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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH, CENTRAL DIVISION

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THE SCO GROUP, INC., by and through)	
the Chapter 7 Trustee in Bankruptcy,)	
Edward N. Cahn,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
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vs.)	Case 2:03cv00294
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INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES)	
CORPORATION,)	
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Defendant.)	
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3 THE COURT: Good afternoon. We're convened in
4 SCO Group vs. IBM. Could we ask counsel to make their
14:40:29 5 appearances, please.

6 MR. HATCH: Your Honor, on behalf of SCO, Brent
7 Hatch. With me is Stuart Singer, Ted Normand, Jason Cyrulnik
8 and the company rep Ryan Tibbets.

9 THE COURT: Thank you.

14:40:40 10 MR. MARRIOTT: Good afternoon, Your Honor. David
11 Marriott for Cravath, the Cravath firm. And with me Amy
12 Sorenson and Amy Mettler from Snell & Wilmer.

13 THE COURT: Thanks very much. I don't have my
14 computer. It got taken away an hour ago, and so the hearing
14:40:57 15 may go a little different than you or I planned. And I wanted
16 to give you a little introduction of the position that I find
17 myself in. I often use the analogy of being at home and
18 walking in on the last 10 minutes of a movie and having to
19 asked what happened. But I don't because I would spoil the
14:41:14 20 movie.

21 But in this case, I have to be really involved in
22 the last part of the movie. And I thought that this case is
23 more like as if Tolkien had died before he finished the last
24 100 pages of Lord of the Rings and I was assigned to write the
14:41:31 25 rest of the book.

1 So I'm going to ask you to stay really high level
2 with me. If you would assume that I was someone you were
3 talking to on the soccer field rather than the judge in the
4 case, that might help me get oriented here. I do have some
14:41:49 5 specific questions, though, that I want to go through. Some
6 of these we have raised with you in some recent e-mails, and
7 I'd like to go there. I've got a whole lot of questions. And
8 then I wanted to try and get some orientation about the
9 motions that are pending and how they interrelate with each
14:42:07 10 other and what we ought to do about scheduling those, get your
11 input on that, and how to dispose of those motions. And in
12 the status report you mentioned mediation, so I wanted to get
13 updated on that.

14 That's the order I intended to proceed, with some
14:42:29 15 specific questions, discussions and claims and motions and
16 scheduling and a discussion of mediation.

17 Do you have a better idea, Mr. Hatch? Or should we
18 do something in addition or go in a different order?

19 MR. HATCH: I view that somewhat as a loaded
14:42:45 20 question, but I think that sounds perfectly fine.

21 THE COURT: Let me just be clear that counsel can
22 always have better ideas because you know a lot more than I do
23 about this case. So don't be shy.

24 MR. HATCH: I think part of what our problem is, I
14:42:58 25 don't know if it's similar but it's of a similar kind, is

1 we're not 100-percent sure what it is you feel you need to
2 know. So I think going a little broadly at the beginning of
3 what the claims are, I think Mr. Singer will address that from
4 our perspective.

14:43:13 5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 MR. HATCH: And then I think as we go I think
7 you'll have more specific questions, and we'll have, I think
8 hopefully have a good idea how to help you.

9 THE COURT: Well, I hope your broad areas of my
14:43:24 10 ignorance don't frighten you.

11 Could I ask you pull that microphone up. Somebody
12 had it down for some reason. Get it to where you can be
13 heard. Okay.

14 And, Mr. Marriott, any input on this process?

14:43:36 15 MR. MARRIOTT: Your Honor, that sounds fine to us.
16 What we thought might be helpful when the time comes is give
17 you a brief, very brief, very high level overview of some of
18 the underlying events, which I think will situate some of
19 these claims nicely. And then we're prepared to address the
14:43:52 20 claims as it helps the Court.

21 THE COURT: I think that kind of an overview would
22 also help. I've read the factual allegations in the, what is
23 it, the second amended complaint by now and the amended
24 counterclaim, and those were good histories but they're also
14:44:06 25 11 years old, and some claims have fallen out so some of the

1 facts there may not matter so much.

2 Let me get through some questions, and then we'll
3 go to that high level overview, maybe.

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4 MR. HATCH: Is this more of an informal session?
5 Would you like us to stay here, or how would you like us to
6 handle this?

14:44:32

7 THE COURT: I'd like you to stay at the tables, but
8 you can stand or sit as you want. I'm standing because I
9 don't want to die of a heart attack early, and I recommend it
10 to you all. I'm trying to figure out how we can get the jury
11 on a treadmill, too. But we're not there yet.

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12 In the e-mail that went out yesterday we asked for
13 some clarification. This is mostly in IBM's court. SCO sent
14 an e-mail on May 22nd outlining motions and giving us a
15 helpful outline on where supporting exhibits were. I want to
16 make sure if there are corrections to that, IBM, that you got
17 a chance to make sure that I know what I'm looking.

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18 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes, Your Honor. We have had a
19 chance to look at it. And if I may hand up what I've given
20 counsel for SCO --

21 THE COURT: Okay, sure.

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22 MR. MARRIOTT: We do have some modifications. What
23 we found is there are some documents which we believe the
24 Court probably should have it doesn't have. Now, in fairness
25 they haven't had an opportunity to review this. So we

1 hadn't -- and we prepared it since we saw the e-mail. I
2 handed it to counsel for SCO. What I would propose is they
3 take an opportunity to look at it, and if there are any issues
4 we can get back to the Court as to whether it needs to be
14:45:33 5 updated yet again. This is what we believe is the most
6 current version, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Okay. Is there somebody on your team,
8 Mr. Hatch, that can be doing that while we talk today?

9 MR. HATCH: Yeah. We'll have someone look.

14:45:44 10 THE COURT: Okay. Why don't you get that done.
11 And somebody remind me to come back to that, okay, assuming we
12 don't run out of time. And thanks for having a copy for the
13 law clerk. I appreciate that.

14 Are we still agreed that -- I think we added the
14:46:13 15 784 motion to the list. With that addition, have I captured
16 all of the outstanding motions and the objections to the
17 magistrate judge ruling?

18 MR. MARRIOTT: I believe you have, Your Honor. All
19 the motions that are before the Court, yes.

14:46:34 20 THE COURT: You're not adding new substantive
21 motions to this list.

22 MR. MARRIOTT: That's correct.

23 THE COURT: Okay. Just maybe some supporting
24 documents.

14:46:42 25 MR. MARRIOTT: That's exactly right, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: Okay. That helps me.

2 Are there -- and let me look at your summary. Does
3 it list the exhibits that go with the 784 motion?

4 MR. MARRIOTT: It does, Your Honor.

14:47:01 5 THE COURT: Yeah. Okay. It does. Okay. So
6 that's another question I had.

7 Now, on the objections/motion for reconsideration
8 of Judge Wells' order, there appeared to be a motion for
9 reconsideration directed to the magistrate judge and
10 objections directed to me or whoever, the district judge. I
11 found the memorandum in support of objections, that was SCO's
12 memorandum in support of its objections to the magistrate
13 judge order, that's Docket 995. There's also the motion for
14 reconsideration. I'm not seeing that in your new list,
14:47:54 15 Mr. Marriott. Let me see if I've got it.

16 MR. MARRIOTT: Well, Your Honor, it would be
17 item -- it would be Item 6. And what we've reflected on
18 Item 6 is what we understood to be still in play, which is
19 effectively the appeal from Magistrate Judge Wells' ruling.

14:48:08 20 THE COURT: Okay.

21 MR. MARRIOTT: I don't know, and SCO will have to
22 speak for itself, as to whether it intends to still pursue the
23 reconsideration request. That is separately not listed as I
24 believe that would be in any case in front of Judge Wells.

14:48:20 25 THE COURT: Okay. That's my question, Mr. Hatch.

1 Does SCO want to go back to Judge Wells on the discovery issue
2 or not?

3 MR. HATCH: No.

14:48:31

4 THE COURT: Okay. So can we moot that motion for
5 reconsideration?

6 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: Okay. I need a docket number on that.
8 Let me see. That's 986; correct? Motion for reconsideration
9 of the magistrate court's order is how it's titled. And 995
10 is the memorandum in support of objections.

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11 MR. MARRIOTT: That's correct, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: Can I just ask, you know, this is sort
13 of motion trivia when I've asked you to stay really high
14 level, but were there objections filed in addition to the
15 memorandum, Mr. Hatch? Or was it just the memorandum?

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16 Do you know, Mr. Marriott?

17 MR. MARRIOTT: So far as I know there was only a
18 memorandum, Your Honor.

19 MR. HATCH: I think that's right, but let's check.

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20 THE COURT: Okay. So just take a minute and check.

21 MR. SINGER: I only see the memorandum, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Okay. So I'll stop looking for the
23 objection document. So we have nothing pending in front of
24 the magistrate judge; right, Mr. Hatch?

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25 MR. HATCH: I believe that's correct, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: Mr. Marriott?

2 MR. MARRIOTT: That's correct.

14:50:05

3 THE COURT: Okay. Now, as I was trying to match up
4 the claims in this case with the motions, it appears that we
5 have motions related to every claim except for IBM's breach of
6 contract cause of action. It's first cause of action. Am I
7 right?

8 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes, that's correct.

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9 THE COURT: Were all of these motions filed before
10 Judge Stewart's order in the, what was the caption of that
11 case? SCO vs. Novell?

12 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Were all of these motions
14 briefed before that time?

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15 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes. They were briefed and they
16 were argued orally.

17 MR. HATCH: Yes.

18 THE COURT: Really?

19 MR. HATCH: Yes.

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20 THE COURT: Before who?

21 MR. MARRIOTT: Judge Kimball. Two days of
22 memorable proceedings.

23 MR. HATCH: Yeah. It was a full docket.

24 MR. SINGER: It was May-June 2007, Your Honor.

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25 THE COURT: Okay. You're going to have to refresh

1 me about the procedural history, Mr. Hatch, what happened, or
2 whoever on SCO's side wants to speak to this. They were
3 briefed. They were argued. And then I've got them?

4 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor. Would it be helpful
14:51:20 5 if I spent maybe just two or three minutes on a very high
6 level procedural --

7 THE COURT: Procedural.

8 MR. SINGER: -- summary?

9 THE COURT: Let's do that.

14:51:26 10 MR. SINGER: The case was filed in 2003. There was
11 a couple of amended complaints. There was a denial of motion
12 in 2005 on an additional count. The parties went into
13 extensive discovery. Summary judgement motion -- extensive
14 discovery including exchange of expert reports. There was
14:51:49 15 extensive summary judgement motions filed throughout the
16 latter part of 2006. There were then hearings which may have
17 begun in March of 2007 which stretched through to June 2007.
18 And those were held by Judge Kimball on two separate cases
19 that -- he had both of these cases, the SCO vs. Novell case
14:52:16 20 and the SCO vs. IBM case.

21 After all of the arguments, the judge decided the
22 SCO vs. Novell case on summary judgement with a summary
23 judgement that found that Novell rather than SCO owned the
24 copyrights at issue. And based on that ruling several things
14:52:36 25 happened. First, it wound up leading to a bankruptcy filing

1 by SCO that occurred later in 2007; and second, it put
2 everything on the IBM case on hold pending further proceedings
3 in the Novell case.

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4 THE COURT: Now when you say it put it on hold, the
5 decision about the copyrights that Judge Kimball made --

6 MR. SINGER: Yes.

7 THE COURT: -- did he enter a stay in the SCO vs.
8 IBM case?

14:53:05

9 MR. SINGER: No. It was not to my recollection a
10 formal stay, although there was an automatic stay as a result
11 of the bankruptcy filing in Delaware.

