

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

ERIC M. ALBRITTON, PLAINTIFF, VS. ) CIVIL ACTION ) NO.: C.A. NO. CISCO SYSTEMS, INC., RICK ) 6:08-CV-00089 FRENKEL, MALLUN YEN & JOHN NOH, DEFENDANTS. )

ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF

MICHAEL SMITH

November 24th, 2008

ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF MICHAEL SMITH, produced as a witness at the instance of the DEFENDANT, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and -numbered cause on the 24th day of November, 2008, from 1:15 p.m. to 4:08 p.m., before Regenia Plant, CSR in and for the State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the law offices of Siebman, Reynolds, Burg, Phillips & Smith, LLP, 713 South Washington Avenue, Marshall, Texas, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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BY MR. BABCOCK:

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Q. And after a couple of false starts, we have agreed that today will be the day we'll take your deposition, correct?

- A. Correct.
- Q. And your counsel has -- Mr. Siebman has provided me some documents. I have marked them as -- as a bulk exhibit as 159 and I want to tender them to you and make sure that you agree that Exhibit 159 consists of all the documents that you have produced pursuant to the subpoena.
  - A. That's correct, it does.
- Q. All right. Thanks. If you'll hand them back to me, I'll probably talk about specific documents in

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you've	known	him,	five	or	ten	years,	period?

- A. I -- I would really be guessing because I don't really know which of the cases I've been in, he was actually involved in.
- Q. Okay. Fair enough. During the time that you have known him, have you determined whether he has a reputation, be it good, bad, indifferent?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. All right. And do you -- are you aware that you've been designated by Mr. Albritton as a witness on his reputation?
  - A. No, I wasn't aware of that.
- Q. Okay. Well, Mr. Holmes can correct me if I'm wrong, but I think Mr. Albritton has done that. So my question to you is, what is his reputation.
- A. I'm not aware of anything negative about his reputation in the -- in the legal community.
- Q. Okay. Do you -- do you know whether he has -- I appreciate your saying you're not aware of anything negative. Are you -- do you think that he has a good reputation?
- A. Generally, yes. I'm not aware of anything that would cause me to say that he doesn't.
- Q. Okay. Has his reputation changed in the past five or ten years, how ever long you've known him?

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- Α. No.
- Q. Okay. Has he ever referred you a case?
- Not that I know of.
- Q. Okay. Have you ever referred him a case that you know of?
- I may have referred a -- I don't think so. I might have sent a -- a call on a criminal case to him one time or -- or maybe -- there was one time in a civil case where someone was asking me to be local counsel and I think it was a civil rights case or something like that and he was one of the people that I -- that I referred them to.
- Q. All right. Is there any reason why you wouldn't.refer an appropriate case to him?
  - Α. No.
- Okay. You are aware to some degree, I take it, that Mr. Albritton has sued Cisco and a fellow by the name of Rick Frenkel for defamation.
  - Α. Yes.
- All right. Have you talked to Mr. Albritton Ο. about this case?
  - Α. Not about this case, no.
  - 0. Okay.
  - Let -- let me qualify that.
  - Ο. Sure.

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9	DEFENDANTS. )		
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11	REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION		
12	DEPOSITION OF MICHAEL SMITH		
13	NOVEMBER 24, 2008		
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15	I, REGENIA PLANT, Certified Shorthand Repor	ter in	
16	and for the State of Texas, hereby certify to th	е	
17	following:		
18	That the witness, MICHAEL SMITH, was duly s	worn	
19	by the officer and that the transcript of the or	al	
20	deposition is a true record of the testimony giv	en by	
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            MR. McWILLIAMS......00 HOUR(S):29 MINUTE(S)
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           MR. HOLMES......00 HOUR(S):29 MINUTE(S)
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            MR. SIEBMAN......00 HOUR(S):00 MINUTE(S)
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9	copies of exhibits;	
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14	otherwise interested in the outcome of the action.	
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JOHN NOH, \*

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Defendants.

