

Case No. 78701

**In the Supreme Court of Nevada**

MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC.,

Appellant,

vs.

KEON KHIABANI; ARIA KHIABANI, MINORS, by  
and through their Guardian MARIE-CLAUDE  
RIGAUD; SIAMAK BARIN, as Executor of the  
Estate of KAYVAN KHIABANI, M.D.; the Estate of  
KAYVAN KHIABANI; SIAMAK BARIN, as  
Executor of the Estate of KATAYOUN BARIN,  
DDS; and the Estate of KATAYOUN BARIN, DDS,

Respondents.

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1 especially in northern tier states, where they salt the  
2 roads or sand the roads. And you go down the road and  
3 in a block or two, you could end up unable to see in  
4 your mirrors because bad aerodynamics takes the airflow  
5 and, instead of going backward like you would expect  
6 along the sides of the bus, in this case it was a meter  
7 out, as far as your arm would go. If you stuck a piece  
8 of paper out the window, it would blow to the front.

9           So what this reverse flow does is it takes  
10 the spray off the front wheel and puts it on the  
11 mirrors. It's also the reason why the windows for the  
12 driver and the folks right up in front get covered with  
13 debris in these kind of conditions, where ordinarily  
14 they would be kept clean.

15           And our -- bunch of members came to a union  
16 meeting just outraged that the agency hadn't solved  
17 this problem and were going to part the fleet. And  
18 that would be just a nightmare in traffic and all that  
19 stuff.

20           And we talked them into holding off for a  
21 month while I got a research project going -- I'd  
22 already been looking at it -- and get the company to  
23 support that. And we resolved the problem through  
24 laboratory experiments, on-the-road experiments, and a  
25 modification to the aerodynamics of the vehicle. We

1 got that whole airflow going in the correct direction.

2 Q. Okay. And did you modify the aerodynamics of  
3 that vehicle?

4 A. Yes. Every single one of that particular  
5 vehicle was modified in the fleet.

6 Q. And how did you do that?

7 A. I started with research. The company had  
8 been trying a bunch of pretty wacky-looking stuff. You  
9 wouldn't believe so. And it was clear they didn't  
10 understand the dynamics.

11 So I -- I'm a hardcore science junky, so I  
12 started doing research on turbulence and found a  
13 professor of fluid dynamics who was into this kind of  
14 thing. It's called bluff body aerodynamics or blunt  
15 objects. And I was reading this work, going, oh, this  
16 is terrific. And you just know he's going to be in  
17 Duluth or some distant location. He was 8 miles away.

18 Consulted with him, and he was willing to  
19 help. And subsequently the agency paid for his  
20 research, and we modeled the flow and created a  
21 solution.

22 Q. And what was that solution?

23 A. Since we didn't want to modify the structure  
24 on these, you know, buses that had been around a while,  
25 we used a turning vane. It's kind of like a wing

1 that's been warped, and it allows you to turn airflows  
2 extreme angles, and it was really elegant. It stayed  
3 inside of the width of the side marker lights, so it  
4 didn't make the bus wider, and it didn't extend  
5 anywhere near as far as the front bumper. And, because  
6 this had these wretched big pillars, we could hide this  
7 fairly large wing behind the pillar, and it didn't  
8 obstruct the driver's vision. And, meanwhile, it moved  
9 this whole air mass back. It's -- it was just amazing.

10 Q. And when did you do this?

11 A. Unfortunately, I don't know the exact year.  
12 It's roughly 2000, but I don't know the exact year.

13 Q. And who was the -- the aerodynamic person you  
14 worked with?

15 A. Professor Robert Breidenthal, PhD, at the  
16 University of Washington.

17 Q. And this was about 15 years ago?

18 A. Very roughly, yes.

19 Q. Now, with regards to the J4500, do you have  
20 criticisms of the aerodynamic design of that, that bus?

21 A. Yes. It shares the same problem. The  
22 corners are too square and, as a result, the airflow  
23 separates. And this causes a raft of problems,  
24 anywhere from excess fuel economy problems, mud debris  
25 accumulating on the mirrors, bad air quality inside.

1 That low-pressure zone all the way around the front  
2 sucks in the exhaust and all sorts of schmutz. That's  
3 why drivers have almost twice the COPD of the rest of  
4 the population. They have respiratory illness  
5 problems. And it's because of the leading-edge  
6 suction.

7 Q. All right. And are there other buses that  
8 don't have this same aerodynamic problem?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Can you give me an example?

11 A. There are several European designs. And I  
12 have photographs. I didn't pay attention to the model  
13 names; I paid attention to the shape of the structure.  
14 And they're extremely rounded on the front.

15 Q. Okay. Now, when you investigate a  
16 bus-and-bike -- you've investigated other bus-and-bike  
17 accidents?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. And when you do that, do you look at  
20 the right -- or the front tire of the bike?

21 A. It depends on the circumstances. I've only  
22 looked at it in regard to transfer evidence where, if  
23 the bike comes in at a steep angle, there's transfer of  
24 the rubber of the tire to the side of the bus.

25 Q. Okay. Have you taken a look at the tire in

1 the subject bike?

2 A. Not closely.

3 Q. Okay. If you did examine it, what would you  
4 look for to see if there was transfer evidence?

5 A. For this, I would actually look at the  
6 surface of the bus. And there is no evidence of that  
7 contact on that bus. And it's a white bus. It would  
8 really show a black rubber mark.

9 Q. In this case you've looked at the pictures of  
10 the bus?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And you see no evidence of the tire coming in  
13 contact with the bus?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. Now, assuming a tire did come into contact  
16 with the bus, what, if anything, would happen to the  
17 tire?

18 A. Well, it would be abraded, but it could be  
19 hard to tell with the other abrasion of rolling over  
20 the surfaces and having braking forces and all that  
21 sort of thing.

22 Q. What is the New Jersey Transit Authority?

23 A. It's the agency that operates transit in that  
24 state.

25 Q. Okay. And what does that mean?

1           A.    They operate municipal and express bus  
2 service. They operate some rail.

3           Q.    New Jersey is a big state?

4           A.    Correct.

5           Q.    Lots of buses?

6           A.    Oh, yeah.

7           Q.    Okay. Thousands?

8           A.    Thousands.

9           Q.    Okay. Have you had discussions with the  
10 New Jersey Transit Authority prior to this case, prior  
11 to this accident, about the J4500?

12          A.    We started talking to them in 2015 about the  
13 general principles of these blind spot hazards, and it  
14 was about, basically, all of the buses they were using.

15          Q.    And what did you tell them about the MCI  
16 J4500?

17          A.    I showed them images of the scale of the  
18 blind spot associated on the left particularly.

19          Q.    Okay. Did you tell them anything about  
20 whether or not this was a dangerous bus?

21          A.    Oh, we were there because it was a dangerous  
22 bus.

23          Q.    And "we" being the -- who?

24          A.    Amalgamated Transit Union, along with the  
25 agency managers and all the safety people, all that.

1 Q. Okay. So you, the union, went to New Jersey  
2 and told them this was not a safe bus?

3 A. Precisely.

4 Q. Okay. All right. And by "this," I mean the  
5 J4500.

6 A. We were talking in general terms, but this is  
7 very representative of exactly what we were talking  
8 about.

9 Q. Okay. Have you discussed the right-side  
10 blind spot problem of MCI buses with MCI?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. And can you tell me what that discussion was  
13 about?

14 A. I've come across them at industry  
15 conferences. I go to these big conventions that have a  
16 lot of buses and that sort of thing, and I've lobbied  
17 all of the manufacturers. I go right down the line and  
18 talk about the issues in their particular bus and how  
19 the safety could be improved and their sales could be  
20 improved if they provided a safer product, trying to  
21 talk them into getting safer stuff on the road. And  
22 that included MCI.

23 Q. And what did you tell MCI about MCI buses?

24 A. Well, we've had a rather extensive  
25 conversation where we got together and looked through



1 the driver's workstation and the issues there.  
2 Everything from that dashboard that comes back so you  
3 get better sight line, better ergonomics, through going  
4 out and specifically looking at the pillar structure  
5 and the curvature and what that would do to the airflow  
6 and everything from driver vision through the interior  
7 air quality and disturbance to people proximate to the  
8 bus -- near the bus as it goes by.

9 Q. And when you talked to MCI, did you actually  
10 have a J4500 available?

11 A. Yeah. We were standing right in front of  
12 them.

13 Q. Did you explain the dash problem to them?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Did you discuss aerodynamics?

16 A. On the dash, yes.

17 Q. Okay. Okay. And has MCI been responsive to  
18 your concerns about the safety of MCI buses?

19 A. They haven't gotten anything on the road.  
20 They did consider the issues, along with a descending  
21 slight line across the right side of the dash as well.

22 MR. KEMP: Okay. All right. No further  
23 questions, Your Honor.

24 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, may I have just a few  
25 moments before we break?

1 Sir, Shane, could you put up the model of the  
2 bus that you've been using?

3 MR. GODFREY: Sure.

4 MR. TERRY: Oh, do you have it? We got it  
5 over here.

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CROSS-EXAMINATION

8 BY MR. TERRY:

9 Q. All right. Mr. Sherlock, before we break for  
10 lunch, I wanted to ask you a few questions about this  
11 before I forgot.

12 Are you an automotive engineer?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Are you a mechanical engineer?

15 A. No.

16 Q. Are you an engineer of any kind?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Have you ever designed a bus?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Have you ever considered the design criteria  
21 for a bus?

22 A. A lot.

23 Q. Okay. Now, here, for example, when you  
24 criticize the A-pillar, you said that it should have  
25 been rotated.

1 Did I understand that correctly?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Turned 90 degrees?

4 A. Not 90.

5 Q. Turned how many degrees?

6 A. It should be turned so that it's radial with  
7 respect to the driver's eyes.

8 Q. All right. What are the dimensions of the  
9 A-pillar?

10 A. I haven't measured that.

11 Q. So do you know if it's wider than -- than it  
12 is thicker? Do you know what the dimensions of it are  
13 at all?

14 A. It's far wider than the space between your  
15 eyes, and that's when it becomes a problem.

16 Q. Well, is it a square?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Or do you know?

19 A. I know that.

20 Q. So what is the dimension that we can't see?  
21 Is it wider than your eyes?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. So if you turn it, you're going to put  
24 something in front of the bus driver that is wider than  
25 his eyes?

1           A.    Not necessarily.  If you engineer it right,  
2 visually it goes away.

3           Q.    Now, do you know how much load the A-pillar  
4 has to carry?

5           A.    I don't remember the specific number.  It's a  
6 bunch of sandbags that they put one by one on the roof.

7                   I'm not talking about changing the  
8 load-bearing quality or the load-bearing structure.

9           Q.    Well, do you know how much load the A-pillar  
10 has to carry?

11          A.    I don't recall the number.

12          Q.    Do you know how much load the A-pillar has to  
13 carry that is generated by driving, the lateral forces  
14 when you turn? when you stop? when you start?

15          A.    I don't believe that's tested and -- or  
16 specified.  And I'm not talking about changing the  
17 frame structure that supports those loads.  And you're  
18 going to take that same frame element and just rotate  
19 it a little bit.

20          Q.    Yes, sir.  But the question is do you know  
21 how much load the A-pillar has to carry?

22          A.    No.  It's specified in the white book.  I  
23 don't know the number.

24          Q.    Have you ever made the decision of how to  
25 carry that kind of load at an A-pillar?

1       A.    Yes, in that I'm suggesting not changing the  
2 load-carrying quality of that structure.

3       Q.    But for an actual bus that runs up and down  
4 the road, have you made the decision about what the  
5 A-pillar has to carry and how strong it has to be?

6       A.    In regard to this discussion? I've made the  
7 decision that we need to not change the -- the  
8 load-bearing structure, just rotate it. So it would  
9 support the same test load, which is a roof load.

10      Q.    Now, do you know whether or not there is a  
11 change in the force that -- this A-pillar could carry  
12 depending on how it is oriented?

13      A.    It's a vertical load, so I don't see how it  
14 would make any difference.

15      Q.    Do you know if it carries a load because it  
16 drives, it turns left and right?

17      A.    That structure doesn't carry much load in  
18 that regard.

19      Q.    How much does it carry?

20      A.    I don't know the exact number. I -- MCI  
21 doesn't even know the exact number.

22      Q.    How do you know MCI doesn't know? How do you  
23 know the engineers haven't looked at that?

24      A.    I have talked to the engineer on this bus.  
25 And it -- I was not struck with the depth of the --

1 he's a good guy, but I wasn't struck with the depth of  
2 the analysis. They don't know the coefficient of drag  
3 in this thing, for example.

4 Q. Well, when you're talking to the guy, are you  
5 talking to a guy at a trade show?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. Do you know if the guy was an engineer?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. He was?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Do you know if he designed the bus?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. What was his name?

14 A. He's a Dutch gentleman, Hoog something. I'm  
15 terrible with names.

16 Q. You talked to Virgil Hoogestraat?

17 A. Yeah.

18 Q. You don't think Virgil Hoogestraat knows  
19 about the loads that the A-pillar has to carry?

20 A. Oh, he's expert on the loads they have to  
21 carry, but that is only specified as a vertical load.

22 Q. Now, do you know whether or not Virgil  
23 Hoogestraat actually designed the A-pillar for the J  
24 bus?

25 A. I understood he was responsible for this

1 design, so that's all I know.

2 Q. And who told you that?

3 A. He did.

4 Q. He told you he was responsible for the entire  
5 design of the J bus?

6 A. He didn't specify in great detail he had  
7 designed the bus.

8 Q. Okay. So do you know whether or not you  
9 change what the load could be carried if you change the  
10 orientation of the member that carries the load?

11 A. Well, it's a lot like changing the  
12 orientation of a stud that you put in a wall, you know,  
13 those 2-by-4s. Rotate it, and it's still going to  
14 carry the roof.

15 And that's the only thing they specify in the  
16 load-bearing capacity of these structures, is how much  
17 vertical load it can support.

18 Q. Yes, sir. Have you ever seen wood studs in a  
19 frame house rotated so that they are parallel to the  
20 plate on the --

21 A. That isn't what I was suggesting; I'm saying  
22 that, if you did, it would support the same load.

23 Q. So you personally are not trained as an  
24 engineer, you have never designed a bus, you have never  
25 figured out whether or not you could do what you

1 suggest we do for the A-pillar?

2 A. Well, I've run that same concept by a number  
3 of the manufacturers, and none of them have pushed back  
4 saying that it can't be done.

5 Q. Well, that's not the same thing as saying,  
6 "We've looked at it. We think it can be done. We  
7 think we don't have to change anything at all because  
8 of the load the A-pillar is required to carry."

9 A. They've had a lot of time in the years we've  
10 discussed this to have done so, and no one has pushed  
11 back at all.

12 Q. They don't say anything?

13 A. No. They've said it's a fairly simple thing  
14 to change these problems.

15 Q. Now, in terms of your training and  
16 experience, you were a driver, were you not?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And you drove for how many years?

19 A. Since 1979.

20 Q. Are you still driving?

21 A. No.

22 Q. When did you stop driving?

23 A. 2015.

24 Q. And that's when you went full-time with the  
25 union?



1 A. Correct.

2 Q. So you are trained as a bus driver, performed  
3 as a bus driver, and are a professional bus driver?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And what kind of buses did you drive?

6 A. Oh, a wide assortment. You want all the  
7 names?

8 Q. Were they transit buses?

9 A. Yes, they were exclusively municipal transit  
10 buses.

11 Q. Did you drive any motor coaches?

12 A. No.

13 Q. What is the difference between a transit bus  
14 and a motor coach?

15 A. There's quite a few. The motor coach is  
16 taller, has a different suspension design, has  
17 different doors. There's one door as opposed to two or  
18 three. There's quite a few differences.

19 Q. Is there a difference in the way they perform  
20 when they're performing their mission? For example, do  
21 the motor coaches go point to point over the road?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. Do the transit buses go bus stop to bus stop  
24 in the urban area that they serve?

25 A. Depends on the exact kind of service. They

1 can both do express service or not. They're very  
2 overlapping --

3 Q. When -- when you --

4 A. -- applications.

5 Q. When you were a bus driver with a route, what  
6 was the average speed of your bus?

7 A. Oh, that would vary widely from freeway speed  
8 to a doddle. The average for the industry is 13 miles  
9 an hour.

10 Q. So the average for the transit bus is  
11 13 miles per hour?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. And the average for your bus was 13 miles per  
14 hour?

15 A. Not necessarily. It would vary widely, as I  
16 said.

17 Q. Sir, have you ever testified that the average  
18 speed for your bus was 13 miles per hour?

19 A. No. I did offer that you could use that to  
20 approximate the number of miles that I had traveled in  
21 my career.

22 Q. So you used 13 miles an hour to indicate how  
23 many miles --

24 A. Indicate a wild approximation of how many  
25 miles a vehicle goes. But that's not my bus; that's an

1 approximation.

2 Q. Okay. Do you know what the average speed for  
3 a motor coach is?

4 A. No.

5 Q. Is it higher than 13?

6 A. I don't know.

7 Q. You don't have any idea what it is?

8 A. I'd have to make a guess.

9 Q. Now, in your present position, are you an  
10 advocate?

11 A. For the union? Absolutely.

12 Q. And you're an advocate for the members that  
13 the union serves?

14 A. And the public.

15 Q. And the public.

16 And whom do you advocate? I mean, do you  
17 advocate bus manufacturers? Do you advocate the  
18 government? Whom do you advocate?

19 A. Everyone who has a role in making tomorrow  
20 safer.

21 Q. Okay. Now, you are not a fan of transit bus  
22 manufacturers, are you?

23 A. I wouldn't say that precisely. They have a  
24 difficult economic problem. There are very few buses  
25 sold in a given year, and they've got to support a huge

1 area in which they do that marketing and support. And  
2 so they're in a real economic pickle. So I don't think  
3 they're evil.

4 Are they producing buses that are way  
5 substandard? Yeah.

6 Are they killing people? Yeah.

7 Is it unnecessary? Yeah.

8 Q. Have you published in blogs or other places  
9 your opinion about the transit bus industry?

10 A. Yeah, I do a lot of that.

11 Q. Did you put an article in Greater Greater  
12 Washington?

13 A. I was interviewed for one, yeah.

14 Q. And was it published?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And was the title of that "Many buses have  
17 built-in blind spots that make driving them dangerous"?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. In that, did you say "all transit buses are  
20 built as cheaply as possible"?

21 A. I'd have to see the text again, but it would  
22 be within what I would likely say.

23 Q. I'm going to show you, but not offer into  
24 evidence, just to refresh your recollection --

25 A. Thank you.

1 Q. -- the article I'm referring to.

2 Read it to yourself, sir, and tell me whether  
3 or not you state in that article "all transit buses are  
4 built as cheaply as possible."

5 A. It says "essentially all."

6 Q. Okay. Do you also say, "On modern buses used  
7 in New York and D.C., the typical pillar and mirror,  
8 which are as wide as a legal pad at arm's length, are  
9 directly in line with pedestrians in left turns. Over  
10 a dozen pedestrians can disappear behind a blind spot  
11 so large"?

12 A. Yes. And that's a low estimate.

13 Q. Do you also say that "Also, while safe bus  
14 mirrors are used in a few systems, most North American  
15 designs widen the blind spot and directly block the  
16 driver's view of people walking in the street"?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. And there you say that Larry Hanley, the  
19 president of the largest transit union in North  
20 America, has said that those safety engineering  
21 failures transform buses into mobile manslaughter  
22 machines?

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. Now, you know, sir, that this particular  
25 lawsuit does not involve a pedestrian walking near a

1 bus?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. It does not involve a bus turning in to a  
4 pedestrian because the pedestrian was in the blind  
5 spot?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. It does not involve a bus turning in to  
8 anything because he couldn't see it as a result of the  
9 blind spot?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. So these criticisms that you lodge, without  
12 going into their merit, about transit buses and their  
13 blind spots have nothing at all to do with this  
14 lawsuit?

15 A. Right. That's why I didn't produce this for  
16 counsel.

17 Q. Okay. And, in this case, this case involves  
18 a motor coach, not a transit bus?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. And, in this case, the driver of the bus did  
21 not turn in to a pedestrian?

22 A. I haven't said so. Don't think so.

23 Q. And the driver did not turn in to a bicycle?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. The driver did not alter his course at all.

1           A.    He did.

2           Q.    He turned away from the bicycle?

3           A.    Correct.  That's altering his course.

4           Q.    All right.  So he didn't turn in to the bike;  
5 he turned away from the bike?

6           A.    Correct.

7           Q.    So all the complaints that you have received,  
8 all the cases you have talked about, all the remarks  
9 you have made about buses turning in to pedestrians  
10 have nothing at all to do with this case, do they?

11          A.    That's not true.  The blind areas greatly  
12 hindered Mr. Hubbard's ability to see Dr. Khiabani.  
13 And if you can only see a tiny portion of a person at  
14 risk, are you going to have a slower response time?  
15 Almost certainly, yes.

16                So the hazards that are talked about here and  
17 in the other examples we've shown -- talked about  
18 aren't present on the right and are contributory  
19 factors to this and many other accidents and  
20 fatalities.

21          Q.    So they don't have anything to do with  
22 Mr. Hubbard turning his bus to the right into  
23 Dr. Khiabani; right?

24          A.    Correct.

25          Q.    In your opinion, they have to do with

1 Mr. Hubbard not turning to the left sooner?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. And it is your belief that, if he had had  
4 better visual lines, he would have turned sooner?

5 A. Precisely.

6 Q. And that would have avoided the collision?

7 A. It could have either mitigated or avoided.

8 Q. Okay. And you offered that opinion about  
9 this coach even though you've never operated a motor  
10 coach?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And you have never operated a J4500?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And you have not done a line-of-sight study  
15 for a J4500, have you?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. What is a line-of-sight study?

18 A. Well, you're probably referring to an  
19 engineering exercise where you take a CAD model -- a  
20 computer-aided design model of the bus, and you put in  
21 reference eye positions and things called eyellipses.  
22 It gets into the weeds. It's a fairly technical  
23 process. And it generates an analysis of what you can  
24 see and what you can't.

25 Q. And that is a way of measuring the actual



1 visual -- or the line of vision that the driver would  
2 have when he's driving down the road?

3 A. It's one way of doing it. You can do it with  
4 cameras. There's a wide variety of ways you can do it.

5 Q. But they all refer to them -- all those  
6 studies are called line-of-sight studies?

7 A. There are other terms used.

8 Q. And you have not done a line-of-sight study  
9 for the 4500?

10 A. I've looked at the question of the visibility  
11 obstructions here and analyzed their impact on this  
12 case. And, as I've said repeatedly, Dr. Khiabani was  
13 very nearly completely hidden at the critical moment  
14 when he starts to move toward the bus. And I -- I  
15 absolutely firmly believe that that contributes to the  
16 accident's having occurred and to its severity.

17 Q. Yes, sir, but all the other criticisms of the  
18 visibility available in a J4500 that you talked  
19 about -- the A-pillar, the dash, how high the dash was,  
20 what the door looked like, where the glass was in the  
21 door, where the glass was in the windshield -- you  
22 didn't do any kind of study to see whether or not what  
23 you were telling us could be verified by a  
24 line-of-sight study, did you?

25 A. I depended on the thorough analysis of others

1 in this case who produced the graphics you've seen.  
2 It's abundantly clear that that is a very visibly  
3 challenged vehicle, a huge -- huge blind areas.

4 Q. So you relied on what other people told you  
5 to arrive at your opinion that there are huge blind  
6 areas -- blind spot areas?

7 A. Not exclusively. I've looked at these things  
8 in regard to this problem, gotten on them and examined  
9 them in conventions and on the street, and I've looked  
10 very closely at these issues in some of the other  
11 models which are very similar.

12 Q. Okay. Have you ever done a line-of-vision  
13 study on any bus, any motor coach?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. But not this one?

16 A. I've only analyzed parts of that question.

17 Q. And those parts are the ones that apply to  
18 the right front where Dr. Khiabani was as depicted in  
19 the pictures that you were given by others?

20 A. Precisely.

21 Q. And if I understand correctly, then, your  
22 complaint is not that Mr. Hubbard couldn't see  
23 Dr. Khiabani and therefore turned in to him; your  
24 complaint is that Mr. Hubbard could not see  
25 Dr. Khiabani until a particular point in time when he

1 turned left, and if he had had better vision, he would  
2 have turned sooner?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. So your criticism, then, has to do with where  
5 Dr. Khiabani was when Mr. Hubbard saw him and made the  
6 decision to turn left?

7 A. No, my criticism is with the very poor  
8 visibility.

9 Q. Of that particular point?

10 A. Whenever you're operating this thing.

11 Q. Well, could -- could the bus driver see him  
12 through the windshield?

13 A. If he's a distance up ahead, yes.

14 Q. Have no trouble seeing him if he's 15 feet  
15 ahead?

16 A. That's probably true, yeah.

17 Q. Okay. So your criticism has to do with the  
18 point where Dr. Khiabani was when he began his turn to  
19 the left.

20 A. No, my criticisms have been general about the  
21 huge amount of unnecessarily obstructed area in that  
22 bad design and that that contributed to this case.

23 So I'm not talking about a specific spot  
24 along the road; I'm talking about the design wherever  
25 it is on the road.

1           Q.    Yes, but what we're talking about in this  
2 case, what makes a difference in this case, is what  
3 Mr. Hubbard could see at the right front when  
4 Dr. Khiabani made his turn to the left or moved to the  
5 left; correct?

6           A.    I think it extends beyond that.  His  
7 awareness of Dr. Khiabani would have been greatly  
8 enhanced before that moment of the doctor tipping  
9 toward the bus, and so that would have probably  
10 increased his response time -- or improved his response  
11 time as well.

12          Q.    But the specific point we're talking about is  
13 you want Mr. Hubbard, when Dr. Khiabani makes his move  
14 to the left or tips to the left, to turn away?

15          A.    I'd actually like that to happen a little bit  
16 earlier, that you're getting close to him, you'd want  
17 to be extremely aware that he's there.  And this is a  
18 cautious operator.  I'd expect he would tip away --  
19 turn away a bit before.

20          Q.    Well, isn't it true that there's no reason  
21 for the bus to move to the left prior to the bike  
22 moving to the left?

23          A.    No.  You want to maintain as much clearance  
24 as possible, so the -- the better your visibility of  
25 that bicycle is, the more likely you are to have

1 maintained an optimum clearance.

2 Q. Have you testified on another occasion that  
3 there was no reason for the bus to move to the left  
4 prior to the bike moving to the left?

5 A. If I did, I misspoke a bit. I would like to  
6 see a slight increase. There was no impending accident  
7 prior to the aerodynamic force tipping the doctor into  
8 the side of the bus. But I'd like to see as much  
9 clearance as possible.

10 Q. But have you testified on another occasion  
11 that there is no reason for the bus to move to the left  
12 prior to the bike moving to the left?

13 A. I assume that you have that in writing, and  
14 so I'm assuming that I've said that.

15 Q. Would you like to see it?

16 A. I'll trust you.

17 Q. All right. So if we take that as true -- and  
18 it was true when you said it at your deposition;  
19 correct?

20 A. I would like to be ultra clear about it now,  
21 that I think it -- he could have been slightly further  
22 away if he was more aware of the doctor, because he  
23 doesn't report on awareness of the doctor for quite a  
24 stretch. And if had he been more visibly present, then  
25 I think he might have had a little bit more clearance.

1 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, this is a good time.  
2 A good time for lunch, or do you want to continue?

3 THE COURT: Why don't you come up to the  
4 bench so that we can coordinate, please.

5 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
6 not reported.)

7 BY MR. TERRY:

8 Q. All right. Mr. Sherlock, I want to turn your  
9 attention to the actual incident where Dr. Khiabani was  
10 involved in contact with the bus. Okay?

11 You were provided, were you not, with  
12 drawings that had been prepared by other experts  
13 retained by the plaintiff that showed that particular  
14 point in time; correct?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. And you relied on their work in reaching your  
17 own opinions?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. And those particular diagrams were in your  
20 report where you expressed your opinions?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. And on the basis of those, you reached the  
23 opinion that you have expressed to the jury that, if  
24 Mr. Hubbard had seen Dr. Khiabani earlier than he did  
25 or -- he would have been able to move to the left?

1           A.   Likely would have, yes.

2           Q.   All right. I'm going to show you what has  
3 been marked as Exhibit 208A-001, 2, and 3, and ask you  
4 to identify those as the drawings that you used and  
5 relied on.

6           MR. KEMP: Were they marked?

7           THE WITNESS: Yes.

8           MR. TERRY: Okay.

9           Your Honor, we would offer Exhibit 208A-001,  
10 002, and 003.

11          MR. KEMP: I have no objection, Your Honor.

12          THE COURT: Okay. Very good. They are  
13 admitted.

14                   (Whereupon, Defendant's Exhibits 508  
15 through 510 were admitted into  
16 evidence.)

17          THE COURT CLERK: Next in order.

18          MR. TERRY: I gave -- we gave them a number  
19 at the bottom.

20          THE COURT CLERK: Oh, I see. Okay.

21          MR. TERRY: All right. I'm going to show --  
22 put up for the jury --

23          MR. KEMP: Judge, can we have some numbers  
24 first?

25          MR. TERRY: I beg your pardon. They are on

1 the bottom.

2 MR. KEMP: That would be your next in order.

3 MR. TERRY: Well, the number that we gave  
4 them was 208A.

5 THE COURT: I just want to verify something,  
6 Mr. Terry. Are these the defendants' exhibits or  
7 plaintiffs' exhibit?

