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6		THEODORE SMITH				
7 8	Section 3020-	-a Education Law Proceeding (File)			
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	BEFORE:	JACK TILLEM, ESQ.				
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3	Respondent Twenty-nine 538 - 09	4	Officer.
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5	Letter by Dr. General	6	MS. JALOWSKI: Susan Jalowski
6		7	for the Department of Education.
7		8	THE HEARING OFFICER: For the
8		9	Respondent?
9		10	MR. KEARNEY: David Kearney.
10		11	THE HEARING OFFICER: And the
11		12	Respondent, Theodore Smith, is present. We're
12		13	ready to continue with the Respondent's case.
13		14	MR. KEARNEY: If if the
14		15	Arbitrator will allow, I'd like to just make
15		16	one request.
16		17	THE HEARING OFFICER: Sure.
17		18	On the record?
18		19	MR. KEARNEY: Yes, please.
19		20	We had put on our witness list a woman named
20		21	Marissa Russo and it was our understanding
21 22		22	it was my understanding that she was going to
23		23	testify today. However, for whatever reason,
23		24	she did not return my previous calls. However,

Page 504 Page 505 Theodore Smith - 3-8-2007 Theodore Smith - 3-8-2007 1 2 last night, she did come forward and she is that you didn't have to come in and we didn't willing to testify, as I understand it, and I have to come in. 3 would simply ask for a brief adjournment so 4 MS. JALOWSKI: You've got 5 that we can arrange to have her come in to 5 witnesses. testify. And one of the basis -- bases for my 6 MR. KEARNEY: I've got 7 request is that -- and I don't believe that 7 witnesses. this was malicious or in bad faith at all, but 8 THE HEARING OFFICER: Oh, I had asked Ms. Jalowski if -- if Ms. Russo 9 okay. Then, let's go ahead. All right. No 10 worked for the Department and I think she 10 problem. inadvertently communicated that she didn't. It MR. KEARNEY: I just want to 11 11 turns out she does work for the Department of 12 bring her in at a later date. 13 Education. She is within their control, so 13 THE HEARING OFFICER: We'll there -- I would just like to base my request 14 cross that bridge when we come to it. I would on that, as well. assume you're not going to finish today or 15 15 16 THE HEARING OFFICER: Let --16 whatever. And if you have an application for another day for another witness, I -- I'd be 17 let -- let -- I'm not clear. Give me a 17 timeline. When did you find out she's not glad to do it. I'm not going to prevent you 18 18 coming in today? from presenting your case. 19 19 20 MR. KEARNEY: I found out MR. KEARNEY: I just wanted 20 21 that she was not coming in today -- she did not 21 to make sure that --. 22 return my phone call. 22 THE HEARING OFFICER: I 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: Well 23 thought you were making an application to 24 why didn't you call Ms. Jalowski and me, so 24 adjourn today and come back another day. Page 506 Page 507 1 1 Theodore Smith - 3-8-2007 Theodore Smith - 3-8-2007 2 2 MR. KEARNEY: No; I meant in MR. KEARNEY: We have two 3 just --. things. One, we have requested them; we have not received them. Secondly, there was an --4 THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay. 4 5 there was some miscommunication between Ms. No problem. 5 6 MR. KEARNEY: Okay. 6 Jalowski and I as to the timeframe. She had 7 THE HEARING OFFICER: No made a written request for records relating to 7 the years '99 and 2000 and 2001. I found out 8 problem. 8 9 that she -- that that was inadvertent, but I Okay. You want to call a rejected that request as irrelevant and I 10 10 witness? MS. JALOWSKI: I -- I have an didn't -- I didn't understand what it to be a 11 11 12 issue with -- it's my understanding that Mr. 12 request for. 13 Kearney wants to call Dr. -- the doctor. 13 MS. JALOWSKI: But I made an application that was a written one just stating You -- you had made a -- you granted his 14 14 15 application that the doctor could testify by 15 that again. But I made the oral application 16 of -- a long time ago to let them -- I believe phone. sometime in February, I believe -- with --17 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes. 17 saying the dates, with the proper dates. I 18 MS. JALOWSKI: But I made an 18 mean I didn't realize, obviously --. 19 application that I want the medical records and 19 20 I don't have them and I'm not going to -- I'm 20 THE HEARING OFFICER: What going to object to the doctor testifying unless 21 21 dates are the doctor going to testify to? And 22 I have medical records. 22 those are the dates that we'd like to see the THE HEARING OFFICER: She's 23 23 records, I quess. 24 got a point. 24 MR. KEARNEY: The -- I'm just

