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- 1 THE COURT: All right. We were talking about documents
- 2 yesterday and we were talking about witnesses and there was
- 3 some concern about two particular witnesses yesterday that
- 4 needed to be called, as I understand. We've got the 30(b)(6)
- 5 deposition and those objections. Yes, you were going to meet
- 6 last evening. Right?
- 7 MR. BEERS: We met last evening and this morning and
- 8 we're making some progress. We're trying to devise some
- 9 clever ways so that you don't have to look at every exhibit
- 10 between 1800 and 1909, 2009, or every page and line in the
- 11 30(b)(6).
- 12 THE COURT: I understand.
- MR. BEERS: We're trying, but we'll see. But we're
- 14 making some progress.
- 15 THE COURT: All right. Yes.
- MR. HORGER: Your Honor, Bob Horger for the Redeemer. I
- 17 understand there was some question about that one yesterday
- 18 and I've taken care of that.
- 19 THE COURT: Thank you so much, Mr. Horger. That's
- 20 wonderful. I do appreciate that so very much. Thank you.
- 21 All right.
- 22 MR. BEERS: And I think Mr. Bryan and I have reached an
- 23 agreement.
- Haven't we?
- MR. BRYAN: Yes, Your Honor. I kind of give up on the

- 1 logistics of my situation. I reviewed the deposition
- 2 transcript and I'm not really concerned about -- it's a
- 3 distinction without a difference perhaps as relates to the
- 4 issues in the case. So I'm getting off my rule thing. And I
- 5 told Mr. Beers that I, as counsel for this party, since it's
- 6 a 30(b)(6), I believe I have the right to waive, and I'll do
- 7 that.
- 8 THE COURT: Very well.
- 9 MR. BRYAN: And to the extent there was a motion to
- 10 suppress on the record yesterday, I withdraw that.
- 11 THE COURT: Thank you so much.
- MR. BRYAN: Yes, ma'am. Thank you for your
- 13 accommodation too.
- 14 THE COURT: Absolutely. All right. So, Mr. Beers, this
- 15 probably will go to you in terms of the work that you're
- doing on 30(b)(6). What I would like to do, if it suits, is
- 17 I'd like to go ahead and take the testimony of those folks
- 18 who I know that you were concerned about needing -- I don't
- 19 know if they're catching flights, I don't know what's going
- on, but I sensed some urgency with two of the witnesses. I'd
- 21 like to go ahead and get those done, the ones that you feel
- 22 some urgency regarding, and then perhaps yield some time this
- 23 afternoon so that you all can finish what you need to finish
- 24 with regards to documents.
- MR. BEERS: We'll try, Your Honor.

- 1 THE COURT: How does that sound to everyone? And work
- 2 through lunch and then you all take some time this afternoon
- 3 so that we get Court time in but maybe conclude a little bit
- 4 early today. Does that sound like an okay plan?
- 5 MR. RUNYAN: Yes, Your Honor.
- 6 MR. BEERS: Yes, Your Honor.
- 7 THE COURT: Okay. Very well. All right. Have any live
- 8 people, witnesses?
- 9 MR. RUNYAN: We do, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Okay.
- 11 MR. RUNYAN: The first one we would call would be Dr.
- 12 Allen Guelzo.
- 13 ALLEN CARL GUELZO,
- 14 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 15 THE COURT: Your witness.
- 16 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN VOIR DIRE:
- 17 Q. Dr. Guelzo, would you just give us your name again,
- 18 please?
- 19 A. My name is Allen Carl Guelzo.
- 20 Q. Thank you, sir. Where do you live?
- 21 A. I live in Philadelphia and in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.
- 22 Q. And are you employed in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania?
- 23 A. Yes, I am. I am the Henry R. Luce professor of the
- 24 Civil War era at Gettysburg College.
- 25 Q. Would you give the Court a sketch of your educational

- 1 background, please?
- 2 A. My undergraduate degree is from Cairn University in
- 3 Langhorne, Pennsylvania. I have an M.A. and Ph.D. from the
- 4 University of Pennsylvania. I have an M.Div. from
- 5 Philadelphia Theological Seminary, the Theological Seminary
- of the Reformed Episcopal Church.
- 7 Q. What were your areas of study in history?
- 8 A. My areas of study were 18th and 19th century American
- 9 religion, philosophy, and political history.
- 10 Q. Doctor, in addition to teaching at the Gettysburg
- 11 College, have you taught in any other locations?
- 12 A. Yes, I have. I taught ecclesiastical church history for
- 13 13 years at the Philadelphia Theological Seminary.
- 14 Q. Have you also taught courses in the Civil War history?
- 15 A. Yes. I taught those at Eastern University and at
- 16 Gettysburg College.
- 17 Q. Have you taught courses that involve both American
- 18 history and intellectual history?
- 19 A. Yes. I regard those as being my -- my staples, so to
- 20 speak, in terms of courses taught.
- 21 Q. Have you had occasion to actually teach judges?
- 22 A. Excuse me, I did not hear the question.
- 23 Q. Have you had occasion to teach judges?
- 24 A. I have, in fact; at a number of judges conventions, both
- 25 federal and state judges. They were very good pupils.

- 1 Q. Have you had the occasion to teach teachers in history?
- 2 A. Yes, frequently. I have worked with the Gilder Lehrman
- 3 Institute of American History in New York City, which
- 4 sponsors teacher seminars on American history throughout the
- 5 country, and with the National Endowment for the Humanities
- 6 most recently. I had not done work with NEH for some time
- 7 because I was a member of the Council of the National
- 8 Endowment of the Humanities, but having cycled off that
- 9 counsel in 2013, I taught two NEH seminars this year.
- 10 Q. Dr. Guelzo, you have written a number of books; is that
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. Could you just give us a rough estimate of the books
- 14 written involving history in general?
- 15 A. I can't say that I've actually sat down and counted each
- 16 and every one of them, but there are, I would guess,
- 17 something in the area of about a dozen.
- 18 Q. Have you written any books that deal with religious
- 19 history?
- 20 A. Yes, I have. Two books in particular. The first two
- 21 books spoke directly to issues of American religious history.
- 22 The second of those two books in fact spoke to the history of
- 23 the Episcopal Church in the 19th century, late 18th and early
- 24 19th century, and to the 1873 disruption of the Episcopal
- 25 Church which gave rise to the formation of the reformed

- 1 Episcopal Church.
- 2 Q. Is that this book (indicating)?
- 3 A. Yes, it is.
- 4 Q. Did this book win any prizes in church history?
- 5 A. Yes. It won the Albert C. Outler Prize in ecumenical
- 6 church history awarded by the American Society of Church
- 7 History in 1994.
- 8 Q. Do you regularly speak on topics involving 18th century
- 9 American history as well as Civil War history?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. Have you studied as part of your work the historical
- 12 origins of the Episcopal Church?
- 13 A. Yes, I have.
- 14 Q. Have you taught the history of the Episcopal Church?
- 15 A. Yes, I have.
- 16 Q. Have you written articles involving religious history
- 17 and including the religious history of the Episcopal Church?
- 18 A. Yes, I have; in a variety of scholarly quarterlies
- 19 ranging from the Filson Club Historical Quarterly to the
- 20 Anglican -- to Anglican and Episcopal history, which is the
- 21 quarterly of the Historical Society of the Episcopal Church
- 22 of which I am also a director.
- 23 Q. Have you ever served on the National Council on the
- 24 Humanities?
- 25 A. Yes. I served on the Council from 2006 to 2012.

- 1 Q. How did you get on that Council?
- 2 A. I was appointed by the president of the United States.
- 3 Q. Have you contributed articles to religious
- 4 encyclopedias?
- 5 A. Yes, I have; to a number of them.
- 6 Q. And I believe I heard you say you were a member of a
- 7 professional organization relating to the history of the
- 8 Episcopal Church; is that right?
- 9 A. That's correct. I'm one of the directors of the
- 10 Historical Society of the Episcopal Church.
- 11 Q. Dr. Guelzo, are you a member of the clergy of the
- 12 Episcopal Church?
- 13 A. Yes, I am.
- 14 Q. What position do you hold as a clergyman?
- 15 A. I am a priest of the diocese of Chicago.
- 16 Q. And are you licensed currently to officiate in any
- 17 dioceses?
- 18 A. Yes. I'm licensed to officiate in the diocese of
- 19 Pennsylvania and the diocese of Bethlehem.
- 20 Q. Where were you ordained?
- 21 A. In Illinois, in Peoria, Christ Church Peoria.
- 22 Q. Do you from time to time participate in worship services
- 23 as an assistant?
- 24 A. Yes. I'm frequently called upon in what has been for a
- 25 number of years our home parish, St. David's, Radnor,

- 1 Pennsylvania, where I assist the other regular clergy. I'm
- 2 in a nonstipendiary basis assisting in preaching,
- 3 administration of the sacraments, leading of various
- 4 meetings, conducting classes of various sorts, and in general
- 5 being available whenever the regular members of the staff are
- 6 simply too stretched in terms of schedule. I am, so to
- 7 speak, well, you might say, a designated hitter.
- 8 Q. Doctor, is St. David's a parish within a diocese that is
- 9 within the Episcopal Church?
- 10 A. Yes, it is. It is within the diocese of Pennsylvania
- 11 and it is one of the oldest parishes in the diocese of
- 12 Pennsylvania.
- 13 Q. And who is the present bishop of that diocese?
- 14 A. The present bishop is Clifton Daniels, who is the
- 15 provisional bishop of the diocese.
- MR. RUNYAN: Thank you.
- 17 Your Honor, at this time I would submit Dr. Guelzo as an
- 18 expert in late 18th and 19th century American history,
- 19 intellectual history, church history, and Civil War history.
- THE COURT: Is there any voir dire?
- MR. TISDALE: No, thank you, Your Honor.
- MR. BEERS: No, Your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: Is there any objection?
- MR. BEERS: No, Your Honor.
- MR. TISDALE: No objection.

- 1 THE COURT: Very well.
- 2 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN:
- 3 Q. Dr. Guelzo, is the Episcopal Church organized in a
- 4 hierarchical religious structure?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 MS. KOSTEL: Objection, Your Honor.
- 7 MR. BEERS: Objection, Your Honor. You have said 19
- 8 times, at least, that hierarchy, the hierarchical nature of
- 9 the Episcopal Church is not an issue in this case. We have
- 10 not put in evidence on hierarchy because you've said under
- 11 the law of this state hierarchy was not part of the game.
- 12 THE COURT: It is not. And I will not do any
- 13 interpretation with regards to the hierarchical analysis. As
- 14 you know, the Supreme Court in Jones versus Wolf discussed
- 15 the two likely or available analyses when it comes to church
- 16 disputes. One, of course, is the hierarchical analysis and
- 17 the other is the neutral principles analysis. The
- 18 hierarchical also being called the deferential or the
- 19 deference procedure.
- 20 My concern is this, and direct this, direct your
- 21 comments, and let me ask this: In terms of whether or not
- 22 there is a constructive trust and, number two, whether or not
- 23 there is confusion in the marks, as you will recall, Ms. Lott
- 24 went on for a very long time in her testimony about the
- 25 confusion that would occur in the marks. There has been an

- 1 awful lot of testimony from the defendants with regard to the
- 2 control that the national church has over both the diocese as
- 3 well as the parishes either directly or through the diocese,
- 4 and that affects who owns the property or in whose trust the
- 5 property is, as well as control as it relates to the
- 6 utilization of the marks.
- 7 So in order to make out your case on those issues, a
- 8 great degree of your proof has gone to the structure and the
- 9 control that the national church, as we have called it --
- 10 we've sort of morphed back into national Episcopal Church as
- 11 I have become more educated, you all knew it ab initio, I
- 12 have become more educated, and we have begun to talk to it in
- 13 terms of that. Speak to me of this witness testifying
- 14 regarding the structure, not as it relates to the
- 15 hierarchical analysis, because we know that I'm not going to
- 16 utilize that, but there has been an awful lot of proof which
- 17 has been offered even into the documents yesterday because of
- 18 the reference of the constitution and bylaws, the accession
- 19 as it relates both to the diocese from parish to diocese and
- 20 from diocese to national church and from parish to national
- 21 church, does it have no relevance with regards to those
- 22 issues. Boy that was a bunch.
- MR. BEERS: I think the point we're trying to make is,
- 24 Your Honor, that he can testify about specific examples of
- 25 control, just as we put in evidence some specific acts of

- 1 control, but he's being called as an expert who's about to
- 2 give an expert opinion on whether the church is hierarchical
- 3 or not. That's a very different matter.
- 4 THE COURT: How so?
- 5 MS. KOSTEL: I think Your Honor has ruled us out from
- 6 getting near the hierarchy issue, and that's how we have
- 7 understood Your Honor's rulings throughout the presentation
- 8 of our case. And so we kept away from the issue of
- 9 hierarchy, understanding Your Honor's interpretation of the
- 10 law, and kept -- tried to stay in the neutral principles area
- 11 and proving specific instances of control.
- 12 THE COURT: Well, two things let me ask. Let's talk
- 13 about it a little bit because I want to stay within the
- 14 parameters of where we have been, clearly. But there were a
- 15 couple of things. If you will remember and harken back to
- 16 Professor McWilliams, he talks about that it is the
- 17 constitution and the canons of the national church that
- 18 become the neutral principles. Remember that?
- MS. KOSTEL: Yes.
- 20 THE COURT: And he talks about that because of the
- 21 structure of the church, because you've got the national
- 22 church, then you've got, if you will, this ripple-down
- 23 effect, and then you have these parishes that make reference
- 24 to the constitution and the canons.
- MS. KOSTEL: Well, I think -- excuse me.

- 1 THE COURT: Yes, so we've got that. We've got all of
- 2 that testimony again of Ms. Lott when she talks about control
- 3 and because of this control, the top-down control, the marks
- 4 cannot be used that are registered with the State of South
- 5 Carolina because of the confusion, and that arises out of
- 6 this control of the national church over the diocese and the
- 7 parishes.
- 8 And then we've got all this information that's just come
- 9 in and yet coming in that talks about the reference and the
- 10 vestry minutes and some of the deeds, and in all of this
- 11 information harkening back to the constitution and the
- 12 canons. We've even had the Book of Common Prayer come in as
- 13 being evidence of control.
- You're right, I'm not going to use the hierarchical
- 15 analysis, yet this relationship, and you can call it
- 16 something else, but this trickle down, to use a Reagan-ism --
- 17 I guess it's a Bush-ism actually -- this trickle-down
- 18 control, if you will, is very much a part of this case, not
- in terms of the analysis that I would use in terms of the
- 20 separation, but certainly as it relates to ownership of
- 21 property and certainly with regards to the marks. So how do
- I keep the plaintiffs from being able to answer that? Tell
- 23 me.
- MS. KOSTEL: Well, a couple things. First of all, I
- 25 think what Professor McWilliams testified was that because of

- 1 the 1973 corporate incorporation document of the plaintiff
- 2 diocese because of the way it used -- referred to the
- 3 national church's constitution and canons, it essentially
- 4 incorporated it. I did not understand him to be relying on
- 5 the hierarchical nature of the church to spell out his
- 6 analysis of the corporate issues. So that's number one.
- Number two, on the issue of control, I would echo what
- 8 Mr. Beers says, which is that we put in evidence of control
- 9 for a neutral principles purpose, which was to take on the
- 10 trademark issue and perhaps also prove constructive trust.
- 11 But we too have witnesses that could say that the church is
- 12 hierarchical, but I think everyone in the room I think
- 13 understood that Your Honor did not want to hear that kind of
- 14 testimony based on your decision that whether or not the
- 15 church is hierarchical didn't matter in this case. Specific
- 16 evidence about control, that's a different thing, because
- 17 that's a neutral principles concept. So that's the
- 18 distinction we're drawing.
- 19 THE COURT: It's not a neutral. I don't see it as a
- 20 neutral. I don't see it as a neutral principle.
- MS. KOSTEL: Don't see what?
- 22 THE COURT: It's evidentiary. It certainly is
- 23 evidentiary. But I've got to tell you I can't in fairness
- 24 keep the plaintiffs from being able to meet the nature of the
- 25 voluminous amount of evidence that the defendants have put in

- 1 regarding this control issue.
- MS. KOSTEL: And I don't think we're trying to stop
- 3 that. I think what we're saying is meet the control evidence
- 4 but no conclusions about hierarchy.
- 5 MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, may I speak to this?
- 6 THE COURT: Okay.
- 7 MR. RUNYAN: I generally agree with the concept that
- 8 hierarchy should not -- is not relevant, but, however, two
- 9 things give me pause. First of all, the only reason that
- 10 control is really in this case is for them to argue
- 11 eventually, as they have said they will do, for a change in
- 12 the law in South Carolina. They've indicated they intend to
- 13 make that argument. But more fundamentally Exhibit 431,
- 14 which they introduced over my objection, talks about members
- of the clergy of this church and further represent the polity
- 16 and order of this hierarchical church. There is an exhibit
- in evidence that speaks to the exact word that they say they
- 18 don't seek.
- MS. KOSTEL: What is that?
- 20 MR. RUNYAN: 431.
- MS. KOSTEL: That's not in evidence yet.
- MR. RUNYAN: We have it as in evidence.
- MR. KOSTEL: No, it's not, because it wasn't complete,
- 24 Alan. You objected that it wasn't complete so it's not in
- 25 evidence.

