

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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2	TAMMY J. KITZMILLER, et al.,	:	
3	Plaintiffs	:	
4	vs.	:	Case Number
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5	DOVER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT;	:	
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7	BOARD OF DIRECTORS,	:	
	Defendants	:	

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1 THE COURT: Good morning to all. We are at
2 the point of cross-examination, or are we still on
3 direct?

4 MR. HARVEY: Yes, Your Honor, we just have
5 some more direct.

6 THE COURT: I apologize. I thought we had
7 finished him.

8 MR. HARVEY: No need.

9 DIRECT EXAMINATION (cont'd.)

10 BY MR. HARVEY:

11 Q. Good morning, Mr. Stough. Do you have in
12 front of you the exhibit that's been marked as P671?
13 You can take that binder and put that to the side,
14 that one. Please open up P671. This exhibit consists
15 of a chart and a series of letters to the editor
16 behind it. Isn't that right?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. And these are letters to the editor from the
19 York Daily Record?

20 A. That's correct, for the period June, 2004,
21 through to September, 2005.

22 Q. And I want to focus on those letters to the
23 editor for just a minute, and we'll talk about the
24 chart after we talk about the letters. How many
25 letters to the editor are there in this P671?

1 A. For the York Daily Record, there are 139
2 letters to the editor.

3 Q. And, I mean, what do these letters to the
4 editor relate to, what subject matter?

5 A. These letters relate to the controversy in
6 Dover.

7 Q. And when you say "the controversy," can you
8 tell me what you mean by "the controversy"?

9 A. What I would mean is they deal with the
10 biology textbook adoption, they deal with the
11 appearance of the reference book *Pandas and People*,
12 and they deal with the final adoption of the
13 biology -- or revision of the biology curriculum of
14 October 18th.

15 Q. And so they are letters to the editor that
16 address any of those subjects. Do I understand you
17 correctly?

18 A. Yes, yes.

19 Q. And are these, all of the letters to the
20 editor, on those subjects between the period June,
21 2004, and September, 2005?

22 A. I think it's very difficult to say that it's
23 all -- yes, it's all of them.

24 Q. Now, how do you know that it's -- or how do
25 you believe that it's all of them?

1 A. Well, originally I read these letters
2 contemporaneously with their publishing. However,
3 Hedy Aryani of Pepper Hamilton assisted me and she
4 did a sweep of -- a search of all of the articles and
5 then did a second sweep to make sure that we had all
6 of the articles.

7 Q. If you would just go to your other notebook
8 which I promised you wouldn't have to look through,
9 but now I'm going back on my word. And in there
10 there's a document that's been marked as P670.

11 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, just so you know,
12 this P670 is an affidavit that the witness is about to
13 explain. It's from one of our legal assistants. And
14 the other side has indicated they have no objection to
15 this affidavit, the use of this affidavit as opposed
16 to calling our legal assistant to the stand.

17 THE COURT: All right.

18 MR. GILLEN: If I may, Your Honor, I have no
19 objection to the affidavit and, for that reason, I
20 believe it's rather pointless for the witness to
21 explain the affidavit of another person.

22 THE COURT: So this is an affidavit, for the
23 record, P670, which indicates -- and this is a
24 paralegal employed, Mr. Harvey, by your firm
25 indicating that this paralegal collected the letters

1 after a search utilizing different search engines. If
2 you would scroll down, please. And, in addition,
3 collected editorials from the subject newspapers and
4 that the trial exhibits, as listed on the affidavit,
5 are all of the editorials and the letters found from
6 the York Daily Record and the York Dispatch during the
7 enumerated periods. Fair statement?

8 MR. HARVEY: That is exactly correct, Your
9 Honor. And the purpose in putting that affidavit in
10 is, the witness wasn't the one who actually went
11 through and used the computer search engines to make
12 sure that we had all of the exhibits, he relied on
13 assistance from our legal assistant to do that actual
14 function. So the affidavit is just intended to attest
15 to that fact.

16 THE COURT: Then I would agree with
17 Mr. Gillen that the affidavit speaks for itself as an
18 exhibit and as summarized by the Court, and there
19 would be no need then -- the import, I guess, of
20 Mr. Gillen's comments is there's no need for you to
21 further examine the witness on that point.

22 MR. GILLEN: Correct.

23 MR. HARVEY: Perfectly acceptable. We just
24 did everything I intended to accomplish.

25 MR. GILLEN: Correct, Your Honor. He has no

1 personal knowledge of what she did. She's attested to
2 it. I told Mr. Harvey that I'm willing to accept
3 that.

4 THE COURT: All right. Well, then having
5 established that, let's move to the next area.

6 BY MR. HARVEY:

7 Q. Okay, Mr. Stough, so we've just established,
8 I believe, that all of these letters to the editor
9 were between the time period, and we believe that
10 they're all of the letters to the editor that relate
11 to the subjects that you mentioned.

12 Now I'd like to talk to you about the chart
13 that's on top of Exhibit P671. Can you tell us what
14 this chart is?

15 A. This is a chart that basically summarizes
16 and answers some questions that I generated regarding
17 these articles.

18 Q. Did you create the chart?

19 A. I -- the chart was my responsibility;
20 however, I was helped by Pepper Hamilton in terms of
21 its format and typing.