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2	simply going to ask the doctor questions about	2	MR. KEARNEY: Is there any
3	Mr. Smith's condition and their opinion that on	3	way that the Arbitrator would allow us to call
4	the class	4	the doctor on another day when
5	MS. JALOWSKI: I said on the	5	THE HEARING OFFICER: Sure.
6	record I said I want the records for	6	MR. KEARNEY: we get the
7	September 2004 through June of 2005. Mr.	7	records because we
8	Kearney is correct; my e-mail the other day,	8	THE HEARING OFFICER: If he
9	I I I did mistakenly put the wrong date,	9	has the record and he wants to come in with
10	but that doesn't then he should have been	10	them, we'll send them copies to Ms. Jalowski.
11	written back to why do you want those dates	11	Is that all right?
12	because obviously they're irrelevant. But the	12	MS. JALOWSKI: I don't see
13	fact is on the record, I did ask for the proper	13	the records are in his office. I don't see why
14	dates and they should have been given to me way	14	it can't be done today and faxed to me.
15	before	15	MR. KEARNEY: I can make that
16	THE HEARING OFFICER: It's a	16	request again.
17	valid request. If the doctor was here, he'd be	17	THE HEARING OFFICER: So
18	referring to his records, which I presume would	18	let's take a break for a moment and see if we
19	show some sort of evidence to what he did with	19	can get the doctor to fax the records here that
20	his this with the Respondent. To have	20	he's going to testify about.
21	him testify on the telephone and not allow the	21	MR. KEARNEY: Okay.
22	Complainant to avail themselves of seeing the	22	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay?
23	records on cross examination, I'm not sure his	23	MR. KEARNEY: Thank you.
24	testimony has very much worth.	24	THE HEARING OFFICER: Let's
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2	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	2	THE WITNESS: Beacon,
3	THE HEARING OFFICER: Yeah,	3	B-E-A-C-O-N.
4	that's not relevant to me. Let's move on.	4	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank
5	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	5	you.
6	 Q. Do you know the Respondent, 	6	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
7	Mr. Smith?	7	Q. And did you did you, in
8	A. I do.	8	fact, visit one of his classes?
9	Q. And how do you know him?	9	A. I did.
10	A. I met him through his mother.	10	Q. And can you just tell us
11	Q. And how long have you known	11	about that?
12	Mr. Smith?	12	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
13	A. More than twenty years.	13	THE HEARING OFFICER: What's
14	Q. And have you had the	14	the objection?
15	opportunity to visit Mr. Smith at a school in	15	MS. JALOWSKI: It's it's
16	which he's taught?	16	irrelevant that
17	A. I did.	17	THE HEARING OFFICER: It
18	Q. And when was that?	18	might have relevance. I'll allow it. Let's
19	A. Some years ago.	19	continue. I'll allow it. I'll allow it.
20	Q. And do you know which school	20	Go ahead, sir.
21	it was?	21	THE WITNESS: Would you
22	A. It was the Beacon School.	22	repeat the question, please?
23	THE HEARING OFFICER:	23	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
24	Beekman?	24	Q. Sure. Could you just tell me
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2	what you observed?	2	Go ahead.
3	THE HEARING OFFICER: Give us	3	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
4	a date to approximately, sir.	4	Q. Did you speak to the
5	THE WITNESS: Some years ago.	5	children, Mr. Robinson?
6	THE HEARING OFFICER: Like	6	A. Yes, I did.
7	we're talking ten twenty?	7	Q. And what did they tell you?
8	THE WITNESS: I would say	8	A. Well I just chatted with
9	more than five years ago.	9	them. I wasn't asking them questions and they
10	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.	10	weren't asking me questions. We were just
11		4.4	chatting congenially.
12	Go ahead.	11	
	A. Well, when I met he	11 12	Q. And of how many times
13		12	Q. And of how many times would you say you visited Mr. Smith at his
13 14	A. Well, when I met he	12 e 13	
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2	have a problem with my balance and he's been	า 2	And that's why I'm using
3	helping me over a run of some years now. An	d 3	that, has some heavy books at the bottom. I
4	two years ago, I fractured my vertebrae	4	need it for balance. And I'm a book collector
5	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	5	and I donate thousands and thousands of books
6	It's irrelevant.	6	to various non-profit organizations. And I
7	THE HEARING OFFICER: What	7	also have a book warehouse out on Long Island.
8	yeah let let me interrupt. What would be	8	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
9	the relevance of this? What probative value	9	A. (Cont'g.) And he helps me
10	would this have to me on the issues that are	10	move books to and from the warehouse and he
11	here?	11	helps me get around, even with some of the
12	MR. KEARNEY: It goes to his	12	local shopping that I do occasionally. And he
13	character, it goes to his fitness, and his	13	volunteer he volunteered this after I got
14	his moral fitness to teach, his spirit of	14	badly hurt.
15	volunteerism.	15	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
16	MS. JALOWSKI: I still object	16	Q. Do you pay Mr. Smith for
17	that it's irrelevant.	17	these services?
18	THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll	18	A. Oh no, not at all.
19	allow it.	19	Q. Did you ever ask Mr. Smith to
20	Go ahead, sir.	20	perform these services?
21	A. (Cont'g.) Well he's been	21	A. He volunteered it.
22	helping me because I have some difficulty	22	Q. All right. Aside from the
23	getting around and particularly, the past two	23	charitable work that you alluded to with the
24	years when I've had a great deal of difficulty.	24	books, are you involved in any other charities?
	yours when I ve had a great dear or announcy.	27	books, are you involved in any other changes:
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1	Robinson - Direct - Kearney	1	Robinson - Direct - Kearney
2	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	2	A. Well in my experience, I
3	THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll	3	would say it just helps. In our society, a lot
4	sustain that. What charities someone would be	4	of people use vulgar and obscene expressions
5	involved in is not relevant to me, unless you	5	like in the military, et cetera l've never
6	tell me there's a connection.	6	heard a single word of that nature from Ted
7	MR. KEARNEY: It's it's	7	Smith. And it never occurred to me at all
8	just he's being offered for his testimony as	8	until just this morning that that's the case
9	to Mr. Smith's character.	9	there. It seems to me that's it's very unusual
10	THE HEARING OFFICER: Well it	10	for a young American man.
11	wouldn't what charity this gentleman	11	Q. Do you know what I mean when
12	contributes to would not be relevant.	12	I say the F word, sir? Do you know what's
13	THE WITNESS: They're mostly	13	meant by the phrase the F word?
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14	in the educational and library field. They're	14	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
15	all in that field.	15	A. Oh, of course.
16	THE HEARING OFFICER: I don't	16	MS. JALOWSKI: He said he
17	need to tell you, sir, but you as an attorney	17	never heard
18	know you're a witness, so I'll sustain that.	18	A. (Cont'g.) Of course I do. I
19	Let's move on.	19	never heard it from him.
20	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	20	THE HEARING OFFICER: Go
21	Q. Other than helping you with	21	ahead. What's the question?
22	the fractured vertebrae that you testified to	22	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
23	earlier and your balance problems, can you say	23	Q. Have you ever heard Mr. Smith
24	anything else about Mr. Smith's character?	24	use the F word?

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1	Robinson - Direct - Kearney	1	Robinson - Cross - Jalowski
2	A. Never.	2	record show, for a telephone conference call.
3	Q. And how long have you known	3	The witness is Dr. Stephen Scheidt,
4	Mr. Smith?	4	S-T-E-P-H-E-N; last name S-C-H-E-I-D, as in
5	A. At least twenty years.	5	Donald, T, as in Tom.
6	MR. KEARNEY: Nothing	6	Dr. Scheidt, would you raise
7	further.	7	your right hand, please?
8	CROSS EXAMINATION	8	MR. SCHEIDT: I am doing so.
9	BY MS. JALOWSKI:	9	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank
10	Q. Now Mr. Robinson, you're not	10	you.
11	an educator, correct? You're not you're not	11	Do you affirm the testimony
12	a teacher, correct?	12	you're about to give will be the truth, the
13	A. No.	13	whole truth, and nothing but the truth?
	MS. JALOWSKI: I have no	14	MR. SCHEIDT: I do.
14			
15	further questions.	15	STEPHEN SCHEIDT; Sworn.
16	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank	16	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank
17	you Mr. Robinson. Thanks for coming down.	17	you.
18	THE WITNESS: Thank you sir.	18	Your witness.
19	My pleasure.	19	You're going to be examined
20	THE HEARING OFFICER: Off the	20	now by Mr. Kearney, the attorney for Mr. Smith.
21	record.	21	THE WITNESS: Okay.
22	(Off the record)	22	DIRECT EXAMINATION
23	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.	23	BY MR. KEARNEY:
24	We're ready to call another witness, let the	24	Q. Good afternoon, Dr. Scheidt.
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2 3 4	Scheidt - Direct - Kearney A. Good afternoon, sir. Q. Are you currently employed? A. I am.	2 3 4	Scheidt - Direct - Kearney Q. You're a Board certified cardiologist? A. Correct.
2 3 4 5	Scheidt - Direct - Kearney A. Good afternoon, sir. Q. Are you currently employed? A. I am. Q. Where?	2 3 4 5	Scheidt - Direct - Kearney Q. You're a Board certified cardiologist? A. Correct. Q. Do you know the Respondent,
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    examined Mr. Smith while he was in a -- in a
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    state of fibrillation?
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            A. Yes, I believe I have. There
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    have been a number of episodes where the
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    fibrillation has come and gone. And on at
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    least one occasion, he's had fibrillation in
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    the emergency room. So I mean the answer is
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    ves, although I would have to dig hard to find
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    out when -- when the last time it was.
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            Q. Just testifying as to -- to
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    your memory just today, can you just describe
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    generally what, in layman's terms, the symptoms
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    of atrial fibrillation are?
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            A. Well it -- it depends on a
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    number of factors among which probably the most 6
    important is whether the patient has other
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    heart disease. Atrial fibrillation is one of
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    the commonest -- probably is the commonest
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    rhythm disturbance in cardiology, very much age 20
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    related. But in the people that get it as they
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22 get older, they usually have some heart
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24 in that he probably has what's called lone
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Lone Ranger. And what that means it means to -- to be described is that he doesn't have structural disease of the heart. He doesn't have coronary narrowing in atherosclerosis and he doesn't have valve disease and he doesn't have other stuff that tends to go along with the older people who get fibrillation. So in people who have just this lone atrial fibrillation the symptom is almost always palpitation. But sometimes the heart can get going so fast, I mean like a hundred and ninety -- two hundred times a minute, double -triple -- quadruple a normal heart rate, that there are people who have dizziness; there are people who have vertigo; there are people who actually faint. And certainly a lot of people have to sit down or lie down. Otherwise, they'll fall down. But this varies from patient to patient and also even within the same patient depending upon on how fast the heart goes.