- 1 THE COURT: We'll ask our court reporter to take a
- 2 minute and just see.
- 3 MR. RUNYAN: I can adjust my question to the issue of
- 4 control.
- 5 MS. KOSTEL: Thank you.
- 6 THE COURT: Okay.
- 7 Q. Dr. Guelzo, is the Episcopal Church organized in such a
- 8 fashion that its governance controls the dioceses and the
- 9 parishes?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. How would you characterize how it is organized?
- 12 A. The organization of the Episcopal Church is something
- 13 which has grown up over 200 years, so it isn't any single
- line of growth or nor does it follow a single line of
- 15 development. It has tended to zigzag in various ways
- 16 depending on circumstances. Therefore, there's many issues
- in the constitution and canons which it in fact does not
- 18 address. We might expect a document like that would be
- 19 comprehensive, but it is not, it is developed in response to
- 20 situations. So there is no clear sense in which the
- 21 relationships between dioceses and the national church
- 22 represent what you could legitimately call control. If by
- 23 control we are talking about authority and direction, then,
- 24 if anything, the authority and direction has over the history
- of the Episcopal Church tended to flow from the bottom

- 1 upwards.
- 2 Q. Doctor, in terms of words of control, are words such as
- 3 "supreme" or "supremacy" found in any of the organizational
- 4 documents of the Episcopal Church?
- 5 A. I have never come across any such. In fact, if
- 6 anything, the foundation of the Episcopal Church was
- 7 struggling to avoid terminology of that sort in the 1780s
- 8 when the Episcopal Church was organized.
- 9 Q. Doctor, let's back up and pick up with history a little
- 10 bit. Does the word "Episcopal" predate the creation of the
- 11 Episcopal Church?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. What does it mean?
- 14 A. It means government by episcopy, by overseers, by
- 15 bishops.
- 16 Q. Are there other churches in the world that have the word
- 17 "Episcopal" in their names other than the national church in
- 18 this case?
- 19 A. Oh, yes, yes. I think, for one thing, of the Lusitanian
- 20 Episcopal Church. That's one example in western Africa.
- 21 There is a Portuguese Episcopal Church. There are Episcopal
- 22 churches of various description, such as the Methodist
- 23 Episcopal Church. And even in the 18th century the
- 24 parliament of England recognized the Moravians as an ancient
- 25 Protestant Episcopal Church.

- 1 Q. I'm going to hand you a document that I will mark for
- 2 identification as 69 for identification. Just hold your
- 3 thought for a moment, Doctor, while I give that to them.
- 4 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-69 marked for identification.)
- 5 Q. Doctor, could you identify that document?
- 6 A. This document that I'm looking at here is an act of
- 7 parliament with direct reference to the Moravians, who I
- 8 mentioned before. If you would like, I could explain
- 9 something about that connection.
- 10 MR. RUNYAN: Let's get it in evidence first if we could.
- 11 We'd offer it in evidence, Exhibit 69.
- 12 THE COURT: Any objection?
- MR. TISDALE: Give us just one minute, please, Your
- 14 Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Sure.
- MS. KOSTEL: We've never seen this.
- MR. TISDALE: No.
- MR. BEERS: Is this being introduced as an exhibit?
- 19 MR. RUNYAN: It is.
- MR. BEERS: We've never seen that before.
- 21 MR. RUNYAN: It's reply. Didn't know I'd need it.
- MR. TISDALE: I don't know enough about what it is to be
- 23 able to say whether we object or not.
- 24 MS. KOSTEL: It's hard to tell whether it's relevant at
- 25 this point.

- 1 MR. RUNYAN: All right. Let's lay some more foundation.
- 2 Q. Doctor, is this a statue of the parliament in England.
- 3 A. Yes. It was passed by parliament in the reign of King
- 4 George II.
- 5 MR. BEERS: Excuse me, Your Honor. Objection. I'd like
- 6 to know to what issue in this case.
- 7 MR. RUNYAN: We're getting there, Mr. Beers. Just give
- 8 me a second.
- 9 MS. KOSTEL: Ordinarily we weren't allowed to get there,
- 10 so we'd like to know in advance.
- MR. RUNYAN: It goes to the issue of the use of the name
- 12 Protestant Episcopal Church many, many years before you guys
- 13 used it.
- MR. BEERS: I don't know about the guys part, but no
- 15 objection to the rest.
- 16 THE COURT: Folks. Y'all.
- 17 MR. RUNYAN: Still object?
- MR. BEERS: No.
- 19 MR. RUNYAN: Tom?
- MR. TISDALE: No.
- 21 MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, we'd offer this in evidence.
- 22 THE COURT: I think it's in evidence now without
- 23 objection.
- 24 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-69 admitted into evidence.)
- 25 Q. Doctor, would you turn, please, to the second page.

- 1 And, first of all, would you tell the Court whether there is
- 2 an act of parliament set forth on that page and the
- 3 succeeding two pages?
- 4 A. Yes, this is an act of parliament.
- 5 Q. What does the act relate to?
- 6 A. The act relates to a group known as the United Brethren
- 7 or Unitas Fratrum, but more popularly known as the Moravians.
- 8 This was a group of Protestant pietists in Moravia, today we
- 9 would call that area the Czech Republic. The Moravians were
- 10 a Protestant pietist group in the domains of the Austrian
- 11 empire, and especially the domains known as Bohemia, now
- 12 today the Czech Republic. This Protestant group was
- 13 persecuted by the state authorities in the Austrian empire.
- 14 They moved into Germany into the Duchy of Saxony to find
- 15 refuge there. But eventually the Duke of Saxony wanted them
- 16 to conform to the state Lutheran church.
- 17 At this point they fled to other points where they could
- 18 have religious freedom, to England and to England's North
- 19 American colonies. The Moravians who moved to London and
- 20 those who moved to North Carolina and Pennsylvania petitioned
- 21 for recognition by the Church of England and were granted
- 22 this by act of parliament on the grounds that the Moravians
- 23 were, like the Church of England, an ancient Protestant
- 24 Episcopal Church, since they were governed by bishops, and
- 25 was granted equal status and exemption from any taxation or

- 1 other ecclesiastical difficulties and liabilities that would
- 2 otherwise have been laid upon dissenter churches in England
- 3 in the 18th century.
- 4 Q. Thank you, Doctor. Let's focus on just the words
- 5 "Protestant Episcopal Church" if we could for a moment. If
- 6 you would look at roughly at the center of that page, 463.
- 7 Could you just tell us what is set forth there, using those
- 8 words?
- 9 A. The aim here is to identify the Moravian congregations
- 10 as ancient, not literally going back into Roman or Greek
- 11 times but having a lengthy history. Protestant, in other
- 12 words, part of the family of Protestant churches that stem
- 13 from Martin Luther and the Protestant reformation, and
- 14 Episcopal in that the Moravians were governed by bishops.
- 15 Q. Doctor, would you refer down to the lower part of the
- 16 page. Does that phrase "Protestant Episcopal Church" appear
- 17 one other place?
- 18 A. Yes, it does; towards the bottom of Page 463 as copied
- 19 from the statute book. And it says: Every person being a
- 20 member of the said Protestant Episcopal Church known by the
- 21 name of Unitas Fratrum or the United Brethren.
- 22 Q. Doctor, leaving the UK and coming over to the United
- 23 States was the phrase "Protestant Episcopal Church" used for
- 24 any church other than the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
- 25 United States prior to its existence?

- 1 A. Yes. The term and title "Protestant Episcopal Church"
- 2 was used by the parishes of Maryland in the 1770s as they
- 3 attempted to organize themselves during the upheavals of the
- 4 Revolution. They assembled and described themselves as the
- 5 Protestant Episcopal Church as they were appealing to the
- 6 Maryland General Assembly for recognition of the titles of
- 7 their properties. They did this because during the
- 8 Revolution many of the state governments of the United States
- 9 enacted confiscatory statutes, confiscating the properties of
- 10 Tories and sympathizers with the British. These parishes in
- 11 Maryland wished to establish that they were not in sympathy
- 12 with the British occupation forces, and so they appealed to
- 13 the Maryland General Assembly for recognition as a separate
- 14 entity and gave themselves the title Protestant Episcopal
- 15 Church.
- 16 Q. Doctor, prior to the creation of the Episcopal Church,
- 17 how were the post-revolution churches in South Carolina
- 18 referred to?
- 19 A. They also used the title Protestant Episcopal Churches.
- 20 Q. Doctor, would you take a moment, please, and describe
- 21 for the Court how the Episcopal Church came to be the
- 22 national church?
- 23 A. At the end of the American Revolution the Church of
- 24 England congregations in what became the United States were
- 25 pretty much thrown on their own resources. Of the 286 clergy

- 1 resident in America, 131 of them went into exile, and many of
- 2 these congregations simply dissolved because it was felt that
- 3 these were appendages of the British government.
- A number of congregations, though, began organizing
- 5 themselves. They created, actually borrowed, a mechanism
- 6 from the Revolution itself which was to organize as state
- 7 conventions. The Revolution had begun by states resolving
- 8 themselves as conventions. Maryland in 1779 is one of the
- 9 first and actually elects William Smith as their leader, as
- 10 their bishop, as their overseer. William White, the rector
- of Christ Church Philadelphia, issued in 1782 a pamphlet
- 12 entitled The Case of the Episcopal Churches Considered in
- which he outlines a plan for organizing these church of
- 14 England congregations on what he called the federal plan.
- 15 And he in fact called for the assembling of a Pennsylvania
- 16 state convention in 1784 in Philadelphia. That Pennsylvania
- 17 state convention in turn issues a call for the meeting of
- 18 nine state conventions which assembled in 1785 in
- 19 Philadelphia.
- 20 Summing it up, the long and short of it is that the
- 21 Episcopal -- the national church really comes into being by
- 22 the action of individual state church organizations
- 23 organizing themselves, then coming together, and then
- 24 proceeding to do business.
- 25 Q. So did the Episcopal Church create the state

- 1 organizations or did the state organizations create the
- 2 Episcopal Church?
- 3 A. Well, the state organizations were responsible for
- 4 creating the Episcopal Church. There was no Episcopal Church
- 5 beforehand to call it into being. Episcopal congregations
- 6 had received no oversight or instruction from the Archbishop
- of Canterbury or the Bishop of London in England and,
- 8 curiously, it's not even on William White's authority that
- 9 the call goes out to the state conventions to come. It is
- 10 the Pennsylvania convention which invites the other state
- 11 conventions to assemble together.
- 12 Q. Dr. Guelzo, what was the attitude, if you can tell us,
- 13 of the former Anglican parishes to the idea of an episcopacy?
- 14 A. Dicey, the reason being mostly political. Anglican
- 15 churches were seen both before the Revolution and during the
- 16 Revolution as a kind of religious fifth column of the British
- 17 empire. So those who were loyal to Anglican worship and the
- 18 Anglican ethos had to walk a very narrow path for fear of
- 19 exciting hostility and retribution by people who would assume
- 20 that any attempt to organize a full-blown Episcopal church
- 21 would attract a great deal of negative publicity and maybe
- 22 even spark mob actions and riots.
- Tories, of course, had been tarred and feathered with
- 24 some regularity during the Revolution, and these marooned
- 25 Church of England parishes were not eager to have the same

- 1 thing happen. So what they proposed by way of an
- 2 organization stays as far away from the vocabulary of a full
- 3 hierarchical structure or a full control structure, they're
- 4 even hesitant to use the word "bishop." When William White
- 5 lays out his case for the Episcopal churches considered, he
- 6 suggests that the term "overseer" be used rather than
- 7 "bishop" for fear of implying that some kind of top-down
- 8 control is being imposed from England.
- 9 Q. Were there any components of William White's proposal
- 10 for this type of a church in the case considered that
- 11 suggested that when these entities came into union, they
- 12 would only give so much authority as was needed for that
- 13 organization but retain the rest?
- 14 A. The only authority that the various state conventions
- 15 seemed to give at all to judge by the record of the original
- 16 convention, original national convention, was for the purpose
- of electing bishops. And that, curiously enough, is an
- 18 authority which that same convention devolves back onto the
- 19 diocese in 1799.
- 20 Q. Bishop -- excuse me -- Dr. Guelzo, I'm going to show you
- 21 what's marked in evidence as Diocese Exhibit 41, which is a
- 22 copy of the Constitution, first Constitution, of the Diocese
- of South Carolina. Have you seen that before?
- 24 A. I have seen this document.
- 25 Q. Do you see any of the principles that you just discussed

- 1 contained in any of the articles in Exhibit 41?
- 2 A. In the very first article: That the Protestant
- 3 Episcopal Church in these states is and ought to be
- 4 independent of all foreign authority, ecclesiastical or
- 5 civil. This is an attempt to establish that although
- 6 Episcopalians are coming together as Episcopalians, they
- 7 should not be mistaken as a branch of the Church of England,
- 8 they should not be mistaken as attempting to create any kind
- 9 of monarchical form of government.
- 10 Q. All right. Any others?
- 11 A. Moving on here, I point out that the doctrines of the
- 12 gospel should be maintained as now proposed by the church of
- 13 England and uniformity of worship to be continued as near as
- 14 possible.
- MR. TISDALE: Your Honor, we object. Excuse me, Doctor.
- 16 Put an objection on the record that the document speaks for
- 17 itself. I think you've ruled that in other cases, similar
- 18 cases in the case.
- 19 MR. RUNYAN: I'll rephrase the question.
- 20 THE COURT: All right.
- 21 Q. Doctor, I'm going to read you a couple of things from
- 22 this document and then ask you a question about them. There
- 23 is Article IV -- I'm going to have a hard time reading it
- 24 actually -- that something in the ministry be agreeable to
- 25 the usage which require the three orders of bishops, priests,

- 1 and deacons, parentheses, with an exception, however, to the
- 2 establishing of bishops in the state, closed parentheses.
- 3 How does that exception relate to what you've just testified
- 4 about?
- 5 A. The exception suggests that in the original document
- 6 people were dicey, even very hesitant, even about the area of
- 7 suggesting that bishops were necessary to the reconstitution
- 8 of their association, that they could in fact move on quite
- 9 happily and continue to think of themselves legitimately as
- 10 Anglicans only with the orders of priests and deacons.
- 11 Q. I'll read you another article, article fifth: That to
- 12 make regulations, rules, and laws there be no other authority
- than that of a representative body of the clergy and laity
- 14 conjointly.
- Does that speak to the issue of a centralized authority?
- 16 A. I think very clearly what Article V is saying
- 17 unmistakably is that whatever authority there is, that the
- 18 authority remains within these representatives in South
- 19 Carolina.
- 20 Q. And the last article: That no power be delegated to a
- 21 general ecclesiastical government except such as cannot be
- 22 exercised by the clergy and vestries in their respective
- 23 congregations.
- 24 My first question is: Was that one of the elements of
- 25 William White's The Case?