22 Q. So, in other words, you are responsible for
23 the correctness of the information in the chart, but
24 you didn't actually create the chart?

25 A. Yes.

1 MR. GILLEN: Your Honor, just for the
2 record, to make sure -- this is a little twist on the
3 hearsay objection and the personal knowledge objection
4 I made at the outset of his testimony. I want to make
5 it clear that although the chart reflects his
6 reactions, I object to that evidence based on the
7 underlying hearsay.

8 THE COURT: You're objecting to the
9 underlying evidence being the articles or the -- I
10 should say the editorials or the letters that he
11 viewed?

12 MR. GILLEN: That's correct, Your Honor. As
13 I've tried to state -- and I don't want to belabor it
14 or hold up the examination -- my view is that
15 Mr. Stough, if I'm saying it correctly, thank you, has
16 no personal knowledge. He's offering a state of mind
17 based on hearsay evidence. That state of mind is not
18 admissible. That's my point. And this chart seems to
19 be the way --

20 THE COURT: The state of mind is admissible.

21 MR. GILLEN: Well, it's admissible to show a
22 state of mind but not to prove the facts that produced
23 the state of mind.

24 THE COURT: I don't think it's being offered
25 for that purpose.

1 MR. HARVEY: You are correct, Your Honor.

2 MR. GILLEN: Okay. Then I'm uncertain as to
3 what purpose, but so long as --

4 THE COURT: Well, we've been -- and I
5 understand you're preserving your objection, and
6 certainly I'll grant you that, but we've been down
7 this road. You believe that testimony of this nature
8 on the effect prong necessarily implicates the truth
9 of the matter asserted.

10 I'm not at all certain that it does. I'll
11 grant you that you may have an argument that you may
12 want to reserve at the conclusion of the case. I'm
13 going to take the testimony on the effect prong based
14 upon, in this case, this witness's examination or
15 review, contemporaneous review, it would appear to me,
16 of the letters and the editorials.

17 I understand your objection is that he's
18 referring to something which colorably is hearsay if
19 it's utilized for the truth of the matter asserted. I
20 don't see that that's what they're doing, but go
21 ahead.

22 MR. GILLEN: I understand. And that is my
23 purpose right now, is to make clear that his state of
24 mind is also like the underlying hearsay, not
25 admissible to prove the fact that he's basing his

1 state of mind on.

2 THE COURT: I'm not sure that I understand
3 that.

4 MR. GILLEN: Let me try and be more precise,
5 because it is difficult. We've gone around it. If
6 you'd like to reserve discussion of that until after
7 Mr. Harvey is done, I'll do that, or I'll give you
8 more information now.

9 THE COURT: Are you going to cite to a case?

10 MR. GILLEN: Not a case, the rule, Your
11 Honor.

12 THE COURT: Go ahead.

13 MR. GILLEN: Okay. The state of mind
14 exception to hearsay is found in Federal Rule of
15 Evidence 803(3), and it does provide a limited
16 exception for state of mind, a statement of the
17 declarant's then existing state of mind, and it
18 provides for admissibility.

19 But it specifically provides "but not
20 including a statement of memory or belief to prove the
21 fact remembered or believed, unless it relates to the
22 execution, revocation, identification, or terms of
23 declarant's will."

24 So what I'm getting at is, his state of mind
25 is not admissible to prove the facts, any facts, that

1 support that state of mind, including the effect of
2 the newspaper article.

3 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, hearsay is a
4 statement offered -- out-of-court statement of the
5 declarant offered to prove the truth of the matter
6 asserted. We are not offering these letters to the
7 editor and the other letters to the editor and
8 editorials that I'm going to discuss in just a few
9 minutes for the truth of the matter asserted.

10 We are offering them, as you have correctly
11 perceived, on the effects test. So they're not
12 hearsay at all. They, I believe, would also be, even
13 if they were hearsay, they'd be admissible as to this
14 witness's state of mind, but we don't need to go down
15 that road.

16 THE COURT: See, the problem that I think
17 we're having here is that on the effects test -- and
18 I'll say this to Mr. Gillen -- you make the assumption
19 in citing me to 803 that necessarily, on the effects
20 test, the truth has to be established. I don't think
21 it does. I think it's a subjective test, and it's how
22 he receives it.

23 I don't have to find, on the effects prong,
24 necessarily, that the matters that were written about
25 in the letters -- and, indeed, you know, they're

1 opinion letters and they're editorials in this case --
2 that they have to be established on the effects prong.

3 So you take it, I think, a step too far.
4 You're arguing, I think, in effect, that they're
5 getting back-door hearsay in, but I don't think that's
6 the case. For the effects prong -- I firmly believe
7 that it's his subjective impression which fits, I
8 think, squarely within 803, and I think he can testify
9 under 803.

10 I recognize that, for example, for the
11 purpose prong, it could be back-door hearsay if I
12 utilize that to establish a fact on the purpose prong.
13 But I don't think the effect prong militates or the
14 analysis of the effect prong, as I've seen in the
15 various cases, that analysis doesn't militate in favor
16 of the interpretation that you're putting forth.

17 MR. GILLEN: You've said, Your Honor -- and
18 I don't mean to belabor the point -- that you're
19 turning in that direction. I know we're going to have
20 a ruling here at some part. And as we approach that,
21 you know, I'd like to have maybe a sidebar and discuss
22 how we could best approach that from the standpoint of
23 helping you reach the right decision.