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atrial fibrillation, lone, L-O-N-E, like the

1 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 2 2 Q. Doctor, I just want to tailor 3 my inquiry to Mr. Smith. 3 4 A. Yes. 4 5 Q. Some of the symptoms you 5 6 described, palpitations, dizziness, fainting, 6 7 7 does any of that apply in Mr. Smith's case? 8 A. Well the palpitations and the 9 dizziness or the, you know, feeling not able to 10 do standard things do apply in Mr. Smith's 10 case. I do not believe he ever fainted, 11 11 12 actually. 12 13 Q. Now are there any factors 13 14 that exacerbate the condition of atrial --14 15 atrial fibrillation? 15 16 A. Well, there are potentially 16 17 many factors, most of which are not important 17 18 in relatively young people like Mr. Smith 18 19 with -- with normal or relatively normal 19 20 hearts. So I mean, you know, that's not a 20 21 question that it's easy -- that one can give a 21 22 yes or no answer to. But there certainly -and by the way, there are some patients in whom23 24 there's nothing that we can put our fingers on

Page 527 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney that precipitates the atrial fibrillation, but I would say as a general rule, many people have more fibrillation when they're under stress, either physical or -- or mental. There are some people in whom the fibrillation is related to caffeine consumption. There are some people in whom it's related to alcohol consumption. I would say as a general rule, you don't -- you just don't know why somebody is going to have it and there are -- there are -- there's a periodicity to it that all cardiologists know about, but is very hard to explain. There are people who will get a lot of fibrillation many, many episodes and long, prolonged episodes and bothersome episodes, symptomatic episodes for a while and then for several months, they won't have it. But I would say that -- that it's different for different people. But in general, the only thing that -- that tends to -- you tend to hear often would -- would be stress. And I must tell you since most people lead stress -- or many people lead stressful lives, one never quite knows whether A is

Page 528 Page 529 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 2 really related to B. 2 2004-2005 academic year, did you treat Mr. 3 Q. All right. Now having 3 Smith as a cardiologist? 4 treated Mr. Smith in the ordinary course, has 4 A. Yes, I did. 5 he ever communicated to you circumstances which 5 Q. Did you notice anything about 6 you feel could exacerbate his fibrillation? his -- the incidents of fibrillation during 7 A. Well he, as you undoubtedly 7 that period? know, is an extraordinarily active person, A. Well, I just sort of --8 9 probably more active and -- and in better 9 that's a sort of tough question. Now you say physical shape than -- than ninety-five to the 2004-2005 school year? 10 10 11 ninety-nine percent of -- of a 11 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes, 12 cardiologist's -- of -- of my patients. So I 12 that's September '04 to June '05. 13 mean, you know, I -- I -- I will read -- read A. (Cont'g.) Well, you know, 13 you from the very fist line of the very first 14 he -- we had -- he had been having a various 15 note when I met him on May 4th, 1992. episodes of the fibrillation earlier in 2004, 15 16 Thirty-one year old physical education teacher 16 so the first six months of 2004. And he 17 for evaluation of palpitations, past several actually went to see Dr. Kenneth Stein, who is years has -- has noted palpitations during 18 an electrophysiologist. These are sort of like 19 stress. So you know, it's from the very first electricians for the heart. And he went to see 19 20 sentence of the very first note that I wrote. 20 Dr. Stein, I think, on August 3rd, '04 because 21 And from time to time he would tell me that 21 he was having enough palpitations so that we 22 under stressful situations at school, he would were thinking about doing more than just giving 22 23 tend to get more fibrillation. 23 him medications. 24 Q. Dr. Scheidt, during the 24 He was seen in the emergency Page 530 Page 531 1 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 2 room November 18, '04 with palpitations that again, my note of April 5th, 2005 said that in 3 the ten days prior to this visit of April 5th were, you know, daily or nearly daily, even 4 awakening him at night. And I increased the --'05, he's had another five episodes one to six the -- the drugs and he had been put on a new hours in duration, possibly related to work 5 6 antiarrhythmic drug. And then I saw him again 6 stress. So you know, there are plenty of 7 on a regular visit in the office in December. notations during the 2004-2005 school year that 8 And again, you know, it says -- in that visit 8 he was having a lot of arrhythmia. 9 it says for the past six months much more BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.) 10 often, several times weekly, so that it's not Q. Now as a cardiologist, how do 10 perfectly coincident with that school year, but 11 you -- how do you expect class size to play a 11 12 clearly in the -- in the second half of 2004, role in Mr. Smith's -- in his instances of 13 he was having an awful lot of palpitations. 13 fibrillation? MS. JALOWSKI: Objection. 14 And as of December 14th, my chart says nearly 14 15 every day. 15 THE HEARING OFFICER: 16 And then I saw him again. I 16 Sustained. 17 saw him in the emergency room in -- in March THE WITNESS: I didn't hear 17 18 '05 at which point, he actually needed an what the --18 19 intravenous drug to get him out of atrial 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: Well 20 fibrillation. And then I increased the drugs 20 you don't have to answer that question. 21 again on March 25th. And I saw him in the 21 THE WITNESS: -- the judge. office on April 5th, again with nearly every 22 I don't have to answer that. Okay. 22 day, some related to exertion, some not. So BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.) 24 you know, he was having -- and then you know, 24 Q. Were you aware of any