12 THE COURT: Sure. Okay.

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13 MR. SINGER: What proceeded then, there was a
14 release, a relief from that stay that allowed a counterclaim
15 by Novell for certain amounts it claimed were due under its
16 agreements with SCO to proceed to trial, which was necessary
17 to occur to have a final judgment to go up on appeal. And I
18 believe in 2008 we had that trial, which resulted in a
19 monetary judgment. At that point we had a final District
20 Court judgment in the Novell case that eliminated SCO's claims
21 on the basis of the summary judgement ruling and had a
22 monetary judgment against SCO.

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23 That went up to the 10th Circuit, and the
24 10th Circuit reversed the summary judgement finding that there
14:53:59 25 were disputed issues of fact. It then -- at that point

1 Judge Kimball recused himself from the case, from both the IBM
2 case and from the Novell case. The Novell case wound up in
3 front of Judge Stewart. Still no activity is occurring in the
4 IBM case, it being subject at least in part to the stay in the
14:54:23 5 bankruptcy court and in part because the parties wanted to
6 resolve the Novell claims first.

7 THE COURT: And who had this case at that point if
8 Kimball recused from both?

9 MR. SINGER: I'm not certain as to who it went to
14:54:35 10 first. It's gone to several other judges before Your Honor.
11 It went to Judge Campbell.

12 THE COURT: All right. Thanks.

13 MR. SINGER: And at that point, we -- and we're now
14 talking 2009, 2010, we prepared for a jury trial that was held
14:54:52 15 in front of Judge Stewart on the, basically it was a slander
16 of title claim with respect to ownership of the Novell
17 copyrights and whether or not there was slander of title and
18 there were counterclaims by Novell. The counterclaims by
19 Novell were directed verdicts in favor of SCO before the case
14:55:11 20 went to the jury. The jury as I think the Court knows came
21 back in favor of Novell, saying that Novell owned the
22 copyrights that had not been transferred to SCO. This was
23 dealing with the copyright before or at the time of the
24 transfer assets from Novell to Santa Cruz, which was a
14:55:32 25 predecessor of the SCO Group.

1 You then had a second appeal. I should note you
2 actually then had a number of determinations nonjury by
3 Judge Stewart based on the jury's findings, and those were in
4 favor of Novell on certain issues with respect to contract
14:55:50 5 rights. All of that then went up to the Second Circuit a
6 second time -- I'm sorry -- to the 10th Circuit a second time,
7 and the 10th Circuit affirmed in full.

8 After that at some point Your Honor received this
9 case, and that brings us to where we are now. None of the
14:56:13 10 motions for summary judgement that were argued in the IBM SCO
11 case by either party were ever ruled upon by Judge Kimball or
12 any of the succeeding judges from 2007 forward.

13 THE COURT: Okay. And I'm thinking I'm chief judge
14 now. Maybe I should send it all back to him.

14:56:34 15 Mr. Marriott, anything you want to add to that
16 procedural history?

17 MR. MARRIOTT: Well, I think that was -- I think
18 that was well done, Your Honor. We do have a little handout
19 here that has a visual chronology that says essentially that
14:56:48 20 with some additional law. If that would be helpful --

21 THE COURT: I think it would be helpful. Has
22 counsel seen it?

23 MR. HATCH: We have not.

24 MR. MARRIOTT: They will see it.

14:56:57 25 THE COURT: Why don't you look at that, too.

1 You're doing lots during this hearing, but I'd like to get
2 that at the end, if that's possible. So thanks for having
3 that.

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4 MR. MARRIOTT: Would you like me to hand that up
5 now?

6 THE COURT: Why don't you hold off and see if they
7 have any issues. That would be helpful for us.

14:57:31

8 Why don't we go, then, with the factual -- did you
9 talk about doing some kind of a high level factual overview,
10 as well?

11 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor.

12 MR. MARRIOTT: We did. And I frankly proposed to
13 do it by walking you through the chronology.

14:57:41

14 THE COURT: Okay. Well, let's pause for a minute.

15 Were you going to go first on that factual
16 overview?

17 MR. SINGER: Certainly on our claims we were
18 prepared to do that as to plaintiff.

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19 THE COURT: Okay. So you're planning on doing
20 claims specific factual overview.

21 MR. SINGER: It provides some background to the
22 claims as well as a discussion at a very high level of the
23 factual basis for the claims that remain in the case.

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24 THE COURT: Could we go through the contractual
25 relationships? Is that in your graphic outline?

1 MR. MARRIOTT: It is, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 MR. MARRIOTT: At a very, very high level.

4 THE COURT: Okay. By the way, I'm a visual
14:58:21 5 learner. You'll find that out. Not to say that I don't like
6 all the text in your briefs, but when I get a graphic it
7 sticks with me. So this will help.

8 I'd like to go through -- before we get into claims
9 and breaches, I'd like to go through the establishment of the
14:58:37 10 relationships and the development of the relationships. It
11 seems to me from what I've read that the trouble started in
12 early 2003?

13 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, it goes back before then.
14 At a very high level, there were license agreements going back
14:58:54 15 many, many years from SCO's predecessors to IBM that dealt
16 with rights to use UNIX code.

17 THE COURT: Right.

18 MR. SINGER: Those were largely, in fact, entirely,
19 I think, the claims under those agreements disposed of by the
14:59:12 20 Novell proceedings. But that was the beginning of an IBM/SCO
21 relationship with respect to the licensing of those, of that
22 code.

23 The issues that remain in the case relate to a
24 agreement in part, meaning they're not contract claims, but
14:59:29 25 they have an association, with a contract that the parties

1 entered into in 1998, which was an agreement between Santa
2 Cruz and IBM for a joint venture, and it was called a joint
3 development agreement.

4 THE COURT: Is that Project Monterey?

14:59:46 5 MR. SINGER: That's Project Monterey, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: Okay.

7 MR. SINGER: There may have been other agreements
8 between the parties, but those are the ones that this lawsuit
9 has concern.

14:59:56 10 THE COURT: Now, when I look at the claims that
11 remain here, I don't have a lot of contract claims left.
12 Certainly subject to the motions, I don't have any. They're
13 all tort claims.

14 MR. SINGER: That's correct, Your Honor.

15:00:09 15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 MR. SINGER: Our claims.

17 THE COURT: Okay. Well, at some risk, I'm going to
18 ask you to take five to ten minutes and go over the factual
19 genesis of the relationship before we get to specific claims.
15:00:21 20 I'm going to turn to you. Somebody looking at the flip chart
21 to see if it's okay? Okay. Because I want you to be able to
22 use your flip chart if that's appropriate.

23 So who's going to do that for SCO?

24 MR. SINGER: I will, Your Honor.

15:00:34 25 THE COURT: Okay.

1 MR. SINGER: We have our own timeline, and I'll be
2 happy to share that with counsel for IBM as well as a couple
3 of copies for Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Thanks.

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5 MR. SINGER: If I might approach. This is a
6 timeline and copies of selected documents that relate to our
7 unfair competition.

8 THE COURT: Thanks. Go ahead, Mr. Singer.

15:01:09

9 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, on the timeline that
10 relates to -- and again, we focused on Project Monterey
11 because the earlier license agreement that went back decades,
12 it was amended with IBM is not relevant to the remaining
13 claims. The parties -- and let me start by saying this, if I
14 might, Your Honor. Today SCO is as the Court is aware in a
15 liquidation process. Judge Cahn is the trustee. That's been
16 true. It started out as a Chapter 11, became a Chapter 7
17 going back to 2007. These claims are the last, really the
18 only asset remaining of SCO.

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19 But in 1998 when this chronology began, SCO was in
20 a much different position. SCO at that time was a leader in a
21 market called the UNIX on Intel platform, selling of UNIX
22 software for Intel-based chips. It had a 40-percent overall
23 market share of the UNIX market, and it had an 80-percent
24 market share of the UNIX on Intel market. And it had a lot of
15:02:22 25 important customers. If you went into a McDonald's anywhere

1 in the country to order a hamburger, I think you would be
2 charged out on a computer that ran SCO software. If you went
3 to the post office, it would be using SCO software there. If
4 you went to China, I understand, SCO software was there.

15:02:42 5 IBM was very interested in having access to working
6 with SCO on a project that would result in having -- two
7 things they were interested in. One was there was a 64-bit
8 chip, an Intel chip that was under development. Its typical
9 name was Itanium. And Intel was part of this joint venture.
15:03:11 10 And they agreed as part of this joint venture to work together
11 to develop a software version of SCO UNIX that would work on
12 this new chip. And second, IBM was interested in gaining
13 access to SCO's latest UNIX software which was called SVR-4,
14 which was basically Release 4, a version of UNIX. And that
15:03:44 15 was the latest and greatest version of UNIX software.

16 And to accomplish those two objectives, the parties
17 had a joint venture agreement where they would work together
18 to seek to produce this joint venture product that would work
19 on this 64-bit chip from Intel, and IBM would have the right
15:04:07 20 to also use this SCO UNIX technology in its own proprietary
21 products. And it had a very interesting -- a very important
22 objective of using that in products called AIX, which was an
23 IBM proprietary product based on UNIX that would be run on a
24 number of other computers. And it would be important to IBM
15:04:35 25 in order to be able to compete successfully with Sun and

1 Microsoft that they would have access to this SCO UNIX
2 product.

3 Now, under the terms of the joint venture, they
4 would only have access to use this in the event that there was
15:04:53 5 what was called a GA release, a generally available release,
6 of a joint venture product. And that became a very important
7 term as the parties move forward.

8 Should I continue, Your Honor?

9 THE COURT: Yeah. Uh-huh (affirmative). So I've
15:05:12 10 lost a little bit of the timeframes here. But you talk about,
11 is it a joint development agreement that was signed in October
12 of 1998?

13 MR. SINGER: Yes. This joint development
14 agreement, which included IBM, Santa Cruz, it also included
15:05:27 15 Intel and a company called Sequent, was entered into in
16 October 26, 1998.

17 THE COURT: And what did you say the GA and GA
18 release stands for?

19 MR. SINGER: The GA release means generally
15:05:40 20 available release.

21 THE COURT: Okay.

22 MR. SINGER: Essentially it meant not just a beta
23 version of a product, it meant a full-fledged version that you
24 would go to and you buy and generate royalties, and it was out
15:05:53 25 in the market.

1 THE COURT: And I think you said that your claim
2 was that certain of IBM's rights depended on a GA release.

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3 MR. SINGER: Exactly, Your Honor. Their rights to
4 take that technology and code which came from SCO and which
5 they otherwise did not have rights to and to move that into
6 their proprietary products depended on the joint venture being
7 out there with a generally available products release, which
8 was an objective -- that's how SCO was going to benefit from
9 the joint venture to have a joint venture product. Otherwise
10 you would have a joint venture where all the benefit was IBM's
11 of making use of SCO's code in IBM proprietary products.

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12 THE COURT: What's the significance of your
13 March 6, 2001, date?

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14 MR. SINGER: The significance of that is that is
15 two years before the date that this complaint was initiated,
16 March 6, 2003. And so it has significance to the IBM claims,
17 the unfair competition claim is untimely because it was not
18 brought within two years, not of the statute of limitations,
19 because the statute of limitations for unfair competition is
20 longer than that, but within two years of what under IBM's
21 view is a shortening by contract of the statute of limitations
22 based on a provision of the joint development agreement. And
23 that provision, which I'm sure you'll hear about if not before
24 then, at the time when you hear argument on the summary
15:07:24 25 judgement motion, talks about claims related to a breach of

1 contract having to be brought within a two-year period.