24 THE COURT: No, and I understand that, but I
25 would ask you this question before we do it, and then

1 we'll move ahead with the examination. If my
2 interpretation isn't correct -- and it's evolving,
3 certainly, and we'll talk about it further -- then how
4 do you ever get to the effects prong? I think that
5 places almost an untenable burden on the effects
6 prong.

7 People, lawyers and judges, have struggled
8 with the *Lemon* test, as you well know, and will
9 struggle further with it in this case as we grapple
10 with this issue. But on the effects prong, I believe
11 it is a highly subjective portion of the *Lemon* test.
12 And --

13 MR. GILLEN: And I don't want to revisit all
14 the issues here. I mean, from our perspective, as you
15 know, we think that the primary effect of curriculum
16 change is the effect on instruction. That we think is
17 the appropriate effects test.

18 With respect to what you're looking at now,
19 I think that it's what the objective observer, we
20 think in a classroom -- if you decide to go broader,
21 that is your decision -- the objective, reasonable
22 person reasonably informed, if you go that way. Now,
23 Your Honor, but there's still -- that has to be
24 demonstrated through admissible evidence.

25 I think -- and I agree with you entirely

1 that when you look at the cases, it's not clear, but
2 what I believe the better reading of the cases is, is
3 that they're looking at things about which they can
4 take judicial notice. And that is essentially what
5 they have done in many instances. So far as I can
6 make out, they're looking at legislative history,
7 which is a public record, and they're also looking at
8 facts surrounding a forum about which they can take
9 judicial notice.

10 I don't see -- and I don't want to put it
11 too strongly because it is a sensitive issue. The
12 *Lemon* test to the establishment clause is not a
13 wholesale repudiation of the Federal Rules of
14 Evidence. I think that the effects have to be shown
15 by evidence that is admissible under the rule.

16 THE COURT: I understand your point, but I
17 would say, just to close this off or end this portion
18 of the discussion, that legislative history could, in
19 itself, be hearsay.

20 MR. GILLEN: I agree. Unless it fits within
21 one of the exceptions, you are right.

22 THE COURT: How do you fit it within the
23 exception? How do you fit a statement by a legislator
24 on the floor of the House of Representatives or the
25 Senate or in this case a member of a school board, how

1 do you fit that -- and it may be an admission here, of
2 course, because they're party defendants, but in the
3 case of another legislative history. And that's what
4 I struggle with in this case. And when you use the
5 word "objective observer," that's not the way it's
6 described in every case, and I know you're aware of
7 that.

8 MR. GILLEN: I agree with you entirely,
9 Judge. When you start to look at this sea of case
10 law -- and you know and I both know there's language
11 from the United States Supreme Court saying don't read
12 these opinions as if they're a piece of legislation
13 because we use words variously in different cases.

14 It does create a problem for us trying to
15 find out where the line is here. And I don't want to
16 rehash it, but I would say, I think, that the proof of
17 effects has to be proved via admissible evidence.

18 THE COURT: I understand that, and the
19 objection is noted on the record. We'll take the
20 testimony subject to the objection, and we'll revisit
21 that at a later point in time.

22 Mr. Harvey, who properly has been on the
23 side lines while we've had that interesting dialogue,
24 quitting while he's ahead, can proceed now with his
25 examination.

1 BY MR. HARVEY:

2 Q. Mr. Stough, you told us when we were
3 together on Wednesday that you are an avid reader of
4 the local newspapers. Is that correct?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Remind us, please, what are the local
7 newspapers for the Dover community?

8 A. The York Daily Record and the York Dispatch.

9 Q. How often do those papers come out?

10 A. They come out daily. The York Daily Record
11 is the morning paper, and the York Dispatch is the
12 evening paper.

13 Q. So is that --

14 A. I'm sorry, no, they don't come out -- they
15 come out daily throughout the week. There is one
16 paper on Saturday, a morning paper, and then there's
17 the Sunday News which is published by the York Daily
18 Record.

19 Q. And is that all of the newspapers that serve
20 the Dover community in addition to whatever national
21 or statewide papers there may be?

22 A. Beyond the local -- like, we have a
23 Community Courier that really doesn't carry any kind
24 of newsworthy material. It's just things that are
25 happening in the community, advertising. Beyond that,

1 those are the two.

2 Q. Now, these letters to the editor that are
3 contained in P671, have you read them?

4 A. Yes, sir.

5 Q. When did you read them?

6 A. I read them contemporaneous with their
7 publishing, and then I was given a stack of them after
8 the first search, and I read through all of them at
9 that point in time. And then when we finally got
10 everything put together in the notebooks, I read
11 through them again.

12 Q. So you've read most of them three times?

13 A. I've read every one of them two times, most
14 of them three.

15 Q. Now, please tell us how this chart, P671,
16 was put together. What did you do to be responsible
17 for the information on this chart?

18 A. Okay. The letters to the editor are, first
19 off, arranged chronologically, numbered. And as you
20 move across the chart, you'll see that they are dated.
21 The next column would be the title of the article, and
22 beside that would be the author, if the author's name
23 was available.