Page 532 Page 533 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 2 precipitating factors during this period, the 2 I mean. I -- I went to New 3 2004-2005 academic year, that contributed to York City public schools. I went to P. S. 3 3 4 the frequency of Mr. Smith's fibrillation? **Queens and Junior High School 157 and Forest** 4 5 Hill High School and so I remember very well MS. JALOWSKI: Objection. 5 THE HEARING OFFICER: Yeah, 6 the -- the arguments there used to be about 6 7 I'll -- you can lay a foundation on that and 7 class size and teachers and such and such. And 8 ask him what the Respondent may have told him 8 9 about causing that and I'll take that, but not 9 THE HEARING OFFICER: No --10 what he thinks may have. If you want to 10 no; stop that, sir. 11 rephrase that question, I might allow it. 11 Ask the next question, Mr. 12 BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.) 12 Kearney. Q. Did the Respondent 13 BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.) 13 14 communicate to -- to you any factors that -- to 14 Q. Irrespective of the time at explain the frequency of fibrillation during which you heard this class size come up, what 15 15 16 that period? 16 did Mr. Smith tell you about his class -- the 17 A. Well, Mr. Smith mentioned on 17 size of his classes? 18 many occasions that he thought that the 18 A. That they were you know, increased frequency of fibrillation was related 19 larger than anything I was used to in -- in the 19 to increased stress. I must tell you I don't public school system. 20 20 know exactly when the question of class size MS. JALOWSKI: Objection. 21 21 22 came up. I have certainly heard about it, but THE HEARING OFFICER: That's 22 23 whether it was during the 2004-2005 school 23 not the question sir. What did he tell you? Did he tell you -- what did he tell you, if 24 year, I don't know. 24 Page 534 Page 535 1 1 Scheidt - Direct - Kearney Scheidt - Direct - Kearney 2 anything, about class size? If you recall. sustain the objection. A. (Cont'g.) Well I have BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.) 3 4 learned within the past six to twelve months 4 Q. Doctor, can you explain how 5 that the number is -- is -- is sometimes stressful situations contribute to sixty-five or more people. I do not know 6 fibrillation? 6 A. Quite honestly, I cannot, 7 whether I -- when I first heard that number, 7 8 but -- but you know, what -- what did I hear? 8 except that you know, there's -- there's an obvious potential link. And that is stress of 9 I heard that --. 10 any kind, physical stress, emotional stress, THE HEARING OFFICER: Not 10 any kind of stress tends to increase the amount 11 what did you hear. What did he tell you, if 11 of catecholamines. These are our epinephrines, 12 you recall. When you say you heard --. 12 13 THE WITNESS: Are you asking 13 the fight or flight hormones. And -- and any kind of stress will increase those -- those 14 me when? Because that -- that I don't 14 15 remember. Let -- let's put it this way. I --15 hormones in the blood and those hormones or I did not hear about -- you know, about gang drugs very similar to those hormones clearly 16 violence in his classes. All right? That's -can precipitate fibrillation. 17 17 18 18 And I mean just as an that wasn't --. example, it's well known that -- that asthma 19 THE HEARING OFFICER: All 19 20 right. Let's ask another question. Thank you, 20 medications in order -- in order to dilate the bronchi, you give a form of -- of epinephrine, 21 Doctor. 21 22 Continue, please. 22 of adrenaline. That's what opens up the THE WITNESS: Okay. breathing tubes and those -- those inhalers 23 THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll that -- that millions of people use those 24 24

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2	certainly speed up the heart rate, increase the	2	have a copy of a letter dated June 8, 2005 that
3	blood pressure, and can cause the heart to go	3	you wrote on behalf of Mr. Smith?
4	faster and have arrhythmia so I mean that's	4	 A. I probably do; give me a
5	that's the standard explanation. Whether it's	5	moment. June 8, 2005, yes.
6	true or not, I can't tell you.	6	THE HEARING OFFICER: Is this
7	Q. In Mr. Smith's case, did	7	in evidence
8	do you know whether his instances of	8	A. (Cont'g.) Ah yes, so
9	fibrillation affected his ability to report to	9	there I did I did know about the large class
10	work?	10	size during that school year.
11	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	11	THE HEARING OFFICER: Doctor,
12	THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll	12	please try to just confine yourself to
13	take it. I'll allow it.	13	answering the questions. Okay?
14	Go ahead, Doctor, you can	14	MR. KEARNEY: I'd like to
15	answer that if you can.	15	mark this for identification.
16	A. Well I do know it did because	16	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
17	it it did affect it because there were	17	This is going to be Respondent's Twenty-nine.
18	occasions when he would call and and say you	u 18	MR. KEARNEY: Respondent's
19	know, had had an episode of fibrillation	19	Twenty-nine.
20	many hours, couldn't go to work. So yes, it	20	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
21	did affect I I know it did affect his	21	Q. Doctor, do you have?
22	ability to go to work.	22	THE HEARING OFFICER: For
23	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	23	identification.
24	Q. In your records, it do you	24	Do you have this in front of
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2	you, Doctor?	2	continue. Go ahead.
3	THE WITNESS: I do.	3	THE WITNESS: You want me to
4	THE HEARING OFFICER: Good.	4	answer?
5	Okay. Go ahead.	5	THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes,
6	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	6	please do, sir.
7	Q. I'm going to refer to it as	7	A. Well you know, I ask both
8	Respondent's Twenty-nine. Did you write this	8	sides to please note the caginess of the
9	letter, sir?	9	cardiologist. All right? I said apparently
10	A. I did.	10	the new position was associated with very large
11	MR. KEARNEY: Move into	11	classroom size with very little assistance
12	evidence.	12	because I you know, there was no way that I
13	MS. JALOWSKI: No objection.	13	personally could confirm that. What I did know
14			was that his atrial fibrillation has occurred
	THE HEARING OFFICER: In	14	
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2	Q. As Mr. Smith's treating	2	telling me that Mr. Smith is expected to do
3	cardiologist, did in your opinion, is it	3	physical activity substantial physical
4	appropriate for Mr. Smith to report to work	4	activity at work then no, it would not be
5	while in fibrillating?	5	appropriate for him to go to work with
6	A. Well that's you know, I'm	6	fibrillation.
7	not trying to be cagey here. It really does	7	Q. Would it be appropriate for
8	depend. I think I probably could report to	8	Mr. Smith to sit in a chair during an instance
9	work while fibrillating because I'm sitting at	9	of fibrillation?
10	a desk and I don't have to do physical	10	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
11	exertion. I don't exactly know what Mr. Smith	11	Leading.
12	has to has to do in the course of a day. My	12	THE HEARING OFFICER:
13	presumption is that as a physical ed. teacher,		Sustained. Don't answer that, Doctor.
14	he has to, you know, run around. He has to do		THE WITNESS: Okay.
15	physical things. In general, atrial	15	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
16	fibrillation increases the heart rate and in	16	Q. How would you what would
17	general, atrial fibrillation increases the	17	advise a patient to do during a an instance
18	adrenaline levels and physical exercise would		of fibrillation?
19	do it even more so. So no, a cardiologist	19	THE HEARING OFFICER: It's
20	would not tell a patient to exercise if if	20	been asked and answered. He's already answered
21	he were in fibrillation. The cardiologist	21	that sir. He would ask them to rest, chill
22	tells the patient to sit down and relax and	22	out, take it easy, and take some medication.
23	chill out and take some medications that are	23	Is that fair to say, Doctor?
24	usually anti-adrenaline. So if if you're	24	THE WITNESS: Quite correct.
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2	you. You're talking December 14th, '04?	2	THE HEARING OFFICER: No.
3	Q. Correct.	3	Wait, Doctor. No no. It's overruled
4	 A. Yeah, that is a pre-planned 	4	anyway. It's a fair question on cross.
5	visit. And April 5th?	5	Go ahead. Answer it, please,
6	Q. Right.	6	if you can.
7	A. Yes, that also looks like a	7	A. (Cont'g.) Yeah I mean the
8	pre-planned visit.	8	the notes in the chart don't don't tell you
9	THE HEARING OFFICER: That's	9	what the time the patient came, but I mean
10	April 5th, '05?	10	those are in the records if one really cared,
11	THE WITNESS: Yes.	11	but you know, yes, there there's I can't
12	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank	12	tell you for sure.
13	you.	13	BY MS. JALOWSKI: (Cont'g.)
14	BY MS. JALOWSKI: (Cont'g.)	14	Q. But essentially, Mr. Smith,
15	Q. Is it fair to say that Mr.	15	Cornell Medical Center is on what,
16	Smith easily could have made an appointment	16	seventy-five seventy-eighth and
17	that didn't start until he could have come	17	A. Try Seventieth and York.
18	into your office for a three-thirty	18	Q. Is it fair to say that Mr.
19	appointment, correct?	19	Smith could have worked all day and then had an
20	MR. KEARNEY: Objection.	20	appointment at your office if school let out at
21	THE HEARING OFFICER: What's	21	three, correct?
22	the objection?	22	A. Yes, that's possible.
23	MR. KEARNEY: There's no	23	Q. Now, is it fair to say that
24	A. Yes, I mean we could	24	in general, you testified that it's it's
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2	it's not clear why some patients go into	2	would be sitting doing nothing. It would in
3	fibrillation. It could be numerous factors,	3	the evening or something like that and he would
4	correct?	4	get an episode.
5	A. Correct.	5	Q. Is it fair to say if during
6	Q. Essentially, though, Mr.	6	fibrillation and Mr. Smith had class, if he was
7	Smith self-reports that he finds his way he	7	able to just stand in front of the class and
8	does find it that when he's under stressful	8	give instructions without having to perform any
9	A. Correct.	9	of the sports or exercises that he was
10	Q situations. In general,	10	instructing the class it would be fair to
11	the medical literature doesn't really say that	11	say one could be in fibrillation and do and
12	that is always that is the number one factor	12	be able to just stand in front of a class and
13	for fibrillation, correct?	13	instruct, correct?
14	A. Correct. And even in Mr.	14	MR. KEARNEY: Objection.
15	Smith's case, there were, you know, episodes	15	Assumes facts not in evidence.
16	that that were not related to stress. So I	16	THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll
17	mean, it's a sort of a typical situation; you	17	allow it.
18	can never be really sure.	18	Can you answer that, Doctor?
19	Q. But what did he say there	19	A. Well it's very hard to answer
20	and the second s	20	that. Again, depending upon how fast the heart
	were other things that brought on along the		
21	fibrillation?	21	goes, people have everything from no symptoms
21 22	fibrillation? A. I don't believe he ever		goes, people have everything from no symptoms to, you know, some people faint. Mr. Smith
	fibrillation?	21	goes, people have everything from no symptoms