8 MR. KEMP: Judge, that was my point. I think  
9 they should be 509 through 510.

10 THE COURT: Yeah, so they're next in line.

11 MR. TERRY: It doesn't matter what they're  
12 marked.

13 MR. KEMP: It does.

14 THE COURT: So the next in line defense  
15 exhibits.

16 MR. TERRY: Say again.

17 THE COURT: So they're next in line in the  
18 defense exhibits.

19 MR. TERRY: I'm offering them.

20 THE COURT: Yes. Correct. So --

21 MR. KEMP: Judge, I have 509, 510, and 511.  
22 I mean, don't take me as gospel. That's -- that's --

23 MR. TERRY: The number doesn't make any  
24 difference to me, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Our last one was 507. So we'll



1 start from there.

2 MR. KEMP: You're right, Your Honor. I had  
3 508 as the next. So it's 508, 509, and 510.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

5 MR. KEMP: Sorry about that.

6 BY MR. TERRY:

7 Q. All right, sir. I'm going to put up on the  
8 board Figure 1. Okay?

9 You see that --

10 A. Uh-huh.

11 Q. -- on the TV?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Okay. Figure 1 shows the relationship of the  
14 coach and the bike shortly before contact; correct?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. Do you know what the relationship of the bus  
17 and the bike was one second before this?

18 A. Not precisely. That was all done by this  
19 excellent group.

20 Q. If the bus -- do you know how fast the bus  
21 was traveling?

22 A. They reported 25 miles an hour.

23 Q. Will you accept 25?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. If the bus is traveling at 25 miles per hour,

1 how many feet per second does he travel?

2 A. It's 1.466 feet per mile per hour, so you can  
3 do the math. It's going to be -- I could -- I could  
4 calculate for you if you'd like.

5 Q. I'd like you to be comfortable with the  
6 number. Do you need a calculator?

7 A. Oh, I'm -- I'm going to be comfortable with a  
8 number. Call it 37.

9 Q. I have Mr. Barger's phone here.

10 A. Thank you.

11 Q. Open to the calculator.

12 A. All right.

13 Q. Question is, if the bus is traveling 25 miles  
14 per hour, how many feet per second does it go?

15 A. 36.65.

16 Q. Okay. So that would mean a second before  
17 this, the bus would be 36.65 back?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. Do you know how fast the bike was traveling?

20 A. Roughly half that.

21 Q. So that's about 12 miles per hour?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. If the bike is traveling at 12 miles per  
24 hour, how many feet does the bike travel in one second?

25 A. It would be half this number, so

1 approximately 18.

2 Q. Okay. So in the diagram or the model that we  
3 have been using throughout the trial -- can you see  
4 from there?

5 A. Oh, yeah.

6 Q. Okay. So that has the bus by the bike lane.  
7 Do you know if it is before or after the pedestrian  
8 crossing in this instant?

9 A. That is before the near side of the  
10 crosswalk.

11 Q. Okay. Is it past the stop line or do you  
12 know?

13 A. I believe it is, but you have to look at the  
14 markings on the street here. I have done this  
15 exercise. And you can see them in the aerial photo.

16 Q. Okay. So is it at the stop line or beyond?

17 A. Can I step over to that?

18 THE COURT: Would you like him to step --

19 MR. TERRY: Yes.

20 THE COURT: Yes, go ahead.

21 THE COURT RECORDER: You need to take the  
22 microphone.

23 THE COURT: You need to take the microphone.

24 THE WITNESS: The portable isn't working.

25 THE COURT RECORDER: Not together.

1 THE COURT: It should be working right now.

2 THE WITNESS: Oh, is that working? Is that  
3 working?

4 THE COURT RECORDER: Yes.

5 THE WITNESS: Oh, okay. Excellent.

6 BY MR. TERRY:

7 Q. So where do we set the bus to correspond to  
8 Figure 1 up there?

9 A. The plane of the front is roughly at the back  
10 of the arrow here. Okay. There's the arrow for the  
11 bike lane, and the front of the bus is approximately  
12 equal to that. So it's a little bit in front.

13 Q. Okay. And then where would the bike be?

14 A. Now, this is a guesstimate based on these.  
15 This is a single angle. You need two angles to  
16 triangulate and really know where something is.

17 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, can we approach for a  
18 minute?

19 THE COURT: Yes.

20 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
21 not reported.)

22 BY MR. TERRY:

23 Q. Okay. Mr. Sherlock, using this, maybe the  
24 other two diagrams, to assist you --

25 THE COURT: You can speak a little bit

1 louder, please.

2 BY MR. TERRY:

3 Q. If you would use this diagram, maybe the  
4 others to assist, could you place the bus where this  
5 drawing, when the jury's looking at, has it on the  
6 photograph here.

7 A. (Witness complies.) So the front wheel is at  
8 the back edge of the arrowhead, and the bicycle is  
9 toward the bus from the arrow. This thing is hard to  
10 get to move carefully. Very roughly there.

11 Q. Okay. Now, using the arithmetic you and I  
12 just did, can you move the bus one second back in time?

13 A. These are 50-foot intervals. It's not going  
14 to be very accurate. 36 feet is roughly a bus length,  
15 so ...

16 Q. It's 45, isn't it?

17 A. Right. That's -- that's why I'm not using  
18 the entire length of the bus here.

19 Q. All right. And then where would the bike be?

20 A. This is a very approximate guess.

21 Q. Where would the bike be, approximate guess?  
22 Moving it back.

23 A. Half as far. I will use the paper as a  
24 ruler. So I fold that in half. That would give me  
25 half of the speed. And that's a very, very rough

1 guess.

2 Q. So how many feet do you think that is? 20?  
3 15?

4 A. I just gave you the figure it's half of -- so  
5 it's 18 feet.

6 Q. Okay. So the bike is 18 feet in front of the  
7 bus?

8 A. No. Back from its prior position.

9 Q. So how far is it in front of the bus if we  
10 move the bus back 37 feet and the bike back, what we  
11 did?

12 A. It's going to be about that same distance  
13 again. Now, this is based on a pure guess. There's no  
14 evidence for this approximation. There's only video  
15 evidence further along. So this is assuming both are  
16 at a steady speed. We don't know that. Either one of  
17 them can be slowing --

18 Q. Mr. Sherlock, assuming the bus is traveling  
19 at a constant speed, the bike is traveling at a  
20 constant speed, one second before this picture right  
21 here that the jury's looking at, that would be the  
22 relative location of the two vehicles?

23 A. Very approximately.

24 Q. You can take your seat, sir.

25 And if that is the relative location of the

1 two vehicles, the bike is in front of the bus 15 to  
2 20 feet?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. The bike is -- sorry. Didn't mean that to be  
5 emphasis.

6 The bike is visible through the front  
7 windshield to the driver?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And the bus then overtakes the bike as they  
10 proceed down the road toward the intersection?

11 A. We don't know what happened, but that is your  
12 scenario.

13 Q. Well, if the bus and the bike are moving at a  
14 constant speed and you know where they are as depicted  
15 in that picture at zero and you take it back to minus  
16 1, that's what it looks like?

17 A. I'm just saying that we don't have any  
18 evidence to support that. I'm not willing to sit here  
19 and say that that's where they were. Your scenario, as  
20 opposed to the real one, that is played out in that  
21 position of the models.

22 Q. That's correct. If we assume the bus and the  
23 bike are traveling at a constant rate of speed, if we  
24 assume the distance they would have traveled in a  
25 second, and we assume that that's what it looked like

1 right before contact, this is what it would have looked  
2 like one second before?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. And do you have an opinion as to whether or  
5 not a proximity sensor to the side of the bus would  
6 have delivered any reliable information if it had been  
7 there?

8 A. These sensor systems don't just look to the  
9 side. So I want to make sure I'm understanding your  
10 question.

11 I'm not absolutely certain whether side  
12 proximity sensors would all catch 180 degrees. Some of  
13 them do. The camera-based systems do. Some of the  
14 lidar-based systems do. Radar systems try to integrate  
15 that. A radar system might have a little bit of a hole  
16 there.

17 Q. But before the contact, the bike is not on  
18 the side of the bus; right?

19 A. We don't know that.

20 Q. Well, if we assume the bike and the bus are  
21 traveling at the same rate of speed and we assume that  
22 looks like that at point zero, one second before, it  
23 would look like that?

24 A. Absolutely.

25 Q. And the bike is not on the side of the bus?



1 A. In that scenario, correct.

2 Q. Now, in order for the bike to be on the side  
3 of the bus and get to that point, the bike has to  
4 travel faster than the bus.

5 A. Could you repeat the question?

6 Q. If we put the bike and we say, "We don't  
7 know; he could have been right here," one second  
8 before, in order to get to that position, as depicted  
9 on No. 1, the bike has to go faster than the bus?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. Any evidence that the bike ever went faster  
12 than the bus?

13 A. We don't have any evidence for the speed of  
14 either vehicle in that location.

15 Q. Well, do we have any evidence that the bike  
16 went faster than the bus?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Okay. So if we set it up like this, then,  
19 where you had it, more or less, the side sensor, if all  
20 it looked at was what's on the side of the vehicle in  
21 the blind zone, so you don't turn into it, would report  
22 no information about the bike?

23 A. Yeah, but these systems do better than that.

24 Q. But in terms of something to the side of the  
25 bus, the bike's not there. If the system was there, it

1 wouldn't report any information about the bike. If all  
2 the system is doing is looking to the side; right?

3 A. He's still to the side. There are systems  
4 that have 180-degree field of view, meaning from here  
5 to here (witness indicating). So you mount it on the  
6 side of the bus, and it sees everything that you would  
7 see if you were standing in that location and turning  
8 your head from side to side.

9 Q. Well, why don't we -- do you have a proximity  
10 sensor in your car?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. How does it work?

13 A. That particular one is radar-based.

14 Q. And what does it tell you? What information  
15 does it give you as the driver?

16 A. It -- as far as information, it just slows  
17 down the car if there's an impending impact to the  
18 front.

19 Q. How about to the side?

20 A. I don't have a side sensor on that --

21 Q. Have you driven in a car that has a side  
22 sensor?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. What happens?

25 A. Well, it varies from car to car, but they

1 alert you to another vehicle, particularly immediately  
2 adjacent.

3 Q. To the side?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. In your blind spot?

6 A. Yeah. Or some you can see will still cause  
7 an alert.

8 Q. So if that's the kind of sensor that is on  
9 the bus, the side proximity sensor, if that's what is  
10 on the bus, that sensor would provide no information  
11 about Dr. Khiabani, would it?

12 A. I don't think that's true. It depends on the  
13 sensor range of operation. If it's one of these that  
14 has 180 degrees, it's going to alert you to the  
15 presence of the doctor. If it's the 360 designs, it's  
16 going to alert you to the presence of the doctor. If  
17 it's a wide sensor on the front, which is integrated in  
18 these systems, then it would tell you about the doctor.

19 Q. How about just a proximity sensor that tells  
20 you if there's something on the side in your blind  
21 spot? Would that sensor tell you anything about the  
22 doctor?

23 A. Some of them would.

24 Q. Okay. How about just the sensors just  
25 reporting what's on the side of the bus in your blind

1 spot?

2 A. The doctor is to the side of the bus here.

3 Q. But he's not in the blind spot.

4 A. I don't think the sensor cares. You're  
5 talking about a visual blind spot for the driver versus  
6 a sensor that isn't suffering that blind spot. The  
7 sensor is on the outside surface of the bus. It's not  
8 behind massive pillars and opaque door, a dash that's  
9 too high, and all these other problems. It's right out  
10 there where it has unobstructed --

11 Q. Mr. Sherlock --

12 A. -- sight lines.

13 Q. -- the dashboard doesn't have anything to do  
14 with whether or not the driver can see the doctor over  
15 here, does it?

16 A. It depends on where. In the -- these  
17 exhibits, it's playing a big role. That's why, if you  
18 look at the third page, you almost can't see the  
19 doctor.

20 Q. Yes, sir. But that's when the bus moves  
21 forward and the bike moves forward. I'm talking about  
22 right here when they're 20 feet apart. None of the  
23 blind spots you talked about have anything to do with  
24 whether or not Mr. Hubbard could not see Dr. Khiabani  
25 where he was not located; right?

1           A.     Could you repeat that question?

2           Q.     All the things that you talked about to this  
3 jury about, all the blind spots that exist in the MCI  
4 bus, all the criticisms, all the complaints that you  
5 had, which have nothing to do with this occurrence,  
6 none of them would -- even if they fixed them just like  
7 you said, none of them would tell Mr. Hubbard that the  
8 doctor was right here on the side of the bus when he  
9 was 15 to 20 feet ahead; correct?

10           MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I object. That was a  
11 remarkably compound question.

12           THE COURT: Overruled.

13           THE WITNESS: Well, if I could pull that  
14 apart, I don't agree with the fundamental assumption  
15 that these blind spots don't play a role, because  
16 there's more to that driver's obligation than just  
17 looking at that right-side pillar structure and the  
18 doctor. He's got to be attending to all sorts of other  
19 things. And every one of those other obstructions  
20 demands a large amount of attention and moving around  
21 in the seat, as he has described multiple times. And  
22 all of that takes your vision away from the -- what we  
23 know later, in retrospect, was a great hazard to the  
24 doctor.

25           But -- so those other blind spots play a

1 critical role in your ability to attend to this one  
2 issue.

3 BY MR. TERRY:

4 Q. Okay, sir.

5 A. Now, as for the second component, because I  
6 didn't really completely get your question, but you  
7 were asking about would a blind spot sensor detect the  
8 doctor in that location.

9 It would depend on the sensor. Some will,  
10 and I can't speak to the limitations of the others.  
11 But certainly some of them have 180-degree fields of  
12 view, and they will see anything to that side, to the  
13 right side, of the plane of the side of the bus.

14 Q. Well, you mentioned the Eaton available in  
15 2005.

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. What does it show?

18 A. I don't remember the exact width of the beam  
19 on the side. It's a very wide beam. That's why it  
20 only goes out 20 or so feet.

21 Q. Okay. So what length of the bus? I mean,  
22 I'm thinking that the sensor will tell you if there's  
23 something on the side of the bus that you can't see.

24 A. The sensors are based on an angle of -- that  
25 they're observing. It's not based on a width of the

1 bus or anything.

2 Q. Okay. We can agree, can we not, that, if  
3 this is how they are one second before, there is  
4 nothing that would have told Mr. Hubbard -- if we did  
5 your design for the blind spots, if we put in a sensor,  
6 there was nothing that would tell Mr. Hubbard the  
7 doctor is really back here; right?

8 A. Well, they could have faulted and -- but  
9 they're not designed to do that.

10 Q. I'm -- don't assume they're broken or don't  
11 suggest they're broken. If they're working just the  
12 way they're supposed to and all the blind spots you  
13 criticize are gone, none of it could tell Mr. Hubbard  
14 the doctor's back here; correct?

15 A. I don't understand the question. The doctor  
16 is there, where the bike is.

17 Q. Right. He's not back here on the side of the  
18 bus.

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. And so the bus overtakes him, Dr. Khiabani is  
21 in his front, and the bus comes up from behind; right?

22 A. We're assuming that for this example, yeah.

23 Q. And so then we get to the point where we  
24 started, which is right about here. Okay?

25 A. Correct. At this point we really do have

1 solid evidence.

2 Q. All right. And we know about where they're  
3 located.

4 A. Correct.

5 MR. TERRY: It's a convenient place to break,  
6 Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Yes. Okay. Time for lunch.

8 Ladies and gentlemen, you're instructed not  
9 to talk with each other or with anyone else about any  
10 subject or issue connected with this trial. You are  
11 not to read, watch, or listen to any report of or  
12 commentary on the trial by any person connected with  
13 this case or by any medium of information, including,  
14 without limitation, newspapers, television, the  
15 Internet, or radio.

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17 own relating to this case, such as consulting  
18 dictionaries, using the Internet, or using reference  
19 materials.

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21 test any theory of the case, re-create any aspect of  
22 the case, or in any other way investigate or learn  
23 about the case on your own.

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25 tweet others, google issues, or conduct any other kind



1 of book or computer research with regard to any issue,  
2 party, witness, or attorney involved in this case.

3 You're not to form or express any opinion on  
4 any subject connected with this trial until the case is  
5 finally submitted to you.

6 Reminder again, you are not to discuss  
7 anything concerning the trial with one another or your  
8 notes.

9 Please take an hour and 15 minutes. So let's  
10 be back at 2:00. All right. 2:00.

11 THE MARSHAL: All rise for the jury.

12 (The following proceedings were held  
13 outside the presence of the jury.)

14 THE COURT: Okay. Is there anything else we  
15 need to discuss at this point?

16 MR. KEMP: Yeah. Judge, I just want to point  
17 out for the record that Exhibits 508, 509, and 510 are  
18 the exact same pictures that, when I tried to use them  
19 during my direct, counsel, Mr. Russell, ran up and told  
20 the Court I was violating a motion in limine, and we  
21 had to take the break.

22 These are the exact same pictures. And I  
23 didn't object to them being used, but I want the record  
24 to reflect that, in the event that on appeal, there's  
25 any sort of argument whatsoever that we violated the

1 motion in limine.

2 MR. TERRY: I think any question on appeal  
3 will be solved by the fact that I formally withdrew the  
4 objection, and Mr. Kemp did not object to the pictures  
5 or the drawings at the end.

6 MR. KEMP: Judge, I'm not asking for a ruling  
7 of the Court. I just want the record to be real clear  
8 that these are the exact same pictures that --

9 THE COURT: Understood. And Mr. Terry has  
10 also clarified the record. Thank you.

11 See you after lunch.

12 MR. TERRY: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 MR. KEMP: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 (Luncheon recess was taken.)

15 THE MARSHAL: All rise.

16 THE COURT: Are we ready for the jury?

17 MR. KEMP: Yes, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: All right. Let's go on the  
19 record. Please bring the jury in. Thank you.

20 (The following proceedings were held in  
21 the presence of the jury.)

22 THE MARSHAL: All jurors accounted for, Your  
23 Honor.

24 THE COURT: Thank you. Parties stipulate to  
25 the presence of the jury?

1 MR. TERRY: We do.

2 MR. KEMP: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Please be seated.

4 Mr. Terry?

5 BY MR. TERRY:

6 Q. Mr. Sherlock, I am going to go over just a  
7 few things before we start, to put us back where we  
8 were before we broke for lunch. Okay?

9 Put up Figure 1, please.

10 We used Figure 1, which was this, to depict  
11 the bike and the bus in relative proximity shortly  
12 before contact; right?

13 A. Uh-huh. Correct.

14 Q. And we used that location here, but I'm not  
15 certain that that was intended to put the exact  
16 location on the road. I'm just interested in the  
17 relative position of the two vehicles; right?

18 A. Okay.

19 Q. And the relative position of the two vehicles  
20 is as indicated here.

21 You and I then looked at what would have --  
22 where would they have been one second before if they  
23 maintained the same speed they had then.

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And the bus goes back 36 feet; the bike goes

1 back 22 feet. And if we had done it another second,  
2 the bus would go back another 36 feet and the bike  
3 would go back another 22 feet; right?

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. Okay. Now I want to go back to right before  
6 the incident occurs, because I've got the bus and the  
7 bike located as indicated in Figure No. 1. Okay?

8 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, for the record, that's  
9 Exhibit 507.

10 THE COURT: Okay. Exhibit --

11 MR. KEMP: Figure 1 is Exhibit 507.

12 MR. TERRY: I apologize.

13 THE COURT: Thank you.

14 BY MR. TERRY:

15 Q. You had agreed --

16 MR. BARGER: Pardon me for interrupting. For  
17 the record, it's 508.

18 BY MR. TERRY:

19 Q. Mr. Sherlock, you're not reading the mail on  
20 my phone, are you?

21 A. No, I'm trying to -- the numbers you quoted  
22 weren't quite right, so I was going to go back and  
23 recompute them.

24 Q. Okay. Were they close?

25 A. They were sort of close.

1 THE COURT: So this is Exhibit 508? Thank  
2 you.

3 THE WITNESS: There you go.

4 BY MR. TERRY:

5 Q. All right. So you had agreed that there was  
6 no reason for the bus to move to the left until the  
7 bike moved to the left from that position; correct?

8 A. Well, we had this discussion before. I had  
9 stated that there was no reason, probably in answer to  
10 something about was there an appearance of a collision  
11 impending, and I had said no. And I had this caveat  
12 that I had offered that I would like to have seen the  
13 bus move over just preventatively, without any kind of  
14 knowledge of impending contact.

15 Q. Have you looked at your deposition, sir?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. All right.

18 May I have the deposition of Mr. Sherlock?

19 Mr. Sherlock, I'm going to hand you the  
20 original of your deposition. I'm going to -- do you  
21 know how to read those things, where to find things?

22 A. Vaguely, yes.

23 Q. I would like you to go to page 107.

24 A. (Witness complies.)

25 Q. Are you there, sir?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Line 20.

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. The question was, "So what would he have seen  
5 out of the different front windshield that would have  
6 caused him to move to the left before the bike begins  
7 to move to the left?"

8 What was your answer?

9 A. "I don't believe that it's reasonable to  
10 expect that he would move to the left prior to the bike  
11 moving to the left."

12 Q. And was the testimony that you gave then true  
13 when you gave it?

14 That was your opinion?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. So it is not reasonable to expect the bus to  
17 move to the left prior to the bike moving to the left;  
18 correct?

19 A. Yeah, I am obviously torn on that.

20 Q. But what you said at your deposition was just  
21 what I quoted you; right?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. All right. Now, why don't you take a look at  
24 Figure 3.

25 THE COURT: For the record, this is

1 exhibit -- is this an exhibit or a demonstrative?

2 MR. TERRY: This is an exhibit. It was one  
3 of the ones...

4 THE COURT: This is 510? Okay.

5 MR. TERRY: 510.

6 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

7 BY MR. TERRY:

8 Q. All right. Now, in 510, we're looking at the  
9 view from inside the bus to Dr. Khiabani, who's in the  
10 same position that we saw in Figure 1; correct?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. All right. And that's what the people  
13 inside, like the driver, could see when they looked out  
14 while Dr. Khiabani was in the position indicated in  
15 Figure No. 1.

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. Now, he has not started his move to the left;  
18 correct?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. He doesn't start his move to the left until  
21 the bike is slightly behind the leading edge of the bus  
22 relative to the bus?

23 A. Most -- fairly certain, yeah.

24 Q. That's when he begins his turn to the left;  
25 right?

1           A.    Most likely.

2           Q.    The bike turns -- okay.

3                   Now, you did not do a line-of-sight to see  
4 whether or not Hubbard -- Mr. Hubbard could have seen  
5 the driver at the point he began the turn to the left,  
6 have you?

7           A.    No.

8           Q.    You relied on Fat Pencil, and you -- based on  
9 their work, you believe Mr. Hubbard would have had  
10 vision at that point?

11          A.    At this point. It's open to question. If he  
12 moves back just a slight bit, he's going to be behind  
13 the pillar almost entirely.

14          Q.    Okay. But you told me that the -- Fat Pencil  
15 concluded that Mr. Hubbard would have had vision at  
16 this point, that point being when the bike began its  
17 move? Not much, but some.

18          A.    That's conflating two things, I think.

19                   This is before the bicyclist gets sucked in.  
20 There is visibility. Now, if he moves back slightly,  
21 he's going to be behind the pillar. And I'm not  
22 willing to say that that wouldn't pretty much  
23 completely block him. He might have 1 percent or  
24 2 percent visibility, something like that.

25          Q.    But he would have visibility?



1           A.    I don't think you're going to be able to  
2 depend -- bet your life on a 1 percent or 2 percent  
3 visibility, even 10 percent.

4           Q.    I want you to take a look at page 89 -- or 88  
5 of your deposition, at line 23.

6           A.    Yep.

7           Q.    Actually, we'll begin at line 18.  Okay?

8           A.    Okay.

9           Q.    The question was, "Where is the bike relative  
10 to the bus when it begins to move to the left?"

11                   What was your answer?

12           A.    "I keep telling you it's slightly behind the  
13 leading edge, slightly behind the plane of the front of  
14 the bus."

15           Q.    The next question was, "Have you done a line  
16 of sight to see whether or not Mr. Hubbard could see  
17 the driver at that point?"

18                   And read the first two lines of your answer.

19           A.    "No.  I've depended on Fat Pencil, and I  
20 believe you would have a vision at that point."

21           Q.    That was your testimony and opinion then; is  
22 it your testimony and opinion now?

23                   MR. KEMP:  Your Honor, he can't just read one  
24 sentence of the answer.  I'd ask that he be allowed to  
25 read the rest of it.

1           Your Honor, I've got the page if you want to  
2 look at the thing.

3           THE COURT: You can -- you can follow through  
4 on cross-examination.

5           MR. KEMP: Okay.

6           THE COURT: Or cross -- your surdirect.

7 BY MR. TERRY:

8           Q. All right, sir. Now, I want you to take a  
9 look at the next, Figure 3.

10           Could you blow up that, sir, if you would.

11           Okay. You are -- this is the same position  
12 he was in before he begins the turn to the left;  
13 correct?

14           A. Correct.

15           Q. All right. So when he begins the turn to the  
16 left, the bike is going to be coming back just a little  
17 bit; right?

18           A. Correct.

19           Q. Do you know how far back it comes before  
20 he's -- the front of the bike is behind the leading  
21 edge?

22           A. No, I couldn't -- I wouldn't want to guess.

23           Q. Okay. Does the whole bike have to get behind  
24 the leading edge?

25           A. No.

1 Q. How much of the bike?

2 A. The center of mass of the rider has to become  
3 just behind the plane of the front.

4 Q. Okay. So that means that Mr. -- or  
5 Dr. Khiabani himself has to get behind the front of the  
6 bus?

7 A. Correct. Just slightly.

8 Q. Now, you know that it has been determined  
9 that, when contact occurred between the bike and the  
10 bus, the left handlebar or grip of the bike impacted  
11 the right front of the bus?

12 A. The side.

13 Q. All right. The side. And that mark is  
14 indicated on this diagram right here?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. So that when he begins his turn or movement  
17 to the left, body comes behind the bumper -- oh, body  
18 comes behind the bumper, and then it all goes all the  
19 way down here so that the left handlebar makes that  
20 move -- that mark?

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. How much distance is that?

23 A. I haven't measured it.

24 Q. Is it less than 10 feet?

25 A. I haven't measured it.

1 Q. Okay. Can we measure it off the bus, then,  
2 just looking at the -- if we have a measurement of the  
3 bus, can we just measure the distance from the front of  
4 bumper to the mark?

5 A. I have no way to do that.

6 Q. We could do that if we had other exhibits?

7 A. If you had the bus here, yeah.

8 Q. Okay. And we could determine how far the  
9 bike travels before contact is made?

10 A. Certainly. And Fat Pencil, the folks that  
11 did this excellent work, can undoubtedly give you that  
12 number.

13 Q. Now, it is your claim, your opinion, that if  
14 Mr. Hubbard had vision of -- visual acuity, line of  
15 sight, to the bike when it began its turn to the  
16 left -- whether because the blind spot had been removed  
17 or some sort of radar, lidar, or proximity sensor told  
18 him that he was there -- that he would have turned to  
19 the left and a different outcome would have occurred?

20 A. That's extremely likely.

21 Q. That's your opinion?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Have you factored in perception-reaction  
24 time?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. What is perception-reaction time?

2 A. That's the delay between the event occurring  
3 and your responding to it.

4 Q. And that means that nothing happens to the  
5 bus until that time expires?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. What is the perception-reaction time for this  
8 event?

9 A. It would be best described by looking at the  
10 Fat Pencil analysis of when Mr. Hubbard actually did  
11 steer. There's a Gaussian-like -- there's a bell curve  
12 called a Gaussian distribution of human response times  
13 in daylight. It peaks at one and a quarter seconds.  
14 It's two and a quarter at night, for example.

15 But we don't know Mr. Hubbard's actual  
16 response time without looking at the reconstruction  
17 that Fat Pencil did. And you can't get it from that, I  
18 believe. The whole question was, would he have steered  
19 earlier had he had clear, unobstructed sight lines?  
20 And that seems to be a near certainty.

21 Q. When I took your deposition, did you use 1.25  
22 seconds as the perception-reaction time for  
23 Mr. Hubbard?

24 A. I think I answered a question to the effect,  
25 if you had to look at that, what number would you use?

1 And I would use that standard statistical model. And  
2 you would be making a guess that it would be 1.25  
3 seconds during daylight. And that's the time from an  
4 event occurring until you moved your foot from the  
5 throttle to the brake.

6 Q. Now, the move that Mr. Hubbard made is not a  
7 complex move; it's relatively simple. He perceives  
8 something; he made the decision to move to the left.

9 A. I wouldn't characterize it quite that way.  
10 He has to know where he is in the lane. He has to make  
11 sure he's not going to run over something on the left.  
12 It's a fairly complex decision.

13 Q. Is 1.25 seconds enough for him to perceive,  
14 evaluate, and react?

15 A. Not in that more global sense, because he's  
16 got problems on the left regularly as he's driving.  
17 And so it's a very long time to really completely do  
18 that.

19 Q. All right. Setting aside the problems to the  
20 left -- because I don't believe Mr. Hubbard testified  
21 that he looked to the left before he made the move.  
22 Okay?

