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Honorable Frank R. Addy, Circuit Court Judge

THE STATE,

RESPONDENT,

V.

KENNETH DAWSON,

APPELLANT

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1 (The following proceedings were had in open court.)

2 THE COURT: Thank you. Have a seat, please.

3 Go ahead with roll call.

4 CLERK OF COURT: All right, everyone. So we're going to
5 go ahead and start with roll call. If you'd just stand and
6 in a loud and clear voice, give us the information that you
7 see on the screens there. And I'll, again, call your juror
8 number and name. I do apologize in advance if I mispronounce
9 anyone's name.

10 Juror Number 1, James Abbott.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: James Abbott, 32 years old, dock
12 supervisor, married. Wife's occupation is vet tech.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

14 Juror Number 3, Jodi Adams.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes. Jodi Adams, age 53, occupation
16 interior designer. I'm married. My husband is a healthcare
17 executive.

18 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 5, Ian Akers.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ian Akers, age 29, occupation web
20 design. And I'm single.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 10, Mark Appelt.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mark Appelt, 40 years old. I'm a city
23 employee for parks and rec. And no spouse; single.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 15, Ronald Barnes.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ronald Barnes, 64. I'm retired retail

1 management. Wife is retired retail management.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 17, Rachel Bassett.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Rachel Bassett, age 31. Occupation,
4 I'm a healthcare administrator. And I'm not married.

5 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 30, James Blankenship.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: James Blankenship, 72 years old. I'm
7 a consultant in the building industry. My wife is a
8 technical writer. She's self-employed also.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 33, Ann Bonvallet.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ann Bonvallet, 63 years old,
11 registered nurse. Husband is a financial analyst.

12 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 35, Elise Brady.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Elise Brady, grants administrator for
14 MUSC. I'm 31.

15 CLERK OF COURT: And your marital status?

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Single.

17 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

18 Juror Number 42, Rashad Brown.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Rashad Brown, age 30, chef at MUSC.
20 Wife is administrative assistant.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 44, Margaret Bryant.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Margaret Bryant. I'm 53. I'm a
23 nurse practitioner, and my husband is an attorney.

24 CLERK OF COURT: And with which firm does he work?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: He's self-employed.

1 CLERK OF COURT: And what is the name of the firm?

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: Brown Law Group.

3 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

4 Juror Number 46, Lee Burch.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Lee Burch. I am 34. I am a health
6 administrator, and my husband's a financial consultant.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 49, Rodondo Burns.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Rodondo Burns, 43. I'm a painter, and
9 I'm not married.

10 CLERK OF COURT: I'm sorry. Could you repeat your
11 occupation for us?

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm a painter.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you so much.

14 Juror Number 52, Caitlin Byrne.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. I'm Caitlin Byrne. I'm 39. I
16 work in marketing for a healthcare corporation. I'm married,
17 and my husband is in analytics for a bank.

18 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

19 Juror Number 60, Andrew Christie.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Andrew Christie. I'm 45. I am a
21 hospitality consultant, and my wife is a school
22 administrator.

23 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 61, Brett Christmas.

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Brett Christmas. I'm 33, project
25 manager for network controls. And I'm not married.

1 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 62, Sarah Clere.

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Sarah Clere. I'm 46. I'm an
3 editor and writer, and my husband is an English professor.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 63, Angela Coaxum.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Angela Coaxum, 53. I'm a certified
6 surgical tech, and I'm not married.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 64, Marvin Coaxum.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Marvin Coaxum, 59, hotel manager. My
9 wife is a physical therapist administrator.

10 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 69, Nicholas Constandy.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. Nicholas Constandy, age 34. I'm
12 a visual effects artist. My wife is in occupational therapy
13 at MUSC.

14 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 73, Julia Cosgrove.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Julia Cosgrove, age 56, retired, prior
16 advertising TV sales. I'm married. My husband is vice
17 president of cellular sales.

18 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 75, John Culpepper.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: John Culpepper, 27, research tech,
20 single.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 76, Michelle Dame.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Michelle Dame, 40, finance commercial
23 banking. And my husband is benefits administration sales.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 81, Andrew Dellinger.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Andrew Dellinger, 36, accounting. My

1 wife is a commercial real estate agent and owns an event
2 planning business.

3 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 82, Jacquetta Dickerson.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jacquetta Dickerson, age 61,
5 occupation housekeeper. I'm not married.

6 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 83, Shannon Doherty.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Shannon Doherty. I'm 36. I'm a
8 manager for a nonprofit at Charleston Wine and Food, and I'm
9 not married.

10 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 86, Dalton Eachues.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Dalton Eachues, age 30. I'm a
12 receiver at Limehouse Produce, and I do not have a spouse.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 93, Paul Fisher.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Paul Fisher, 78, retired, previous
15 executive Dow Chemical Company. My wife is a retired nurse.

16 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 96, Patricia Forster.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Patricia Forster, age 67, database
18 manager at Roper St. Francis. And I'm single.

19 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 98, Terry Frazier.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: TJ Frazier. I'm 41. I own a
21 restaurant at Kiawah. My wife works for me.

22 Don't tell her I said that.

23 THE COURT: Don't feel bad; I'm in the same situation.

24 CLERK OF COURT: All right. Juror Number 101, Casey
25 Gates.

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: Casey Gates, age 38. I'm an
2 administrative assistant for Pierce Law Firm. And I'm
3 single.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

5 Juror Number 102, Tiffany Gauch.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. I'm Tiffany Gauch, age
7 50. I'm a general manager of a restaurant here in downtown
8 Charleston, and I'm single.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 103, Bonnie Geer.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Bonnie Geer, age 55, real estate. And
11 my husband's in real estate development.

12 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 106, Megan Glennon.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Megan Glennon. I'm 24. I'm a
14 registered nurse. And I am not married.

15 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 108, Jack Glueck.

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jack Glueck. My age is 63. My
17 occupation is retired. I was a radiology tech before then.
18 And my wife is --

19 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Retired.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- retired. And --

21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: Used to be a postal worker. Post
22 office.

23 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you so much.

24 Juror Number 112, Lawrence Gosnell.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Lawrence Gosnell. I'm 29. I'm an

1 executive sous for a hospitality company. And my wife is a
2 dental tech.

3 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 114, Carissa Graham.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Carissa Graham. I'm 39. I'm an
5 office manager for a contractor, and my husband is a pastor.

6 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 118, Leyna Hanson.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: Leyna Hanson, 43. I work in retail
8 operations, and my husband is a building inspector.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 120, Deborah Harrison.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Deborah Harrison. I'm 67
11 years old. I'm an executive housekeeper, and my husband is a
12 manager of the Magnolia.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 126, David Heming.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: David Heming. I'm 77. I'm a retired
15 nuclear submariner, and I'm working part time as a contractor
16 supporting the Navy as a subject matter expert in ASW. My
17 wife is retired, was a former office manager.

18 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 130, Alexis Hodge.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. I'm Alexis Hodge. I'm 23. I'm a
20 gardener and a part-time nanny, and I'm not married.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 132, Crissy Hollifield.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. I'm Crissy Hollifield, 43. I'm a
23 physical therapist's assistant, and I'm married to a nurse
24 practitioner.

25 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 135, Christopher Hubbard.

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: Christopher Hubbard. I'm a manager at
2 Publix Supermarket. I'm 38. My wife is a sales rep for
3 Transocean Containers.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 143, Tina Jones.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Tina Jones, 58, real estate. And
6 my spouse is retired from AT&T.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 146, Rebecca Kearse.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Rebecca Kearse. I'm 63. I'm a
9 retired registered nurse, and my husband's retired from state
10 law enforcement.