2 That's why that's designated on the timeline.

3 THE COURT: Okay. So the lawsuit here was filed
4 March 6, 2003. I assume that -- are you claiming breakdowns
15:07:48 5 or breaches before March 6, 2001?

6 MR. SINGER: No. We maintain that breaches
7 occurred in April -- in May of 2001, because there were three
8 events which occurred in that time period -- well, what we are
9 talking about in April and May in 2001 was a number of events
15:08:17 10 which occurred at that time.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Now you have on your chart that
12 you believe IBM had serious doubts about Monterey and began to
13 strategize about how to get the SVR-4 code.

14 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor.

15:08:32 15 THE COURT: And you claim that's either motivation
16 or underlying some of your tort claims; right?

17 MR. SINGER: That's correct, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: I want to say pre-claim here, so I want
19 to ask Mr. Marriott if he's got comments or something
15:08:46 20 corresponding with this initial timeframe of the relationship.
21 I'm a little bit relieved to think that at least from SCO's
22 viewpoint the JDA is the critical document as far as contract
23 relationships, but I don't have contract claims.

24 MR. SINGER: That's correct. And that's one of the
15:09:05 25 arguments that the parties have before it, before Your Honor

1 in the context in their summary judgement motion. It's our
2 view that there are independent torts here which can -- it is
3 SCO's -- rather IBM's view that these are all contract claims.

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4 THE COURT: Who argued before Judge Kimball,
5 Mr. Singer?

6 MR. SINGER: Well, this group did. I argued a
7 number of the motions, Mr. Normand argued some, Mr. Hatch
8 argued and Mr. James argued some.

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9 THE COURT: Are transcripts of those arguments
10 available?

11 MR. SINGER: They are.

12 THE COURT: Okay.

13 Mr. Marriott, what about this preliminary time?

14 MR. MARRIOTT: May I at this point hand up my --

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15 THE COURT: Yes. Unless there's some serious
16 problem.

17 MR. NORMAND: Whether Your Honor finds it useful is
18 up to Your Honor. It is a piece of advocacy, but they could
19 say the same thing probably about the slides that Mr. Singer
20 handed up. It's more appropriate for oral argument, but Your
21 Honor may find some guidance.

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22 THE COURT: Sure. Let's get it up here. All I can
23 get in summary form is good.

24 MR. SINGER: Do you have another copy of that by
25 any chance?

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1 THE COURT: Oh, I was going to ask if somebody
2 could tell me about all of the variance of UNIX that I've been
3 hearing about.

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4 MR. MARRIOTT: Would it be okay if I came to the
5 podium, Your Honor?

6 THE COURT: Sure.

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7 MR. MARRIOTT: All right. Let me if I may say very
8 general and away from the claims, and I think it's helpful to
9 point Your Honor to the slide, the second slide here, the one
10 I see you have open. To me, Your Honor, it's critical to
11 understand a couple of things to keep the pieces straight
12 here. One is who the players are, one is who the operating
13 systems are and one is what the timeline is.

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14 So just because I think it's important to
15 understand, the players here are basically AT&T, though not a
16 party; IBM; Novell, not a party; the Santa Cruz Operation,
17 Inc., once known as SCO, which is often confused with the SCO
18 Group, the present plaintiff in this case. And that
19 distinction we think is enormously important.

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20 THE COURT: Some places I've seen that called
21 original SCO.

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22 MR. MARRIOTT: That is sometimes called that, Your
23 Honor. And the distinction is we think an important one. And
24 then there's Caldera Systems, which was effectively a Utah
25 base Linux company that at some point you'll see on the

1 chronology acquired assets from Santa Cruz and then basically
2 shortly before this lawsuit renamed itself the SCO Group. And
3 sometimes the old SCO and the new SCO, which are distinct
4 companies, get discussed as if they are the same company. The
15:11:44 5 Santa Cruz, Inc., is actually known as Tarantella.

6 So if you look at the next slide, Your Honor, 3,
7 there are three operating systems to keep in mind, and I won't
8 belabor this.

9 THE COURT: You better belabor this. And I've seen
15:11:57 10 other things like DYNIX and some other things. So belabor
11 this a little bit.

12 MR. MARRIOTT: Let me say a little bit about each
13 of these. And I think when we turn to the developed, to the
14 chronology, you'll see how this all fits together.

15:12:09 15 UNIX is an operating system which was originally
16 developed by Bell Laboratories, which at the time was a
17 research division of AT&T. It was developed in a lot of
18 different versions. The version that is of most relevant to
19 this case is UNIX System V. It was licensed in both source
15:12:26 20 code form and in object code form to various persons and
21 various entities over time. AT&T and later those who followed
22 AT&T in its ownership had the right to license it to IBM, to
23 hp, to Oracle, to Sun and to others. And that's what brings
24 us to AIX.

15:12:46 25 So some of those companies, Your Honor, like IBM

1 took the code that they licensed from AT&T, and they built
2 around it. They built their own operating system, their own
3 flavor of UNIX, if you will, and they named those. And IBM
4 was called AIX.

15:13:02 5 Another company called Sequent, which was
6 subsequently purchased by IBM had its own flavor of UNIX, and
7 that flavor of UNIX was known as DYNIX. And that's why the
8 Court is seeing DYNIX. It was a competitor to AIX.

9 THE COURT: And just remind me. Were there
15:13:21 10 agreements between either old SCO or new SCO and Sequent?

11 MR. MARRIOTT: So that's a more challenging
12 question than you might think, Your Honor. There were
13 agreements between AT&T and its licensees like IBM and Sequent
14 and others. Those license agreements over time were sold. So
15:13:43 15 perhaps now is a good time to have you turn to Slide 5. And
16 let me just take you kind of historically through this quickly
17 because I think this puts it all in context.

18 So these are sort of overlapping timelines, and let
19 me start at the top left, Your Honor and work right, and then
15:14:00 20 you'll see how these intermix with one another.

21 So essentially in 1969, AT&T develops the operating
22 system that later comes to be known as UNIX. And over the
23 course of the next several years in the decades it licenses
24 that operating system to a number of companies. And you'll
15:14:15 25 see the dotted line coming out of that blue chronology going

1 down to AIX. It licenses the code to IBM. IBM creates its
2 own operating system which then has its own timeline.

3 After AT&T for some numbers of years licenses its
4 UNIX product, Your Honor, it sells that business to Novell.

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5 And that's where Novell comes into the picture in 1993.

6 Several years later Novell sells some but not all of its

7 UNIX assets to Santa Cruz. And then later in 2001 Santa Cruz

8 sells its UNIX assets, but not the entire company, it sells

9 its UNIX assets to Caldera, which is the Utah-based

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10 Internet -- actually, the Utah-based Linux company that later

11 changes its name to SCO. So that's effectively what I've

12 called the AT&T UNIX part of the story.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 MR. MARRIOTT: So if you look at the next line,

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15 what you'll see is in 1986 IBM takes a license from AT&T, as

16 do many other companies, Your Honor, including DYNIX,

17 including Sequent. With the code license from AT&T and

18 frankly, code license from many others, IBM builds its own

19 operating systems. And it puts millions of lines of code

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20 around and associated with the code that it licenses from

21 AT&T.

22 And in 1996, IBM acquires then from Novell and

23 Santa Cruz because they at the time owned what AT&T once had

24 owned, it acquires from those two companies a perpetual,

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25 irrevocable fully paid up license to its, to its then current

1 version of UNIX System V. And that comes to matter to one of
2 the claims later on.

3 About the same time, Your Honor, that IBM is
4 developing as are others in this marketplace this UNIX based
15:16:09 5 operating system, an undergraduate student at the University
6 of Helsinki by the name of Linus Torvalds comes up with a new
7 operating system which we now call Linux, named in part after
8 him. And that operating system, very different from these
9 others, is an operating system, where the AT&T systems and the
15:16:25 10 IBM systems were closed. They were proprietary. The source
11 code was a well-kept, in part depending on the company, a
12 well-kept secret.

13 The Linux operating system is open. The source
14 code is available basically on the Internet. Your Honor could
15:16:40 15 get it right now if it wanted to. You could log on, you could
16 find the UNIX source code, and with that source code, you
17 could fully develop the program. And that's what the Linux
18 operating system is. And it begins roughly in '91 and it
19 continues today. In '99 IBM announces its support for Linux.
15:16:56 20 And Caldera IPOs is one of the first Linux companies in 2000.

21 All right. If you look, then, at the following
22 line, Your Honor, we've talked a little about this Project
23 Monterey. Project Monterey is a -- if you look at the prior
24 slide, it's defined a little bit, it's Page 4. Monterey in
15:17:18 25 1994, Intel and hp announce a collaboration to create a 64-bit

1 processor architecture that comes to be known as the IA-64.

2 THE COURT: Is that Itanium?

3 MR. MARRIOTT: It is.

4 THE COURT: Okay.

15:17:33 5 MR. MARRIOTT: So Project Monterey is this joint
6 development agreement between IBM and Santa Cruz among others
7 to develop a UNIX-like operating system that will run on this
8 new-to-be-developed architecture. And the goal was for IBM
9 and for Santa Cruz to develop and to market a family of
10 UNIX-like operating systems.

15:17:50 11 THE COURT: This was contemplated to be licensed,
12 not OpenSource.

13 MR. MARRIOTT: Correct, Your Honor. And the
14 parties as part of that agreement exchanged licenses. IBM
15:18:00 15 gave code to Santa Cruz for Santa Cruz to use in the
16 development of its projects. Santa Cruz gave code to IBM to
17 be used in the development of IBM products, and the parties'
18 shared code was going to be used in the development of this
19 joint project. This project generally encountered some
15:18:16 20 serious difficulties because among other things and very
21 importantly Intel is quite late with the processor. It
22 doesn't come when people expect it will come. There are other
23 difficulties. And critically from our perspective, from IBM's
24 perspective, its partner Santa Cruz, as you'll see from the
15:18:33 25 chronology, and this brings us to the last line of my

1 chronology, Santa Cruz, Your Honor, several years after the
2 JDA is executed sells it UNIX assets. It sells its UNIX
3 business, but not the company as a whole. It sells that
4 business to Caldera, which is a Linux company. The parties
15:18:55 5 had previously agreed that in the event of a change of
6 control, IBM at its sole discretion could terminate the joint
7 development between IBM and Santa Cruz. And IBM terminated
8 the joint development agreement between Santa Cruz and IBM.

9 If you then turn, Judge, to the following slide
15:19:13 10 you'll see where the litigation then kind of kicks into gear.
11 So this is Page 6.

12 Caldera goes public in 2000. It acquires the UNIX
13 business. Again, it's a Linux company. It acquires the UNIX
14 business of Santa Cruz in 2001. It changes its name to now be
15:19:34 15 the SCO Group, and it sues IBM. And at the time it sues IBM,
16 it sends out 1500 letters essentially to every company, every
17 major company in America, if not the world, essentially
18 saying, Linux has got problems, and you better pay up and sign
19 up for a license with us or we're going to sue you. They sued
15:19:54 20 IBM. They sued some other companies. And that was the
21 beginning of a change, we believe, in the business format of
22 SCO.

23 And then you'll see here some of the items
24 referenced by Mr. Singer in his remarks. The District Court
15:20:06 25 rules against SCO in the Novell case. SCO files for

1 bankruptcy, and then eventually the stay is lifted and Your
2 Honor enters partial summary judgment.

