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Re:

Toschi, et al.v. County of San Mateo, et al.

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am in receipt of your correspondence dated September 5, 2008, sent via facsimile and attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which is apparently in response to my notices for the continued depositions of your clients, plaintiffs Michael and Tracy Toschi. Please consider this a meet and confer letter on the length of time to take the depositions of your clients.

In your letter, you have limited the continued depositions of each plaintiff to one hour, which is insufficient, and is inconsistent with Judge Chesney's position during the hearing on Plaintiffs' motion to amend the complaint on June 27, 2008. (See excerpts from Reporter's Transcripts of Proceedings dated 6/27/08, pp. 26-29 attached hereto as Exhibit "B".) I advised Judge Chesney that we had exhausted our seven hour limits as to each plaintiff, and advised that there was much more to be discovered, including the alleged conspiracy. (Transcript, p. 28, lines 9-14.) Judge Chesney stated that defendants would have more time to take plaintiffs' depositions (Transcript, p. 28, line 15), particularly in view of the new allegations of equal protection violations. (Transcript, p. 28, lines 17-25; p. 29, lines 1-5.)

Further, I stated near the end of Michael Toschi's second deposition session on May 13, 2008, that I had not completed my questioning, and that I would need at least six more hours to take Mr. Toschi's deposition. This does not even account for the questions which Lisa Cummins, Esq. may have on behalf of defendants Donald and Rhonda Dallimonti. (See excerpt from Michael Toschi's Deposition, Vol. II, dated 5/13/08, attached hereto as Exhibit "C," p. 275, lines 17-25, and pp. 276-277.)

Michael Toschi has not been very forthcoming, and has been very evasive in his testimony thus far. Simply put, he has wasted a good deal of our time during the initial seven hours of deposition testimony. For example, in Volume I of his deposition taken March 20, 2008, Mr. Toschi asked me to define what a "berm" was, and took twenty to thirty pages of questions and answers to finally agree to what a berm was, even though he had frequently used and understood the term before this lawsuit was filed. In Volume II of his deposition, he took cues from the objections made by Brian Gearinger, and altered his testimony accordingly. (See Deposition Transcript, Exhibit "C," pp. 186-193). The excerpts I have attached are just a few of the many examples in which Mr. Toschi has followed cues from his counsel, or has stalled or otherwise avoided answering key questions which directly relate to the allegations of the complaint. Your clients conduct is nothing more than gamesmanship designed to stall and exhaust our time limits.

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Finally, Ms. Cummins and I have spoken with Mr. Gearinger about our need for more time to depose Mr. and Mrs. Toschi, and he stated that we should forward our estimates to him. Since then, Judge Chesney has ruled that we should have more time to depose the plaintiffs. Ms. Cummins and I believe we need at least ten more hours for Michael Toschi, and at least six more hours for Tracy Toschi. We noticed Mr. Toschi's deposition for September 16, 2008, and Mrs. Toschi's deposition for September 17, 2008. Yet, you said you were unavailable, and you limited their depositions to one hour each on October 8, 2008, the same day in which Jayme DuBois and Pamela Schnur are scheduled. This is obviously not going to work.

I suggest that you should offer your clients for depositions on the week following the close of fact discovery. I am available on October 15-17<sup>th</sup>, and the week of October 20<sup>th</sup>. If you do not agree to the length of time necessary, and to the foregoing dates, I will have no choice but to file a motion to compel these depositions, with sanctions.

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL P. MURPHY, COUNTY COUNSEL

V Raymond Swone III Deputy County Counse

MPM:VRS/al

cc:

Brian Gearinger, Esq.

Lisa Jeong Cummins, Esq.

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(EXHIBIT A)

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Re:

Toschi v. County of San Mateo, et al.

<u>USDC – Northern District, Case No. C-07-3625</u>

Dear Mr. Swope:

I have received your deposition notices for my clients. Unfortunately, I have a conflict with September 16 and 17, 2008. However, we will agree to produce Michael and Tracy Toschi for depositions to last no longer than one hour each, on October 8, 2008.

Sincerely,

DICTATED BUT NOT READ

John Houston Scott

JHS/tsp

cc: Brian Gearinger

Michael and Tracy Toschi

(EXHIBIT B)

United States District Court

Northern District of California

Before The Honorable Maxine M. Chesney

Michael Toschi, et al.,

Plaintiff,

Vs.

