EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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JT COLBY AND COMPANY, INC., D/B/A BRICK TOWER PRESS, J. BOYLESTON AND COMPANY PUBLISHERS, LLC, AND IPICTUREBOOKS, LLC,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

Index No.
11-CV-4060(DLC)

APPLE, INC.,

Defendant.

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VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF SUSAN SCHWARTZ MCDONALD

New York, New York

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8	I, SUSAN SCHWARTZ MCDONALD, hereby
9	certify that I have read the transcript of my
10	testimony taken under oath in my deposition of
11	December 12, 2012; that the transcript is a true
12	and complete record of my testimony, and that
13	the answers on the record as given by me are
14	true and correct.
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19	Signed and subscribed to before me this
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ERRATA SHEET FOR THE TRANSCRIPT OF:

Case Name: JT Colby vs. Apple

Deposition Date: December 12, 2012
Deponent: Susan Schwartz McDonald

5 CORRECTIONS

6	<u>PG</u>	<u>LN</u>	NOW READS	SHOULD READ	REASON FOR
7	60	17	rigors	rigorous	transcription error
8	78	9	and staple	in the stable	transcription error
9	88	6	see	cede	transcription error
10	90	8	looking	look	transcription error
11	102	25	Latham	Lanham	misspelling
12	105	6	laboratory understanding	laboratory, understanding	punctuation
13	105	13	they're	their	transcription error
14	108	19	precedence	precedents	misspelling
15	112	5	precedence	precedents	misspelling
16	119	5	knowledge of forethought	knowledge and forethought	transcription error
17	119	6	whatever one can argue a	whatever, one can argue,	punctuation/extra word
18	119	9	understand advisedly here	understand	delete "advisedly here"
19	120	8	as best you can	"as best you can"	addition of quotation marks
20	120	12	exceeded	acceded	transcription error
21	120	15	wants	want	transcription error
22	128	20	wasn't I was in mind	wasn't in mind	extra words
23	128	21	I	it	transcription error
24	131	13-14	actually & proffer. If	actually and prefer, if	transcription error
25	136	20	encountered	encounter	transcription error
26	137	12	To I believe the encounter, is	I believe the encounter is	extra word/punctuation

27	138	19	Consumers them	Consumers handle them	word missing
28	153	3	I felt	I thought	transcription error
29	<u>PG</u>	<u>LN</u>	NOW READS	SHOULD READ	REASON FOR
30	157	16	queue	hew	transcription error
31	158	11	national	natural	transcription error
32	161	9	that's who is experiential,	that's also experiential,	transcription error
33	161	10	penetration digital books.	penetration of digital books.	missing word
34	161	14	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
35	161	21	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
36	162	6	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
37	162	11	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
38	162	13	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
39	162	18	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
40	166	14	to show what	to show, what	punctuation
41	166	15	to show especially	to show, especially	punctuation
42	170	19	which is	where it's	transcription error
43	170	24	think regardless	think, regardless	punctuation
44	172	20	books contain, some	books contain some,	punctuation
45	187	19	non-specific	specific	extra word
46	198	15	I don't know. I didn't.	No, I didn't.	transcription error
47	198	25	prospective purchaser. In	prospective purchaser in	punctuation
48	199	3	you already have it.	You already have it;	punctuation
49 50	199	4	Just get another thing and we're talking the way	that's yet another thing. We're talking the way	transcription error
51	201	23	that or certain	that for certain	transcription error
52	213	15	taking	sending	transcription error

53	<u>PG</u>	<u>LN</u>	NOW READS	SHOULD READ	REASON FOR
54	214	2	double	knowable	transcription error
55	217	2	rationale way correct relative	rational way relative	transcription error/extra word
56	217	20	in attempted	intent to	transcription error
57	218	18	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
58	219	13	several of which	one of which	transcription error
59	220	11	interim	in frequent	transcription error
60	221	16	as well as prints	as well as print	transcription error
61	221	19	imagine that this	imagine, that this	punctuation
62	222	7	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
63	222	10	in the future	if in the future	word missing
64	223	7	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
65	224	2	that's one	that's the only one	words missing
66	228	15	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
67	230	12	is a publisher	is no publisher	transcription error
68	232	3	assemble	dissemble	transcription error
69	232	4	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
70	232	16	disqualified who	disqualified, people who	word missing
71	235	22	wait	weight	misspelling
72	236	24	statistical waiting	statistical weighting	misspelling
73	237	8	I can rate	I can weight	transcription error
74	237	22	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
75	238	12	wait	weight	misspelling
76	238	15	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
77	238	22	roughly equal sales	roughly equal cells	transcription error
78	238	25	wait	weight	misspelling

79	<u>PG</u>	LN	NOW READS	SHOULD READ	REASON FOR
80	239	8	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
81	239	9	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
82	239	12	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
83	239	16	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
84	239	18	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
85	239	20	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
86	239	23	statistical waiting	statistical weighting	misspelling
87	240	3	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
88	240	5	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
89	242	5	malls, the reality	malls – the reality	punctuation
90	248	21	have the opportunities	and the opportunities	transcription error
91	254	15	might have	might not have	word missing
92	257	14	control	controlled	transcription error
93	259	17	a control study	a controlled study	transcription error
94	260	8	noble question	knowable question	transcription error
95	264	6	industry is high	industry is hide	transcription error
96	265	21	with queues	with cues	misspelling
97	282	4	in content Apple	in content, Apple	punctuation
98	282	6	can't anybody	can't get anybody	word missing
99	288	5	have it	has it	transcription error
100	288	11	partially	parsing	transcription error
101	315	6	was not capital	was capital	extra word
102	316	16	digital iBook. I'm	digital iBook, I'm	punctuation
103	316	17	sure I did that	sure I did, that	punctuation
104	319	8	It's not unusual	It's unusual	extra word

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105	<u>PG</u>	<u>LN</u>	NOW READS	SHOULD READ	REASON FOR
106	319	24	surveys in fact required	surveys, in fact, required	punctuation
107	319	25	absolutely foiled for litigation	absolutely fair for litigation	transcription error
108	329	6	I have kudos	I give kudos	transcription error
109	377	Index	Pugh	Pew	misspelling
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- 2 Q And what was said in that initial
- 3 conversation?
- 4 A The case was described. I think
- 5 some of the general same areas of discussion
- 6 were recapitulated. There was an opportunity to
- 7 both refresh and amplify for me the facts that
- 8 -- what had transpired in this case, the history
- 9 of Mr. Colby's company. And that really was
- 10 pretty much it.
- 11 Q At that time, were you again
- 12 relying on what counsel told you orally, or were
- you presented with any additional documents?
- 14 A I can't recall -- earlier, I
- think, before meeting with the attorneys from
- 16 Quinn Emanuel, I did have -- had received a
- 17 couple of documents from Mr. Morrison and may
- have skimmed them, didn't necessarily read them
- 19 with great care at the time because I really
- 20 didn't have a mission statement for myself.
- Q Do you recall what documents you
- 22 were provided?
- 23 A I think there was -- I'm quessing
- now because I really just don't have the
- 25 chronology. I believe that I had some response

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just -- I think we have a semantic issue. Once

3 retained by one party in litigation, therefore,

4 you may be called, depending on what the

terminology is, an advocate. However, in this

6 case, I entered into the case in the spirit of

7 intellectual freedom and non-partisanship. I

owed nothing to anyone, and I arrived at an

9 inference and a hypothesis that I tested.

10 Q Isn't it true, Dr. McDonald, that

11 you wrote a report in which you strenuously

12 advocated plaintiffs' case as if you were the

13 lawyer representing them?

MR. RASKOPF: Note my

objection to the form of the

16 question.

17 A Well, I'm flattered, but I would

not have described myself as a lawyer advocate

in that way. I -- my championship of an

20 intellectual cause here was entirely as a

21 marketing expert who had observed what she, what

I believed to be market events and market

phenomenon and had derived from that hypotheses

about what the likelihood of confusion might be

and did a survey that I believe makes a point,

- 2 can be defended intellectually,
- methodologically. And that probably answers the
- 4 question or more than.
- 5 Q Isn't it true that a survey expert
- 6 should be an objective scientist reporting on
- 7 the results of her research and not a biased
- 8 advocate for a particular party's cause?
- 9 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 10 the form of the question.
- 11 A I think I answered it. I'll try
- to answer it again, if you don't agree.
- 13 When an expert is called in in a
- 14 case involving survey research, that expert has
- the obligation to develop a hypothesis based on
- 16 the information that's available and to use
- methodologically rigors and defensible
- 18 procedures to test that hypothesis to prove or
- 19 disprove it.
- 20 Research, as I said at the very
- 21 outset of this dialogue, is hypothesis driven.
- That's essentially the requirements of any
- experimental research, and of course, as you
- 24 know well, research that is used in Latham Act
- 25 adjudication is experimental almost always by

- 2 its nature.
- 3 MS. CENDALI: Move to
- 4 strike as non-responsive.
- 5 Can you read my question
- 6 back?
- 7 Q Again, can you answer my question?
- 8 MR. RASKOPF: Excuse me.
- 9 Read back the question.
- 10 (Record read.)
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 13 Q Can you answer that question, yes
- 14 or no?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 16 the form of the question.
- 17 A The language is freighted in your
- question in such a way that a yes or no response
- 19 won't be meaningful. I think you used the word
- 20 "advocate" and you used the word "biased." And
- I was simply trying to make the case, as I did,
- I think, when I answered your earlier question,
- that an expert is called in in a case like this
- is -- in my case especially, because I was
- 25 called not just as a survey expert, but also as

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- 2 a marketing expert. And the mission was to
- 3 arrive at a hypothesis and to test that
- 4 hypothesis. I did. I wouldn't describe that as
- bias, and I wouldn't describe it as advocacy in
- 6 the sense of partiality or inappropriate
- 7 hypothesis formation.
- 8 Q Isn't it true that a hypothesis is
- 9 a legal question that is tested?
- 10 A No, actually. That's a
- 11 misrepresentation.
- 12 Q Isn't it true that you did not
- test an hypothesis, you constructed a survey to
- 14 confirm your -- an opinion that you had
- 15 previously?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 17 the form of the question.
- 18 A I think you have a misconception
- 19 of what a hypothesis is in the scientific arena
- and the social scientific as well.
- 21 A hypothesis is a proposition, and
- it's not just a question. It can be stated in
- 23 an affirmative way, X is true, X is not true, I
- 24 can expect this much difference. There are a
- 25 number of ways to state a hypothesis, but they

- 2 confirmed your opinion?
- 3 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 4 the form.
- 5 A I would have to see the sentence
- 6 before I stipulate to that, but I freely concede
- 7 that the survey confirmed my hypothesis.
- 8 Q Turn to page 1 of your survey
- 9 report, Exhibit 1. On the first page of your
- 10 survey, you wrote, "The survey", in the second
- 11 paragraph, "The survey confirms my opinion that
- 12 since early 2010 iBooks has become a strong
- identifier for Apple," and it continues.
- 14 Do you see that?
- 15 A Yes, I do.
- 16 Q So you constructed a survey that
- 17 confirmed your prior opinion, isn't that true?
- 18 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 19 the form.
- 20 A Once we are in the context of
- 21 research, it should be stated as a hypothesis
- and it was. It was a hypothesis which could
- 23 have been disproved, it wasn't. I absolutely --
- 24 and I want to be very clear about this. I was
- 25 not retained only as a survey expert. I was

- 2 retained as a marketing expert. I was retained
- 3 as a brand expert, who forms opinions all the
- 4 time, offers her clients consultation -- and
- 5 clients of all kinds, I would add, not just
- 6 pharmaceutical companies, but well-known brands
- 7 outside that arena -- someone who is retained to
- 8 offer them opinions and advice. I was retained
- 9 with that mission in mind, and because I also
- 10 happen to be a survey expert who does literally
- 11 hundreds of surveys in the course of a year or
- two, I was also charged with responsibility for
- proving or disproving the hypothesis that arose
- in a research context from my opinions.
- 15 Q Dr. McDonald, you wrote, "The
- 16 survey confirms my opinion." Do you see that?
- 17 A Yes, I do.
- 18 Q Were you being truthful when you
- 19 wrote that?
- 20 A Absolutely.
- Q And isn't it true that prior to
- conducting your survey, you had formed an
- opinion that there was a likelihood of
- 24 confusion?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection.

- 2 Asked and answered.
- 3 A Again, when I became aware of the
- 4 issues, knowing the strength of Apple's iBooks'
- 5 mark, knowing the nature of plaintiffs'
- 6 products, knowing all the circumstances that
- 7 have been established and presented in evidence
- 8 in this case, that I became aware of, I formed
- 9 the conclusion that there was a likelihood of
- 10 confusion in this case. I formed that
- 11 conclusion, that opinion as a marketing
- 12 consultant. I then put on my researcher hat for
- 13 purposes of testing it, and I tested a
- 14 hypothesis. The end of the day, my motivation,
- my state of mind fundamentally is secondary,
- 16 tertiary to the methodology that was used and
- 17 the conclusions that I formed as a result of
- 18 that methodology.
- 19 Q Do you believe that a survey
- 20 expert has the ability to slant results in a
- 21 particular way by the methodology chosen and
- 22 questions asked?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 25 A Yes. I have's seen it done on

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2 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 3 the form.
- 4 A I'm not sure that "critical" is
- 5 the word I would use. I think it wasn't a moral
- 6 judgment being cast here, but I think it was a
- 7 physically active connotation that I wanted to
- 8 suggest.
- 9 Q What documents did you rely on to
- 10 come to your conclusion that Apple commandeered
- the "I" prefix for its book distribution
- 12 business?
- 13 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form of the question.
- 15 A My use of commandeered reflected
- the information that was provided in the
- 17 complaint, primarily; although, I would have to
- 18 say that certainly awareness of Apple's very
- 19 active attachment of its brands to the "I"
- 20 prefix is certainly part of the ambient
- 21 marketing world in which I live and contributed
- 22 to that thought process.
- 23 Q Did you accept the allegations in
- 24 the complaint as true?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

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- 2 Apple marketing. It's difficult to be insulated
- 3 from that. Apple's marketing is -- it's
- 4 celebrated, it's iconic actually and much
- 5 discussed in the industry because of Steve Jobs'
- 6 propensity -- alleged propensity not to rely on
- 7 market research himself.
- 8 Q You don't cite any of these
- 9 articles or any other information about Apple as
- documents or things you consulted on and relied
- on in forming your opinion; isn't that true?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form.
- 14 A Sorry. I tread on your question.
- I have no way to do that because I'm an active
- 16 reader. I'm immersed in this. I have to tell
- 17 you that Apple marketing, Apple as the brand is
- the amniotic fluid in which we are all bathed.
- 19 Q Dr. McDonald, did you do any
- investigation as to Apple's iBooks' business in
- 21 formulating your expert opinions?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 24 A I think I've told you I did no
- independent research. I didn't do any -- even

- web surfing. But Apple, as I told you, is much,
- 3 much discussed in the marketing world.
- 4 Q And what did you do other than
- 5 read the complaint to investigate plaintiffs'
- 6 business before forming your expert opinions?
- 7 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 8 the form of the question.
- 9 A What I know -- most of what I know
- 10 about plaintiffs' business, I think, has been
- 11 articulated in the complaint, at least what is
- 12 relevant. And I think someone who does what I
- do for a living has to be credited with the
- 14 mental agility to interpolate and extrapolate
- 15 based on that fact pattern, that a company that
- is in the business of publishing iBooks, a
- 17 company that has a significant digital library,
- 18 a company who, in the end, whose survival, like
- 19 all book publishers, is going to depend upon
- their presence in the digital space, that they
- and a mega brand called iBooks from Apple are
- 22 going to collide in that space.
- 23 Q What -- did you do any
- investigation to test whether the allegations in
- 25 plaintiffs' complaint were actually true?

- 2 have of the publishing industry before we began
- 3 here. I didn't believe that marketing materials
- 4 would be copious because of the way in which the
- 5 brand and brands have traditionally been
- 6 marketed, which is not to readers and consumers
- 7 but to the trade, that the strength of titles is
- 8 the way they're marketed, the strength of
- 9 authors and staple are the way they're marketed.
- 10 It's a very different model of brand marketing,
- 11 and I understand that.
- 12 Q And did you get that from reading
- 13 Mr. Shatzkin's expert report?
- 14 A Actually, I learned some of it
- from the conversation with Mr. Colby, and I
- learned some of it by my observations in the
- publishing industry, which I know to be very
- 18 different.
- 19 Q Dr. McDonald, did you or did you
- 20 not review any of the documents that were
- 21 produced in discovery in this case in order to
- assess in forming any of your conclusions with
- 23 regard to marketing?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 25 the form of the question.

