAT HE DIDN'T ... HE WASN'T ABLE TO
- 3 PERFORM PROPERLY AND NOW WE HAVE SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEMS. AND I
- 4 KNOW WE WILL HEAR FROM PEOPLE MORE EXPERT ON THE SPECIFICS
- 5 TODAY. I WANT TO SAY THAT AS NICELY AS I CAN, PLEASE DON'T
- 6 HOLD ANY PUNCHES.

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- 8 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. PREVIN. IS
- 9 THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES?

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11 **SPEAKER:** SO MOVED.

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- 13 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THE MOTION IS APPROVED. WE HAVE
- 14 REPORTS AND UPDATES FROM MIRIAM KRINSKY, OUR EXECUTIVE
- 15 DIRECTOR.

- 17 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. IN THAT WE MET
- 18 ONE WEEK AGO, I THINK THIS WILL BE RELATIVELY BRIEF FROM MY
- 19 END. AS COMMISSIONERS NOTE, TODAY IS THE LAST OF SIX HEARINGS
- 20 WHERE WE WILL HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HEAR FROM LIVE WITNESSES. IN
- 21 OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING, WE WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO HEAR REPORTS
- 22 BACK FROM OUR DEPUTY GENERAL COUNSEL AND MR. DROOYAN WILL BE
- 23 PROVIDING AN UPDATE. JUST A REMINDER, THAT OUR SEPTEMBER
- 24 MEETING HAS AN 8:00 a.m. START TIME. WE DO EXPECT THAT WILL BE
- 25 A VERY FULL DAY, TO ENABLE US TO HEAR BACK ALL OF THOSE

- 1 REPORTS AND NOT HAVE TO GO INTO A SPILLOVER DAY. THERE HAS
- 2 BEEN STRONG, CONTINUED INTEREST IN OUR WORK. I THINK THAT,
- 3 CERTAINLY, OUR COMMISSION HAS BEEN ABLE TO CAST A VERY HEAVY
- 4 SPOTLIGHT ON THE ISSUES, THE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE BEEN
- 5 CONSIDERING, SOME OF THE PERSPECTIVES ON THOSE ISSUES THE
- 6 VIEWS OF THOSE WITHIN OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE VIEWS
- 7 OF THOSE WHO HAVE WITNESSED SOME OF THE KEY EVENTS THAT WE
- 8 HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT. WE HAD AN ALL-TIME HIGH NUMBER OF
- 9 VISITS ON OUR WEBSITE LAST FRIDAY, THE DAY THAT WAS JUST
- 10 REFERENCED WHEN OUR SHERIFF AND OUR UNDERSHERIFF TESTIFIED.
- 11 THERE WERE NEARLY 1,700 VISITS TO OUR WEBSITE ON THAT DAY
- 12 ALONE. WE NOW HAVE HAD NEARLY 25,000 VISITS TO THE WEBSITE. IN
- 13 TERMS OF THE ONGOING WORK OF ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS ON THE
- 14 PROJECT, I BELIEVE BY MY COUNT, THERE HAVE NOW BEEN
- 15 APPROXIMATELY AROUND 100 OR SO FACT WITNESSES WHO HAVE BEEN
- 16 INTERVIEWED AND APPROXIMATELY 45 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EITHER
- 17 CORRECTIONS EXPERTS, HEADS OF OTHER JAILS, SHERIFFS WITHIN
- 18 CALIFORNIA, SHERIFFS OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA OR OTHER
- 19 INDIVIDUALS WHO KNOW THESE ISSUES WELL AND HAVE BEEN KIND
- 20 ENOUGH TO GIVE US THEIR TIME TO OFFER THEIR PERSPECTIVES. IN
- 21 TERMS OF TODAY'S LINEUP, I'LL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK A
- 22 LITTLE BIT MORE WITH YOU ABOUT THAT AFTER OUR FIRST WITNESSES;
- 23 BUT OUR FIRST WITNESSES WILL BE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALADS,
- 24 FROM THE UNION, THE ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS DEPUTIES.
- 25 WE'VE ASKED THEM TO PRESENT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS AND

- 1 PERSPECTIVE ITSELF, JUST AS OTHER GROUPS HAVE PRESENTED THEIR
- 2 PERSPECTIVES. IN ORDER TO GIVE TIME TO ALADS, WE DID SHORTEN A
- 3 LITTLE BIT THE TIME THAT WE WOULD HAVE HAD TO BRING IN OUTSIDE
- 4 EXPERTS. BUT I DO THINK, EVEN WITH THAT SLIGHT ABBREVIATION,
- 5 THAT WE WILL HAVE INDIVIDUALS HERE TODAY THAT WILL OFFER SOME
- 6 VERY INSIGHTFUL PERSPECTIVES. WE WILL HAVE THE CHANCE IN
- 7 SEPTEMBER TO DO SOME MORE SUMMARIZING OF THE MANY OTHER
- 8 SHERIFFS OR JAIL HEADS THAT WE HAVE SPOKEN WITH AND TO PRESENT
- 9 TO YOU SOME OF THE OVERRIDING COMMON THEMES WE HEARD. IF THERE
- 10 ARE SPECIFIC AREAS WHERE THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE INTEREST IN
- 11 REGARD TO WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM THOSE OTHER INDIVIDUALS,
- 12 LET ME KNOW AND WE CAN BE SURE TO FOCUS OUR ATTENTION TO THOSE
- 13 ISSUES IN SEPTEMBER. SO THAT'S IT FROM MY UPDATE.
- 15 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 17 RICHARD E. DROOYAN: GOOD MORNING. I WILL BE BRIEF. AS MS.
- 18 KRINSKY INDICATED OUR NEXT MEETING IS SEPTEMBER 7th. BETWEEN
- 19 NOW AND SEPTEMBER 7th, VARIOUS TEAMS WILL BE WRITING DRAFTS OF
- 20 THE CHAPTERS THAT WILL BE PART OF THE COMMISSION'S REPORT. I
- 21 HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED SEVERAL DRAFTS. THAT'S WHAT I WILL BE
- 22 DOING, SPENDING TIME WITH THOSE TEAMS. THE GOAL IS TO START
- 23 GETTING DRAFTS TO EACH OF THE COMMISSIONERS BY AUGUST 20th TO
- 24 HELP NO LATER THAN AUGUST 25th TO GET YOUR FEEDBACK AND
- 25 COMMENTS IN ADVANCE OF THE SEPTEMBER 7th MEETING. MY PLAN IS

- 1 TO SEND YOU EACH A DRAFT OF THE CHAPTERS. I HAVE COMPLETED IT
- 2 WITH THE TEAM. SO INSTEAD OF -- YOU WON'T GET SIX CHAPTERS ALL
- 3 AT ONCE. THEN EACH OF YOU WILL GET THOSE SEPARATELY. BECAUSE
- 4 OF THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT, YOU CANNOT CONFER WITH RESPECT
- 5 TO THE CHAPTERS, BUT YOU CAN SEND ME BACK YOUR COMMENTS
- 6 INDIVIDUALLY. AND THAT BY THE TIME OF THE SEPTEMBER 7th
- 7 PRESENTATION, BY THE TEAMS, I THINK OUR FINDINGS SHOULD BE
- 8 PRETTY MUCH SOLIDIFIED. WE WILL HAVE THAT BACK WITH
- 9 RECOMMENDATIONS BUT THEN WE'LL GET FEEDBACK FROM THE MEMBERS
- 10 OF THIS COMMISSION TO FINALIZE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THEN
- 11 TURN THAT CHAPTER -- THAT REPORT AROUND FOR A FINAL MEETING
- 12 SOMETIME IN SEPTEMBER, IN WHICH THE COMMISSION WILL ISSUE THE
- 13 REPORT. WE HAVEN'T SET THAT DATE YET. MS. KRINSKY WILL BE
- 14 REACHING OUT TO YOU TO GET SOME DATES BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER.
- 15 I FULLY EXPECT AND PLAN TO HAVE THIS REPORT FINISHED FOR YOU
- 16 BY OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30th.
- 18 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE THIS
- 19 MATTER ON NO. 2.

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- 21 MR. PREVEN: YES, IT IS MR. PREVEN, AND WE ARE CONCLUDING THIS
- 22 COMMISSION IT SOUNDS LIKE IN THE FALL AND I WOULD JUST REQUEST
- 23 THAT, ONCE AGAIN THAT THIS BOARD LISTEN CAREFULLY TO WHAT WE
- 24 HEARD ABOUT WHO WAS PAYING ATTENTION AND TO WHAT, BECAUSE WHAT
- 25 I DIDN'T QUITE FINISH; I SAID IT BEFORE IS THAT THE LEADERSHIP

- 1 OF THE DEPARTMENT IS THE ONLY WAY FOR INDIVIDUALS TO FULLY
- 2 UNDERSTAND AND KNOW THAT THE KIND OF CONDUCT THAT WAS ALLOWED
- 3 TO GO UNCHECKED WILL NEVER STAND IS TO KNOW THAT THE
- 4 LEADERSHIP WILL NOT TOLERATE IT. AND I WILL NOT TAKE MORE OF
- 5 THE BOARD'S TIME, BECAUSE WE HAVE HEARD LOTS OF TESTIMONY
- 6 ABOUT THAT AND WE'LL HEAR MORE AND I APPRECIATE YOU, ONCE
- 7 AGAIN, DOING WHAT THE CHARGE IS, WHICH IS TO RESOLVE THIS. AND
- 8 THE ONLY WAY TO RESOLVE IT IS TO EFFECT LEADERSHIP CHANGE ONE
- 9 WAY OR THE OTHER AND IT'S NOT AN OFFENSE, TO ANY OF THE
- 10 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE MISLED OR FAILED FOR WHATEVER REASON, BUT
- 11 WE NEED TO GET A NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN. THANK YOU.
- 13 HON. LOURDES G. BAIRD: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. PREVEN. WE
- 14 HAVE TESTIMONY NOW.

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- 16 RICHARD E. DROOYAN: YES, WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES OF ALADS. KIM
- 17 DUNNE DEPUTY GENERAL COUNCIL AND A LAW FIRM PARTNER DOING THE
- 18 QUESTIONING OF THE ALADS' REPRESENTATIVES.
- 20 HON. LOURDES G. BAIRD: SHE'LL BE SITTING IN YOUR SEAT? ALL
- 21 RIGHT. MS. DUNNE, I'D ASK TO YOU TAKE A SEAT. AS I UNDERSTAND
- 22 IT, YOU ARE GOING TO BEGIN WITH DEPUTY FLOYD HAYHURST; IS THAT
- 23 CORRECT?

25 KIM DUNNE: YES, AND MR. STEVE REMIGE.

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   HON. LOURDES G. BAIRD: WHEN WE CONCLUDE WITH MR. REMIGE, IT
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    WILL BE OPENED TO FELLOW COMMISSIONERS.
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    KIM DUNNE: GOOD MORNING DEPUTY HAYHURST.
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    FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT'S ME. GOOD MORNING. YOUR HONORABLE
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    COMMISSIONERS. I'M DEPUTY FLOYD HAYHURST, THE DEPUTY OF THE
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    LOS ANGELES SHERIFFS. I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING
    ALADS, THE DIRECTOR AND MYSELF THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO YOU
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    ABOUT THE FINDINGS OF THE ALADS CUSTODY DIVISION WORKING
    GROUP. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK MIRIAM KRINSKY AND RICHARD
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    DROOYAN AND THE LEGAL COUNSEL -- AND WE MET WITH THE LEGAL
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    COUNSEL TO PREPARE YOU ALL FOR THIS MEETING. RECENTLY, THE
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    NEWS MEDIA AND OUTSIDE INTEREST GROUPS HAVE BROUGHT TO LIGHT
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    SOME PROCEDURES WITH THE CUSTODY DIVISION OF THE SHERIFFS
    DEPARTMENT AND THAT THE COMMISSION IS CHARGED WITH CONDUCTING
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    REVIEWS OF THESE PROBLEMS IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE
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    BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE SHERIFF. ALADS BELIEVES THE
    CRITICAL PART OF ANY CHANGE MUST HAVE INPUT FROM PERSONNEL
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    WORKING IN THESE FACILITIES. MAINLY, THE CHANGES RECOMMENDED
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    TO THE CUSTODY HAVE BEEN PRESENTED BY PERSONS THAT DO NOT
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    CURRENTLY WORK NOR HAVE THEY EVER WORKED IN ANY CORRECTIONAL
    ENVIRONMENT. I BELIEVE THAT TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES WITHOUT
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    HAVING LOOKED AT THE INSTITUTION IN ITS ENTIRETY WOULD BE A
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- 1 COUNTERPRODUCTIVE EXERCISE. WITH THIS IN MIND, IN DECEMBER OF
- 2 2011, I ASKED SHERIFF BACA TO RELEASE TWO INDIVIDUALS FROM
- 3 EACH CUSTODY FACILITY, AND FIVE FROM CENTRAL JAIL TO FORM A
- 4 WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP RANK-AND-FILE-DRIVEN SOLUTIONS. THIS
- 5 REOUEST WAS APPROVED BY SHERIFF BACA AND OUR WORK BEGAN IN
- 6 JANUARY OF THIS YEAR. ALADS' WORKING GROUP HAS INCLUDED A
- 7 DIVERSE CROSS-SECTION OF 20 DEPUTIES, MEN AND WOMEN WITH LESS
- 8 THAN THREE YEARS ON THE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS PEOPLE ON THE
- 9 EVE OF THEIR RETIREMENT. THE LAST SIX MONTHS, THE WORKING
- 10 GROUP WITH ITS INVALUABLE GUIDANCE BY THE DIRECTOR MR. STEVE
- 11 REMIGE TO THE RIGHT OF ME AND MARK DAVIS WHO COULD NOT BE WITH
- 12 US TODAY HAS MET IN TEN FULL DAY SESSIONS TO EXAMINE SOLUTIONS
- 13 FOR THE CHALLENGES IN STAFFING, SUPERVISION, EQUIPMENT
- 14 OPERATING PROCEDURES, FACILITY FUNCTIONALITY, DEPUTY TRAINING,
- 15 ASSIGNMENT AND TRUSTEE, INMATE ACCOUNTABILITY AND BEHAVIOR I
- 16 DON'T HAVE AND A LIST OF OTHER ISSUES UNVEILED DURING THE
- 17 COURSE OF OUR WORK. WE ALSO MET WITH HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH
- 18 WORKERS REPRESENTED BY SCIU TO HEAR THEIR PERSPECTIVE ON THE
- 19 CUSTODY WORKING ENVIRONMENT. THE SHERIFFS COMMANDER TASK FORCE
- 20 JOINED US FOR A NUMBER OF OUR SESSIONS. WE USED THIS FORM TO
- 21 DEVELOP AND FINE-TUNE MANY OF THEIR NEW POLICIES AND HAVE BEEN
- 22 IMPLEMENTED -- WHICH HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED OVER THE LAST SIX
- 23 MONTHS. SHERIFF BACA VISITED THE WORKING GROUP AND WAS HIGHLY
- 24 ATTENDED BY OUR DEPUTY SHERIFFS. THIS HAS TRULY BEEN A
- 25 WATERSHED EXPERIENCE. ALADS BELIEVE THIS GROUP CAN AND WILL

- 1 HELP DELIVER SOLUTIONS TO ISSUES WITHIN THE SHERIFFS
- 2 DEPARTMENT CUSTODY DIVISION. WHILE THIS IS ONLY A STARTING
- 3 POINT, THESE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT ALL ENCOMPASSING BUT THEY
- 4 ARE AGAIN A STARTING POINT. IT IS ALADS' HOPE IN WORKING WITH
- 5 ALADS' MANAGEMENT, WE CAN OVERCOME ANY ISSUES IN CUSTODY
- 6 DIVISION AND DEVELOP A SAFER WORKING ENVIRONMENT. AGAIN, THANK
- 7 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 9 HON. LOURDES G. BAIRD: I WANT TO MENTION MY FELLOW
- 10 COMMISSIONER, MR. BUSANSKY, HAS A 10:00 CALL, HE WILL PROBABLY
- 11 BE LEAVING THE BENCH TO TAKE THAT CALL WHICH COULD NOT BE
- 12 HERE.

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- 14 KIM DUNNE: DEPUTY HAYHURST, YOU REFERRED TO AN IDEA OF A
- 15 PERCEIVED PROBLEM. DO YOU NOT THINK THERE IS A PROBLEM HERE?

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- 17 FLOYD HAYHURST: THERE IS PROBLEMS. WHEN I SAY THAT, SAY
- 18 "PERCEIVED," IT'S HOW LARGE THE PROBLEM IS

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- 20 KIM DUNNE: DOES ALADS BELIEVE THERE IS EXCESSIVE FORCE BY THE
- 21 DEPUTIES IN JAIL?

- 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: THERE IS MANY INVESTIGATIONS GOING ON. I DON'T
- 24 WANT TO COMMENT WHETHER THERE IS OR ISN'T UNTIL THE FINDINGS
- 25 ACTUALLY COME OUT.

1 2 KIM DUNNE: DOES ALADS BELIEVE THERE ARE DEPUTY CLIQUES IN THE 3 JAIL? 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE IS. 6 7 KIM DUNNE: YOU CONDUCTED A SURVEY TO SUPPORT YOUR REPORT; IS 8 THAT RIGHT? 9 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, WE DID. 11 KIM DUNNE: I UNDERSTAND 20% OF THE DEPUTIES RESPONDED? 12 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT 14 15 16 KIM DUNNE: SO THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE A COPY OF THE REPORT, THEY HAVE A COPY OF THE SURVEY, TABS 1 AND 2 IN THE BINDER. I 17 18 WILL HIT HIGHLIGHTS OF THAT REPORT TODAY; OKAY? WHAT IS YOUR 19 VIEW OF DEPUTY MORALE AMONG THE DEPUTIES IN CUSTODY? 20 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT IS PROBABLY AT AN ALL-TIME LOW. THERE IS A 21 22 LOT OF CHANGES BEING MADE, ALLEGATIONS OF PEOPLE, OF DEPUTY 23 SHERIFFS BEING ACCUSED OF FORCE OR HEAVY-HANDEDNESS AND TO SOME DEGREE, LIKE WE SAID, THERE COULD POSSIBLY BE SOME 24 PROBLEMS THERE, THAT IT'S A BIG -- IT'S PAINTED WITH A BROAD 25

BRUSH, BUT IT'S RUNNING RAMPANT IN THERE. 1 2 3 KIM DUNNE: YOU ASKED IN THE SURVEY AT TAB 2, "HAS LOW MORALE IN YOUR UNIT AFFECTED -- " AND YOU LISTED VARIOUS THINGS, 4 OFFICER SAFETY, PRODUCTIVITY, USE OF FORCE AND ABSENTEEISM. 5 WHY DID YOU ASSUME THERE WAS LOW MORALE IN THE JAILS WHEN YOU 6 7 PREPARED THE SURVEY? 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THE ONE GROUP HAD ACTUALLY STARTED 9 WORKING ON QUESTIONS AND THINGS THAT THEY WERE GOING TO ASK 10 11 THE ENTIRE WORKING MEMBERS THAT WORK INSIDE CUSTODY AND SINCE THEY WERE ALL WORKING THERE, THEY ALREADY HAD A PERCEPTION 12 THAT MORALITY WAS LOW. SO THAT QUESTION WAS ADDED TO SOLIDIFY 13 14 WHAT THEY BELIEVE WAS ACTUALLY FACTUAL. 15 16 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU THINK SHERIFF BACA CONTRIBUTED TO THE LOW MORALE OF DEPUTIES IN CUSTODY? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF HE HAS, I DON'T THINK IT'S INTENTIONAL. I 19 THINK PART OF IT HAS BEEN BECAUSE OF THE MASSIVE CHANGE OF 20 21 SOME OF THE POLICIES AND I WAS HERE LAST FRIDAY. HE DID TALK 22 ABOUT THE TOWN HALL MEETINGS AND HOW HE BELIEVES SOME OF THE 23 FORCE IS DOWN BECAUSE OF THE TOWN HALL MEETINGS. I BELIEVE

THAT IS DOWN PROBABLY MORE BECAUSE OF THEY FEEL THEY ARE UNDER

THE MICROSCOPE. I'M NOT SAYING THEY SHOULDN'T BE BUT THEY FEEL

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- 1 THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE SECOND-GUESSED NO MATTER WHAT THEY
- 2 DO FOR ANY REASON.

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- 4 KIM DUNNE: IS THERE ANYTHING SPECIFIC -- IS THERE ANYTHING
- 5 THAT SHERIFF BACA IMPLEMENTED THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE LOW
- 6 MORALE?

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8 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M NOT SURE. CAN YOU REPEAT THE QUESTION?

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- 10 KIM DUNNE: IS THERE ANYTHING YOU BELIEVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE
- 11 LOW MORALE?

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- 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE MOST OF IT HAS TO DO WITH THE
- 14 TERMINOLOGY WE ARE HEARING IS THE EMPOWERING OF THE INMATES
- 15 THAT THEY DON'T BELIEVE THEY HAD TO LISTEN TO THE DEPUTIES
- 16 NOW. THEY CAN CIRCUMVENT THE SYSTEM AND GO DIRECTLY TO A
- 17 SERGEANT OR ABOVE PEOPLE YOU NOTED EARLIER.

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19 KIM DUNNE: YOU NOTED THE INMATES ARE RUNNING THE JAIL.

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21 FLOYD HAYHURST: YOU NOTED IN THE REPORT?

- 23 KIM DUNNE: PAGE 10. SIMPLY PUT, DEPUTIES FEEL THAT THEY HAVE
- 24 LOST CONTROL OF THE JAILS, WITH A SENSE THAT THE INMATES ARE
- 25 RUNNING THE JAILS?

1 2 FLOYD HAYHURST: GIVE ME A SECOND, PLEASE. 3 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU SEE THAT? 4 5 6 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. 7 8 KIM DUNNE: WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY THAT? 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT GOES TO THE IDEA THAT THE DEPUTIES BELIEVE 10 11 BECAUSE THEY CAN'T DO ANYTHING, THE INMATES ARE STARTING TO RUN THE JAIL. 12 13 KIM DUNNE: YOU NOTED ABOVE ON THE SAME PAGE INMATES ARE 14 EXHIBITING INCREASINGLY AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR TOWARDS THE 15 16 DEPUTIES; IS THAT RIGHT? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, THAT IS CORRECT. 19 KIM DUNNE: IS THAT VIOLENT BEHAVIOR? 20 21 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: AT TIMES IT HAS BEEN, YES. 23 KIM DUNNE: WHY DO YOU BELIEVE THE INMATES ARE BEING MORE 24 VIOLENT TOWARDS STAFF? 25

1 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE ONES THAT ARE BEING MORE VIOLENT TOWARDS 2 3 STAFF, THAT'S THE NEXT STEP BEYOND BEING DISRESPECTFUL TOWARDS THE DEPUTIES, THEY WILL BE AGGRESSIVE TO SEE WHETHER THE 4 5 DEPUTIES ARE GOING TO USE FORCE OR GOING TO BACK DOWN AND WAIT FOR A SUPERVISORS OR SOMEBODY TO GET THERE. 6 7 8 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU ATTRIBUTE THIS CHANGE TO THE SHERIFF'S 9 REFORMS? 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE AGAIN THAT HAS PART OF IT TO DO WITH 11 12 IT, YES. 13 KIM DUNNE: WHEN YOU SAY THE DEPUTIES CAN'T DO ANYTHING, WHAT 14 15 DO YOU MEAN BY THAT? 16 FLOYD HAYHURST: THEY ARE BEING INFORMED IF AT ALL HUMANLY 17 18 POSSIBLE THEY NEED TO CALL FOR A SUPERVISOR, SOMEBODY ABOVE 19 THE RANK OF DEPUTY TO ASSESS THE SITUATION. 20 KIM DUNNE: AND DO YOU VIEW THAT REQUIREMENT THAT THEY CALL A 21 22 SUPERVISOR IF THERE IS ANTICIPATED FORCE TO BE A PROBLEM? 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT CAN BE AT TIMES, YES. WE RUN THE LARGEST 24 JAIL FACILITY THERE IS IN THE FREE WORLD AND WE DO MASSIVE 25

- 1 MOVEMENTS ALL DAY LONG AND IF EVERY TIME AN INMATE WANTS TO
- 2 HAVE A TALK WITH A SERGEANT OR ABOVE, THERE WOULD BE VIRTUALLY
- 3 -- EVERYTHING WOULD COME TO A STANDSTILL.

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- 5 KIM DUNNE: DON'T YOU VIEW THE PRESENCE OF A SUPERVISOR AS
- 6 HAVING SOMEBODY WITH MORE EXPERIENCE WHO COULD PROVIDE COUNSEL
- 7 IN THAT TYPE OF TENSE SITUATION?

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- 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT CAN BE AT TIMES, ABSOLUTELY. IN AN IDEAL
- 10 WORLD, PERFECT TIMES AND HOURS THAT THAT -- THAT YOU CAN CALL
- 11 FOR A SUPERVISOR, THAT WILL DE-ESCALATE IT. SOMETIMES IT'S
- 12 CALLING FOR ANOTHER DEPUTY TO DEESCALATE IT. SOMETIMES IT'S A
- 13 PERSONALITY BETWEEN THE INMATE AND THE DEPUTY HAVING A SECOND
- 14 DEPUTY THERE. THE OTHER ONE WALKING AWAY. SOMETIMES IT DE-
- 15 ESCALATES IT. IT'S NOT NECESSARILY THE SUPERVISORS. SOMETIMES
- 16 IT CAN BE THE PERSONALITY BETWEEN THE INMATE AND THAT DEPUTY.

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- 18 KIM DUNNE: SO IT'S ALADS POSITION THAT THAT REQUIREMENT, THAT
- 19 A SUPERVISOR BE PRESENT SHOULD NOT BE IN PLACE, IS THAT
- 20 CORRECT?

- 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE A LITTLE MORE RELAXED
- 23 THAN IT IS NOW. DEPUTIES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO AT LEAST TRY TO
- 24 HANDLE THE SITUATION TO CONCLUSION. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, IF
- 25 THERE IS PERCEIVED FORCE AND HAVE YOU -- AND TIME ALLOWS, BY

- 1 ALL MEANS, CALL WHOEVER YOU WANT. WE WANT IT AS A LAST RESORT.
- 2 IT'S NEVER THE FIRST RESORT. IT'S THE LAST RESORT. THERE ARE
- 3 TIMES I HAVE SEEN THAT BY WAITING FOR A SUPERVISOR THE FORCE
- 4 OR THE PERCEIVED FORCE ESCALATES UP TO GETTING MORE PEOPLE
- 5 INVOLVED. ONE TIME IT MIGHT BE ONE INMATE. BY THE TIME THEY
- 6 GET A SERGEANT THERE, THERE MAY BE 10 OR 15 INMATES NOW
- 7 INVOLVED. NOW YOU HAVE A SERIOUS SITUATION WHERE THE DEPUTY
- 8 WAS ABLE TO, WHILE THE INCIDENT TO BEGIN WITH WOULD HAVE NOT
- 9 INVOLVED MORE INMATES.

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- 11 KIM DUNNE: IN ADDITION TO YOU HAVING TO WAIT FOR A SUPERVISOR
- 12 IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, DO DEPUTIES BELIEVE THEY HAVE LOST
- 13 TOOLS, IF YOU WILL, TO HANDLE SITUATIONS WITH INMATES?
- 15 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DON'T BELIEVE THEY'VE LOST TOOLS, BUT
- 16 THEY'VE FEEL THAT THEY HAVE LOST THE AUTHORITY TO RESOLVE
- 17 ISSUES THAT SHOULD BE HANDLED BY A DEPUTY SHERIFF.
- 19 KIM DUNNE: WELL, HAVE THEY LOST THE ABILITY TO TAKE CERTAIN
- 20 ACTION WHEN FACED WITH INMATE MISBEHAVIOR?
- 22 **FLOYD HAYHURST:** I BELIEVE THE PERCEPTION IS THAT IF THEY USE
- 23 FORCE WITHOUT CALLING FOR A SUPERVISOR BEFORE THEY GET THERE,
- 24 THEY'RE GOING TO BE SCRUTINIZED AS TO AND QUESTIONED AND
- 25 BASICALLY DISCIPLINED IF THEY DID NOT WAIT FOR A SERGEANT TO

GET THERE. 1 2 3 KIM DUNNE: SO, ESSENTIALLY, DEPUTIES FEEL THEY'VE LOST THE ABILITY TO TURN TO FORCE IN THE FACE OF INMATE MISBEHAVIOR; IS 4 5 THAT RIGHT? 6 7 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT. 8 KIM DUNNE: HAVE THERE BEEN OTHER CHANGES, I BELIEVE WHEN WE 9 SPOKE YOU RAISED ONE CONCERNING FLASHLIGHTS THAT CAUSED DEPUTIES CONCERNS? 10 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: ACTUALLY, I SPOKE TO THE SHERIFF. WE CAME TO 12 AN AGREEMENT ON THE USE OF FLASHLIGHTS, THE SIZE OF 13 FLASHLIGHTS AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S A BIG ISSUE. THEY WERE 14 VERY CONCERNED THEY WERE GOING TO LOSE A TOOL THAT THEY HAVE 15 16 PRETTY MUCH THEIR ENTIRE CAREER BEEN ALLOWED TO CARRY. I MEAN, THOSE ARE THE FLASHLIGHTS THAT WERE THERE BEFORE I WAS HIRED. 17 18 I GOT 30 YEARS ON. 19 KIM DUNNE: JUST SO I UNDERSTAND, HOW WERE FLASHLIGHTS 20 PERCEIVED AS A TOOL FOR DEPUTIES 21 22 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THEY'RE TWO-FOLD. THEY'RE OBVIOUSLY FOR ILLUMINATION AND OBVIOUSLY AN IMPACT WEAPON OR AN IMPACT 24

OPPORTUNITY.

1 KIM DUNNE: DO DEPUTIES THINK THEY HAVE OTHER MEANINGFUL 2 3 OPTIONS TO ADDRESS INMATE BEHAVIOR OTHER THAN FORCE? 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: YEAH, THEY ALL KNOW THE FIRST WAY TO DEAL WITH INMATE FORCE IS IF YOU CAN, YOU SEPARATE THEM, ISOLATE THEM 6 7 FROM THE REST. THEN THEY CAN SEND THEM TO THE "HOLE" AS WE 8 CALL IT FOR DISCIPLINE. THEY GO BEFORE A DISCIPLINE REVIEW 9 BOARD. THEY'RE PUT INTO DISCIPLINE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME. 10 11 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU BELIEVE SEGREGATION IS AN OPTION AND A 12 MEANINGFUL ONE? 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: AT THIS TIME THERE IS NOT ENOUGH HOUSING FOR 14 15 IT, IS WHAT WE WERE TOLD. THERE ARE TOO MANY IN THE HOLE OR 16 THEY WANT TO BE IN THE HOLE AND THEY WANT TO BE ISOLATED AND REMOVED FROM GENERAL POPULATION. 17 18 19 KIM DUNNE: WHAT ABOUT INCENTIVES FOR APPROPRIATE INMATE BEHAVIOR? WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OR ALADS' VIEW ON THOSE? 20 21 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M NOT REALLY SURE. I HAVEN'T GIVEN IT MUCH 23 THOUGHT FOR PROGRAMS AND STUFF THAT HELPS. I THINK EDUCATION, LIKE WHAT THE SHERIFF IS DOING IS GOING TO HELP TO SOME 24 DEGREE, BUT THEY'RE IN THERE BECAUSE OF -- THEY DON'T LIKE 25

- 1 PROGRAMS OUT ON THE STREETS. THEY DON'T BELIEVE IN LAW AND
- 2 ORDER AND I'M NOT SURE THE INCENTIVE IS REALLY THERE AS WE SAY
- 3 WITH THE PROP 109 AND OVERCROWDED. THERE IS NO INCENTIVE. THEY
- 4 KNOW THEY WILL GET OUT AND PICKING UP ANOTHER CASE, BEING
- 5 ARRESTED FOR ANOTHER CRIME

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- 7 KIM DUNNE: DOES ALADS SEE THE TOWN HALLS IMPLEMENTED AS A WAY
- 8 OF REDUCING TENSION?

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- 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE THAT THOSE TOWN HALLS HAVE, AS WE
- 11 SAY HAVE EMPOWERED THE INMATES. THEY BELIEVE, WE HAVE BEEN
- 12 TOLD BECAUSE MANY TIMES THE DEPUTIES ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ATTEND
- 13 THOSE WHILE THE INMATES ARE IN THERE AND WOULD THERE BE --
- 14 WHAT THEY PERCEIVE AS BEING TOLD TO THEM AS THE INMATES ARE TO
- 15 ASK FOR SERGEANTS OR ABOVE OR TALK TO ANYONE THEY WANT AND IF
- 16 THEY HAVE A SERIOUS SITUATION YOU DON'T HAVE TO ONLY SPEAK TO
- 17 THE DEPUTIES.

- 19 KIM DUNNE: I NOTED IN THE SURVEY, QUESTION NO. 8, WHICH IS ON
- 20 PAGE 2 OF THE SURVEY. YOU SAID -- THERE WAS A OUESTION THAT
- 21 COMMAND STAFF HAS BEEN HOLDING TOWN HALL MEETINGS WITH
- 22 INMATES. HAVE YOU NOTICED A CHANGE IN INMATE BEHAVIOR TOWARDS
- 23 DEPUTIES SINCE THESE TOWN HALL MEETINGS BEGAN AND A
- 24 SIGNIFICANT PORTION TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT THESE TOWN HALL
- 25 MEETINGS HAD CONTRIBUTED TO AGGRESSIVE INMATE BEHAVIOR. DO YOU

SEE THAT? 1 2 3 FLOYD HAYHURST: WHAT PAGE WILL YOU, -- WHAT PAGE ARE YOU ON, PLEASE? 4 5 KIM DUNNE: PAGE 2. 6 7 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE REASON I'M HAVING DIFFICULTY IS YOUR PAGES 9 ARE NOT THE SAME AS MINE. 10 KIM DUNNE: WHY DON'T YOU LOOK AT THE BINDER, TAB 2? 11 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. ACCORDING TO SURVEY, IT SHOWS THAT 51% 13 14 HAVE NOTICED AN AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR AND 70% SAY THEY, THAT 15 THEY HAVE DECLINED BECAUSE THEY FEEL EMPOWERED. 16 KIM DUNNE: I WANT TO ASK YOU TO TURN TO TAB 13 IN THE BINDER, 17 18 WHICH ARE SOME INFORMATION AND DATA THAT WE PULLED TOGETHER 19 RELATED TO THE ASSAULTS BY INMATES ON STAFF IN 2011 AND 2012. DO YOU HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF YOU? 20 21 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, I DO. 23 KIM DUNNE: WE ANNUALIZED THE NUMBER FOR 2012 AS IF IT WERE THE 24 ENTIRE YEAR FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES. WHAT THIS SHOWS, 25

- 1 ACTUALLY, IS THAT THE NUMBER OF INMATE ASSAULTS ON STAFF HAS
- 2 DECLINED SUBSTANTIALLY AND, IN FACT, THE NUMBER OF USE OF
- 3 FORCE REPORTS, REPORTING HAS BEEN CUT IN ABOUT HALF. DO YOU
- 4 SEE THAT?

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6 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, I DO.

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- 8 KIM DUNNE: ISN'T THIS DATA INCONSISTENT WITH YOUR BELIEF THAT
- 9 INMATES HAVE BECOME MORE AGGRESSIVE AND VIOLENT TOWARDS STAFF?

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- 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT NECESSARILY. THE STAFF CAN BE -- THERE IS
- 12 A LOT OF DIFFERENT CHANGES DURING THE MONTHS AND STUFF, WHO IS
- 13 IN AND OUT OF CUSTODY. THERE IS ALSO OTHER THINGS THAT HAVE
- 14 CHANGED IN THERE. THEY'VE BROUGHT ON A LOT MORE SERGEANTS AND
- 15 LIEUTENANTS IN THERE. THEY HAVE ALSO PUT IN OVER 300 CAMERAS.
- 16 IF YOU WERE BEING WATCHED BY A CAMERA ALL THE TIME, THAT'S
- 17 GOING TO REDUCE SOME OF THE ASSAULTS RIGHT THERE IN ITSELF.

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- 19 KIM DUNNE: SO YOU'D AGREE SOME OF THESE REFORMS HAVE, IN FACT,
- 20 HAD A POSITIVE IMPACT ON REDUCING ASSAULTIVE BEHAVIOR BETWEEN
- 21 INMATES AND DEPUTY?

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23 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE IT HAD SOME RESULTS, YES.

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25 KIM DUNNE: AND THAT HAS OCCURRED UNDER THE TENURE OF CAPTAIN

ORNELAS (PHONETIC); ISN'T THAT RIGHT? 1 2 3 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. 4 5 KIM DUNNE: DID YOU NOTICE IN ALADS' RATINGS OF CAPTAINS THAT CAME OUT IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR, CAPTAIN ORNELAS IS ONE OF THE 6 7 FIVE CAPTAINS NOTED AS NEEDING IMPROVEMENT; RIGHT? 8 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE SO. 10 KIM DUNNE: YOU'D AGREE, THIS BEHAVIOR, IS A GOOD THING UNDER 11 HIS TENURE? 12 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF THE ACTS OF VIOLENCE DECLINED, ABSOLUTELY 14 15 16 KIM DUNNE: AND YOU AGREED THEY HAVE; RIGHT? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. 19 KIM DUNNE: YOU ALSO NOTED IN YOUR REPORT UNDERSTAFFING WAS A 20 PART OF LOW MORALE; ISN'T THAT RIGHT? 21 22 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, I DID. 24 KIM DUNNE: I BRIEFLY WANT TO DISCUSS THREE ISSUES. THE FIRST

- 1 HAS TO DO WITH THE CARP PROGRAM, THE ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL
- 2 THAT FILLS IN; CORRECT?

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4 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES.

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- 6 KIM DUNNE: YOUR REPORT NOTES YOU VIEW THEM AS CREATING AN
- 7 UNSAFE SITUATION IN CUSTODY. WHY IS THAT?

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- 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, IT'S MORE THAN IN CUSTODY. THE CARPING
- 10 GOES ON IN THE COUNTY. THE REPORTS WE ARE GETTING FROM OUR
- 11 MEMBERS THAT, ALTHOUGH THE THEORY OF THE PROGRAM SHOULD WORK,
- 12 THE EASIEST WAY TO EXPLAIN IT IS LIKE HAVING A TEMPORARY
- 13 EMPLOYEE LIKE YOUR RECEPTIONIST IS OUT FOR A WEEK OR TWO WEEKS
- 14 AND YOU BRING IN A TEMPORARY RECEPTIONIST. ALTHOUGH, THEY'RE
- 15 FILLING THE SPOT, THEY JUST DON'T HAVE THE KNOWLEDGE AND
- 16 EXPERIENCE TO FULFILL THE REAL REQUIREMENTS OF THAT POSITION.
- 17 WHILE THERE ARE ALL THESE DEPUTIES COMING IN, THEY WORK ONE
- 18 DAY THERE THEN YOU MAY NOT EVER SEE THEM FOR ANOTHER MONTH.
- 19 LIKE I HAVEN'T WORKED IN THE CUSTODY FACILITY IN ALMOST 30
- 20 YEARS, SO ALTHOUGH I WORKED THERE, I COULD GO BACK AND WORK IN
- 21 THERE, THE CHANGES AND THE THINGS, YOU'RE JUST NOT GOING TO
- 22 GET THE SAME QUALITY OF WORK PRODUCTIVITY OUT OF THE DEPUTY OR
- 23 THE PEOPLE GOING IN THERE AND CARPING.

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25 KIM DUNNE: THE ACTUAL PERCENTAGE, THOUGH, OF CARP HOURS, IF

- 1 YOU WILL, THE NUMBER OF RESERVED DEPUTIES IN CUSTODY IS QUITE
- 2 SMALL COMPARED TO THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CUSTODY STAFF; ISN'T IT?

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- 4 FLOYD HAYHURST: YEAH. IF COMPARED TO THE STAFF TOTAL NUMBERS,
- 5 YES.

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- 7 KIM DUNNE: WE ACTUALLY, IF YOU TURN TO TAB 3, WE APPRECIATE
- 8 THE INFORMATION YOU GAVE US ABOUT CARP HOURS AND WE LOOKED AT
- 9 THAT AND WHAT WE TRIED TO DO WAS TAKE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CARP
- 10 HOURS IN 2011, WHICH WAS ABOUT 71,000, AND WE TRIED TO
- 11 CALCULATE HOW THAT WOULD BE IN FTES, TAKING A 2,000-HOUR YEAR,
- 12 DIVIDING THAT INTO 71,000. WE ESSENTIALLY IDENTIFIED 36 FTES,
- 13 WHICH WHEN COMPARED TO AGAINST THE APPROXIMATELY 1870
- 14 DEPUTIES, AND 1,000 CUSTODY ASSISTANTS, ABOUT 3,000, IT'S
- 15 ABOUT 1% OF THE TOTAL CUSTODY WORK FORCE; RIGHT?

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17 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF THAT'S THE NUMBERS THAT ARE THERE, YES.

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- 19 KIM DUNNE: NOW, YOU ARE ALSO FAMILIAR WITH THE PROPOSAL MADE
- 20 BY PPOA TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CUSTODY ASSISTANTS; CORRECT?

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22 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, I AM.

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24 KIM DUNNE: WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OR ALADS' VIEW ON THAT PROPOSAL?

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, IT'S LIKE THE CARPING. EVEN THOUGH THE
- 2 CARPING NUMBERS ARE VERY LOW, WE ARE EXTREMELY UNDERSTAFFED AS
- 3 IT IS AND EVERY PERSON THAT'S IN THERE NEEDS TO BE ABLE TO
- 4 PERFORM AT 100% NOT AT 80%, NOT AT 70%, AND THE MORE CIVILIAN
- 5 EMPLOYEES WE PUT IN THERE, THE UNSWORN PERSONNEL, IT
- 6 DIMINISHES THE AUTHORITY AND ABILITY TO PROVIDE A STEADY WORK
- 7 ENVIRONMENT. I AM OUITE AWARE THERE IS A LOT OF FACILITIES
- 8 THAT HAVE GONE TO CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND THEY HAVE PROBLEMS.
- 9 THEY FORCE SWORN PERSONNEL OUT. THEY DON'T HAVE THE PERSONAL
- 10 TRAINING AND THEY DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO -- AND THE SAME
- 11 RESPONSIBILITIES, AT LEAST IN OUR SYSTEM, THAT THE DEPUTIES
- 12 DO.

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- 14 KIM DUNNE: AND WHAT IS IT ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE
- 15 CUSTODY ASSISTANT AND DEPUTY THAT YOU THINK CAN CONTRIBUTE TO
- 16 INCREASED FORCE AND MORE PROBLEMS WITHIN CUSTODY?
- 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF THERE IS LESS DEPUTIES IN THERE, THE ODDS
- 19 ARE, IF THERE IS CIVILIANS IN THERE OPERATING THE JAIL,
- 20 THERE'S GOING TO BE NON-COMPLIANCE. THERE WILL BE LESS
- 21 COMPLIANCE WITH A CUSTODY THAN THE DEPUTY SHERIFF. I AM AWARE
- 22 THAT PPOA ALSO SAID THEY CAN RUN IT BETTER AND MORE EFFICIENT
- 23 AND WITH LESS FORCE. CURRENTLY, THEY DON'T USE VERY MUCH FORCE
- 24 BECAUSE DEPUTIES ARE THERE AND THE CAS, FOR THE MOST PART, DO
- 25 NOT RESPOND TO FORCE ISSUES. THEY LET THE DEPUTIES HANDLE IT.

- 1 SO THOSE NUMBERS ARE DEFINITELY GOING TO BE DOWN FROM OURS.
- 2 BECAUSE THEY DON'T USE FORCE, BECAUSE THEY DON'T RESPOND TO
- 3 IT.

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- 5 KIM DUNNE: ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH THE SHERIFF'S DUAL CAREER
- 6 PATH STUDY AND CONCLUSION THAT IMPLEMENTING DUAL PATH WOULD
- 7 ACTUALLY INCREASE MORALE AND CREATE A MORE STABLE CUSTODY WORK
- 8 FORCE?

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- 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WILL, IF I MAY, I WILL START OFF WITH THAT
- 11 AND DEFER TO STEVE TO ANSWER. THE DUAL PATH, I UNDERSTAND WHAT
- 12 THE SHERIFF'S THOUGHTS ARE ON IT WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WILL
- 13 HELP MORALE IN ANYWAY, SHAPE OR FORM. IN FACT, WE THINK IT
- 14 WILL HURT IT. WE HAD A DUAL -- WHAT THEY CALLED A "MODIFIED
- 15 DEPUTY" IN THE PAST AND IT CREATES A -- I AM A BETTER THAN YOU
- 16 OR I HAVE MORE TRAINING THAN YOU, I AM MORE QUALIFIED THAN YOU
- 17 -- AMONGST THE JAIL. AND THERE IS OTHER JAIL FACILITIES
- 18 THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT HAVE HAD THE DUAL TRACK
- 19 AND IT IS NOT GOOD FOR MORALE EITHER BECAUSE IT GOES ALL THE
- 20 WAY BACK TO THE RANKS AND STUFF. AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT I'M
- 21 GOING TO LET STEVE TALK ABOUT THE CASE WITH RESTRICTING IT,
- 22 WHAT THE -- HOW IT LIMITS THEIR POWERS AND THEIR AUTHORITY IN
- 23 CASES OF EMERGENCY. SO I'LL LET STEVE TALK, IF YOU WILL PERMIT
- 24 THE COMMISSIONER TO ALLOW STEVE TO ANSWER.

1 KIM DUNNE: MR. REMIGE. 2 3 STEVE REMIGE: GOOD MORNING. BACK IN 2004, WE EXPLORED THIS PROGRAM, AND WE CONDUCTED A TOUR OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, 4 5 I'M NOT SURE WHICH ONE IT WAS. WE TALKED WITH THEIR STAFF AND COMMANDERS AND ALL THAT AND THAT PROGRAM WAS NOT AT THE DESIGN 6 7 OF THE SHERIFF, ITSELF. IT WAS A MANDATE BY THE BOARD OF 8 SUPERVISORS AS A WAY TO CREATE A CHEAPER WORK FORCE TO RUN THE 9 CUSTODY DIVISION. THE POLICE OFFICER POWERS GRANTED THOSE CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS DOWN IN SAN DIEGO WAS LESS THAN WHAT A 10 11 FULL 830.1 DEPUTY SHERIFF HAS. WHEN THEY HAD THE WILDFIRES, PROBABLY BEFORE 2004 WHEN WE WENT DOWN THERE. THE ISSUE BECAME 12 THEY HAD A FORCE, A WORK FORCE THAT WAS NON-DEPLOYABLE. THE 13 ONLY THING THEY COULD DO WAS WORK CUSTODY FACILITY. THAT WAS 14 IT. THEY COULDN'T PUT THEM OUT ON A FIRE LINE -- THEY COULDN'T 15 16 PUT THEM OUT ON A FIRE LINE DIRECTING TRAFFIC, DRIVING WHATEVER IT IS TO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS TO HELP AS FAR AS THE 17 18 MANPOWER POOL. THEY'RE VERY LIMITED IN THE USE OF THOSE 19 PERSONNEL OTHER THAN FOR CORRECTION FUNCTIONS ONLY THE COMMAND STAFF THERE WHO WERE -- TWO COMMANDERS WE TALKED WITH, WHO HAD 20 ALSO WORKED THE PATROL SIDE OF THE OPERATION, SAID THAT IF 21 22 THEY HAD TO DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN, THEIR RECOMMENDATION WAS TO 23 STAFF THE JAILS WITH FULL- FLEDGED DEPUTY SHERIFFS.

25 KIM DUNNE: WEREN'T THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE JAILS ABLE TO BE

- 1 DEPLOYED WITH THOSE FIRES AS LONG AS THEY WERE WITH ANOTHER
- 2 SWORN DEPUTY?

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- 4 STEVE REMIGE: THAT'S AN ISSUE IN ITSELF WHERE THEY WERE, YOU
- 5 COULD SPREAD OUT YOUR RESOURCES BY, YOU KNOW, HAVING THOSE
- 6 PEOPLE AT A SINGLE MAN POST, WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE FOR, YOU
- 7 KNOW, ON A STREET CORNER, YOU KNOW, JUST AS A DETERRENT FOR
- 8 LOOTERS, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. NOW YOU HAVE TO TAKE AN
- 9 ADDITIONAL MAN, PAIR HIM UP WITH THAT PERSON. INSTEAD OF
- 10 GETTING THE FULL VALUE OF YOUR RESOURCES, YOU ARE LIMITING
- 11 YOUR RESOURCES.

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- 13 KIM DUNNE: WOULD YOU AGREE THERE ARE CERTAIN SKILL SETS THAT
- 14 ARE MORE APROPRIATE FOR WORKING IN CUSTODY THAN OUT ON PATROL?

- 16 STEVE REMIGE: THAT'S BEEN, YOU KNOW, 34 YEARS SINCE I WORKED
- 17 CUSTODY FACILITY. I DID WORK 32 YEARS FOR THE SHERIFF'S
- 18 DEPARTMENT BEFORE I RETIRED, BUT -- RETIRED, BUT MY VIEW OF
- 19 CUSTODY IS IT'S A LEARNING EXPERIENCE. A HUGE LEARNING
- 20 EXPERIENCE. A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT WE HIRE -- AND ESPECIALLY
- 21 TODAY -- DON'T HAVE THE LIFE EXPERIENCE THAT APPLICANTS FROM
- 22 THE PAST HAD. SO BY PUTTING NEWLY-ASSIGNED DEPUTIES INTO THE
- 23 CUSTODY FACILITY PRIOR TO THEIR ASSIGNMENT TO PATROL,
- 24 PERSONALLY I FEEL IS A GREAT, GREAT ASSET TO THOSE PEOPLE WHEN
- 25 THEY DO GET OUT TO THEIR PATROL ASSIGNMENTS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE

- 1 HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF ONE-ON-ONE CONTACT WITH THE PEOPLE THAT
- 2 NOT ALWAYS, BUT A LARGE PART OF WHAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE DOING
- 3 IN THE PATROL ENVIRONMENT, THEY'VE HAD CONTACT WITH THOSE
- 4 PEOPLE. THEY KNOW THE WAY THEY TALK, THE WAY THEY ACT, THE
- 5 THINGS THEY DO THAT, YOU KNOW, SET THEM APART FROM OTHER
- 6 PEOPLE IN SOCIETY.

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- 8 KIM DUNNE: DON'T YOU BELIEVE THAT HAVING SOME TENURE, THOUGH,
- 9 WITHIN THE CUSTODY ENVIRONMENT WOULD BE A GOOD THING?

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11 STEVE REMIGE: YES, ABSOLUTELY.

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- 13 KIM DUNNE: SINCE ARE YOU A CURRENT DEPUTY, WOULD YOU AGREE
- 14 THEY NEED TO PLACE MORE RESPECT ON THOSE WORKING IN THE JAILS?

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- 16 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE, YEAH, THERE SHOULD BE PEOPLE NO
- 17 MATTER WHERE THEY'RE WORKING AT, THEY NEED TO FEEL VALUED AND
- 18 RESPECTED FOR THE POSITIONS THEY HOLD.

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- 20 KIM DUNNE: WHAT IS ALADS' VIEW OF THE CURRENT TRAINING FOR
- 21 DEPUTY SHERIFFS THAT WORK IN CUSTODY?

- 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'D SAY THAT'S THE SAME AS LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE
- 24 DON'T GET ENOUGH TRAINING, BUT WITH THE STATE WE KNOW AND THE
- 25 BUDGET AND FINANCES, ANY TIME WE GET MORE TRAINING AND IF IT

- 1 PREVENTS ONE PERSON FROM GETTING INJURED OR KILLED,
- 2 ABSOLUTELY. TRAINING IS 100% NEEDED ALL THE TIME.

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- 4 KIM DUNNE: DO THE DEPUTIES FIND THAT THE CURRENT POLICIES THAT
- 5 APPLY TO CUSTODY WORK ARE UNDERSTANDABLE?

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- 7 FLOYD HAYHURST: ACTUALLY, NO. IT'S -- THEY SEEM TO GET WATERED
- 8 -DOWN OR MISINTERPRETED FROM THE TIME IT'S WRITTEN TO THE TIME
- 9 IT'S ACTUALLY EXPLAINED TO THEM. THAT WAS ALSO PUT IN OUR
- 10 SURVEY. I THINK THERE WAS TESTIMONY PRIOR TO THIS THAT
- 11 SOMETIMES THE POLICIES ARE POORLY WRITTEN OR WRITTEN IN SUCH A
- 12 FASHION THAT THEY'RE HARD TO INTERPRET.

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- 14 KIM DUNNE: IS THERE A CONCERN THAT THE SOURCE OF POLICIES IS
- 15 IN TOO MANY LOCATIONS, YOU HAVE TO GO TO TOO MANY DOCUMENTS
- 16 WHETHER IT'S A MANUAL OR UNIT ORDERS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT?

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- 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: RIGHT, NOT JUST DIFFERENT POLICIES AND
- 19 DOCUMENTS WITHIN A FACILITY, BUT FROM FACILITY TO FACILITY,
- 20 YOU MAY BE DOING THE SAME JOB AT ONE FACILITY AND A DIFFERENT
- 21 ONE, EVEN THOUGH IT'S A CUSTODY FACILITY STATION A DIFFERENT
- 22 POLICY FOR HANDLING THAT.

- 24 KIM DUNNE: LAST FALL, SHERIFF BACA ISSUED A FORCE PREVENTION
- 25 POLICY, WITH WHICH I THINK YOU ARE FAMILIAR. DO YOU THINK THAT

POLICY MADE THE SITUATION BETTER OR WORSE? 1 2 3 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DON'T KNOW IF IT MADE IT BETTER OR WORSE. I JUST BELIEVE -- WHAT I DO BELIEVE IS IT CONFUSED A LOT OF 4 PEOPLE TO EXACTLY WHAT THE POLICY READS. 5 6 7 KIM DUNNE: IN WHAT WAY DID IT CONFUSE PEOPLE? 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN, THE LANGUAGE, THE WAY IT WAS WRITTEN. I 9 DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE IT IN HERE. IT'S HARD TO INTERPRET 10 EXACTLY WHAT IT IS THAT THEY'RE ASKING. 11 12 KIM DUNNE: IF YOU TURN TO TAB 14, YOU WILL SEE IT THERE. IS 13 THERE ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR TO WHICH YOU CAN POINT AS BEING 14 15 PARTICULARLY CONFUSING? 16 FLOYD HAYHURST: ONE THING WE'VE ALWAYS HAD AN ISSUE WITH IS 17 18 WHAT IS OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE, OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE TO WHO? 19 TO THE INMATE? TO THE DEPUTY? TO A COMMISSION? TO THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW? I MEAN, WE ALL HAVE A DIFFERENT POINT 20 21 OF VIEW TO WHAT IS OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE. 22 23 KIM DUNNE: I WANT TO TURN TO THE ISSUE OF PAPERWORK FOR A MOMENT. IN THE SURVEY AND AGAIN, THAT'S AT TAB 2, YOU HAD A 24

QUESTION ON NO. 30, PAGE 8. YOU SAID THERE IS A LOT OF

PAPERWORK WHEN THERE IS AN INCIDENT EVEN IF IT IS A NON-1 SIGNIFICANT USE OF FORCE. HOW DOES THE PAPERWORK LEAVE YOUR 2 3 UNIT UNDERSTAFFED AND UNSAFE? AND THERE WAS A PARTICULAR COMMENT IN YOUR REPORT THAT IT'S VERY BURDENSOME WITH USE OF 4 5 FORCE. CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHAT THE ISSUE IS WITH THIS PAPER THAT 6 YOU FIND TO BE SO BURDENSOME? 7 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN, I THINK PART OF IT HAS TO DO WITH THE 9 STAFFING LEVELS. WHEN SOMEBODY HAS TO STOP TO TAKE THE TIME TO WRITE REPORTS AND YOU ARE ALREADY UNDERSTAFFED LET'S SAY YOU 10 ARE DOWN TWO OR THREE PEOPLE, ET CERTERA, YOU GET DEPUTIES 11 TIED UP WITH WRITING REPORTS, THAT MEANS THERE IS LESS PEOPLE 12 OUT THERE LESS DEPUTY PERSONNEL, MANAGING THE SECURITY OF THE 13 INMATES AND SUPPORT STAFF, THAT THEY WRITE REPORTS AND THERE 14 ARE SO MANY INCIDENTS FOR USES OF FORCE AND/OR INJURIES. WE'RE 15 16 NOT TALKING ABOUT WRITING REPORTS FOR USE OF FORCE. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT ALL PAPERWORK, IT TAKES ANOTHER PERSON OUT. IF 17 18 YOU HAVE THREE OR FOUR DEPUTIES ON ONE FLOOR THAT ARE WRITING 19 REPORTS THAT HAVE TO DO WITH INJURIES, ET CETERA, THEY'RE NO LONGER ON THE FLOOR PROVIDING SECURITY. AND THE REPLICATION OF 20 PAPERWORK, WHATEVER INCIDENT REPORT THEY ARE WRITING, IT WOULD 21 GO AND CUT DOWN ON TIME. THERE ARE SO MANY TIMES WHEN YOU GO 22 23 TO A HOSPITAL, YOU FILL OUT THE FORM AND THE NURSE TURNS

AROUND AND CHECKS YOU IN AND ASKS YOU ALL THE SAME QUESTIONS.

YOU FILL OUT THE PAPERWORK, THE DOCTOR COMES IN, FILLING OUT

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- 1 ANOTHER PIECE OF PAPER, IT'S REDUNDANT PAPERWORK, IF THEY CAN
- 2 CONDENSE IT DOWN, ALL THE INFORMATION WOULD BE THERE FOR EACH
- 3 PERSON ALONG THE WAY, ALL YOU'D HAVE TO DO IS MAKE A COPY OF
- 4 IT. I WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND.
- 5 KIM DUNNE: LET'S FOCUS ON THE REPORTS RELATED TO USE OF FORCE.
- 6 MY UNDERSTANDING IS IN 2011, THERE WERE 581 SUCH INCIDENTS. SO
- 7 581 REPORTS OF A DEPUTY INVOLVED. LET'S JUST SAY A DEPUTY,
- 8 THERE'S TEN DEPUTIES THAT WITNESSED IT OR SOMEHOW TANGENTIALLY
- 9 INVOLVED. THEY HAVE TO WRITE REPORTS. THE 581 TIMES 10, LET'S
- 10 SAY 5,800 REPORTS. OKAY. WITH THE APPROXIMATELY 1,800
- 11 DEPUTIES, DIVIDING THOSE DEPUTIES INTO THE NUMBER OF REPORTS,
- 12 THAT GETS YOU ABOUT THREE USE OF FORCE REPORTS A YEAR. DOES
- 13 THAT SOUND ABOUT RIGHT?

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- 15 FLOYD HAYHURST: EXAMPLE BEING WE HAVE ONE SHOOTING IN COMPTON.
- 16 IT LOOKS LIKE THERE MIGHT BE A LOT OF SHOOTINGS IN COMPTON,
- 17 THEY SPREAD IT OUT THROUGHOUT ALL OF L.A. COUNTY, NOW THERE IS
- 18 ONLY ONE SHOOTING TO WORRY ABOUT.
- 20 KIM DUNNE: IF THERE IS A REPORT, THAT STILL DOESN'T CREATE AN
- 21 UNSAFE ENVIRONMENT AS DAILY OR WEEKLY THE RESPONDENTS
- 22 RESPONDED TO THE SURVEY; CORRECT?
- 24 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT NECESSARILY, IT COULD BE HAPPENING ON ONE
- 25 PARTICULAR FLOOR WITH A LOT OF INMATES. IT COULD BE VERY, VERY

SPECIFIC TO ONE AREA. WHERE IT IS COMPROMISING THEIR SAFETY 1 FOR THAT TIME BEING FOR THAT PARTICULAR TIME. 2 3 KIM DUNNE: WHAT IS YOUR VIEW OF TRACKING COMPLAINTS BY DEPUTY? 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: WHAT KIND OF COMPLAINTS? 6 7 8 KIM DUNNE: USE OF FORCE COMPLAINTS, FOR EXAMPLE? 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WAS TOLD ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE FAST 10 11 PROGRAM? 12 KIM DUNNE: THE CONCEPT OF TRACKING EITHER COMPLAINTS OR USE OF 13 FORCE INCIDENTS BY DEPUTY. WHAT IS ALADS' VIEW ON THIS? 14 15 16 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT DEPENDS ON WHAT IT IS GOING TO BE USED FOR. 17 18 KIM DUNNE: BUT THE CONCEPT OF TRACKING THE INCIDENT DOESN'T 19 TROUBLE YOU; IS THAT RIGHT? 20 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT FOR WHAT IT MIGHT BE USED FOR. 21 22 23 KIM DUNNE: DOES ALADS HAVE A VIEW ON THE ROTATION POLICY THAT HAS BEEN RECENTLY IMPLEMENTED? 24

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: ACTUALLY, WE SAT DOWN AND HAD A BRIEF
- 2 DISCUSSION. THE CURRENT POLICY, ALTHOUGH WE DON'T AGREE WITH
- 3 IT IN ITS ENTIRETY, IF THAT'S A SNOWBALL PROBLEM. IT'S NOT A
- 4 BATTLE WE ARE REALLY PREPARED TO GET INVOLVED WITH. IT HAS ITS
- 5 PROS TO IT. IT HAS ITS CONS. THE ROTATION, THE BEST WAY I
- 6 COULD EXPLAIN IT, THERE IS PROBLEMS WITH IT DEALING WITH THE
- 7 HEALTH ISSUES, MENTAL PATIENTS THAT THEY BECOME VERY SENSITIVE
- 8 TO CHANGE IN THEIR LIFE AND WHEN THEY HAVE TO DEAL WITH
- 9 DIFFERENT HOSPITAL STAFF, PERSONNEL, OR DIFFERENT DEPUTIES
- 10 IT'S JUST THEIR STATE OF MIND. IT CAN BE PROBLEMATIC. MORE
- 11 USES OF FORCE ISSUES. THE NON-COMPLIANCE AND FOR THE
- 12 POPULATION, IT'S THE BEST WAY I CAN DESCRIBE THAT IS A DEPUTY
- 13 WORKING OUT IN THE FIELD. HE KNOWS WHERE THE GANGS ARE HANGING
- 14 OUT IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD. THEY KNOW WHERE THE PROBLEM PEOPLE
- 15 ARE. IF YOU CHANGE THE DEPUTY OUT EVERY FEW DAYS OR EVERY
- 16 MONTH IT TAKES A WHILE FOR THE DEPUTY TO BECOME FAMILIAR WITH
- 17 WHERE THE PROBLEMS ARE. AND WHERE THE INMATES ARE THAT GO
- 18 ALONG WITH THE PROGRAM AND WANT TO DO THEIR JAIL TIME AND GET
- 19 OUT OF CUSTODY AND GO BOOK TO THE FAMILY, WELL, IF YOU CHANGE
- 20 THEM AROUND, THERE IS A LOT OF TIMES DEPUTIES DON'T KNOW WHICH
- 21 INMATE IS WHICH ON THE FLOOR.
- 23 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU BELIEVE THE ROTATION POLICY HAS CONTRIBUTED
- 24 TO THE SIGNIFICANT LOW MORALE THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT?

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FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE SO. 1 2 3 KIM DUNNE: AND ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE -- CURRENTLY AMONG THE DEPUTIES IN 4 5 CUSTODY? 6 FLOYD HAYHURST: MY BIGGEST CONCERN IS WHEN MORALE GOES DOWN 7 8 AND PEOPLE DON'T FEEL THAT THEY ARE BEING RESPECTED AND/OR THE 9 JOBS THAT THEY DO, IT'S LIKE ANYBODY ELSE, THE PERFORMANCE COULD GO DOWN. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING AT SAFETY ISSUES AS WE 10 DISCUSSED THE OTHER DAY AT SOME POINT.IN THE EVENT THE INMATES 11 FEEL EMPOWERED, THEY WILL RIOT. THEY WILL TRY TO TAKE IT OVER. 12 I THINK YOU KNOW I SAID AT SOME POINT IN TIME THERE WILL BE A 13 RIOT. WHAT HAPPENED THE VERY NEXT DAY? INMATES ON INMATES. THE 14 15 STEPS, ALL A PART OF THE DAILY PROCESS THERE. YOU CAN FEEL IT 16 IN THE BUILDING, WHEN THE MORALE IS DOWN, THE INMATES SENSE THAT TOO, AS WELL. 17 18 19 KIM DUNNE: I THINK YOU USED THE TERM "BUBBLE ABOUT TO BURST," DO YOU REMEMBER THAT? 20 21 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT. 23 KIM DUNNE: WHY DO YOU USE THE TERM "THE BUBBLE IS ABOUT TO 24

BURST?"