23 A. He testifies to constantly bobbing and  
24 weaving and addressing that problem.

25 Q. Yes, sir. But this is an assumption that he

1 sees the bike at the instant it makes the move to the  
2 left, and reacts; right? That's what I'm --

3 A. I don't understand the question.

4 Q. All right. What I'm asking you to assume is  
5 that when this bike that is depicted here in  
6 Figure No. 3, when the body gets behind the bumper,  
7 Mr. Hubbard sees him. He has to evaluate it and then  
8 he has to make a move. He didn't say he looked to the  
9 left; he just said he moved to the -- looked to the  
10 left. He just said, "I rotated the steering wheel."

11 Remember that?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Is 1.25 seconds enough perception-reaction  
14 time to account for that decision and move?

15 A. Well, there's a series -- a series of things  
16 happening here. And one is that Dr. Khiabani gets  
17 affected by the leading edge suction and he begins to  
18 be tipped in. We don't know where exactly in that  
19 sequence Mr. Hubbard sees him, but the -- the  
20 reasonable guesstimate, not based on Mr. Hubbard or  
21 knowing what happened, but if you've got to guess what  
22 happened, it would be 1.25 seconds after he notices  
23 Dr. Khiabani has closed the distance to the bus.

24 But we don't know where that is in terms of  
25 the exact position of the bicycle or exactly how far

1 into the tip where he gets tossed sideways into the  
2 bus.

3 Q. The assumption I have asked you to make is  
4 that Mr. Hubbard saw the bike as soon as it made a turn  
5 to the left. Okay? We know that Mr. Hubbard moved to  
6 the left. Is 1.25 seconds enough for him to perceive,  
7 evaluate, and react to the movement he would see?

8 A. The -- the question gives me pause. It's  
9 assumed that Mr. Hubbard sees Dr. Khiabani at the  
10 instant he begins to move. And we have zero  
11 evidence -- it's, in fact, extremely unlikely that that  
12 would be the case. That's an instant in time. Is he  
13 going to be looking there at that particular instance?  
14 It's a stretch to think that that's --

15 Q. Mr. Sherlock, what I'm trying to do is I'm  
16 trying to say, if what you said should have been on the  
17 bus in terms of visibility, line of sight, sensor  
18 devices -- radar, lidar, and all the rest -- was there,  
19 and you claim Mr. Hubbard would have seen the bike as  
20 soon as he made the move to the left. Can you assume  
21 that fact, that whatever you're complaining about has  
22 been fixed and Mr. Hubbard can see the bike as soon as  
23 he begins the move to the left?

24 A. All of the systems, whether it's the visual  
25 system or the aids to our visual systems -- the lidar,



1 radar, all of these things -- they all have what's  
2 called latency. So they depend on the beginning of a  
3 move that establishes a collision path between the two  
4 vehicles -- or the vehicle and Dr. Khiabani. They all  
5 have latency. None of this happens at an instant.

6           Once the driver does perceive that there's  
7 something he's got to respond to, that 1.25 seconds is  
8 the average of this Gaussian distribution, not  
9 Mr. Hubbard's response time necessarily.

10       Q. But it is the average response time for an  
11 individual in daytime?

12       A. In daytime. And it's specific to moving the  
13 foot.

14       Q. Okay. And nothing happens to the bus until  
15 1.25 seconds has elapsed.

16       A. There's an additional latency. The air  
17 brakes in this system and the steering in this system  
18 have latency. So, again, there's a delay.

19       Q. What kind of delay?

20       A. I don't know on the steering. In the  
21 braking, it's -- oh, you could figure roughly a half a  
22 second, a quarter to a half a second.

23       Q. You were here when Mr. Hubbard testified?

24       A. Yes.

25       Q. Did he testify that he applied the brakes?

1           A.    No.

2           Q.    So we can set that aside?

3           A.    Actually, he did say he slowed, but he wasn't  
4 specific about whether it was the throttle and the  
5 retarder that could be associated or whether it was the  
6 brakes.

7           Q.    Setting aside application of the brakes, do  
8 you know or have an opinion as to the latency in the  
9 steering mechanism?

10          A.    No.

11          Q.    I want you to assume there is none.  Okay?  
12 Set aside the brakes, no latency in the steering  
13 mechanism, 1.25 seconds has to elapse before the bus  
14 does anything.

15          A.    That's before the human does anything.  The  
16 bus is a separate question.

17          Q.    Well, I want you to make the assumption that  
18 as soon as Mr. Hubbard starts to turn the wheel, things  
19 happen.

20          A.    Okay.

21          Q.    All right.  So that won't happen until 1.25  
22 seconds has elapsed.  Agreed?

23          A.    I don't think it's precisely the right  
24 number.  The number I gave you is for moving the foot.  
25 So moving the hands, I don't have that number.

1 Q. Why don't we just assume that it's the same,  
2 that it's a simple decision. Go left. Okay? 1.25  
3 seconds has to expire before the bus moves at all.

4 A. Again, I don't mean to be argumentative, but  
5 "has to" is not the term. "Is likely" makes sense  
6 because it's a statistical distribution. It's how  
7 often do you roll a certain number with dice. It  
8 doesn't have to come up that number the next time you  
9 roll.

10 So I'm not trying to be a difficult, but  
11 it's -- just misstates the facts.

12 Q. I want you to assume that the applicable  
13 perception-reaction time for the move Mr. Hubbard made  
14 was 1.25 seconds. Can you do that?

15 A. I can make an assumption, yeah.

16 Q. So if he has 1.25 seconds to perceive the  
17 move to the left, appreciate the move to the left,  
18 evaluate and make the judgment he needs to move the bus  
19 to the left, 1.25 seconds elapses?

20 A. That would be correct if you add the physical  
21 motion.

22 Q. Okay. How far does the bus travel in 1.25  
23 seconds?

24 A. Well, it's going to be that 25 miles an hour  
25 times 1.25 times 1.466. That's the number of feet.

1 Q. You got my phone. How far does the bus  
2 travel during the perception-reaction time for  
3 Mr. Hubbard?

4 A. So, 25 miles an hour times 1.466 -- oop --  
5 oop -- 1.466 feet per second per mile per hour. Oh,  
6 that's a crazy number. There.

7 All right. Mind if I use my own? This is  
8 coming up with a very crazy number. It could be my  
9 entry method. I have my phone back here.

10 Q. Where is it, sir?

11 A. It's in a bag. It's in a bag underneath, and  
12 then a pocket. It's easier if I just get it.

13 MR. TERRY: Is it -- Mr. Pepperman here?

14 THE WITNESS: Yeah.

15 Thank you. Appreciate it.

16 Four-point -- 45.81 feet.

17 BY MR. TERRY:

18 Q. Roughly 45.9 feet?

19 A. .8.

20 Q. Okay. So that means that at -- when the  
21 doctor hits here behind the bumper, the body does,  
22 Mr. Hubbard reacts. His bus is going to move 48 feet  
23 down the road before the bus moves left; correct?

24 A. Yeah, but not with respect to this particular  
25 position.

1 Q. What does that mean?

2 A. This is the distance the bus travels -- if  
3 you assume no latencies in the system and if you assume  
4 a 1.25 second response for the steering motion, all of  
5 which we don't know happened, then, yes, it would be  
6 45.81 feet between the alert for the driver and the  
7 beginning of the steering left.

8 Q. That means the bus travels down the road  
9 48 feet before any move to the left?

10 A. Well, 45.8.

11 Q. 45.8. The bus moves 45.8 feet before there's  
12 any move to the left?

13 A. Purely in this scenario, which is based on  
14 things that don't happen in reality.

15 Q. Well, there is perception-reaction time;  
16 right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. All right. Which means that the bus will  
19 move 45 feet before there's any move to the left;  
20 right?

21 A. As I understand the reconstruction, you're  
22 putting the bus where the move to the left had already  
23 occurred. So the events we're discussing happened  
24 48 feet back.

25 Q. Right.

1           A.    A second and a quarter back.

2           Q.    Back here.  If Mr. Hubbard turns as quickly  
3 as possible, perceives it when it happens, 1.25  
4 seconds, this bus moves 45 feet down the road, before  
5 it makes any motion to the left.

6           A.    Well, Fat Pencil has that move analyzed in  
7 their very accurate analysis based on the video and the  
8 known facts.

9           Q.    Mr. Sherlock --

10          A.    And that's the best reference here.

11          Q.    Mr. Sherlock, I'm asking you, the expert, who  
12 has told us that it is your opinion that, if  
13 Mr. Hubbard had seen the bike when it made its turn to  
14 the left, he could have avoided by just turning to the  
15 left himself; right?  That's what you told us.

16          A.    That's not precisely what I said.  I said  
17 that, if he has a reasonably unobstructed vision of  
18 Dr. Khiabani instead of extremely obstructed vision,  
19 that he is extremely likely to have begun that move  
20 earlier.

21          Q.    Right.  But if -- but if he can't --

22          A.    It's the bottom switch.

23          Q.    But if he can't begin the move until the bike  
24 begins the move and the bus can't begin moving until  
25 perception-reaction time, 1.25 seconds, the bus moves

1 45 feet down the road before there's any motion to the  
2 left.

3 A. I believe the demonstration you're doing with  
4 the model is inaccurate. This happens well prior to  
5 the positions you're indicating.

6 Q. Well, I'm not interested in the positions.  
7 I'm interested in the relative motion of the two  
8 vehicles, the bus and the bike. I'll put it anywhere  
9 you want. Anywhere you want. Okay?

10 If the bus has to perceive the bike coming to  
11 the left, which occurs when the bike is behind the  
12 bumper, it -- he will go 45 feet down the road before  
13 there is any left steering input; right?

14 A. That would be the correct assumption if he's  
15 moving his foot, not his hands.

16 Q. It would take longer if he's moving his  
17 hands?

18 A. Shorter, because they're already on the  
19 steering wheel. The foot has to move. The leg is a  
20 longer limb with greater mass. It's slower to move  
21 your leg than it is your arm. And you got to move from  
22 one pedal to another. So it would be less time then.

23 Q. So now you want to change the  
24 perception-reaction time you gave me at your  
25 deposition?

1           A.    The perception-reaction time I gave you is  
2 for moving the foot. And it just simply is what it is.

3           Q.    Well, it's what you gave me when I asked you  
4 about how much perception-reaction for the move  
5 Mr. Hubbard made.

6           A.    Yeah. I said if I was going to give a wild  
7 guess, that's what I'd do.

8           Q.    Okay. So 1.25. That means, by your wild  
9 guess, your arithmetic, that, if Mr. Hubbard sees the  
10 bike move to the left as soon as it happens, his bus  
11 will go 45 feet down the road before there is any  
12 movement of the bus to the left; correct?

13          A.    Well, we've been through this a bunch times.

14          Q.    How about you say yes or no?

15          A.    No, if we're talking about absolute  
16 precision.

17          Q.    How about just rough estimates or estimates?

18          A.    Yes, I would go with that.

19          Q.    You would go yes?

20          A.    Yes.

21          Q.    All right. Which would mean that having seen  
22 it would not change the outcome.

23          A.    Not at all true. He did see him, and it did  
24 change the outcome. He steered to the left.

25          Q.    Yes, sir. But he doesn't -- if he doesn't



1 steer to the left until 45 feet after Dr. Khiabani  
2 makes his move to the left, the accident's already  
3 happened, contact's already happened.

4 A. Well, we know that, in fact, he did see him  
5 moving toward the bus, not colliding with the bus,  
6 moving toward the bus prior to contact. And he did  
7 steer to the left, which did mitigate the collision to  
8 a certain extent.

9 Q. Well, I am coming to that. Right now I'm  
10 just dealing with your testimony that that is an  
11 accurate description of the relative position of the  
12 bike and the bus right before contact.

13 That's what you said; right?

14 A. Yes. It's reasonably accurate. I don't  
15 believe it's absolutely precise, but it's reasonably  
16 accurate.

17 Q. And if Mr. Hubbard saw the bike as soon as it  
18 began the turn to the left in this relative location  
19 right here, his bus would move 45 feet down the road,  
20 with a reaction time of 1.25, before the bus goes to  
21 the left.

22 A. Well, we don't know that he hasn't already  
23 begun his move to the left -- or, well, I take that  
24 back. So could you repeat your question.

25 Q. All right. I thought we had established --

1 THE MARSHAL: Just leave it on.

2 MR. TERRY: Okay. Sir, I'll do that.

3 BY MR. TERRY:

4 Q. I thought we had established that the bus was  
5 moving in this lane straight down the lanes.

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. And he didn't make a left move until he  
8 perceived something ahead of him.

9 A. Correct. To the side.

10 Q. To the side. And your complaint is that he  
11 should have seen Dr. Khiabani before he did and he  
12 would have moved to the left sooner and avoided the  
13 collision?

14 A. Basically.

15 Q. But what I'm suggesting is that, if he sees  
16 him when he is at this location, because of  
17 perception-reaction time, the bus is going to travel  
18 45 feet down the road before there is any motion to the  
19 left.

20 A. That's assuming that it is at this point that  
21 Mr. Hubbard perceives Dr. Khiabani's move. That's  
22 unlikely based on the Fat Pencil analysis of the actual  
23 path of the bus. As opposed to this scenario, we're  
24 building the actual path.

25 Q. Well, the scenario we are building is based

1 on your claim that this is the relative position of the  
2 two vehicles an instant before contact and that, if  
3 Mr. Hubbard had seen the doctor when he made his left  
4 turn, he would have turned left and avoided the  
5 contact.

6 A. I'm not saying that this is an instant before  
7 contact.

8 Q. Shortly before contact?

9 A. In these kinds of scenarios where there's --  
10 the closing distances are so short, it's a fairly long  
11 time.

12 Q. If the bus moves 45 feet down the road before  
13 there is any motion to the left, does it prevent the  
14 contact or does the contact occur anyway?

15 A. That's an interesting question. If the bus  
16 moves far enough to the left, there's not going to be a  
17 collision. We know that Mr. Hubbard saw the bike  
18 coming toward the bus. He then responds in a normal  
19 human fashion. He starts his turn to the left. That  
20 wasn't enough to avoid the collision. So he is going  
21 to travel that 45 feet. You have to have an earlier  
22 recognition of the motion of the bike or something else  
23 to change the impact.

24 Q. But if his first recognition of the motion of  
25 the bike was where you have it right here, when the

1 bike begins its turn to the left, there's no way  
2 Mr. Hubbard can turn left and avoid contact before it  
3 occurs.

4 A. That's why I have objected to this scenario.

5 Q. Because his bus is going to move 45 feet down  
6 the road?

7 A. This isn't accurate. The scenario you're  
8 building isn't accurate.

9 Q. No -- okay. But the conclusion is that, if  
10 that's the location of the two vehicles at the time  
11 Mr. Hubbard perceives the turn to the left, there's no  
12 way Mr. Hubbard has enough time to turn left and avoid  
13 the event?

14 A. I'm not assuming that that's that moment.

15 Q. Now, we do know where the contact occurred;  
16 right?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. Contact occurred 6 feet inside the bus lane.

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Okay. Do you know or have an opinion where  
21 on the map that we have here the actual contact  
22 occurred?

23 A. I'd have to rely on the analysis of the  
24 accident reconstructionist. I wasn't asked to do that.  
25 I didn't perform that analysis. I did look at theirs,

1 and I think it's extraordinarily good work. And I  
2 would rely on them. I looked at the vision -- I looked  
3 at the vision and the aerodynamic elements.

4 Q. Okay. Where did they put the actual contact  
5 point?

6 A. You would have to refer to their work. I'm  
7 sure you have it.

8 Q. So let's put it down here. All right? Right  
9 about here. Okay? That's me putting it there. I'm  
10 not relying on any expert analysis. I'm just putting  
11 it there; right?

12 A. Okay.

13 Q. And at this point right here, we know that  
14 the bike comes in contact with the bus, as indicated by  
15 the black mark on the right side of the bus.

16 I'm trying to put the bike at the point where  
17 it would have struck the bus. Okay? And we know that  
18 that point is 6 feet into the bus lane; right?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Which means we know Mr. Hubbard has started a  
21 turn to the left sometime before.

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. All right. If his perception-reaction time  
24 is 100 -- 1.25 seconds, where did Mr. Hubbard begin his  
25 turn to the left that put him there? How far back down

1 the road was he located?

2 A. Again, I -- I didn't really analyze this  
3 element, and Fat Pencil did a great job of it. You  
4 could see the actual facts in their analysis.

5 Q. I'm asking you, the expert witness,  
6 Mr. Sherlock, if you assume that the accident, the  
7 contact occurred 6 feet inside the bus lane, that means  
8 Mr. Hubbard turned to the left before he got there. If  
9 his perception-reaction time is 1.25 seconds, how far  
10 did his bus travel? Where did he make the decision to  
11 turn left on the road?

12 A. In this abstraction, I have given you the  
13 distance traveled at 25 miles an hour. I don't -- I  
14 think that isn't the correct position for contact.  
15 And, again, I was not brought in to analyze any of  
16 that. I relied solely on these other people. And I  
17 think they did terrific work.

18 So this is not what I was here to analyze.  
19 I'm here to analyze the vision and the aerodynamic  
20 forces.

21 Q. Okay. So if Mr. Hubbard made the decision to  
22 turn left 45 feet back, 1.25 seconds, right here;  
23 right?

24 A. That's not far enough.

25 Q. Back here? What is 45 feet from here to

1 here?

2 A. I don't accept that as necessarily the point  
3 of contact even.

4 Q. Well, if that is the point of contact and it  
5 is 6 feet within the bus lane, how far back did  
6 Mr. Hubbard perceive something that he reacted to and  
7 turned left?

8 A. The best evidence is something I didn't  
9 analyze and Fat Pencil did.

10 Q. Well, what is the answer with simple  
11 arithmetic? 1.25 times the feet per second the bus  
12 travels at 25.

13 A. Well, I've given you that number repeatedly.

14 Q. And that number is?

15 A. 45.8 seconds based on this abstraction. This  
16 is not reality.

17 Q. Now, the bike also would move; right?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. And how far would the bike move in 1.25  
20 seconds?

21 A. Very roughly, half the distance.

22 Q. 22 feet; right? More or less?

23 A. More or less.

24 Q. All right. So we put it how far ahead of the  
25 bus is the bike when the bike is 22 feet back from what

1 I have identified as the point of contact? How far  
2 ahead?

3 A. That would be roughly the same distance  
4 because the bike's going half the speed of the bus.

5 Q. So it would be about 20 feet in front of the  
6 bus?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. So if Mr. Hubbard has a reaction time of 1.25  
9 seconds and he turns left because of something he  
10 perceives and he winds up 6 feet within the bus lane,  
11 where contact occurs, that event occurred 45 feet  
12 before contact; right?

13 A. Could you repeat that again.

14 Q. Okay. If Mr. Hubbard, driving the bus,  
15 perceives something that causes him to evaluate and  
16 make the decision to do a left turn, the point at which  
17 he saw anything would be 45 feet before the actual  
18 point of contact, wherever it is?

19 A. If you accept that that was his actual  
20 response time, which I don't.

21 Q. Using it as the average response time for  
22 people in daylight, if his response time is 1.25  
23 seconds, Mr. Hubbard saw something 45 feet before  
24 contact that told him he needed to turn to the left?

25 A. Only in this abstraction.



1 Q. Correct?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. Now, what did Mr. Hubbard see that told him  
4 he needed to turn to the left?

5 A. He reported seeing the bicycle coming,  
6 closing the distance to the bus.

7 Q. So he saw -- if the bike is 22 feet ahead, he  
8 saw the bike coming into his lane; right?

9 A. He wasn't specific about the lane, I don't  
10 believe. He said -- he said it was coming over.

11 Q. Wherever it was, whatever lane it was in, he  
12 saw the bike coming over toward him 22 feet in front of  
13 him; right?

14 A. I don't accept that. I'm not saying that.

15 Q. Okay. If it was 22 feet in front of him, he  
16 would have seen it through his windshield?

17 A. The best evidence is Mr. Hubbard, who says he  
18 sees him out the door or the corner of the windshield,  
19 which is much more like that.

20 Q. But when he sees -- when he sees him, he's  
21 22 feet in front of the bus under the scenario that I  
22 have constructed?

23 A. Under the abstraction, yes.

24 Q. All right. So he sees him 22 feet ahead, he  
25 makes the decision to turn left, and he winds up about

1 45 feet down the road, 6 feet into the bus lane; right?

2 A. An imaginary bus and an imaginary bicycle  
3 could go through that scenario. That's not what  
4 happened here.

5 Q. Now, if that is what happened, that what  
6 Mr. Hubbard saw that caused him to move to the left is  
7 something that happened 22 feet in front of him so he  
8 could see it just looking out the windshield, the blind  
9 side, the restricted visibility, the radar, the lidar,  
10 the proximity sensors had nothing to do with this  
11 scenario?

12 A. There wouldn't have been a collision. If  
13 this happens 22 feet ahead and they're both -- there's  
14 only a 12-mile-an-hour difference between the two of  
15 them, he's going to be able to stay away from the  
16 bicycle. This is not -- this abstraction is not what  
17 happened.

18 Q. And when he makes the turn, the bike has not  
19 reached the point where you say it makes its move to  
20 the left; right?

21 A. Could you repeat again. I'm sorry.

22 Q. All right. So when Mr. Hubbard makes the  
23 decision to turn and the bike is 22 feet ahead of him  
24 coming into him -- right? -- the bike has not reached  
25 the point that you have up there where he -- he gets

1 sucked in by some reverse flow?

2 A. This model, based on pure assumptions, is not  
3 what happened. And I'm not going to say that that is  
4 reality. This is not reality.

5 Q. If this is reality, the bike began the turn  
6 to the left before the bus got there.

7 A. In a very different scenario than the one  
8 that killed Dr. Khiabani, sure.

9 Q. And it was before the leading edge of the bus  
10 got there?

11 A. In that world, yes. In the case of  
12 Dr. Khiabani, absolutely no.

13 Q. Which means that air displacement, if there  
14 is any that disrupts the bike, had nothing to do with  
15 the event; correct?

16 A. Nothing to do with the abstract event that is  
17 not reality.

18 Q. Well, this abstract event, so that you  
19 understand what I am doing, is I take the bus from a  
20 .6 feet within the bus lane, where the contact  
21 occurred, and back it up to a point where Mr. Hubbard  
22 perceived whatever it is he perceived that caused him  
23 to turn left. That's what I have done; right?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And that puts the bus and the bike separate,

1 and the bus 45 feet back, the bike 22 feet back, with  
2 22 feet between them right?

3 A. Then the accident wouldn't have happened.

4 Q. But the accident did happen, sir; right?

5 A. That's why this scenario bears no resemblance  
6 to reality.

7 Q. If you factor in perception-reaction time,  
8 there is, is there not?

9 A. That's still going to be a no.

10 Q. And if this scenario where Mr. Hubbard sees  
11 something that makes him turn to the left 45 feet  
12 before contact with the bike, the blind spot that  
13 you've talked about and the aerodynamic, whatever you  
14 think it is, had nothing to do with the event; right?  
15 You'll agree with that?

16 A. It's hard to tease out the abstraction versus  
17 the reality. Could you repeat that again? I'm sorry  
18 that I've asked --

19 Q. All right. Let me do it one more time; then  
20 we'll leave it alone. Okay?

21 Mr. Hubbard sees something that tells him he  
22 needs to turn to the left and he goes 45 feet before he  
23 begins the turn and he winds up 6 feet in the bus lane.  
24 That's where contact occurs; right? He's moved over  
25 6 feet.

1           A.    Okay.  That part I agree with.

2           Q.    All right.  The --

3           A.    Oh, no, not necessarily.  The bus was not  
4 necessarily riding the right lane line.  So the bus was  
5 already probably a foot and a half or 2 feet over, and  
6 so the entire 6 feet was not the steering motion.

7           Q.    So -- but it took 45 feet, 1.25 seconds, for  
8 the steering motion to begin?

9           A.    In the abstraction.

10          Q.    Right.  And if this occurs when Mr. Hubbard  
11 makes his turn to the left, the bus -- the bike is  
12 22 feet in front of him, coming toward him such that he  
13 recognizes it as a hazard; right?

14          A.    It's completely inconsistent with what  
15 Mr. Hubbard says about seeing the bike out the door and  
16 right corner of -- far corner of the windshield.  
17 Completely inconsistent.  These -- you're a half a bus  
18 from reality here.

19          Q.    So your -- you think this scenario is  
20 incorrect because Mr. Hubbard describes seeing the bike  
21 out the right side?

22          A.    Yes.  And the reason I think that is that  
23 there are certain kinds of perceptions for which we are  
24 fairly inaccurate.  A lot of eyewitness testimony is  
25 very inaccurate.

1           But there are certain kinds of events that  
2 really jolt you. Having a pedestrian -- or bicycle  
3 drive at your bus is going to be burned in your memory.  
4 That is something you can bet your house on. And  
5 you'll see in a bunch of the other witnesses, they're  
6 all over the map on stuff that they weren't really  
7 paying attention to.

8           But this, I believe Mr. Hubbard because it's  
9 so critically important. It would be burned in his  
10 memory. And is forever, I think.

11          Q.    So then let me ask you this: Where was the  
12 bike on the road when Mr. Hubbard saw him?

13          A.    I didn't do that computation, but it's  
14 roughly in this region here. Very roughly.

15          Q.    So you think Mr. Hubbard saw the bike, as  
16 depicted in Figure 3, made the decision to turn left,  
17 and 1.25 seconds later, the bus turned left?

18          A.    I didn't do this analysis. I didn't go  
19 through and look at all of the elements. But purely  
20 based on what Mr. Hubbard said, this is the scene that  
21 he's describing.

22          Q.    All right, sir. And if the bike is in front  
23 of the bus, it is visible to the operator; correct?

24          A.    Correct.

25          Q.    All right. Now, you were asked about the S-1

1 Gard.

2 Do you remember that?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Are you aware of the S-1 Gard?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Was it used in your bus company, King City?

7 A. King County.

8 Q. King County.

9 A. No.

10 Q. Have you studied or tried to find out about  
11 the S-1 Gard or encouraged others to use it?

12 A. I've looked at it. I haven't encouraged its  
13 use, but I think it would have probably saved  
14 Dr. Khiabani.

15 Q. Are you aware of any steps taken by your  
16 union that encourages the use and application of the  
17 S-1 Gard?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Have you seen any set of data that indicates  
20 people have actually been protected or saved by the S-1  
21 Gard? Not press reports, not individual stories.

22 Data.

23 A. I guess I would call someone being saved and  
24 reporting that actual data.

25 Q. I'm talking about a data set where they look

1 at the frequency of events, whether or not the events  
2 have been affected by the S-1 Gard. Data. You know  
3 what I'm talking about.

4 A. I don't believe that exists.

5 Q. There is no such data, is there?

6 A. I doubt there is. I haven't looked. I doubt  
7 there is.

8 Q. So your company, the one that you worked for  
9 for so many years, doesn't use the S-1 Gard; your union  
10 doesn't push it for its members; and you know of no  
11 data that says it would actually have an impact or it  
12 would have saved Dr. Khiabani. Correct?

13 A. That last element perhaps goes a bit too far.  
14 I just asserted that, when you see a press report of  
15 somebody who was struck by a bus, goes under where the  
16 rear tires is going to get them, and are brushed aside  
17 by the S-1 Gard, I would accept that as data, that that  
18 S-1 Gard saved them.

19 Q. Are you talking --

20 A. Dr. Khiabani only had his head impacted, and  
21 the likelihood is he would have been saved as well.

22 Q. Are you talking about Mr. Parada?

23 A. I don't know his name.

24 Q. But it's the witness who testified here?

25 Were you made aware of him?



1           A.    I'm not aware of that, but I think he was in  
2 California somewhere.

3           Q.    Mr. Parada also testified that he never was  
4 in the path of the wheels.

5                   Did you know that?

6           A.    Then he wouldn't have been hit by the S-1  
7 Gard.

8           Q.    And he doesn't know if he was hit by the S-1  
9 Gard. That's also what he said.

10          A.    I'm -- I don't know the details.

11          Q.    But in terms of statistical data that is used  
12 by people in your industry and business to make  
13 decisions about what should be or should not be on a  
14 bus, there is no data you are aware of that says the  
15 S-1 Gard is effective; correct?

16          A.    So far as I know.

17                   MR. TERRY: Thank you, sir.

18                   That concludes the cross, Your Honor.

19                   THE COURT: Mr. Kemp, redirect.

20                   MR. KEMP: Yes, Your Honor.

21

22                               REDIRECT EXAMINATION

23 BY MR. KEMP:

24          Q.    Mr. Sherlock, let's go back to  
25 perception-reaction time. Okay?

1           And before Mr. Terry cut you off you were  
2 trying to explain to the jury why there's a difference  
3 in perception-reaction time in taking your foot off the  
4 gas and putting it on the brake, and the difference if  
5 you already have your hands on the wheel and you turn.

6           You remember that area that he cut you off?

7           A.    Yes.

8           Q.    Could you explain to the jury the difference?

9           A.    I think we're all aware of how quickly you  
10 can respond to the steering input that's required, just  
11 the physical response, not the cognitive element.  
12 Deciding to do something is going to be the same for  
13 both motion of the foot and motion of the hands.

14           But you're already hands on the wheel and you  
15 can move very quickly. You can move your hands much  
16 faster than you can move your legs. And, also, you  
17 don't have to go from one control to another in the  
18 case of the hands and you do in the case of the feet.

19           The number I have for response time is that  
20 going from the throttle to the brake.

21           Q.    Okay. So the 1.25 is the foot changing  
22 positions and braking?

23           A.    Correct.

24           Q.    So when -- and that's not what happened in  
25 this case, is it?

1 A. Correct.

2 Q. So when Mr. Terry used the 1.25 over and over  
3 and over again, he was using a perception-reaction time  
4 that's not applicable to this case; correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. So is the foot -- or the foot time different  
7 than the hand time?