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the doctor very much. And then as the patient

gets somewhat older, it is relatively common to

see this trajectory that -- that the episodes

Anything else, sir?

MR. KEARNEY: Yes.

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2	A. Yes.	2	A. Well yes, he's seen me for
3	Q. How do you know him?	3	that and his main the main medication the
4	A. He is my patient.	4	main physician who prescribes medication is his
5	Q. And how long have you been	5	cardiologist, Dr. Scheidt, but I I do see
6	treating him?	6	him for that also.
7	A. More more than five years.	7	Q. Have you discussed Mr.
8	Q. Did you were you are	8	Smith's case with Dr. Scheidt?
9	you his primary care provider?	9	A. Dr. Scheidt has periodically
10	A. Correct, yes.	10	transferred some records, but I I've had
11	Q. Were you his physician from	11	I've only had maybe one or two phone
12	September of 2004 to 2005?	12	conversations with Dr. Scheidt over the years.
13	A. Yes.	13	Q. In terms of severity, do you
14	Q. To June of 2005?	14	have any opinion as a as medical doctor as
15	A. Yes.	15	to how severe Mr. Smith's atrial fibrillation
16	Q. Are you do you if Mr.	16	is?
17	Smith has been diagnosed with a heart	17	A. Yes some it's recurrent
18	condition?	18	and it's
19	A. Yes.	19	THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait,
20	Q. What is the diagnosis?	20	Doctor. There's some
21	A. It's paroxysmal atrial	21	What is the objection?
22	fibrillation.	22	MS. JALOWSKI: He said
23		23	cardiologist.
23	Q. And have you, yourself, treated him for that condition?	24	THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes,
24	treated film for that condition?	4	THE HEARING OF FIGER. 165,
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3	work work and or classroom related stress.	3	Q. Did Mr did Mr. Smith ever
4	Q. And how did the classroom	4	communicate to you how many students were in
5	relate to the stress, Doctor?	5	his class, Doctor?
6	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	6	A. No.
7	THE HEARING OFFICER: If you	7	Q. Do you?
8	know.	8	A. Yes, I'm still here.
	A. Well I don't know that I can		THE HEARING OFFICER: We know
9		9	
10	specifically comment on. I mean he he	10	that. We're waiting for the question.
11	thought there was some aspect of large class		MR. KEARNEY: Nothing
12	size that was related to it, but I can't relate	12	further.
13	that more specifically.	13	THE WITNESS: Okay.
14	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	14	THE HEARING OFFICER: Ms.
15	Q. And in your opinion as a	15	Jalowski?
16	medical doctor, would class size have an effect	16	MS. JALOWSKI: I need a
17	on a condition of this type?	17	couple of minutes.
18	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	18	. THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
19	THE HEARING OFFICER:	19	We're going to go off the record for moment,
20	Sustained. Don't answer please, Doctor.	20	Doctor. We want to please ask you not to leave
21	THE WITNESS: Go ahead,	21	town and we'll back with you in a few minutes.
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23	THE HEARING OFFICER: Just	23	(Off-the-record discussion)
24	wait. There'll be another question, I'm sure.	24	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
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3	A. Handwritten notes are what	3	Q. Yes. I need that. I can't
4	you have. Documents not faxed to you are	4	cross-examine you until I receive it.
5	indicated elsewhere in in the miscellaneou	s 5	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
6	section of the electronic medical records.	6	Let's discontinue the cross and thank you,
7	THE HEARING OFFICER:	7	Doctor.
8	Doctor Doctor	8	THE WITNESS: Oh, okay. Is
9	THE WITNESS: Go ahead.	9	that is that all for now?
10	THE HEARING OFFICER: Please	10	MR. KEARNEY: We might be
11	just answer the questions. The lawyer's going	11	able to stipulate
12	to ask you a question. See if you can just	12	THE HEARING OFFICER: If I
13	confine yourself to the answer of the question.	13	can't if he doesn't return, we're going to
14	THE WITNESS: Okay. Go	14	make a motion to strike his testimony. Okay.
15	ahead.	15	And I'll reserve on that. That's where we
16	BY MS. JALOWSKI: (Cont'g.)	16	stand now.
17	Q. You're saying that there's	17	Okay. Doctor, thank you very
18	other documentation that you didn't send me?	18	much.
19	A. Yes, that is correct. The	19	THE WITNESS: Do you need my
20	handwritten letters, which I assume is in the	20	secretary to fax that or that's not necessary?
21	chart, but I'm not in front of it, are in a	21	THE HEARING OFFICER: No
22	separate section called miscellaneous of the		no, Doctor, you we have to have your records
23	electronic medical record. So if that was	23	for cross examination. The records that we
24	important to you, the secretaries could get	24	want to ask you about, the lawyer wants to ask
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2	you about, we don't have. Your answers are	2	Okay. Let's proceed with the next witness.
3	they're not here; they're in an electronic	3	I'll leave that in your hands, Counsel.
4	whatever, so the cross-examination cannot	4	(Off-the-record discussion)
5	proceed without those records.	5	THE HEARING OFFICER: Off the
6	THE WITNESS: I understand,	6	record.
7	so in the event you want that, you'll let me	7	(Off the record)
8	know.	8	THE HEARING OFFICER: We have
9	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank	9	a witness here for the Respondent. The
10		10	witness' name is Nick Ragusa; N-I-C-K is the
11	you very much.	11	first name; the last name is R-A-G-U-S-A.
12	THE WITNESS: Thank you.	12	•
13	Bye-bye.		Mr. Ragusa, would you raise
	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.	13	your right hand, please?
14	You have a motion?	14	Do you affirm the testimony
15	MS. JALOWSKI: Unless I get	15	you are about to give will be the truth, the
16	the documents and Dr. Ament comes back to	16	whole truth, and nothing but the truth?
17	testify, I'm going to ask that the direct be	17	MR. RAGUSA: Yes.
18	stricken.	18	NICK RAGUSA; Sworn.
19	THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes,	19	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank
20	I'm going to grant that motion on that	20	you. They're going to ask you questions.
21	condition. Unless we get the doctor to produce	21	Your witness.
22	•		DIDEOT EVALUATION STORY
	his records or to come in or do what he has to	22	DIRECT EXAMINATION
23 24	•	22 23 24	DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. KEARNEY: Q. Mr. Ragusa, are you currently