11 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 147, Billy Kelly.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: Billy Kelly, 59. I'm an electrical
13 project manager, and I'm not married.

14 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 150, Jessica Klawinsky.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Jessica Klawinsky. I work
16 for MUSC as a medical office assistant. I also own a welding
17 business, and my husband works for me.

18 CLERK OF COURT: And what is your age, ma'am?

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thirty-seven.

20 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

21 Juror Number 152, Elena Kolodji.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Elena Kolodji, 20 years old. I work
23 food and bev, and I am not married.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 156, Gregory Lawrence.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Gregory Lawrence. I work

1 in hospitality. I'm 25 and single.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 159, John Lepish.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm John Lepish. I'm 33. I'm
4 separating from the Navy after eight and a half years as a
5 nuclear operator and looking to move back to Texas to be an
6 engineer there. And I'm also single.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 162, Jacob Lindsey.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jacob Lindsey. I'm 44. I work in
9 real estate, and my wife is a psychotherapist.

10 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 163, Luke Linhart.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Luke Linhart. I am 22. I
12 work as a sales associate for the Charleston RiverDogs, and
13 I'm single.

14 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 165, Vincent Lovett.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Vincent Lovett, manager of a travel
16 agency. My wife is a retired nurse. And I'm 55.

17 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

18 Juror Number 166, Gabriel Lowder.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Gabriel Lowder. I'm 35.
20 I'm married. And my wife and I are content creators.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 167, Mary Ellen Lussier.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mary Ellen Lussier. I'm 52. I work
23 for Baker Motor Company, and my fiance is retired.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 172, Merofia Mastoridis.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mia Mastoridis, age 36. I work in

1 food and bev, and I am not married.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 173, Barbara Mazar.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Barbara Mazar, age 62, retired retail
4 manager. And my husband is a facility manager.

5 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 175, Christy McConnell.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Christy McConnell, age 43, patient
7 marketing for a tech company. And I'm not married.

8 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 176, William McCutchen.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: William McCutchen, age 41. I am a
10 research and development chemist in the pharmaceutical
11 industry, and I am not married.

12 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 178, Dexter McIlwain.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Dexter McIlwain, age 63, occupation
14 retired from the Air Force Reserve and Dominion Energy. My
15 wife is unemployed, former employer Charleston County School
16 District.

17 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

18 Juror Number 179, Erin McMillan.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Erin McMillan, 37, orthodontic
20 assistant. And my husband is an environmental consultant.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 181, Randy Merrill.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes. Randy Merrill, age 58, truck
23 driver. And my wife is an instructional designer.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 183, Deneen Middleton.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Deneen Middleton, age 60, director of

1 educational services, unmarried.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 184, Joshua Middleton.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Joshua Middleton, Charleston
4 County employee. And I'm single.

5 CLERK OF COURT: And what is your age?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Twenty-three.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

8 Juror Number 185, Reggie Miller.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Reggie Miller, 23, self-employed. I
10 run a private-sector catering business. And I'm single.

11 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 186, Joseph Mills.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: Joseph Mills, 32, building maintenance
13 for Greystar. And I'm divorced.

14 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 191, Mackenzie Moore.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mackenzie Moore, 31, registered nurse,
16 single.

17 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 195, Kaylee Murrell.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. My name is Kaylee Murrell. I'm
19 44. I'm a stay-at-home mom, and I'm married. My husband is
20 a software engineer and director.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 200, Anthony Nusdeo.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Anthony Nusdeo, 62, contractor,
23 married, State Farm Insurance agent.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 201, Ava Nye.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ava Nye. I'm 18 years old, and I'm a

1 supervisor at a retail store. And I'm single.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 205, Manton Paine.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Manton Paine, age 37. I work in
4 commercial real estate, and my wife is the head of account
5 management of a software company.

6 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 207, Pablo Pasiecznik.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: Pablo Pasiecznik, 58, HR manager,
8 single.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 208, Jane Patneau.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jane Patneau, age 64, real estate
11 broker. My husband is in commercial printing and paper
12 sales.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 210, Dylan Perry.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Dylan Perry, 27, water distribution
15 mechanic, single.

16 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 213, Gerald Powers.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Gerald Powers, 38. I'm a pharmacist,
18 and my wife is a pharmacist.

19 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 214, Ryan Prater.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ryan Prater, 43, electrical engineer.
21 And my wife is a registered nurse.

22 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 216, Whitney Quick.

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Whitney Quick, 42, program manager at
24 a defense contracting company. And my husband is a
25 cybersecurity and solutions tech.

1 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 218, Mehrdad Rahmaniyan.

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mehrdad Rahmaniyan, age 58. I'm a
3 cancer researcher at MUSC. I'm single.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

5 Juror Number 220, Danielle Ray.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Danielle Ray. I'm a
7 housekeeper. I'm 37. I'm not married.

8 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 224, Eric Rentz.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Eric Rentz. I'm 24. And my wife and
10 I are content creators.

11 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 226, Blair Rice.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Blair Rice, 53 years old,
13 financial planner. And my wife is in the baby equipment
14 rental business.

15 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 227, Aaron Richard.

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hi. I'm Aaron Richard, 43. I'm the
17 manager of a large loss specialty coverage investigation team
18 for an insurance carrier, and my wife is a clinical
19 therapist.

20 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 230, Evan Roberts.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Evan Roberts, 28. I am a middle
22 school teacher, and my wife is a solicitor.

23 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 232, Adam Robinovitz.

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Adam Robinovitz, age 53, real estate
25 developer. My wife is a public school teacher.

1 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

2 Juror Number 234, Kristen Rodgers.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hello. Kristen Rodgers, 38. I'm an
4 HIN specialist at Trident Medical Center. And my wife is a
5 nurse at Roper St. Francis.

6 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 239, Ty Salter.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm Ty Salter, 21. My job is a
8 facilities support specialist, and my wife is in student
9 teaching for Charleston Southern University.

10 CLERK OF COURT: I'm sorry. Could you repeat your
11 wife's occupation?

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: She's in student teaching for
13 Charleston Southern University.

14 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

15 Juror Number 244, Taylor Schneider.

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Taylor Schneider. I'm 22. I'm a
17 graduate student at the University of Delaware. And I'm
18 single.

19 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 252, Isaac Smalls.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Isaac Smalls. I'm 70 years
21 old.

22 And may I use this opportunity to request dismissal from
23 the jury pool because of my age?

24 THE COURT: We'll talk about that later. Okay?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

1 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: My occupation is a driver. My wife
3 works at an elementary school.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 253, Eric Smay.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Eric Smay, 45, business executive,
6 technical officer. And my wife is a homeschool educator.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 255, Mallory Smith.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. I'm Mallory Smith, 37.
9 I work in finance, and my husband works in land management
10 and development.

11 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 258, Lucas Strehl.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: Lucas Strehl, 29. I'm a landscape
13 contractor, and my wife is a marketing communications
14 manager.

15 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 259, Arianna Tahaei.

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. I am Arianna Tahaei. I
17 am 29. I teach in CCSD and I'm in real estate, and I am not
18 yet married.

19 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

20 Juror Number 263, Joseph Trapanese.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Joseph Trapanese, age 48, automotive
22 repair manager, and divorced single parent.

23 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

24 Juror Number 265, Colleen Trepén.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. Colleen Trepén, 47. I

1 am an executive director of a nonprofit. My husband is a
2 systems engineer with the Department of Defense.

3 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 273, Lydia Vizbulis.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Lydia Vizbulis, 61, Intercruises port
5 manager, laid off as of Friday; part-time event manager for
6 Event Partners. And I'm single.