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ORAL DEPOSITION OF

ELIZABETH DeRIEUX

NOVEMBER 5TH, 2008

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ORAL DEPOSITION OF ELIZABETH DERIEUX, produced as a witness at the instance of the DEFENDANT, CISCO, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on the 5th of November, 2008, from 11:42 a.m. to 11:54 a.m., before Tammy Staggs, CSR in and for the State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the Law Offices of Capshaw & DeRieux, 1127 Judson Road, Suite 220, Longview, Texas, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the provisions stated on the record or attached hereto.

1	MR. CAPSHAW: Calvin Capshaw representing
2	Elizabeth DeRieux.
3	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Will the court
4	reporter please swear in the witness.
5	ELIZABETH DeRIEUX,
6	having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:
7	EXAMINATION
8	BY MR. BABCOCK:
9	Q. Would you state your name, please.
10	A. Elizabeth DeRieux.
11	Q. And how are you employed, Ms. DeRieux?
12	A. I'm am attorney with Capshaw & DeRieux.
13	Q. And that is a law partnership, I take it?
14	A. It is.
15	Q. And is this handsome gentleman to your right
16	your partner, Mr. Capshaw?
17	A. It is.
18	Q. Could you tell me your educational background?
19	A. I have a JD from the University of Houston
20	College of Law, 1984, and an undergraduate degree from
21	Lamar University in English 1980.
22	Q. Do you know the plaintiff in this case Eric M.
23	Albritton?
24	A. I do.
25	Q. And when did you first meet Mr. Albritton?

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Mr. Albritton in a business professional sense?

- Α. Not that I can think of.
- Okay. Do you have a personal relationship Q. with Mr. Albritton? Are you social friends, that type of thing?
- Α. I consider him my friend. We -- our families don't socialize. He's never been to my home. never been to his home. But, yes, I consider him my friend.
- Q. Okay. You I'm sure are aware since you're sitting here that Mr. Albritton has designated you as a witness or disclosed you as a witness in this case. his disclosure says that you have knowledge of the professional reputation and integrity of the plaintiff Mr. Albritton. Do you have such knowledge?
  - I do. Α.
- 0. All right. Would you tell me what knowledge you have on that subject?
- Α. Because I have worked for him and against him, I would say that he has a good reputation, at least in my firm and in -- among the lawyers that I know and work with here in Longview. He's very, very bright, good lawyer, ethical, hard working. And I'm trying not to circle back around and say very, very bright because that's what I keep thinking. I think that that's the

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quality that I think of first when I think of Eric.

- Q. Okay. Would you refer a case to him -- would you refer a client to him?
  - A. I would.
  - Q. Okay. Have you ever?
- A. I can't think of one right off, but I might have.
- Q. Okay. Has his reputation in your mind changed from the time that you first got to know him professionally to today, which is September 5th, 2008 [sic]?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Okay. And how has it changed?
- A. When I first got to know him, he was a baby lawyer. Perhaps not even -- I don't believe he was even licensed at the time I first met him. And so I thought at the time that he was very, very bright, and I didn't know a lot about his personal integrity or his practice. And I think since that time, I have gotten to know him better. And he began his own practice, so his own practice grew and with that his reputation grew.
- Q. Okay. And when you say "his reputation grew," did his -- did his reputation increase or was it better over time or worse over time or somewhere in the middle? When you say "his reputation grew," what do you mean by

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- - A. His reputation is better.
    - Q. Better today than it was --
    - A. Than it was when I met him.
    - Q. Okay.
    - A. Yes, I believe that's right.
- 7 Q. Okay.

MR. BABCOCK: That's all I have. Thank you. And thanks for accommodating our schedule here, we appreciate it. Mr. McWilliams may have some questions now.