24 Then the next column says, Subject of letter
25 relates to the controversy at issue, and you'll find

1 that every one of these says "yes." Because what I
2 was looking for was, did this deal with the
3 controversy as I described it earlier.

4 Q. So you noted that -- you made sure the date
5 of the article was reflected correctly on the chart,
6 you made sure the title of the article, the author,
7 that all of that was correct. Do I understand you?

8 A. Yes, sir.

9 Q. And then in addition, you made sure that
10 every single one of these related to what you referred
11 to as "the controversy"?

12 A. Right.

13 Q. And then did you do anything else?

14 A. I also then, during the reading of the
15 article, tried to determine whether it discussed
16 religion. And I looked for key words. I looked for
17 "creationism," I looked for "religion," I looked for
18 "theology." And I also looked a bit at -- I looked at
19 the content of the letter to see if it really dealt
20 with religion.

21 Q. What if it just discussed intelligent
22 design, did you treat that as discussing religion?

23 A. Well, first off, so I can be clear, I do
24 believe that intelligent design is religion. However,
25 you would get letters that would say -- they would

1 treat intelligent design as science. They would say
2 it's science because of this, and it would cite
3 scientific evidence. There would be no mention of
4 religion. And if I did find something like that, you
5 would find in the column "no."

6 Q. Now, for the ones that you determined
7 discussed religion, did you put down a quote in your
8 chart just to illustrate why you considered it to
9 discuss religion?

10 A. Yes, I did. And sometimes I actually put
11 two quotes down.

12 Q. Give us an example of a -- pick one off your
13 chart, one that discusses, in your mind -- of a quote
14 that illustrates that it discusses religion.

15 A. Number 2, Buckingham wrong on text.
16 Creationism is religion plain and simple. Or, Number
17 1, Creationism is not science. Religious beliefs have
18 no place in public, government-funded classroom.
19 Creationism is nothing more than faith.

20 Q. And so you did that so somebody could check
21 your chart and see that you had, indeed, correctly
22 determined that these articles discussed religion?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Now, the final thing, did you note whether
25 it was pro or con the Dover Area School District Board

1 of Directors policy?

2 A. For my own curiosity, I was wondering if the
3 writer -- and this was very subjective at times -- if
4 the writer was in favor of what the school board had
5 done or if they were against it. If they were, I
6 noted that as being pro, and if they weren't, I noted
7 that as being con.

8 Q. And can you tell us, did you count up the
9 number of letters in this chart, this P671, that
10 discuss religion in the context of what you referred
11 to as a controversy?

12 A. Yes, I did.

13 Q. And of the 139 letters to the editor from
14 the York Daily Record that are in this binder, how
15 many of them discuss religion?

16 A. 86.

17 Q. And then were there, in fact, some letters
18 that were pro-Dover Area School District Board of
19 Directors?

20 A. Oh, yes, yes, absolutely.

21 Q. And were there some that were con?

22 A. Yes.

23 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, that's all I have
24 for that exhibit. We have three other binders I'll
25 try to move through quickly.

1 BY MR. HARVEY:

2 Q. You have with you P674. Please tell us,
3 what is P674?

4 A. P674 would be a collection of the editorials
5 from the York Daily Record for the period June, 2004,
6 through to September, 2005.

7 Q. And do these -- are these editorials that
8 discuss what you called "the controversy" before?

9 A. Yes, they are, yes.

10 Q. And, again, did you make sure that you had
11 all of the editorials for the York Daily Record that
12 discuss the controversy for the time period you
13 mentioned by using the services of our legal
14 assistant?

15 A. Yes, we used the same process.

16 Q. And have you read these editorials?

17 A. Yes, I've read every one.

18 Q. And when did you read them?

19 A. Again, I read most of them contemporaneously
20 with their publishing. I read them after the 10th of
21 September. I don't know if earlier I said the 10th or
22 the 20th. And then I read them once more once we had
23 the notebooks put together.

24 Q. And did you do with these articles -- these
25 editorials, excuse me, what you did with the letters

1 to the editor that we just discussed, in other words,
2 verify the information that's on the chart that's been
3 marked as P674?

4 A. Yes, I did.

5 Q. And did you, as with the letters to the
6 editor, did you identify quotes to show that where you
7 indicated that it did discuss religion, that somebody
8 could look at it and see that you were right, that it
9 was discussing religion in the context of this
10 controversy?

11 A. Yes, I did.

12 Q. Can you give us an example, please?

13 A. Sure. Number 4, What do you think,
14 creationism and evolution? Yes, I believe that
15 creationism should be taught in schools because
16 evolution is only a theory, and the Bible is God's
17 word, which has stood the test of time. Remember, God
18 created all things.

19 Q. And how many editorials were there for the
20 York Daily Record that discussed what you've called
21 "the controversy" for the period June, 2004, to
22 September, 2005?

23 A. 43.

24 Q. And of those 43 editorials, did you make --
25 did you count up how many discussed religion?

1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. And how many was that?

3 A. There were 28.

4 Q. Now, if you turn to Exhibit P672. Now,
5 we've got to give equal time to the York Dispatch.
6 Did you -- what is P672?

7 A. P672 would be the letters to the editor for
8 the York Dispatch for the period June, 2004, through
9 to September, 2005.