1 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN THE STAFFING IS LOW, THE INMATES ARE 2 3 FEELING EMPOWERED. AT SOME POINT IN THE TIME, IT HAS HAPPENED IN STATES, IN OUR STATE ALONE, RIOT ITSELF HAPPEN AND PEOPLE 4 5 GET HURT. AND WHEN THE DEPUTIES START LOSING THEIR AUTHORITY, PERCEIVE THEY'RE LOSING THEIR AUTHORITY TO MAINTAIN LAW AND 6 7 ORDER WITHIN THE JAIL, THAT'S WHEN VIOLENCE STARTS HAPPENING. 8 9 KIM DUNNE: IN THE COURSE OF OUR WORK, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY DEPUTIES THAT WE HAVE CONTACTED TO INTERVIEW OR SPEAK WITH 10 11 THAT ALADS TOLD THEM NOT TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION'S INVESTIGATION. ARE YOU AWARE THAT SHERIFF BACA ACTUALLY HAS 12 ENCOURAGED CURRENT AND FORMER DEPUTIES TO SPEAK TO THE 13 14 COMMISSION? 15 16 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M NOT AWARE OF EVER TELLING DEPUTIES NOT TO COOPERATE WITH THE COMMISSION. I BELIEVE WHAT THEY WERE TOLD 17 18 IS THAT IF YOU FEEL YOU ARE GOING TO BE OUESTIONED BY THE 19 COMMISSION, THAT YOU SHOULD SPEAK TO LEGAL COUNSEL FOR LEGAL ADVICE ON IT. BUT I WOULD NEVER DISCOURAGE A DEPUTY FOR 20 21 INTERFEREING WITH AN INVESTIGATION OF ANY KIND. 22 23 KIM DUNNE: IN CONTRAST, ALADS HAS NEVER ENCOURAGED DEPUTIES TO SPEAK; IS THAT RIGHT? 24

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN, THAT'S NOT MY WORDS. WE TOLD THEM THEY
- 2 ARE GOING TO SEEK LEGAL COUNSEL FOR GUIDANCE. I NEVER
- 3 DISCOURAGED ANYBODY FROM COOPERATING WITH THIS COMMISSION OR
- 4 ANY OTHER COMMISSION.

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- 6 KIM DUNNE: HOW DOES ALADS VIEW THE EFFECT AND IMPACT OF THE
- 7 INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT THAT HAS BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE ACLU,
- 8 MERRICK BOBB, MIKE GENNACO?

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- 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: I BELIEVE A LOT OF THEIR INPUT, THEY GO IN
- 11 WITH BLINDERS ON AND IN AN IDEAL WORLD.

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13 KIM DUNNE: WHAT DO YOU MEAN GO IN WITH BLINDERS?

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- 15 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THEY GO IN AND THEY ACTUALLY, FROM WHAT
- 16 I'M AWARE OF OR KNOW, THEY DON'T SPEND A LOT OF TIME INSIDE
- 17 THE JAIL OR ANY OTHER FACILITY AND SEEING THE DAY-TO-DAY
- 18 OPERATION AND AS WE SAY, REAL TIME. WHEN THEY VIEW THE -- GO
- 19 INTO THE JAILS OR ANY OTHER FACILITY, THEY'RE USUALLY,
- 20 EVERYBODY IS MADE AWARE OF THAT THEY'RE THERE AND THEY'RE
- 21 ESCORTED AND THEY SEE IT UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS.

- 23 KIM DUNNE: DO YOU BELIEVE THIS TYPE OF OVERSIGHT HAS
- 24 CONTRIBUTED TO THE LOW MORALE AMONG DEPUTIES THAT ARE WORKING
- 25 IN CUSTODY?

1 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT IN ITSELF, BUT SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS 2 3 HAS PROBABLY HURT SOME OF THE MORALE OR AS AGAIN IT COMES BACK TO THE DEPUTIES ARE FEELING THAT THEY DON'T HAVE ANY AUTHORITY 4 IN THE JAILS ANYMORE. THAT THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD, ALL INMATES, 5 6 EVERYTHING IS HANDS OFF. YOU HAVE A PROBLEM, GO GET A 7 SUPERVISOR. 8 9 KIM DUNNE: ISN'T IT TRUE WHEN WE MET, YOU BLAMED MERRICK BOBB AND ACLU FOR THE PROBLEMS EXISTING IN THE JAILS? 10 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: NO, I BLAMED THEM FOR SOME OF THE 12 RECOMMENDATIONS THE SHERIFF HAS DONE. 13 14 KIM DUNNE: ISN'T IT TRUE YOU HAVE SIMILAR FEELINGS AGAINST THE 15 16 SHERIFF FOR NOT STANDING UP TO THESE OUTSIDE ENTITIES? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE CONVERSATIONS I'VE HAD WITH THE SHERIFF IS 19 MY CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS. I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER THING BAD TO SAY ABOUT MY SHERIFF. 20 21 22 KIM DUNNE: SO IS IT ALADS' VIEW THAT THESE OVERSIGHT RULES 23 SHOULD BE ELIMINATED SO, YOU KNOW, DEPUTIES CAN BE DEPUTIES? 24 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M NOT SAYING THEY SHOULD BE ELIMINATED BUT 25

- 1 THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED AND NOT
- 2 ALWAYS ACTED UPON BECAUSE I DON'T BELIEVE THEY HAVE REALLY
- 3 WHAT'S IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY'S BEST INTEREST. SOME OF THESE
- 4 PEOPLE ARE NOT THE EXPERTS ON IT.

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6 KIM DUNNE: NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.

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8 FLOYD HAYHURST: THANK YOU.

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10 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: ARE YOU GOING ON?

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12 KIM DUNNE: DID YOU HAVE ANY STATEMENTS? THEY WERE BOTH HERE.

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- 14 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THE COMMISSIONER'S QUESTIONS WILL
- 15 BE WITHHELD UNTIL SUCH TIME AS YOUR EXAMINATION OF MR. REMIGE
- 16 IS COMPLETED.

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- 18 KIM DUNNE: MY EXAMINATION OF MR. REMIGE IS COMPLETED. I DIDN'T
- 19 HAVE QUESTIONS. THEY WERE BOTH HERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS THAT
- 20 YOU HAD.

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- 22 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: I GUESS I MISUNDERSTOOD. AS FAR AS
- 23 THE COMMISSIONERS GO, I THINK I STARTED ON MY RIGHT LAST TIME,
- 24 SO THIS TIME I'LL START ON MY LEFT.

- 1 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: I THINK I HAVE ONE OUESTION FOR FORMER
- 2 DEPUTY REMIGE. IT SEEMED THAT YOUR CHARACTERIZATION WAS TO
- 3 HAVE CUSTODY ASSIGNMENT FOR TRAINING PURPOSES. I WAS INTRIGUED
- 4 BY THAT. IF IT SEEMS LIKE YOU FEEL THAT THAT KIND OF
- 5 EXPERIENCE MAKES A BETTER PATROL OFFICER BECAUSE IT, AND
- 6 CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, IT TOUGHENS UP THE DEPUTY TO HAVE THE
- 7 KIND OF BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE TO DEAL WITH SITUATIONS ON
- 8 THE STREET. BEFORE YOU ANSWER THAT, I THINK IT WAS THE SHERIFF
- 9 WHO SAID THAT GIVEN TODAY'S RECRUITS, MANY OF THEM I THINK HE
- 10 SAID HAVE NEVER BEEN IN A FIGHT. I THINK I'M QUOTING HIM
- 11 CORRECTLY. IS IT YOUR -- ONE WAY THAT ONE MIGHT CHARACTERIZE
- 12 YOUR SUPPORT FOR TOUGHENING UP DEPUTIES IS THAT IF THEY GET
- 13 INTO A FIGHT OR EXPOSED TO THAT KIND OF ROUGH CULTURE IN THE
- 14 COUNTY JAIL, THAT MAKES FOR A BETTER PATROL DEPUTY; IS THAT
- 15 WHAT YOU ARE SAYING?
- 17 STEVE REMIGE: I'M NOT SAYING THERE IS A POSSIBILITY YOU COULD
- 18 GET IN A FIGHT BECAUSE YOU ARE IN A CUSTODY ENVIRONMENT. I'M
- 19 SURE THERE IS A LOT OF OUR MEMBERS THAT SPEND THEIR ENTIRE
- 20 CUSTODY CAREERS AND NEVER HAVE A MAJOR FORCE INCIDENT.
- 22 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: LIKE THE MANY DEPUTIES ON PATROL OR
- 23 POLICE OFFICERS THAT NEVER FIRE A WEAPON IN THE COURSE OF
- 24 THEIR CAREER?

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- 1 STEVE REMIGE: ABSOLUTELY. I BELIEVE THE EXPERIENCE OF THE
- 2 CUSTODY SETTING, IT'S MORE OF A PERSONA I GUESS OF THE PEOPLE
- 3 THAT YOU ARE EVENTUALLY GOING TO BE DEALING WITH WHEN YOU GET
- 4 TO THE STREET. YOU KNOW, WE HIRE PERSONNEL FROM ALL DIFFERENT
- 5 WALKS OF LIFE, FROM EVERY CLASS YOU KNOW, NO SOCIAL ECONOMIC
- 6 ENVIRONMENT. AND SOME OF THOSE PERSONNEL MAY HAVE NEVER HAD
- 7 EXPERIENCE WHERE THEY'VE HAD A HOSTILE INDIVIDUAL THAT -- HAS
- 8 NO SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT, YOU KNOW, TAKING THEIR LIFE. SO I DO
- 9 BELIEVE THAT THE EXPERIENCE OF WORKING CUSTODY IS INVALUABLE
- 10 FOR OUR DEPUTY SHERIFFS. I THINK IT MAKES A BETTER PATROL
- 11 DEPUTY WHEN THEY DO GET OUT TO THE STREETS. AND MATURES THEM,
- 12 ACTUALLY.

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- 14 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF A LAW-ABIDING
- 15 CITIZEN WHO IS STOPPED FOR AN ORDINARY TRAFFIC VIOLATION, IF
- 16 THE DEPUTY IS SORT OF GOING TO BELIEVE THAT I DON'T KNOW WHAT
- 17 TO EXPECT, THAT MAY BE TOTALLY REASONABLE. A LAW-ABIDING
- 18 CITIZEN MIGHT SAY IT'S THE PRESUMPTION THAT THE DEPUTY THINKS
- 19 THE PERSON IS VIOLENT THAT MAY LEAD TO THE PERSON BEING
- 20 INITIALLY MISTREATED.
- 22 STEVE REMIGE: I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU ARE DRAWING THAT
- 23 CONCLUSION FROM. I MEAN...
- 25 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: YEAH, IF YOU'VE GOT SOMEONE WHO HAS

- 1 TOUGHENED UP IN A CUSTODY CIRCUMSTANCE COMING ON THE STREET,
- 2 THEY MIGHT TREAT EVERYONE THEY STOP LIKE SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN
- 3 IN CUSTODY.

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- 5 STEVE REMIGE: WELL, EVERYBODY HAS THEIR OWN PERSONALITY AND
- 6 SOME PEOPLE JUST ACT DIFFERENTLY I WOULD SAY, I MEAN, YOU
- 7 KNOW, LIKE I SAID, I WAS A DEPUTY SHERIFF FOR 32 YEARS. I HAD
- 8 THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK NUMEROUS ASSIGNMENTS ON THE SHERIFF'S
- 9 AT THE TIME I DID 26 MONTHS AT MCJ BEFORE I WENT TO PATROL.
- 10 AND WHAT I GOT OUT OF THE CUSTODY EXPERIENCE, I FELT, WAS
- 11 INVALUABLE AND COMPLETED MY TRAINING ON THE STREETS.

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13 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: IT MADE YOU A BETTER PATROL DEPUTY?

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15 STEVE REMIGE: ABSOLUTELY, WITHOUT A DOUBT.

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- 17 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: I THINK FOR DEPUTY HAYHURST, I WANTED
- 18 TO SEE IF YOU COULD EXPAND ON YOUR TRACKING REPORTS, USE OF
- 19 FORCE INCIDENTS. YOU SAID, IT DEPENDS ON WHAT IT'S USED FOR
- 20 THAT DATA. IN YOUR VIEW WHAT ARE YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT HOW THAT
- 21 DATA MIGHT BE PROPERLY USED OR IMPROPERLY USED?

- 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE OBJECTION I HAD TO IT IS, THERE IS GOING
- 24 TO BE CERTAIN PLACES WHEN THEY START DOING A STAT, AS WE KNOW
- 25 STATS ARE NOT ALWAYS WHAT THEY APPEAR TO BE. AND IF YOU HAVE A

- 1 DEPUTY THAT IS ON A POTENTIALLY VIOLENT FLOOR OR WORKS A MORE
- 2 DANGEROUS OR FAST PACED STATION AND THEIR FORCE IS RECORDED
- 3 AND WE SAY DEPUTY HAYHURST, MY GOOD GUY, HE'S GOT 36 USES OF
- 4 FORCE OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS. THERE'S DEPUTY SMITH AT
- 5 ANOTHER FACILITY, HE'S ONLY USED TWO, THERE IS A PROBLEM
- 6 THERE. WELL, AGAIN, THOSE STATS MAY BE ACCURATE, BUT IT'S NOT
- 7 ACCURATE FOR WHERE HE'S WORKING, THE CLASSIFICATION OF WHERE
- 8 THEY'RE WORKING AT. YOU MAY TURN AROUND AND SET THE TWO
- 9 DEPUTIES OUT. THE VERY NEXT THREE YEARS, THE NUMBERS CHANGING
- 10 DRASTICALLY. AND IT WOULD SEND A RED FLAG UNDESERVEDLY AGAINST
- 11 ONE OF MY MEMBERS FOR DOING HIS JOB PROPERLY. IT IS ONE THING
- 12 THEY'RE RECORDING USE OF FORCE, EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE OR
- 13 MISUSE OF FORCE. THAT'S ONE THING, INCLUDING ALL USE OF FORCE,
- 14 USING IT FOR STATISTICAL DATA FOR DISCIPLINE OR TRACKERS. I
- 15 HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THAT.

- 17 HON. CARLOS R. MORENO: I THINK THE SHERIFF TALKED ABOUT THE
- 18 DIFFERENT KIND OF ASSIGNMENTS, AGAIN, I'M NOT SURE IF I'M
- 19 QUOTING HIM CORRECTLY, BUT HE ALLUDED TO, LET'S SAY, ALTADENA
- 20 AND MALIBU BEING LOW FORCE THERE. IN THE COUNTY JAIL, YOU
- 21 MIGHT HAVE HIGH LEVEL USES OF FORCE. WOULDN'T IT BE FAIR JUST
- 22 TO COMPARE APPLES WITH APPLES AND LOOK AT PATTERNS WITHIN THE
- 23 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND WOULDN'T THAT IN SOME WAY LEVEL THE
- 24 PLAYING FIELD SO IF SOMEONE HAD, LET'S SAY THE AVERAGE WAS 10,
- 25 BUT IF SOMEONE HAD 30, THAT MIGHT BE AN INDICATION THAT THAT

- 1 PARTICULAR DEPUTY WHEN COMPARED WITH OTHERS IN THE SAME
- 2 ASSIGNMENT, MIGHT HAVE A PROBLEM?

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- 4 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, AGAIN, IF IT'S ON THE SAME FLOOR AND THE
- 5 DEPUTIES ARE PERFORMING THE SAME JOB ON THE SAME SHIFT. I
- 6 WOULD SAY, ABSOLUTELY. THERE COULD BE A RED FLAG. YOU HEARD
- 7 SOME OF THIS STUFF, I AM WORKING ON THE 3rd FLOOR DURING PILL
- 8 CALL. THERE WAS A DEPUTY ON 5,000 WORKING THERE AND IT'S
- 9 MOSTLY TRUSTEES THAT WORK WITHIN THE JAIL FACILITY. YOU
- 10 COMPARE THOSE TWO, IT WOULD BE AN INACCURATE COMPARISON. IT
- 11 HAD TO BE SOMETHING THAT IS WELL DESIGNED AND YOU CAN DO YOU A
- 12 FAIR COMPARESON. SO I DON'T THINK WE'D HAVE ANY OBJECTION TO
- 13 THAT. BUT IT WOULD HAVE TO BE REALLY TIGHTENED UP. WE ARE LOOK
- 14 AT THINGS OBJECTIVELY ON A FAIR PLAYING FIELD.

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- 16 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YES, YOU INDICATED THAT YOU DIDN'T
- 17 LIKE A LOT OF THE PAPER THAT WAS BEING DONE WITH REGARD TO USE
- 18 OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS. WHY IS THAT? I THINK YOU SAID IT WAS
- 19 TOO BURDENSOME ON THE DEPUTY, TOOK HIM AWAY FROM THE, TOOK HIM
- 20 OFF THE FLOOR.

- 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M REALLY NOT SURE THAT'S EXACTLY HOW I SAID
- 23 IT. I SAID THERE IS A LOT OF PAPERWORK. THAT IS VERY
- 24 BURDENSOME THAT TAKES THE DEPUTIES OUT OF THE SITUATION WHERE
- 25 THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE BACKUP AND SAFETY WHILE

- 1 THEY'RE DOING THAT. WE ARE, OUR RECOMMENDATION IS TO CONDENSE
- 2 SOME OF THE PAPERWORK SO IT GETS THEM BACK OUT, LIKE OUT IN
- 3 THE FIELD, WHEN WE MAKE AN ARREST, IF ARE YOU IN THE STATION,
- 4 BOOK SOMEBODY INTO CUSTODY, ARE YOU IN THERE FIVE HOURS, THAT
- 5 MEANS FIVE HOURS YOU ARE NOT OUT THERE SERVICING THE PUBLIC.
- 6 AND THAT'S SAME THING WHILE IN CUSTODY, WELL-DOCUMENTED
- 7 INCIDENTS, I THINK WE SHOULD PROVIDE AS MUCH FACTS AS HUMANLY
- 8 POSSIBLE AND THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO. WE'RE NOT
- 9 TRYING TO CUT OUT THE FACTS OR DO PROPER REPORTING. THERE
- 10 SHOULD BE A DOCUMENT SOMETHING WITHOUT DOING THREE OR FOUR
- 11 PAGES OF THE SAME QUESTIONS ON A PIECE OF DOCUMENT. IT SHOULD
- 12 BE A UNIVERSAL DOCUMENT THAT WE CAN DO IT ONE TIME AND THAT
- 13 WILL CUT IT OUT.
- 15 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: MY COLLEAGUE TALKED ABOUT PITCHESS
- 16 MOTIONS AND THE FACT THAT THE INFORMATION THAT IS FURNISHED
- 17 THE COURT ON THESE PITCHESS MOTIONS SHOULD BE ACCURATE
- 18 INFORMATION. BUT PITCHESS MOTIONS, I'M SORRY, PITCHESS
- 19 REQUIREMENTS ARE CODIFIED IN THE PENAL CODE OF STATE OF
- 20 CALIFORNIA 832.5 FOR SWORN PEACE OFFICERS. I BELIEVE 841.5 FOR
- 21 CUSTODIAL OFFICERS. SO, REALLY, THE STATE REQUIRES THE
- 22 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS THAT ALADS SEEMS TO BE OPPOSING. WHEN I
- 23 TALK ABOUT ALADS, ARE YOU THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM ALADS. WHY
- 24 IS THAT?

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- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF I UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION, YOU ARE SAYING
- 2 PROPER REPORTING?

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- 4 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YOUR TESTIMONY IS YOU ARE TRYING TO
- 5 SHORT CIRCUIT THE REPORTING ARM. I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT
- 6 BECAUSE THERE IS A PENAL CODE SECTION THAT ADDRESSES THE, YOU
- 7 KNOW, THE CODIFICATION OF THESE REPORTS DEALING WITH.

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- 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WILL HAVE TO DEFER THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS TO
- 10 LEGAL COUNSEL. WE ARE NOT TRYING TO SHORT CIRCUIT THE LEGAL
- 11 PROCESS. IF IT'S LEGALLY REQUIRED, WE DON'T TRY TO CIRCUMVENT
- 12 THE WAY TO GO ABOUT IT. IF WE DON'T BELIEVE IN THE LAW, WE TRY
- 13 TO GET THE LAWS CHANGED. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IF IT'S
- 14 REQUIRED, CODIFICATION PREVENTS SHERIFFS FROM DOING WHAT HE
- 15 NEEDS TO DO.

- 17 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: WE HAD DIFFERENT MEETINGS, WE HAD
- 18 MR. GENNACO, MR. BOBB, THE SHERIFF LAST WEEK, NOW ALADS THIS
- 19 WEEK. AND I GET THE IMPRESSION, THE DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT
- 20 THERE IS A JURISDICTIONAL FREE FOR ALL GOING ON AT THE PRESENT
- 21 TIME WITH RESPECT TO WHAT SHOULD OR SHOULDN'T BE DONE BY WHICH
- 22 GROUP IN THE JAIL. TODAY ARE YOU ADVOCATING THE DEPUTIES DON'T
- 23 HAVE THE INDEPENDENT -- THE INDEPENDENCE THAT IS NEEDED TO
- 24 CARRY OUT THEIR FUNCTION? LAST WEEK, WE HAD THE SHERIFF COME
- 25 IN HERE, ADMITTED THERE WAS A PROBLEM GOING ON IN THE JAILS

- 1 AND WE'VE HAD MR. GENNACO AND MR. BOBB COMPLAINING. AM I
- 2 GETTING IT RIGHT, YOU DON'T BELIEVE THE PROBLEM IS AS SERIOUS
- 3 AS WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LED TO BELIEVE?

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- 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DO NOT BELIEVE THE PROBLEM IS AS SERIOUS AS
- 6 WHAT THE ACLU AND MERRICK BOBB AND MIKE GENNACO SAID, NO, I DO
- 7 NOT. AGAIN, WE ARE RUNNING ONE OF THE MOST VIOLENT JAILS IN
- 8 THE WORLD. WE ARE DOING IT WITH LESS AND EVEN THOUGH THE FORCE
- 9 IS DOWN SIGNIFICANTLY, AGAIN, IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS, YOU
- 10 COMPARE IT TO THE STATS, THE ONES THAT MIKE GENNACO LIKES TO
- 11 USE OR MR. BOBB LIKES TO USE, OUR USE OF FORCE IS NEXT SO ZERO
- 12 COMPARED TO THOSE, OUR NUMBERS IN STAFFING IS DOWN COMPARED TO
- 13 THOSE EXTREMELY LOW COMPARED TO THEIRS. OUR DEPUTIES ARE DOING
- 14 AN OUTSTANDING JOB. THEY ARE USING FORCE, AT TIMES, WHEN
- 15 NECESSARY IF THERE IS SOME OUT THERE USING EXCESSIVE FORCE,
- 16 INVESTIGATIONS, WE'LL LET THEM RUN THE COURSE AND THE
- 17 APPROPRIATE ACTIONS SHOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST THEM. BUT WHEN WE
- 18 DO COMPARISONS ABOUT FORCE, LET'S LOOK AT THEM. HERE IS VOLUME
- 19 AND THE NUMBER OF INMATES THAT WE HAVE AND THE PEOPLE RUNNING
- 20 THE JAIL IS NEXT TO ZERO COMPARED TO THESE OTHER JAILS
- 21 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. THEY'RE DOING A PHENOMENAL JOB. I'M
- 22 NOT GOING TO SAY THERE IS NO BAD DEPUTIES OUT THERE. THAT
- 23 WOULD BE CRAZY TO SAY. BUT I'D SAY THE DEPUTIES AS A WHOLE ARE
- 24 DOING A FABULOUS JOB.

- 1 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: LET ME ASK YOU THIS QUESTION...I
- 2 THINK MR. REMIGE SAID TODAY'S DEPUTIES DON'T HAVE THE LIFE
- 3 EXPERIENCE THAT THE PREVIOUS DEPUTIES HAD. WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY
- 4 THAT?

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- 6 STEVE REMIGE: WELL, BACK WHEN I CAME ON, 1979, THE MAJORITY OF
- 7 THE APPLICANTS THAT WE WERE PUTTING THROUGH THE SHERIFF'S
- 8 DEPARTMENT WERE COMING TO US WITH MILITARY BACKGROUNDS. AND/OR
- 9 HAD LIFE EXPERIENCE. THAT'S NOT THEIR FIRST JOB THAT THEY WERE
- 10 COMING INTO. YOU KNOW, ON MYSELF, I WAS ALMOST 26 WHEN I
- 11 STARTED AT THE SHERIFF'S. AT THE TIME I HAD HAD SEVERAL JOBS,
- 12 NO MILITARY BACKGROUND, BUT I DID GROW UP IN NEIGHBOURHOODS
- 13 THAT WERE CONSIDERED A LITTLE ROUGH. SO --

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15 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: DID YOU GROW UP IN LOS ANGELES?

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- 17 STEVE REMIGE: IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY AND BACK EAST IN
- 18 PENNSYLVANIA. SO, WHAT I MEANT BY THAT PRIOR TO MY TENURE, I
- 19 WAS THERE TEN YEARS. WE WERE SEEING APPLICANT COME IN THIS WAS
- 20 THEIR FIRST JOB. SOME HAD NEVER HAD A PART-TIME JOB PRIOR TO
- 21 COMING ONTO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THIS WAS IT FOR THEM.
- 22 THEY CAME STRAIGHT OUT OF SCHOOL OR IN SOME CASES FROM THEIR
- 23 PARENTS' HOUSE TO THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT. HERE WAS THE
- 24 ENVIRONMENT THEY WERE THROWN INTO. SO IF THAT MAKES SENSE.

- 1 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YOU KNOW, NOT TOO LONG AGO, THERE
- 2 WAS DESERT STORM, SO YOU HAD A LOT OF INDIVIDUALS, YOU KNOW,
- 3 THAT LEFT THE MILITARY AND APPLIED WITH THE SHERIFFS. I GREW
- 4 UP HERE. THAT WAS A CHANGING NEIGHBORHOOD A TOUGH
- 5 NEIGHBOURHOOD. BUT, YOU KNOW, THE KIDS TODAY ARE MORE STREET
- 6 SMART THAN THE KIDS OF MY GENERATION. THE ONLY THING WE HAD TO
- 7 WORRY ABOUT IS PUTTING THE KEY IN THE CAR AND WHETHER IT WOULD
- 8 START UP OR NOT. THE LIGHTS WENT ON. THESE KIDS TODAY FACE FAR
- 9 MORE SERIOUS ISSUES THAN WE EVER FACED WHEN WE GREW UP. I
- 10 MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE STATEMENT THAT, SO THESE KIDS
- 11 DON'T HAVE THE LIFE EXPERIENCES THAT THE OLDER GENERATION HAD,
- 12 THE OLDER GENERATION WAS ALL HAPPY. THIS IS DIFFERENT TIMES.
- 14 STEVE REMIGE: AND I UNDERSTAND THAT COULD BE TRUE, DEPENDING
- 15 ON LIKE I SAID THE AREA THAT YOU GROW UP IN. BUT MY EXPERIENCE
- 16 FROM TALKING TO THE NEW RECRUITS, WE WOULD TALK TO THEM FROM
- 17 DAY ONE OF THE ACADEMY. AND, TO ME, IT APPEARED THAT, YOU
- 18 KNOW, WE WERE HIRING A LOT MORE PERSONNEL THAT DIDN'T HAVE
- 19 WHAT I CALL LIFE CONFRONTATION, EXPERIENCE, WHATEVER IT MIGHT
- 20 HAVE BEEN. AND THAT'S MY OPINION AND WHAT PEOPLE IN MY
- 21 GENERATION HAVE BEEN.

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- 23 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: ARE WE IN A BIG TURF BATTLE HERE
- 24 BETWEEN MANAGEMENT, THE DEPUTIES, AND OUTSIDE MONITORING
- 25 GROUPS, REALLY STANDING IN THE WAY OF PROGRESSIVELY FORM OF

- 1 THE OPERATION OF THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL? I WILL AGREE WITH MR.
- 2 HAYHURST THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL IS A VERY, VERY VIOLENT PLACE. I
- 3 DON'T DISAGREE WITH THAT AT ALL. BUT THIS IS A TURF BATTLE
- 4 GOING ON HERE. IS THAT TURF BATTLE LICENSING ROGUE DEPUTIES TO
- 5 COMMIT VIOLENCE ON INMATES?

- 7 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'LL TAKE THE STAND ON THAT FIRST. I WOULD
- 8 NEVER CALL IT A TURF BATTLE. I THINK THAT, AGAIN, WHEN PEOPLE
- 9 ARE LOOKING INTO HOW THE JAILS ARE BEING RUN AND WHAT THE
- 10 DEPUTIES ARE DOING WHAT ALL THE SHERIFFS DEPLOYMENT, HOW THEY
- 11 ARE PERFORMING, THEY NEED TO LOOK AT IT WITH OPEN EYES, GO IN
- 12 THERE AND SEE HOW VIOLENT THE JAIL COULD BE. MYSELF, LIKE YOU,
- 13 I GREW UP IN L.A. COUNTY ALL MY LIFE. TIMES ARE CHANGING. WHEN
- 14 WE ARE DEALING WITH THE INMATES IN CUSTODY, THEY'RE NOT ALL
- 15 GUILTY, BUT MANY OF THEM NOW WE HAVE IN CUSTODY ARE REPEAT
- 16 OFFENDERS. THEY ARE IN THERE FOR VERY VIOLENT CRIMES. MOST OF
- 17 THEM, BECAUSE OF THE STAFFING AND THE HOUSING RESTRICTIONS AND
- 18 STUFF, THEY'RE RELEASED. SO WE'RE MAINTAINING THE MOST
- 19 VIOLENT. THEY DON'T HAVE THE SAME SET OF VALUES AS MYSELF,
- 20 STEVE AND THE REST OF THE COMMISSIONERS THERE AND MOST PEOPLE.
- 21 THEY DON'T LOOK AT YOU, WILL LIE TO YOU STRAIGHT TO YOUR FACE
- 22 OR ACT LIKE THEY LIKE YOU AND THE FIRST CHANCE THEY GET, THEY
- 23 WOULD THINK NOTHING ABOUT KILLING YOU. I'M NOT SAYING THAT
- 24 THAT'S FOR ALL INMATES. THERE ARE A LOT IN THERE THAT ARE VERY
- 25 VIOLENT. THEY DON'T HAVE THE RESPECT. SO FOR A TURF WAR, NO, I

- 1 WOULD LIKE THE ACLU, WHICH WE KNOW IS NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN
- 2 AND MERRICK BOBB AND MR. GENNACO WILL LOOK AT IT AND THROUGH
- 3 THE DEPUTY'S EYES TO THEIR ENVIRONMENT THAT THEY'RE WORKING IN
- 4 AND HOW THE CHALLENGES ARE EVERY SINGLE DAY, THEY'RE DOING A
- 5 TOUGH JOB AND, YOU KNOW, THERE SHOULD BE -- MR. GENNACO LIKES
- 6 TO MAKE COMMENTS ABOUT OR ACTUALLY WALTER KATZ MADE A COMMENT
- 7 ABOUT IN A TIE WE NEED THE CAMERA TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT IT AND
- 8 SEE WHO IS TELLING THE TRUTH. IT'S NOT A BALL GAME. THIS IS
- 9 LIFE OR DEATH. THESE DEPUTY SHERIFFS WENT THROUGH STRENUOUS
- 10 TRAINING. THEY HAD BACKGROUNDS CHECKS. THEY'RE NOT CRIMINALS.
- 11 WHEN YOU HAVE A SUSPECT THAT'S CONSTANTLY LYING, NOT TELLING
- 12 THE TRUTH, WHY WOULD YOU GIVE HIM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT
- 13 WHEN THERE IS USES OF FORCE. CAN YOU SEE CAMERAS, WHERE THERE
- 14 IS A LOT OF TIMES, THE INMATES CLAIM THE DEPUTIES ARE HITTING
- 15 THEM AND DOING SOMETHING CLEARLY, THERE WAS NO USE OF FORCE,
- 16 ANY WAY, SHAPE OR FORM. SO THERE IS NO TURF WAR. IT'S JUST I
- 17 WOULD LIKE REALLY TRUE OBJECTIVE WRITINGS AND SUBMISSIONS BY
- 18 THEM FOR WHAT WILL HELP MAKE IT A BETTER JAIL, A BETTER
- 19 WORKING ENVIRONMENT AND A BETTER DEPARTMENT. I THINK THAT'S
- 20 WHAT WE'RE ALL STRIRVING FOR. WE ARE NOT THE ENEMY. I'M HERE
- 21 TO REPRESENT DEPUTIES WRONGLY ACCUSED AND THE ONES THAT,
- 22 OBVIOUSLY, ARE ACCUSED OF THINGS THAT AND THEY ARE GUILTY, I'M
- 23 A COP FIRST. IF THEY ARE DOING SOMETHING UNLAWFUL, THEN, YOU
- 24 KNOW WHAT, THEY NEED TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE JUST LIKE ANYBODY
- 25 ELSE. ANYBODY THAT DOES SOMETHING WRONG IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, IT

- 1 TARNISHES OUR BADGE. IT HURTS OUR DEPARTMENT, IT HURTS EVERY
- 2 DEPARTMENT THROUGHOUT THE STATES.

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- 4 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: LET ME ASK YOU THIS
- 5 OUESTION...THERE ARE 20,000 INMATES I UNDERSTAND IN L.A.
- 6 COUNTY JAIL. ABOUT 80% ARE PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES, IN OTHER
- 7 WORDS, HAVE NOT BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF ANY OFFENSE. YOU KNOW,
- 8 THERE IS A CONCEPT IN THIS COUNTRY CALLED PRESUMTION OF
- 9 INNOCENCE AND THAT PRESUMTION OF INNOCENCE REMAINS UNTIL THAT
- 10 PERSON IS ACTUALLY CONVICTED. I HAVE A PHILOSOPHICAL PROBLEM
- 11 AND I'M A HARDLINER. I HAVE A PHILOSOPHICAL PROBLEM WHEN YOU
- 12 SAY THE WORD OF THE INMATE SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN OVER THE
- 13 DEPUTY, IT SHOULD BE ON EQUAL FOOTING, SHOULDN'T IT, UNTIL
- 14 SUCH TIME AS THERE IS AN ADJUDICATION TO WHETHER OR NOT THE
- 15 USE OF FORCE SHOULD BE SUSTAINED OR NOT SUSTAINED?

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17 FLOYD HAYHURST: I CAN AGREE WITH YOU ON THAT.

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- 19 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YOU WANTED THE DEPUTIES TO -- TO
- 20 HAVE MORE AUTHORITY, CONTROL, DISCRETION WHEN THEY APPLY USE
- 21 OF FORCE AND THEY DON'T HAVE TO ALWAYS CALL A SUPERVISORS IN.
- 22 BUT THE REVERSE OF THAT WOULD BE IF SUPERVISORS WASN'T THERE
- 23 WOULD BE LACK OF MANAGEMENT CONTROL, SO THAT'S WHY I SAY, YOU
- 24 KNOW, TO ME IS THERE IS A TURF BATTLE GOING ON, A TURF WAR.

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN MY POINT IS, THE SERGEANT HAS A
- 2 SUPERVISORY ROLE. THERE IS NOTHING IN THE PENAL CODE I'M AWARE
- 3 OF THAT SAYS A SERGEANT HAS NO MORE AUTHORITY TO MAKE AN
- 4 ARREST THAN A DEPUTY SHERIFF OR ANYBODY ELSE. THERE IS, IF THE
- 5 DEPUTY IS GIVEN A LAWFUL ORDER OR A DIRECTION FOR COMPLIANCE
- 6 FOR JAIL VIOLATION AND JAIL RULES, YOU GOT TO GIVE HIM THE
- 7 AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT HIS RESPONSIBILITIES. IT'S KIND OF LIKE
- 8 SAYING, YOU CAN DO EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO DO BUT WHEN THE
- 9 TOUGH THINGS COME ALONG, YOU GOT TO COME AND GET ME. ARE YOU
- 10 IN CHARGE, BUT WHEN A QUESTION COMES UP, I WANT TO ANSWER IT.
- 11 THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT THE DEPUTY HAS BEEN TOLD, YOU RUN THE
- 12 JAIL, IF THERE IS A PROBLEM, YOU COME GET US. YOU ARE NOT
- 13 CAPABLE OF RESOLVING THAT ISSUE.
- 15 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I HAVE TWO SHORT QUESTIONS. THE
- 16 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. DO YOU THINK THEY CONTRIBUTE TO WHAT HAS
- 17 BEEN DEFINED WHETHER YOU AGREE WITH OR NOT AS A PROBLEM THAT
- 18 THERE IS EXCESSIVE FORCE BEING USED BY DEPUTIES WITHIN THE
- 19 L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM?

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- 21 FLOYD HAYHURST: DO I BELIEVE THERE IS EXCESSIVE FORCE? NO.
- 23 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: THE FACILITIES, THEMSELVES, THE
- 24 ANTIQUATED FACILITIES OF THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, DO YOU THINK
- 25 THAT COULD BE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TO THE USE OF FORCE WITHIN

THE COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM? 1 2 3 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT COULD BE A CONTRIBUTING FACT, YES, BECAUSE OF HOW OLD THE JAIL IS, THE WAY IT'S SET UP. IT'S ANCIENT. IT 4 5 WAS ANCENT WHEN I WAS THERE, THAT WAS BACK IN '82. AS WE SAY, 6 IT'S REALLY OLD. 7 8 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: THE LAST QUESTION I HAVE IS A.B. 9 109 WHAT IMPACT DO YOU THINK A.B. 109 IS GOING TO HAVE WITH RESPECT TO HOW THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL IS GOING TO BE RUN? YOU 10 11 SEE PROBLEMS WITH PRISONERS HOUSED THERE ON THE -- ON A PERMANENT BASIS FOR SOME PERIOD OF TIME VS. SHORT-TERM 12 DETENTION? 13 14 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE JAILS WERE NEVER SET UP FOR LONG -TERM 15 16 HOUSING, SO, YEAH, IT'S GOING TO HAVE SOME IMPACT ON IT. I'M NOT SURE HOW IT WILL DO. I KNOW WE WILL NOT TREAT THE 109 17 18 INMATES ANY DIFFERENT THAN THE PRESENTENCE. IT'S THE WAY THE 19 FACILITY IS DESIGNED. WE CAN'T DISCRIMINATE OR TREAT ANY OTHER INMATE ANY DIFFERENT. SO YEAH, IT'S GOING TO HAVE SOME IMPACT 20 21 ON IT. 22 23 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I DO HAVE ONE OTHER QUESTION. YOU OPPOSE THE DUAL CAREER PATH. BUT SHOULDN'T A DEPUTY BE GIVEN A 24

CHOICE, IF THEY WANT TO VOLUNTARILY ENTER THE DUAL TRACK

- 1 SYSTEM IF MANAGEMENT AGREES, THEY'RE GOING TO OFFER THIS
- 2 ALTERNATIVE?

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- 4 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ISSUES AS FAR AS
- 5 MORALE, IT WILL MAKE MORALE MUCH WORSE. IT'S GOING TO CLEARLY
- 6 DIVIDE THE TWO PATH ITSELF. IT'S CLEARLY GOING TO SAY, THIS
- 7 HAS BEEN A CUSTODY. THIS IS PATROL. YOU KNOW WHAT, ARE YOU NOT
- 8 AS GOOD AS ME. YOU CAN'T DO THIS. I ACTUALLY GOT A CALL WHICH
- 9 I'M GOING TO SHARE WITH THE SHERIFF NEXT TIME I HAVE A CHANCE
- 10 TO TALK TO HIM. I GOT SERVICE PERSONNEL SAYING IF THEY ARE
- 11 GOING FOR DUAL PATH ALLOWING PEOPLE TO PROMOTE WHEN NOT IN
- 12 PATROL, WHEN IN CUSTODY, WHY CAN'T WE HAVE THE SAME THING FOR
- 13 COURT SERVICES? I EXPECT THE NEXT ONE WILL PROBABLY BE FROM
- 14 THE BOAT OPERATORS, BECAUSE THEY THINK THEY'RE SEPARATE, WE
- 15 HANDLE JUST STRICTLY MARINA STUFF WE SHOULD BE SEPARATE. ANY
- 16 TIME YOU START DIVIDING, YOU ARE GOING TO TEAR DOWN MORALE.
- 17 IT'S ALSO GOING TO RESTRICT WHAT THE MOVEMENT IS, FOR IN CASE
- 18 OF EMERGENCIES. I'M NOT OPPOSED TO HAVING ANY DEPUTY THAT
- 19 WANTS TO STAY IN CUSTODY FOR HIS ENTIRE CAREER, IF THAT'S WHAT
- 20 HE CHOOSES TO DO. BUT IT WORKS WELL. YOU MIX IT. YOU ARE MORE
- 21 ROOTED. LIKE YOURSELF, YOUR HONOR, IF YOU ONLY TRY MURDER
- 22 CASES AND NEVER ANYTHING ELSE, HOW DIVERSE WOULD YOU BE?

- 24 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED MY TIME IS UP.
- 25 I WANT TO THANK BOTH YOU GENTLEMAN FOR APPEARING TODAY.

1 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THANK YOU. HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A 2 3 DEPUTY SHERIFF? 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: 30 YEARS. 6 7 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE YOU SERVED 8 IN CUSTODY AS A DEPUTY? 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: ABOUT NINE-AND-A-HALF YEARS. I WAS WORKING 10 11 TRANSPORTATION, EVERY DAY, WE'D GO IN AND OUT OF THE JAIL FACILITIES. WE WERE ACTUALLY IN THE JAILS WHEN THE MOST AMOUNT 12 OF INMATES ARE OUTSIDE OF THE CONFINES OF THEIR HOLDING CELLS 13 AND STUFF. 14 15 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WAS THERE A TIME YOU SERVED AS A DEPUTY IN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL? 17 18 19 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, I DID. 20 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: HOW MANY YEARS AGO WAS THAT? 21 22 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOW WE'RE AGING MYSELF, 14 YEARS. 24 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: ARE YOUR DUTIES FULL-TIME 25

1 REPRESENTATIVE? 2 3 FLOYD HAYHURST: I'M FULL TIME WITH THE UNION, SIR. 4 5 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WOULD YOU AGREE ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT WAYS TO CURTAIL A USE OF FORCE PROBLEM, IF THERE IS 6 7 ONE, ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED, IS TO HAVE ADEQUATELY-TRAINED FIRST 8 LINE SUPERVISORS WHO UNDERSTAND CUSTODY? 9 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT SURE COULD HELP, BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN IT 10 11 WOULD BE THE ONLY WAY TO CURTAIL USES OF FORCE. I THEY WELL-TRAINED PERSON, NO MATTER WHAT RANK THEY ARE, IT CERTAINLY IS 12 SOME USE OF FORCE. 13 14 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: OF COURSE, WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S 15 16 OFFICE, THE FIRST LINE WOULD TYPICALLY BE A SERGEANT LEVEL? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. 19 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: DO WE GET OUR BEST EXPERIENCED 20 SERGEANTS INTO CUSTODY WITH ENOUGH TIME IN CUSTODY TO PERFORM 21 22 THEIR JOBS ADEQUATELY? 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: I PAUSE ON THAT BECAUSE IT'S -- DEPUTIES WHEN 24 THEY PROMOTE, THEY GO WHERE THEY ARE SELECTED TO GO. ARE WHO 25

- 1 IS ACTUALLY PROMOTED HAS HAD TO HAVE WORKED CUSTODY AT SOME
- 2 POINT IN TIME. SO WITH THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF CUSTODY AND WORKING
- 3 PATROL, THEY SHOULD BE VERY QUALIFIED TO WORK AS A SUPERVISORS
- 4 IN CUSTODY AND AT ANY TIME.

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- 6 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WELL, MY QUESTION IS...DO WE GET OUR
- 7 BEST AND MOST EXPERIENCED SERGEANTS INTO CUSTODY AT THE
- 8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? HAVE WE BEEN GETTING OUR BEST SERGEANTS
- 9 THERE?

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- 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: I GUESS IT'S AN OBJECTIVE QUESTION. I DON'T
- 12 KNOW WHAT THE BEST IS. IF THEY MEET THE CRITERIA AND PASSED
- 13 ALL THE TESTING, THEY ARE QUALIFIED TO BE A SERGEANT. TO
- 14 WHETHER THEY ARE THE BEST? THAT'S VERY SUBJECTIVE. HE MIGHT BE
- 15 THE BEST TO ME. HE MIGHT BE THE WORST TO YOU.

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- 17 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: YOU MEAN TO SAY IN YOUR LAW
- 18 ENFORCEMENT EXPERIENCE, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DISCERN THAT
- 19 SOME PEOPLE ACTUALLY HAVE BETTER SKILL SETS THAN OTHERS FOR,
- 20 LET'S SAY, A PARTICULAR TASK?

- 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: OH, ABSOLUTELY. TO ANSWER THE QUESTION ANOTHER
- 23 WAY, I KNOW A COUPLE SERGEANTS AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, WHO ARE
- 24 SOME OF THE BEST DEPUTIES I WORKED WITH AND HAVE A LOT OF
- 25 EXPERIENCE. THERE IS A GUY THAT WORKED THREE OR FOUR PATROL

- 1 STATION, SCB A. VERY SMART GUY. WITH THE SAME THING, I HAD
- 2 SERGEANTS PROMOTE AND COME TO THE STATION WHERE I USED TO
- 3 WORK. THEY WERE HORRIBLE. SO IT'S HARD TO SAY WHO IS THE BEST
- 4 AT ONE SPECIFIC FACILITY ONLY.

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- 6 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: LET ME PUT IT THIS WAY...HAS THERE
- 7 BEEN A PROBLEM THAT THE NEWLY SELECTED SERGEANTS THAT GET
- 8 ASSIGNED TO CUSTODY, NO. 1, AND THEY TYPICALLY HAVE A TOUR OF
- 9 DUTY THAT HAS BEEN UNDER TWO YEARS? I MEAN, IS THAT, FIRST OF
- 10 ALL, IS IT ACCURATE AND IS THERE A PROBLEM?

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- 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE ACTUAL STATS ARE AS TO
- 13 HOW LONG THEY STAY THERE AND ANY TIME YOU PROMOTE OR ANYWHERE
- 14 YOU GO, IT IS THE DEPUTY OR WHATEVER RANK YOU ARE AT'S CHOICE
- 15 TO MOVE IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO BE THERE. I KNOW WHERE YOU ARE
- 16 GOING WITH THIS, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO ANSWER THIS.

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- 18 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: YOU APPARENTLY CAN'T HELP ME, DEPUTY
- 19 HAYHURST. I GUESS YOUR -- I GUESS YOUR OPINION IS THERE ISN'T
- 20 AN ACTUAL PROBLEM WITH USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE WITHIN MEN'S
- 21 CENTRAL JAIL. AM I CORRECTLY CHARACTERIZING YOUR TESTIMONY
- 22 TODAY? THAT IT'S A "PERCEIVED" PROBLEM BUT THERE IS NOT ANY
- 23 TROUBLING USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE PROBLEM WITHIN THE MEN'S
- 24 CENTRAL JAIL, CORRECT OR NOT?

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: NO, I WOULD SAY THAT UNTIL THE INVESTIGATIONS
- 2 COME OUT, WHETHER THERE WAS EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE IT'S UNFAIR
- 3 TO SAY THAT THESE DEPUTIES ARE USING EXCESSIVE FORCE. IF THE
- 4 INVESTIGATIONS SHOW THAT THEY USED EXCESSIVE FORCE, AND THEN
- 5 THEY NEED TO BE DEALT WITH APPROPRIATELY TO SAY BECAUSE THERE
- 6 IS FORCE USED IN THERE, THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S EXCESSIVE. WE
- 7 HAVE TO HAVE A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION.

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- 9 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I THINK I UNDERSTAND WHERE YOU ARE
- 10 GOING. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF THE COMMISSION, WE'RE HERE TO
- 11 EXAMINE THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT THERE HAS BEEN A
- 12 PATTERN, ALSO BELIEVE IN A PERVASIVE PATTERN OF USE OF
- 13 EXCESSIVE FORCE WITHIN THE COUNTY JAIL. THEN TO MAKE
- 14 RECOMMENDATIONS TO HOW THAT MIGHT BE CORRECTED. AND YOU
- 15 PRESENTED OR ALADS PRESENTED A SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONS. TO
- 16 ME, IT'S FAIR TO SAY THEY'RE NOT PREMISED UPON THE FACTS THAT
- 17 THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE. THEY'RE
- 18 MORE PREMISED WITH THE COUNTY JAIL. PERHAPS THAT'S RHETORICAL.
- 19 I WILL NOT ASK YOU TO RESPOND TO IT. LET ME ASK YOU THIS...IF
- 20 THERE IS A PERCEIVED FORCE IS AND HAS BEEN, LET'S SAY, IN THE
- 21 RECENT PAST, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IT?

- 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: I THINK WE ALL ARE. IT DOESN'T GO ALL THE WAY
- 24 UP TO THE SHERIFF. I FEEL RESPONSIBLE, TOO, JUST AS MUCH THAT
- 25 I MIGHT HAVE A FELLOW DEPUTY OUT THERE THAT'S USING EXCESSTIVE

2 WITH. 3 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IS IT FAIR TO SAY THAT ALADS AS THE 4 UNION REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE DEPUTIES IS AT LEAST, IN PART, 5 RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE IF THERE IS A PROBLEM. 6 7 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WOULDN'T SAY ALADS. WE ARE REPRESENTING THE 9 DEPUTIES BEING INVESTIGATED AND, BUT I AS A DEPUTY SHERIFF FIRST, I WHOLLY DO NOT WANT TO WORK WITH A DEPUTY THAT'S DIRTY 10 11 OR NOT PERFORMING HIS JOB APPROPRIATELY. LET ME SUGGEST TO YOU. IT'S THE SHERIFF AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE SHERIFFS 12 DEPARTMENT THAT'S RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE, IF, IN FACT, 13 THERE IS AND HAS BEEN USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE IN THE JAIL. IT'S 14 NOT ALADS. THAT'S WHO IS RESPONSIBLE. 15 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: CAN MANAGEMENT OF THE SHERIFF'S 17 18 DEPARTMENT, CAN IT ASSIGN AND TRANSFER DEPUTIES WHO THEY

FORCE. HE NEEDS TO BE DEALT WITH OR SHE NEEDS TO BE DEALT

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22 FLOYD HAYHURST: CAN THEY TRANSFER DEPUTIES WHEREVER THEY NEED

BELIEVE HAVE THE RIGHT EXPERIENCE LEVEL, WHERE AND WHEN THEY

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NEED TO ASSIGN THEM?

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25 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: LET'S ASSUME, I NEED RIGHT NOW AT THE

- 1 COUNTY JAIL, I NEED TO ASSIGN FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS, SOME
- 2 REALLY GOOD DEPUTIES OUT ON PATROL. CAN THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT
- 3 OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SAY, HERE ARE YOUR ORDERS. YOU ARE
- 4 ASSIGNED TO THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL YEARS?

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- 6 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT WITHOUT CAUSE. THEY HAVE TO SHOW A CLEAR
- 7 REASON WHY THEY ARE BEING TRANSFERRED FROM THERE, IF IT'S FOR
- 8 PURPOSES YES. THEY CAN ASK FOR VOLUNTEERS, WHICH THEY HAVE.

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- 10 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: NOW THE REASON THE SHERIFF CAN'T OR
- 11 THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT CAN'T ASSIGN OR TRANSFER PEOPLE, THERE
- 12 IS SOMETHING IN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT, IS IT
- 13 NOT?

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15 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT.

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- 17 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WHAT IS IT IN THE COLLECTIVE
- 18 BARGAINING AGREEMENT THAT LIMITS THE SHERIFFS TO MANAGE AND
- 19 ASSIGN PEOPLE WHERE AND WHEN HE NEEDS TO ASSIGNMENT THEM.

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21 FLOYD HAYHURST: WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING.

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23 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: HE CAN'T DO THAT.

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25 FLOYD HAYHURST: UNLESS THERE IS EMERGENT REASON OR CAUSE.

1 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WHY IS THE JAIL SYSTEM, AT THE JAIL, 2 3 65% DEPUTIES AND 35% CUSTODY ASISSTANTS. 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WOULD PROBABLY SAY ECONOMIC REASONS. WE'D LIKE TO HAVE 100% DEPUTIES. 6 7 8 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IS THERE AN AGREEMENT SETTLED ON THE FACT THAT THE RATIO WILL BE 25/35, 65% DEPUTIES 35% CUSTODY 9 ASISSTANTS? YOU ARE SAYING IT IS A DECISION BY THE SHERIFF'S 10 DEPARTMENT, AND MANAGEMENT, IS THAT CORRECT? 11 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT. 13 14 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IF THE SENIOR MANAGEMENT WANTED TO 15 16 CHANGE THE FLASHLIGHT THAT WAS USED IN ANYWAY THAT IS SUBJECT TO A MEET AND CONFER, ISN'T THAT UNDER THE UNION AGREEMENT? 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES, IT IS. 19 20 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: SO IF THE UNION ACTUALLY DISAGREED 21 22 WITH THE SIZE AND SHAPE OF THE FLASHLIGHT, THAT COULD BE 23 GRIEVED, COULDN'T IT, UNDER THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT, I'M NOT SAYING IT WAS, BUT IT COULD HAVE BEEN, COULD IT NOT? 24 25

FLOYD HAYHURST: IT COULD HAVE BEEN. 1 2 3 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WHO DECIDES THAT? AN ARBITER WHO ULTIMATELY DECIDES WHAT PIECE, THE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT AND THE 4 5 SHAPE OF THE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT WOULD BE CARRIED AS PART OF THE SWORN DEPUTY'S UNIFORM? 6 7 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THERE IS A GRIEVANCE PROCESS, IT GOES TO 9 A CAPTAIN'S LEVEL, ON UP TO THE CHIEF AND THE CIVIL SERVICE AND WE CAN GO OUTSIDE THERE. 10 11 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: SO IF IT GOES OUTSIDE THERE, THERE IS 12 AN ARBITRATION DIVISION OF SOME SORT? 13 14 15 FLOYD HAYHURST: YES. 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: LET ME TURN YOUR ATTENTION TO EXHIBIT 17 18 14, IF I COULD. THAT'S THE POLICY THAT SHERIFF BACA 19 IMPLEMENTED AROUND NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR REGARDING USE OF FORCE PREVENTION. 20 21 22 FLOYD HAYHURST: WHAT PAGE ARE YOU ON? 23 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IT'S EXHIBIT 14 IN YOUR BOOK THERE. 24

FLOYD HAYHURST: THE FORCE PREVENTION POLICY? 1 2 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: YES. THAT'S THE EXHIBIT. YOU 3 INDICATED, THERE WAS A OUESTION ASKED BY MS. DUNNE WHICH WAS 4 5 ESSENTIALLY...WHAT IS IT ABOUT THIS POLICY THAT IS CONFUSING OR TROUBLES YOU. YOU SAID THE TERM "OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE" 6 7 COULD BE TROUBLING OR CONFUSING. I MIGHT BE MISCHARACTERIZING. 8 IN WHICH CASE DISABUSE ME. LET ME TELL YOU, THERE IS NOTHING 9 NEW ABOUT THE OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE TEST IN TERMS OF WHETHER OR NOT FORCE IS EXCESSIVE AND EXCEEDS THE CONSTITUTION OF THE 10 UNITED STATES, IS THERE? I MEAN, THIS HAS BEEN AROUND A LONG 11 TIME. THIS IS NOT NEW POLICY, AT LEAST THE OBJECTIVELY 12 REASONABLE TEST IS NOT NEW POLICY, IS IT? 13 14 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THERE'S MORE THAN JUST THAT IN THERE. 15 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I KNOW THERE IS. I WANT TO FOCUS. YOU 17 18 HAVE SAID THAT YOU THOUGHT THE DEPUTIES MIGHT BE CONFUSED BECAUSE THE TERM "OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE" WAS USED IN THE 19 CONTEXT OF WHEN OR WHEN YOU CANNOT USE FORCE OR WHAT DEGREE OF 20 FORCE YOU CAN USE. I'M JUST ASKING YOU ABOUT OBJECTIVELY 21 22 REASONABLE. I MEAN, WHAT IS IT THAT WOULD BE CONFUSING TO THE 23 DEPUTIES ABOUT THAT TERM? 24

FLOYD HAYHURST: I THOUGHT I ANSWERED THAT OBJECTIVELY

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- 1 REASONABLE IS SUBJECTIVE BY WHAT YOU BELIEVE IS OBJECTIVELY
- 2 REASONABLE AS THE REST OF THE COMMISSIONERS ON THE PANEL.

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- 4 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, THAT'S A
- 5 CONSTITUTIONAL TEST. SO IF YOU -- AND YOU APPARENTLY YOU
- 6 THOUGHT, WELL, IS IT OBJECTIVELY REASONABLE WHAT THE INMATES
- 7 THINK OR WHAT THE GEP THINK? ISN'T IT REALLY IN THE FINAL
- 8 ANALYSIS, IT'S GOING TO BE WHAT A JURY THINKS AND DECIDES WITH
- 9 RESPECT TO THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE? IN OTHER WORDS, THE --
- 10 IT ISN'T THE INMATES THAT DECIDE THIS. IT'S NOT THE DEPUTIES
- 11 THAT DECIDE THIS. ULTIMATELY, BY THE WAY, IT'S A JURY OF PEERS
- 12 WITH SOME EXPERT TESTIMONY, OF COURSE, GIVEN TO THEM, THAT'S
- 13 GOING TO DECIDE WHETHER THE USE OF FORCE WAS EXCESSIVE OR IT
- 14 WASN'T. AND IF THEY DECIDE IT'S EXCESSIVE, IT'S GOING TO COST
- 15 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, USUALLY, A SIGNIFICANT SUM OF
- 16 MONEY. YOU DON'T NEED TO ANSWER IT. IT'S NOT A QUESTION.

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- 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, IF I MAY TO PUT IT BACK IN PERSPECTIVE,
- 19 I BELIEVE THE QUESTION IS, WE WERE TALKING ABOUT MORALE AND
- 20 HOW THESE THINGS AFFECTED MORALE. WE WERE TALKING ABOUT SOME
- 21 OF THE THINGS THAT COULD HAVE AFFECTED IT. WE WENT TO THIS
- 22 ABOUT THE PREVENTION, FORCE PREVENTION POLICY. I SAID, THIS IS
- 23 SOME OF THE REASONS WHY -- HOW IT COULD AFFECT MORALE IS
- 24 INTERPRETATION OF THAT COULD BE MISCONSTRUED.

- 1 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: DO YOU FIND, BY THE WAY, THE OTHER
- 2 PART OF THAT THAT SAYS THAT REASONABLE EFFORT, IF POSSIBLE,
- 3 SHOULD BE USED TO DEESCALATE SITUATION BEFORE USING FORCE? IS
- 4 THAT CONFUSING?

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6 FLOYD HAYHURST: NOT AT ALL.

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- 8 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IS THAT NEW POLICY, BY THE WAY, FOR
- 9 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

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- 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: THEY REWROTE THIS POLICY ABOUT FIVE MONTHS AGO
- 12 AND UNLESS I HAVE AN EXACT PARALLEL READ, I WOULD NOT BE ABLE
- 13 TO SAY EXACTLY IF ALL THOSE WORDS WERE CHANGED ON IT. SO I DO
- 14 KNOW THERE WERE SOME WORD SMITHING DONE ON IT.

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- 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: OKAY. IN ANY EVENT, I THINK, IF I
- 17 UNDERSTAND YOUR SYSTEM CORRECTLY YOU WOULD AGREE THE USE OF
- 18 FORCE BY DEPUTIES SHOULD BE A MEASURE OF LAST RESORT, NOT
- 19 FIRST RESORT?

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21 FLOYD HAYHURST: OH, ABSOLUTELY SIR.

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23 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THANK YOU.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I HAVE, MANY WERE COVERED. I HAVE, FRANKLY

- 1 JUST THREE. SO YOU INDICATED MR. HAYHURST, ONE OF YOUR
- 2 CONCERNS IS THESE POLICIES WERE SORT OF SCATTERED. THEY'RE IN
- 3 UNITS, ORDERS, MEMORANDA, ETC. ARE ALL OF THOSE PUBLISHED?

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- 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: ALL OF THEM ARE PUBLISHED TO THE FACILITY THEY
- 6 ARE ASSIGNED TO THEY ARE ALSO ONLINE, I BELIEVE, THE INTERNET.

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU ALSO, I KNOW, HAVE A VIEW ABOUT WHAT --
- 9 THE PROPRIETY OF DEPUTIES BEING ALLOWED TO LOOK AT VIDEO
- 10 CAMERAS BEFORE WRITING REPORTS. WHAT'S ALADS' VIEW ON THAT?

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- 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, MY VIEW IS THAT IT'S EVIDENCE AND ANY
- 13 TIME A DEPUTY IS TO WRITE A REPORT, THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO MAKE
- 14 SURE THEY HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION BEFORE THEM AND INCLUDED
- 15 INTO THEIR REPORT. CAMERAS ARE, OBVIOUSLY, ONE DIMENSION AND
- 16 IT SHOWS FROM ONE ANGLE. SOMETIMES IT CAN HELP REFRESH A
- 17 DEPUTY'S MEMORY TO EXACTLY WHAT TRANSPERIOD THERE. IF THE
- 18 DEPUTY REPORTED USE OF FORCE, WASN'T TRYING TO HIDE ANYTHING,
- 19 THEY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE VIDEO.

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- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IT'S ALADS' VIEW THEY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO
- 22 REVIEW THE VIDEO BEFORE WRITING THE REPORT?

- 24 FLOYD HAYHURST: THE WRITTEN REPORT, NOT BEFORE MAKING THE
- 25 VERBAL REPORT.

1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: FINALLY, YOU REFERENCED YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT 2 THE "BUBBLE THAT'S ABOUT TO BURST" AND THERE WAS AN 3 OPPORTUNITY FOR TO US TO DISCUSS THAT WITH YOU. DURING OUR 4 5 DISCUSSION DID YOU TALK ABOUT AND TELL US YOUR CONCERN THAT THERE WAS AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE INMATES NO LONGER FEARED 6 7 DEPUTIES AND THAT NINE MONTHS AGO AN INMATE KNEW IF HE MOUTHED 8 OFF, DEPUTIES WOULD USE FORCE ON THE INMATE, SO THEY DIDN'T 9 TEST THE DEPUTIES. DID YOU RECALL REFERENCING THOSE 10 SENTIMENTS? 11 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DON'T BELIEVE I USED THE WORD "FEAR," IF I 12 DID, I WOULD SAY THEY DID NO LONGER RESPECT THE DEPUTY ITSELF. 13 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU RECALL SAYING THAT THERE WAS A 15 16 DIFFERENT STATE OF AFFAIRS A FEW MONTHS AGO. IF AN INMATE MOUTHED OFF OR VERBALLY CONFRONTED A DEPUTY IN THE PAST, THE 17 18 DEPUTIES HAD THE ABILITY TO -- TO USE FORCE, SO THE INMATES 19 WERE LESS LIKELY TO TEST THE DEPUTIES? 20 FLOYD HAYHURST: AGAIN, I DON'T THINK I SAID THEY WOULD 21 22 IMMEDIATELY USE FORCE. I SAID I BELIEVE THEY WOULD TAKE THE 23 APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR DISCIPLINE AND IF THEY HAD TO USE FORCE TO TAKE THEM TO THE "HOLE" WHATEVER THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, 24 IF IT WAS THE INMATE WAS RESISTIVE OR COMBATIVE. 25

1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THAT WAS ONE OF THE TOOLS NINE MONTHS AGO. 2 3 FINALLY, WHEN WE MET WITH YOU AND TALKED ABOUT FLASHLIGHTS, YOU DID INDICATE TO US YOUR CONCERN ABOUT THE LOSS OF THE TOOL 4 5 OF FLASHLIGHTS, AMONG OTHERS, IS NOW DEPUTIES WOULD BE MORE 6 LIKELY TO BREAK THEIR OWN BONES WITHOUT FLASHLIGHTS TO USE? 7 8 FLOYD HAYHURST: THAT IS CORRECT. IF THERE IS NO IMPACT WEAPON, 9 OBVIOUSLY, THEY HAVE TO GO TO THEIR HANDS. 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THANK YOU. 11 12 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER. 13 14 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. WITHOUT A 15 DOUBT, THE COUNTY JAIL IS A TOUGH ENVIRONMENT. LOOKING AT IT 16 FROM MANAGEMENT PERSPECTIVE, RISK TOOLS. IN ORDER TO FIX THE 17 18 PROBLEM, YOU HAVE TO IDENTIFY WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. WE TALKED 19 ON TRACKING COMPLAINTS BY DEPUTY. I DON'T THINK CURRENTLY WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO THAT OR WE DIDN'T UP UNTIL PREVIOUSLY, 20 AT LEAST. YOU MENTIONED IT DEPENDS ON WHAT IT WAS USED FOR 21 22 WHETHER OR NOT YOU WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. FROM LOOKING 23 AT IT FROM BOTH IDENTIFYING AT RISK DEPUTIES BUT ALSO IDENTIFYING DEPUTYS THAT MAYBE MANAGEMENT IS PUT IN A POSITION 24 WHERE THEY'RE IN HARM'S WAY REPEATEDLY, WITHOUT HAVING THE 25

- 1 ABILITY TO IDENTIFY TRENDS OR PATTERNS, ARE WE NOT PUTTING THE
- 2 DEPUTIES IN A BAD POSITION AS WELL AS MANAGEMENT?