- 2 whether that, in fact, would occur?
- 3 A It's not something that's subject
- 4 to investigation. It's only subject to serious
- 5 speculation and inference. Again, it's a
- 6 proposition that one arrives at by assessing the
- 7 environment, by applying a kind of marketing
- 8 rule book that allows you to looking at the
- 9 nature of a brand, the nature of its evolution,
- 10 its role in the marketplace, and arrive at a
- 11 conclusion about the meaningfulness and value of
- its branding rules.
- 13 Q So you didn't do any investigation
- 14 to backup your statement that there was a "Near
- 15 certain prospect that Apple's revenue stream
- from a substitute brand would suffer by
- 17 comparison, "right?
- 18 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 20 A I don't know how one could
- investigate, to use your word, such a
- 22 proposition. One can only look at the
- 23 environmental circumstances and, again, applying
- the kind of marketing rule book, as I said, that
- anyone who understands branding would apply,

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- it's hard, I think, to gainsay the conclusion
- 3 that "I" is not a meaningful branding device for
- 4 Apple.
- 5 Q Move to strike as nonresponsive.
- 6 Did you or did you not do any investigation as
- 7 to whether there was a "Near certain prospect
- 8 that Apple's revenue stream from a substitute
- 9 brand would suffer by comparison, " yes or no?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 11 the form of the question.
- 12 A I'm not sure what you mean by
- "investigation," and I don't know how an
- investigation of that would be possible. So the
- short sound bite answer is, I didn't do an
- investigation because I don't think it's
- possible, and I'm not even sure that it's
- 18 relevant.
- 19 Q Did you do anything to investigate
- what brands other than iBooks Apple owns?
- 21 A Well, as I said, I'm bathed in
- 22 Apple brands. So when I look at -- when I text
- as I do often, I see iMessage on my iPhone. I
- 24 have an iPad. I have -- in addition to an
- 25 iPhone, I have an iTunes account. And in fact,

- 2 minute. Let her finish her
- answer, please.
- 4 Q Are you done?
- 5 MR. RASKOPF: No. Let her
- finish her answer, please. You
- 7 cut her off. Don't ask her if
- she's done. You cut her off.
- 9 A I believe that the complaint
- documents the end as well as Apple's response to
- 11 the Patent Trademark Office letter. There is
- 12 ample evidence that Apple cares deeply about
- 13 "I." It's central to its brand strategy.
- 14 Q I'm not asking you about whether
- 15 Apple has other trademarks with an "I." I'm
- 16 asking you what your basis is for calling "I"
- 17 Apple an "I" imperialist?
- MR. RASKOPF: Asked and
- 19 answered.
- 20 A I think I did answer them. I told
- 21 you that it was the importance of "I" to Apple,
- 22 from a strategic perspective and it's
- 23 accumulation of "I" marks and its persistence in
- 24 accumulating those "I" marks even in cases where
- it put it in litigation with other companies.

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2 MR. RASKOPF: That's not

3 the end of the sentence, but fine.

5 focusing on the first phrase of that sentence.

6 What do you mean by "prescriptive methodology"?

7 A I think I referenced it in more

8 detail in the next chapter, which described the

9 methodology, which is a kind of laboratory

10 environment in which people are presented with a

11 more literal stimulus of some kind that aims to

12 create or evoke an environment in which products

13 will be encountered in the marketplace.

14 Q So in this prescriptive

methodology, customers are shown a sample of the

16 contested mark as it appears in the marketplace;

17 is that correct?

18 A To the extent possible, with all

19 the qualifications associated with survey

20 research.

21 O Isn't it true that one of the

goals of the survey expert is normally to

replicate marketplace conditions to the maximum

24 extent possible?

MR. RASKOPF: Objection.

- 2 Asked and answered.
- 3 You may answer.
- 4 A I think we attempt in many of the
- 5 more conventional scenarios to try to create a
- 6 kind of laboratory understanding that a survey
- 7 is never a replication of the market. It is
- 8 always a laboratory. It's always a somewhat
- 9 stilted representation of the way consumers shop
- and the way they experience brands. But where
- it makes any sense at all -- and products are
- 12 pedestrian and they're marketing or sales
- 13 environment is pedestrian, we do it.
- 14 O And --
- 15 MR. RASKOPF: Are you
- 16 finished?
- 17 A So I was just about to say this
- 18 was not one of those circumstances, but...
- 19 Q When you wrote in this sentence
- that I read, this first part of the sentence
- read, "That presents to customers a sample of
- the contested mark as it appears in the
- 23 marketplace, "why does standard survey
- 24 methodology have people present to customers a
- sample of the contested mark as it appears in

- the marketplace?
- 3 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 4 the form.
- 5 A Well, as you know, surveys are
- 6 essentially -- likelihood of confusion surveys
- 7 are themselves kind of hypothetical construct
- 8 that aim to provide some kind of statistics
- 9 around an idea in the marketplace. What would
- 10 happen to real consumers if going about their
- 11 business, they were experiencing brands in
- 12 certain places. So there is, in theory, a value
- to doing your very best to present those marks,
- 14 those products in ways that, to the extent that
- 15 you can, that replicate what happens to
- 16 consumers, but all of us know -- and this is big
- 17 footnote -- that what we do in these surveys is
- not a perfect replication. It's okay in many
- 19 circumstances. It's sufficient in many
- 20 circumstances to serve our needs, but it isn't
- 21 always.
- 22 Q Isn't it true that surveys have
- 23 been criticized for failing to replicate
- 24 marketplace conditions?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 2 There are abundant examples of
- 3 that. So I'm not insensitive to it, but I am
- 4 not constrained by it. It wouldn't be unusual
- 5 even for me to be really very open to an
- 6 occasion in which I believe that a methodology
- 7 that's different from what courts have accepted
- 8 routinely to offer something else if I believe
- 9 it's going to do a better more valid job of
- 10 measuring the thing I seek to measure.
- 11 Q Courts have accepted routinely
- 12 surveys that use the actual product in issue;
- isn't that true?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 16 A Typically, people are able to
- 17 create those stimuli, and in doing so, feel that
- they are really doing adequate justice to the
- 19 circumstances under which actual shopping and
- 20 decisions take place.
- 21 Q Can you answer my question,
- 22 please?
- MS. CENDALI: Read it back.
- 24 (Record read.)
- 25 MR. RASKOPF: No. Asked

- 2 prescriptive methodology, that there was a
- 3 routine approach. That routine approach was one
- 4 that made sense in many circumstances and that
- 5 in deviating from it, I was deviating from
- 6 something that was familiar and routine and that
- 7 courts have accepted. I'm very clear about that
- 8 here. So I don't think that I'm embellishing in
- 9 any way.
- 10 Q I'm just trying to be clear. You
- 11 knew that the standard practice was to show
- 12 consumers an actual product, right? Can you
- answer that yes or no?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 15 Asked and answered.
- 16 A I have said over and over again, I
- 17 knew that there was a prescriptive methodology.
- 18 I was familiar with it. I was aware of it. I
- 19 have been very much a practitioner of that in
- 20 cases where it made sense. I knew it was
- 21 standard. But I live in a world in which
- 22 methodologies are -- they are flexible. They
- 23 need to be -- the suit needs to be tailored to
- 24 fit the research problem.
- 25 Q I'm going to move strike again as

- 2 in this environment.
- 3 Q Let me re-ask the question. Isn't
- 4 it true that survey researchers typically
- 5 attempt to replicate marketplace conditions in
- 6 order to give their surveys more validity?
- 7 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 8 the form.
- 9 A It is commonly agreed that,
- 10 commonly, not always, it's commonly agreed that
- wherever possible since you are attempting to
- develop a measure of likelihood of confusion in
- the marketplace that you do what you can to
- 14 create a laboratory in quotes in the survey that
- 15 will give you insight into what would happen in
- the marketplace, but we all know that that is
- 17 not a perfect replication.
- 18 Q In constructing that laboratory
- it's common practice to attempt to replicate
- 20 marketplace conditions as best you can; isn't
- 21 that true?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form. Asked and answered.
- 24 A We haven't made much progress in
- answering this question. I think I've answered

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- 2 it in so many ways. I certainly was not
- oblivious to the precedent that went before me.
- 4 I made the decision to do what I did with
- 5 knowledge of forethought. I was fully aware of
- 6 whatever one can argue a methodological
- 7 deviation I was taking. It was a path that I
- 8 took advisedly, thoughtfully, and clearly you
- 9 can understand advisedly here I am sitting here
- 10 about to defend my choice of methodology to you
- and ultimately the court. So of course I was
- 12 prepared for the challenge that would be
- involved. I did it not fecklessly, not out of
- ignorance, not out of methodological stupidity.
- 15 I did it on purpose.
- 16 Q Objection. Strike as
- 17 nonresponsive. Can you read the question back
- 18 again? I'm asking you very simple questions
- 19 that you're choosing to evade.
- MR. RASKOPF: I'm striking
- the characterization there.
- 22 You're not here to editorialize,
- Dale. You're here to ask
- 24 questions. Don't try that one
- again or we will talk to the

- judge.
- 3 (Record read.)
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 5 the form. Asked and answered.
- 6 You may answer.
- 7 A I think the answer is yes. I'm
- 8 going to underscore as best you can. If you
- 9 can't then you have to think in different
- intellectually nimble ways in order to achieve
- 11 research validity. So if you think that's
- 12 unresponsive so be it. I have exceeded as much
- as I can. I want to be very clear that there
- 14 are all kinds of limitations around replication
- 15 of marketplace conditions but I also wants to be
- 16 clear in my little quote speech to reassure you
- 17 and the court that I made this decision
- 18 knowingly, knowledgeably, thoughtfully. To that
- 19 extent yes. Was I aware I was deviating from
- 20 commonly accepted practice, it's heralded on the
- 21 first page of my survey report.
- Q When you design the survey in this
- 23 case you were aware that you were deviating with
- 24 commonly accepted practice, correct?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 2 the form of the question.
- 3 A I will say yes, only if you allow
- 4 me to amend your statement or your question as
- 5 follows. I deliberately chose to deviate from
- 6 standard, I've forgotten exactly what you said,
- 7 commonly accepted methodology specifically
- 8 because I felt it would not do justice to the
- 9 problem. If you will restate your question that
- 10 way then I think I can say yes.
- 11 Q Have you ever criticized another
- 12 expert for failing to replicate marketplace
- 13 conditions?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 15 the form.
- 16 A I probably have.
- 17 Q Can you name some of those
- 18 examples?
- 19 A No, I actually can't.
- 20 Q You can't name any examples where
- 21 if you look at your matters disclosed in your
- 22 expert report from the past four years --
- MR. RASKOPF: Do you want
- 24 her to look at it to refresh her
- 25 recollection?

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2 A I don't know about the last time

3 you bought a book, but for me it involved

4 handling a bunch of books. It involved walking

5 through a bookstore. They're hard to find but I

6 still frequent them when I can. It involves a

7 particular kind of mission. It involves an

attraction between a consumer and a book, not

just being handed a book out of context, not

10 necessarily based on interest or anything else

11 here's a book. You can do that with a tube of

12 toothpaste. You can do that with a can of

13 tomato sauce. You can't do that with a book.

14 Q Why not?

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15 A Because it doesn't come close to

16 approximating the first interaction that a

17 consumer has, nor does it come close the second,

the third, the fourth consumers if we're talking

19 about printed books. Consumers them again and

again and again. My MO is after I've read a

21 book to go back to the forward to look at

acknowledgements. I mean I don't want to

23 represent my style of reading books as

everyone's. It's a point. It's very

25 individual. A person can open a book many

- 2 times.
- The shopping becomes sort of a
- 4 transition into the reading. Books are
- 5 experienced. They're not just purchased. It's
- 6 even more complicated than talking about post
- 7 sale confusion, which clearly book buying
- 8 introduces as a very real possibility in a way
- 9 you never see in toothpaste and shampoo. Once
- 10 people own those products they very seldom look
- 11 at the trademark or look at the box again, and
- in fact as we know they almost never look at
- them in the way that these trademark surveys
- 14 require them to look at it. So I have to say my
- 15 view is that all these Lanham Act surveys are
- 16 conceptual to one degree or another. They're
- 17 hypotheticals of construct, the construct that's
- 18 all they are. In this case because of books,
- 19 because of the importance of post sale
- 20 confusion, because when a person picks up a book
- 21 their first instinct is not to look for the
- 22 publisher, nothing that happened in Dr. Jay's
- 23 survey or Dr. Nowlis' survey represents book
- 24 buying at all.
- Q What about your survey replicates

- 2 at all book buying?
- 3 A It doesn't. What it does is it
- 4 replicates an experience. It picks a moment.
- 5 It picks the moment when a consumer becomes
- 6 aware that there is something in a book that
- 7 identifies it, in a digital book in particular,
- 8 that identifies it as iBooks. It doesn't. I
- 9 freely concede this. It doesn't tell you how
- often that occurs and it doesn't tell you the
- 11 moment it occurs. It could occur in the first
- opening. It could occur on the second reading.
- 13 It could occur based on the appreciation of the
- 14 consumer for the book, and that kind of
- 15 revisiting as I described, very sincerely as
- something that happens when you go back.
- 17 I'm not stipulating as to when in
- the book experience it occurs, but it is
- 19 absolutely something that can occur and nothing
- that happened in the research that your experts
- 21 did replicates that market condition at all.
- 22 Q I'm moving to strike as
- 23 nonresponsive any comments about our experts. I
- 24 didn't ask you about our experts. I'm asking
- you, you admit that when someone purchases a

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- 2 book in a bookstore they can pick it up and look
- 3 at it; is that right?
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 5 the form of the question.
- 6 A They can pick it up and look at it
- 7 if they're drawn to it in the first place.
- 8 Q If they decide to buy it
- 9 presumably they're drawn to it and they've
- 10 picked it up and looked at it and decided to buy
- it, is that a fair approximation in your
- 12 experience in buying books in bookstores?
- 13 A That's absolutely true, but that's
- 14 different from being handed a book that no one
- 15 has any interest in in the first place and
- 16 treated as a specimen.
- 17 Q Isn't it true that in what you're
- 18 suggesting is that the reason you didn't use an
- 19 actual book in your survey is that you believe
- that people might look at the book again after
- 21 they purchase it; is that right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form. You may answer.
- 24 A There are lots of things that can
- 25 happen. The first thing that consumers do when

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- they pick up a book is probably not look at the
- 3 publisher. They look at the title. They read
- 4 the book jacket, if they're interested in it.
- We're talking about print books. We're not
- 6 talking about digital books. If you pick up a
- 7 book there's lots of things to look at. You're
- 8 making a decision as to whether you think you
- 9 can get through it. I've been known to read the
- 10 first paragraph. There's lots of things that
- 11 you're interested in, and I'm not arguing that
- the first thing you do is check the publisher.
- 13 I'm not.
- 14 However, books are not just
- 15 purchases but experiences. And over the course
- of a book experience there is ample opportunity
- 17 to make a decision as to how much information
- 18 you want about it. You might see it on first
- 19 opening, you might not.
- 20 O Dr. McDonald --
- 21 MR. RASKOPF: Did you
- finish? I want to be sure. I was
- 23 getting the impression you
- 24 weren't.
- 25 A The one thing I was going to say

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- 2 conversation we've been talking about a printed
- 3 book and that's because you asked me about a
- 4 printed book. There are other reasons for
- 5 thinking about digital books and I've described
- 6 them in my report and I'll undoubtedly have to
- 7 describe it again.
- 8 O And isn't it true that whether
- 9 it's a digital book or a printed book when
- 10 someone purchases it and they choose to look at
- it again they see that publishing information in
- the context of other information?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form of the question.
- 15 A Yes, they do.
- 16 Q Isn't it true that the conceptual
- 17 stimulus that you used did not provide consumers
- 18 with what that other information was?
- 19 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form. You may answer.
- 21 A That is true and that's because
- there are different ways that information can
- appear in books. And as I told you, I was
- 24 making no representation as to the frequency,
- 25 nor is my representation going to fit a specific

- 2 scenario. What it does is simply try to
- 3 establish whether a consumer who becomes aware
- 4 of something called iBooks on the information
- 5 page of a book believes that Apple is the
- 6 source.
- 7 Q Can you name any circumstance in
- 8 the real world where the only information
- 9 provided to the consumer would be simply the
- 10 name iBooks and not other contextual information
- on the electronic book that might indicate
- 12 origin?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form.
- 15 A There is undoubtedly going to be
- various ways in which a consumer experiences
- 17 that other information. I have not argued that
- 18 I have a number or have identified a number that
- 19 characterizes any single one of them. What I
- 20 have here is a number which makes vividly clear
- 21 that for consumers, for roughly half of
- 22 consumers who are exposed to the conceptual idea
- of an iBooks source indicator on a book, a
- 24 digital book, that Apple comes to mind for them
- as the source that they make that attribution.

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2 Would any given consumer seeing a 3 particular thing at a particular moment have arrived at that particular level of confusion, I can't speak to that. It was an unusual survey 5 and in that sense I think it should be taken as 6 7 the probably outer bounds of confusion at this point in time. By the way, in the future it might be far worse. But I think it's an outer 9 bounds. 10

Q Is it fair to say that you don't know of any actual circumstance where someone would view one of plaintiff's electronic books where there would not also be information about the name and address of the publisher or the logo of the iBooks company also depicted?

the form.

MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

A I don't have the logo. I don't know about the logo. Undoubtedly there will be information available if not on one page or another. It really depends. My understanding is that a publisher is free to display his or her mark as he chooses. The particular printer

which may not necessarily be at issue in digital

- 2 books, I don't even know to be honest how
- 3 digital books always present themselves. If
- 4 they downloaded a book and it said an ebooks
- 5 publication on the cover, obviously that's
- 6 somebody else's source but it was right on the
- 7 cover. So not John Colby's. I just want to be
- 8 clear. The point is I think this is an evolving
- 9 marketplace and I think the way that brand
- identification will be presented will be varied.
- 11 Q Do you have any reason to believe
- that plaintiffs will offer in the future
- electronic books that just say iBooks and don't
- 14 give the name of the publisher, the address or
- 15 logo or any other contextual clues?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 17 the form of the question.
- 18 A I really am not privy to anything,
- any way that they anticipate showing their
- 20 brand.
- 21 Q Are you aware today of any of
- 22 plaintiffs electronic books that simply bear the
- imprint iBooks alone without other information,
- such as the name and address of the publisher,
- 25 the URL or a light bulb logo?