10 Q. And this is very similar to what was done
11 with respect to the letters to the editor for the York
12 Daily Record?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. How many letters to the editor were there
15 that related to the controversy for the period June,
16 2004, to September, 2005?

17 A. 86.

18 Q. And did you --

19 A. I'm sorry, Mr. Harvey, did you ask me
20 related to the controversy?

21 Q. Yes.

22 A. 86, yes.

23 Q. And have you read these letters?

24 A. Yes, I have.

25 Q. When did you read them?

1 A. Again, I read them as they were being
2 published. I read them when I got a stack of them
3 after September 10th, and I read them again once we
4 had put the notebooks together.

5 Q. And did you verify the information on the
6 chart and follow the same protocol that you did for
7 P671?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And did you -- can you give us an example of
10 a statement that you quoted to prove that the letters
11 to the editor were, in fact, discussing religion as
12 you indicated?

13 A. Sure. Number 5, Wilson would not approve.
14 Creationism and its cousin, intelligent design, are
15 devoid of scientific facts.

16 Q. And, again, you treated the word
17 "creationism" as a reference to religion?

18 A. Correct, yes.

19 Q. And of these 86 letters to the editor, how
20 many did you count up that discuss religion in the
21 same context?

22 A. 60.

23 Q. And please, finally, turn to what's been
24 marked as P675. P675 is a very similar exhibit except
25 it's for the editorials for the York Dispatch from the

1 period of June the 1st, 2004, to September the 1st,
2 2005.

3 A. That's correct.

4 Q. And did you follow the -- did you read these
5 editorials?

6 A. Yes, in the same fashion.

7 Q. And how many editorials are there?

8 A. There are only 19.

9 Q. And these are 19 editorials that relate to
10 the controversy, as you described it?

11 A. That's correct.

12 Q. And you believe this is all of them for the
13 same reasons?

14 A. Again, yes, we followed the same process.

15 Q. And of these, did you follow the same
16 protocol for determining whether they discussed
17 religion in the context of the controversy?

18 A. Yes, I did.

19 Q. And of these 19 editorials, how many
20 discussed religion in the same context?

21 A. 17.

22 Q. Now, Mr. Stough, I would like you to just
23 put those aside. We're done with that. And I'd like
24 you to tell us, please, whether you believe that you
25 have been harmed by the actions of the Dover Area

1 School District Board of Directors as it relates to
2 the change to the biology curriculum.

3 A. Yes, I believe I have been harmed. And I
4 believe, by extension, my daughter has been harmed,
5 also.

6 Q. Tell us how you believe you've been harmed.

7 A. I believe that the actions of the school
8 board in adopting this policy including intelligent
9 design have usurped my authority to be the one in
10 charge of my daughter's religious education.

11 Intelligent design posits an intelligent
12 designer, which for me they're talking about God. It
13 is a more literal translation of the Bible than I
14 would accept and I plan on teaching my daughter, that
15 type of non-literal interpretation.

16 And even if it didn't hurt me, if I didn't
17 have a problem with the intelligent design, there are
18 other individuals in the community that I think it
19 does affect. I think it's an affront to the
20 Constitution. I think their actions and their
21 comments --

22 MR. GILLEN: Objection, Your Honor, to the
23 extent he's offering his opinion about how it hurts
24 others in the community.

25 THE COURT: Mr. Harvey.

1 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, he's testifying
2 about the harm to himself, and if he perceives that
3 this is a harm to other people in the community and
4 that, in turn, harms him, I think he can testify to
5 that.

6 THE COURT: Why?

7 MR. HARVEY: Because it's relevant to the
8 harm that he has suffered here.

9 THE COURT: How is that relevant to the harm
10 he suffered? It's his own claim. He's a party
11 plaintiff. How does that help your case if he talks
12 about how he perceives that it's harmed others?

13 MR. HARVEY: If he believes that there's
14 another member of the community that's being subjected
15 to someone else's religious views by a governmental
16 authority and that bothers him because as a citizen he
17 believes in the Constitution and he says, that really
18 bothers me when I see somebody who's a member -- who
19 doesn't share the views of the religious majority in
20 this community and is being singled out and made to
21 feel that they're not a part of this community based
22 on their religious beliefs, I think he can testify
23 about that.

24 THE COURT: Is that actionable?

25 MR. HARVEY: I believe that's a sufficient

1 basis for standing, yes, Your Honor.

2 THE COURT: I don't think it is. I'll
3 sustain the objection. I'll stand corrected if you
4 can give me some authority, but I don't think that's
5 actionable. He couldn't bring a claim independent of
6 his own claim on behalf of others who he perceived to
7 be harmed. I don't see that.

8 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, we've looked at
9 P127, and we see that the school district published
10 its intelligent design policy to the entire community
11 and is advocating intelligent design to the entire
12 community, and on that basis, I believe that he does
13 have standing.

14 THE COURT: You're conflating two things,
15 though. My analysis would be, again, back to the
16 *Lemon* test, how it was disseminated and how it was
17 received. And when we get into the reasonable
18 observer, I understand that. But when we're talking
19 about -- you're into harm to him of a constitutional
20 nature, and I just don't believe for that purpose --
21 you've gotten testimony in as to things that were
22 received in the community generally, and those things
23 will be utilized for that purpose. But when he gets
24 into others in the community who he perceives to have
25 been harmed, I just don't see it.

