RICHARD E. MCCLEAD, JR., M.D

FORREST GREGG STONE vs. CORAZON O. GO, M.D. et al.

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1	IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS	1*
2	CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO	2 (Thereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibits 1
3	FORREST GREGG STONE,	3 and 2 were mark'd for purposes of
4	a Minor, etc., et al., plaintiffs,	4 identification.)
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6	-vs- CASE NO. 396873 VOLUME I	6 RICHARD E. McCLEAD, JR., M.D., of lawful
7	CORAZON O. GO, M.D., et al.,	7 age, called by the Plaintiffs for the purpose of
а	Deiendants.	a cross-examination, as provided by the Rules of
9	Determative	9 Civil Procedure, being by me first duly sworn, as
1101	••••	10 hereinafier certified, deposed and said as
11	Deposition of RICHARD E. McCLEAD, JR., M.D.,	11 follows:
12	taken as if upon cross-examination before Kelli	12 CROSS-EXAMINATION OF
13	Rae Page, a Notary Public within and for the	13 RICHARD E. McCLEAD, JR., M.D.
14	State of Ohio, at Children's Hospital, 700	14 BY MR. ROBERTS:
15	Children's Drive, Room ED-373, Columbus, Ohio, at	15 Q. Doctor, please state your full name for the
16	3:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, 2002, pursuant to	16 record.
17	notice and/or stipulations of counsel, on behalf	17 A. Richard Eugene McClead, Junior.
18	of the Plaintiffs in this cause.	1a Q. You have had your deposition taken before?
19		19 A. Yes.
20	BARBERIC & ASSOCIATES, INC.	20 Q. About how many times?
21	BARBERIC & ASSOCIATES, INC. COURT REPORTERS 14237 DETROIT AVENUE, SUITE THREE CLEVELAND, OHIO 44107 (216) 221-1970 FAX (216) 221-9171 (298) 565 1970	21 A. Iwould guess 10, 12 times.
22 23	(216) 221-1970 EXX (216) 221 0171	22 Q. Have you been an expert before?2 A. Yes, I have.
23 24	(888) 595-1970	2 A. Yes, I have. 24 Q. In med mal cases?
2 4 25		25 A. Yes, Ihave.
3 4 5 6 7 8	Joel L. Levin, Esq. Levin & Associates 323 Lakeside Avenue, N.W. Suite 450 Lakeside Place Cieveland, Ohio 44113 (216) 928-0600, -and- Kevin T. Roberts, Esq. The Roberts Law Firm Lakeside Place 323 Lakeside Avenue, West Cieveland, Ohio 44113 (216) 781-6166,	 A. I would guess in the neighborhood of 15 or 20 times, maybe more, 30 times over a period of 20 some years. Probably two to three cases per year is my typical average. Q. Do you ever review cases for the plaintiff? A. I do. Q. Do you have a percentage?
9	On behalf of the Plaintiffs;	9 A. I don't keep track of it, but i guess it's
10 11	Beverly A. Harris, Esq. Weston, Hurd, Fallon, Paisley & Howley L.L.P. 2500 Terminal Tower	10 probably 75 percent for the defense and 25
11 12	50 Public Square Cleveland Onio 44113-2241	percent for plaintiffs.Q. Have you ever testified in court?
12 13	(216) 687-3223,	13 A Thave never testified in court.
14	On behalf of the Defendant Corazon O. Go, M.D.;	14 Q. Never?
14		15 A. Never.
16	John R. Scott, Esg. Remninger & Remninger Co. I P.A.	16 Q. All right. How many depositions have you given
17	(via telephone) John R. Scott. Esg. Remin ger & Reminger Co., L.P.A. Seventh Floor The 113St. Clair Building Cleveland Ohio 44113 (216) 687-1311,	1 ⁷ in med mal cases as an expert, is that the 10 io
18	Cleveland Ohio 44113 (216) 687-1311	18 12 figure?
19		19 A. Yes.
20	On behalf of the Defendants PHS Deaconess Hospital and Paul A. Hudock, M.D.	20 MR. ROBERTS: John, can you hear
21		21 us? Hello?
22		22 MS. HARRIS: John?
		23 MR. ROBERTS: Can you hear us?
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23 24		24 MR. SCOTT: Reasonably well.