County of San Mateo, )

Defendant.

San Francisco, California Friday, June 27, 2008

No. C07-3625 MMC

# Reporter's Transcript Of Proceedings

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et al.,

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Reported By:

Sahar McVickar, RPR, CSR No. 12963 Official Reporter, U.S. District Court For the Northern District of California

(Computerized Transcription By Eclipse)

# Friday, June 27, 2008 9:00 a.m. 2 PROCEEDINGS 3 THE CLERK: Calling civil case No. 07-3625, Michael and Tracy Toschi versus the County of San Mateo. 4 5 Counsel, please state your appearances for the 6 record. 7 MR. GEARINGER: Good morning, Your Honor. 8 Brian Derringer and my colleague, Steven LaRoe, 9 for plaintiffs, Michael and Tracy Toschi. 10 THE COURT: Thank you. 11 MS. WOODWARD: Good morning. 12 Carol Woodward, county counsel on behalf of the 13 defendant, the county defendants. 14 THE COURT: Thank you. 15 MR. SWOPE: Good morning. 16 Raymond Swope, deputy county counsel on behalf of 17 defendants. 18 Lisa Cummins appearing on behalf of MS. CUMMINS: defendants, Don and Rhonda Dallimonti.. 19 20 THE COURT: I gather most of you got the message 21 that we were going to start a half hour late. Some of you 22 coming from farther away may not have gotten the message, so 23 sorry for that. 24 I have the motion to file an amended complaint; I 25 thought it was best to have you come in rather than just make

MR. GEARINGER: What I said, Your Honor, was that formalized what we believed, informally, all along, our clients talked with their neighbor, and we confirmed it under oath.

THE COURT: Of course, you could have pled it earlier, if your client is saying it. I mean, your client hasn't been hesitant to make allegations that are disputed by other people. So, if Ms. Whipps had denied that she told them that, they would still have information and belief, which was the basis of much of this.

MR. SWOPE: But, there is a lot of discretion and pragmatics that goes into the waterflow management, and that is vested in Public Works.

THE COURT: Well, you may --

MR. SWOPE: And, I believe --

THE COURT: Okay, but that's a defense to this, okay.

MR. SWOPE: Yes.

THE COURT: So, they may be prepared to say that these people are not similarly situated. For example, if Ms. Whipps moved the water off her property, it wasn't going into anybody else's property to cause damage, unlike the claim, here, that the water is going into someone's property and causing damage. All right, so that's the ground.

I could see some amount of discovery being required for that claim because the claim doesn't seem to be supported,

necessarily, by your complaint, or you can't point to where you said all that earlier. So, that's kind of a new idea.

Equal protection is very different than you did me wrong in my one instance. It brings in all kinds of other concepts and how other people have been treated far beyond just Ms. Whipps and this person. And so, that could change things markedly, if you really want to plead that as one of your many claims.

You know, you don't need to go to a form book and find every possible cause of action that might be available, but, if you are afraid you might have left a stone unturned here, let alone the trees -- okay.

So -- but keeping in mind you have two different goals. One appears to be to cover every possible theory of liability and involve every possible individual who may be liable thereunder and getting a fast trial and speedy resolution of the problem. These have to be reconciled in some way because they are in conflict. Okay.

Now, we talked about all these things. It isn't clear to me what particular additional discovery the defendant -- defendants anticipated by these changes. One is they've still got to get the tree worked out, both your expert and theirs; they may have to look further into equal protection and not only Ms. Whipps, but other people. And also, I don't know if their decision with respect to Ms. Whipps brings in all

kinds of other disputed issues about property runoff and whether anybody was, or was not, harmed by Ms. Whipps' actions or what they had reason to believe.

And then, you have the extra people, okay, two out, two in. The County will defend, if Mr. Marelich and Mr. Costa come in, just like they defended the other two people.

MR. SWOPE: That's correct, Your Honor.

THE COURT: Okay.

MR. SWOPE: But, coupled with that is the defense of certain allegations. I have to ask the plaintiffs specifically how, number one, they deprived the Toschis of their rights and what Mr. Marelich and Mr. Costa actually did to conspire against them. Now, we've already exhausted our seven hours of discovery.

THE COURT: So, you'll have more.

MR. SWOPE: Thank you.

THE COURT: Yeah.