8 A. Certainly.

9 Q. And is it lower or is it higher?

10 A. It's going to be shorter.

11 Q. And if it's not -- if it's shorter than 1.25,  
12 what is it?

13 A. I don't know the exact number.

14 Q. Okay. And the reason it's shorter is because  
15 you already have the hands on the wheel?

16 A. That's the largest element, plus you're  
17 faster in moving your arms than you are in moving your  
18 leg.

19 Q. And we do know that the driver in this case  
20 did start turning to the left; correct?

21 A. He, in fact, turned.

22 Q. So whatever the perception-reaction time was,  
23 he did do it; right?

24 A. Exactly.

25 Q. Now, how far more to the left would the

1 driver in this case have had to have turned to avoid  
2 this accident?

3 And by "this accident," I'm referring to  
4 Dr. Khiabani's head being run over by the rear tires.

5 A. Oh, that particular element of it. If the  
6 bus was just a short distance, I don't know precisely  
7 how far into Dr. Khiabani's head, but if it's the full  
8 length of your shoulders to your head, it would be  
9 underneath that.

10 Q. Now, Mr. Terry kept focusing on the moment of  
11 impact of the bike to the bus; right?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. And if we could have avoided Dr. Khiabani's  
14 head from being run over, that would be a different  
15 point of impact; right?

16 A. We wouldn't be here.

17 Q. Okay. So let's assume that we need to move  
18 the bus over 4 to 6 inches. Okay?

19 A. Okay.

20 Q. And let's assume that there was some  
21 perception-reaction time, because he did turn left;  
22 right?

23 A. All right.

24 Q. Okay. So whatever that was, the real issue  
25 in this case is how much more alert would he have had

1 to have to move the bus over 3 or 4 inches; right?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. Okay. And how much more time would be needed  
4 for that?

5 A. It's a complex computation because you're  
6 moving over at an angle. And Fat Pencil's analysis  
7 shows that path. I'm a little uncomfortable projecting  
8 it. I could do the trig and give you a guess based on  
9 X number of degrees, but ...

10 Q. Well, we're not talking 20, 30, 40 feet like  
11 Mr. Terry is talking about, are we?

12 A. My guess is not.

13 Q. We're talking about the bus moving 5 or  
14 6 feet more over, are we not?

15 A. Further back?

16 Q. Correct.

17 If the bus starts moving a little earlier and  
18 starts turning this way, the rear tire misses  
19 Dr. Khiabani -- misses Dr. Khiabani?

20 A. I'd have to do some math to be -- to give you  
21 a good solid guess, but it isn't an enormous distance.

22 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, I think the witness  
23 is indicating that what he's doing now is speculating.  
24 I would object to speculation.

25 THE COURT: Sustained.

1 BY MR. KEMP:

2 Q. Well, it's less than 1.25 seconds; right?

3 A. Way less.

4 Q. Probably in the neighborhood of .10 to .12  
5 seconds?

6 A. Oh, sure. Yeah.

7 Q. Okay. And with regards to a left proximity  
8 sensor -- excuse me, Your Honor. Would that give  
9 warning -- it's Friday, ladies and gentlemen.

10 Would that give .10, .12 seconds' warning --  
11 additional warning to the bus driver?

12 A. It seems likely.

13 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Terry asked you to assume  
14 that the proximity -- the side proximity sensor shoots  
15 out directly kind of like a laser. That's what he  
16 asked you to assume; right?

17 A. Yes, a narrow field.

18 Q. And is that how proximity sensors work, a  
19 narrow field like a laser?

20 A. No. As I had indicated before, there are  
21 some that give you 180-degree field of view. There are  
22 integrated systems that give you a 360-degree field of  
23 view. So they're able to see a very wide angle.

24 And you can stack these things up. You can  
25 see -- and, in fact, the Eaton system that was brought

1 up involves a sensor in the front and another on the  
2 side. So these can be integrated.

3 MR. KEMP: Can I have 197, please.

4 BY MR. KEMP:

5 Q. And Mr. Terry asked you questions about the  
6 Eaton system? Do you recall those?

7 A. Not offhand. Oh, yes. Sorry.

8 Q. And does the product literature for the Eaton  
9 system depict whether or not it's a laser-type  
10 proximity sensor or a --

11 A. It certainly indicates that it is not.

12 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'd move to admit 197  
13 at this time.

14 MR. TERRY: I think it's hearsay, because  
15 when I asked the witness if he knew about the Eaton  
16 available in 2005, he had no knowledge.

17 THE COURT: I would like you to come to the  
18 bench, please.

19 MR. TERRY: Oh, sorry.

20 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
21 not reported.)

22 BY MR. KEMP:

23 Q. Do you know whether or not the Eaton system  
24 is a laser beam or a wide-angle beam?

25 A. Oh, it's certainly not. And this is an

1 installation guide, so I don't see the -- and, just  
2 quickly looking, I didn't see --

3 MR. TERRY: Excuse me, Your Honor.

4 Objection.

5 May we approach?

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
8 not reported.)

9 BY MR. KEMP:

10 Q. And, again, is the Eaton system a laser-like  
11 system or a wide-angle system?

12 A. Wide angle.

13 Q. Okay. And you using Mr. Terry's  
14 hypothetical, what would a wide-angle proximity sensor  
15 system do?

16 A. It would alert you to objects close to the  
17 bus and across a wide angle to the side.

18 Q. Okay. And you've repeatedly referred to  
19 Mr. Terry's example here as an abstraction. Do you  
20 recall that?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. What did you mean by that?

23 A. It didn't bear much resemblance to reality.

24 Q. And why is that?

25 A. The actual events were analyzed by Fat Pencil



1 and the accident reconstructionist. And it's very much  
2 different than what he was suggesting.

3 Q. Okay. And we've referenced Fat Pencil  
4 repeatedly.

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Okay. Who is Fat Pencil?

7 A. Oh, it's a company that does accident  
8 reconstruction and very high-quality three-dimensional  
9 reconstructions.

10 So that -- they go to a scene, they map it  
11 out with these laser tools and photogrammetric  
12 techniques where you analyze photographs. And then  
13 they create this scenario where you can put the camera  
14 in that scenario anywhere you want. So you can show  
15 the driver's perspective, Dr. Khiabani's perspective,  
16 the perspective of witnesses, or whatever else you  
17 want. You can make the measurements as you've seen in  
18 some of these exhibits. It's an extraordinarily  
19 powerful piece of work.

20 Q. Okay. And the Fat Pencil has a person behind  
21 it?

22 A. Joshua Cohen.

23 Q. Okay. Thank you.

24 Now, with regards to Mr. Terry's questions  
25 about whether or not a proximity sensor or the

1 elimination of blind spots would have made a  
2 difference, do you remember those questions?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Okay. Let's start with a proximity sensor.  
5 Would a proximity sensor have made a  
6 difference in this case?

7 A. Especially if it was used as a blind spot  
8 sensor, the guide does speak specifically to that.

9 Q. And by "make a difference," I'm referring to  
10 would it have moved -- would it have allowed the driver  
11 to move the bus over so that it would have been over  
12 another 4 inches and not run over Dr. Khiabani?

13 A. There's an extremely likelihood. The driver,  
14 for whatever reason -- whether he's looking in his  
15 mirrors or whatever's doing -- he seems to be unaware  
16 of where that bicycle is for a stretch of time prior to  
17 its moving over. Had this system alerted him, hey,  
18 come on, check, you've got a problem going on, and told  
19 him where to look, as some of these do, there's a fair  
20 certainty this would not have occurred.

21 Q. Okay. And with regards to the good  
22 right-side visibility that you've outlined and the bad  
23 right-side visibility that -- that this bus has, if you  
24 had cured those problems, would that have made a  
25 difference, in your opinion?

1           A.    It seems extremely likely that Mr. Hubbard  
2 would have seen the bicycle coming his way earlier if  
3 the bicycle wasn't something like 90 percent obscured.

4           MR. KEMP:   Thank you.

5                       RECROSS-EXAMINATION

6 BY MR. TERRY:

7           Q.    Mr. Sherlock, Mr. Kemp has suggested that the  
8 1.25 perception-reaction time was my creation; right?

9           A.    I think he said you used it.  I don't  
10 remember his saying it was your creation, but I could  
11 be wrong.

12          Q.    Do you know where I got it?

13          A.    Yes.  From me.

14          Q.    So the 1.25 is the perception-reaction time  
15 that you said you would use if you were going to  
16 compute anything about this event?

17          A.    Correct.

18          Q.    So the 1.25, then, the source for the 1.25 is  
19 you.

20          A.    Correct.  It's the only number I have for the  
21 response time of people.  It's the one I most often  
22 use.  It's the brake response.

23          Q.    All right.  So we know that there is a  
24 perception-reaction time, there is a response time.  If  
25 we use 1.25 between Mr. Hubbard's perception of the --

1 Dr. Khiabani's bicycle, it takes him 45 feet before  
2 there's any left movement; right?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. And we know that when the two came together,  
5 Dr. Khiabani and the bus, the contact point was behind  
6 the right front tire?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And it was 6 feet within the bus lane?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. Which means that Mr. Hubbard had started his  
11 turn 45 feet earlier -- or had seen something 45 feet  
12 earlier that caused him to turn?

13 A. That's roughly what you would expect in this  
14 abstraction.

15 Q. And we know that Mr. Hubbard testified that  
16 what he saw was Dr. Khiabani coming in, drifting in,  
17 entering his lane.

18 A. Moving toward the bus, yes.

19 Q. And that event occurred in front of the bus?

20 A. That's not what he described. It's off to  
21 the side. He describes out the door and out the right  
22 side of the window. So that would put the bicycle to  
23 the side of the bus, not ahead of the bus.

24 Q. All right. I don't want to go through the  
25 calculations again, but if you factor in 1.25 seconds

1 of perception-reaction time, the bike had to be in  
2 front of the bus when Mr. Hubbard made the decision to  
3 turn left. Agreed?

4 A. No. That's not what he reports.

5 Q. I'm asking you, if you factor in where the  
6 vehicles -- the bus and the bike -- came together, a  
7 reaction time of 1.25, Mr. Hubbard would have been  
8 behind the bike at the time he made the decision, just  
9 looking at those things?

10 A. Just as an abstraction --

11 Q. Yes.

12 A. -- not having anything to do with the real  
13 events?

14 Sure.

15 Q. So that means that the bike would have been  
16 in front of the bus, visible through looking either the  
17 right front windshield, and it would have been --  
18 Dr. Khiabani would have started his turn to the left  
19 before any air displacement from the bus got to him?

20 A. That doesn't make sense on the physics of the  
21 air displacement, and it's not what Mr. Hubbard  
22 reports.

23 Q. If the bike is 22 feet in front of the bus  
24 when Mr. Hubbard sees it turn to the left, that's  
25 something he could see through the front and it's

1 before the air displacement gets to the bike.

2 That much, you can agree to; right?

3 A. It doesn't make sense on two different  
4 counts.

5 One is the physics, and the other is the  
6 report of Mr. Hubbard, who seems extraordinarily clear  
7 on precisely when he saw the doctor begin his move  
8 toward him. And, as I said before, this is the kind of  
9 event you really remember.

10 Q. Mr. Sherlock, I'm asking you, on the basis of  
11 the assumption that Mr. Hubbard saw something that made  
12 him turn to the left, that that was 45 feet before  
13 contact with the bike, the bike would have been in  
14 front of Mr. Hubbard when he perceived and made the  
15 decision to turn to the left. You can agree with that,  
16 can you not?

17 A. I'd actually -- the way you analyze these  
18 problems is a vector diagram. And I'd need to actually  
19 draw this out and run the computations. So I'm  
20 uncomfortable with agreeing to a scenario that clearly  
21 did not occur and I haven't had time to analyze --

22 Q. And if the bike --

23 A. -- and I just simply believe it didn't occur.

24 Q. If the bike is 22 feet ahead of Mr. Hubbard  
25 when he perceives that he needs to go to the left, that

1 means Dr. Khiabani has started his left movement before  
2 the air displacement even gets to him; right?

3 A. But this isn't what happened.

4 Sure. In an abstract world, in a different  
5 event, sure.

6 MR. TERRY: Thank you, sir.

7 I have nothing further, Your Honor.

8

9 FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION

10 BY MR. KEMP:

11 Q. All right. Let's just focus on the last  
12 series of questions.

13 He asked you to assume that the bike was  
14 22 feet in front based on this 1.25 perception-reaction  
15 time; right?

16 A. Basically.

17 Q. So, basically, he took the wrong  
18 perception-reaction time; right?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. Asked you to assume that that was the right  
21 perception-reaction time?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. And then he calculated this fake 22 -- or  
24 22-feet figure; right?

25 A. Correct.

1 Q. And then he asked you what would have  
2 happened?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. Why is that wrong?

5 A. It's in direct conflict with what we know  
6 occurred.

7 Q. Okay. And, again, the 1.25 is the  
8 gas-pedal-to-brake perception-reaction time?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. It's not the steering perception-reaction  
11 time?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. So if you use the real perception-reaction  
14 time, it's a different case; right?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. It's the case we have here in front of us?  
17 MR. TERRY: Objection, Your Honor. May we  
18 approach?

19 THE COURT: Yes.

20 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
21 not reported.)

22 THE COURT: All right. Okay. Very good.  
23 All right. Let's see.

24 We're going to take a ten-minute break. The  
25 parties have stipulated to waiving the Court's reading



1 the admonishment; is that correct?

2 MR. TERRY: So stipulated, Your Honor.

3 MR. KEMP: Yes, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: All right.

5 And, again, you -- you're going to follow --  
6 now we have Marshal Padilla, who's going to take you  
7 straight into the jury room, but you cannot leave that  
8 room unless you're just going to the restroom that's  
9 literally adjacent to it. No one can go into the  
10 hallway or anything else. Okay?

11 Thank you.

12 THE MARSHAL: All rise for the jury.

13 (The following proceedings were held  
14 outside the presence of the jury.)

15 THE COURT: Just waiting for the door to  
16 close completely.

17 MR. CHRISTIANSEN: Want me to close it tight,  
18 Judge?

19 THE COURT: Yes, I do.

20 MR. CHRISTIANSEN: It's just sort of leaning,  
21 I think.

22 THE COURT: I don't know. They're all in  
23 there. If not, I will ask the marshal to make sure he  
24 does that.

25 MR. CHRISTIANSEN: It's closed tight, Your

1 Honor.

2 THE COURT: All right.

3 MR. KEMP: Okay. Yeah, Judge, let's start  
4 from square one on perception-reaction time.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Let's.

6 MR. KEMP: Perception-reaction time means  
7 when someone notices, perceives a danger, how long does  
8 it take for them to react? That is a variable. It  
9 changes depending on the person and depending on the  
10 age of the person.

11 Let's talk about the person. Some baseball  
12 players, basketball players, they have better  
13 perception-reaction time than normal people.

14 THE COURT: Understood.

15 MR. KEMP: Okay. So other people have --

16 MR. TERRY: Excuse me, Your Honor. Can the  
17 witness be excused while we argue?

18 THE COURT: Yes. Yes.

19 THE WITNESS: Sorry.

20 THE COURT: I'd like the witness to be  
21 excused, actually. Thank you.

22 And -- and, sir, there's -- the restrooms are  
23 out there.

24 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 MR. KEMP: So in a different --

2 THE COURT: One moment, sir.

3 Go ahead.

4 MR. KEMP: And it differs by age. For  
5 example, my perception-reaction time when I was 16 is  
6 probably a lot quicker than it is now.

7 THE COURT: Understood.

8 MR. KEMP: Okay?

9 So -- so -- so you don't have -- this 1.25  
10 number they've been using is not a definitive  
11 perception-reaction time.

12 Now, the second variable we have in this case  
13 is the perception-reaction time between the events. So  
14 in the one they're using, the 1.25 -- which, again, is  
15 variable -- that is from the time you -- you notice a  
16 danger, you take your foot off the gas, and you put  
17 your foot on the brake. That is not the applicable  
18 perception-reaction time in this case because that's  
19 not what the driver did.

20 Instead, he turned the bus -- the bus to the  
21 left. There's no dispute about that. That is a  
22 shorter perception-reaction time because it doesn't  
23 require him to disengage and reengage like you do with  
24 taking your foot off the pedal and putting it back  
25 down. So -- so that's a shorter perception-reaction

1 time.

2 Now, again, that's going to be variable. We  
3 know it's under 1.25, but the average is going to be  
4 variable for the quick person and the slow person, I  
5 will say.

6 Okay. There are things called  
7 perception-reaction time experts. We didn't hire him  
8 to be a perception-reaction time expert. They actually  
9 have one called Dr. Krauss. And when I took  
10 Dr. Krauss's deposition, we went through these  
11 variables. We went through slower and faster  
12 perception-reaction time.

13 And so what they have done is they've used  
14 the worst possible perception-reaction time, 1.25,  
15 which is not applicable to this case. They admit it's  
16 not applicable because it's not a gas off/brake on  
17 situation; it's a steering situation.

18 So they've used the 1.25, and they've  
19 constructed this artificial, oh, the bike must have  
20 been -- I can't remember what it was -- 22 feet in  
21 front to argue to the jury that, oh, he could have seen  
22 him if he was 22 feet in front.

23 All I'm suggesting is that now we should be  
24 allowed to use the real perception-reaction time, which  
25 he doesn't know the exact number because he's not a

1 perception-reaction time expert. But he does know that  
2 it's under the 1.25.

3 So what I was asking questions about was why  
4 the hypothetical is not valid -- because the 1.25 --  
5 and if you use the real perception-reaction time, the  
6 steering perception-reaction time, would the distance  
7 of the bike be less in front of the bus or even equal  
8 with the bus?

9 That was my question where we got  
10 interrupted. And I think I am entitled to ask that  
11 because -- especially when this was such an overriding  
12 focus of the cross-examination.

13 THE COURT: So what you want to ask is --

14 MR. KEMP: I want to ask him that, if you use  
15 the real -- well, I won't call it real; I will call it  
16 the steering perception-reaction time. If you use the  
17 steering perception-reaction time, number one, would it  
18 be faster? And how does this impact how far the  
19 bike -- the bus would travel? Would be less or would  
20 it be greater? That's all I wanted to ask him, Your  
21 Honor. And I think those are perfectly appropriate  
22 questions under the circumstances.

23 MR. TERRY: The specific objection was the  
24 witness has already declared that he does not know the  
25 perception-reaction time for steering maneuver. So any

1 answer he gives based on a value he does not know has  
2 to be speculation. He -- he knows it's less, but he  
3 doesn't know how much less. For Mr. Kemp to suggest it  
4 could be half, less, or something else is not fair to a  
5 man who does not know what the value is.

6 The only objection was not any -- the other  
7 stuff; it was he doesn't know what the value is. He  
8 shouldn't be allowed to calculate on the basis of the  
9 number he doesn't know.

10 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, he also specifically  
11 said that the 1.25 was not the value in this case. He  
12 said that. He said that both on cross and on redirect.  
13 He said that 1.25. And yet Mr. Terry used the 1.25  
14 figure over and over and over again, at least three  
15 different times, constructing these hypotheticals.

16 So for him to suggest that I can't use a  
17 figure other than 1.25 -- and I wasn't going to use a  
18 specific figure. I was going to say it's less than and  
19 ask for the -- how that would affect the distances.  
20 That's all I was going to do.

21 MR. TERRY: I'm not sure why he keeps saying  
22 I used 1.25, because what I used was the figure  
23 suggested by his witness as what the witness would use  
24 if he was making the calculations.

25 THE COURT: I guess for me, I don't

1 understand, if someone is being deposed about what  
2 the -- what the pertinent perception-reaction time in  
3 this case is, and if it is a -- the other one --

4 MR. KEMP: Judge, he's not the  
5 perception-reaction expert. Okay? I mean, you know,  
6 if they go into perception-reaction time with a  
7 non-perception-reaction time expert, that's one thing.  
8 If it's with a perception-reaction time expert and they  
9 laid the hypothetical out, I would agree with you. But  
10 that's not what they did. And this is not in dispute.  
11 If you would like, I will bring Dr. Krauss's book in  
12 here on Monday and I will show you his  
13 perception-reaction time calculations.

14 THE COURT: Well, I have a -- he's already  
15 said it's less.

16 MR. KEMP: He has said it's less.

17 THE COURT: But I don't feel comfortable with  
18 him calculating -- going through a calculation.

19 MR. KEMP: I'm -- I didn't ask him that. I  
20 was going to ask if the -- if the distances would be  
21 less. That's all I was going to ask him. If the  
22 perception-reaction time is quicker, the bus is not  
23 going to travel the same amount of feet.

24 MR. TERRY: I don't oppose that question.  
25 That one question. If the perception-reaction time is

1 less, would the distances be closer, less, however  
2 you --

3 MR. KEMP: It's not just one question. I got  
4 to set it up again because I got to set up what we're  
5 talking about. It's not just one question. I have to  
6 set up that there's a different one for this and a  
7 different one for that because we've had this extended  
8 break, and then say --

9 MR. TERRY: You know, for him to say, A, the  
10 man is not a perception-reaction time expert and then  
11 going to say "I'm going to ask him about the different  
12 perception-reaction times," I did not object when he  
13 asked if it was less because I think that's within  
14 his -- all the rest of it, no.

15 If all we're going to ask him is if the  
16 perception-reaction time is less than 1.25, are the  
17 distances shorter or less? I have no objection to  
18 that. The rest of it is asking him to make  
19 calculations on the basis of an expertise Mr. Kemp  
20 admits he doesn't have on the basis of him -- a value  
21 he admits he doesn't know.

22 MR. KEMP: Judge, he told him in the  
23 deposition that he had not done a perception-reaction  
24 time calculation. He told him right in the deposition,  
25 and then they continued on in the deposition. And now



1 they've used something he has not done to lay out a  
2 scenario to the jury that he's repeatedly said is not  
3 accurate, I'm entitled to show why.

4           Otherwise, you're letting him paint a false  
5 picture to the jury. This is a false picture to the  
6 jury using a perception-reaction time that's not  
7 applicable. I mean, they admit it's not applicable  
8 because that's the gas-to-brake one; that's not the  
9 steering one. They admit it's not applicable. And yet  
10 they've used it all afternoon.

11           MR. TERRY: I don't admit it's not  
12 applicable. He said that's the one he would use.

13           MR. KEMP: He did not say that's the one he  
14 would use in this case. He specifically said on the  
15 witness stand that your assumptions were not valid.

16           THE COURT: In fairness, it's the one I read.

17           MR. KEMP: If you accept --

18           THE COURT: It's the one I read in the  
19 deposition a few minutes ago when you were at the  
20 bench.

21           MR. KEMP: Your Honor, here's his question:

22           "If Mr. Hubbard was driving the bus, and  
23 we have the 45-foot picture --

24           "ANSWER: If you accept that that was his  
25 actual response time, which I don't.

1 "QUESTION: -- using it as the average  
2 response time for people in daylight, if his  
3 response is 1.25 seconds."

4 And then his answer was "Only in this  
5 abstraction."

6 All I'm doing is I'm pointing out to the jury  
7 that this is not the correct figure, it's not  
8 applicable. And they don't disagree with that. I'll  
9 bring in Dr. Krauss's book if you would like. They  
10 don't disagree with that.

11 All I'm asking, is it going to be less than  
12 the 45 feet, because they've created the impression on  
13 this jury that the bike was 22 feet, I think it is, in  
14 front.

15 THE COURT: All right. You can go as far as  
16 less than the 45 feet, but I don't want --

17 MR. KEMP: I'm not going to ask him how much  
18 less, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: And many, many questions about  
20 it. I think we need to move on. Okay? Once you do  
21 that. And that's about as far as we go with this  
22 witness --

23 MR. KEMP: Thank you, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: -- in this area. Okay.

25 All right. Is everyone ready? Do you need a

1 quick break?

2 MR. BARGER: Can we have two minutes?

3 THE COURT: Yes.

4 (Whereupon a short recess was taken.)

5 THE COURT: Ready.

6 THE MARSHAL: All rise for the jury.

7 (The following proceedings were held in  
8 the presence of the jury.)

9 THE MARSHAL: All jurors accounted for, Your  
10 Honor.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Very good.

12 Stipulate to the jury's presence?

13 MR. TERRY: So stipulated.

14 MR. KEMP: Stipulated.

15 THE COURT: Mr. Kemp.

16 BY MR. KEMP:

17 Q. Okay. Mr. Sherlock, let's try to get you to  
18 your plane so you can go enjoy the snow in D.C. I hear  
19 there's a lot of it.

20 Okay. So we were talking about the  
21 difference between perception-reaction time in a  
22 gas-and-brake situation and in a steering situation.  
23 Okay? You with me?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. All right. And you've said that the steering

1 situation is less?

2 A. It takes less time to respond through  
3 steering, yes.

4 Q. Okay. Now, if it takes less time to respond  
5 to steering in terms of steering away, would the bus  
6 travel more or less distance than Mr. Terry's  
7 hypothetical?

8 A. Less distance.

9 Q. Now, final area, transit buses versus motor  
10 coaches. Correct?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. And what is the basic difference between the  
13 two?

14 A. There are a number. Height is the one that's  
15 really obvious. The municipal transit bus has a low  
16 floor. This has a very high floor with luggage  
17 underneath. The suspensions are different. The doors  
18 are different.

19 Q. Okay. And with regards to the safety issues  
20 we're talking about today -- right side, blind spots,  
21 proximity sensors, and aerodynamics -- is there any  
22 difference between the two types of buses?

23 A. The blind spots in this are generally quite a  
24 bit worse, particularly on the right, because of that  
25 enormously high dash and the door that has a big

1 opaque, can't-see-through-it kind of a section.

2 Q. And when you said "this," you mean the blind  
3 spots in coaches are generally worse than transit  
4 buses?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And does that argue for or against having  
7 proximity sensors on coaches?

8 A. For.

9 Q. Why is that?

10 A. They're more needed. You have a bigger blind  
11 spot. You have more need for mitigation, something  
12 that will help you out in those areas.

13 MR. KEMP: Okay. No further questions.

14 THE COURT: Okay.

15 MR. TERRY: No questions, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

17 We have questions from the jurors. Okay.

18 Counsel, would you like to approach?

19 MR. KEMP: Oh, we do? Sorry.

20 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
21 not reported.)

22 THE COURT: All right. All right. I'm going  
23 to ask the questions that the attorneys have agreed on  
24 and that the Court agrees with.

25 By the way, there were other questions that

1 are very good questions, but they would probably be  
2 better asked -- or answered by a different witness.  
3 That's why they may not be read. Okay?

4 All right. One of the questions the jury  
5 poses is "At what point in the bus driver's line of  
6 sight does the blind spot come into play?"

7 THE WITNESS: That's sort of a complicated  
8 question. There's -- as he's driving down the road,  
9 he's repeating -- or repeatedly saying he's got to bob  
10 and weave in the seat all the time to see around all  
11 these obstructions. So it's taking his eyes off the  
12 road in a way where he ought to be able to just see  
13 everything easily. So it's a little complicated in  
14 that that's a factor number.

15 In this case, the blind spot for the  
16 bicyclist, as he's approaching, you can see where, from  
17 that image that you saw with the bike of the right  
18 front, that the dash and all of that obstructs as the  
19 bike gets close to the bus. And I don't know the  
20 distance in which that begins to occur. I didn't  
21 compute that. My suspicion is that when Fat Pencil  
22 arrives, you'll be able to get a very precise answer to  
23 that based on the 3-D model where they can put the  
24 camera in the driver's eye sockets, basically.

25 THE COURT: Thank you, sir. And the second

1 part of the question is "How many feet away from the  
2 bus, if you know?"

3 THE WITNESS: Yeah, that was sort of part of  
4 that answer. I really can't give you a precise number.

5 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you. All right.

6 The next question is "How far ahead can the  
7 sensor detect an object ahead of a vehicle?"

8 THE WITNESS: It depends on the kind of  
9 sensor. The Eaton system we're talking about, 350 feet  
10 in front. They're limited to the side because they  
11 have all the clutter on the side of the road that would  
12 otherwise swamp the sensors and drive you crazy. So it  
13 varies depending on angle, but it could be a very long  
14 ways.

15 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

16 Another question: "Explain or clarify  
17 leading-edge suction pertaining to this bus."

18 THE WITNESS: Yeah. This is a real  
19 surprising concept. Leading-edge suction is where you  
20 have square leading edges on an object that's moving  
21 through a fluid, and air is a fluid. So what happens  
22 is the air moves toward the vehicle, and then it  
23 reaches a point of stagnation, they call it, where it  
24 just can't get any closer, pressure starts to build,  
25 and then it goes out to the sides.

1           And as it does that, it has momentum. And  
2 when it tries to go around the corners, that momentum  
3 carries it wide. So the air on the side doesn't go  
4 around like in a well-designed vehicle; it shoots out  
5 to the sides. And that creates a pressure wave where  
6 that jet of air is coming off, and that would push a  
7 bicyclist away.

8           This is well studied. There's a Kato paper  
9 that you'll probably see that goes into this in detail.  
10 So it pushes the rider away, and then it sucks them in,  
11 because right behind that pressure wave is an area  
12 that's a partial vacuum. And that's what led to these  
13 problems I was talking about with air quality, all  
14 these other things.

15           THE COURT: Thank you.

16           "Do you know the exact width of the A-pillar  
17 on this bus?"

18           THE WITNESS: I don't know the exact number.

19           THE COURT: Okay. The next question is --  
20 reads this way: "Did Mr. Sherlock himself do the  
21 measurements on the window, the pillar, the door, and  
22 the dash?"