5 MR. SCOTT: I can hear you now very Q. Is that a plaintiffs' firm? 1 1 A. That is a defense firm. 2 well. 2 3 MR. ROBERTS: Okav. 3 Q. Have you testified in any deposition in the last Δ reviews for? 4 three years in a med mal case? 5 6 in the past. A. Yes. 6 7 7 Q. Do you remember the names of any of the cases? A. I do not know how she got my name. She sent me A. The most recent was a plaintiff's case and the -а а the patient's name was Bixler, B-I-X-L-E-R. 9 an E-mail, asked if I would be willing to look at 9 0 the records in this case and I sard I would and 10 Q. Who was the defendant, or can you name some of that's how we initially made contact, but I have 11 the defendants? 1 2 12 A. No. I would have to look at a report from that case. I can't remember all the names. 3 13

- 14 Q. Do you remember the plaintiff's attorney?
- A. I can't remember on short notice. 15
- 16 Q. Was that in Franklin County or somewhere else?
- 17 A. The case was from eisewhere. I don't: remember
- the names other than I do remember it was the 18 19 Rivler case
- Q. Was it out of Ohio or in Ohio? 20
- A. Ithink the case was in Cincinnati. And I do 21 22 remember the defendant's lawyer was Paul
- 23 McCartney. You can see why I remembered that.
- Q. Was Mr. McCartney an attorney in Cincinnati? 24
- 25 A. Yes.

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- Q. And is that case still active? 1
- 2 A. As far as I know it's settled, but I have not heard anything recently about it. It's been a 3
- few months. 4
- Q. Do you know if it was filed in Hamilton County? 5
- A I believe it is. 6
- 7 Q. What other cases have you given a deposition in
- in the last three years? 8
- 9 A. You know, I'm sorry, I'm not prepared to give all
- that. I don't remember these things. I don't do 10
- 11 enough it to remember all the cases.
- Q. Okay. Are you listed with any expert services? 12
- 13 A. Iam not.
- Q. How do attorneys iind your name? 14
- 15 A. I think I'm --often times they're referred by
- 16 other physicians that know me.
- 17 Q. Is there any law firm for whom you have performed
- more than one expert review? 18
- 19 A. Yes. Yes.
- 20 Q. Which firms?
- 21 A. Dickie, McCamey and -- in Pittsburgh. Dickie,
- 22 D-I-C-K-I-E, M-C-C-A-M-E-Y and Chilcote,
- C-H-I-L-C-O-T-E. 23
- 24 Q. How many cases have you reviewed for them?
- A. Probably three or four. 25

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- Q. Any other firms that you have done multiple
- A. Not in recent times. I don't remember anything
- Q. Do you know how Miss Harris got your name?

- no idea how she gat my name,
- Q. Do you know Dr. Nowicki who's also been
- identified?

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- A. Yes. 5
- Q. How do you know him? 6
 - A. He is my partner.
- Q. Oh, in what group? 8
- A. He's part of the division of neonatology at 1D) Children's Hospital Department of Pediatrics Ohio !1
 - State University College of Medicine.
- 22 Q. You say he's your partner, does that mean you're 23 part of a private group?
- 15 A. We're part of the Pediatric Academic Association which is a nonprofit physician multispecialty

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- Q. Have you ever discussed this case with him?
- A. He mentioned to me that he had -- was involved in
- the case and that was the extent of our
- discussion.
- Q. You never sat down and went over the records with him?
- A. No, I have not.
- 0 Q. Have you ever seen his report before it was issued?
- 2 A. No.
- Q. You have not seen it ever? 3
- 4 A. I have not seen it ever.
- Q. Has he ever seen your report? 5
- 6 A. As far as I know he has.
- Q. Did he comment on your report? 7
- 8 A. He said it was very good.
- Q. Anything else? 9
- A. That was the extent. You know, there was nothing 20 else. 11
- Q. Did he mark it up with a red pen and send it back R to vou?
- A. No. He might do that, but he did not, no.
- 15 Q. Did you review any literature in connection with

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- 1 this case?
- 2 A. No, I did not.
- 3 Q. Did you consult any colleagues in connection with
- 4 the case?
- 5 A. No, I did not.
- 6~ Q. Did you bring your file with you today?
- 7 A. I have records that I have looked at.
- 8~ Q. Okay. Do you have a file that contains more than
- 9 the records you brought today?
- 10 A. No, ido not.
- 11 Q. Can we see those, please? Did you bring your
- 12 complete file an this case?
- 13 A. I brought everything that I have.
- 14 **Q. Is** there anything that you used that you didn't
- 15 bring with you?
- 16 A. No, nothing else.
- 17 Q. What do you charge per hour to review cases like
- 18 this?
- 19 A. Three hundred dollars?
- 20 Q. That's what you charged for this case, too?
- 21 A. Uh-huh.
- 22 Q. Is that what you are charging for this
- 23 deposition?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. All right.