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- 4 FLOYD HAYHURST: IF I UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION RIGHT, YES. TO
- 5 DOCUMENT IT OR TRACKING TO SEE IF THERE IS A PROBLEM, OR A
- 6 POTENTIAL PROBLEM, IT IS ALWAYS GOOD. ANY TIME WE CAN IMPROVE
- 7 TRACKING TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY IS IN COMPLIANCE, THAT'S
- 8 FINE. BUT OUR CONCERNS IS WHAT IT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO BE USED
- 9 FOR. IF IT'S GOING TO BE USED LATER ON IN THE DEPUTY'S CAREER,
- 10 LET'S SAY, 20 YEARS FROM NOW, HE'S ACCUSED OF FORCE OUT IN THE
- 11 FIELD, THEY GO, OH, BACK WHEN HE WORKED CUSTODY, HE USED 30 OR
- 12 40 USES OF FORCE AND IT DOESN'T CLEARLY SHOW THAT THEY WERE
- 13 JUSTIFIED, OR IF THEY WERE ORDERED FORCE BY A SUPERVISORS, TO
- 14 GO IN THERE AND DO THIS. WE HAVE TO DO A CELL EXTRACTION USE
- 15 OF FORCE. THEN IT MIGHT COME BACK LATER ON IN THEIR CAREER AND
- 16 BE USED AGAINST THEM FOR PROMOTIONS OR ANYTHING ELSE. THAT'S
- 17 THE CONCERN.

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- 19 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: I CAN SEE WHERE YOU ARE COMING FROM ON
- 20 THAT. IF THEY USE INDIVIDUAL FORCE, BASED ON THE MERIT OF EACH
- 21 USE OF FORCE, A DECISION WOULD BE MADE, DO THEY STAY IN THAT
- 22 ENVIRONMENT? DO WE NEED TO MODIFY BEHAVIOR BY TRAINING OR
- 23 OTHERWISE, IF IT WAS USED FOR THAT PURPOSE, WOULD YOU BE
- 24 COMFORTABLE WITH THAT?

- 1 FLOYD HAYHURST: I WOULD HAVE TO SEE EXACTLY HOW THE LANGUAGE
- 2 IS, BUT IN CONCEPT, I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH THAT, SIR.

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- 4 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: YOU MENTIONED THAT THE MONITORS, THE
- 5 ACLU, MR. GENNACO, MR. BOBB, WHEN THEY GET INTO THE JAIL
- 6 ENVIRONMENT, IT'S NOT REAL TIME. THEY'RE NOT EXPOSED TO WHAT
- 7 IS GOING ON IN THERE OTHER THAN BEING ESCORTED WITH AN
- 8 ANNOUNCEMENT MADE AHEAD OF TIME THAT THEY'RE COMING. DO YOU
- 9 FEEL, THEN, THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO EVALUATE
- 10 REALISTICALLY WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE JAIL?

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- 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: I DON'T BELIEVE THEY HAVE THE FULL PICTURE OF
- 13 WHAT GOES ON IN THERE. I BELIEVE IT IS VERY SELECTED TIME
- 14 PERIODS. I HAVE OFFERED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I HAVE
- 15 OFFERED TO MR. GENNACO AND HIS STAFF MERRICK BOBB THAT WITH
- 16 THE SHERIFF'S APPROVAL I COULD TAKE THEM IN THAT FACILITY AT
- 17 ANY TIME ANYWHERE UNESCORTED AND TO THIS DATE NOT HAVE -- WITH
- 18 ME. SO I THINK IF THEY WENT IN THERE DURING THE SOME OF THE
- 19 PEAK TIMES OF MOVEMENT, THEY WOULD HAVE A MUCH DIFFERENT
- 20 PICTURE OF HOW WELL THE DEPUTIES AND THE SERGEANTS,
- 21 LIEUTENANTS ARE DOING THEIR JOB TO CONTROL AND MAINTAIN AND
- 22 NOT HAVE TO USE FORCE.

- 24 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: SO WOULD YOU SAY THEIR ACCESS TO WHAT IS
- 25 GOING ON IS PRETTY CONTROLLED?

1 2 FLOYD HAYHURST: IT'S EXTREMELY RESTRICTED. AGAIN, THEY DON'T 3 SEE THE TRUE MOVEMENT WITHIN THAT JAIL FACILITY WHEN THINGS ARE REALLY VERY BUSY. 4 5 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: OKAY. A FINAL -- YOU MENTIONED THE 6 7 PAPERWORK AND THE ISSUES WITH THE REDUNDANCY, FILING OUT FORMS 8 OVER AND OVER A -- FILLING OUT THE FORMS WITH THE SAME 9 INFORMATION, ISN'T IT FILLED OUT WITH PENCIL? IS ANY OF THAT PROCESS WHERE YOU COULD HAVE PORTIONS OF THE DATABASE 10 POPULATED THAT WOULD GO FROM ONE REPORT TO ANOTHER? 11 12 FLOYD HAYHURST: AS YOU SEE, I LOOKED OVER AT MY EXECUTIVE 13 DIRECTOR. I HAVEN'T WORKED AT THAT FACILITY, I BELIEVE SOME IS 14 AUTOMATED. SOME IS NOT. I -- IS AUTOMATED. SOME IS NOT. I 15 16 DON'T WANT TO DOCUMENT THE FACTS, WE'RE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO SAY IF WE CAN CUT DOWN AS FAR AS TIME IT PUTS MORE 17 18 PEOPLE INTO THE FACILITY THAT HELPS MAKE IT SAFER. 19 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: WOULD AN AUTOMATED PIECE WHERE YOU FILL 20 OUT THAT ONE PIECE OF INFORMATION THAT THAT BOX, IF YOU WILL, 21 THAT CARRIES REPORT TO REPORT BASED ON THE INCIDENT NUMBER OR 22 23 DI NUMBER, WOULD THAT MEET YOUR NEEDS? 24 FLOYD HAYHURST: OH, ABSOLUTELY.

1 CHIEF JIM O'DONNELL: THANK YOU. 2 3 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU. THE OUESTIONS HAVE BEEN WELL 4 5 COVERED WITH THE COMMISSION AND ALL. THESE THREE BRIEF QUESTIONS. YOU SAY THE DIRECTORS ARE WITHOUT AUTHORITY, THEY 6 7 FEEL THEY ARE -- LOSING AUTHORITY. THEY FEEL THEY ARE LOSING 8 AUTHORITY. IF THEY HAVE THE WHOLE SYSTEM BACKING THEM, YET 9 THEY HAVE THE GUN, SHOULDN'T AUTHORITY HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY? 10 FLOYD HAYHURST: OH, ABSOLUTELY THEY SHOULD. BUT THEY, AS YOU 11 KNOW, THEY DO NOT HAVE FIREARMS AND STUFF INSIDE THE JAIL 12 FACILITY, NOR WOULD WE ADVOCATE DOING SO. ACCOUNTABILITY IS 13 DIFFERENT THAN TAKING AWAY YOUR AUTHORITY TO PERFORM YOUR 14 15 JOBS. 16 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: BUT YOU HAVE AUTHORITY IN THE 17 18 TRADITIONAL SENSE, YOU MAY NOT HAVE ABSOLUTE AUTHORITY, NONE 19 OF US SHOULD HAVE ABSOLUTE AUTHORITY. THERE IS ACCOUNTABILITY. WE ARE LOOKING AT WHERE IS THE ACCOUNTABILITY IF THERE SEEMS 20 21 TO BE A PATTERN OF SLAMMING A PRISONER'S HEAD AGAINST THE BARS 22 AND SO FORTH. 23 FLOYD HAYHURST: AND I AGREE WITH YOU. IF SOMEBODY IS USING 24 FORCE, UNJUSTIFIABLE FORCE, THEY ABSOLUTELY NEED TO BE HELD 25

- 1 ACCOUNTABLE FOR IT. BUT WHAT I'M SAYING IS THEY SHOULD NOT BE
- 2 RESTRICTED AT ALL TIMES THAT IF THERE IS A NEED TO USE FORCE,
- 3 TO PROTECT THEMSELFLES OR TO KEEP FROM A SITUATION ESCALATING
- 4 WHERE A BAD CIRCUMSTANCE THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BACK OFF AND
- 5 WAIT AND WAIT. BECAUSE SOMETIMES WAITING, AS WE'VE SEEN IN THE
- 6 PAST, SOMETIMES ESCALATES INTO A MUCH LARGER SITUATION THAN IF
- 7 YOU WOULD HAVE REACTED AT THE TIME.

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- 9 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THAT WOULD LEAD TO THE NEXT QUESTION,
- 10 PLEASE DEFINE ASSAULT. WE UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS, -- ON THE
- 11 INMATE. GENERALIZE AND SAY WHAT DO WE MEAN WHEN A POLICE
- 12 ASSAULT [INAUDIBLE] IS THAT PHYSICAL?

- 14 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, IT HAS TO BE WHERE THERE IS THE THREAT
- 15 THAT THERE IS GOING TO BE A PHYSICAL ALTERCATION WITH THE
- 16 DEPUTY. CLEARLY, IF THE INMATE IS NOT A THREAT, THEN THE
- 17 JUSTIFICATION OF FORCE OTHER THAN TO GET COMPLIANCE, THEN YOU
- 18 HAVE TO JUSTIFY WHY YOU ARE DOING IT. THE BIGGEST EXAMPLE
- 19 BEING, LET'S SAY YOU HAVE A K-10 KEEP-AWAY. HE'S HANDCUFFED
- 20 AND HE'S AN ESCORT. AND AS YOU GO DOWN THE HALL, YOU GIVE HIM
- 21 AN ORDER TO STAY TO THE RIGHT AND STAY AWAY FROM THE INMATE,
- 22 HE TAKES OFF TOWARDS THE OTHER INMATE AND HE'S GOING TO ATTACK
- 23 HIM. DO YOU WAIT UNTIL HE ATTACKS THE GUY TO GRAB THE GUY OR
- 24 GRAB HIM AND IT MAY REQUIRE TAKING HIM TO THE GROUND OR UP
- 25 AGAINST THE WALL? THAT WAS THE FORCE THAT WAS USED IN THAT YOU

- DIDN'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CALL A SUPERVISOR. 1 2 3 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: YOU ARE LOOKING AT INMATE ON INMATE. BUT PLEASE SPEAK SPECIFICALLY TO INMATE ON DEPUTY. 4 5 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, THE SAME TYPE OF THING, SAY HE'S WALKING 6 7 AROUND, HE GOES DOWN THE WRONG ESCALATOR. YOU SAY, HEY, DON'T 8 GO THAT WAY, HE CONTINUES ON. 9 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: HOW OFTEN DOES THAT HAPPEN? YOU HAVE A 10 11 MEMO HELP TO -- SOME OF THE INMATES HAVE PROBLEMS, EVEN WITH THE TROUBLED ONES, WHY WOULD THEY JUMP ON SOMEBODY WITH A GUN? 12 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: FIRST OF ALL, YOUR HONOR, WE DO NOT HAVE GUNS 14 15 IN A JAIL FACILITY. 16 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: WELL, SOMEONE WITH AUTHORITY. 17 18 FLOYD HAYHURST: WHY? THEY DON'T HAVE THE SAME SET OF VALUES. 19 THEY DON'T ALWAYS COMPLY. THERE ARE MANY THAT DO. IT'S THE 20 ONES THAT DON'T THAT DON'T TELL THEM TO OBEY THE RULES IN THE 21 22 JAIL. IF YOU HAVE TO FORCIBLEY MAKE THEM COMPLY WITH A LAWFUL
- 25 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: DEPUTIES COMPLAIN THAT THE INMATES CAN

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- 1 CIRCUMVENT THE SYSTEM AND GO DIRECTLY TO THE SERGEANT.
- 2 SHOULDN'T THIS INCLUDE ACCESS TO SERGEANTS? IS THERE A
- 3 PERCENTAGE OF ALADS WHO UNDERSTAND -- THAT HAVE
- 4 ACCOUNTABILITY? DO THEY HAVE ABSOLUTE ACCOUNTABILITY?

- 6 FLOYD HAYHURST: WELL, I THINK AS WE SAY, I HEARD THIS
- 7 DISCUSSED LAST FRIDAY, CHAIN OF COMMAND. IT'S THE CHAIN OF
- 8 COMMAND, INMATES ARE BEING HOUSED AND THEY'RE IN CUSTODY. THEY
- 9 NEED TO KNOW THEY SHOULD HAVE TO TRY TO HAVE A DEPUTY, BECAUSE
- 10 THEY ARE THE FIRST LINE PEOPLE OF AUTHORITY IN THERE, THEY
- 11 SHOULD HAVE TO TRY TO SEE IF THE DEPUTY CAN RESOLVE THEIR
- 12 PROBLEM. THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH THEM GOING AROUND THE
- 13 DEPUTY IN SITUATIONS THAT COULDN'T BE RESOLVED, BUT THERE IS
- 14 SO MANY TIMES WHEN THERE IS ISSUES THAT COULD BE RESOLVED BY
- 15 THE DEPUTY HAD THEY BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY? IT'S NO
- 16 DIFFERENT THAN IF THEY TURN AROUND AND SAY, I DON'T WANT TO
- 17 TALK TO THE SERGEANT, EITHER, I WANT TO GO TO THE LIEUTENANT
- 18 OR BETTER YET, I DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT TO THE LIEUTENANT, I
- 19 WANT TO TALK TO THE CAPTAIN. I WILL NOT COMPLY WITH ANYTHING
- 20 YOU SAY UNTIL YOU GET THE CAPTAIN HERE. YOU HAVE TO USE FORCE.
- 21 I'M NOT GOING TO COMPLY. THAT'S DIRECTED FORCE NOW. A SERGEANT
- 22 OR A LIEUTENANT, SOMEBODY SAYS, TAKE IT BACK TO HIS HOUSE. DO
- 23 WHATEVER YOU HAVE TO DO TO GET HIM THERE. WHAT'S THE
- 24 DIFFERENCE THERE? IF THAT DEPUTY TELLS THEM TO DO SOMETHING
- 25 THAT IS A LAWFUL DIRECTION IN THAT JAIL, AND THE INMATE DOES

- 1 NOT COMPLY -- IF HE WANTS TO WANDER AIMLESSLY THROUGH THAT
- 2 JAIL, THEN WE LOSE CONTROL. THEN WE GET A LOT OF PEOPLE HURT.
- 3 WE GET MEDICAL STAFF. WE CAN HAVE THE MAINTENANCE PEOPLE GET
- 4 HURT. THEY CAN HURT OTHER INMATES. THERE IS INMATES IN THERE
- 5 THAT WANT TO WANDER AROUND IN -- TO GET TO OTHER INMATES THEY
- 6 HAVE GANG RIVALS WITH. THERE MIGHT BE AS WE SAY A GREEN LIGHT
- 7 OR A HIT PUT ON THEM. THEY MAY WANT TO DO THAT. IF WE CAN NOT
- 8 CONTROL THEM AS A FIRST LINE AUTHORITY, THEN WE ARE LOSING
- 9 CONTROL.

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- 11 CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU.
- 13 FLOYD HAYHURST: THANK YOU.
- 15 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: WE WILL TAKE A FIVE MINUTE BREAK.
- 16 KEEP IT TO FIVE MINUTES. ONE OF OUR WITNESSES IS COMING UP
- 17 NEXT. SO FIVE-MINUTE BREAK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 18 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: WELL, WE HAVE HERE MR. JACOBSON AND
- 19 MR. HORN. MS. KRINSKY.
- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AS WITH THIS MORNING, I HAVE SOME
- 22 QUESTIONS, FIRST FOR MR. JACOBSON, THEN MR. HORN. THERE WILL
- 23 BE AREAS THAT WILL OVERLAP. THEY WILL WELCOME COMMISSIONERS
- 24 QUESTIONS AFTER THAT. THANK YOU.

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MICHAEL JACOBSON: MICHAEL JACOBSON, VERA PRESIDENT. 1 2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW LONG HAVE YOU HELD THAT POSITION? 4 5 MICHAEL JACOBSON: 7 1/2 YEARS. 6 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN YOU TELL US WHAT VERA IS? 8 9 MICHAEL JACOBSON: A POLICY ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS WITH 10 GOVERNMENT. 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I'M GOING TO ASK TO YOU PULL YOUR MIC A 12 LITTLE CLOSER; THEY TEND TO BE TEMPERMENTAL. I INDICATED 13 14 THROUGH THAT ANSWER -- YOUR WORK IS DONE AROUND THE NATION, 15 CORRECT? 16 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WE WORK -- WE DO A LOT OF WORK LOCALLY. WE 17 18 PROBABLY WORK IN ABOUT 44 STATES RIGHT NOW. IN THOSE STATES, 19 DIFFERENT JURISDICTIONS, WE DO A FAIR AMOUNT OF WORK INTERNATIONALLY AS WELL. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW BIG IS YOUR STAFF? 23 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WE HAVE OVER 200 PEOPLE. 24

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2 ABUSE IN AMERICA'S PRISONS? 3 MICHAEL JACOBSON: ONE OF YOUR MEMBERS WAS THE DIRECTOR. 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HE WAS THE DIRECTOR, MR. BUSANSKY, IS THAT 6 7 CORRECT? 8 9 MICHAEL JACOBSON: PEOPLE HAVE CALLED HIM THAT. 10 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID THAT COMMISSION ON NATIONAL ABUSE IN AMERICA'S PRISONS ISSUE A REPORT IN 2006? 12 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT DID. 14 15 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE CHANGES OR ISSUES IN REGARD TO FORCE AND VIOLENCE IN JAILS, AS WELL AS 17 18 OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF JAILS? 19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID IT EXAMINE CULTURE ISSUES? 23 24 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. 25

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU OVERSEE A COMMISSION ON SAFETY AND

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IS VERA CURRENTLY WORKING ON ISSUES IN LOS 1 2 ANGELES JAILS AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. 3 MICHAEL JACOBSON: THEY REPORTED A YEAR AGO ABOUT THE CAUSES OF 4 5 JAIL OVERCROWDING AND SOME RECOMMENDATIONS AROUND JAIL OVERCROWDING. WE HAVE A CURRENT PROJECT THAT LOOKS AT REENTRY 6 7 FOR INMATES WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES. SO WE HAVE BEEN INVOLVED 8 ONE WAY OR ANOTHER IN THAT JAIL SYSTEM FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHO IS THE CLIENT IN THAT WORK INVOLVING IN 10 11 L.A. COUNTY? 12 MICHAEL JACOBSON: THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR THE 13 14 REENTRY WORK. ANOTHER, AND SORT OF THE CLIENT, IS THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT. OUR OTHER CLIENT IS THE L.A. JAIL 15 16 SYSTEM. 17 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU SERVED AS THE NEW YORK JAIL DIRECTOR, 19 IS THAT CORRECT? 20

MICHAEL JACOBSON: MAYOR GIULIANI.

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHO APPOINTED YOU?

MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES.

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1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU INVOLVED IN OTHER GOVERNMENT WORK 2 3 OVER PRIOR DECADES? 4 5 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. BEFORE BECOMING THE CORRECTION 6 COMMISSIONER, I WAS WITH THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF 7 PROBATION FOR YEARS. PRIOR TO THAT JOB, I WORKED FOR THE 8 OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET AND OVERSEEING THE CITY'S 9 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. I HAD A COUPLE OTHER JOBS BEFORE THAT. 10 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU ALSO THE DEPUTY MAYOR FOR CRIMINAL 12 13 JUSTICE? 14 MICHAEL JACOBSON: NO, I WAS THE DEPUTY BUDGET DIRECTOR. 15 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SORRY, WE DIDN'T WANT TO PROMOTE YOU. 17 18 19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: THAT'S NOT A PROMOTION. 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU DONE TEACHING OVER TIME? 21 22 23 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WHEN I LEFT, I WAS AT THE CITY GRADUATE CENTRE FOR SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS BEFORE I CAME. 24 25

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAS YOUR ACADEMIC TEACHING INCLUDED
- 2 CRIMINOLOGY, CORRECTIONS AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES?

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4 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT HAS.

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6 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU WRITTEN BOOKS?

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8 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I WROTE ONE BOOK, DOWNSIZING.

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- 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU TESTIFIED BEFORE ON NATIONAL
- 11 BODIES ON ISSUES INVOLVING CORRECTIONS?

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13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I HAVE INDEED.

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- 15 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME TURN TO YOUR YEARS AS HEAD OF THE
- 16 NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS. AT THAT TIME PERIOD, HOW
- 17 MANY JAILS AND INMATES WERE THERE IN RIKERS ISLAND?

- 19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: MOST NEW YORK CITY JAILS ARE -- NOT ALL OF
- 20 THEM -- SO RIKERS, WHICH IS A SORT OF A MYTHIC PENAL COLONY --
- 21 RIKERS, ITSELF, HAD, I BELIEVES TEN JAIL FACILITIES AND THEN
- 22 THERE WERE PROBABLY ABOUT 19,000 INMATES. BY THE TIME I LEFT,
- 23 IT WAS CLOSER TO 17,5 AND TODAY IT'S LESS THAN 11, IT'S LESS
- 24 THAN 12,000. IT'S ONE OF THE HUGE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO
- 25 SYSTEMS IS THEY USED TO BE THE SAME SIZE NOW IT'S HALF OF IT.

1 2 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND ARE APPROXIMATELY THREE-QUARTERSS OF 3 THE INMATES PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES? 4 5 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. 6 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DURING THE TIME YOU WERE COMMISSIONER AND 8 WHEN YOU FIRST CAME INTO THAT POSITION, WERE THERE SERIOUS 9 CONCERNS IN REGARD TO USE OF FORCE AND VIOLENCE IN THE JAILS? 10 MICHAEL JACOBSON: THERE WERE. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN YOU DESCRIBE FOR US THE NATURE OF THOSE 13 14 CONCERNS? 15 16 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, THE CONCERNS WERE FORCE AND VIOLENCE WERE BOTH ATINCREDIBLY HIGH LEVELS. I THINK THE WEEK I BECAME 17 18 THE -- I GOT APPOINTED, THERE WAS A COVER STORY IN THE NEW 19 YORK MAGAZINE THAT SAID "RIKERS READY TO BLOW." IT WAS A BIT OF A HYPERBOLE. IT WASN'T READY TO BLOW. IT WAS OVERCROWDED 20 21 AND BOTH USES OF FORCE -- INMATE ON INMATE VIOLENCE WAS TOO 22 HIGH -- HAD BEEN UNCHECKED AND NOT PARTICULARLY WELL 23 OVERSIGHTED, CERTAINLY BY THE CITY, ITSELF. 24

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU ABLE TO EFFECTUATE A CHANGE IN

THAT PICTURE OVER THE TIME YOU WERE THERE? 1 2 MICHAEL JACOBSON: OVER A FEW YEARS, I WAS. AND THAT CONTINUED. 3 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE PERCENTAGE DECREASE IN VIOLENCE IN THE JAILS WAS DURING YOUR TENURE? 6 7 8 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I BELIEVE IT WAS 65 OR 70. IT STARTED AT A 9 HIGH NUMBER. I'M TALKING INMATE-ON-INMATE VIOLENCE, 10 PARTICULARLY SLASHINGS, WERE ABOUT -- PROBABLY AROUND -- MAYBE 11 FOUR-TO-FIVE FULL -- EVEN ABOUT 400 A YEAR, THAT WENT DOWN QUITE A BIT IN THE FEW YEARS I WAS THERE. 12 13 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU SAID 65-TO-70, WAS THAT A 14 PERCENTAGE? WHAT STRATEGIES DID YOU USE TO BRING ABOUT CHANGES 15 16 IN REGARD TO REDUCTION AND USE OF FORCE AND VIOLENCE IN THE 17 JAILS? 18 19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, THERE WERE A FEW, I GUESS I SHOULD SAY BEFORE I TALK ABOUT THE SPECIFIC STRATEGIES, I MEAN, THE FIRST 20 AND, PROBABLY IN SOME WAYS, THE MOST IMPORTANT STRATEGY WAS 21 22 THAT IT WAS CLEAR BOTH FROM THE MAYOR ON DOWN THAT THE 23 REDUCTION OF VIOLENCE WAS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. IT WAS IMPORTANT TO THE MAYOR. IT WAS IMPORTANT TO THE MAYOR AS A 24

RESULT OF THE OFFICERS ON THE GROUND. SO THERE WAS CERTAINLY

- 1 CONSENSUS AMONG THE MANAGEMENT AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE
- 2 CITY THAT THAT HAD TO HAPPEN. SO ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS -- WE
- 3 DIDN'T REALIZE -- WAS THE DATA NOT ONLY ON VIOLENCE, CERTAINLY
- 4 ON VIOLENCE, WAS INCREDIBLY INSUFFICIENT. WE REALLY, OTHER
- 5 THAN HAVING A SENSE OF HOW MUCH THERE WAS, WE COULDN'T TELL
- 6 YOU WHERE IT WAS, WHAT TIME IT OCCURRED AND WHAT SHIFT,
- 7 WHETHER IT WAS GANG- INVOLVED OR NOT, ET CETERA, ET CETERA.
- 8 THEN IT RAPIDLY BECAME CLEAR THAT JUST THE SORT OF PREDICTION
- 9 UNDERSTANDING AND REACTION TO DATA WAS A HUGE PROBLEM IN THE
- 10 DEPARTMENT. SO THAT LED US TO INSTITUTE WHAT IS CALLED
- 11 "TEAMS," AGAIN, CONTINUES TODAY, I'M SURE MARTY WILL TALK
- 12 ABOUT IT. AND SIMPLIFIED TERMS, "TEAMS" WAS A SORT OF
- 13 CORRECTIONAL VERSION OF WHAT THE POLICE HAVE LONG DONE WITH
- 14 COMPSTAT. IT WAS CLEAR WE NOT ONLY HAD NO DATA, BUT THERE WAS
- 15 NO APPRECIATION FOR DATA AND THE USE OF DATA, AMONG --
- 16 CERTAINLY AMONG THE MANAGEMENT STAFF AND THAT WAS A HUGE
- 17 PROBLEM.

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- 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO DURING YOUR TENURE WITH THIS TEAMED
- 20 APPROACH -- YOUR OWN VERSION OF THE COMPSTAT TRACKING -- WHAT
- 21 SORTS OF THINGS DID YOU BEGIN TO TRACK?
- 23 MICHAEL JACOBSON: AGAIN, BEFORE WE GET TO THE TRACKING PIECE,
- 24 IT WAS ONE OF THE THINGS WE ALSO REALIZED PRETTY EARLY IS THAT
- 25 THERE WERE SOME STAFF AND MANAGEMENT STAFF. AGAIN, ONE OF THE

- 1 WAYS WE GOT TO THE REALIZATION THAT THERE WAS A PROBLEM IS
- 2 THAT WE HAD A WARDEN, A DEPUTY WARDENS WHO COULDN'T EVEN TELL
- 3 US WHAT THEIR COUNT WAS IN THE JAIL OR WHAT GENERAL TRENDS
- 4 WERE IN VIOLENCE, UP OR DOWN, OR WHAT THEIR SICK LEAVE RATES
- 5 WERE. THERE WAS A LACK OF BASIC UNDERSTANDING. AND SO, WE
- 6 DECIDED BOTH WE NEEDED TO HAVE PEOPLE THAT COULD UNDERSTAND
- 7 DATA. THEY COULD USE DATA IN FORMING MANAGEMENT DECISIONS THAT
- 8 APPRECIATED THE USE OF DATA, THAT UNDERSTOOD THAT YOU CAN --
- 9 YOU CAN'T BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR SOMETHING YOU CAN'T MEASURE AND
- 10 YOU CAN'T CHANGE THINGS IF YOU DON'T KNOW, IF YOU DON'T HAVE
- 11 EMPIRICAL DATA. SO WE MADE A NUMBER OF CHANGES IN DATA AND TOP
- 12 AND MANAGEMENT LEVELS BECAUSE THERE WERE PEOPLE WE JUST
- 13 THOUGHT COULD NOT SORT OF COMPORT THEMSELVES TO USE AND
- 14 UNDERSTAND DATA. THEN WE MADE A PRETTY SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT
- 15 IN STAFF, BOTH UNIFORMS AND I THINK IMPORTANTLY NON-UNIFORM
- 16 STAFF THAT WERE ESSENTIALLY THE STAFF OF "TEAMS" -- THAT IS
- 17 THE DATA-GATHERING UNIT IN CORRECTIONS. WE HAD BOTH UNIFORM
- 18 AND NON-UNIFORMS, VERY INTENTIONALLY DOING THAT. SO WE BEGAN
- 19 TO COLLECT DATA ON EVERYTHING THAT WAS, WE FELT, IMPORTANT FOR
- 20 A CORRECTIONAL AGENCY. UNTIL... OBVIOUSLY INMATE-ON-INMATE
- 21 VIOLENCE AND NOT LIMITED TO THOSE THINGS, SICK TIME, EXAM
- 22 PROJECTS, ALL THOSE THINGS, WE STARTED TO COLLECT THE DATA AND
- 23 GET IT OUT TO FOLKS. WE HAD AN EXPECTATION OF LINE MANAGERS ON
- 24 UP WOULD KNOW THE DATA AND BE ABLE TO MAKE DECISION BASED ON
- 25 THE DATA. IT WAS A PRETTY LARGE, I THINK, CULTURE SHIFT IN

- 1 THE.... AGAIN, THAT CONTINUES TO THIS DAY, OVER A DECADE LATER.
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- 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU SAY "WE" BEGAN TO COLLECT THE
- 4 DATA. WAS THE DATA USED AND REVIEWED BY YOU AS WELL, AS THE
- 5 HEAD OF THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS?

- 7 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES, SO ALL THE MANAGEMENT STAFF. WHEN I SAY
- 8 MANAGEMENT STAFF, ME, THE STRUCTURE IS OBVIOUSLY DIFFERENT
- 9 THAN THE L.A. SHERIFF'S OFFICE. BUT WE HAD THE CHIEF OF
- 10 DEPARTMENT, THE HIGHEST UNIFORM POSITION. THE HIGHEST DEPUTY,
- 11 THE HIGHEST CIVILIAN IN THE DEPARTMENT, AS WELL AS THE UNIFORM
- 12 MANAGEMENT STAFF, THEY WOULD GO OVER THE DATA. YOU'D HAVE
- 13 SOMETIMES BIWEEKLY, SOMETIMES WEEKLY, SOMETIMES MONTHLY
- 14 MEETINGS THAT WOULD OCCASIONALLY HAVE A THEME, SO THERE COULD
- 15 BE A MEETING JUST ON VIOLENCE, OR USE OF FORCE OR SICK LEAVE.
- 16 WE'D CALL IN OUR COMMANDERS AND THEIR STAFF AND THE LINE
- 17 OFFICERS, GO OVER THE DATA, WANT TO KNOW IF THERE WAS A SPIKE
- 18 IN VIOLENCE OR OVERTIME OR SICK TIME, WHERE IT WAS HAPPENING,
- 19 AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT.
- 20 THE ISSUES ABOUT THE DATA -- GATHERING AND UNDERSTANDING
- 21 STUFF. YOU HAVE TO HAVE THE DATA. YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO
- 22 UNDERSTAND THE DATA AND KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING. BUT YOU HAVE TO
- 23 BE ABLE TO USE THE DATA AND PROCESS IT AND USE IT IN A WAY TO
- 24 MAKE CHANGES AND MANAGEMENT DECISIONS. IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO
- 25 SIMPLY KNOW, ALTHOUGH, IT'S A NECESSARY, NOT A SUFFICIENT,

- 1 CONDITION. YOU HAVE... TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING, CERTAINLY IN
- 2 YOUR INSTITUTION, BASED ON THE DATA, BUT UNLESS YOU KNOW IN A
- 3 COUPLE AREAS YOU SEE A SPIKE IN VIOLENCE ON A THURSDAY, IT'S
- 4 THE 3:00 TO 7:00 SHIFT, WHAT, IN FACT, ARE YOU GOING TO DO
- 5 ABOUT IT? HOW IS IT GOING TO WORK, HOW WILL YOU MEASURE HOW OR
- 6 WHY IT WORKS?

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU INDICATED EARLIER YOU NEEDED A CULTURE
- 9 SHIFT IN THE WILLINGNESS TO USE DATA ROBUSTLY. WAS THERE ALSO
- 10 A CULTURE SHIFT IN REGARDS TO THE RIGOR AND DILIGENCE IN
- 11 REPORTING AND TRACKING USE OF FORCE?

- 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT WAS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. AGAIN, IT'S ONE
- 14 OF THE MANY WAYS IN WHICH THE CITY'S -- THE STRUCTURAL SYSTEM
- 15 IS DIFFERENT THAN LOS ANGELES. I MEAN, WE WERE VERY
- 16 INTENTIONAL ABOUT HAVING AS MUCH INFORMATION THAT WE COULD
- 17 DEVELOP INTERNALLY AS THE TEAM'S PROCESS BUT ALSO USING
- 18 INFORMATION THAT CAME TO US THROUGH OTHER SOURCES. IT'S VERY
- 19 ACTIVE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE, PRISONER'S LEGAL RIGHTS UNITS AND
- 20 THE LEGAL AID SOCIETY. THE CITY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS, THE
- 21 STATE BOARD OF CORRECTIONS. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF VERY GOOD
- 22 OVERSIGHT AGENCIES AND WE MADE CLEAR TO THEM THAT WE WERE
- 23 GOING TO COLLECT AND MANAGE THE DATA. WE WANTED TO SEE THEIR
- 24 DATA ALSO. BUT IT WAS -- WE TRIED TO MAKE IT AS CLEAR AS
- 25 POSSIBLE THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL PRIORITIES THAT WE HAD IN

- 1 MANAGING THE JAILS AND THAT STAFF AT CERTAINLY EVERY
- 2 MANAGERIAL LEVEL WAS EXPECTED TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT WAS
- 3 HAPPENING IN THEIR JAIL, YOU KNOW, 30 OR 40 DIFFERENT
- 4 CATEGORIES AND/OR EXPECTED TO HAVE PLANS TO ADDRESS EACH
- 5 PROBLEM AND, FOR STUFF THAT THEY DID SUCCESSFULLY, WE EXPECTED
- 6 AND PROMOTED THEM TO GET AROUND THE DEPARTMENT. WHAT THEY DID,
- 7 HOW IT WORKED AND WHY IT WORKED.

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- 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: MR. JACOBSON, YOU HAVE A NOTEBOOK IN FRONT
- 10 OF YOU. IF I COULD ASK TO YOU TURN TO TAB 12 OF THE NOTEBOOK.
- 11 EITHER NOTEBOOK.

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13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I DON'T THINK MY NOTEBOOK HAS TABS.

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- 15 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IF YOU PREFER, THE ONE TO YOUR RIGHT DOES
- 16 HAVE TABS. BUT IF I COULD ASK YOU, AT TAB 12, THAT DATA IS
- 17 FROM OUR LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. OKAY?

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19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I GOT IT.

- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IF YOU COULD TAKE A LOOK AT THE 3rd PAGE OF
- 22 THAT, IT HAS SOME BAR CHARTS THAT REFLECT YEARLY TRENDS OF
- 23 SIGNIFICANT FORCE EVENTS. THE FIRST PAGE HAS SIGNIFICANT FORCE
- 24 INMATE INJURIES. AND THEN THERE IS SOME BAR CHARTS THAT
- 25 SIMILARLY, FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS' PERIOD, LOOK AT SIGNIFICANT

FORCE AS A PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL FORCE. 1 2 3 MICHAEL JACOBSON: RIGHT. 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: ALSO LOOK AT INMATE INJURIES AND TASER EVENTS, HIGH ALTITUDES DATA, OBVIOUSLY. I KNOW YOU ARE 6 FAMILIAR WITH OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ITS SIZE, ITS BREADTH. 7 8 HOW IMPORTANT DO YOU THINK IT IS FOR THE VERY TOP MANAGEMENT, ASSISTANT SHERIFF IN CHARGE OF CUSTODY AND PERHAPS THE 9 10 SHERIFF, HIMSELF, TO BE LOOKING AT THIS KIND OF DATA ON A 11 YEARLY BASIS? 12 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, IT'S IMPORTANT. TO ADD, IT DOESN'T 13 MATTER WHERE IT IS. IT'S IMPORTANT TO ANY SHERIFFS IN THE 14 15 CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT, WHETHER IT'S A SHERIFF OR THE TOP 16 APPOINTED OFFICIAL OR COMMISSIONER OR A SECRETARY, HIMSELF OR HERSELF, TO KNOW THIS KIND OF DATA. I MEAN, NOT JUST THIS KIND 17 18 OF DATA THAT YOU SHOULD KNOW, YOU SHOULD OBVIOUSLY KNOW WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IN YOUR FACILITIES OVER THE LAST TWO, 19 THREE, FOUR, FIVE, TEN YEARS. WE ALSO WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S 20 21 HAPPENING OVER THE LAST TWO OR THREE MONTHS, WHAT'S HAPPENING OVER THE LAST TWO, THREE WEEKS. THE LAST WEEK. OBVIOUSLY, THE 22 23 PERSON WHO LEADS THE DEPARTMENT, THAT PERSON HAS A LOT OF STUFF TO DO. YOU DON'T EXPECT THAT PERSON TO KNOW THE LEVEL OF 24

GRANULAR DETAIL THAT YOU WOULD AS YOU GO DOWN THE CHAIN. TO

- 1 NOT ONLY KNOW WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS BUT
- 2 WHERE, WHAT TOUR, WHAT HOUSING AREA AND IS IT HIGH IN MINIMUM
- 3 SECURITY? IS IT AN OLDER BUILDING, A NEWER BUILDING, CAPITAL
- 4 PROJECTS WHERE INMATES CAN GET WEAPONS? BUT THERE IS SOME
- 5 LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE, BASIC TREND KNOWLEDGE AND REAL TIME DATA
- 6 THAT YOU EXPECT YOUR TOP LEADER TO KNOW WHEN ACTED ON AND,
- 7 OBVIOUSLY, AT A MINIMUM, IT'S THIS. BUT IN MY OPINION, IT
- 8 SHOULD BE MORE THAN THIS.

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- 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I THINK THIS, AND YOU INDICATED, EVEN MORE
- 11 QUICKLY. YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR YEAR'S END?

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- 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, YOU DON'T WANT TO BE IN A POSITION TO
- 14 LOOK AT SOMETHING FOR THE LAST YEAR AND REALIZE, OOPS, THERE
- 15 IS SOMETHING GOING ON. YOU WANT TO HAVE SOMETHING. EASY TO
- 16 SAY REAL TIME, BUT THAT IS HARD TO DO. IN AS REAL A TIME OR AS
- 17 FAST AS POSSIBLE. YOU WANT THESE AS FAST AS POSSIBLE. YOU WANT
- 18 THESE JAIL SYSTEMS THAT HISTORICALLY HAS PROBLEMS. WHEN THERE
- 19 IS A PROBLEM, YOU WANT TO BE ON TOP OF IT AS SOON AS YOU CAN.

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- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY WOULDN'T IT BE SUFFICIENT FOR A CAPTAIN
- 22 OR COMMANDER OR CHIEF TO KNOW THIS INFORMATION AND PASS IT UP
- 23 THE CHAIN WHEN A PROBLEM COMES UP?

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25 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, FIRST OF ALL, IF ARE YOU A CAPTAIN OR

- 1 A DEPUTY WARDEN OR A WARDEN, YOU CERTAINLY HAVE TO KNOW A
- 2 FINER LEVEL OF DETAILS THAN THIS. SO, I EXPECT THEM TO KNOW A
- 3 LOT MORE THAN THIS. ALSO, IN THESE KIND OF ORGANIZATIONS, I
- 4 MEAN, OBVIOUSLY YOU WANT INFORMATION TO GO FROM THE BOTTOM UP,
- 5 BUT YOU CAN'T RELY ON THAT. THAT'S THE WAY INFORMATION TRAVELS
- 6 IN THESE PARAMILITARY AGENCIES. BUT YOU CAN'T WAIT TO GET THAT
- 7 INFORMATION FROM THE STREET LEVEL BUREAUCRATS, FROM THE
- 8 OFFICERS WHO ARE DOING THE TOUGH WORK TO GET TO YOU. IF YOU'RE
- 9 A COMMISSIONER. IF YOU'RE A SHERIFF, A MANAGER OF ONE OF THESE
- 10 ACTIONS, YOU HAVE TO HAVE YOUR OWN ABILITY TO GET DATA,
- 11 PROBABLY FROM MULTIPLE SOURCES, ONE OF WHICH MAY BE YOUR, YOU
- 12 KNOW, UNIFORM STAFF AND INSTITUTIONS, BUT YOU CAN'T RELY ON
- 13 INFORMATION COMING TO YOU FROM YOUR INSTITUTIONS AS TO WHAT'S
- 14 GOING ON. EVEN THOUGH THE DATA, ITSELF, FROM "TEAMS," WAS
- 15 OBVIOUSLY GENERATED AT AN INSTITUTION FROM USE OF FORCE
- 16 REPORTS OR FROM COMPLAINTS OR FROM SICK LEAVE RATES THAT WE'VE
- 17 COLLECTED FROM OUR PERSONNEL OFFICE. BUT I THINK YOU HAVE TO
- 18 BE MORE PROACTIVE THAN WAIT UNTIL INFORMATION FLOATS UP FROM
- 19 THE BOTTOM TO THE TOP. SOME INFORMATION FLOATS UP. SOME
- 20 INFORMATION NEVER FLOATS. SOME OF IT FLOWS OUT, SOME OF IT IS
- 21 DIFFERENT BY THE TIME YOU GET IT. SO YOU HAVE TO HAVE -- IT'S
- 22 VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE DIFFERENT STRATEGIES FOR GETTING

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23 INFORMATION AGAIN FROM AS MANY MULTIPLE SOURCES AS POSSIBLE.

25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I BELIEVE YOU TESTIFIED EARLIER THAT ONE OF

- 1 THE USES YOU MADE OF DATA WAS TO USE IT FOR DISCIPLINE, FOR
- 2 CONSEQUENCES. AS YOU WERE ADDRESSING THE ISSUES THAT YOU
- 3 IDENTIFIED THAT EXISTED WHEN YOU CAME INTO YOUR POSITION, DID
- 4 YOU BECOME AGGRESSIVE ABOUT DISCIPLINE IN TERMS OF MISCONDUCT?

- 6 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WE DID. AGAIN, WE DID A NUMBER OF THINGS. WE
- 7 BEEFED UP OUR INVESTIGATIVE -- AGAIN, THE CITY STRUCTURE IS A
- 8 LITTLE DIFFERENT. WE HAVE A DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION, WHICH
- 9 IS A SEPARATE AGENCY THAT HAS OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL. WE ALSO
- 10 HAVE OUR OWN INTERNAL INVESTIGATORS WHO WORK FOR THE DEPUTY
- 11 COMMISSIONER, THAT REPORTED DIRECTLY TO THE COMMISSIONER. WE
- 12 VERY INTENTIONALLY GAVE THE OFFICE MORE RESOURCES. WE TRIED TO
- 13 BE AS ATTENTIVE AS WE COULD TO LOOKING AT -- HAVING, YOU KNOW,
- 14 NOT JUST A FIRST LINE SUPERVISOR, BUT HAVING MANAGERIAL STAFF,
- 15 MYSELF INCLUDED, THE CHIEF, THE DEPARTMENT, LOOK AT
- 16 COMPLAINTS. WE TRIED TO BE, YOU KNOW, IT'S ALWAYS A FINE LINE.
- 17 YOU WANT TO SUPPORT YOUR STAFF. YOU ALWAYS HAVE AN
- 18 UNDERSTANDING THAT, THERE WILL BE USES OF FORCE. YOU WANT THEM
- 19 TO BE AS MINIMIZED AS POSSIBLE, RECOGNIZING, THOUGH, THERE
- 20 WILL BE USES OF FORCE. AGAIN, BOTH A NUANCE THING THIS USE OF
- 21 FORCE STUFF. THERE ARE USE OF FORCES THAT BY THE TIME THE USE
- 22 OF FORCE OCCURS IT'S A PERFECTLY GOOD USE OF FORCE, BUT IT MAY
- 23 HAVE BEEN A USE OF FORCE THAT NEVER SHOULD HAVE OCCURRED IN
- 24 THE FIRST PLACE BECAUSE THE OFFICER DIDN'T REALLY KNOW HOW TO
- 25 DEESCALATE A SITUATION, BUT BY THE TIME FORCE OCCURRED, THAT

- 1 WAS GOOD USE OF FORCE. SO EVEN IF IT'S A GOOD USE OF FORCE, IT
- 2 DOESN'T MEAN THERE ARE NOT ISSUES THERE CERTAINLY, IN TERMS OF
- 3 TRAINING OR IF THERE ARE BAD USES OF FORCE AND THEY'RE
- 4 DOCUMENTED AND, AGAIN, NEW YORK CITY HAS A LOT MORE NOW. BUT
- 5 WE INSTALLED A TON OF CAMERAS ALL OVER THE PLACE, SO IT'S A
- 6 LITTLE EASIER TO DOCUMENT USES OF FORCE. WE TRIED TO BE VERY
- 7 CLEAR, BOTH OURSELVES, FOR THE PUBLIC, FOR THE STAFF, THAT,
- 8 YOU KNOW, THAT CERTAINLY ANYTHING THAT WAS UNJUSTIFIED
- 9 WOULDN'T BE TOLERATED.
- 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU REFERENCED TRAINING IN PASSING. DID YOU
- 12 PUT IN PLACE ANY CHANGES IN TERMS OF TRAINING?
- 14 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WE -- I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW LONG THE TRAINING
- 15 ACADEMY WAS WHEN I GOT THERE. I THINK IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN TEN
- OR 11 WEEKS. I THINK BY THE TIME I LEFT, IT WAS PROBABLY ABOUT
- 17 14 WEEKS AND I THINK IT'S BEEN FURTHER LENGTHENED AND I THINK
- 18 IT'S PROBABLY ABOUT 16 WEEKS NOW. SO WE MADE AN INVESTMENT IN
- 19 THE UP FRONT TRAINING ACADEMY AND ALSO IN IN-SERVICE TRAINING
- 20 AS WELL.
- 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU SAY TRAINING ACADEMY, WE -- WHEN
- 23 WE TALK ABOUT "ACADEMY" HERE, IT'S A GENERAL ACADEMY, FOCUSING
- 24 ON DEPUTIES IN PATROL. IS YOUR ACADEMY CUSTODY FOCUSED?

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- 1 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. THIS IS NO SMALL ISSUE FOR YOU TO
- 2 WRESTLE WITH. BUT NEW YORK, AGAIN, THERE IS NOT A SHERIFF IN
- 3 NEW YORK. IT'S A CIVILIAN POSITION WHO RUNS THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 4 CORRECTION. THE TRAINING ACADEMY IS A PROFESSIONAL ACADEMY FOR
- 5 PEOPLE WHO ARE GONNA BE WORKING IN OR AROUND THE JAILS FOR THE
- 6 REST OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL CAREER.

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE'VE HEARD TESTIMONY THAT CUSTODY-SPECIFIC
- 9 TRAINING IN LOS ANGELES THAT FOLLOWS THE GENERAL ACADEMY IS
- 10 ANYWHERE FROM ONE-TO-FOUR WEEKS. DO YOU HAVE A VIEW ON WHETHER
- 11 THAT'S ADEQUATE CUSTODY FOCUSED TRAINING?
- 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT IS NOT ADEQUATE. AGAIN, I'M NOT -- THERE
- 14 ARE PEOPLE THAT CAN AUDIT THIS AND TELL YOU WITH A GREAT
- 15 DEGREE OF SPECIFICITY WHAT IT OUGHT TO BE. I'M NOT SURE WHAT
- 16 THE EXACT AMOUNT OF TIME REQUIRED IS. AGAIN, I'M NOT SURE WHAT
- 17 ONE-TO-FOUR WEEKS EVEN MEANS. IF IT'S A PROFESSIONAL TRAINING
- 18 ACADEMY, OR A SPECIFIC PERIOD OF TIME. SOMEONE SHOULD KNOW,
- 19 HERE IS A TRAINING CUSTODY OFFICERS GET. BUT MY OWN PERSONAL
- 20 OPINION IS WHETHER IT'S TWO, ONE, TWO OR THREE WEEKS, WHATEVER
- 21 THE NUMBERS ARE, THAT IS NOT ENOUGH FOR AN INCREDIBLY
- 22 DIFFICULT, HIGH STRESSED PROFESSION. IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE
- 23 PROFESSIONALS, YOU NEED TO TREAT THEM AND TRAIN THEM AS
- 24 PROFESSIONALS. YOU -- IN MY OPINION, YOU SIMPLY CAN'T DO THAT
- 25 IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS AND SEND SOMEONE INTO A JAIL.

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   MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT ABOUT THOSE WHO SAID THAT PATROL, THE
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    ACADEMY THEY HAVE BEEN THROUGH, THE SKILLS THEY LEARN THERE,
    ARE ALREADY EQUIPPING THEM TO KNOW THOSE SORTS OF THINGS AND
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    BE ABLE TO PRACTICE THEM IN THE JAILS.
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   MICHAEL JACOBSON: I DON'T BUY IT. YOU KNOW, IT'S NOT LIKE -
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    AGAIN, I SAY THIS COMPLETELY UNDERSTANDING THAT I DON'T KNOW
    WHAT YOUR PATROL ACADEMY CURRICULUM IS, I AM SURE THERE ARE
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    THINGS IN THERE THAT MAY WELL BE APPLICABLE TO A CORRECTIONAL
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    SETTING, BUT THERE ARE SO MANY ISSUES THAT ARE ATTENDANT AND
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    SPECIFIC TO JAIL OPERATIONS THAT WEIGH COMPLETELY OUTSIDE.
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    THEY MAY BE RELATED AT SOME -- SOMETIMES DIRECT, SOMETIMES
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    EPHEMERAL LEVELS OF WHAT HAPPENS ON PATROL. BUT THERE ARE SO
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    MANY JAIL-RELATED ISSUES NOW, ESPECIALLY IN A JAIL. NEW YORK,
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    THE SAME AS L.A. HAVING THE INCREDIBLE CHURNING THAT YOU HAVE
    HERE, YOU KNOW, HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE COMING IN WITH
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    HUGELY HIGH LEVELS OF MENTAL ILLNESS, DRUG USE. ALL SORTS OF
    ISSUES, YOU KNOW, HANDLING AND MANAGING THAT POPULATION IS
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    JUST AN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TASK AND WHILE THERE MAY BE
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    THINGS IN AN ACADEMY THAT ADDRESSES SOME OF THOSE, I CAN'T
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    IMAGINE THERE ARE ENOUGH OF THEM THAT WOULD ALLOW YOU TO ONLY
    HAVE A COUPLE OF WEEKS OF TRAINING AFTERWARDS. AGAIN, I SAY
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    THAT AS SOMEONE WHO HAS NOT AUDITED THE CURRICULUM. YOU KNOW,
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    I SUPPOSE I COULD BE WRONG ABOUT THAT. BUT IT JUST STRIKES ME
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- 1 -- IT STRIKES ME VERY STRONGLY AT A MINIMUM, THAT IS SOMETHING
- 2 FOR YOU FOLKS TO LOOK AT. BECAUSE I JUST CAN'T IMAGINE IF YOU
- 3 HAVE A BASELINE ACADEMY TRAINING, ADDING ON A COUPLE WEEKS OF
- 4 SPECIFIC CORRECTIONAL TRAINING ON TOP OF THAT IS ADEQUATE.

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- 6 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: NOW, MR. JACOBSON, YOU MENTIONED EARLIER,
- 7 OBVIOUSLY, THE STARTING POINT IS DIFFERENT IN NEW YORK. YOU
- 8 HAVE CORRECTIONS OFFICERS. YOU ARE AWARE THAT OUR STARTING
- 9 POINT IS VERY DIFFERENT. IS IT YOUR VIEW THAT THE PROFESSION
- 10 AND ROLE OF THE CORRECTIONS OFFICER IS DIFFERENT THAN THE
- 11 PROFESSION OF THE PATROL DEPUTIES?

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- 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IN THE SAME WAY IT'S DIFFERENT THAN
- 14 PROBATION AND A PAROLE OFFICER. THEY ALL HAVE SOME PERHAPS
- 15 OVERLAPPING, YOU KNOW MISSIONS. THEY MAY EVEN HAVE SOME
- 16 OVERLAPPING EXPERTISE, BUT ON THE WHOLE, BEING A PATROL
- 17 OFFICER ON THE STREET, IT'S A DIFFERENT JOB THAN WORKING IN A
- 18 FACILITY. AGAIN, I SHOULD SAY WORKING WITHIN A FACILITY COVERS
- 19 A WIDE RANGE OF DIFFERENT KIND OF WORK. THERE IS THE SECURITY
- 20 WORK THAT OFFICERS DO, THERE IS PROGRAM WORK, THERE IS
- 21 TRANSPORTATIONS, COUNSELING. ALL SORTS OF THINGS, IT'S NOT
- 22 JUST ONE JOB. IT IS -- IT'S A VERY MULTI-FACETED, COMPLEX JOB
- 23 TO WORK IN THESE FACILITIES.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE HEARD THIS MORNING FROM REPRESENTATIVES

- 1 FROM ALADS, HAVING PEOPLE WORK IN CUSTODY FIRST MAKES THEM
- 2 BETTER PATROL OFFICERS. I BELIEVE THAT WAS IN RESPONSE TO
- 3 JUSTICE MORENO'S QUESTIONS. DO YOU AGREE WITH THAT?

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- 5 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I DON'T SEE WHY THAT WOULD BE? AT THE END OF
- 6 THE DAY, EVEN IF YOU COULD MAKE SOME KIND OF -- FOR ME A
- 7 TENUOUS ARGUMENT -- IT DOESN'T RISE TO THE POWER OF ENOUGH TO
- 8 NOT HAVE A SEPARATE, PROFESSIONAL ENTITY THAT DEALS WITH
- 9 CORRECTIONS. IT'S NOT, I DON'T THINK, THE WAY YOU SHOULD LOOK
- 10 AT PEOPLE WHO WORK IN THESE FACILITIES AS, WELL, THEY'RE
- 11 GETTING GOOD TRAINING. THAT WILL HELP THEM DO THIS OTHER
- 12 THING. YOU KNOW, THE THING INSIDE THESE FACILITIES, IS SO
- 13 IMPORTANT, SO COMPLEX, YOU KNOW. ARGUABLY, IN A LOT OF WAYS
- 14 MORE COMPLEX THAN BEING A PATROL OFFICER. YOU CAN HAVE THAT
- 15 ARGUMENT. SO EVEN IF PARTS OF THAT WERE TRUE, I DON'T SEE HOW
- 16 THAT IS AN ARGUMENT FOR NOT HAVING, IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, AN
- 17 ORGANIZATION WHERE YOU COME INTO THAT ORGANIZATION, YOU ARE
- 18 TRAINED FOR IT AND HAVE AN EXPECTATION OF BEING THERE FOR YOUR
- 19 PROFESSIONAL LIFE.

- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU TO, FINALLY, REFLECT ON THE
- 22 SITUATION WE ARE FACING IN LOS ANGELES. DO YOU HAVE
- 23 RECOMMENDATIONS, I KNOW, YOU HAVE ALREADY REFERENCED A FEW OF
- 24 THEM, BUT WHAT DO YOU THINK IS MOST IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE
- 25 THINKING ABOUT AS WE TRY TO GRAPPLE WITH SOME OF THE

- 1 CHALLENGES THAT HAVE BEEN DESCRIBED TO THIS COMMISSION IN
- 2 REGARD TO ALLEGED EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE IN OUR JAILS AND
- 3 EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE?

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- 5 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, THERE ARE A FEW. I GUESS THERE ARE A
- 6 FEW. I ABSOLUTELY SAY THIS, BY NO MEANS AM I AN EXPERT IN THE
- 7 OPERATIONS OF THE L.A. JAIL SYSTEM. I KNOW SHERIFF BACA. I
- 8 HAVE KNOWN HIM FOR A WHILE. I HAVE A LOT OF RESPECT FOR HIM.
- 9 HE HAS AN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT JOB TO DO. I THINK THERE ARE A
- 10 FEW BASELINE ISSUES. ONE IS -- ONE IS WE TALKED ABOUT THE SORT
- 11 OF COMMITMENT AND EXPECTATION OF ACCOUNTABILITY FROM THE
- 12 LEADER ON DOWN AND THE USE OF DATA TO SORT OF MANAGE YOUR
- 13 OPERATIONS. AND, AGAIN, AS PART OF THAT COMMITMENT, I THINK
- 14 IT'S A LITTLE BIT MORE OF A LEVEL OF DETAIL I'M TALKING ABOUT,
- 15 BUT INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT FROM THE SHERIFF'S COMMISSIONER,
- 16 SECRETARY ON DOWN, TO BE IN THEIR JAIL. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
- 17 FOR THE STAFF AND THE INMATES TO SEE THOSE FOLKS IN THE JAIL.

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- 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW OFTEN WERE YOU PERSONALLY, AS THE HEAD
- 20 OF THE DEPARTMENT, IN THE JAILS?

- 22 MICHAEL JACOBSON: MARTY AND I HAD OFFICES -- THEY'RE DIFFERENT
- 23 NOW. WE HAD OFFICES, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, DOWNTOWN THERE AT
- 24 CITY HALL. BUT MARTY MOVED THEM -- THOSE OUT TO BE CLOSER TO
- 25 THE JAIL. BUT THEN, ALSO, OFFICES ON RIKERS ISLAND ITSELF. SO

- 1 DEPENDING ON THE MONTH OR WEEK OF WHAT WAS GOING ON, I WAS
- 2 THERE PRETTY OFTEN, YOU KNOW. SOMETIMES ANNOUNCED, SOMETIMES
- 3 UNANNOUNCED, AND I EXPECTED MY SECURITY STAFF TO DO THE SAME
- 4 THING AND THEY DID. SO IT'S TANGENTIAL, BUT IT'S NOT
- 5 UNIMPORTANT, SO, AGAIN, THAT KIND OF COMMITMENT, ALSO AGAIN,
- 6 THE COMMITMENT, THE TRAINING, THINKING ABOUT THAT JOB. IT'S A
- 7 PROFESSIONAL JOB. TO HAVE A PROFESSIONAL TRAINING ACADEMY, YOU
- 8 KNOW, LIKE POLICE HAVE, I THINK, IS JUST SORT OF ESSENTIAL FOR
- 9 CORRECTIONS AND, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE -- NEW YORK CITY
- 10 IS A DIFFERENT SYSTEM. I THINK ONE OF THE DISADVANTAGES THE
- 11 CITY HAS IS THAT WE ARE -- AND THIS COMES FROM ALL SORTS OF
- 12 PROBLEMS AT THE NEW YORK CITY JAIL SYSTEM HAS HAD OVER THE
- 13 YEARS -- WE WERE PROBABLY THE MOST CONSENTED SYSTEM IN THE
- 14 COUNTRY FOR A VERY LONG TIME.

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- 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: BY THAT YOU MEANT CONSENT DECREE?
- 18 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES. AS A RESULT, WE HAD STRONG AND PUBLIC
- 19 OVERSIGHT. THE NEW YORK CITY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS HAS
- 20 INVESTIGATORS THAT CAN COME INTO THOSE JAILS ANY TIME THEY
- 21 WANT. THEY ARE EMPOWERED BY THE CITY CHARTER TO DO SO. WE HAVE
- 22 A STATE COMMISSION THAT OVERSEES NOT ONLY THE STATE PRISONS
- 23 BUT THE LOCAL JAILS. LIKE I SAID, WE HAVE ACTIVE PRISONER
- 24 RIGHTS UNIT. WE HAVE A CITY COUNCIL THAT TAKES A GREAT
- 25 INTEREST IN THIS. SO PROBLEMS TEND TO BE PICKED UP PRETTY

- 1 QUICKLY. EVEN IF THE DEPARTMENT MISSES IT, EVEN WITH ALL THIS,
- 2 SOMEONE ELSE IS LIKELY TO CATCH IT PRETTY QUICKLY. SO THAT'S -
- 3 YOU, OBVIOUSLY, HAVE SOME OF THAT HERE. BUT THAT SORT OF
- 4 STRUCTURE IN THE CITY IS PROBABLY AN ADVANTAGE. YOU KNOW,
- 5 FRANKLY, ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES, I KNOW PEOPLE HAVE TALKED
- 6 ABOUT THIS HERE, YOU MAY OR MAY NOT THINK THIS IS DIRECTLY
- 7 RELATED TO YOUR TASK HERE, BUT, YOU KNOW, THE FACT THAT THE
- 8 CITY, YOU KNOW, L.A. AND NEW YORK BOTH START AS -- THEY'RE
- 9 VERY DIFFERENT. THEY BOTH HAVE ABOUT 400,000 ARRESTS A YEAR
- 10 GIVE OR TAKE WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE COUNTY. IN NEW YORK CITY
- 11 ABOUT 100,000 OF THOSE FOLKS MAKE THEIR WAY INTO THE CITY JAIL
- 12 SYSTEM. IN L.A., I LOSE THESE NUMBERS A LITTLE. IT'S AT LEAST
- 13 TWICE THAT AT LEAST A COUPLE HUNDRED THOUSAND. THAT'S A REAL
- 14 PROBLEM. YOU DO NOT USE PRE-TRIAL ENOUGH OR RELEASED-ON-
- 15 RECOGNIZANCE ENOUGH. YOU HAVE TOO MANY LOW-LEVEL PEOPLE
- 16 CHURNING THROUGH THAT JAIL SYSTEM THERE. IT'S ALL OF THE
- 17 PIECE. IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT MONEY. IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT BED
- 18 USAGE. IT'S ALL OF THE PIECE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT, WHEN YOU
- 19 THINK ABOUT VIOLENCE OR, YOU KNOW, A LOT OF THE OTHER
- 20 FUNCTIONS THAT JAIL SYSTEM HAS. BUT, CERTAINLY, HAVING A
- 21 RECOGNIZED PROFESSIONAL STAFF WITH LEADERSHIP AT THE TOP, NOT
- 22 JUST THE SHERIFF BUT, YOU THE COUNTY, IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT.
- 23 YOU KNOW, I SHOULD -- I KNOW THIS CAME UP A COUPLE OF TIMES,
- 24 AND I'M SURE IT'S SOMETHING YOU STRUGGLE WITH IN L.A. AND NEW
- 25 YORK IN TERMS OF STAFFING. IT IS TRUE, NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK

- 1 AT THESE NUMBERS, NEW YORK CITY IS WAY MORE RICHLY STAFFED,
- 2 EVEN WHEN YOU ARE LOOKING AT THIS WITHIN THE JAILS. PROBABLY
- 3 MY GUESS IS CLOSER TO THREE TIMES THE STAFFING. AGAIN,
- 4 RESOURCES ARE NEVER THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THESE SORTS OF
- 5 THINGS. BUT I WOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR LEVEL OF STAFFING.
- 6 IT SEEMS TO ME ON THE FACE OF IT NOT DOING AUDITS, HOW BIG IT
- 7 IS, HOW FLEXIBLE AND COMPLEX IT IS, THE NUMBER OF ADMISSIONS
- 8 COMING IN, I'D TAKE A LOOK AT THAT STAFFING. THESE ARE,
- 9 OBVIOUSLY, HUGE RESOURCE ISSUES, BUT AGAIN, I THINK IT'S TOO
- 10 BIG AN ISSUE NOT TO AT LEAST TALK ABOUT.
- 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THANK YOU. I THINK I'D LIKE TO MOVE TO MR.
- 13 HORN AND WE'LL OPEN IT UP FOR QUESTIONS. MR. HORN, YOU ARE
- 14 CURRENTLY DISTINGUISHED LECTURER AT THE JOHN JAY COLLEGE AND
- 15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NEW YORK SENTENCING COMMISSION.
- 17 MARTY HORN: YES.