23           THE WITNESS: No. The only thing I measured  
24 on these is the base of the windshield, and everything  
25 else was done by Fat Pencil and the accident



1 reconstructionist.

2 THE COURT: Or the -- "Or the measurements,  
3 did they come with the manufacturer?"

4 THE WITNESS: I don't know if any  
5 manufacturer-generated numbers were used. My suspicion  
6 is that they were not. I think they used a laser  
7 scanning technique and a computerized model.

8 THE COURT: Thank you. This one, I'm going  
9 to answer for you. The question is "Will we view the  
10 Fat Pencil simulation?"

11 The attorneys have indicated that it will  
12 probably be presented later through a different  
13 witness. Okay?

14 Thank you, sir.

15 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

16 THE COURT: You're excused.

17 Okay.

18 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, could we have  
19 Mr. Lamothe's video.

20 THE COURT: Okay.

21 MR. KEMP: Excuse me?

22 Mr. Ellis's video.

23 THE COURT: No, not Mr. Ellis today.

24 Mr. Lamothe.

25 MR. KEMP: Lamothe today?

1           THE COURT: Today, yes. And before that I  
2 would like to speak very briefly to Mr. Pepperman and  
3 Mr. Russell before we -- just for a moment.

4                   (A discussion was held at the bench,  
5 not reported.)

6           THE COURT: All right. All right. Do you --  
7 it appears that we still have to discuss a couple of  
8 points on Mr. Lamothe's, plus it's an hour. It takes  
9 an hour.

10           MR. KEMP: It's a 58-minute deposition, Your  
11 Honor. So if you want to break now --

12           THE COURT: I think we're going to -- we are  
13 going to break for the weekend now. Okay? So I'm  
14 going to admonish the jury.

15                   You're instructed not to talk with each other  
16 or with anyone else about any subject or issue  
17 connected with this trial. You are not to read, watch,  
18 or listen to any report of or commentary on the trial  
19 by any person connected with this case or by any medium  
20 of information, including, without limitation,  
21 newspapers, television, the Internet, or radio.

22                   You are not to conduct any research on your  
23 own relating to this case, such as consulting  
24 dictionaries, using the Internet, or using reference  
25 materials.

1           You are not to conduct any investigation,  
2 test any theory of the case, re-create any aspect of  
3 the case, or in any other way investigate or learn  
4 about the case on your own.

5           You are not to talk with others, text others,  
6 tweet others, google issues, or conduct any other kind  
7 of book or computer research with regard to any issue,  
8 party, witness, or attorney involved in this case.

9           You're not to form or express any opinion on  
10 any subject connected with this trial until the case is  
11 finally submitted to you.

12           Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for being so  
13 attentive and following through with your duty this  
14 week. Let's see you Monday morning at 9:30. Okay?  
15 Thank you.

16           THE MARSHAL: All rise for the jury.

17                   (The following proceedings were held  
18                   outside the presence of the jury.)

19           THE COURT: I will be back.

20                   (Discussion was held off the record.)

21           THE COURT: Okay. We -- we can go off the  
22 record. We are off the record.

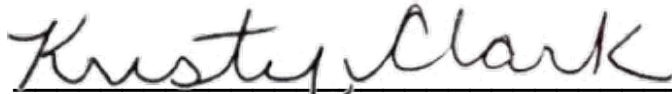
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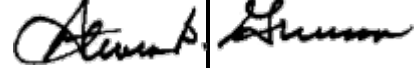
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12 BARIN as Executrix of the )  
13 Estate of Kayvan Khiabani, )  
14 M.D. (Decedent) and the Estate )  
15 of Kayvan Khiabani, M.D. )  
16 (Decedent), )

17 Plaintiffs, )

18 vs. )

19 MOTOR COACH INDUSTRIES, INC., )  
20 a Delaware corporation; )  
21 MICHELANGELO LEASING, INC. )  
22 d/b/a RYAN'S EXPRESS, an )  
23 Arizona corporation; EDWARD )  
24 HUBBARD, a Nevada resident, )  
25 et al., )

Defendants. )  
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3 P R O C E E D I N G S

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5 THE MARSHAL: All rise. Department 14  
6 is now in session with the Honorable Adriana  
7 Escobar presiding.

8 THE COURT: Good morning.

9 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, may we approach  
10 before the jury comes in?

11 THE COURT: Of course.

12 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
13 not reported.)

14 THE COURT: Are we ready for the jury,  
15 everybody?

16 MR. TERRY: Yes, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 THE MARSHAL: All rise. All the jurors  
19 are present, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Okay. Very good.

21 Good morning.

22 THE MARSHAL: Come to order.

23 THE COURT: Do the parties stipulate to  
24 the presence of the jury?

25 MR. CHRISTIANSEN: Yes, Your Honor.

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1 MR. ROBERTS: Yes, Your Honor.  
2 THE COURT: Call roll, please.  
3 THE CLERK: Yes, Your Honor.  
4 Byron Lennon.  
5 JUROR NO. 1: Here.  
6 THE CLERK: John Toston.  
7 JUROR NO. 2: Here.  
8 THE CLERK: Michelle Peligro.  
9 JUROR NO. 3: Here.  
10 THE CLERK: Raphael Javier.  
11 JUROR NO. 4: Here.  
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21 JUROR NO. 9: Here.  
22 THE CLERK: Raquel Romero.  
23 JUROR NO. 10: Here.  
24 THE CLERK: Pamela Phillips-Chong.  
25 JUROR NO. 11: Here.

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1 THE CLERK: Gregg Stephens.

2 JUROR NO. 12: Here.

3 THE CLERK: Glenn Krieger.

4 JUROR NO. 13: Here.

5 THE CLERK: Emilie Mosqueda.

6 JUROR NO. 14: Here.

7 THE COURT: Good morning, ladies and  
8 gentlemen. I hope you had a great weekend. Thank  
9 you for being with us again today. And I just  
10 want to remind you that you're under oath. Okay?

11 All right. Very good.

12 Mr. Kemp, are you ready to proceed?

13 MR. KEMP: Yes, Your Honor. We'd call  
14 Joshua Cohen.

15 THE COURT: Swear him in, please.

16 THE CLERK: You do solemnly swear the  
17 testimony you're about to give in this action  
18 shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing  
19 but the truth, so help you God?

20 THE WITNESS: I do.

21 THE CLERK: Thank you. Please be stated  
22 and please state and spell your name.

23 THE WITNESS: My name is Joshua Cohen.  
24 That's spelled J-o-s-h-u-a, C-o-h-e-n.

25 THE CLERK: Thank you.

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1 DIRECT EXAMINATION OF JOSHUA COHEN

2 BY MR. KEMP:

3 Q. Mr. Cohen, will you tell everybody where  
4 you went to college at.

5 A. Sure. Undergraduate degree from Brown  
6 University in Providence, Rhode Island. And  
7 that's in civil engineering.

8 And graduate degree in architecture from  
9 the University of Oregon in Eugene.

10 Q. Okay. And when did you get the civil  
11 engineering degree from Brown University?

12 A. 1993.

13 Q. And when did you get the master of  
14 architecture degree from University of Oregon?

15 A. 2003.

16 Q. What is holography?

17 A. Holography would be the study of  
18 holograms, so essentially making 3-D pictures with  
19 lasers and objects.

20 Q. Have you studied holography?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. What is perspective drawing?

23 A. Perspective drawing would be the  
24 creation of an image on paper that has the  
25 appearance of a three-dimensional image. It's

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1 used a lot in architectural renderings.

2 Q. Have you studied perspective drawing?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And what is photogrammetry?

5 A. So photogrammetry is the science of  
6 obtaining reliable information about physical  
7 objects through the process of interpreting  
8 images.

9 Q. Okay. And that's how you spell it,  
10 photogrammetry?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Can you explain a little more what it  
13 is?

14 A. Sure. It's an old science. It existed  
15 even before photography. And it's been used for  
16 long-range applications, for example, targeting  
17 artillery or calibrating aerial photographs so  
18 that you can measure objects on the ground. This  
19 is an image from Google maps. And if you're  
20 familiar with that, you can measure objects on the  
21 ground.

22 It's also used for short-range  
23 applications like creating three-dimensional  
24 models of archeological ruins or, in forensics, in  
25 analyzing the crush damage to a vehicle.

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1 Q. And what is 3-D visualization?

2 A. 3-D visualization would be the creation  
3 of digital models that can be viewed from any  
4 perspective using a virtual camera.

5 Q. Okay. And is this done with a computer?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Is there a standard program you use?

8 A. There's many. I personally use a  
9 program called Trimble SketchUp.

10 Q. Trimble SketchUp?

11 A. Trimble is the company, and SketchUp is  
12 the name of the software.

13 Q. Have they gone through a number of  
14 editions?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. You use the most recent?

17 A. I do.

18 Q. And have you studied 3-D visualization?

19 A. Not in school; it's professional  
20 experience.

21 Q. What's the difference between  
22 photogrammetry and 3-D visualization?

23 A. Well, we use them together in similar  
24 circumstances. And these are some examples of  
25 what you might be familiar with -- it's -- 3-D

1 visualization is used for. And then we use them  
2 together to take items that might be inside of a  
3 three-dimensional model, a digital 3-D model, and  
4 put them into a photograph.

5 And it can also work in the reverse. So  
6 if you have a photograph of an event and you  
7 wanted to find out where those items are in real  
8 space, you can actually put them into a 3-D model.  
9 And that's closer to the work that we're doing in  
10 this case.

11 And I probably should point out as well,  
12 while we do use photogrammetry and 3-D  
13 visualization together, they are not the same  
14 thing. Using 3-D visualization, you can actually  
15 test a whole variety of circumstances in the 3-D  
16 model, some based on a science like  
17 photogrammetry, others might be based on witness  
18 statements, and other examples that we might test  
19 would be basically hypothetical.

20 You'll see all three of those today, and  
21 it's important to think about the foundation or  
22 the evidence that you'll see inside of the 3-D  
23 visualization. Just because you see a picture on  
24 the screen doesn't mean it's based on a strong  
25 foundation. The photogrammetry is a science we

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1 use to get strong foundation for the position of  
2 objects.

3 Q. And the jury has heard the term "Fat  
4 Pencil." Are you familiar with that term?

5 A. I am.

6 Q. What is Fat Pencil?

7 A. Fat Pencil Studio is the name of the  
8 company that I founded in 2004.

9 Q. How many employees do you have?

10 A. We have a total of four on staff,  
11 including me.

12 Q. And where is that company located at?

13 A. We're located in Portland, Oregon.

14 Q. Can you describe some of the projects  
15 Fat Pencil has worked on --

16 A. Sure.

17 Q. -- besides this project.

18 A. Yep.

19 So the first one I'm going to bring up  
20 is a project we worked on in Henderson, Nevada, to  
21 visualize a new bridge that's being built at the  
22 Stephanie Street overpass, as well as the  
23 enlargement of a culvert that was happening about  
24 a mile away. With the complex logistics going on  
25 in a construction project like this, the local

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1 contractor, Meadow Valley Contractors, hired us to  
2 help them explain to a selection committee how  
3 they intended to deal with traffic impacts as well  
4 as equipment on the site.

5 So, for example, at the culvert, you can  
6 see from an aerial and a ground view --

7 Q. Back up to that.

8 A. Here?

9 Q. Before. So can you just tell the jury  
10 how you did this, how you came up with this?

11 A. Sure.

12 Q. In general.

13 A. In general, we have, in this project, a  
14 set of design drawings. We used those drawings to  
15 create an accurate rendition of the existing  
16 conditions and then plan projects. And then we  
17 worked with the contractors to show logistics,  
18 like equipment and materials that they're bringing  
19 into the site, and help them figure out what was  
20 the best way to actually realize the project and  
21 then explain it to the selection committee.

22 Q. Did you take an actual aerial to start  
23 out this visualization?

24 A. We used an aerial photograph as the  
25 basis for the existing conditions of the roadway,

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1 the stripes and that sort of thing.

2 Q. So you took a real photograph and then  
3 you projected items onto it?

4 A. We drew right on top of that photograph  
5 in 3-D modeling, yep.

6 Q. Can I see a couple more?

7 A. So here you can see them expanding the  
8 culvert to have more capacity.

9 Q. So, in other words, they're building it  
10 wider?

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. So more water can go out to the lake?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. And, in this case, they're just putting  
15 a new -- what do you call those? -- holes?  
16 openings?

17 A. Right. They use these sort of large  
18 precast concrete box members. And you can see  
19 them lifting one in by crane. And part of our  
20 work was just to help them figure out how to deal  
21 with the sequence.

22 You know, when they're digging a hole in  
23 one place, they've got to have those lanes closed.  
24 So in order to do that, they have to reroute  
25 traffic and try to figure out the most efficient

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1 way to do that.

2 Q. And did you prepare a video for this  
3 Henderson project?

4 A. I don't have it on here, but we have a  
5 couple other shots of the bridge and two different  
6 ways of building it, either steel or precast  
7 concrete.

8 Q. Can you give the jury an example of  
9 another project that Fat Pencil and you have  
10 worked on.

11 A. Sure.

12 This is a video of the steel bridge in  
13 Portland, Oregon. It's about a 100-year-old  
14 bridge that carries heavy rail -- freight trains  
15 below, light rail above, vehicles above,  
16 pedestrians and bikes on both levels. And it's  
17 got a rather unique two-stage lift mechanism. And  
18 we did this project to visualize how the lift  
19 mechanism works.

20 I also use it when I go talk to third  
21 graders that have a bridge -- Portland bridge as  
22 part of their curriculum. So they like to see how  
23 these things work in the computer as well as going  
24 out to see them in person.

25 Q. Okay. And who did you do that for?

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1           A.    That one, we did as an internal project.  
2    So it was done with internal staff to put on our  
3    website.

4           Q.    Have you done 3-D visualizations for  
5    other bus accidents besides this case?

6           A.    Yes.

7           Q.    How many times?

8           A.    We've worked on a total of six cases,  
9    including this one, that involve buses. Only two  
10   of those have gone to trial.

11          Q.    And did any of those other bus accident  
12   cases involve blind spots?

13          A.    Yes.

14          Q.    How many?

15          A.    Five.

16               MR. KEMP: Your Honor, we tender  
17   Mr. Cohen as an expert on photogrammetry and 3-D  
18   visualization.

19               MR. TERRY: Your Honor, we have no  
20   objection to the tender.

21               THE COURT: Okay.

22   BY MR. KEMP:

23          Q.    Mr. Cohen, can you give the jury a  
24   general description of what you did in this case.

25          A.    So in this case we were asked to, number

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1 one, create a digital 3-D model of the  
2 intersection where the collision occurred. And,  
3 in addition, the camera located on top of the Red  
4 Rock Casino & Resort which saw the bus moving  
5 through the intersection was something we were  
6 able to analyze using photogrammetry to understand  
7 the actual path that the bus took through the  
8 intersection.

9           There's a number of individual frames  
10 that make up that video. We were able to analyze  
11 those frames and place the bus where it's shown in  
12 those frames throughout the time that it goes  
13 through the intersection. And we used that  
14 information to help us understand the collision.

15           Q. Okay. And you say you used the actual  
16 video to place the bus. Where did you place the  
17 bus?

18           A. Can I show some images of that?

19           Q. Well, we'll get to that. You placed the  
20 bus in what?

21           A. In the digital 3-D model.

22           Q. And you used the actual Red Rock video  
23 to place the bus?

24           A. Correct.

25           Q. How many Red Rock images did you have

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1 that showed the bus going through the  
2 intersection?

3 A. You know, there's probably 40-plus  
4 images that show the bus at some point through the  
5 intersection. We only matched the ones that  
6 occurred before and then right after the  
7 collision, so about -- a little over 20.

8 Q. Okay. And did the Red Rock video help  
9 you determine where the bike was during the  
10 incident?

11 A. There are a few images from the Red Rock  
12 video where you can see a dark shape that we  
13 determined is consistent with the profile of  
14 Dr. Khiabani. In only one of those images do we  
15 think we know where the bike is because that seems  
16 consistent with the time that the bike initially  
17 collided with the bus and left a mark on the bus.

18 So because we know where the bus is, we  
19 can infer where we think the bike is in that one  
20 frame.

21 Q. Okay. So you looked at the Red Rock  
22 video. What else?

23 A. We also looked at the geometry of the  
24 intersection. So we used aerial photographs as  
25 well as what's called laser scan. A laser scan is

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1 a picture of a whole bunch of points that you can  
2 open up on a computer and measure distances  
3 between things. And then we used similar --

4 Q. So -- stop.

5 So you had a laser scan of the actual  
6 intersection?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. Okay. Go ahead.

9 A. We also had a laser scan that was taken  
10 during an inspection of the bus and the bike. So  
11 we have a way to get accurate dimensions of the  
12 bus as well as the bicycle.

13 Q. And the laser scan you have of the bus,  
14 was that taken inside and outside the bus or what?

15 A. Both.

16 Q. So you have a laser scan all the way  
17 around the actual bus that was used in the  
18 incident.

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And you have a laser scan from the  
21 inside of the bus?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. And did you examine the points of view  
24 of the driver, the passenger behind the driver,  
25 and the driver -- the right-hand seat?

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1           A.    I sat in both the driver's seat as well  
2 as the two front passenger seats on either side of  
3 the aisle and took pictures and video.

4           Q.    And so the driver would be Mr. Hubbard?

5           A.    Correct.

6           Q.    And the passenger behind him would be  
7 Mr. Pears -- excuse me -- Plantz?

8           A.    Plantz would be behind the driver.

9           Q.    Okay. And who, if you remember, is to  
10 the right in the window?

11          A.    Mr. Pears.

12          Q.    Now, with regards to Mr. -- where  
13 Mr. Plantz is sitting, did you sit in his seat  
14 yourself?

15          A.    I did.

16          Q.    And is that seat flush with Mr. Pears'  
17 seat or is there a difference in how the seats are  
18 lined up?

19          A.    There is a difference in how they're  
20 lined up.

21          Q.    And what is the difference?

22          A.    You know, I'm having a little trouble  
23 recalling exactly off the top of my head, but we  
24 could certainly look at that when we get the  
25 pictures open.

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1 Q. Okay. Now, getting to the model. You  
2 prepared a model -- a 3-D visualization model of  
3 the bus and intersection?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. Okay. And just tell the jury in general  
6 what that model depicts.

7 A. Well, the model depicts the intersection  
8 itself and the context surrounding the  
9 intersection as well as a rough model of the  
10 building, the Red Rock Resort, and a camera that  
11 sits atop that resort. And then there's stripes  
12 on the street and other, what I would call,  
13 reference points, including poles and light posts  
14 and trees that were helpful to us in making sure  
15 that we had an accurate match between the camera  
16 in the model and the camera from the Red Rock  
17 Casino. We needed that to be sure the  
18 photogrammetry process was accurate.

19 Q. Okay. And can that model be manipulated  
20 in that you can move the bus up and down?

21 A. We can.

22 Q. And, in this case, you used the pictures  
23 of the Red Rock where the bus actually was?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And -- through the incident until you

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1 couldn't see the bus anymore, you used those  
2 pictures?

3 A. Right. We used the pictures of the  
4 bus -- we put bus points in for -- from when it  
5 enters the intersection until it's clearly past  
6 the point where the collision occurred.

7 Q. Okay. So anything we see in the model  
8 from this point forward, that's the actual bus;  
9 right?

10 A. That's the bus positions.

11 Q. So that's photogrammetry. That's the  
12 real position of the bus?

13 A. Right, from the time it enters the  
14 intersection through the intersection.

15 Q. Okay. So there's no assumption  
16 whatsoever from when you first see the bus until  
17 it goes through the intersection; that's the  
18 actual evidence?

19 A. Right. And I'll make sure to highlight  
20 that.

21 Q. Okay. Now, can you also manipulate the  
22 model to move the bus back?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And when you do that, that's not based  
25 on actual evidence, or is it?

1           A.    That would be hypothetical.  In other  
2 words, what would it look like if the bus was back  
3 here?  It's not based on a scientific inquiry  
4 process.

5           Q.    And the reason you couldn't use actual  
6 evidence is because the Red Rock video didn't go  
7 back that far?

8           A.    That's right.

9           Q.    Now, with regards to the bus placement  
10 in the model, that's -- excuse me -- the bike  
11 placement in the model, did you place a bike in a  
12 physical location in the model?

13          A.    Yes.

14          Q.    Okay.  And what was that based on?

15          A.    Well, you'll see the bike appear at a  
16 few places in the model.  The one probably that's  
17 of most concern is the location where the bike  
18 initially collides with the bus.  And that's  
19 supported by a black mark that was left on the bus  
20 just behind the front wheel well.

21          Q.    Okay.  And the first placement we're  
22 going to see of the bike and the bus is based on  
23 what?

24          A.    Well, in this video footage, there's a  
25 dark shape that appears in a few of those frames.

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1 And we were able to determine that, by putting a  
2 bike up next to the bus and comparing where it  
3 fell on those frames, there was one frame in  
4 particular that was consistent with both the  
5 position of the dark shape in the Red Rock  
6 security footage and also the bike being right  
7 next to the bus at that impact point.

8 So that seemed like the best fit for the  
9 initial collision.

10 Q. Did you look at the witness testimony of  
11 Mrs. Bradley?

12 A. I did.

13 Q. And did you also look at the overhead  
14 shot of where she placed the bike in relationship  
15 to the bus at the north side of the crosswalk?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. And did you look at the same for  
18 Mrs. Kolch, or Samantha Kolch?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And she's the bicycle rider?

21 A. Motorcycle rider.

22 Q. Motorcycle rider, right.

23 So you were able to put the bike in the  
24 exact location that Bradley and Kolch has it in  
25 your mind?

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1 A. Right. They had exhibits that show them  
2 placing the bike next to the bus, so I just  
3 duplicated what they had shown in their exhibits.

4 Q. And using that placement, are you able  
5 to indicate what the driver could see, what  
6 Mr. Plantz could see, and what Mr. Pears could  
7 see, if anything, if the bike is exactly where  
8 Kolch and Bradley place it?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. All right. Can you show -- just using  
11 Red Rock 176, can you show the jury just in  
12 general how this process works?

13 A. Sure. Okay. This is a snapshot of the  
14 intersection. We're looking at an aerial  
15 photograph with some 3-D content superimposed.

16 Q. And can you manipulate the aerial around  
17 a couple times --

18 A. Oh, sure.

19 Q. -- just to show the jury what you can  
20 do?

21 A. Yeah. So in a 3-D model, it's possible  
22 to look at it from any perspective that we want.  
23 So I'm using a tool called an orbit tool right now  
24 to -- I can zoom in and out, I can move it back  
25 and forth, and we can look at it from any angle.

1           And in particular, you know, I was very  
2 interested in where this camera perched atop the  
3 Red Rock Casino is located. Because when we go  
4 into that camera picture -- I can sort of zoom  
5 into that now. That's the size here.

6           Q.    So what we have to the left is the  
7 actual Red Rock video; correct?

8           A.    Right now you're looking at a frame from  
9 the Red Rock video. I'm calling it 176 because  
10 it's a time stamp. So 10:34:17.6 seconds. I'm  
11 using the last 3 digits from that time stamp. And  
12 what you'll see is that we can move back and forth  
13 between --

14          Q.    Okay. Slow down. So when we call this  
15 176, that's 176 on the actual Red Rock time stamp?

16          A.    Right. You'll see down in the lower  
17 left corner you'll see it says 10:34:17, and then  
18 it's the sixth frame in that series. So it's 17.6  
19 seconds.

20          Q.    And there's actually a frame behind this  
21 where you first see the bus?

22          A.    Yes, the frame behind that's 175.

23          Q.    All right. So just show the jury how  
24 you used this to create your visual model.

25          A.    So to make sure that we have an accurate

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1 match for photogrammetry, we need to make sure  
2 that the camera position that we're looking at the  
3 model from matches the camera position in the --  
4 that was used to take that footage from the Red  
5 Rock. And there are these reference points that  
6 we use, like light poles and trees, to make sure  
7 those vertical elements all line up.

8           So here's the model. You can see all  
9 those reference points lining up.

10          Q. Let's go from real to model a couple  
11 times just to show the jury what we're doing here.

12          A. So this is the real image. Here's the  
13 3-D model.

14          Q. Okay. Great. And you did this with how  
15 many Red Rock frames?

16          A. I've got about 23 in here, 22, 23.

17          Q. So in the model, every time we see the  
18 bus in your model, that's where the bus actually  
19 is as indicated by the Red Rock video?

20          A. Yes, from frames 174 on. And there's a  
21 couple that we may get to that area earlier, but  
22 those are not based on photogrammetry, and I'll  
23 point that out when it comes to it.

24          Q. Let's use frame 182 and show the jury  
25 again how it matches up.

1           A.    Okay.  So this is frame 182 again going  
2 from -- here's the model and back to the Red Rock  
3 footage.

4           Q.    Okay.  And real quick, let's look at 187  
5 and show the jury how it matches up.  And how  
6 about 197?

7                   Okay.  Now, you said you've looked at  
8 Ms. Bradley's testimony and Ms. Kolch's testimony?

9           A.    Yes.

10          Q.    And more specifically, you've looked at  
11 the pictures that were taken at their depositions  
12 and that they discussed here at trial that shows  
13 exactly where they placed the bike in relationship  
14 to the bus; right?

15          A.    Yep.  This is Ms. Bradley's deposition  
16 testimony exhibit, and this is Ms. Kolch's  
17 exhibit.

18          Q.    Okay.  And using the placement by those  
19 two witnesses, can you place the bike in the  
20 model?

21          A.    So lets get something similar to those  
22 exhibits.

23          Q.    And this is from Red Rock video 175?

24          A.    Yes, this is frame 175, which is the  
25 most similar to what was in those two depositions.

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1 Q. So that position in that model of the  
2 bus is where it actually is in the Red Rock video?

3 A. At frame 175, yes.

4 Q. Not a foot this way, not a foot that  
5 way, that's where it really is in the Red Rock  
6 video?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And the bike is where Bradley and Kolch  
9 had placed it?

10 A. Yes.

11 MR. TERRY: Objection, Your Honor. My  
12 recollection is that Samantha Kolch put the bike  
13 in the middle of the bike lane, not to the left  
14 side.

15 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, he can explore  
16 that on cross-examination. I don't even know if  
17 that was an objection, Your Honor. I didn't hear  
18 an objection stated.

19 MR. TERRY: Can we approach?

20 MR. KEMP: I mean, come on, Judge. He  
21 shouldn't be doing this in --

22 THE COURT: I'd like you to approach,  
23 please.

24 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
25 not reported.)

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1 BY MR. KEMP:

2 Q. Mr. Cohen, in this depiction, how far  
3 away is the bike from the bus?

4 A. So I'm going to measure that now from  
5 the handlebar to the bus.

6 2 1/2 feet.

7 Q. 2 1/2 feet. And do you recall how far  
8 away Kolch and Bradley said the bike was from the  
9 bus when they observed it?

10 A. I don't recall.

11 Q. All right. So using the 2 1/2 feet, are  
12 you able to -- well, first of all, can you -- have  
13 you prepared an exhibit that shows the overhead of  
14 this position?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. All right. Is this 175?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Let's start with 174.

19 A. 174?

20 Q. This is 175. Let's just stick with it.

21 A. Okay.

22 Q. Will you look at Exhibit 238 and tell me  
23 if that's what we have on the screen?

24 A. Yes, it is.

25 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, move to admit.

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1 THE COURT: I believe there's no  
2 objection; yes?

3 MR. TERRY: I'm sorry. Which one are we  
4 offering?

5 MR. KEMP: 238.

6 MR. TERRY: Is that the 175A?

7 THE WITNESS: This is 175.

8 MR. KEMP: Mr. Terry is right, Your  
9 Honor. This is 239.

10 BY MR. KEMP:

11 Q. Can I show you 239.

12 A. So 239 is what we see on the screen  
13 right now.

14 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'd move to admit  
15 239.

16 MR. TERRY: Is this 174 top?

17 MR. KEMP: Yeah, 174 top.

18 MR. TERRY: No objection.

19 THE COURT: So moved. It's in evidence.

20 BY MR. KEMP:

21 Q. Now, using this, are you able to  
22 determine what the driver can see if the bus and  
23 the bike were in this position?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. And, first, before you do it, can you

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1 explain in general to the jury how you can do it.

2 A. Sure. I'm going to move slow here just  
3 to get a better view.

4 You can see, inside the bus, we have a  
5 mannequin, a human figure, in the driver's seat.  
6 And I can make the front window go away so it's  
7 easier to get in here and put a camera right at  
8 the driver's eye position looking in this  
9 direction. And then we can look around to see  
10 what would be visible from that location.

11 And that's 175, driver view.

12 Q. And have you prepared an exhibit that  
13 shows the driver view on 175?

14 A. Yes. And this is it, No. 240.

15 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'd move to admit  
16 240.

17 MR. TERRY: No objection, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: Exhibit 240 is admitted.

19 (Whereupon, Exhibit 240 admitted into  
20 evidence.)

21 BY MR. KEMP:

22 Q. Now, what is -- in fact, where is my --  
23 now, can we see the bike in this picture?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. The bike?

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1           A.    The only part of the actual bicycle  
2   that's visible is just the wheel here below in  
3   this lower panel of the door.

4           Q.    Okay. And what is this area right here?

5           A.    That's a side panel in the door.

6           Q.    That's an opaque door?

7           A.    That's an opaque portion of the door,  
8   yes.

9           Q.    And this is what your model indicates  
10   the driver would have seen when the bus is in the  
11   placement that we have as indicated in the exhibit  
12   we admitted; right?