1 MR. HARVEY: Well, I will make one more
2 comment without belaboring the point, Your Honor, and
3 that is, if I was a member of the majority in the
4 community and I believed in the -- I was a member of
5 the religious majority and I had the same religious
6 views but I was offended because it was being forced
7 upon my neighbor who was not the same member of that
8 same religious majority, I believe that I could have a
9 claim on that basis.

10 THE COURT: What's the religious majority?

11 MR. HARVEY: In this case, Your Honor, the
12 religious majority is the people -- is the school
13 board's advocating a position here and endorsing a
14 message that is held by, presumably, the majority in
15 the community because they're the elected officials.

16 THE COURT: Well, you have numerous
17 plaintiffs. All the plaintiffs were found to have
18 standing by my prior orders, so you have plenty of
19 plaintiffs. I just don't see it. I'll sustain the
20 objection to that portion of the testimony.

21 If you can cite me to some authority that
22 I'm not aware of as to his ability to testify to harm
23 that he perceives has befallen others, I'll stand
24 corrected. But for the moment, I'll sustain the
25 objection.

1 MR. HARVEY: Understood.

2 BY MR. HARVEY:

3 Q. Mr. Stough, you testified on Wednesday that
4 your daughter is in ninth grade right now at the Dover
5 Area High School. Isn't that correct?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. And she's taking biology right now?

8 A. Yes, she is.

9 Q. Have you considered how you are going to
10 deal with the board's curriculum -- the biology
11 evolution policy, the intelligent design policy, when
12 it comes up again in, I believe, January?

13 A. Well, at this point -- and this has been a
14 subject of discussion among -- between my daughter and
15 I. We're going to wait and see what happens here in
16 the court. It may not be an issue. However, I think
17 at this -- I believe at this point she will probably
18 step out with the teachers while the statement is
19 being read.

20 Q. If she's going to step out of the classroom,
21 or that's your view, how are you harmed by that?

22 A. I'm harmed by that, she's harmed by that
23 because she's no longer part of the accepted school
24 community. She's being told that she's being removed
25 from the classroom.

1 Q. Mr. Stough, do you have in front of you
2 P702?

3 MR. GILLEN: Your Honor, this is a fresh
4 piece of hearsay not subject to our standing
5 objection.

6 THE COURT: What is 702?

7 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, it was something
8 that was sent to Mr. Stough in the mail, and it's not
9 offered for the truth of the matter asserted, Your
10 Honor.

11 THE COURT: Let's have him identify it, and
12 then I'll take any objection that you have.

13 MR. GILLEN: Okay.

14 BY MR. HARVEY:

15 Q. Do you have P702?

16 A. Yes, I do.

17 Q. What is P702?

18 A. On September 29th, when I went back to my
19 school, I went to my mailbox, and there was a letter
20 addressed to me at my school address, and this is a
21 copy. I have the letter with me. It was basically
22 half sheets. That's why it appears the way it does on
23 the paper that I copied it on.

24 But this is a letter that I received in the
25 mail. There was no return address on the envelope,

1 and there was no signature on the piece of mail.

2 Q. And you received this in the mail at your
3 home or your work?

4 A. At my work.

5 Q. And I noticed that the bottom right-hand
6 corner is cut off. Do you actually have a better copy
7 of this?

8 A. I have the letter.

9 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, we'll substitute a
10 better copy of this after he's done testifying, if
11 that's okay with you and defendants' counsel. And I
12 have no further questions on that document.

13 THE COURT: Do you want to interpose an
14 objection?

15 MR. GILLEN: Yes. It's along the lines of
16 what I've discussed with you, Judge, and I don't want
17 to belabor the point, but, again, it's --

18 THE COURT: It might be different. We don't
19 know who wrote it.

20 MR. HARVEY: That's correct. It was, I
21 believe, an anonymous letter received by him.

22 THE COURT: Are you going to seek to have it
23 made part of the record?

24 MR. HARVEY: Yes, Your Honor.

25 MR. GILLEN: Your Honor, I object. It's not

1 admissible evidence.

2 MR. HARVEY: Mr. Gillen keeps using the word
3 "admissible." It certainly is admissible if you offer
4 to show the harm to this plaintiff here. It's not
5 offered for the truth of the matter asserted, so it's
6 not admissible for that purpose, but it is admissible
7 for another purpose.

8 THE COURT: I think this is a little
9 different, and perhaps we're being more clinical here.
10 But to the extent that he read editorials and letters
11 which it appears beyond dispute were printed in the
12 local paper, that's fine. I understand that he has
13 testified, the witness, that he read this.

14 I am concerned that we have an article, we
15 don't know the source of the article, we don't know
16 what it was published in. It's got handwriting that
17 appears to be of different types on it. That raises a
18 flag with me.

19 I understand why you're presenting it, but I
20 am -- you have the testimony on the record that he
21 received something in his mailbox. I'll let you ask
22 additional questions, if you want, on this, but I'm
23 loathed to admit this. I may not admit this. I'm not
24 so sure that I want to admit this.

25 MR. HARVEY: I was just going to ask the

1 witness his reaction to the letter.