7 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

8 Juror Number 274, Susannah Wakefield.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. Susannah Wakefield.
10 I'm 56. I'm a research coordinator at MUSC, and I'm single.

11 CLERK OF COURT: And could you repeat your age for us?

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: Fifty-six.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

14 Juror Number 276, Colin Ward.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Colin Ward, 25. I'm a marine
16 biologist for the State of South Carolina, and I'm not
17 married.

18 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 279, Frederick Warner.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Frederick Warner, 64. I'm a climate
20 change entrepreneur, and I'm not married.

21 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 281, Jenny West.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jenny West. I'm 36. I work in
23 marketing, and I am not married.

24 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 282, Derell Whitley.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Derell Whitley, age 37, housekeeper

1 inspector and Amazon delivery driver.

2 CLERK OF COURT: And your marital status?

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Single.

4 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

5 Juror Number 283, Ashley Wibel.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ashley Wibel, age 30. I'm a retail
7 associate at a garden center, and my husband is a financial
8 advisor.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 285, Elizabeth Wieters.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Elizabeth Wieters, 43. I'm an
11 attorney with Hall Booth Smith, and my husband is a trust
12 officer.

13 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 286, Nadiyah Wigfall.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Nadiyah Wigfall, 41. I
15 work as a newborn infant specialist with Heaven Sent Night
16 Nursing, self-employed. And I'm single.

17 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 288, Daniel Williams.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Danny Williams. I'm a
19 machine operator. I'm 32 and single.

20 CLERK OF COURT: Could you repeat your occupation for
21 us?

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Machine operator.

23 CLERK OF COURT: Thank you.

24 Juror Number 290, Jesse Williams.

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning. Jesse Williams, age 39,

1 occupation biotech. And I'm not married.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 292, John Wise.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: John Wise, age 55, HR consultant.

4 Spouse is a project manager.

5 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 296, Richard Yocius.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Richard Yocius, 62. I'm a
7 self-employed actuarial consultant, and my wife is a retired
8 nurse.

9 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 298, Anthony Young.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Anthony Young, age 24, occupation City
11 of Charleston ground maintenance. I'm single.

12 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 300, Ruth Zheltov.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ruth Zheltov, age 34. I work with
14 CCSD as a special ed paraprofessional, and my husband is an
15 architect.

16 CLERK OF COURT: Juror Number 158, Sharitta Lemon.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: My name is Sharitta Lemon. I'm 30
18 years old, and I'm a dietitian and single.

19 CLERK OF COURT: Is there any name that I did not call?

20 Yes, sir.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Robert Reid, 222.

22 THE COURT: Okay. If you could stand and give us your
23 information, please.

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah. Robert Reid, age 38. I run a
25 family investment office, and my wife has a graphic design

1 company.

2 CLERK OF COURT: Okay. Is there any other name that I
3 did not call?

4 All right.

5 THE COURT: All right, everyone. Good morning. I'll
6 start, if I may, with introductions.

7 My name is Frank Addy. I am -- when I'm not working for
8 my wife, I am a circuit judge. And I, of course, am employed
9 by the South Carolina Judicial Branch. I live in Greenwood,
10 and it is always a pleasure when they choose to assign me
11 down here to the Holy City. So I will tell you it's been at
12 least a year and a half or two years since I've had the
13 opportunity to join you here in Charleston. And, of course,
14 I love your community. I love coming down here.

15 My wife, Kelly Addy -- you've talked about your wives,
16 your husbands; I'll talk about mine. The lady I work for,
17 she's actually a nurse practitioner. She works at the
18 hospital. It's Self Regional in Greenwood. I am 57. She is
19 50. She was a child bride. My friends from college gave me
20 a lot of grief about that.

21 And under the heading of "Helpful Marital Advice," my
22 grandparents, the very last time that they were able to
23 attend the South Carolina State Fair, they had a contest
24 right there where -- it was one of the shows that they were
25 doing. Okay? So they got some sort of act up there.

1 And the emcee of the act says, "All right. We're going
2 to do a little experiment here. Everybody who's been married
3 more than 40 years, I want you to stand up." So everybody --
4 you know, a lot of people stand up.

5 He says, "All right. If you were married less than 50
6 years, sit down." All right. So still some people.

7 "Less than 60 years, sit down." Maybe three or four
8 couples were still there.

9 "Less than 70 years, sit down." My grandparents were
10 the only ones standing. Okay? So there's a big round of
11 applause. As you can imagine, this is the state fair; you're
12 figuring they're going to win a pig or a cow or a calf or
13 something.

14 So they call them up to the stage. And the first
15 question out of the emcee's mouth to my grandfather is,
16 "Mr. Addy, I want to know how it is that you and your wife
17 have managed to be married for a full -- how many years?"

18 My grandfather said, "Seventy-two years."

19 "How did you manage to be married for 72 years?"

20 And without a missing a beat, he turns to him and says,
21 "I do every damn thing she says."

22 So gentlemen, let that be a lesson to you. Okay?
23 Especially you single ones out there.

24 We've recently celebrated our 27th anniversary. We made
25 it through two kids that are grown, but it seems like we're

1 still spending money on them. I can't figure that out.

2 Again, ladies and gentlemen, I want to thank you for
3 being here this morning. And I will let you know that I've
4 been in communication with your local solicitor's office and
5 the other attorneys here. We have a case on the trial docket
6 this week. It is a case that has to be tried this week.

7 And we did a late afternoon -- Friday afternoon switch
8 whereby I became the trial judge and a recently elected judge
9 took my assignments down here. So I'm the one trying this
10 case this week.

11 I will let you know that in communicating with the
12 attorneys, it is anticipated that this case will conclude,
13 hopefully, with the testimony by Wednesday. All right? So
14 we are not talking about a very protracted trial. That's
15 when we anticipate the testimony concluding. It could bleed
16 over into Thursday.

17 I will let you know that there's a mandatory conference
18 in Columbia this Friday that all judges in the state have to
19 attend. It's part of the bar conference. It's mandatory.
20 So I assure you I will not be here Friday. That means the
21 case will conclude at the very latest on Thursday. All
22 right?

23 I also have my niece's wedding this weekend. She's
24 getting married in Columbia. My brother is an OB/GYN, so
25 don't feel sorry for him when I tell you he is spending so

1 much money. We're talking the Episcopal Church, a sit-down
2 dinner at one of those fancy country clubs in Columbia. And
3 so, you know, of course he's an OB/GYN, though, so he earns
4 probably four times what I make. I'm really not feeling very
5 sorry for him.

6 Along those lines, those of you who work in medicine, I
7 really respect that. I appreciate that. My ethics professor
8 in law school was John Freeman, an Irish Catholic from Notre
9 Dame graduate. Heck of a funny guy. He goes -- he tells us
10 one day, "When you graduate, understand a lot of your friends
11 from undergraduate, they went into medicine. They're going
12 to earn four times what you make. All right? You guys, you
13 gotta understand, though, your job does not involve touching
14 anyone anywhere that you don't want to, and there's a premium
15 on that. So that's why they're getting paid four times more
16 than you are earning."

17 I'm glad my brother is making that money. That's not
18 something I'm interested in. I'm glad my wife's doing what
19 she does. That's something I'm not interested in. Okay? So
20 for those of you in the medical field, thank you for what you
21 do.

22 Now, ladies and gentlemen, I do understand the
23 inconvenience that jury service causes to your personal and
24 your professional lives. Again, your presence here this
25 morning is absolutely necessary in order for us to resolve

1 the case that we do have on the trial docket this week. All
2 right?