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- 2 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 3 the form.
- 4 A I don't know about the light bulb.
- 5 I don't know about the other information as
- 6 well. I mean I'm operating from the following
- 7 premise that iBooks is John Colby's imprint to
- 8 do as he pleases with, and that how he shows it
- 9 and with what other information may vary over
- 10 time depending upon who in fact is distributing
- and how it relates to his overall branding
- 12 strategy.
- 13 Q So your survey was specifically
- 14 with regard to electronic books; is that right?
- 15 A That's right, yes.
- 16 Q Did you do anything to investigate
- how plaintiffs use the mark, their claim mark,
- 18 iBooks on their electronic books?
- 19 A I downloaded a few myself, yes.
- 20 Q So you saw that the imprint is not
- 21 by itself, right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 23 the form of the question.
- 24 A I saw one book and I believe that
- it has Brick Tower Press and iBooks on it.

- the form. You may answer.
- 3 A My understanding is confusion is
- 4 confusion. It's pre, post or in sale. I was
- 5 not aware that one has to specify in a complaint
- 6 but I'm not a lawyer. So that would be an issue
- 7 I quess for you to --
- 8 Q Would you agree that if someone is
- 9 purchasing an electronic book or a physical book
- 10 the book remains the same book from the time
- 11 they purchase it to six years when they look at
- it again, unless they destroyed it or something?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form of the question.
- 15 A I'm sorry. I'm not sure where
- 16 you're getting the six years from.
- 17 O Isn't it true that when someone
- 18 purchases a book that contextual information in
- 19 that book remains unchanged after purchase?
- 20 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 21 the form.
- 22 A The information remains unchanged
- but the context that the consumer brings, and
- the book reader, book owner brings is always
- 25 evolving. I can certainly tell you that I'm

- 2 aware usually only post hoc after reading some
- of the books I have that it's a Signet Classic
- 4 or it's some other. That's how I've become
- 5 aware actually that my very favorite little
- 6 library of Jane Austen books are mostly
- 7 published under the same imprint.
- 8 Q Isn't it true that after purchase
- 9 you would have more time if you wanted to
- 10 possibly to examine the contextual clues such as
- the name of the publisher, the URL, the address,
- 12 whether there was any distinctive logo, you
- would have had even more time post sale to
- 14 examine all those contextual clues; isn't that
- 15 true?
- 16 A Your question is premised on an
- assumption that the more time you have to see
- 18 all the information the more time you have to
- 19 arrive at a conclusion that would preclude
- 20 confusion. I disagree with that. I don't think
- that there is any automatic reason to believe
- that just because there's a second name on there
- or there is a company address that iBooks would
- not, or whoever is the imprint, would not be
- interpreted as having source signification.

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2 So I think in your head is a

3 conception of how this won't work, which is as

4 soon as somebody sees something else besides

5 iBooks they conclude it couldn't have anything

6 to do with Apple. I have a very different

7 hypothesis. My hypothesis is that iBooks is an

enormously powerful mark that carries Apple DNA

9 in it and that it will over time do so more and

10 more, and that despite the fact that there is

11 supplemental information on the page that people

may very well conclude that iBooks was -- that

13 Apple is the source. Can I tell you exactly how

many on reading one, reading two, exposure

15 seven, year two, no, I can't.

16 Q But you don't have any empirical

evidence as to what a consumer thinks when they

see the other information on the page about the

19 publisher, the URL, the address, any logo

20 because you didn't provide that information to a

21 consumer, right?

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MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

23 the form.

24 A That's not the study I did because

there are so many different ways and moments of

- 2 experiencing that information that I didn't
- 3 think it was possible to do justice. I felt
- 4 long and hard about this, and I went through --
- 5 as you can imagine, after all I mean however
- 6 entertaining we may both find this, this is a
- 7 challenging conversation to have. I'm an
- 8 intellectually serious woman. I thought very
- 9 hard about this. In the end I concluded that it
- did a better job of capturing something really
- important that "I" is a source signified for
- 12 Apple.
- 13 Q Move to strike as nonresponsive.
- 14 Can you read my question?
- 15 (Record read.)
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 17 the form of the question.
- 18 Q Can you answer that question yes
- 19 or no?
- 20 A I don't believe it's possible to
- 21 provide a number that would do justice to that.
- 22 Q So you don't know if you provided
- 23 a consumer with the other contextual information
- such as the logo, the name of the publisher, the
- 25 URL, the address and the other information that

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2 A I'm not sure exactly how I've

3 stated it in all these places. I would have to

4 read my report again.

5 Q When you wrote in your report, is

6 it fair to say in the paragraph we're talking

7 about where you say, "I conducted a slightly

different type of controlled study, I used a

9 conceptual stimulus designed to take more

10 flexible account of plaintiffs' natural course

of brand development had Apple not coopted the

mark, that's the only reason that you gave";

isn't that true?

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14 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

the form of the question.

16 A Well, that is certainly -- that

was one of the reasons, and in part it had to do

18 with the fact that in a way that I think speaks

19 to the kind of shape shifting experience for any

20 given consumer is that in fact iBooks mark

21 itself was not one single thing at any given

22 moment in time, and that in the future it is

likely to be much more prominently oriented even

toward the digital world than it is today.

25 Q My first question is in this

- 2 paragraph where you explain why you used a
- 3 conceptual stimulus, you only mentioned the need
- 4 to take more flexible account of plaintiffs'
- 5 natural course of brand development. You didn't
- 6 talk about this second experiential reason that
- 7 you're now mentioning; isn't that true?
- 8 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 9 the form of the question.
- 10 A Not specifically in that sentence,
- 11 no.
- 12 Q And then when you said that you
- wanted to take account of plaintiffs' natural
- 14 course of brand development, what natural course
- of brand development are you referring to?
- 16 A The migration increasingly of all
- 17 publishing and book distribution to the web, I'm
- sorry, to the digital realm and the fact that if
- 19 a book publisher is not prepared to be really a
- 20 significant player in the digital landscape,
- 21 which notably John Colby has the capacity to do
- 22 because of his digital rights, that their future
- is extremely limited.
- 24 Q So do you believe that a publisher
- 25 that is not capable of taking advantage of the

- 2 internet is in trouble?
- 3 A Well, I think a publisher needs to
- 4 be able to take advantage of a digital world,
- 5 know that the use or the readership of digital
- 6 books is growing exponentially.
- 7 O What is that based on?
- 8 A There is data out there in the
- 9 world. I think that's who is experiential, but
- 10 there is I think ample data about market
- 11 penetration digital books.
- 12 Q What data specifically are you
- 13 relying on?
- 14 A There's a study that Pugh did that
- talks about the fact that roughly one fifth of
- 16 readers are reading digital books and that the
- 17 growth is significant there and that digital
- 18 readers are the most enthusiastic active
- 19 readers. They're consuming more. They're
- 20 buying more.
- 21 Q Did you know about the Pugh study
- before you read Dr. Jay talking about it in her
- 23 deposition?
- 24 A Yes, actually I did.
- 25 Q Had you read it before you

- 2 some insight into something that anyone sitting
- in this room has to be aware of with the growth
- 4 of digital readers, which is that digital
- 5 reading is on the rise. You don't have to read
- 6 a study to see that.
- 7 Q When you talk about plaintiffs'
- 8 natural course of brand development, what
- 9 information did you have specifically about
- 10 plaintiffs' course of brand development?
- 11 A Well, I was aware that John Colby
- has digital rights, that iBooks has a very
- 13 significant digital library, and I don't know
- for sure whether all of their print books also
- 15 include digital rights but many of them do. And
- that was something that would afford him an
- important source of leverage if he meant to take
- this brand further into the 21st century. It's
- 19 very hard to imagine a thriving book business
- other than coffee table books, which may not be
- so thriving in the future, I don't know, that
- doesn't have an important digital strategy.
- 23 Q Did you ever go to any web sites
- 24 owned by plaintiffs?
- 25 A Owned by plaintiffs?

- 2 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 3 the form of the question.
- 4 A No.
- 5 Q Dr. McDonald, I believe you
- 6 mentioned moments earlier that you thought that
- 7 in the future plaintiffs would begin to use
- 8 their imprint iBooks more prominently; is that
- 9 right?
- 10 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 11 the characterization of the
- 12 witness' prior testimony.
- 13 A I don't believe I said that.
- 14 Q Do you have any reason to believe
- that in the future plaintiffs would use the
- imprint iBooks more prominently on electronic
- 17 books than they are currently doing?
- 18 MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 19 A I don't know. I have no knowledge
- 20 of that, and I didn't assert that. All I've
- 21 asserted is the way they use their mark is
- 22 essentially their business. They're entitled to
- do various things with it. I don't know what
- they intend to do with it. I do know if they
- don't take advantage of the digital world and

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their digital rights that they will I think be

3 making a blunder.

5 in the future plaintiffs plan on releasing

6 electronic books that do not contain other

7 information about the publisher such as the name

8 of the publisher, or a logo, or an address?

9 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

10 the form.

11 A I have no information to that

12 effect. I think I only noted that it's

plaintiffs' mark and I have no idea what they

14 feel he feels obligated to show what over time

15 makes sense to show especially in a digital

16 publishing environment. All I was saying was I

17 had no reason to believe that the representation

of any information page in a book was always a

19 static thing.

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20 Q But you had no reason to believe

when you conducted your survey that plaintiffs

22 would begin altering the manner that the iBooks

imprint is used on its electronic books, right?

24 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

25 the form.

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- 2 A I have no way of knowing one way
- or another. I haven't been retained as a
- 4 marketing expert to help Mr. Colby market his
- 5 books.
- Q Was your survey attempting to --
- 7 when you asked respondents to envision an
- 8 electronic book with the imprint iBooks, were
- 9 you trying to get to depict plaintiffs' imprint
- 10 as it might appear in the future?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 12 the form.
- 13 A No, not necessarily. It was
- 14 non-specific.
- 15 Q So were you trying to then have
- 16 people consider the imprint as they would in the
- 17 present day circumstances?
- 18 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 19 the form.
- 20 A It didn't preclude the present day
- 21 circumstance. It didn't require the present day
- 22 circumstance. It was already apparent that
- there was a variety of ways in which the logo
- had been used might appear, and so there
- 25 wasn't -- sometimes the cover page looked

- 2 different. That's just the nature of the beast
- 3 over time when you have book titles and books
- 4 that have been published at different times.
- 5 And so there was no -- I wasn't trying to peg it
- 6 to a particular moment in time and I wanted to
- 7 allow it to be expansive and forward looking.
- 8 Q Wouldn't showing respondents'
- 9 pages from an actual copy of plaintiffs'
- 10 electronic books more closely replicate the
- 11 marketplace then asking him to envision a page?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 13 Asked and answered.
- 14 A I don't necessarily think that's
- 15 true. Had I thought that was true then I might
- have done it. I think one book, one stimulus,
- is one stimulus. It is one exposure and so
- 18 you're essentially limited to whatever it is the
- 19 respondent sees. You asked me this question
- 20 before I think in similar terms, and at the time
- 21 I raised with you the question of showing a
- 22 digital book, exactly what way and pointing out
- what. It wasn't clear to me, for example,
- whether you were envisioning the respondents
- 25 would be invited to take a look at the iBooks

- 2 imprints as opposed to simply reviewing this
- 3 book without context and then later asked who
- 4 published it.
- 5 Q You're aware -- have you ever read
- 6 the Dooney and Burke case?
- 7 A No.
- 8 Q Are you aware of judges that had
- 9 said it is wrong for a survey researcher to
- 10 point out aspects of the stimulus and thereby
- 11 not replicate the actual marketplace reality?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 14 A There's a complex answer to this.
- 15 No, I'm not aware one way or another because I
- don't follow these things. I think the most
- important thing is whether it's quote right or
- 18 wrong to point out a particular piece of
- information or mark in a stimulus really depends
- on the construct that you have about what it is
- 21 you're really asking people to do.
- The very notion of handing someone
- a package in a mall, asking them to look at, and
- let's just take toothpaste for example. It
- doesn't matter to me whether it's a package of

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2 toothpaste or a box of something else, and 3 asking people to look at it as if you were going to purchase it, is itself a construct that from my perspective doesn't resemble what happens in 5 the supermarket in real life. Already you're 6 7 asking for people to look at things and they're 8 doing it in a way that doesn't reflect their own motivation despite the injunction to treat it as 9 if or look at it as if you're going to shop. 10 That's sort of the fiction that we have in this 11 12 laboratory environment that we've created. There may be circumstances in which there is 13 such an overwhelming flow of information on a 14 15 particular relevant issue. Maybe it's the major name, but I can assure you that there are times 16 17 when I've been involved in deceptive advertising or allegations of deceptive claims on a package 18 which is virtually impossible to ensure that 19 20 people are going to see it on first blush. 21 If you really want to understand 22 what someone might do or might think if they saw it, you have to point it out. These are not I 23 think regardless of whatever judicial opinions 24 have been offered, they are not things that are

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- 2 all time, all places, and I think I could make
- 3 in my own mind a very clear argument for
- 4 pointing out certain things on label or a
- 5 specimen.
- 6 Q But you didn't make that argument
- 7 in your expert report, did you?
- 8 MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 9 A I would have made that argument if
- 10 I had been invited to rebut your experts.
- 11 Q Turning to page six of your expert
- report, you have the third paragraph down you
- talk about as you say plaintiffs' iBooks library
- of titles, do you see that?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q And you say in the second
- 17 sentence, "The identity of the publisher is
- typically contained on the title page by
- 19 convention substantially more information about
- 20 source, copyright, et cetera that's contained on
- 21 the back of the title page." Do you see that?
- 22 A Yes.
- 23 Q When you wrote substantially more
- 24 information about source is contained on the
- 25 back of the title page, what are you referring

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- 2 Q Fair enough. But the other ones
- you're familiar with from your Kindle, it's your
- 4 understanding that they use the light bulb logo,
- 5 right?
- 6 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 7 the form of the question.
- 8 A Not everywhere. So, for example,
- 9 it depends on what page you're looking at. On
- 10 the Dawn of Amber, the iBooks New York it
- 11 doesn't. That's not the first thing you see.
- 12 And maybe I missed a page. I'm not sure there
- is a light bulb on the Dawn of Amber.
- 14 Q Are you aware of Mr. Colby's
- 15 deposition testimony where he --
- 16 A Not at all. I'm sorry to cut you
- off. I don't know anything about his
- 18 deposition.
- 19 Q Is it fair to say that at least
- 20 based on your own experience in this case with
- 21 the electronic books that you have looked at
- they all contain source identifying information
- other than simply the imprint iBooks?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 25 the form.

- 2 Exhibit 4.
- 3 A I've seen Brick Tower. I doubt
- 4 know. I can't tell you whether Brick Tower and
- 5 Boyleston always appear. I don't know. This is
- factual information that I'm not really in a
- 7 position to speak about authoritatively.
- 8 Q Did you do anything in the course
- 9 of designing your methodology to see how
- 10 plaintiff normally depicts its books?
- 11 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 12 the form.
- 13 A I looked at -- I know I saw the
- Dawn of Amber and probably something else. I
- 15 might at one time have seen Venus Prime,
- 16 although I just don't recall because as I said,
- 17 there was a corruption issue. I don't have --
- 18 there was no -- let me be clear about this. The
- 19 whole notion of a study that was non-specific
- 20 with respect to how information would appear
- other than iBooks, was something that seemed
- impossible to me because of the varying ways
- that these things appear.
- MR. RASKOPF: Referring to
- 25 Exhibit 4 again.

