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10	BRADLEY N. THOMA, a single	
11	person,	Case No. CV-12-156-EFS
12	Plaintiff,	
13	VS.	STATEMENT REGARDING
14		MASTER DEPOSITION SUBMISSION
15	CITY OF SPOKANE, a municipal corporation in and for the State of	
16	Washington; and ANNE E.	
17	KIRKPATRICK, a single person,	
18	Defendants.	
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20	COME NOW Defendants. by and	I through their undersigned counsel, and
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22	hereby submit this Statement Regarding	Master Deposition Submission pursuant
23	to this Court's July 13, 2012, Scheduling	Order.
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Attached hereto are master deposition excerpts for the deposition of Bradley N. Thoma and the deposition of Anne E. Kirkpatrick, cited to by both parties in the pleadings relating to Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF 71, et seq.).

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1	THE VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF BRADLEY N. THOMA,
2	was taken on behalf of the defendants on this 19th day
3	of April, 2013, at the law offices of Dunn & Black,
4	P.S., Spokane, Washington, before Yamaguchi Obien
5	Mangio, LLC, by Patricia L. Pullo, Court Reporter and
6	Notary Public within and for the State of Washington, to
7	be used in an action pending in the United States
8	District Court for the Eastern District of Washington at
9	Richland, said cause being Case No. CV-12-156-EFS in
10	said Court.
11	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Here begins Volume No. 1 in
12	Videotape 1 in the deposition of Bradley Thoma in the
13	matter of Bradley N. Thoma, a single person, plaintiff,
14	versus City of Spokane, a municipal corporation in and
15	for the State of Washington, and Anne E. Kirkpatrick, a
16	single person, defendants, in the United States District
17	Court for the Eastern District of Washington at
18	Richland, Case No. CV-12-156-EFS.
19	Today's date is Friday, April 19, 2013. The
20	time is now 9:32 a.m. The video operator today is Lynn
21	Powers Letsch, contracted by Yamaguchi Obien Mangio of
22	Seattle, Washington. This video deposition is taking
23	place at Dunn & Black, 111 North Post Street, Suite 300,
24	Spokane, Washington, and was noticed by Patterson,
25	Buchanan, Fobes & Leitch, Incorporated, P.S., for the



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1	interrogatory answers that there were some occasions
2	where that was part of your job
3	A. Yes.
4	Q is that correct?
5	And can you tell me just a little bit about in
6	what instances that was part of your job?
7	A. In an undercover capacity.
8	Q. Okay. And so beyond where there were times
- 9 🗆	where it was required to drink on the job because of
10 -	your job duties, were there other times that you drank
11	while you were on the job?
12 🗆	A. No.
13 🗆	Q. Okay. Were you ever intoxicated at work while
14	you worked for the Spokane Police Department?
15 🗆	A. No.
16 🗆	Q. And have there ever been any times where you
17 -	were unable to perform your job duties as a police
18 🗆	officer because of your alcohol consumption?
19 -	A. Not that I recall.
20	Q. During the time that you were working for
21	Spokane Police Department when you were actively
22	drinking, and I don't mean necessarily on the job, how
23	did your alcoholism impact your daily life activities?
24	A. I seemed to plan everything around going out
25	and having drinks.



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1	Q. Were there any activities that you engaged in
2	where you that you were unable to do because of
3	drinking?
4	A. I'm not sure about the question.
5	Q. Okay. Thinking about the types of things that
6	you do in your daily life, you know, whether it's a
7	recreational activity or going to work, were there times
8	that drinking alcohol impacted those types of
9	activities?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Which activities?
12	A. Working out.
13 -	Q. Okay. And how did how did your drinking
14	impact that particular activity?
15	A. Instead of going to the gym, I'd go have
16 -	drinks with friends.
17 -	Q. Okay. Are there other activities that your
18	drinking impacted?
19	A. Spending time with my daughter, family.
20	Q. How how was that impacted?
21	A. I chose to go have drinks as opposed to
22	spending time with family.
23	Q. And how often has that occurred?
24	A. Many occasion.
25	Q. And during the time I'll still use that