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- 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT DO YOU TEACH?
- 21 MARTY HORN: CORRECTIONS, PAROLE.
- 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU HAVE BEEN IN CORRECTIONS OVER 40 YEARS?
- 25 MARTY HORN: YES.

1 2 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU ALSO SERVE UNDER GOVERNOR TOM 3 RIDGE? 4 5 MARTY HORN: YES, AS SECRETARY OF CORRECTIONS FOR THE 6 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: FOR WHAT PERIOD OF TIME? 9 10 MARTY HORN: I THINK SIX-AND-A-HALF, SEVEN YEARS. 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU ALSO A WARDEN? 12 13 MARTY HORN: I WAS WITH THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, YES. 14 15 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I BELIEVE YOU FOLLOWED MR. JACOBSON AS HEAD OF THE NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS? 17 18 19 MARTY HORN: IT WAS MY GREAT GOOD FORTUNE TO BUILD ON THE WORK THAT COMMISSIONER JACOBSON DID, INTERRUPTED BY ONLY TWO PEOPLE 20 21 IN BETWEEN. 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN DID YOU HOLD THAT POSITION? 23 MARTY HORN: I WAS APPOINTED JUNE 1st, 2003. I SERVED UNTIL THE 24 END OF AUGUST 2009. 25

1 2 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU SERVE UNDER MORE THAN ONE 3 ADMINISTRATION? 4 5 MARTY HORN: I SERVED UNDER TWO BLOOMBERG ADMINISTRATIONS, BUT 6 UNDER ONE MAYOR. 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU DONE SCHOLARSHIP AND WRITTEN 9 REPORTS ON THESE ISSUES? 10 MARTY HORN: YES, I HAVE. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LOOKING AT THE RIKERS ISLAND FACILITIES, 13 14 THERE ARE HOW MANY JAILS NOW? 15 16 MARTY HORN: THERE ARE TEN FACILITIES, NINE OF WHICH ARE 17 OPERATIONAL. 18 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT'S THE AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF INMATES? 20 MARTY HORN: ACCORDING TO LAST MANAGEMENT REPORT, IT WAS 21 22 12,500. LET ME POINT OUT, THERE ARE MANY JAILS: RIKERS ISLAND, 23 THE CITY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS OPERATES A JAIL, BROOKLYN, A JAIL IN MANHATTAN, A JAIL LOCATED ON A BARGE, IN THE BRONX 24 AND NEW YORK IS REOPENING A SMALL JAIL IN QUEENS. 25

1 2 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU TOOK OVER, WERE THERE ONGOING 3 PROBLEMS IN REGARDS TO FORCE AND VIOLENCE IN THOSE JAILS? 4 5 MARTY HORN: YES. 6 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I KNOW MR. JACOBSON HAD A NUMBER OF 8 STRATEGIES. IF I COULD FOCUS FIRST ON DATA AND TRACKING. DID 9 YOU BUILD OUT THAT "TEAM" HE HAD STARTED TO PUT IN PLACE? 10 MARTY HORN: YES. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: TELL US WHAT YOU DID. 13 14 MARTY HORN: I WAS GOING TO SAY, TEAMS IS A VERY POWERFUL TOOL. 15 16 WE USED IT TO FOCUS ON THE USES OF FORCE. I THINK WHEN IT WAS BEGUN, IT WAS REALLY FOCUSING ON INMATE STABBING AND 17 18 SLASHINGS, INMATE-ON-INMATE VIOLENCE, INMATE ASSAULTS ON 19 STAFF. BY THE TIME I GOT THERE, AS MICHAEL HAS SAID, THOSE ISSUES HAD BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED, BUT THE OUESTION OF THE 20 USE OF FORCE REMAINED. WE USED THIS PRINCIPLE OF PERFORMANCE 21 22 MANAGEMENT AND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY AS A WAY OF LOOKING 23 AT HOW FORCE WAS USED, WHERE FORCE WAS USED, WHY FORCE WAS USED, WHEN FORCE WAS USED. WHAT THE VARIOUS VECTORS LEADING TO 24 THE USE OF FORCE WERE, WHO WAS USING THE FORCE AND SO ON. 25

1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AS PART OF THAT EXTENSIVE BUILDOUT THAT YOU 2 3 HAVE DESCRIBED, DID YOU PUT IN PLACE AN EARLY WARNING SYSTEM THAT WOULD TRIGGER SOME RESPONSE WHEN CORRECTIONS OFFICERS HAD 4 5 A CERTAIN NUMBER OF USES OF FORCE? 6 MARTY HORN: I THINK THE DEPARTMENT HAD ADOPTED A POLICY THAT, 7 8 AFTER A THIRD USE OF FORCE, AN OFFICER WAS TO BE INTERVIEWED 9 BY THE WARDEN OF THE FACILITY, A COMMAND WHERE HE OR SHE 10 WORKED, WITH THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING WHETHER MORE TRAINING 11 WAS REQUIRED, WHETHER REASSIGNMENT WAS REQUIRED, WHETHER THE OFFICER WAS TRAUMATIZED, WHETHER THE OFFICER WAS APPROPRIATELY 12 RE-ASSIGNED, WHETHER THE OFFICER NEEDED RESPITE AND SO ON. 13 WHEN I GOT THERE I FOUND IT WAS NOT BEING ACTIVELY USED. SO --14 WE PUT GREATER EMPHASIS ON THAT. AND WE ALSO PUT IN PLACE THE 15 16 CAPACITY FOR OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION TO TRACK OFFICER' USES OF FORCE, SO WHEN A USE OF FORCE OCCURRED, WE COULD LOOK 17 18 AT AN OFFICER'S HISTORY AND WE COULD CROSS-REFERENCE THAT BY THE LOCATIONS AND BY THE INMATES WHO WERE INVOLVED IN THOSE 19 USES OF FORCE. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION ALSO TRACK INMATE'S COMPLAINTS BY DEPUTY? 23 24 MARTY HORN: YES. SO IF AN INMATE MADE A COMPLAINT WE COULD --25

- 1 AGAINST A SPECIFIC OFFICER -- WE COULD SEE OTHER COMPLAINTS BY
- 2 THAT OFFICER, OTHER COMPLAINTS BY THAT INMATE AGAINST OTHER
- 3 OFFICERS AND ALL USES OF FORCE BY THE OFFICER WHO IS THE
- 4 SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT.

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- 6 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THAT WAS SOMETHING YOU WERE DOING AS OF
- 7 2000 AND ?

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- 9 MARTY HORN: PROBABLY 2006/2007. IT WAS FULLY IN PLACE WHEN I
- 10 LEFT IN 2009.

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- 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU SAID THERE WAS REVIEW IF THERE WERE
- 13 THREE USES OF FORCE. WHY THREE?

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15 MARTY HORN: BECAUSE TWO WERE TOO FEW AND FOUR TOO MANY.

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- 17 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO WOULD TEN BE A TRIGGER, BE "TOO MANY" IN
- 18 YOUR MIND?

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- 20 MARTY HORN: I THINK THE POINT MICHAEL WAS RIGHT ABOUT WAS
- 21 ANALYZING DATA. YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT SITUATIONS IN REAL TIME:
- 22 WEEKLY, MONTHLY AND, WITH SOME PROGRAMS, EVEN SOMETIMES
- 23 HOURLY.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO AND IN TERMS OF YOUR TRACKING OF THE

- 1 INMATE COMPLAINTS, THAT WOULD BE INMATE COMPLAINTS AGAINST A
- 2 PARTICULAR OFFICER THAT YOU WOULD TRACK BY THAT OFFICER; IS
- 3 THAT CORRECT?

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5 MARTY HORN: YES.

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- 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I KNOW THAT MR. JACOBSON INDICATED THERE
- 8 WERE INCREASING NUMBERS OF VIDEO CAMERAS BEING PUT UP AROUND
- 9 THE JAIL. HOW WOULD THE FILM OF THOSE VIDEO CAMERAS BE USED?

- 11 MARTY HORN: THE FILMS ARE USED IN A VARIETY OF WAYS.
- 12 PRIMARILY, WHERE THERE WAS A USE OF FORCE, THE VIDEO WAS
- 13 REVIEWED AS PART OF THE INVESTIGATION. IT WAS REVIEWED
- 14 INITIALLY BY THE FACILITY MANAGERS, THE WARDENS. IT WAS
- 15 REVIEWED BY -- IF THERE WAS AN INJURY, SIGNIFICANT FORCE WAS
- 16 USED BY THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS PART OF THEIR INVESTIGATION TO
- 17 DETERMINE WHETHER THE USE OF FORCE WAS APPROPRIATE. IT WAS
- 18 REVIEWED WHERE THEY DEEMED IT NECESSARY BY THE CITY'S
- 19 INSPECTOR GENERAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION. IT WAS
- 20 MADE AVAILABLE, OF COURSE TO PROSECUTORS. ULTIMATELY, IF THERE
- 21 WAS LITIGATION, IT WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL.
- 22 IF DISCIPLINE WAS MADE AGAINST THE OFFICER, IT WAS MADE
- 23 AVAILABLE TO THE ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING THE OFFICERS. AND
- 24 DURING THE TERM OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN THE CASE IT WAS
- 25 MADE AVAILABLE ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL TO

- 1 ENABLE THEM TO DETERMINE WHETHER ASSESSMENTS OF USE OF FORCE
- 2 WAS SIGNIFICANT OR NOT SIGNIFICANT OR APPROPRIATE OR NOT
- 3 APPROPRIATE IN REQUIRING DISCIPLINARY ACTION. IT WAS MADE
- 4 AVAILABLE ROUTINELY TO PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL AND IN ADDITION, IT
- 5 WAS AVAILABLE FOR YOU BY THE CITY BOARD OF CORRECTION AS WELL
- 6 AS THE NEW YORK STATE COMMISSION ON CORRECTION.
- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO JUST TO TEASE THAT OUT A LITTLE BIT,
- 9 THOSE LAST TWO GROUPS, THE CITY BOARD AND STATE BOARD, THOSE
- 10 WERE CIVILIAN COMMISSIONS?

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- 12 MARTY HORN: YES, CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT.
- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THEY HAD ACCESS TO THE FILM?
- 16 MARTY HORN: THEY HAD ACCESS TO THE FILM.
- 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU MENTIONED THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 19 INVESTIGATION WAS SEPARATE AND APART FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 20 CORRECTIONS, CORRECT?
- 22 MARTY HORN: YES.
- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID THEY HAVE ACCESS TO THE FILM?

- 1 MARTY HORN: IN FACT THEY -- AS WELL AS MYSELF AND OTHER
- 2 MEMBERS OF MY EXECUTIVE STAFF, MY DEPUTY COMMISSIONER FOR
- 3 INVESTIGATIONS AND EACH OF THE WARDENS -- ACTUALLY HAD ON
- 4 TIME, ONLINE REAL TIME ACCESS, SO YOU COULD ACTUALLY SIT AT
- 5 YOUR DESK AND TUNE IN TO WHAT WAS GOING ON IN A PARTICULAR
- 6 JAIL IN THE MOMENT OR IF THERE HAD BEEN AN INCIDENT, YOU COULD
- 7 GO BACK. AND IT WAS ALL DIGITAL AND IT WAS ALL WEB-BASED AND
- 8 YOU COULD CALL UP THE VIDEO OF SOMETHING THAT HAD HAPPENED AS
- 9 RECENTLY AS AN HOUR AGO.
- 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WAS THE FILM SPOT-CHECKED BY SUPERVISORS?
- 13 MARTY HORN: YES.

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- 15 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE DEPUTIES ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE FILM
- 16 BEFORE WRITING REPORTS?
- 18 MARTY HORN: NO.
- 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION OF USE OF FORCE
- 21 POLICIES. DID YOU PUT IN PLACE CHANGES IN TERMS OF USE OF
- 22 FORCE POLICIES OR TRAINING AS PART OF YOUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE
- 23 USE OF FORCE IN THE JAILS?
- 25 MARTY HORN: AGAIN, I DON'T WANT TO CHARACTERIZE INDUCED USE OF

- 1 FORCE. IT WAS A TRIGGER WHEN FORCE WAS USED, IT WAS
- 2 APPROPRIATE TO USE IT AND THAT IT WAS USED IN AN APPROPRIATE
- 3 FASHION CONSISTENT WITH THE LAWS AND OUR REGULATIONS. AS
- 4 MICHAEL SAID, FORCE IS A REALITY IN A JAIL. BUT, YES, WE WERE
- 5 CONCERNED THAT FORCE WAS BEING USED MORE FREQUENTLY THAN WAS
- 6 NECESSARY AND THAT WHERE IT WAS BEING USED IT WAS NOT BEING
- 7 USED CONSISTENT WITH THE OUR RULES AND REGULATIONS. AND SO WE
- 8 DID MAKE CHANGES BOTH TO OUR POLICY AND TO OUR TRAINING.
- 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I ASKED MR. JACOBSON ABOUT THE LENGTH OF
- 11 THE TRAINING. DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT WHETHER FROM ONE-
- 12 TO-FOUR WEEKS OF CUSTODY TRAINING A DEPUTY ISSUFFICIENT?
- 14 MARTY HORN: YES, I DO.

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- 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?
- 18 MARTY HORN: MY OPINION IS IT IS WOEFULLY INADEQUATE.
- 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT IS YOUR TRAINING IN NEW YORK?
- 22 MARTY HORN: IN NEW YORK, NOT THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, THEY
- 23 ARE JAIL SYSTEMS. IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, TRAINING TYPICALLY
- 24 IS A MINIMUM OF THREE MONTHS AND IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, IT'S
- 25 16 WEEKS. I BELIEVE ACTUALLY IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, THE

- 1 TRAINING ACADEMY, THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IS SIX MONTHS
- 2 LONG.

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- 4 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: COMMISSIONERS, I WOULD AT THIS POINT CALL
- 5 YOUR ATTENTION TO TAB 18 OF THE NOTEBOOK. WE PUT TOGETHER A
- 6 COMPARISON CHART OF SOME OF THE OTHER ENTITIES THAT WE HAD THE
- 7 OPPORTUNITY TO GAIN INFORMATION FROM. YOU'LL SEE THAT IN LOS
- 8 ANGELES, I BELIEVE OUR COMMANDER MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE
- 9 TESTIFIED THAT THERE WAS ONE WEEK OF CUSTODY-SPECIFIC TRAINING
- 10 ADDED TO THE ACADEMY TO SUPPLEMENT A PREEXISTING 8-HOUR
- 11 TRAINING. SHERIFF BACA TESTIFIED LAST WEEK THE TRAINING IS TWO
- 12 WEEKS EXTENSION IN THE ACADEMY. ANOTHER TWO WEEKS AFTER. SO
- 13 THAT'S WHY WE PUT IT AT 2-TO-FOUR WEEKS.

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- 15 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: COULD I ASK COUNSEL OR THE EXECUTIVE
- 16 DIRECTOR TO GET US THE SYLLABUS FROM THE TRAINING COURSE SO WE
- 17 CAN SEE EXACTLY HOW MUCH TIME IS DEVOTED TO CUSTODY TRAINING
- 18 AS OPPOSED TO OTHER GUIDANCE?

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- 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE WILL. BASED ON OUR REVIEW OF THE
- 21 SYLLABUS, IT IS TWO WEEKS. OUR TEAM HAS BEEN LOOKING AT THAT.
- 22 SO, IS IT YOUR VIEW, MR. HORN, THAT TRAINING PEOPLE FOR
- 23 CUSTODY IS DIFFERENT FROM TRAINING THEM FOR PATROL?

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25 MARTY HORN: VERY MUCH SO.

1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW SO? 2 3 MARTY HORN: I THINK THE MOST IMPORTANT DISTINCTION IS THAT IN 4 5 A JAIL SETTING, YOU HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE INMATES EVERY DAY. A 6 POLICE OFFICER, A DEPUTY ON PATROL HAS AN ENCOUNTER WITH A 7 CRIMINAL, A PERPETRATOR, AN ALLEGED PERPETRATOR, DOES WHAT 8 THEY'RE GOING TO DO: MAKES AN ARREST, DOESN'T MAKE AN ARREST, PARTS COMPANY AND OTHER THAN PERHAPS RUNNING INTO THEM AT A 9 COURT HEARING, PROBABLY WON'T SEE THAT INDIVIDUAL AGAIN. 10 MOREOVER, WON'T HAVE TO LIVE WITH ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE 11 AROUND IN THE MOMENT WHEN THE ENCOUNTER OCCURS. IN A JAIL, 12 IT'S VERY DIFFERENT. A JAIL IS A COMMUNITY OF SORTS. IF 13 OFFICERS WORK THE SAME CELL BLOCKS, THE SAME CELL HOUSE, SAME 14 DORMTORY, THEY'RE GOING TO BE BACK THERE THE NEXT DAY AND THE 15 16 INMATE THAT DAY DEALT WITH EITHER HELPFULLY OR IN AN ADVERSE ENCOUNTER YESTERDAY, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO LIVE WITH 17 18 TOMORROW, UNLESS THE INMATE IS LOCKED UP IN SEGREGATION AND 19 EVEN THEN, BECAUSE I THINK SEGREGATION IS NOT APPROPRIATE IN ALL CASES, AND THE INMATE WILL COME OUT OF SEGREGATION. THEY 20 WILL COME BACK. IN ADDITION, ALL THE OTHER INMATES ARE 21 22 STANDING AROUND WATCHING THE ENCOUNTER. THEY'RE WATCHING HOW YOU HANDLE IT. THEY'RE JUDGING YOU. SO THE SKILL SET THAT YOU 23 NEED AND THE ATTITUDE THAT YOU HAVE TOWARDS THE PEOPLE IN YOUR 24

CUSTODY HAS TO BE VERY DIFFERENT IF IT IS ANYWHERE TRUE THAT

- 1 WE GOVERN BY THE CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED THAT IS NO MORE TRUE
- 2 THAN IN A JAIL SETTING. ON ANY GIVEN DAY IN ANY GIVEN MOMENT,
- 3 THERE ARE MORE OF THEM THAN THERE ARE OF US. AND A JAIL
- 4 OFFICER, A PRISON OFFICER MANAGES HIS GROUP OF INMATES,
- 5 SOMETIMES 50 OR MORE INMATES THROUGH THE LEGITIMACY THAT THE
- 6 INMATES CONFER UPON HIM OR HER. THE INMATES LISTEN TO WHAT WE
- 7 DO. THEY GO BACK IN THEIR CELLS WHEN WE ASK THEM TO. THEY GO
- 8 TO THE YARD, TURN THEIR LIGHTS OFF BECAUSE THEY ACCEPT THE
- 9 REASONABLENESS OF THE DEMAND WE MAKE OF THEM OR THE REOUESTS
- 10 WE MAKE OF THEM. THEY NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE DO THE THINGS
- 11 WE DO, NOT TO HARASS THEM BUT BECAUSE WHEN YOU ARE DEALING
- 12 WITH LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE IN CONGREGATE SETTINGS THERE ARE
- 13 CERTAIN THINGS YOU HAVE TO DO TO GET EVERYBODY FED AND LAUNDRY
- 14 DONE AND SO ON AND SO FORTH. I THINK IT'S A DIFFERENT SKILLSET
- 15 THAN A POLICE OFFICER CONFRONTING AN INDIVIDUAL ON THE STREET,
- 16 AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MAY OR MAY NOT BE ARMED, WHEREAS IN A JAIL
- 17 SETTING, AN OFFICER CAN HAVE A REASONABLE DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE
- 18 THE INDIVIDUAL THAT HE'S CONFRONTING IS NOT ARMED. THE JAIL
- 19 OFFICER LIKELY WILL KNOW A GREAT DEAL MORE ABOUT THE
- 20 INDIVIDUAL WITH WHICH HE OR SHE IS HAVING THAT ENCOUNTER. IT'S
- 21 A VERY DIFFERENT SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND A VERY DIFFERENT
- 22 SKILL SET.

- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU REFERENCED A BIT AGO FORCE PREVENTION
- 25 POLICIES. IF I CAN ASK YOU TO TURN, IN THE NOTEBOOK IN FRONT

- 1 OF YOU, TO TAB 14. THERE WAS ALSO DISCUSSION THIS MORNING
- 2 ABOUT THE FORCE PREVENTION POLICY. YOU WILL SEE THAT POLICY
- 3 CONTAINS THE PRINCIPLES THAT OFFICERS SHOULD ONLY USE THAT
- 4 FORCE THAT'S REASONABLY NECESSARY, THAT FORCE SHOULD BE A LAST
- 5 RESORT, AND THAT WHEN FORCE IS NECESSARY, YOU SHOULD USE THE
- 6 MINIMUM AMOUNT OF FORCE NEEDED TO CONTROL THE SITUATION.
- 8 MARTY HORN: YES.

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- 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID NEW YORK HAVE THOSE PRINCIPLES IN PLACE
- 11 IN ITS USE OF FORCE POLICY?
- 13 MARTY HORN: NEW YORK AND MOST JURISDICTIONS. NEW YORK STATE,
- 14 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA HAVE HAD THOSE POLICIES IN PLACE
- 15 FOR AT LEAST 20 YEARS. IT'S THE LEGAL STANDARD FOR THE USE OF
- 16 FORCE. AND IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE ACCREDITATION STANDARDS OF
- 17 THE AMERICAN CORRECTIONS ASSOCIATION COMMISSION ON
- 18 ACCREDITATION FOR CORRECTIONS. THAT'S THE COMMON STANDARD FOR
- 19 THE USE OF FORCE. THAT'S TRUE WITH RESPECT TO THE USE OF
- 20 FORCE, WHETHER YOU ARE A JAIL OFFICER AR A POLICE OFFICER THAT
- 21 IS THE DEFINITION OF WHEN FORCE MAY BE USED.
- 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO IT WOULD BE FAIR TO SAY THOSE ARE PRETTY
- 24 BASIC PRINCIPLES?

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MARTY HORN: YES. 1 2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU HEARD THIS MORNING THE NOTION OF AN OBJECTIONABLY REASONABLE STANDARD IS CONFUSING. 4 5 MARTY HORN: NO. 6 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY NOT? 9 MARTY HORN: AS ONE OF THE JUDGES POINTED OUT, IT IS THE LEGAL 10 11 STANDARD. IT HAS BEEN FOR MANY YEARS AND WHILE, YOU KNOW, THE OFFICER WHO USES FORCE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE ON PATROL OR IN 12 A JAIL HAS TO BE ABLE TO ARTICULATE THE REASONS FOR THE 13 DECISION, TO ARTICULATE THE REASONS WHY THE LEVEL OF FORCE OF 14 WHICH THEY INITIALLY INTERVENED WAS APPROPRIATE GIVEN THE 15 16 THREAT THAT THEY FACED, AND THERE HAS TO BE AN ARTICULATABLE RESULT. IT'S WHAT OFFICERS ARE TRAINED TO DO. ULTIMATELY, AS 17 18 THE JUDGE SAID, THE JURY DETERMINES WHETHER OR NOT IT APPEARS 19 REASONABLE IN THE EYES OF A JURY I. -- BUT, IT'S SORT OF A REASONABLE MAN TEST. THAT'S WHAT WE'VE ALL BEEN TRAINED TO DO. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IS IT CONCERNING, IN YOUR MIND, THE 23 DEPUTIES WHO HAVE BEEN TRAINED TO OPERATE WITHIN A JAIL WOULD FIND THAT NOTION CONFUSING? 24

- 1 MARTY HORN: I'M NOT SURE THE DEPUTIES DO. THE UNION ALWAYS
- 2 WANTS TO DEFEND OFFICERS WHO HAVE CHARGED WITH USING FORCE
- 3 UNREASONABLY AND SO IT'S A GOOD DEFENSE TO SAY THE STANDARD,
- 4 ITSELF, IS CONFUSING, BUT I'M NOT SURE. INDIVIDUAL OFFICERS
- 5 HAVE BEEN TRAINED AND TESTED IN IT. RIGHT? I MEAN, WHEN WE
- 6 GRADUATE OFFICERS FROM OUR ACADEMY, THEY HAVE TO TAKE A TEST
- 7 AND SHOW THEY UNDERSTAND THESE CONCEPTS.

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- 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: NOW, MR. JACOBSON DISCUSSED THE IMPORTANCE
- 10 OF ENGAGED LEADERSHIP AND PRESENCE OF LEADERSHIP IN THE JAIL.
- 11 HOW IMPORTANT DO YOU THINK THAT WAS IN NEW YORK?

- 13 MARTY HORN: I THINK COMMITTED, ENERGIZED LEADERSHIP IS THE
- 14 SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN SOUND MANAGEMENT OF A PRISON
- 15 OR A JAIL. I BELIEVE THE TOTAL INSTITUTION, WHICH IS WHAT
- 16 JAILS ARE, ULTIMATELY TAKE ON THE PERSONALITY OF THEIR
- 17 LEADERSHIP. AND LEADERSHIP CONVEYS ITS VALUES, ITS
- 18 EXPECTATIONS TO STAFF BASED UPON NOT ONLY WHAT THEY SAY BUT
- 19 WHAT THEY DO, WHERE THEY GO, WHERE THEY VISIT, WHAT THEY LOOK
- 20 AT, WHAT QUESTIONS THEY ASK, WHAT DATA THEY ASK FOR, WHAT
- 21 ISSUES THEY RESPOND TO. THE STAFF WATCH US. THEY ARE LOOKING
- 22 TO US FOR CLUES. IF, WHENEVER I VISIT A JAIL, I NEVER GO TO,
- 23 FOR EXAMPLE, THE PUNITIVE SEG UNIT, STAFF WILL SAY, HE MUST
- 24 NOT CARE ABOUT PUNITIVE CARE. IF I MAKE A POINT TO THE VISIT
- 25 EVERY TIME, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE, THAT'S WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO

- 1 HIM. RIGHT? IF I NEVER GO TO THE KITCHEN, THEY'LL SAY, HE
- 2 DOESN'T CARE IF THE KITCHEN IS DIRTY AND THE FOOD IS LOUSY.
- 3 BUT IF EVERY TIME I GO TO THE JAIL, I VISIT THE KITCHEN AND
- 4 EVERY TIME I GO TO THE JAIL, I TASTE THE FOOD AND GO, YUCK,
- 5 WHEN IT'S BAD, STAFF QUICKLY -- KNOW, IF THERE ARE
- 6 CONSEQUENCES AND PEOPLE ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE, AND
- 7 ACCOUNTABILITY DOESN'T MEAN "PUNITIVE." SOMETIMES IT MEANS A
- 8 CORRECTIVE INTERVIEW, SAYING TO SOMEBODY, THIS IS NO GOOD, YOU
- 9 GOT TO DO BETTER. THEN STAFF FIGURES THAT OUT. THERE IS NO
- 10 SUBSTITUTE FOR IT. AND THE STAFF KNOWS WHO IS IN CHARGE. THEY
- 11 KNEW WHO WAS THE COMMISSIONER. THEY KNEW THAT MICHAEL WAS A
- 12 COMMISSIONER. THEY WATCHED WHAT WE DID. I THINK THE SINGLE
- 13 MOST IMPORTANT THING I DID WAS TO MOVE MY OFFICE FROM LOWER
- 14 MANHATTAN, WHERE THERE WAS ONE JAIL, A FEW BLOCKS AWAY,
- 15 PHYSICALLY ONTO RIKERS ISLAND SO I COULD BE THERE EVERY DAY
- 16 AND WALK TO EACH OF THE JAILS.
- 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WOULD IT BE YOUR VIEW, CONSISTENT WITH
- 19 THAT, THE FAILURE OF THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP, TO KNOW
- 20 ABOUT OR TO RESPOND TO FORCE AND PROBLEMS, SIGNAL MORE THAN --
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- 23 MARTY HORN: I THINK THIS GETS TO THE POINT MICHAEL WAS MAKING,
- 24 IN THE TEAM'S PROCESS, AT LEAST AS I USED IT, WE CONVENED
- 25 MONTHLY WITH THE ENTIRE SENIOR STAFF IN THE DEPARTMENT AS WELL

- 1 AS ALL OF THE WARDENS AND THEIR DEPUTIES AND OTHER STAFF IN A
- 2 BIG ROOM. AND EACH MONTH, WE REVIEWED THE DATA, SOMETIMES FOR
- 3 INDIVIDUAL FACILITIES, SOMETIMES MICHAEL SAID THEMEMATICALLY
- 4 ACROSS ALL FACILITIES. WE GRILLED THE MANAGERS AND EXPECTED
- 5 THEM TO OWN THEIR DATA, EXPLAIN THEIR DATA. NOT ONLY TO MAKE
- 6 EXCUSES OR EXPLANATIONS FOR WHY NUMBERS SPIKED BUT TO GIVE
- 7 EXPLANATIONS OF HOW TO FIX IT. WE DID THAT NOT LESS THAN
- 8 MONTHLY. AND I THINK THERE ARE THOSE WHO WOULD ARGUE THAT EVEN
- 9 MONTHLY IS NOT FREQUENT ENOUGH.
- 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO IT IS YOUR VIEW THAT THAT'S AN IMPORTANT
- 12 FUNCTION FOR THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF LEADERSHIP NOT TO DELEGATE
- 13 DOWNWARD?

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- 15 MARTY HORN: ABSOLUTELY. IT'S A MATTER OF PRIDE TO ME THAT I
- 16 NEVER MISSED A TEAM'S MEETING. IF MY FAMILY WAS TAKING A
- 17 VACATION, WE ADJUSTED THE TEAM'S MEETING TO MAKE SURE I
- 18 PRESIDED OVER THE TEAMS' MEETINGS. AND MY PREDECESSORS DID
- 19 LIKEWISE.
- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET'S MOVE TO THE INVESTIGATIVE PROCESS?
- 23 MARTY HORN: YES.
- 25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: COULD YOU TELL US ABOUT THE PERSONNEL YOU

PUT IN PLACE TO LEAD THAT DIVISION? 1 2 3 MARTY HORN: WHEN I TOOK OVER THE DEPARTMENT, THE INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION WAS HEADED BY A CAREER DEPARTMENT 4 5 EMPLOYEE. I REPLACED THAT INDIVIDUAL WITH AN OUTSIDE INDIVIDUAL, A FORMER PROSECUTOR, AN ASSISTANT DISTRICT 6 7 ATTORNEY WITH EXPERIENCE IN THE HOMICIDE BUREAU. I BROUGHT IN 8 OUTSIDE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAD NOT COME UP THROUGH THE 9 PROSECUTION DEPARTMENT. WE RECRUITED FORMER FBI AGENTS TO WORK SIDE-BY-SIDE WITH OUR CAREER EMPLOYEES. I HAD THAT PERSON 10 REPORTING DIRECTLY TO ME. WE CONTRACTED OUT FOR A TRAINING FOR 11 OUR INVESTIGATORS. WE COMMISSIONED A TRAINING MANUAL AND WE 12 ALSO WROTE A MANUAL FOR INVESTIGATORS, AS WELL AS A MANUAL FOR 13 FIRST RESPONDERS. IN OTHER WORDS, WHEN AN INCIDENT OCCURS -- A 14 15 STABBING, A SLASHING, INMATE ASSAULT, SEXUAL ASAUMENT OR USE 16 OF FORCE BY AN OFFICER -- THE FIRST RESPONDER, TYPICALLY IN THE NEW YORK CITY JAILS WAS A CAPTAIN, AND FIRST LINE 17 18 SUPERVISORS. AND WE -- AND WHAT THAT PERSON DOES IN THAT MOMENT IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IN INSURING THERE IS NO 19 COLLUSION AMONG THE STAFF WITH RESPECT TO PREPARATION OF 20 21 REPORT. PRESERVING THE CRIME SCENE, COLLECTING EVIDENCE, 22 SECURING THE INMATES AND SO ON. SO WE WROTE A TRAINING MANUAL 23 TO ENSURE THAT WAS DONE APPROPRIATELY AND CONSISTENTLY.

25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY DID YOU THINK IT WAS IMPORTANT TO BRING

IN THAT OUTSIDE LEADERSHIP, A FORMER PROSECUTOR? 1 2 3 MARTY HORN: A COUPLE REASONS, INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT, FIRST OF ALL. SKILLS, SECOND OF ALL, SOMEONE WHO HAS COME UP IN THE 4 5 CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT, WHETHER THEY'VE TAKEN COURSES, WHETHER THEY HAVE A LAW DEGREE, DOES NOT NECESSARILY MAKE THEM THE 6 7 RIGHT PERSON OR GIVE THEM THE RIGHT SKILLSET TO MANAGE THESE 8 KIND OF INVESTIGATIONS AND HAVE A SENSE OF WHEN OUTSIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES NEED TO BE BROUGHT IN AND SO I FELT THAT 9 IT WAS IMPORTANT THAT WE BRING IN SOMEONE WITH EXPERIENCE IN 10 THE COURTS AS A PROSECUTOR. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: EARLIER, YOU TALKED ABOUT THE INSPECTOR 13 GENERAL. WHAT SORT OF ACCESS AND AUTHORITY DID THE INSPECTOR 14 15 GENERAL HAVE? 16 MARTY HORN: IN NEW YORK CITY, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE 17 18 HAD COMPLETE ACCESS TO EVERYTHING, TO EVERY JAIL, TO EVERY PERSON, SUBJECT TO THEIR CIVIL SERVICE AND CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS 19 TO REPRESENTATION 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK, THEY HAD 20 21 ACCESS TO EVERY DOCUMENT, EVERY FILE. 22 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: MR. JACOBSON ALSO MENTIONED AS DID YOU AS WELL, THESE VARIOUS CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT GROUPS. WHY DO YOU 24

THINK CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT IS IMPORTANT?

1 MARTY HORN: CONCEDING THAT FROM TIME TO TIME THEY WERE A PAIN 2 3 IN MY -- NONETHELESS I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE RUN JAILS. WE CAN FIND PEOPLE IN THE NAME OF THE CITY, IN THE NAME OF THE PEOPLE 4 5 AND ON THEIR BEHALF AND THERE HAS TO BE TRANSPARENTCY. MOST PEOPLE, ALL THEY BELIEVE TO BE TRUE ABOUT PRISONS AND JAIL IS 6 WHAT THEY SEE ON TV ON "OZ," ON "LAW AND ORDER." AND SOME OF 7 8 IT IS TRUE, SOME OF IT IS EXAGGERATED. BUT THINK IT IS --9 THERE ARE JAILS, THE PEOPLE'S JAILS. THE PEOPLE IN THEM ARE OUR CITIZENS, OUR FELLOW CITIZENS. THEY ARE THE SONS AND 10 DAUGHTERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES, OF OUR NEIGHBOURS AND THEY'RE 11 ALL COMING BACK. AND HOW THEY'RE RUN AND HOW THE PEOPLE IN 12 THEM ARE TREATED IS NOT JUST A MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE 13 COMMISSIONER OR TO THE SHERIFF. IT'S A MATTER OF CONCERN TO 14 ALL OF THE CITIZENS. SO I THINK THAT TRANSPARENCY AND 15 16 OVERSIGHT KEEPS US ALL HONEST AND I THINK IT, QUITE FRANKLY, IS RE-ASSURING AND I WAS ALWAYS PLEASED WHEN I GOT A CLEAN 17 BILL OF HEALTH WHEN I GOT OUTSIDE HELP. PEOPLE COULD CRITICIZE 18 THEM AND SAY THEY ARE NOT AGGRESSIVE ENOUGH. SOME WILL SAY 19 THEY WERE TOO AGGRESSIVE. I AM SURE THERE ARE IMPROVEMENTS 20 THAT CAN BE MADE. I WAS A PART OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE THAT WROTE 21 22 ABA RESOLUTION 10E 4-B, THAT KOWALSKI FOR PRISON OVERSIGHT 23 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. I BELIEVE VERY STRONGLY IN THAT THE PUBLIC CAN'T SIMPLY WALK AWAY FROM THE JAILS. 24

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: MR. HORN, YOU HEARD TESTIMONY THIS MORNING
- 2 ABOUT THE NEED FOR IMPACT WEAPONS, INCLUDING FLASHLIGHTS BY
- 3 DEPUTIES IN JAIL. DO YOU HAVE A VIEW ON THAT?.
- 5 MARTY HORN: YES.

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- 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT IS YOUR VIEW?
- 9 MARTY HORN: I WORKED IN THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF
- 10 CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF
- 11 CORRECTIONS, AND NEW YORK CITY. IN NONE DID THEY CARRY IMPACT
- 12 WEAPONS. I DON'T BELIEVE OUR OFFICERS WERE UNSAFE. I DON'T
- 13 BELIEVE OUR INMATES WERE UNSAFE. OBVIOUSLY, INCIDENTS OCCUR.
- 14 BAD THINGS DO HAPPEN IN PRISONS AND JAILS. MY GREATER FEAR
- 15 WOULD BE IMPACT WEAPONS WOULD BE TAKEN AWAY FROM THE OFFICER
- 16 AND USED AGAINST HIM. I NEVER FELT THE NEED.
- 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: ONE OTHER AREA, ARE THERE RECOMMENDATIONS
- 19 THAT YOU WOULD HAVE THAT YOU COULD LEAVE US WITH AS WE TRY TO
- 20 ADDRESS THE ISSUES THAT ARE BEFORE US?
- 22 MARTY HORN: WELL, I THINK -- I THINK, UNQUESTIONABLY -- AND
- 23 MIKE -- MICHAEL AND I SEE EYE-TO-EYE ON THIS -- IS ABOUT
- 24 LEADERSHIP, TAKING OWNERSHIP. SOMEONE IN THE JURISDICTION HAS
- 25 TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE AND ACCOUNTABLE PUBLICLY FOR THE

- 1 MANAGEMENT OF CUSTODIANIAL FACILITY -- CUSTODIAL FACILITIES.
- 2 SOMEONE'S JOB SHOULD BE DEPENDENT ON THE PERFORMANCE IN
- 3 MANAGING JAILS. I THINK, TOO, THAT MANAGING PRISONS AND JAILS
- 4 IS A PARTICULAR PROFESSION. IT'S NOT SOMETHING SOMEONE CAN DO
- 5 AS A SIDELINE. IT'S SOMETHING THAT ONE PREPARES FOR OVER A
- 6 PERIOD OF YEARS. I THINK THAT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
- 7 UNDERSTAND AND USE DATA. AS I LIKE TO SAY, IF YOU CAN'T
- 8 MEASURE IT, YOU CAN'T MANAGE IT. SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
- 9 TRACK WHAT'S GOING ON, AS MICHAEL SAID, IN REAL TIME. I THINK
- 10 THAT IT'S IMPORTANT AND THIS WAS, I THINK, IT BEARS REPEATING
- 11 THAT THE CRITICAL THING TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT TEAMS AND COMPSTAT
- 12 BEFORE IT IS THAT MANAGERS ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR
- 13 PERFORMANCE. THEIR PROMOTION, DEMOTIONS ARE DETERMINED BY HOW
- 14 WELL THEY MANAGE OUTCOMES AS REFLECTED BY THE DATA. AND SO A
- 15 WARDEN'S FUTURE MIGHT NOT BE DETERMINED BY A SINGLE MONTH'S
- 16 DATA, BUT IF OVER A PERIOD OF TIME THE NUMBERS DID NOT GO IN
- 17 THE DIRECTION THAT YOU WOULD HOPE THEY WOULD, THAT INDIVIDUAL
- 18 WOULD BE REMOVED FROM COMMAND AND WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR
- 19 PROMOTION. I THINK THAT ONE OF THE MOST TELLING THINGS TO ME -
- 20 AND IT WAS IN A DRAFT OF THE ALADS' STATEMENT THAT WAS
- 21 SHARED WITH ME, WAS A VERY, I THINK, REVEALING STATEMENT. IF I
- 22 CAN FIND IT HERE. I KNOW I HAD IT BOOKMARKED. BUT I THINK IT'S
- 23 VERY TELLING. BEAR WITH ME. IT SAYS, AT LEAST ON THIS DRAFT ON
- 24 PAGE 10 AND I QUOTE, "DEPUTIES BELIEVE THAT -" OH, NO IT'S
- 25 THIS ONE.

1 2 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: TAB 1. 3 MARTY HORN: PAGE 1, "MANY DEPUTIES AND SUPERVISORS VIEW THE 4 5 TIME IN CUSTODY AS NON-PRODUCTIVE AND NEGATIVE FOR PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES." IT IS THAT MINDSET THIS IS A SECOND CLASS JOB THAT 6 7 I THINK IS VERY CORROSIVE AND SELF-FULFILLING. CORRECTIONS, AS 8 MICHAEL SAID, IS A VERY, IT'S A DIFFICULT TASK. WE ASK THESE 9 OFFICERS TO DEAL WITH PEOPLE WHO MANY OF WHOM HAVE COMMITTED CRIMES, ALL OF WHOM HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF CRIMES MANY OF WHOM 10 11 ACCUSED AND NOT YET CONVICTED HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN CONVICTED OF CRIMES AND, INCREASINGLY, WITH THE MENTALLY ILL, I THINK 12 IT'S THE GREAT TRAGEDY OF OUR AGE THAT THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL 13 AND RIKERS ISLAND, NEW YORK CITY JAILS PROVIDE MORE ACUTE 14 15 MENTAL HEALTH CARE THAN MOST ACTUAL MENTAL HEALTHCARE 16 HOSPITALS IN THIS COUNTRY. AND WE OUGHT TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. IT'S A VERY COMPLICATED JOB AND IT IS A PROFESSION THAT 17 18 SHOULD BE VENERATED AND NOT A PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY THAT 19 SHOULD BE DENEGRATED. THE FACT THAT THEIR OWN MEMBERS DENIGRATE CUSTODY, I THINK IT'S TELLING AND A PART OF THE 20 21 PROBLEM. 22 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS. 24

HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: MR. MURRAY.

1 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU. DOES NEW YORK HAVE AN 2 3 EXISTING AND ACKNOWLEDGED PROBLEM OF JAIL VIOLENCE AT THIS MOMENT? 4 5 MARTY HORN: CERTAINLY, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO WOULD SAY YES. 6 7 8 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: YOU MENTIONED REFORM. THE TWO OF YOU. HOW DID YOU SELL IT AND WAS TIME A FACTOR IN RENOVATION OF 9 10 ATTITUDES AMONG PRISON GUARDS? 11 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WELL, YOU KNOW, IN THIS RESPECT, NOT JUST 12 THE CITY, BUT THE CITY AND LOS ANGELES ARE VERY DIFFERENT. I 13 MEAN, YOU DO HAVE WHAT CAN BE A REAL ADVANTAGE HERE, WHICH IS, 14 15 YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE A POSITION WHICH CAN DO THIS JOB FOR A LONG 16 TIME, BY THAT I MEAN, I WAS -- I SERVED FOR THREE YEARS AS CORRECTIONS COMMISSIONER IN THE CITY AND THAT WAS CONSIDERED A 17 FAIRLY LONG-TERM APPOINTMENT. MARTY SERVED FOR ALMOST SEVEN 18 YEARS, PROBABLY ONE OF IF NOT THE LONGEST SERVING. AND THAT'S 19 A PROBLEM. AND I SAY IT'S A PROBLEM BECAUSE YOU KNOW, TURNING 20 THIS SHIP AROUND IS NOT AN EASY THING TO DO. YOU KNOW, PEOPLE 21 22 CAN TALK ABOUT CULTURE SHIFTS ALL THEY WANT. IT TAKES A WHILE. 23 IT TAKES LEADERSHIP. IT TAKES CONSISTENT LEADERSHIP. AND IT TAKES LEADERSHIP OVER, YOU KNOW, A TIME PERIOD WHEN, YOU KNOW, 24

THOSE JOBS ARE PURELY AT THE WHIM OF THE NEXT ELECTED

- 1 OFFICIAL, FROM OUR CASE, THE MAYOR. IT CAN BE A REAL PROBLEM.
- 2 RIGHT. SO IT WAS I THINK THE CITY REALLY BENEFITTED FROM
- 3 MARTY'S LONG-TERM APPOINTMENT. RIGHT? WE HAD, YOU KNOW, WHEN I
- 4 WAS THERE WITH MY STAFF, WE WERE ABLE TO DO A FEW THINGS. BUT,
- 5 YOU KNOW, THREE YEARS, FRANKLY, WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ENOUGH TO
- 6 SAY, OKAY, NOW WE'RE DONE, WE'RE GOOD TO GO. THIS THING WILL
- 7 RUN ITSELF. I THINK THERE WAS A REALIZATION WE HAD HUGE
- 8 PROBLEMS WE NEEDED TO PUT A DENT IN QUICKLY. BUT TO REALLY
- 9 CHANGE HOW, AGAIN, WHETHER IT'S VIOLENCE ISSUES OR INMATE-ON-
- 10 INMATE VIOLENCE, THE USE OF FORCE, TO INCREASE TRAINING, TO
- 11 CHANGE HOW OFFICERS DO THEIR JOB ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS. IT
- 12 TAKES ALL THE THINGS I THINK WE TALKED ABOUT, BUT IT DOES TAKE
- 13 SOME TIME. THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN QUICKLY AND IN A PLACE
- 14 WHERE YOU HAVE SOME CONSISTENCY OF LEADERSHIP, THAT CAN BE A
- 15 REAL BENEFIT TO TURNING THE SYSTEM AROUND.

- 17 MARTY HORN: IF I MAY ADD TO THAT, IF YOUR QUESTION IS ABOUT
- 18 STEMMING IT, CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE, IT BELONGS TO
- 19 MICHAEL, ACTUALLY, A LOT OF THE INVESTMENTS MADE DURING THE
- 20 BEGINNING OF MICHAEL'S TENURE TO IMPROVE STAFFING AND TRACKING
- 21 AND EQUIPMENT AND SO ON, THE EFFORT TO REDUCE JAIL VIOLENCE,
- 22 MICHAEL WAS ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE THAT AS THE CONDITIONS IN THE
- 23 JAILS IMPROVED, THE USE OF SICK LEAVE BY OFFICERS DROPPED AS
- 24 HIGH AS 15 DAYS PER YEAR IN CALENDAR '98 TO JUST ABOUT 11 DAYS
- 25 IN CALENDAR '09. THAT YIELDED TREMENDOUS SAVINGS. WHEN THE

- 1 JAILS AREN'T SAFE, STAFF DOESN'T WANT TO COME TO WORK. STAFF
- 2 COMES TO WORK AS THE JAIL GETS SAFER. THE MORE STAFF COMES TO
- 3 WORK, THE LOWER YOUR COSTS GET.

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- 5 CHIEF JIM McDONNELL: THANK YOU BOTH FOR COMING HERE TODAY AND
- 6 INSIGHTFUL TESTIMONY. VERY HELPFUL. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS FOR
- 7 EITHER OR BOTH OF YOU. IN DEALING WITH SOME OF YOUR REFORM
- 8 EFFORTS, WHAT KIND OF UNION ISSUES DID YOU DEAL WITH? LOOKING
- 9 RETROSPECTIVELY, LESSONS LEARNED?

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- 11 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT'S A GOOD CHANGE. NORM -- NORMAN SEABROOKE
- 12 WAS HEAD OF THAT UNION FOR MY TENURE AND MARTY'S. YOU KNOW,
- 13 IT'S --.

- 15 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT'S A MIXTURE. I THINK THE KEY WAS BOTH
- 16 MARTY AND I HAD A COMMITMENT TO WORK WITH THE UNION LEADERSHIP
- 17 WITH THE UNION AND RECOGNIZED UP FRONT THERE ARE THINGS WE
- 18 WILL AGREE ON, THERE ARE THINGS WE WON'T AGREE ON. BEING
- 19 TRANSPARENT AND OPEN IS A GOOD POLICY. A LOT OF THINGS WE HAVE
- 20 BEEN TALKING ABOUT ARE IN THE UNION'S OWN SELF-INTEREST RIGHT?
- 21 MORE STAFFING, LESS SICK TIME. SAFER JAILS. YOU KNOW, IN A LOT
- 22 OF WAYS, IT'S ALL ABOUT WORKING CONDITIONS. YOU DON'T WANT TO
- 23 WORK, AS MARTY SAID. YOU DON'T WANT TO COME TO WORK IN A PLACE
- 24 WHERE YOU FEEL UNSAFE. THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE DIDN'T FIGHT ABOUT
- 25 INDIVIDUAL CASES. I'M SURE MARTY HAD THE SAME THING IF I FIRED

- 1 AN OFFICER FOR FORCE. YOU WILL HAVE THOSE KIND OF FIGHTS. BUT
- 2 I THINK THE TOUGH ISSUES -- OF COMMON GROUND AND SELF-INTEREST
- 3 THAT WE COULD AGREE ON A VARIETY OF THESE SORT OF MATTERS. AS
- 4 LONG AS WE PUT THE RESOURCES INTO IT. WE AREN'T MAKING
- 5 COMPLETELY UNREASONABLE EXPECTATIONS, THAT OFFICERS WOULD DO
- 6 THINGS WE WOULDN'T PROVIDE THE STAFF OR TRAINING OR BACKUP
- 7 FOR. I DON'T WANT TO BE TO SANGUIN HERE AND SAY WE ALL HELD
- 8 HANDS AND SANG KUMBAYA. IT WAS A PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP
- 9 USUALLY ON THE MARGINS.

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- 11 CHIEF JIM MCDONNELL: YOU MENTIONED STAFFING ISSUES AND
- 12 COMPARING NEW YORK WITH L.A., A BIG DIFFERENCE THERE. A BIG
- 13 GAP. DO YOU SEE STAFFING AS A CAUSATION FOR SOME OF THE ISSUES
- 14 RELEVANT TO THE USE OF FORCE, IN PARTICULAR?

- 16 MICHAEL JACOBSON: MY PERSONAL OPINION IS, I DON'T WANT TO MAKE
- 17 STATEMENTS THAT I CAN'T BACK UP. MY CONCERN WOULD BE THAT AT
- 18 SOME POINT, WHEN YOU HIT SOME THRESHOLD LOW LEVEL OF STAFF, DO
- 19 YOU BEGIN TO LOSE SOME AMOUNT OF CONTROL AND OVERSIGHT OF YOUR
- 20 FACILITIES. I'M NOT SAYING THAT L.A. HAS REACHED THAT POINT. I
- 21 JUST DON'T KNOW. AND, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE AS YOU SAY THE
- 22 DIFFERENCES IN NEW YORK AND L.A. STAFFING IS SO GREAT. BUT MY
- 23 -- YOU KNOW, MY FEAR IS THAT ONCE YOU LOOK AT THINGS LIKE
- 24 TRANSPORTATION AND PERIMETER SECURITY AND YOU ARE REALLY
- 25 LOOKING AT THE FOLKS IN THOSE JAILS WHO ARE WORKING THE CELLS

- 1 AND DORMS IN THOSE JAILS. YOU HAVE TO HAVE ENOUGH, AS MARTY
- 2 SAID, TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT YOU HAVE SOME LEGITIMACY, SOME
- 3 AUTHORITY ARE YOU ABLE TO DO WHAT YOU SAY YOU ARE GOING TO DO,
- 4 BECAUSE IF STAFFING IS STRETCHED TOO THIN, YOU DO WORRY ABOUT
- 5 NON-JUSTIFIABLE USE OF FORCE, BECAUSE IT IS SUCH A HIGH STRESS
- 6 OCCUPATION. IT'S NOT EASY TO MANAGE, AS MARTY SAID, WHEN THERE
- 7 IS 50-1, 100-1, 200-1. THERE ARE ALWAYS GOING TO BE MORE. AT
- 8 SOME POINT, IT'S TOO MUCH. I DON'T KNOW THAT YOU'RE AT THAT
- 9 POINT. I DO KNOW THAT SOMETHING, IF WE WERE ASKING MY

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- 10 ORGANIZATION, YOU KNOW, WHAT WILL WE THINK? WE'D LOOK AT THAT
- 11 PRETTY CLOSELY. FOR ME, IT'S AT LEAST A CONCERNING FACTOR.
- 13 MARTY HORN: I AGREE. I THINK THERE IS A REDUCEABLE MINIMUM. I
- 14 BELIEVE OFFICERS ARE TERRIFIED. THEY GO TO WORK. THEY ARE
- 15 TERRIFIED. I HAVE BEEN IN OPEN DORMITORIES IN THE NEW YORK
- 16 CITY JAILS ON A SUMMER NIGHT WHEN IT'S 12:00/ 1:00 AND THERE
- 17 IS A SINGLE OFFICER IN THERE WITH 50 OR 60 INMATES. AND THAT
- 18 OFFICER HAS TO MAKE A CHOICE AND SOMETIMES WHEN THE OFFICER
- 19 FEELS BACKED INTO A CORNER, THEY'RE GOING TO DO SOMETHING YOU
- 20 WOULDN'T WANT THEM TO DO, WHEREAS IF THERE WAS AN EXTRA
- 21 OFFICER THERE TO BACK THEM UP, TWO OFFICERS, I THINK THAT THE
- 22 CHOICE, TO USE A LESSER DEGREE OF FORCE MIGHT BE MADE.
- 24 CHIEF JIM McDONNELL: ONE FINAL ONE -- YOU MENTIONED HAVING
- 25 IMPACT WEAPONS IN THE JAIL, SPECIFICALLY FLASHLIGHTS. TWO

- 1 ISSUES. ONE, YOU BASICALLY ARE FEELING THAT WAS NOT A BEST
- 2 PRACTICE FOR ILLUMINATION PURPOSES IN A DARK PLACE LIKE OLD
- 3 MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS THAT? SECONDARILY,
- 4 WITHOUT AN IMPACT WEAPON, DO YOU RELY MORE HEAVILY ON A TASER
- 5 OR WHAT OTHER TYPE OF OPTION DO YOU USE?

- 7 MARTY HORN: FIRST OF ALL IN NEW YORK CITY, IN PENNSYLVANIA,
- 8 TASERS ARE NOT USED TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. OFFICERS NEED
- 9 AN ILLUMINATION DEVICE. MINI-MAG LIGHTS ARE NO MORE THAN 3-5
- 10 INCHES. DOUBLE AA BATTERIES ARE SUFFICIENT TO SEE IF AN INMATE
- 11 IS IN BED. SO OFFICERS NEED ILLUMINATION DEVICES. IN NEW YORK,
- 12 THEY ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY A SMALL ILLUMINATION DEVICE. IN NEW
- 13 YORK CITY, EVERY OFFICER, FIRST OF ALL, IS EQUIPPED WITH A
- 14 PERSONAL BODY ALARM. ON THEIR BELT, THEY HAVE A DEVICE THEY
- 15 CAN, IT'S SOMETIMES ON THE HIP, SOMETIMES MORE LIKE A BEEPER.
- 16 THEY PRESS THE BUTTON, IT IS PICKED UP. THEY SEND AN ALARM,
- 17 BACKUP IS DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY. THAT GIVES OFFICERS A
- 18 TREMENDOUS SENSE OF SECURITY. SECONDLY IN NEW YORK CITY, ALL
- 19 OFFICERS ARE EOUIPPED WITH DEPARTMENT-ISSUED OC-SPRAY. IN A 5%
- 20 WATER-BASED SOLUTION. THEY ARE TRAINED IN HOW AND WHEN TO USE
- 21 IT. AND IF AND WHEN IT IS USED, IT IS TREATED AS A USE OF
- 22 FORCE AND ESCALATED AS THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THAT USE OF
- 23 FORCE. AND OFFICERS ARE ENCOURAGED, THAT IS ONE OF THE STEPS
- 24 ALONG THE FORCE CONTINUUM THAT WE TEACH -- CONTINUUM THAT WE
- 25 TEACH OFFICERS.

1 ALEXANDER BUSANKSY: THANK YOU BOTH FOR COMING. HAVING WORKED 2 3 FOR HIM, I PROBABLY HEARD SOME OF IT BEFORE SOMEWHERE. I DO APPRECIATE YOU BOTH COMING. I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO THE 4 5 STAFFING OUESTION THAT YOU RAISED. THE CHIEF ALSO ASKED YOU ABOUT. IT SEEMS YOU CAN SORT OF IMPACT THAT STAFFING RATIO BY 6 7 EITHER INCREASING THE NUMBER OF STAFF OR DECREASING THE 8 INMATES. YOU SORT OF MADE REFERENCE TO THAT. CAN YOU TALK ABOUT THAT AND I KNOW VERA HAS DONE SOME WORK ON THIS IN L.A. 9 HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE? WE HEARD FROM DR. AUSTIN BACK A NUMBER 10 OF MONTHS AGO ABOUT HIS WORK HERE. 11 12 MICHAEL JACOBSON: OR JIM AS WE LIKE TO CALL HIM. AS YOU SAY, 13 YOU CAN, TO THE EXTENT YOU WANT TO MAKE THE RATIO MORE 14 15 FAVORABLE, ADD MORE STAFF AND/OR DECREASE THE JAIL POPULATION. 16 THAT GOES TO THE BODIES OF WORK WE HAVE BEEN DOING FOR A WHILE. IT GOES TO THE HEART WHY, AT THIS POINT, NEW YORK CITY 17 18 AND YOUR POPULATION HAS GONE DOWN HERE BEFORE IT STARTED TO TREND UP BECAUSE OF THE A.B. 109 STUFF. BUT WHY THE NEW YORK 19 CITY SYSTEM IS SO MUCH SMALLER EVEN GIVEN THE SORT OF SAME 20 WORK LOAD AT THE FRONT END. THERE ARE SOME REAL STRUCTURAL 21 22 DIFFERENCES AND A LOT OF THAT HAS TO DO WITH HOW MANY PEOPLE 23 PROCEED INTO JAILS ON THE FRONT END IN THE FIRST PLACE THAT THERE ARE A FEW BIG THINGS THAT CAN LOWER THE JAIL POPULATION. 24

ONE OF THE ISSUES OF CORE PROCESSING. THE ISSUES OF CORE

- 1 PROCESSING. THE BIGGEST ONE IS PROBABLY THE ISSUE AROUND PRE-
- 2 TRIAL, WHICH I AM SURE JIM AUSTIN TALKED ABOUT. NEW YORK CITY
- 3 MAKES HUGE USE OF PRE-TRIAL. ABOUT 60% OF EVERYONE IS RELEASED
- 4 ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE. 50% OF ALL FELONY ARRESTS GET RELEASED.
- 5 THOSE ARE DIFFERENT THAN LOS ANGELES'S NUMBERS. I DON'T KNOW
- 6 WHAT THE RIGHT NUMBERS FOR L.A. ARE. I DON'T KNOW THAT L.A.
- 7 SHOULD DO THAT LEVEL, BUT THERE IS A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE
- 8 THERE. AGAIN, YOU DON'T WANT MORE PEOPLE IN THE JAIL THAN YOU
- 9 NEED FOR SEVERAL REASONS. ONE, BECAUSE IT'S A WASTE OF MONEY.
- 10 TWO, BECAUSE WE KNOW IF YOU CORRECTLY TARGET THE RIGHT PEOPLE,
- 11 THEY WILL COME BACK FOR THEIR COURT DATE JUST LIKE YOU WILL
- 12 COME BACK FOR YOUR COURT DATE. THREE, BECAUSE WE KNOW ALL THE
- 13 RESEARCH SAYS THAT IF YOU OVERPUNISH, IF YOU INCARCERATE
- 14 PEOPLE WHO ARE ALOW SORT OF RISK AND LOW NEEDS, YOU WILL MAKE
- 15 THEM WORSE. YOU WILL SPEND MONEY TO CREATE A PUBLIC SAFETY
- 16 PROBLEM. THAT'S OBVIOUSLY NO WAY TO DO THAT. SO THERE ARE
- 17 STRATEGIES, WE BELIEVE, WE, VERA, BELIEVE, AND I PERSONALLY
- 18 BELIEVE AND AS OBVIOUSLY DR. AUSTIN DOES, TOO, THAT CAN
- 19 SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER THE POPULATION, WHICH IS A GOOD -- WHICH
- 20 IS A GOOD THING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY. IT'S A PURE PUBLIC SAFETY
- 21 ISSUE. IT'S ALSO A FISCAL ISSUE. IT'S ALSO A JAIL MANAGEMENT
- 22 ISSUE. ESPECIALLY IN THE CONTEXT OF RE-ALIGNMENT WHEN YOU KNOW
- 23 YOU HAVE MORE INMATES COMING. I THINK IT'S ESSENTIAL AND
- 24 INCUMBENT ON THE COUNTY TO LOOK AND SEE HOW YOU WILL ABSORB
- 25 THERE THAT. ONE OF THE THINGS YOU DON'T WANT FROM 109 IS

- 1 SIMPLY TO DRIVE UP YOUR RATIO MORE AND MORE AND MORE, BECAUSE
- 2 YOU WILL GET MORE OF THE PROBLEMS YOU ARE HERE TO THINK ABOUT.

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- 4 ALEXANDER BUSANKSY: ONE OUESTION, I'M NOT SURE THERE IS AN
- 5 ANSWER FOR THAT I GIVE YOU THAT OPTION AT THE BEGINNING.

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7 MICHAEL JACOBSON: THEN MARTY CAN ANSWER.

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- 9 ALEXANDER BUSANKSY: YOU BOTH HAVE SPOKEN ABOUT THE CRITICAL
- 10 IMPORTANCE OF LEADERSHIP, MOVING THE OFFICE TO RIKERS. YOU CAN
- 11 WALK THROUGH. IF YOU LOOK AT SEGREGATION, IF YOU DON'T, THE
- 12 IMPORTANCE OF IT. CLEARLY LEADERSHIP IS SOMETHING WE HAVE BEEN
- 13 TALKING ABOUT AND LISTENING TO, NOT JUST TODAY BUT OVER THE
- 14 MONTHS WE HAVE BEEN TOGETHER AS A COMMISSION. SHERIFF BACA IS
- 15 THE LEADER OF THE INSTITUTION. WHAT CAN A COMMISSION DO TO
- 16 HOLD LEADERSHIP ACCOUNTABLE?

- 18 MARTY HORN: IF IT WERE ME -- AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR
- 19 STATUTORY LIMITATIONS ARE IN CALIFORNIA BUT FOR MYSELF LOOKING
- 20 FROM THE OUTSIDE AND TAKING NOTHING AWAY FROM SHERIFF BACA'S
- 21 INTEGRITY OR DECENCY OR COMMITMENT, I THINK THAT THERE SHOULD
- 22 BE A SEPARATE GROUP, A DETENTION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION. AND
- 23 IT SHOULD BE INDEPENDENT OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. JUST AS THE
- 24 UNION VIEWS CUSTODIAL ASSIGNMENTS AS LOWER RUNG ON THE
- 25 PROFESSIONAL LADDER, I THINK THE SHERIFF'S BREAD AND BUTTER BY

- 1 THE NATURE OF AN ELECTED OFFICE, IT'S NOT UNIQUE HERE, IS ON
- 2 THE ROAD PATROL. THAT'S WHERE THE PUBLIC WANTS TO BE SAFE.
- 3 THEY WANT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND WHEN THERE IS A
- 4 DOMESTIC DISPUTE. IT'S WHERE THE GLORY IS. IT'S ALSO WHERE THE
- 5 TERRIBLE THINGS ARE GOING TO HAPPEN BY AND LARGE MORE OFTEN IN
- 6 PUBLIC VIEW THAN IN THE JAILS. SO IT'S JUST IN THE NATURE TO
- 7 SPEND YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION THERE, WHEREAS, IF THERE WERE AN
- 8 INDEPENDENT SERVICES AGENCY, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE A COUNTY
- 9 COUNCIL, WHERE THE PERSON IN CHARGE WAS ACCOUNTABLE TO AND
- 10 THEIR FUTURE DEPEND ON UPON THEIR PERFORMANCE, I THINK THAT
- 11 WOULD BE A BETTER APPROACH. I KNOW FOR MYSELF, MAYOR BLOOMBERG
- 12 WAS VERY CLEAR WITH ME ABOUT WHAT MY EXPECTATIONS WERE. I KNEW
- 13 WHAT WOULD GET ME FIRED. I SERVED AT THE PLEASURE OF THE
- 14 MAYOR. I KNOW THAT RUDY GUILIANI WAS VERY CLEAR WITH MICHAEL
- 15 ABOUT HIS EXPECTATIONS. WE WERE ACCOUNTABLE. AND OUR FUTURE,
- 16 OUR JOBS, DEPENDED UPON OUR PERFORMANCE AS JAIL

- 17 ADMINISTRATORS. AND I WOULD ADVOCATE THAT KIND OF AN APPROACH.
- 19 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YOU KNOW, THE ADVANTAGE, YOU KNOW, AS I SAID
- 20 BEFORE, I LIKE AND ADMIRE HIM. HE HAS AN UNBELIEVEABLY
- 21 COMPLICATED JOB. A LOT MORE COMPLICATED THAN MY JOB WAS. HE'S
- 22 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE JAILING FUNCTION IN 88 COUNTIES, DOES LAW
- 23 ENFORCEMENT AS WELL AS CONTRACT ENFORCEMENT IN OTHER COUNTIES.
- 24 GEOGRAPHIC REACH IS HUGE. HE HAS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT TO DEAL
- 25 WITH AND HAS TO WORRY ABOUT THINGS THAT I NEVER HAD TO WORRY

- 1 ABOUT. SO SOMEHOW RATIONALIZING A SEPARATE AGENCY, AS MARTY
- 2 SAID, OR CHANGES TO THE CURRENT STRUCTURE THAT WOULD MAKE IT
- 3 EASY FOR HIM TO DEAL WITH SOME OF THESE ISSUES I THINK IS KEY.
- 4 BECAUSE STRUCTURALLY, GIVEN THE MAGNITUDE AND SCOPE OF HIS
- 5 RESPONSIBILITIES, THAT'S JUST AN AWFULLY BIG JOB.