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- 2 that page. I could have said on the spine of
- 3 the book too. I was referencing a page in which
- 4 there might be a lot of information and asking
- 5 them to stipulate that they had seen iBooks on
- 6 that page.
- 7 Q But the respondents are not
- 8 provided with what that actual contextual
- 9 information would be?
- 10 A That's correct. That's absolutely
- 11 correct.
- 12 Q Turning, if you would turn, to
- 13 McDonald Exhibit 2, which of the pages on that
- 14 exhibit would you have wanted the respondents to
- 15 envision?
- 16 A I didn't have this in mind. In
- fact, the multiplicity, the incredibly diverse
- ways in which information can appear was
- 19 precisely the problem. So I wasn't asking
- 20 anyone to imagine Venus Prime. I wasn't asking
- 21 them to imagine the Dawn of Amber. I was asking
- them to put in mind a page in the book or a
- screen, as it happens with digital books, where
- there is information about the source of the
- 25 book and to actually place in front of them the

- 2 ask to read it back anyway. Let me pause here
- and let you ask your follow-up question and
- 4 maybe we can regain it.
- 5 (Record read.)
- 6 Q Just to be clear. Prior to your
- 7 designing your survey methodology how many of
- 8 plaintiffs' electronic books did you review?
- 9 A Only a few.
- 10 Q Fair enough. Did you undertake
- any effort to survey how plaintiffs' electronic
- 12 books typically depict information?
- 13 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form of the question.
- 15 A I don't know. I didn't. And one
- 16 reason that I didn't was because that is
- 17 fundamentally something that I think is subject
- 18 to two sorts of uncertainty. One is that at any
- 19 given time a representation of the way in which
- these books can appear may vary, and it varies
- 21 across books certainly.
- The other was as I mentioned to
- you is because I felt that the ability or
- 24 likelihood of any given prospective reader or
- 25 prospective purchaser. In a case typically when

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- it's downloaded, unless you download a sample,
- 3 which you can do, then you already have it.
- 4 Just get another thing and we're talking the way
- 5 in which you experience a digital book for the
- first time is really very different from the way
- 7 you experience a print where it's easy to pick
- 8 it up. It's just very different. These are not
- 9 static, consistent stimuli, and they're not
- 10 static consistent uniform reader consumer
- 11 experiences.
- 12 Q Do you know how many different
- 13 electronic book titles plaintiffs published?
- 14 A I don't know for sure. I think
- it's in the hundreds, but I'm not sure.
- 16 Q And you made no effort to look at
- those to get a feel for what source information
- is contained in them; is that right?
- 19 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 20 the form.
- 21 A Again, I think what I've said is
- that I can already see there was variation in
- 23 the way that books appeared, and that over time
- there's changes are potentially possible and
- 25 that again, I mean this is something to tread in

- 2 terms of stimulus and your own experts, but
- fundamentally every experimental design makes
- 4 assumptions. It has a construct that it begins
- 5 with, which has to do with this notion of the
- 6 replication of market experience that you've
- 7 described.
- 8 The construct of a one time
- 9 exposure, that research that your experts have
- done and forgive me and versus another kind of
- 11 virtual conceptual exposure that I have
- described is just a very different way of
- 13 looking at it. They address and emphasize and
- 14 forgive different kinds of experience and
- 15 behaviors.
- 16 Q Move to strike as nonresponsive.
- 17 You agree that consumers consider conceptual
- 18 clues when determining the source of the
- 19 product; is that right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 22 A I think it's always safe to say
- that contextual clues and contextual experience
- even outside the product itself of course may be
- 25 relevant.

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2 Q But you believe source inferences

3 reflect the number of contextual clues

4 integrated by consumers in complex ways, right?

5 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

6 the form of the question.

7 A I think that's in general a fair

8 statement.

9 Q And you also believe that

10 consumers are able to distinguish between

11 products by applying all information and visual

12 clues available to them, right?

MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

14 the form of the question.

15 A I think if I wrote that that I

16 wrote it in a context which was very different

from books where we're talking about really much

more the source indicia in books is much more

19 complex. While of course that might be a

20 perfectly reasonable thing to be said with no

21 more footnotes to it then that or certain kinds

of products, I think that in a sense it's almost

23 the opposite here. I think I wrote it in my

report, in a way that I hope is clear, which is

25 that consumers -- it's that paragraph you and I

1 S. Schwartz McDonald were venturing down together. It's this notion 2 that consumers have a lot of information to deal 3 with when they look at a book, and I'm not representing what percentage of consumers would 5 see iBooks, would see iBooks on the second or 6 7 third exposure. That's a separate issue. happy to talk about it, but the fact is that 9 source information on a book is complex and the 10 paragraph there would imply consumers can do it. 11 12 Well, maybe, but maybe they don't do it. they don't do it on day one. Maybe they do it 13 on exposure two and exposure three. 14 I think 15 it's really different. I'm reasonably confident that whenever I wrote that I wrote it about 16 17 something rather different than a book, wrote it or said it. I'm not sure which. 18 You didn't undertake to examine 19 20 whether consumers would look at an imprint more 21 or less after they purchased the book from at the time they originally purchased the book? 22 (Record read.) 23 24 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

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- 2 there's always available a fresh supply of
- 3 individuals, who as I mentioned might encounter
- 4 an invitation for a survey on a social media
- 5 site or some other web site.
- 6 Q So there is no one way that people
- 7 are asked to become members of this panel?
- 8 A There is no one location.
- 9 Ultimately my understanding is, and I certainly
- 10 can't list them all for you, but it's knowable
- 11 probably. There is a certain number of web
- 12 locations where individuals who visit those web
- sites are then intercepted, if you will, by
- Research Now and given the opportunity to be
- 15 surveyed so they may qualify for panel
- membership.
- 17 Q What are the requirements of panel
- 18 membership?
- 19 A I think they are fundamentally
- that you have an exclusive web address that is
- 21 yours and yours only. People are validated
- vis-à-vis their phone number and addresses.
- 23 They have to provide, I believe there is a
- 24 certain amount of IP address data collected so
- 25 that respondents are vetted to ensure that they

- 2 are real people and so on.
- 3 Then the panel is constructed in a
- 4 way as to make it demographically balanced in
- 5 the United States. Then there are processes by
- 6 which the panel is overseen and we call in the
- 7 industry managed in order to make sure that
- 8 panel members are not misbehaving. Misbehaving
- 9 might be that they don't, for example, if they
- 10 race through surveys or do things that would
- 11 suggest that they're not being responsible
- members of the panel community, then Research
- Now might dis-invite them, that sort of thing.
- 14 Q Do you know if Research Now
- employed any of those techniques with regard to
- the survey you conducted here?
- 17 A I know that by definition they did
- 18 because that's how their panel is managed, and
- 19 there are unique e-mail addresses for every
- 20 respondent in the panel.
- Q Well how many households in the
- 22 United States are members of Research Now?
- 23 A Several million.
- Q What is the demographic make up of
- 25 Research Now members?

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- 2 A It's a nationally balanced panel.
- 3 It's one of the best in the industry.
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: She didn't
- 5 finish.
- 6 A I have a lot of conviction in that
- 7 because of the role I play in the Industry Trade
- 8 Association and our involvement in overseeing
- 9 and scrutinizing panel quality.
- 10 Q How does it confirm age and gender
- of its members?
- 12 A Ultimately one can never confirm
- age of a member. If a person chooses to lie
- 14 about his or her information. I don't know that
- 15 there is any independent source of that. That
- is true of any survey.
- 17 Q Well, in a mall survey you can
- 18 check someone's driver's license. You can
- 19 compare the photo and age to the person standing
- 20 in front of you. Is there any similar mechanism
- in an internet survey?
- 22 A I'm not sure what mechanisms they
- use to do that. Let me state for the record
- that roughly 70 percent of research done in the
- United States now is done on internet panels.

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- 2 It has become the standard of care in this way.
- 3 Q What percentage of litigation
- 4 surveys are done with an internet panel?
- 5 A Relatively few but increasingly
- 6 so. In fact, that's almost the entire business
- 7 left at the mall is litigation because most of
- 8 the rest of the industry doesn't want to use it.
- 9 Q Does Research Now make any effort
- 10 to ensure the individual responding to its
- 11 e-mail invitations are the same who signed up to
- 12 be Research Now members?
- 13 A Every individual in order to be a
- 14 member of the panel has to have an exclusive
- 15 e-mail address to which no one has access.
- 16 There is really no incentive for somebody to
- sneak into another person's e-mail address if
- 18 they could, if they could. I don't know how
- 19 open your e-mail accounts are to other members
- of your family. Mine is not. If someone could,
- there would be absolutely no value in doing it
- 22 because you would not be receiving -- you as the
- 23 bogus respondent -- would not be receiving any
- 24 incentive.
- Q Does Research Now take steps to

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- 2 ensure that people do not sign up for a service
- 3 under multiple e-mail addresses?
- 4 A Yes, they do.
- 5 Q What?
- A I don't remember the specifics but
- 7 I can get them.
- 8 Q Specifically with regard to the
- 9 survey you conducted, were invitations sent to
- 10 members of Research Now inviting them to take
- 11 the screen survey?
- 12 A Invitations were sent for 70
- percent roughly of the sample. Invitations were
- sent to members of the panel who had already
- been pre-identified per our specifications as
- 16 having an ereader or tablet, and who had
- identified themselves as people who have shopped
- or purchased books. And then from that sampling
- 19 frame respondents who came to our web site they
- 20 were screened per our screening requirements.
- 21 Roughly 30 percent of the respondents actually
- came from what they call sort of social media
- 23 sites, which is people who are intercepted not
- 24 unlike the respondents would be intercepted in
- 25 malls.

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- 2 invitation was there a link in the invitation to
- 3 National Analysts Worldwide?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q That's your company?
- 6 A That's correct.
- 7 Q Does National Analysts Worldwide
- 8 typically host online surveys?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q So how many people were sent the
- 11 invitation?
- 12 A I believe -- I've forgotten the
- 13 number. We can't calculate for the social media
- piece that 30 percent, that's like the mall,
- it's essentially here is an opportunity to take
- 16 a survey if you qualify and so we don't have a
- 17 base for that. My recollection, I believe it
- was roughly 3,000, I believe, somewhere between
- 19 3 and 5,000.
- Q What was the gender make up?
- 21 A Probably roughly equal, although
- 22 they may have over sampled or sent more
- invitations to men because we know that if left
- 24 to their own devices women are more likely to be
- respondents than men. That's in every possible

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- format. It doesn't matter whether you're
- 3 standing in a mall or you're standing on the
- 4 internet. That is fundamentally, that is their
- 5 own calculation as to what they have to do in
- 6 order to produce a sample that will be roughly
- 7 balanced.
- 8 Q How are they distributed
- 9 geographically?
- 10 A Nationally.
- 11 Q Do you know that it was national
- 12 throughout the country?
- 13 A National throughout the country.
- 14 Q Or more in one place?
- 15 A It was more a national survey then
- any mall you've ever used.
- 17 Q What percentage of those who were
- 18 sent the invitation took the screener?
- 19 A I think the response rate was 12
- 20 percent.
- 21 Q How old were the people who
- responded to the screen?
- 23 A The invitations were only sent to
- people who were 18 to 70.
- Q What was the gender make up?

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A As I told you, I'm not sure

3 whether they sent out slightly more invitations

4 to men than women in order to ensure that we had

5 adequate quotas but our own screening process

6 produced through a balancing algorithm produced

quotas that were roughly equally distributed

across three age categories between 18 and 70.

9 Q Did you take any steps to ensure 10 that people who had recently taken the survey

11 were not included in your survey?

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12 A No, I didn't. I'm unimpressed

with the veracity of that. Research Now knows

and they take appropriate measures to avoid

taking screening invitations to people who have

been over sampled. That's one of the things

that a very good panel does in terms of panel

management. It sets a maximum number of surveys

that people can take and they themselves can set

a maximum below that. They cannot take more

21 surveys than maximum for the panel.

Q Do you know how many surveys the

respondents to your survey took in the six

24 months prior to doing your survey?

25 A I don't know the answer to that.

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- 2 It's probably double. That was not a concern of
- 3 mine.
- 4 Q When you did your research did you
- 5 take any steps to make sure people who were
- 6 respondents the second time were not respondents
- 7 as well the first time?
- 8 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 9 the form of the question.
- 10 A Of course.
- 11 Q How did you do that?
- 12 A Research Now knows who they sent
- invitations to and they sent invitations to new
- 14 individuals.
- 15 Q Do you have documents reflecting
- 16 your communications with Research Now on the
- 17 subject?
- 18 A I don't have them at hand. I can
- 19 certainly get Research Now to deliver
- 20 confirmation of that.
- 21 Q Did you actually have a
- 22 communication with Research Now where you told
- them please make sure you don't have the same
- 24 respondents in both surveys?
- 25 A My operations manager did.

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- 2 O You know that for a fact?
- 3 A I do.
- 4 Q What is the name of that person?
- 5 A Bob Farley.
- 6 Q Did you produce your
- 7 communications with Research Now and information
- 8 on the sample size, et cetera?
- 9 A No, it was probably most of it was
- 10 oral, telephone.
- 11 Q Were respondents provided any
- 12 compensation for answering the survey?
- 13 A The way that Research Now works is
- that the people, respondents, get a kind of a
- 15 Research Now cash or points. It's really kind
- of like a -- it's kind of a point compensation
- and those points are redeemable for various
- 18 things. In terms of the equivalent of what they
- 19 got for this, very similar I'm sure. It's
- currency value in the real world is probably
- 21 similar to what the respondents, your experts,
- 22 conducted in malls.
- 23 Q So to be included as a respondent
- in your survey it would have to be people who
- volunteered to be part of a panel where they

- 2 would be frequently surveyed on various topics?
- 3 A Not frequently, not frequently.
- 4 They have to be willing to be surveyed a few
- 5 times a year, but not frequently. And in fact,
- 6 Research Now doesn't want them to be surveyed
- 7 too frequently. That's why they have millions
- 8 of people in the panel. That's why they also
- 9 make available a fresh source, if you will, of
- 10 non-panelists who can be made available for any
- 11 study. But let me be very clear, survey
- 12 research by its nature is volunteer. We cannot
- 13 commandeer, to use a word you and I have
- 14 discussed before, you cannot commandeer people
- and compel them to participate in the survey.
- 16 Even the US Census can't do that.
- 17 O Let's talk a little bit about
- 18 universe. Would you agree that a valid
- 19 statistically projectable survey requires that
- researchers correctly define the universe they
- 21 wish to represent?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 24 A Researchers need to define
- 25 universe and they need to define it in a

- 2 rationale way correct relative to the population
- of individuals that you would like to represent.
- 4 There is no uniform one way. Different studies
- 5 even for the same company, the same client, will
- 6 sometimes have slightly different ways of
- 7 utilizing the definition. Once you commit to a
- 8 group that you want to represent then you want
- 9 to utilize criteria that will actually reflect
- 10 that.
- 11 Q Am I correct that a proper
- 12 universe for litigation survey consists of
- potential purchasers of the product at issue?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 16 A In general I think that's what we
- 17 aim for. The best predictor, the very best
- 18 predictor of future purchase is past purchase.
- 19 It's actually a better predictor than declared
- in attempted purchase.
- 21 Q In your survey you didn't ask if
- people had purchased an electronic book in the
- past.
- 24 A I asked if they downloaded. My
- 25 interest was -- I was fundamentally interested

- in a group of people who are readers of digital
- 3 books at least as evidenced by their having
- downloaded a book in the last month and based on
- that they had to be regular readers. 5
- had to read books regularly or fairly regularly, 6
- 7 which I think distinguishes my sample actually
- from the samples that you employed, and they had
- to be individuals who had downloaded at least 9
- one book, downloading being really the term of 10
- 11 art.
- 12 I happen to know that the sample I
- can document purchase behavior as reported by 13
- the sample because the screening questions that 14
- 15 were used to create the sampling frame that
- received invitations require that they be 16
- 17 shoppers and purchasers of books. You know from
- 18 the Pugh study people who read digital books
- 19 tend to buy them.
- Dr. McDonald, you did not ask your 20
- 21 respondents if they had purchased digital books
- 22 in the past, right?
- Objection to 23 MR. RASKOPF:
- 24 the form of the question.
- 25 I asked if they had downloaded a Α

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- 2 book at least one book in the last six months.
- 3 Q But you didn't ask if they had
- 4 purchased one, right?
- 5 A I didn't use the term purchase. I
- 6 used the term download.
- 7 Q You didn't ask if they would be
- 8 interested in purchasing a digital book in the
- 9 future, correct?
- 10 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 11 the form.
- 12 A I felt no need for several
- reasons, several of which I've alluded to which
- is that past behavior is the best predictor of
- 15 future behavior. I can tell you from a meta
- analysis that in all the studies that I have
- ever done in litigation, that there is a perfect
- 18 match between what people said they have done in
- 19 the last six months and what they say they
- 20 intend to do in the next six months with one
- 21 exception. That was baby formula.
- 22 Q Isn't it true, Dr. McDonald, in
- 23 your past studies for litigation you asked
- 24 respondents about whether they would anticipate
- 25 purchasing the product in the future?

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2 A Not always because for the reason

I told you. What I have found is that simply

4 identifying people who have done something in

5 the past six months or three months, whatever

6 your criteria, is absolutely appropriate to

7 establish that they're in the marketplace. So

8 if I am looking at purchasers of analgesics or

9 shampoo or anything else, anything that's done

10 within a reasonably frequent basis as opposed to

something like a car purchase or a very interim

12 purchase, and by the way I don't think I've had

those in my litigation history, there is simply

14 no difference.

Not only that, people at that

16 point in the survey screening process who are

willing to hang in there are so eager to tell

18 you that they're going to do whatever it is that

19 they used to do or have done that it's hard

really to feel that that response is terribly

21 credible.

22 Q Can you name a litigation study

that you did where you did not screen for

24 prospective future purchasers?