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1	five-year time frame, 2004 to 2009, was that something
2	that was being impacted by your drinking?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. And can you think of anything specifically
5	with relation to spending time with your daughter
6	that in that time frame that your drinking impacted,
7	a particular activity you couldn't do with her or
8	something of that nature?
9	A. There were times I couldn't take her somewhere
10	because I had been drinking.
11	Q. Okay. Can you think of anything else?
12	A. My patience with her was probably short at
13	times. I brought her to functions where there was going
14	to be drinking. Came home later than planned because I
15	had been out drinking.
16	Q. Did your drinking ever affect your ability to
17	go to work?
18	A. Not that I remember.
19	Q. And other than working out and spending time
20	with your family, I know we talked about your daughter
21	in particular, were there other family members that your
22	drinking impacted?
23	A. My ex-wife.
24	Q. Okay. How did that impact your relationship
25	with your ex-wife?



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1	A. Not spending time with her like I should, not
2	coming home some nights until late, short temper,
- 3 -	emotionally detached, avoiding functions where there
4	wasn't going to be drinking.
- 5	Q. When did you get divorced?
6	A. I think around 2004. I'm not sure on the
7	date.
8	Q. Do you remember how long you had been married?
9	A. 13 years.
10	Q. Do you think that the alcoholism contributed
11	to the divorce?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. So besides the impact on family and the effect
14	on working out, were there other activities that were
15	negatively impacted by your drinking?
16	A. Friendships.
17	Q. In what way?
18	A. Arguments, not making time for friends.
19	Q. Can you think of any other activities that
20	were negatively impacted?
21	A. Sleeping.
22	Q. Okay. How did your drinking impact your
23	sleep?
24	A. I had several years of horrendous sleep
25	problems.
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1	Q. What kind of problems?
2	A. Unable to sleep.
3	Q. Anything else you can think of?
4	A. Whole work.
5	Q. Your whole work?
6	A. Work.
7	Q. Okay. How did it impact work?
8	A. I lost my job.
9	Q. Okay. And we'll get to talking about that
10	more specifically. How else did it impact your work?
11	A. I don't don't really know.
12	Q. Okay. When did you first tell your
13	employer well, strike that. I'll back up.
14	Did you ever tell your employer at any point
15 -	that you suffered from alcoholism?
16 -	A. In my IA interview.
17	Q. Was that the first time you had informed your
18	employer of your alcoholism?
19	A. Yes.
20	Q. Prior to that time do you believe that your
21	employer knew you suffered from alcoholism?
22	A. I do not know.
23	MS. MACK: I'm going to ask the court reporter
24	to mark an exhibit and then she'll hand it to you and
25	I'll ask a question about that. It will be Exhibit 1.



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1	was occurring after you after your DUI.
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. Do you think there were other reasons that she
4	was giving you this letter?
5	A. Nope.
6	Q. Okay. I want to talk about your Loudermill
7	for the DUI-related incident as opposed to the
- 8 -	Loudermill about your pretextual stop.
- 9	At any time during the Loudermill process did
10	you ask Spokane Police Department to consider anything
11	other than a waiver of an interlock device in your
12	vehicle so that you could perform your duties as a
13	police officer?
14	A. I don't recall.
15	Q. Okay. I want to point you to your response to
16	interrogatory No. 19. And that is on page get to it
17	here
18	MR. DUNN: 13.
19	BY MS. MACK:
20	Q. 13. Thank you. Do you see that?
21	A. Mm-hmm. Yes.
22	Q. See that page? Okay. And there in your
23 🗆	=response to interrogatory 19 there's a bullet list of
24 🗆	other reasonable accommodations that you've proposed.
25	Do you recall asking for any of those proposed