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1	MS. HARRIS: There is no Volume I.	
2	MR. ROBERTS: Okay.	
3	MS. HARRIS: That's the way it came	
4	from John Scott.	
5	Q. So, Doctor, I have various volumes of medical	
6	records that you reviewed. I presume you	
7	reviewed all of these?	
8	A. Yes.	
9	Q. Did you look at every page?	
10	A. I looked through the pages I thought were	
11	pertinent to the case.	
12	Q. We have medical records Volume I which is the	
13	MetroHealth admission of 3/31/99. Medical	
14	records Volume II MetroHealth admission 4/21/99	
15	and MetroHealth miscellaneous records. We have a	
16	volume of Deaconess records which is apparently	
17	mistitled Volume II of II and this would be the	
18	records for Edna Stone and Forrest Stone,	
19	correct?	
20	A. That's what it says.	
21	Q. Ail right. And we have a number of depositions.	
22	We have Dr. Go's two volume deposition,	
23	Dr. Hudock, Dr. Shurin, Dr. Miller and Edna	
24	Stone, correct?	
25	A Correct.	

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- 1 Q. Did you ever review a statement by Edna Stone?

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- 2 A. I don't think I know of any statement.
- 3 Q. She apparently sent you a letter November $\mathsf{Ist},$
- 4 2001, but other than that have you ever seen
- 5 anything that she prepared?
- 6 A. I don't think I have ever seen anything else.
- 7 Q. And you did not review any of the depositions of
- 8 the nurses in this case?
- 9 A. No, I did not.
- 10 **Q. Have** you ever contacted any **of** the nurses in the
- '11 case?
- 12 A. No, I have not.
- 13 Q. Have you ever contacted any witness in the case?
- 14 A. No, I have not.
- 15 **Q.** You have a report from Dr. Lanzieri, Charles
- 16 Lanzieri, and a report from Carol Miller dated
- 17 July 18th, 2001. Have you received any updated
- 18 or supplemental reports from any of these
- 19 experts?
- 20 A.No.
- 21 Q. Okay. I have marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 1 a
- 22 report from you to Beverly Harris dated July
- 23 **22nd**, 2001. It's a four-page report and it's on
- Children's Hospital letterhead. Would you just
- 25 identify that as your report for us, please?
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2	were drafts.	2	care. Last year, for instance, it was almost
3	Q. Did you E-mail drafts to Bev Harris?	3	
4	A. ! did not.	4	
5	Q. Did you send it to her by fax or otherwise?	5	rest of the time is taking on more administrative
6	A. I may have faxed it to her, the final report.	6	
7	Q. Do you know if she assisted you in making any	7	Q. Were you a member of the Pediatric Academic
8	revisions to your report?	8	Association in 1999?
9	A. I don't think she did, no.	9	A. Yes.
10	Q. Did anyone from her firm?	10	Q. Can you describe your typical week back then,
11	A. No.	11	say, around March of '99?
12	Q. Did anyone else assist you in preparing your	12	A. Well, !think it depends if I'm on or off service
13	report?	13	because the months vary. If I'm on service most
14	A. No.	14	days would be fairly similar, rounds begin in the
15	Q. For the record, let's mark your resume, Plaintiff	15	
16	Exhibit 2.	16	had responsibility at the Children's Hospital or
17	MS, HARRIS: It's been marked.	17	University Hospital then my rounds begin in the
18	Q. That is your resume?	18	morning, usually with the review of the X-rays
19	A. Yes.	19	with the radiologist from the night before, from
20	Q. How current is it?	20	that morning, and then a clinical teaching round
21	A. It was updated yesterday.	21	with the house staff, and then subsequently over
22	Q. That's pretty good.	2'2	the period of the day then follow-up on
23	A I got a publication, that's all.	2'3	documentation in the records, et cetera.
24	Q. Can you identify any particular abstracts or	2'4	My night call at that time would be at
25	publications that you believe are directly	25	University which would be every third night at
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1	relevant to the issues in this case?	1	home. And my night call here at the Children's
2	A. No, I don't believe any of ?hepapers that !have	2	
3	published directly relate to this particular	3	
4	case.	4	
5	Q. Do you have any subspecialty in pediatric	5	little different. It's a Level II nursery and we