25 A I can't name it but I can tell you

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that my recent forays I've become less and less

interested, so probably whatever the most things

- 4 I've done most recently. Again, with the
- 5 exception of one case, for example, baby formula
- 6 where it's quite possible for someone to pass
- 7 into the market in the future, that is to say a
- 8 woman who is nine months pregnant would have
- 9 qualified for that study and a woman who is in
- 10 the process of taking her baby off formula might
- 11 not qualify going forward. This wasn't one of
- 12 those situations.
- I feel very confident that the
- screening criteria we've used produced people
- 15 who are actually regular readers and users of
- 16 digital books as well as prints. The data that
- I have on these people from the prescreening
- 18 confirms that, and it's really implausible to
- 19 imagine that this is not a sample of people who
- are in the business of buying as opposed to
- 21 simply downloading the books.
- Q Dr. McDonald, your survey did not
- include people who read print books only, right?
- 24 A No, I didn't think they were
- 25 relevant. By design it excludes people who read

- 2 print books only. If you didn't tell us that
- 3 you have downloaded a digital book in the last
- 4 six months you didn't qualify. We know that
- 5 most digital readers also read print and
- 6 plausibility, experience, empirical experience
- 7 as well as the Pugh study confirms that if you
- 8 read digital books you almost certainly
- 9 sometimes read print books, although who knows
- in the future that's going to be true.
- 11 We also know that if you are a
- 12 print book reader there is absolutely no reason
- to assume that you're also a digital reader. So
- one group is nested inside the other. That's
- why very specifically require people to be
- 16 digital readers.
- 17 Q What is your understanding as to
- 18 how many print readers also read electronic
- 19 books?
- 20 A I don't know what percentage of
- 21 print readers do, pretty significant. I think
- it's probably close to a fifth of the reading
- population, if not higher because we know that
- as yet most people who read digital books also
- read print. In other words, it's technically a

- 2 sort of diagram where you have some people who
- 3 read print only and you have a lot of people who
- 4 read both, and then there's probably a pretty
- 5 small group of people who are foresworn printed
- 6 books. I don't know if there are many of them.
- 7 I don't think Pugh thinks there are many of
- 8 them. It's a very unlikely to be, but I have
- 9 not -- I have no reason to think I've excluded
- 10 any of those people.
- 11 My requirement was simply it
- should be a reader and that you downloaded a
- 13 digital book. That I think is a very good
- 14 approximation of the universe of people that I
- 15 care to represent in a study which is looking
- 16 forward toward a time when digital books will be
- so ubiquitous that it's going to be harder and
- 18 harder to find the paper.
- 19 Q So by choosing to have a universe
- of electronic book readers you did that because
- 21 you thought in the future the universe would be
- 22 electronic book readers?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 25 A No, I think there are several

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- 2 reasons. I don't think that's one. One is I
- 3 feel that the world is moving to digital books.
- 4 So that is the future and people who are already
- 5 reading digital books have an experience with
- 6 books that is different from people who read
- 7 print. That group also is far more aware of
- 8 iBooks as a brand, as a phenomenon. I don't
- 9 mean John Colby's iBooks but Apple's iBooks.
- 10 That's perfectly relevant. There would be no
- 11 reason to talk to people who really are not yet
- in the digital world because they're not people
- who are going to encounter iBooks from Apple.
- 14 Q So by surveying people who are
- 15 electronic book readers you thought that those
- people would be more likely to be familiar with
- 17 Apple's iBooks app; is that right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 19 the form.
- 20 A More likely to be familiar with
- 21 digital books all together, including Apple,
- that they would be people who were more
- representative of the world as I think any
- 24 posture has reason to think about his or her
- customers in the future as being they are in a

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- of plaintiffs' books were physical books as
- 3 opposed to electronic books?
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 5 A I may have asked that question. I
- 6 probably did but I don't remember the answer. I
- 7 do know there is a pretty extensive, they have
- 8 the rights to a large number of digital books,
- 9 rather I should say digital rights to a large
- 10 number of books. It may even be in the four
- 11 digits but I don't recall.
- 12 Q Can you approximate in any way
- what percentage of plaintiffs' sales are for
- 14 electronic books?
- 15 A At this point in time no, I don't
- 16 know.
- 17 Q Well, suppose the majority of
- 18 plaintiffs' sales were for print books. Would
- 19 you agree that your universe should have
- 20 included print book readers too?
- 21 A Well, first of all, I want to
- 22 disclaim the idea that my universe didn't
- include print book readers. It most assuredly
- 24 did. The vast majority of people who read
- 25 digital books read print as well. So I think

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- 2 there can be no question that print readers were
- 3 included. But that's a separate question from
- 4 the one that I think is underlying it, which is
- 5 is there any good reason to focus on digital at
- 6 all. I think the answer is yes based on what
- 7 I've already said.
- 8 Q Well, if someone only read print
- 9 books they could not qualify for your survey,
- 10 right?
- 11 A Well, they could read primarily
- 12 print books. There is no representation in here
- about the frequency with which people read
- 14 digital books. So I think what we can assume
- that we have by the odds of random sampling
- 16 within a panel framework is people for whom the
- 17 percent of their digital reading relative to
- their print reading is anywhere from one percent
- 19 to 100 percent. One percent unlikely 100
- 20 percent we know very unlikely just based on the
- 21 statistics that I told you.
- 22 Q To qualify for your survey you had
- to have read a digital book in the past six
- 24 months?
- 25 A You had to have downloaded a

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- 2 digital book in the past six months. That's
- 3 correct.
- 4 Q If you didn't do that you couldn't
- 5 qualify, right?
- 6 A That's correct. But I want to be
- 7 clear that that doesn't mean that our sample
- 8 consists of people who are predominantly digital
- 9 readers. That's probably not a good to use the
- 10 term digital and reader in this sense. The
- 11 reality is that many, many people and the more
- typical person who reads digital books reads
- 13 plenty of print too.
- 14 Q What's that based on?
- 15 A Look at the Pugh study but I have
- to say in my own empirical experience that every
- one I know who uses the digital reader also
- 18 reads print books. It's the nature of the
- 19 beast. It's consistent with -- I'm a perfect
- 20 example of the scenario that the occasion based
- 21 selection of material or medium for reading.
- That's pretty common.
- 23 Q Suppose 75 percent of plaintiffs'
- 24 sales were for print books. In that case do you
- 25 think it would be important to make sure that

- 2 your survey included people who read print
- 3 books?
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 5 the form of the question. Asked
- and answered.
- 7 A There is no doubt that the sample
- 8 includes people who read print books. There is
- 9 just no doubt at all.
- 10 Q Well, you said you did a marketing
- analysis as part of your report, right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 13 the characterization of the
- 14 witness' prior testimony. Go
- 15 ahead.
- 16 A Yes, I don't know what you mean by
- marketing analysis. I'm sure that's not what I
- 18 said.
- 19 O You said that in addition to
- opining on surveys you also opined on I thought
- 21 marketing; is that right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 23 the characterization of the prior
- 24 testimony. You may answer.
- 25 A I misunderstood what you meant by

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- 2 this. Did I make a marketing assessment, did I
- 3 have a marketing point of view or perspective,
- 4 absolutely.
- 5 Q In the course of that portion of
- 6 your opinion did you do anything to ascertain
- 7 what percentage of plaintiffs' books were
- 8 published digitally versus in print?
- 9 A As I told you, I think I did know
- 10 that at one time. I've forgotten it. It really
- wasn't a rate limiting issue for me because
- 12 what's very clear is a publisher is not
- leveraging what in John Colby's case is a rich
- 14 catalogue of digital rights going forward into
- the future. He's not going to be in business
- very long. So that really was based on my own
- 17 belief that the marketing is migrating
- 18 increasingly toward digital reading and the fact
- 19 that I knew that John Colby had a significant
- 20 catalogue of digital books.
- 21 Q Can you approximate in any way
- what the proportion has been of digital versus
- 23 print books that plaintiffs have sold?
- 24 A I'm sure you know it. I don't
- 25 know.

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- 2 Q Can you approximate in any way the
- 3 number of titles plaintiffs have released
- 4 digitally versus in print?
- 5 A I don't know the number.
- 6 Q You can't approximate it either?
- 7 A It would be fool hearty for me to
- 8 do that. I would almost certainly be wrong.
- 9 Q Does a survey have to include all
- 10 possible consumers of a product?
- 11 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 12 the form.
- 13 A I don't know how to decode that
- 14 question.
- 15 Q If you didn't -- never mind. You
- 16 said regularly in your question, right?
- 17 A You had to be someone who read on
- 18 a regular or fairly regular basis.
- 19 Q How often is regular?
- 20 A We left it to the definition and
- 21 totally subjective. The goal simply was to
- 22 establish whether people -- we wanted people who
- 23 considered themselves readers. I say I because
- this is the stipulation I made. I wanted to be
- 25 sure that we were talking to people who

- considered themselves readers. People can
- 3 misestimate and assemble about the number of
- 4 books that we read. In fact, Pugh study I think
- 5 makes a comment something we all know that
- 6 people overstate, overestimate the number of
- 7 times they do anything, especially if it's a
- 8 virtuous thing.
- 9 We really don't have any empirical
- 10 trustworthy evidence of how much any given
- 11 person reads. I wanted to be sure that we
- identified people who considered themselves
- 13 regular readers. By the way, some people, not
- so many who came to -- actually it's probably
- one of the more common reasons for being
- 16 disqualified who weren't actually, they didn't
- describe themselves that way. So that's if
- 18 you're a very occasional reader you're less
- 19 relevant.
- 20 Q In your view does a survey
- 21 universe need to survey all constituencies of a
- 22 product's users?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 24 the form.
- 25 A There is no absolute on that. I

- 2 can tell you that for many of our clients we
- only talk to in certain circumstances heavy
- 4 users. Other circumstances we talk to people
- who aren't users of the product at all because
- 6 there is an expectation of perhaps you can --
- 7 they may become users. It depends on your
- 8 marketing problem. It depends upon the
- 9 intellectual perspective, the construct if you
- 10 will that you bring to the study. I think
- 11 that's why I alluded earlier to the fact there
- is no single right way to talk about a universe
- for all time and all studies. It always
- 14 reflects your conception of the problem and your
- objectives as a survey researcher.
- 16 What do you want to represent,
- 17 what are your goals, are you trying to -- I
- 18 could see Barnes & Noble doing a survey of
- 19 people who don't yet have Nooks or digital
- readers. I can see for other purposes them
- 21 doing a survey of only people who download books
- 22 five times a week. It depends on what they want
- 23 to achieve.
- 24 Q In your surveys eligible
- 25 respondents were divided into a test group and a

- 2 matter how you do it the numbers came out the
- 3 same.
- 4 Q Did you investigate before you did
- 5 your survey the demographic make up of ebook
- 6 purchasers?
- 7 A I think I gave you the answer to
- 8 that and I explained to you why it was
- 9 irrelevant.
- 10 Q Isn't it true that you just
- assumed the universe was roughly split between
- men and women?
- 13 A No, I didn't assume that at all.
- 14 What I did was do what is very commonplace, by
- the way, if we're going to adhere to tradition
- in Lanham Act cases. It's very common to simply
- 17 create roughly equal group sizes. So that if
- 18 you're not allowing the happenstance they told
- 19 you a survey response rate to skew your sample
- 20 toward women or toward old people or toward
- 21 young people, whoever happened to respond to
- surveys in a higher number, but rather create
- 23 roughly equal numbers which allows you to apply
- 24 statistical waiting so that you can demonstrate
- what the market actually behaves like.

- 2 So there is no reason to do it.
- 3 The reason especially without any absolute
- 4 knowledge of what every one in this room would
- 5 agree is the demographic representation of the
- 6 digital reader population, I would simply argue
- 7 I can rate that data any way I want and I
- 8 promise you I'm going to get 50 percent
- 9 confusion, likelihood of confusion, by the
- 10 metric that I've used.
- 11 Q Let me just be very simple.
- 12 Before you did the survey did you look to any
- data to determine what the gender and age
- 14 characteristics were of ebook readers?
- 15 MR. RASKOPF: Asked and
- answered. You may answer.
- 17 A I'm try this again. I did not
- 18 because it was immaterial and in fact, there was
- 19 no reason to take the risk that whatever data I
- 20 could find was actually a misrepresentation of
- 21 the way I had defined my sample. Remember the
- 22 Pugh study is one study. It has a way of
- 23 screening respondents. It had definitions.
- 24 They may not match the definitions of the
- 25 universe as it seemed relevant to me. So there

1 S. Schwartz McDonald 2 are some markets in which we have very, very 3 good, if you will, epidemiological or incidents data, other markets which we don't. Even in the realm of health care you'll be surprised how 5 difficult it is for us to tell you exactly what 6 7 percentage of people have a certain disease. So knowing that uncertainty, 8 forgive me for this long preamble, knowing that 9 uncertainty it doesn't make sense to try to do 10 that because you have available the ability to 11 12 wait. So it's a lovely flexibility and no matter how we do it the results are the same. 13 Just to be clear, you were not 14 0 aware and you have not read the Pugh study at 15 the time you did your survey, right? 16 17 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to the characterization of the 18 19 witness' prior testimony. 20 Α I absolutely had no interest in 21 doing that. That was not my goal. My goal was 22 to produce roughly equal sales, each of which was large enough that I could look at separately 23 if I needed to, and then have the ability to 24

So if you say Dr. McDonald, I'd like to

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wait.

- 2 see what the results of your study had been if
- 3 you had mimicked my estimate of the proportion
- 4 of women versus men who read digital books I
- 5 would say okay, fine.
- 6 Q I'm not talking about screeners.
- 7 I'm trying to establish factually because you
- 8 keep mentioning the Pugh study in various
- 9 answers. You did not have the Pugh study at the
- 10 time you designed your survey, right?
- 11 A I'm not speaking to you about the
- 12 Pugh study. I'm not using it post hoc. I want
- to be very clear. I'm not defending my decision
- not to look for secondary data on the gender and
- 15 age distribution of people who read digital
- 16 books by saying post hoc am I lucky the Pugh
- 17 study says X, Y, and Z. I don't know what the
- 18 Pugh study says. When I read it that was of
- 19 little interest to me because I can assure you
- that if anyone, and I'm not sure the Pugh study
- 21 does it, if anyone can provide me with
- trustworthy incidents data I can replicate the
- 23 market by statistical waiting.
- Q Again, I'm not talking about
- 25 screeners or any particular aspect of your

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- 2 survey right now. I'm trying to establish that
- 3 you did not read the Pugh study before you
- finished your survey; isn't that true?
- 5 A I didn't read the Pugh study
- 6 before I finished my survey. It didn't guide or
- 7 inform the decisions that I made, but it
- 8 certainly sheds light on some of them and I
- 9 think it obviates some of your questions or
- 10 criticisms post hoc.
- 11 O Dr. McDonald, isn't it true that
- 12 survey researchers generally ask screening
- 13 questions to identify eligible consumers?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 16 A That's what a screening question
- 17 is.
- 18 Q And am I correct that routine
- 19 eligibility screening questions eliminate
- 20 individuals who work in the industry in
- 21 question?
- 22 A Actually, there is some
- 23 disagreement about that. There are, from my
- 24 perspective, there is absolutely no reason to
- worry about the two people who might have been

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- in any one of the industries that you're likely
- 3 to raise here, because I know from the
- 4 criticisms of my survey a couple of things.
- 5 One, I think the mission is to represent the
- 6 universe of people you have defined as relevant
- 7 to your market.
- I see absolutely no reason to
- 9 exclude people who are survey researchers or
- 10 market researchers, and even if you did you
- 11 would be excluding one or two so the impact
- 12 would be material. But that was a deliberate
- decision. I've been incredibly unimpressed by
- the intellectual merit of doing that. If you
- want a representative group of respondents they
- 16 come in all forms. I'm a consumer too.
- 17 Increasingly I note when people call me for
- telephone surveys they're not asking whether you
- 19 are or any member of your family is a market
- 20 researcher.
- 21 Q You said that if you had screened
- for typical respondents you might only have
- 23 eliminated one or two. What is your basis for
- 24 that?
- 25 A As much as I live in this

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- 2 narcissistic world surrounded by researchers,
- and as much as you think -- well, lawyers
- 4 actually who knows, but not so much strolling
- 5 through malls, the reality is market researchers
- 6 are a tiny proportion of the population. People
- 7 in book publishing are a tiny proportion of the
- 8 population. So it's immaterial and I'm not sure
- 9 anyone can make a case as to why they shouldn't
- 10 be in a survey like this.
- 11 Q Did you write a book called the
- 12 Group Debt Interview?
- 13 A Yes, I did.
- 14 Q Isn't it true in that book you
- 15 stated, "It goes almost without staying that
- 16 people employed in the industry under study or
- 17 their close relatives should be excluded from
- 18 group interviews"?
- 19 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 20 the form.
- 21 A Group interviews, yes.
- 22 Q Is there any reason to treat
- 23 people interviewed in group interviews
- 24 differently than people interviewed for
- 25 litigation surveys?