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1	accommodations during your Loudermill process?
2	A I don't recall.
3	Q. Do you think that you did ask and you just
4	can't remember whether or not you did or you you
- 5	really just don't remember whether you did or didn't?
6	A. I really don't remember.
7	Q. Okay. Do you and I'm done with that
8	exhibit for the moment.
9	Do you believe that there are other officers
10	at the Spokane Police Department that have been required
11	to use an interlock device in his or her vehicle as a
12	result of a DUI?
13	A. Can you restate that.
	_
14 🗆	Q. Sure. Do you know of any officers at Spokane
14	Q. Sure. Do you know of any officers at Spokane Police Department that have been required to use an
15 🗆	Police Department that have been required to use an interlock device as a result of a DUI, while they were
15 16 17	Police Department that have been required to use an interlock device as a result of a DUI, while they were employed at the Spokane Police Department?
15 16 17 18	Police Department that have been required to use an interlock device as a result of a DUI, while they were employed at the Spokane Police Department? A. Not at the Spokane Police Department.
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1	Q. Okay. And this now you can go back to page
2	26 is a settlement agreement between the Human Rights
3	Commission, you and the City of Spokane in a complaint
4	filed 12/11/2009, correct?
5	A. Yes.
6	Q. Do you have the understanding sorry.
7	Strike that.
8	At the time that you signed that settlement
- 9 -	agreement, did you understand that it would not become
10 _	effective until the Human Rights Commission approved it?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. Okay. And are you aware of whether the HRC,
13	Human Rights Commission, determined that it would not
14	approve the agreement?
15	A. No.
16	MS. MACK: Okay. I am going to mark another
17	exhibit. This is going to be Exhibit 3.
18	(Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit No. 3 was
19	marked for identification.)
20	MS. MACK: And this is going to be Exhibit 4.
21	(Whereupon, Deposition Exhibit No. 4 was
22	marked for identification.)
23	BY MS. MACK:
24	Q. Okay. And the court reporter's handed you
25	Exhibit 3 and Exhibit 4. Have you seen either of those



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1	to your position in the demoted rank of sergeant. And
2	the specific paragraphs I think are 31 through 34 where
3	you make the that allegation. So I'll give you a
4	moment to take a look at that.
5	A. (Complying.)
6	Q. And I will give you a minute to look at those
7	paragraphs. But to give you some context, my question
8	is: Are you referring to a written agreement as far as
9	the breach of agreement in those paragraphs?
10	A. 31 through 34?
11	Q. Mm-hmm. 32 is 31 is more context. But 32
12	talks about defendants breached that agreement. And I
13	want to know if we're talking about a written agreement
14	or a verbal agreement.
15	A. (Witness examining document.)
16	Q. And I'm referencing those paragraphs because
17	they seem to be all referring to the they just say
18	"the agreement," so they seem to be referring to the
19	same agreement. And that's all I'm trying to understand
20	is what agreement we're talking about there.
21	A. I was verbally told what the agreement was by
22	my union. I was verbally read a written agreement that
23 -	Lieutenant Meidl had over the phone that I was for me
24	to sign. But I was not in town, so I couldn't sign it.
25	As far as me actually ever seeing any written
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1	agreement, I have not seen a written agreement.	
2	Q. Okay. So are the agreements or agreement	
3	that you're referring to here in paragraphs 32 through	
4	34 different than the agreement attached at Appendix C	
5	that we were talking about a moment ago, the settlement	
6	agreement involving the HR	
7	A. Yes.	
8	Q C. Okay. So when you allege the breach of	
- 9	the agreement let's just look at No. 32, paragraph	
10	_32. "On January 5th, 2011, Defendants offered to	
11	_reinstate Plaintiff Thoma to the demoted rank of	
12	Detective." You agreed. Was that a written agreement	
13	or a verbal agreement?	
14	A. (Nonresponsive.)	
15 -	Q. Or a verbal offer, I guess, or a written	
16	offer.	
17	A. That was a verbal.	
18	Q. Okay. And so the allegation goes on there,	
19	after defendants breached that agreement, while offering	
20	instead to reinstate you at a demoted rank only if you	
21	agreed to waive legal and equitable remedies, the breach	
22	there that you're referring to is the breach of that	
23	verbal offer to reinstate you to a demoted rank of	
24	detective?	
25	A. I had a verbal or a written agreement read	