6	hematology?	6	will have a number of well babies that I would
7	A. No.		see of mothers who would deliver at the hospital
8	Q. Do you have any research or studies in bleeding	8	whose pediatrician either they had not identified
9	after circumcision ••	9	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
10	A. No, I have not.	10	
11	Q in hemophilia in neonates?	11	
12	A. No, I have not.	12	
13	Q Do you perform circumcisions?	13	
14	A. Yes, i do.	14	of managementtype courses?
15	Q. How long have you done that?	15	A. Yes.
16	.974.	16	Q. Was there a period of time you were involved in
17	Q. Approximately how many have you performed?	17	
18	A. I would be guessing, but I suspect probably 50 to	18	
(19	60 a year.	19	
20	Q. How would you describe your practice in 1999?	20	began with my election as a medical staff officer
21	What did you do then?	2'1	
22	A I was a clinical neonatologist at the Children's	22	Master's degree in '94 and that management
23	Hospital, also had clinical responsibilities at	23	
24	University Hospital and Mt. Carmel East	24	
25	Hospital. Ispent in 1999 probably more than 50	25	
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- 1 I had a research laboratory at Children's
- 2 Hospital and was engaged in research studies.
- 3 Q. You have a Master's in health care administration
- 4 from the University of Minnesota?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Did you attend the campus up there?
- 7 A. I participated in an executive program in which I
- 8 was on campus over a period of three years, in
- 9 the summertime for two weeks the first three
- 10 years, ana five weeks the fourth year, fourth
- 11 summer, and then monthly I had preceptorships
- 12 that I participated in which ! went to Toledo,
- 13 Ohio and spent the day with the chief operating
- 14 officer **of** one of the hospitals in Toledo. A
- 15 part of that there is a considerable amount of
- 16 reading and writing that was necessary and in the
- 17 third year there was a Master -- the Master's
- 18 thesis that I had to complete.
- 19 Q. In '99 did you have any hospital administrative
- 20 appointments?
- 21 A. I have a part time appointment as a hospital
- 22 administrator.
- 23 Q. Is this listed on your resume?
- 24 A. It should be in there. There is no -- currently
- 25 I'm medical director for quality improvement

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- 1 services. I don't know that I had officially
- 2 been designated that at the time in 1999, but a
- 3 lot of my administrative responsibilities relate
- 4 to the quality improvement services program.
- 5 Q. How much time in a typical week did you spend in
- 6 administrative duties in '99?
- 7 A. When I'm on clinical service very little, and
- 8 when I'm not on ciinical service except for night
- 9 call I spend probably 50 percent of my time
- 10 involved in administrative activities.
- 11 Q. How much time were you on clinical service?
- 12 A. In '99?
- 13 Q. Uh-huh.
- 14 A. i would have $io\ go\ and\ look,\ bui\ my\ suspicions$
- 15 are that probably 60 percent of the time, six
- 16 months in various kinds of clinical roles at the17 different hospitals.
- 18 Q. I assume you work full time the whole year?
- 19 A. Yeah, I do.
- 20 Q. And what percentage of your time do you now spend21 in administrative duties?
- 22 A. Well, this year, the past academic year, July to
- 23 June, I have had three months of clinical
- 24 attending responsibilities, two months at
- 25 Mt. Carmel East and one month at Children's

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Hospital. I have had night call responsibilities
in-house the entire year and that's four to five
nights a month.
Q. How many hours per night, the whole night?
a. Yes.
Q. From when to when?
A. Well, when I'm not attending in the nursery NICU
my night call responsibilities begin at 5:00 and
they continue through the next morning.
Q. About how much you actuaiiy do in ihe ciinic
depends on whether you're called or not?
A. That's correct.
Q. The three months when you were in clinical
service would you devote all your time to
clinical service during those three months?
A. It's almost impossible to do anything other than \diagdown
clinical work because of such a busy NICU.
Q. Other than the nine months being on call four or
five nights a month did you have any other