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- bunch of consumers, I probably wouldn't want an
- 3 ad copywriter in the room because it wouldn't I
- 4 think be useful. In the case of a survey like
- 5 this the opportunity for any kind of market
- 6 research experience to do mischief like this is
- 7 inconceivable that it would.
- 8 Q But we don't know whether the
- 9 people you surveyed were members of the
- 10 publishing industry or had any specific
- 11 knowledge, right?
- 12 A Well, we don't know whether there
- are one or two people who are in the publishing
- industry. But with respect to the possible
- 15 impact of that, I can't see how it would redound
- 16 to anything but your benefit as a partisan for
- 17 Apple if there were people who were
- 18 knowledgeable in this survey because they would
- 19 be unlikely to perhaps say anything.
- Q Well, your survey didn't screen
- 21 out people that were working in marketing or
- 22 advertising either, right?
- 23 A No, it didn't.
- 24 O Isn't it true that in all
- confusion surveys you've done for litigation

- 2 you've excluded people employed in the industry
- 3 in your study?
- 4 A No, I haven't. In cases where I
- 5 have it's clearly always been at the insistence
- of my clients. Because for the reasons that you
- 7 and I have talked about at various times during
- 8 the day, there is a tendency for people in this
- 9 business, experts who are hired, the attorneys
- 10 who hire them to be very attentive to what has
- 11 been done before. It's actually I think an
- industry that is or a practice, I guess industry
- is not the right term, relatively inflexible
- 14 while the rest of market research evolved in
- 15 various ways there isn't very much that changes
- in litigation research I suspect because people
- are so mindful of precedent and no one wants to
- 18 take risks.
- 19 Q You, yourself, have screened out
- 20 people who are part of the industry being
- 21 quizzed in the past, right?
- 22 A Not always and typically neither,
- and I have made the comment to attorneys I have
- seen no value. By the way, in claims validation
- I have had, which work I have done as well, I

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- 2 have clients who say absolutely do not screen
- out anybody because it's the universe that we
- 4 want to represent is broad and researchers are
- 5 people too. So I think this is a matter of
- 6 taste. It is absolutely not a matter of
- 7 methodological obligation.
- 8 Q Are you aware of judges
- 9 criticizing surveys for failing to screen out
- 10 people with specialized knowledge?
- 11 A It depends what you mean by
- 12 specialized knowledge. Specialized knowledge,
- should you have been in the survey, no, I hope
- 14 you weren't. That's specialized knowledge. Is
- 15 a market researcher is someone who works in the
- industry, who is doing data processing, who is
- 17 simply involved in what is ordinary marketing or
- market research, would that be a person with
- 19 special knowledge, no.
- 20 Q Do you know whether I was one of
- 21 your respondents?
- 22 A I think I can find out.
- Q Did you screen for people who
- work, who are lawyers?
- 25 A No, lawyers --

- 2 Q Did you screen --
- 3 MR. RASKOPF: She wasn't
- 4 finished with her answer. You
- 5 said no, lawyers and then you were
- 6 cut off.
- 7 A Why would I do that? I live in
- 8 Philadelphia where every other person is a
- 9 lawyer. I think it would be inappropriate to
- 10 screen out lawyers. It would be desirable
- 11 perhaps to ensure that no lawyers from this case
- 12 are present. I have no way to do that that
- isn't awkward and revealing of the outcome or
- the agenda for the study. All things considered
- 15 you take risks. If by chance you happen to be
- in the study, and I don't know what genre it
- 17 would have been, I can live with that because
- 18 statistics blur out this kind of stuff.
- 19 Q Are you done?
- 20 A I'm going to stop here.
- 21 Q Can you name me any study that you
- have done where you say you did not study for
- 23 atypical respondents?
- 24 A I'm sure I could find one. I'm
- 25 sure I could find one. By the way, the

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2 definition of atypical respondents varies from

- 3 study to study as well.
- 4 Q Would you agree that it's common
- 5 in the litigation survey to exclude respondents
- 6 who participated in the survey in the past three
- 7 months?
- 8 A I promised you I would make an
- 9 audible response. My audible response here is a
- 10 description of a raised eyebrow. One of the
- things that no one in the industry trusts is
- 12 people's representation of whether they have
- been parties to a survey last week, last month,
- last year. It is absolutely the least reliable
- 15 data. One thing that you can do with a web
- panel survey, which you can't do with a mall
- 17 survey, is actually confirm it. Although
- 18 research now cannot represent what people have
- done in other panels, certainly we can begin to
- talk about what those panel members have done,
- 21 have the opportunities they have to participate
- in surveys, and what they've actually
- 23 participated in. I think this is one of those
- sources of general amusement in the industry
- 25 where it's the most pro forma thing that people

- do and it's useless. It's utterly useless.
- 3 Q Did you do anything to screen your
- 4 respondents to exclude people who participated
- 5 in a prior survey in the past three to six
- 6 months?
- 7 MR. RASKOPF: Asked and
- 8 answered.
- 9 A I answered no because I think it's
- 10 the silliest thing to do. And by the way, there
- is no reason why someone shouldn't participate
- in more than one survey in three to six months.
- But I, as opposed to your experts, can actually
- make some headway toward proving whether they
- 15 participated in Research Now surveys or not. I
- 16 would add no one really knows what is the right
- 17 amount of surveys and why wouldn't I want a
- 18 person to participate in the survey. Just
- 19 because somebody participated in a survey for JD
- 20 Powers on their recent Acura purchase, why
- 21 wouldn't they be eligible for a study that you
- 22 did or that I did.
- 23 Q Would you agree that professional
- 24 respondents can bias a survey?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 2 the form.
- 3 A I don't think bias is the right
- 4 word. Professional respondents can potentially
- 5 shape the outcome of certain kinds of surveys.
- 6 I don't think that the kinds of surveys that
- 7 we're talking about here lend themselves to that
- 8 sort of quote bias. There are lots of different
- 9 kinds of surveys and lots of different affects
- 10 that the industry has looked at of so-called
- 11 professional respondents, whether, for example,
- they are high raters. There may be some
- 13 evidence of their use of rating scales. But
- 14 again, the definition of a so-called
- 15 professional respondent is yet ill-defined. So
- in this case could a person who had taken a
- 17 survey twice last month or four times last
- 18 month, could that have bias the outcome here I
- 19 don't see how, on what basis.
- 20 Q Well, you had a panel of people
- who chose to be part of Research Now where they
- get rewards for the more surveys they take;
- 23 isn't that true?
- 24 A As I mentioned Research Now
- 25 doesn't allow them to take more than a certain

- 2 number of surveys over the course of a year. So
- 3 I would not describe members of a panel, which
- 4 by the way, the vast, vast majority of research
- 5 that's done in the United States now is based on
- 6 work from people who have been impaneled in some
- 7 way or are now part of a social community.
- 8 Q In your rebuttal reports that
- 9 you've submitted in the litigation have you
- 10 criticized another survey expert for failing to
- 11 exclude people who work in the industry being
- 12 tested?
- 13 A I don't recall. I don't recall.
- 14 Q You might have though, right?
- 15 A I might have. If I did I'm sure
- 16 it was something that I trivialized as a comment
- 17 because unless really there was a very
- 18 exceptional circumstance. I think I am very
- 19 clear in my expert reports about how I
- 20 prioritize my criticisms, and I really feel very
- 21 comfortable in standing on that record that the
- 22 kind of thing that you are enumerating here,
- which I feel very comfortable defending, is at
- its very best, and I don't think best is really
- 25 the fair way to talk about it, is so petty and

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- 2 so trivial that it doesn't even take one little
- 3 morsel out of the credibility of the study.
- 4 It's truly trivial, contextual, and these are
- 5 very small fish to fry but I'm feel comfortable
- 6 about the decisions I've made.
- 7 Q Have you ever criticized a survey
- 8 researcher's work for having a report that has
- 9 so many flaws both big and little that the
- 10 collective aggregate of those flaws is worse
- 11 than the some of its parts?
- MR. RASKOPF: I object to
- the form of the question.
- 14 A You do. I don't. But if you have
- something like that you'd like to show me and I
- 16 can then explain whatever I meant in that
- 17 context I'm happy to do it.
- 18 O There will come a time. Is it
- 19 fair to say that Apple is famous as a smartphone
- 20 maker?
- 21 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 23 A Apple is a very well-known
- 24 smartphone maker, has a very significant market
- 25 share.

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- 2 Q Is it fair to say that the iPhone
- 3 is a popular product?
- 4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 5 the form of the question.
- 6 A There are several in this room.
- 7 Yes, of course it's a popular product.
- 8 Q Is it fair to say that the iPhone
- 9 is seen as revolutionizing the smartphone
- 10 industry?
- 11 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 12 the form.
- 13 A That sounds like you're quoting
- 14 someone. I don't know who that would be.
- 15 Q Would you agree with it?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 17 the form.
- 18 A Is or was?
- 19 Q Do you agree that the iPhone has
- 20 revolutionized the smartphone industry?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 23 A You switched tenses. I don't know
- 24 whether it is still relevant because Apple is
- 25 facing some stiff competition in the smartphone

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- 2 industry, as you know. I think Apple has
- 3 absolutely introduced some major advances.
- 4 That's why I have one.
- 5 Q Would you agree that a confusion
- 6 survey is flawed if consumers give a response
- 7 for reasons other than the trademark at issue?
- 8 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 9 the form of the question.
- 10 A That certainly is something you
- want to avoid in your research assignment.
- 12 Q Have you ever heard of the term
- 13 priming in survey research?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q How would you define priming?
- 16 A Priming is creating some kind of
- 17 an either literal or subliminal stimulus that
- might encourage people to provide an answer they
- 19 wouldn't otherwise have provided or might have
- otherwise provided.
- Q What's wrong with that?
- 22 A If in fact what you've done is
- prime people and you didn't intend to, and by
- 24 the way there are legitimate reasons to prime
- 25 people in certain circumstances, if you didn't

- 2 intend to do it then you can distort the
- 3 responses.
- 4 Q Let's go to screening question
- 5 five of your survey. In screening question five
- 6 you ask respondents which of the following have
- 7 you done in the past six months. They're asked
- 8 order a soft cover paperback book via the
- 9 internet for delivery by mail, ordered a
- 10 hardcover book via the internet for delivery by
- mail and the last one is downloaded a digital
- 12 book to a reading device of any kind including a
- 13 smartphone. Did you write that?
- 14 A Yes.
- 15 Q Would you agree that upon hearing
- the word smartphone respondents were more likely
- 17 to think of Apple?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 19 the form.
- 20 A No. You know, this is another one
- of those raised eyebrows. It's hard to make
- this criticism with a straight face I think in
- 23 number one a controlled study and two, a study
- in which the screening question is then
- 25 separated by a matter of a minute from their

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- 2 experience in the survey. That's what a control
- 3 study is for.
- 4 Q You said downloaded a digital book
- 5 to a reading device of any kind. That's the
- 6 first part of that question, right?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q And a reading device of any kind,
- 9 that would include a smartphone or a Kindle or
- 10 any possible device, right?
- 11 A It would not have occurred to me
- to include a smartphone if I used only reading
- device. That was included in here specifically
- 14 to ensure that people did not restrict their
- 15 response to a Kindle or Nook or tablet because
- there is a surprising, I have to say, amount of
- 17 book reading that's done on phones. I know
- 18 people who do it. I'm quite amazed that they
- 19 are now not blind but people do it. That's why.
- 20 Q You said a reading device of any
- 21 kind. Any kind, that would include smartphones
- 22 and tablets; isn't that true?
- 23 A Not to me it wouldn't. A reading
- 24 device to me is still a term that I would expect
- to reference or bring to mind a Nook or Kindle.

- 2 That's a reading device. A phone is a phone. I
- 3 think of my phone as a phone. It happens to do
- 4 other things. Apple, of course your client, has
- 5 been quite extraordinary in redefining what a
- 6 phone does. But it's still my phone. If you
- 7 were asking me about my reading devices I
- 8 wouldn't think to reference my iPhone as
- 9 readily. So this was meant to be inclusive.
- 10 That's the reason. There was no intent to
- 11 prime.
- 12 However, just to follow on that
- train of thought, this is precisely what a
- 14 control study is for. So whatever happens in
- one arm if truly this were the impetus to
- reference to speak to Apple, it would happen on
- 17 the other arm. What's more, just while I'm on a
- 18 roll, Apple owns a lot of "I's" but it doesn't
- 19 own the word smartphone, not until such time
- they call it an "I" smartphone. There are a lot
- of other smartphones and in my family they
- 22 abound. So the notion that somehow the world
- 23 smartphone cannot be used without people hearing
- 24 Apple, wow, there are confusion cases abounding
- out there that we have yet to talk about.

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2 Dr. McDonald, right after you said 0 3 downloaded a digital book to a reading device of any kind including a smartphone, would you agree 4 that a smartphone would include a reading device 5 of any kind?

7 MR. RASKOPF: Objection.

Asked and answered. 8

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Α To you perhaps but not necessarily to every one else. When you say reading device to me, as a matter of fact I'm interestingly -there are some people for whom a tablet is a reading device and other people for whom it's primarily an e-mail and a computer device. the notion of whether it's a reading device or not, absolutely not only was this an innocent decision but it was a diligent decision. It was meant to ensure that people who had downloaded a book to their phone thought that I was talking about their phone as well.

And immediately after you asked the question this screener you asked question 1A of the main survey where you ask respondents to envision a particular page of a book, right?

25 Α Yes.

S. Schwartz McDonald 1 2 How much time is there between 0 3 when you ask screener five and ask question 1A? Α Well, it probably is between the quotas and algorithm it might have been 15 5 seconds and then they have to read the question. 6 7 And by the way, half of these people were randomized to a control in which there was very little reference to Apple and half were 9 The notion though randomized to the test arm. 10 that somehow the words one cannot say smartphone 11 12 without bringing to mind for large proportions of people Apple automatically, if you think 13 about the implications of that my goodness no 14 wonder this case is where it is. 15 preposterous. I'm sorry. It's preposterous. 16 17 Again, this is what a control study is for. 18 0 Dr. McDonald, I'm not going to get 19 into what is preposterous or not. Let's just continue asking questions. Did you do anything 20 21 to control for respondents taking your survey on 22 a smartphone or on an iPad? 23 Objection to MR. RASKOPF: 24 the editorial and objection to the

form.

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- 2 A No, depends on what you're after.
- 3 Q Isn't it true that guessing can
- 4 skew data?
- 5 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 6 the form of the question.
- 7 A It depends on what you want to
- 8 learn in your survey. Actually, I have a very
- 9 strong difference of opinion about injunctions
- 10 not to guess. Because the people who know the
- answer to this question don't belong in the
- 12 survey. Those are precisely the people you
- 13 would have me screen out. Those are the people
- who are knowledgeable, who have special
- 15 knowledge, and in this case know that iBooks,
- John Colby's companies, has nothing to do with
- 17 Apple iBooks. But every one else is guessing.
- 18 Q Isn't it true that you believe
- 19 quessing is generally considered undesirable in
- 20 surveys since it may not necessarily produce a
- 21 random response distribution depending upon the
- 22 topic or population and there is thus some risk
- that quessing may skew the data?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 25 the form.

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If you're going to guote me then 2 3 you have to show me the context so that I can tell you what I meant and why, because I've had this conversation in court and I've had this 5 conversation with attorneys as in this case. 7 believe that when you're asking about trademark questions, about source, that it is all about quessing. I think that's actually a fatuous 9 instruction because if anyone knows the answer 10 11 they don't belong in the survey. What you're 12 really asking and you don't want to exclude people who have arrived at a conclusion, have 13 formed an inference based on what they imagine, 14 15 based on similarity, based on whatever, visual, auditory, you don't want to exclude those people 16 17 just because they're not sure. I think the 18 answer -- and that's what a control study does. 19 Controls take care of -- quessing is a problem 20 if there is no control. If there is no control 21 I absolutely agree that there is a risk but for other reasons as well. 22 Isn't it true that the standard 23 0 practice in litigation surveys is to instruct 24 25 respondents not to quess?

S. Schwartz McDonald 1 2 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to 3 the form of the question. I've seen it many times and I А 4 actively disagree with it. I think it is a 5 mistake and the industry interestingly is high 6 7 bound in so many ways. What does it mean, talk about fatuous, what does it mean for a Shall I continue? I know you're 9 respondent. distracted. 10 I'm listening to you. 11 0 12 Α I want to make sure --13 MR. RASKOPF: Do you want 14 us to wait, Dale, until you're finished there? 15 16 MS. CENDALI: No, she's welcome to continue. 17 I was 18 looking at the next document and I 19 don't want to interrupt you in 20 mid-speech. 21 Α Thank you. I feel so passionate about this actually that I feel, I crave your 22 undivided attention. 23 24 Sorry for MR. RASKOPF: 25 laughing.

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At the end of the day anyone who 2 Α 3 knows the answer doesn't belong in the survey. The only people who belong in the survey are 4 consumers who don't know for sure. That's what 5 we're doing. We're measuring likelihood of 6 7 confusion. The notion that somehow we exclude people from guessing, and at the same time another common code in Lanham Act surveys is 9 10 please don't guess versus but there is no right 11 or wrong answer. What does that mean. There is 12 no right or wrong answer to me sends an absolute opposing contrary message to this beleaquered 13 respondent who has just been shown something, 14 15 told that they should provide their opinion. They're not supposed to know it and if they were 16 17 specially knowledgeable people we wouldn't want 18 them to survey anyway, the purpose of these 19 surveys is to find out what people who don't know are likely to do and think and surmise. 20 21 Surmise when confronted with queues of various kinds in an environment in which they don't know 22 the answer. 2.3 24 Are you aware of the single 25 judicial opinion that has adopted your review

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2 that there is no need to instruct respondents

3 not to quess?

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4 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

5 the characterization of the

6 witness' prior testimony.

7 A I will tell you this, no survey of

8 mine has ever been excluded and I don't do it.

9 Q In light of the speech you just

gave why did you say in your survey "if you

think you would have no idea please feel free to

say so" in light of your comments about that you

13 feel no reason to instruct people not to guess,

14 why did you include the instruction to your

respondents "if you think you would have no idea

16 please feel free to say so"?

MR. RASKOPF: Note my

18 objection to the characterization

of the witness' prior testimony.

Note my objection to the form of

the question. You may answer.

