

1 STATE OF MINNESOTA DISTRICT COURT

2 COUNTY OF HENNEPIN FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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4 Doe 84,)
5 Plaintiff,)

JURY TRIAL
Case No. 27-CV-15-20713

6 vs.)

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7 The Children's Theatre Company, a)
8 Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation,)
9 and John Clark Donahue,)
10 Defendants.)

January 30, 2019
9:03 a.m.

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12 Laura Adams,)
13 Plaintiff,)

14 vs.)

15 The Children's Theatre Company, a)
16 Minnesota Non-Profit Corporation,)
17 and Jason McLean,)
18 Defendants.)

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21 HEARD BEFORE

22 THE HONORABLE FRANCIS J. MAGILL

23 District Court Judge

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1 by the behavior sciences faculty.

2 Q. The second area you said that you're involved in is
3 research. Can you briefly set forth some of the research
4 that you've conducted.

5 A. Well, again, my research has certainly varied over the
6 years. And I'm given a great deal of freedom in terms
7 what I wish to study. It's usually funded by one of the
8 federal grant agencies. If I just --

9 Q. Let me stop you, because there's one thing I'd like you to
10 touch on, and that is your involvement with the Boy Scouts
11 of America and your evaluation of the Boy Scouts of
12 America Youth Protection Program?

13 A. Yes, I was just going to say. I might just talk about
14 what I'm doing currently and that just seems -- so might
15 be most interesting to you. The last five years I've been
16 on private contract by the Boy Scouts of America. And you
17 may have read about it in the news, but they have files.
18 They're called ineligible volunteer files. And these are
19 files that they created, individuals who have had their
20 registration with the Boy Scouts revoked because of
21 reasonable allegations of child sexual abuse.

22 And so they've become quite recognized in the
23 press; they're a part of all their litigation. So I have
24 been hired by them to review all of these files, beginning
25 in 1944 through 2016. It has taken us five years. I've

1 had 32 coders along the east coast coding these. We've
2 had to create Internet access to everything. And we ended
3 up coding 7,819 of these files, meaning 7,819 perpetrators
4 who they believe were involved in sexually abusing a
5 child.

6 From reviewing all these files we identified
7 12,254 victims. And, again, tried to assess what we could
8 about the victims based on information. These weren't
9 research files. These were administrative files. They
10 were used every year to check against registration.

11 So once a year when people would register with
12 the Boy Scouts, they would literally have 17 people in a
13 room checking every name against this list, trying to keep
14 these people out. And they were trying to keep these
15 people out years ago when there were no computers; there
16 were criminal background checks. So that has been a very
17 major project which I suspect will be being released in
18 the next couple of weeks.

19 Q. The third area besides teaching and research that you
20 indicated was policy and commissions and advisory Boards,
21 that that constitutes a part of your role at the
22 University of Virginia. Just briefly outline what that
23 consist of.

24 A. As part of my role at the Institute of Law, Psychiatry and
25 Public Policy, as I am involved in quite a bit of policy