Now, if you cannot agree on how much more you should have, or whether you should have more -- I can say that it appears to me that you should have more. If somebody is not only saying the following: You changed this way, no I didn't, fine, then he's already said that, okay. But, if you say you conspired, these people are not simply being alleged to have done something wrong negligently, they are accused of intentionally being in cahoots with nasty neighbors, and that

everybody is in it together, and it's a vast right-wing conspiracy fueled by law enforcement connections.

Okay, now, if that's the case, that involves other kinds of discovery. Okay, now, and I don't see you dropping anything. I see you adding, not dropping.

So, now, we get to the question of let's say that you might be able to add some of these people in, primarily because all of you agree to push back the discovery; if you had kept a tight discovery time line, that might affect the Court's view as to what you should be allowed to put in, when you should have figured all this out, et cetera, et cetera.

When you agreed to push back the experts, for example, I think you were trying to save money until you could get a chance to have your settlement conference with Magistrate Judge Spero, that was the articulated reason. So I said, well, okay, the parties have been spending a lot of money, maybe we can save them some money. Okay, so I approved that. So, the experts are way off.

Your fact discovery is still pretty far off, too.

MS. WOODWARD: Two weeks.

THE COURT: No, I think -- is that all you have?

MS. WOODWARD: July 15th.

THE COURT: Oh, you only have two weeks?

MS. WOODWARD: And the summary judgment deadline is

August 1st, that is four weeks.

#### CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

I, Sahar McVickar, Official Court Reporter for the United States Court, Northern District of California, hereby certify that the foregoing proceedings were reported by me, a certified shorthand reporter, and were thereafter transcribed under my direction into typewriting; that the foregoing is a full, complete and true record of said proceedings as bound by me at the time of filing. The validity of the reporter's certification of said transcript may be void upon disassembly and/or removal from the court file.

Sahar McVickar, RPR, CSR No. 12963

July 8, 2008

(EXHIBIT C)

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 3 4 MICHAEL TOSCHI AND TRACY 5 TOSCHI, 6 Plaintiffs, 7 vs. No. C-07-3625 MMC 8 COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, DON DALLIMONTI, RHONDA . 9 DALLIMONTI, NEIL CULLEN, BRIAN LEE, DAVID WEIDNER, and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, 10 11 Defendants. 12 13 14 DEPOSITION OF MICHAEL TOSCHI 15 Tuesday, May 13, 2008 16 Volume II, Pages 176 - 278 17 Reported by: R. Chayo Ayon, CSR # 12372 18 The original of this deposition 19 is in our office for signature and will be sealed in 35 days 20 unless otherwise notified, 21 22 Uccelli & Associates Certified Shorthand Reporters 23 1243 Mission Road South San Francisco, CA 94080 24 650.952.0774 fax 650.952.8688

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21	RHONDA DALLIMONTI
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1 BY MR. SWOPE: 2 0. You alleged -- I'm sorry. 3 You alleged on September 28, 2006, that Mr. Marelich and Mr. Dallimonti were friends. do you know that Mr. Marelich and Mr. Dallimonti were 5 6 friends? 7 MR. GEARINGER: As of today? 8 MR. SWOPE: Yes. 9 THE WITNESS: How do I --10 BY MR. SWOPE: 11 0. I'm going to ask the question again. No. 12 How did you know in September of 2006 that 13 Mr. Marelich and Mr. Dallimonti were friends? 14 Α. Through conversations that I had with 15 different county employees witnessing Mark and Don speaking to each other, having Mark and the county 16 17 respond to some of the requests by Don within minutes when, if any other neighbor requested the county to 18 19 attend to something, it wouldn't happen for weeks. 20 I don't know. I mean, just a whole variety of factors contributed to my belief of him being 21 22 friends with Don. 23 Let's go through those factors, Mr. Toschi. Q. 24 What other factors do you have to support your claim that in September of 2006 that Mark Marelich 25

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and Don Dallimonti were friends?
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                MR. GEARINGER:
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      2006, Mark Marelich was a friend of Don Dallimonti.
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      other factors do you have beyond which you've testified
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      to to support your belief that Mark Marelich and Don
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                I really don't know what?
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      Dallimonti and Mark Marelich were friends back in
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     September 2006 in terms of your personal knowledge, do
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                MR. GEARINGER: Objection. Argumentative.
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1 THE WITNESS: Well, to say that I know that they were friends or that I perceived that they were 2 friends, I don't know how you would define "friends," 3 but they knew each other, and they had conversations, 4 and I witnessed them speaking to each other. 5 6 Some very coincidental situations happened that unless they spoke to each other and maintained 7 some sort of friendly relationship, Don and Mark and  ${\tt I}$ 8 wouldn't have had encountered. 9

One being the time that Don came out the day that I met him up on the road.