7 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: THANK YOU.

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9 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER BONNER.

- 11 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, I DO WANT TO
- 12 EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO BOTH YOU GENTLEMAN FOR BEING HERE
- 13 AND ASSISTING OUR STAFF, TOO, WITH RESPECT TO THE PROCESS OF
- 14 ANALYZING AND DEVELOPING THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THIS
- 15 COMMISSION IS TASKED WITH PRESENTING TO THE BOARD OF
- 16 SUPERVISORS AND, OF COURSE. I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTION AREAS.
- 17 ONE IS ON THE TEAMS OR COMPSTAT APPROACH THAT WAS IMPLEMENTED
- 18 AND STILL IS BEING USED. I'M WONDERING WHETHER EITHER ONE OF
- 19 YOU KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OF THE L.A. COUNTY
- 20 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, JUST TO GIVE US AN IDEA OF HOW IT SHOULD
- 21 WORK HERE? I MEAN, I SAY THAT BECAUSE I THINK BOTH OF YOU
- 22 INDICATED AS TYPICALLY AS THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT OF
- 23 CORRECTIONS, THE CITY OF NEW YORK, YOU TYPICALLY WOULD BE AS
- 24 PART OF THE PROCESS, ITSELF, LOOKING AT DATA, HOLDING THE
- 25 PEOPLE THAT ARE RUNNING THE VARIOUS JAILS OF THE NEW YORK CITY

- 1 JAIL SYSTEM TO ACCOUNT. IN OTHER WORDS, TO EXPLAIN, I MEAN, IF
- 2 THERE IS A THIN LINE SHOWING THE USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS ARE
- 3 GOING UP, WHY IS THIS? WHAT KIND ARE THEY? YOU WANT TO MAKE
- 4 SURE THAT THE PERSON THAT'S RUNNING THAT JAIL IN THIS CASE, IN
- 5 OUR STRUCTURE, THAT WOULD BE A CAPTAIN, A CAPTAIN LEVEL OF THE
- 6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THAT THEY'RE DOING THEIR JOB AND THEY'RE
- 7 ON TOP OF IT. AND, PROPHYLACTICALLY, THAT THEY'RE, HOPEFULLY,
- 8 GETTING THE GRANT MONEY TO MOVE IN THE OTHER DIRECTION, AND
- 9 YOUR POLICY IS YOU WANT TO TRY TO REDUCE USE OF FORCE
- 10 INCIDENTS. CAN EITHER ONE OF YOU -- DO YOU KNOW ENOUGH? WHO
- 11 WOULD BE THERE? HOW WOULD YOU DO THIS, IF YOU WERE TRYING TO
- 12 IMPLEMENT COMPSTAT AT THE -- WITHIN THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 13 DETECTIVES, AND IN PARTICULAR THE PART OF THE SHERIFF'S
- 14 DEPARTMENT THAT DEALS WITH CUSTODY?
- 16 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YEAH. I PROBABLY WON'T ANSWER YOUR QUESTION
- 17 WITH ANY SPECIFICITY.

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- 19 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: YOU WON'T BE THE FIRST WITNESS.
- 21 MICHAEL JACOBSON: GOOD POINT. I AM NOT EXPERT IN THE L.A.
- 22 SYSTEM. I DO THINK THERE ARE STRUCTURAL ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS IN
- 23 A SYSTEM, ALMOST REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOUR, HOW YOUR SYSTEM IS
- 24 LAID OUT. SO ONE OF THE DECISIONS WE MADE EARLY ON, AS I SAID
- 25 -- FIRST OF ALL, IT REQUIRES SOME RESOURCE, LIKE I WANTED A

- 1 SEPARATE TEAM OF PEOPLE THAT REPORTED, IN MY CASE, UP TO A
- 2 CIVILIAN DEPUTY ECONOMIST TO BE THE ONES TO CAPTURE AND PUT
- 3 THAT DATA TOGETHER. I DIDN'T WANT TO GET IT FROM OTHER PLACES.
- 4 I WANTED STAFF THAT WORKED FOR ME, BOTH FROM OUR, TO EXTRACT
- 5 THAT DATA FROM OUR ADMINISTRATIVE DATA SYSTEMS BUT TO GO IN
- 6 THE JAIL AND GET ME THE DATA I NEEDED IF WE DIDN'T HAVE IT,
- 7 WHETHER IT WAS, YOU KNOW A PAPER-BASED DATA LYING IN A FILE
- 8 CABINET IN A JAIL SYSTEM. SO I THINK ONE OF THE ESSENTIAL
- 9 FACTORS IS HAVING THAT TOGETHER BY A TEAM OF PEOPLE THAT YOU
- 10 TRUST THAT IS APPOINTED BY AND REPORTS TO YOU. I THOUGHT THAT
- 11 WAS HUGELY IMPORTANT. AND THAT'S GOING TO, ONCE YOU HAVE THE
- 12 DATA, OTHERS. WHETHER, IN OUR CASE IT'S THE WARDEN, OR IN YOUR
- 13 CASE, IT MIGHT BE A CAPTAIN. IT'S AS MARTY AND I HAVE SAID,
- 14 IT'S ESSENTIAL WHETHER A SHERIFF IN THIS CASE, COMMANDERS,
- 15 CAPTAINS, TO BE INCREDIBLY FAMILIAR WITH THAT DATA, TO BE AS
- 16 FAMILIAR WITH IT AS POSSIBLE IN A REAL TIME BASIS. AND AS I
- 17 THINK WE ARE BOTH SAYING FOR EVERYONE UP AND DOWN THE LINE TO
- 18 BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THAT DATA. I DON'T WANT TO BE SO
- 19 SANGUINE. IT'S EASY IN THE SYSTEM NOW, BECAUSE WE PUT
- 20 RESOURCES IN IT. IT HAS BEEN GOING ON 12 OR 14 YEARS. BUT A
- 21 LOT OF THIS DATA SIMPLY MAY NOT EXIST OR MAY EXIST
- 22 SPORADICALLY OR NOT IN A UNIFORM FASHION OVER TIME OR YOU WANT
- 23 TO DRILL DOWN TEN LEVELS WHERE YOU ARE NOW. THAT'S BOTH A
- 24 RESOURCE COMMITMENT AND A COMMITMENT FROM THE TOP THAT YOU
- 25 NEED TO DO WHATEVER YOU NEED TO DO TO GET DATA. IT HAS

- 1 LEGITIMACY. EVERYONE WILL BELIEVE THAT DATA IS REAL AND
- 2 REFLECTS WHAT IS GOING ON. THERE WON'T BE QUESTIONS WHERE IT
- 3 CAME FROM, THE CAPTAIN, A COMMANDER, A SHERIFF, A
- 4 COMMISSIONER, RIGHT. EVERYONE IS GOING TO BE MEASURED ON THE
- 5 OUTCOME MEASURES THAT FLOW FROM IT.

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- 7 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING
- 8 GOOD, RELIABLE DATA IF YOU ARE GOING TO MANAGE BASED UPON
- 9 METRICS. LET'S ASSUME -- LET ME ASK MR. HORN THIS QUESTION,
- 10 GOING TO FOLLOW YOUR PRINCIPLES OF LEADERSHIP THAT BOTH OF YOU
- 11 ESPOUSED HERE AND IF YOU CONSIDER CUSTODY TO BE AN IMPORTANT
- 12 PART OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF SHOULD BE AT THE
- 13 TEAM'S MEETING, THE COMPSTAT MEETING, SHOULD HE NOT?

- 15 MARTY HORN: THAT'S WHAT I UNDERSTOOD YOU TO BE READING, IT'S
- 16 STRUCTURAL. IT IS REASONABLE AND FAIR TO EXPECT THE SHERIFF TO
- 17 BE AT EVERY ONE OF THESE MEETINGS THAT TAKES AT LEAST HALF A
- 18 DAY ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH, I'M NOT SURE. BUT I THINK IT BEGS
- 19 THE QUESTION THAT THERE SHOULD BE SOMEONE IN THE SHERIFF'S
- 20 DEPARTMENT WHO IS ACCOUNTABLE TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL, IN THIS
- 21 CASE, THE SHERIFF, FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE JAILS IN L.A.
- 22 COUNTY AND THAT PERSON SHOULD PRESIDE OVER THESE MEETINGS AND
- 23 SHOULD BE PRESENT. IN ADDITION, OF COURSE, THE COMMANDING
- 24 OFFICER OF EACH JAIL SHOULD BE PRESENT. IN ADDITION, THEY
- 25 SHOULD BE FREE TO BRING THOSE MEMBERS OF THE TEAM, WHETHER

- 1 IT'S THEIR MAINTENANCE SUPERVISORS OR UNIFORMED SUPERVISORS
- 2 WITH THEM TO HELP THEM TO EXPLAIN THE DATA, IN ADDITION,
- 3 PEOPLE FROM THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION SHOULD BE THERE, SO IF
- 4 THE COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE JAIL SAYS, WELL, WE HAD "X"
- 5 NUMBERS OF USES OF FORCE, AT LEAST WAY I DID IT WAS MY DEPUTY
- 6 COMMISSIONER FOR INTERNAL AFFAIRS WAS THERE, TOO. HE WOULD
- 7 STAND UP AND SAY, YES, WE LOOKED AT ALL TEN USES OF FORCE.
- 8 NINE OF THEM WERE APPROPRIATE, WE HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT ONE. I
- 9 WOULD SAY, WHAT WERE THE CIRCUMSTANCES THEREIN OR IF THERE
- 10 WERE MORE THAT WERE INAPPROPRIATE, WE WOULD BEGIN TO SAY WHY
- 11 IS YOUR STAFF USING FORCE INAPPROPRIATELY. IF THE WARDEN SAID,
- 12 WELL, I HAVE THIS PROBLEM. THE INMATES, AS MICHAEL POINTED
- 13 OUT, THE INMATES ARE RIPPING UP THE RADIATORS AND TURNING
- 14 PIECES OF THE RADIATORS INTO WEAPONS, THEN I WANT THE PERSON
- 15 IN MY AGENCY WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PHYSICAL MAINTENANCE TO BE
- 16 PRESENT AND TO BE PART OF THE CONCEPT OF TEAMS IS TO ADDRESS
- 17 PROBLEMS AND FIX PROBLEMS IMMEDIATELY TO, SO THAT YOU DON'T
- 18 WANT TO LEAVE THE CHARGED OFFICER OUT. THERE WAS A PROBLEM
- 19 THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES OR THE AUTHORITY TO FIX.
- 20 YOU WANT TO HAVE IN THE ROOM THE PEOPLE WHO YOU, AS THE HEAD
- 21 PERSON, CAN POINT TO AND SAY THAT WARDEN SHOULD NOT HAVE TO
- 22 SUFFER WITH THE FACT THAT HE'S GOT WELDING PROBLEMS THAT NEED
- 23 TO BE ADDRESSED.

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25 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: IF THAT CAMP OR THAT WARDEN HAS THE

- 1 RESOURCES OR THE AUTHORITY, HE'S NOT GETTING THE JOB DONE,
- 2 THEN YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO REMOVE THAT WARDEN AND PUT SOMEBODY
- 3 IN.

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5 MARTY HORN: THAT WAS A PART OF THE ETHIC IN NEW YORK CITY.

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- 7 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: AT A MINIMUM, EITHER THE SHERIFF OR
- 8 SOMEBODY HIGH UP IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, UNDERSHERIFF,
- 9 THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF IN CHARGE OF CUSTODY, AMONG OTHER
- 10 THINGS, WOULD BE LEADING THIS AND THE CAPTAIN, THE HEAD OF THE
- 11 JAIL FACILITIES WOULD BE THERE WITH WHATEVER STAFF HE THINKS
- 12 HE SHOULD HAVE THERE. AND PRESUMABLY, EVERYBODY FROM THE CHAIN
- 13 OF COMMAND, WHICH IS BECAUSE THE CAPTAIN, ABOVE HIM IS THE
- 14 COMMANDER FOR CUSTODY OPERATIONS WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S
- 15 DEPARTMENT. ABOVE THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF AS PART OF HIS
- 16 RESPONSIBILITIES ARE CUSTODY. ABOVE THE CHIEF IS THE ASSISTANT
- 17 SHERIFF. PART OF HIS IS TO OVERSEE CUSTODY. YOU HAVE AN
- 18 UNDERSHERIFF AND A SHERIFF. BY THE WAY AS I OUTLINE THAT, WHAT
- 19 DOES THAT SAY ABOUT LAYERS OF SUPERVISION OR HIERARCHY IN THE
- 20 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IF YOU CARE TO COMMENT?

- 22 MARTY HORN: LOOK IN NEW YORK CITY THERE ARE WARDENS. FOUR OR
- 23 FIVE WARDENS WOULD REPORT TO A CHIEF, AN ASSISTANT CHIEF AND
- 24 THEN THERE WOULD BE TWO ASSISTANT CHIEFS WHO REPORTED TO A
- 25 SINGLE CHIEF OF OPERATION. WHO THEN REPORTED TO THE CHIEF OF

- 1 THE DEPARTMENT. SO THERE WERE LAYERS. I THINK THE FEWER LAYERS
- 2 THE BETTER. I INHERITED A SYSTEM. IN RETROSTREKT, I WOULD HAVE
- 3 FLATTENED IT OUT MORE THAN I DID. BUT AS A PRINCIPLE, YOU
- 4 DON'T NEED MORE LAYERS THAN CONTROL AND EXPAND ISSUES.

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6 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES.

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- 8 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I HAVE ONE OTHER THING I NEED TO ASK
- 9 YOU ABOUT. THAT IS, WE WERE PRESENTED WITH SOMETHING CALLED A
- 10 COMMANDER MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE. THIS WAS SET UP BY SHERIFF
- 11 BACA. AND IT INCLUDES A LOT OF REALLY, I THINK, IMPORTANT
- 12 PERFORMANCE THAT THE SHERIFF, HIMSELF, HAS IMPLEMENTED OR IS
- 13 STARTING TO IMPLEMENT. BUT IN THIS REPORT IS A COMPARISON
- 14 AMONG OTHERS, THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE L.A.
- 15 COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM AND THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF
- 16 CORRECTIONS. AND I'M LOOKING AT THIS. I HAVE TO ASK A COUPLE
- 17 OF QUESTIONS ABOUT IT. I THINK IT'S UNFAIR IF YOU DON'T
- 18 ACTUALLY HAVE THIS IN FRONT OF YOU. SO COULD, -- I'M GOING TO
- 19 APPROACH, -- COULD I APPROACH THE WITNESS, YOUR HONOR?

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21 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: OF COURSE. ACTUALLY--

- 23 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: WHAT I'D LIKE TO, TO GET THAT IN
- 24 FRONTED OF YOU, APPENDIX O ON THE FIRST PAGE THERE IS THIS
- 25 CHART. IN ONE COLUMN IS THE COUNTY, L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S

- 1 DEPARTMENT. DROP DOWN TO NUMBER OF INMATES. THIS IS, BY THE
- 2 WAY, PRESUMABLY AROUND APRIL OF THIS YEAR. AND THE NUMBER OF
- 3 THE AVERAGE DAILY INMATE COUNT IS THE 15,013. ACROSS THE PAGE
- 4 THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS IN NEW YORK CITY IS ABOUT
- 5 12,421. IF YOU DROP DOWN TO USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS, FURTHER
- 6 DOWN THE PAGE FOR L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DETECTIVES, IT'S
- 7 INDICATING 585 USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS AS OPPOSED TO 1,973 USE
- 8 OF FORCE INCIDENTS IN NEW YORK CITY JAIL SYSTEM. NOW, MY
- 9 SIMPLE MATH WOULD INDICATE TO ME THAT THE NUMBER OF USE OF
- 10 FORCE INCIDENTS IN THE NEW YORK SYSTEM, JUST, BY THE WAY,
- 11 IGNORING INMATE COUNT IS THE ON THE ORDER OF MORE THAN THREE
- 12 TIMES THE NUMBER OF USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY JAIL
- 13 SYSTEM AND IF YOU FACTOR IN IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE
- 14 DIFFERENCE IN THE INMATE LEVELS, IT'S ON THE ORDER OF FOUR
- 15 TIMES. MORE USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS IN THE NEW YORK CITY JAIL
- 16 SYSTEM THAN IN L.A. COUNTY. SO HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN THAT AND
- 17 DOESN'T THIS MEAN, JUST LOOKING AT THAT MACRODATA, THAT MAYBE
- 18 WE SHOULD IGNORE ALL OF YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS HERE AND SAY,
- 19 WE'RE DOING A PRETTY DARN GOOD JOB HERE IN L.A. COUNTY,
- 20 ANYWAY? ENLIGHTEN ME, IF YOU CAN, WITH RESPECT TO HOW WE
- 21 SHOULD LOOK AT THAT DATA?

- 23 MICHAEL JACOBSON IT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION AND IT IS PRETTY
- 24 STRIKING. I THINK THERE WERE A COUPLE. WE TALKED TO THE
- 25 COMMISSION STAFF ABOUT THIS A LITTLE BIT. ONE OF THE THINGS

- 1 THAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT THOSE NUMBERS IS THAT WITHOUT GETTING
- 2 TOO MUCH IN THE WEEDS, IT'S SIGNIFICANT THE WAY L.A. DEFINES
- 3 ITS USE OF FORCE, IS SIGNIFICANT AND NON-SIGNIFICANT. LIKE THE
- 4 WAY NEW YORK CITY DEFINES OURS AS "A" AND "B" AND NOW ACTUALLY
- 5 THERE IS A "C." FOR YEARS IT WAS "A", SERIOUS. "B," NON-
- 6 SERIOUS. SO ASSUMING THAT -- AND THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY A
- 7 GOOD ASSUMPTION -- ASSUMING OUR "A" USES OF FORCE, SERIOUS
- 8 USES OF FORCE WITH AN INJURY, OR SOMEWHAT AKIN, EXCUSE ME, TO
- 9 YOUR SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE AND THEY'RE PROBABLY NON-,
- 10 BECAUSE YOUR SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE COVER ALL OF OUR "A"
- 11 AND MAYBE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF "B"s. BUT ASSUMING THEY'RE
- 12 ROUGHLY THE SAME, OUR NEW YORK CITY "A"s, RIGHT, HAVE A FEW --
- 13 WE'LL GO OVER THE LAST SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS, FLUCTUATE BETWEEN
- 14 100 AND 150 A YEAR, RIGHT? SO THE SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE
- 15 HERE, I'M SAYING, ROUGHLY, MAYBE THE EQUIVALENTT OF OUR "A"s,
- 16 RIGHT ABOUT 400 OR 500 A YEAR. SO YOUR SIGNIFICANCE WERE TWO
- 17 OR THREE TIMES THE SIZE OF NEW YORK CITY'S "A"s. RIGHT? THE
- 18 HUGE DIFFERENCE YOU SEE HERE IS IN WHAT WE WOULD CALL THE
- 19 "B"s. RIGHT? THE LESS SERIOUS. WHAT YOU WOULD CALL THEM? YET,
- 20 A NON-SIGNIFICANT AND FOR ME, AND MAYBE THAT REFLECTS REALITY.
- 21 FOR ME IT RAISES THE QUESTION OF HOW IS IT THAT YOU HAVE TWO
- 22 OR THREE TIMES THE LEVEL OF WHAT WE WOULD CALL "A"s, WHAT YOU
- 23 CALL SIGNIFICANT, BUT SO MUCH LESS WHAT WE WOULD CALL "B"s AND
- 24 WHAT YOU WOULD CALL NON-SIGNIFICANT. MAYBE THAT'S CORRECT. FOR
- 25 ME IT RAISES AN ISSUE OF AT LEAST SOMETHING TO LOOK AT IN

- 1 TERMS OF DATA COLLECTION. BECAUSE YOU SHOULD, YOU KNOW, TO THE 2 EXTENT YOU HAVE SERIOUS USES OF FORCE, IT MAKES SENSE TO ME
- 3 THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE SOME NUMBER MORE OF NON-SERIOUS
- 4 THAN SERIOUS, LET'S CALL IT 100 SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE,
- 5 YET, ARE YOU ONLY SHOWING 50 NON-SIGNIFICANTS. THAT, TO ME,
- 6 RAISES A QUESTION OF, "LET'S LOOK AT THE DATA." "LET'S LOOK AT
- 7 SOME DEFINITIONS." BECAUSE THE THING I CAN TELL YOU ABOUT NEW
- 8 YORK CITY, GOOD, BAD OR INDIFFERENT, THIS DATA IS LOOKED AT
- 9 AND VETTED BY SO MANY DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS. IT'S LOOKED AT
- 10 BY THE AGENCY, ITSELF. WE DO AUDITS OF ALL THESE USES OF FORCE
- 11 ON THE NEW YORK CITY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS. SO THE INSPECTOR
- 12 GENERAL -- MAYBE THAT'S TRUE HERE. BUT THAT DIFFERENCE OF NON-
- 13 -- WHEN HAVE YOU SO MUCH HIGHER OF THE SERIOUS AND SO MUCH
- 14 LOWER OF THE NON-SERIOUS, AGAIN, MAYBE IT'S CORRECT, BUT AT
- 15 LEAST TO ME IT POINTS TO THIS IS SOMETHING TO LOOK AT.

- 17 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THAT IS, IN FACT, ONE OF THE ISSUES
- 18 WE'RE LOOKING AT. IF YOU LOOK AT TAB 12 OF YOUR BOOK, YOU WILL
- 19 SEE THAT IN 2006, THE DEPARTMENT REPORTED ROUGHLY 50-50. 568
- 20 SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE, 582 LESS SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE.
- 21 THEN WHEN YOU DROP DOWN, MOVE FORWARD TO 2011, NOW, THEY'RE
- 22 REPORTING 418 SIGNIFICANT USE OF FORCE, A SLIGHT DROP A 20%
- 23 DROP FROM 2006, BUT THEY'RE REPORTING 163 LESS SIGNIFICANT
- 24 USES OF FORCE IN 2011. IT'S ROUGHLY A 70% DROP OVER THAT TIME
- 25 PERIOD. AND A SIGNIFICANT USE OF FORCE IS THE KIND OF THING

- 1 THAT IS MORE LIKELY TO GET REPORTED BECAUSE IT'S MORE LIKELY
- 2 TO HAVE WITNESSES. IT'S MORE LIKELY TO HAVE INJURIES, THINGS
- 3 LIKE THAT LESS SIGNIFICANT FORCE IS THE KIND OF THING THAT MAY
- 4 NOT GET REPORTED IN THE SAME WAY.

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- 6 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT'S MORE RELIABLE. IT MIGHT BE A BETTER
- 7 INDICATOR TO LOOK AT SIGNIFICANT USE OF FORCE. THE PROBLEM IS
- 8 GOING TO BE ARE WE COMPARING APPLES TO APPLES?

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- 10 MARTY HORN: AND, IF ANYTHING, IN NEW YORK, THE STAFF HAS BEEN
- 11 CONDITIONED TO OVER-REPORT RATHER THAN UNDER-REPORT.

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- 13 MICHAEL JACOBSON: AND THAT COULD BE AN ISSUE THAT AFFECTS
- 14 THAT, RIGHT? WHETHER IT'S REPORTED OR NOT.

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- 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THAT'S ALL. I TURN IT OVER TO JUDGE
- 17 TEVRIZIAN.

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- 19 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: IF I UNDERSTAND YOU RIGHT, ARE YOU
- 20 SUGGESTING THE CAPTORS SHOULDN'T BE THE KEEPERS?

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22 SPEAKER: THAT'S EXACTLY RIGHT.

- 24 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: L.A. COUNTY JAIL IS A MIXED USE
- 25 FACILITY BECAUSE THEY HOUSE PRE-SENTENCE AND HOUSE SENTENCED

1 PRISONERS. 2 3 MICHAEL JACOBSON: WHICH BY THE WAY IS TRUE IN NEW YORK CITY AS WELL. 4 5 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: IT IS? DO YOU HAVE EMPIRICAL DATA 6 7 THAT REGARDING PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES VS. SENTENCED PRISONERS 8 WITH REGARD TO THE USE OF FORCE STATISTICS? 9 10 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I DON'T HAVE IT. IT MAY BE AVAILABLE. THE INMATES ARE KEPT IN A SEPARATE FACILITY. IT COULD BE OBTAINED. 11 12 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YOUR GUESS WOULD BE? 13 14 MICHAEL JACOBSON: I PROBABLY USED TO KNOW THIS, MY GUESS WOULD 15 16 BE IT'S THE LESS FORCE WITH THE SENTENCE OF THE LESS STABLE POPULATION. THEY SORT OF KNOW WHEN THEY WILL LEAVE. THERE IS 17 18 USUALLY LESS STRESS. THEY MAY HAVE BEEN THERE LONG ENOUGH TO 19 GET SOME TREATMENT FOR WHATEVER THEY CAME IN OFF THE STREET WITH. AND THE THING ABOUT HAVING SUCH A LARGE PRE-TRIAL 20 21 ORGANIZATION IN BOTH NEW YORK CITY AND CALIFORNIA, IS DEALING 22 WITH THAT RIGHT OFF THE STREET. IT'S A HUGE CHALLENGE, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN SEEN BEFORE WITH ISSUES THAT 23 YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHETHER THEY'RE SERIOUSLY MENTALLY ILL OR 24

NOT. ARE THEY NOT LISTENING TO ME BECAUSE THEY'RE BUSTING MY

- 1 CHOPS OR BIPOLAR AND DON'T KNOW ANYTHING I'M TALKING ABOUT.
- 2 THOSE ARE MORE APPARENT THAN A PRE-TRIAL POPULATION, SO MY
- 3 GUESS WOULD BE, IF YOU AGGRAVATED IT, YOU HAVE SEEN MORE ON
- 4 BOTH SYSTEMS LIKE A PRE-TRIAL DOES.

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- 6 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I THINK YOU ANSWERED THIS, IN L.A.
- 7 COUNTY, APPROXIMATELY 80% OF THE INMATE POPULATION IS PRE-
- 8 TRIAL. YOU INDICATED IN NEW YORK YOU RELEASE A LOT MORE., YOU
- 9 KNOW WHAT YOUR PERCENTAGE OF PRE-TRIAL DETAINEES ARE IN NEW
- 10 YORK?

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- 12 MICHAEL JACOBSON: IT'S AT 78%. WE HAVE LESS OF THEM. THE
- 13 NUMBER WOULD BE MUCH HIGHER, RIGHT, IF WE DIDN'T LET PEOPLE GO
- 14 THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR, RIGHT. SO BOTH SYSTEMS ARE SIMILAR IN
- 15 THAT REGARD. IN A LOT OF WAYS, BECAUSE SO MANY OF THESE PEOPLE
- 16 WOULD SERVE -- YOU KNOW, THE PEOPLE WE ARE RELEASING ON
- 17 RECOGNIZANCE, IT'S BOTH A JAIL BED USE ISSUE, BUT A LOT OF
- 18 THEM WOULD ONLY STAY ONE DAY, TWO DAYS, THREE DAYS. IN ANY
- 19 CASE, THERE IS NO PURPOSE IN ANY LEVEL OF HOUSING THOSE FOLKS.
- 20 IT'S NOT THAT IT'S A BED SAVER WHICH DOESN'T CHANGE YOUR
- 21 PERCENTAGES, FROM A MANAGEMENT POINT OF VIEW. THE LESS YOU
- 22 HAVE OF THAT SHORT-TERM CHURNING POPULATION TO MANAGE, THE
- 23 BETTER. BUT OVERALL THEY'RE SORT OF SIMILAR.

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25 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: DO YOU HAVE STATISTICS SHOWING

- 1 RECIDIVISM RELEASING PEOPLE AS OPPOSED TO KEEPING THEM THIS IN
- 2 PRE-TRIAL CUSTODY?

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- 4 MICHAEL JACOBSON: YES, NEW YORK HAS THEM. WE DON'T HAVE THEM
- 5 NOW, WE CAN GET THEM TO YOU. NEW YORK HAS HIGH RETURN RATES. I
- 6 WANT TO SAY 92%, BUT I WON'T.

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8 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: WHEN YOU SAY, SHOW UP FOR TRIAL?

- 10 MICHAEL JACOBSON: SHOW UP FOR THEIR TRIAL. I WAS TALKING WHEN
- 11 SOMEBODY IS RELEASED OR WHETHER OR NOT THEY COME BACK AGAIN
- 12 BEFORE THEIR ORIGINAL TRIAL DATE AS A RESULT OF AN ADDITIONAL
- 13 -- THE RE-ARREST RATE AND THE FAILURE TO APPEAR RATE IN NEW
- 14 YORK IS QUITE LOW AND, AGAIN, ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THAT --
- 15 THIS IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NEW YORK AND L.A. NEW YORK HAS A
- 16 SEPARATE NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITY, INDEPENDENTLY FUNDED AND RUN
- 17 THAT'S BEEN IN EXISTENCE. IT WAS THE FIRST PRE-TRIAL AGENCY IN
- 18 THE UNITED STATES THAT HAS, OVER YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS,
- 19 REFINED THEIR DATA. REFINED THEIR RISK INSTRUMENT BASED ON
- 20 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF CASES EACH YEAR. THEY CAN TELL YOU,
- 21 IT REALLY IS PRETTY MUCH OF A SCIENCE NOW. THEY CAN TELL YOU
- 22 VERY PRECISELY AND THEY DO IT IN THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO
- 23 JUDGES. AGAIN, IT'S A RECOMMENDATION. IT'S NOT A SENTENCING
- 24 GRID. BUT IN NEW YORK, JUDGES FOLLOW THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS
- 25 MOST OF THE TIME. THEY CAN TELL YOU WITH A FAIR DEGREE OF

- 1 CERTAINTY WHO IS GOING TO APPEAR AND WHO ISN'T. SO IT'S NOT IN
- 2 A NEW YORK CASE, IT'S NOT SURPRISING, SINCE WE HAVE SO MUCH
- 3 DATA YEARS AND YEARS OF KNOWLEDGE. WE REVALIDATE THAT
- 4 INSTRUMENT ALL THE TIME. SO THAT JUST HAPPENS, IT HAS NOT BEEN
- 5 THAT, YOU KNOW, THE FEAR, SURE WE'RE GOING TO LET THEM GO AND
- 6 THEY WILL RETURN TO COMMITTING NEW AND HEINOUS CRIMES.
- 7 OBVIOUSLY, THERE WILL ALWAYS BUSINESS CASES, BUT THAT HAS NOT
- 8 REMOTELY HAPPENED IN NEW YORK.

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- 10 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: THANK YOU. I WILL WITHDRAW A COUPLE
- 11 OF QUESTIONS I HAD, BECAUSE MY FELLOW COMMISSIONERS ANSWERED
- 12 THEM. I WANT TO MAKE THE OBSERVATION TO PROFESSOR HORN WITH
- 13 RESPECT -- ACTUALLY TO BOTH OF YOU WITH RESPECT TO THE UNION
- 14 ISSUES AND IMPACT ON MORALE AND SO FORTH. HERE IN CALIFORNIA,
- 15 THE OFFICERS HAVE SPECIFIC STATUTORY PROTECTIONS WITH
- 16 PERSONNEL RECORDS. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THAT RESULTS IN A VERY
- 17 BIG CONCERN BY THE DEPUTIES IN QUESTION WITH RESPECT TO
- 18 TRACKING AND I WONDERED IF NEW YORK HAD THE SAME KIND OF
- 19 STATUTORY PROTECTION FOR ITS POLICE OFFICERS?

- 21 MARTY HORN: WELL, WITHOUT LOOKING I CAN'T SAY FOR CERTAIN. I
- 22 CAN TELL YOU, AS MICHAEL SAID, THE UNION IN NEW YORK IS
- 23 AGGRESSIVE. IT'S POWERFUL. IT ZEALOUSLY PROTECTS THE INTEREST
- 24 OF ITS MEMBERS AND THEY HAVE VERY ROBUST CIVIL SERVICE
- 25 PROTECTION AND I THINK THE POINT THAT WAS MADE THIS MORNING IS

- 1 AN IMPORTANT ONE. THIS TRACKING IS NOT FOR DISCIPLINARY
- 2 PURPOSES. THE TRACKING IS TO IDENTIFY AN OFFICER WHO MAY NEED
- 3 A CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT, AN OFFICER WHO MAY NEED A RESPITE, WHO
- 4 MAY NEED RETRAINING. IT MAY IDENTIFY FAILURES IN SUPERVISION
- 5 OR COMMAND. IT IS NOT A DISCIPLINARY INTERVIEW BY ANY MEANS,
- 6 NOR IS IT USED FOR THAT.

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- 8 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I HAVE BEEN INFORMED MR. HORN HAS A
- 9 PLANE TO CATCH. IF YOU LEAVE RIGHT NOW, YOU MIGHT MAKE IT. I
- 10 THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. IT
- 11 WAS EXCELLENT.

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- 13 MARTY HORN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH
- 15 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: MR. JACOBSON, I THINK WE ARE
- 16 PROBABLY DONE FOR THE MORNING. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
- 17 TESTIMONY. IT HAS BEEN VERY, VERY HELPFUL. THANK YOU. VERY
- 18 WELL. WE WILL BREAK FOR LUNCH. WE WILL RESUME PROMPTLY AT 1:30
- 19 TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR AFTERNOON.
- 21 AFTERNOON SESSION
- 23 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THE MEETING IS, ONCE AGAIN IN
- 24 SESSION. WE HAVE MR. MATTHEW CATE HERE TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF
- 25 THE COMMISSION. HE IS GOING TO BE QUESTIONED BY BOBBY

SWERDLOW. DID I PRONOUNCE THAT CORRECTLY? 1 2 3 BOBBY SWERDLOW: Yes. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: VERY WELL, GO AHEAD. 6 7 BOBBY SWERDLOW: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. SECRETARY. YOU ARE 8 CURRENTLY THE SECRETARY OF THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF 9 CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION? 10 MATTHEW CATE: I AM. 11 12 BOBBY SWERDLOW: HOW LONG HAVE YOU HELD THAT POSITION? 13 14 15 MATTHEW CATE: A LITTLE OVER FOUR YEARS. 16 BOBBY SWERDLOW: CAN YOU PLEASE GIVE THE COMMISSION A BRIEF 17 18 OVERVIEW OF THE WORK YOU DID PRIOR TO 2004? 19 MATTHEW CATE: SURE. I AM AN ATTORNEY BY TRADE. I BEGAN IN THE 20 21 PRIVATE SECTOR FOR A LARGE CIVIL LITIGATION FIRM IN 22 SACRAMENTO. I THEN SPENT TWO YEARS, TWO-AND-A-HALF YEARS AT 23 THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY D.A.'S OFFICE MATRICULATING THROUGH THE SYSTEM - MISDEMEANORS, PRELIMINARY HEARINGS, FELONY TRIAL 24

CASELOAD - FINALLY A CASELOAD OF JUVENILE RAPE AND MURDER

- 1 CASES AND THEN WAS HIRED AT CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
- 2 IN 2006. FROM 2006 TO, I'M SORRY, FROM 1996 TO 2004, I WAS AT
- 3 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THERE, I WAS A
- 4 PROSECUTOR ALSO. PRIMARILY, I SPECIALIZED IN PUBLIC CORRUPTION
- 5 AND CRIMES COMMITTED BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS. IN 2004, I'M SORRY,
- 6 I WAS APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER TO BE THE
- 7 INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

9 BOBBY SWERDLOW: HOW LONG DID YOU SERVE AS THE INSPECTOR

10 GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA?

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- 12 MATTHEW CATE: JUST OVER FOUR YEARS.
- 14 BOBBY SWERDLOW: IS THAT OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSEEING THE
- 15 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS?
- 17 MATTHEW CATE: IT IS.
- 19 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WILL YOU GIVE US A GENERAL OVERVIEW OF WHAT
- 20 THE IG'S RESPONSIBILITIES WERE FOR OVERSEEING THE CORRECTIONAL
- 21 DEPARTMENT IN 2004 WHEN YOU ARRIVED?
- 23 MATTHEW CATE: WHEN I ARRIVED IN 2004, THIS VERY SMALL NUMBER
- 24 OF STAFF, PRIMARILY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORTED TO THE
- 25 GOVERNOR AND CONDUCTED INVESTIGATIONS AND AUDITS AT THE

- 1 GOVERNOR'S REQUEST AND THEN WROTE PRIVATE REPORTS TO THE
- 2 GOVERNOR ABOUT CONDITIONS IN THE PRISONS OR ABOUT SPECIFIC
- 3 MISCONDUCT THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WAS CONCERNED WITH.

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- 5 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHEN YOU BECAME INSPECTOR GENERAL IN 2004, WAS
- 6 THE STATE A PARTY TO THE MADRID VS. GOMEZ CASE?

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8 MATTHEW CATE: IT WAS.

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- 10 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THAT LAWSUIT WAS FOCUSED ON CONDITIONS AT
- 11 PELICAN BAY STATE PRISON?

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- 13 MATTHEW CATE: IT BEGAN CONCERNING -- IT BEGAN THAT WAY. IT WAS
- 14 FOCUSED PRIMARILY ON USE OF FORCE, CODE OF SILENCE,
- 15 MISSTATEMENTS BY STAFF. THERE WERE FEDERAL PROSECUTIONS BASED
- 16 ON THE MISCONDUCT AT PELICAN BAY. BY THE TIME I WAS APPOINTED
- 17 TO BE THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, THE CASE HAD ALREADY TAKEN ON
- 18 STATE-WIDE SCOPE CONCERNING THE USE OF FORCE, STATE-WIDE
- 19 TRAINING ON USE OF FORCE, REPORTING OF USE OF FORCE. CODE OF
- 20 SILENCE. IT REALLY BECAME A QUESTION OF WHETHER THE INMATES IN
- 21 CALIFORNIA'S CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS WERE BEING SYSTEMATICALLY
- 22 DENIED THROUGH AN OFFICER DISCIPLINE PROCESS THAT WAS BROKEN.

- 24 BOBBY SWERDLOW: IT WAS ONE OF YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES TO HELP
- 25 THE STATE RESPOND TO THOSE ISSUES?

1 MATTHEW CATE: IT WAS. MY FIRST DAY ON THE JOB AS INSPECTOR 2 3 GENERAL I SPENT IN FRONT OF JUDGE FELTON HENDERSON IN NORTHERN DISTRICT COURT, ALONG WITH THE GOVERNOR'S LEGAL AFFAIRS 4 5 SECRETARY AND THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AT THE TIME, IN CHAMBERS DISCUSSING THE STATUS OF THE CASE AND 6 7 WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE AT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE TO 8 HELP TURN IT AROUND. 9 BOBBY SWERDLOW: DID THE STATE END UP MAKING CHANGES TO THE 10 11 INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE IN RESPONSE TO THAT CASE? 12 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, I THINK, YOU KNOW, IT WAS A NEW 13 ADMINISTRATION. THE ADMINISTRATION SAW THAT THERE WERE 14 DIFFICULTIES WITH CORRECTIONS, SPECIFICALLY WITH THE OFFICER 15 16 DISCIPLINE PROCESS AND IT SAW THE MADRID LAWSUIT, I THINK, AS BOTH SOMETHING TO BE SOLVED AS AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE TAKEN, 17 18 AND SO IT WAS, ON THE ONE HAND IN RESPONSE TO THAT CASE. ON 19 THE OTHER HAND, IT WAS SEEN AS GOOD GOVERNMENT. AND SO WE DEFINITELY LAUNCHED A COMPLETE REVISION OF THE ATTORNEY 20 GENERAL'S OFFICE, IN PART, DUE TO PUBLIC TESTIMONY BY THE 21 22 PREVIOUS INSPECTOR GENERAL ABOUT THE LIMITATIONS OF THE OFFICE 23 AT THAT TIME. 24

BOBBY SWERDLOW: I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU ABOUT SOME OF THE CHANGES

- 1 YOU MADE TO THE STRUCTURE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE.
- 2 IN THE BINDER THAT YOU HAVE, AT TAB 8, THERE IS AN
- 3 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART, THE SECOND PAGE OF THAT TAB. IS THAT THE
- 4 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART FOR THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE FROM
- 5 APPROXIMATELY 2005?
- 7 MATTHEW CATE: IT IS.
- 9 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THAT WAS ABOUT A YEAR AFTER YOU HAD BEEN ON
- 10 THE JOB?

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- 12 MATTHEW CATE: CORRECT.
- 14 BOBBY SWERDLOW: AND ONE OF THOSE BOXES AT THE BOTTOM IS THE
- 15 BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW. WAS THAT ONE OF THE NEW ARMS OF
- 16 THE ORGANIZATION THAT CAME OUT OF THIS WORK YOU WERE
- 17 DESCRIBING?
- 19 MATTHEW CATE: YES.
- 21 BOBBY SWERDLOW: CAN YOU EXPLAIN HOW THE BUREAU -- THE PROCESS
- 22 BY WHICH THE BUREAU WAS BORN?
- 24 MATTHEW CATE: SURE. ACTUALLY, ANOTHER PERSON WHO WAS IN THAT
- 25 MEEING ON MY FIRST DAY ON THE JOB WAS MIKE GENNACO, WHO WAS

- 1 LEADING THE OIR AT THE TIME. AND DURING THE COURSE OF THAT
- 2 INITIAL MEETING, MR. GENNACO INTRODUCED HIMSELF AND WE HAD A
- 3 DISCUSSION ABOUT THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW IN LOS
- 4 ANGELES COUNTY AND HE SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED SHERIFF BACA.
- 5 SHERIFF BACA INVITED ME TO COME TO HIS OFFICE AND WE SAT FOR
- 6 PROBABLY TWO HOURS AND TALKED ABOUT THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT
- 7 REVIEW, WHY IT HAD BEEN ORGANIZED, WHAT ITS PURPOSES WERE AND
- 8 THE SHERIFF'S VIEW ON TRANSPARENCY AND THE NEED FOR SOUND
- 9 OVERSIGHT.

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- 11 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHAT ARE THE BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW'S
- 12 RESPONSIBILITIES NOW?
- 14 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, THE BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW HAS LARGE
- 15 RESPONSIBILITIES. IT IS IN CHARGE OF OUR CENTRALIZED REVIEW
- 16 COMMITTEE, SO EVERY CASE THAT COMES THROUGH, THE DEPARTMENT'S
- 17 INTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT GOES THROUGH THE CENTRAL INTAKE
- 18 PROCESS THAT THE BIR SITS IN ON AND REPORTS ON. IT HAS CRADLE-
- 19 TO-GRAVE CASE CONSULTATION, FROM THE VERY OUTSET OF THE CASE
- 20 TO FINAL DISPOSITION, COMPLETE ACCESS TO ALL RECORDS AND
- 21 INVESTIGATIVE MATERIALS IN THE DEPARTMENT. IT HAS A
- 22 COMPUTERIZED CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM TO MANAGE, OVERSEE AND
- 23 ORGANIZE AND REPORT ON THOSE CASES. IT REPORTS EVERY SIX
- 24 MONTHS ON OUR CASES. IT JUDGES EVERY ASPECT OF EVERY CASE AND
- 25 IT DOES THAT PUBLICLY. IT ALSO PRODUCES REPORTS ON WHAT IT

- 1 SEES AS SYSTEMIC STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES IN THE OFFICER
- 2 DISCIPLINE PROCESS. AND THEN IT ROLLS OUT ON EVERY SIGNIFICANT
- 3 INCIDENT THAT HAPPENS INSIDE ANY INSTITUTION IN THE STATE OF
- 4 CALIFORNIA. AND IT ALSO ENSURES THE CONSISTENT ADHERENCE TO
- 5 OUR DISCIPLINARY MATRIX.

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- 7 BOBBY SWERDLOW: ALSO ON THE ARC CHART -- ORG CHART -- EXCUSE
- 8 ME, IS THE BUREAU OF AUDITS AND INVESTIGATIONS. WHAT DOES THAT
- 9 ARM OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE DO?

- 11 MATTHEW CATE: THAT ARM EXISTED ORIGINALLY IN THE INSPECTOR
- 12 GENERAL'S OFFICE AND IT HAS GROWN AND SHRUNK DEPENDING ON THE
- 13 NEED AT THE TIME AND -- BUT, TYPICALLY, IT HAS INDEPENDENT
- 14 INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE INSPECTOR
- 15 GENERAL, WHICH MEANS WHEN I WAS THERE I COULD JUST ORDER AN
- 16 INVESTIGATION--EITHER CRIMINAL OR AN ADMINISTRATIVE
- 17 INVESTIGATION--AT MY DISCRETION. AND SO, AS I WAS A PEACE
- 18 OFFICER, AND UNDER MY POLICY, BY POLICY WHICH I CREATED, WE
- 19 WOULD ONLY INVESTIGATE CASES INVOLVING HIGH-RANKING
- 20 CORRECTIONAL OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS
- 21 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, OR CASES THAT WE THOUGHT WERE
- 22 PARTICULARLY EMBLEMATIC OF A PROBLEM OR WERE OF CONCERN TO THE
- 23 GOVERNOR, FOR EXAMPLE, OR THE LEGISLATURE. THE AUDIT TEAM
- 24 CONDUCTED BOTH REGULAR AUDITS, QUADRENNIAL AUDITS OF EVERY
- 25 INSTITUTION, WHICH WAS A THOROUGH SCRUBBING UP AND DOWN OF

- 1 EVERY PART OF THE INSTITUTION. AND THEY ALSO DID ANNUAL AUDITS
- 2 OF WARDEN PERFORMANCE. THAT DIVISION ALSO, EVER -- BEFORE YOU
- 3 COULD BECOME A WARDEN, AND IT'S STILL TRUE TODAY IN
- 4 CALIFORNIA, BEFORE YOU CAN RUN A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, YOU
- 5 HAVE TO BE VETTED BY THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, WHICH
- 6 REQUIRES A FULL BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION. IT REQUIRES
- 7 SOLICITING OPINIONS FROM ALL STAKEHOLDERS. IT'S A FULL WRITE-
- 8 UP OF AN INSPECTION OF YOUR FACILITY, USUALLY, THAT ARE YOU
- 9 RUNNING AS AN ACTOR. THEN A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR ON YOUR
- 10 QUALIFICATIONS TO BE APPOINTED AS A WARDEN. THAT PART OF THE
- 11 ORGANIZATION DID THAT AS WELL. AND THEN IT WOULD WRITE SPECIAL
- 12 REPORTS ON INDIVIDUAL ISSUES AT THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 13 INSPECTOR GENERAL OR AT THE REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR.
- 15 BOBBY SWERDLOW: SO THE INVESTIGATIONS THAT YOU DESCRIBED A
- 16 MOMENT AGO, THOSE INCLUDED INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUAL ACTS
- 17 OF MISCONDUCT BY PERSONNEL?
- 19 MATTHEW CATE: IT DID.

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- 21 BOBBY SWERDLOW: DO YOU HAVE A SENSE OF HOW MANY OF THOSE TYPES
- 22 OF INVESTIGATIONS YOU WOULD GENERALLY LOOK AT OVER A YEAR,
- 23 WHILE YOU WERE AT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE?
- 25 MATTHEW CATE: YEAH. IT'S -- THERE WERE CERTAINLY -- I WOULD

- 1 SAY OVER 100 ONGOING -- BETWEEN 50 AND 100 ONGOING AT ANY ONE
- 2 TIME. THEY WOULD COME AND GO. WE RECEIVED THOUSANDS OF INTAKE
- 3 COMPLAINTS SO WE ALSO HAD A HOTLINE WHICH INMATES OR THEIR
- 4 FAMILY MEMBERS OR STAFF OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND SO WE
- 5 WOULD GET LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF COMPLAINTS BY MAIL OR BY
- 6 PHONE EVERY MONTH. WE'D CULL THROUGH THOSE, MOSTLY, WE'D REFER
- 7 THOSE TO THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT TO BE
- 8 OVERSEEN BY THE BIR. BUT OCCASIONALLY, WE WOULD PICK UP SOME
- 9 HERE OR THERE. BUT MOSTLY IT WAS IN THE DOZENS. IT WAS MOSTLY,
- 10 AGAIN, JUST THOSE HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS, INTERNAL AFFAIRS
- 11 AND, OCCASIONALLY, INDIVIDUAL CASES THAT WE THOUGHT WERE
- 12 MERITORIOUS.

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- 14 BOBBY SWERDLOW: AND THE FACILITIES AUDITS YOU DESCRIBED? THOSE
- 15 WERE OF INDIVIDUAL PRISON FACILITIES?
- 17 MATTHEW CATE: CORRECT.
- 19 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHO DID YOU REPORT YOUR AUDITS TO?
- 21 MATTHEW CATE: AFTER BECOMING INSPECTOR GENERAL, I WORKED WITH
- 22 THE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR TO REWRITE THE CALIFORNIA LAW
- 23 COMPLETELY. AND WHAT WE DID WAS WE FLIPPED IT ON ITS HEAD FROM
- 24 A REPORTING STRUCTURE THAT WAS CONFIDENTIAL, EXCEPT FOR --
- 25 WITH CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS, TO ONE THAT WAS PUBLIC REPORTING WITH

- 1 CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS. AND SO ALL OF THOSE REPORTS WERE PUBLISHED
- 2 ON OUR WEBSITE. WE WOULD ISSUE A PRESS RELEASE DESCRIBING OUR
- 3 FINDINGS, POINTING THE PUBLIC TO THOSE SITES AND WITH -- I
- 4 DON'T THINK ANY EXCEPTION, THOSE REPORTS WERE ALL PUBLIC
- 5 RECORDS.

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- 7 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHEN WE INTERVIEWED YOU IN THE PROCESS OF OUR
- 8 INVESTIGATION, YOU DESCRIBED A NUMBER OF ELEMENTS THAT YOU
- 9 TOLD US YOU FELT CONTRIBUTED TO A ROBUST AND SUCCESSFUL
- 10 OVERSIGHT ORGANIZATION. WE'VE LISTED SOME OF THOSE AS BULLET
- 11 POINTS ON THE 2nd PAGE OF EXHIBIT, OR TAB 8, EXCUSE ME, THE
- 12 FIRST PAGE. I'D LIKE TO GO THROUGH SOME OF THOSE WITH YOU. THE
- 13 FIRST BULLET POINT IS THAT THE OVERSIGHT ORGANIZATION BE
- 14 INDEPENDENT FROM THE CORRECTIONAL AGENCY IT'S OVERSEEING. IS
- 15 THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE BIR INDEPENDENT AT THE
- 16 STATE LEVEL OF THE CORRECTIONAL DEPARTMENT?

- 18 MATTHEW CATE: I THINK IT'S AS INDEPENDENT AS IT CAN BE WHILE
- 19 STILL BEING WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATION. CERTAIN STEPS WERE
- 20 TAKEN TO GRANT AS MUCH INDEPENDENCE AS WE COULD THINK OF. SO,
- 21 FOR EXAMPLE, I WAS APPOINTED AS AN AT-WILL EMPLOYEE OF THE
- 22 GOVERNOR AND CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE, BUT I COULD --
- 23 OBVIOUSLY, YOU ARE ONLY ONE VOTE AWAY FROM FINDING YOUR NEXT
- 24 JOB. THAT WAS CHANGED TO A SIX-YEAR FIXED TERM. THE GOVERNOR,
- 25 FORTUNATELY, REAPPOINTED ME TO THE SIX-YEAR FIXED TERM. I WAS

- 1 RECONFIRMED BY THE SENATE UNDER THAT TERM AND I COULD NOT BE
- 2 REMOVED, EXCEPT FOR A SHOWING OF CAUSE AND, IN CALIFORNIA,
- 3 THAT CAUSE TYPICALLY YOU NEED TO SHOW MORE THAN JUST AN
- 4 ARBITRARY DECISION; YOU HAVE TO SHOW MISCONDUCT OF SOME KIND
- 5 IN PERFORMANCE OF YOUR OFFICE. SECONDLY, THE OTHER WAY THAT
- 6 THE STATE TYPICALLY MANAGES STATE AGENCIES IS THROUGH THE
- 7 BUDGET PROCESS AND A CASELOAD-BASED BUDGET WAS DEVELOPED UNDER
- 8 STATE LAW. I HAD ADVOCATED, FRANKLY, FOR A BUDGET BASED ON A
- 9 PERCENTAGE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S TOTAL FUNDING ON ANY GIVEN
- 10 YEAR, BECAUSE THEN IT WOULD BE JUST BLACK AND WHITE, NO
- 11 DISCRETION. ULTIMATELY, WE COMPROMISED ON A CASE-LOAD BASED
- 12 FUNDING MECHANISM, WHICH TURNED OUT TO BE JUST FINE. I WAS
- 13 PRETTY ROBUSTLY FUNDED AND STAFFED. SO THAT WAS SECOND. PUBLIC
- 14 REPORTING AS A FORM OF INDEPENDENCE, ESPECIALLY IF IT'S IF
- 15 THERE IS, IF IT'S COMPULSORY. SO EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT I HAVE
- 16 TO PUBLICLY REPORT SO NO ONE BOTHERS TO ASK YOU TO NOT DO SO.
- 18 BOBBY SWERDLOW: YOU FOUND ALL OF THESE ASPECTS TO ENHANCE YOUR
- 19 FUNCTION AS INSPECTOR GENERAL? IS THAT RIGHT?

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- 21 MATTHEW CATE: SURE. I DID. I DIDN'T OPERATE VERY LONG UNDER
- 22 THE OLD MODEL. CALIFORNIA AT THAT TIME WAS UNDER SO MUCH
- 23 SCRUTINY AND HAD SO MANY PROBLEMS, THAT IT SEEMED LIKE BEST
- 24 PRACTICE TO TAKE IT AND GO AS FAR AS WE COULD POSSIBLY GO. AND
- 25 SO THAT'S WHAT WE DID. WHETHER WE COULD'VE MANAGED JUST AS

- 1 WELL WITH SLIGHTLY LESS INDEPENDENCE, I DON'T KNOW. BUT I'LL
- 2 TELL YOU THIS: THERE IS ALWAYS SOME THREAT TO YOUR
- 3 INDEPENDENCE, I DON'T CARE HOW MUCH YOU HAVE AT THE OUTSET.
- 4 THERE IS ALWAYS SOME JOB AROUND THE NEXT CORNER THAT YOU ARE
- 5 INTERESTED IN OR SOMEBODY FROM THE PRESS OR THE LEGISLATURE
- 6 THAT'S GOING TO TRY TO PRESSURE YOU ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. OR A
- 7 LAWSUIT OR LABOR OR THE COURTS. SO EVERY PUBLIC OFFICIAL HAS
- 8 TO MANAGE WITH THEIR OWN CONSCIENCE. BUT AS MANY OF THESE AS
- 9 YOU CAN PUT IN, THEN THAT GIVES -- IT COMES TO THE DEFENSE OF
- 10 YOUR INDEPENDENCE THAT MUCH EASIER.
- 12 BOBBY SWERDLOW: MICHELLE DEITCH IS A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED
- 13 EXPERT IN OVERSIGHT ISSUES. ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH HER?
- 15 MATTHEW CATE: YES. WE ARE FRIENDS.
- 17 BOBBY SWERDLOW: SHE IS SUBMITTED SOME WRITTEN TESTIMONY TO
- 18 THIS COMMISION AND SHE HAS TESTIFIED THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR
- 19 A MONITORING ENTITY TO BE PERCEIVED AS INDEPENDENT, AND TO BE
- 20 INDEPENDENT, THERE NEEDS TO BE A SEPARATENESS OF FACILITIES.
- 21 DO YOU AGREE WITH THAT?
- 23 MATTHEW CATE: I DO.

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25 **BOBBY SWERDLOW:** WHY?

1 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, FOR A COUPLE REASONS. I THINK IT'S 2 3 IMPORTANT TO HAVE BOTH THE -- LET ME ANSWER THE QUESTION DIRECTLY AND THEN I'LL MAKE A SIDE COMMENT. IT'S IMPORTANT 4 5 THAT OFFICERS KNOW IF THEY COME TO WITH YOU AN ISSUE THAT YOU HAVE THE REQUISITE INDEPENDENCE AND BACKBONE TO MAKE THE RIGHT 6 7 DECISION IN THAT CASE, BECAUSE NO ONE COMES FORWARD WITHOUT 8 PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RISK. THE SAME THING IS TRUE FOR 9 INMATES, THE SAME THING IS TRUE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WHISTLEBLOWERS, THE LEGISLATURE. IT'S THAT MUCH EASIER FOR 10 11 PEOPLE TO COME TO YOU AND FEEL LIKE THEY CAN TELL YOU THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT'S REALLY HAPPENING. SECONDLY, IT'S THAT MUCH 12 EASIER TO TELL YOUR STAFF TO DO THE RIGHT THING. YOU KNOW, OUR 13 APPROACH WAS, WE FIND THE TRUTH AND WE PUBLICLY REPORT IT, AND 14 WE TRIED TO DO SO IN A WAY THAT WAS RESPECTFUL AND THAT SHOWED 15 16 CONTEXT AND THAT LACKED HYPERBOLE. BUT ALL THOSE THINGS ARE SO MUCH EASIER IF EVERYONE AROUND THE BLOCK KNOWS THAT YOU ARE 17 18 INDEPENDENT OF EVERYBODY IN THE DEPARTMENT. 19 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THE SECOND BULLET POINT ON THE LIST IS THE 20 INDEPENDENT AUTHORITY TO INVESTIGATE AND CONDUCT REGULAR 21 22 INVESTIGATIONS. YOU WERE DESCRIBING SOME OF THE POWERS THAT 23 THE OIG'S OFFICE HAS NOW. DID YOU FIND THAT TO BE A VALUABLE TOOL IN YOUR EXPERIENCE? 24 25

- 1 MATTHEW CATE: I DID, ESPECIALLY EARLY ON. ONCE THE PROCESS WAS
- 2 ONCE WE STARTED, WHAT WE FOUND IS THAT IT HAD BEEN BROKEN
- 3 FOR SOME TIME. AND THAT'S THE WAY SYSTEMS THAT ARE, YOU KNOW -
- 4 IT DOESN'T GET BROKEN OVERNIGHT. SO WHAT YOU FIND INITIALLY
- 5 IS THAT YOU HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO TO CLEAN OUT THOSE SPOTS
- 6 WHERE, EITHER SYSTEMS HAVE BEEN BROKEN FOR A LONG TIME AND
- 7 NEED A LOT OF ATTENTION OR INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN MISPLACED OR,
- 8 FRANKLY, YOU JUST HAD BAD APPLES THAT NEEDED TO BE CLEANED OUT
- 9 AND NO ONE PAID ATTENTION TO. SO IT WAS GOOD TO HAVE THAT
- 10 AUTHORITY, ESPECIALLY EARLY ON, TO BE ABLE TO ACT
- 11 INDEPENDENTLY AND GRAB THOSE UP. EVEN IF THE DEPARTMENT
- 12 SECRETARY DISAGREED WITH ME, YOU KNOW, I JUST DIDN'T ASK
- 13 PERMISSION FROM ANYBODY BEFORE LAUNCHING AN INVESTIGATION. WE
- 14 DID JUST WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS RIGHT. THE LONGER I WAS THERE,
- 15 THE MORE I DEFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT AND I WOULD JUST REFER
- 16 CASES TO THE NORMAL INTERNAL AFFAIRS PROCESS, BECAUSE I KNEW I
- 17 HAD A STRONG OVERSIGHT MODEL THAT WOULD ENSURE THE CASE WOULD
- 18 BE DONE RIGHT. I DIDN'T NEED US TO HAVE AS BIG A -- YOU KNOW,
- 19 IT'S A REDUNDANT ORGANIZATION IN A SENSE, RIGHT? BECAUSE IF
- 20 INTERNAL AFFAIRS IS WORKING RIGHT, YOU DON'T NEED A VERY BIG
- 21 INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT AGENCY. YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH HAVING A
- 22 VERY SMALL KIND OF INVESTIGATIVE ARM ON THE OUTSIDE. AND SO
- 23 THAT'S WHAT WE TRIED TO DO. WE TRIED TO SHRINK IT AS WE WENT
- 24 ALONG, AS WE GREW IN CONFIDENCE IN THE SYSTEM.

- 1 BOBBY SWERDLOW: AND IT SHRUNK OVER TIME BUT HAVE YOU EVER FELT
- 2 THAT AUDITING BY THE AGENCY, ITSELF, IS SUFFICIENT?

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- 4 MATTHEW CATE: NO. IT'S AT LEAST NOT IN THESE SETTINGS.
- 5 PRISONS AND JAILS ARE, BY THEIR NATURE, CLOSED-SETTINGS. AND
- 6 SO WHILE WE ENCOURAGE VISITORS, AND WE HAVE -- IT'S BEEN ONE
- 7 OF THE BIGGEST THINGS -- PUSHES THAT WE'VE TRIED TO MAKE IN
- 8 THE LAST FEW YEARS -- EVEN WITH THAT INITIATIVE, STILL, MOST
- 9 OF THE TIME, IT'S JUST INMATES AND STAFF. AND SO FROM MY
- 10 PERSPECTIVE, IT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE AS MANY MONITORS AND
- 11 AUDITORS IN THE SYSTEM FROM AS MANY DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS AS
- 12 YOU CAN GET. I THINK THAT'S HEALTHY FOR THE SYSTEM AS A WHOLE,
- 13 AND SO WE HAVE NOT ONLY THE INSPECTOR'S GENERAL AUDITORS, BUT
- 14 WE HAVE OUR OWN INDEPENDENT AUDITORS, I MEAN, SORRY, OUR
- 15 DEPARTMENT AUDITORS, INTERNAL AUDITORS AS WELL. WE FIND THAT
- 16 WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COMBINE THE TWO PRETTY WELL.

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- 18 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THE THIRD BULLET POINT IS UNFETTERED ACCESS.
- 19 MICHELLE DEITCH HAS REFERRED TO THIS AS A GOLDEN KEY PASS.
- 20 WHAT KIND OF ACCESS DOES THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE HAVE,
- 21 OR THE BIR HAVE, UNDER YOUR WATCH?

- 23 MATTHEW CATE: IT WAS UNFETTERED. I STOLE THAT PHRASE FROM
- 24 MICHELLE A LOT. WE EXPLAINED TO PEOPLE WE HAD A GOLDEN KEY.
- 25 THE ONLY THING THAT WE HAD TO BE COGNIZANT OF IS THE FOURTH

- 1 AMENDMENT STILL APPLIED TO US, THE FIFTH AMENDMENT APPLIED TO
- 2 US, AND THE PEACE OFFICER BILL OF RIGHTS APPLIED TO US AND
- 3 COURTS HAVE RULED INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEES HAVE SOME PRIVACY
- 4 RIGHTS AS WELL THAT WE HAD TO ADHERE TO. BUT, YOU KNOW, ANY
- 5 FILING CABINET. AT ANY TIME OF THE DAY OR NIGHT, WITH OR
- 6 WITHOUT A WARRANT, I WAS FREE TO WALK INTO THE HEADQUARTERS
- 7 UNIT AND OPEN FILES AND START READING OR WALK INTO ANY PRISON
- 8 WITHOUT NOTICE. OF COURSE, YOU UNDERSTAND, AS SOON AS MY CAR
- 9 HIT THE COUNTY LINE, THE PRISON KNEW I WAS COMING, BUT WITH
- 10 THAT PROVISO, WE WOULD SHOW UP ANY TIME WITHOUT NOTICE AND
- 11 TALK TO ANY INMATE WE WANTED TO, IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE
- 12 SEGREGATION, THE KITCHEN, ANYWHERE. ANY STAFF MEMBER ASK
- 13 STAFF TO SPEAK WITH US, AND THEY WERE ALL REALLY GREAT WITH
- 14 THAT.