- 1 A. This was, because White was very sympathetic to the
- 2 notion that the individual state organizations and dioceses
- 3 should have the full and open control of their property and
- 4 of their own government. White was looking less to create a
- 5 national church government than he was simply to secure a
- 6 legitimate succession of the episcopate, which he hoped to
- 7 obtain from the Bishop of London or from the Archbishop of
- 8 Canterbury. He also recognized that that might not be
- 9 forthcoming because there was no precedent at that point in
- 10 Church of England history for consecrating bishops for a
- 11 province outside the political of boundaries of the British
- 12 empire. So White, always hedging his bets by saying, well,
- 13 if this is possible, if we can obtain the episcopate; if we
- 14 can't, we will move ahead nevertheless on our own authority.
- 15 Q. Dr. Guelzo, what was South Carolina's initial position
- on whether they desired a bishop or not?
- 17 A. South Carolina was not entirely sure -- and this in this
- 18 respect is very similar to Maryland -- as to whether they
- 19 should even talk about bishops simply because the word itself
- 20 might conjure up much too much in the way of hostility to
- 21 their parishes and to their clergy and people.
- 22 Understand, the term "bishop" in America in the 1780s is
- 23 a loaded term because prior to the Revolution there had been
- 24 a good deal of discussion about the creation and consecration
- of a bishop for the American colonies. There had been none

- 1 up till that point. In fact, the Bishop of London had the
- 2 overall oversight authority for the American parishes. He
- 3 never visited America, he stayed in London. He sent a
- 4 representative, a commissary, who lived in Virginia, but that
- 5 was about the extent of that representation. Many people
- 6 agitated strenuously for the appointment of a colonial
- 7 bishop, but it never actually happened because, well, in
- 8 large measure no one was willing to pay for it.
- 9 But it was suggested that the discussions, the attempts,
- 10 the plans to create a bishop for America were of a piece with
- 11 British imperial attempts to strengthen fiscal and political
- 12 control over the colonies so that, for instance, at the time
- 13 of the Stamp Act it was said by John Adams that the stamping
- 14 and episcopizing of America were two parts of the same
- 15 program, which, of course, the Revolution opposes. So,
- 16 therefore, using the term "bishop," that had to be done very,
- 17 very carefully because that term had a -- it had a history
- 18 among Americans that was not very, very tasty.
- 19 Q. Doctor, in fact, does the governance of the Episcopal
- 20 Church today require that a diocese even have a bishop?
- 21 A. Strictly speaking, no. It's one of the ironies of the
- 22 way that the documents themselves have been constructed over
- 23 the years, that the constitution and canons both of the
- 24 national church and the dioceses tend to respond to specific
- 25 situations and specific questions. And if it doesn't occur,

- 1 if it's not a particular challenge, then there tends not to
- 2 be legal material on that or statutory material on that. So
- 3 the exact idea that you must have a bishop in order for the
- 4 diocese to function itself doesn't really appear in the
- 5 documents.
- 6 Q. Doctor, are you familiar with a work known as "The
- 7 Episcopal Church And Its Work" authored by Powel Mills
- 8 Dawley?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Is that a work that you consider to be reliable as it
- 11 relates to the general history of the Episcopal Church?
- 12 A. Yes. It's one of a number of standard references and
- 13 surveys of the history of the Episcopal Church.
- 14 Q. Okay. I'm going to read a couple things and ask you a
- 15 question if I could. On Page 75 of that work the following
- 16 quote appears: The constitutional articles are the most
- important laws of the church, and like those laws called
- 18 canons, which may be altered at any session of general
- 19 convention, the provisions of the constitution may be amended
- 20 only by the action of two successive conventions.
- 21 MS. KOSTEL: I'm sorry to interrupt. Is this an
- 22 exhibit?
- MR. RUNYAN: No. I don't think I can introduce it. I
- 24 will if you'll consent to it.
- MS. KOSTEL: Why are you reading it then?

- 1 MR. RUNYAN: That's the way we do it.
- 2 MS. KOSTEL: Only on reply, is that -- got it. Excuse
- $3 \quad \text{me.}$
- 4 Q. I'll start over, Doctor.
- 5 THE COURT: Hold on.
- 6 (Brief pause.)
- 7 THE COURT: Cross, not reply. I took your question to
- 8 be cross, not reply. I think you meant reply. I'm looking
- 9 at cross. I'm looking at cross. Hold on.
- MS. KOSTEL: Okay.
- MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, I believe that this is
- 12 appropriate examination under Rule 803(18).
- 13 THE COURT: Well, I finally got it. I got right there.
- 14 Thank you. I'll put the rule on the record so we're all on
- 15 the same page. It is 803(18). To the extent called to the
- 16 attention of an expert witness upon cross-examination, which
- is where my mind went, or relied upon by the expert witness
- in direct examination; statements contained in published
- 19 treatises, periodicals, or pamphlets on a subject of history
- 20 is established as a reliable authority by the testimony; if
- 21 admitted, the statements may be read into evidence but not
- 22 received as evidence.
- There you go. You may proceed.
- 24 Q. Doctor, let's refresh our recollection. The Episcopal
- 25 Church and Its Work, is this a part of the Episcopal Church

- 1 teaching series?
- 2 A. Yes, it is, to the best of my understanding.
- 3 Q. All right. Back to where we were, I'm going to read a
- 4 statement from Page 75 and ask you a question. The
- 5 constitutional articles are the most important laws of the
- 6 church, unlike those laws called canons, which may be altered
- 7 at any session of the general convention. The provisions of
- 8 the constitution may be amended only by the action of two
- 9 successive conventions. Changes of a serious nature in the
- 10 structure or order of the church may not be made until there
- 11 has been ample time for study and deliberation.
- Do you agree with that, Doctor?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. I'll ask you another question from Page 106 concerning
- 15 the office of the presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church.
- 16 While the presiding bishop is invested with the prestige that
- 17 surrounds the archbishops and metropolitans in other churches
- 18 of the Anglican Communion, few of his canonical duties are
- 19 those historically associated with the office of archbishop.
- 20 MS. KOSTEL: Objection, Your Honor. The authority of
- 21 the presiding bishop is not an issue in this case.
- 22 THE COURT: Let me hear the question.
- MS. KOSTEL: Okay.
- MR. RUNYAN: I may not go there if she is conceding that
- 25 the presiding bishop has no authority over dioceses and

- 1 parishes at all.
- 2 MR. BEERS: That's not what we said at all.
- 3 MS. KOSTEL: The presiding bishop's authority is not at
- 4 issue, the general convention's authority is at issue.
- 5 THE COURT: To me, read. Let me hear the question.
- 6 MR. RUNYAN: What I am quoting from is as follows:
- 7 While the presiding bishop is invested with the prestige that
- 8 surrounds the archbishops and metropolitans in other churches
- 9 of the Anglican Communion, few of his canonical duties are
- 10 those historically associated with the office of archbishop.
- 11 He exercises no direct pastoral oversight of a diocese of his
- own, nor does he possess visitorial or juridical powers
- 13 within the independent dioceses of the Episcopal Church.
- 14 THE COURT: And what is the nature of the objection?
- MS. KOSTEL: That the authority of the presiding bishop
- 16 is not at issue in this case. Any authority of the presiding
- 17 bishop, I think that the testimony derives from the general
- 18 convention. And the issue in this case is the general
- 19 convention's authority over the diocese.
- 20 THE COURT: Got it. Overruled.
- 21 Q. Doctor, do you agree with that statement?
- 22 A. Yes, I do.
- 23 Q. From Page 115: At the time that the American Revolution
- 24 forced an independent organization upon the Anglican Colonial
- 25 parishes, the first dioceses existed separately from each

- 1 other before they agreed to the union in 1789 into a national
- 2 church. That union, like the original federation of our
- 3 states, was one in which each dioceses retained a large
- 4 amount of autonomy. And today the dioceses still possess an
- 5 independence far greater than that characteristic in most
- 6 other churches with Episcopal polity.
- 7 Do you agree with that?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. Page 116 of the same book: Diocesan participation in
- 10 any national program or effort, for example, must be
- 11 voluntarily given, it cannot be forced. Again, while the
- 12 bishop's exercise of independent power within the dioceses is
- 13 restricted by the share in church government possessed by the
- 14 diocesan convention or the standing committee, his
- 15 independence in respect to the rest of the church is almost
- 16 complete.
- Do you agree with that statement?
- 18 A. Yes, I do.
- 19 Q. And finally, from the same page: Neither the general
- 20 convention nor the National Council lacking control over the
- 21 larger part of the church's resources --
- THE COURT: The national church's?
- MR. RUNYAN: Resources.
- 24 THE COURT: Thank you.
- MR. RUNYAN: -- can put men and money to work in

- 1 missionary districts or other areas of crucial challenge
- 2 without the voluntary cooperation of the dioceses.
- 3 Do you agree with that statement?
- 4 A. Yes, I do.
- 5 Q. You obviously have some familiarity and expertise with
- 6 the American Civil War, do you not?
- 7 A. That is true.
- 8 Q. Would you tell the Court what happened to the southern
- 9 dioceses that were a part of the -- in union with the
- 10 Episcopal Church when the Civil War broke out?
- 11 A. With the outbreak of the Civil War the dioceses
- 12 represented in the seceding states of the confederacy came
- 13 together to form their own organization, and that was styled
- 14 the General Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
- 15 Confederate States. This was a motion arising from the
- 16 dioceses themselves to federate in this fashion and they
- 17 functioned through the Civil War on that basis.
- 18 At the end of the Civil War representatives of these
- 19 dioceses appeared at the next general convention of the
- 20 Episcopal Church in 1866 and were welcomed back as dioceses.
- 21 In other words, by detaching themselves from the Protestant
- 22 Episcopal Church in the United States, they had not acquired
- 23 some entirely new identity which forced them to be redefined
- 24 as dioceses, they came back as the same dioceses they had
- 25 been with the same authority that they had and were indeed

- 1 welcomed back by the presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church
- 2 and by the resolution that was passed at that time in the
- 3 1866 general convention.
- 4 Q. Doctor, I'm going to hand you a document which is the
- 5 1866 proceedings of the Diocese of South Carolina. I'll ask
- 6 you, sir, if you've seen that before?
- 7 A. Yes, I have.
- 8 THE COURT: Is this in evidence at this point?
- 9 MR. RUNYAN: It is not, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Okay.
- 11 MR. RUNYAN: I would at this time offer it in evidence.
- 12 (Plaintiff's Exhibit Diocese-70 marked for
- 13 identification.)
- 14 THE COURT: You all have the document; correct?
- MS. KOSTEL: Yes.
- MR. TISDALE: He gave us one and I passed it over to
- 17 Ms. Kostel.
- 18 THE COURT: All right. You may proceed, Mr. Runyan, to
- 19 ask him questions.
- 20 Q. Doctor, what is this document?
- 21 A. This document is a journal of the proceedings of the
- 22 Diocese of South Carolina as it was coming at the end of the
- 23 Civil War.
- Q. What was the year?
- 25 A. 1866.

- 1 Q. Does it contain on the first page just opposite the
- 2 title something entitled "Preamble and Resolutions" of
- 3 another entity?
- 4 A. Yes, it does. "Preamble and Resolutions of the General
- 5 Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church," it looks as
- 6 though it forgot to put the definite article in, "in the Late
- 7 Confederate States."
- 8 Q. Was there a separate organization of the southern
- 9 dioceses during the Civil War?
- 10 A. Separate in respect of the Episcopal Church in the
- 11 United States, yes. There was no new diocese organized under
- 12 the aegis of this General Council of the Protestant Episcopal
- 13 Church. In fact, to the contrary. It was the dioceses of
- 14 states like South Carolina which come together and organize
- 15 not only a new convention of their own, but in fact give it a
- 16 different title than the general convention of the Protestant
- 17 Episcopal Church of the United States. They call it a
- 18 General Council to distinguish it. It is very much a
- 19 creation of these dioceses.
- 20 Q. Doctor, I'm going to read you a paragraph from that
- 21 preamble and resolution and ask you a question about.
- 22 THE COURT: Hold on one second. Is it in evidence?
- MR. RUNYAN: It is not.
- 24 THE COURT: Is it offered?
- MR. RUNYAN: It is offered.

- 1 MS. KOSTEL: No objection.
- 2 MR. TISDALE: No objection.
- 3 MS. KOSTEL: 70?
- 4 THE COURT: 70. Very well.
- 5 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-70 marked for identification.)
- 6 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-70 admitted into evidence.)
- 7 Q. Would you turn to the paragraph marked, looks like,
- 8 Resolved 1? Doctor, this says that in the judgment of this
- 9 Council it is perfectly consistent with the good faith which
- 10 she owes to the bishops and dioceses with which she has been
- in union since 1862 for any diocese to decide for herself
- 12 whether she shall any longer continue in union with this
- 13 Council.
- Doctor, does that speak at all, in your opinion, to the
- issue of the independence of the dioceses?
- 16 A. It suggests that the diocesan authorities were enjoying
- 17 and were given permission to make their own decisions about
- 18 affiliation or re-affiliation with the Episcopal Church,
- 19 Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States. The
- 20 diocese would make its own decision.
- 21 Q. Doctor, based upon your knowledge as a professional
- 22 historian, your understanding of the creation of the
- 23 Episcopal Church, and your review of records surrounding its
- 24 creation, in your opinion is there anything associated with
- 25 that creation that suggests to you that a diocese who helped

- 1 create the Episcopal Church, once joining it, could never
- 2 leave again?
- 3 A. I can recollect nothing which insists on a permanent
- 4 subordination of dioceses in the national church to the
- 5 authority of either the bishops or even the general
- 6 convention of the Episcopal Church.
- 7 MR. RUNYAN: Thank you, sir.
- 8 THE COURT: Any other direct from any other plaintiffs?
- 9 All right. Cross-examination, Mr. Beers.
- MR. BEERS: May we have a few moments, Your Honor?
- 11 THE COURT: Of course.
- MR. BEERS: Your Honor, given the fact we did not know
- 13 about this witness -- and I'm not complaining about that --
- 14 would you mind if Ms. Kostel and I split the cross?
- 15 THE COURT: No, I don't.
- 16 MR. BEERS: Thank you.
- 17 THE COURT: And I know it's not typically normally done,
- 18 but I'm going to allow it under these circumstances.
- 19 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MS. KOSTEL:
- 20 Q. Good morning, Dr. Guelzo.
- 21 A. Good morning.
- 22 Q. I'm Mary Kostel and I represent the Episcopal Church.
- 23 We're referring to it as the national church here. Dr.
- 24 Guelzo, you're familiar with someone named Francis Hawks,
- 25 right, who was a clergyman and historian alive in the 19th

- 1 century?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you're aware, I'm certain, that he wrote a book in
- 4 that century called Contributions to the Ecclesiastical
- 5 History of the United States of America?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And I'm certain you're aware -- and I need to get my
- 8 glasses. Excuse me.
- 9 Getting back to Francis Hawks, you're aware that in that
- 10 book Francis Hawks was speaking about dioceses and wrote:
- 11 What did the several dioceses surrender when they came into
- 12 the general convention?
- MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, I'm sure she can do it, but
- 14 you've missed a foundational question. I would object to the
- 15 foundation.
- MS. KOSTEL: He's aware of it. He's a historian in the
- 17 19th century.
- 18 Q. Correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. Yes. I thought I had established that.
- 21 MR. TISDALE: You did.
- 22 O. Yes. So Francis Hawks wrote: What did the several
- 23 dioceses retain when they -- what did they surrender when
- 24 they came into the general convention as we apprehend, he
- 25 wrote, the following things: Number one, such an exercise of

- 1 independency as would permit them to withdraw from the union
- 2 at their own pleasure and without the assent of other
- 3 dioceses.
- 4 You're aware that he wrote that; correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Okay. And you're familiar with Francis Vinton, also a
- 7 19th century writer, teacher, professor of ecclesiastical
- 8 polity at law in the general theological seminary of the
- 9 Episcopal Church and a priest? You're aware of him?
- 10 A. And also a rector in New York City.
- 11 Q. Yes, exactly. And I'm sure you're familiar with a
- 12 manual commentary of the general canon law and the
- 13 constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
- 14 States that Francis Vinton wrote?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And so I'm certain you're aware that Francis Vinton
- 17 wrote in his manual commentary a question and answer type of
- 18 essay, piece, and one question was, Q: What is the relation
- of the general convention to the diocesan conventions? A,
- 20 his answer: It is that of a supreme legislature whose
- 21 constitution is the fundamental law of the Protestant
- 22 Episcopal Church in the United States and whose canons either
- 23 overrule or sanction the canons of the several diocesan
- 24 conventions; correct?
- 25 A. That statement is one of his statements.