A Another small speech. If you

believe that those are equivalent then this

24 entire conversation is moot. If you believe

that I have essentially achieved the same goal

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2 that one achieves by the injunction not to quess

- 3 by telling people if they don't have any idea
- 4 they should feel free to say so, then probably
- 5 we're done with the conversation of guessing.
- 6 If you don't, then I am happy to follow along
- 7 with that refinement because I think it is sheer
- 8 I'm going to describe it as courtesy. You're
- 9 asking people to answer a question which they
- 10 can't know the answer to. They can't unless you
- 11 are part of John Colby's retinue of employees
- and colleagues, people sitting in this room,
- people at Apple, people at Quinn Emanuel, you
- don't know for sure. You don't know. So that's
- what this is all about. It's the average
- 16 consumer who is uninformed and doesn't know.
- 17 If though some people will look at
- 18 the stimulus and say you know what, I think that
- 19 could be true or this is what I imagine. That's
- 20 all. We're not requiring that they sign a
- 21 pledge of conviction and certitude. That would
- be silly. We don't want to discourage people
- who aren't sure if they think something is true.
- 24 That would be artificially repressing responses
- and I've seen jurists take exception to those

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- 2 kinds of things, and people can argue about full
- 3 filters and what they do and how much they
- 4 repress response. However, I believe if
- 5 somebody really doesn't have an answer, doesn't
- 6 feel inclined to offer, they should be reassured
- 7 that that's okay and they don't need to be
- 8 pressed to make something up if they don't have
- 9 any conviction about it.
- 10 Q Let's look at Exhibit D to your
- 11 first report, which is on page 17, respondent
- 12 100001749. Do you see that?
- 13 A I'm sorry?
- 14 Q 100001749 on page 17. This
- respondent said in response to your question 1A,
- 16 "I would guess Apple since they have iPhones,
- iPods, iPads, right?" You agree this person was
- 18 quessing, right?
- 19 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 20 the form.
- 21 A I think almost every one --
- 22 perhaps you and I should agree on what the
- 23 meaning of a quess is. You either know
- 24 something or you're quessing. A guessing stance
- to me, an educated hunch, a surmise, a maybe,

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2 but that's precisely the point. Of course most

of these people are using the "I" which is the

indicia of Apple to generate a conclusion about

5 this. And the fact that somebody says I would

6 guess, do we think that this person was really

guessing harder than somebody who said Apple. I

8 don't think so. I would not take that as a sign

that this person lacks special conviction and

10 the other people who didn't say yes --

11 Q This person said that they are

12 guessing. I would guess. Did you assume that

they were lying or did you assume that they were

telling the truth when they said I would guess

15 Apple?

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MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

17 the form of the question.

18 A When people say I would guess it's

often in speech. It's often a hedge against the

20 possibility that they may be wrong. So is it

some wild guess that has no basis, no. As a

matter of fact the person is anticipating the

follow-up question, the probe why do you say

that, and providing the rule. They can't know.

25 If they say Apple they're wrong. So how is it

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- 2 possible for guessing not to be part. Every
- 3 response that carries Apple in it here is a
- 4 person who is wrong in terms of what confusion
- 5 would imply, if it's John Colby's book, if it's
- an Apple reader they're not. The point is that
- 7 somebody is taking, they're using that rule to
- 8 generate an inference.
- 9 Q Your survey tells us nothing about
- what the reaction would be to one of plaintiffs'
- 11 books because you didn't show them one of
- 12 plaintiffs' books, right?
- 13 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form of the question.
- 15 A I didn't show a book. I'm only
- making a case that no one could know the answer
- to this, and what we are asking is what their
- interpretation would be.
- 19 Q You counted this person as
- 20 confused, correct?
- 21 A I counted this person as confused.
- 22 Q Let's look on page 19, for
- example, respondent 100003147. This respondent
- 24 says --
- 25 A I'm sorry?

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- the Apple prefix as a rule for drawing an
- 3 inference about using Apple as a source, your
- 4 argument is that despite the presence of
- 5 guessing even with that use of the rule somehow
- 6 qualifies that response in a different way, I
- 7 would disagree.
- 8 Q You counted this person as
- 9 confused, correct?
- 10 A I did indeed.
- 11 Q You purposely did not instruct
- 12 respondents not to guess when you designed your
- 13 survey; isn't that true?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 15 the mischaracterization of the
- 16 witness' prior testimony.
- 17 A I didn't make a unique decision
- here. I don't do that. That is not my MO in
- any of the surveys that I do, and it's because
- I, not withstanding whatever jurists may say, I
- 21 believe and I have testified to that effect I
- 22 believe that that is not an appropriate
- injunction. When you're putting people in a
- 24 position where they can't know the truth of the
- 25 matter, let's take a traditional survey of the

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- 2 sort whether it's, I don't care whether it's an
- 3 Eveready model or it's something else, the
- 4 reason there is a survey is because what you're
- 5 trying to do is measure confusion.
- 6 If people give a confused answer
- 7 they can't possibly know it. They don't know
- 8 it. The only people qualified to be in the
- 9 survey are people that are going to have to
- 10 quess. They're going to have to draw
- inferences. I couldn't disagree more strongly.
- 12 Perhaps when I retire I will write an article to
- that effect and maybe I'll have a persuasive
- impact on some of the jurists and the community.
- 15 Q Do you agree for a survey to be
- trusted and relied upon the survey questions
- must be relevant, clear, and unbiased?
- 18 A Sounds like something I've said.
- 19 Q Do you also agree that if the
- 20 survey uses language that's poorly defined the
- 21 results can be unreliable?
- 22 A In theory that's right.
- 23 Q Isn't it true that in your
- 24 standard likelihood of confusion survey
- 25 respondents are asked who makes or puts out the

- product?
- 3 A I've used and seen different
- 4 language but I would not regard that language as
- 5 the ultimate in clarity for all times and
- 6 places. There's nothing magic or anointed about
- 7 that terminology. You have to pick a verb
- 8 that's appropriate for the industry.
- 9 Q Do you agree that in the vast
- 10 proportion of likelihood of confusion surveys
- that you've seen done for litigation respondents
- are asked who makes or puts out this product?
- 13 A Perhaps shame on them. It may or
- 14 may not be appropriate. This is one case in
- which it wasn't. Every survey researcher, every
- 16 survey architect reserves the right and should.
- 17 Every expert you hire should reserve the right
- 18 to make a decision based on the product, the
- 19 marketplace, whatever the circumstances that
- 20 should guide selection of the relevant verb.
- 21 Q Can you answer my question? Isn't
- it true that the standard Eveready question asks
- who makes or puts out the product in question?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 25 the editorial. Objection to the

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- world of clients, attorneys, who undoubtedly
- 3 take McCarthy and all other sources like that in
- 4 consideration when discussing with me what's
- 5 appropriate methodology. I don't want to
- 6 suggest that I have been so much the maverick
- 7 that my questions are unrecognizable to anyone.
- 8 That quite clearly can't be the case because my
- 9 surveys have been accepted in court.
- 10 I absolutely reserve the rights as
- 11 a survey researcher and methodologist to craft
- the language of a survey to the category and the
- 13 circumstance. That's the obligation and that
- 14 flows very much from the question you posed
- 15 earlier don't I agree that the question should
- be clear. The answer is yes, I think they
- 17 should be clear. I think they should fit the
- 18 topic. I think they should be crafted
- 19 appropriately.
- 20 O Dr. McDonald, this will be shown
- 21 to the judge at different points in time. I'm
- going to ask you to try to answer my questions
- and avoid going on and on with speeches. You're
- 24 welcome to do that if your counsel wants to
- 25 redirect you. This is my chance to get answers

- 2 A That is correct.
- 3 MR. RASKOPF: No objection
- 4 to the question.
- 5 A That's correct. I didn't.
- 6 Q Isn't it true that instead you
- 7 asked respondents what company or companies
- 8 would you think had made the book available,
- 9 right?
- 10 A That's correct.
- 11 Q What did you intend the word
- 12 available to refer to?
- 13 A I wanted to use a verb that I
- 14 thought did full justice to the various ways
- 15 that consumers could interpret the role of
- 16 whoever they thought was the source, whether
- they thought it was Apple. All the ways in
- 18 which they could think that Apple might have a
- 19 hand in it, whether they thought Apple was a
- 20 content originator, whether they thought that
- 21 Apple was the distributor, whether they thought
- that Apple was the digital transmission tool, it
- 23 didn't matter.
- The question really before
- respondents was essentially when you see iBooks

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- 2 on this information page what does it suggest to
- 3 you about the source. That was it. And making
- 4 the book available was I think an appropriately
- 5 encompassing phrase to accommodate all of the
- 6 action verbs that are involved in getting a book
- 7 to a consumer and the wrong verb there, and
- 8 forgive me if you think this is a speech, I'm
- 9 trying to be very responsive to your question.
- 10 I don't think I'm going off in irrelevant segue
- 11 ways. The wrong verb is precisely the kind of
- 12 error that produces invalid data.
- 13 Q Available in this context could
- 14 mean the company from whom you could purchase
- 15 the book, right?
- 16 A Could be anybody. It didn't
- 17 matter.
- 18 Q So available doesn't have to mean
- 19 the publisher, right?
- 20 A It doesn't matter. The issue for
- 21 me is when you see iBooks do you believe that
- 22 Apple had something to do with the source,
- 23 whether it was the direct source or it was
- affiliated with the source it had a hand in it.
- Is Apple in the room and is Apple in the room as

- 2 a source.
- 3 Q Would you agree that the company
- 4 that makes a book available is not necessarily
- 5 the same as the company that prints the book?
- 6 A It isn't necessarily the same as
- 7 the company that prints the book. It isn't
- 8 necessarily the same as the company that
- 9 conceives of the book, edits the book. That's
- 10 the nature of books. They are different. It's
- 11 almost reminiscent of movies in which you have
- 12 multiple producers, multiple sources and you see
- this cascade of production hands.
- 14 Q Is it fair to say that Apple is
- 15 generally known for making content available on
- 16 the internet?
- 17 A I think Apple is not thought of as
- 18 a publisher. That's precisely the problem.
- 19 Apple is not at this point in time thought of as
- 20 a publisher. It is thought of as a distribution
- 21 vehicle for books.
- 22 Q So you'd agree that Apple is
- 23 thought of as a distribution vehicle for things
- like books and CDs, movies, and films?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 2 testing the impact of a trademark element to
- 3 provide a basis for partialling out potential
- 4 artifacts associated with guessing and other
- 5 noise?
- 6 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 7 the form.
- 8 A Yes. I assume you're quoting me.
- 9 I feel comfortable that I can agree with myself.
- MS. CENDALI: Can we
- 11 stipulate that everyone in this
- 12 room can agree with themselves.
- 13 A You'd be surprised. Not every one
- 14 agrees with themselves all the time.
- 15 Q What do you mean by noise?
- 16 A Well, noise can take various
- forms. It can be acquiescence in a case where
- there was stimulus presented. It can take the
- 19 form of quesses that are not specifically driven
- by, after our discussion of quesses, it's the
- 21 propensity to name something simply because it's
- 22 popular or it comes to mind for reasons that are
- categorical as opposed to embodied in the
- 24 stimulus.
- Q Is it fair to say that a control

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- 2 rights in the word book alone, right?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q Do you understand plaintiffs'
- 5 claim to be the combination of "I" plus books?
- 6 A It is the combination of "I" plus
- 7 books, yes.
- 8 Q And is it your understanding that
- 9 plaintiffs are not taking issue with Apple's
- other marks that use an "I" such as iPad,
- iPhone, and iTunes, et cetera, correct?
- 12 A Yes, correct.
- 13 Q And as you stated in your report
- do you agree that the "I" prefix is a singular
- and important source indicator for Apple?
- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q A proper control then should
- 18 account for the possibility that consumers might
- 19 associate any "I" formative mark with Apple,
- 20 right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form.
- 23 A This is case in which the "I" is
- 24 precisely the issue. No one is arguing that the
- word book is something that people will

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- 2 associate with Apple. It's iBook. "I" is the
- 3 carrier of Apple brand DNA. It's got to be the
- 4 thing that's controlled for.
- 5 Q So you need to control for the use
- of the "I"; is that right?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Now you selected the control
- 9 ebooks here, correct?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q And ebooks is the generic term for
- 12 electronic books, right?
- 13 A I think so.
- 14 Q Did you personally select this
- 15 control?
- 16 A Yes, I did.
- 17 Q How did you go about selecting the
- 18 control?
- 19 A It seemed easy actually. This is
- one of those occasions, sometimes controls
- 21 require some ingenuity. This one presented
- itself to me very, very easily. It does tend to
- get used generically, that it partialled out
- 24 exactly what needed to be partialled out, which
- is not the word books but the "I". That's the

- 2 active ingredient in this trademark case is the
- 3 "I". Yes, it's true it's "I" adjacent to books,
- 4 no question about it, but it's the "I". The I
- 5 have it, so to speak. That's got to be
- 6 controlled for. Otherwise, all the Apple noise
- 7 associated with the rules that you've seen
- 8 respondents articulate about their Apple logic,
- 9 their Apple brand logic, would be left
- 10 potentially in the control and, therefore, you
- 11 would not be partially out noise at all.
- 12 Q So you don't think Apple has done
- anything wrong in naming this series of products
- iPad and iTunes and iMac and the like, right?
- 15 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 16 the form of the question.
- 17 A I'm flattered to be asked that.
- 18 But I have no basis for saying that. I don't
- 19 know who else is out there with any kind of
- 20 cause of action against Apple for anything else.
- 21 It's all about iBooks.
- 22 Q So is it fair to say that you
- think that when consumers see "I" in front of
- another word they think of Apple?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to

- 2 the form.
- 3 A I don't know any word. I wouldn't
- 4 argue that consumers would think that any single
- 5 word preceded by a lower case "I" would signal
- 6 Apple to people, but certainly lots of objects,
- 7 especially information based objects, were
- 8 concepts, yes. Clearly my study I think has
- 9 proved that conclusively you need look no
- 10 further than the study to see that consumers
- 11 have learned the Apple prefix meaning rule,
- which is a very powerful branding device I
- 13 think.
- 14 Q Do you generally use generic terms
- 15 for your controls?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 17 the form.
- 18 A It doesn't -- there is no way to
- 19 generalize that way. I've used all kinds of
- 20 different controls and the notion of generic in
- some cases I'm trying to recall something that
- was a personal product, a hygiene product, and
- what we may have done. I can't recall. But
- 24 generic, no, because sometimes there is no
- 25 generic products. So the issue isn't whether a

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- 2 control should be generic. Here it's relevant
- 3 because a generic carries as little noise as
- 4 possible. It's a true quote placebo, meaning
- 5 that if anyone had said Apple in response to
- 6 ebooks we would all agree that they were saying
- 7 just because we know that Apple makes digital
- 8 books or they associate something about
- 9 electronic or the internet, and so Apple came to
- 10 mind. That's true noise. That's what a control
- 11 meant to partial out.
- 12 O Isn't it true that a control is
- 13 typically designed to appear as another brand or
- mark as opposed to a generic term?
- 15 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 16 the form of the question.
- 17 A There is no rule about that.
- 18 There is a great deal of ingenuity in craft and
- 19 specificity that's involved in picking a good
- 20 control. As you know I'm sure through your
- career some brand scenarios really lend
- themselves very nicely to a control, others
- 23 don't. This one lent itself very nicely. I
- 24 don't know if there's anything in there. It
- 25 really varies. There's no rule of art that I'm

- 2 aware of.
- 3 Q Would you agree that an ideal
- 4 control should be something that's relatively
- 5 unfamiliar to the respondents with few specific
- 6 prior associations?
- 7 A It depends on the circumstance.
- 8 Few specific brand associations certainly. I
- 9 mean what you're trying to do is create
- 10 something that's essentially devoid of brand
- 11 associations as possible so that you can
- 12 actually siphon out whatever Apple-ness is
- 13 coming out just because. That's the nature of
- 14 the true placebo. There's no active ingredient
- in it and that's a requirement but it's
- 16 structurally, morphologically similar enough in
- this case books, so that you can say well you
- 18 know we're evoking this idea. We've taken out
- 19 what I've described as the active ingredient.
- 20 Q Now did you code the verbatim
- 21 responses?
- 22 A No, I just reviewed them. I had
- two members of my staff do it.
- Q Did you develop a coding system?
- 25 A Yes. Well, yes, in conjunction

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2 clarify for me. I recall what you said but I'm

- 3 not sure I understand what you mean.
- 4 Q Well, if people said Apple for
- 5 some reason other than the mark at issue, the
- 6 protective aspect of the mark at issue, should
- 7 that person have been counted as confused?
- 8 A If a person didn't give a reason
- 9 here and said I'm not sure, the answer is they
- 10 might still be counted as confused. It's the
- obligation and responsibility of the control arm
- 12 to subtract from that. As you can see there are
- a handful of people who simply said I know that
- iBooks is Apple. That's the reason I have
- 15 quessed or given that answer. But if people
- overlooked the follow-up reasons I would still
- 17 count them as confused because there is a
- 18 control arm and it was a valid control and so
- 19 that subtraction can take place.
- 20 Q What type of responses qualified
- as confusion the way you did your coding?
- 22 A If someone said Apple or they
- referred to iTunes or iPad even without Apple,
- and you can see the table there, you know it
- well, then they would are considered to be

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- 2 Apple and said, "because Apple prefaces
- 3 everything with an 'I'". Do you see that?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q And the next respondent, one many
- 6 zeroes 45, this person named Apple because, "The
- 7 "I" in front of the title is their signature."
- 8 Do you see that?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q Do you agree that these three
- 11 respondents name Apple because of the letter "I"
- 12 alone?
- 13 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 14 the form.
- 15 A They named it because "I" was
- 16 critical, yes.
- 17 Q Based on these responses they were
- indifferent to the rest of the word, right?
- 19 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 21 A You mean that it was books as
- opposed to some other thing?
- 23 Q Yes. Nothing in their answer
- indicated that they were focusing on "I" plus
- books or books. Their answer just referred to

- 2 the "I" only, right?
- 3 A But "I" plus books is just a
- 4 singular event and books is not a word that
- 5 Apple owns. So the issue is what happens when
- 6 you put "I" in front of another word. You
- 7 either know that iBooks is an Apple app, in
- 8 which case you may feel free to say it, or even
- 9 if you do know it's an Apple app the point
- 10 evidently consumers are so versed in what they
- perceive to be Apple's naming strategy in the
- 12 syntax of the "I" that they will interpret
- something as Apple sourced based on "I" plus a
- 14 particular kind of word.
- 15 We've agreed, and I told you
- 16 earlier, that I didn't necessarily think
- everything with a small "I" in front of it would
- 18 get the same level of attribution. Even people
- 19 that have iBooks and iPhones gave this
- 20 explanation. In other words, they redound to
- 21 the rule which they have learned and they
- 22 proudly declare.
- 23 Q So is it fair to say that you
- think people would have named Apple even if the
- 25 prompt had said iNotes or iReading?