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1	Ragusa - Direct - Kearney	1	Ragusa - Direct - Kearney
2	employed?	2	MS. JALOWSKI: What time of
3	A. Yes.	3	year was that?
4	Q. By whom?	4	THE WITNESS: September 2002.
5	A. The Department of Education	5	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
6	at Chelsea High School.	6	Q. Did you have any were you
7	Q. And in what capacity?	7	also employed at Chelsea High School at that
8	A. I'm a physical education	8	time?
9	teacher, athletic director, and coach.	9	A. Yes.
10	Q. How long have you been a	10	Q. And where you also the
11	physical education teacher, Mr. Ragusa?	11	director of athletics at that time?
12	A. I'm beginning my thirtieth	12	A. Yes.
13	year.	13	Q. Did you also teach physical
14	Q. And in those thirty years as	14	education, yourself?
15	a physical education teacher, have you which	15	A. Yes.
16	age groups have you taught?	16	Q. Did you ever work with Mr.
17	A. I've always been at the high	17	Smith in the same classroom?
18	school level, grades nine through twelve.	18	A. Yes. At least two or three
19	Q. Do you know Theodore Smith?	19	periods a day, we had double classes where we
20	A. Yes.	20	had seventy-five or eighty students, where I
21	Q. When did you first meet Mr.	21	would have half and Mr. Smith would have half
22	Smith?	22	and we worked together teaching the kids and
23	A. In 2002, when he became a	23	exercising the kids and monitoring the kids.
24	teacher of Phys Ed at Chelsea High School.	24	 Q. You testified a moment ago
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2	I thought he asked the question. I was	2	work together. I always found him very caring
3	objecting because he was going off track.	3	to the students, very helpful to the students.
4	THE HEARING OFFICER: Well,	4	He was a great resource for health questions.
5	let him answer this question.	5	I know he's authoring a health book.
6	Can you answer this question?	6	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
7	THE WITNESS: Yes.	7	THE HEARING OFFICER: Yes.
8	A. It's a serious safety hazard	8	MR. KEARNEY: Let me let
9	to have that many students with one teacher.	9	me
10	As I was saying, it's hard enough to watch	10	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
11	fifty and work with fifty by yourself, let	11	Q. Did you observe his teaching?
12	alone anything more than that. You know, when		A. Yes.
13	you get seventy seventy-five by yourself,	13	Q. And how many times have you
14	it's it's impossible; it's very hard. I	14	observed Mr. Smith teaching?
15			<u> </u>
	I'm doing it all these years and experience but	15	A. It's hard to say. We taught
16	even with fifty students, it's very hard. I	16	together for two years, four times all together
17	wish they would lower the number for us.	17	and at least two times a day, two different
18	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	18	classes a day so, you know, probably a few
19	Q. Now you testified earlier	19	hundred times we were together in a
20	that you that the class was divided. Was	20	classroom in the gym.
21	that did you ever observe Mr. Smith	21	Q. And you had occasion to
22	teaching?	22	observe him during those few hundred times. Is
23	A. Well of course. I you	23	that correct?
24	know, when I'm teaching a class with him, we	24	A. Yes. We worked together the
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1	Ragusa - Direct - Kearney	1	Ragusa - Direct - Kearney
2	entire period, working with individual kids,	2	THE HEARING OFFICER: I'll
3	group groups of kids, the whole group	3	allow that. Hold your objection for a moment
4	together.	4	after that.
5	Q. What can you tell me about	5	Do you know anything about
6	your observations of Mr. Smith's teaching?	6	his health?
7	A. I thought he was an excellent	7	A. Well, I do know some.
8	teacher. I personally learned a lot from	8	THE HEARING OFFICER: Well,
9	working with him when it came to health issues		do you know? Just say yes or no.
10	and exercises. And Mr. Smith had extensive	10	THE WITNESS: Yes, yes.
11	training in Marshall Arts and the kids looked	11	THE HEARING OFFICER: Go
12	to him for that. Not that he bragged about it,	12	ahead.
13	but you know, of course the kids find out. And		BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
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14	he was just a caring a caring man. He was	14	Q. Are you aware whether Mr.
15	always there to help the students in the class.	15	Smith has any particular heart condition?
16	He was always there to help me. He also did a		A. Yes. I know it's it's
17	nice job with the junior varsity basketball,	17	some sort of irregular heart beat and it causes
	which he did for two seasons; I'm the athletic	18	fainting. I know it caused him to be
18	,		hospitalized when he was at Chelsea when he was
19	director.	19	•
19 20	director. I wish he was still at	20	the junior varsity basketball coach. He I
19	director.		•
19 20	director. I wish he was still at	20	the junior varsity basketball coach. He I
19 20 21	l wish he was still at Chelsea. I was very sorry to see him go.	20 21	the junior varsity basketball coach. He I received a call in the morning by the lady at

