

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

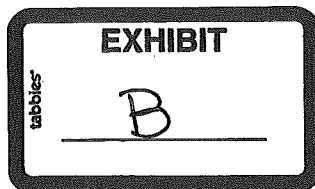
Case No. 10-CV-22236-ASG

HOWARD ADELMAN, et al.,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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vs.)	VOLUME I
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, et al.,)	
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Defendants.)	
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2350 South Dixie Highway
Miami, Florida
February 7, 2011
11:25 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

Videotaped Deposition of JUDITH SCLAWY

Taken before Victor Selvaggi, Jr., Certified
Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of
Florida at Large, pursuant to Notice of Taking Deposition
filed in the above cause.



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1 mishaps or injury to him while participating in this
2 activity.
3 Q Okay. Thank you. Now --
4 A It also --
5 MR. PELTZ: There is not a question pending.
6 BY MR. HASTY:
7 Q When you signed that on August 20, 2008, that is
8 your signature and the date?
9 A That is my signature and the date.
10 Q In your handwriting?
11 A Yes.
12 Q All right. If you had a question about what that
13 meant, did you ask anybody about it?
14 A Well, from reading it, I thought I understood it
15 as I just told you.
16 Q Okay.
17 A If I had a question, I would have asked.
18 Q Okay. Well, your lawyer made an objection that
19 there is a legal conclusion. So my question to you is,
20 did you ask any lawyer about this form?
21 MR. PELTZ: Object to the form and predicate.
22 THE WITNESS: I have never consulted a lawyer
23 before signing all these many forms that we were all given.
24 BY MR. HASTY:
25 Q Okay. Did you, in addition to not talking to a

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1 lawyer, did you ask any questions of either the scout
2 leaders or anybody connected with Troop 111 about that
3 language and what it meant?
4 A No, because to me it was clear, as I just told
5 you.
6 Q Okay. What time did Michael go to bed the night
7 before his 20-mile hike?
8 A Probably about 11 o'clock. I think he knew he had
9 to get up early the next morning, so I do know he did not
10 stay up late.
11 Q Okay. What did Michael eat for dinner that night,
12 if you remember?
13 A No, I don't remember.
14 Q Okay.
15 A This is too long ago.
16 Q Okay. Was there a dinner or meal in the home or
17 do you think he ate out that night?
18 A No, we often had family dinners.
19 Q Okay. And he was going over for the tutoring, so
20 was he at dinner that Friday night or had he left because
21 he had the tutoring?
22 A He ate dinner at home. He probably ate it later,
23 after.
24 Q Okay. Now, you mentioned Sam Kent.
25 Did Sam tell you after Michael went on the hike

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1 and passed away, what he and Michael talked about on that
2 Friday night at any time?
3 A No. It's not the kind of conversation I would
4 have like that.
5 Q Okay.
6 A Not that I recall.
7 Q All right.
8 A But so much that -- those weeks were just --
9 Q Okay. What time did Michael wake up Saturday
10 morning?
11 A About 6:00 a.m. or so.
12 Q Did you get him up or did you have an alarm, or
13 how was that?
14 A He had an alarm clock.
15 Q Okay. And what time did you get up that morning?
16 A About the same time.
17 Q Had your husband gotten home from work?
18 A No.
19 Q He was not in the house when Michael left.
20 A No.
21 Q Do you know if Michael and your husband spoke on
22 the cell phone at any time from the time he got up on
23 Saturday morning until the time you dropped him off at
24 the church?
25 A Yeah, he talked to him on the cell phone while I

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1 was driving him to the church. That was his last
2 conversation with Mikey.
3 Q Okay. Was Mike excited about going on that trip,
4 that hike?
5 A No, he would rather sleep in.
6 Q Okay. Did he talk to you about not going on the
7 hike? Did he say I don't want to do it, mom, I don't
8 feel like going?
9 A Yes.
10 Q And what happened with regard to that?
11 A We discussed whether or not he wanted to become an
12 Eagle Scout, and if he truly did, what he would need to
13 do, and we talked about not quitting just before the end
14 when -- if you make it, fine, if you don't, you don't,
15 but the end is within sight and one should try to the
16 last minute.
17 Q Okay. Did he tell you that he just didn't, he
18 didn't care anymore, he was going off to college and
19 whether he made Eagle Scout or not wasn't that important
20 to him anymore?
21 A Sometimes, yes.
22 Q Okay. I'm talking about that conversation.
23 A That was part of the conversation of whether or
24 not to do it. In the end, he decided to do it.
25 Q Okay. Did you pressure him to go on the hike?