- 1 Q. Yes. And he wrote that in the 19th century; correct?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 Q. And you're familiar, I'm sure, with Hill Burgwin, who
- 4 was also living in the 19th century, was the chancellor of
- 5 the Diocese of Pittsburgh and is a lawyer. And Mr. Burgwin,
- 6 I'm sure you know, wrote an article called "The National
- 7 Church and the Diocese"?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And I'm sure you're aware that he wrote the following,
- 10 which is long: But suppose the attempt to do so -- and he's
- 11 referring to remove a diocese from the church -- were made
- 12 and that the convention of a diocese with the bishop at its
- 13 head should, by an overwhelming majority and for a cause
- 14 sufficient to satisfy them, resolve to withdraw from the
- union with the national church and thereupon set up an
- 16 independent organization. What would then be the
- 17 ecclesiastical and also the civil status of the different
- 18 parties concerned?
- 19 As to the former, all those who should remain faithful
- 20 to the national church, whether as individuals or parishes,
- 21 however small a remnant and however unorganized and widely
- 22 scattered, would compose the Protestant Episcopal Church in
- 23 that diocese. If not strong enough to organize themselves as
- 24 a diocese, they would be taken under the foster and care of
- 25 the national church and perhaps be organized temporarily as a

- 1 missionary jurisdiction.
- 2 As to the others, their acts would be that of
- 3 individuals only, being beyond the scope of their powers as
- 4 members of the convention. It would be of no legal effect
- 5 and the diocese would still remain potentially and when
- 6 subsequently reorganized actually in union with the national
- 7 church, while any subsequent organization of the majority
- 8 would be simply schismatical, especially after their bishop
- 9 had been deposed, as he would be at once.
- Not only would this be the ecclesiastical status of all
- 11 the parties as held by the national church, but they would be
- 12 regarded in the same light by the civil law and with this
- 13 most important consequence that all the property in the
- 14 diocese held in trust for the church purposes -- for church
- 15 purposes -- excuse me -- whether by the diocese at large, by
- 16 parishes, or by any other corporations or individuals, would
- 17 remain for the use and benefit of those whom the law held to
- 18 be, though in a minority, yet members of the Protestant
- 19 Episcopal Church in the United States of America and her
- 20 lawful representatives in the diocese concerned.
- 21 Hill Burgwin wrote that in the 19th century; isn't that
- 22 right?
- 23 A. Can you supply me the exact date on that?
- 24 Q. Yes. Well, it's an April 1885 issue of the American
- 25 Church Review.

- 1 A. And you are aware that in fact that was inaccurate and
- 2 indeed contradicted by the case of Chase, et al., versus
- 3 Cheney in 1871.
- 4 Q. In 1871. But Hill Burgwin wrote this in 1885.
- 5 A. I'm aware of that. But I will also have to point out
- 6 that this is an opinion of a gentleman flying in the face of
- 7 and in denial of what was already an established court case
- 8 in the Diocese of Illinois and in the Illinois State Supreme
- 9 Court.
- 10 Q. And that case that happened in the Diocese of Illinois
- 11 happened before the church adopted new canons setting out its
- 12 control over property; isn't that right?
- 13 A. You're right. You're reading canons or you're reading
- 14 Mr. Burgwin's opinion?
- 15 Q. I'm talking about canons now.
- 16 A. And there were canons in 1880 to that effect? I'm
- 17 unaware of such.
- 18 Q. That's fine then.
- 19 A. No. I think you're reading opinions of a particular
- 20 person writing about canon law, but there are no such canons.
- 21 Q. So you're not aware of canons that were adopted by the
- 22 general convention after the Cheney case?
- 23 A. Not of that nature, not representing that gentleman's
- 24 opinion, no.
- 25 Q. I'm talking about canons regarding church property that

- 1 were adopted by the general convention after the Cheney case
- 2 was decided.
- 3 A. But those canons, of course, were not in fact put into
- 4 effect. And what's more, they had to wait until 1977 with
- 5 the resolutions surrounding the Dennis canon.
- 6 Q. What canons do you think you're talking about that were
- 7 not put into effect?
- 8 A. I'm talking about canons with reference to church
- 9 property.
- 10 Q. So you're not aware of any canons that were adopted in
- 11 the 1870s regarding church property?
- 12 A. None that were put to any sort of test.
- 13 Q. That expressly spoke about protecting church property
- 14 against persons who abandoned the Episcopal Church.
- 15 A. No. You are reading, are you not, Mr. Burgwin's
- 16 opinion?
- 17 Q. I'm not reading anything. I'm asking you if you're
- 18 aware of a canon that had that language in it.
- 19 A. If you can supply me with the text of the canon so that
- 20 I can be sure of the exact wording, I would be happy to give
- 21 you my opinion about the canons. But you have asked me for
- 22 an opinion about Mr. Burgwin's article.
- 23 Q. No. I asked you whether you were aware of Mr. Burgwin's
- 24 article.
- 25 A. I am aware of Mr. Burgwin's article. That's all.

- 1 Q. Okay. But you're not aware of canons passed in the
- 2 1870s?
- 3 A. Can you cite me a case?
- 4 Q. You're either aware of it or you're not, Dr. Guelzo.
- 5 A. Well, I'm not aware of them because you cannot cite a
- 6 case for me.
- 7 Q. Thank you.
- 8 A. It doesn't exist, a vapor.
- 9 Q. You're familiar, I'm sure, also with Murray Hoffman, who
- 10 was a layman in the Episcopal Church in the 19th century and
- 11 published a paper called "Remarks Upon the Question of What
- 12 Is Schism"?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And in that paper Hoffman quoted Francis Hawks, did he
- 15 not?
- 16 A. Yes, he did.
- 17 Q. And in agreement with Francis Hawks said: He enumerates
- 18 what the several dioceses retained and then asks what did
- 19 they surrender, as we apprehend the following things: Number
- 20 one, such an exercise of independence as would permit them to
- 21 withdraw from the union at their own pleasure and without the
- 22 assent of the other dioceses.
- That was in Hoffman's article, wasn't it?
- 24 A. That is correct. Are you aware of the disposition of
- 25 these authors whom you have been reading, from Cox to

- 1 Hoffman?
- 2 Q. I'm asking the questions.
- 3 A. I know you're asking the questions.
- 4 THE COURT: Stop. Both of you stop. When you
- 5 cross-examine an expert with regards to a document, it has to
- 6 be accepted as a learned treatise by the witness before you
- 7 can ask him. This is of no use to the Court if this witness
- 8 doesn't consider what you're reading to be learned treatises.
- 9 You're not laying the proper foundation. I know there hadn't
- 10 been an objection, but this is of no use to me to have you
- 11 have a debate with this witness about whether he believes
- 12 what you're reading is legitimate or not. That doesn't help
- 13 me.
- MS. KOSTEL: But, your Honor, I'm offering it -- may I
- 15 finish?
- 16 THE COURT: No. You cannot under our rules. When you
- 17 cross-examine an expert with regards to a treatise, the
- 18 expert has to accept the document as a learned treatise.
- 19 That is missing from your foundation. I know it hadn't been
- 20 objected to, but this is nonjury, people, and I have to be
- 21 able to rely on it. And there's a ton of information. I'm
- 22 not going to have this kind of information thrown at me, and
- 23 I have got to discern what was legitimate and what wasn't.
- MS. KOSTEL: Fair enough. Let me ask about --
- 25 THE COURT: So start over and ask him do you consider

- 1 this document to be a learned treatise.
- 2 MS. KOSTEL: Fair enough. But, Your Honor, can I skip
- 3 reading all the excerpts again?
- 4 THE COURT: Absolutely. Absolutely.
- 5 Q. So let's go back to Francis Hawks. Do you agree that
- 6 Francis Hawks wrote a number of works about the history of
- 7 the Episcopal Church; correct?
- 8 A. Yes. But I don't believe that's the question at issue.
- 9 Q. No. I'm going to follow up that question.
- 10 A. Very good.
- 11 Q. Yes. And "Contributions to the Ecclesiastical History
- of the United States of America" was one of those works;
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And that's what I read from just a moment ago.
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Yes. And do you consider that a learned treatise?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. And why is that?
- 20 A. Because it was a party statement. Understand that Cox,
- 21 Vinton, especially Francis Vinton, were partisans for a
- 22 particular party within the church known as the ritualists or
- 23 the Anglo-Catholics, as they're sometimes called, who were
- 24 agitating for movement of the Episcopal Church to a structure
- and to theology more closely resembling Roman Catholicism,

- 1 hence the name Anglo-Catholic. They were advocates, they
- 2 were partisans, they produced works of theological
- 3 speculation, but in no sense were they speaking
- 4 authoritatively for the church. And their positions were in
- 5 fact frequently and roundly condemned in the general
- 6 convention of the Episcopal Church. What you are -- what you
- 7 are reading effectively would be like reading excerpts from
- 8 articles written by members of the Tea Party to describe the
- 9 Constitution of the United States.
- 10 Q. How about Dawley; is that a learned treatise?
- 11 A. I believe it is.
- 12 Q. So your view is that Hoffman is not a learned treatise?
- 13 A. I would say so.
- 14 Q. And Burgwin, the chancellor of the Diocese of
- 15 Pittsburgh?
- 16 A. Definitely.
- 17 O. And Vinton as well?
- 18 A. Definitely above all Vinton, who is probably among the
- 19 authors you read the most forward as a partisan of the
- 20 ritualist party.
- 21 Q. Let me ask you this: Were they known? Were they known
- 22 people?
- 23 A. Oh, they were certainly known, but so was Jesse James.
- 24 Q. Yes. That's fine. But they were known figures in the
- 25 Episcopal Church in the 19th century?

- 1 A. They were known as radicals, they were known as members
- 2 of a fringe group; yes.
- 3 THE COURT: Now, would you do this for me -- and I hate
- 4 to do this because I know you've been through it, but it's
- 5 important because you've read some things that are very
- 6 important for me to hear -- the gentleman that he just
- 7 acknowledged was a learned treatise, can you go back through
- 8 the quote that you gave him.
- 9 MR. KOSTEL: That was not one of the quotes. That was
- 10 the treatise that Mr. Runyan introduced.
- 11 THE COURT: Okay.
- 12 Q. Let me ask you, Dr. Guelzo, about William Jones Seabury.
- 13 Is it your view that he has produced learned treatises?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 THE COURT: Can you spell that for me?
- MS. KOSTEL: Yes. William Jones Seabury, S-E-A-B-U-R-Y.
- 18 Q. Can you tell us a little bit about who he was?
- 19 A. The gentleman was, as my memory serves me, an Episcopal
- 20 clergyman and a partisan and the author of partisan material.
- 21 Q. How about William Stephens Perry?
- 22 A. William Stephens Perry is the author of learned
- 23 treatises and especially not -- I think the word "treatise"
- 24 is probably inaccurate. He was the editor of documents. He
- 25 was well known as a historian collecting elements of

- 1 historical documents of the Episcopal Church, which he then
- 2 edited in a series of volumes in the 19th century.
- 3 Q. But in those volumes sometimes he included his own
- 4 comments; correct?
- 5 A. Yes; as introductory material.
- 6 Q. And in your view did his views carry any weight?
- 7 A. The documents do, yes. The documents are an important
- 8 collection of resources which save scholars like myself from
- 9 having to make excessive trips to the library.
- 10 Q. Yes, I understand. I'm familiar with those types of
- 11 collections. But what I'm asking you is setting aside the
- documents he was collecting, his commentary on the documents.
- 13 A. His comments are generally considered to be neither here
- 14 nor there because for one thing you're dealing with someone
- who's observing the situation from the 19th century, and
- documentary editing in the 19th century was a much more
- 17 loosey-goosey affair than documentary editing is today.
- 18 Q. Yes. And so how is Dawley different from all these
- 19 people?
- 20 A. For one thing much shorter, much more precise, and much
- 21 more careful, also much more recent.
- 22 Q. So Dawley writes more recently?
- 23 A. My understanding is that, yes, Dawley's approach is a
- 24 much more cautious, careful, and recent approach.
- 25 Q. And is there anyone you know of in the 19th century who

- 1 was writing in a cautious and careful way?
- 2 A. Not too many. I will cite, though, Calvin Colton.
- 3 Colton in 1853, who was an Episcopal clergyman and not really
- 4 identified with any of these parties, wrote a landmark
- 5 treatise on the structure of the Episcopal Church called
- 6 "Genius and Mission of the Episcopal Church in the United
- 7 States." His insistence was that the Episcopal Church was
- 8 not in any way a type of the English church, it was not
- 9 monarchical. Its genius, Colton said, is republican, with a
- 10 small r; in other words, meaning that there is no hierarchy,
- 11 no monarchy, no top-down authority, rather authority moves
- 12 from the bottom up. Even in terms of the authority of
- 13 bishops, bishops act only as providing officers of a dioceses
- 14 and the authority remains within the dioceses themselves.
- 15 That includes the presiding bishop. Colton was at pains to
- 16 make clear that the presiding bishop was merely an executive
- 17 officer.
- And, in fact, it is curious in this respect that
- 19 presiding bishops of the Episcopal Church were also serving
- 20 as diocesan bishops; in other words, the office of presiding
- 21 bishop was a part-time add-on because there really was so
- 22 little in the way of authority or exercise of authority
- 23 attaching to that office.
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. And that is Colton in 1853. I'm sure you're aware of

- 1 Colton's treatise.
- 2 Q. Just to flesh out the presiding bishop's office, that
- 3 changes somewhat by the action of general convention in the
- 4 20th century; for example, the presiding bishop can no longer
- 5 continue to have jurisdiction over a diocese while acting as
- 6 presiding bishop.
- 7 A. That is true. There is a conflict of interest involved.
- 8 Q. That's a fairly recent development.
- 9 A. That is. And being a history person, of course, the
- 10 closer I get to the present, the less I know about
- 11 everything.
- 12 Q. Fair enough. Let me ask you about, are you aware of
- 13 anyone writing in the 19th century who took the opposite view
- of whether a diocese could leave?
- 15 A. It's difficult for me to put a finger on a particular
- 16 person who is actually addressing that question.
- 17 Q. Other than the folks who we --
- 18 A. Other than the Anglo-Catholics.
- 19 Q. Right.
- 20 A. The consensus opinion was that the Episcopal Church was
- 21 a federation of its dioceses and functioned in that light.
- 22 The general convention, if you look carefully at the
- 23 proceedings, the published proceedings of each general
- 24 convention mostly came together for the consideration of
- 25 reports from the dioceses and from the voluntary societies of

- 1 the church and did very little in the way of what you might
- 2 call legislation.
- 3 Q. Let me ask you this: So you said that the consensus at
- 4 the time was that the church was -- the general convention I
- 5 think was a confederation. Did I say that correctly?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. But it's true that William Stephens Perry, who I think
- 8 you acknowledge, did make some valid commentary, did you not?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Yes. Stated in the history of the American Episcopal
- 11 Church, 1587 to 1883, he did say the following: Now how is
- 12 it with our ecclesiastical constitution? I must say that
- 13 after a careful and anxious scrutiny of the constitution and
- 14 canons of our general church, the power of the general
- 15 convention seems to me unlimited, while that of the diocesan
- 16 convention is only that which the general convention is
- 17 pleased to concede.
- He did say that, didn't he?
- 19 A. Yes, he did. And I suppose we could put Stephens and
- 20 Colton together in a ring and they could slug it out. I
- 21 think the point there is that there is not any one single
- opinion on this; that, in fact, there has been no
- 23 authoritative determination in the 19th century on that
- 24 status, no one in fact has thought to put a finger down on
- 25 it, on the question of that relationship, so that you will

- 1 find someone offering an opinion here, you will find someone
- 2 offering an opinion in another direction and in yet another
- 3 direction. That does not suggest that there is any kind of
- 4 settled law on the subject.
- 5 Q. And you don't know so much about the 20th century you
- 6 have testified; is that right?
- 7 A. No. The 20th century fades away for me.
- 8 Q. Well, we're in the 21st, so hang on.
- 9 A. That's fading even faster. Ask me about 1861 and I'll
- 10 tell you about everything that was going on, but yesterday,
- 11 hopeless.
- 12 Q. I can sympathize.
- MS. KOSTEL: Let me collect my thoughts for a moment.
- 14 If I may consult with Mr. Beers.
- 15 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEERS:
- 16 Q. Father, my name is David Beers and I represent the
- 17 Episcopal Church as well. There was some discussion about
- 18 canons in the 1870s regarding real estate. Do you remember
- 19 that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Do you remember that the canons were adopted in the late
- 22 1860s and early 1870s about the alienation of property?
- 23 A. There were some canons, yes.
- 24 Q. Do you remember what they said?
- 25 A. Not specifically.