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2	to the hospital by cab because he fainted on	2	THE HEARING OFFICER: Was his
3	the street, coming to work. And he was out	3	attendance problematical?
4	I don't remember how long. But he brought the	4	A. (Cont'g.) Not not
5	hospital records and the medical documentation	າ. 5	problematic with of course I missed him when
6	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.	6	he wasn't there, but he was first of all, he
7	THE HEARING OFFICER: Go	7	didn't have perfect attendance. He wasn't
8	ahead. Next question.	8	there every day; put it that way. We would
9	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	9	have to cover a class.
10	Q. While you worked with Mr.	10	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
11	Smith at Chelsea High School for two years, was	11	 Q. You testified earlier that
12	Mr. Smith's attendance problematic?	12	putting a a one teacher in charge of a
13	A. I really don't remember it	13	class of seventy-five was a serious safety
14	every you know, exactly	14	hazard. What can you tell me specifically
15	THE HEARING OFFICER: Do you	15	about this what what what types of
16	know? If you know, say tell us. If you	16	hazards does that present?
17	don't know, say I don't remember.	17	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
18	A. (Cont'g.) I do remember I	18	THE HEARING OFFICER:
19	don't remember exact amounts of days he was	19	Sustained. I'll allow I'll sustain that.
20	out, but he was out because of medical reasons		Let's move on.
21	his irregular heart beat	21	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
22	THE HEARING OFFICER: He's	22	Q. What types of activities did
23	just asking you, but not the reasons.	23	you did Mr. Smith teach while you observed
24	THE WITNESS: Oh. Oh.	24	him?
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2			Ragusa - Direct - Kearney BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
2 3	A. All right. We did a fitness	2	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
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3	classes?	3	cover his class?
4	A. Two separate classes, yes.	4	A. If it was a single class
5	Q. So it was really you had	5	for example, let's say there was another
6	forty kids and?	6	teacher there at the time, Mr. Bernstein. If
7	A. Yes. Thirty-five to forty	7	Mr. Smith shared a class with Mr. Bernstein,
8	kids you know, I might have had thirty-six,	8	one of those large classes, and Mr. Smith was
9	maybe he had thirty-eight you know, it	9	out and I was free, I would cover for Mr.
10	depends. And the way that they did it, I don't	10	Smith's group. If he had a single class, I
11	know how they put the kids in each class	11	would cover or Mr. Bernstein would cover for
12	attendance-wise. But we were both responsible	e 12	his phys. ed. class. It has to be a phys. ed.
13	for thirty-five to forty students for	13	teacher if you keep the kids in the gym.
14	attendance and then, of course, making up the		Q. And isn't it true under the
15	grade. But I don't know I guess I'm allowed	15	contract that if the class is over fifty, you
16	to say this. I always stressed to the kids,	16	just need a certified teacher plus a phys. ed.
17	you always had some sort of you're not my	17	teacher. Is that correct?
18	teacher, your he's my hey, we're both	18	MR. KEARNEY: Objection.
19	your teachers. You know, and that's we	19	THE HEARING OFFICER: The
20	worked together watching all and working with		contract will speak for itself. You can ask
21	all these kids you can't help but intermingle.	21	him his knowledge or his experience, but I will
22	Q. Now when Mr. Smith was out,	22	sustain that objection. The contract speaks
23	who covered his class?	23	for itself.
23 24		23 24	Ask him if he knows.
24	A. Another phys. ed. teacher.	24	ASK HIIII II HE KHOWS.
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1	Page 586 Ragusa - Cross - Jalowski	1	Page 587 Ragusa - Cross - Jalowski
2	MS. JALOWSKI: I'll withdraw	2	Peter, U-T, as in Thomas, R as in Robert, A as
3	the question.	3	in Albert, Kurniaputra.
4	I have no further questions	4	THE REPORTER: Okay. One
5	for this witness.	5	more time because that was a lot of letters.
6	THE HEARING OFFICER:	6	THE HEARING OFFICER:
7		7	K-U-R-N-I-A-P-U-T-R-A.
8	Anything else?	8	
	MR. KEARNEY: Nothing		THE REPORTER: Okay.
9	further.	9	THE HEARING OFFICER: Got it?
10	THE HEARING OFFICER: Thank	10	THE REPORTER: Got it.
11	you very much, Mr. Ragusa when are you going to	11	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
12	retire?	12	Victor, you want to raise your right hand,
13	THE WITNESS: Hopefully, I'm	13	please?
14	fifty-three, in two more years.	14	Do you affirm the testimony
15	MR. KEARNEY: All right.	15	you're about to give will be the truth, the
16	Thank you.	16	whole truth, and nothing but the truth?
17	THE WITNESS: Thank you.	17	MR. KURNIAPUTRA: Yes.
18	THE HEARING OFFICER: Off the	18	THE HEARING OFFICER: You
19	record.	19	have to speak up.
20	(Off the record)	20	MR. KURNIAPUTRA: Yes.
21	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.	21	VICTOR KURNIAPUTRA; Sworn.
22	The Respondent is now calling as a witness	22	THE HEARING OFFICER: Very
22 23 24	The Respondent is now calling as a witness Victor Kurniaputra. I'm going to spell that for you. K-U-R-N, as in Nathan, I-A-P, as in	22 23 24	THE HEARING OFFICER: Very good. Okay. Your witness.

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1	Kurniaputra - Direct - Kearney	1	Kurniaputra - Direct - Kearney
2	They're going to ask you	2	Q. Do you know the Respondent,
3	questions.	3	Theodore Smith?
4	DIRECT EXAMINATION	4	A. Yes.
5	BY MR. KEARNEY:	5	Q. And when did how is it
6	Q. Mr. Kurniaputra, are you	6	that you know Mr. Smith?
7	currently employed?	7	A. The principal asked me to
8	A. Yes.	8	help him as an assistant in gym class, pretty
9	Q. And what is your job title?	9	much a co-teacher.
10	A. I'm the operations	10	Q. And when did you teach with
11	coordinator, pretty much the order processing		Mr. Smith? What day of the week, that is.
12	for internet orders.	12	A. I believe once a week and
13	Q. Was there a time when you	13	Tuesday.
14	were employed by the Department of Education?	14	Q. And what age group did you
15	A. Yes.	15	teach with Mr. Smith?
16	Q. And when was that?	16	A. Ninth grade.
17	A. It was 2005, I believe it's	17	Q. How many students were in
	•	18	<u> </u>
18 19	from February to September.		that class?
	Q. And what was your job with	19	A. It was a very big class. It
20	the Department of Education?	20	was a mix of two classes; I believe it's almost
21	A. Math teacher.	21	sixty.
22	Q. And were you assigned to any	22	Q. And what tell me about
23	particular school?	23	your experience teaching the class with Mr.
24	A. New York City Museum School.	24	Smith. How did you find it?
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1	Kurniaputra - Direct - Kearney	1	Kurniaputra - Direct - Kearney
2	A. Well first of all, it's	2	answer is yes?
3	very for me personally, it is very difficult	3	THE WITNESS: Yes.
4	because I'm a math teacher. I do not have the	4	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
5	experience to teach gym, but Lindy pushed me		Q. How often how many times
6	for it. And the class itself, though, is	6	did you come in conversation with Ms. Uehling
7	the class itself, it's planned and he gave me	7	about Mr. Smith?
8	all the information necessary to, so even	8	A. Pretty much once a week.
9	even I don't have any experience doing gym	9	Q. And were were they all of
10	teaching, I know exactly what he's going to do	10	a similar subject matter?
11	for the day.	11	A. Similar very similar.
12	Q. All right. And you you	12	Q. What was the nature of the
13	mentioned a name earlier, Lindy. Who is Lindy?	13	conversations you had with Ms. Uehling?
14	A. Lindy is the principal at the	14	A. She would ask me about
15	time.	15	details in Mr. Smith class and she is
16	Q. Of the Museum School?	16	particularly interested in subjects that finds
17	A. Museum School.	17	incriminating evidence for Mr. Smith.
18	Q. Did you ever have a	18	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
19	conversation with Ms. Lindley Uehling about the	19	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
20	Respondent, Ted Smith?	20	Q. Were those her words,
21	A. Yes, we did. And the	21	incriminating evidence?
22	pretty much the conversation	22	A. She would ask if Ted Smith
23	THE HEARING OFFICER: He	23	did something that, you know, I don't like,
	asked you did you have a conversation. The		that feels wrong.
24	ASKED VOIL DID VOIL HAVE A CONVERGATION THE	/4	