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### BY MR. McWILLIAMS:

Q. Just a couple, Ms. DeRieux. Have you been asked to come here today or serve as a witness in this case to render any opinions other than the reputational opinions that you have about Mr. Albritton?

MR. PATTON: Objection, form.

- A. No.
- Q. (BY MR. McWILLIAMS) Let me ask you about the Inns of Court that you mentioned. What is the membership of the Inns of Court organization that you belong to?
- A. I'm not sure what you're asking me. How many people?



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15	I, TAMMY LEA STAGGS, Certified Shorthand Reporter in
16	and for the State of Texas, hereby certify to the
17	following:
18	That the witness, ELIZABETH DeRIEUX, was duly sworn
19	by the officer and that the transcript of the oral
20	deposition is a true record of the testimony given by
21	the witness;
22	That the deposition transcript was submitted on
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Page 18 1 That the amount of time used by each party at the 2 deposition is as follows: 3 Mr. Nick Patton - (0:02) 4 Mr. Charles L. Babcock - (0:08) 5 Mr. George L. McWilliams - (0:02) 6 Mr. Sidney Calvin Capshaw - (0:00) 7 8 That pursuant to information given to the deposition 9 officer at the time said testimony was taken, the 10 following includes counsel for all parties of record: FOR THE PLAINTIFF: 11 Nick Patton, Esq. 12 FOR THE DEFENDANT, CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.: 13 Charles L. Babcock, Esq. Crystal Parker 14 FOR THE DEFENDANT, RICHARD FRENKEL: 15 George L. McWilliams, Esq. 16 FOR THE WITNESS: Sidney Calvin Capshaw, Esq. 17 18 19 20 21 22 That \$ is the deposition officer's charges 23 to the Defendant, Cisco Systems, for preparing the 24 original deposition transcript and any copies of 25 exhibits:

I further certify that I am neither counsel for, related to, nor employed by any of the parties or attorneys in the action in which this proceeding was taken, and further that I am not financially or otherwise interested in the outcome of the action.

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FRENKEL, MALLUN YEN & \*
JOHN NOH, \*

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Defendants.

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ORAL DEPOSITION OF

OTIS CARROLL

NOVEMBER 5TH, 2008

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ORAL DEPOSITION OF OTIS CARROLL, produced as a witness at the instance of the CLAIMANT, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on the 5th of November, 2008, from 9:25 a.m. to 9:36 a.m., before Tammy Staggs, CSR in and for the State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the Law Offices of Ireland, Carroll and Kelley, 6101 Broadway, Suite 500, Tyler, Texas, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the provisions stated on the record or attached hereto.

Page 5 1 representing Rick Frenkel. 2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Will the court 3 reporter please swear the witness. 4 OTIS CARROLL, 5 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows: 6 EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. BABCOCK: 8 Q. Would you state your name, sir. 9 Α. Otis Carroll. 10 Q. Mr. Carroll, how are you employed? 11 Α. I'm a lawyer. 12 0. And are you -- do you practice with a law 13 firm? 14 Α. I do. A firm called Ireland, Carroll, and 15 Kelley in Tyler, Texas. 16 That was my next question. 17 Mr. Carroll, you have been designated or 18 disclosed as a witness in the case that you're giving your deposition in today by the plaintiff Eric 19 20 Albritton. And it says, in its entirety, (as read): 21 Mr. Carroll has knowledge of the professional reputation 22 and integrity of the plaintiff. 23 Do you know anything about that? 24 Α. I do. 25

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And what do you know?

A. I have my opinion about Eric Albritton's professional reputation and integrity, and I understood that's what he was disclosing me to talk to.