13          A.    If you were looking in that direction,  
14   you would have seen something substantially  
15   similar to what's on screen here.

16          Q.    This is if he's looking directly at this  
17   direction?

18          A.    Correct.

19          Q.    If he's looking straight, obviously, he  
20   wouldn't see anything here?

21          A.    Correct.

22          Q.    Okay. Now -- so this is the opaque  
23   door; correct?

24          A.    Yes.

25          Q.    Okay. What is this thing here that's

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1 blocking out part of the bicycle?

2 A. That's a part of the structure of the  
3 bus known as the A-pillar.

4 Q. Okay. And the front wheel of the  
5 bicycle would have been right about here?

6 A. It would be right in this area.

7 Q. Okay. And what is this thing that's  
8 blocking the view of the front wheel of the  
9 bicycle?

10 A. I guess I would call that part of the  
11 dashboard. I'm not an expert on bus terminology,  
12 but that's --

13 Q. Okay. So, in your model, the driver's  
14 view of the bicycle is blocked by the opaque door,  
15 the A-pillar, and the dash; is that correct?

16 A. That's correct.

17 Q. All right. Now, you've said we can  
18 change this model to move the bus back and forth;  
19 right?

20 A. That's right.

21 Q. Okay. And this is -- this model depicts  
22 where the bus actually was in the Red Rock video?

23 A. At frame 175, that's right.

24 Q. Okay. Can you move the bus back to  
25 frame 174?

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1           A.    Sure.  So I'm going to go back up to the  
2 top now.  And I'll turn on -- let's move to frame  
3 174.  You can see that it's going to move back a  
4 little bit.

5           Q.    Okay.  And have you prepared an overview  
6 of 174 as an exhibit?

7           A.    Yes.

8           MR. KEMP:  Did I give you 239?

9           THE CLERK:  I wrote on it.

10          THE COURT:  I thought 239 was 175.

11          MR. KEMP:  What's next in order?

12          THE CLERK:  The next one is 241.  Is  
13 that what this is?

14          MR. TERRY:  Your Honor, may we approach  
15 for just a moment?

16          THE COURT:  Yes.

17                 (A discussion was held at the bench,  
18                 not reported.)

19 BY MR. KEMP:

20          Q.    Is Exhibit 241 what you have on the  
21 screen there?

22          A.    Yes, it is.

23          MR. KEMP:  Your Honor, I'd move to admit  
24 241.

25          THE COURT:  Exhibit 241 is admitted.

1 (Whereupon, Exhibit 241 was admitted  
2 into evidence.)

3 BY MR. KEMP:

4 Q. Now, have you --

5 MR. TERRY: Which one is 241?

6 MR. KEMP: 241 is the one on the screen.

7 MR. TERRY: Which is?

8 THE COURT: 241 is 174; right?

9 BY MR. KEMP:

10 Q. 241 is frame 174, the driver overview.

11 A. 174, top view.

12 MR. TERRY: No objection, Your Honor.

13 BY MR. KEMP:

14 Q. Can you show us what the driver would  
15 see if he was looking directly at the bicycle in  
16 this location?

17 A. Yes. So we'll use the same process as  
18 before, zooming into the driver view.

19 Q. Okay. And, again, you see the only part  
20 of the bike we can see are the two handlebars?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. Okay. And what blocks the driver from  
23 seeing the rest of the bike?

24 A. So it's primarily the dashboard and  
25 maybe a little bit of this door panel, the opaque

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1 portion of the door.

2 Q. So the reason the driver can't see the  
3 bike is because of the dash and the opaque door;  
4 is that correct?

5 A. That's right.

6 Q. And does the side pillar also block part  
7 of the driver?

8 A. A small amount of the side pillar, yeah.

9 Q. All right. So this would have been --  
10 can I go back -- can you go back to where the bus  
11 placement is?

12 A. Top view.

13 Q. 174?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. So this is when the bus is slightly  
16 further back; right?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And you've also -- okay. Fair.

19 Can you also show the jury -- well, can  
20 you go back any further than this using the actual  
21 bus placement?

22 A. This is about the limit to what we see  
23 in the Red Rock video. Before this, you just  
24 don't see enough of the bus to accurately  
25 determine the placement.

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1 Q. So if we go back further, we're  
2 speculating or it's a hypothetical?

3 A. Hypothetical.

4 Q. Okay. So this is the farthest you can  
5 go actually, this one we're seeing right here?

6 A. This is the furthest position back we  
7 could go and still be relying on photogrammetry to  
8 guide us in where to position the bus. After  
9 that, it's a hypothetical situation.

10 Q. You've shown us what the driver can see.  
11 Can you show us what Mr. Plantz would see, the  
12 person seated right behind the driver.

13 A. Sure. In this position?

14 Q. Right.

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. Okay. And I'm sorry. I forgot to ask  
17 you. 174, how far away is the bike from the bus?

18 A. It's a little -- a small amount closer.  
19 It's about 2-foot-3.

20 Q. And 175 is 2-foot-6?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. All right. Now, in this one, this is  
23 what Mr. Plantz would see, the person sitting  
24 behind the driver?

25 A. From position 174, that's right.

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1 Q. And with regards to position 174, can  
2 you show us what Mr. Pears would be able to see?

3 A. Sure.

4 Q. So Mr. Pears can see the bike if he's  
5 looking that way?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. But Mr. Plantz and the bus driver can't?

8 A. Either very little or none at all,  
9 depending on --

10 Q. Okay.

11 A. -- where they're facing.

12 Q. And, just in general, why does your  
13 model indicate that Mr. Pears has a better view  
14 than either the bus driver or Mr. Plantz?

15 A. He's sitting right by the window, so  
16 he's got an unobstructed view through the window  
17 of what's directly to his right.

18 Q. All right. Now, let's go back to 175.

19 Can you show the jury what Mr. Plantz  
20 can see in this particular video -- let's start  
21 with the driver -- driver again.

22 A. So this is the driver in that situation.

23 Q. Okay. Let's show them what Plantz could  
24 see.

25 A. Okay. Going to go outside of the bus

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1 here just to get a better view.

2 Q. Now, before we continue, does the model  
3 show the relationship of Plantz's line of seats to  
4 Pears' line of seats?

5 A. Oh, yeah. Thanks for remembering that.  
6 So Plantz's seat is a little further back than  
7 Pears' seat.

8 Q. So Mr. Plantz would have had Mr. Pears  
9 and Mr. Pears' seat between his view and the view  
10 of the bike; is that correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. Now show us Plantz's view.

13 A. Okay.

14 Q. And show us -- that's 175; right?

15 A. Yep.

16 Q. Let's go back to 174 again.

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. Driver view, Plantz's view, and  
19 Mr. Pears' view, the one on the far right?

20 A. Mr. Pears is here. Okay?

21 Q. That's Mr. Pears' view. All right.  
22 Have you reviewed the placement of the bike that  
23 Mr. Plantz claimed occurred in his deposition?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Okay. Can you show -- and it was also

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1 referred to in opening statement?

2 A. That would be this exhibit here.

3 Q. Okay. That's what MCI -- Mr. Plantz,  
4 Mr. Terry -- that's their claim that the bike was  
5 in the far right turn lane; right?

6 A. That's right.

7 Q. Okay. Now, can you show the jury -- and  
8 assuming that the bus was traveling 25 and the  
9 bike was traveling half that speed, how far would  
10 the bus travel and how far would the bike travel?

11 A. In terms of --

12 Q. Well, strike that.

13 Can you move the bus forward to a point  
14 where you think the collision occurred?

15 A. Let's go back to the model. You'd like  
16 to see the point where the collision occurred?

17 Q. Right.

18 A. In relation to --

19 Q. Let's do that later. We'll just show  
20 the jury where the collision occurred.

21 A. Okay.

22 And this is frame 187.

23 Q. Okay. So that bus position is taken  
24 from the actual Red Rock video?

25 A. That's right.

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1 Q. What is the bike taken from?

2 A. The bike is an inference on my part  
3 because you can see in the Red Rock security  
4 footage -- and I'll just show that again just to  
5 be clear what I'm talking about.

6 So right in this area behind the palm  
7 leaf you can see a dark profile. And when we put  
8 the bike leaning against the bus so that the hood  
9 of the handlebar is touching the black marks that  
10 were left on the bus, that position of the rider  
11 matches up best with this dark profile that you  
12 see here as compared with some of the other frames  
13 where that dark profile appears.

14 Q. And you had laser imagery of the bike  
15 turned at the angle matching up with that black  
16 mark?

17 A. We had a photograph of the bike that  
18 way.

19 Q. And you put that into the model?

20 A. We used the photograph. And, in  
21 addition, we do have a laser scan of the bicycle  
22 so we know the dimensions.

23 Q. Okay. Show the jury once again in your  
24 model where the bike and bus impact at the scuff  
25 mark.

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1           And you've taken out the palm tree so we  
2 can see it better?

3           A.    I mean, we have a palm tree in here, but  
4 it's a different size than the one that was  
5 perfectly aligned at the time of the video.

6           Q.    Now, can you compare this frame with one  
7 of the previous frames and determine how far the  
8 bus has traveled?

9           A.    Sure. Let's go back to -- which frame  
10 are you interested in seeing a comparison?

11          Q.    174, 175, whichever you think is best.

12          A.    So we'll start with 175, which is here.  
13 So between 175 and 187 is 1.2 seconds. And the  
14 approximate distance that the bus traveled --

15          Q.    Stop. Stop. Let's slow down.

16          A.    Okay.

17          Q.    So this picture is 1.2 seconds for the  
18 bus to get from the place it's at -- what do you  
19 call this little line here?

20          A.    Are you talking about the stop line  
21 before the crosswalk?

22          Q.    Stop line?

23          A.    Yeah.

24          Q.    So it takes 1.2 seconds for the bus to  
25 move from this position to this position?

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1 A. That's right.

2 Q. And how do you determine that?

3 A. Well, we know the position from the Red  
4 Rock security footage for each frame. And I know  
5 that there is about a tenth of a second for each  
6 frame captured in the video. So there's 12  
7 frames, each of them is a tenth of a second.  
8 That's 1.2 seconds.

9 Q. Can you measure that actual distance?

10 A. Yes. That's about 42 1/2 feet.

11 Q. So it took the bus how long? 1.2  
12 seconds to go 42 1/2 feet?

13 A. That's right.

14 Q. And what does that indicate with regards  
15 to how fast the bus is going?

16 A. I'm going to have to use my calculator.  
17 Is that okay?

18 Q. Yeah. Go ahead.

19 A. 42.5 feet divided by 1.2 seconds equals  
20 35.4 feet per second and -- would you like me to  
21 convert to miles per hour?

22 Q. Please.

23 A. So divide by the conversion factor,  
24 which is 1.467. That's 24.14 miles per hour.

25 And I will caution that I was making a

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1 quick measurement there. So if you wanted me to  
2 be very precise, I would make sure I was picking  
3 the exact right points on each bus that were  
4 consistent. It's about 25 miles per hour.

5 Q. So based on the model with the actual  
6 bus movement measurements, you come out 24.14,  
7 about 24, 25 miles an hour?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. Okay. Now, assuming for the sake of  
10 argument that the bike was going half of that  
11 speed. Okay?

12 A. Okay.

13 Q. Assuming for the sake of argument the  
14 bike is going half that speed, how far would the  
15 bike travel from Mr. Plantz's position in that  
16 time period, same time period?

17 A. Have we seen Mr. Plantz's position in  
18 the model yet?

19 Q. I thought you had -- well, can you just  
20 use Mr. Plantz's position?

21 A. This one here; right?

22 Q. Yeah. Can you put Mr. Plantz's position  
23 in the model?

24 A. Sure. So Mr. Plantz had the bicycle  
25 placed -- let me turn that on here --

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1 approximately here in the right-hand turn lane.

2 Q. Okay. And if you move the bike at half  
3 the speed, 12 miles an hour, for the same amount  
4 of seconds it takes the bus to get that distance,  
5 how far can the bike go from where Mr. Plantz has  
6 it?

7 A. It depends on the direction. So we kind  
8 of put this radius. It's a distance of about  
9 21 feet, so it's roughly half the distance that  
10 the bus has traveled.

11 Q. So if the bike was where Mr. Plantz  
12 thought it was, it couldn't have reached the  
13 impact point?

14 A. Unlikely, yeah.

15 Q. All right. Have you prepared a -- an  
16 exhibit for that?

17 A. I have.

18 Q. Would you take a look at 242 and tell me  
19 if that's what we have on the screen?

20 A. 242 is indeed what's on the screen.

21 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'd move to admit  
22 242 at the present time.

23 MR. TERRY: No objection.

24 THE COURT: Exhibit 242 is admitted.

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1 (Whereupon, Exhibit 242 admitted into  
2 evidence.)

3 BY MR. KEMP:

4 Q. Now -- and, again, these bus positions  
5 are the actual bus positions from the Red Rock  
6 video, correct, on 242?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. And the bike position in the front is  
9 the actual position from the Red Rock video;  
10 right?

11 A. This position?

12 Q. Yeah.

13 A. That's the position that matched best  
14 with the Red Rock video and the collision point.

15 Q. And the other bike position, that's  
16 Mr. Plantz's testimony. That's not based on any  
17 sort of video or other type of evidence; right?

18 A. That's based on his exhibit from his  
19 testimony.

20 Q. Okay. All right. Now, do you have a  
21 visualization that depicts the general function of  
22 proximity sensors?

23 A. Yeah. So I'll switch over to that. And  
24 I'll caution that this bus position is  
25 hypothetical. This bus and bike position is

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1 hypothetical. We created this image just as a  
2 visual aid to describe -- for someone to describe  
3 how a proximity sensor system works.

4 Q. And you're not an expert on proximity  
5 sensors; right?

6 A. Not more than I hear in commercials, so  
7 no.

8 Q. And by that you mean car commercials?

9 A. Yeah. Right.

10 Q. Okay. So this is just kind of a  
11 give-the-jury-an-idea visual; correct?

12 A. Right. That's correct.

13 Q. Okay. All right.

14 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, this might be a  
15 good place to take a break because this is the  
16 issue that Mr. Terry wanted to talk about.

17 THE COURT: Okay. Very good. Let's  
18 take a 15-minute break. I'm going to admonish  
19 you.

20 You're instructed not to talk with each  
21 other or with anyone else about any subject or  
22 issue connected with this trial. You're not to  
23 read, watch, or listen to any report of or  
24 commentary on the trial by any person connected  
25 with this case or by any medium of information,

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1 including, without limitation, newspapers,  
2 television, the internet, or radio.

3           You're not to conduct any research on  
4 your own relating to this case, such as consulting  
5 dictionaries, using the internet, or using any  
6 reference materials. You're not to conduct any  
7 investigation, test any theory of the case,  
8 re-create any aspect of the case, or in any other  
9 way investigate or learn about the case on your  
10 own.

11           You're not to talk with others, text  
12 others, tweet others, message others, google  
13 issues, or conduct any other kind of book or  
14 computer research with regard to any issue, party,  
15 witness, or attorney involved in this case.

16           You are not to form or express any  
17 opinion on any subject connected with this trial  
18 until the case is finally submitted to you.

19           So let's take a 15-minute break,  
20 Marshal.

21           THE MARSHAL: All rise.

22           (Jury excused.)

23           (The following proceedings were held  
24 outside the presence of the jury.)

25           THE MARSHAL: Please be seated. Come to

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1 order.

2 OFFER OF PROOF BY MR. KEMP

3 BY MR. KEMP:

4 Q. Can you show the next two, the S-1 Gard  
5 one, so Your Honor can see what we're talking  
6 about.

7 A. Can you tell me which two you want to  
8 see?

9 Q. The two --

10 THE COURT: Mr. Kemp, including this  
11 one?

12 MR. KEMP: This is the disputed area,  
13 Your Honor.

14 THE WITNESS: So we're looking at this  
15 photo here; is that right?

16 THE CLERK: Are these ones I haven't  
17 seen yet?

18 BY MR. KEMP:

19 Q. Correct. And I thought there was a  
20 second one.

21 A. There's one with the S-1 Gard -- these  
22 are just exhibits from the report. I should  
23 probably show those from the report.

24 Q. Yeah, show the exhibits from the report.

25 A. So these are exhibits, that one.

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1 Q. Okay. That's the first one?

2 A. No. Hold on.

3 So there's 15B from the report and  
4 No. 20. So this is impact from the rear tire as  
5 directed by Dr. Stalnaker.

6 And then this one is showing an S-1 Gard  
7 installed on the bus and some arrows indicating  
8 the type of motion that would be likely to occur  
9 upon impact with the S-1 Gard.

10 Q. Okay. The video at the left was -- you  
11 said it was directed by Dr. Stalnaker.

12 A. This image was created while we were on  
13 the phone with Dr. Stalnaker sharing screens, and  
14 he was saying, you know, "Move the legs this way,  
15 move the arms this way, position the helmet this  
16 way."

17 Q. So, in other words, you guys both had  
18 the same image up while you're talking?

19 A. Right. We do this a lot with experts.  
20 They essentially were creating images at their  
21 direction for their use.

22 Q. So this is consistent with what you  
23 understand his opinion to be?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Okay. And the one on the right is just

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1 the exact same position with an S-1 Gard added?

2 A. That's right.

3 MR. KEMP: Okay.

4 Your Honor?

5 MR. TERRY: May I just ask a couple?

6 CROSS-EXAMINATION ON OFFER OF PROOF

7 BY MR. TERRY:

8 Q. Mr. Cohen, you personally did not reach  
9 any opinions about biomechanics, did you?

10 A. No.

11 Q. That's outside your area of expertise?

12 A. That's right.

13 Q. You were not asked to do it?

14 A. We were not asked to be a biomechanical  
15 expert for this case, that's correct.

16 Q. So you did not act as a biomechanical  
17 expert?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Dr. Stalnaker is the biomechanical  
20 expert?

21 A. That's correct.

22 Q. And you worked with him to prepare an  
23 illustration that he could use to show or explain  
24 his conclusions or his opinions?

25 A. It's his direction that we used to

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1 create the image. And then, beyond that, how it's  
2 used is up to the court, I guess.

3 Q. But the position of the body with the  
4 legs where they are and the hands where they are  
5 and the head where it is is Dr. Stalnaker's  
6 opinion, not yours?

7 A. That's right.

8 Q. And the position of the body with  
9 respect to the S-1 Gard, do you know how you  
10 arrived at the position of the S-1 Gard?

11 A. The position of the S-1 Gard is based on  
12 our inspection of the materials, like I said, a  
13 spec sheet that comes with the S-1 Gard. It shows  
14 it installed on the bus. So we put it in the same  
15 place as it was seen in those materials.

16 Q. But the position of the body relative to  
17 the S-1 Gard, you were following Dr. Stalnaker's  
18 directions?

19 A. You know, in this case I think we just  
20 moved the body, you know, however many inches,  
21 6 inches forward, so that it would be hitting the  
22 S-1 Gard instead of the tire.

23 So I don't know that we relied on his  
24 opinion to place it here other than just, you  
25 know, it's based clearly on the original -- this

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1 image here. We just moved the exact position of  
2 the body to impact the S-1 Gard instead of the  
3 tire.

4 Q. Okay. So to the extent that the  
5 position of the body on the left is the same as  
6 the position of the body on the right in terms of  
7 its configuration and where it is relative to the  
8 bus, that's the same opinion that Dr. Stalnaker  
9 reached?

10 A. Yep. That's correct.

11 Q. All you did was move it 6 inches forward  
12 in your computer-generated imagery?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. So this is Dr. Stalnaker's opinion as to  
15 where the body was relative to the tire and as to  
16 where the body would be relative to the S-1 Gard  
17 and the tire, not yours?

18 A. I think that's correct. The only  
19 clarification is I don't know that he directed us  
20 specifically on where to put the S-1 Gard. But,  
21 definitely, the body position you see here on the  
22 right is coming directly from his instructions for  
23 how to place the body on the left here.

24 Q. Thank you, sir.

25 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, may we approach

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1 the bench and excuse the witness?

2 THE COURT: Would you just wait outside.

3 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Sure.

4 THE COURT: Thank you.

5 (Witness excused.)

6 MR. KEMP: Judge, with regards to these  
7 two pictures, I'd rather show them with him than  
8 Dr. Stalnaker, but it's not a hill to die for.  
9 But I do think I should be allowed to at least  
10 tell the jury how he assisted in Dr. Stalnaker's  
11 preparing the pictures.

12 THE COURT: And your offer of proof is  
13 that Dr. Stalnaker will be testifying as to the  
14 authentication.

15 MR. KEMP: Yeah, Dr. Stalnaker will  
16 testify.

17 MR. TERRY: I have no objection to the  
18 witness explaining how he worked with  
19 Dr. Stalnaker in oral terms or descriptive terms.  
20 I have no objection to him describing the  
21 direction he took with Dr. Stalnaker and the  
22 purpose of what he prepared.

23 But I do not think he should be allowed  
24 to display what is essentially Dr. Stalnaker's  
25 opinion. I think Dr. Stalnaker should qualify and

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1 give us the predicate of the picture.

2 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, it's not a hill  
3 to die for. I --

4 THE COURT: I'm going to sustain the  
5 objection. I think these two diagrams would be --  
6 the foundation should be laid by Dr. Stalnaker.  
7 But I will allow, Mr. Kemp, for you to lay the  
8 foundation.

9 MR. KEMP: For Dr. Stalnaker tomorrow?

10 THE COURT: Sure.

11 MR. KEMP: Okay. Great.

12 THE COURT: Sustained.

13 MR. TERRY: So that's a description of  
14 what he did without showing the picture --

15 THE COURT: Correct. Yes. Is there  
16 anything else?

17 MR. TERRY: No, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: We still have a couple  
19 minutes; right?

20 THE MARSHAL: Yes.

21 (Whereupon, a recess was taken.)

22 THE MARSHAL: Please remain seated.  
23 Come to order. Department 14 is back in session.

24 THE COURT: Go grab them.

25 THE MARSHAL: Go grab them?

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1 THE COURT: Yes. Thank you.

2 THE MARSHAL: All rise. All the jurors  
3 are present, Your Honor.

4 (The following proceedings were held  
5 in the presence of the jury.)

6 THE COURT: Very good. Thank you.

7 THE MARSHAL: Please be seated. Come to  
8 order.

9 THE COURT: Do you stipulate to the  
10 presence?

11 MR. KEMP: I do, Your Honor.

12 MR. TERRY: Yes, Your Honor.

13 MR. KEMP: Okay.

14 FURTHER DIRECT EXAMINATION OF JOSHUA COHEN  
15 BY MR. KEMP:

16 Q. Mr. Cohen, we showed the jury a  
17 proximity sensor video depiction?

18 A. That's right. I'll bring it up.

19 Q. And have you made an exhibit that shows  
20 the same thing?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. What number is it?

23 A. There's number 245 on this exhibit, 245.

24 Q. Okay. And we already showed the jury  
25 the driver view from position 174; right?

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1 A. Let's see. 174 aerial view. Driver  
2 view is here.

3 Q. And do we have an exhibit number for  
4 that?

5 A. 174, driver view, Exhibit 243, 243.

6 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I would move to  
7 admit 245 and 243.

8 MR. TERRY: I have no objection to 245  
9 as a demonstrative exhibit. I don't think it's  
10 been linked to the actual accident. I have no  
11 objection to 243.

12 THE COURT: Exhibits 243 and 245 are  
13 admitted.

14 (Whereupon, Exhibits 243 and 245  
15 admitted into evidence.)

16 BY MR. KEMP:

17 Q. Okay. And do you recall you showed us  
18 what Mr. Plantz would see?

19 A. Yeah. So that was this position here  
20 with the bicycle in the right-hand lane. And  
21 Mr. Plantz from his seat would see this.

22 Q. Okay. Great. And so he just sees a  
23 shadow of the bike if he's looking over Mr. Pears;  
24 right? Sees a little bit of the bike looking over  
25 Mr. Pears?

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1 A. Right. Mostly, he sees part of the  
2 rider and not much of the bike.

3 Q. Okay. Have you prepared an exhibit that  
4 replicates this particular model?

5 A. Yes. This is Exhibit 244.

6 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I'd move to admit  
7 244.

8 MR. TERRY: No objection, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Exhibit 244 is admitted.

10 (Whereupon, Exhibit 244 admitted into  
11 evidence.)

12 BY MR. KEMP:

13 Q. Let's try to get the exhibit numbers  
14 straight real quick.

15 So we started with 174. So why don't we  
16 use the actual exhibits if we can.

17 So the exhibit number for the 174,  
18 overview, was what?

19 A. 174, top view, is Exhibit 241.

20 Q. And the exhibit for what the driver  
21 could see from the 174 position?

22 A. That is -- 174, driver view, is 243.

23 Q. Okay. We also have Mr. Plantz's view  
24 from 174?

25 A. We have a different view for Mr. Plantz.

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1 Q. That's the 175 view?

2 A. That's with the bike over here in the  
3 right lane.

4 Q. Okay. So Exhibit 174, overview, is  
5 what? And by "exhibit," that's the Red Rock image  
6 number; right? So image 175, overview, is what?

7 A. 175, top view, is Exhibit 239 -- 239.

8 Q. Okay. And 175, driver view, is what?

9 A. And that's 240.

10 Q. Okay. And Mr. Plantz's view at 175 is  
11 what?

12 A. Let's go back to Plantz's view. So  
13 that's this position, and his view from his seat  
14 is this here. This is Exhibit 244.

15 Q. Okay. So let's see if we can get this  
16 straight. So Red Rock Image 174, the overview, is  
17 Exhibit 241; is that correct?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Red Rock Image 174, the driver's view,  
20 is Exhibit 243; right?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Red Rock Image 175, the top overview, is  
23 239?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. And Red Rock 175 again, the driver's



1 view, is 240?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. And Red Rock 175, Mr. Plantz's view, is  
4 244?

5 A. Mr. Plantz's view from the seat, we're  
6 looking at it here, is 244.

7 Q. So if we want to compare the driver's  
8 view in the two images, we compare 243 and 240;  
9 correct?

10 A. Um-hum. So the driver view, 175, is  
11 here, and then 174 is here.

12 Q. Okay. Now, did you also place the  
13 location of the various witnesses on your model?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Can you show that to me, please.

16 A. I'm going to go back up to a view we  
17 looked at before, which is from the area just  
18 above the camera mounted on the Red Rock Casino.

19 Q. So this is Image 175?

20 A. This is -- right now, the bus is in  
21 position 175.

22 Q. Okay. And, again, 175 is actually where  
23 it is in the Red Rock video?

24 A. At frame 175, this is where the bus was.

25 Q. All right. Now, show me where

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1 Mrs. Kolch was, for example.

2 A. She was on this motorcycle right here.

3 Q. And you've placed her using the Red Rock  
4 video too?

5 A. They do appear in the Red Rock video,  
6 yes.

7 Q. Okay. And can you show the jury her  
8 angle of this particular incident?

9 A. Sure. So we'll put the camera at her  
10 eye position.

11 Q. So can you zoom in a little bit, please.

12 A. Yeah.

13 Q. So based on the model, that's what  
14 Ms. Kolch is able to see; correct?

15 A. If the bus and the bike are in those  
16 positions, she would see it clearly.

17 Q. Okay. And I think we already did Pears.  
18 And, just for the record, so she can see  
19 all of the bicyclist, but not the rear tire of the  
20 bicycle according to your model?

21 A. According to this position, yeah.

22 Q. Okay. Now, how about the gardener,  
23 Mr. Sacarias? What can he see from his position?

24 A. So the gardener was over in this area  
25 near the fire hydrant. And from his position,

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1 he's going to see something like this.

2 Q. Okay. All right. And have you done --  
3 or can you do the same thing for Mrs. Bradley? I  
4 don't know if I want to take the time, but you can  
5 do the same thing with Mrs. Bradley?

6 A. Yeah. Sure. So Mrs. Bradley is in a  
7 vehicle following the bus.

8 Q. All right. She said, if I remember  
9 right, that she was 100 to 150 feet. So why don't  
10 you just put her 125 feet in the same lane as the  
11 bus?

12 A. Okay. That's what we did.

13 Q. Okay.

14 A. And then you want to see her point of  
15 view?

16 Q. Yeah, let's see her point of view.

17 A. I'm going to save time by just putting  
18 the camera at the windshield here, which is  
19 essentially the same as if I were to put it inside  
20 the car. And then she sees the bus and most of  
21 the bike.

22 Q. And she also sees the entire bike lane  
23 line going down; right?

24 A. That's right.

25 Q. Okay. So she can see the back of the

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1 bike but not the front of the bus or the front of  
2 the bike?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. Okay. Great.

5 MR. KEMP: Your Honor -- can I have one  
6 second, Your Honor? It's Monday.

7 THE COURT: Sure.

8 MR. KEMP: Oh, yes.

9 BY MR. KEMP:

10 Q. Do you know who Dr. Stalnaker is?

11 A. I do.

12 Q. And can you tell the jury who he is?

13 A. Dr. Stalnaker is a biomechanical expert  
14 that is part of the team consulting on this case.

15 Q. And have you done any work with  
16 Dr. Stalnaker on this case?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And what have you done?

19 A. Dr. Stalnaker got on what I call a  
20 screen share conference call. So he's not in the  
21 same physical location, but he's on his computer  
22 looking at exactly what we're doing on the screen,  
23 much as we are right now.

24 And while they're doing that on the  
25 conference call, he directed me to move the body

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1 of Dr. Khiabani into a position that matched up  
2 with his opinion in the case as to how the impact  
3 with the rear tire was likely to have occurred.