3 We've dropped off in this timeline in a box the
4 various summary judgement motions which were made. The ones
15:20:20 5 in red are those which are effectively moot because they
6 addressed claims that are now by agreement to the parties been
7 rendered irrelevant in view of the Novell decision. I
8 shouldn't say irrelevant, Your Honor. I should say the
9 motions themselves are moot. I'm sorry to interrupt.

15:20:35 10 THE COURT: So you'll notice my slow rate of
11 absorption here. The District Court ruling of August 10,
12 2007, was Judge Kimball.

13 MR. MARRIOTT: Correct.

14 THE COURT: And then when did the -- there were a
15:20:54 15 couple of appeals that Mr. Singer was outlining went to the
16 10th Circuit. This August 10th ruling was appealed to the
17 10th Circuit. It came back when?

18 MR. MARRIOTT: I don't know that precisely, Your
19 Honor. Perhaps 2008, 2009.

15:21:10 20 MR. SINGER: I think it was 2009, Your Honor, when
21 the 10th Circuit reversed and remanded.

22 THE COURT: Okay. Then the cases were transferred
23 to different judges. Judge Stewart held the jury trial when?

24 MR. SINGER: That was in 2010.

15:21:28 25 THE COURT: And at the conclusion of the jury trial

1 he entered an order on the judge claims and copyright claims?

2 No.

3 MR. SINGER: Those were some claims that dealt with
4 the right of IBM to have taken certain actions to waive SCO's
15:21:48 5 rights with respect to what Novell was doing.

6 THE COURT: Okay.

7 MR. SINGER: And that came down, I believe in June
8 or July of 2010.

9 THE COURT: Okay. And then that was appealed or
15:21:59 10 not?

11 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor. That was appealed,
12 and that was affirmed by the 10th Circuit I think about a year
13 and a half to two years later.

14 THE COURT: And I think that's -- okay. And on
15:22:16 15 June 14th, 2013, the stay that was lifted, was that me? Or is
16 that a bankruptcy stay as to these claims or what? What are
17 we talking about there?

18 MR. MARRIOTT: Your Honor, the bankruptcy stay was
19 lifted, and then the parties approached the Court. The case
15:22:32 20 had been administratively closed by Judge Kimball after the
21 Novell decision. And at some point this court
22 un-administratively closed -- and opened it. And after some
23 back and forth eventually we were put on the calendar.

24 THE COURT: Okay. And then there was some level of
15:22:48 25 briefing, but I granted partial summary judgement for IBM on

1 certain claims based on the Novell decision.

2 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes.

3 THE COURT: Okay. And I did that at the end of
4 last year.

15:22:58 5 MR. MARRIOTT: You did, Your Honor. December 15th.

6 THE COURT: So the live summary judgement motions
7 are numbered 4 through 8 on this chart.

8 MR. MARRIOTT: Correct.

9 THE COURT: Okay. I thought I had another question
15:23:12 10 here. Let me see.

11 Tell me again, Mr. Marriott, your view of who
12 Sequent was and how the Sequent agreements, when were they
13 formed and who did they relate to and whether they have any
14 meaning currently.

15:23:26 15 MR. MARRIOTT: So if Your Honor looks at Page 5 in
16 the background chronology --

17 THE COURT: Uh-huh (affirmative).

18 MR. MARRIOTT: -- you'll see that in 1986 IBM
19 licenses code from AT&T and creates what comes to be known as
15:23:39 20 AIX. About that same time, Sequent, a competitor of IBM like
21 an hp, did its own license with AT&T and created its only
22 product, which it later called, Sequent called its product
23 DYNIX.

24 THE COURT: And then IBM eventually acquired
15:23:56 25 Sequent?

1 MR. MARRIOTT: And then eventually IBM acquired
2 Sequent. With Sequent, the DYNIX product. The DYNIX product
3 mattered, Your Honor, to the contract claims that were
4 asserted by SCO. SCO had asserted against IBM four contract
15:24:07 5 claims, two with respect to AIX, and two with respect to
6 DYNIX, effectively alleging that IBM's contribution of code to
7 Linux breached those agreements. And those agreements are --
8 the breached claims are by agreement to the parties and not by
9 order of the Court out of the case. I believe the DYNIX
15:24:27 10 product is for any purpose of SCO's claims irrelevant, but I
11 will let SCO speak for itself on that.

12 THE COURT: Any dispute, Mr. Singer, about this
13 latest recounting of the chronology or perhaps you think need
14 to be filled in or clarified?

15:24:42 15 MR. SINGER: Yes, Your Honor. There are two points
16 which we think need to be filled in or clarified. On Page 5
17 on the top line where it talks about the development of UNIX,
18 you see a big blank between 1995 and May of 2001. What we
19 think --

15:25:00 20 THE COURT: Just a minute. Oh, yeah. Okay.

21 MR. SINGER: On the top line there.

22 THE COURT: Right.

23 MR. SINGER: It says, Novell sells some UNIX assets
24 to Santa Cruz. But it doesn't -- I think it would be accurate
15:25:11 25 to include there that from '95 forward Santa Cruz is actively

1 developing a UNIX -- they're taking UNIX technology and
2 continuing to develop it. And they developed what is called
3 SVR-4, which is diversion of SCO UNIX that came to be, for
4 example, 80 percent of UNIX on Intel market and was what IBM
15:25:35 5 was seeking to acquire in this joint venture. So I wrote in,
6 SCO develops SVR-4 in its UNIX business, during that timeframe
7 between 1995 and 1998-99.

8 THE COURT: I'm having a little trouble keeping my
9 mind out of the copyright mode here. But the copyright claims
15:25:54 10 are gone; right? Or do you have a copyright right claim
11 still?

12 MR. MARRIOTT: We have a copyright claim against
13 SCO, Your Honor. And we believe that their unfair competition
14 claim is preempted by copyright law. But their copyright is
15:26:07 15 out of the case.

16 THE COURT: Okay. But if this was a copyright
17 case, I'd be looking at lines of code from SVR-4 and seeing if
18 they're in your product; right?

19 MR. MARRIOTT: You would, Your Honor.

15:26:17 20 THE COURT: But I'm not doing that.

21 MR. SINGER: Well, Your Honor, to an extent it is
22 still relevant, Santa Cruz and then SCO owns the code. And
23 this is not affected by a Novell judgment because that all
24 occurred on the issue of what was sold from Novell to Santa
15:26:34 25 Cruz in 1995.

1 THE COURT: Uh-huh (affirmative).

2 MR. SINGER: But the code that was then developed
3 by Santa Cruz and SCO going forward from that is clearly
4 SCO's. There's no real dispute about that. And that code we
15:26:47 5 contend has as a result of the Project Monterey, they got
6 access to it and then was wrongfully misappropriated by IBM
7 into their own proprietary product.

8 So at point in this case, I think it would be a
9 triable issue, that there is, in fact, a great deal of SCO's
15:27:10 10 SVR-4 code that is in AIX and other products that IBM is
11 marketed. And that's the misappropriation which is at the
12 heart of our unfair competition claim.

13 THE COURT: Do you have a copyright on that code?

14 MR. SINGER: We do, yes.

15:27:28 15 THE COURT: But you don't have a copyright claim.

16 MR. SINGER: Yes. Your Honor --

17 THE COURT: You've got to help me here.

18 MR. SINGER: Let me -- we brought an unfair
19 competition claim in the complaint that you have in 2003. It
15:27:43 20 may have been added in the second amended complaint, but it
21 was in the case. In 2004, there was a motion to amend to add
22 a copyright infringement claim. Judge Kimball denied leave to
23 add that claim as untimely in an order that he entered in
24 2005. IBM argued that there would be a lot of other issues
15:28:04 25 and discovery necessitated if we were to be allowed to amend

1 to have copyright infringement.

2 So we're traveling on our unfair competition claim
3 which we maintain involves a misappropriation of code, but
4 also involves other acts and other reasons why it's an unfair
15:28:23 5 competition claim properly stated.

6 THE COURT: Okay.

7 Mr. Marriott?

8 MR. MARRIOTT: Yeah. What I would say to that,
9 Your Honor, is the following. SCO sought leave to add to its
15:28:32 10 complaint a copyright claim that challenged the inclusion by
11 IBM in its product of certain code that IBM got access to in
12 Project Monterey. Judge Kimball said that they were not
13 permitted to do that. Judge Kimball found the copyright claim
14 untimely.

15:28:48 15 What SCO did instead then after that, Your Honor,
16 is it took the allegations that underlay the copyright claim,
17 and it made them its unfair competition claim. And that's why
18 we say among other things that unfair competition claim is
19 preempted by the copyright law because effectively what
15:29:06 20 they've done is dress up the copyright claim which
21 Judge Kimball said they could not bring and called it unfair
22 competition.

23 THE COURT: So this is in your motion 782, this
24 argument you're relating to now?

15:29:17 25 MR. MARRIOTT: Let me just check the number, Your

1 Honor. I don't have them, unfortunately.

2 THE COURT: Just so you know, I always speak in
3 terms of docket number.

4 MR. MARRIOTT: It is 782, Your Honor.

15:29:26 5 THE COURT: All right.

6 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, on that point there is a
7 disagreement with Mr. Marriott. We believe that that was
8 fairly stated in the unfair competition claim which had
9 already been pled at the time we sought to add a copyright
10 infringement claim, as well.

11 THE COURT: I'd like to have you, Mr. Singer, now,
12 unless somebody else thinks we need to do something different,
13 I'd like to have you explain SCO's remaining claims, which I
14 understand are causes of action 6, 7 and 9. And then I'm
15 going to ask for Mr. Marriott to speak to the two motions that
16 are directed against those claims 782 and 783. And again, I'm
17 looking for just high level shape of what this is. This is --
18 you're at a barbecue and some guy walks up to you, and this is
19 the kind of discussion I need.

15:30:15 20 MR. SINGER: Yes. If I might go to the podium
21 here, Your Honor.

22 MR. MARRIOTT: I'll get my stuff. I'm sorry.

23 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I will discuss this to the
24 unfair competition claim. And then if I might, Mr. Hatch will
15:30:34 25 address the tortious interference claims, which the other

1 claims.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

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3 MR. SINGER: Before I do that, I wanted to complete
4 the answer to the Court's prior question about, is there
5 anything else that should be clarified with respect to the IBM
6 demonstrative exhibit? And I believe there is one other
7 important point, and that is on Page 4 of their demonstrative.

8 THE COURT: Okay.

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9 MR. SINGER: Where on the fourth bullet point, it
10 says: The parties exchanged licenses to one another's
11 existing operating systems.

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12 And the part that I think needs to be clarified is
13 that in order for IBM to make use of this SCO technology and
14 IBM proprietary products, you had to have this GA release of
15 joint venture product. So it was a limitation there. It
16 wasn't just a general agreement that everyone could use each
17 other's technology.

18 THE COURT: And you made that point I think
19 earlier. Thank you.

15:31:38

20 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, the unfair competition
21 claim deals with at one level a misappropriation of code but
22 added to it the elements of deception, a sham release and an
23 attempt to deceive SCO as to whether or not, in fact, a
24 generally available release had been made. And at a very high
15:32:06 25 level, I'd like to focus on that. And the folder of

1 demonstratives that I provided Your Honor are just a small set
2 of the facts there which are set forth in greater detail in
3 our memorandum in opposition to IBM's motion for summary
4 judgement where we in detail set forth these facts.