- Q. That's what -- that's what it looks like. What is your opinion of Mr. Albritton's professional reputation and -- and integrity?
- A. I think it's impeccable. I think he's got a reputation as being a fine -- to me and probably to Nick Patton, he's still a young trial lawyer, but...
  - Q. You can throw me in on that one too.
- A. And to you Chip, I forgot. But he's a fine young lawyer. And in my -- my mind he's got a great reputation. And that's -- kind of sums it up.
- Q. All right. And -- and have you changed your opinion as to his reputation at any time between when you first knew him as a lawyer and today, which is November 5th, 2008, the day after the great election?
- A. Well, I think, you know, my opinion of him has improved. I met -- I was trying to think of this this morning. I think I met him initially when he was a law clerk to Judge Justice. And I can't remember when it was, but I'm guessing it was at least 15, maybe even 20 years ago. And then I knew him when he went to work for Scrappy Holmes and then when he -- he left and I've had cases with him and I've had cases against him and my --

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to answer your question, my opinion of his abilities and his reputation has grown. I think he's -- you know, he's somebody I'm glad to count as a colleague and a friend.

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So his reputation in your mind is --0. MR. PATTON: Objection, leading.

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0. (BY MR. BABCOCK) His reputation in your mind is better today than it might have been a year ago or two years ago or five years ago?

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Α. I mean, it has to me. And, you know, because he and I are doing the same kind of work and we weren't before. He was doing more criminal trial practice. And he got into the commercial practice and the IP practice, which a lot of us around here do, and I got to see more of him. So, you know, I guess that's the basis for my opinion as much as anything.

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> 0. Okay. Have you ever referred him a case?

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> Yeah, sure have. The first -- first patent Α. case he ever had.

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13	NOVEMBER 5	5TH, 2008	
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15	I, TAMMY LEA STAGGS, Cer	rtified Shorthand Reporter in	
16	and for the State of Texas, h	nereby certify to the	
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18	That the witness, OTIS (	CARROLL, was duly sworn by	
19	the officer and that the tran	script of the oral	
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Carroll, Otis Page 18 1 That the amount of time used by each party at the 2 deposition is as follows: 3 Mr. Nick Patton - (0:02) 4 Mr. Charles L. Babcock - (0:07) 5 Mr. George L. McWilliams - (0:02) 6 7 That pursuant to information given to the deposition 8 officer at the time said testimony was taken, the 9 following includes counsel for all parties of record: 10 FOR THE PLAINTIFF: Nick Patton, Esq. 11 FOR THE DEFENDANT, CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.: 12 Charles L. Babcock, Esq. Crystal Parker 13 FOR THE DEFENDANT, RICHARD FRENKEL: 14 George L. McWilliams, Esq. 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 That \$ is the deposition officer's charges 22 23 to the Defendant, Cisco Systems, for preparing the 2.4 original deposition transcript and any copies of

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ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF

LOUIS BRUCCELERI

NOVEMBER 10, 2008

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ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION of LOUIS
BRUCCELERI, produced as a witness at the instance of the
Defendants, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled
and numbered cause on the 10th of November, 2008, from
12:51 p.m. to 1:12 p.m., before Kathy Genung, a court
reporter, and a notary public in and for the State of
Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the offices of
Jackson Walker, 1401 McKinney, Suite 2000, Houston, Texas
77010, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,
notice, and the provisions stated on the record or
attached hereto.