- 1 Q. Would it refresh your recollection if I were to say that
- 2 a parish could not alienate consecrated property without the
- 3 consent of the bishop and the standing committee?
- 4 A. Yes. And this was a direct attempt to close the barn
- 5 door on the horse that had galloped away with Charles Edward
- 6 Cheney and Christ Church Chicago.
- 7 Q. Is that your reference to the reformed Episcopal Church?
- 8 A. Indirectly. The case was not determined in connection
- 9 with the reformed Episcopal Church because that was not
- 10 organized until 1873. The case of Chase, et al., versus
- 11 Cheney is heard in 1871.
- 12 Q. And are you familiar with the breakaway of the churches
- in the reformed Episcopal Church? I'm sure you are.
- 14 A. Yes, I am.
- 15 Q. Do you remember, have any idea how many churches broke
- 16 away?
- 17 A. There were no churches that broke away. The reformed
- 18 Episcopalians were a movement. They were not a diocese, they
- 19 were not parishes, they were a movement. And once they had
- 20 separated from the Episcopal Church, they organized
- 21 themselves by their own lines.
- 22 Q. And so who left the Episcopal Church?
- 23 A. Well, starting at the very top, the --
- 24 Q. No. I mean what --
- 25 A. I thought you were asking about personalties.

- 1 Q. You said they left the Episcopal Church. What do you
- 2 mean by "they"?
- 3 A. Well, all right, then I go to some personalities.
- 4 Q. Fine.
- 5 A. The assistant bishop of Kentucky, George David Cummins;
- 6 Charles Edward Cheney; William Tufnell Sabine; Benjamin B.
- 7 Leacock. And the names will come to me, coming swimming out
- 8 of my memory, but I think you get the idea. These were a
- 9 number of Episcopal clergy, some of whom in fact at that
- 10 point were nonparochial clergy, but they leave the Episcopal
- 11 Church and adhere to the reformed Episcopal Church when it is
- organized on December 2nd, 1873.
- 13 Q. And how many of those attempted to take parish property
- 14 with them?
- 15 A. None. They were not -- they were not doing this as
- 16 parishes.
- 17 Q. That man you mentioned in Kentucky, He did try to take
- 18 the property of the parishes, didn't he?
- 19 A. No, he did not.
- 20 Q. He was not involved in litigation?
- 21 A. No, he was not.
- 22 Q. Do you remember any member of the reformed Episcopal
- 23 Church in Kentucky that tried to take property away and was
- 24 involved in litigation?
- 25 A. The only question that ever was raised was by Emmanuel

- 1 Church Lexington. And the actual outcome of that particular
- 2 case I believe was an out-of-court settlement, but even there
- 3 what was involved was minimal. This was a movement, these
- 4 were not parishes or dioceses.
- 5 Q. And so you disagree with me if I said that my
- 6 understanding is about 100 parishes, reformed, 100 parishes
- 7 left the Episcopal Church without their property to become
- 8 part -- to help form the reformed Episcopal Church?
- 9 A. Oh, no, no. They did not leave as parishes. These were
- 10 individuals who were part of the movement. And when they
- 11 reorganized, once the reformed Episcopal Church has its
- 12 initial organizational meeting in New York City, then they
- 13 begin to address the question of shall we have parishes, are
- 14 we going to organize, then later on they become the
- organization of senates. But that is subsequent to that.
- 16 There were no attempts to take parish property or to take
- 17 diocesan property out as a whole.
- 18 Q. Let me ask you another question in the same era about
- 19 the Civil War. Did the Episcopal Church believe or
- 20 understand that the so-called southern dioceses left?
- 21 A. As far as they were concerned, no. They believed that
- 22 those dioceses still had some kind of connection to the
- 23 Episcopal Church of the United States of America. The
- 24 difficulty is in determining exactly what that was legally.
- 25 Q. But when the general convention met during the Civil

- 1 War, when they called the roll, they included all those
- 2 dioceses, didn't they?
- 3 A. That is correct; just as the United States Congress did
- 4 for the seceded states.
- 5 Q. And when the individuals in those dioceses showed up at
- 6 the next convention of the general convention, they were
- 7 seated as deputies of those dioceses?
- 8 A. That is correct.
- 9 Q. The general convention created no new dioceses?
- 10 A. That is correct.
- 11 Q. So they just came -- the individuals came back, but as
- 12 far as the Episcopal Church was concerned, those dioceses
- 13 never left?
- 14 A. That is correct, because the dioceses had an identity
- 15 entire to themselves apart from the general convention of
- 16 either the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States
- or of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Confederate
- 18 States.
- 19 Q. All right. Now, we've talked about the property canons
- 20 in the 1860s and early 70s. Those canons only applied to
- 21 consecrated property; is that right?
- 22 A. As I understand it, yes.
- 23 Q. Did the church subsequently adopt a canon that extended
- 24 that anti-alienation provision to all real estate?
- 25 A. I would have to say that I'm uncertain about all real

- 1 estate because that covers a wide sway of category.
- 2 Q. Do you have a recollection that there was a canon?
- 3 A. Yes, there was canonical action that was taken in the
- 4 wake of the Cheney case.
- 5 Q. I'm talking about in the 20th century.
- 6 A. Oh, the 20th century. The 20th century I'm mostly
- 7 familiar with the adoption or the resolution around the
- 8 Dennis canon in 1977. But, again, I must warn you, I am a
- 9 history person and current events are not my long suit.
- 10 Q. Are you aware of a canon that prescribes that the parish
- 11 property shall always be under the control and jurisdiction
- 12 of the rector?
- 13 A. I know that there are some parishes which in fact do
- 14 have arrangements and did have arrangements of that sort.
- 15 Q. Are you aware of such a canon?
- 16 A. I'm aware of such arrangements.
- 17 Q. Are you aware of such a canon?
- 18 A. No. I am not a canon lawyer.
- 19 Q. Well, let's go back to your early career. When did you
- 20 first enter a process for ordination?
- 21 A. In 1978.
- 22 Q. In which diocese?
- 23 A. This would have been within the reformed Episcopal
- 24 Church in the senate of New York and Philadelphia.
- 25 Q. And when were you received in the Episcopal Church?

- 1 A. In the year 2000.
- 2 Q. And where?
- 3 A. In the Diocese of Quincy.
- 4 Q. And at that time did you execute the declaration of
- 5 conformity?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And were you a priest by then or a deacon?
- 8 A. I was a priest.
- 9 Q. Are you familiar with the canons relating to ordination
- in the Episcopal Church?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Where are they?
- 13 A. Canons regarding ordination are in the constitution and
- 14 canons of the church.
- 15 Q. And where?
- 16 A. I cannot quote you chapter and verse. Again, I am not a
- 17 canon lawyer.
- 18 Q. I'm not asking you to quote them, I'm just asking where
- 19 in the canons all that appears.
- 20 A. My recollection is that it would be in Section 3.
- 21 Q. Let me ask you this: Let's talk about bishops. You
- 22 would agree with me that the constitution sets out the basic
- 23 rules for the election and duties -- the election of bishops?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And are you familiar with how bishops are elected?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Would you tell us?
- 3 A. A bishop can be elected by a diocesan convention and
- 4 then within 120 days that election must receive consents from
- 5 the other dioceses of the Episcopal Church, a majority of
- 6 those dioceses.
- 7 Q. Are there age requirements?
- 8 A. There is a retirement age at the very top. I will
- 9 confess, never having aspired to being a bishop, I'm not sure
- 10 what the lower limits might be if there are such.
- 11 Q. And would you agree with me that the canons relating to
- 12 the election of bishops in the constitution are mandatory and
- 13 binding on the states, I mean in the dioceses?
- 14 A. They direct the dioceses. The dioceses are the ones,
- 15 however, which give the consents. If we were dealing with
- 16 another situation, if, for instance, we were dealing with the
- 17 Church of England, appointment of bishops would be remanded
- 18 to the Crown Appointments Commission.
- 19 Q. Would you agree with me that the constitution mandates
- 20 what the electing convention must do?
- 21 A. The constitution describes what the process is.
- 22 O. It doesn't mandate it?
- 23 A. It describes it.
- 24 Q. Father, I'm going to hand you what's been admitted as
- 25 the Constitutions and the Canons of the Episcopal Church in

- 1 2009. Would you turn to Article II, Page 3?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Please turn to Section 1. Would you just read the first
- 4 sentence stopping at the word "provided" just to move along
- 5 quickly?
- 6 A. "In every Diocese the Bishop or the Bishop Coadjutor
- 7 shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the
- 8 Convention of that Diocese."
- 9 Q. Now would you turn to Section 2 and read the first
- 10 sentence up to the semicolon?
- 11 A. "No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until
- 12 the attainment of thirty years of age."
- 13 Q. And Section 3, read up to the word "elected," if you
- 14 will.
- 15 A. "A Bishop shall confine the exercise of such office to
- 16 the Diocese in which elected, unless" --
- 17 Q. That's far enough. Section 4, could you just read up to
- 18 the comma?
- 19 A. "It shall be lawful for a Diocese."
- 20 Q. Fine. I meant the next comma. Pardon me.
- 21 A. I'm sorry. "...at the request of the Bishop of that
- 22 Diocese..."
- 23 Q. And, I'm sorry. Just to the next comma.
- MR. BEERS: I apologize for this, Your Honor.
- THE WITNESS: "...to elect not more than two Suffragan

- 1 Bishops..."
- 2 Q. Thank you. Section 5, just read up to the comma.
- 3 A. "It shall be lawful for a Diocese to prescribe by the
- 4 Constitution and Canons of such Diocese that upon the death
- 5 of the Bishop..."
- 6 Q. Thank you. And turn the page to Section 7, read up to
- 7 the comma.
- 8 A. "It shall be lawful for the House of Bishops to elect a
- 9 Suffragan Bishop who..."
- 10 Q. And how about Section 9?
- 11 A. "Upon attaining the age of seventy-two years a Bishop
- 12 shall resign from all jurisdiction."
- 13 Q. Now, that's mandatory language, isn't it?
- 14 A. It's descriptive language.
- 15 Q. It's not mandatory?
- 16 A. It always describes what the bishop is doing in a
- 17 diocese. It is putting the entire purpose of the election of
- 18 a bishop in the lap of a diocese. It does not say that the
- 19 house of bishops will select a bishop from its own ranks or
- 20 that it will mandate the election of a new bishop.
- 21 Q. But it does say the bishop must resign at 72, he shall
- 22 or she shall resign.
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. That's mandatory.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. That's mandatory.
- 2 A. Yes. But that is not saying that it has authority to
- 3 tell the diocese what to do that way.
- 4 Q. Now, are you familiar with all the duties of bishops?
- 5 A. I'm sorry.
- 6 Q. Are you familiar with all the duties of bishops that are
- 7 set out in the constitution and canons?
- 8 A. I wish I could say I was intimately familiar with them,
- 9 but never having been a bishop, I am not.
- 10 Q. And so you don't know to what extent the constitution
- 11 and canons set out a broad array of duties that are
- 12 mandatory?
- 13 A. Sir, I am a historian, not a canon lawyer.
- 14 Q. As a historian you don't read or rely on canons?
- 15 A. I examine canons from the past.
- 16 Q. But you've not examined the ones that govern the
- 17 Episcopal Church today?
- 18 A. I do not examine them in the way that you are examining
- 19 them or want me to examine them.
- 20 Q. Do you examine them?
- 21 A. Oh, yes. I read them.
- 22 Q. The current canons?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. By the way, what do the current canons say about the
- 25 authority of the presiding bishop with respect to the

- 1 discipline of bishops?
- 2 A. I am at a loss. I haven't read that in several years.
- 3 Q. Are you familiar with the provision --
- 4 A. I'm uncertain where your line of question is going. My
- 5 understanding is that I was speaking as a historian. Now
- 6 we're all afield and you might as well ask me what I think
- 7 the temperature of the weather is in Haiti today.
- 8 Q. If I'm going to ask you about the structure of the
- 9 church today as laid out in the constitution and canons, you
- 10 would not be the witness?
- 11 A. I am not in that immediate respect concerning this
- 12 edition of the constitution and canons an authority about
- 13 this edition of the constitution and canons.
- 14 Q. How about the editions of the constitution and canons
- 15 say for the last 20 years? You've already said that when you
- 16 get up to the late 20th century, you're not our man.
- 17 A. That's right.
- 18 Q. I see. Thank you. All right.
- 19 A. Do you have questions about the area that I am familiar
- 20 with?
- 21 Q. Are you familiar with the preamble of the Episcopal
- 22 Church?
- 23 A. I am.
- 24 Q. Could you turn to it? Well, if you're familiar with it,
- 25 tell me what it says.

- 1 A. "The Protestant Episcopal Church" --
- 2 Q. No, no, don't read it. Don't read it. Read it if you
- 3 need to, but, first of all, just let me ask you what you
- 4 remember about the preamble.
- 5 A. It establishes, first of all, the historic connection of
- 6 the Episcopal Church to the overall Anglican fellowship,
- 7 describes it as a fellowship, curiously enough, and not a
- 8 communion. It then also speaks of the dioceses as being
- 9 companions in following that tradition.
- 10 Q. It does?
- 11 A. Yes. "...duly constituted Dioceses...in communion with
- 12 the See of Canterbury, upholding and propagating the historic
- 13 Faith and Order as set forth in the Book of Common Prayer."
- 14 I don't see that it says set forth in this constitution and
- 15 canons, but maybe that's an oversight.
- 16 Q. Could you read the last sentence for me?
- 17 A. "This Constitution, adopted in General Convention in
- 18 Philadelphia in October, 1789, as amended in subsequent
- 19 General Conventions, sets forth the basic Articles for the
- 20 government of this Church, and of its overseas missionary
- 21 jurisdictions."
- 22 Q. So the preamble provides that the constitution sets
- 23 forth the basic articles for the government of the church?
- 24 A. Yes, yes, the basic articles, the operating rules, so to
- 25 speak.