15:32:27 5 I think where we are was the parties signing a
6 joint development agreement in October 1998 because it was
7 very important to IBM in order to compete effectively with Sun
8 and Microsoft to try and get this latest version of SCO UNIX
9 that was the leader in the UNIX market.

15:32:47 10 And what happened then is that as things developed
11 into 1999, IBM's priorities changed. They decided to focus
12 instead of developing an Intel-based product to focus instead
13 on Linux development. But they wanted to at the same time to
14 have the right to take the SCO UNIX and use it for their
15:33:13 15 proprietary products notwithstanding the fact they weren't
16 keen on continuing to work together with SCO on developing
17 this joint project.

18 And IBM began to incorporate internally into its
19 proprietary products some of this latest SCO UNIX software
15:33:32 20 code. In fact, some of the -- just a few examples of this
21 documentation are reflected in the documents we put into the
22 folder.

23 Here's a letter which is excerpted from an IBM
24 server group individual, Fred Strietelmeier in July 9, 1999,
15:33:54 25 where he says that: SCO source code may only be used for

1 development of the AIX on IA-64 program product -- that was
2 the joint venture product -- and to the extent that such SCO
3 source code is not contained in the first release of the
4 generally available AIX on IA-64 program product -- that was a
15:34:19 5 IBM product that they were going to market as a result of the
6 joint venture -- IBM and therefore Sequent will not be
7 licensed to such SCO source code.

8 THE COURT: So do you contend that the general
9 availability release only entitled IBM to use that code in
15:34:42 10 that generally available release?

11 MR. SINGER: No, Your Honor.

12 THE COURT: Okay. They would have had the right to
13 use it in other settings.

14 MR. SINGER: Yes. If, in fact, that was a genuine
15:34:54 15 generally available release of the joint venture product --

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 MR. SINGER: -- then IBM would have had the right
18 to take that and use it in all of their proprietary products.
19 Something that was very valuable to IBM. But that if, in
15:35:08 20 fact, it was not a true generally available release, if it was
21 as we contend a sham deception, they wouldn't have the right
22 to do that in any of their proprietary products.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 MR. SINGER: And IBM then internally as they moved
15:35:25 25 away from the idea of the joint venture and toward the idea of

1 working instead with Linux debated internally on how they're
2 going to be able to do that and abandon the joint venture
3 while still being able to use this very valuable source code
4 in their proprietary products.

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5 So if Your Honor looks at the second one of the
6 documents that we've excerpted, that's the May 11th, 2000,
7 e-mail from IBM UNIX product management director Bill Sandve,
8 and he says:

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9 Thoughts on our major Monterey relationships. SCO.
10 SCO has the rights to all the code if we cancel the project.
11 Can they take the code in the line of another competitor? And
12 a little further down:

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13 We will need to renegotiate the rights to ship
14 SVR-4, which comes from SCO, and Unixware-7, which was also a
15 SCO product, capabilities in the AIX base or remove the code.

16 So they recognized internally that this belonged to
17 SCO if they weren't going forward with Project Monterey. And
18 then they said:

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19 Actually shipping it with AIX as the preferred
20 direction because it helps us with Solaris compatibility
21 issues. Solaris was a Sun Microsystems product. And one of
22 the reasons they wanted to be able to compete more effectively
23 with Sun and also with Microsoft was through getting this
24 code.

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25 So what happened, then, was an internal plan that

1 was documented in detail, and again the details are set forth
2 in our statement of facts, to do basically a sham release, to
3 deceive SCO into believing that this was a dually available
4 release of their joint venture product when it wasn't.

15:37:18 5 And one of the reasons that what was released, and
6 now we get to the May 2001 item on our timeline where IBM
7 distributes what is called the PRPQ IA-64 product. This was a
8 joint venture product. This is what would give them the right
9 if it was a generally available release to make use of the
15:37:42 10 software in their other proprietary products. This was the
11 sham. This didn't even have what's called a compiler. A
12 compiler is what a computer needs to read, for a machine to
13 read the source code and be able to interpret and use it.

14 And if one looks at the January 29, 2001, e-mail of
15:38:07 15 IBM project manager Rose Ann Roth who said: I think the
16 compiler must be available in some form or the whole thing
17 just doesn't make sense, i.e., SCO won't buy it.

18 So this is the third of the excerpted documents.
19 If you're with me, Your Honor.

15:38:24 20 THE COURT: Yeah. I am. In fact, I think I'm
21 ahead of you. The gist of your motion is that the actions of
22 IBM in creating a fake release to take advantage of the
23 license, and you go on to document this with basically a fake
24 royalty of \$256 --

15:38:43 25 MR. SINGER: Precisely.

1 THE COURT: -- compared to the 12 billion that's
2 been released from AIX, you think that amounts to unfair
3 competition.

4 MR. SINGER: We do.

15:38:52 5 THE COURT: Okay. That's really the kind of
6 overview that I need, so this is very helpful for me.

7 Now, I'd like to hear about the 782 motion, and
8 then I'm going to come back to you, Mr. Singer, and talk about
9 your interference of contract and business relationships
10 claims. Is that okay?
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11 MR. SINGER: Yes. If I can just clarify one point,
12 Your Honor. The \$256 that Your Honor mentioned, the reason
13 that that was a sham is there was never any sales of the
14 IA-64 PRPQ product. There was never a penny. But they sent a
15 check to SCO of \$256 to represent a nominal amount of
16 royalties on a product that, in fact, never had any sales.
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17 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

18 Mr. Marriott, you have a motion against this unfair
19 competition claim. Give me just a brief overview of what it
20 is.
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21 MR. MARRIOTT: Sure, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: My goal in getting these overviews is
23 to understand what they are, the claims and the motions, so we
24 can decide how to schedule their disposition.

15:39:51 25 MR. MARRIOTT: Sure, Your Honor. And I will do

1 just that with I hope the understanding that we don't share
2 their view of that recitation of facts.

3 THE COURT: I'm not surprised.

4 MR. MARRIOTT: Thank you.

15:40:01 5 So as to the motion, you can slice and dice this in
6 different ways, Your Honor, because depending on the sections
7 of the brief. But we think about it along five lines. First
8 we say that the claim is untimely. And if Your Honor looks in
9 the booklet of slides, I've kind of listed these for you.
15:40:19 10 We've listed these for you. It's at Page 9, Judge.

11 THE COURT: Okay.

12 MR. MARRIOTT: So SCO's claim is untimely.
13 Mr. Singer alluded at least to our argument in his opening
14 remarks. The parties by way of agreement in the joint
15:40:38 15 development agreement for Project Monterey agreed that any
16 claim that related to a breach of the agreement, not just
17 claims for breach of the agreement, but any claim that related
18 to a breach of the agreement is a claim that had to be brought
19 within two years. We believe this claim clearly relates to a
15:40:55 20 breach of the alleged breach of the GA and therefore had to be
21 brought within two years. And if Your Honor looks at the
22 timeline as to when IBM was supposed to have misappropriated,
23 the complaint was filed more than two years outside that
24 period. So we think the claim is time-barred under the agreed
15:41:14 25 upon limitation agreement. So that's the first point, Your

1 Honor.

2 The second point is preemption, and I alluded to it
3 earlier, and I'll endeavor not to repeat it. But basically
4 the idea is essentially what they've done is say IBM has
15:41:23 5 exceeded the scope of its license. And in exceeding the scope
6 of its license because they say the trigger to the license was
7 a sham, IBM didn't steal this code from SCO, Your Honor. IBM
8 didn't find it on a table and take it. It was given to IBM in
9 connection with Project Monterey. Their argument essentially
15:41:42 10 is that we simply used it for purposes we weren't allowed to
11 use it because we didn't have the release they claim was
12 required.

13 And that is effectively, Your Honor, we believe a
14 copyright claim. And it is for that reason we think it is
15:41:53 15 preemptive. And I think great evidence is in the history of
16 the claim. They try to bring it as a copyright claim.
17 Judge Kimball says no. And here we have it as an unfair
18 competition act. So that's point two.

19 The third point, Your Honor, is they don't
15:42:06 20 introduce evidence that constitutes unfair competition. I
21 think unfair competition has been defined by the courts much
22 more narrowly than their papers suggest. Under the law we
23 think it is effectively either palming off or
24 misappropriation. And while they use the term
15:42:22 25 misappropriation to describe what happened here, we don't

1 believe that qualifies legally as misappropriation for
2 purposes of unfair competition. So we say the conduct
3 challenge doesn't amount to unfair competition under the
4 controlling law.

15:42:33 5 The fourth point, Your Honor, is a bad faith point.
6 Their claim depends we believe on a showing that IBM acted in
7 bad faith. In our view they can't show and haven't adduced
8 evidence sufficient to permit the inference that IBM acted in
9 bad faith. And then the last point is we don't believe
15:42:49 10 they've laid out damages to support this claim.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Singer, what damages do you claim
12 under this claim? Just roughly, big parameters.

13 MR. SINGER: The damages here relate to two items
14 in general. First of all, they took this, and they put it
15:43:05 15 into AIX, which was an unauthorized use, if we're correct,
16 that they basically asked the fruits of the unfair competition
17 was basically the fruits of the misappropriation. And then
18 they had sales of AIX which otherwise they would have to
19 either disgorge the profits or give us a reasonable royalty on
15:43:24 20 that amount.

21 THE COURT: Have you had expert work on that?

22 MR. SINGER: Yes. Christine Botosan; Dr. Fasano,
23 who is a professor at Harvard Business School, have all
24 tendered reports back in 2006, 2007 on these issues.

15:43:38 25 THE COURT: Damages wasn't part of summary

1 judgement, just liability.

2 MR. SINGER: That's correct.

3 THE COURT: Okay. And are you seeking punitives on
4 this claim?

15:43:45 5 MR. SINGER: I'd have to check if punitives have
6 been pled on this, Your Honor. I will get back to you on
7 that.

8 THE COURT: Okay.

9 MR. SINGER: I believe they're in there, but I'm
15:43:58 10 not certain.

11 MR. MARRIOTT: I believe they're foreclosed, Your
12 Honor, by the joint development agreement.

13 THE COURT: Punitives are waived in that agreement?

14 MR. MARRIOTT: That's certainly our position.
15:44:05 15 Whether they share it, that's a different matter. But that's
16 our position.

17 THE COURT: No. I would not expect that anything
18 you say is agreed to.

19 Mr. Singer, I want to have you now give me a high
15:44:14 20 level on interference with contract and business
21 relationships, the factual setting on those.

22 MR. SINGER: Judge, if I might ask Mr. Hatch to do
23 that part.

24 THE COURT: Sorry. Yeah.

15:44:25 25 MR. HATCH: Your Honor, we have two kind of

1 remaining tortious interference claims. First under Court 7
2 is our specific claim with regards to specific entities. And
3 the factual background for that largely is that in roughly the
4 November 2002 to January 2003 timeframe SCO became aware that
15:44:54 5 some of its software was finding its way into Linux and
6 initiated discussions with IBM and others regarding SCO's plan
7 to license its intellectual property that was being used
8 improperly in Linux and its concerns generally over its
9 intellectual property.

15:45:16 10 In roughly December of 2002, IBM had -- well, prior
11 to that, IBM we believe had started to react with some
12 antagonism towards SCO's plan to undertake this licensing
13 program for people who were using Linux to protect SCO's
14 intellectual property rights. And in at least one instance
15:45:42 15 IBM's general counsel apparently got quite angry at SCO's
16 plans. At some point, IBM urged SCO to cancel or delay its
17 announcement. And SCO agreed to try to work through the
18 issues with IBM to delay its announcement.