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2	A. No.	2	Q. What are the Regents exams?
3	Q. Did while you taught with	3	MS. JALOWSKI: Objection.
4	Mr. Smith, did Mr. Smith describe what he	4	THE HEARING OFFICER:
5	would in a in a regular class.	5	Sustained sustained. We'll take arbitral
6	 A. Regular class, he would start 	6	notice that we know what Regents means.
7	the class by putting students on specific	7	Certainly, he hasn't called for an expert to
8	assigned place and then he would make the roll	8	tell us what Regents exams are. Sustained.
9	call because it's already put inside; it's very	9	MS. JALOWSKI: Well I'm
10	easy; it's quick. And afterwards, he would do	10	saying it's irrelevant. There's no Regents in
11	some exercise, warm up. And after the warm-up	,11	gym.
12	he would ask the students run run like	12	THE HEARING OFFICER: I don't
13	several laps around the around the field	13	know if there are or aren't, but I'll leave it
14	around the, you know, auditorium, pretty much.	14	open in case there's some question.
15	And then he would continue with his lesson	15	MR. KEARNEY: I'm actually
16	plan, whatever it is for today. Let's for	16	trying to set a time period here that relates
17	example that it's basketball and he would start	17	directly to the specifications.
18	with the basketballs and how do you dribble one	18	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
19	by one. If it's soccer, then we would do	19	Q. Do you know what the Regents
20	soccer.	20	exams are?
21	Q. All right. Did you ever	21	A. Yes. They're standardized
22	observe Mr. Smith using profane language around	22	state tests for New York City. No excuse
23	other students?	23	me New York State.
24	A. No.	24	Q. Did the schedule at the
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2	Museum School in the 2004-2005 school year	2	what you're referring to?
3	change because of the Regents exam?	3	MR. KEARNEY: Yes.
4	A. There is a specific set of	4	THE HEARING OFFICER: What
5	last day because afterward, the school would be	5	did that have to do with the Regents?
6	closed for Regents.	6	MR. KEARNEY: Because
7	Q. Did you teach with Mr. Smith	7	THE HEARING OFFICER: He
8	on the last day?	8	taught there in December '05. I'm I'm
9	A. I believe so.	9	I'm confused.
10	Q. Did you have sitting here	10	Continue. I thought you were
11	today, do you have any recollection of that	11	asking the last day of school. The witness is
12	that day. Does it stand out in your mind?	12	answering the last day he taught with Mr.
13	A. That day, yes. I have a	13	Smith.
14	very, actually a very good memory about that	14	MR. KEARNEY: Yes.
15	day.	15	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
16	MS. JALOWSKI: What day are	16	Go ahead.
17	we talking about?	17	MR. KEARNEY: That's what I'm
18	THE WITNESS: The specific	18	getting at.
19	last day.	19	THE HEARING OFFICER: Okay.
20	MS. JALOWSKI: Last day of	20	Go ahead.
21	school?	21	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)
22	THE WITNESS: No; the last	22	Q. Do know what day that was?
	day I was teaching with Mr. Smith.		The state of the s
23 24	THE HEARING OFFICER: Is that	23 24	THE HEARING OFFICER: You mean the date?

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2	MR. KEARNEY: The date.	2	A. Yes.
3	A. Correct date, not really. It	3	Q. And how did you learn about
4	would be around	4	that?
5	THE HEARING OFFICER: Don't	5	A. I was when I I asked
6	guess. He's asking you if you know the exact	6	Mr. Smith after several weeks of not showing up
7	date. If you know, say it.	7	and I asked him what's going on, why did you
8	A. (Cont'g.) It's the end of	8	leave without any notice, I asked him. And he
9	the spring. It's the	9	explained to me that Lindy expelled him from
10	THE HEARING OFFICER: Do you	10	the school. And I was you know, I was
11	know what it means to say exact date?	11	surprised because Lindy never said anything
12	THE WITNESS: No.	12	about him being expelled. He just Lindy
13	THE HEARING OFFICER: You	13	just said that Mr. Smith decided not to show up
14	don't know what that means?	14	and not to do his job.
15	THE WITNESS: No. I	15	Q. Those were her words?
16	understand what you mean, but I do not	16	A. Similar to that.
17	THE HEARING OFFICER: That's	17	MR. KEARNEY: Nothing
18	what he's asking. Do you know the exact date?	18	further.
19	If you don't, say I don't know.	19	CROSS EXAMINATION
20	THE WITNESS: I don't know.	20	BY MS. JALOWSKI:
21	BY MR. KEARNEY: (Cont'g.)	21	Q. Mr. Kurniaputra, when did you
22	Q. Did there come a time when	22	first prior to your being the assistant in
23	you became aware that Mr. Smith was no longer	23	that in the ninth grade class, there was
24	teaching at the Museum School?	24	another teacher who was the assistant, correct?
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3	THE HEARING OFFICER: And you	3	end of the in June of 2005, Lindy Uehling
4	worked there until December '05?	4	recommended that you be that your probation
5	THE WITNESS: September.	5	be discontinued, correct?
6	That's when I resigned.	6	A. Right.
7	THE HEARING OFFICER: Wait	7	THE HEARING OFFICER: And
8	wait. Did did they have forgive me; I	8	that was when? June?
9	have to get this. Did you work there in the	9	MS. JALOWSKI: June of 2005.
10	middle of the summer?	10	BY MS. JALOWSKI: (Cont'g.)
11	THE WITNESS: No, but I'm	11	Q. And she rated you
12	still under the I had an assignment.	12	unsatisfactory, correct?
13	BY MS. JALOWSKI: (Cont'g.)	13	A. Correct.
14	Q. So you came to the Museum	14	Q. And then so then you told
15	School in the spring semester of 2005, correct?	15	us you resigned in September of 2005.
16	A. Correct.	16	A. Right.
17	Q. So you did not teach you	17	Q. So it's fair to say that they
18	did not teach in September of 2004? You came	18	told you would either you would would
19	mid-school year?	19	you should resign or else you were going to be
20	A. Mid-school year.	20	discontinued, correct? You were given that
21	Q. And then isn't it correct	21	option to resign?
22	that Lindy Uehling recommended and then you		A. I was I was actually more
23	came in as a probationary teacher, correct?	23	resign because I was more disappointed with,
24	A. Right.	24	you know, Lindy's action.
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