3 We've been through roll call. We've learned a little
4 bit about you. And now it's time for me to ask you questions
5 that basically determine your qualification and eligibility
6 to serve as jurors.

7 Understand, ladies and gentlemen, state law requires
8 that I ask these questions of you. And I've had this job for
9 about 15 years now, and in my professional experience, some
10 of these questions may touch on something that's perhaps a
11 little bit personal, something maybe you're not comfortable
12 disclosing in front of everybody who's in here. When I ask a
13 question, if you need to respond to it and you're comfortable
14 doing so, what I'll ask is that you simply stand up and give
15 me a response to that question. Okay?

16 If, however, any question that I ask causes you any
17 embarrassment whatsoever, that's fine. You don't have to
18 stand. Because at the end of me asking all the questions,
19 what I'll do is give you a chance to come forward down here
20 and speak with me privately next to my court reporter. Okay?
21 I do not want to cause anyone any undue embarrassment. So if
22 any question that I ask causes you any hesitation whatsoever,
23 just make a mental note of that question and remember to come
24 forward when I ask you to, because it's absolutely essential
25 that we have accurate information concerning all our jurors.

1 All right?

2 Now, here are the questions regarding qualifications to
3 serve as jurors.

4 First, is there any member of the jury panel who is not
5 a United States citizen? If so, please stand.

6 No one is standing.

7 Is there any member of the jury panel who is not a
8 resident and citizen of Charleston County, South Carolina?
9 If so, please stand.

10 All right. And yes, sir. What is your name, please?

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Danny Williams.

12 THE COURT: And do you recall your juror number,
13 Mr. Williams?

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: 288.

15 THE COURT: 288? All right.

16 Where are you living, Mr. Williams?

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Berkeley County. Goose Creek.

18 THE COURT: All right. Did you recently move there,
19 Mr. Williams?

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes.

21 THE COURT: Okay. That's fine. Mr. Williams, you're
22 free to go. I'll let the clerk up there know you can serve
23 jury duty up there.

24 Mr. Williams, one piece of advice: Go ahead and get
25 your driver's license changed. Okay? Because the highway

1 patrol, if they stop you they can fine you 50 bucks. I found
2 that out the hard way about 30 years ago. So log onto their
3 website. They'll send you a brand new driver's license
4 without charge. Okay?

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay. Thank you.

6 THE COURT: All right. Take care, Mr. Williams.

7 And yes, sir. Your name and number?

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Dylan, Number 210.

9 I live in Berkeley County, Moncks Corner.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: I just moved there maybe two, three
12 weeks ago.

13 THE COURT: Gotcha. All right. Same goes for you.
14 Have a good day. Thank you for coming.

15 All right. No one else is standing.

16 All right. Is there any member of the jury panel who is
17 unable to read, write, speak, or understand the English
18 language? If so, please stand.

19 And that is the dumbest question that state law requires
20 that I ask of you because if you don't understand English,
21 you have no idea what's going on here.

22 All right. Is there any member of the jury panel who
23 has less than a sixth-grade education or its equivalent? If
24 so, please stand.

25 All right. No one's standing.

1 Does any member of the jury panel suffer from any mental
2 or physical issues that affect your ability -- that you think
3 would affect your ability to serve on a jury?

4 I'll tell you there's not a lot of lifting involved with
5 jury service. Typically, you need to be able to sit for
6 maybe an hour or so between breaks and hear the testimony.
7 That's really all that's required of you.

8 And yes, sir. Your name, please?

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Jack Glueck.

10 THE COURT: Mr. Flint, do you --

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Glueck.

12 THE COURT: Do you recall your juror number?

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: 108.

14 THE COURT: 108. Yes, sir.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Can I talk to you in private?

16 THE COURT: Oh, yeah. Yeah. Do you need me to come
17 back there now and talk to you or you --

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: (Indicated.)

19 THE COURT: All right. Time out for two seconds. We're
20 going to go ahead and talk to this gentleman.

21 COURT REPORTER: You want me to come too?

22 THE COURT: No.

23 COURT REPORTER: Okay.

24 THE COURT: You're good. I'll tell you later.

25 (A discussion was had off the record.)

1 THE COURT: Juror 108 is excused.

2 (The Court instructed the court reporter to indicate
3 that Juror 108's wife was with him and said he had a stroke
4 and it's affected everything, including his mind.)

5 THE COURT: All right. Anyone else?

6 All right. No one is standing.

7 Is there any member of the jury panel who's been
8 convicted of a guilty plea or a trial in any state or federal
9 court of a crime that carries the punishment of more than a
10 year in prison?

11 Now, I'm not asking if you've actually done a year in
12 prison. Okay? This question would only apply if you've been
13 convicted of a crime that carries the possible sentence of
14 more than a year in prison. A good rule of thumb, if you've
15 been on probation before, this question may apply to you.
16 Okay?

17 Yes, sir. Your name, please?

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Derell Whitley, 282.

19 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: You said probation?

21 THE COURT: If you've been on probation, it might apply
22 to you.

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

24 THE COURT: Okay. You've been on probation before?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

1 THE COURT: And do you recall --

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: Three times.

3 THE COURT: Okay. Do you recall what you were convicted
4 of, sir?

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Distribution and trafficking in
6 heroin, marijuana.

7 THE COURT: Okay. You would --

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Three times.

9 THE COURT: All right. Very good, sir.

10 All right. You're free to go. You would be excused,
11 sir. Thank you very much for coming.

12 Yes, sir. Your name and number again, please?

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Rodondo Burns, 49.

14 THE COURT: Mr. Burns. Yes, sir.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: I been on probation, and I was in
16 prison twice.

17 THE COURT: Okay. And it was for something that carries
18 more than a year, sir?

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

20 THE COURT: All right. Very good. Mr. Burns, you're
21 free to go. Thank you for coming, sir.

22 All right. Anyone else?

23 No one is standing.

24 I don't think this applies, but I'll just double check.

25 Is there any member of the jury panel who is a clerk or

1 deputy clerk of court; constable, sheriff, or other
2 commissioned law enforcement officer; probate judge, county
3 commissioner, magistrate, or other county officer; or is
4 employed within the walls of any courthouse? If so, please
5 stand.

6 No one is standing.

7 And is there any member of the jury panel who has
8 previously served as a member of the Charleston County Grand
9 Jury during the past several years? If so, please stand.

10 Yes, ma'am.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Does that include the federal court
12 across the street?

13 THE COURT: It does not. No. Just this county grand
14 jury.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Oh, sorry.

16 THE COURT: All right. You're good.

17 All right. We now move to jury exemptions. And state
18 law does provide for several exemptions to jury service.

19 If an exemption applies to you, it doesn't mean you're
20 disqualified from serving. It just means that you have the
21 right to say, "Judge, I appreciate the invitation, but I'm
22 going to take a pass on jury service." All right? It
23 doesn't mean you're disqualified. It means you have the
24 right to say, "I simply choose not to serve."

25 Now, the first exemption deals with those of you who are

1 65 years of age or older. State law does have an exemption
2 for anyone who's reached the age of 65. I think the
3 reasoning behind the exemption is if you made it to that age,
4 you've probably done enough for our country and our state.
5 We're not going to force you to serve on a jury.

6 At the same time, if you have made it to that age and
7 you'd like to stay with us, we'd love to have you if you're
8 inclined to stay.

9 If there is any member of the jury panel, though, who is
10 65 years or older who would like to claim that exemption,
11 please stand.

12 And yes, sir. Your name? Were you Mr. Smalls?

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: I am.