19 In January of 2003 when no resolution was reached
15:46:01 20 with IBM, SCO issued a press release regarding its program to
21 protect its intellectual property. In other words, offering a
22 license to Linux users to protect them from violating SCO's
23 intellectual property that we contended had found its way into
24 Linux.

15:46:22 25 At that point January 2003, SCO's CEO Donald

1 McBride and IBM executive Karen Smith met for breakfast in
2 Linux World. McBride was asked to retract the announcement to
3 the public, to Linux users by Ms. Smith and SCO. Mr. McBride
4 refused to do that and asserted claims for breaches of IBM's
15:46:50 5 AIX agreement. Smith became angry and threatened Mr. McBride
6 that IBM was going to cut off all business relationships with
7 SCO and importantly would tell other SCO partners to cease
8 doing business with SCO, as well.

9 We believe that the facts will show that IBM
15:47:05 10 followed through on their threats with the various companies
11 that we've alleged in the complaint, specifically including hp
12 and others who later than discontinued either -- discontinued
13 their work with SCO or drastically reduced their relationship
14 with them causing damages to SCO.

15:47:27 15 THE COURT: So which contract was interfered with
16 or contracts?

17 MR. HATCH: Which contracts were interfered with?

18 THE COURT: Yeah. And the business relationships I
19 assume were with all these third parties that SCO has
15:47:41 20 relationships with or prospective relationships. Is that what
21 you're talking about?

22 MR. HATCH: The second claim, the more broader
23 claim, which is Claim 9, prospective business relationships
24 claim, these particular contracts, I mean, I don't know that I
15:47:55 25 can specifically state them here. But they were contracts

1 with Oracle, Hewlett Packard, Computer Associates, Intel.

2 THE COURT: That's what I was asking. Yes. It's
3 those.

4 MR. HATCH: I don't know the dates or the names.

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5 THE COURT: Okay. So historically, did those
6 contracts just about by the way? Were there existing Linux
7 contracts with these people, or are these prior UNIX contracts
8 with these people?

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9 MR. HATCH: I think there were a variety of
10 contracts. I believe some were other developing contracts.
11 Some were investment contracts. They were contracts of a
12 variety of natures. But all of them had in common that they
13 were doing business with SCO, and IBM was aware of it and we
14 believe interfered with those contracts so those companies
15 wouldn't continue to do business or would drastically reduce
16 doing business with SCO.

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17 THE COURT: I don't want to make a misassumption
18 here, but do your interference claims depend on the wrongful
19 actions in the unfair competition claims being proven, or do
20 you see them entirely independent?

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21 MR. HATCH: I think they're interrelated, but they
22 are somewhat independent. So I think some of the things that
23 Mr. Singer spoke about go to the improper means aspect of the
24 tortious interference, but there are things that are
25 independent here, as well.

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1 THE COURT: Other improper means, you would say.

2 MR. HATCH: Right.

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3 THE COURT: Okay. All right. That's helpful. Let
4 me hear from Mr. Marriott about the motion 783 that attempts
5 to adjudicate those claims.

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6 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you. So the
7 interference claims of SCO were historically evolving claims.
8 They in March of 2003 identified seven companies with whose
9 relationships they claim IBM interfered. And in a series of
10 other events, and you'll see in the papers supporting our
11 motion, that number changed over time. It went from 7 to 3 to

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12 12 to 7 to 4 to 43 to 250 then down to 6 then up to 181 then
13 to 177. Where we are today, Your Honor, I think is in the
14 following spot. And if you look at Page 10 of our slides,
15 I'll try to break this out. They have two claims. And
16 frankly, just for clarity, there is a little confusion about
17 which of their claims is Count Nine and which is Count Seven.

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18 But I think ultimately the parties can sort that out. But
19 what is clear is that there is a direct interference claim and
20 an indirect interference claim. And when all is said and
21 done, they accuse IBM of directly having interfered with their
22 relationships with five companies: BayStar Capital,

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23 Hewlett-Packard, Oracle, Computer Sources and Intel. And our
24 motion, Your Honor, challenges the viability of any claim of
25 interference on a number of different grounds.

1 THE COURT: Where do you get this limitation of the
2 five companies?

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3 MR. MARRIOTT: That comes through their answers to
4 interrogatories in which they specifically identified through
5 their 30(b)6 witness the companies with whom they say IBM
6 interfered.

7 THE COURT: Did that get disputed in the briefing
8 and they were adding more?

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9 MR. MARRIOTT: In the briefing on summary
10 judgement, Your Honor, I think it is undisputed that there are
11 five companies with whom they directly interfered. They then
12 have this what we call, and I believe perhaps they do call it,
13 an indirect interference claim. And they put an additional
14 170ish companies in that category.

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15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 MR. MARRIOTT: So I'm speaking first now about the
17 claim as -- our motion as it relates to direct interference.

18 THE COURT: Right.

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19 MR. MARRIOTT: They've identified five companies,
20 and we have of adduced evidence, Your Honor, which I believe
21 is unrebutted from witnesses or from deposition testimony from
22 representatives of each of those companies that effectively
23 say that is set out in this slide that IBM did not interfere
24 with their relationship with SCO. And that in any case, their
15:51:45 25 relationship with SCO didn't change in view of anything that

1 was done by IBM. That evidence we think is fatal to any claim
2 of improper means. Similarly, we think the claim fails
3 because they can't show that we act with an improper purpose.
4 And finally, we think they fail because they can't show
15:52:03 5 damages.

6 So that's the direct interference claim. And two
7 of those arguments, Your Honor, apply to the indirect
8 interference claim, the damages argument and the improper
9 purpose argument. But with respect to indirect interference,
15:52:15 10 I think the parties simply have a fundamental difference of
11 view as to whether what they call indirect interference is
12 cognizable as interference under the law.

13 THE COURT: Do we have disputes on any of these
14 motions about what law applies?

15:52:30 15 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I think we're in agreement
16 that on the unfair competition claim it's New York law. And I
17 think we also have agreement that it's Utah law with respect
18 to tortious interference.

19 MR. MARRIOTT: The former is true, and the latter
15:52:43 20 is not. So we agree that New York law applies to the unfair
21 competition claim. The contract expressly says that. As to
22 the interference claims, our view is that it doesn't make any
23 difference which law the Court applies. The claims fail under
24 either Utah law or New York law. Those are the only two
15:53:03 25 possibilities that I believe any party has offered. I don't

1 know that we've ever agreed that it is Utah versus New York.

2 THE COURT: Is this expressly discussed in the
3 briefing?

4 MR. SINGER: I think there's some footnotes.

15:53:15 5 MR. HATCH: It seems like there is, yeah.

6 MR. MARRIOTT: There are footnotes, Your Honor. I
7 don't know that this has been -- I don't know that the other
8 court and the parties have engaged on this as much as we have
9 now in these 30 seconds.

15:53:25 10 MR. HATCH: My vague recollection is there was a
11 agreement. But if there wasn't, it would be somewhat
12 consistent with what Mr. Marriott represented.

13 THE COURT: So New York applies on unfair
14 competition.

15:53:35 15 MR. MARRIOTT: Correct.

16 THE COURT: No dispute.

17 MR. MARRIOTT: No dispute.

18 THE COURT: You claim that Utah law applies on
19 interference?

15:53:41 20 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I believe that we may have
21 taken a position that didn't really matter. But, you know, we
22 didn't detect at the time of the briefing a significant change
23 between Utah and New York law or difference between Utah and
24 New York law.

15:53:55 25 THE COURT: I'm going to say it does not matter.

1 MR. MARRIOTT: Certainly we don't think it matters,
2 Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: Okay. Thanks. That helps.

4 MR. MARRIOTT: So --

15:54:03 5 THE COURT: Go ahead.

6 MR. MARRIOTT: So on the indirect interference
7 claim, Your Honor, we simply don't think that what they allege
8 is indirect interference is cognizable. And I, frankly,
9 cannot tell entirely from what I heard whether there's any
10 intent or effort on their part to take the conduct that
11 underlay their contract claims and their copyright claims,
12 which are now out of the case by agreement and order of the
13 Court and take that conduct and make it part of the
14 interference claims. I frankly can't tell. I don't think
15 that would be proper, if that's what's intended. But I don't
16 believe that's permissibly part of these claims.

17 THE COURT: We'll see what's on the briefs on that.

18 Let me ask you a question, Mr. Marriott, before you
19 sit down. If this is -- if this lawsuit is the only
20 significant asset that SCO has, what's the purpose of your
21 claims if SCO's claims don't succeed at all?

22 MR. MARRIOTT: Well, if there are, in fact, no
23 assets, Your Honor, the primary purpose is to act as an offset
24 to any claim that they might have as against IBM.

15:55:08 25 THE COURT: Okay. And I'm just, you know, just

1 asking because I haven't gone through your claims yet, and I
2 want to, but would it make sense to dispose of the notions on
3 the SCO claims first before going to yours, to the motions on
4 your claims or not?

15:55:22 5 MR. MARRIOTT: I think that is a reasonable way to
6 proceed, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: What do you think, Mr. Singer?

8 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I think that makes sense.
9 We think that for the reason Your Honor mentioned, that if
15:55:34 10 there's no assets in SCO and these claims were to be rejected,
11 then the other claims may not be pursued by IBM. There
12 wouldn't be any sense for them to pursue it. If the claims as
13 we think they should be proceed, then it would make sense to
14 take up IBM's counterclaims.

15:55:54 15 THE COURT: That's just a mechanical kind of
16 practical management thing I'm just asking about.

17 MR. SINGER: So we're in agreement on that point
18 with what Mr. Marriott said.

19 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Marriott, anything else on
15:56:03 20 this?

21 MR. MARRIOTT: Your Honor, not on the claim
22 directly. What I would say is I think it does make sense for
23 the Court to take these up piecemeal. I think they're
24 obviously big.

15:56:13 25 THE COURT: Well, I'm not going to have two days of

1 argument.

2 MR. MARRIOTT: Well, whatever argument the Court
3 finds helpful, that's for Your Honor to decide, obviously.

4 THE COURT: Okay.

15:56:20 5 MR. MARRIOTT: But we think it would be helpful for
6 the Court to hear to some degree from the parties orally on
7 these, and I think to do it sequentially it makes some good
8 sense.

9 THE COURT: Okay. We'll figure that out.

15:56:31 10 Let me ask you, Mr. Singer, on your motion 776, you
11 attacked four of the claims that IBM has raised against SCO.
12 And then on your motion 777, you attacked three claims that
13 IBM -- that IBM has against SCO. I'm wondering if we ought to
14 talk about those claims in those groups before we move to the
15 motions. Does that sound like it makes sense?

16 MR. SINGER: That's fine with us, Your Honor. I
17 think those are IBM's claims.

18 MR. MARRIOTT: That's fine with me, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Okay. So let's do that. Give me the
15:57:17 20 100,000 foot flyby on these claims.

21 MR. MARRIOTT: Sure. I've tried to do that, Your
22 Honor, in the slides. So if you take a look -- would you like
23 anything on the contract claim or not? There's no motion
24 directed to the contract claim.

15:57:28 25 THE COURT: No. That's fine.

1 MR. MARRIOTT: So if you turn to the tort claims,
2 we've essentially grouped these in two buckets, Your Honor.
3 One is what we call the tort claim. There's four of them.
4 There's a Lanham Act claim, an unfair competition claim, a
15:57:41 5 tortious interference claim, and an unfair and deceptive trade
6 practices claim. That, for example, is expressly under New
7 York law. The facts underlying those, Your Honor, are at
8 least summarized in part here.