4 Q. So you took direction from Dr. Stalnaker  
5 as to how Dr. Khiabani's body should be  
6 positioned?

7 A. That's correct. And, additionally,  
8 there was a picture of the helmet provided that  
9 showed that there was some crushing damage on the  
10 helmet. And to make the process of collaborating  
11 with him a little easier, we mapped the area of  
12 crush and we indicated where the helmet was  
13 crushed using a red color so that we could be sure  
14 that he understood, as we were moving the body  
15 around, how the helmet should be oriented to match  
16 up with his opinions in the case.

17 Q. Okay. You had the actual helmet?

18 A. I saw pictures of the helmet and the  
19 crush damage.

20 Q. So you used the actual helmet pictures  
21 to indicate the crush area?

22 A. That's correct.

23 Q. And then Dr. Stalnaker had you put  
24 Dr. Khiabani on his back?

25 A. Yeah.

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1 Q. And Dr. Stalnaker is the one that  
2 directed the angle of the body?

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. And then you prepared a visual of that?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. Using your model?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. And so it's Dr. Stalnaker's opinion but  
9 it's your model?

10 A. Right. We prepared an exhibit at the  
11 direction of him.

12 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I just want to  
13 make sure there's no foundation objection. Do we  
14 need more foundation?

15 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, we agree that if  
16 Dr. Stalnaker will validate the picture, the  
17 illustration that Mr. Cohen prepared, that there  
18 is sufficient foundation.

19 THE COURT: Thank you.

20 MR. KEMP: Thank you. No further  
21 questions.

22 Oh, forgot, Your Honor. Oh, man. Okay.

23 BY MR. KEMP:

24 Q. Actually, you prepared two pictures with  
25 Dr. Stalnaker; correct?

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1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Okay. And one picture depicts just  
3 generally what?

4 A. One picture depicts the location of  
5 Dr. Khiabani's body as it impacts the rear tire,  
6 according to Dr. Stalnaker's findings. And then  
7 the second picture depicts how the body might have  
8 been positioned had there been an S-1 Gard  
9 installed on the bus.

10 Q. And we have copies of those, but we're  
11 not moving to admit them now?

12 A. That's correct.

13 MR. KEMP: Okay. Thank you.

14 MR. TERRY: May it please the Court.

15 THE COURT: Certainly.

16 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF JOSHUA COHEN

17 BY MR. TERRY:

18 Q. Mr. Cohen, could you put up the one with  
19 the cone for Dr. Khiabani in accordance with  
20 Mr. Plantz' testimony?

21 A. That's the red cone-shaped thing?

22 Q. The red cone.

23 A. Yeah. This one here; correct?

24 Q. Yes, sir.

25 A. Okay.

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1 Q. And can you back it up a little bit so  
2 we can see the complete second bus?

3 A. Yep.

4 Q. Okay. Now, it is my understanding,  
5 based on what you have done with the Red Rock  
6 video, is the position of the lead bus is fixed?

7 A. The position of this bus here?

8 Q. Yeah. The one -- there are two buses  
9 shown, one following another.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. The picture of the lead bus is fixed.

12 A. The picture of the lead bus is indicated  
13 by the visibility in the Red Rock video. So we  
14 are confident that at frame 187, that's where the  
15 bus is.

16 Q. And then the bus behind, you're  
17 confident that that's where the bus was based on  
18 the Red Rock video at frame --

19 A. This is 175 here.

20 Q. So the two buses you know, based on your  
21 science, your skill, and the work that you have  
22 done, that's where the buses were on the day that  
23 the event occurred?

24 A. To the best that we can determine with  
25 the information available, yes.

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1 Q. You have a bike up there at the lead bus  
2 by the right wheel well?

3 A. That's this one highlighted in blue;  
4 right?

5 Q. Yes.

6 A. Okay.

7 Q. And that's fixed by frame 187 and your  
8 examination of what appears to be a dark smudge  
9 being consistent with that's where the bike hit  
10 the bus?

11 A. That's the best that we can determine,  
12 yes.

13 Q. Okay. Now, you know, because of the  
14 measurements that you made, how fast the bus was  
15 traveling between the following bus and the lead  
16 bus?

17 A. Right. From this position to this  
18 position, it's 24, 25 miles per hour average.

19 Q. Which means that 1.2 seconds elapsed  
20 between the two images?

21 A. The 1.2 seconds is calculated by knowing  
22 that we're looking at frame 175 and 187. So  
23 that's correct in this case, that these two buses  
24 are separated by 1.2 seconds in time.

25 Q. And that is a fixed fact. It's not an

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1 opinion; it's fixed.

2 A. It's the best that we can determine from  
3 the science, that's correct.

4 Q. Now, you put Dr. Khiabani at a location  
5 where you interpreted he would have been in  
6 accordance with witness Plantz' placement of him?

7 A. Right. We looked at this exhibit here,  
8 and we tried to match up the position of the  
9 bicycle and the bus as best we could with that  
10 exhibit. So that's this positioning here.

11 Q. Now, how did you determine the dimension  
12 of the cone?

13 A. So the cone is based on, essentially,  
14 traveling half the distance as the bus. So the  
15 bus travels 42 feet, for sake of argument; the  
16 cone is 21 feet in radius.

17 Q. So how did you determine the speed that  
18 the bike was traveling as you did the bus?

19 A. I don't know the speed, so this is a  
20 hypothetical since this falls into the realm of  
21 what if the bike was traveling at the speed of  
22 half the bus.

23 Q. So did you calculate the speed that the  
24 bike was traveling?

25 A. No. I mean, I could, but it was just

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1 essentially we made the bus go half the  
2 distance -- the bike went half the distance of the  
3 bus for that cone.

4 Q. Where did you get the speed?

5 A. Well, if we assume that the speed is  
6 half of the bus, then it makes sense that the bike  
7 would go half the distance.

8 Q. Oh, no. But why did you assume that the  
9 speed of the bike was one half the speed of the  
10 bus?

11 A. Oh. That was just a hypothetical  
12 possibility we talked about with counsel. So they  
13 wanted -- that was the decision, and so let's look  
14 at that possibility.

15 Q. So that Mr. Kemp's side gave you that  
16 speed?

17 A. I understand that other people have  
18 mentioned about half the speed. But, again, I  
19 haven't read all the trial testimony, so I don't  
20 know for sure if that's the case.

21 Q. Okay. So the speed that you assigned to  
22 the bike has not been fixed by your work?

23 A. No. We could make it any speed we  
24 wanted.

25 Q. If you leave it at this speed, can you

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1 move the bike over to the bus?

2 A. Move the bike over to the bus?

3 Q. Yes.

4 A. Sure. And you want me to move the cone  
5 with it?

6 Q. And taking the cone with it.

7 A. Okay. I think about roughly there was  
8 where we had it, to be consistent.

9 Q. Is that the same position you had it  
10 based on what Ms. Bradley testified to as you  
11 interpreted it?

12 A. Approximately, yes.

13 Q. Can you back up a little bit?

14 A. Okay.

15 Q. So based on the speed that you have  
16 assigned to it, the position Ms. Bradley assigned  
17 to it, and the cone that you created, Dr. Khiabani  
18 could not have gotten to the position where he  
19 impacted the bus?

20 A. Right. It's closer, but it's still not  
21 all the way.

22 Q. All right. Now, I want you to move the  
23 bike with the cone forward. Okay?

24 A. Sure.

25 Q. Until it's within the cone.

1 A. So like let's say about there.

2 Q. All right. So if I understand  
3 correctly, then, based on the position that you  
4 can assign to the following bus, the lead bus, the  
5 point of impact, assigning a speed half to the  
6 bike, that's where the bike would have to be 1.2  
7 seconds before impact?

8 A. If you believe that the bike was  
9 traveling half the speed and didn't have any other  
10 things going on with it, then this would be the  
11 case, yeah.

12 Q. Well, up until now, have you ever  
13 doubted the speed that you were asked to assume,  
14 12 miles an hour?

15 A. I try not to, you know, make any  
16 judgments on it because I just don't know. I  
17 mean, I certainly have seen bikes go 20 miles an  
18 hour and I've seen them go 7 or 8. So I don't  
19 know the answer.

20 Q. For the purposes of this demonstration,  
21 can we assume that the speed is 12 miles an hour?

22 A. Sure. That's fine. Yeah.

23 Q. All right. Now, putting the bike there,  
24 can you take out the lead bike -- the lead bus?

25 A. The lead bus. That's this one here?

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1 Q. Yeah. Take it out.

2 A. Okay. So I'm going to turn off --  
3 that's going to make the bike go away too. Is  
4 that okay?

5 Q. Yes.

6 A. Okay.

7 Q. And can you take away the cone?

8 A. Yep. If I can remember where I put it.  
9 Let's see. Right here.

10 Q. Now, assuming that 1.2 seconds before we  
11 get to frame 187, that's where the bike was  
12 located?

13 A. Okay. I can make that assumption.

14 Q. Can you show us what the bus driver  
15 would have seen?

16 A. Sure.

17 Q. Okay. The complete bike through the  
18 windshield wipers?

19 A. The windshield wipers and then the  
20 center column and the windshield obscure the bike  
21 somewhat, yeah.

22 Q. Can you show us what Mr. Pears would  
23 have seen.

24 A. Mr. Pears, sitting in the right seat  
25 here?

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1 Q. Yes.

2 A. Sorry about that. Go to the previous  
3 view. Try it again.

4 So in that case, he would have his view  
5 obscured by the A-pillar.

6 Q. So he wouldn't have seen the bike at  
7 all?

8 A. Under this set of assumptions, he  
9 doesn't see the bike at all.

10 Q. How about Mr. Plantz?

11 A. He's got a view partially obscured by  
12 the dash and the windshield wipers.

13 Q. But for the most part, almost all the  
14 bike?

15 A. You guys can be the judge of that.

16 Q. But he would have seen or could have  
17 seen what you have depicted here?

18 A. He could have seen something under this  
19 set of assumptions, yes.

20 Q. Well, the only assumption is the speed  
21 of the bike; right?

22 A. The assumption would be that position of  
23 the bike, yes.

24 Q. Based on where you positioned the bike  
25 at frame 187?

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1           A.    Based on from 187, if you want to work  
2 backwards, assuming a speed that's half the bus,  
3 it would be somewhere in this vicinity, although  
4 it's hard to know exactly where because we don't  
5 have a way to track how the bike was moving.

6           Q.    Okay. Now, in terms of tracking how the  
7 bike was moving, you only have the four frames  
8 that show the bike; correct?

9           A.    That's true.

10          Q.    184, 5, 6, and 7?

11          A.    Correct.

12          Q.    I want you to go back to 174, top.

13          A.    Hold on a second. Let me capture this  
14 scene here in case we need it for later.

15                   And you want me to go to 174, top;  
16 right?

17          Q.    Top. Yes, sir.

18          A.    That's this one here?

19          Q.    Yes, sir. What is the lateral distance  
20 between the bus and the bike?

21          A.    The lateral distance between the bus and  
22 the bike, they are not exactly right next to each  
23 other, but I'll use the same method of measuring  
24 as before, which is from handlebar to the side of  
25 the bus.

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1 Q. Where are you putting it on the side of  
2 the bus? Is it right at the edge or are you  
3 putting it below the light?

4 A. I'll draw a line so it's a little  
5 clearer. I'm drawing a line here, and then we'll  
6 draw a line to there.

7 Does it make it clearer?

8 Q. It does. What is the lateral distance?

9 A. That is about 2.3 feet. So roughly  
10 2-foot-3, 2-foot-4.

11 Q. How about 175, the next one?

12 A. Okay. So 175, the top view, which is  
13 here.

14 Q. And the lateral distance?

15 A. About 2 1/2 feet, so 2-foot-6.

16 Q. So at 174, it was?

17 A. About 2-foot-3 or -4.

18 Q. And then at 175, it was?

19 A. About 2-foot-6.

20 Q. Which means that the bus has moved --  
21 you didn't move the bike, did you, when you  
22 created these?

23 A. I mean, the bike is assumed to be going  
24 straight between these two views. The bus is  
25 what's causing the change in the dimension. The

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1 bus is starting to angle away from the bicycle at  
2 that point.

3 Q. So at frame -- between 174 and 175, the  
4 bus is starting to angle away?

5 A. That's right.

6 Q. Turn to the left?

7 A. I don't know if it was a turn or not,  
8 but it was definitely moving further away.

9 Q. Okay. Now, you, sir, with the education  
10 that you've had and the experience, you are not  
11 expressing any opinions about the aerodynamics of  
12 the bus, are you?

13 A. That's correct. No opinion about the  
14 aerodynamics.

15 Q. No opinion about proximity sensors use  
16 or nonuse?

17 A. No opinion on that.

18 Q. No opinion about biomechanics?

19 A. That's correct.

20 Q. And no opinion about accident  
21 reconstruction?

22 A. So we're not certified accident  
23 reconstruction. We work with them to help  
24 illustrate the situation. But, no, I'm not giving  
25 an opinion as an accident reconstructionist.

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1 Q. And no opinion about human factors?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. So there are other experts that have  
4 done those things, but you personally have done  
5 this photogrammetry and 3-D analysis?

6 A. That's right, 3-D visualization and  
7 photogrammetry.

8 Q. And you are relatively confident that  
9 you have exercised your skill and ability with the  
10 information made available to show us, as best you  
11 can, what actually occurred on April 18th, 2017,  
12 in this accident?

13 A. I think the answer to that question gets  
14 back to what I said earlier, is that we know where  
15 the bus was as it moves through the intersection,  
16 and some of the other things that you're going to  
17 see are based on either witness testimony or  
18 hypotheticals.

19 And so those I wouldn't say we know for  
20 sure what actually occurred, but we know  
21 everything that we are -- using the 3-D  
22 visualization to illustrate is based around the  
23 accuracy of this base model, which includes an  
24 accurate model of the intersection and an accurate  
25 placement of the bus as it travels through the

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1 intersection.

2 Q. So the bus path is accurate --

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. -- based on your work?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. And the other things that you have  
7 talked about are based on conclusions, opinions,  
8 suggestions of others as to what happened and  
9 where things should be placed?

10 A. So I think the thing to remember is the  
11 computer model is very accurate in terms of when  
12 you put a camera somewhere, it's going to give you  
13 what you would see as if you were sitting in that  
14 place taking a picture.

15 But if you want to tell me, well, I want  
16 to see the bus or the bike in such-and-so  
17 position, we don't have the foundation to know for  
18 sure that the bike was in that position, then it's  
19 only as good as that information.

20 So you've got to think, what's the  
21 foundation? Is it based on actual science for the  
22 bus position, witness testimony for the bus versus  
23 bike position, or is it just a hypothetical  
24 situation that we want to understand better?

25 Q. All right. Did you prepare an exhibit,

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1 which is a planned view showing the outline of the  
2 bus positions in your 3-D model?

3 A. I did.

4 Q. Before you display it, sir, I'm going to  
5 show you what has been marked as 511-001.

6 Is that it?

7 A. Yes, it is. And I think the one I had  
8 on my computer has the bike positions in it.  
9 Would you rather see it without the bike?

10 Q. Without the bike positions.

11 A. I can call up the exhibit from the  
12 report, if you like.

13 Q. Yes, sir, please. So you can call up  
14 and we can deal with Exhibit 511-001 without the  
15 bike in it; correct?

16 A. Is this what you're looking for, on  
17 screen here?

18 Q. Well, yes, sir, but before we display  
19 it, I have to have it admitted into evidence.

20 A. Sorry.

21 Q. If you can take it down.

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. You're looking at it; right?

24 A. Yes.

25 Q. Is this it?

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1 A. That's it.

2 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, we'd offer  
3 Exhibit 511-001.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Is that next in  
5 order?

6 It's admitted.

7 (Exhibit No. 511 was admitted into  
8 evidence.

9 MR. KEMP: Can I get a number?

10 THE CLERK: It's 511, next in order.  
11 BY MR. TERRY:

12 Q. So what we're looking at now is your  
13 work fixing the position of the bus based on your  
14 analysis of the Red Rock video and your  
15 photogrammetry --

16 A. Photogrammetry.

17 Q. -- of the actual intersection itself?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. So as near as what you can tell, what  
20 you have displayed here is exactly what occurred?

21 A. For the bus positions, yes.

22 Q. Just the bus position?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Exactly what occurred?

25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. And this is not hypothetical. This is  
2 not an abstraction. This is not an opinion, if  
3 you will. This is based on your work analyzing  
4 the factual information available?

5 A. That's correct.

6 Q. And did you find your measurements of  
7 the scene accurate, correct, true?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And did you find the Red Rock video as  
10 you analyzed it accurate, correct, and true?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. In this -- when you place these images  
13 of the bus, is the orientation of the bus against  
14 the background intentional?

15 A. Are you asking why we're looking at a  
16 straight-down view?

17 Q. No. I'm asking why it looks like it's  
18 moving to the right.

19 A. Oh, that's just where the -- that's the  
20 bus positions. So it moved to the -- I mean, from  
21 the driver's perspective, it would be moving to  
22 the left, and from looking at the top-down view,  
23 it seems to be moving to the right or to the east  
24 in this case.

25 Q. Okay. So when we're looking at what you

1 have prepared here, it looks as if the bus is  
2 moving to the right?

3 A. Right.

4 Q. But if we were on the ground behind the  
5 bus, would it appear that the bus moved to the  
6 left?

7 A. It would.

8 Q. So the change in direction and placement  
9 of the bus is something that is fixed based on  
10 your photogrammic is there another word for that,  
11 sir?

12 A. You can say based on photogrammetry or  
13 based on my investigation. That would be fine.

14 Q. Based on your -- I have trouble with  
15 photogrammetry. Based on your investigation, that  
16 depiction of the bus moving to the left is true,  
17 correct, and accurate?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Now, you are aware, then, that the bus  
20 did not move straight or turn to the right?

21 A. I'm aware that the bus did not -- you're  
22 saying if it had turned to the right, we would  
23 have a different path on the screen here?

24 Q. Yes.

25 A. That's true.

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1 Q. All right. Now, you had an image that  
2 you showed of witness Sacarias, who was standing  
3 on the side?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Could you call that up, sir?

6 A. Sure.

7 Q. And could you show us essentially his  
8 view?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. All right. Now back up so we can see  
11 the image of Sacarias.

12 A. So we're backing out his view, like  
13 looking over his shoulder?

14 Q. Exactly.

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. Okay. So if we were there and standing  
17 behind Mr. Sacarias, that's what we would see?

18 A. If the bus -- if the bike was in that  
19 position, yes, you'd see that.

20 Q. All right. And the bus would then move  
21 from his left to his right?

22 A. The bus would be moving --

23 Q. From Mr. Sacarias' left to his right?

24 A. Depends on exactly how he was standing.  
25 But in our view right here, it would be moving

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1 towards this side where my cursor is.

2 Q. And as it's moving, it is moving to the  
3 left?

4 A. As the bus is moving in this direction,  
5 it is, I would say, moving toward the east. So  
6 it's getting out of its travel lane and moving  
7 toward the east, yeah, which would be a leftward  
8 movement for the driver.

9 Q. Okay. And leftward movement as far as  
10 Mr. Sacarias' position is?

11 A. You know, again, depending on how he's  
12 facing, it could be confusing; but yes.

13 Q. So what if we turn and rotate him  
14 90 degrees so he's looking right at him? Can you  
15 do that?

16 A. Yeah. So rotate him 90 degrees; right?

17 Q. Yes, so he's looking right at the side  
18 of the bus.

19 A. So now he's kind of looking right at the  
20 side of the bus.

21 Q. Okay. So the bus, as far as what you  
22 believe occurred, what your investigation has  
23 revealed occurred, would be moving to his left  
24 away from him as it passes in front of him?

25 A. Well, if he's facing the bus this way,

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1 it would be moving farther away from him, yes.

2 Q. So if Mr. Sacarias saw the accident and  
3 perceived the accident and reported that the bus  
4 actually moved toward him, to the right into the  
5 bike path, he would be incorrect in his  
6 perception?

7 A. I suppose so. I mean, I would say that,  
8 from this perspective, it's much easier to  
9 perceive what's happening from left to right than  
10 it is, you know, forward and backward.

11 Q. I'm not asking you to evaluate what his  
12 perception was or what was available to him or how  
13 he reached his conclusion, but if his conclusion  
14 based on his perception is it moved from his left  
15 to his right was -- the bus was coming toward him,  
16 that's not consistent with your investigation?

17 A. Yeah, I guess not. But I would say it's  
18 a little confusing as far as all the directions.  
19 So I might give him a pass on that one.

20 Q. What's confusing about the directions?

21 A. Lefts and rights and forwards and backs  
22 and, you know, relative understanding of those  
23 things.

24 Q. Okay. Well, the question is whether or  
25 not the bike crossed into the bike path or went

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1 away from the bike path.

2 If Mr. Sacarias thought what he saw was  
3 the bus went into the bike path, that would not be  
4 correct based on your investigation?

5 A. That's correct. What you're saying is  
6 that the bus is starting to move here. If you  
7 look straight down, the bus is starting to move  
8 out of this lane as opposed to moving into the  
9 bike lane. That's a true statement, what he said.

10 Q. And if he reported, based on what he saw  
11 or what he perceived, that the bus actually  
12 entered the bike lane, that would be incorrect?

13 A. Did you mean to say the bus entered the  
14 bike lane?

15 Q. Yeah, the bus entered the bike lane.

16 A. That would be incorrect.

17 Q. Okay. Now, going to the exhibit that I  
18 asked you to pull up first, 12C here.

19 A. Okay. This one here?

20 Q. Yes, sir.

21 A. Okay.

22 Q. Now, is there a table that you've  
23 prepared that identifies these bus positions with  
24 the frame pattern?

25 A. There is.

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1 Q. Can you put them both up at the same  
2 time?

3 A. I can, I think. I may have to open the  
4 actual report itself, but that's okay. I can do  
5 that. Okay.

6 Q. All right. Now, that table that you put  
7 up there identifies the frames that are depicted  
8 on the diagram that you prepared; correct?

9 A. That's right.

10 Q. So you start with frame 180. And if you  
11 go back to the picture itself up at the top,  
12 that's the first bus position; right?

13 A. This right here.

14 Q. Oh, can you set them side by side?

15 A. I can, but, you know, they'll get small,  
16 if that's okay.

17 Q. Well, for these purposes, when you look  
18 at 180, that's the first bus --

19 A. So that would be this one here.

20 Q. Is 181 displayed?

21 A. No.

22 Q. You go to 182?

23 A. Right. The ones that are in yellow are  
24 the ones that we initially put into the model for  
25 this analysis.

1 Q. All right. Now go back up just to the  
2 picture itself. So the first bus that we see is  
3 at frame 180?

4 A. That's here.

5 Q. And based on the look-see that we did at  
6 frames 174 and 175, the bus is already moving to  
7 the left at frames 174 and 175?

8 A. I think so.

9 Q. Can you add those to this diagram?

10 A. If we go into the model, I can do it.

11 Q. Please, sir, if you would.

12 A. So we're going to go to the top view.  
13 Because here you see the buses -- the one that's  
14 here is 174. So they're already added into this  
15 one. And here is 17 -- the 174 is here. And the  
16 last one we have is 202 here.

17 Q. So going back to 174, 175, is there  
18 already left movement; that is, the bus is moving  
19 to its left between those two frames?

20 A. I've got it angled to the left. And,  
21 you know, one thing that I will say is that these  
22 last ones, one reason we didn't put it into the  
23 report -- here you see we started the report at  
24 180.

25 Q. I did.

1           A.    And then here we're using 174, 176, 175.  
2   We can see only the front of the bus in those  
3   images from the Red Rock video.  So it's harder to  
4   tell exactly what the back of the bus is doing.

5                   We can be confident in the position of  
6   the front of the bus, but because we don't know  
7   what the back of the bus is doing because we can't  
8   see it, I don't know exactly what angle it's at.  
9   Is he starting a turning motion?  Is he continuing  
10  a motion that's already angled coming from  
11  somewhere else?  I just don't know.

12           Q.   But between frames 174 and 175, we do  
13  know that the bus moved at least 3 inches to the  
14  left?

15           A.   Relative to the bike lane stripe, it  
16  moved at least 3 inches to the left.

17           Q.   And that's the front of the bus?

18           A.   The front of the bus, that's right.

19           Q.   Do you conclude that that's when he  
20  began the left turn that is depicted in the whole  
21  exhibit?

22           A.   I can't conclude about whether he's  
23  turning or not.  I can conclude that the bus moved  
24  that much, but whether it was due to him turning  
25  at some point or if he was already sort of headed

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1 that direction, I'm just not sure.

2 Q. Okay. But the movement to the left is a  
3 continuous movement from this point forward?

4 A. Yeah. You see that it's moving -- the  
5 bus is moving further and further to the left.

6 Q. Now, you had told the jury earlier that  
7 you had some frames that showed Dr. Khiabani on  
8 the bike from the Red Rock video?

9 A. That's correct.

10 Q. Frames 184, 185, 186, 187?

11 A. That's right.

12 Q. All right. Okay. I'm going to show you  
13 what has been marked by the court reporter as  
14 511-002 up through 5. Are these the frames from  
15 the Red Rock video that showed Dr. Khiabani in  
16 your opinion?

17 A. Yes, they are, although not really  
18 well-printed. Did you want me to bring them up on  
19 screen?

20 Q. Well, we have to go through the process  
21 first.

22 A. Okay.

23 Q. I'm going to show you Exhibit 511-006,  
24 which are enlargements of the same four.

25 A. Yes, that's them.

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1 Q. Okay. And those are the shots from the  
2 Red Rock video that you believe show Dr. Khiabani  
3 as a smudge against the bus?

4 A. That's right.

5 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, we would offer  
6 Exhibits 511-002 through --

7 MR. KEMP: Your Honor, I have no  
8 objection, but I thought we admitted these  
9 already. So if we already have them.

10 THE COURT: No, we admitted 511-001.

11 THE CLERK: So these would be A, B,  
12 and C of 511.

13 MR. TERRY: It's 511-002, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

14 THE CLERK: Is that the whole exhibit of  
15 511? Is that all of 511?

16 MR. TERRY: No, there will be additional  
17 511, but different -- additional numbers. I'm not  
18 trying to duplicate.

19 THE COURT: No, no. I understand.

20 THE CLERK: We just need to get it  
21 right.

22 MR. TERRY: I agree that if the  
23 documents have already been admitted, these can be  
24 withdrawn.

25 THE COURT: It's my understanding that

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1 that was just one document.

2 THE CLERK: It's going to be 511-2,  
3 511-3, 511-4, 511-5, 511-6, 511-7, 511-8, and  
4 511-9. These are selections from 511, not  
5 everything, but part of it.

6 MR. TERRY: Yes, ma'am.

7 MR. KEMP: This is 2 through what?

8 THE CLERK: 2 through 9.

9 MR. KEMP: No objection, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: So Exhibits 511-002, -3, -4,  
11 -5, -6, -7, -8, and -9 are admitted.

12 (Exhibits 511-002 - 511-009 were  
13 admitted into evidence.)

14 BY MR. TERRY:

15 Q. All right, sir. I'm going to ask you to  
16 take a look at these again, verify that those are  
17 the screenshots from the Red Rock video that,  
18 based on your analysis, show Dr. Khiabani in  
19 relation to the bus.

20 A. That's correct.

21 Q. All right. Can you show us frame 184.

22 A. 13B.

23 Q. Okay. Now, looking at that, we can see  
24 a yellow circle; right?

25 A. I see the yellow circle.

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1 Q. That's added; right?

2 A. The yellow circle was added to the  
3 footage for indicating where the finding was.

4 Q. So our attention is drawn to that image,  
5 if you will?

6 A. That's right.

7 Q. Can you blow that up?

8 A. Now we're looking at something that's  
9 similar to this enlarged version, which would  
10 probably be 511-6 or something like that.

11 Q. Can you make it any larger using your  
12 program?

13 A. I can make it appear bigger, but I can't  
14 get any more clarity in the image.

15 Q. So that's as clear as the image gets?

16 A. Right. We only have the pixels that  
17 came with the camera to work with.

18 Q. Okay. But your conclusion is that shows  
19 Dr. Khiabani on his bike next to the bus?

20 A. That dark area is, in our conclusion,  
21 where Dr. Khiabani approximately was. We just  
22 don't know how far away from the bus at that time.

23 Q. So in terms of the lateral separation  
24 between Dr. Khiabani and the bus at that point,  
25 you can't fix it?

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1 A. That's correct.

2 Q. Can you go to 185.

3 A. Yes.

4 Continue to zoom in; right?

5 Q. Yes.

6 A. Okay.

7 Q. Until the point where it's no longer --  
8 makes any sense. I would like the jury to see as  
9 much detail as you can produce from the image.

10 A. Yeah, this is as detailed as we're going  
11 to get.

12 Q. That's it?

13 A. Yep.

14 Q. Still the same problem, you can't tell  
15 how far from the bus the smudge is?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. All right. 186. Enlarge to as much  
18 detail as you can.

19 A. Um-hum.

20 Q. That's it?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. Then 187.

23 I have to confess, Mr. Cohen, I don't  
24 see the doctor at all.

25 A. You know, I will tell you that it

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1 didn't -- it's not something that popped out to me  
2 at first either. And the reason that we were able  
3 to locate the doctor in these series of images is  
4 because that smudge on the side of the bus, that  
5 mark from the handlebar hood hitting the bus, gave  
6 us a clue about where that initial impact may have  
7 occurred.