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- 20 clinical duties?
- 21 A. Only when somebody would be absent and I needed
- to cover for them, they were either away from the
- 23 clinic or not available to round the NICU.
- 24 Q. And that was your schedule until this past June?
- 25 A. Just this year. It's the first time this has

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- ever been I have had responsibilities, clinical
 responsibilities.
- 3 **Q.** What's your schedule after June?
- 4 A. It's not made out yet, but I expect it will
- continue about three months a year. I don't seethings changing.
- 7 Q. What administrative positions do you hold right8 now?
- 9 A. I'm medical director for quality improvement
- 10 services. I am the corporate compliance officer
- 11 for the Pediatric Academic Association. I'm
- 12 medical director for the transport program for
- 13 Children's Hospital. I'm medical director of the
- 14 speciai care nursery of Mt. Carmei East
- 15 Hospital. That's it, Ithink.
- 16 Q. Since getting your Master's from the University
 - of Minnesota in heaith care administration have
- you taken any other formal course work towardsany degree or certification?
- 23 A. I did complete a certification for the American
- Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization ReviewPhysicians.
- 23 Q. How much time did you spend doing that?
- 24 A. That involves basically reading four or five
- 23 books and sitting down, attending a seminar for

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1	two and a half days and completing a standardized	1	in this report?
2	test.	2	MS. HARRIS: Objection.
3	Q. Okay. So right now you're not taking any	3	You can answer. I'm objecting for the
4	courses?	4	record that, you know, your report contains
5	A. No, I am not.	5	all of your opinions or doesn't contain all
6	Q. All right. Okay. Let's go back to this case.	6	${ m of}$ your opinions or whether you will
7	Do you know Dr. Go?	7	formulate others.
8	A. No, I do not.	8	A. I have no opinions specifically additional
9	Q. Do you know any of the defendants in the case?	9	opinions specifically related to the malpractice
1 101	A. No, I da not.	10	issues raised in this case. I have other
11	Q. Do you know anybody from Deaconess Hospital?	11	opinions.
12	A. No, I do not.	12	Q. You don't find that Dr. Go, in your opinion,
13	Q. Let me turn to your report for a minute. You can	13	breached the standard of care in this case?
14	take either version. Are they identical?	14	A. No, Ido not.
15	A. As far as I know they're identical.	15	Q. Do you find that any of the medical health care
16	Q. By the way, did you review the exhibits to the	16	providers in this situation breached the standard
17	depositions that were provided to you?	17	of care?
18	A. No.	18	A. I do not think so.
19	Q. So you have never seen Dr. Go's handwritten	19	Q. No nurses, no doctors?
20	statement dated March 31st, '99?	20	A Not from based on the records that I reviewed
21	A If it's in the records Isaw it, but I can't	21	I cannot see any evidence where they breached the
22	remember specifically what you're talking about.	22	standard of care.
23	There was a large handwritten note that was part	23	Q. Okay. Looking at your report you apparently
24	of the medical record, I thought.	24	think Mrs. Stone is negligent?
25	MS. HARRIS: Ithink it's at the	25	A. Negligent is a strong word. I think Mrs. Stone
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1	22 end. All I can say, Kevin, is I did send it	1	24 has some responsibility for participating in the
2	to him.	2	follow-up of her child. And } my opinions
2	Q. Well, Iguess my question is have you reviewed	2	relate to the fact that I'm concerned that she
4	the office records of Dr. Go?	4	
5	A. Everything I have reviewed is right there.	4	did not follow through as she was instructed by the discharge advice given to her at the
	Q. You have been provided the office records of		
6 7	•	6	hospital.
8	Dr. Go by yourthe attorney who hired you in this case?	1	Q. Okay. When you say responsibility what do you mean by that?
9	A. Yes.	8	-
9 10		9	A. Well, Ithink the relationship between a patient
	Q. Also the office calendar of Dr. <i>Go?</i>	10	and a physician is a shared responsibility and I
11 12	A. Iguess.	11	think when I provide advice to a parent be it
	MR. ROBERTS: I don't think we have	12	written or verbal I would expect a parent to
13	ever seen that.	13	-
14	MS. HARRIS: it was turned over in	14	things changed based on the patient's clinical
15	discovery.	15	situation after the child goes home then I would
16	Q. And the Visiting Nurse Association records,	16	expect that parent to follow through and call me
17	correct?	17	about those particular issues. And I think that
18	A. Yes.	18	in looking at the records that I have looked
19	Q. Look at your report, please, July 22nd. Do you	19	at I'm concerned that, for whatever reason,
20	intend to supplement your report? As you sit	20	Mrs. Stone did not do as good a job in that
21	here today do you have any intention of doing	21	regard as she could have.
22	that?	22	Q. Well, the patient is Forrest Stone, right?
23	A. I have no intention of doing that, no.	23	A. That is correct.
24	MS. HARRIS: Unlike your experts.	24	Q. Okay. You are not blaming him, are you?
25	Q. Do you have any opinions that are not contained	25	MS. HARRIS: Objection.
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1 Q. It's kind of a rhetorical question. Q. He's a baby. 4 A. Should I dignify it with an answer? Q. All right. You are saying the patient has some responsibility?

