

1 A. Yes, I am.

2 Q. What is an ever ready survey?

3 A. I don't recall as we're sitting  
4 here right now all the details of an ever ready  
5 survey.

6 Q. All right, sir. Let me direct you  
7 to Exhibit Number 2 before you?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And page 79?

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11 Q. Yes, sir. And these are the FPX-2  
12 results for Trek, the Trek survey.

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. Do you see that?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Now, as I understand from  
17 responding to question 3, you had 200  
18 respondents who answered 3, yes, that they use  
19 Internet search engines; correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And was the survey -- did the  
22 survey -- strike that.

23 Did you get more than 200  
24 respondents who answered the Trek questionnaire?

25 A. No. No.

1 five people answered that question number 3 who  
2 were non-Google Internet search engine users;  
3 true?

4 A. That's correct, yes.

5 Q. Let me direct your attention to  
6 page 3 of Exhibit 2, which is your report in  
7 this case.

8 A. Page 3?

9 Q. Page 3.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Under materials reviewed you  
12 indicated that you reviewed the Class Action  
13 Complaint; is that right?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. You didn't indicate that you had  
16 reviewed other materials; correct?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. Did you review the Defendants in  
19 this case Answer to the lawsuit or the Class  
20 Action Complaint?

21 A. No, I did not.

22 Q. Have -- has your work as an expert  
23 or as a surveyor ever been criticized by any  
24 courts?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Tell me about each of those  
2 occasions?

3 A. Two of those. Number one was in a  
4 case involving Trafficschool.com.

5 Q. What was the criticism of your  
6 work there?

7 A. The criticism was the fact that I  
8 didn't use a control group.

9 Q. Okay. What other criticisms were  
10 there?

11 A. There's always criticisms in  
12 almost every survey as to the language, whether  
13 it's leading or not, and I don't remember --  
14 those were common kind of criticisms. The one  
15 criticism the court, I think, focused on was the  
16 fact I didn't use a control group. As in this  
17 case, I didn't feel I could capture the issue in  
18 that case with a control group, so I didn't use  
19 one. And I still don't think one was  
20 appropriate.

21 Q. All right, sir.

22 A. Okay. The other case where there  
23 was -- it really wasn't a criticism. My survey  
24 was found, it was excluded, involved -- it's  
25 number 9 in my list of surveys which is David

1 Craig -- one of the two Alabama cases. Either  
2 Holland versus Maple Chase or David Craig versus  
3 Maurice Tunstall, one or the other. Both were  
4 smoke detector cases, smoke alarm cases.

5           There the criticism was I did a  
6 survey of the package for the claims made on a  
7 package for a smoke alarm and the court said  
8 that it was inadmissible because the woman who  
9 lived in the house whose children died had not  
10 bought the smoke detector, it was already in  
11 there, so she didn't see the package.

12           Those are the only two I know of  
13 where -- there may have been criticisms, but  
14 those are certainly the ones I recall.

15           Q.     As you sit here today are those  
16 the only two cases you recall courts criticizing  
17 your work product?

18           A.     Yes, that I'm aware of.

19           Q.     Now, in the Trafficschool.com  
20 case, looking at that opinion the court found  
21 that your survey was "significantly flawed". Do  
22 you recall that?

23           A.     Yes.

24           Q.     And he also found that there were  
25 significant problems with Dr. Maronick's survey.

1 Do you recall that?

2 A. Yes. And, again, that's -- the  
3 criticisms of both surveys, but the major  
4 criticisms as I said with my survey was the  
5 issue of the control group.

6 Q. And the Trafficschool.com Inc.  
7 case the court agrees that the lack of a control  
8 was a significant problem in your survey; true?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And also the failure to present  
11 Defendant's web page as an actual consumer would  
12 see it, including the disclaimer, are  
13 significant problems with your survey. Those  
14 are two criticisms of the court in that one;  
15 right?

16 A. I had forgotten the second one,  
17 yes.

18 Q. All right. Accordingly, the court  
19 gave less weight to your survey as a result?

20 A. Yes, that's right.

21 MR. MORAN: I pass the witness.

22 MR. FENSTER: I have no questions.

23 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Here marks the  
24 end of videotape number six. Also marks the end  
25 of today's proceeding in the deposition of

1 Thomas J. Maronick. Going off the record. The  
2 time on the video screen is 16:50:48.

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5 deposition was concluded.)

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