2 THE COURT: And that's fine. I'll allow you
3 to do that.

4 BY MR. HARVEY:

5 Q. Can you please tell us your reaction to this
6 letter that you received, Mr. Stough?

7 A. That's a tough question. I was amazed that
8 it came to my work. I thought someone had crossed a
9 line. If you want to say that this isn't a religious
10 issue, this says it all. There's a lot of emotion in
11 here. I don't know if this applies at all, but this
12 certainly to me doesn't -- a person that is professing
13 to be a Christian, you don't only have to talk the
14 talk, you've got to walk the walk.

15 MR. HARVEY: I have no further questions,
16 Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: All right. Thank you,
18 Mr. Harvey. Mr. Gillen, are you going to
19 cross-examine?

20 MR. GILLEN: Sure.

21 THE COURT: You may proceed.

22 MR. GILLEN: Brief cross, Your Honor.

23 CROSS-EXAMINATION

24 BY MR. GILLEN:

25 Q. Good morning, Mr. Stough.

1 A. Good morning, Mr. Gillen.

2 Q. We met at your deposition. I've got a few
3 questions just for the record. To be clear, you did
4 not attend any board meetings prior to December, 2004?

5 A. December 1st, 2004 would have been the
6 first.

7 Q. So you have no personal knowledge of what
8 occurred at these meetings?

9 A. No, I do not.

10 Q. You've indicated you talked to your daughter
11 Ashley. You think at this point that she will opt
12 out?

13 A. Yes, sir.

14 Q. You recognize she'll have a choice, to opt
15 out or not?

16 A. I assume. As it stands now, yes, I assume.

17 Q. You understand that Ashley is using the
18 Miller and Levine text in her honors biology class?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And that she'll be taught evolutionary
21 theory in her honors biology class?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. You understand that apart from the mention
24 of intelligent design in the statement that would be
25 read, if she chose to attend the class while it was

1 read, intelligent design will not be mentioned at all?

2 A. Beyond that statement, yes, I understand
3 that.

4 Q. You understand, I believe, that the book *Of*
5 *Pandas* is in the library?

6 A. Yes, yes.

7 Q. And you have no objection to the book being
8 in the library. Correct?

9 A. I don't feel that I can object to the book
10 being in the library because that would be short of
11 censorship, but I certainly don't think it's an
12 appropriate book to be in a high school library for
13 several reasons.

14 Q. But you have no objection?

15 A. I don't think I can object.

16 Q. Now, you've testified that you believe the
17 intelligent designer is God.

18 A. Yes, sir.

19 Q. Would your opinion as to intelligent design
20 change if I could demonstrate that intelligent design
21 theory does not rely on reference to God to prove its
22 claim of design?

23 A. I'm not sure I can answer that hypothetical.
24 I'm not sure how you could prove that one way or the
25 other.

1 Q. I understand that.

2 A. I know what your question is. I just am
3 really -- I've heard that question before. I just --

4 Q. Sure. It's not a trick question. What I'm
5 saying to you is, for you the intelligent designer is
6 God. Correct?

7 A. I think that it's assumed that it is. I
8 know what you're saying. They do not say it's God.

9 Q. Right. In fact, do you have any
10 understanding concerning whether they insist that it's
11 a supernatural cause?

12 A. You mean in terms of --

13 MR. HARVEY: I'm going to object, Your
14 Honor, on the grounds that it's quite ambiguous as to
15 who the "they" in that statement is.

16 MR. GILLEN: I'm simply asking him his
17 knowledge of intelligent design theory.

18 THE COURT: He used the word "they," and I
19 think we ought to probably establish who "they" are.
20 I think his question parroted the answer that he got.
21 Let's ask the question.

22 MR. GILLEN: All right.

23 BY MR. GILLEN:

24 Q. Mr. Stough, for the purposes --

25 A. Stough.

1 Q. Stough. Again, forgive me. For the purpose
2 of this question, I want the "they" -- you and I to
3 come to an understanding that the "they" are
4 proponents of intelligent design theory.

5 A. I understand.

6 Q. Good enough. And what I'm saying is, would
7 your opinion of intelligent design theory change if I
8 could demonstrate that the proponents of intelligent
9 design theory do not insist that the source of design
10 is God?

11 A. No.

12 Q. Why is that?

13 A. Because it is not a well-tested theory. The
14 testing is based on -- or the tests that they point
15 to, the hypotheses that they point to are simply used
16 to negate evolution. They don't provide support for
17 intelligent design as a theory.

18 Q. That's your understanding of intelligent
19 design theory?

20 A. That's my understanding of the concept of
21 intelligent design.

22 Q. You've referenced a notion of testability.

23 A. Yes, sir.

24 Q. Based on that criteria of testability that
25 you've described in brief, you believe intelligent

1 design is not science. Is that correct, Mr. Stough?

2 A. Yes, because it does not allow for
3 falsifiable hypotheses to be generated.

4 Q. So, again, my question is, based on that
5 notion of testability that you've advanced, is that
6 the basis for your understanding that intelligent
7 design is not science?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. Would it change your opinion if I could
10 demonstrate or it could be shown that intelligent
11 design is testable in the same way that evolutionary
12 theory is testable?

13 A. If you were to show me valid and reliable
14 testing that supports intelligent design as opposed to
15 negates another theory.

16 Q. That's a yes, I take it, if that could be
17 shown?

18 A. Given those conditions, yes.

19 Q. Okay. And in truth, you don't know whether
20 all of the theses advanced by evolutionary -- or the
21 proponents of evolutionary theory are testable in the
22 manner you've described. Correct?