7 A. The patient, Forrest and his mother. I see as a

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- 8 pediatrician you have obligations and they have
- 9 obligations to you. They go together.
- 10 Q. Okay. Let's look at your report ana iwant you
- to tell me everything that you think that Edna 11
- 12 Stone didn't do here or In any way in which she
- 13 failed in her obligations.
- 14 A. My report indicates that -- my concerns relate to
- 15 the failure of her to follow through on the
- 16 discharge instructions she was given, to call
- 17 your doctor if, and then I list four items here
- 18 where I felt that she should have followed
- 19 through on contacting Dr. Go. I list them as
- 20 item 1, instructs her to call if the infant's
- 21 eating habits change. Example, baby refuses to
- 22 eat at two consecutive feedings and is behaving
- 23 unusually. Mrs. Stone had to change from breast
- 24 feeding to formula because Forrest was having
- 25 problems. She did not call Dr. Go.

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1	Second item, item 5 instructs on your call
2	your doctor sheet instructs Mrs . Stone to call if
3	convulsion occurs. Apparently they were
4	concerned about Forrest twitching, but they did
5	not call Dr. Go.
6	Item 6 instructs Mrs. Stone to call if there
7	is blood in baby's vomit or stool. if the
8	bleeding from the circumcision site persisted,
9	the diaper would have contained blood. She
10	should have called Dr. Go as instructed.
11	Item 7 instructs Mrs. Stone to call if the
12	baby is unusually sleepy or cries constantly and
13	cannot be comforted for two or more hours. Even
14	when Forrest was sleeping a l ot she did not caii
15	Dr. Go.
16	Q. Anything else?
17	A. Well, I state in my report that when Miss Stone
18	did contact Dr. Go's office regarding Forrest's
19	yellow color, she never followed through with
20	Dr. Go's instruction to obtain a serum bilirubin
21	level.
22	Q. Before we get into this, do you believe that
23	Forrest Stone suffered any intrauterine traumatic
24	injury?
25	A I see no evidence in the record that there was

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- any trauma to this child of any great consequence 1 2 that occurred at the time of delivery. 3 Q. I'm saying before delivery? A. Nothing before delivery. 4 Q. Do you think he suffered any trauma from the time 5 he was discharged from Deaconess until he was 6 7 admitted to Metro on Wednesday the 31st? 8 A. I am concerned that the nature of this child's 9 injury is suspicious. And even though there was 10 an evaluation for child abuse i have discomfort 11 that something is not quite right here. 12 Q. Why? 13 A. The subdural hematoma that the child develops, if 14 it was related to the trauma at the time of --- if 15 there was trauma at the time of birth, which --16 and the child turns out to have hemophilia, which 17 he does, I would expect the bleeding to be much 18 more rapid and this subdural hematoma would have 19 presented as a clinical significant event sooner 20 than what it did. It seems that it -- timingwise 21 it's occurring much later. 22 I have no basis other than my clinical 23 experience with these matters to suggest
- 24 otherwise, but this just doesn't sit right with
- 25 me. But I have no basis other than what appears