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1	CERTIFICATE OF WITNESS
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3	I, BRADLEY N. THOMA, being first duly sworn,
4	depose and say:
5	That I am the witness named in the foregoing
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7	the contents thereof; that the questions contained
8	therein were propounded to me; and that the answers
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11	attached hereto.
12	DATED this day of,
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alcoholism had been raised by Sergeant Thoma as an issue 1 2 in his particular situation? When he was going for deferred prosecution. 3 Α. Okay. And when was that? 4 Ο. 5 Α. I don't know. (Exhibit No. 7 was marked.) 6 7 BY MR. DUNN: Okay. We've got to put this one under seal, and 8 Ο. 9 this is Exhibit No. 7. I will try to be generic in my questions, so we don't have to seal this part of the 10 deposition record. This is a document entitled 11 "Colonial Clinic", it's confidential, dated October 12 13 12th, 2009. Have you seen this document prior to today? Α. Yes. 14 When you say that you learned of the issue of 15 Ο. 16 alcoholism related to Sergeant Thoma's situation, in and around the time frame that he was pursuing deferred 17 18 prosecution, is this the time frame that you're talking about, the early to mid October 2009 time frame? 19 20 Α. Yes. And so is this the time frame that you 21 Ο. Okay. 22 think you saw this report? 23 I must qualify, I have a vague memory of this, I Α. 24 don't know. Well, let me ask it this way, do you think 25 Q. Okay.

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1	that you saw this report in and around the same time
2	frame that he was pursuing a deferred prosecution?
3	A. I saw a report from Colonial Clinic. I don't
4	know if it was this report.
5	Q. Okay. Let me ask you a different way then. You
6	think that you learned of the issue of alcoholism
7	relating to Sergeant Thoma in and around the time frame
8	of him pursuing deferred prosecution?
9	A. Yes.
10	Q. And is the time frame of pursuing deferred
11	prosecution, to your recollection, in the early to
12	mid-October 2009 time frame?
13	A. Yes.
14	Q. Okay. All right. And are you aware then from
15	having seen a report from the Colonial Clinic in and
16	around the early to mid-October 2009 time frame that he
17	had been diagnosed as suffering from alcoholism?
18	A. I don't have a memory of that.
19	Q. Okay. If you hadn't If you don't have a
20	recollection of him being diagnosed as having been
21	diagnosed with alcoholism, do you have some recollection
22	that he was diagnosed as having suffered from moderate
23	chemical dependency, alcohol dependency?
24	A. No.
25	Q. Tell me then, in what context are you aware that

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1	alcoholism was raised as an issue in the pursuit of his
2	deferred prosecution?
3	A. It's required to get the deferred prosecution to
4	say that you're an alcoholic.
5	Q. Okay. All right. And how do you know that?
6	A. I believe I read the deferred prosecution letter,
7	the elements to be able to get a deferred prosecution.
8	It's defined.
9	Q. All right. Now, you said to say you're an
10	alcoholic. Is that how you just said it?
11	A. You have to allege alcoholism I believe.
12	MR. DUNN: Can you go back and read that? I
13	think it's like this much back.
14	(The court reporter reads back as
15	requested.)
16	BY MR. DUNN:
17	Q. Got it. Thanks. So your testimony was, to say
18	that you're an alcoholic, and maybe I'm reading more
19	into your answer than there is, but I get from that
20	answer that you believe that Sergeant Thoma just said he
21	suffered from alcoholism as opposed to actually
22	suffering from it. Am I misreading it?
23	A. No, that's what I think.
24	Q. You think he is not an alcoholic?
25	A. I don't know. I know it's a strategy to get the

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1	deferred prosecution.
2	Q. Okay. So is that what you thought happened here,
3	was this was a strategy?
4	A. I do.
5	Q. And did you have some understanding that or
6	belief that he was not an alcoholic?
7	A. Yes.
8	Q. Okay. And when do you think you reached that
9	conclusion that he was not an alcoholic?
10	A. Because he had performed as a functioning police
11	officer, so his life at work was not impacted. He was
12	also engaged, and so that showed in his private life
13	that he had a stable relationship. So the main life
14	functions were not impacted.
15	Q. So who did you confer with that had the expertise
16	to assist you in reaching the conclusion that this was
17	just a strategy and that he did not suffer from
18	alcoholism?
19	A. Who did I confer with?
20	Q. Right.
21	A. I counseled with Erin Jacobson a lot during these
22	proceedings.
23	Q. Okay. Because I thought you told me, ma'am, that
24	you didn't have the expertise to address issues of
25	alcoholism. Correct?