14 THE COURT: Yes, sir. And how old are you, Mr. Smalls?

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Seventy.

16 THE COURT: You're 70? All right. Mr. Smalls, you're
17 free to go if you want to claim it.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

19 THE COURT: He wants to claim it. All right.

20 Have a good day, Mr. Smalls.

21 That was Juror Number 252.

22 And yes, sir. Your name?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: James Blankenship.

24 THE COURT: And do you recall your juror number, sir?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: 30.

1 THE COURT: Number 30. And I think you said you were 72
2 years old?

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

4 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Blankenship, if you want to
5 be excused, you're free to go.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

7 THE COURT: All right. He's leaving.

8 Have a good day, Mr. Blankenship.

9 Anyone else?

10 All right. I know we have at least four other jurors
11 who are over 65 who are choosing to stay. Thank you very
12 much for staying with us.

13 Now, another exemption concerns prior jury service.
14 Nobody is required to serve as a juror more often than once
15 every three calendar years. So if you previously served on
16 jury duty that's summoned in this courthouse -- if it was
17 federal or magistrate or city, I can't help you. But if you
18 were summoned here in the last three years to serve on either
19 a civil jury trial or a criminal jury trial, I can exempt
20 you.

21 Any member of the jury panel that thinks that they
22 previously served on jury duty in the last three years? If
23 so, please stand.

24 No one is standing.

25 Persons who have served as grand jurors in the last five

1 calendar years can also be exempted from jury service. So if
2 there's any member of the jury panel who has served on any
3 grand jury -- state or federal -- in the last five years who
4 wants to claim the exemption, please stand.

5 Yes. It wasn't in the last five years for you?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: (Indicated.)

7 THE COURT: No? All right. Good enough.

8 Next exemption deals with anyone who has small kids or
9 small children. I need you to listen carefully. The
10 exemption has three parts, all of which have to apply to you
11 in order for me to exempt you from jury service on this
12 basis.

13 I can exempt you from jury service if you have a small
14 child or children who are under the age of 7, you have
15 primary responsibility for taking care of them, and you
16 cannot find alternate arrangements for childcare while you're
17 here at the courthouse performing jury duty. Okay? So
18 again, kid under the age of 7, your primary job is to look
19 after them, and you can't find anyone to sit or stay with
20 them while you're here.

21 Any member of the jury panel who feels that all three of
22 those would apply to them?

23 And yes, ma'am. Your name, please?

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Danielle Ray.

25 THE COURT: And do you recall your number?

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: 220.

2 THE COURT: 220? And you've got small kids, Ms. Ray?

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: I have three.

4 THE COURT: You have three. All right. I've had two.

5 My condolences.

6 All right. And I assume your primary job is to take
7 care of them?

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

9 THE COURT: Okay. How old are they?

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: One and I have twins that are seven
11 months.

12 THE COURT: Ms. Ray, hats off to you. Have a nice day.
13 Take care of yourself.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

15 THE COURT: All right? Thank you.

16 And yes, ma'am, in the greenish sweater, your name and
17 number?

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Lee Burch, 46.

19 I have a two-month-old. I'm currently on maternity
20 leave.

21 THE COURT: Okay. Ms. Burch, have a nice day. Take
22 care of your self.

23 All right. And yes, ma'am?

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Caitlin Byrne, 52.

25 I have a 9-, 7-, and 4-year-old.

1 THE COURT: Ms. Byrne -- okay. And I guess the
2 marketing that you do, you're able to --

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: I work from home.

4 THE COURT: You work from home. All right.

5 Ms. Byrne, have a nice day. Take care of yourself.

6 And yes, sir. Your name again, please?

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: Nicholas Constandy, 69.

8 My son is in daycare three days a week. I watch him the
9 other two days. I can check with the daycare to see if they
10 can watch him the other. It's Tuesday and Thursday he
11 doesn't attend that I watch him. My wife works full time at
12 MUSC.

13 THE COURT: And what time does he normally get out of
14 daycare?

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: We usually pick him up around 5:00.

16 THE COURT: Okay. You usually pick him up?

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah. I usually pick him up and drop
18 him off.

19 THE COURT: Okay. The pickup might be the trick. In
20 talking to the attorneys, we may go a little bit late some
21 days.

22 Your wife, I assume she couldn't be able to pick him up?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: It depends. Some days she gets out
24 earlier than others. Sometimes she stays a little bit late.
25 It really --

1 THE COURT: I know how autocratic daycares can be, is
2 what I'm saying. They really want you there at 5:00 to get
3 the kid because they want you --

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah. I think it's 5:30 is the
5 latest.

6 THE COURT: The dropdead date, yeah. The dropdead time,
7 yeah.

8 All right. Mr. Constandy, I'm going to excuse you.
9 Have a nice day, sir.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

11 THE COURT: All right. 69 is excused for practical
12 reasons.

13 All right. No one else is standing.

14 The next exemption deals with those of you who are
15 attending school or working in some capacity with a school.
16 If the exemption applies with you, what I can ask the clerk
17 of court to do is to transfer you to a term of court in the
18 summer.

19 Are y'all doing year-round school here yet?

20 No? Okay.

21 So if this applies to you, what I'll do is ask her to
22 shift your jury service to sometime in June or July at a time
23 that hopefully won't conflict with your school obligation.

24 So if there is any member of the jury panel who's a
25 full-time student, teacher, administrator, or works in any

1 other capacity with a school and you want to claim this
2 exemption, please stand.

3 And yes, sir. Your name and number again, please?

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Luke Linhart.

5 THE COURT: And do you recall your number, sir?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: 163.

7 THE COURT: 163? Okay.

8 And you're in school now or you teach?

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm in school with Trident.

10 THE COURT: Okay. What are you studying?

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Criminal justice.

12 THE COURT: All right. How ironic.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: My class actually starts today.

14 THE COURT: Today. All right.

15 Mr. Linhart -- Linhart, correct?

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Correct.

17 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Linhart, are you going to be
18 taking summer session?

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: It's -- I take two in the spring
20 session.

21 THE COURT: Okay. So you'll be available in June or
22 something?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes.

24 THE COURT: Okay. Perfect opportunity for you.

25 We're going to transfer Number 163, Mr. Linhart, to

1 sometime in June. Okay?

2 You'll get another summons, sir. Thank you for coming.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

4 THE COURT: And yes, ma'am. Your name, please, and
5 number?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Arianna Tahaei, Juror 259.

7 I teach at Whitesides Elementary. I'm not a student,
8 but I didn't know -- I thought I heard "teach."

9 THE COURT: Okay. And what was your number again?

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: 259.

11 THE COURT: 259. Gotcha.

12 Okay. And in June, would that work better -- June or
13 July?

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: That would be better. And I'm sure my
15 ankle will be healed by then too.

16 THE COURT: Right. I was seeing --

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: So I appreciate rain-checking it.

18 THE COURT: Yeah.

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

20 THE COURT: Move her to a term in June or July.

21 You'll get another summons. Okay, ma'am?

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

23 THE COURT: All right. Hope you feel better.

24 And yes, ma'am?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Taylor Schneider, 244.

1 I'm a full-time grad student at University of Delaware.

2 THE COURT: Okay. And what are you working on? What
3 are you studying?

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Strategic communications.

5 THE COURT: Strategic communications. Okay. Fantastic.
6 In Delaware?

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: It's an online program.

8 THE COURT: Oh, okay. All right. I assume there will
9 be classes throughout the day?

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes.

11 THE COURT: Okay. Ms. Schneider, very good. We'll move
12 you also to June or July, if that's okay.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: I also have classes then.