	1	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Here begins the
<b>D</b>	2	videotape deposition of Louis Brucceleri, in the matter
	3	of Eric M. Albritton versus Cisco Systems, Inc., et al,
	4	Case Number 6:08-CV-00089. Today's date is
ð	5	November 10th, 2008. The time on the video monitor is
	6	12:52. The video operator today is Jim Hanna,
	7	representing West Court Reporting Service. The court
Ð	8	reporter is Kathy Genung of HG Litigation Services,
	9	reporting on behalf of West Court Reporting Service.
	10	Today's deposition is being taken on behalf of the
	11	defendant and is taking place at Jackson Walker,
	12	1401 McKinney, Houston, Texas. Counsel, please introduce
	13	yourselves and state whom you represent after which will
	14	the court reporter please swear the witness.
	15	MR. PATTON: I'm Nick Patton. I represent
,	16	the plaintiff, Eric Albritton.
•	17	MS. HAMILTON: Nancy Hamilton on behalf of
	18	the defendants.
•	19	(The witness was sworn)
,	20	LOUIS BRUCCELERI,
	21	called as a witness, testified as follows:
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	23	BY MS. HAMILTON:
	24	Q. Would you state your name for the record,
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- A. Louis Brucceleri.
- Q. And, Mr. Brucceleri, you are here -- appearing here today for your deposition pursuant to a subpoena, are you not?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. And let me hand you a copy of that subpoena and ask you if you've seen that previously?
  - A. It sure looks like it, yeah.
- Q. Okay. And although I guess the date is for November 4th, that date was rearranged to today's date of November 10th by agreement?
  - A. That is my understanding, correct.
  - Q. Okay. What is your employment?
- A. I'm an attorney at a law firm that's Wong,
  Cabello, Lutsch, Rutherford & Brucceleri, I think, is the
  full name.
  - Q. Okay. And where is it located?
- A. In Houston, but on the far northwest side. It's not downtown.
- Q. Okay. And if you would briefly give me your -- what type of law practice?
- A. I'm pretty much a patent attorney. I mean, I guess, theoretically, I do all intellectual property; but, you know, 98 percent of my work are patents. I do some patent prosecution. And I can explain that, if

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- Q. Okay.
- -- you know, it's Marshall for now. Α.
- Q. Okay.
- Α. Yeah.
- 0. All right. I guess, you know, you've been identified as someone with knowledge of Mr. Albritton's reputation. And I think you've touched on that, but -but, you know, what is your knowledge of his reputation?
- Α. So among -- among the folks that I'm close with and work with, he's got a stellar reputation.
  - Q. Okay.
  - Α. He's a go-to guy.
- And do you have any opinion or knowledge of his Q. integrity?
- Α. So -- Only through my experiences. And I would say it's impeccable. I could convey, you know, anecdotally, he -- he is a guy that reins -- when I say us in, I would consider myself as general counsel as opposed to local. And not that we would ever intentionally do things that were kind of cute as opposed to perfectly professionally; but if it even smells like that, you know, Eric will put you in your place and make sure you don't do it on anything he's working on, anyway.
- Okay. And so has -- And that's your opinion of Q. his reputation today?

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- A. Correct.
- Q. Okay. And has his reputation changed, in your mind, from the time when you first got to know him till today?
  - A. No.
  - Q. Okay. Would you ever refer a case to him?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Okay. Have you referred any cases to him?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. And how many?
  - A. Well, I don't do a lot of litigation.
  - Q. Okay.
- A. But since I met him, I'm pretty sure every case I've had in East Texas, which might be between four and seven or eight, but probably closer to four. But I'd have to count them up, because sometimes there's multiple filings in a similar case.
- Q. Okay. Have you had any discussions with anyone at Cisco about Mr. Albritton?
- A. No. You know, Mallun Yen and I had a conversation where we touched on the Troll Tracker topic, but we didn't talk about Eric and -- and we didn't talk in any detail.
- Q. And what -- what was it that you touched on with Troll Tracker?

THE STATE OF TEXAS )

COUNTY OF FORT BEND )

I, a court reporter, and a notary public in and for the State of Texas, do hereby certify that the matters set forth in the caption to the foregoing deposition are true and correct; that the witness appeared before me at the time and place set forth; that said witness was first duly sworn to tell the truth, and thereupon proceeded to testify in said cause; that the questions of counsel and the answers of the said witness were taken down in shorthand by me and thereafter reduced to typewriting under my direction; and that the foregoing pages comprise a true, correct and complete transcript of the testimony given and the proceedings had during the taking of said deposition.

I further certify that I am not counsel, attorney or relative of either party, or otherwise interested in the event of this suit.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

ERIC M. ALBRITTON,

Plaintiff,

VS.