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1	Right?		
2	A. Yes.		
3	Q. And that you had no report whatsoever prior to		
4	December 9th that he had violated any conditions of his		
5	deferred prosecution. Right? You didn't know of		
6	anything?		
7	A. I don't know that. I don't recall that.		
8	Q. Well, do you know of something that put him in		
9	violation of his deferred prosecution by December 9th?		
10	A. Not by December 9th. I don't recall.		
11	Q. All right. So by December 9th, you have no		
12	indication that he's ever abused his duties and		
13	responsibilities as a patrol officer, why were you		
14	unwilling to allow him to have a waiver to drive a		
15	patrol car by December 9th?		
16	A. One of my functions and responsibilities as the		
17	chief of police is to manage risks, and it was		
18	determined by me, the mayor, the city administrator, and		
19	the counsel of others, as well as the city legal staff,		
20	that it was a risk they were not willing to go forward		
21	with.		
22	Q. What was the risk?		
23	A. That he would drink and drive in a patrol car.		
24	Q. Well, that's a risk that you take with every		
25	employee. Right?		

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1	MS. MACK: Objection to form.
2	BY MR. DUNN:
3	Q. I mean, what am I missing here?
4	A. No, not with every employee.
5	Q. Okay. How many alcohol abusers were in your
б	department when you were here?
7	A. I do not know.
8	Q. How many alcoholics were in your department?
9	A. One for sure I was told.
10	Q. Okay. Is that the woman?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. All right. And other than that, you don't know
13	of anybody else who suffered from alcoholism?
14	A. No one who shared it with me.
15	Q. And didn't suspect anybody to be an alcoholic?
16	A. I had no reason to suspect anyone.
17	Q. All right. So Brad Thoma, who had who had
18	been in this incident, who claims he was an alcoholic,
<mark>19</mark>	and on December 9th who was alcohol free, was assumed to
20	be a risk that you couldn't afford to take. Right?
21	A. That's not one I would take.
22	Q. Okay. Were there, during your tenure while you
23	were still chief here, were there any other individuals
24	who you were aware of who had been arrested for a DUI?
25	A. Yes.

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1	Q.	Who?
<u>2</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>Jeff Barrington was the first one</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>Q.</u>	<u>Uh-huh.</u>
<u>4</u>	<u>A.</u>	who was arrested shortly after I got here.
<u>5</u>	<u>0.</u>	Yeah, and what happened to him?
<u>6</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>He His charges, either they were dropped or</u>
<u>7</u>	<u>they</u> w	ere not actually charged. He was arrested and
<u>8</u>	<u>didn't</u>	go anywhere. His charges were dropped or the
<u>9</u>	<u>charge</u>	<u>s did not go through.</u>
<u>10</u>	<u>Q.</u>	All right. And this was during your tenure?
<u>11</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>Yes.</u>
<u>12</u>	<u>Q.</u>	<u>And I take it he was no longer allowed to drive a</u>
<u>13</u>	<u>vehicl</u>	<u>e because he was a risk for a DUI?</u>
<u>14</u>	<u>A.</u>	<u>He did not claim to be alcoholic.</u>
15	Q.	Whether he claimed to be an alcoholic or not, he
16	was dr	unk and driving. Right?
17	A .	Well, it was determined there was no probable
18	cause,	so I can't tell you that.
19	Q.	Okay. You didn't think he was at risk being
20	arrest	ed for a DUI?
21	A .	No, not like this situation that he did not have
22	a defe	rred prosecution that made it a legal issue to put
23	an int	erlock device on a car.
24	Q.	All right. And when you say he didn't claim to
25	be an	alcoholic, Thoma did. Right?