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- 16 BOBBY SWERDLOW: MOVING DOWN THE LIST, THE FOURTH BULLET POINT
- 17 HAS A NUMBER OF ELEMENTS. I THINK YOU ADDRESSED A COUPLE OF
- 18 THEM BUT CAN YOU TALK ABOUT ADEQUATE RESOURCES AND WHAT YOU
- 19 DID WHEN YOU TOOK OVER THE IG'S OFFICE TO ADDRESS THOSE
- 20 CONCERNS?
- 22 MATTHEW CATE: YOU KNOW, IN CALIFORNIA AT THE TIME, THE
- 23 LEGISLATURE WAS MAKING THIS ISSUE A PRIORITY. PRISONS AND
- 24 PRISON OVERSIGHT WAS A PRIORITY. SO I ACTUALLY TURNED DOWN
- 25 RESOURCES FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS I WAS INSPECTOR GENERAL

- 1 BECAUSE I COULDN'T -- I DIDN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE THAT I COULD
 2 GROW AS FAST AS THEY WANTED US TO GROW WITH FIDELITY TO OUR
- 3 SYSTEMS. BUT IN SUBSTANCE, WE RECEIVED EVERY RESOURCE WE ASKED
- 4 FOR, FOR PROBABLY THREE YEARS. SO AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE FELT
- 5 VERY COMFORTABLE THAT WE WERE GOING TO BE ADEQUATELY RESOURCED
- 6 AND WE HAD A VERY ROBUST MODEL. NOW, THE GOVERNOR WANTED TO
- 7 GET OUT OF THE MADRID CASE. HE WANTED TO DEMONSTRATE THAT WE
- 8 COULD POLICE OURSELVES. THAT WE HAD A SYSTEM THAT WAS
- 9 TRANSPARENT. SO HE MADE IT A PRIORITY. SO WE MADE IT A
- 10 PRIORITY AND THE LEGISLATURE AGREED. AND I THINK IT HASTENED
- 11 OUR WAY OUT OF THAT CASE AS A RESULT OF BEING ABLE TO BUILD
- 12 SOMETHING LIKE THE BIR, WHICH IS FIVE OR SIX TIMES AS LARGE AS
- 13 THE OIR REALLY, REALLY QUICKLY.

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- 15 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THE LAST BULLET POINT IS PUBLIC REPORTING. YOU
- 16 SAID YOU TURNED THE SYSTEM OF REPORTING ON ITS HEAD. WHAT, IF
- 17 ANYTHING, DID YOU FIND-- WHAT DID YOU LEAVE IN PLACE IN TERMS
- 18 OF CONFIDENTIALITY THAT YOU THOUGHT WAS IMPORTANT TO PRESERVE?
- 20 MATTHEW CATE: ONLY THOSE THINGS THAT RELATED TO INDIVIDUAL
- 21 EMPLOYEE RIGHTS. THE ONLY PART THAT WE DECIDED NOT MAKE PUBLIC
- 22 WAS THESE WARDEN EVALUATIONS. WE FELT LIKE IF WE MADE WARDEN
- 23 EVALUATIONS PUBLIC, THERE WOULD BE A CHILLING EFFECT ON BEING
- 24 ABLE TO GET GOOD LEADERSHIP. AND THESE PEOPLE HADN'T BEEN
- 25 ACCUSED OF ANYTHING EXCEPT FOR BEING EXEMPLARY LEADERS IN THE

- 1 PAST. SO WHAT WE WOULD DO IS, WE WOULD WRITE -- THE RULE THERE
- 2 WAS WE WROTE -- WE INVESTIGATED THE CANDIDATE. WE WROTE THE
- 3 REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR. IT'S A LITTLE BIT LIKE I THINK THE WAY
- 4 THE JENNY COMMISSION OR THE JUDICIAL EVALUATION COMMISSION IN
- 5 CALIFORNIA WORKS. WE WOULD WRITE A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND
- 6 FIND THAT INDIVIDUALLY THEY'RE NOT QUALIFIED, QUALIFIED, WELL
- 7 QUALIFIED OR EXCEPTIONALLY WELL QUALIFIED. IF WE FOUND THE
- 8 INDIVIDUAL UNQUALIFIED AND THE GOVERNOR APPOINTED ANYWAY, THEN
- 9 OUR REPORT BECAME PUBLIC. OTHERWISE, IF THE GOVERNOR DIDN'T
- 10 APPOINT, IT REMAINED PRIVATE. IF WE FOUND THE INDIVIDUAL
- 11 QUALIFIED, THEN THE GOVERNOR APPOINTED, IT REMAINED PRIVATE AS
- 12 WELL IN THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES. JUST REALLY IN THAT AREA. WE
- 13 OBVIOUSLY DIDN'T REPORT ANY OFFICERS'NAMES. WE DIDN'T REPORT
- 14 WITNESS' NAMES TO MAINTAIN THE OFFICER'S RIGHTS AND ALSO TO
- 15 TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT WITNESSES FELT COMFORTABLE COMING
- 16 FORWARD IN THE FUTURE.

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- 18 BOBBY SWERDLOW: I WANT TO ASK YOU ABOUT ONE PARTICULAR ISSUE
- 19 NOW, THE SO-CALLED "CODE OF SILENCE." DID YOUR OFFICE NEED TO
- 20 ADDRESS THAT ISSUE WHEN YOU WERE INSPECTOR GENERAL?
- 22 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, IT WAS VERY HOTLY CONTESTED. WHETHER THERE
- 23 WAS A CODE OF SILENCE, HOW PERVASIVE IT WAS. IN MY VIEW, THERE
- 24 IS A CERTAIN CODE OF SILENCE IN EVERY PROFESSION. SO, YOU
- 25 KNOW, IF YOU HAVE A TEAM OF PIPE FITTERS WORKING ON A PROJECT

- 1 AND ONE OF THEM GETS THE PLANNING WRONG AND YOU HAVE A HUGE
- 2 LOSS, IT'S GOING TO BE DIFFICULT FOR THE OTHER PIPE FITTERS TO
- 3 SAY, YEAH, JOHN MESSED UP THE MEASUREMENTS AND NOW WE JUST
- 4 LOST THE MONEY ON THIS CASE, OR, ON THIS PROJECT. I THINK
- 5 THAT'S HARD FOR GROCERY CLERKS AND LAWYERS AND, YOU KNOW,
- 6 EVERYBODY. IT'S PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT IN LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 7 WHERE YOU KIND OF GROW UP TOGETHER, WHERE YOU TRAIN TOGETHER,
- 8 WHERE YOU PROTECT ONE ANOTHER OR AT THE VERY CORE, YOU ARE
- 9 TAUGHT TO LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER. YOU CAN -- YOU KNOW, YOUR
- 10 FAMILIES KNOW ONE ANOTHER, YOU GO TO THE SAME BIRTHDAY
- 11 PARTIES, ALL THOSE THINGS. IT JUST IS THAT MUCH DIFFICULT A
- 12 HURDLE TO GET OVER, AND SO, ULTIMATELY, WE DECIDED IT DIDN'T
- 13 MATTER TO MEASURE HOW PERVASIVE IT WAS. WHAT MATTERED IS IT
- 14 WAS TRUE IN EVERY PROFESSION. IT'S PARTICULARLY DANGEROUS IN A
- 15 PUBLIC SAFETY SETTING, AGAIN, WHERE THE LAW INVESTS IN A VERY
- 16 SMALL NUMBER OF PEOPLE, ME IN THIS CASE, NOW IN MY CURRENT JOB
- 17 WITH THIS RESPONSIBILITY -- FOR ANOTHER PERSON'S LIFE. AND SO
- 18 WHEN YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT LIFE, YOU HAVE TO HAVE ZERO
- 19 TOLERANCE IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO UNDERSTAND- WHAT IS
- 20 HAPPENING AND KNOW THAT WHAT'S BEING REPORTED ON THE GROUND IS
- 21 HONEST AND IT'S FULL AND YOU CAN -- YOU CAN'T MANAGE WITHOUT
- 22 INFORMATION. AND YOU HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE HUMAN
- 23 BEINGS' LIVES, BOTH YOUR OFFICERS AND THE INMATES. AND SO FROM
- 24 MY PERSPECTIVE, IT DIDN'T MATTER IF IT WAS JUST ONE, WE HAD TO
- 25 TAKE AS STRONG AN APPROACH AS WE COULD.

1 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WAS ONE OF THE WAYS YOU RESPONDED TO THOSE 2 3 CONCERNS TO REVAMP THE DEPARTMENT'S DISCIPLINE POLICY? 4 5 MATTHEW CATE: IT IS. 6 BOBBY SWERDLOW: CAN YOU TURN TO TAB 7 IN THE BINDER BEFORE 7 8 YOU? THIS IS A CHART THAT WE PREPARED, COMPARING SOME OF THE L.A. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES TO A FEW AREAS OF THE STATE 9 DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES. AND IF YOU COULD LOOK AT THE BOTTOM OF 10 11 THIS CHART. DOES THAT LIST THE BASE PENALTIES THAT THE STATE MAY IMPOSE FOR DISHONESTY? 12 13 MATTHEW CATE: IT DOES. I HAVEN'T LOOKED AT THE -- I HAVEN'T 14 LOOKED AT THE SALARY REDUCTIONS OR SUSPENSION LEVELS TO MAKE 15 16 SURE THEY'RE EXACTLY RIGHT. BUT THAT'S -- I KNOW THEM TO BE PROBABLY FAIRLY ACCURATE AND I'LL TAKE YOUR ASSERTION THE 17 18 NUMBERS ARE RIGHT. I KNOW THAT THE TERMINATION RANGE IS 19 CERTAINLY CORRECT. 20 BOBBY SWERDLOW: AND THAT'S WHAT -- BEFORE YOU USED THE PHRASE 21 22 "ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY." THAT'S WHAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO IS 23 THAT TERMINATION CAN BE THE BASE LEVEL OFFENSE? 24 MATTHEW CATE: IT IS. 25

1 BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHAT DOES THAT MEAN IN TERMS OF 2 3 IMPLEMENTATION? WHEN IS TERMINATION APPROPRIATE? 4 5 MATTHEW CATE: TO TAKE A STEP BACK, THE MATRIX THAT WE ENDED UP ACCEPTING, YOU KNOW, THIS ISN'T SOMETHING THAT I WROTE OUT YOU 6 7 KNOW, FROM WHOLE CLOTH OR JUST A FEW PEOPLE AROUND THE ROOM. 8 THIS WAS SOMETHING THE FEDERAL COURT WAS INVOLVED IN. 9 ATTORNEYS FROM THE PRISON LAW OFFICE WHO WERE SUING IN MADRID WERE INVOLVED IN. THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE WAS INVOLVED IN. YOU 10 KNOW, THE UNION MAY NOT HAVE WRITTEN IT, BUT WE CERTAINLY 11 TALKED TO THEM ABOUT THE MATRIX AND WHY WE WERE DOING IT AND 12 WHERE WE WERE GOING TO IMPOSE CERTAIN SANCTIONS. SO A LOT OF 13 PEOPLE HAD INPUT IN IT AND ULTIMATELY THE DECISION WAS MADE 14 15 THAT, IF YOU'RE MAKING INTENTIONALLY FALSE OR MISLEADING 16 STATEMENTS IN A REPORT OR DURING AN INVESTIGATION THAT THAT'S TERMINATION. THAT'S THE BASE. SO IN OUR MATRIX, IT'S A LITTLE 17 18 BIT LIKE IN CALIFORNIA'S DETERMINANT SENTENCING LAW, THERE IS 19 A TRIAD, A BASE SANCTION AND THEN THAT CAN BE AGGRAVATED OR MITIGATED DEPENDING ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES. AND SOMETIMES 20 21 SEVERAL STEPS. BUT THE BASE FOR THESE VIOLATIONS --22 INTENTIONAL MISLEADING STATEMENTS, FALSIFICATION OF RECORDS, 23 FAILURE TO REPORT IN THE MOST EGREGIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES -- IS TERMINATION. 24

BOBBY SWERDLOW: WHEN WE TALKED BEFORE, WE ASKED YOU IF YOU 1 COULD COLLECT SOME NUMBERS RELATED TO THESE. WERE YOU ABLE TO 2 3 DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF ACTIONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT INSTITUTED WITH RESPECT TO DISHONESTY ALLEGATIONS AND THEN THE NUMBER OF 4 5 TERMINATIONS? 6 7 MATTHEW CATE: YES. 8 9 BOBBY SWERDLOW: CAN YOU GIVE THOSE TO THE COMMISSION? 10 MATTHEW CATE: IN 2008, WHEN I WAS APPOINTED IN MY CURRENT ROLE 11 -- I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY INVESTIGATIONS WE LAUNCHED, BUT I 12 KNOW THAT WE ASSESSED A TERMINATION PENALTY AS OUR INITIAL 13 ASSESSMENT ON 50 OCCASIONS IN 2008 FOR DISHONESTY. AND AFTER 14 THOSE HAD GONE THROUGH OUR ENTIRE PROCESS, SOMETIMES THOSE CAN 15 16 BE MITIGATED AFTER SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION COMES IN, THEY GO THROUGH AN EXECUTIVE REVIEW PROCESS THAT THE BIR IS INVOLVED 17 18 IN, THAT MY OFFICE AND THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY IS INVOLVED 19 IN. THE WARDEN IS INVOLVED IN. SO IT CAN BE, AGAIN, THERE'S SEVERAL STEPS OF REVIEW ALONG THE WAY. THE FINAL BEING THE 20 STATE PERSONNEL BOARD GETS THE FINAL CALL. BUT OUT OF THE 50 21 22 TIMES THAT WE ASSESSED A PENALTY OF TERMINATION FOR DISHONESTY 23 IN 2008, 25 OFFICERS WERE ULTIMATELY DISMISSED FOR DISHONESTY

THAT YEAR. IN 2009, WE ASSESSED THE PENALTY 57 TIMES AND 27

TIMES THE OFFICER WAS ULTIMATELY DISMISSED; 74 TIMES IN 2010

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- 1 WITH 46 STAFF MEMBERS BEING DISMISSED. AND IN 2011, 110
- 2 DISHONESTY ALLEGATIONS WITH 58 DISMISSALS. 10 PERCENT OF THOSE
- 3 CASES WERE EVENTUALLY DISMISSED ALTOGETHER SO THAT MEANS, DO
- 4 THE MATH REAL OUICK. 175-280 WHATEVER IT IS, ABOUT 10% OF
- 5 THOSE WERE ULTIMATELY DISMISSED BECAUSE NEW EVIDENCE CAME OR
- 6 THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD JUST AGREED, MADE A FINDING OF FACT
- 7 REGARDING WITNESS CREDIBILITY OR WHAT HAVE YOU DOWN THE LINE.
- 8 THE REST OF THOSE CASES WERE LARGE SUSPENSIONS OR DEMOTIONS.
- 10 BOBBY SWERDLOW: AND THE NUMBER OF SWORN PERSONNEL IN THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT FOR THESE YEARS WAS APPROXIMATELY 30,000?
- 13 MATTHEW CATE: APPROXIMATELY.

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- 15 BOBBY SWERDLOW: DO HAVE YOU SIMILAR STATISTICS FOR PENALTY
- 16 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FAILURE TO REPORT THE USE OF FORCE OR THE
- 17 FAILURE TO REPORT WITNESSING USE OF FORCE?
- 19 MATTHEW CATE: YES. SO THESE ARE AGAIN THE MOST EGREGIOUS. BUT
- 20 WE HAD 12 CASES IN 2008, WITH 10 DISMISSALS. 8 CASES IN 2009
- 21 WITH 7 DISMISSALS. 9 CASES IN 2010 WITH 4 DISMISSALS AND 17
- 22 CASES LAST YEAR WITH 7 DISMISSALS.
- 24 BOBBY SWERDLOW: OBVIOUSLY, YOU WERE INVOLVED IN THE DECISION
- 25 TO MAKE TERMINATION THE BASE PENALTY. WHY DID YOU THINK THAT

- 1 WAS SO IMPORTANT FOR EVENTS INVOLVING DISHONESTY OR THE
- 2 FAILURE TO REPORT THE USE OF FORCE?

- 4 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, AGAIN, IT'S, YOU KNOW, I WAS ONE PERSON
- 5 AROUND THE TABLE. WE LOOKED AT NATIONAL BEST PRACTICES, BUT
- 6 MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT SEEMED THAT THE PUBLIC HAD LOST
- 7 CONFIDENCE IN OUR SYSTEM. AND THE LEGISLATURE HAD LOST
- 8 CONFIDENCE IN IT. THE GOVERNOR HAD LOST CONFIDENCE IN IT. THE
- 9 COURTS HAD LOST CONFIDENCE IN IT. SO WE FELT WE HAD TO TAKE
- 10 THE STRONGEST ACTION WE COULD TO RIGHT THE SHIP AND THE CORE
- 11 OF THIS FOR US WAS THAT OFFICERS HAD TO TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT
- 12 WHAT WAS HAPPENING ON THESE IMPORTANT ISSUES. ANY TIME, AGAIN,
- 13 NOT ONLY JUST USE OF FORCE, BUT IN WRITING REPORTS ABOUT WHAT
- 14 HAPPENED. I HAD PROSECUTED CASES IN MY PREVIOUS CAREER
- 15 INVOLVING OFFICERS WHO HAD NOT BEEN HONEST IN REPORTS AND IT
- 16 IS JUST IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE EXECUTIVES TO MANAGE WITHOUT
- 17 KNOWING THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING. AND THEN THE OTHER
- 18 PROBLEM IS THAT IF YOU HAVE DISHONEST STAFF AND THAT IS SHOWN,
- 19 THEN IT'S DIFFICULT TO PROSECUTE CASES IN THE FUTURE INVOLVING
- 20 THOSE SAME STAFF BECAUSE THAT BECOMES A DEFENSE IN THE
- 21 SUBSEQUENT CASE. AND SO YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT, AGAIN, WE TRY
- 22 TO KEEP IN MIND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MATERIAL
- 23 MISREPRESENTATIONS AND IMMATERIAL. WE TRY TO KEEP IN MIND
- 24 PEOPLE ARE HUMAN BEINGS AND SAY DUMB THINGS SOMETIMES WITHOUT
- 25 THE INTENT TO BE DISHONEST. BUT WE PROBABLY HAVE, IT SEEMS TO

- 1 ME, A VERY STRONG APPROACH IN THIS AREA. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S
- 2 RIGHT FOR EVERYBODY, BUT IT SEEMS AT LEAST IN THE CONTEXT IN
- 3 WHICH WE WENT THIS ROUTE THAT IT WAS RIGHT FOR US. SO YOU MAY
- 4 ASK ABOUT TRAINING LATER, BUT WE DIDN'T DO THIS AND THEN
- 5 SURPRISE THE STAFF WITH IT. SO THEY KNEW WE DID 8 HOURS OF
- 6 CODE OF SILENCE TRAINING FOR EVERY SWORN STAFF IN THE
- 7 INSTITUTION. EVERYBODY WHO COMES THROUGH THE ACADEMY GETS CODE
- 8 OF SILENCE TRAINING. EVERY OFFICER, EVERY YEAR, GETS A
- 9 REFRESHER ON CODE OF SILENCE. WE HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
- 10 UNION COME IN TO TALK TO OUR ACADEMY CLASSES AND A
- 11 REPRESENTATIVE, IN FACT, MIKE GENNACO COMES AND TALKS TO OUR
- 12 ACADEMY CLASSES ABOUT THE CODE OF SILENCE. HE AND THE HEAD OF
- 13 THE UNION TALK ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS AND WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO
- 14 BE TRUTHFUL. AT THE END OF THE DAY, THEY KNOW THEY CAN MAKE
- 15 ALMOST, YOU KNOW, ANY KIND OF MISTAKE, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN DO A
- 16 LOT OF THINGS AND SAVE YOUR CAREER. IT MAY HIT YOUR
- 17 POCKETBOOK. YOU MAY GET DEMOTED. THERE MAY BE A LOT OF OTHER
- 18 CONSEQUENCES, BUT IF YOU LIE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED, IF YOU LIE
- 19 IN THE INVESTIGATION, THEN WE CAN'T HELP YOU. SO OUR STAFF
- 20 KNOW THAT GOING IN. SO I THINK THEY DON'T SEE IT AS A SURPRISE
- 21 OR AS UNFAIR.
- 23 BOBBY SWERDLOW: THANK YOU, MR. SECRETARY. WE HAVE NO FURTHER
- 24 QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME.

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- 1 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: WE OPEN THIS UP NOW TO THE
- 2 COMMISSIONERS AND LET --. I STARTED WITH YOU FIRST.

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4 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: MAY I HAVE A QUESTION OF CLARIFICATION?

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6 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: OF COURSE.

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- 8 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THE OFFICE OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS IS
- 9 DIFFERENT THAN THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW, IS IT NOT?

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11 MATTHEW CATE: IT IS.

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- 13 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: AND THE OFFICE OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS
- 14 REPORTS TO THE INSPECTOR GENERAL?

- 16 MATTHEW CATE: NO. THE -- THE DEPARTMENT, IT'S HARD BECAUSE
- 17 I'VE HAD BOTH JOBS. AS THE SECRETARY OF CORRECTIONS IN MY
- 18 CURRENT ROLE, I HAVE AN OFFICE OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS THAT
- 19 CONDUCTS OUR ROUTINE INVESTIGATIONS OF STAFF. REALLY ALL OF
- 20 OUR INVESTIGATIONS OF STAFF ARE DONE INTERNALLY WITHIN OUR
- 21 INTERNAL OFFICE OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS. THEN THERE IS -- THE
- 22 INSPECTOR GENERAL, HIS NAME IS NOW IS BOB BARTON, HE HAS A
- 23 BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW THAT MONITORS THOSE
- 24 INVESTIGATIONS AND PUBLICLY REPORTS ON THE QUALITY OF
- 25 INVESTIGATIONS AND THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE PUNISHMENT METED OUT

AND THE RELATIVE HEALTH OF THE SYSTEM. 1 2 3 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: AND THE BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW IS DIFFERENT THAN THE BOARD OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW, IS IT? 4 5 MATTHEW CATE: SO THERE IS A -- THE -- MAYBE WHAT YOU ARE 6 7 REFERRING TO IS THAT WE HAVE A BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW, 8 I'M SORRY, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL HAS A BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT 9 REVIEW. THAT WAS MODELED AFTER THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT 10 REVIEW IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO WHEN I FIRST STARTED, AS I SAID, SHERIFF BACA CAME IN, TOLD ME ABOUT THE OFFICE OF 11 INDEPENDENT REVIEW, SUGGESTED IT AS A MODEL. I ADOPTED IT. HE 12 AND MIKE GENNACO BOTH WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY 13 14 TO GIVE ME EVERY RESOURCE I NEEDED TO LEARN FROM THAT MODEL, AND WE ADOPTED MOST OF IT INTO THE BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT 15 16 REVIEW IN THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND IT'S 17 DONE A GREAT JOB. 18 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU, THAT WAS COMMISSIONER 19 MURRAY. COMMISSIONER TEVRIZIAN? 20 21 22 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: I JUST HAVE ONE QUESTION DEALING 23 WITH EXHIBIT 7 - THE DISCIPLINARY COMPARISONS . IN LOOKING AT

THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION

GUIDELINES, YOU INDICATED THAT YOU HAD NOTIFIED THE UNIONS

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- 1 THAT THESE WERE THE SANCTIONS THAT WERE GOING TO BE IMPOSED.
- 2 DID YOU EVER HAVE TO BARGAIN OR NEGOTIATE WITH THEM THAT THIS
- 3 WOULD END UP IN SOME KIND OF AN MOU THAT THEN WAS RESULTING IN
- 4 A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT?

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- 6 MATTHEW CATE: NO. WE DO, AS COMMISSIONER HORN SAID, WE ALSO
- 7 HAVE, OBVIOUSLY, A VERY STRONG UNION IN CALIFORNIA IN
- 8 CORRECTIONS, AND THEY ALSO VIGOROUSLY DEFEND THE RIGHTS OF
- 9 THEIR MEMBERS. BUT THIS, WHEN THIS CAME ABOUT, THE COURT
- 10 ORDERED IT. SO WE WORK COLLABORATIVELY, BUT WE WERE UNDER THE
- 11 AUSPICES OF THE FEDERAL COURT IN MADRID. AND THE COURT JUST
- 12 ORDERED IT. THEY KNEW EVEN IF I WANTED TO I COULDN'T HAVE
- 13 CHANGED IT THEN. NOW THE COURT HAS SINCE DISMISSED THE CASE
- 14 AND WE'RE ON OUR OWN AND SO WE'RE IN THE PROCESS NOW OF HAVING
- 15 INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CALIFORNIA CORRECTIONAL PEACE
- 16 OFFICERS ASSOCIATION ABOUT THE, WHAT THEY SEE ARE WEAKNESSES
- 17 IN THE POLICY, THINGS THEY'D LIKE TO SEE DONE DIFFERENTLY,
- 18 DIFFERENCES IN TERMS OF DUE PROCESS FOR THE OFFICERS AND WHAT
- 19 NOT, SO IT WILL NOW BE A PART OF OUR NORMAL NEGOTIATIONS AND,
- 20 INFORMALLY, FROM THE VERY START, WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT TRYING
- 21 TO MAKE SURE THE WARDENS KNOW THEY HAVE DISCRETION TO TELL THE
- 22 BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW TO GET LOST IN SOME CASES. BUT
- 23 THAT'S NOT HOW IT STARTED.

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25 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT

- 1 IS, NOW THAT YOU'RE NO LONGER UNDER ANY COURT SUPERVISION OR
- 2 MANDATE, IS THE UNION ASKING TO REVISIT THE SANCTIONS AND
- 3 PENALTIES THAT ARE IMPOSED FOR THESE VARIOUS TYPES OF
- 4 OFFENSES?

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- 6 MATTHEW CATE: THEY'VE SAID THAT THEY THINK THERE ARE SOME, IN
- 7 SOME AREAS THAT THEY MAY BE TOO HARSH. THEIR FIRST COMPLAINT,
- 8 THOUGH, WAS THEY FELT LIKE THE BUREAU OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW
- 9 WAS TOO STRONG. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE MONITORS AND THEY'RE
- 10 SUPPOSED TO PUBLICLY REPORT. THE WARDENS ARE SUPPOSED TO
- 11 DECIDE PENALTIES AND SO THE FIRST CONCERN WAS THAT THE WARDENS
- 12 KNOW THAT THEY ARE IMBUED WITH THE POWER TO BE LENIENT WITHIN
- 13 THE COURSE OF THE MATRIX AND THAT THEY EXERCISE THAT POWER
- 14 WHERE APPROPRIATE. SO THAT'S WHERE WE STARTED. IT WAS MORE
- 15 PROCESS. AND WE'VE SINCE AGREED THAT WE'RE GOING TO SIT DOWN
- 16 AND TALK ABOUT INDIVIDUAL ISSUES. BUT THIS ISSUE ON LYING, ON
- 17 MATERIALLY LYING, ON A POLICE REPORT ABOUT DURING THE COURSE
- 18 OF AN INVESTIGATION OR ON AN ISSUE THAT INVOLVES OUR DAY-TO-
- 19 DAY OPERATIONS, THEY'VE NEVER COME TO ME AND SAID THEY WANTED
- 20 TO CHANGE THAT.

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22 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER BONNER.

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24 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I HAVE NO QUESTIONS.

1 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER BUSANSKY. 2 3 MR. ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT HAS COME UP OVER THAT NUMBER OF MONTHS THAT WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER IS AROUND 4 5 CREDIBILITY OF INMATES. RIGHT, AROUND THE VARIOUS COMPLAINTS THAT THEY'VE MADE. WE'VE HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO 6 HAVE BEEN INCARCERATED AT THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL. WE READ 7 8 REPORTS. WE HEARD TESTIMONY FROM A NUMBER OF L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITNESSES. CAN YOU JUST GIVE FOR US SOME SENSE OF 9 HOW YOU AND YOUR AGENCY GO ABOUT ASSESSING THE STARTING POINT 10 OF CREDIBILITY WHEN YOU LOOK AT A USE OF FORCE INCIDENT AND AN 11 ALLEGATION OF MISUSE OR EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE BY A STAFF 12 MEMBER AGAINST AN INMATE? 13 14 MATTHEW CATE: WELL, IT REALLY-- MY BACKGROUND AS A PROSECUTOR 15 16 INFORMED MY OWN VIEWS ON THIS, WHICH IS YOU LOOK FOR CORROBORATIVE EVIDENCE. YOU LOOK FOR OTHER WITNESSES. YOU LOOK 17 FOR STAFF WHO SAW AND/OR CORROBORATE. YOU LOOK FOR PHYSICAL 18 EVIDENCE. SO ONE OF THE THINGS WE DID IN THE DEPARTMENT, 19 ACTUALLY, WHEN I WAS STILL AT THE IG'S OFFICE, IS WE CONDUCTED 20 21 TRAINING ON HOW TO PRESERVE EVIDENCE BECAUSE THAT WAS ONE OF 22 THE UNDERLYING ISSUES. SO WE TRAINED OUR STAFF ON THE 23 PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE FOLLOWING USE OF FORCE, ESPECIALLY, YOU KNOW, BODILY FLUIDS AND OTHER TYPES OF EVIDENCE THAT OVER 24

TIME CAN DEGRADE AND THAT YOU CAN LOSE IF YOU DON'T ACT

- 1 SWIFTLY. SO, WE DON'T TREAT INMATES ANY DIFFERENTLY THAN WE DO
- 2 ANY OTHER PERSON THAT A POLICE AGENCY WOULD BE INTERVIEWING SO
- 3 THEY DON'T START WITH ANY SPECIAL CREDIBILITY AND THEY DON'T
- 4 START WITH A OUESTION MARK EITHER. THE TRUTH IS, IF YOU GET TO
- 5 KNOW INMATES, WHAT YOU FIND IS THAT MANY -- THEY'RE JUST LIKE
- 6 A BROADER SEGMENT OF THE COMMUNITY. YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE
- 7 GOING TO MANIPULATE AND LIE AND TRY TO SET UP STAFF AND
- 8 THEY'LL DO THOSE THINGS FOR POWER PURPOSES, AND THEN YOU HAVE
- 9 PEOPLE WHO WILL TELL THE TRUTH AND HONESTLY DESCRIBE WHAT'S
- 10 HAPPENED AND SO, YOU CAN'T TAKE AND CATEGORIZE INMATES AS ALL
- 11 ONE WAY OR ALL ANOTHER. AND SO WE JUST USE THE NORMAL
- 12 PROCESSES FOR THAT.

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- 14 MR. ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: ONE OF THE JOBS OR ONE OF THE
- 15 OUESTIONS THAT HAS COME BEFORE THIS COMMISSION IS, ARE THE
- 16 OVERSIGHT MECHANISMS IN PLACE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 17 SUFFICIENT? RIGHT? IS THE OVERSIGHT DOING WHAT IT'S SUPPOSED
- 18 TO DO? WHETHER THAT'S MIKE GENACCO AND HIS OIR OFFICE OR
- 19 MERRICK BOBB AND PARC OR THE ACLU VISITATION PROGRAM OR THE
- 20 OTHER PROCESSES THAT ARE THERE AT THE L.A. SHERIFF'S
- 21 DEPARTMENT. YOU DO HAVE ANY ADVICE ON HOW WE CAN GO ABOUT
- 22 ANALYZING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE OVERSIGHT AGENCY; IN A
- 23 SENSE HOW DO WE DO OVERSIGHT OF THE OVERSIGHT AGENCY?
- 25 MATTHEW CATE: RIGHT. WELL, IN FACT, THERE IS SOMETIMES

- 1 OVERSIGHT AGENCIES GET CRITICIZED BY ASKING THE QUESTION
- 2 OF...WELL, WHO IS WATCHING YOU WHILE YOU WATCH THEM? RIGHT? SO
- 3 AT SOME POINT YOU HAVE TO FIGURE ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. I THINK,
- 4 ULTIMATELY, IT'S A -- I THINK THAT AGAIN I HAVE A GREAT DEAL
- 5 OF FAITH IN SHERIFF BACA AND I THINK HE IS A MAN OF GREAT
- 6 HONOR. MIKE GENNACO IS AS PROFESSIONAL AS THEY GET. I THINK
- 7 THAT THE QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED ARE FAIR ONES TO ASK.
- 8 IS THERE SOMEBODY WHO CAN GET INTO THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS
- 9 OF THE JAIL SUFFICIENTLY? SO I KNOW THAT THE COMMISSION HAS
- 10 HEARD STATEMENTS ABOUT FILES BEING IN DESK DRAWERS. THOSE
- 11 KINDS OF THINGS. WE HAD THAT. THE QUESTION IS, YOU HAVE TO
- 12 HAVE THOSE GOOD SYSTEMS IN PLACE AND INDEPENDENT MONITORING
- 13 CAN BE HELPFUL WITH THAT. THE QUESTION IS...IS IT ROBUST
- 14 ENOUGH TO GET IN? IS IT INDEPENDENT? IT'S ALL THOSE THINGS YOU
- 15 HAVE BEEN DESCRIBING. ULTIMATELY, IT'S UP TO THIS COMMUNITY TO
- 16 DECIDE HOW MUCH THEY WANT TO INVEST IN TERMS OF STAFFING AT A
- 17 JAIL. I THOUGHT THE CHIEF'S QUESTIONS IN THAT AREA WERE
- 18 IMPORTANT AND HOW MUCH YOU WANT TO INVEST IN STAFFING YOUR
- 19 MONITORS. YOU KNOW, IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE SHERIFF AND MIKE
- 20 GENNACO AND I TALKED ABOUT FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AGO. OH, NO,
- 21 IT'S BEEN EIGHT YEARS AGO. YOU KNOW, WE WERE, YOU KNOW, WE HAD
- 22 -- IT WAS IMPORTANT TO THE GOVERNOR AND HE PUT A LOT OF
- 23 RESOURCES INTO BUILDING THE MOST ROBUST MODEL YOU COULD
- 24 POSSIBLY BUILD. MAYBE IT WAS TOO ROBUST AND NOW IT SHRUNK
- 25 BECAUSE THE SYSTEMS ARE IN PLACE. BUT MIKE TALKED AT THE TIME

- 1 ABOUT, YOU HAVE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF PEOPLE, YOU DO WHAT YOU
- 2 CAN WITH THOSE PEOPLE. I KNOW MERRICK BOBB VERY WELL. HE'S
- 3 ALSO AS GOOD AS THEY COME. SO THEN IF YOU HAVE QUALITY PEOPLE
- 4 LOOKING AT THE ISSUES, I DON'T HAVE ANY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT
- 5 THE STAFF ARE ANYTHING BUT AS A GROUP HONORABLE LAW
- 6 ENFORCEMENT, WELL-TRAINED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. WE HAD THE
- 7 SAME THING. IT'S THE LAW OF BIG NUMBERS. IN THE CALIFORNIA
- 8 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS, IF WE HAVE ONE-HALF OF 1% OF OUR
- 9 STAFF ARE DOING THINGS THEY SHOULDN'T BE DOING, WELL, THAT'S
- 10 150 OFFICERS WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT. THAT'S WAY TOO MANY.
- 11 I THINK THE SAME IS TRUE IN L.A. WHICH, REALLY, AS I'VE LOOKED
- 12 OVER THESE ISSUES, THE BIGGEST CONCERNS I HAVE HAD HAVE BEEN
- 13 MAKING SURE THERE IS SUFFICIENT STAFFING OF THE ORGANIZATIONS
- 14 AND SUFFICIENT INDEPENDENCE TO DO THEIR JOB. YOU'VE GOT A
- 15 GREAT GROUP OF ALL STARS THAT ARE WORKING DOWN HERE. IT'S JUST
- 16 A MATTER OF WHETHER THEY HAVE EVERYTHING THEY NEED TO BE
- 17 SUCCESSFUL, IN MY VIEW.

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- 19 MR. ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: THANK YOU.
- 21 CHIEF JIM MCDONNELL: THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY. YOU HAVE
- 22 FAIRLY UNIQUE INSIGHT AND BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE BETWEEN
- 23 BEING A PROSECUTOR, BEING AN IG AND NOW SECRETARY OF CDCR. IN
- 24 LOOKING AT THE ISSUES THAT WE'RE ADDRESSING HERE AS A
- 25 COMMISSION, OTHER THAN THE THINGS YOU HAVE ALREADY TOUCHED ON,

ARE THERE THINGS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT WE MAKE SURE 1 WE ADDRESS IN OUR REPORT TO SATISFACTORILY TAKE CARE OF THE 2 3 BUSINESS THAT WE'VE BEEN TASKED WITH? 4 5 MATTHEW CATE: I READ SHERIFF BACA'S SIX-MONTH STATUS UPDATE ON HIS JAIL REFORMS. I AGREE HE IS MAKING GREAT STRIDES IN THAT 6 RESPECT. I WOULD ENCOURAGE HIM TO CONTINUE TO GO DOWN THAT 7 8 ROAD, WHICH I'M SURE HE WILL. I THINK IT'S PROBABLY WORTHWHILE 9 TO LOOK AT TRAINING ON THESE ISSUES OF CODE OF SILENCE AND ON ISSUES OF HONESTY. IN THE EIGHT HOURS THAT WE SPEND -- I'LL 10 11 GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE. WE NOT ONLY HAVE KIND OF THE REGULAR TEACHING, BUT WE ALSO HAVE SOME INTERACTION WITH THE CLASS. 12 WE'LL DO VIDEO VIGNETTES, LIKE FROM, IT'S A LITTLE SILLY BUT 13 SOME THAT FROM THE MOVIE ABOUT GUANTANAMO BAY WITH KEVIN 14 BACON, ALL THOSE GUYS "YOU CAN'T HANDLE THE TRUTH!" REMEMBER 15 16 THAT MOVIE? SO WE TALK ABOUT THAT BECAUSE IT'S AN INSTANCE WHERE YOU HAVE A GROUP OF GREAT PEOPLE DOING HEROIC WORK WHO 17 18 FIND THEMSELVES IN A SITUATION WHERE IT'S REALLY HARD TO TELL 19 THE TRUTH. THAT'S AN ISSUE THAT OFFICERS HAVE TO -- IN ANY PROFESSION, YOU HAVE TO DECIDE AHEAD OF TIME WHAT YOU ARE 20 GOING TO DO IN THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES. BECAUSE IF YOU ARE TRYING 21 TO MAKE THAT DECISION, AT THE TIME I THINK IT'S VERY DIFFICULT 22 TO -- ESPECIALLY IF SOMEBODY ELSE IS ALREADY GOING DOWN A ROAD 23 SAYING THIS DIDN'T HAPPEN, IT'S REALLY HARD TO TRY TO MAKE 24 OF

UP YOUR MIND RIGHT THEN TO GO THE OTHER DIRECTION. YOU GOT TO

- 1 DECIDE WAY IN ADVANCE. AND SO I WOULD JUST EMPHASIZE THE
- 2 TRAINING ASPECTS SO THAT OFFICERS FEEL IT'S FAIR. SO THEY
- 3 DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY'RE, YOU KNOW, A SUSPECT AS A GROUP OF
- 4 PEOPLE. BECAUSE MY EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN PEACE OFFICERS ARE AN
- 5 EXEMPLARY GROUP OF PEOPLE AS A WHOLE. AND THEN I WORRY ABOUT
- 6 STAFFING AT THE JAILS, WHICH YOU BROUGHT UP. THERE'S GOT TO BE
- 7 ENOUGH MONEY TO DO THIS. AND THEN I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT
- 8 MIKE GENNACO'S SYSTEM TODAY, OR MERRICK BOBB'S SYSTEM TODAY,
- 9 TO KNOW WHETHER THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT INDEPENDENCE TO KNOW
- 10 WHETHER THEY HAVE MANDATORY PUBLIC REPORTING, TO KNOW WHETHER
- 11 THEY HAVE A MATRIX THAT MAKES SENSE. I'D LEAVE THAT TO THE
- 12 COMMISSIONERS AND TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MAKING THESE
- 13 DECISIONS. BUT ALL THOSE ARE IMPORTANT FACTORS TO CONSIDER.
- 15 CHIEF JIM MCDONNELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 17 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: REV. MURRAY.
- 19 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: DID YOU SAY THAT, IN YOUR OPINION,
- 20 UNDERSHERIFF TANAKA RECEIVES AN "A" RATING?
- 22 MATTHEW CATE: I DON'T KNOW. I'VE OBVIOUSLY MET UNDERSHERIFF
- 23 TANAKA AND WE'VE HAD SOCIAL CONVERSATIONS. I DON'T KNOW HIM OR
- 24 HIS EFFECTIVENESS AND SO -- AND I'VE ONLY SEEN PARTS OF THE
- 25 TESTIMONY, SO I WOULDN'T VENTURE TO GIVE A PROFESSIONAL

OPINION ABOUT THE UNDERSHERIFF. 1 2 3 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? I THINK WE ARE FINISHED. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH --6 7 8 SPEAKER: CAN I ASK YOU ONE QUESTION? I WANT A CLARIFICATION OF SOMETHING REVEREND MURRAY MENTIONED. I THINK WHEN YOU WERE 9 TALKING ABOUT THE "A" RATING, YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT MICHAEL 10 11 GENNACO AND NOT THE UNDERSHERIFF TANAKA. 12 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: OH, I SEE. THANK YOU. 13 14 15 MATTHEW CATE: BECAUSE WE WORKED IN THE SAME FIELD FOR SO LONG 16 AND MR. GENNACO WAS A MENTOR OF MINE, I KNOW HIS WORK MUCH BETTER THAN I WOULD MR. TANAKA, WHO I JUST KNOW SOCIALLY A 17 18 LITTLE BIT. 19 SPEAKER: THE SOUND SYSTEM IS NOT REAL GOOD. AND SO, GENNACO 20 SOUND LIKE TANAKA AND TANAKA SOUNDS LIKE GENNACO. 21 22 23 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: DIFFERENT PERSONS. THANK YOU VERY,

VERY MUCH, SECRETARY CATE. WE APPRECIATE THE TIME YOU TOOK AND

THE INFORMATION YOU HAVE GIVEN US. THANK YOU AGAIN.

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1 MATTHEW CATE: IT WAS MY PLEASURE. THANK YOU TO THE COMMISSION. 2 3 I WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE OUR NEXT WITNESS. WHO IS JEFFREY SCHWARTZ AND A USE OF FORCE EXPERT. 6 7 WELCOME, MR. SCHWARTZ, IT'S A PLEASURE TO HAVE YOU. WE HAVE 8 BEEN PROVIDED WITH ONE OF YOUR REVIEWS. THAT WAS ON --. 9 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I'M SORRY, I'M HAVING TROUBLE HEARING YOU. 10 11 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: I WANT TO WELCOME YOU AND WE HAVE 12 HAD SOME DISTRIBUTION OF YOUR REPORT ON, I BELIEVE IT WAS THE 13 RAMIREZ VS. BACA CASE, WHICH WAS VERY INTERESTING. SO WE ARE 14 GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO MS. KRINSKY, WHO IS GOING TO DO THE -15 16 - MS. KRINSKY, WHO IS GOING TO DO THE DIRECT EXAMINATION AND IT WILL BE OPENED TO QUESTIONS FROM THE COMMISSION. 17 18 19 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THANK YOU. 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: GOOD AFTERNOON MR. SCHWARTZ. THANK YOU FOR 21 22 JOINING US. YOU CURRENTLY HAVE A CONSULTING -- YOU DO CONSULTING WORK IN REGARD TO PRISONS, POLICE AND CORRECTIONS 23 AGENCIES IN THE U.S. AND ABROAD; IS THAT CORRECT? 24

1 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, THAT'S RIGHT. 2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN DOING THAT KIND OF WORK? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: OVER 30 YEARS. 6 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DO YOU ALSO HAVE A Ph.D. IN RESEARCH AROUND 9 EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY? 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I DO. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN YOU DESCRIBE THE AREAS OF FOCUS THAT 13 14 YOU DO? 15 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE DONE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK ON CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND CRISIS INTERVENTION. I HAVE DONE A GREAT DEAL 17 18 OF WORK ON USE OF FORCE, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO POLICIES 19 AND REVIEW PROCEDURES. I'VE DONE A LOT OF WORK ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, SPECIFICALLY FOR JAILS AND PRISONS. SOME WORK ON 20 21 -- A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK OVER THE YEARS ON MANAGEMENT 22 AND SUPERVISORY TRAINING FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES. 23 I HAVE PROBABLY BEEN CALLED ON TO DO MORE CRITICAL INCIDENT REVIEWS, ALSO REFERRED TO AS "AFTER ACTION REVIEWS" THAN 24

ANYBODY IN THE COUNTRY AFTER MAJOR CRISES, EMERGENCIES OR

- 1 NATURAL DISASTERS IN PRISONS AND JAILS. THAT KIND OF -- AND I
- 2 CURRENTLY AM DOING A LOT MORE EXPERT WITNESS WORK THAN I DID
- 3 EARLIER IN MY CAREER.

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- 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN YOU TELL US HOW MANY STATES AND
- 6 CORRECTIONS SYSTEMS HAVE YOU WORKED IN?

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- 8 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE PROBABLY WORKED DIRECTLY -- I HAVE
- 9 WORKED FOR OVER THREE-FOURTHS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENTS; 40-
- 10 SOME. I'M NOT SURE. I HAD -- THE TRAINING WE HAVE DONE FROM
- 11 ALL 50 STATE DEPARTMENTS OF CORRECTION AND A NUMBER OF LARGE,
- 12 MEDIUM-SIZE AND SMALL JAILS AS WELL.

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- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU MENTIONED LARGE JAILS. WHAT PROPORTION
- 15 OF THE LARGE OR METROPOLITAN JAILS IN THE NATION DO YOU
- 16 BELIEVE YOU HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK FOR OR WORK WITH?

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- 18 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION. I DON'T -- IT WOULD
- 19 DEPEND HOW YOU DEFINE IT. I CAN'T -- I CAN TELL YOU, I HAVE
- 20 WORKED WITH COOK COUNTY, NEW YORK CITY, BALTIMORE JAILS,
- 21 PHILADELPHIA JAILS, NEW ORLEANS JAILS, LOS ANGELES, SANTA
- 22 CLARA COUNTY WHERE I LIVE, SHELBY COUNTY IN TENNESSEE. THE
- 23 MILWAUKEE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THAT'S GETTING TO NOT QUITE SO
- 24 LARGE JAILS, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT PROPORTION THAT IS.

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU ALSO BEEN BROUGHT IN TO TURN
- 2 AROUND JAILS AND CORRECTIONS SYSTEMS EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS IN
- 3 VIOLENCE, USE OF FORCE, CODES OF SILENCE?

5 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES, I HAVE.

7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AROUND HOW MANY TIMES DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE

- 8 PLAYED THAT ROLE IN SORT OF BEING A CHANGE AGENT OR DOING
- 9 TURN-AROUND WORK?

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- 11 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** PROBABLY FOUR-SIX TIMES WHERE THAT'S BEEN
- 12 THE PRIMARY FOCUS OF MY WORK.
- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IN THOSE INSTANCES, WHO WAS IT -- WHAT
- 15 ENTITY -- BROUGHT YOU IN?
- 17 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: TYPICALLY, THE STATE OR COUNTY THAT WAS
- 18 HAVING A MAJOR PROBLEM, SOMETIMES USING THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE
- 19 OF CORRECTIONS TO INITIALLY FUND THE WORK.
- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU MENTIONED SHELBY COUNTY, MEMPHIS WAS
- 22 ONE OF THE PLACES YOU WERE WORKING. WAS THAT A PARTICULARLY
- 23 TROUBLED JAIL SYSTEM THAT BROUGHT YOU INTO THE SYSTEM WITH
- 24 THEIR TURN-AROUND WORK?

- 1 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. I STARTED THERE IN 2000. THE JAIL,
- 2 SHELBY COUNTY, MEMPHIS HAD JUST BEEN FOUND IN CONTEMPT OF A
- 3 20-YEAR STANDING CONSENT DECREE. THEY HAD BEEN FOUND IN
- 4 CONTEMPT ON ALL FIVE MAJOR PROVISIONS OF THE CONSENT DECREE.
- 5 THE JAIL WAS CLEARLY ONE -- IT WAS VIOLENT, UNDER GANG
- 6 CONTROL, FILTHY, ALMOST ANY MEASURE THAT YOU WOULD TAKE TO
- 7 LOOK AT JAIL EFFECTIVENESS OR MANAGEMENT, THAT JAIL WAS IN
- 8 TERRIBLE SHAPE IN 2000 WHEN I BEGAN.
- 10 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND WHAT IS THE STATE OF THE MEMPHIS JAILS
- 11 TODAY?

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- 13 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I AM VERY PLEASED TO SAY WITHIN -- I LAST
- 14 WORKED THERE, WHICH WAS PROBABLY 2005- 2006, IT HAD TURNED
- 15 INTO ONE OF THE BEST CITY JAILS IN THE UNITED STATES AND I
- 16 HAVE BEEN IN SOME TOUCH WITH THEM. FROM WHAT I KNOW, IT IS
- 17 TODAY STILL BY SIMILAR, WELL ACCEPTED MEASURES, ONE OF THE
- 18 BEST BIG CITY JAILS IN THE COUNTRY.
- 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IN TERMS OF MEASURES OVER THE COURSE OF
- 21 YOUR WORK THERE, WAS THERE A DRAMATIC REDUCTION IN INCIDENTS
- 22 OF USE OF FORCE?
- 24 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES, VERY LARGE REDUCTION.

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- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: OVER THE COURSE OF YOUR WORK, HAVE YOU ALSO
- 2 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE, NOT SIMPLY TROUBLED JAILS, BUT
- 3 ALSO THOSE YOU WOULD VIEW AS MORE PROGRESSIVE AND WELL-
- 4 FUNCTIONING JAILS?

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6 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** I HAVE.

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND DID COMMISSION STAFF, MYSELF AND
- 9 OTHERS, ASK YOU TO IDENTIFY WHAT SOME OF THOSE JAILS WERE AND
- 10 WHO SOME OF THE BEST JAIL LEADERS IN THE NATION WERE?

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- 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, YOU AND OTHER PEOPLE ON THE STAFF DID
- 13 ASK ME AND I DID MAKE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING SHELBY
- 14 COUNTY AND THE PERSON WHO WAS RUNNING THE SHELBY COUNTY JAIL
- 15 SYSTEM. THE JAIL IN BOISE, IDAHO, SHERIFF GARY RAINY IN CHARGE
- 16 OF THAT JAIL AND A FEW OTHER PEOPLE.

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- 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY DID YOU IDENTIFY SHERIFF RAINY -- THAT
- 19 YOU ENCOURAGED US TO SPEAK WITH?

- 21 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** IT IS THE BEST JAIL THAT I HAVE SEEN IN SOME
- 22 30 YEARS. I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BEST IN THE COUNTRY. IT MUST BE
- 23 ONE OF THE BEST. IT'S ABOUT A 1,200 BED FACILITY. SHERIFF
- 24 RAINY IS, FROM EVERYTHING I HAVE SEEN AND I HAVE DONE SOME
- 25 WORK THERE ON TWO OCCASIONS, A -- AN EXCEPTIONAL AND

- 1 EXTRAORDINARY LEADER. HE IS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED. HE'S DONE
- 2 CONSULTING HELPING OTHER SHERIFFS WITH JAIL PROBLEMS AND
- 3 TURNING AROUND JAILS. HE IS ONE OF TWO SHERIFFS IN THE COUNTRY
- 4 TO THE SERVE ON THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS ADVISORY
- 5 BOARD.

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- 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: NOW, MR. SCHWARTZ, HAVE YOU ALSO PUBLISHED
- 8 ARTICLES THAT DEAL GENERALLY WITH CORRECTIONS ISSUES?

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- 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE PUBLISHED ON PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH
- 11 ISSUES, POLICE ISSUES AND CORRECTIONS ISSUES. I PUBLISHED
- 12 OUITE A BIT IN CORRECTIONS.

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- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW ABOUT IN REGARD TO USE OF FORCE ISSUES
- 15 HAVE YOU PUBLISHED ARTICLES OR WRITTEN ANY PUBLICATIONS IN
- 16 REGARD TO USE OF FORCE?

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- 18 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE. IN THE LAST THREE OR FOUR
- 19 YEARS, I PUBLISHED FIVE ARTICLES, SPECIFICALLY ON USE OF FORCE
- 20 IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.

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- 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU SERVED AS AN EXPERT WITNESS? I
- 23 KNOW THAT IS SOMETHING YOU DO AS WELL IN CIVIL LAWSUITS
- 24 INVOLVING JAILS IN PRISONS?

1 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE. 2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN YOU ESTIMATE HOW MANY TIMES YOU SERVED AS AN EXPERT IN THAT CAPACITY? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I BELIEVE IN 50-60 CASES. 6 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU TESTIFIED FOR BOTH PLAINTIFFS AS 9 WELL AS DEFENDANTS, INCLUDING JAILS AND CORRECTION SYSTEMS? 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU DONE THIS WORK IN REGARD TO 13 14 CALIFORNIA JAILS AND CALIFORNIA LITIGATION? 15 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: ON SOME OCCASIONS, MOST OF MY WORK HAS BEEN OUT OF CALIFORNIA, BUT ON SOME OCCASIONS, IN CALIFORNIA YES. 17 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: NOW, I'D LIKE TO BRING YOUR ATTENTION FROM 19 THE MACRO DOWN TO LOS ANGELES. 20 21 22 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: SURE. 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU, LAST YEAR, ASKED TO DO WORK FOR 24 THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? 25

1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, BEGINNING IN THE FALL LAST YEAR, 2011. MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHO WAS IT THAT ASKED YOU TO DO WORK FOR 3 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? 4 5 6 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: SHERIFF BACA 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU MEET WITH SHERIFF BACA FOR THE WORK 9 HE WANTED YOU TO DO? 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I DID. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU MEET WITH HIM MORE THAN ONCE? 13 14 15 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I MET WITH HIM TWICE TO DO THAT WORK. 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY DID YOU DO THAT? 17 18 19 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: SHERIFF BACA -- I GUESS I WILL ANSWER IN 20 REVERSE ORDER, THE SHERIFF TALKED ABOUT THE AMOUNT OF 21 ATTENTION THE DEPARTMENT WAS GETTING ON USE OF FORCE ISSUES 22 AND HE KNEW THAT I HAD DONE A LOT OF WORK ELSEWHERE REVAMPING 23 OR RE-WRITING USE OF FORCE POLICIES, DEVELOPING TRAINING AND DEVELOPING REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES. HE ASKED ME TO 24 DO THAT KIND OF WORK HERE AND TO REWRITE THE USE OF FORCE 25

- 1 POLICY, AND THEN IF WE HAD A MEETING OF MINDS ABOUT THE DRAFT,
- 2 WE USE THE USE OF FORCE POLICY TO TRAIN A CADRE OF LASD
- 3 TRAINING STAFF, DIRECT IT TO LASD AND EVENTUALLY THEREBY
- 4 TRAINING ALL OF THE STAFF, MUCH AS MATT CATE TALKED ABOUT THE
- 5 USE OF POLICIES, PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES.

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7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IS THAT WORK STILL ONGOING?

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9 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** NO, IT ISN'T.

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11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHOSE DECISION WAS IT TO END THAT WORK?

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13 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT WAS MINE.

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- 15 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY DID YOU DECIDE NOT TO CONTINUE THAT
- 16 WORK?

- 18 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT WAS NOT PROCEEDING CONSTRUCTIVELY. IT HAD
- 19 GOTTEN WHERE WE HAD PRODUCED A DRAFT OF A NEW USE OF FORCE
- 20 POLICY. THERE WERE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH PROCEEDING IN THE WAY
- 21 IN WHICH WE HAD AGREED AND THE PROPOSAL WE HAD TURNED IN TO
- 22 THE COMMITTEE THAT WAS APPROVED. THERE WAS A SUBSTANTIAL
- 23 AMOUNT OF RESISTANCE BELOW THE LEVEL OF SHERIFF BACA. THERE
- 24 WERE DRAMATICLY CONFLICTING REACTIONS TO THE DRAFT USE OF
- 25 FORCE POLICY AND COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS AND IT GOT TO WHERE I

- 1 WROTE TO THE SHERIFF AND SAID THAT THIS IS THE FAIL-SAFE POINT
- 2 WE AGREED TO. THERE REALLY ISN'T A MEETING OF THE MINDS. WE
- 3 DON'T THINK IT'S WISE TO CONTINUE AND WE WISH YOU THE BEST.

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- 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU MENTIONED INCONSISTENT RESPONSIBILITIES
- 6 AND COMMUNICATION PROBLEMS. CAN YOU GIVE US AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT
- 7 YOU MEAN BY THAT? WHAT YOU ENCOUNTERED IN THAT REGARD?

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- 9 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: WELL, IN TERMS THAT'S VERY SPECIFIC AND IT'S
- 10 TWO ISSUES...IN TERMS OF INCONSISTENT RESPONSES, WHEN WE --
- 11 WHEN I SENT IN A SECOND DRAFT OF THE USE OF FORCE POLICY WHICH
- 12 WE SHOULD HAVE THEN MET ON AND DISCUSSED IN TERMS OF WHAT WAS
- 13 CURRENTLY IN PLACE, THE FIRST REACTION AFTER STAFF IN THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT HAD HAD A CHANCE TO READ THAT DRAFT, WAS ONE OF THE
- 15 ADMINISTRATORS CALLING SOMEBODY AT COMMANDER LEVEL AND SAYING,
- 16 THAT'S GREAT, ALMOST EVERYTHING THAT YOU'VE GOT IN THAT, WE
- 17 WANTED TO ADOPT, BUT WE WANT TO KEEP THE CURRENT FORMAT OF THE
- 18 USE OF FORCE POLICY. AND THEN THE NEXT DAY SOMEBODY ELSE
- 19 CALLED ME, ALSO COMMANDER LEVEL AND SAID, WELL, EVERYTHING
- 20 THAT YOU GOT IN THERE, WE ALREADY HAVE IN THE POLICY. NEITHER
- 21 OF THOSE REACTIONS, IN MY OPINION, WERE TERRIBLY SENSIBLE. AND
- 22 IT WAS FRUSTRATING, IT WASN'T MOVING ANYWHERE.

- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CAN I ASK YOU FOR A CLARIFICATION? WHO WAS
- 25 THE POINT PERSON YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO DEAL WITH THAT SHERIFF

BACA TOLD YOU TO INTERACT WITH? 1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: INITIALLY, THERE WASN'T ONE. PARTWAY THROUGH 3 THE WORK, COMMANDER PIETRATONI, HE WAS HELPFUL BRINGING THE 4 5 WAY. AS FAR AS THE COMMUNICATION ISSUES, IT GOT TO WHERE BEFORE WE STOPPED THE WORK I SENT THE SHERIFF AN E-MAIL SAYING 6 7 THIS PROJECT IS, WE'RE HAVING SERIOUS TROUBLE WITH THIS 8 PROJECT. I REALLY NEED TO SPEAK TO YOU RATHER THAN ONE OF YOUR 9 SUBORDINATES. I DIDN'T GET AN ANSWER FROM THE SHERIFF, BUT ABOUT A DAY-AND-A-HALF LATER, ONE OF HIS SUBORDINATES CALLED 10 AND SAID, WHY ARE YOU SENDING NEGATIVE STUFF TO THE SHERIFF. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHO WOULD THAT HAVE BEEN? 13 14 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT WAS ONE OF THE PEOPLE ON THE COMMANDER'S 15 16 TASK FORCE. 17 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY:: DID THERE SEEM TO BE A MESSAGE TO YOU THAT 19 NEGATIVE INFORMATION SHOULD GO TO SOMEBODY OTHER THAN THE SHERIFF? 20 21 22 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I'M NOT SURE IF THAT WAS THE MOTIVATION FOR 23 THE CALL. I JUST DON'T KNOW. IT WASN'T GOING ANYWHERE. WE COULDN'T -- I HAD BEEN IMPRESSED WITH THE SHERIFF WITH HIS 24

VALUES, AND WHAT HE WANTED TO DO. I CONTINUE TO FEEL THAT WAY.

- 1 WE COULDN'T REACH HIM AND IT WAS GOING NOWHERE AND THERE WAS
- 2 LOTS OF OBVIOUS RESISTASNCE.

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- 4 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU TALK TO THE SHERIFFS ABOUT YOUR
- 5 TALKING TO THE COMMISSION AND TESTIFYING BEFORE US TODAY?

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- 7 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. I HAD HEARD SECOND-HAND THAT THE
- 8 SHERIFF HAD SAID THAT THAT WAS FINE AND HE HAD BEEN VERY OPEN
- 9 WITH ME ABOUT SAYING, GO AHEAD AND TALK WITH ANY OF THE
- 10 COMMISSION OR COMMISSION STAFF THAT WANT TO TALK WITH YOU.
- 11 TALK OPENLY. BUT THEN THE QUESTION BECAME...SHOULD I SHARE
- 12 WORK PRODUCT OR SOMETHING OF THAT SORT? SECONDHAND I HEARD THE
- 13 SHERIFF HAD SAID THAT WAS FINE. I SENT HIM AN E-MAIL SAYING
- 14 I'D BE MORE COMFORTABLE IF YOU'D LET ME KNOW DIRECTLY. HE SENT
- 15 ME A GRACIOUS E-MAIL SAYING, ANYTHING THE COMMISSION IS
- 16 INTERESTED IN, COOPERATE FULLY. SO YES, HE APPROVED THAT.

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- 18 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AS PART OF THIS WORK THAT YOU DID FOR THE
- 19 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DID YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT
- 20 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS?

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22 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: ON USE OF FORCE IN DETAIL.

- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU LOOK AT THE PROCESS FOR
- 25 INVESTIGATION AND DISCIPLINE REGARDING USE OF FORCE?

1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. THE INVESTIGATION AND REVIEW PROCEDURE 3 IN MUCH MORE DETAIL THAN THE DISCIPLINARY PROCESS. 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU TOUR THE DOWNTOWN JAIL FACILITY? 6 7 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I DID. 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I BELIEVE YOU INDICATED YOU SPOKE TO 9 VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE. DID YOU SPEAK 10 11 WITH OTHER CUSTODY SUPERVISORS? 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, AS I TOURED ITS JAILS, IN PARTICULAR, I 13 TALKED TO PEOPLE FROM FIRST LINE SUPERVISORS THROUGH CAPTAIN 14 15 TO COMMANDER LEVEL. 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I BELIEVE YOU INDICATED YOUR FOCUS WAS USE 17 18 OF FORCE POLICY AND PROCEDURES. DID YOU ALSO HAVE THE 19 OPPORTUNITY MORE BROADLY TO ASSESS CHALLENGES FACING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN ITS CAPACITY IN THE RUNNING OF THE 20 JAILS AND THE GENERAL CONCERNS AROUND USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE? 21 22 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, IN MY VIEW, YOU CAN'T LOOK AT USE OF 24 FORCE IN A VACUUM. IT EXISTS IN AN ORGANIZATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE AND UNLESS HAVE YOU SOME FEEL FOR THE 25

- 1 ATMOSPHERE, CALL IT WHAT YOU WILL, THE CLIMATE AND THE
- 2 INSTITUTIONS, WORK WITH STAFF, INMATES, IT'S GOING TO BE A
- 3 LOSING VENTURE. SO YES, I LOOKED MORE BROADLY, BUT MY FOCUS
- 4 WAS VERY CLEARLY WHAT MY MANDATE WAS, WHICH WAS USE OF FORCE
- 5 ISSUES.

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- 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: BEFORE THIS RECENT ENGAGEMENT, WERE YOU
- 8 ALSO INVOLVED IN LOOKING AT ISSUES INVOLVING LOS ANGELES
- 9 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS' HANDLING OF USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS
- 10 FOR CIVIL LAWSUITS WHERE YOU SERVED AS AN EXPERT WITNESS?

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12 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES.

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- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE THERE TWO ON THE PLAINTIFF'S SIDE AND
- 15 TWO ON THE DEFENSE SIDE?

