

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
MIAMI DIVISION

CASE NO. 10-CV-22236-ASG

HOWARD ADELMAN and JUDITH
SCLAWY-ADELMAN, as Co-Personal
Representatives of the ESTATE OF
MICHAEL SCLAWY-ADELMAN,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA;
THE SOUTH FLORIDA COUNCIL, INC.,
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA; PLANTATION
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH; HOWARD K.
CROMPTON, individually, and ANDREW
L. SCHMIDT, individually,

Defendants.

11:00 a.m./5:40 p.m.
888 Las Olas Blvd. 508
Fort Lauderdale, Florida
September 14th, 2011

DEPOSITION

OF

DEAN KUBLER

Reported By:
Jennifer McCausland, Court Reporter
Notary Public, State of Florida

1 merit badge. If I had a list here, I could go down
2 it.

3 **Q Anymore with regard to the outdoor**
4 **activities that you can recall besides wilderness**
5 **survival, hiking, and high adventure?**

6 A I have done the Nature Merit Badge. I have
7 done camping; pioneering, orienteering.

8 And again, like I said, if I had a list here
9 I probably run down it.

10 **Q Now, during the time period that Michael**
11 **Adelman was a member of Troop 111, what was your**
12 **relationship with the troop during that time period?**

13 A I am not sure when Michael came into the
14 troop, but I was probably charter organization
15 representative.

16 **Q Are you a member of the Planation United**
17 **Methodist Church?**

18 A Yes, I am.

19 **Q Do you remember how long you were the**
20 **charter organization rep?**

21 A I believe I took that over about the end of
22 1995, mid 1996.

23 **Q And do you remember when you gave it up?**

24 A Well, I tried for many years,
25 unsuccessfully.

1 I believe the timeframe was probably about
2 2007.

3 Q Did Linda Vedsted take your place or --

4 A No. There was a very brief period of time
5 where another fellow said that he was going take it
6 over, and he did. But like within a month and a
7 half, six weeks or less, he said that he was not
8 going to do it. So it came back to me again.

9 I finally got Linda Vedsted to agree to take
10 it over.

11 Q Did you have any other specific jobs or
12 positions in connection with the Troop 111 during
13 the time period that Michael Adelman was a member,
14 other than charter organization rep?

15 A No.

16 Q Was there a time period when you ceased
17 being an assistant scoutmaster or is that something
18 that you have continued on?

19 A I could probably go back in today and become
20 the assistant scoutmaster. My job requirements did
21 not allow me to get to the meetings.

22 I had assignments that took me all across
23 the State of Florida.

24 Q When was the last time that you actively
25 served as an assistant scoutmaster?

1 A In that capacity?

2 Q **As an assistant scoutmaster.**

3 A It would be about the time that I became the
4 committee chair. Well, you can be an assistant
5 scoutmaster and a committee chair.

6 Q Okay.

7 A But I wore the charter organization
8 representative patch on my sleeve, on my uniform.

9 Q I guess my question was, I wanted to find
10 out when you last actively worked as an assistant
11 scoutmaster regardless of what other titles or
12 positions you might have had?

13 MR. SUMMERS: Objection to the form.

14 THE WITNESS: Probably -- I am trying to
15 think here. It may have been 1999-2000,
16 somewhere in that timeframe.

17 BY MR. PELTZ:

18 Q When you were serving as a chartered
19 organization rep during the time period that Michael
20 Adelman was with the troop, would you regularly
21 attend troop meetings or not?

22 A I would say more not than I did.

23 Q And that was because your job would take you
24 away from town?

25 A Right. For a year and-a-half I had an