- 1 Q. By the way --
- 2 A. They do not speak to a number of other questions,
- 3 however. You'll notice that there is no allusion here to the
- 4 theology of the church. There is no attempt on the part of
- 5 this preamble to establish a comprehensive authority.
- 6 Q. A comprehensive authority of what?
- 7 A. A comprehensive authority that would speak to all
- 8 matters of faith and doctrine.
- 9 Q. Are those matters set forth --
- 10 A. If there is, I have missed it completely.
- 11 Q. The constitution does provide for the adoption of the
- 12 prayer book, does it not?
- 13 A. Yes, it does.
- 14 Q. And in the Episcopal Church that is the basic faith
- 15 doctrine, isn't it?
- 16 A. Have you ever heard of the Articles of Religion?
- 17 Q. All 39 of them.
- 18 A. Thank you.
- 19 Q. But the substance of our faith is by and large set out
- in the Book of Common Prayer, isn't it?
- 21 A. And by what determination was that made? You mean by
- 22 the prayer book alone and solely? By what authoritative
- 23 demonstration was that settled upon entirely apart from the
- 24 Articles of Religion or any other statement of faith? What
- 25 about the Apostles' Creed? What about the Chicago

- 1 Quadrilateral, sometimes known as the Chicago-Lambeth
- 2 Quadrilateral just to make things more difficult for
- 3 everybody.
- 4 Q. So my question would have been about the basic faith
- 5 document would be better if the -- well, the Apostles' Creed
- 6 is in the prayer book, isn't it?
- 7 A. Yes, it is; but not used at every service.
- 8 Q. Okay. And I suppose the prayer book would have more --
- 9 would be closer to the basic articles of faith if it had the
- 10 Chicago Quadrilateral in it?
- 11 A. It might be. Do you see any evidence of that in the
- 12 document?
- 13 Q. In the prayer book?
- 14 A. No. I mean in the constitution and canons.
- 15 Q. No. I'm talking about the prayer book.
- 16 A. Well, good. Then what we're talking about is the
- 17 constitution and canons, as I understand it, and I'm saying
- 18 to you that this provides general operating directions, but
- 19 it does not provide a comprehensive statement of faith
- 20 doctrine operations and so forth like that. It sets out
- 21 several basics.
- 22 O. But the general convention adopted the prayer book?
- 23 A. Yes, that's true. But at the same time, if I may offer
- 24 this as an example, I live in a townhouse association. We
- 25 have rules and regulations that govern the common areas of

- 1 our townhouse association, but the houses themselves are
- 2 owned in fee simple and our deeds are registered in the
- 3 courthouse accordingly. The fact that we have rules and
- 4 regulations, however, does not mean that the rules and
- 5 regulations cover every aspect of our property. In fact, if
- 6 the association were to pass a rule and regulation declaring
- 7 that our property, our fee simple property, now belongs to
- 8 someone else, in this case the association, well, that would
- 9 provide quite a lot of interesting litigation on the county
- 10 courthouse. It would in fact fall flat because that would be
- 11 simply an example of fiat confiscation of property and it
- 12 would be treated as such.
- 13 Q. The constitution does provide for the adoption of the
- 14 prayer book, does it not?
- 15 A. Yes, it does.
- 16 Q. The constitution provides for the --
- 17 A. But doesn't provide for everything in the church.
- 18 Q. The constitution and canons together provide for the
- 19 discipline of all clergy, do they not?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And the duties of bishops?
- 22 A. Yes, it describes them. Does it describe all the duties
- of bishops?
- 24 Q. And when --
- 25 A. It doesn't.

- 1 Q. And if the canon on the subject of duties of bishops
- 2 says "shall," you view that as a -- what was the term you
- 3 used, a descriptive term?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. I see. And the duties of rectors provided by the
- 6 national canons?
- 7 A. They are described there, yes.
- 8 Q. One more question back in the old days. You said that
- 9 there was reluctance, I think, in the state church in South
- 10 Carolina to have bishops.
- 11 A. Correct. Or at least to use the terminology.
- 12 Q. But they called themselves an Episcopal Church, didn't
- 13 they?
- 14 A. That they did.
- 15 Q. Why?
- 16 A. If I was available from a time machine, I would probably
- 17 pose that question to them. Obviously they did not regard
- 18 having bishops as being of the essence of being an Episcopal
- 19 Church. And indeed it is an interesting theological
- 20 question, as I am sure you know, as to whether the possession
- 21 of the episcopate is of the esse of the church. That has
- 22 never been settled in Anglican circles.
- 23 Q. Just as you don't know much about the canons, I don't
- 24 know much about theology.
- 25 MR. BEERS: Could I have a moment with Ms. Kostel?

- 1 MS. GOLDING: I'm going to move to strike that last
- 2 comment of Mr. Beers. I think that was inappropriate and to
- 3 a certain extent insulting. It wasn't a question.
- 4 THE COURT: It was certainly not a question.
- 5 MR. BEERS: That's all I have, Your Honor. Thank you,
- 6 sir.
- 7 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 8 Mr. Tisdale.
- 9 MR. TISDALE: I think you'll be pleased with the length
- 10 of my questioning.
- 11 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. TISDALE:
- 12 Q. Doctor, I'll just ask a question or two about the
- 13 creation of the reformed Episcopal Church that you testified
- 14 about in 1873, I think.
- 15 A. That is correct.
- 16 Q. Why did that body adopt the name reformed Episcopal
- 17 Church and not simply call itself the Episcopal Church?
- 18 A. Because they, first of all, wanted to establish that
- 19 they were an Episcopal Church fully as much as the Protestant
- 20 Episcopal Church was. They were founded by a bishop
- 21 consecrated in due order and succession. They also wished to
- 22 indicate they were reformed in the sense that they were
- 23 making an effort to purge out the more radical elements that
- 24 had disturbed the life of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in
- 25 this case Anglo-Catholic ritualist thinking.

- 1 Q. Would you agree that they wanted to distinguish
- 2 themselves from the Episcopal Church at least in that way
- 3 that you just described?
- 4 A. In that respect, yes.
- 5 Q. Thank you very much.
- 6 MR. TISDALE: Thank you, Your Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: All right.
- 8 Redirect?
- 9 MR. RUNYAN: None, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Very well. Anything from any other
- 11 plaintiff?
- 12 Thank you. You may step down.
- 13 All right. We'll take a 15-minute break and then we'll
- 14 have our next witness.
- 15 (Recess held.)
- 16 THE COURT: All right. If you would call your next
- 17 witness, please.
- MR. RUNYAN: Plaintiffs call Bob Lawrence.
- 19 ROBERT STRATTON LAWRENCE,
- 20 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 21 THE COURT: All right. If you'd state your full name
- 22 for our record again, please.
- 23 THE WITNESS: Robert Stratton Lawrence.
- THE COURT: Your witness.
- 25 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN:

- 1 Q. Father Lawrence, are you related in any way to Mark
- 2 Lawrence?
- 3 A. I am not, except as a brother in Christ.
- 4 Q. Where are you employed?
- 5 A. I am the executive director of St. Christopher Camp and
- 6 Conference Center. It's an appointed position. I'm on the
- 7 bishop's staff.
- 8 Q. At the testimony yesterday of Bishop vonRosenberg the
- 9 following question was asked and the following answer was
- 10 given, and I'm going to ask you about it:
- 11 Bishop vonRosenberg, since you have been bishop of the
- 12 Episcopal Church in South Carolina, have the people of the
- 13 diocese that you lead had any access to the assets and
- 14 institutions of the plaintiff, the Protestant Episcopal
- 15 Church in South Carolina, such as this, have you been able to
- 16 use the assets of Camp St. Christopher?
- 17 Answer: No, sir.
- 18 Father Lawrence, was the bishop mistaken?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, I believe he was, because in my time there,
- 20 and it will be four years as of the 30th of September, St.
- 21 Christopher has been available to all groups that have asked
- 22 to come and utilize the facilities. And, in fact, a number
- 23 of the parishes that now identify themselves under Bishop
- 24 vonRosenberg's authority have continued to utilize St.
- 25 Christopher. We have had summer camp staff as well as many

- 1 summer campers this summer coming from parishes of the
- 2 Episcopal Church in South Carolina.
- 3 And we intentionally altered a policy that used to give
- 4 preferential treatment to the diocese, the parishes of the
- 5 Diocese of South Carolina, and we have expanded that. And
- 6 there was a letter sent out to all bishops with Anglican
- 7 jurisdiction, including Bishop vonRosenberg, in September of
- 8 last year notifying them of that policy to where not only are
- 9 we available to them, they continue to get the exact same
- 10 preferential policies at reduced rates and being able to book
- 11 24 months in advance. So that policy is fully in place right
- 12 now for all parishes of the Episcopal Church in South
- 13 Carolina.
- 14 Q. And the facilities are available for use by parishioners
- 15 from the Episcopal Church in South Carolina?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And they have been so used?
- 18 A. Have been.
- 19 MR. RUNYAN: Thank you, sir.
- 20 MR. TISDALE: Is that it?
- MR. RUNYAN: That's it.
- 22 THE COURT: All right. Cross-examination.
- 23 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. TISDALE:
- 24 Q. Thank you, Father Lawrence. Is St. Christopher
- 25 available for use of any member of the public who files an

- 1 application that is accepted under the normal course of the
- 2 application process?
- 3 A. Yes. But I'm not sure what you mean in terms of
- 4 application. I mean --
- 5 Q. Well, if you want to go to camp, you file an application
- 6 to be accepted to go to camp, don't you?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Is that available to any citizen to file such an
- 9 application to be accepted for that?
- 10 A. Yes, it is.
- 11 Q. It is. And you also have a group -- as you said, groups
- 12 can sign up to use it. And they're not limited to the
- 13 Episcopal Church, are they?
- 14 A. No, sir.
- 15 Q. Any group. In fact, there are a lot of things that
- don't have anything to do with religion that use the camp
- 17 from time to time, don't they?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Are any members of the Episcopal Church in South
- 20 Carolina associated with that diocese that you know of on the
- 21 governing board of Camp St. Christopher?
- 22 A. Again, the structure of St. Christopher, it is a
- 23 department of the diocese. There is a board of directors.
- 24 They're more of an advisory board. They don't really
- 25 function as a true board of directors in that I work for the

- 1 bishop and not for the board.
- 2 Q. All right. On that board of advisors did you say?
- 3 A. They're called a board of directors, but in effect
- 4 they're more of a board of advisors.
- 5 Q. Are any members of the Episcopal Church in South
- 6 Carolina members of that board of directors?
- 7 A. Right now, no, sir.
- 8 Q. No. Have they ever been since 2012?
- 9 A. No. But there was no transition, the people that were
- 10 serving as directors then by and large are still serving.
- 11 Q. All right. So is Bishop vonRosenberg on any board that
- 12 has anything to do with the operation of the camp?
- 13 A. No, sir. But he has full access and use of it if he
- 14 were to so choose in the same way that Bishop Lawrence does.
- 15 Q. As anybody does?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Anybody. So my question to you is obviously this: Does
- 18 the Episcopal Church in South Carolina have anything to do
- 19 with directing the operation and programs of Camp St.
- 20 Christopher?
- 21 A. No, sir, they do not.
- 22 Q. Does the Episcopal Church in South Carolina have any
- ownership interest in Camp St. Christopher?
- 24 A. The proper ownership of St. Christopher is by the
- 25 trustees of the Diocese of South Carolina.

- 1 Q. Correct. And along those lines let me ask you this:
- 2 How is St. Christopher financed? Where does the money come
- 3 from to run it?
- 4 A. By the funds that we generate. We get no support from
- 5 the diocese outside of a portion of the diocesan budget
- 6 covering some debt service on an old loan from a capital fund
- 7 campaign of years ago.
- 8 Q. Does any money come to you, through the diocese or
- 9 otherwise, from the trustees of the -- trustees?
- 10 A. None outside of what they pay in normal fees for use of
- 11 the facility.
- 12 Q. The trustees?
- 13 A. If the trustees were to book an overnight retreat, they
- 14 would pay the normal fees as any other group.
- 15 O. There's no financial allocation from the trustees either
- 16 through the diocese or directly to the camp?
- 17 A. Not to the operational budget, sir.
- 18 Q. To any part of the upkeep of the camp?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- 20 MR. TISDALE: All right. Nothing else, Your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: All right.
- Yes, from the national church?
- MR. BEERS: No, ma'am.
- 24 THE COURT: All right. Any redirect?
- MR. RUNYAN: None, Your Honor.

- 1 THE COURT: Anyone else on behalf of the plaintiffs?
- 2 Thank you, sir. You may come down.
- 3 All right. Call your next witness, please.
- 4 MS. GOLDING: Mr. Logan.
- 5 THE COURT: Mr. Logan has already been sworn in this
- 6 matter.
- 7 WADE H. LOGAN, III,
- 8 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MS. GOLDING:
- 10 Q. Mr. Logan, how long have you served as chancellor for
- 11 the plaintiff diocese?
- 12 A. I believe officially since 2007.
- 13 Q. As chancellor for the plaintiff diocese, did you send a
- 14 letter to the chief financial officer for the defendant
- 15 national church in October 2012?
- 16 A. Yes, ma'am, I did.
- 17 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-71 marked for identification.)
- 18 Q. And is this a letter that you sent in your capacity as
- 19 the chancellor?
- 20 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 21 MR. GOLDING: Okay. Your Honor, we would offer this
- 22 letter as Plaintiff Diocese Exhibit No. 71.
- MR. TISDALE: No objection.
- MR. BEERS: No objection.
- 25 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-71 admitted into evidence.)

- 1 Q. For what reason did you send the letter which is October
- 2 29, 2012, Exhibit 71, to the CFO officer of defendant
- 3 national church?
- 4 A. It was our understanding that we were still listed, we
- 5 the diocese were still listed, under a group exemption which
- 6 the Episcopal Church held. I stated it was my understanding
- 7 that our permission had to be given for that and that we did
- 8 not give permission and asked that we be removed from the
- 9 listing of entities under the group exemption number.
- 10 Q. What response, if any, did you get from the defendant
- 11 national church with respect to Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 71?
- 12 A. I got no response.
- 13 Q. Okay. Let me then give you a letter dated November 19,
- 14 2013. And can you identify that letter, please?
- 15 A. Yes, ma'am. This is another letter that I wrote also to
- 16 Mr. Barnes dated November 19, 2013.
- 17 Q. And what was the reason for writing this letter in
- 18 November?
- 19 A. It was my understanding that there were a number of
- 20 congregations affiliated with the plaintiff diocese which
- 21 will continue to be listed under the group exemption. I
- 22 stated that it was -- they had not given permission to be
- 23 included and listed a number of the parishes and asked that
- 24 they be removed from that exemption list.
- MR. GOLDING: Your Honor, we would mark that letter as

- 1 Exhibit 72.
- 2 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-72 marked for identification.)
- 3 THE COURT: Any objection?
- 4 MR. BEERS: No.
- 5 MS. KOSTEL: No objection.
- 6 MR. TISDALE: No objection, Your Honor.
- 7 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-72 admitted into evidence.)
- 8 MR. TISDALE: I've got a general objection to this
- 9 testimony. Perhaps she could clear it up. What is this in
- 10 rebuttal to? It may be it's been a long record, but I don't
- 11 see the connection to it.
- MS. GOLDING: There was -- the defendants --
- 13 MR. TISDALE: I object to it for that reason.
- 14 THE COURT: Overruled.
- MR. TISDALE: She was going to explain.
- 16 THE COURT: I can tell you. But you go ahead. I'm
- 17 sorry.
- MS. GOLDING: During the defendants' case, Your Honor,
- 19 they brought in through the documentation and they in fact
- 20 introduced, I believe, or attempted to introduce IRS
- 21 regulations with respect to a group exemption for the
- 501(c)(3), and these letters are to show that we had
- 23 withdrawn our commission and we did not want to be listed
- 24 under those exemptions.
- MR. TISDALE: Thank you.

- 1 Q. With respect to Plaintiff Diocese Exhibit No. 72, did
- 2 you receive any response to that, Mr. Logan?
- 3 A. No, ma'am, I don't believe I did.
- 4 Q. And, Mr. Logan, has the plaintiff diocese obtained its
- 5 own 501(c)(3) status?
- 6 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 7 Q. And to your knowledge, have the parishes associated with
- 8 the plaintiff diocese obtained their own 501(c)(3) status?
- 9 A. I believe some have. I don't know that others have, I
- 10 know some have.
- 11 Q. Okay. Next let me hand thank you this document, please.
- 12 Would you identify the document that I handed to you, please?
- 13 A. Yes, ma'am. This appears to be a copy of a filing from
- 14 the South Carolina Secretary of State for the Protestant
- 15 Episcopal Church in the United States of America, Inc.
- 16 Q. Is that the South Carolina Secretary of State?
- 17 A. Yes, ma'am.
- MR. GOLDING: We would offer that document as Plaintiff
- 19 Diocese Exhibit 73.
- 20 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-73 marked for identification.)
- 21 MR. TISDALE: No objection.
- MR. BEERS: (Shaking head).
- 23 THE COURT: All right? Very well.
- 24 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-73 admitted into evidence.)
- MR. GOLDING: Next let me hand you another document.