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17 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** THAT'S ACCURATE.

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- 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WAS ONE OF THOSE, AS JUDGE BAIRD MENTIONED,
- 20 THE RAMIREZ CELL EXTRACTION IN 2006?

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22 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** THAT'S CORRECT.

- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID THAT INVOLVE THE SERIAL CELL EXTRACTION
- 25 ON THE 3,000 FLOOR OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL?

1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT DID. 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU REVIEW WITNESS STATEMENTS, VIDEOS, 4 5 INTERVIEWS AND OTHER MATERIALS IN CONNECTION WITH THAT 6 INCIDENT? 7 8 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: ALL OF THAT AND MORE. 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU FORM ANY CONCERNS ABOUT THE NATURE 10 11 OF THE FORCE OR THE NATURE OF THE DEPUTY CONDUCT IN THAT CASE? 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, IN PROBABLY THREE REGARDS. I WAS MOST 13 CONCERNED WITH THE AMOUNT AND LEVEL OF FORCE USED BEGINNING 14 WITH THE NEED FOR AN EXTRACTION OF EVERY INMATE IN THAT LIVING 15 16 UNIT. THE DISPARITY BETWEEN THE VERY SEVERE INJURIES THAT SOME INMATES SUFFERED, INCLUDING AN INMATE WHO WAS, I BELIEVE, 17 18 FLATLINED AS HE WAS MEDEVAC'ED OUT OF THE SITUATION. AND THOSE 19 WERE CONTRASTED WITH THE DEPUTY REPORTS OF INMATES KICKING, FIGHTING, PUNCHING. BUT NO STAFF. THEY'RE VERY SERIOUS INMATE 20 21 INJURIES, SOME OF THEM. NO STAFF INJURIES. AND SOME OF THAT 22 SITUATION DIDN'T ADD UP WELL. 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IN LOOKING AT VIDEOTAPES, DID YOU SEE 24

ANYTHING THAT SUGGESTED TO YOU THAT THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN

GRATUITOUS USE OF FORCE? 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. THE VIDEOTAPE DIDN'T FOLLOW, LIKE IT SHOULD HAVE, THE ACTUAL CELL EXTRACTIONS. THE VIDEOTAPE DID 4 5 SHOW, FOR EXAMPLE, AN INJURED INMATE BEING DRAGGED INTO A TRIAGE AREA FACE-FIRST ON THE CONCRETE. THERE WERE THE SOUND 6 7 OF INMATES BEING TASERED AND YELLING AND SCREAMING IN PAIN 8 WITH STAFF SAYING STUFF, "STOP FIGHTING, STOP FIGHTING." SOME 9 OF THAT ALSO WAS OF REAL CONCERN WITH REGARD TO THE NEED FOR THE AMOUNT OF FORCE THAT WAS USED. 10 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: FROM WHAT YOU REVIEWED, DID YOU ALSO HAVE 12 CONCERNS THAT INMATES SEEMED FEARFUL TO REPORT WHAT HAD 13 14 HAPPENED TO THEM? 15 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. THE INMATES, TO A PERSON ON THE VIDEOTAPE, EITHER SAID, "I'M NOT INJURED," AS ARE YOU LOOKING 17 18 AT A VIDEOTAPE SHOWING SOMEBODY WITH VERY SEVERE INJURIES ON THE VIDEOTAPE OR, "I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED," OR "I HAVE 19 NOTHING TO SAY." IT WENT BEYOND JUST...I DON'T WANT TO TALK TO 20 21 STAFF. THEY'RE VERY FEARFUL. MR. RAMIREZ, WHO FILED THE 22 LAWSUIT, DIDN'T DO SO UNTIL HE HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED OUT OF 23 THAT FACILITY AND TESTIFIED THAT HE HAD BEEN TOLD IF HE SAID ANYTHING WHILE HE WAS IN THE FACILITY, HE'D LEAVE THERE IN A 24

BODY BAG.

1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT 2 3 THE REPORTS AND ASSESS THE NATURE OF THE INVESTIGATION THAT WAS DONE AND HOW THE REPORTING OF USE OF FORCE OCCURRED. 4 5 JEFFREY SWARTZ: THANK YOU. THOSE WERE THE OTHER TWO AREAS I 6 7 WAS MOST CONCERNED WITH. 8 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT WERE THE NATURE OF YOUR CONCERNS? 10 11 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: WITH REGARD TO REPORTING, THE -- I REACHED THE CONCLUSION THAT A NUMBER OF DEPUTIES HAD PLAGUERIZED THEIR 12 REPORTS FROM OTHER DEPUTIES, RATHER THAN REFLECTING WHAT THAT 13 PARTICULAR DEPUTY SAW AND DID IN THAT PARTICULAR CELL 14 EXTRACTION. THERE WERE 16 OR 18 EXTRACTIONS. OTHER DEPUTIES 15 16 HAD WRITTEN SOMETHING ABOUT ONE INMATE AND THEN THE NEXT MAYBE WITH SEVERAL OTHER INMATES, THEY USED THOSE SAME PARAGRAPHS 17 18 AGAIN VERBATIM. THEY WERE USING BOILERPLATE TO DESCRIBE WHAT 19 THE INMATE DID, WHY THEY USED FORCE, WHAT FORCE THEY USED. I THOUGHT THAT THE REPORTS IN THOSE KIND OF IMPORTANT REGARDS 20 21 LACKED VERACITY. THAT WAS MY PROFESSIONAL OPINION. ONE STAFF 22 MEMBER WAS INVOLVED NEVER WROTE A REPORT AND THEN IF --23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE THERE CONCERNS AS WELL ABOUT THE 24 TIMELINESS AND COMPLETENESS OF THE REPORT PACKAGES? 25

1 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. MY POLICY WAS A LIEUTENANT WAS 2 3 RESPONSIBLE FOR PUTTING THE USE OF FORCE PACKAGE TOGETHER. THAT DIDN'T -- IT WASN'T SUBMITTED UNTIL SIX MONTHS AFTER THE 4 5 INCIDENT, EVEN THOUGH THIS CERTAINLY WAS ONE OF THE WORST CHARGES, AT LEAST, USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS OF THE YEAR FOR THE 6 7 DEPARTMENT AT ANY FACILITY. A HUGE, BIG HIGH PROFILE INCIDENT. 8 THEN AFTER SIX MONTHS, THE USE OF FORCE PACKAGE WAS TURNED IN. 9 IT WAS FROM 80-90% INCOMPLETE. THINGS MISSING, THINGS NOT FILLED OUT. THAT ATTRACTED NO ONE'S NOTICE. PERHAPS IT NEVER 10 11 WENT TO ANY OF THE REVIEW GROUPS IN THE DEPARTMENT AND WAS NEVER REVIEWED. SO IN SPITE OF IT BEING A RATHER HORRENDOUS 12 KIND OF AN INCIDENT. 13 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WERE YOU INVOLVED AS WELL AS AN EXPERT 15 16 WITNESS IN ASSESSING AN ALLEGED BEATING OF AN INMATE IN A WHEELCHAIR AT THE INMATE RECEPTION CENTER ON OR ABOUT --17 18 SOMETIME IN 2007? 19 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I WAS. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND THAT CASE CONCLUDED IN A SETTLEMENT? 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THAT CASE DID SETTLE. 24 25

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY IN YOUR ROLE IN
- 2 THAT CASE -- DID YOU HAVE SIMILAR CONCERNS IN REGARD TO THE
- 3 INVESTIGATIVE AND USE OF FORCE REVIEW PROCESS THAT WAS DONE?
- 5 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES, I DID.

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- 7 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: MORE RECENTLY, HAVE YOU HAD THE OPPORTUNITY
- 8 TO REVIEW REPORTS THAT HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO OUR COMMISSION,
- 9 INCLUDING THOSE BY THE COMMANDER MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE PPOA,
- 10 CPOA, AS WELL AS ALADS?
- 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE READ, I THINK, ALL OF THOSE.
- 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HAVE YOU ALSO LISTENED TO PARTS OF THE
- 15 TESTIMONY -- LISTENED TO OR READ PARTS OF THE TESTIMONY BEFORE
- 16 THIS COMMISSION?
- 18 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE ONLY LISTENED TO THE TESTIMONY, PARTS
- 19 OF THE TESTIMONY, A GOOD BIT OF IT FROM LAST FRIDAY. BUT THE
- 20 OTHER DAYS WHEN YOU MET, I HAVE NOT LISTENED TO THAT
- 21 TESTIMONY.
- 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU INITIALLY, YOU ARE AWARE OF
- 24 THE PRACTICE IN OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OF ASSIGNING NEW
- 25 DEPUTIES AS A FIRST ASSIGNMENT TO OUR JAIL BEFORE THEY GO TO

PATROL, IS THAT CORRECT? 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE HEARD TESTIMONY THAT THAT CAN LAST AS LONG AS SEVEN YEARS. DO YOU HAVE ANY VIEWS TO WHETHER THAT IS 6 7 AN EFFECTIVE PERSONNEL STAFFING APPROACH? 8 9 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE VERY STRONG VIEWS ON THAT AND THEY WOULD, TO SOME EXTENT, REFLECT WHAT THE TWO EARLIER 10 11 WITNESSES FROM NEW YORK CITY TESTIFIED TO, AS I LISTENED THIS MORNING. IT IS -- THERE ARE ALTERNATIVES TO SHERIFF'S-RUN 12 JAILS WITH DEPUTIES FINISHING AN ACADEMY, THEN GOING TO A JAIL 13 AND WAITING FOR YEARS UNTIL THERE IS SPACE FOR THEM TO ROTATE 14 BY ATTRITION OR SOMETHING ELSE OUT TO PATROL ASSIGNMENTS. 15 16 THERE ARE OTHER MODELS. WHILE THAT IS A VERY COMMON MODEL, IT'S THE WORST IMAGINABLE MODEL. IF YOU WERE TO PAY THE VERA 17 18 INSTITUTE OR ONE OF THE BIG CRIMINAL JUSTICE CONSULTING 19 GROUPS, LOTS AND LOTS OF MONEY TO DESIGN THE WORST POSSIBLE MODEL FOR RUNNING A JAIL. I DON'T THINK THEY COULD DO AS WELL 20 WITH THIS MODEL. THAT'S NOT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, IT'S THE 21 22 ONLY PLACE THAT USES IT. IT'S QUITE COMMON. 23

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT IS SO BAD ABOUT IT?

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JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT'S A LOSE-LOSE-LOSE -- YOU CAN KEEP GOING. 1 YOU SEND FIRST HIRE PEOPLE WHO, IN MANY CASES HAVE DREAMED OF 2 3 BEING LAW ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE. FRANKLY, THEY SIGN ON TO BE "STARSKY & HUTCH." THEY'RE ENTHUSED, PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY IS 4 5 LAW ENFORCEMENT, NOT CORRECTIONS. YOU THEN SEND THEM TO SIX MONTHS OF TRAINING, PAY THEM FOR THAT, WHILE TRAINED TO BE 6 7 STREET LAW ENFORCEMENT PEOPLE. THEN YOU TAKE THEM AND SAY --8 ALTHOUGH THEY KNOW IT GOING IN, THEY'RE HOPING IT ISN'T SO --THEN YOU PUT THEM IN THE JAIL WHERE THEY HAD INADEOUATE 9 TRAINING TO RUN A CORRECTIONAL FACILITY. YOU KEEP THEM IN 10 11 THERE, THEY FORGOT THE SIX-MONTH TRAINING ON HOW TO GO TO THE STREET. THEY PICK UP BAD HABITS IN THE JAIL AND THE BAD MORALE 12 AND BITTERNESS FROM THE OTHER DEPUTIES IN THE JAIL AND DON'T 13 WANT TO BE THERE AND WANT TO BE ANYWHERE ELSE: ADMIN, VICE, 14 15 DETECTIVES, PATROL, SOMETHING ELSE. THEN WHEN THEY'VE PICKED 16 UP BAD HABITS AND FORGETTEN THE TRAINING FOR THE STREET, THEN YOU SEND THEM TO THE STREET AND WONDER WHY YOU HAVE TROUBLE 17 18 THERE. THE DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY LOSES EVERY END IN 19 THIS MODEL. 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE'VE HEARD A CONTRARY PERSPECTIVE THAT 21 22 THERE IS A BENEFIT TO GIVING DEPUTIES THE EXPERIENCE TO HEAR FROM AND LEARN FROM CRIMINALS IN JAIL. THAT THEY LEARN SKILLS 23 THAT CAN BE OF BENEFIT TO THEM WHEN THEY GET OUT ON THE STREET 24

AND PATROL. IN FACT ALADS THIS MORNING SAID THAT CUSTODY MAKES

FOR A BETTER PATROL OFFICER. WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS ON THAT? 1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: SORRY. I HEARD THAT TESTIMONY THIS MORNING. 3 I THINK THAT THAT'S AN ARGUMENT THAT IS TRIVIAL OR ALMOST ON 4 5 THE VERGE OF BEING SILLY COMPARED WITH THE OTHER ISSUES THAT ARE AT PLAY. CERTAINLY CHP AND LAPD DON'T FIND IT NECESSARY TO 6 7 PUT VERY YOUNG OFFICERS IN SOMEBODY'S JAIL TO LEARN THE 8 CRIMINAL MINDS. IF THERE IS A 20-YEAR-OLD FEMALE WHOSE FIRST 9 TIME ARRESTED IS FOR DUI AND HAS INJURED SOMEBODY IN A CRASH AND IS IN JAIL, WHAT'S THAT 20-YEAR-OLD FEMALE FIRST OFFENDER 10 11 GOING TO TEACH A YOUNG DEPUTY ABOUT THE CONVICT CODE OF THE CRIMINAL MIND? I THINK THAT'S REALLY PUSHING THE ENVELOPE. 12 13 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IN YOUR WORK, HAVE YOU SEEN CORRECTIONS 14 15 DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE HAD TO ADDRESS CONCERNS WITH CODES OF 16 SILENCE AND CLIQUES? 17 18 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I HAVE. 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND BASED ON THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE IN 20 ASSISTING SYSTEMS AROUND, THOSE SORTS OF CONCERNS, WHAT DO YOU 21 22 BELIEVE ARE SOME OF THE BEST STRATEGIES TO COMBAT CODES OF 23 SILENCE OR CLIQUES? 24

JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: CLIQUES IS EASIER TO DEAL WITH AND THE

- 1 ROTATION POLICY HERE WITH AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE AND WILL GET
- 2 SOME OF THE WAY THERE. WITH CODE OF SILENCE, IT'S VERY
- 3 DIFFICULT TO DEAL WITH, BUT IT CAN BE DEALT WITH. I'VE DEALT
- 4 WITH IT WITH AGENCIES THAT WERE STRUGGLING. AND IT CAN BE
- 5 TURNED AROUND AND IT BEGINS WITH LEADERSHIP, THE THREE KEY
- 6 ISSUES ARE GOING TO BE LEADERSHIP, ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE AND
- 7 ACCOUNTABILITY AND IF THE LEADERSHIP -- NOT JUST IN THE LOS
- 8 ANGELES CASE, SHERIFF BACA, WHO I BELIEVE IS THERE, BUT IF THE
- 9 REST OF THE LEADERSHIP AND THE SUPERVISORSORY STAFF HAVE
- 10 ALIGNED WITH THE LEADER'S VALUES AND IF IT'S CRYSTAL CLEAR
- 11 THERE IS NO TOLERANCE FOR A CODE OF SILENCE, JUST AS MATT CATE
- 12 TESTIFIED FOR YOU, THE STAFF WILL KNOW THAT. BUT IF THERE IS
- 13 MANAGERS OR SUPERVISORS OR ADMINISTRATORS WHO SAY THE WRONG
- 14 THING, ALL IT TAKES IS FOR SOMEBODY TO GO INTO SOMEONE'S
- 15 OFFICE AND SAY...BOY, IF MY PEOPLE COULD GET ABOUT 15 MINUTES
- 16 IN A CELL WITH THAT INMATE, ALL IT TAKES IS FOR SOMEBODY TO
- 17 SMILE OR NOD OR EVEN SAY NOTHING AND THE MESSAGE IS CRYSTAL
- 18 CLEAR THAT YOU'VE GOT LICENSE TO GO DO THAT. SO IT'S AN AREA
- 19 WHERE THE VALUE HAS TO BE EXPRESSED. IT HAS TO BE COMPLETELY
- 20 CLEAR. IT HAS TO BE NO TOLERANCE AND WHEN THE CODE OF SILENCE
- 21 IS VIOLATED INTENTIONALLY, I THINK MATT CATE SAID IT BETTER
- 22 THAN I CAN, WHEN IT'S AN INTENTIONAL FALSE REPORT OR LYING TO
- 23 AN INVESTIGATOR, THERE ISN'T ANY ALTERNATIVE BUT TERMINATION.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO YOU TALKED ABOUT, AS DID SECRETARY CATE,

- 1 STRONG PUNISHMENT. HOW IMPORTANT THAT THERE BE PROMPT
- 2 PUNISHMENT OR RESOLUTION, DISCIPLINE IN REGARDS TO THIS SORT
- 3 OF FALSE STATEMENT, FALSE REPORTING BEHAVIOUR?

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- 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT'S ESSENTIAL. BECAUSE THE WHOLE DEPARTMENT
- 6 FOR A WHILE IS WATCHING OR AT LEAST A PORTION OF THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT. IF I DO SOMETHING WRONG, IF I WRITE A FALSE REPORT
- 8 OR COVER UP FOR A CO-WORKER AND IT TAKES 14 MONTHS BEFORE
- 9 ANYTHING HAPPENS, EVERYBODY HAS FORGOTTEN. BY THE TIME I
- 10 DISCIPLINE OR WHATEVER. NO ONE CONNECTS IT WITH THE INCIDENTS.
- 11 ALL THEY KNOW, I DID THAT, FOR NEXT YEAR OR SO THEY ALL
- 12 REMEMBER ME. WORK OUT CONSEQUENCES OR SANCTIONS. IT'S GOT TO
- 13 BE TIMELY.

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- 15 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: HOW IMPORTANT IS IT FOR THE ULTIMATE -
- 16 FINDING, AFTER IT RUNS ITS COURSE, ACTUALLY REFLECT THE
- 17 DISHONESTY OR FALSE STATEMENT IS THE BASIS FOR DISCIPLINE AS
- 18 OPPOSED TO SOME OTHER BASIS FOR DISCIPLINE?

- 20 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IF YOU HAVE ZERO TOLERANCE FOR THAT KIND OF
- 21 BEHAVIOR, FOR A CODE OF SILENCE FALSE TESTIMONY, FALSE
- 22 REPORTS, INTENTIONALLY, IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN YOU CAN'T
- 23 PLEA BARGAIN THOSE DOWN TO CONDUCT UNBECOMING OR THIS OR THAT.
- 24 IT'S GOT TO BE THAT THAT WAS THE OFFENCE FOR WHICH YOU ARE
- 25 BEING SANCTIONED. OTHERWISE, THE WRONG MESSAGE GETS OUT AND,

BELIEVE ME, IT GETS OUT FAST, IT GETS TO EVERYONE.

2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: MR. SCHWARTZ, IF I CAN ASK YOU TO TURN TO TAB 7 IN THE EXHIBIT NOTEBOOK, I'M SORRY --4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE THAT. 6 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SECRETARY CATE JUST TESTIFIED TO THE BOTTOM PART OF THAT CHART, WHICH IS THE BASE OFFENCE LEVEL OF CDCR 9 FOR FALSE STATEMENTS, INTENTIONALLY MISLEADING STATEMENTS TO A 10 11 SUPERVISOR, FALSIFYING OR MAKING INTENTIONALLY FALSE REPORTS. THE BASE PENALTY AT CDCR IS TERMINATION. YOU SEE ABOVE THAT 12 THE BASE PENALTIES AS A POINT OF COMPARISON FOR OUR SHERIFF'S 13 DEPARTMENT FOR THE SAME SORTS OF OFFENSES. FALSE STATEMENTS, 14 15 THE BASE OF TEN DAYS, KNOWINGLY GIVING UNTRUTHFUL STATEMENTS, 16 A BASE PENALTY IS 15 DAYS, FAILURE TO REPORT USE OF FORCE,

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22 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THOSE ARE INADEQUATE AND THEY WILL NOT TURN

FAILURE TO REPORT A WITNESS FORCE, THE BASE PENALTY BEING FIVE

DAYS IN EACH OF THOSE. WHAT IS YOUR VIEW TO THE EFFICIACY OF

THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BASE PENALTIES AND DISCIPLINARY

- 23 AROUND A DYSFUNCTIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE, WITH REGARD TO
- 24 A CODE OF SILENCE, THAT THAT IS DEEPLY EMBEDDED.

RANGES FOR THOSE TYPES OF OFFENCES?

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I CAN NOW ASK YOU AND COMMISSIONERS AS WELL
- 2 TO TURN TO TAB 9 IN THE EXHIBIT NOTEBOOK. COMMISSIONERS, THESE
- 3 ARE TWO CASES THAT YOU HAVE HEARD ABOUT OVER THE COURSE OF THE
- 4 TESTIMONY. THE FIRST CASE IN EXHIBIT 9 IS TESTIMONY THAT YOU
- 5 HAVE HEARD THAT CAME FROM CAPTAIN MIKE BORNMAN. CAPTAIN
- 6 BORNMAN TALKED ABOUT THE INCIDENT, YOU MAY RECALL, AT THE BJ
- 7 BREWERY WHERE HE DESCRIBED, THE LACK OF DEPUTY CANDOR. THE
- 8 FIRST THING YOU SEE THERE IS THE FINDINGS BY THE INTERNAL
- 9 AFFAIRS BUREAU, IAB, TO ONE OF THE DEPUTIES THAT THAT
- 10 INDIVIDUAL LIED ABOUT EVENTS AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE FIGHT. YOU
- 11 MAY REMEMBER, CAPTAIN BORNMAN EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNS AS WELL.
- 12 YOU CAN SEE HE RECOUNTED THAT THERE WAS A LETTER OF INTENT
- 13 THAT REFERENCES THE MANUAL SECTION FOR MAKING FALSE AND
- 14 MISLEADING STATEMENTS. BUT ULTIMATELY, AS IS REFLECTED THERE,
- 15 THE LETTER THAT IMPOSED DISCIPLINE RENDERED THAT DISCIPLINE
- 16 SOLELY UNDER THE SECTION FOR UNPROFESSIONAL OR DISORDERLY
- 17 CONDUCT AND IMPOSED TEN DAYS, FIVE DAYS HELD IN ADVANCE. THAT
- 18 CASE TOOK AROUND TWO YEARS TO RESOLVE, AS YOU CAN SEE, AND
- 19 WHILE THAT CASE WAS STILL IN THE SYSTEM, THIS SAME INDIVIDUAL,
- 20 WHO'S REFERENCED HERE, WAS INVOLVED IN ANOTHER INCIDENT THAT
- 21 CAPTAIN BORNMAN TESTIFIED TO, NAMELY, THE INCIDENT INVOLVING
- 22 THE BEATING OF THE INMATE THAT WAS VIDEOTAPED NEAR THE MINI
- 23 MODULE. YOU HEARD CAPTAIN BORNMAN SAY IT WAS CAPTURED ON
- 24 VIDEOTAPE, THAT THE INMATE WAS ON THE GROUND, THAT HE WAS
- 25 STOMPED ON THE BACK. THIS SAME DEPUTY, DURING THIS TWO-YEAR

- 1 PERIOD, WHEN THIS INCIDENT WAS PENDING, WAS INVOLVED IN THAT
- 2 INCIDENT AND ULTIMATELY WAS TERMINATED. YOU CAN SEE THE SECOND
- 3 INCIDENT THAT'S RECOUNTED THERE, IT'S ONE THAT SERGEANT AL
- 4 GONZALEZ TESTIFIED TO. YOU MAY RECALL THAT SERGEANT GONZALEZ
- 5 TESTIFIED THAT THERE WAS A BEATING THAT ANOTHER ONE OF HIS
- 6 COLLEAGUES, SERGEANT VANDERHOUK HAD OBSERVED. HE TOLD SERGEANT
- 7 GONZALEZ ABOUT IT OR SERGEANT GONZALEZ SAW HIM, SAW SOMETHING
- 8 HAD HAPPENED. HE RECOUNTED, SERGEANT VANDERHOUK, THAT HE HAD
- 9 SEEN A DEPUTY BEATING AN INMATE WHO WAS RESISTING AND A SECOND
- 10 DEPUTY WAS STANDING BY OBSERVING. YOU MAY RECALL THAT SERGEANT
- 11 GONZALEZ SAID THE TWO DEPUTIES WERE -- WENT OUTSIDE TO CONFER,
- 12 WERE LATER ASKED TO EXPLAIN TO THE TWO SERGEANTS WHAT HAD
- 13 HAPPENED AND THAT THE WITNESS DEPUTY PROVIDED AN ACCOUNT THAT
- 14 WAS TOTALLY OPTION FROM -- OPPOSITE FROM WHAT THE SERGEANT WHO
- 15 HAD SEEN THE EVENT OBSERVED. OFFICER GONZALEZ INDICATED HE
- 16 THOUGHT THAT DEPUTY, WHO PROVIDED THE FALSE ACCOUNT, RECEIVED
- 17 A TEN-DAY SUSPENSION. THIS INCIDENT IS RECOUNTED IN AN OIR
- 18 REPORT. AND THEY READ IT AS THE WITNESSING DEPUTIES HAVING
- 19 BEEN SUSPENDED FOR FAILING TO TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT THE
- 20 INCIDENT. WHEN WE ASKED TO SEE THE UNDERLYING DOCUMENT THAT
- 21 WAS FOUND, THE DISCIPLINE IMPOSED WAS ACTUALLY FIVE DAYS'
- 22 SUSPENSION AND, ONCE AGAIN, THE FINAL IMPOSITION LETTER WAS
- 23 BASED NOT ON FALSE STATEMENTS, BUT ON FAILING TO OBEY LAWS,
- 24 REGS AND ORDERS WITH NO REFERENCE MADE TO DISHONESTY FOR FALSE
- 25 STATEMENTS PROVISION. MR. SCHWARTZ, GIVEN THE INCIDENTS THAT

I'VE JUST RECOUNTED, ARE YOU -- DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION AND ARE 1 YOU CONCERNED AT ALL BY THIS KIND OF HANDLING OF TWO INCIDENTS 2 3 THAT WE'VE HEARD ABOUT OVER THE COURSE OF TESTIMONY? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. FOR THE REASONS THAT I'VE SAID, I THINK THAT THEY ARE NOT TIMELY ENOUGH TO BE EFFECTIVE. THAT THE 6 7 SANCTIONS, THE SANCTIONS NEED TO BE TERMINATION. BECAUSE YOU 8 CAN'T RELY ON THOSE DEPUTIES IN FURTHER INCIDENTS AND ONE OF 9 THEM, IN FACT IS IN ANOTHER BEATING INCIDENTS FOR WHICH A DEPUTY IS TERMINATED WHILE THEY'RE WAITING TO COMPLETE THE 10 11 INVESTIGATION. AND IT DOESN'T MAKE GOOD SENSE TO CHANGE THE OFFENSE FOR WHICH YOU ARE IMPOSING A SANCTION TO SOMETHING 12 OTHER THAN HAVING PROVIDED FALSE REPORTS OR FALSE TESTIMONY. 13 14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU CAN SEE IN THE FINAL PART OF THIS 15 16 EXHIBIT THAT OUR COMMISSION ASKED FOR ALL RECORDS OF CASES INVOLVING DISCIPLINE OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS FOR DISHONESTY, 17 18 FALSE STATEMENTS AND/OR FILING FALSE REPORTS IN REGARD TO USE 19 OF FORCE. WE WERE TOLD BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, THERE WERE ONLY TWO SUCH CASES. IS THAT 20 21 SOMETHING THAT IS SURPRISING TO YOU OR CONCERNING TO YOU? 22 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT IS BOTH. IT IS VERY SURPRISING AND OF

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MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY WOULD IT BE A CONCERN? 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: WITH THOUSANDS OF DEPUTIES WORKING IN CUSTODY HERE IN LOS ANGELES TO ONLY HAVE TWO CASES 4 5 INVESTIGATED OF FALSE STATEMENTS WHEN MATT CATE TESTIFIED I THINK IN 2011 THEY HAD OVER 100 CASES NOT INVESTIGATED BUT 6 7 RESULTING IN AN INITIAL CHARGE OF FALSE TESTIMONY, GRANTED 8 THEY ARE FIVE OR SIX TIMES LARGER THAN THE CUSTODY FORCE OF 9 L.A., BUT THE L.A. SHERIFF'S OFFICE DEPARTMENT -- IN A SMALLER JAIL THAT WAS REALLY WELL MANAGED, TWO CASES OF THIS SORT IN 10 FIVE YEARS WOULD BE -- IT WOULD GET YOUR ATTENTION BUT MYSELF 11 POSSIBLE. BUT THE SIZE OF THIS AGENCY AND NO ONE IS 12 SUGGESTING, THAT IN THE TESTIMONY IN FRONT OF THIS COMMISSION, 13 THAT THE DEPUTIES ARE QUITE THAT ANGELIC. THIS DOESN'T MAKE 14 15 SENSE. 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IN THAT CASE, THERE WERE TWO CASES 17 18 DISCIPLINED, THERE MAY HAVE BEEN MORE INVESTIGATED. 19 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THANK YOU. 20 21 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: YOU HEARD THE TESTIMONY THIS MORNING FROM 23 THE ALADS ORGANIZATION. HAVE YOU INDICATED -- YOU ALSO HAD THE

OPPORTUNITY TO READ THE ALADS' REPORT THIS COMMISSION HAS

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1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I DID. 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS OR OPINIONS BASED 4 5 ON BOTH THE TESTIMONY YOU HEARD THIS MORNING AS WELL AS THE 6 REPORT YOU READ? 7 8 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES CAN, I THINK THERE ARE A NUMBER OF 9 SERIOUS ISSUES. I START OUT WHEN I READ THE REPORT, I FOUND A 10 NUMBER OF SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS WERE REASONABLE, I THOUGHT MADE GOOD SENSE. I DON'T KNOW ALL THE DETAILS BUT IT CERTAINLY 11 LOOKED LIKE THEY SHOULD BE EXPLORED AND MIGHT BE PRODUCTIVE. 12 HOWEVER, I THINK THE REPORT WAS COMPROMISED BY A LACK OF 13 OBJECTIVITY, BY AN ANTI-INMATE ATTITUDE THAT PERMEATED AND TO 14 15 SOME EXTENT BY AN ANTI- ADMINISTRATION ATTITUDE THAT REFLECTED 16 SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE LEVEL OF PROFESSIONALISM THAT YOU WOULD HOPE TO SEE. 17 18 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT DOES THE TESTIMONY THIS MORNING REFLECT TO YOU IN TERMS OF WHETHER THERE HAS BEEN A MEETING OF 20 21 THE MINDS WITH THE SHERIFF IN REGARD TO HIS PHILOSOPHY AND 22 VIEW OF HOW THE JAILS SHOULD BE RUN? 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK IT'S CLEAR THERE IS NOT A MEETING OF 24 THE MINDS AND THE SPECIFIC STEPS THE SHERIFF HAS TAKEN AT 25

- 1 LEAST SOME OF THE IMPORTANT STEPS TO START TO DEAL WITH THE
- 2 USE OF FORCE ISSUES ARE OPPOSED BY ALADS. THE -- WHAT WAS MOST
- 3 SURPRISING TO ME WAS, SPECIFICALLY, THE SUGGESTION THAT GOOD
- 4 TIME AND WORK TIME NOT BE GIVEN BY COURTS, THAT THE DEPARTMENT
- 5 WORK WITH THE COURTS TO STOP THE GRANTING OF GOOD TIME FOR
- 6 WORK TIME TO INMATES BECAUSE THAT'S A SUGGESTION THAT FLIES IN
- 7 THE FACE OF OFFICER SAFETY. GOOD TIME AND WORK TIME BEING TWO
- 8 OF THE MOST IMPORTANT MANAGEMENT TOOLS FOR GETTING MORE
- 9 REASONABLE BEHAVIOR FROM INMATES. SO, TO SUGGEST THE SACRIFICE
- 10 THAT IF THEY CAN JUST DO THEIR WHOLE TIME, THEIR WHOLE
- 11 SENTENCE, IT SEEMS TO BE ON ITS FACE AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF
- 12 THE MEMBERSHIP AND THERE ARE OTHER REFLECTIONS OF AN ATTITUDE
- 13 THAT THE ONLY WAY DEPUTIES WILL BE SAFE IS IF THE INMATES ARE
- 14 AFRAID OF THEM. YOU HAVE HEARD TESTIMONY THIS MORNING THAT
- 15 IT'S MORE IF YOU RUN JAILS AND PRISONS WITH, TO SOME EXTENT,
- 16 WITH THE CONSENT OF THE -- THE BEST FACILITIES DON'T RUN OUT
- 17 OF FEAR. THEY RUN BECAUSE THERE ARE GOOD -- THERE IS GOOD
- 18 COMMUNICATION AND THE ATMOSPHERE IS REASONABLE AND CONFLICTS
- 19 ARE RESOLVED ALMOST ALL THE TIME WITHOUT FORCE, NOT BECAUSE
- 20 FORCE HAS GONE TO SO QUICKLY THAT EVERYONE IS FEARFUL. EVEN
- 21 THE MOTTO THEY HEARD IN THE JAIL, AND THE MOTTO IS THROUGH
- 22 STRENGTH IS A REFLECTION OF -- IT'S CODE FOR, IF THEY AREN'T
- 23 AFRAID OF US, WE'RE IN BIG TROUBLE.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME TURN TO THE WORK THAT YOU DID ON THE

- 1 USE OF FORCE POLICIES HERE IN LOS ANGELES. OVER THE COURSE OF
- 2 YOUR WORK, YOU HAD -- I BELIEVE YOU INDICATED THE OPPORTUNITY
- 3 TO EXAMINE THE CURRENT USE OF FORCE POLICIES AS WELL AS
- 4 PROCEDURES. CORRECT?

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6 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES.

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU HAVE A VIEW -- DO YOU HAVE A VIEW
- 9 TO THE ADEQUACY OF OUR L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT USE OF FORCE
- 10 POLICIES?

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12 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** I DO.

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14 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND WHAT IS THAT VIEW?

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- 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT'S -- IT IS NOT WELL DONE. THERE ARE QUITE
- 17 SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH THE CURRENT POLICY. I WENT THROUGH IT
- 18 IN GREAT DETAIL. I HAVE WORKED WITH THEM A LOT. IT'S NOT AN
- 19 APPROPRIATE BASE TO TRY TO BUILD A CHANGE IN WHAT HAS BEEN
- 20 GOING ON WITH USE OF FORCE. FIRST IT'S NOT. THERE IS NO ONE
- 21 USE OF FORCE POLICY.

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23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU SAY THAT, WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

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25 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THE USE OF FORCE POLICIES EXISTS IN THE

- 1 OPERATION MANUAL IN DIFFERENT PLACES. THE CHAPTER 3, CHAPTER
- 2 5, DIFFERENT PLACES THERE. IT ALSO EXISTS IN DRAFTS THAT MAY
- 3 OR MAY NOT BE APPROVED. IT EXISTS IN SOME MANAGEMENT TRAINING
- 4 MATERIALS, THAT I DON'T THINK ARE POLICY. SOME PEOPLE THINK
- 5 THEY ARE. IT EXISTS IN MEMOS. SO THERE ISN'T ONE. IN MOST
- 6 POLICE AND CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES THERE IS A DOCUMENT, WHICH IS
- 7 A USE OF FORCE POLICY. YOU CAN GIVE IT TO A DEPUTY AND SAY
- 8 THIS IS LIKELY TO BE THE MOST IMPORTANT POLICY IN THIS
- 9 DEPARTMENT. THAT'S NOT HERE. IT'S SCATTERED. THERE IS NO
- 10 AGREEMENT OF WHAT IT IS. THAT'S THE SCOPE OF USE OF FORCE
- 11 POLICIES HERE.
- 13 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DOES THAT CREATE CHALLENGES IN TERMS OF
- 14 ACCOUNTABILITY?
- 16 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** THERE ARE OTHER DEEP-SEEDED POLICIES. THERE
- 17 ARE MANY ISSUES THAT SHOULD BE COVERED BY USE OF FORCE
- 18 POLICIES THAT ARE NOT. I WILL GIVE YOU EXAMPLES OF WHAT YOU
- 19 WANT.

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- 21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO WHAT'S MISSING FROM THE POLICY?
- 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THERAPEUTIC
- 24 RESTRAINTS AND SECURITY RESTRAINTS. THERE IS NO PROHIBITION
- 25 ABOUT CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, NOTHING AGAINST RETALIATION,

- 1 AGAINST PROVOKING AN INMATE TO THE POINT WHERE STAFF IS THEN
- 2 JUSTIFIED AGAINST THREATENING AN INMATE SO THE INMATE WON'T
- 3 GRIEVE OR SUE OR OTHERWISE COMPLAIN. THEIR -- IT'S HOW
- 4 RESTRAINTS ARE HANDLED. I COULD GIVE 20 OR 30 EXAMPLES OF
- 5 THINGS WHICH I BELIEVE ARE IMPORTANT TO HAVE IN A CORRECTIONS
- 6 FACILITY, CORRECTIONAL AGENCY, A USE OF FORCE POLICIES THAT
- 7 AREN'T HERE.

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- 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE NATURE OF
- 10 THE REVIEW PROCESS AND THE REVIEW PROCEDURE?

- 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THAT'S ANOTHER ONE OF THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL
- 13 PROBLEMS. THE REVIEW PROCESS IS NOT WHAT MATT CATE DEFINED AS
- 14 REDUNDANT, MEANING THERE ARE CHECKS OF POLICIES. WHAT I FOUND
- 15 IN THE POLICY IS CURRENTLY QUITE CONSISTENT WITH WHAT I SAW
- 16 WHEN I EXAMINED ITS RAMIREZ CASE AND LOOKED NOT SO MUCH AT
- 17 POLICY BUT THE PRACTICE THAT WAS EXPOSED IN THAT CASE. THERE
- 18 ARE OVERLAPPING GROUPS IN INDIVIDUALS. IT ISN'T CLEAR WHO IS
- 19 GOING TO INVESTIGATE WHAT. SOME OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES ARE AT
- 20 THE WRONG LEVEL. A SERGEANT. THE SERGEANT WHO MAY BE
- 21 SUPERVISING THE DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN THE USE OF FORCE IS ALSO
- 22 THE SERGEANT WHO MAY DECIDE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION THERE IS
- 23 NO FURTHER ACTION NEEDED AND THAT THE CASE SHOULD BE CLEARED
- 24 OR STOPPED. THAT'S THE WRONG LEVEL FOR THAT TO HAPPEN,
- 25 OBVIOUSLY. THAT'S THE WRONG SERGEANT TO DO THAT. BECAUSE THAT

- 1 PERSON FIRST, IF THOSE DEPUTIES ARE FOUND TO HAVE DONE
- 2 SOMETHING SERIOUSLY WRONG IT REFLECTS ON THAT SERGEANT. THOSE
- 3 ARE HIS OR HER PEOPLE. SECOND, HE OR SHE MAY BE CLOSE WITH THE
- 4 PEOPLE, WHICH IS WHY THEY ASK THE LIEUTENANT TO DO AN
- 5 INTERVIEW WITH A SUSPECT OR VICTIM INJURED. THEY DON'T WANT
- 6 THAT SERGEANT DOING IT. FOR THE SAME REASON, THE SERGEANT
- 7 SHOULDN'T BE RECOMMENDING THE CASE BE CLOSED OR LOOKING INTO
- 8 THE VALIDITY OF THE COMPLAINT OR LOOKING INTO WHETHER A USE OF
- 9 FORCE OCCURRED.
- 11 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: DID YOU ALSO HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE WAY IN
- 12 WHICH THE POLICIES CATEGORIZED AND SUBDIVIDED TYPES OF USE OF
- 13 FORCE?

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- 15 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES. IN MY OPINION, A GOOD USE OF FORCE
- 16 POLICY, AT A FUNDAMENTAL LEVEL, WILL MAKE ONE DISTINCTION
- 17 BETWEEN REACTIVE USE OF FORCE AND PLANNED USES OF FORCE. IN
- 18 THE CASE OF THE POLICY HERE, THERE ARE MULTIPLE DIFFERENT
- 19 CATEGORIES OF FORCE. THEY AREN'T CONSISTENT. THEY OVERLAP AND
- 20 ARE INCONSISTENT. SO YOU HAVE DIRECTED FORCE, EMERGENCY FORCE,
- 21 AND RESCUE FORCE. INTERVENTION FORCE. CATEGORY 1, CATEGORY 2
- 22 AND CATEGORY 3 FORCE. REPORTABLE FORCE. AND I'M LEAVING A FEW
- 23 OUT.

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IS THE REPORT ALSO BASED IN PART ON

1 CLASSIFICATIONS TETHERED TO INMATE BEHAVIOR?

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- 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, THERE ARE FOUR CATEGORIES OF INMATE
- 4 BEHAVIOR, STARTING WITH COOPERATIVE UP THROUGH LIFE-
- 5 THREATENING, AND THOSE ARE USED IN A MATRIX TO DETERMINE WHICH
- 6 LEVELS OF FORCE ARE ACCEPTABLE.

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8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?

- 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: IT SOUNDS GOOD ON PAPER, IT'S THEORETICALLY
- 11 APPEALING AND MAYBE THEORETICALLY, IT LOOKS LIKE IT WILL BE OF
- 12 HELP. BUT THE REALITY OF FORCE SITUATIONS ARE THEY ARE
- 13 CHAOTIC, VERY FAST OCCURRING AND FAST CHANGING. SO AN INMATE
- 14 MAY GO FROM COOPERATIVE TO AGGRESSIVE, RESISTIVE, TO SOMETHING
- 15 ELSE AND BACK TO PASSIVELY RESISTIVE IN 15 SECONDS. ALL A
- 16 DEPUTY CAN DO IS LOOK AT WHAT THE INMATE IS DOING AND TRY TO
- 17 MAKE A REASONABLE RESPONSE. THEY CAN'T TRY TO FIX THEIR
- 18 POSITION IN A FANCY MATRIX. IT BECOMES SOMETHING THAT YOU HAVE
- 19 TO THEN TRY TO MOLD THE FACTS TO FIT THE POLICY. IF I CAN USE
- 20 A BRITISH RECENT EXPRESSION, THE -- YOU DO THAT WHEN YOU WRITE
- 21 YOUR REPORT TO MAKE IT APPEAR YOU FOLLOWED THAT. IT WASN'T
- 22 YOUR REAL DECISION- MAKING. POLICILES SHOULD BE REALISTIC.
- 23 MUCH OF, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PROVISIONS IN THE CURRENT LASD
- 24 POLICY THAT AREN'T FOLLOWED BY ANYBODY AND EVERYBODY KNOWS
- 25 THEY'RE NOT FOLLOWED. AND THERE IS NO --

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3 THAT YOU WORKED ON? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, I SAW IT THERE. I SAW IT CURRENTLY WHEN I WAS REVIEWING POLICY AND PRACTICE. 6 7 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU IF I COULD, TO TURN TO TAB 9 14 IN THE NOTEBOOK. 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE IT. 11 12 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THAT'S BEEN TESTIFIED TO AS WELL, THIS 13 14 MORNING, THE SO-CALLED FORCE PREVENTION POLICY. YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS POLICY? 15 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I AM. 17 18 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE HEARD TESTIMONY THIS MORNING FROM MR. HORN THAT THESE PRINCIPLES - FORCE IS A LAST RESORT, USE THAT 20 21 FORCE THAT IS REASONABLY NECESSARY WHEN IT'S NECESSARY, USE 22 THE MINIMUM AMOUNT NEEDED TO CONTROL THE SITUATION -- WE HEARD 23 HIM DESCRIBE THESE AS VERY FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES. IS IT CONCERNING THAT LOS ANGELES ONLY RECENTLY PUT IN PLACE THESE 24 KIND OF FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES IN ITS FORCE POLICY? 25

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WAS THAT BASED ON WHAT YOU SAW IN THE CASES

1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, IT IS. 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHY IS THAT? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK MR. HORN TESTIFIED, THEY'RE 6 7 FUNDAMENTAL ACTIONS. MANY AGENCIES HAVE SOMETHING MORE ON 8 PREVENTING USE OF FORCE. AGAIN, TO NOT BE THEORETICAL WITH YOU 9 ALL, SPECIFICALLY, A POLICY PROVISION THAT SAYS TIME AND CIRCUMSTANCES ALLOWING, AT LEAST TWO ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO 10 RESOLVE THE SITUATION WITHOUT THE USE OF FORCE. THAT'S A 11 COMMON PROVISION. THAT'S VERY SPECIFIC. IT'S VERY HELPFUL. SO 12 THIS, TO ADD NOTHING ON PREVENTING FORCE OR AVOIDING FORCE. 13 IT'S ACTUALLY QUITE UNUSUAL. AND I AM SURPRISED THIS WAS SO 14 15 RECENT. 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU TO LOOK AT SOME FORCE 17 18 FIGURES THAT HAVE BEEN SUMMARIZED BASED ON DATA RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT, AT TAB 11. 19 20 21 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I HAVE THAT. 22 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: SO YOU SEE IN NO. 2 ON THAT PAGE, NO. 1 SIMPLY RECOUNTS TOTAL NUMBER OF FORCED INCIDENTS AND WHERE 24 THOSE FORCED INCIDENTS WERE TAKING PLACE, SORT OF WHICH 25

- 1 FACILITIES WERE THE MOST COMMON PLACES WHERE WE SEE THE FORCE
- 2 INCIDENTS TAKING PLACE. WE SEE IN NO. 2 A CLEAR MAJORITY OF
- 3 FORCE INCIDENTS. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT THAT THIS
- 4 MORNING. OUR SIGNIFICANT USE OF FORCE AS OPPOSED TO LESS
- 5 SIGNIFICANT, THAT 65% OF THE INCIDENTS FROM 2007 THROUGH 2011
- 6 INVOLVE SIGNIFICANT FORCE AND THAT THAT RATIO HAS BEEN RISING
- 7 OVER THE YEARS, THAT IT WAS 55% IN 2007, IT WAS 72% IN 2011.
- 8 DO YOU PERCEIVE THAT TO BE A PROBLEM?

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- 10 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** I BELIEVE IT'S A PROBLEM. IT'S
- 11 EXTRAORDINARY. AGAIN, I THINK THERE WAS SOME MENTION OF THIS
- 12 IN EARLIER TESTIMONY, BUT MOST USES OF FORCE ARE MINOR AND
- 13 THEN OCCASIONALLY, THERE IS SOMETHING THAT'S QUITE SERIOUS.
- 14 BUT TO HAVE MOST OF YOUR USES OF FORCE BE VERY SERIOUS IT
- 15 DOESN'T MAKE GOOD SENSE. IT'S HIGHLY UNUSUAL. ONE POSSIBLE
- 16 EXPLANATION FOR THE MOST RECENT DECREASES WOULD BE THAT THE
- 17 ATTENTION, NOT ONLY FROM THIS COMMISSION BUT THE GENERAL
- 18 ATTENTION ON USE OF FORCE THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED,
- 19 HAS MEANT THAT A LOT OF DISCRETIONARY SITUATIONS THAT MIGHT
- 20 HAVE GOTTEN TO MINOR USES OF FORCE HAVE BEEN HANDLED WITHOUT.
- 21 THERE ARE ALSO QUESTIONS AS MARTIN HORN TESTIFIED TO AND I
- 22 THINK MICHAEL TESTIFIED TO, THAT THERE IS SOME QUESTION ABOUT
- 23 THE VALIDITY OF THE REPORTING AND WHAT IS BEING REPORTED. THAT
- 24 I CAN'T ANSWER.

- 1 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE ALSO SEE IN NO. 3, INMATE ASSAULTIVE
- 2 BEHAVIOR PLAYED A ROLE IN UNDER HALF OF THE FORCE INCIDENTS IN
- 3 2011. HOW MUCH OF A CONCERN IS THAT? ESPECIALLY WHEN ONE
- 4 COMBINES IT WITH THE FACT THAT IN THAT SAME YEAR, 72% OF THE
- 5 FORCE INCIDENTS INVOLVE SIGNIFICANT FORCE?

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- 7 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: WELL, IN MOST CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES, THE
- 8 MOST COMMON SINGLE USE OF FORCE IS A CELL EXTRACTION
- 9 SITUATION. SO TO HAVE THE SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE AT THIS
- 10 FIGURE RAISES A QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER -- WHAT ARE THE OTHERS?
- 11 WHAT IS IT THAT'S LEADING TO SIGNIFICANT USES OF FORCE WHERE
- 12 AN INMATE HAS NOT ATTACKED ANOTHER INMATE OR STAFF? WHY HAS IT
- 13 GOTTEN THAT BAD? IF THERE IS NO ASSAULT INVOLVED, AREN'T WE
- 14 DOWN IN THE COOPERATIVE OR PASSIVE RESISTANCE AREA? YES, IS
- 15 THIS WOULD -- I THINK THIS WOULD JUSTIFY A LOT MORE LOOKING AT
- 16 THE DATA HERE TO GIVE YOU SOME OF THE ANSWERS, BUT YOU ARE
- 17 RAISING THE SAME QUESTIONS I WOULD HAVE.

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- 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE ALSO SEE ON THE NEXT PAGE, NUMBERS 4 AND
- 20 5, THAT NON-DIRECTED AND UNSUPERVISED FORCE ACCOUNT FOR THE
- 21 VAST MAJORITY OF CASES. THAT OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS, NEARLY
- 22 THREE-QUARTERS OF THE FORCE INCIDENTS OCCURRED WITHOUT A
- 23 SUPERVISOR PRESENT AND NEARLY ALL OF THE FORCE INCIDENTS WERE
- 24 NON-DIRECTED. WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THAT?

JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I DON'T LIKE THE DEFINITION OF NON-DIRECTED 1 2 VS. DIRECTED. 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I SHOULD HAVE ASKED YOU WHAT IS NON-4 5 DIRECTED FORCE VERSUS DIRECTED FORCE? 6 7 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: DIRECTED FORCE IS WHERE A SUPERVISOR HAS 8 BEEN PRESENT AND DIRECTED, IF YOU WILL, OR SUPERVISED THE ACTUAL USE OF FORCE. NON-DIRECTED IS THE OPPOSITE. IT'S THE 9 REVERSE WAY THAT I AM USED TO SEEING THOSE SITUATIONS DEFINED. 10 11 IT'S THE SITUATION THAT ALLOWS FOR GETTING A SUPERVISOR THAT BECOMES A PLANNED USE OF FORCE SITUATION. THEN YOU CAN TIE 12 THAT TO REQUIREMENTS FOR A SUPERVISOR ON SCENE, A VIDEO CAMERA 13 PRESENT, MEDICAL ON SCENE OR ON STANDBY, SOME OTHER THINGS 14 WITH A USE OF FORCE SITUATION. ITS REACTIVE FORCE; YOU CAN'T 15 16 DO THAT BY DEFINITION. HERE, AGAIN IF ONE OF THE MOST FREQUENT COMPONENTS OF USE OF FORCE ARE CELL EXTRACTIONS, THOSE SHOULD 17 18 BE PLANNED USES OF FORCE AND THEY SHOULD BE IN LOS ANGELES 19 CURRENT TERMS. THEY SHOULD BE DIRECTED USES OF FORCE. THE PERCENTAGE OF NON-DIRECTED USAGE OF FORCE DOESN'T SOUARE WITH 20 MY EXPECTATIONS ABOUT WHERE AND WHEN THOSE THINGS OCCUR. 21 22 23 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHEN YOU SAY --

SPEAKER: CAN I HAVE A POINT OF CLARIFICATION? WHEN I USE THE

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- 1 TERM "ASSAULT," IT'S THE OLD LAW SCHOOL TERM, PUTTING SOMEBODY
- 2 IN FORCE OR FEAR, THREAT OF FORCE OR FEAR. THERE IS NO
- 3 TOUCHING. TOUCHING IS THE BATTERY. DO YOU USE THE SAME
- 4 DEFINITION?

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- 6 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: NO. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT BATTERY HERE RATHER
- 7 THAN ASSAULT. THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION, JUDGE.

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- 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU ANOTHER CLARIFICATION, WHEN
- 10 YOU SAY "CELL EXTRACTION," DO YOU MEAN TO INCLUDE A SINGLE
- 11 INMATE REMOVED FROM A CELL AS WELL AS WHAT YOU FOUND IN THE
- 12 RAMIREZ CASE A SERIAL EXTRACTION OF AN ENTIRE ROW OF THE AREA
- 13 OF A JAIL?

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- 15 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES. ALTHOUGH, SERIAL INFRACTIONS ARE VERY
- 16 INFREQUENT IN THE WORST OF JAILS. THOSE ARE VERY UNCOMMON.
- 17 MOST ARE SINGLE OR PERHAPS TWO INMATES IN A CELL. MOST OFTEN
- 18 ONE.

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- 20 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THAT ESSENTIALLY ARISES WHEN SOMEBODY IS
- 21 REFUSING, NOT COMPLYING WITH AN ORDER TO COME OUT OF THEIR
- 22 CELLS?

- 24 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: ABSOLUTELY. THE TYPICAL CASE IS YOU SAY, MR.
- 25 JONES, I'M GOING TO ESCORT YOU FOR SOME OFFENSE YOU COMMITTED.

- 1 MR. JONES IS YELLING AT YOU SAYING, BASICALLY, COME AND GET
- 2 ME. IN FACT, I PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE SPECIFICALLY ON CELL
- 3 EXTRACTIONS AND TITLED IT "COME AND GET ME, BEST AND WORST
- 4 PRACTICES FOR CELL EXTRACTIONS."

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- 6 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THE LAST THING WE CALCULATED HERE WAS WHAT
- 7 WE CALLED A RATE OF FOUNDED ALLEGATIONS. YOU CAN SEE HERE THAT
- 8 FROM 2007 THROUGH 2011, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DETERMINED
- 9 THAT OUT OF 4,460 FORCED INCIDENTS, ONLY 23 INVOLVED FOUNDED
- 10 ALLEGATIONS OF UNREASONABLE FORCE, WHICH COMES OUT TO AROUND
- 11 .5%. DOES THAT FIGURE SEEM OUT OF THE ORDINARY OR SURPRISING
- 12 TO YOU?

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- 14 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** IT SEEMS OUT OF THE ORDINARY. IT SEEMS
- 15 EXTRAORDINARILY LOW BECAUSE YOU NOT ONLY HAVE SITUATIONS WHERE
- 16 SOMEONE IS FOUND TO HAVE INTENTIONALLY CONTINUED TO BEAT
- 17 SOMEBODY AFTER THEY WERE IN RESTRAINTS OR RETALIATED AGAINST
- 18 SOMEBODY WITH FORCE. REALLY EGREGIOUS CASES. YOU ALSO HAVE
- 19 CASES WHERE THE FORCE IS WILLINGLY USED. ALL THEY, IT'S MORE
- 20 TECHNICAL. SO THERE ARE TIMES WHEN YOU WILL HAVE A FOUNDED
- 21 ALLEGATION OF SOMETHING WRONG WHERE IT'S NOT A FIRING OFFENSE
- 22 AND THAT INTENT, BUT IT'S STILL WRONG AND OUT OF POLICY.

- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME TURN TO ONE FINAL AREA, YOUR
- 25 PERCEPTIONS OF SORT OF THE STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT AND

- 1 MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT OF CUSTODY. THROUGH YOUR WORK
- 2 INVOLVING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HAVE YOU HAD AN
- 3 OPPORTUNITY TO FORM SOME PERSPECTIVES ABOUT THE EFFICACY OF
- 4 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS OVERSIGHT OF THE CUSTODY DIVISION?
- 6 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** I HAVE.

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- 8 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: AND WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS IN REGARD TO THAT?
- 10 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: HERE, LET ME START BY SAYING WHAT I CAN
- 11 ANSWER WITH ARE IMPRESSIONS. I HAVE DONE NO SYSTEMATIC REVIEW
- 12 OR SYSTEMATIC STUDY. MY IMPRESSIONS, PARTICULARLY, ARE BASED
- 13 ON MY RECENT WORK AND ARE THAT THERE ARE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH
- 14 LEADERSHIP, NOT WITH WHERE THE SHERIFF IS AT ON THESE ISSUES,
- 15 BUT WITH UNITY OF COMMAND AND CLARITY, THE -- THERE IS, THERE
- 16 ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT CONFORMING TO THE SHERIFF'S VIEW OF
- 17 WHAT HE IS DOING. THERE ARE MANY -- TOO MANY PEOPLE, I
- 18 BELIEVE, WHO HAVE A HAND IN SOME OF THE FIX AND NEW IDEAS AND
- 19 OVERSIGHT OF CUSTODY. IN MY WORK, I NEVER MET THE CHIEF. I WAS
- 20 VERY SURPRISED. I NEVER MET THE CHIEF OF CORRECTIONS. I DIDN'T
- 21 MEET THE UNDERSHERIFF, BUT THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT
- 22 HAVE A HAND IN THE MIX, IF YOU WILL.
- 24 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: IF I ASK YOU TO STOP ONE SECOND. YOU SAY
- 25 YOU NEVER MET THE CHIEF OF THE CUSTODY DIVISION; IS THAT

1 CORRECT? 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THAT'S CORRECT. 4 5 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: THAT WAS OVER THE MONTHS OF REVIEWING USE 6 OF FORCE WITH RESPECT TO CUSTODY? 7 8 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THE REVIEW PROCEDURES. 9 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: I'M SORRY, CONTINUE, YOU WERE SAYING --10 YOUR IMPRESSIONS. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU FINISHED. 11 12 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: MY IMPRESSIONS WERE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF 13 PEOPLE DEVELOPING DRAFT POLICY, REVIEWING THINGS, THERE ARE 14 15 THINGS CIRCULATING THAT APPEAR TO BE SOMETHING THAT THE 16 DEPARTMENT IS ABOUT TO DO BUT HASN'T BEEN COMPLETELY AGREED TO YET. SOME PEOPLE THINK IT'S IN FORCE. THE COMMANDERS 17 MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE SITS ATOP A STRUCTURE, REPORTS DIRECTLY 18 19 TO THE SHERIFF AND SITS ATOP A STRUCTURE WHERE THERE IS A CHIEF AND AN ASSISTANT SHERIFF FOR CUSTODY. BUT A LOT OF 20 THINGS GO DIRECTLY TO THE SHERIFF AND SOME THINGS GO TO 21 22 TRAINING AND SOME THINGS GO TO OTHER PLACES. I FOUND IT 23 DIFFUSE AND LACKING IN UNITARY COMMAND, LACKING IN CLARITY. IN SOME CASE ONE HAND DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE OTHER WAS DOING QUITE 24

SPECIFICALLY WITH REGARD TO THE WORK I WAS ENGAGED IN. THAT

WAS ONE OF THE IMPRESSIONS. THERE IS -- WILL BE MORE 1 RESISTANCE THAN I THINK IS HELPFUL OR --2 3 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: RESISTANCE TO WHAT? 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: TO CHANGE, WITH REGARD TO FORCE AND CODE OF 6 7 SILENCE, THE ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE IS DYSFUNCTIONAL. AND 8 THERE ARE DIRECTIONS. THE SHERIFF'S DIRECTION DOES NOT ALWAYS PREVAIL AND WHEN OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT CONFORMING TO THOSE 9 DIRECTIONS ARE AT HIGH LEVEL, THAT HAS A CORROSIVE EFFECT ON 10 GETTING THE CHANGES AND ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE. SO 11 12 THERE WERE SOME SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEMS. THOSE WERE, AGAIN, LET ME FINISH AT THE SAME PLACE. THOSE ARE IMPRESSIONS. THEY'RE 13 NOT BASED ON ANY KIND OF SYSTEMATIC STUDY. BUT THEY WERE 14 15 STRONG IMPRESSIONS 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WE HEARD TESTIMONY AS WAS REFERENCED THIS 17 18 MORNING AS YOU MAY HAVE HEARD IN LISTENING TO THE TESTIMONY LAST WEEK FROM BOTH OUR SHERIFF AND UNDERSHERIFF THAT CERTAIN 19 TREND LINES, CERTAIN DATA THAT WE ASKED MR. HORN ABOUT THAT 20 21 SHOW A SPIKE IN USE OF FORCE WERE APPARENTLY NEVER KNOWN BY OR 22 NEVER SHOWN TO THE UNDERSHERIFF WHO WAS THEN THE ASSISTANT 23 SHERIFF OVER CUSTODY OR THE SHERIFF, HIMSELF. GIVEN WHAT YOU HAVE PERCEIVED AS THE OVERSIGHT OF CUSTODY, THE FUNCTION OF 24

CUSTODY, AND THE DEPARTMENT MANAGEMENT, DOES THAT TESTIMONY

1 SURPRISE YOU? 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, BECAUSE IT'S SO BASIC. IF YOU ARE RUNNING A FACILITY, IF ARE YOU IN CHARGE OF A FACILITY AND ARE 4 5 YOU NOT LOOKING AT SERIOUS INCIDENTS THAT ARE RESULTING IN BROKEN BONES OR PERMANENT INJURY, BUT WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT 6 7 AND WHY HASN'T THE -- YOU HAVE TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE MANAGING 8 TOWARD AND THEN YOU HAVE TO DECIDE HOW YOU ARE GOING TO 9 MEASURE, WHETHER YOU ARE MOVE TOWARDS IT OR AWAY FROM IT. IF NONE OF THAT IS BEING DONE, WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT? THIS 10 11 ISN'T 1950. MOST LARGE CORRECTIONAL AGENCIES ARE MANAGING WITH A LOT OF DATA AND LOOKING AT DATA AND THAT'S NOT THE ONLY 12 THING YOU LOOK AT. THERE'S PLENTY OF INTUITION AND GUT THAT 13 YOU CAN'T -- YOU CAN'T GO BACK TO THE OLD SYSTEM WHERE 14 15 MANAGEMENT IS ALMOST EXCLUSIVELY BY PERSONALITY AND TRADITION. 16 IF THE NUMBERS ARE BAD, THERE IS SOMETHING THERE THAT NEEDS LOOKING AT. AND WHEN THE NUMBERS AREN'T REACHING THE TOP 17 18 ADMINISTRATION OR THE SHERIFF IN THIS CASE, PEOPLE SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE, INCLUDING PEOPLE AT VERY HIGH LEVELS. IF 19 THEY'RE NOT DOING THAT, WHAT IS IT THEY ARE DOING TO MAKE SURE 20 21 THAT THE AGENCY IS FLORISHING AND THE COMMUNE IS THE WELL 22 SERVED? 23

MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WHAT ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES OR

RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD YOU HAVE US CONSIDER IN LIGHT OF THESE

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CONCERNS THAT YOU HAVE EXPRESSED 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK MY OPINION ON THAT IS JUST ONE PERSON WHO HAS LOOKED AT AND WORKED WITH THE DEPARTMENT A BIT 4 5 BUT I WOULD THINK IT WOULD BE WORTH LOOKING AT TO CONSIDER A PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE CUSTODY DIVISION WHO REPORTS DIRECTLY 6 7 TO THE SHERIFF AND WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, EVERYBODY ELSE IN 8 CUSTODY REPORTS TO THAT PERSON. AND THAT PERSON OWNS THE JAILS AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE JAILS TO THE SHERIFF. THE SHERIFF 9 IS, OBVIOUSLY, RESPONSIBLE TO THE COMMUNITY. BUT RIGHT NOW, 10 11 THAT'S VERY SCATTERED AND IT ISN'T -- I THINK IT ISN'T HELPFUL. AND I THINK FOLKS DON'T KNOW WHOSE DIRECTION TO TAKE, 12 HOW SERIOUSLY AND WHERE IS IT COMING FROM AND WHO IS IN WHOSE 13 CAMP AND ALL SORTS OF THINGS. IF THERE WERE SOME -- SOMEBODY 14 15 MAYBE AT THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF LEVEL, ALTHOUGH, I'M NOT 16 ATTACHED TO ANY PARTICULAR ORGANIZATIONAL NAME OR TITLE, THAT KIND OF CLARITY, WHAT I THINK WOULD BE A VERY BIG STEP 17 18 FORWARD. 19 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: ARE THERE ANY ATTRIBUTES THAT THAT 20 21 INDIVIDUAL SHOULD HAVE? 22 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, THEY SHOULD COME FROM OUTSIDE THE DEPARTMENT AND THAT WILL NOT BE A POPULAR SUGGESTION. WITHIN 24 THE DEPARTMENT, ONE HALF A SECOND, BUT THE PEOPLE IN THE 25

- 1 DEPARTMENT, THE USE OF FORCE ISSUES I THINK ARE SEVERE. I
- 2 THINK ARE DEEPLY EMBEDDED AND HAVE BEEN GOING ON FOR A VERY
- 3 LONG TIME. THE PEOPLE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT RANKS,
- 4 WHO MIGHT BE CONSIDERED FOR THAT KIND OF ASSIGNMENT, EITHER
- 5 HAVE KNOWN ABOUT THAT AND AT LEAST CONDONED IT WITH SILENCE,
- 6 AND IN THAT WAY ARE SOMEWHAT COMPROMISED ABOUT BEING THE MAJOR
- 7 CHANGE ACTED OR THEY'VE GROWN SO CLOSE TO IT THAT THEY DIDN'T
- 8 RECOGNIZE IT AS SOMETHING WARM, IN BLUNTED TERMS. THAT THEY
- 9 COULDN'T SEE THE FOREST THROUGH TREES BECAUSE IT'S BEEN LIKE
- 10 THAT FOR A LONG TIME. THEY DIDN'T SEE IT. GETTING SOMEBODY IN
- 11 WHO IS USED TO A VERY DIFFERENT STANDARD, A DIFFERENT
- 12 ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE AND AN IDENTIFICATION OF THE STAFF
- 13 WORKING IN THE JAIL AS CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS RATHER THAN
- 14 PLAIN PATROL PROFESSIONALS, SOMEONE WHO HAD HIGH EXPECTATIONS
- 15 AND HISTORY WITH ISSUES AROUND USE OF FORCE AND OTHER
- 16 ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE ISSUES. SOMEONE WHO IS NOT LEANING
- 17 TOWARDS MAKING SURE INMATES WERE FEARFUL OF DEPUTIES AS THE
- 18 AVENUE TO RESPECT. WE SAW RESPECT AS SOMETHING COMING OUT OF
- 19 GOOD COMMUNICATION AND AN OPEN, POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE. THAT'S
- 20 ONE PERSON'S OPINION.