9 SCO made we believe false and misleading
15:57:57 10 representations about IBM's products, AIX and DYNIX, about its
11 Linux-related products. It made false representations to
12 IBM's customers about the viability of IBM's products, about
13 the legality of those products, about the rights that IBM had
14 and the rights that IBM did not have. It falsely claimed, we
15:58:14 15 believe, ownership of IBM's intellectual property as well as
16 ownership created by the OpenSource Community included into
17 Linux. And it falsely accused we believe IBM of asserting
18 truckloads of ripped off code into the Linux operating system.
19 Those things in the aggregate we believe amount to the
15:58:32 20 violations we've described. And we have tendered evidence
21 from experts as to what the damage is related to what those
22 claims are.

23 THE COURT: Now, on SCO's direct -- well, at least
24 on the direct interference claim and maybe on the indirect
15:58:49 25 interference claim, we have arguments about communications and

1 what those communications were. And then here we have
2 arguments about communications. I'm going to find it really
3 hard to believe that these facts are undisputed and that
4 summary judgement would be renderable solely on that issue of
15:59:10 5 what was said. Am I right about that, Mr. Singer and
6 Mr. Marriott? Or are the other issues on these motions the
7 more pertinent? That seems hard to me. Mr. Singer?

8 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I agree that the general
9 principle that summary judgement on interference on the
15:59:26 10 grounds of who said what is very doubtful I think in both
11 directions. There are, however, some grounds of privilege
12 that relate to, because a lot of these are statements about
13 the lawsuit that our summary judgement motion is based upon.
14 And I think Mr. Cyrulnik is prepared to say a few words at
15:59:45 15 whatever time the Court believes is appropriate about that.

16 THE COURT: So the probative issue is alive. But
17 I'm just asking. There's a lot of dispute about what
18 statements were and were not made, isn't there? I would
19 expect that if you're good lawyers.

16:00:01 20 MR. SINGER: Mr. Cyrulnik?

21 MR. CYRULNIK: Yeah. I'm not sure there's that
22 much dispute about what the statements themselves were.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 MR. CYRULNIK: I think the parties agree what the
16:00:11 25 statements were. The question is whether or not IBM has

1 claims that can be asserted based on the types of statements
2 that they're seeking to complain about, because primarily what
3 you heard Mr. Marriott describe a couple minutes ago is SCO
4 either asserting certain things in its pleadings in this case,
16:00:31 5 in motions in this case, in arguments in this case, and then
6 to company's potential targets of additional lawsuits as a
7 result of what we believe was infringement, et cetera, and
8 then statements to the press about those claims. And so you
9 can break it out into many different parts, but at the end of
16:00:49 10 the day that story basically concerns SCO's efforts to enforce
11 its rights in this courtroom and to explain that enforcement
12 effort to potential licensees and customers and to the press.

13 And to the extent that's what these statements are
14 about, we believe that the claims fail as a matter of law
16:01:10 15 under both the absolute privilege, which is the first ground
16 for our motion; certain statements even if they're not covered
17 by the absolute privilege would at a minimum be covered by the
18 qualified privilege, which is the second ground for our
19 motion; third, each of the four causes of action that IBM has
16:01:29 20 used to try and assert claims with respect to SCO's litigation
21 and related statements, each of them requires an element of
22 bad faith showing. And we think that there's no issue of fact
23 with respect to IBM's failure to make that showing or create a
24 genuine issue of fact with respect to that allegation. So
16:01:49 25 that's the third basis for our motion for summary judgement on

1 IBM's second, third, fourth and fifth counterclaims.

2 And then finally, the element of damages, we
3 believe, in this case that IBM has conceded that the
4 statements it's complaining about did not cause IBM damage.

16:02:06 5 To the contrary, you have the unique case here where IBM's own
6 witnesses have conceded that these statements and that SCO was
7 making both in this litigation and in explaining its
8 enforcement effort outside the courtroom, those statements, if
9 anything, helped IBM's Linux business and resulted in profits
16:02:26 10 to IBM. So we think that because damages is an element to
11 their claim and they've conceded the opposite and we think
12 they have not created a fact issue as to whether or not there
13 were damages, we think that is the fourth basis on which their
14 claims can be dismissed as a matter of law.

16:02:42 15 THE COURT: It sounds to me that you were the one
16 that was going to speak on this.

17 MR. CYRULNIK: I just got lucky, yeah.

18 THE COURT: I'd like to move on to your other
19 claims, Mr. Marriott, then 6, 7 and 8.

16:02:54 20 MR. MARRIOTT: Sure. If you look at Page 14, Your
21 Honor, these are what we effectively called Copyright/GPL
22 claims. And essentially, Your Honor, I think the facts here
23 are largely undisputed. IBM owns valid copyrights to -- by
24 the way, I think all the facts that matter are undisputed,
16:03:13 25 okay. Let there be no doubt about that. IBM owns valid

1 copyrights to many contributions to Linux, about 700,000 lines
2 of code. IBM granted SCO and really its predecessor because
3 again, we have to keep these apart. But IBM granted Caldera a
4 license to use IBM's contributions to Linux consistent with
16:03:36 5 the terms of what's known as the GPL, general public license.
6 Our view is that SCO by its campaign against IBM to Linux
7 breached and repudiated the GPL, and in doing that we contend
8 lost its license. And by losing its license, it no longer had
9 the right to use IBM's 700,000 lines of code, and the
16:03:56 10 undisputed evidence we believe shows that it did.

11 And that in effect, Your Honor, is the copyright
12 claim. The GPL is directly related to it. We say they
13 breached the GPL, and we seek a finding of promissory estoppel
14 against them from taking contrary positions. But
16:04:10 15 fundamentally, those three causes of action are about a
16 copyright.

17 THE COURT: How does promissory estoppel arise?

18 MR. MARRIOTT: It's frankly the weaker of the
19 three, Your Honor, candidly. But it nevertheless exists
16:04:22 20 because they've taken positions about what the GPL means and
21 what it doesn't mean, and we contend they are estopped from
22 reversing course now and in their defense taking different
23 views about what the general license means.

24 So when I say weaker, I don't mean the claim isn't
16:04:39 25 strong. But it more peripheral is a better word. It is

1 peripheral to the claim whether or not they have a license.

2 THE COURT: Have you relied on that somehow?

3 MR. MARRIOTT: That's correct, Your Honor, we did.

4 We gave them -- we allowed them to use the 700,000 lines of

16:04:50 5 code.

6 THE COURT: After they made these representations.

7 MR. MARRIOTT: That's exactly right.

8 THE COURT: Okay. I follow you. And your damages

9 from this are what?

16:04:57 10 MR. MARRIOTT: Well, for the copyright claim, Your

11 Honor, the damages would be statutory damages at a minimum,

12 and we do have a damages expert who spoke to this. The

13 damages are not enormous in terms of dollar volume, Your

14 Honor.

16:05:09 15 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

16 Who on SCO's team is speaking on these?

17 MR. NORMAND: Thank you, Your Honor. Let's begin

18 where Mr. Marriott ended. On the 6th and 7th counterclaims,

19 we don't believe there's any evidence of damages, any actual

16:05:25 20 damages. There was a statement about attorney's fees, but

21 that's not cognizable actual damages. So on that basis alone,

22 we think the 6 and 7 can go. On the 8th there is this claim

23 of statutory damages. So that would fold into an analysis for

24 each of 6, 7 and 8 on the merits. And the merits concern as

16:05:44 25 Mr. Marriott's slides capture at the very end essentially the

1 question of whether SCO breached the GPL. It didn't breach
2 the GPL. It was authorized to do everything it did.

3 I can go into whatever level of detail Your Honor
4 wants. Essentially SCO both for a short period of time
16:06:03 5 licensed a Linux product, and for a short period of time and
6 distributed a Linux product. In both respects there was
7 compliance with the GPL on several different bases. First of
8 all, the very initial section of the GPL, Section 0 makes
9 clearly how it is that the code is made subject to the GPL.
16:06:23 10 And the copyright holder has to say in the GPL, I'm making
11 this code available.

12 THE COURT: Now, you're exceeding my level of
13 absorption, so I'm going to move on.

14 MR. NORMAND: Thank you, Your Honor.

16:06:37 15 THE COURT: Mr. Marriott, you've got an affirmative
16 motion for summary judgment on this claim.

17 MR. MARRIOTT: We do, Your Honor.

18 THE COURT: And this is of all the motions the only
19 affirmative motion for summary judgement; is that right?

16:06:46 20 MR. MARRIOTT: It's the only one left, correct.

21 THE COURT: The only one left. Okay.

22 MR. MARRIOTT: Because others we made affirmatively
23 the Court granted.

24 THE COURT: Okay. Now, has anything in this
16:06:56 25 litigation so far ruled on this issue of compliance with the

1 GPL?

2 MR. MARRIOTT: No.

3 THE COURT: Okay. So this is fresh here. How much
4 of the material on the motion for spoliation that's contained
16:07:22 5 in the objection briefing, how much of that was given to
6 Judge Wells and how much of it is new on the objection?

7 MR. SINGER: I think all of it was presented to
8 Judge Wells. I think the objections are brought on the basis
9 of that record.

16:07:42 10 THE COURT: Okay. Is that correct, Mr. Marriott?

11 MR. MARRIOTT: I would have to double check, Your
12 Honor. I believe it's correct. But what I would say is that
13 I think in their reconsideration request which is now
14 withdrawn that they did go beyond what Judge Wells initially
16:07:57 15 had. But that's, of course, now moot. I think that's right,
16 but I frankly need to double check. I don't know for certain.

17 THE COURT: Okay. My view of de novo review, just
18 so you know, which I guess Judge Kimball promised that I would
19 do, we will talk about that, is that it is a de novo review of
16:08:18 20 that record, not a new record, okay? Do you agree,
21 Mr. Singer?

22 MR. SINGER: I do, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: And Mr. Marriott?

24 MR. MARRIOTT: Absolutely.

16:08:25 25 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Well, now I've

1 already now kind of suggested that maybe we should go to the
2 resolution of the motions that IBM has filed against the SCO
3 claims first to see if we have viable SCO claims. And if we
4 do, then we would move on. I think I had a little bit of
16:08:52 5 buy-in from both sides on that.

6 MR. SINGER: Yes.

7 MR. MARRIOTT: Yes, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: Any preference as to whether we handle
9 those two motions, 782 and 783, together or separately or in
16:09:05 10 which sequence?

11 Mr. Singer, they're not yours but they're your
12 claims. What do you think?

13 MR. SINGER: We think it makes sense to start with
14 the unfair competition claim and then move to the tortious
16:09:19 15 interference. The tortious interference builds in part on the
16 unfair competition claim, although it goes beyond it. So we
17 think that is a logical progression.

18 THE COURT: Okay. I've got to tell you, I think
19 this has been really helpful for me today, so thank you all.

16:09:33 20 Mr. Marriott, your view on that?

21 MR. MARRIOTT: Your Honor, I would probably have
22 flipped them. But, frankly, it doesn't make that much
23 difference.

24 THE COURT: Okay. Should I read your argument in
16:09:48 25 front of Judge Kimball, Mr. Marriott?

1 MR. MARRIOTT: I don't want to read it. But you
2 may well. I can't get myself to read prior --

3 THE COURT: Are you also telling me I don't want to
4 listen to your argument in front of me?

16:10:01 5 MR. MARRIOTT: I'm not saying that. I think you
6 should read it.