- 1 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-74 marked for identification.)
- 2 Q. With respect to the document I just handed you, Mr.
- 3 Logan, can you just identify this document, please?
- 4 A. Yes, ma'am. This appears to be a page from the legal
- 5 notices section of the News and Courier of Thursday, February
- 6 19, 1987.
- 7 Q. Okay. And is there a notice in this document that
- 8 references the plaintiff diocese?
- 9 A. Yes, ma'am, there is; filing notice.
- 10 Q. Was this notice within their books and records of the
- 11 plaintiff diocese under your control and custody?
- 12 A. Yes, ma'am.
- MS. GOLDING: Your Honor, we would offer this document
- in as Plaintiff's Exhibit No. 74.
- MR. TISDALE: No objection.
- MR. BEERS: No.
- 17 THE COURT: Very well, no objection from either party.
- 18 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-74 admitted into evidence.)
- 19 Q. With respect to Exhibit 74, Mr. Logan, with respect to
- 20 the notice, can you, instead of reading the notice, just
- 21 identify who the bishop was at that time on this notice?
- 22 A. It was signed by the Right Reverend C.F. Allison, who
- 23 would be FitzSimons Allison, former bishop of the diocese.
- Q. Okay. And is there a capacity for the bishop in this
- 25 notice?

- 1 A. Yes, ma'am. He signed as president.
- 2 Q. Okay. Mr. Logan, I want to take you into October of
- 3 2012. In October 2012 were you party to any communications
- 4 between Bishop Lawrence and the presiding bishop of the
- 5 defendant national church?
- 6 A. Yes, ma'am, I was.
- 7 Q. Okay. And do you know when that communication occurred?
- 8 A. I'll have to check my notes. I believe it was on
- 9 October 22nd -- excuse me -- October 15th.
- 10 Q. And tell me, was that communication by telephone?
- 11 A. Yes, it was.
- 12 Q. Okay. And can you tell me what you recall with respect
- 13 to the telephone call in which you were a party with Bishop
- 14 Lawrence and the presiding bishop for the defendant national
- 15 church?
- 16 A. Yes, ma'am. In addition to the presiding bishop and
- 17 Bishop Lawrence and myself, I believe that Mr. Beers was part
- 18 of the conversation. Bishop Schori, Jefferts Schori, advised
- 19 that she had received a written certificate of abandonment
- 20 from a body known as the Disciplinary Board of Bishops on
- 21 October 10th; that she was required under the applicable
- 22 canons of the national church, which our diocese does not
- 23 recognize, to restrict Bishop Lawrence's ministry; that Mr.
- 24 Beers would be sending a copy of a restriction and other
- 25 paperwork; and that she would still be willing to meet with

- 1 Bishop Lawrence on October the 22nd, which was a previously
- 2 arranged meeting; and that she would not publicize the fact
- 3 of these developments.
- 4 Q. Now, as of that telephone call on October the 15th,
- 5 2012, had you received a document entitled "Certificate of
- 6 Abandonment"?
- 7 A. No, ma'am.
- 8 Q. And to your knowledge, had the bishop, Bishop Lawrence,
- 9 received a document entitled "Certificate of Abandonment"?
- 10 A. To my knowledge, he had not.
- 11 Q. Subsequently had you ever received such a document?
- 12 A. I received an unsigned copy of that document, I believe
- 13 it was later that day, I believe it came from Mr. Beers. At
- 14 some time subsequent to that I received a copy of the
- 15 signature page, which I also believe had come from Mr. Beers.
- 16 Q. Okay. When you received the copy of the signature page
- 17 subsequently, was the signature page attached to the
- 18 certificate?
- 19 A. No, ma'am, just one page.
- 20 Q. Okay. To your knowledge, has Bishop Lawrence ever been
- 21 served or received from the defendant national church the
- 22 certificate of abandonment?
- MS. KOSTEL: Objection.
- THE WITNESS: To my knowledge, he has not.
- MS. KOSTEL: Objection to relevance. I'm not sure how

- 1 it's relevant.
- MS. GOLDING: Your Honor, the defendants presented
- 3 evidence and they presented a document entitled "Certificate
- 4 of Abandonment" which was marked as Defendant's Exhibit 22.
- 5 MS. KOSTEL: Correct.
- 6 MS. GOLDING: And it came in through the testimony of
- 7 Bishop Daniel, I believe, Clifton Daniel, and so we are
- 8 responding. It may have been another individual, but it was
- 9 definitely Defendant's Exhibit No. 22.
- 10 THE COURT: And this is in response to that.
- MS. GOLDING: This is in response to that, Your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: Very well. Overruled.
- 13 Q. Now, let me hand you what is a copy of Defendant's
- 14 Exhibit No. 22. And, first of all, let me ask you, are you
- 15 familiar with the constitution and canons of the national
- 16 church?
- 17 A. Very generally back then I was and I believe -- yes,
- 18 back then I was.
- 19 Q. With respect to the document, Defendant's Exhibit No.
- 20 22, under the constitution and canons what is to be the
- 21 process with respect to the issuance of a certificate?
- MS. KOSTEL: Objection, Your Honor. This gets into
- 23 whether the church is following its procedures and how it's
- 24 following its procedures. That is clearly beyond the
- 25 province of the Court, if I understand where Ms. Golding is

- 1 going.
- MS. GOLDING: I'm going because I believe the defendants
- 3 in their case have tried to present that Bishop Lawrence was
- 4 no longer in a position to undertake any acts as a bishop.
- 5 And I am going to just establish that he was not
- 6 disassociated in October at the time that the plaintiff
- 7 diocese voted to disaffiliate itself from the defendant
- 8 national church.
- 9 THE COURT: I understand. Any response?
- 10 MS. KOSTEL: So what Ms. Golding is trying to establish
- is what the national church thought about the status?
- 12 THE COURT: No. What she's doing is she's saying that
- 13 there is a procedure that failed to be followed and,
- 14 therefore, his acts that were taken in October, because of
- 15 the failure of the national church to do whatever it did,
- 16 based on their theory, as certain actions were taken in
- 17 October, that he was within his purview and his authority to
- 18 undertake those acts at that time.
- MS. KOSTEL: Well, I'm sure that Ms. Golding and Your
- 20 Honor are aware of the Supreme Court precedent that restricts
- 21 Courts from looking into the internal procedures of church
- 22 tribunals. And so if Ms. Golding is trying to show whether
- 23 or not the church --
- THE COURT: Well, here's what she just showed me. She
- 25 responded to a document and tells me that the document wasn't

- 1 served. People get due process, got to serve something on
- 2 somebody before they got notice; right?
- 3 MS. KOSTEL: I don't think that's what she was after,
- 4 Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: I thought that was what you were after.
- 6 MS. GOLDING: I already answered that question.
- 7 THE COURT: I know.
- 8 MS. GOLDING: May I proceed with questioning the
- 9 witness? I'm not going to any intent, it's just to procedure
- 10 and the effect of that procedure as to Bishop Lawrence's
- 11 status, that's all.
- MR. KOSTEL: And I just renew my objection.
- 13 THE COURT: All right. Here's where we are: Whatever
- 14 was the ultimate determination, I can't go behind that.
- MS. GOLDING: No, no. There was no determination at
- 16 all.
- MS. KOSTEL: Wait a minute. That's testimony, Your
- 18 Honor.
- MR. RUNYAN: I think they will agree with me that the
- 20 certificate of abandonment was a charge, not a conviction.
- 21 THE COURT: They're saying it's a conviction.
- MS. KOSTEL: No, we're not, Your Honor.
- MR. RUNYAN: I don't think they're going to say that.
- 24 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Well, then why would
- 25 you --

- 1 MS. GOLDING: If they --
- 2 THE COURT: Stop, please. Then why am I having this
- 3 discussion if it's only a charge? As you know, I take the
- 4 final determination when it comes to the ecclesiastic
- 5 determination. And if it's not a determination, why are you
- 6 objecting?
- 7 MS. KOSTEL: Your Honor, it's not merely a charge. What
- 8 it is is it's a preliminary determination that under the
- 9 governance of the church temporarily strips the bishop of his
- 10 authority until there can be a final determination.
- 11 THE COURT: Okay. Well, it's the final determination,
- of which I am limited. So why would you propose to tell me
- 13 that the document that is in evidence originally with your
- 14 objection is something other than what it is?
- MS. KOSTEL: I'm not telling Your Honor that. I'm
- 16 telling Your Honor that it is what it is and the Court is
- 17 bound by it.
- 18 THE COURT: Let me tell you something, you better stop.
- 19 We're going to take a recess and you're going out with your
- 20 local counsel, because you're about to lose your pro hac
- 21 vice. Do you understand?
- MS. KOSTEL: I do, Your Honor.
- 23 THE COURT: You better go out with Mr. Holmes right now
- 24 and you all better have a discussion about Rule No. 3.1.
- Do you understand me, Mr. Holmes?

- 1 MR. HOLMES: Yes, ma'am.
- 2 THE COURT: We will take 15 minutes.
- 3 Do not discuss, please, your testimony with anyone.
- 4 (Recess held.)
- 5 THE COURT: Let me see that exhibit, please, Exhibit No.
- 6 22.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Judge (indicating).
- 8 (Brief pause.)
- 9 THE COURT: You may proceed, Ms. Golding.
- 10 MS. GOLDING: Thank you.
- 11 Q. Mr. Logan, with respect to the telephone conversation
- on, I believe it was, October the 15th --
- 13 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 14 Q. -- of 2012 with the presiding bishop and Mr. Beers, as
- 15 counsel for the defendant national church, did you have a
- 16 subsequent communication with either of them after that
- October with respect to Defendant's Exhibit 22?
- 18 A. I believe that the -- everything except the signature
- 19 page was sent to me by Mr. Beers later that day and that at
- 20 some later date, which I can't recall right now, after
- 21 request, I received a copy of the signature page.
- 22 Q. Okay. With respect to your understanding of Exhibit 22,
- 23 Defendant's Exhibit 22, once that document is served upon a
- 24 bishop, what is the procedure that's followed?
- 25 A. Well, actually what this is a certificate of

- 1 abandonment of the Episcopal Church. And this is signed by
- 2 the Right Reverend Dorsey Henderson, who was chair of the
- 3 Disciplinary Board for Bishops, I believe, it's dated
- 4 September the 18th, and this was forwarded to the presiding
- 5 bishop.
- 6 My understanding of the procedure is that a written
- 7 restriction of ministry under their canons is then issued and
- 8 it must be served upon the bishop in question. And I should
- 9 tell you that -- I need to correct myself -- I don't know
- 10 that I have ever received this certificate of -- I must have
- 11 received the certificate of abandonment. When I told you
- 12 about what I had received from Mr. Beers, that was actually
- 13 the restriction. I apologize.
- 14 Q. Going forward with respect to what is the response under
- 15 the -- what's your understanding as to procedure with respect
- 16 to the certificate or restriction?
- 17 A. The procedure is that once the presiding bishop, as I
- 18 understand it, receives such a certificate, she must issue a
- 19 document called a restriction, I believe it's a restriction
- of ministry, which then must be served upon the bishop in
- 21 question in order for the restriction to become effective.
- 22 Q. And then is there any response time with respect to the
- 23 restriction of ministry?
- 24 A. I believe it's 60 days.
- 25 Q. Okay. And then once the subject bishop has responded,

- 1 then what is the next step?
- 2 A. Then the presiding bishop needs to make a decision about
- 3 whether to suspend the bishop, take further action, or to
- 4 drop the charges, I believe, my general recollection.
- 5 Q. Now, before October of 2012, October the 15th of 2012,
- 6 did you have any knowledge of any possible complaints or
- 7 investigations against Bishop Lawrence that were proceeding
- 8 in the earlier part of the year?
- 9 A. There was a set of charges that were made which were
- 10 dismissed. I'm not sure about the timing, but it is my
- 11 understanding, which I learned subsequently, that a group of
- 12 complainants had filed charges against Bishop Lawrence and he
- 13 was notified of the filing of those charges after the fact.
- 14 Q. And to your knowledge, did Bishop Lawrence receive any
- 15 restrictions from the presiding bishop?
- 16 A. You would have to ask him that. I can just tell you
- 17 what I've seen. To my knowledge, he did not.
- 18 Q. That's what I want, to your knowledge.
- 19 THE COURT: I don't know that she's finished.
- 20 MR. BEERS: Oh, I'm sorry. I apologize, Your Honor.
- 21 MR. TISDALE: I thought she was too. I'm sorry.
- THE COURT: Do you not see her having a conversation
- 23 with her co-counsel? You all have done it a hundred times.
- 24 Doesn't necessarily mean she's finished.
- MS. GOLDING: Your Honor, I'm concluded with my

- 1 examination.
- 2 THE COURT: All right. Any further -- yes, sir --
- 3 direct?
- 4 MR. RUNYAN: Couple of questions.
- 5 THE COURT: All right.
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN:
- 7 Q. Mr. Logan, to your recollection, when the restriction of
- 8 ministry was sent to you, was it signed?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. After a certificate of abandonment is issued by a
- 11 disciplinary board for bishops, is there a period of time
- during which the respondent, the bishop in question, has an
- 13 opportunity to respond?
- 14 A. After he receives notice of this in a restriction from
- 15 the presiding bishop, he has a 60-day period of time in which
- 16 to respond.
- 17 Q. And do the canons require that he be personally served
- 18 with that?
- 19 A. That's my recollection.
- 20 Q. And if there is a response, is there then a trial in the
- 21 House of Bishops?
- 22 A. That's my recollection, yes, sir.
- 23 Q. And if there isn't a response after a 60-day period,
- 24 certain actions may be taken of a more permanent nature by
- 25 the presiding bishop; is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 MR. RUNYAN: That's all I have.
- 3 THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- 4 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEERS:
- 5 Q. Good morning, Mr. Logan.
- 6 A. Good afternoon.
- 7 Q. Good afternoon. In the telephone conversation of
- 8 September 15 -- I'm sorry --
- 9 A. It was actually October 15, I believe, Mr. Beers.
- 10 Q. October 15 -- sorry -- was the subject of restriction on
- 11 ministry discussed, mentioned?
- 12 A. Yes, it was.
- 13 Q. And do you recall Bishop Lawrence saying to Bishop
- 14 Jefferts Schori, you're going to have to restrict me, aren't
- 15 you?
- 16 A. I don't remember that exact language. There was a
- 17 discussion. I believe she said she was going to have to
- 18 restrict him.
- 19 Q. I see. But you don't remember who brought it up first?
- 20 A. I believe she did.
- 21 Q. I see. All right. And then you asked me for a copy of
- 22 the certificate?
- 23 A. Actually, I believe she said that she would be sending
- 24 it -- you would be sending it. And later that day I did get
- 25 the unsigned copy or at least everything but the signature

- 1 page.
- 2 Q. And then you later got -- I sent you the signature page?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And you were representing Bishop Lawrence at the time?
- 5 A. I'm the diocesan chancellor.
- 6 Q. And so you were representing Bishop Lawrence?
- 7 A. I'm not his agent for service or process, if that's what
- 8 you're asking.
- 9 Q. No, I understand that.
- 10 A. I was acting as his lawyer, the diocesan chancellor,
- 11 giving advice to the bishop, yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Now, as I understand it, the standing committee met
- 13 shortly after that phone call.
- 14 A. I believe that they did.
- 15 Q. And as a result of that, Bishop Lawrence called Bishop
- 16 Jefferts Schori back; is that right?
- 17 A. I'll take your word for it. I think he did, yes.
- 18 Q. Maybe this will refresh your recollection. Did she call
- 19 him back -- call her back to say he under the circumstances
- 20 was not going to be able to meet, attend the meeting that
- 21 they had originally scheduled?
- MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, I object; lack of foundation.
- 23 Hadn't shown this witness participated in that discussion.
- MR. BEERS: I'm just asking if he knows.
- 25 THE WITNESS: I don't know what was actually said. The