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- Q. What day that you met him on the road?
- A. Well, actually, I met Mark several times, but one day Don came out.

He happened to come out right at the moment that we came to the property and interrupted our conversation with, you know, seemed to me information that he already knew what was happening, what was going on and what was going to be discussed.

That kind of thing.

- Q. Okay. How do you know? Do you have any personal knowledge that Mr. Dallimonti knew what was going to be discussed before it was discussed?
- A. On that particular incident?

1 Q. Yes. 2 Well, my personal knowledge is I was there Α. 3 that day when it happened. 4 I'm asking you what personal knowledge do you 5 have that Don Dallimonti knew what the purpose was and 6 what was going to transpire before he got there? 7 MR. SWOPE: Excuse me. Can you read the 8 question? 9 (Record read.) 10 THE WITNESS: I knew that because of the way 11 Don approached Mark and I and what he said. And so 12 that gave me the information to know that he knew what 13 was happening. And so they must have had a 14 conversation. 15 I didn't hear their conversation, if that's 16 what you're asking me. 17 BY MR. SWOPE: 18 Q. So you have no personal knowledge as to 19 whether Don Dallimonti actually knew what the meeting 20 was about on this incident that occurred -- the meeting 21 with Mark Marelich? 22 MR. GEARINGER: Objection. Asked and 23 answered. 24 Go ahead. 25 THE WITNESS: I have the same answer as I had

- 1 before.
- 2 BY MR. SWOPE:
- 3 Q. Now, you see, Mr. Toschi, we're trying to get
- 4 discovery from you. I don't want your attorney
- 5 | coaching you. I don't want you to take cues from your
- 6 attorney.
- 7 Your attorney is lodging objections that are
- 8 appropriate to lodge to preserve the record, and he's
- 9 preserving his objections for the purposes of trial.
- 10 | A. Uh-huh.
- 11 Q. Is that a yes?
- 12 A. I understand.
- 13 | Q. Thank you.
- However, this is discovery, and this is a

  deposition. And I have the right to ask you questions

  concerning certain matters that are very key to this -
  the whole case. And that's why we're preserving your
- 18 testimony.
- But don't think just because your attorney is
- 20 | making an objection that you don't have an obligation
- 21 to answer. And don't take any cues as being coached on
- 22 the record as to how to answer these questions.
- Do you understand that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. So I think it's important that you answer the

1 question notwithstanding the objection unless your 2 attorney instructs you not to answer. 3 Is that fair? 4 Α. Can you say that one more time. 5 0. Okay. You have an obligation to answer the 6 questions notwithstanding your attorney's objection unless your attorney instructs you not to answer. 7 8 Do you understand that? 9 Α. Yes. 10 Q. Okay. 11 MR. GEARINGER: And there's no coaching going 12 on, Raymond. You're asking the same question. If you didn't like the first answer, he's not going to change 13 14 it just because you ask it again. 15 MR. SWOPE: Mr. Gearinger, with all due 1.6 respect, I know that you don't coach witnesses. 17 But notwithstanding the fact that you don't 18 coach witnesses, Mr. Toschi is taking cues from your 19 objections that you have a right to make. And he is 20 altering his testimony or his response based upon the 21 objections that you make. 22 And that's a huge distinction. 23 accusing you of any of that. I never would. 24 MR. GEARINGER: I appreciate that, Raymond.

I disagree with the second part of your contention.