- 22 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: LET ME ASK YOU, FINALLY MR. SCHWARTZ, WE
- 23 HAVE SEEN IN THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS A SUBSTANTIAL DROP IN --
- 24 OF FORCE IN OUR JAILS. IT IS CLEAR THE SHERIFF IS ENGAGED.
- 25 SOME WOULD SAY WE ARE WELL INTO SOLVING THE PROBLEMS IN OUR

- 1 JAILS AND ISSUES ARE WELL ON THEIR WAY TO BEING FIXED. WHAT
- 2 ARE YOUR VIEWS IN THAT REGARD?

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- 4 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I'M IN STRONG DISAGREEMENT; I WISH THAT WERE
- 5 THE CASE. I KNOW YOU HAD SOME TESTIMONY THAT IT'S WELL ON ITS
- 6 WAY. A LOT OF THE CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ARE POSITIVE,
- 7 BUT THE ORGANIZATION, THE MINDSET, ATTITUDES OF THE DEPUTIES
- 8 WORKING IN THE JAIL. I THINK SOME OF THE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS,
- 9 PROGRAMS, THOSE ARE LONG STANDING. THEY ARE DEEPLY EMBEDDED.
- 10 THEY WILL NOT BE TURNED AROUND QUICKLY. TURN-AROUND WOULD BE
- 11 TWO, TWO-AND-A-HALF YEARS. I'VE SEEN IT DONE IN 18 MONTHS IN A
- 12 SMALLER AGENCY. I DON'T THINK THERE IS REASON TO BE TERRIBLY
- 13 OPTIMISTIC NOW. I THINK IT DEMANDS AN HONEST APPRAISAL. MY
- 14 HONEST APPRAISAL IS THIS IS NOT ON THE WAY. THERE ARE TOO MANY
- 15 PEOPLE NOT SUPPORTING THE WORK THIS NEEDS. SOME OF THEM ARE AT
- 16 SUPERVISORY AND MANAGEMENT LEVELS. I DON'T THINK THE UNION IS
- 17 THERE. I THINK THE SITUATION -- I KNOW THERE ARE A LOT OF
- 18 PEOPLE SAYING IT'S BEEN FIXED. AS SOON AS THE MEDIA WILL GET
- 19 OFF OF IT, THE COMMISSION IS DONE, IT'S ESSENTIALLY FIXED. I
- 20 THINK THAT'S AN AWFULLY LONG WAY FROM THE TRUTH. IF I WERE IN
- 21 A POSITION OF DECISION-MAKER ON THIS COMMISSION OR SOMETHING,
- 22 I MIGHT BE TEMPTED TO INVOKE A SONG TITLE, "WE'VE ONLY JUST
- 23 BEGUN."

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25 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: WITH THAT, I HAVE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS.

1 2 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER MURRAY, DO YOU HAVE 3 SOME QUESTIONS? 4 5 REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU. SINCE WE SEPARATE PATROL OFFICES FROM CUSTODY OFFICES, SHOULD WE HAVE SEPARATE TRAINING 6 7 PROGRAMS AND EVEN SEPARATE CAREER TRACKS? 8 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: MY OPINION IS, YES, ON BOTH OUESTIONS. ON 9 THE FIRST QUESTION, YES, YOU SHOULD HAVE SEPARATE TRAINING. 10 11 THERE IS A HUGE COST TO YOUR PATROL OPERATIONS BECAUSE AFTER THAT, THAT'S SIX MONTH ACADEMY TRAINING WHICH GETS HUGE 12 RESOURCES AND HUGE ATTENTION, THOSE CUSTODY DEPUTIES DON'T GET 13 TO GO ON THE STREETS AND LEARN THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE 14 THEY'VE LEARNED IN THE ACADEMY. THEY ARE SENT SOME PLACE LONG 15 16 ENOUGH, THEY ARE ALL BUT GUARANTEED TO FORGET IT AND LEARN CONTRADICTORY SKILLS AND BEHAVIORS. SO THAT'S ONE, SOMETHING 17 18 WHICH GAVE YOU A WORK FORCE IN THE JAILS THAT COULD -- WHERE 19 PEOPLE WOULD JOIN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CORRECTIONS, READ CORRECTIONS JOURNALS, BE INTERESTED IN WHAT SOME OTHER 20 JAIL WAS DOING THAT LOOKS REALLY PROMISING INSTEAD OF HAVING 21 22 PEOPLE WHOSE PRIMARY AFFILIATION AND THEIR PACKS FOR THEIR 23 WORK IS LAW ENFORCEMENT. 24

REV. CECIL L. MURRAY: THANK YOU.

1 2 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER. 3 SPEAKER: NO QUESTIONS, THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR INSIGHT. 4 5 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING. I 6 REALLY CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH IT MATTERS TO GET YOUR CANDID 7 8 ASSESSMENT OF WHAT IS GOING ON AT THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND CERTAINLY YOUR RECENT EXPERIENCE AND EXPOSURE 9 10 TO WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE CHALLENGES, AND YOU HEAR A LOT ABOUT THE CHALLENGES, USING THAT PHRASE, 11 BUT IS HOW THIS COMMISSION CAN BE HELPFUL IN SORT OF ADVANCING 12 THAT CHANGE AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND JUST LISTENING TO 13 THE CONVERSATION TODAY WITH MATT CATE AND YOURSELF ABOUT WHAT 14 DO YOU DO WHEN YOU HAVE EMPLOYEES, WHEN YOU HAVE DEPUTIES WHO 15 16 FALSIFIED DOCUMENTS, WHO MAKE DELIBERATE MISREPRESENTATIONS, TO SUPERIORS AND OTHERS, ESSENTIALLY TO COVER UP MISCONDUCT 17 AND MISBEHAVIOR THAT, IF I UNDERSTAND RIGHT, THE RECOMMENDED 18 DISCIPLINE IS TERMINATION FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS. IS THAT 19 SOMETHING THAT YOU RECOMMEND JUST FOR THE LINE DEPUTY OR IS 20 21 THAT SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD RECOMMEND FOR ANYONE IN THE 22 ORGANIZATION WHO WAS TO MAKE THAT TYPE OF DELIBERATE MISSTATEMENT, MISREPRESENTATION A LOT? 23 24

JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THAT'S SUCH A GREAT QUESTION. I AM GLAD YOU

- 1 BROUGHT IT UP. I SHOULD HAVE MENTIONED IT. ANYBODY WHO -- IT'S
- 2 GOT TO APPLY MORE STRINGENTLY AT HIGHER RANKS. WITH HIGHER
- 3 RANKS, IT SHOULD COME NOT ONLY WITH MORE AUTHORITY AND
- 4 SOMETIMES SOME PRIVILEGES, IT SHOULD ALSO COME WITH MORE
- 5 RESPONSIBILITY AND A HIGHER DEGREE OF ACCOUNTABILITY. SO THE
- 6 SERGEANT WHO DOESN'T REPORT SOMETHING IS MORE CULPABLE THAN
- 7 THE DEPUTIES WHO DIDN'T REPORT SOMETHING IF THEY WERE ALL
- 8 THERE TOGETHER. THE SERGEANT IS THE FIRST PERSON YOU'D BE MOST
- 9 DISAPPOINTED WITH. NOW, GRANTED, THIS IS A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF
- 10 THE WORK FORCE, I KNOW THAT, THE TERMINATION AT ANY LEVEL, IF
- 11 IT'S A REPORT, AND I DON'T MEAN A MISTAKE. I THINK MATT MADE
- 12 THE DISTINCTION, WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT A MISTAKE.
- 13 INTENTIONALLY FALSIFYING, COVERING UP, CODE OF SILENCE, YOU
- 14 SHOULD BE FIRED FOR COVERING UP SOMETHING THAT IF YOU HAD
- 15 ADMITTED TO, YOU ONLY WOULD HAVE RECEIVED THE DAY SUSPENSION.
- 16 IT'S TO COVER UP THE AGENCY CAN'T STAND. THAT GOES DIRECTLY TO
- 17 THE INTEGRITY OF EVERY DEPUTY WORKING AND TO THE AGENCY'S
- 18 STANCE IN THE COMMUNITY. SO YES, IT HAS TO GO ALL THE WAY UP.
- 19 TERMINATION IS NOT THE SOLE ANSWER. IF THE TOP LEADERS AREN'T
- 20 WALKING AND TALKING IN THE INSTITUTIONS, THEIR VIEWS WILL NOT
- 21 PREVAIL. YOU CAN'T DO THIS FROM YOUR OFFICE. MARTIN HORN SAID
- 22 THIS VERY WELL...IT'S EXACTLY MY EXPERIENCE OVER MORE THAN 30
- 23 YEARS, YOU CAN BE REALLY SMART, BRILLIANT. YOU CAN WRITE A
- 24 GREAT MEMO ALSO. YOU CAN DO A LOT OF THINGS WELL. IF IT'S A
- 25 PRISON OR A JAIL, YOU GOT TO GET IN THERE OCCASIONALLY ON

- 1 WEEKENDS, ON EVENING SHIFTS, GRAVEYARD. NOTHING BEATS SITTING
- 2 DOWN WITH AN OFFICER WITH A CUP OF COFFEE AND TALKING AND
- 3 CHATTING FOR 20 MINUTES ON A GRAVEYARD SHIFT WHEN THE OFFICER
- 4 IS NOT DISTRACTED. IF YOU AREN'T DOING -- IF THE TOP PEOPLE
- 5 AREN'T DOING SOME OF THAT AND THE PEOPLE IN CHARGE OF THE
- 6 FACILITIES DIRECTLY AREN'T DOING IT FREQUENTLY, LOTS OF BAD
- 7 THINGS HAPPEN. YOU CAN'T MAINTAIN HOMEOSTASIS IN A POLICE OR
- 8 CORRECTIONAL AGENCY. THEY'RE EITHER ON THEIR WAY UP OR DOWN.
- 9 THEY GO DOWN FASTER THAN THAT THEY GO UP, AND EASIER. IN THE
- 10 ABSENCE OF STRONG POSITIVE LEADERSHIP, LOTS OF ELEMENTS FIND
- 11 THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR.
- 13 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: DO HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHY? I MEAN YOU
- 14 TALKED ABOUT HOW YOU BELIEVE THE SPOTLIGHT IS ON THE L.A.
- 15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF BACA, AND YOU BEGAN YOU'RE
- 16 ENGAGEMENT BACK WHEN THE SPOTLIGHT WAS AT ITS MOST POWERFUL
- 17 TIMES; RIGHT?

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- 19 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** YES.
- 21 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: THAT ENDED A FEW MONTHS LATER WHEN YOU NO
- 22 LONGER CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM. WHAT HAPPENS, DO YOU THINK,
- 23 WHEN THE SPOTLIGHT, TO THE EXTENT IT IS THERE, DISAPPEARS FROM
- 24 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? DO YOU HAVE AN OPINION? IF ALREADY
- 25 YOU HAVE WALKED AWAY OR LEFT BECAUSE OF THE CHALLENGES YOU

HAD? 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: WITH EVERYTHING THAT IS GOING ON, THE WORK THAT I WAS TRYING TO DO WAS A LITTLE PIECE AND IT CAN BE 4 5 ACCOMPLISHED, BUT THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE. I DON'T KNOW. I THINK THAT IF THIS COMMISSION'S WORK DOESN'T RESULT IN FUNDAMENTAL 6 7 CHANGE, I'M NOT TERRIBLY OPTIMISTIC, I'M REALLY SORRY TO SAY 8 THAT. I HAVE HIGH REGARD FOR THE SHERIFF, AND PARTICULARLY FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO THE VALUES HE TALKS ABOUT -- I THINK IS 9 HONEST AND THOROUGH AND REALLY ADMIRABLE AND I FELT REALLY 10 BADLY WHEN I CALLED OFF WHAT WE WERE DOING. I WAS EXCITED 11 ABOUT IT. THERE IS A TIME WHEN YOU HAVE TO PUT DOWN THE 12 SHOVEL. I'D REACHED THAT POINT. 13 14 15 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: AND HOW DO WE ASSESS, LIKE IN "CASABLANCA," WHEN HE TURNS AND SAYS I AM SURPRISED TO FIND 16 OUT THERE'S GAMBLING GOING ON IN THE INSTITUTION. 17 18 19 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: GAMBLING AT RICK'S? 20 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: WE HEARD THE SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL. 21 22 SHOCKING, RIGHT, AFTER ALL THESE YEARS TO FIND OUT THIS IS 23 GOING ON, TO THE EXTENT IT WAS GOING ON, WE STOPPED IT. YOU POINTED OUT YOU CHANGE THE USE OF FORCE POLICIES, THE FORCE 24 GOES DOWN. SOME IS MIND OVER MATTER, THIS IS THE WILL. HOW DO 25

- 1 WE ASSESS ANY OF THE LEADERSHIP'S CAPACITY? NOT JUST SHERIFF
- 2 BACA, RIGHT, PUT VALUES ASIDE FOR A MOMENT, BUT THE REALLY
- 3 ULTIMATE ABILITY TO COMMIT TO CHANGE AND TO BE THE RIGHT
- 4 PEOPLE TO LEAD THAT CHANGE? WE TALK ABOUT PEOPLE MAKING FALSE
- 5 STATEMENTS.

- 7 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK IT'S A PROFOUND QUESTION. I THINK I
- 8 CAN'T ANSWER IT. I WISH I COULD BE HELPFUL WITH THAT. I THINK
- 9 I CANNOT. IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL IF IN A FEW YEARS YOU WERE NOT
- 10 IN THIS KIND OF A POSITION WHERE YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN
- 11 CONTRADICTORY VIEWS AND THE WAY TO DO THAT, I THINK, IS
- 12 SOMEHOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS TO GET TO WHERE IT HAS
- 13 THE KIND OF DATA WHERE YOU CAN STOP ARGUING BECAUSE IT'S AN
- 14 EMPIRICAL QUESTION. IS IT 27 OR HIGHER? WE CAN ALL AGREE ON
- 15 THAT. IF YOU'VE GOT THE NUMBERS, THEY'RE HALFWAY RELIABLE,
- 16 LET'S LOOK AT THE NUMBER INSTEAD OF ARGUING ABOUT WHAT IT IS.
- 17 HERE, IN TOO MANY PLACES, I THINK, YOU ARE LEFT WITH TRYING TO
- 18 AMONG THOSE WHO ARE ARGUING ABOUT WHAT THE SITUATION IS. IT'S
- 19 A DIFFICULT POSITION. IT SHOULD BE PRIMARILY EMPIRICAL WHERE
- 20 WE COULD AGREE. THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF GAPS AND DECISIONS
- 21 THAT HAVE TO BE MADE. BUT THE DATABASE ISN'T THERE. THE
- 22 CLARITY OF POLICY ISN'T THERE. THE CLARITY OF REVIEW PROCESS
- 23 ISN'T THERE. ALL I CAN SAY, IF THAT STUFF COMES, IT WILL
- 24 PROBABLY BRING WITH IT A GOOD DEAL OF POSITIVE CHANGE. ON THE
- 25 PERSONNEL ISSUES, I DON'T WANT TO BE GLIB, BUT I WISH YOU THE

1 BEST. 2 3 ALEXANDER BUSANSKY: WE WISH OURSELVES THE BEST, TOO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: COMMISSIONER BONNER. 6 7 8 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. REFERING BACK TO YOUR TESTIMONY WITH RESPECT TO THE WHAT I'LL CALL THE "LACK 9 10 OF PROMPTNESS IN IMPOSING DISCIPLINE," PARTICULARLY FROM WHERE THERE IS A DETERMINATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN UNJUSTIFIABLE 11 AND UNREASONABLE USE OF FORCE OR THERE HAS BEEN LYING ABOUT 12 THE USE OF FORCE, DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR US AS TO HOW 13 WE COULD HAVE A MORE EXPEDITIOUS DISCIPLINARY PROCESS IN THE 14 15 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SO THAT IT DOESN'T TAKE NEARLY TWO YEARS, 16 LIKE IN THE ONE CASE WE LOOKED AT, TO GET FROM THE TIME OF THE 17 INCIDENT TO THE IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE? BY THE WAY, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF REASONS TO DO THIS, IT'S NOT JUST TO IMPOSE 18 DISCIPLINE MORE RAPIDLY. IT ALSO CLEARS THE PEOPLE AND GETS 19 THE CLOUD LIFTED FOR DEPUTIES WHO ARE UNDER SUSPICION, WHICH 20 21 CAN IMPACT TRANSFERS AND ALL SORTS OF OTHER THINGS. SO I JUST 22 WONDER IF YOU KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT THE PROCESS FROM INCIDENT TO INVESTIGATION BY, LET'S SAY, INTERNAL AFFAIRS TO ULTIMATELY 23 THIS LETTER OF INTENT TO IMPOSING DISCIPLINE TO THE HEARING TO 24

THE REVIEW PROCESS AFTER THE HEARING TO THE, ESSENTIALLY,

- 1 IMPOSITION OF FINAL DISCIPLINE, AND WHERE WE COULD REMOVE SOME
- 2 OF THOSE IMPEDIMENTS AND MAKE THIS PROCESS MOVE MORE
- 3 EXPEDITIOUSLY.

- 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK I CAN ANSWER THAT QUESTION. THERE
- 6 SHOULD BE TIMELY STANDARDS BUILT INTO THE DISCIPLINNARY
- 7 PROCESS, IN EVERY DISCIPLINE CASE. EVERY USE OF FORCE INCIDENT
- 8 SHOULD BE LOGGED. AND THEN ON THAT LOG, YOU ENTER WHEN THE
- 9 NEXT STEP TOOK PLACE. AND YOU CAN LOOK AT THE LOG. IT'S
- 10 PROBABLY ON A COMPUTER THESE DAYS. IT USED TO BE PAPER. AND IT
- 11 WAS STILL PRETTY EASY TO DO. ONCE YOU HAVE LOGGED IT, THE NEXT
- 12 STEP IS, IS THE USE OF FORCE PACKAGE OR DISCIPLINARY
- 13 PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION COMPLETE? THERE IS A DATE. WHEN
- 14 THERE IS NO DATE IN THE BOX SOMEONE WHO IS IN CHARGE, WHICH IS
- 15 ANOTHER ISSUE, BUT IF THERE IS SOMEONE IN CHARGE OF OVERSIGHT
- 16 OF THAT AREA, THEY LOOK AT THAT AND CALL SOMEBODY AND SAY,
- 17 MARTHA OR GEORGE, WHAT THE WASHINGTONS, ANYWAY, BUT HOW COME?
- 18 YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ON -- YOU DIDN'T CALL US, YOU DIDN'T WRITE
- 19 FOR AN EXTENSION. THERE IS NO -- THIS ISN'T AN UNUSUAL CASE.
- 20 HOW COME YOU DIDN'T -- THE POLICY SAYS 14 DAYS. IT'S BEEN 20
- 21 AND I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM YOU. YOU'D BE SURPRISED. THINGS START
- 22 HAPPENING AND THEN THERE ARE REPORTS SAYING IN THE LAST YEAR,
- 23 OR THE LAST OUARTER, THIS MANY OF OUR DISCIPLINARY
- 24 INVESTIGATIONS REACHED THIS STAGE WITHIN POLICY TIME
- 25 GUIDELINES. THE NEXT STEP WERE THIS MANY. THAT'S, THIS IS

- 1 IMMINENTLY SOLVABLE, AS IS THE USE OF FORCE REVIEW PROCESS FOR
- 2 THE SAME REASONS AND IN THE SAME WAY.

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- 4 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: BASICALLY TIME LINE AND EXTRACTION TO
- 5 GIVES, JUST A MOMENT, SIR, TO GIVE US A TIMELINES, GIVE US A
- 6 SCHEDULE FROM INCIDENT TO FINAL IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE FOR
- 7 CLEARANCE, BUT IN THE STEPS THAT NEED TO GO THROUGH WHATEVER
- 8 THE CURRENT TIMELINES ARE FOR COMPLETING VARIOUS PARTS OF THAT
- 9 IF ANY AND HOW THAT WOULD BE TRACKED AND ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS
- 10 WE MIGHT HAVE HERE TO ACCELERATE THE IMPOSITION OF DISCIPLINE,
- 11 PARTICULARLY IN WHERE UNJUSTIFIED AND UNJUSTIFIED USE OF FORCE
- 12 HAS BEEN USED OR THERE HAS BEEN LYING, INTENTIONAL
- 13 FABRICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO USE OF FORCE AND A REPORT, USE OF
- 14 REPORT SITUATIONS NOW.

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- 16 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: JUDGE BONNER, I THINK THERE WAS ANOTHER
- 17 PART OF MR. SWARTZ'S ANSWER. I THINK HE ALSO INDICATED THAT IN
- 18 ADDITION TO THE TIMELINE AND THE TRACKING, I KNOW HE'S GOT
- 19 VIEWS ABOUT THE NEED FOR SORT OF AN INDIVIDUAL SORT OF
- 20 SOMETHING, MORE THAN JUST A PROCESS, BUT ALSO, YOU KNOW,
- 21 OVERSIGHT BY SOMEONE, I DON'T KNOW IF HE HAD FINISHED.

- 23 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: OKAY. I MAY HAVE CUT YOU OFF, IF THERE
- 24 IS SOMETHING ELSE YOU MIGHT ADD TO RECOMMEND TO ACCELERATE THE
- 25 DISCIPLINARY PROCESS.

1 2 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: TWO BRIEF POINTS I APOLOGIZE, I INTERRUPTED 3 YOU, IT WASN'T THE OTHER WAY AROUND. IF THERE IS SOMEONE IN CHARGE OF SOMETHING LIKE STAFF DISCIPLINE AND, TYPICALLY THAT 4 5 WOULD BE THE PERSON IN CHARGE, THE CAPTAIN IN CHARGE OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS OR IAB. THAT'S THE PERSON WHO MUST TRACK 6 7 THOSE THINGS ONCE POLICY IS SET AND THERE ARE GUIDELINES, 14 8 DAYS FOR THIS. 30 DAYS FOR THIS. AND SIMILARLY WITH THE REVIEW OF USE OF FORCE, IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL FOR THE DEPARTMENT 9 AT LEAST IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS IF THERE WERE A PERSON, 10 PROGRAMS AT THE CAPTAIN LEVEL OR LIEUTENANT OR COMMANDER THAT 11 PERHAPS CAPTAIN LEVEL, SOMETHING LIKE THAT, WHO WAS IN CHARGE 12 OF EVERYTHING HAVING TO DO WITH USE OF FORCE, INCLUDING MAKING 13 SURE THAT NOTHING FELL THROUGH THE CRACKS. IT WOULD BE ONE 14 15 PERSON THAT THE SHERIFF COULD TURN TO AND SAY, HOW ARE WE 16 DOING ON THIS? WHERE IS THAT? ARE THE FACILITIES DOING ABOUT THE SAME? THE SECOND POINT I'D LIKE TO JUST ABSOLUTELY 17 18 REITERATE AND UNDERSCORE WHAT YOU SAID, WHEN A DISCIPLINARY INVESTIGATION IS NOT HANDLED TIMELY, YOU LOSE AT BOTH ENDS. 19 THE IMPACT ON THE OFFICER -- IN THE COUNTY I LIVE IN I HAVE 20 21 DONE SOME WORK WITH SANTA CLARA COUNTY, SAN JOSE IS THE CENTRE 22 OF OUR COUNTY, SANTA CLARA COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM WENT THROUGH A 23 PERIOD WHERE INVESTIGATIONS OF OFFICERS WOULD BE OPENED AND TWO YEARS LATER, NOTHING HAD HAPPENED. I SAW OFFICERS WHO WERE 24 RUINED BY THAT, LIVING UNDER THAT SORT OF CLOUD ABOVE YOUR 25

- 1 HEAD; AFTER A WHILE, WITH EVERYBODY KNOWING IT'S THERE, IT
- 2 BECOMES IMPOSSIBLE. SO YOU NOT ONLY OWE IT TO THE DEPARTMENT:
- 3 IT'S GROSSLY UNFAIR TO THOSE OFFICER PERSONALLY NOT TO DO IT
- 4 IN A PROMPT, TIMELY FASHION. YOU MADE THAT POINT. I SHOULD
- 5 HAVE DONE IT MYSELF.

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- 7 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION THAT IS, YOU
- 8 INDICATED IF I GOT THIS CORRECTLY THAT YOU HAD BEEN ENGAGED OR
- 9 RETAINED AS AN EXPERT WITNESS IN 50 OR 60 USE OF FORCE
- 10 SITUATIONS, NOW, NOT USE OF FORCE, HOW MANY USE OF FORCE?

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- 12 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** I HAVE BEEN IN 50 OR 60 TOTAL CASES WHERE I
- 13 HAVE BEEN RETAINED AS AN EXPERT. I WOULD GUESS MAYBE 20 OF
- 14 THOSE HAVE BEEN USE OF FORCE. I'M REALLY NOT VERY CERTAIN.

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- 16 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: LET ME TALK ABOUT THE TOTALITY, THE 50
- 17 OR 60 MATTERS OR LAWSUITS IN WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN ENGAGED AS AN
- 18 EXPERT. HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU BEEN ENGAGED BY THE DEFENDANT
- 19 IN THOSE CASES, HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU BEEN ENGAGED BY
- 20 PLAINTIFFS?

- 22 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK I HAVE BEEN ENGAGED BY DEFENDANTS,
- 23 MORE THAN A FOURTH LESS THAN A THIRD, MORE OFTEN BY
- 24 PLAINTIFFS, NOT -- IT'S NOT 90/10. I WOULD GUESS IT'S MAYBE A
- 25 LITTLE MORE THAN ONE-FOURTH OF THE TIME AND LESS THAN A THIRD

OF THE TIME I THINK IT'S BEEN ON THE DEFENSE SIDE. 1 2 3 THE HON. ROBERT BONNER: THANK YOU. 4 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: MR. TEVRIZIAN. 5 6 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: DR. SCHWARTZ, I WANT TO THANK YOU 7 8 FOR YOUR INSIGHTFUL AND HELPFUL TESTIMONY HERE TODAY. I THINK THIS COMMISSION IS GOING TO DO ITS BEST TO COME UP WITH SOME 9 10 KIND OF A SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONINGS. THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE IS -- HOW DOES THIS COMMISSION RECONCILE YOUR POSITION, 11 THE SHERIFF'S POSITION, THE RESISTANCE THAT YOU ENCOUNTERED 12 FROM CERTAIN COMMAND STAFF AND THE POSITION OF ALADS THAT YOU 13 14 HEARD HERE TODAY IN SOLVING THIS DILEMMA? 15 16 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: I THINK YOU ARE IN THE POSITION OF A JUDGE OR A JURY IN A, SAY IN A CIVIL CASE, WHERE YOU ARE THE FINDER 17 18 OF FACT. AND THAT YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT WHAT'S BEEN PRESENTED --YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT WHAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU AND SEE WHICH 19 THINGS YOU FIND MOST IMPORTANT AND MOST PERSUASIVE AND WHICH 20 21 THINGS YOU THINK ARE TRUE AND WHICH THINGS YOU THINK ARE A 22 REFLECTION OF EITHER SELF INTEREST OR WRONG-HEADED FOR SOME OTHER REASON. AND I DON'T KNOW, I HAVE MY OWN OPINIONS, BUT I 23 KNOW SOME OF THOSE ARE SHARPLY AT ODDS WITH SOME OTHER THINGS 24

THAT YOU HAVE HEARD. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU SORT THAT OUT

- 1 EXCEPT I'M TEMPTED TO SAY YOU HAVE TO FOLLOW YOUR HEARTS. WHAT
- 2 DO YOU THINK IS RIGHT? AND WHAT DO YOU THINK IS TRUE? YOU'VE
- 3 HAD A LOT OF, AN AWFUL LOT IN FRONT OF YOU. I'VE WORKED WITH
- 4 STAFF AND BEEN ABSOLUTELY DELIGHTED WITH THEIR COMMITMENT AND
- 5 THOROUGHNESS. I HAVE SEEN THE STAFF OF THE COMMISSION, IF YOU
- 6 DON'T DO ANYTHING ELSE, YOU HAVE ALREADY DONE THIS COMMUNITY -
- 7 IF YOU NEVER ISSUE A REPORT -- YOU HAVE DONE THIS COMMUNITY
- 8 A HUGE FAVOR BY FOCUSING THE COMMUNITY'S ATTENTION SO MUCH ON
- 9 THESE ISSUES. IT'S NOT -- IT'S NOT WITHOUT COST. THIS ISN'T
- 10 EASY FOR PEOPLE WITHIN LASD AND CERTAINLY MANY PEOPLE FEEL
- 11 UNDER SEIGE, BUT THEY WILL COME OUT THE OTHER END OF THIS I
- 12 THINK THE BETTER FOR IT NO MATTER WHERE YOU LAND. I CAN'T --
- 13 IF I WERE TO SIT ON THIS COMMISSION, IN MANY WAYS I'M GLAD I'M
- 14 NOT. I DON'T ENVY YOU. IF I WERE SITTING ON THE COMMISSION, I
- 15 THINK I'D HAVE TO, AT SOME POINT, SORT OF SIT DOWN BY MYSELF
- 16 AND SAY...ON SOME OF THESE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES WHERE THERE IS
- 17 DEEP DISAGREEMENT, WHAT DO I THINK IS TRUE? WHAT DO I THINK IS
- 18 RIGHT? AND I DON'T KNOW IT. YOU DO NOT HAVE AN ANALYTICAL WAY
- 19 TO GET THE ANSWERS ON SOME OF THESE, ON SOME YOU DO. YOU GOT
- 20 GOOD DATA THE STAFF HAS PRESENTED TO YOU AND FORMULATED. BUT
- 21 ON SOME REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES -- ARE WE MOST OF THE WAY
- 22 THERE OR ARE WE AT THE BEGINNING? THAT'S AN EDITORIAL "WE" I'M
- 23 NOT HERE. I THINK I HAVE TO SIT DOWN AND SAY, YOU KNOW, WHAT'S
- 24 AT THE HEART OF THIS? THAT'S THE TIME WHEN YOU GET TO WHAT'S
- 25 IT ALL ABOUT? I DON'T KNOW ANOTHER WAY.

1 2 HON. DICKRAN M. TEVRIZIAN: YOU KNOW, MY ASSESSMENT IS WE'RE 3 DEALING WITH AN ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE AND A CULTURAL CHANGE THAT HAS TO TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. 4 5 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THAT IS MY VIEW AS WELL, SIR, ABSOLUTELY. 6 AND THOSE CHANGES ARE NEVER REALLY QUICK. THEY'RE NEVER EASY. 7 8 AND THEY'RE NEVER WITHOUT SOME COLLATERAL DAMAGE. YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT GOING IN. SO IT'S NOT EASY. IT'S ALWAYS EASIER FOR 9 THE FOLKS WHO ARE TRYING TO DIRECT THAT CHANGE THAN FOR THE 10 PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF IT TRYING TO LIVE IT AND MAKE 11 IT WORK. YOU KNOW THAT, TOO, BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE. I'M 12 EXACTLY IN AGREEMENT WITH YOU THAT THIS IS ABOUT CHANGING. NOT 13 NECESSARILY THE PEOPLE, BUT THE CHANGES IN LEADERSHIP, CHANGES 14 15 IN ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE AND CHANGES IN ACCOUNTABILITY. IF 16 YOU THE -- TO THE EXTENT YOU CAN DO THAT, I THINK THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT. 17 18 RICHARD E. DROOYAN: I HAVE ONE QUESTION FOR MY FOLLOW-UP. DR. 19 SCHWARTZ, I'D ASK TO YOU COMMENT A BIT ABOUT THE DISCIPLINE 20 21 PROCESS AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE'VE HEARD ABOUT IAB, 22 WITH THE CHIEF OF LEADERSHIP AND TRAINING WHO REPORTS TO THE SHERIFF. ICIB, WHICH REPORTS TO THE SHERIFF. THE EXECUTIVE USE 23 OF FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE, WHICH REVIEWS IAB INVESTIGATIONS. 24

CUSODY FORCE REVIEW COMMITTEE, WHICH REVIEWS THE INITIAL

- 1 INVESTIGATIONS AND THE COMMANDERS FORCE REVIEWS TEAM WHICH
- 2 ROLLS OUT THE THINGS THAT IAB DOESN'T ROLL OUT. COULD YOU
- 3 COMMENT ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OR SYSTEM IN PLACE FOR THE
- 4 INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATIONS OF FORCE?

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- 6 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: YES, IT ISN'T A SYSTEM. IT IS A BUNCH OF
- 7 POSSIBILITIES. I THINK IN TOO MANY CASES NO ONE KNOWS WHAT
- 8 EXACTLY IS GOING TO HAPPEN. THAT'S WHY THERE IS SO LITTLE
- 9 ACCOUNTABILITY IN THAT SYSTEM. ON SOME CASES IT'S CLEAR. IF AN
- 10 INMATE ATTACKS ANOTHER INMATE THAT'S GOING TO I THINK IT'S
- 11 ICIB --

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13 RICHARD E. DROOYAN: ICIB.

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- 15 **JEFFREY SCHWARTZ:** IS GOING TO CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OR
- 16 CRIMINAL PROSECUTION, POTENTIALLY. IF THERE IS AT THE OUTSET A
- 17 CLEAR ALLEGATION OF MALFEASANCE BY A STAFF MEMBER, THAT'S
- 18 ABOUT ALL THAT'S CLEAR. WHETHER THE -- I'VE LOST THE FORCE
- 19 REVIEW TEAM -- WOULD SOMEONE HELP ME -- ?

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21 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: CUSTODY FORCE REVIEW TEAM.

- 23 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WHETHER THE CFR TEAM
- 24 GOES OUT ON A SPECIFIC INCIDENT HAS TO DO WITH WHETHER IA IS
- 25 CALLED. IF IA ISN'T CALLED, I ASKED THAT QUESTION. I THOUGHT

- 1 THE CFRT SERGEANTS WERE NATURAL TO TAKE, THOSE WERE THE
- 2 OBJECTIVE PEOPLE WITH A LITTLE MORE EXPERIENCE WITH THIS WHO
- 3 OUGHT TO BE DOING THE INITIAL INVESTIGATIONS. I QUICKLY
- 4 DISABUSED THAT NOTION, THE FUNDING ISN'T SURE. BUT THERE IS
- 5 NOWHERE NEAR ENOUGH OF THEM. THAT'S WHY THE SERGEANT WHO IS
- 6 THE ON-SCENE SERGEANT, WHO IS NOT THE OBJECTIVE PERSON YOU
- 7 WOULD CHOOSE, HANDLES MOST OF THOSE, BUT THEN YOU HAVE POLICY
- 8 PROVISIONS THAT SAY IF SOMEONE REPORTS THE USE OF FORCE TO A
- 9 DEPUTY, THE DEPUTY IS OBLIGED TO REPORT IT VERBALLY
- 10 IMMEDIATELY TO A SUPERVISORS. THE SUPERVISORS SHALL
- 11 IMMEDIATELY MAKE AN INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF IT'S A VALID
- 12 ALLEGATION. WELL, NOW THAT DOESN'T WORK, BUT THAT'S THE
- 13 POLICY. THERE IS ANOTHER POLICY THAT SAYS THAT IF YOU ARE A
- 14 WITNESS TO USE OF FORCE, YOU GO TO A SERGEANT WHO DECIDES
- 15 WHETHER OR NOT YOU SHOULD WRITE A REPORT ON WHAT YOU
- 16 WITNESSED. THAT'S NOT WORKABLE. ALADS MADE A BIG THING OF,
- 17 WELL IF THERE IS 100 WITNESSES, WE HAVE TO GO INTERVIEW 100
- 18 INMATES. THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. NOR SHOULD IT, NOR WOULD
- 19 IT. YOU ARE GOING TO PICK SOME INMATES WHO ARE CLOSE. YOU ARE
- 20 GOING TO DO SOMETHING ELSE. NO ONE IS GOING TO ASSIGN A WHOLE
- 21 BUNCH OF STAFF TO INTERVIEW 100 INMATES. BUT THE SITUATION,
- 22 THE POLICIES ARE WRONG. AND IN SOME WAYS, UNTIL YOU FIX THE
- 23 POLICY, YOU ARE REUPHOLSTERING THE DECK CHAIRS ON THE TITANIC.

25 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: MR. SCHWARTZ, I CAN'T THANK YOU

ENOUGH. YOUR TESTIMONY HAS BEEN VERY INSIGHTFUL. 1 2 3 JEFFREY SCHWARTZ: THANKS TO THE COMMISSION FOR THE LONG DAY AND THE WORK YOU ARE DOING. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE IT. WE HAVE 6 7 SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ASKED TO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M 8 GOING TO CALL THREE UP AT A TIME. CAN YOU GET OUT OF YOUR SEAT IN THE ORDER I CALL YOU. THEN WE WILL HAVE THE COMMENTS. FOR 9 10 THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THIS, YOUR COMMENTS ARE TO BE LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN 3 MINUTES BECAUSE OF THE HOUR, 11 AS SOON AS THAT LIGHT GOES ON, YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO GRAB 12 UP. SO I'M STARTING WITH ARNOLD SACHS. PATRICE COLOURS AND 13 TYREE EDWARDS. YOU CAN TAKE A SEAT UP THERE. MR. SACHS, COME 14 15 ON UP. 16 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. A COUPLE 17 18 THINGS, THE TWO GENTLEMAN THAT TESTIFIED WHO WERE FROM NEW YORK MADE SOME INTERESTING POINTS. ONE OF THE CHAIRPERSONS UP 19 HERE MENTIONED THEY WANT TO GET A COPY OF A TRAINING MANUAL. I 20 21 WOULD SUGGEST YOU GET A COPY OF THE TRAINING MANUAL USED IN NEW YORK CITY, BECAUSE, ACCORDING TO WHAT THEY SAID, THEY 22 23 DON'T USE IMPACT WEAPONS AND THEY HAVE A TRAINING MANUAL OF 16 WEEKS AND THE L.A. SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT USES IMPACT WEAPONS IN 24

THEIR TRAINING MANUALS. MAYBE YOU COULD COMPARE THE TWO

- 1 DIFFERENCES IN THE TRAINING MANUALS AND SEE WHY THEY GET AWAY
- 2 WITHOUT USING IMPACT WEAPONS IN NEW YORK AND IN PENNSYLVANIA
- 3 AND IN THE STATE AND THE SHERIFFS NEED IMPACT WEAPONS HERE. I
- 4 WOULD LOOK INTO -- THEY MENTIONED THE COURT PROCEEDINGS WITH
- 5 THE INTAKE OF INMATES SO MUCH HIGHER IN L.A. THAN IN NEW YORK.
- 6 THE AMOUNT PEOPLE THAT ARE RELEASED ON THEIR OWN RECOGNIZANCE,
- 7 THAT THEY MENTIONED THEIR TRAINING, STAFF, THEIR STAFF IS
- 8 HIGHER THAN MOST STAFF MEMBERS. HOW IT WAS ACCOMPLISHED. THE
- 9 COST OF INCARCERATION. NOW, WHEN THEY TALKED ABOUT THE
- 10 REALIGNMENT PROGRAM, THE SHERIFF HERE, THE SHERIFF IN THIS
- 11 COUNTY CHAMBERS MENTIONED THAT HE'D BE HAPPY FOR THE
- 12 REALIGNMENT, BECAUSE THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA PAYS AT A HIGHER
- 13 RATE THAN THE COUNTY'S COST FORCE REALIGNMENT FOR
- 14 INCARCERATION, SO WHAT IS THE COST OF INCARCERATION IN NEW
- 15 YORK? WHAT IS THE COST OF INCARCERATION IN L.A.? THE LAST
- 16 GENTLEMAN THAT SPOKE MENTIONED SHELBY COUNTY. IT TOOK SIX
- 17 YEARS FOR THEM TO TURN THE PROGRAM AROUND. DID THAT INVOLVE
- 18 STAFFING RATIOS? THE IMPACT WEAPONS? THE COSTS, THE DIRECT
- 19 CAUSE AND EFFECT OF LIABILITIES TO THE STAFFING INCREASES,
- 20 LEAD TO A REDUCTION IN LIABILITY COSTS FOR COUNTY? I MEAN,
- 21 BOTH, ALL THREE OF THE SPEAKERS ALSO MENTIONED BASICALLY THE
- 22 SYSTEM. THE SYSTEM IS BROKEN. IT'S NOT JUST THE SHERIFF. BUT
- 23 IT'S A GOVERNMENT SYSTEM. YOU HAVE A CORRECTIONS COMMISSIONER
- 24 THAT DOESN'T ACTUALLY -- ANSWER TO THE SHERIFF. THE POLICE
- 25 DON'T POLICE THE FACILITIES. THESE ARE TRAINED PERSONNEL WITH

- 1 TRAINED BACKGROUNDS FOR POLICE AND FACILITY, AND ALLOWS YOU TO
- 2 PUT MORE PEOPLE ON THE STREET, WHICH MAY REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF
- 3 CRIME. I DON'T KNOW. BUT THE FACILITIES AND THE ALLOWING THE
- 4 SYSTEM TO CONTINUE, YOU WANT TO DO IT, VERY QUICKLY. IF YOU
- 5 FLIP A COIN 100 TIMES, AND GET ONE TAILS, THAT'S 1%. THE YOUNG
- 6 LADY MENTIONED THAT THE AMOUNT OF CASES THAT WERE INVESTIGATED
- 7 HERE WAS .05%. YOU HAVE PRETTY LUCKY COIN THEN.

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9 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MR. --

11 ARNOLD SACHS: THANK YOU, JUDGE BAIRD. A COUPLE QUICK THINGS

- 12 THAT PARTICULARLY CAUGHT MY ATTENTION. I KNOW THE COMMISSION
- 13 HAS HEARD A LOT. JUDGE, THE REASON YOU TALKED ABOUT CULTURE --
- 14 TWO THINGS CLEAR TO ME, IF YOU COMPARE MR. HORN'S AND
- 15 JACOBSON'S COMMENTS AND THE WAY YOU GAIN RESPECT AND MANAGE IT
- 16 AND DEAL WITH INPAYMENTS FROM THE ALADS' MODEL THEY'RE NIGHT
- 17 AND DAY. I WOULD VENTURE THAT GIVEN THE REPUTATIONS AND THE
- 18 HISTORY AND THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MR. HORN AND JACOBSON, YOU
- 19 NEED TO PUT A LOT OF STOCK IN HOW THEY MANAGE IF WE CAN'T PUSH
- 20 THEM AROUND AND WE HOLD TOWN HALLS TO HEAR THEIR COMPLAINTS,
- 21 WE LOSE CONTROL OF THE INSTITUTION, I THINK THAT'S A TROUBLING
- 22 VIEW, CULTURE VIEW, OBVIOUSLY, THERE ARE INMATES IN THERE WHO
- 23 ARE DIFFICULT PEOPLE, MANY VIOLENT ONES. SOMEHOW HOLDING TOWN
- 24 HALL MEETINGS, YOU HAVE LOST CONTROL OF THE -- I THINK THAT
- 25 INDICATES THE KIND OF CULTURAL PROBLEM YOU ARE REFERING TO.

- 1 THE SECOND THING I WOULD SAY IT WAS VERY INTERESTING WHEN MR.
- 2 JACOBSON AND MR. HORN TALK AND DATA. MR. TANAKA SAYS THE
- 3 PROBLEMS WEREN'T BROUGHT TO ME. IT IS CLEAR TO ANYBODY AROUND
- 4 CUSTODY, HE WAS ASSISTANT SHERIFF OVER CUSTODY. HE NEVER
- 5 LOOKED AT THAT TIME AT THE INADEQUATE USE OF FORCE REPORTS. HE
- 6 NEVER LOOKED FOR THEM. ASK TO SEE THOSE, YET FOR TWO AND A
- 7 HALF YEARS HE SAID HE NEVER ONCE LOOKED AT THOSE, I THINK THAT
- 8 IS VERY TELLING. IN ADDITION, I THINK WHAT MR. CATE SAID ABOUT
- 9 HOW DO WE VIEW WHEN WE DO FORCE INVESTIGATIONS, HOW DO WE
- 10 TREAT INMATES? HE SAYS WE DON'T START WITH THE IDEA OF ANYONE
- 11 LYING. THE ALADS, EVERY TIME THE ACLU PUT OUT A REPORT, THE
- 12 RESPONSE WAS THE ACLU EXAGGERATES AND INMATES LIE. OF COURSE,
- 13 SOME INMATES LIE. WE NOW KNOW FROM THE CORPORAL REPORT AND
- 14 ANOTHER DATA SOME DEPUTIES LIE. BUT THE IDEA WE START WITH THE
- 15 PRESUMPTION THAT THE INMATES ARE LIARS, IT'S INSULTING FOR OIR
- 16 TO SUGGEST MAYBE CAMERAS COULD BE A GOOD TIE-BREAKER. WHY
- 17 WOULD YOU PRESUME THE DEPUTIES LIE WHEN WE KNOW THE INMATES
- 18 LIE. YOU CAN'T DO HONEST INVESTIGATION OR REVIEW IF YOU START
- 19 WITH THE PRESUMPMTION THE INMATES, EVEN IF THEY HAVE BROKEN
- 20 BONES OR SHATTERED CHEEKS, ARE LYING. THE LAST THING I'D SAY,
- 21 MR. BUSANSKY, I THINK AN IMPORTANT QUESTION TO ASK IS, WE KNOW
- 22 FROM MIKE BORNMAN MORE THAN 100 SAT IN DRAWERS FOR A TIME. DID
- 23 OIR KNOW THAT? MY OUESTION; IF THEY ARE DOING OVERSIGHT HOW
- 24 DID THOSE SIT IN A DRAWER WITHOUT THAT EVER COMING TO OIR'S
- 25 ATTENTION. IT IS TRUE, JUDGE BONNER, IT IS IMPORTANT YOU HAVE

- 1 TRACKING. THAT SHOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED AT THE LINE LEVEL.
- 2 IF YOU HAVE AN OVERSIGHT MECHANISM, HOW DID IT NOT KNOW
- 3 HUNDREDS OF FORCED INVESTIGATIONS WEREN'T BEING PROCESSED? ARE
- 4 THEY LOOKING AT WHAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GIVES THEM? I'M
- 5 NOT SURE THAT'S AN EFFECTIVE MODEL OF OVERSIGHT.

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7 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MR. EDWARDS.

9 TYREE EDWARDS YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. EXCUSE ME, I COULDN'T HELP

10 BUT TO GET A LITTLE OVERWHELMED WITH SOME OF THE TESTIMONY

- 11 TODAY. MY NAME IS TYREE EDWARDS, FORMER INMATE 905473. IN THE
- 12 REAL WORLD, I'M A CELEBRITY PERSONAL TRAINER AND CHEF. JUST
- 13 FOR THE RECORD, I HAVE NEVER BEEN IN TROUBLE. NEVER GOT IN
- 14 TROUBLE. I'M NOT A CAREER CRIMINAL. HOWEVER, I WAS IN 18 YEARS
- 15 AGO AND SINCE THE DIVORCE OF MY EX-WIFE, SHE HAS BEEN MAKING
- 16 IT PAINFULLY HARD FOR ME TO SEE MY CHILD. AND IN ONE INSTANCE,
- 17 I WAS FALSELY ACCUSED OF MISAPPROPRIATIATING MYSELF DURING A
- 18 CHILD VISIT. WHEN I CAME BACK IN FEBRUARY, I WAS ARRESTED AT
- 19 MY STUDIO BY SOME DEPUTIES AND OFFICERS ON A FELONY FUGITIVE
- 20 WARRANT. WELL, I GOT TO L.A. COUNTY AND BEYOND ME KNOWING THAT
- 21 I WAS TOLD TO KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT ABOUT MY, THE CRIME AND THE
- 22 NATURE OF MY INCIDENT, NOT KNOWING THAT I WOULD BE GIVEN A
- 23 BAND TO MAKE ME STAND OUT AS A SEXUAL OFFENDER. NOT ONLY DID I
- 24 HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE INMATES THAT SAW THAT BAND, BUT I HAD A
- 25 LOT OF ISSUES WITH SOME OF THE DEPUTIES AND THE SHERIFFS. ONE

- 1 INCIDENT WAS ON MARCH 9th AFTER A VISIT, I MADE THE MISTAKE OF
- 2 KNOCKING ON THE COMMAND TOWER DOOR. WHEN THE DEPUTIES NOTICED
- 3 THAT I WASN'T LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE, HE ASKED ME, HAD I BEEN
- 4 THERE BEFORE? AND I TOLD HIM NO. SO HE TOLD ME WELL, THIS IS
- 5 HIS HOUSE AND THEY WANT TO SHOW ME HOW THEY DO THINGS AROUND
- 6 HERE. WELL, THEY LED ME TO A TANK AND APPARENTLY THEY HAD
- 7 MAKE-SHIFT WEAPONS READILY AVAILABLE IN THE CELL. THEY ALLOWED
- 8 THEM TO GO AHEAD AND WORK ME OVER FOR A FEW SECONDS TO GET A
- 9 TATE OF HOW THEY DO THINGS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. AT WHICH POINT
- 10 THEY LED ME TO ANOTHER DOOR, THEY MACED ME, KICKED ME AND BEAT
- 11 ME FOR ANOTHER SEVERAL MINUTES AND LEFT ME THERE UNTIL THE
- 12 NEXT MORNING WHEN THE NEW SHIFT CAME AND GOT ME. I DIDN'T LOOK
- 13 PRETTY. I DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ELSE ABOUT IT. AND DID I FILE
- 14 CHARGES? NO, I HAVEN'T. NOT AS OF YET. WAS I EVEN GIVEN AN
- 15 INVESTIGATION IN NO, I WASN'T. I WAS EXTRADITED TO TEXAS,
- 16 AFTER FIVE MONTHS, IT TOOK THEM ALL BUT TWO DAYS TO LET THEM
- 17 KNOW EVERYTHING WAS BOGUS BASED ON INFORMATION I GAVE THEM.
- 18 THEY SAID I WAS FREE TO GO. THE GRAND JURY EXONERATED ME, GIVE
- 19 ME NO BILL. I'M HERE TODAY TRYING TO PUT MY LIFE BACK TOGETHER
- 20 OVER SOMETHING I DIDN'T DO. I LISTENED TODAY OF ALL THE
- 21 TESTIMONY AND ALL THE EVIDENCE THAT'S BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU
- 22 GUYS, AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. AND IN MY OPINION, IT HAS
- 23 SOMETHING TO DO WITH THAT. IT'S ABOUT RIGHT AND WRONG. I'M
- 24 JUST LIKE ANY ONE OF YOU. I WAS INNOCENT. I CAN BE YOUR SON, I
- 25 CAN BE YOUR BROTHER, I COULD BE YOU. BUT IF THIS HAPPENED TO

YOU, WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO BE DONE? ESPECIALLY IF THE 1 LEADERSHIP IS BEING QUESTIONED AND ALL THE EVIDENCE HAS BEEN 2 3 PUT BEFORE TO YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. THANK YOU. 4 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE TWO MORE. THAT'S 6 PATRICE COLOURS AND AN ARNOLD SACHS. NO. 7 8 PATRICE COLOURS: GOOD AFTERNOON COMMISSIONERS, MY NAME IS 9 PATRICE COLOURS. I HAVE GROWN UP IN LOS ANGELES MY ENTIRE LIFE. I HAVE BEEN A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER THE LAST 11 YEARS, 10 11 MOSTLY IN FIXING PIPELINES. THE ISSUE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE IN THE L.A. COUNTY JUSTICE SYSTEM AFFECTS ALL OF LOS ANGELES, ALL 12 OF CALIFORNIA, ALL OF U.S. AND FRANKLY THE ENTIRE GLOBAL. MY 13 FAMILY IS BOTH VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF A JAIL SYSTEM THAT 14 15 COULDN'T PROPERLY CARE FOR MY BROTHER. THIS LACK OF CARE AND 16 DIGNITY LED TO MY BROTHER WAKING UP IN A POOL OF BLOOD BY HIS BEDSIDE AND THE DETENTION CENTRE. MY ENTIRE FAMILY EXPERIENCED 17 18 INTENSE TRAUMA BECAUSE OF THIS INCIDENT AND HAS LEFT US WITH 19 AN INABILITY TO HOLD TRUST IN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM. I TRULY BELIEVE THAT THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE COME FORWARD TO 20 ADDRESS THEIR ABUSE NEED A PUBLIC APOLOGY. I BELIEVE SHERIFF 21 22 BACA AND HIS ENTIRE STAFF NEEDS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE 23 LEVEL OF TRAUMA THAT HAS BEEN INFLICTED ON THE PEOPLE OF LOS

ANGELES. I WANT TO ADVOCATE FOR A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD THAT

PROVIDES OUTSIDE OVERSIGHT OF THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM

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- 1 AROUND LASTLY, I WILL BE HERE NEXT MONTH ON SEPTEMBER 7th WITH
- 2 A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO ALSO WANT TO BE
- 3 INVOLVED IN HELPING SHIFT THE CURRENT JAIL SYSTEM.

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- 5 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND NOW MS.
- 6 LYNCH.

- 8 SPEAKER LYNCH: I'M A MOTHER. LAST YEAR, MY SON WHO HAS
- 9 MULTIPLE DISABILITIES WAS ARRESTED. IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A
- 10 5150. EVERYONE SINCE STATED THAT. HOWEVER, HE WAS ARRESTED. HE
- 11 WAS TAKEN TO LAPD JAIL BECAUSE IT WAS A THURSDAY NIGHT, HE WAS
- 12 HELD OVER UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MONDAY FOR ARRAIGNMENT. I
- 13 IMMEDIATELY CALLED THE LAPD AND I SAID, HERE'S THE LIST OF HIS
- 14 DISABILITIES. HE WAS RECENTLY DIAGNOSED WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA. HE
- 15 HAS CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE PULMONARY DISEASE, HE HAS A NON-
- 16 CRIPPLING FORM OF CEREBRAL PALSY, HE IS PROFOUNDLY DEAF AND
- 17 HAS LANGUAGE DISORDER, AND HE HAS INABILITY TO PROCESS
- 18 AUDITORY SIGNALS MANY TIMES. I TOLD THEM THE MEDICATIONS HE
- 19 WAS ON. THE NEXT MORNING I WENT IN AND -- I'M SORRY, I'M
- 20 PRETTY EMOTIONAL. THE NEXT MORNING WE WENT IN I SAID, "HERE IS
- 21 HIS MEDICINE IN CASE YOU DON'T HAVE IT." THEY SAID, "NO, NO,
- 22 HE WON'T TAKE IT SO WE CAN'T GIVE IT TO HIM." I SAID, "LET MY
- 23 HUSBAND GIVE IT TO HIM." THEY SAID, "NO, HE WON'T TAKE IT." I
- 24 SAID, "IF HE HAS A SUDDEN DROP, YOU CAN'T DO THAT ON THIS
- 25 MEDICINE." THEY SAID, "SORRY," FOUR DAYS LATER, HE IS TAKEN TO

- 1 SHERIFFS. WE SEE HIM FOR THE FIRST TIME IN COURT. HE IS
- 2 TOTALLY UNRESPONSIVE. THE ASL INTERPRETER -- ASL IS NOT HIS
- 3 FIRST LANGUAGE -- IS SAYING HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THESE
- 4 PROCEEDINGS. WE ARE SUPPOSED TO TAKE HIM -- TO GET HIM INTO A
- 5 HOSPITAL. THAT DOESN'T HEPP HAPPEN. THE JUDGE IS HOLDING HIM
- 6 OVER FOR BAIL. WE DON'T OWN A HOUSE, WE DON'T HAVE \$25,000 IN
- 7 THE BANK. NOW WE SPENT THE NEXT FIVE DAYS SHOWING UP EVERY
- 8 DAY, WE ARE TOLD BY THE DEPUTILES, HE DOESN'T WANT TO GO TO
- 9 COURT. I WAS ABLE TO SEE HIM ONCE ON VISITATION, BY, BY THE
- 10 WAY, THE WAY YOUR SHERIFFS TREAT MOTHERS AND WIVES IS TOTALLY
- 11 UNCONSCIONABLE. I FINALLY SEE MY SON. HE'S IN THE PSYCHIATRIC
- 12 UNIT. HE'S NAKED. HE IS SHACKLED AT THE LEGS. HE HAS A DRAPE
- 13 AROUND HIM AND HE'S SPEAKING IN MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES AT ONE
- 14 POINT SCREAMING, "THERE IS NO CRYING IN JAIL. THERE IS NO
- 15 CRYING IN JAIL." BY THE FIFTH DAY IN SHERIFF'S CUSTODY,
- 16 SOMEONE FINALLY SAYS TO US, "GOSH, IT'S SUCH A SHAME HE WAS
- 17 NOT A CLIENT OF THE REGIONAL CENTRE?" I SAY, "OF COURSE HE IS;
- 18 HE IS A CLIENT AT BIRTH." SUDDENLY THEY GO ON CAMERA AND HE
- 19 HAS RIGHTS. NOW, THE SHERIFFS ARE SUPPOSED TO LET HIM OUT ON A
- 20 5150. THEY WON'T LET HIM GO. THE FOLLOWING DAY, THEY WON'T LET
- 21 HIM GO. HE'S NOW BEEN IN CUSTODY FOR NINE DAYS. AND WHEN WE
- 22 FINALLY GET TO THE HOSPITAL, HE'S COVERED IN BRUISES. I START
- 23 TAKING PICTURES. A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY STOPS ME AND SAID, "IF YOU
- 24 DO THAT ONE MORE TIME I WILL TAKE YOUR PHONE." MY HUSBAND GOES
- 25 TO THE EXAM ROOM AND SEES HIS TORSO IS COVERED IN BRUISES.

- 1 NOW, MY SON AFTER THIS REQUIRED BEING CONSERVED, WE HAVE ALL
- 2 SEVEN RIGHTS. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT INTAKE. I DON'T TURN MY
- 3 CREDIBILITY ON THIS TABLE RIGHT NOW. I'M ADJUNCT FACULTY OF
- 4 THE CAL STATE CAMPUS. I AM A COLUMNIST. I AM OUOTED IN TWO
- 5 DOCTORAL VISITATIONS. I WILL GIVE YOU THE RIGHTS TO GO IN AND
- 6 LOOK AT HIS FILES AND TELL ME WHERE YOU THINK THOSE BRUISES
- 7 CAME FROM BECAUSE HIS DISABILITIES HAVE ALL BEEN EXACERBATED.
- 8 HE IS NOW IN A FULL TIME DAY PROGRAM AT A MENTAL HEALTH
- 9 FACILITY WHEN LAST YEAR HE WAS IN COLLEGE. NOW, WHEN I LOOK AT
- 10 WHAT HAPPENED, WHAT I SEE HAPPENS TO THE RIGHTS OF THE
- 11 DISABLED, THEY DON'T EXIST ONCE YOU ARE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.
- 12 WHEN I SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO THE PARENTS WHO ARE THERE, IT IS
- 13 ASSUMED THAT YOU WERE A CRIMINAL TOO. AND WHEN I HAVE SEEN
- 14 OVER THIS YEAR, BY THE WAY WE DIDN'T FILE A REPORT BUT I COULD
- 15 NEVER GET ANYONE FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO CALL ME
- 16 BACK. YOU HAVE A DOCTOR WHO WAS THERE PART TIME. SHE ALSO PART
- 17 TIME COUNTY, PART TIME AT A BOARDING CARE FACILITY. I DON'T
- 18 KNOW WHEN HE SLEEPS. WE COULD NEVER GET A CALL BACK UNTIL THAT
- 19 FIFTH DAY. WHAT WE SAW WAS SO UNCONSCIONABLE ESPECIALLY IN THE
- 20 LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT I SPENT THE FIRST TEN YEARS OF MY
- 21 CAREER WRITING NETWORK TELEVISION SHOWS, POLICE PROGRAMS, MAKE
- 22 YOU GUYS LOOK LIKE HEROES AND I'M STILL TRAVELING THE WORLD, I
- 23 GET RESIDUALS. I RESENT EVERY MOMENT THAT I JUST ASSUMED I
- 24 COULD TRUST POLICE BECAUSE WHAT I HAVE SEEN NOW IS JUST
- 25 UNBEARABLY PAINFUL AND I'M SO SORRY. I NEED TO KNOW THAT

- 1 SOMETHING IS GOING TO BE DONE TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF THE
- 2 DISABLED BECAUSE IF I AM THERE WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE, A
- 3 COLLEGE PROFESSOR AND I CAN'T MAKE THIS SYSTEM WORK, HOW DOES
- 4 SOMEONE WITH A HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION OR A NEW IMMIGRANTS WHO
- 5 SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE, MAYBE -- HOW DO THEY
- 6 EFFECTIVELY MAKE THIS SYSTEM RESPOND TO THEM? WHAT ARE YOU
- 7 GOING TO DO? PLEASE, FOR THE DISABLED? AND WHO DO I TURN OVER
- 8 THIS INFORMATION TO? WHO DO I GIVE PICTURES TO? WHO DO I
- 9 ASSIGN THE RELEASES TO? SO THAT YOU CAN LOOK AT THIS FILE?
- 10 BECAUSE I CANNOT LET THIS GO. HAVE YOU FIVE PEOPLE WHO WERE
- 11 DESTROYED BY THIS, MY SON, MY HUSBAND AND I AND HIS TWO
- 12 YOUNGER BROTHERS. YOU NOW HAVE SOMEONE WHO COULD HAVE BEEN A
- 13 PRODUCTIVE MEMBER OF SOCIETY WHO HAD ONE EMOTIONAL BREAKDOWN
- 14 AND NOW WILL PROBABLY NEVER, EVER CONTRIBUTE. SO, PLEASE TELL
- 15 ME, WHO IS THE PERSON THAT I HAND MY DOCUMENTS TO?
- 17 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
- 19 RICHARD E. DROOYAN: YOUR HONOR, SHE CAN HAND THEM TO US.
- 21 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IS
- 22 THERE A MOTION TO ADJOURN?
- 24 **SPEAKER:** MOTION.

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- 1 HON. LOURDES BAIRD, CHAIR: MOTION GRANTED. WE RESUME AGAIN AT
- 2 8:00 a.m. 8:00 IN THE MORNING ON SEPTEMBER 3rd. AND THE
- 3 HEARING IS THE 7^{TH} OF SEPTEMBER. SCHOOL MAY BE BACK IN SESSION.
- 4 SO TRAFFIC MAY BE A LITTLE BIT HEAVIER.

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- 6 MIRIAM A. KRINSKY: BRIGHT AND EARLY, WE'LL HAVE COFFEE, THANK
- 7 YOU, COMMISSIONERS.