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1	to be the sequence of events of the timing of	
2	when this became clinically significant. In my	
З	experience this is much later than what ${\tt I}$ would	
4	have expected and in my experience with babies	
5	who have bleeding disorders like hemophilia that	
6	experience an injury to the brain that causes	
7	subdural hemorrhage at the time of birth.	
В	Q. Well, how many such patients have you had?	
3	A. Probabiy over the years, 20 some years, maybe	
13	three or four patients.	
11	Q. Who had hemophilia?	
12	A. Who turned out to have a blood disorder like	
1:3	hemophilia, Factor VIII, Factor IX deficiency who	
14	present with a hemorrhage in the brain. in my	
15	experience those kids have presented in the first	
16	few days of fife and not day five or six if the	
17	injury occurs at the time of birth.	
18	Q. Would you expect someone to develop a subdural	
19	hematoma from the same injury at the same rate if	
20	they were missing Factor VIII as opposed to	
21	Factor IX?	
22	A. I don't think so. I have no reason to believe	
23	that.	
24	Q. Would it be a different rate \mathbf{cf} development of	
25	the subdural hematoma?	

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- A. I don't believe there would be a difference. The 1
- 2 bleeding would be --- I don't differentiate. I
- 3 think clinical things would be the same. The
- rate of bleeding would be similar. 4
- Q. Have you consulted any studies to support this 5
- opinion? 6
- 7 a. No.
- Q. Have you consulted any coileagues io support this 8
- 9 opinion?
- 13 A. I have no.
- 11 Q. This is based on three or four cases you remember
- in the last twenty years? 12
- A. It's based on the kids that I have seen who have 13
- presented at the neonatal intensive care unit 14
- 15 here at Children's Hospital with bleeding
- 16 disorders like hemophilia in the first time of
- 17 birth, you know.
- 18 Q. And in these particular cases that you experience
- 19 are these your patients?
- 20 A. My patients or my partner's patients. We operate
- 21 as a team so that, you know, I may be attending
- 22 this month but there is different ones attending
- 23 at night.
- 24 Q. So some of these three or four cases you might
- 25 have consulted as opposed to being the primary

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- physician? 1
- 2 A. I would not have been consulted, I would have
- 3 been the attending neonatologist or
- 4 cross-covering attenaing neonatologist for my
- 5 group.
- 6 Q. The first case you remember is what? What
- 7 happened?
- A. The most --- the characteristic example of what I 8
- have remembered from these few cases is a baby 9
- 10 turned out to have a hemophilia like disorder,
- 11 they presented with a subgaleal hemorrhage.
- That's S-U-B-G-A-L-E-A-Lhemorrhage. 12
- Q. Caused by what? 13

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- 14 A. Usually they have some sort of injury that occurs
- 15 in or about the time of birth in the process of
- 16 coming down the birth canal, you know is
- 17 suspected of hemophilia, delivers vaginally,
- sustains, you know, the typical amount of trauma 18
- 19 that's associated with any normal vaginal
- 20 delivery and the child has enough injury to the
- 21 membranes to cover the scalp that they will
- 22 hemorrhage into it, and they develop this very
- rapid increase in head size due to this blood 23
- 24 accumulating in this subgaleal space.
- 25 Q. How many times have you seen this same scenario?

- A. Probably three times.
- Q. And do you know what type or -- what type of

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- ٦ hemophilia was involved?
- A. Factor VIII and they many been master ix. Δ 5
- rate, sport Q. Were they characterized as severe, moderate, 6 mild?
- 7 A. I don't remember. It would seem to me, as far as the quality of the --- the severity of the 8
- 9 hemophilia, from my perspective it was severe
- 10 because it was a major hemorrhage, but I don't
- 11 follow these children so I can't provide an
- 12 opinion so much as it was a severe or moderate
 - case of hemophilia.
- 14 Q. How do they present the first few days?
 - MS. HARRIS: How do they appear, do you mean?
- 17 Q. Well, what led the physicians involved to 18 diagnose intracranial hemorrhage?
- 19 A. The most common reason is a sudden increase in
- 210 the head size. The circumference of the head
- increases very dramatically, literally right 21
- 22 before peoples' eyes.
- 213 Q. Sometime in the first three days?
- 214 A. When I have seen it it's been in the first 24 to
- 2Б 48 hours.

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hemorrhage?