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1	far as a sentence or whatever. I don't recall.
2	Q. Okay. I do not intend to embarrass Ms. Ross on
3	the record, but I'm going to show you some documents to
4	see if that refreshes your recollection of what happened
5	to Ms. Ross. All right. The first document I'm going
6	to show you is an Internal Affairs investigation dated
7	December 15th, 2010, where there's an allegation of a
8	DUI and an allegation of conduct unbecoming an officer.
9	Do you see that?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. And as a result of the IA, both of those
12	allegations were sustained. Right?
13	A. Yes.
14	Q. And then you conducted a Loudermill for Ms. Ross,
15	did you not?
16	A. Yes.
17	Q. All right. And do you remember Do you
18	remember any of the facts concerning her being stopped
19	by the state patrol for a DUI?
20	A. Some of them.
21	Q. Do you recall what she blew in terms of her
22	alcohol content?
23	A. I do not.
24	Q. And you suspended her for a period of time, did
25	you not?

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1	A. I did.
2	Q. For 80 hours?
3	A. Yes.
4	Q. Without pay?
5	A. That's correct.
6	Q. And because of her past record, she was allowed
7	to take her suspension in blocks of time that wouldn't
8	interfere with her ability to maintain her benefits?
9	A. That's correct.
10	Q. And allowed to drive?
11	A. Yes.
12	Q. And did you consider her to be a risk?
13	A. I did not.
14	Q. Even though she drove drunk?
15	A. Yes.
16	Q. And what's the difference in her situation
17	between her driving drunk and being given discipline and
18	that of Sergeant Thoma?
19	A. The difference is that his involved an essential
20	function of the job, which was the interlock ignition
21	device restriction and the high risk restriction on his
22	driver's license. That's the difference between the
23	two.
24	Q. No, I'm talking about the fact that you
25	considered him to be a risk and wouldn't sign a waiver.

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retest to come back to the police department? 1 Well, that's why the layoff status was given, was 2 Α. so he wouldn't have to retest. 3 Was there any discussion about him having to 4 Ο. 5 actually do a retest if he came back and accepted this deal? 6 7 Α. No, that would not happen. Q. And then you said, "You would be able to come 8 9 back as a police officer, but during the two-year period, you would be noncommissioned." And it says that 10 11 the city would support you in trying to find a different job within the department -- or not within the 12 13 department you say, but dispatch, records, places like that. 14 15 Α. That's correct. So did you think -- Did you think that when he 16 Ο. came back, he would not be in a driving position? 17 18 Α. No. When he came back, he would have an unencumbered driver's license. He would have gotten the 19 help he needed, and he would have been fully 20 commissioned and a full police officer with all duties. 21 22 Help me understand what you're saying when you Q. 23 say, "In addition to that, the City desires to be able 24 to help you by supporting you in --- you obviously can compete for different jobs within the department -- not 25

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solution that was going to be discussed coming out of 1 2 his Loudermill. I have that wrong? He had an opportunity to address what my 3 Α. intentions were. 4 5 Ο. Yeah. But my intentions were, unless I heard something 6 Α. 7 otherwise, which was his opportunity to tell me what he wanted to tell me, but we didn't get there because of 8 9 the essential functions. But your intention going into the Loudermill, 10 0. ma'am, was to at least, at a minimum, demote him? 11 That's the intention. 12 Α. Okay. And nothing in the hour and-a-half, from 13 Q. the time it commenced, to the time you're now talking 14 15 about an offer, changed your mind about the demotion part of this resolution? 16 Before it was finalized, the decision was we 17 Α. 18 don't need to go there, no need to make a decision, we will only deal with the essential functions of the job. 19 So it became moot after the Loudermill. 20 Well, not really because the offer that you made 21 Ο. him was one that included a demotion. Right? Hang on. 22 23 (Exhibit No. 12 was marked.) 24 BY MR. DUNN: Now, this is dated the 17th, the same day as the 25 Q.