8           So I started looking at all the bus  
9 frames in that area. And I noticed that there is  
10 this dark profile that did not move in a way that  
11 would be consistent with any other explanation.  
12 There's no dark painting on the side of the bus.  
13 It didn't move at the same speed as these palm  
14 leaves were moving. And so the only other  
15 explanation to have this dark profile moving here  
16 was that it was Dr. Khiabani.

17           Q.    Would you be so kind to take my pointer,  
18 go to that image up there, and show the ladies and  
19 gentlemen of the jury what it is that you  
20 believe -- or that you have concluded is of  
21 Dr. Khiabani?

22           A.    Yeah.

23                   Right here in the center of the circle,  
24 mostly obscured by the palm leaf. And so if you  
25 only showed me this image and I knew nothing else

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1 about the case, it would be very difficult to say  
2 that's definitely it. But because we have a  
3 series of images and because that dark profile is  
4 moving at a speed that's inconsistent with  
5 anything else, there's no other explanation.

6 Q. In terms of 187, is there any detail  
7 about Dr. Khiabani that you can extract from the  
8 picture?

9 A. What do you mean by detail?

10 Q. Well, I mean, can you tell if he's got  
11 both hands on the handlebar? Can you tell if he's  
12 crouched? Can you tell if he's sitting up? Can  
13 you tell how far he is from the bus?

14 A. No to all of those things except on the  
15 last question. You mentioned how far is he from  
16 the bus. This frame is consistent with the -- I  
17 guess I'll just say if I put the bike next to the  
18 bus, leaning against it, falling against the bus  
19 in a position that was taken at the bus  
20 inspection, so we put the bike in that position,  
21 it matches up with the shadow in the same place.

22 So when dragging back and forth between,  
23 like we did before, you can see how the bicycle  
24 position matches up with the position of this  
25 profile here, which is, at this point, mostly

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1 hidden behind the palm leaf, but earlier you saw  
2 it move across the open part.

3 Q. All right. Now, if you -- when you  
4 dealt with this, did you use your magic, for lack  
5 of a better term?

6 A. Magic? I'd love to have magic.

7 Q. But you could make the pictures do  
8 things. You could look around and you could take  
9 things out, put things in?

10 A. Oh, you're talking about in the 3-D  
11 model, looking at things from different  
12 perspectives?

13 Q. Right. That's the only magic I'm  
14 talking about.

15 A. Okay.

16 Q. So when you did your magic, you could  
17 take away things to provide us a picture of what  
18 was there without the fronds, if you will?

19 A. If you wanted me to make the tree go  
20 away in the model, I could do that, although I  
21 can't make it go away in the photograph.

22 Q. But you can in the model?

23 A. In the model, yes.

24 Q. And then you can add things to the model  
25 once you've done that, like an image of the bike?

1 A. We could add a model of the bike into  
2 the 3-D model, yes.

3 Q. And did you do that with respect to  
4 frame 187?

5 A. We did.

6 Q. I'm going to show you what has been  
7 marked as 511-010, 11, and 12, and ask you if  
8 that's a representation of what you did.

9 A. So these three images are part of our  
10 report, that's correct.

11 Q. Okay. And that's where you took away  
12 the palm fronds, added the bike?

13 A. Right. We have a bike next to the bus,  
14 and then we're showing an image in the last one  
15 you handed me that's a little bit closer to the  
16 bus. So we're not seeing the palm fronds anymore  
17 because we're at a slightly different camera  
18 position.

19 Q. And that's part of the work that you  
20 did?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. But it was not manipulation of known  
23 data; it was adding data based on certain  
24 assumptions, if you will?

25 A. Right. We made an assumption that the



1 bicycle hit the bus at some point because it was  
2 supported by evidence. And then we tried to  
3 figure out what position -- you know, our  
4 selection of frames -- is that the most consistent  
5 with. And it was 187, which is the answer.

6 Q. Very good.

7 MR. TERRY: So I want to offer into  
8 evidence, Your Honor, if I may, Exhibits 511-10,  
9 11, and 12.

10 MR. KEMP: No objection, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: Exhibits 511-10, 11, and 12  
12 are admitted.

13 (Whereupon, Exhibits 511-10 - 511-12  
14 were admitted into evidence.)

15 BY MR. TERRY:

16 Q. Now, can you put those up for the jury.

17 A. Yes. So this is the superimposition of  
18 two images. The dotted lines are part of the  
19 geometry of the bus, but you mostly see the image  
20 from the Red Rock video here in the first.

21 And then --

22 Q. Go back. Slow down.

23 That is what actually shows up on the  
24 Red Rock video?

25 A. We're seeing mostly the Red Rock video

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1 with a little bit of the model peeking through.

2 Q. What's peeking through from --

3 A. Like these dotted lines you see on the  
4 top of the bus, those are part of the  
5 three-dimensional geometry of the bus that's in  
6 that 3-D model.

7 And so these are the things that we're  
8 using -- you know, the dotted lines in the trees,  
9 those are what we're using for reference to make  
10 sure we have an accurate match between the Red  
11 Rock video and the 3-D model so that, when we put  
12 the bus into position, we know that it's an  
13 accurate photogrammetry.

14 Q. Okay. So those are reference points, if  
15 you will?

16 A. The stuff on the trees and the poles are  
17 reference points. Once we have it matched, then  
18 we put the bus into position and make sure that  
19 it's matching up with where we have the bus in the  
20 footage. And, you know, we use these dotted lines  
21 to make sure we've got the lines and the bus  
22 accurately matched up with the lines that you see  
23 in the camera footage.

24 Q. Okay. So then you begin to take things  
25 out of the actual picture and rely more on the

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1 model?

2 A. Well, then once we have the bus in the  
3 model, we can look primarily at what it looks like  
4 in the model. Here, you're seeing less of the  
5 picture, only about, you know, 20 percent of the  
6 picture, and mostly the 3-D model.

7 Q. Is the doctor in that picture?

8 A. Yeah, he's right here.

9 Q. Have you got a closeup?

10 A. I mean, I can zoom in.

11 Q. Well, I mean, the next one, is that a  
12 closeup?

13 A. The next one is a little closer. And I  
14 have one that's even closer as well if you'd like  
15 to see it.

16 Q. Okay. What we're looking at right now  
17 is your model extracted -- based on or imposed on  
18 the Red Rock video that shows the bus at 187 and  
19 your conclusion about the position of the doctor?

20 A. That's right.

21 Q. Okay. Now, did you have one where you  
22 actually showed the doctor up against the bike?

23 A. Up against the bus?

24 Q. Bus. I'm sorry.

25 A. I do.

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1 Q. Okay. 511-13?

2 A. Yep, I've got that one.

3 Q. Now, is that your depiction of the  
4 doctor and his bike coming into contact with the  
5 bus?

6 A. Yes.

7 MR. TERRY: Your Honor, I would offer  
8 511-013.

9 MR. KEMP: No objection, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: Exhibit 511-013 is admitted.  
11 (Exhibit 511-13 was admitted into  
12 evidence.)

13 BY MR. TERRY:

14 Q. Could you put that up for us, sir.

15 Okay. Now, in this diagram, this  
16 picture here, is this an extraction from the ones  
17 we had looked at before?

18 A. The way I would describe it is that, you  
19 know, we have these things that are now placed in  
20 the 3-D model. We can look at them from any  
21 perspective. So here I've just moved the camera  
22 in closer so we can see some of the details.

23 Unlike the camera footage, which we're  
24 limited by how many pixels are in the actual  
25 video, here, because we have a 3-D model, we can

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1 look at it from any perspective we want. And if  
2 we wanted to see more detail, we'd zoom in close.

3 Q. Now, I notice that you've got the left  
4 handlebar up against the bus?

5 A. That's right. I almost was going to  
6 move it to see it better, but I can't do that in  
7 this picture. I'd have to switch over to the 3-D  
8 model.

9 Q. Please switch over.

10 A. Okay.

11 It's not that one. Hold on.

12 Initial. Here we go. Okay.

13 Q. All right. Now, you attended at least  
14 one examination of the bus?

15 A. I did.

16 Q. And did you notice the smudge mark  
17 behind the right front tire?

18 A. I did.

19 Q. Is the handlebar positioned up in the  
20 smudge mark?

21 A. So I'll briefly turn off the -- I can't  
22 turn it off separately, but hide this temporarily.  
23 There's the smudge mark in that area, and that's  
24 the handlebar next to the smudge mark.

25 Q. Now, you are aware that others have

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1 concluded that that is the point of contact  
2 between the bus and the bike?

3 A. My understanding is that there's some  
4 consensus that the initial point of contact was  
5 here.

6 Q. And you aren't able, based on your  
7 analysis of the Red Rock footage and your  
8 conclusion that the smudge mark you showed us at  
9 frame 187, is consistent with that?

10 A. I think what you're saying is that my  
11 conclusion that frame 187 of the red Rock footage  
12 is most consistent with where the bike is when  
13 it's contacting the bus at this point. Yes.

14 Q. All right. Now, let's go back to your  
15 diagram of the bus positions between 174, 5, and  
16 202.

17 A. Okay.

18 Q. Can you tell us where the bus at  
19 position 187 is on this diagram?

20 A. Yes. I think what I should do is  
21 just -- 187 is that one right there. So it would  
22 be that one right there.

23 Q. Okay. I'm going to ask you, if you  
24 would, sir, to show the jury where you think that  
25 is on the picture there.

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1           A.    Okay.  You can see the bus outline is  
2 highlighted in blue here.  There's a lot of buses  
3 turned on right now, so it's a little hard to  
4 tell, but this is the extent of the bus in the  
5 blue rectangle.

6           Q.    Can you set it up so the only blue  
7 rectangle is 187?

8           A.    I can show only 187 bus and the rest of  
9 them, I can hide.

10          Q.    If you would.

11          A.    Okay.  Okay.

12          Q.    That only shows frame 187?

13          A.    Yeah.  Let me also -- this hasn't come  
14 into play yet, so let's get rid of this here.  
15 Okay.

16          Q.    Okay.  Now, if you would put back the  
17 entire set of buses, leaving in the -- you added  
18 the doctor, right, at the right front of the bus?

19          A.    Yeah.  Now I've got to give you all of  
20 them again.

21          Q.    Now, I want to understand, sir -- and  
22 hear me just so that we're clear -- if someone  
23 came up and told you that I was there and I  
24 witnessed the occurrence and, instead of the  
25 contact being by the right front tire, it was all

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1 the way toward the back of the bus, would you say  
2 that their perception of what happened was not  
3 accurate?

4 A. I think what you're referring to is the  
5 initial contact where I have it mapped onto the  
6 bus with the smudge mark.

7 Q. Right.

8 A. I would say we have evidence that  
9 indicates, strong evidence, that indicates that  
10 the initial contact happened near that right front  
11 tire.

12 Q. And if someone came in and said, "I was  
13 there. I was on the ground. I watched it happen.  
14 It happened closer to the rear tires, the rear  
15 section of the bus," would you conclude that his  
16 perception, based on where he was, what he was  
17 doing, that sort of thing, was inaccurate?

18 A. Could be that, sure.

19 Q. In terms of what we have up here,  
20 including the point where you have placed the  
21 doctor at 187, this depiction is not an  
22 abstraction, is it?

23 A. The depiction for the bus path is not an  
24 abstraction. The depiction of this position for  
25 the doctor contacting the bus is an assumption

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1 based on good evidence, but, again, I can't map  
2 the exact position of the bike using  
3 photogrammetry. We're just actually making the  
4 best assumption that we can based on the evidence  
5 that we have. So that's pretty good.

6 Then this final position was surveyed by  
7 the police and is also visible in the footage. So  
8 those things are not assumptions.

9 Q. Okay. So the things that are not  
10 assumptions are the bus path and the final resting  
11 place for Dr. Khiabani?

12 A. Or I should say not hypothetical.  
13 They're based on evidence.

14 Q. So those things are not abstractions.  
15 They're based on the video footage, measurements  
16 made by the police, and your analysis of that  
17 evidence?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And so if all of us had been in a hot  
20 air balloon, in the basket of a hot air balloon,  
21 floating over this intersection when the accident  
22 occurred, we would have seen that bus path and we  
23 would have seen Dr. Khiabani where he's indicated?

24 A. Very likely, yes.

25 Q. Now, in terms of positioning him at 187

1 as the point of contact, that is a conclusion that  
2 you made based on your analysis of the smudges on  
3 the bus?

4 A. Based on the smudge where the handlebar  
5 rubbed up against the bus.

6 Q. I was actually talking about 184, 5, 6,  
7 and 7.

8 A. Okay. So then let's not call that a  
9 smudge. Let's call it a dark profile.

10 Q. I apologize. I did not mean anything by  
11 the use of the term except that it is not a clear  
12 picture of the doctor; it is a profile that you  
13 have interpreted is the doctor?

14 A. Right.

15 Q. If that interpretation is correct, 187  
16 is where the doctor contacted the bus?

17 A. That's the best we can determine from  
18 the information we have.

19 Q. Okay. Now, in terms of the line of the  
20 buses that we have up there now, is the top bus  
21 174 on this?

22 A. This here?

23 Q. Yes.

24 A. That's 174.

25 Q. All right. So how much time passes

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1 between when the doctor hits the bus and 174?

2 A. So the doctor hits the bus at 187, and  
3 then frame 174 is 13 frames earlier. So that's  
4 1.3 seconds.

5 Q. Okay. And if the bus is traveling at  
6 25 miles per hour, you can calculate how far back  
7 that is?

8 A. I could, yes.

9 Q. How far back is that?

10 A. Can you give me a moment to do the math?

11 Q. Absolutely.

12 A. Okay. We're going to say 1.3 seconds.  
13 And you want to assume 25 miles per hour?

14 Q. Well, I thought you measured 25 miles  
15 per hour.

16 A. We measured it for 180 forward. We  
17 didn't measure it from 174. I think we can use  
18 that as an assumption, but it's probably not  
19 exact.

20 Q. Why don't you go back to the chart  
21 you're talking about.

22 A. What I need is the report. Where is  
23 that? Here. Okay.

24 Q. Now, in this chart you have indicated to  
25 the right how you measured the speed?

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1 A. Right.

2 Q. And those measurements were based on the  
3 video from Red Rock?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And your measurement of the distance  
6 traveled and the time that elapsed?

7 A. Specifically, you see these highlighted  
8 frame numbers. Those are .2 seconds apart. We  
9 can measure how far the bus has gone in those .2  
10 seconds, and we've got the distance and the time  
11 to calculate the speed.

12 Q. So what is the average speed between 180  
13 and the last one, 202?

14 A. Well, I'd have to pull up the  
15 spreadsheet. Here, you're seeing the average  
16 within each of these time periods of .2 seconds.  
17 So --

18 Q. But the average over the entire  
19 distance?

20 A. I'd have to get the spreadsheet to do  
21 the full average. We can look at it and say it's  
22 up to 25.8 here, and now it's going slower. It  
23 starts out a little slower. So I think that 25 is  
24 a reasonable assumption between 180 and 202.

25 Q. So now go back to the one we were

1 looking at, at 174.

2 A. All right.

3 Q. So, if you assume that the bus traveled  
4 at 25 miles per hour between 174 location and 187,  
5 how far did the bus travel?

6 A. Okay. So we're going to assume that. I  
7 didn't calculate it.

8 Q. I understand you only calculated from  
9 180 to 202. I'm asking you to assume that that  
10 average is valid from 174 to 187.

11 A. So 25 miles per hour. And then we're  
12 going to apply a conversion.

13 Okay. So the conversion is 25 times  
14 1.467. So that would be equal to about 36.7 feet  
15 per second. And then we're going to say it's  
16 going to travel 1.3 seconds. Times 1.3. That's  
17 47.7 feet of travel distance.

18 Q. So what is the distance again, sir?

19 A. Travel distance, 47.7 feet between  
20 position 174 --

21 Q. This position here, 187?

22 A. -- and 187.

23 Q. So 187, the doctor meets the bus. Back  
24 to 174 is 47 feet?

25 A. Approximately, if you use that 25 miles

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1 per hour. If you want, I could actually bring up  
2 and measure the actual distance based on the  
3 matched photo. It might be a little less than  
4 that.

5 Q. Taking the 47 feet into account, do you  
6 have any evidence that you used to determine what  
7 the average speed of the bike was over the same  
8 1.3 seconds?

9 A. I did not. I did not have any evidence  
10 to know the speed of the bike over that time.

11 Q. If we assume the same speed of the bike  
12 that you assumed earlier when you were talking  
13 about Mr. Plantz, of 12 miles per hour. Okay?

14 A. 12 miles per hour. Okay.

15 Q. Over the 1.3 seconds, how far did the  
16 bike travel?

17 A. So 12 miles per hour times that same  
18 conversion factor, that's equal to 17.6 feet per  
19 second, times 1.3 seconds. So that would be  
20 22.9 feet.

21 Q. Now, can you put the bike at 22.9 feet  
22 back from 187?

23 A. Sure.

24 Q. Would you be so kind.

25 A. It would be easier for me to do it

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1 without all these buses present. Do you mind if I  
2 just turn on the ones that you are talking about?

3 Q. Okay. Leave 174.

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. 187.

6 A. So you want 187. So 174 would be this  
7 one. So this is 174.

8 Q. Can you take out the bike?

9 A. Take out the bike.

10 Q. Now show us 187.

11 A. Okay. Get rid of this little artifact  
12 as well.

13 187 is here. Okay.

14 Q. Okay. So the distance from the top of  
15 187 to 174 is how many feet?

16 A. It's approximately -- here, it's  
17 46.1 feet.

18 Q. Okay. Now I want you to move the  
19 bike -- is this 187, where you have him here?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. I want you to move him back 22 feet.  
22 Was it 22 that you found?

23 A. 22.9.

24 Q. 22.9.

25 A. You want a bike that's leaning over like

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1 this or one that's upright?

2 Q. Just upright.

3 A. So what I'll do, then, is I'm going to  
4 grab this guy that we hid before and move him.  
5 Okay.

6 Q. Okay.

7 A. Now, I haven't figured out the distance.  
8 You said you wanted 22.9 feet back?

9 Q. Well, I wanted the distance the bike  
10 would have traveled during the 1.3 seconds that  
11 the bus went between 174 and 187.

12 A. So, again, I don't know how far it  
13 traveled, but if you assume 12 miles per hour for  
14 the bicycle --

15 Q. Correct.

16 A. -- then I can calculate that distance  
17 over 1.3 seconds as 22.9 feet. So what I'm going  
18 to do is I'm going to start the bicycle at this  
19 location. You can see it is upright instead of  
20 kind of leaning into the bike. Then I'm going to  
21 move it back 22.9 feet.

22 Q. Okay.

23 A. So 22.9 feet. Then I'm just going to  
24 confirm the measurement here. I don't really know  
25 what position it is in, so I probably should just



1 have it the same way it was as opposed to  
2 assuming. Make it parallel to the crosswalk lines  
3 here. And double-check the measurements.

4 22.7 feet. So it's got to go .2 feet more.

5 Let's try that again. Oh, I know why.  
6 So let's say -- okay. We're in the ballpark here.

7 Q. Okay. Can you show us the whole thing  
8 you've created there?

9 A. Yep.

10 Q. Can you see -- you can reduce the size,  
11 but can we see more of the bus at 174. All right.  
12 That's good.

13 Now, if I understand what you have done,  
14 then, your analysis fixes this bus at 187?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And this is true and correct. And if we  
17 had been in our hot air balloon, that's where it  
18 would have been?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. This is at 174?

21 A. Yes.

22 Q. And this is true and correct and where  
23 it would have been if we were there in our hot air  
24 balloon?

25 A. As far as the front. I'm not a hundred

1 percent sure about the back of the bus, but the  
2 front of the bus, yes.

3 Q. True and correct, absolute fact; not  
4 abstraction, not hypothetical?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. Now, the bike here at this position is  
7 based on your conclusion that you have described?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. The only thing I asked you to assume was  
10 the speed of the bike.

11 A. Correct.

12 Q. Because you measured the speed of the  
13 bus --

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. -- and averaged it, used that 25?

16 A. Which is approximately right, yes.

17 Q. And then -- but you were given or you  
18 assumed or you accepted 12 miles per hour for the  
19 bus?

20 A. For the bicycle.

21 Q. Sorry. For the bicycle.

22 A. Hypothetical for the most part.

23 Q. But it's something that you were  
24 comfortable with?

25 A. I don't know what to be comfortable

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1 with, to be honest. I've ridden at speeds that  
2 are that the speed; I've ridden at higher and  
3 lower.

4 Q. You were told to use 12 and you did?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And you have no way of independently  
7 verifying that 12 is correct?

8 A. That's right.

9 Q. All right. I want you to take out the  
10 bus from 187.

11 A. Okay.

12 Q. And I want you to take out the bike that  
13 you have located next to the bus at 174. Okay?

14 A. Yep.

15 Q. Can you back it up a little bit so we  
16 can see the -- so based on your model, the  
17 assumption about the bike's speed, right, and the  
18 fact that the bus hit at 187, that's what would  
19 have been in existence at the time the event  
20 began?

21 A. I think the only other thing I would add  
22 to that description to make it a hundred percent  
23 correct is that we also, in addition to not  
24 knowing the speed of the bike, we don't know the  
25 position of the bike. So it could have been here,

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1 outside the bike lane. It could have been in the  
2 bike lane. We just don't know.

3 Q. But in terms of where it was in front of  
4 the bus, that's a fair and accurate representation  
5 based on your work as to where the bike was in  
6 front of the bus when the incident began to  
7 unfold?

8 A. Again, I don't know where the bike was  
9 at this point.

10 Q. But in terms of in front of?

11 A. You're talking about the distance?

12 Q. From the bumper to the bike.

13 A. I mean, if you assume 12 miles per hour,  
14 it would be -- it could be here, you know, it  
15 could be down here some or up here some, but we  
16 just don't know. In that direction we don't know.  
17 It could have been there. It's possible.

18 Q. But it would have been about 12 feet in  
19 front of the bus, half the distance?

20 A. 12 feet? Where is that coming from?  
21 You said 12 miles per hour.

22 Q. I'm sorry. How much distance between  
23 the bus in this depiction and the bike?

24 A. So you want to know the distance from  
25 the rear tire of the bike to the front of the bus?

1 Q. Yes.

2 A. Okay. Looks like about 10 feet.

3 Q. Okay. All right. So at the time this  
4 began to unfold, then, are you relatively  
5 confident, assuming only the speed of the bike,  
6 that the bike was about 10 feet in front of the  
7 bus?

8 A. Not really.

9 Q. Why not?

10 A. Because, again, I don't have any way of  
11 knowing where the bike was. So if the bike is  
12 further down here, then, you know, it would be  
13 back and forth a little bit. So there's a lot of  
14 assumptions at play here.

15 I mean, we can look at this, and it's a  
16 good hypothetical to look at, but I wouldn't want  
17 to get tied to 10 feet in front of the bus. I  
18 think it would be a mistake to do that.

19 Q. But, in any event, it is some distance  
20 in front of the bus?

21 A. Assuming a 12-miles-per-hour speed, yes.

22 Q. At the time this event unfolds, we've  
23 already determined that the bus is beginning to  
24 move to the left?

25 A. That is true. It looks like it's

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1 starting to move to the left from 174 on, yes.

2 Q. Now, do you have any expertise in  
3 determining perception-reaction?

4 A. No.

5 Q. You know it exists?

6 A. I've worked on cases where it's  
7 discussed a lot, so I know it exists.

8 Q. But you don't know what it is or how it  
9 would factor in?

10 A. I guess what I would say is I'm not a  
11 learned expert in that field, so I would hesitate  
12 to offer an expert opinion. But I know enough  
13 about it to talk about it, and I can certainly  
14 hear your question.

15 Q. Well, if there's a perception-reaction  
16 time involved -- by the way, did you read the  
17 testimony of Mr. Hubbard?

18 A. I did not.

19 Q. Do you know anything about what he said  
20 he did when he saw the bike in front of him coming  
21 into his lane?

22 A. I don't recall exactly.

23 Q. Okay. So you don't know whether or not  
24 he said he made a left-hand turn?

25 A. I don't know.

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1 Q. So if we consider your model, your  
2 analysis of where the bus is, the bus path was, as  
3 a fact?

4 A. Okay.

5 Q. If we consider where Dr. Khiabani was  
6 when he made contact as a fact or as an opinion  
7 based on fact and a good assumption -- correct?

8 A. The assumption being 12 miles per hour  
9 for the speed?

10 Q. No. The assumption being that the  
11 shadow that you saw against the bus was, in fact,  
12 Dr. Khiabani and that's where he struck or came in  
13 contact.

14 A. In other words, the assumption is around  
15 where was Dr. Khiabani when he had made that  
16 initial contact?

17 Q. Correct.

18 A. That's a good assumption. That's a good  
19 analysis of the situation based on the evidence  
20 that we have.

21 Q. And that's frame 187?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. If we take the speed of the bus and the  
24 speed of the bike that you were directed to use,  
25 12 miles per hour --

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. -- and back it up, we get a picture that  
3 looks like this?

4 A. Something like this.

5 Q. And at this point, the bus is already  
6 turning to the left?

7 A. I don't know if I would use the word  
8 "turn," just because I don't know if it was  
9 turning or not, but it was clear that there was  
10 some movement happening to the left, and what the  
11 source of that is is not a hundred percent sure.

12 Q. In terms of this model, your model, and  
13 this picture that we have identified here --

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. -- can you now back this up a second?

16 A. You want me to move people back a second  
17 from here?

18 Q. One second.

19 A. So one second at 12 miles per hour.

20 Q. Well, the bus first, if you would.

21 A. Okay. Hold on. So we're changing it  
22 enough that I'm just going to make a different  
23 copy of this thing in case we need to get back to  
24 the old one for some reason.

25 Q. Okay.

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1 A. What speed do you want to use for the  
2 bus?

3 Q. Well, the same speed that you calculated  
4 between frames 180 and 202 -- 25.

5 A. 25 miles per hour times 1 point --  
6 25 miles per hour equals 36.7 feet per second  
7 times 1 second equals 36.7 feet. And 12 miles per  
8 hour is what you want to use for the bike still?

9 Q. Well, I believe that the expert that has  
10 testified before you, Caldwell, accident  
11 reconstructionist for plaintiff, said 12.

12 A. So you want to use 12?

13 Q. I want to use 12.

14 A. So 12 miles per hour equals 17.6 feet  
15 per second, times 1 second equals 17.6 feet. So  
16 you want me to back him up accordingly?

17 Q. Yes.

18 A. Okay. I'm going to back this guy up.

19 Okay. There's the new picture for you,  
20 one second previous.

21 Q. One second earlier?

22 A. Yeah.

23 Q. What is the distance between the bus and  
24 the back tire of the bike?

25 A. Oops. Hold on. Let's try that again.

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1           It's about 29 feet, 29 1/2 feet.

2           Q.   How much has it increased since the last  
3 model I asked you to prepare?

4           A.   Let's see. The last one, it was roughly  
5 10, so about 19 feet.

6           Q.   Would it be fair to say, then, as we  
7 back this up, every second we back this up the  
8 bike moves 10 feet farther in front of the bus?

9           A.   If you assume those speeds and if you  
10 assume there's no other steering movements, which  
11 we have no idea if that's the case, then that  
12 would be a fair assumption.

13          Q.   Okay. If Mr. Hubbard made a turn to the  
14 left intentionally, do you have any idea what he  
15 saw that told him he needed to turn to the left?

16          A.   No.

17          Q.   But there is no question in your mind  
18 but that the bus was moving to the left at least  
19 as early as frame 170?

20          A.   No. I would say 174 was the frame where  
21 you see that there's -- from there on, it's clear  
22 there's some movement to the left. That's the  
23 extent of the frames that we have available to  
24 review.

25          Q.   But you had the front of the bus at 170?

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1 A. No, 174.

2 Q. 174. So it's clear, then, that from 174  
3 forward the bus is moving to the left?

4 A. That's right.

5 Q. And -- okay. Thank you, sir. That's  
6 all I have.

7 Oh, wait.

8 On this model that you've drawn right  
9 here, sir --

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. -- can you show us what the driver, bus  
12 driver, would have seen?

13 A. From this arrangement? Yes.

14 There you go.

15 Q. Okay. Mr. Pears?

16 A. And, again, I should point out this  
17 assumes that he's kind of leaning slightly to the  
18 left, so it's possible he would have been sitting  
19 differently in the seat. But he is obstructed at  
20 this position by the A-pillar.

21 Q. And Mr. Plantz?

22 A. So he's obstructed by the bus driver at  
23 this point.

24 Q. Okay. Go back to the bus driver.

25 A. Okay.

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1 Q. What does he see if the bike is where it  
2 is in this -- and this is what the driver would  
3 have seen one second before frame 174?

4 A. Under a lot of assumptions, this is what  
5 he could have seen, yes.

6 Q. What are the assumptions?

7 A. So we're assuming a speed of both the  
8 bus and the bicycle that we are not sure of. And  
9 we're assuming, you know, steering events that may  
10 or may not have happened.

11 And then the other thing I should say is  
12 we don't know for sure exactly what the driver was  
13 looking at or exactly how they were positioned.  
14 But this is a good -- it's a good possible -- a  
15 good possibility that this might have been what  
16 they had seen about a second before.

17 Q. So the only assumptions are the speed of  
18 the bus and the speed of the bike?

19 A. The speed of the bus, the speed of the  
20 bike, whether or not there was any steering  
21 movements. We don't know those for sure. And  
22 also, you know, what the position of the bus  
23 driver or what he was looking at, we don't know  
24 that for sure either.

25 Q. What the driver was actually looking at?