- 1 meeting did not take place.
- 2 Q. I see. Okay. Now, what action did the standing
- 3 committee take on either that day or the next day with regard
- 4 to the relationship between the diocese and the Episcopal
- 5 Church?
- 6 A. The standing committee had actually already passed a
- 7 resolution, which I think was dated October 2nd, which
- 8 basically said that upon the taking of any action against
- 9 Bishop Lawrence effective as of that date, or words to that
- 10 effect, that we were disassociated from the Episcopal Church.
- 11 Subsequent to that, actually I think it was later that
- day, a requirement of the resolution was that I, as
- 13 chancellor, had to certify that in fact that condition had
- 14 occurred. I issued such a certification. I believe that
- 15 there was another meeting, I'm sure we had a later meeting,
- 16 of the standing committee.
- 17 O. I'm --
- 18 A. You asked if there was a later meeting with the standing
- 19 committee.
- 20 Q. I think you've answered my question. There was a
- 21 meeting in which you were asked to certify that the action
- 22 had been taken or some action had been taken.
- 23 A. That was back on October 2nd.
- 24 Q. No. I'm sorry. I thought you were describing a meeting
- 25 you were asked to --

- 1 THE COURT: The question was, Mr. Logan, did the
- 2 standing committee take any action that day or the next day.
- 3 You can get it read back if you need it.
- 4 THE WITNESS: I am sure that they didn't take action
- 5 that day. I issued my certification that day. Either the
- 6 next day or very shortly after that, Your Honor, the standing
- 7 committee did have a meeting and in effect affirmed the
- 8 action.
- 9 Q. You don't have the minutes or your certification here,
- 10 do you?
- 11 A. No, sir.
- 12 Q. Okay. And then did there come a time when Bishop
- 13 Lawrence left the Episcopal Church?
- 14 A. I'm not sure what you mean by the term. He had never,
- 15 to my knowledge, issued a written abandonment of the
- 16 Episcopal Church.
- 17 Q. No. I mean after October 15 did there come a time when
- 18 he stated he was no longer a member of the House of Bishops
- 19 or no longer an Episcopal bishop?
- 20 A. To my recollection he made such a statement, yes.
- 21 Q. Do you remember when that was?
- 22 A. No, sir.
- MR. BEERS: Thank you, Your Honor. That's all I have.
- THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Tisdale, do you have any
- 25 questions?

- 1 MR. TISDALE: No questions, Your Honor.
- 2 THE COURT: Okay. Is there any redirect?
- 3 MS. GOLDING: None, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: Very well. You may step down.
- 5 Call your next witness, please.
- 6 MR. RUNYAN: Plaintiffs call Nancy Armstrong.
- 7 NANCY ARMSTRONG,
- 8 being first duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 9 DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN:
- 10 Q. Ms. Armstrong, would you state your name again for the
- 11 record?
- 12 A. Nancy J. Armstrong.
- 13 Q. And where do you live?
- 14 A. I live in Summerville, South Carolina.
- 15 Q. Where do you work?
- 16 A. I am an employee of the Diocese of South Carolina.
- 17 Q. What's your position there?
- 18 A. My position is assistant treasurer.
- 19 Q. How long have you had that position?
- 20 A. 21 years.
- 21 Q. Prior to that what did you do?
- 22 A. Prior to that I took a little time off to be with my
- 23 infant son. The job before that, I served for 11 years as
- 24 the vice president for finance and administration for an
- 25 interstate trucking company. Prior to that I was a United

- 1 States Marine.
- 2 Q. At my request did you look at the records, the financial
- 3 records, of the Diocese of South Carolina in order to
- 4 determine two things: How much money you could tell that the
- 5 Diocese of South Carolina had given to the Episcopal Church
- 6 and how much money you could trace from Episcopal Church
- 7 entities that may or may not be related but came through
- 8 their office?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 Q. All right. First of all, with respect to monies paid to
- 11 or given to the Episcopal Church, the national church, for
- 12 what period of time did you look at the records?
- 13 A. I looked at them all the way back to the beginning of
- 14 the diocese.
- 15 Q. And how much money did you determine had been
- 16 voluntarily given to the national church during that period
- 17 of time?
- 18 A. \$6,341,948.
- 19 Q. And has that amount of money been adjusted at all for
- 20 inflation, those are just raw numbers?
- 21 A. Raw numbers.
- 22 Q. All right. And did you try to determine how much money
- 23 had been received, first of all, from the Domestic and
- 24 Foreign Missionary Society?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 O. All right. First of all, did you determine whether any
- 2 grants had been received?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. How much was the total amount of grants that you were
- 5 able to locate for the same time period that you looked for
- 6 what had been paid to the Episcopal Church?
- 7 A. 729,268.
- 8 Q. Did that include loans?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Did that include monies that did not on their face come
- 11 from the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Let's just talk about the Domestic and Foreign
- 14 Missionary Society. How much in grants did you discover in
- 15 that process?
- 16 A. 127,730.
- 17 Q. And how much of that money actually made it to a parish
- 18 in this diocese?
- 19 A. 20,629.
- 20 Q. And how much of that money actually made it to the
- 21 diocese itself?
- 22 A. 54,100.
- 23 Q. And how much of that \$127,000 went to the community or
- 24 third-party individuals?
- 25 A. 53,000.

- 1 Q. Okay. Did you discover any other DFMS funds labeled as
- 2 gifts?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. How much was that?
- 5 A. 5,000.
- 6 Q. Did any of that money go to any parish in the diocese or
- 7 to the diocese itself?
- 8 A. No, it did not.
- 9 Q. Did you discover any other money that was referred to as
- 10 loans to churches?
- 11 A. Yes, I did.
- 12 Q. And how much was that?
- 13 A. 25,000.
- 14 Q. Did any of that money go to the Diocese of South
- 15 Carolina?
- 16 A. No, it did not.
- 17 Q. Did the 25,000 go to any parish within the Diocese of
- 18 South Carolina?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And how much went to the parishes?
- 21 A. Total money out of all of the grand total that went to
- 22 all the parishes?
- 23 Q. No. The loan.
- 24 A. Just the loan. 25,000.
- 25 Q. And to one parish or more than one?

- 1 A. Just to one.
- 2 Q. What was the name of the parish?
- 3 A. That was St. Helena's in Beaufort.
- 4 Q. Okay. And that was a loan?
- 5 A. Yes, it was.
- 6 Q. Do you know what the rate was?
- 7 A. I do not.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. But I did confirm with them that they did receive it.
- 10 Q. Okay. Was it paid back?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Did you find monies that were given through the office
- of the DFMS but actually came from the United Thank Offering?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. What is the United Thank Offering?
- 16 A. The UTO is an organization with its own board who --
- 17 that raises funds separately and they make grants that are
- 18 applied -- the people applying for the grants go through the
- 19 diocese to receive for community improvement and that sort of
- 20 thing.
- 21 Q. You said raises money separately. What did you mean by
- 22 that?
- 23 A. The United Thank Offering raises its own contributions.
- 24 Q. Okay. And how much money during that period of time was
- 25 received as a United Thank Offering grant?

- 1 A. 230,938 in total.
- 2 Q. Did any of that money go to the Diocese of South
- 3 Carolina?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Did any of that money go to a parish or two within the
- 6 Diocese of South Carolina?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. How much went to a parish within the Diocese of South
- 9 Carolina?
- 10 A. 58,000.
- 11 Q. Did that go to one or more parishes?
- 12 A. Several.
- 13 Q. Are any of those parishes not a part of this lawsuit?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Which ones?
- 16 A. Calvary Church, St. John's Chapel.
- 17 Q. Of the \$230,938 in grants from the United Thank
- 18 Offering, how much of that money went to third parties
- 19 unrelated to the Diocese of South Carolina?
- 20 A. 172,938.
- 21 Q. Did you discover any monies that came through the
- 22 diocese from the presiding bishop's fund for world relief?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- 24 Q. And how much did you discover?
- 25 A. 340,600.

- 1 Q. Did the Diocese of South Carolina get any of that money?
- 2 A. Yes -- no, not the diocese itself, no.
- 3 Q. Was any of that money sent to churches within the
- 4 Diocese of South Carolina?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. How much?
- 7 A. 65,000.
- 8 Q. Of the \$340,600 how much went to entities other than the
- 9 diocese and the parishes within the diocese?
- 10 A. 275 -- 275,600.
- 11 Q. Does that money include some money for Hurricane Hugo?
- 12 A. Yes, it did.
- 13 Q. And how much was that?
- 14 A. 145,000.
- 15 Q. And how much of that money went to a parish or parishes
- 16 within the Diocese of South Carolina?
- 17 A. All of it.
- 18 Q. To a parish --
- 19 A. None of it went to the diocese and I'm not sure about
- 20 the split of the 145,000.
- 21 Q. Okay. Well, did any more than 65,000 within the 340,000
- 22 go to the parishes?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Okay. Thank you.
- Okay. Did I ask you to figure out the ratio of the

- 1 amount of money that was given to the Episcopal Church versus
- 2 the amount of money assumed in toto to come from them?
- 3 A. Yes, you did.
- 4 Q. What is the ratio of that?
- 5 A. 117 to 1.
- 6 Q. How does that work out in terms of a percentage?
- 7 A. It's a pretty tiny percent.
- 8 Q. Does .8 percent sound right?
- 9 A. .8.
- 10 Q. Of the total receipts received that you were able to
- 11 find in your records through the office of the DFMS, what
- 12 percent went to entities that are neither parishes or the
- 13 diocese itself?
- 14 A. 69 percent.
- 15 Q. 69.46?
- 16 A. .46 percent.
- 17 Q. Have you prepared a summary of the information that you
- 18 did and to which you have just testified?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-75 marked for identification.)
- 21 Q. I show you what's been mark for identification as
- 22 Plaintiff's Exhibit 75. Can you tell me what that is?
- 23 A. This is the spreadsheet that I prepared which summarized
- 24 all of my research.
- 25 Q. Is that a summary of what you've just testified to?

- 1 A. Yes, it is.
- 2 MR. RUNYAN: We would offer it in evidence.
- 3 MR. TISDALE: What exhibit number, please?
- 4 MR. RUNYAN: 75.
- 5 THE COURT: Any objection?
- 6 MR. TISDALE: No objection, Your Honor.
- 7 THE COURT: Any objection?
- 8 MR. BEERS: No, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Very well. 75 is in evidence without
- 10 objection.
- 11 (Plaintiff's Exhibit DSC-75 admitted into evidence.)
- 12 Q. Just a final couple of questions, Ms. Armstrong. In
- 13 this process of review did you and persons working with you
- 14 actually look through all of the journals of the Diocese of
- 15 South Carolina?
- 16 A. We did.
- 17 Q. And this is what you came up with?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 MR. RUNYAN: That's all I have.
- 20 THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- 21 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. BEERS:
- 22 Q. Ms. Armstrong, my name is David Beers. I represent the
- 23 Episcopal Church. Just to clarify, if you look at the -- do
- 24 you have the Exhibit in front of you?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

- 1 Q. Look at the -- just to the right of the middle of the
- 2 page. The column says "Total Received Through the Diocese."
- 3 Could you explain to me what you meant by that?
- 4 A. It means that the money was sent to us, deposited into
- 5 our account, and we disbursed the funds accordingly.
- 6 Q. All right. And then two columns over you say "Sent to
- 7 other community entities or individuals."
- 8 A. Mm-hmm.
- 9 Q. Can you give me any rough idea, certainly not all of
- 10 them, but how about some examples?
- 11 A. Sure. Let me look at my notes if you don't mind.
- 12 Q. Sure.
- 13 A. Some of that money went for hurricane relief to various
- 14 organizations in the area. Some went to the South Carolina
- 15 Christian Action Council. Some went to Camp Baskerville.
- 16 Q. That's enough. I mean, you may continue, but that's all
- 17 I need. But who made the -- well, sorry. Let me start
- 18 again. I apologize.
- 19 Some went to Hugo relief?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Can you just give me an example of an entity that would
- 22 receive the money from the Hugo relief?
- 23 A. Sure. Camp Baskerville did receive a good bit of that,
- 24 Calvary Church got some of that.
- 25 Q. Okay. And who made the decision to send it to

- 1 Baskerville?
- 2 A. I'm not sure. Looking at the --
- 3 Q. I don't mean what individual. Was it made by somebody
- 4 in the diocese?
- 5 A. I believe it was.
- 6 Q. So go back to that first column, the total received
- 7 through the diocese. And you said that includes money that
- 8 was sent to the diocese and then the diocese sent it on to
- 9 somebody else?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. And the decision of the somebody else was made by
- 12 somebody in the diocese?
- 13 A. Some of these grants were applied for in the name of a
- 14 particular church or another community entity, but in the
- 15 case of Hurricane Hugo some of that money was sent as like a
- 16 block grant, a flat amount of money, and then we accounted
- 17 for that back. And it all went to -- all went to
- 18 organizations that were impacted in the community.
- MR. BEERS: Thank you very much. That's all I have,
- 20 Your Honor.
- 21 THE COURT: All right.
- 22 Mr. Tisdale?
- MR. TISDALE: Thank you, Your Honor. I don't have any
- 24 questions.
- 25 THE COURT: All right.

- 1 REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. RUNYAN:
- 2 Q. Ms. Armstrong, one final question. For the most part in
- 3 these grants do they have a designated entity that they're
- 4 supposed to go to?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And for the most part when we're talking about third
- 7 party money, that designated entity was on the grant from the
- 8 DFMS?
- 9 A. That is correct.
- 10 Q. And you administer it?
- 11 A. Yes.
- MR. RUNYAN: Thank you. That's all I have.
- 13 THE COURT: All right. Recross? None.
- 14 Feel free to go. Thank you.
- 15 Call your next witness, please.
- MR. RUNYAN: Your Honor, at this time we would call the
- 17 Right Reverend Mark Lawrence.
- 18 THE COURT: Very well.
- MR. RUNYAN: Could it be possible to take a lunch break
- 20 right now or would you like to keep going?
- 21 THE COURT: You have two choices. And you're welcome to
- 22 caucus and tell me what it is that you want to do. I have an
- 23 obligation and I'm going to leave at 2 o'clock. You may
- 24 choose to go for an hour and then you can work on your
- 25 documents, as you all tell me. You all don't tell me, the

- 1 defendants tell me that they need more time to work with the
- 2 parishes with regards to documents. You may have that time
- 3 to work with the documents. But I have a commitment which
- 4 I'm going to honor. I'm going to be leaving at 2 o'clock.
- 5 If you wish, you may start your document review after lunch
- 6 at 2 o'clock and then we will take this witness up in the
- 7 morning. I don't care which.
- 8 MR. RUNYAN: That would be our preference, Your Honor.
- 9 THE COURT: Okay. Do you all want to caucus and let me
- 10 know?
- MR. TISDALE: I think that's fine, Your Honor. I mean,
- 12 he was not on the list of witnesses for today so --
- 13 THE COURT: This is reply. I presume he is replying to
- 14 something that was raised.
- MR. TISDALE: I understand that. But I was just saying
- 16 he wasn't on the list. So to have until tomorrow would be
- 17 helpful.
- 18 MR. RUNYAN: That is correct.
- 19 MR. TISDALE: That's all. And I think Mr. Runyan
- 20 agrees.
- 21 THE COURT: Very well. We'll start in the morning at
- 22 9:30. Those of you who have any issues with regards to
- 23 documents, you cannot go to lunch, but please do everything
- 24 you can to resolve whatever issues remain with regards to
- 25 documents so that we can hopefully end that process tomorrow.

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And I will see you all in the morning at 9:30.
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         MR. TISDALE: Thank you, Your Honor.
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