14 THE COURT: You also have classes then? All right.

15 We're going to find Ms. Schneider after she graduates.
16 All right?

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

18 THE COURT: Take care of yourself, Ms. Schneider.

19 And yes, ma'am?

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: I work at West Ashley High School
21 every day. And I came because if I can't -- I have to do
22 full time with my kids during the summer.

23 THE COURT: Okay.

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: So that's why I was here.

25 THE COURT: What was your name and number again, ma'am?

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: Ruth Zheltov, 300.

2 THE COURT: 300. Okay.

3 And you do special ed?

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes.

5 THE COURT: All right. I've got a niece who's special
6 ed. That's really cool what you do.

7 All right. Ms. Zheltov, have a nice day. Take care.
8 Thank you.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

10 THE COURT: All right. No one else is standing.

11 All right. I don't think this applies, but I'll just
12 double check.

13 Are there any members of the jury panel who work at the
14 Department of Corrections at a prison and you want to be
15 exempted? If so, please stand.

16 No one is standing.

17 All right. Next question, ladies and gentlemen, I'm
18 going to read it the way the law has it written out, and then
19 I'm just going to give you kind of the commonsense
20 explanation for this because it's a little convoluted.

21 Is there any juror who performs services for a business,
22 commercial, or agricultural enterprise that are so essential
23 to the operation of that enterprise that if you had to
24 perform jury duty, the enterprise would have to close or stop
25 functioning?

1 That's a legalistic way to ask a simple question.

2 If you are self-employed, you've got no one who works
3 with you, no one who works for you, and because you're having
4 to perform jury duty your business is 100 percent shut down,
5 nothing is going on. All right?

6 The example I typically give is a plumber. He works out
7 of his van, off his cell phone. He has no assistant, nobody
8 who works with him. And he basically goes from house to
9 house or business to business making plumbing calls all day
10 long. And because he's here at the courthouse performing
11 jury duty, his plumbing business is a hundred percent closed.

12 All right? So that's what I'm getting at.

13 Any member of the jury panel who feels that exemption
14 may apply to them and wants to claim it? If so, please
15 stand.

16 And yes, sir. Your --

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Reggie Miller, 185.

18 THE COURT: You were a PI? I think you said you were a
19 PI?

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hmm?

21 THE COURT: What do you do for a living?

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm a private chef and caterer.

23 And --

24 THE COURT: Can you repeat that, please?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Private chef and caterer.

1 THE COURT: Okay.

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: And I cook for a family during the
3 week.

4 THE COURT: Okay. All right. And so basically you're
5 self-employed and that's -- you have the cooking you do and
6 -- I didn't catch the first thing that you said.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: Private chef and caterer.

8 Private chef and caterer.

9 THE COURT: Private chef. Okay. Okay. I'm sorry. I
10 need to put some Q-tips in my ear. I'm sorry.

11 Private chef. As a foodie myself, I understand what
12 you're saying. I love it. I need to eat at least three
13 times a day.

14 Have a nice day. Thank you for coming, sir.

15 All right. Anyone else?

16 No one is standing.

17 All right. Last question, ladies and gentlemen.

18 Is there any juror who's the primary caretaker of a
19 severely disabled person who cannot care for themselves or be
20 left unattended? Or is there any juror who's the primary
21 caretaker of someone who is 65 years of age or older? If so,
22 please stand.

23 And yes, sir. Your name and number, please?

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Joshua Middleton, Number 184.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Middleton.

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: I take care of my sister when I get
2 off work for my mom. She has a rare genetic disorder, and
3 she's really dependent on us.

4 THE COURT: Okay. I'm sorry.

5 And what time do you usually get off work?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: I usually get off at 4:30.

7 THE COURT: 4:30? Okay.

8 How old is your sister?

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: She's 20.

10 THE COURT: Twenty? All right.

11 But she basically needs somebody there with her at all
12 times, I assume.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

14 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Middleton was it?

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

16 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Middleton, thank you for
17 coming. You're free to go, sir.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

19 THE COURT: All right. Now, ladies and gentlemen, that
20 does conclude the list of exemptions and qualifications. And
21 it may be that you're qualified to serve but for some reason
22 jury service this week would be the most inconvenient week of
23 your life to serve on jury duty. All right?

24 Now, I understand how sometimes things come up at the
25 last minute. And what I need you to understand, though, is

1 that state law does not permit me to excuse an otherwise
2 qualified juror permanently. But what I can do is, under
3 compelling circumstances -- like maybe you've got to catch a
4 plane tomorrow or something, you've got a vacation planned,
5 whatever -- under compelling circumstances, I can transfer
6 you to some other term of court later on this year.

7 Now, fair warning, ladies and gentlemen, I've already
8 given you kind of an overview or a preview of the case that
9 is on the docket that we're going to be picking a jury on
10 here shortly. And I've been involved in several cases, some
11 of which stretch on for weeks on end.

12 As a matter of fact, I've got a case -- it's a civil
13 case I'm trying in Orangeburg sometime in the fall -- that is
14 probably going to run at least -- we're going to be lucky to
15 get it done in two weeks. Okay? It involves one of those
16 concussion lawsuits from playing football at Orangeburg. So
17 you probably saw the movie with Will Smith. So that's the
18 case I'm trying.

19 And so what I'm saying is that sometimes when you get
20 what you ask for, you kind of find yourself in a trial
21 situation where you're there for more than a week or at least
22 a week plus. All right?

23 Again, ladies and gentlemen, the case that we are trying
24 today, it is a homicide case. All right? It is a homicide
25 case. It is very serious. It is approximately five years

1 old. Because of the pandemic, we had to shut down trials for
2 a while. So we are talking about a serious case that is very
3 important to all parties concerned, certainly the defendant
4 as well as the State. So that's the case that we're going to
5 be taking. And I'm going to tell you more if you're randomly
6 selected to come upstairs and move forward with the
7 qualification up there.

8 But that's the case that we are looking at potentially
9 trying. That is the case we are looking at trying this week.
10 And at the latest, your jury service would conclude on
11 Thursday. So this ain't the worst week, is what I'm saying.
12 This ain't the worst week necessarily for you to perform jury
13 duty and get that coveted three -- "get out of jury service
14 for three years" exemption. All right?

15 That said, if anyone does need to speak with me
16 privately about any sort of logistical issue or problem with
17 jury service or if you need to give me an answer to one of my
18 questions discreetly up here, what I'll ask you to do is just
19 kind of form a line where these two gentlemen are -- or where
20 this gentleman -- both of them. Okay. We'll take turns.

21 If you need to speak with me, just get to one of these
22 guys -- as close to one of these guys, and I'll talk to you
23 down here next to my court reporter. So if you need to speak
24 with me, you're invited to come forward.

25 Anyone?

1 All right. Come on down.

2 (At bench.)

3 THE COURT: Yeah. Just give me your number and --

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: 298, Anthony Young.

5 THE COURT: Mr. Young. Yes, sir.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: All right. So the severity of the
7 case is homicide?

8 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: As one of Jehovah's Witnesses, we
10 don't condemn a man to death --

11 THE COURT: I understand.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- if possible.

13 THE COURT: I understand.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: I just don't -- I don't want to cause
15 any problems.

16 THE COURT: You're not allowed to serve on a jury
17 according to your faith, is what I'm hearing.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: Right.

19 THE COURT: Okay. Very good. Sir, you're free to go.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: All right. Thank you.

21 THE COURT: Thank you very much.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Have a nice day.

23 THE COURT: It was two ninety-?

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: 298.

25 THE COURT: 298.

1 (Open court.)

2 THE COURT: All right.

3 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 156.

4 (At bench.)