C.A. NO. 6:08-CV-00089

CISCO SYSTEMS, INC.,

RICK FRENKEL, MALLUN YEN & )

JOHN NOH,

Defendants.

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ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF

DANNY LLOYD WILLIAMS

NOVEMBER 10, 2008

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ORAL AND VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION of DANNY LLOYD WILLIAMS, produced as a witness at the instance of the Defendants, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on the 10th of November, 2008, from 9:55 a.m. to 10:10 a.m., before Kathy Genung, a court reporter, and a notary public in and for the State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at the offices of Jackson Walker, 1401 McKinney, Suite 2000, Houston, Texas 77010, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, notice, and the provisions stated on the record or attached hereto.

	1	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Here begins the
0	2	videotape deposition of Danny Williams, tape one, volume
	3	one, in the matter of Eric M. Albritton versus Cisco
	4	Systems, Inc., et al, Case 6:08-CV-00089. Today's date
Ð	5	is November 10, 2008. And the time on the video monitor
	6	is 9:55. The video operator today is Jim Hanna,
	7	representing West Court Reporting Service. The court
3	8	reporter is Kathy Genung of HG Litigation Services,
	9	reporting on behalf of West Court Reporting Service.
_	10	Today's depo today's deposition is being taken on
D	11	behalf of the defendant and is taking place at Jackson
	12	and Walker, 1401 McKinney, Houston, Texas. Counsel,
	13	please introduce yourselves and state whom you represent
	14	after which the court reporter will swear in the witness.
	15	MR. PATTON: I'm Nick Patton. I represent
)	16	the plaintiff, Eric Albritton.
•	17	MS. HAMILTON: Nancy Hamilton with Jackson
	18	Walker, representing Cisco Systems, Inc., et al.
<b>,</b>	19	(The witness was sworn)
	20	DANNY LLOYD WILLIAMS,
	21	called as a witness, testified as follows:
)	22	EXAMINATION
	23	BY MS. HAMILTON:
	24	Q. Would you state your name for the record,
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- A. Yes. Danny Lloyd Williams.
- Q. And, Mr. Williams, let me ask you if you're appearing here today pursuant to a notice of subpoena?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And have you had a chance to look at that document that I've handing you? That's the notice of subpoena. Have you had a chance to look at that previously?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And you are appearing pursuant to that subpoena?
- A. Yeah. I think the day was redone; but otherwise, yes.
- Q. Right. The date on the subpoena, I think, says November 4th; and by agreement, it was changed to today, November 10th?
  - A. That's right.
- Q. Okay. Thank you. Mr. Williams, how are you employed?
- A. I'm a partner at Williams, Morgan & Amerson, a firm here in town.
  - Q. And that's a law firm. Right?
  - A. Yes, ma'am.
- Q. Okay. And what is your educational background? You don't have to go back to high school.

	1	A. But I don't I don't think anyone's ever said
0	2	we're putting you down as having knowledge of this or
	3	that fact. I don't recall that, at least.
Ð	4	Q. Okay.
	5	MR. PATTON: Nancy, I don't I don't want
	6	you to be mislead. I've only been in this case a
	7	month
D	8	MS. HAMILTON: Okay.
	9	MR. PATTON: or a little little
_	10	better. So when the disclosures were made, I wasn't
•	11	involved at all. And I thought that might help you.
	12	MS. HAMILTON: Right.
	13	MR. PATTON: There's a little confusion. I
	14	came in late.
	15	MS. HAMILTON: That's okay.
D	16	MR. PATTON: Okay.
	17	MS. HAMILTON: That's fine.
	18	Q. (BY MS. HAMILTON) Well, I'll tell you, at least
•	19	from the disclosures that I've read, that you've been
	20	disclosed as someone having knowledge of the professional
	21	reputation and integrity of Mr. Albritton.
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	23	Q. Would that be consistent with your knowledge?
	24	A. I think I do have knowledge of his reputation,
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- Q. And what is that knowledge?
- A. I mean, I've known Eric for a number of years.
- I've worked with him. I've worked opposite of him. I --
- I believe Eric has high professional integrity. If he
- told me something in a case, whether he were opposing
- 6 | counsel or a co-counsel, I would -- I would believe it.
  - I just find him to be a person of high integrity --
    - Q. Okay.
    - A. -- professionally.
  - Q. And how do you find his reputation? Do you have an opinion of his reputation as well as his integrity?
  - A. I think the people who know Eric, with those people, he has a good reputation. I guess the people that I talk to generally do know Eric. So I think that the people who know him believe he has a very good reputation. I think he has a good reputation.
    - Q. Okay. So you think --
    - A. At least among those people who know him, yes.
  - Q. Do you think he might not have a good reputation among those who don't know him? I mean, I want to get what -- What is your opinion of his reputation?
  - A. My opinion is that he has a good reputation, at least among those people who know him. I don't -- I'm not sure I can speak --
    - Q. Okay.