7 THE COURT: Mr. Singer?

8 MR. SINGER: We don't think it would hurt to read
9 it. On the other hand, I think there is -- I believe both
16:10:11 10 parties are interested in arguing the motion in front of Your
11 Honor at some point.

12 THE COURT: Has much -- how is that argument
13 structured? Was it by motion?

14 MR. SINGER: Yes.

16:10:22 15 THE COURT: Okay.

16 MR. HATCH: Your Honor, there's one issue there,
17 too. As I think both the parties used a lot of slides and
18 things. I don't know if you got the books with the slides in
19 them from Judge Kimball's clerks or whether they still exist.
16:10:35 20 But it may be -- parts of it may be difficult to follow
21 without that.

22 THE COURT: I'm not saying this would be in lieu
23 of. I'm saying -- I think you've answered, Mr. Hatch. If I'm
24 reading the soundtrack of a movie, I'm not going to do that.
16:10:50 25 I'll bring you back into a movie.

1 MR. MARRIOTT: I think Mr. Hatch is making a very
2 good point. The parties did prepare demonstratives like we
3 used today. They were used with that hearing. If I were in
4 your shoes, Your Honor, then I would want a book that had
16:11:06 5 every party's brief and those demonstratives and argument
6 transcript, and you can do with what you want. If the Court
7 wants that, I suggest we jointly put it together and give it
8 to Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: Do you folks still have them?

16:11:18 10 MR. SINGER: I believe we have the book on the
11 motion for unfair competition.

12 MR. MARRIOTT: We have them all.

13 MR. SINGER: I believe we have them.

14 THE COURT: Okay. Well, let me give that a little
16:11:27 15 thought, and I may ask you for those. And that may be my
16 preview so that I can be educated before the hearing. But I
17 anticipate we're going to have a hearing on this.

18 Let me tell you what I do on summary judgement
19 motions. And by the way, we'll probably decide the sequence
16:11:45 20 of 776 and 777 and 774 -- 784 later. But what I do on summary
21 judgement motions is I attempt to reconcile the facts before
22 the hearing. I go through the facts as presented by each side
23 and methodically decide what's in dispute and what's not. And
24 I often sanitize or edit facts to remove a disputed element.
16:12:11 25 And it's a fairly laborious exercise. But I do this so that

1 we get a factual record before we get into the argument,
2 because if I'm arguing varied facts and varied law depending
3 on varied factual scenarios, it's very difficult for me to
4 keep track of.

16:12:35 5 When you brief these motions, the movant filed the
6 set of allegedly undisputed facts and then there was a
7 response that I would guess in some cases did not dispute and
8 in others disputed fully or in part and may have added
9 additional facts which were then responded to in a reply. I
16:12:55 10 haven't reviewed that in these specific motions.

11 Now, I can sit down in-house and try to reconcile
12 these facts or I can give you homework. And since it's been
13 so long, I would really strongly like to suggest that counsel
14 attempt to reconcile the facts on the 782 motion and then the
16:13:27 15 783 motion. You each have word processing versions of those.
16 You could sit together, you know, either virtually or in the
17 same room, and try to arrive at what I'm going to do, anyway.
18 I'm not going to take somebody's disputed fact and prefer it
19 to someone else's. I can't do it. And so you're smart enough
16:13:49 20 to know what's genuinely in dispute and what's not.

21 Now, you may only get 90 percent of the way there.
22 But I think that you would help me a lot if you were to do
23 that. This is a new idea that you haven't had a chance to
24 react to.

16:14:06 25 MR. SINGER: We're certainly prepared to try and

1 sit down with IBM's counsel to work and do that.

2 THE COURT: What do you think, Mr. Marriott?

3 MR. MARRIOTT: I certainly would try, Your Honor.

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4 THE COURT: Okay. You know what I do on motions to
5 suppress? I find the facts at the end of the hearing, and
6 then I ask the government to prepare an order for my signature
7 using those facts. And then I tell the defense, you can
8 redline those facts any way you want with other fact findings
9 you think should have been in there. And usually we arrive at
10 a fairly agreed summary of facts especially since I've given
11 them my view.

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12 But on summary judgement it's even easier because
13 you don't have the fluidity of testimony that's given
14 verbally. You have a written record. It was proposed. It
15 was either disputed or not. There are additional facts that
16 were proposed and they were disputed or not. I think you can
17 accomplish this.

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18 MR. SINGER: We're certainly willing to try.

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19 THE COURT: In large measurement. How long do you
20 think you would need to do that? And this might relate to the
21 mediation issue. I anticipate setting 782 and then 783, and I
22 do tend to rule from the bench in summary judgement hearings.
23 And then we would go on to the others, if needed.

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24 But where should mediation fit in to all of this,
25 Mr. Singer?

1 MR. SINGER: We are interested and prepared to
2 mediate either before the Court does that or after or both.
3 We think that it's been a long time that these claims have
4 been pending. As I noted, this is the only remaining asset of
16:15:46 5 SCO. I think that SCO is in a position if these motions are
6 denied to try the case, if that becomes necessary. But we are
7 certainly willing to sit down and see if we can work out
8 something that would eliminate that.

9 THE COURT: For timing you're pretty open.

16:16:05 10 MR. SINGER: We're open to whatever timing either
11 the Court directs or that IBM is willing to sit down with us.

12 THE COURT: Are you thinking of having a magistrate
13 judge in this court designated? Having me propose panel
14 members for you to select from? Or do you have a mediator in
16:16:24 15 mind, or do you think you could agree on a mediator or
16 mediation team with IBM?

17 MR. SINGER: Can I consult one moment?

18 THE COURT: Sure.

19 (Time lapse.)

16:16:58 20 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, I think because of SCO's
21 position with respect to being in the bankruptcy court, we
22 would prefer that the mediator be a magistrate either selected
23 from a panel or selected by the Court.

24 THE COURT: Okay.

16:17:10 25 Mr. Marriott, what's your view on timing and the

1 identity of a mediator?

2 MR. MARRIOTT: Your Honor, as to timing we'll do
3 what Your Honor directs. I don't -- frankly, while I think
4 this is actually a creative idea, I've never actually sat and
16:17:25 5 done this in connection with a summary judgement motion, so I
6 can't say from experience how long it takes. But we'll comply
7 with whatever guideline the Court provides.

8 As to a mediator, frankly, what I in my own mind
9 had imagined as being the first step here was for the parties
16:17:41 10 to simply try to do this themselves. I mean, because frankly,
11 understanding where they're coming from will give us a pretty
12 good sense whether there's much reasonable prospect. What I'm
13 a little reluctant to do is engage the machinery of whoever
14 the person is, a formal mediator, and have the parties going
16:18:01 15 in and making presentation and doing a mini-trial. I think
16 that tends to be more likely to cost money and to distract.
17 If we can figure out an initial step whether we're close
18 enough for it to make sense. To me that would make the most
19 sense and try to resolve it ourselves. If we can't do that
16:18:17 20 then perhaps the next phase would be involve a mediator.

21 THE COURT: Mr. Singer?

22 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, this case has been pending
23 for 12 years in this court. I think if the parties would have
24 been able to resolve it by themselves that would have happened
16:18:33 25 sometime before now. So I think the assistance of a mediator

1 would be useful at the outset of any settlement discussion.

2 THE COURT: Well, let me ask this. I'm not
3 entirely sure where the mediation concept came from, but it
4 was in the joint status report, it was referenced. Do you
16:18:54 5 think it would or wouldn't be fruitful, Mr. Marriott?

6 MR. MARRIOTT: To me, Your Honor, it's entirely a
7 question of what their demand is.

8 THE COURT: Sure.

9 MR. MARRIOTT: So that's what I'm trying to figure
16:19:03 10 out. And if I know that, then I can answer the question. And
11 I don't. So rather than have the Court order that we go
12 mediate, make presentations and submit papers when if the
13 number is a nonstarter, we would effectively be wasting the
14 mediator's and the parties' time. That's what I'm trying to
16:19:20 15 avoid. A mediator might be effective, but having some
16 understanding of where we are starting gives us a sense of
17 whether this is fruitful or potentially fruitful or not.

18 THE COURT: Have offers ever been exchanged?

19 MR. SINGER: There was an effort. I believe the
16:19:32 20 last effort was before the Novell trial. There was a
21 mediation involving IBM -- it wasn't a formal mediation,
22 actually, Your Honor. It was a settlement meeting between us,
23 Judge Cahn, who was a trustee for SCO, in Philadelphia with
24 Mr. Marriott, I believe, was there, and IBM representatives.
16:19:54 25 And that was back, it would have been in 2010. Since that

1 time, there have not been any settlement discussions, let
2 alone a mediation.

3 THE COURT: Okay. Would it do any good for me to
4 order you to exchange offers?

16:20:11 5 MR. SINGER: I don't think it can hurt.

6 MR. MARRIOTT: I'd be glad to have their offer,
7 Your Honor.

8 MR. HATCH: I think he should go first then with
9 that magnanimous response.

16:20:23 10 THE COURT: I'm going to give this just a little
11 more thought. It may be running parallel. It may be running
12 after some of this. How long do you think you need to
13 reconcile facts on 782? Was that the first one?

14 MR. SINGER: Would 60 days be appropriate?

16:20:40 15 MR. MARRIOTT: That's fine with me.

16 MR. SINGER: 30 days. I would say either 30 days
17 or 60.

18 THE COURT: Can we do 30?

19 MR. SINGER: 30 would be fine with us.

16:20:49 20 MR. MARRIOTT: That's fine with me, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: I think you can do this in a morning or
22 afternoon. I'm looking at the other people at the tables,
23 their responses. I sure they can do this.

24 MR. MARRIOTT: I like your optimism, Your Honor.

16:21:04 25 THE COURT: Yeah. Okay. Let's get those 782 facts

1 within 30 days. And before I order -- I've got to make sure
2 that's the right number. Yeah, it is. And before I order any
3 facts on 783 I want to see how this process goes. I'm going
4 to give some more thought to the mediation issue or exchanging
16:21:25 5 offers and see where I go there. Let me look at my check
6 list.

7 When I talk about mediation, to be clear, I'm not
8 talking about mediating this motion or that motion. I'm
9 talking about mediating the case; right?

16:21:47 10 MR. MARRIOTT: That's what I understood.

11 MR. SINGER: That's what we understood, as well,
12 Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: Anything else we should do here today,
14 Mr. Hatch? Mr. Singer?

16:21:57 15 MR. SINGER: Your Honor, unless you wanted to hear
16 something about spoliation motion at this time, I think that
17 would be everything else.

18 THE COURT: No. That's actually the area that I'm
19 probably the most comfortable with out of all of this subject
16:22:10 20 matter. And reading, that's kind of brought back fond
21 memories of magistrate days.

22 Mr. Marriott, anything else you think we ought to
23 do?

24 MR. MARRIOTT: No, Your Honor. Thank you for your
16:22:22 25 time.

1 THE COURT: Thanks very much to everybody. You've
2 been extremely well prepared.

3 There was the issue of the outstanding motions and
4 related documents. Did you get a chance to review that?

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5 MR. NORMAND: We did review it, and on its face we
6 didn't see any problems. Could we take a day or two to make
7 sure?

8 THE COURT: Sure. If there's something else,
9 e-mail everybody. I think we're just rounding it out.

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10 Okay. Thanks. We're in recess.

11 MR. MARRIOTT: Thank you, Your Honor.

12 (Whereupon, the court proceedings were concluded.)

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