5 THE COURT: What's your name, sir?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Gregory Lawrence.

7 THE COURT: Mr. Lawrence. Yes, sir.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm actually not sure about living in
9 Charleston County. I just moved.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: 29492 is my ZIP code. I'm off of
12 Clements Ferry now.

13 THE COURT: Okay.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: I did report it to the state.

15 THE COURT: Okay. I'm going to let you speak with her.

16 Can you look at the directory real quick. He just
17 moved. He's not 100 percent sure he lives in Charleston.
18 Maybe if you Google it you can pull it up on a map or
19 something. Okay?

20 She's going to try and help you.

21 (Open court.)

22 THE BAILIFF: Number 112.

23 THE COURT: 112?

24 (At bench.)

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: I missed the opportunity to tell you I

1 live in Berkeley County as well.

2 THE COURT: Oh, you live in Berkeley as well?

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, sir.

4 THE COURT: Okay. Very good. You're free to go. Thank
5 you.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you, sir.

7 (Open court.)

8 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 263.

9 (At bench.)

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: How are you doing?

11 THE COURT: I'm doing all right, sir.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm a single parent.

13 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: And I take care of my 13-year-old
15 daughter.

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: I dropped her off this morning and
18 made it here no problem. Today she gets out at 5:00 from
19 tutoring lessons after school, but normally it's 3:30.

20 THE COURT: 3:30. Okay.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: So I just didn't know if it mattered
22 at all.

23 THE COURT: It does.

24 Any chance that you can get someone to --

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: I can try, yeah.

1 THE COURT: Okay. Let's try that. If you get picked to
2 come upstairs -- let me just make a note.

3 We're going to take a break in a minute --

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Sure.

5 THE COURT: -- because everybody's going to need a
6 break.

7 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

8 THE COURT: So if you think you can find a friend or
9 something to pick him up around 3:30 and keep him for a
10 couple of hours or if he can ride home with somebody --

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

12 THE COURT: -- or something like that, that would be
13 cool. Okay?

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Sure.

15 THE COURT: All right. So when we take a break, we'll
16 figure that out. Okay?

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

18 THE COURT: Thank you.

19 (Open court.)

20 THE BAILIFF: Number 130.

21 (At bench.)

22 THE COURT: Hi. Yes, ma'am?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: I know you said to let you know about
24 any mental or physical illnesses.

25 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: I do have a bipolar II diagnosis and
2 ADHD diagnosis that I'm not currently under care for --

3 THE COURT: Okay.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- and an anxiety diagnosis that I
5 forgot my medication for today.

6 THE COURT: Okay. Do you feel like this might be
7 causing you issues that could help -- er, could prevent you
8 from paying attention on stuff?

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Somewhat. Yeah.

10 THE COURT: Somewhat?

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

12 THE COURT: Okay.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: And like I said, I don't have my
14 medication today. I can sit through it if you really need me
15 to, but I just figured that I would let you know --

16 THE COURT: Okay.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- like, to disclose that information.

18 THE COURT: I think if you're comfortable, like, in this
19 situation, I think you'll be okay.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

21 THE COURT: Okay. I think you'll be good.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay. Thank you.

23 THE COURT: All right.

24 (Open court.)

25 THE COURT: 130 is fine. She's staying with us.

1 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 158.

2 (At bench.)

3 THE COURT: Hi.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hello.

5 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes. I know this is -- I'm pretty
7 sure my brother went to go to court here for a murder trial.
8 I don't feel comfortable.

9 THE COURT: I'm sorry?

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: My little brother went to court for,
11 like, five years ago for a murder trial.

12 THE COURT: Oh, for a murder charge?

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

14 THE COURT: Okay.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: And the attorney I think is in here
16 for that case.

17 THE COURT: And so you feel like you wouldn't be able
18 to --

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: No.

20 THE COURT: Okay. Very good.

21 And what was your number again?

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: 158.

23 THE COURT: 158. All right. You're free to go, ma'am.

24 (Open court.)

25 THE BAILIFF: 279.

1 (At bench.)

2 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: I have an amazing capacity to pass out
4 cold, if that's --

5 THE COURT: Okay.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: So a homicide trial, I don't know if I
7 would stay conscious through it.

8 THE COURT: Okay.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: If it was a civil --

10 THE COURT: Case then perhaps?

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

12 THE COURT: All right.

13 Let's do this. Let's transfer Juror 278 (verbatim) to a
14 civil term that we haven't picked a jury on yet.

15 So civil you think you can do?

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: Oh, yeah. No problem.

17 (Open court.)

18 THE COURT: Okay. We're going to move 278 (verbatim) to
19 a civil term of court.

20 All right. Have a nice day.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

22 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 159.

23 THE COURT: I'm sorry. 279.

24 (At bench.)

25 THE COURT: I'm sorry.

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah, so I've been signed up for this
2 project management professional course for a few months now.

3 THE COURT: Okay.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: And literally the only day that I
5 can't really do is Thursday. It's, like, a full-day course.
6 So I'm not technically a full-time student, but I don't know
7 if Thursday will work for me. But it would be a big step
8 back for me.

9 THE COURT: Okay.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

11 THE COURT: I can --

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: At least -- I don't know if you
13 consider it or not, but I would -- it will, you know, set me
14 back months.

15 THE COURT: Sure. If I moved you to, like -- if I moved
16 you to March or April, would that work better?

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: I might be in Texas by then.

18 THE COURT: In Texas?

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

20 THE COURT: Okay. If that happens, just let the clerk
21 know --

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

23 THE COURT: -- that you moved. Okay?

24 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

25 THE COURT: All right.

1 (Open court.)

2 THE COURT: We're going to move 159 to sometime in March
3 or April. Okay?

4 You'll get another summons, sir.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay. Thank you.

6 THE BAILIFF: 290.

7 (At bench.)

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hey, how are you doing?

9 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: My mom, she was diagnosed with cancer.

11 THE COURT: I'm sorry.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: So -- no, it's all right. It's fine.

13 She just constantly battling to stay alert. She has been
14 hallucinating. She's in her late 60s.

15 And as far as my dad, he's retired. He's in his late 60s
16 as well.

17 THE COURT: Okay.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: And I just got -- we moved about a
19 year ago to Berkeley County. I wanted to say something
20 earlier, but I was so nervous. I was afraid to say
21 something. But I definitely --

22 THE COURT: You're living in Berkeley now with --

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: I live in Berkeley.

24 THE COURT: Taking care of your folks?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: I try and take care of my mom and my

1 dad.

2 THE COURT: All right. You're good.

3 (Open court.)

4 THE COURT: All right. 290 is excused for statutory
5 reasons.

6 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 120.

7 (At bench.)

8 THE COURT: Hi. Yes, ma'am.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yes, I'd like to be excused because of
10 my religion beliefs.

11 THE COURT: Okay. What is your faith, ma'am?

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm a Jehovah's Witness.

13 THE COURT: You're a Jehovah's Witness? Okay. Very
14 good.

15 You're prohibited from serving on a jury then, correct?

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: (Indicated.)

17 THE COURT: Thank you very much for that. You're free
18 to go.

19 (Open court.)

20 THE BAILIFF: Number 93.

21 (At bench.)

22 THE COURT: Yes, sir. Mr. -- is it Forster?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Fisher.

24 THE COURT: Fisher?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mm-hmm.

1 THE COURT: Mr. Fisher. Yes, sir.

2 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm willing to serve, but my
3 daughter's fiance was murdered in North Charleston a month
4 ago. I don't know if that disqualifies me.