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- 2 A As far as I know iNotes isn't an
- 3 Apple application.
- 4 Q Let's assume it's not.
- 5 A They might very well have
- 6 attributed to Apple, but if it isn't an Apple
- 7 application and it isn't in some legal
- 8 contention or there isn't a trademark issue
- 9 around it, then that's fine. Apple may get
- 10 credit for things that it doesn't actually own
- 11 under the letter "I". I wouldn't be surprised
- if some people that iGoogle was an Apple joint
- 13 venture. That doesn't matter. Apple has iBooks
- and Mr. Colby has iBooks, and so it's iBooks
- 15 where rubber meets the road. I fully would
- 16 expect that it's because it's the "I" attached
- to books or some information loaded kind of
- 18 object.
- 19 Q Well, am I right that you
- 20 concluded in your first expert report that 83
- 21 percent of the people who named Apple did so
- because of the presence of the letter "I"?
- 23 A It sounds familiar. It certainly
- 24 was the majority.
- 25 Q In your second report am I right

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- 2 calculate as confused only people who somehow
- know or said they know that Apple uses iBooks as
- 4 an app. I think that's totally inappropriate.
- 5 It's not what about you know. The confusion in
- 6 the marketplace surely will grow as people come
- 7 to know iBooks more widely, but even people who
- 8 don't necessarily know it or know it well, if
- 9 they understand the Apple naming principal are
- 10 going to form source attributions around iBooks.
- 11 Q Isn't it true that in past cases
- 12 you've argued that you need to distinguish
- 13 between relevant cases of confusion from
- 14 irrelevant cases of confusion?
- 15 A I don't know. I've written a lot
- of things. Context free I'm not sure I can
- 17 comment on that. If you show me the report I'll
- be happy to explain what I said and with any
- 19 luck I'll agree with myself again.
- 20 Q Courts have rejected your
- 21 calculation of survey results in the past,
- 22 haven't they?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 24 the form.
- 25 A Not that I'm aware of.

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- 2 Q Did you make a mistake in this
- 3 report?
- 4 A I don't know, I really don't.
- 5 Q Was the second report done under
- 6 hurried conditions?
- 7 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 8 the form.
- 9 A I don't know what you mean by
- 10 hurried conditions but for clarity's sake, would
- 11 you like me to calculate the correct number
- because whether this is a typo or -- it's
- probably more likely a typo than it is a
- 14 miscalculation.
- 15 Q Why did you do your second report?
- 16 A I did my second report because I
- was struck by what I thought was the injustice
- of the criticism of my first report, and really
- 19 believed that it didn't matter whether books
- were capitalized or not, whether the B was
- 21 capitalized or not.
- Q Why did you in your first report
- use the formulation small I capital B?
- 24 A Because that was what I really had
- 25 at the top of the box so to speak. That was the

- 2 specimens I saw. It was not -- it was a
- 3 decision that was driven really by that. I
- 4 probably had a non, if you will, by accident
- 5 representative set of books and was totally
- 6 persuaded that it was not capital B. I am for a
- 7 couple of reasons, which I'm happy to articulate
- 8 for you if you care, but I felt that that was
- 9 not material.
- 10 Q When you looked at the complaint
- did you notice that plaintiffs throughout the
- 12 entire complaint referred to their mark as
- iBooks in all lower case?
- 14 A I, like the respondents in this
- 15 survey, didn't notice it. There's nothing more
- 16 telling than that actually.
- 17 Q Dr. McDonald, did you do anything
- 18 at the time that you did your report to
- 19 ascertain how often plaintiffs used the imprint
- 20 small I capital B versus all in lower case?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form. Asked and answered.
- 23 A Which report? Would you clarify,
- 24 do you mean my first report?
- 25 Q At the time that you did your

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- 2 first report did you do anything to ascertain
- 3 how often plaintiffs depicted their imprint with
- 4 a small I capital B versus all lower case?
- 5 A No, I didn't.
- 6 Q Were you aware at the time that
- 7 you did your first report that plaintiffs
- 8 depicted their mark at all lower case letters?
- 9 A You know, I can't really recall.
- 10 I'm only being partially flip when I say -- a
- 11 couple of things. First of all, I hadn't read
- the complaint on the ebook. So the complaint is
- something I read earlier and I didn't recall
- that it was lower case B.
- I had some iBooks on my desk. I
- 16 may have had at that time a digital iBook. I'm
- 17 sure I did that had a capital B in it. So I
- thought capital B was a very legitimate
- 19 specimen. This was a decision that was really
- 20 made based on what was present for me in my
- 21 environment.
- That's precisely the reason that I
- was very eager to do a sur-rebuttal survey
- 24 because I felt the results would be the same
- 25 because I did not believe that the capital B was

- 2 your survey, either one?
- 3 A Validation as a concept really is
- 4 geared to the survey world of interviewers who
- 5 are quite prone to cheat. I am, as luck would
- 6 have it, I'm unimpressed that you and the
- 7 service you commissioned encountered no such
- 8 instances. It's not unusual. So validation as
- 9 a concept historically in the industry, that
- 10 very word has grown up in use around interview
- or misbehavior. The world of self-enumerative
- 12 surveys via the web introduced new issues but
- validation in the way we think of it, which is
- 14 calling respondents to confirm they did a survey
- or took a survey doesn't make sense in the world
- 16 of the web. We've talked about other kinds of
- 17 quality control issues there but for a variety
- of reasons it's not plausible.
- 19 Q Isn't it true that it's common
- 20 practice to validate litigation surveys?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form.
- 23 A It's common practice to validate
- the issuance of surveys in fact required is
- absolutely foiled for litigation surveys when

- they're conducted in malls using professional
- 3 interviewers, but not so with web panels because
- 4 in the emerging world around internet research,
- 5 which as you know has started very much to
- 6 penetrate the Lanham Act landscape, we have
- 7 different kinds of challenges. I have done
- 8 claims validation work as well in this area and
- 9 it's just a different issue. No, the answer is
- 10 I didn't because it really wasn't plausible.
- 11 Q Just to be clear, you're not aware
- of any court, are you, that said there is no
- need to validate litigation surveys that were
- done on the internet, are you?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 16 the form.
- 17 A I would be really curious to hear
- 18 what procedures anyone, a court or anyone else,
- 19 would arrive at that would give every one
- 20 confidence that some kind of validation
- 21 procedure would really be meaningful,
- 22 particularly in a very well run panel that has
- information about the use of the exclusive
- e-mail addresses and so on. The industry, you
- 25 probably don't know, but the industry is really

- working hard to come to terms with all of the
- issues around panels. At this point in time
- 4 there really isn't a standard for validation of
- 5 this kind because there is no way to accomplish
- 6 it.
- 7 Q Move to strike as nonresponsive.
- 8 To be clear, you did not attempt to validate
- 9 either of your surveys, right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection.
- 11 Asked and answered.
- 12 A It didn't make sense. To do a
- validation is designed to route out interviewer
- 14 cheating.
- 15 Q You're not aware of a judge that
- as opined that you don't need to do validation
- in the internet context, correct?
- 18 MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 19 the form.
- 20 A I wouldn't be, but I would be
- 21 surprised if a judge could offer an opinion
- about how to do it. I think we would all be
- interested in the industry as to come up with a
- 24 plausible way of doing it. When you send an
- e-mail invitation to a respondent, to his or her

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- 2 inbox, and that person is the individual who is
- 3 empowered to respond to a survey, it's really
- 4 difficult to imagine whether that person in any
- 5 way misbehaved they would acknowledge it. This
- is a problem. It doesn't make sense really.
- 7 Only in this kind of context would anybody
- 8 really be talking about it this way.
- 9 Q But there is no way in this
- internet context to see whether you're dealing
- 11 with a 14 year old who wants a freebie?
- 12 A But they can't get it. I tried to
- 13 describe that.
- 14 Q Or someone who really is the 36
- 15 year old person who signed up?
- 16 A I answered this question earlier
- or at least I anticipated it in my comment when
- 18 I was trying to describe to you how these panels
- 19 are run. If a 14 year old breaks into mom or
- 20 dad's e-mail account. She or he doesn't get a
- 21 freebie. It doesn't go to her. It comes back
- in the form of points to mom or dad. So it's
- 23 not plausible. There is no incentive to do it.
- 24 That's one of the reasons why there's very
- 25 little concern about it.

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- 2 Q Suppose the 14 year old was the
- 3 person who signed up to begin with and just said
- 4 they were 36?
- 5 A The sign up procedure is pretty
- 6 detailed and careful. I would be happy offline
- 7 to provide more detailed information from
- 8 Research Now about how they do that.
- 9 Q Let's go back to your first
- 10 report, to page 18, if you don't mind. It's
- 11 McDonald Exhibit 1. Page 18, paragraph two you
- 12 stated that, "The study has a foot in the
- present and a foot in the future insofar as it
- 14 taps current source attributions in a digital
- 15 market that will continue to grow." And it
- 16 continues on from there. When you said it taps
- 17 current source attributions, you didn't show
- anyone a current copy of one of plaintiffs'
- 19 books, right?
- 20 A Current in the sense that all the
- 21 attributions are based on people's conceptions
- today of Apple's "I" branding syntax. So it's
- very much in the present and we've had lengthy
- 24 discussions about how it's in the present, but
- it doesn't speak to a particular stimulus but

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- 2 A I can't possibly. One thing, you
- may quarrel with my methodologies in the
- 4 present, you would certainly quarrel with my
- 5 argument that I have done survey in 2016.
- 6 Q Do you generally opine on future
- 7 confusion in your expert reports?
- A I can't recall a circumstance.
- 9 Actually, no, sorry. Without being able to
- identify the product I'm sure that I have talked
- about marketplace dynamics that are likely to
- propel or increase the risk to a brand. I'm
- 13 quite confident. I just can't identify the
- 14 product. This is the kind of thing that can
- easily occur in a market in which there is
- 16 growth. Whenever a brand is becoming
- increasingly popular, for example, or a category
- is becoming increasingly popular, it's just the
- 19 nature of time. That's why sometimes people
- seek preliminary injunctions because they're
- 21 worried about the affect of time.
- 22 Q There was no preliminary
- 23 injunction in this case, was there?
- 24 A Oh, no, and I didn't in any way
- 25 attempt or mean to suggest. I was only arguing

- 2 the time dimension in many markets.
- 3 O Isn't it true that time in the
- 4 future could also have people become more
- 5 familiar with digital books, more familiar with
- 6 Apple's iBookstore, more familiar such that they
- 7 would become even more sophisticated and more
- 8 aware that there's no confusion between this
- 9 publishing company and Apple's software?
- 10 A It's possible. That would be your
- opinion, probably not mine. That's because the
- more ubiquitous Apple's mark is the more people
- who use iBooks, the more likely it is for them
- 14 to imagine that anything that says iBooks has an
- 15 Apple connection. That's just for me the logic
- of it but I fully concede it's my opinion. I'm
- not representing it as a fact and I can't place
- 18 a statistic around it.
- 19 Q Have your reports ever been
- 20 excluded in any litigation?
- 21 A Not that I'm aware.
- 22 Q Have your reports ever been
- 23 criticized by the court in any litigation?
- 24 A It's possible. I can't speak to
- it. In general they've been I think well

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- 2 A To me Apple has made clear its
- 3 naming strategy. Every time I look at my
- 4 iMessage in the text box, I'm reminded that
- 5 wherever Apple thinks it's suitable to use "I"
- 6 Apple has used "I". I speak as someone who
- observes marketing behaviors of many, many
- 8 companies out there. I'm not in the boudoir of
- 9 all of them, but if you're a card carrying
- 10 marketer you can make some inferences. Perhaps
- I'm wrong but this is my observation. It's my
- opinion as a person who does this for a living.
- 13 Q Later in this paragraph you opine
- that Apple is seeking to dominate virtually
- 15 every arena and conduit of digital consumption.
- 16 Do you see that?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q What is your basis for that
- 19 belief?
- 20 A Well, living and breathing, being
- 21 a sentient consumer and observer of the
- landscape, Apple is -- and I say this with all
- 23 respect, really. I'm sorry I don't have Apple
- 24 stock or if I did I bought it at a lower price.
- 25 Apple is an amazing company. They've been

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- 2 extremely successful through a combination of
- 3 innovation and very effective marketing and an
- 4 intuitive appreciation of what consumers can be
- 5 made to do, even if they don't think they want
- or need to do it. I have kudos to Apple. If
- 7 Apple doesn't want to dominate every part of the
- 8 digital landscape -- and by the way, I include
- 9 casual articles that I read, business
- 10 publications, and Forbes and other things,
- that's all part of the world in which I walk.
- 12 And so if I have perhaps ascribed more to Apple
- then they aim to, then it's just a testament of
- 14 my respect.
- 15 Q Well, you're opining on Apple's
- 16 intent, right?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- the form of the question.
- 19 A It's my observation. Consumers
- 20 can make inferences about what brands mean and
- 21 what they intend. Marketers make more.
- 22 Q Isn't it true in the past courts
- 23 have criticized you for opining on the opposing
- 24 party's intent?
- 25 A I don't recall that happening, but

- once again, I'm glad to review any document.
- 3 Q And in the last sentence on
- 4 paragraph two on page two, of your report, where
- 5 you write, "By implication my findings
- 6 demonstrate convincingly that the confusion
- 7 already engendered by Apple's use of the iBooks
- 8 mark precludes plaintiffs from making effective
- 9 use of their brand in a marketplace whose
- 10 natural evolution requires them to continue
- 11 following a digital path." Do you see that?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Have you done anything to look
- into what has happened, if anything, to
- 15 plaintiffs' sales since Apple has announced its
- 16 iBooks mark?
- MR. RASKOPF: Objection to
- 18 the form.
- 19 A At the moment I have no reason to
- 20 believe that Apple has as yet harmed Mr. Colby,
- but I'm not a damages expert. I have done
- 22 nothing to look at his sales data or in any way
- align them with Apple's launch of iBooks. My
- 24 comment here speaks to what can't happen in the
- future for Mr. Colby, if when he says his name

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- 2 people hear Apple. When you're a brand and you
- 3 say a name and someone thinks of Apple you're
- 4 stymied.
- 5 Q On page four of your report you
- 6 say, "In this particular circumstance where one
- 7 of the world's largest brands has squared off
- 8 against one of its smaller competitors." Do you
- 9 see that?
- 10 A Just point me to the right place.
- 11 Q It's the middle paragraph, the
- 12 middle of that paragraph.
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q You refer to plaintiffs and Apple
- as being competitors, correct?
- 16 A Well, that's actually a fair -- I
- think they're competitors for the same brand.
- 18 Let's put it that way. Not competitors for the
- 19 same business, but for the same if you will
- 20 brand equity. Well actually even that's not
- 21 fair. There is no way that John Colby can
- aspire to Apple's brand equity but he has equity
- of his own and he wants to, if he is a good
- businessman, he wants to maintain it, cultivate
- it, nourish it, and in this case Apple stymies

- 2 that.
- 3 Q Well, you know that Apple doesn't
- 4 publish books and plaintiff doesn't sell ebook
- 5 reading software, right?
- A Absolutely. That's why I say that
- 7 competitors here is really more fairly described
- 8 as competitor for brand equity and brand
- 9 identity.
- 10 Q And you have never undertaken --
- 11 you've never been asked to analyze what brand
- 12 equity plaintiffs have; is that true?
- 13 A I have not, no. It has been
- 14 represented to me that there is equity but I
- 15 haven't done an independent investigation.
- 16 Q So that was just an assumption
- that you've been given effectively?
- 18 A Well, I have been -- it's been
- 19 represented to me by the attorneys that retained
- 20 me and their expert through them.
- 21 Q Elsewhere in your report you say,
- 22 "The history of plaintiffs' mark earns it the
- right to be seen as a brand that could and would
- 24 have had a robust digital future."
- 25 A Yes. Could you point -- I