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But be that as it may, proceed. 1 2 BY MR. SWOPE: Q. But I think, Mr. Toschi, you understand that taking a direct cue -- and I can show you that you 5 have -- from Mr. Gearinger's objections that it's inappropriate, and you just need to independently 6 7 answer the question that's been asked. Okay? 8 Α. Okay. 9 Q. Because otherwise, we're going to be here a 10 lot longer than you want to be. Given the first 11 deposition, we didn't get very far because of this, and 12 that doesn't help anyone. 13 Α. Because of what? 14 Well, it took you 30 pages to appreciate what a "berm" was in your previous deposition, and I also 15 16 talked to you off the record about a berm. And you had been using the term "berm." And 17 1.8 you even used the term "berm" in the tape that we talked about in September of '06. 19 20 And yet suddenly you didn't know what a "berm" was and asked me to define a "berm." 21 22 And that's not helpful to the discovery 23 process, Mr. Toschi. 24 So let's have a fresh start and answer the 25 questions to the best of your ability, and we can have

1 | an efficient deposition. Okay?

Now, there was a meeting that you had with

Mr. Marelich about drainage issues on upper Park Road

when Mr. Dallimonti appeared that you've referred to in

5 | your testimony; correct?

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- 7 Q. And this was a meeting that was in April or 8 so of 2006; correct?
- 9 A. I don't recall the date.
- Q. And the question is, you didn't hear

  Mr. Marelich speaking with Mr. Dallimonti that this

  meeting was going to take place regarding your

  drainage, did you?
- A. Mr. Dallimonti -- I have witnessed

  Mr. Dallimonti speaking with Mr. Marelich.
- 16 Q. That wasn't the question, sir.

The question was in relation to this meeting that took place on or about April 27 of 2006, you didn't hear Mr. Marelich speaking with Mr. Dallimonti beforehand regarding what was going to happen during the course of the meeting with you, did you?

A. Well, I did hear him speaking with

Mr. Marelich before that happened. So my witness of Mark and Don's relationship and friendship, if that's what you're getting at, was established before we met

1 | put me through.

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- Q. Joe is acquiescing to some abuse that the county is putting you through?
- A. It's kind of a chain of events of me doing the work, the Dallimontis complaining about it, and Joe getting involved.

It just kept moving up the chain of command. And it seems like it started there. It seems that was sort of the point of misdoings. So I guess that's why he made the comment.

Q. What knowledge do you have?

MR. GEARINGER: Why don't you go ahead and exhaust all the questions on the six to eight months, and we'll call it a day.

I don't want you to quit in the middle of a line of questioning.

MR. SWOPE: But I may have more than just a couple minutes, and I don't want to hold you up. So why don't we adjourn now.

And I think what we're going to need is probably about six more hours of questioning. The way that the questioning has gone and the material that we have from discovery and the nature of the case has necessitated a minimum of that much time. And we haven't even gotten to Ms. Cummins' questions.

MS. CUMMINS: And we're still waiting for more documents.

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MR. GEARINGER: I just want to put on the record that we're stopping now because we're at the seven-hour mark for the deposition of Mr. Toschi.

And we've agreed amongst counsel that counsel for the defendants are going to make a proposal regarding continuing the deposition for some further length of time and that counsel for the Toschis will respond, and we'll either come to an agreement or, if necessary, the defendants may have to bring a discovery motion.

MR. SWOPE: And we very well may if we don't come to an agreement. We'll meet and confer. As good members of the bar, we will make our best efforts to try to resolve our dispute concerning the time.

But reasonable minds may differ as to what's necessary for the support of our case. But given the allegations and the personality issues that are alleged, it certainly is important to delve into because that's really the heart of the case.

MR. GEARINGER: What would be helpful is if you and Lisa, Ms. Cummins, get together and collectively figure out what your combined needs are, and both of you can get back to us.

1	MR. SWOPE: We will do that.
2	(Whereupon, the May 13, 2008, deposition of
3	MICHAEL TOSCHI ended at 2:13 p.m.)
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I, R. CHAYO AYON, duly authorized to administer oaths pursuant to Section 2093(b) of the California Code of Civil Procedure, do hereby certify that the witness in the foregoing deposition was by me duly sworn to testify the truth in the within-entitled cause; that said deposition was taken at the time and place therein cited; that testimony of said witness was reported by me and thereafter transcribed under my direction into typewriting; that the foregoing is a complete and accurate record of said testimony; and that the witness was given an opportunity to read and correct said deposition and to subscribe the same.

Should the signature of the witness not be affixed to the deposition, the witness shall not have availed himself/herself of the opportunity to sign or the signature has been waived.

I further certify that I am not of counsel nor attorney for any of the parties in the foregoing deposition and caption named nor in any way interested in the outcome of the cause named in said caption. DATED: MAY 28, 2008

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