5 THE COURT: It would not.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

7 THE COURT: It would not automatically disqualify you if
8 you can basically just -- when we get up there, if you get
9 picked, if you can judge this case on the facts and under the
10 law, you're fine.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: I think I can do that.

12 THE COURT: All right. If you can do that, then we'll
13 be okay.

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

15 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

16 (Open court.)

17 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 218.

18 THE COURT: He's going to stay with us.

19 (At bench.)

20 THE COURT: Yes, sir. And --

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning, sir.

22 I have a medical issue which is dizziness since a while,
23 since more than a year. But the doctors couldn't find a
24 reason. They think it's sinusitis. I have had sinusitis,
25 but with the medication that didn't improve. So what this

1 means is that sometime before I get home, I --

2 THE COURT: Okay. But you were able to get here today?
3 You're feeling okay today?

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah, yeah, yeah. I have a little
5 head pressure.

6 THE COURT: Okay. All right. I think you'll be all
7 right.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

9 THE COURT: Why don't you go ahead and stick with us
10 instead of me transferring you. Okay?

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Sure.

12 THE COURT: All right. Good enough.

13 (Open court.)

14 THE COURT: 218 is going to stay with us.

15 THE BAILIFF: Juror 258.

16 (At bench.)

17 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

18 POTENTIAL JUROR: My wife is at home with our
19 1-month-old. And I just started a business this year. It's
20 just me and my business partner.

21 THE COURT: Okay.

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: So she's not -- she doesn't have any
23 income. It's all me.

24 THE COURT: All right. What did y'all start? What
25 business?

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: It's landscaping.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 POTENTIAL JUROR: A landscaping company. We have
4 contracts so we have to be -- I mean --

5 THE COURT: I gotcha.

6 If I moved you to sometime in the fall do you think that
7 would be better? Or December of next year perhaps, when
8 there's not as much work?

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: Maybe December of next year is fine.

10 THE COURT: Okay.

11 POTENTIAL JUROR: Hopefully we'll have our daughter in
12 daycare, but I don't know if that's going to happen this
13 year.

14 THE COURT: I understand.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

16 THE COURT: All right. Let's do this. We'll
17 tentatively look at moving you to December and we'll just
18 handle it then. Okay?

19 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay.

20 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.

21 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you, sir.

22 (Open court.)

23 THE COURT: All right. 258, we're going to transfer him
24 to a December term for various reasons. All right? So 258,
25 make it a December term when the calendar comes out.

1 THE BAILIFF: Juror 82.

2 (At bench.)

3 THE COURT: Hi.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Good morning.

5 THE COURT: Morning. Yes, ma'am.

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: I'm not sure if this applies, but I
7 get my -- I watch my granddaughter after school at 3:00
8 every --

9 THE COURT: Okay.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- day because her mother goes to work
11 at 3:00. And she's only -- she's, like, 4 years old.

12 THE COURT: Okay.

13 POTENTIAL JUROR: And I'm the only one that's
14 responsible to watch her because my daughter -- they go into
15 work in the afternoon --

16 THE COURT: I gotcha.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- and then they get off at night. So
18 I don't know if that will work or not.

19 THE COURT: Nobody else can take care of her, I assume.

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: No.

21 THE COURT: All right. You're good. I'll let you go.
22 All right?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Okay. Thank you.

24 (Open court.)

25 THE COURT: All right. 82 is excused for statutory

1 reasons.

2 THE BAILIFF: 286.

3 (At bench.)

4 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

5 POTENTIAL JUROR: So I work as a night care specialist.

6 So I work from 9:00 to 5:00 in the morning.

7 THE COURT: Okay.

8 POTENTIAL JUROR: And I usually sleep during the day for
9 my night shift.

10 THE COURT: All right. You're a zombie for the better
11 part of the morning.

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: I -- yeah.

13 THE COURT: My wife did a night shift and she did a 7P
14 to 7A Saturday nights, so I know exactly how that is.

15 POTENTIAL JUROR: Mm-hmm.

16 THE COURT: It sucks.

17 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

18 THE COURT: All right. And you do that -- you're doing
19 that currently?

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: Currently, yes.

21 THE COURT: Like, tonight and tomorrow night and
22 everything?

23 POTENTIAL JUROR: Well, yeah, for the next two months.

24 THE COURT: Have a nice day.

25 What was your number again? 286?

1 POTENTIAL JUROR: 286.

2 (Open court.)

3 THE COURT: 286 is excused.

4 POTENTIAL JUROR: Thank you.

5 THE COURT: She works at night and she'll be asleep
6 during the day.

7 THE BAILIFF: Juror Number 166.

8 (At bench.)

9 THE COURT: Hi.

10 POTENTIAL JUROR: I know you said this is supposed to
11 conclude on Wednesday. I have tickets to see North Carolina
12 basketball on Wednesday at 7:00.

13 THE COURT: Okay. At 7:00?

14 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

15 THE COURT: And they're playing where?

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: They're playing at Chapel Hill.

17 THE COURT: Okay. You can take your chance this week or
18 I can transfer you to some other week. What do you want to
19 do?

20 POTENTIAL JUROR: I think transferring would be awesome.

21 THE COURT: All right. You really want to do that?

22 POTENTIAL JUROR: Yeah.

23 THE COURT: All right.

24 What was your number again?

25 POTENTIAL JUROR: 166.

1 THE COURT: 166. All right.

2 He has an obligation Wednesday night that he has to
3 leave and go out of state. So because it's four hours to
4 there from here --

5 Agreed?

6 POTENTIAL JUROR: It's four and a half to get to
7 Winston, and that's where I'm from. So --

8 THE COURT: Yeah.

9 POTENTIAL JUROR: It's like -- yeah.

10 THE COURT: Transfer him to sometime in March or April
11 when we haven't picked a jury yet. Okay? That's 166.

12 Have a nice day, sir.

13 (Open court.)

14 THE COURT: All right. Now, ladies and gentlemen, what
15 we're going to do is take a very brief break because I know
16 many of you have been out there for a substantial period of
17 time. So we're going to take a brief break and come back --
18 10-minute break, 15-minute break, come back in here.

19 And you're going to pick them up here and then take them
20 up there. Okay.

21 So we're going to take a break in a few minutes. Okay?
22 And when she picks -- she's going to pick a whole bunch of
23 you to go upstairs. All right?

24 That doesn't mean the rest of you can leave. All right?
25 I'm sorry because I might need you if something -- if we

1 don't have enough jurors. So I need y'all to say here if
2 you're not one of the chosen who get pulled upstairs. All
3 right. But you can, of course, chat among yourselves, have a
4 lovely morning, maybe -- I don't know -- coffee, tea, or
5 something like that, tell some jokes that are at least
6 halfway clean. But don't leave us if you aren't selected in
7 the event that we do ultimately need you on this jury for
8 whatever reason. All right?

9 But go ahead and take a 15-minute break. Let's say be
10 back in here at about 20 after, give or take.

11 Yes, sir?

12 POTENTIAL JUROR: While we're here in this jury room, I
13 know we were instructed to turn our cell phones off. Can we
14 turn -- can we have --

15 THE COURT: Yeah.

16 POTENTIAL JUROR: -- our cell phones on?

17 THE COURT: Yeah. While we're on break, that's not a
18 problem. If you need to return a call or do some business or
19 something like that, that's fine. I don't think you're going
20 to have a problem with that. Okay? So feel free to turn
21 your cell phones on if you need to call somebody. But we'll
22 be on break for about 15 minutes or so. Try and be back in
23 here -- let's just say be back in here at 11:25. That will
24 give everybody a chance. All right? 11:25. Thanks.

25 (End of proceedings.)

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