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- Q. How much of an increase are we talking about?
- 2 A. Well, head Circumference of a newborn, full term
- baby is typically 35 centimeters, and it would 3
- 4 not be unusual for the baby's head size to
- 5 increase to 45 centimeters very quickly, within 6 hours.
- 7 Q. Would this be a localized subdural hematoma?
- A. No, this is a subgaleal hemorrhage. 8
- 9 Q. Describe that for me.
- A There is a membrane that covers the scalp and 10
- there is a space that normally contains nothing 11
- 12 because it's right on top of the bone, but that
- 13 space, that potential space is known as the
 - subgaleai space also known as the -- the
- 15 aponeurosis. so the space below it is the
- 16 subaponeurotic space and if there are blood
- 17 vesseis in the membranes on top of the bones and
- 1 a if they are injured and the child has a bleeding
- 19 disorder the blood fills up that space and it
- 20 just accumulates there and when you palpate the

A. It's not an intracranial hemorrhage, but it is

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- 22 scalp it feels like there is a lake of blood
- right beneath the surface of the skin. 2 Q. So you're not describing an intracranial

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1	equally as damaging because of the blood loss	1	
2	that you can have. Typically with an acute	2	
3	subdural hemorrhage we would not see an increase	3	CERTIFICATE
4	of head size, acute increase of head size.	4	CERTITICATE
5	Q. Babies who have a vaginal birth often suffer	5	The State of Ohio) SS: County of Cuyahdga.)
б	intracranial hemorrhage, do they not?	6	
7	A. I would disagree with that.	7	L Kelli Rae Page, a Notary Public within
8	Q. It's a known phenomena, is it not?	8	and for the State of Ohio, authorized to
9	A. It occurs, but it was not common.	9	depositions, do hereby certify that the above named RICHARDE MCCLEAD JR. M.D. was by
10	Q. Do you have a percenrage	01	me, before the giving of his deposition, first duly sworp to testify the truth the whole truth
11	A. Yes.	11	and nothing but the truth; that the deposition as
12	Q as common?	12	means of stenotypy and was later transcribed
13	A. Well, based on it's virtually very rare in a	13	a true record of the testimony given by the
14	term infant and it increases in frequency with	14	presence that said deposition was taken at the
15	the degree of prematurity. At 1250 grams the	15	notice or stipulations of counsel; that I am not
16	incidence is 4 percent, and as one goes down it	16	parties, or a relative or employee of such
17	increases to 20 percent in the neighbor of 500	17	action. I am not, nor is the court reporting firm with which I am affiliated under a contract
18	grams.	18	I, Kelli Rae Page, a Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio, authorized to administer oaths and to take and certify depositions, do hereby certify that the above-named RICHARD E. McCLEAD, JR., M.D., was by me, before the giving of his deposition, first duly sworn to testify the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; that the deposition as above-set forth was reduced to writing by me by means of stenotypy and was later transcribed into typewriting under my direction; that this Is a true record of the testimony given by the witness, and was subscribed by said witness in my presence that said deposition was taken at the aforemen tioned time, date and place pursuant to notice or stipulation\$ of counsel; that I am not a relative or employee of such attorney or financially interested in this action. 1 am not, nor is the court reporting firm with which I am affiliated, under a contract as defined in Civil Rule 28 (D).
19	Q. Forrest's weight was approximately what?	19	IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, at Cleveland Ohio, this day of, A.D. 20
20	A. Four kilo, I think. Eight pound baby, near close	20	day of, A.D. 20
21	to it. In the neighborhood of eight pounds.	21	
22	Q. If a baby is born vaginally its head can be	22	Kelli Bae Page Notary Public State of Ohio
23	misshapened?	23	Kelli Rae Page, Notary Public, State of Ohio 14237 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44107 My commission expires October 30, 2005.
24	A. Correct.	24	
25	Q. Would that indicate	25	
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1	THE NOTARY: May we go off the	1	
2	record?	2	WITNESS INDEX
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4	(Thereupon, a discussion was had off	4	CROSS-EXAMINATION RICHARD E. McCLEAD, JR., M.D. BY MR. ROBERTS 3
5	the record.)	5	EXHIBIT INDEX
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9	at 1:30 on Tuesday by telephone by consent	9	OBJECTION INDEX
10	of all parties.	10	OBJECTION BY PAGE M S. HARRIS: 23 M S. HARRIS: 24
11	MS. HARRIS: Okay. Thank you,	11	MS: HARRIS: 23 MS: HARRIS: 24
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