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- A. -- to those people who don't know him.
- Q. Okay. And would you refer a case to him?
- A. Would I refer a case to him?
- Q. Uh-huh, yes.
- A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Have you ever done so?
- A. I have brought him in on cases. I'm trying to -- I don't know. When you say "refer," do you mean give him a case that I don't stay involved in?
  - Q. Yes.
  - A. I can't recall one right now.
- Q. Okay. You said that you -- you have brought him in on cases. So has he worked with you on cases, on the same side of the case?
  - A. Yes.
- Q. And are you currently working with him on any cases?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q. Can I have the name of the case?
- A. We represent together Aloft Media. They are a handful of cases or less. We represent an outfit called Stragent. Let's see. We represent Apple together. Now, these cases I'm giving you, I didn't bring him in on all these cases. But the question was what cases I'm working with him?

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### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DIVISION OF TEXAS TYLER DIVISION

ERIC M. ALBRITTON, 1 Plaintiff, 1 1 -vs-1 C.A. No. 6:08-CV-00089 CISCO SYSTEMS, INC., 1 RICK FRENKEL, MALLUN ] YEN and JOHN NOH, 1 Defendants. 1

The video taped deposition of PETER J. McANDREWS, called by the Defendant Cisco Systems, Inc. for examination, pursuant to subpoena and pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for the United States District Courts pertaining to the taking of depositions, taken before Cynthia J. Conforti, Certified Shorthand Reporter, at 333 North Wabash, Suite 4000, Chicago, Illinois, commencing at the hour of 11:14 a.m. on the 7th day of November, A.D., 2008.

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MR. McWILLIAMS: I'm George McWilliams,
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      representing Rick Frenkel.
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              THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Will the court reporter
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      please swear in the witness.
                        (Witness duly sworn.)
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                       PETER J. McANDREWS,
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      called as a witness herein, having been
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                         EXAMINATION
      BY MR. BABCOCK:
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              I work at the law firm of McAndrews Held &
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certainly something that the clients would consider.

MR. McWILLIAMS: Objection, nonresponsive.

BY MR. McWILLIAMS:

- Q. Have you heard any lawyer who practices in the Eastern District of Texas be critical of Johnny Ward or Eric Albritton's reputation since the Troll Tracker article?
  - A. I have not personally heard that, no.
- Q. Now, do I understand that in the filing of the ESN complaint that the basic communication with Eric Albritton's office was with Amie Mathis and you?
- A. No, that's not true. She took over -- as was discussed earlier, she took over the communication chain later in the afternoon after the complaint was in Mr. Albritton's firm's hands.
- Q. Okay. She took over the communication chain late in the afternoon of October the 15th.
- A. That's right.
- Q. And then she continued in that
  communication chain through the 15th and the 16th.
  And what about the 17th?
  - A. You know, I don't recall whether there were any communications with Amie on the 16th.





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