23 A. Only because my knowledge of that is
24 limited.

25 Q. So you don't know?

1 A. I don't know.

2 Q. Now, you're also not familiar with work
3 that's being done in the area of intelligent design
4 theory. Correct?

5 A. If there is work being done, no, I'm not
6 aware of it.

7 Q. But you believe that the evidence will never
8 point to design. Is that correct, Mr. Stough?

9 A. "Never" is one of those absolute words that
10 I avoid. So would you ask me the question again,
11 please?

12 Q. Sure. I'm asking you, and you can -- I'm
13 asking you if your testimony today is that you believe
14 the empirical evidence could never point to design.

15 A. I can't say that I believe it will never
16 point to design.

17 Q. Okay. You have testified to at least
18 reading about the use of the term "creationism."
19 Correct?

20 A. Yes, yes.

21 Q. And you associate creationism with Genesis.
22 Correct?

23 A. Yes, creationism with Genesis 1, yes.

24 Q. Do you understand intelligent design to be
25 creationism?

1 A. I understand it to be special creation, yes.
2 It calls for an abrupt beginning, it calls for some
3 supernatural causations.

4 Q. And in your judgment, that's creationism?

5 A. I believe that's special creation in the
6 form of creationism, yes.

7 MR. GILLEN: No further questions, Your
8 Honor.

9 THE COURT: Any redirect?

10 MR. HARVEY: No, Your Honor.

11 THE COURT: All right. Sir, that concludes
12 your testimony. You may step down. Thank you.
13 Exhibits --

14 MR. HARVEY: Your Honor, may I make a
15 suggestion before you begin that?

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 MR. HARVEY: That is that we have an expert
18 witness, Dr. Padian --

19 THE COURT: And you're going to tell me you
20 want to get moving?

21 MR. HARVEY: That's a dangerous thing to say
22 to the Court.

23 THE COURT: No, that's fine. I know you
24 have an expert and you want to get moving on the
25 expert. So you want to reserve the argument on the

1 exhibits until later?

2 MR. HARVEY: Exactly, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: I'll rely on you then to remind
4 me so that we get those in, and let's take your
5 witness.

6 MR. WALCZAK: Your Honor, plaintiffs call
7 Dr. Kevin Padian.

8 KEVIN PADIAN, PH.D., called as a witness,
9 having been duly sworn or affirmed, testified as
10 follows:

11 THE CLERK: If you could state and spell
12 your name for the record.

13 THE WITNESS: My name is Kevin Padian,
14 P-a-d-i-a-n.

15 THE COURT: You may proceed.

16 DIRECT EXAMINATION

17 BY MR. WALCZAK:

18 Q. Good morning, Dr. Padian.

19 A. Good morning, Mr. Walczak.

20 Q. Where do you live?

21 A. I live in Berkeley, California.

22 Q. What do you do there?

23 A. I am Professor of Integrative Biology at the
24 University of California and a curator in the Museum
25 of Paleontology.

1 Q. I'd like to direct your attention to what's
2 been marked as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 292. Matt, could
3 you put that up. Do you recognize this document?

4 A. It looks like my CV.

5 Q. Is this a reasonably accurate representation
6 of your professional experience?

7 A. I believe that's a recent one, yes.

8 Q. I'd first like to focus on your educational
9 background. And you have a bachelor's of arts degree
10 from Colgate University?

11 A. Yes, sir.

12 Q. And you have a master's of arts in teaching.
13 Is that correct?

14 A. That is right.

15 Q. What does that mean?

16 A. It means that I have permanent certification
17 in the State of New York and several other states to
18 teach life science in grades 7, 12. And for this
19 training, you take postgraduate courses in education
20 and your subject major, whatever it happens to be, and
21 you do intern teaching and you're certified to teach.

22 Q. And what was your subject major?

23 A. I majored in natural sciences at Colgate,
24 and so I'm certified with life sciences.

25 Q. And have you ever used that degree to teach

1 elementary or secondary school biology?

2 A. Yes. I've taught seventh-grade life science
3 and biology, and I've taught two years of sixth-grade
4 process science.

5 Q. And when was that?

6 A. That would be in the years '72 to '75.

7 Q. And after that, did you go back to school to
8 get your Ph.D.?

9 A. I went to Yale for my Ph.D. after that,
10 which I got in biology in 1980.

11 Q. And did you write a dissertation for your
12 Ph.D.?

13 A. I did. That's required.

14 Q. And what was the topic of your dissertation?

15 A. The topic of my dissertation was on the
16 evolution of flight and locomotion in the flying
17 reptiles called pterosaurs, which lived during the age
18 of dinosaurs.

19 Q. And where was your first professional
20 appointment after graduating?

21 A. I went to Berkeley right after that as an
22 assistant professor, and I've been there ever since.

23 Q. And what's your position there now?

24 A. I am a professor and curator, so a professor
25 in the Department of Integrative Biology and curator

1 in the Museum of Paleontology there.

2 Q. And what do you teach, Professor Padian?

3 A. I teach a variety of courses over 25 years.
4 Some I don't teach anymore because the curriculum
5 changes, but currently I teach and coordinate half of
6 our upper division junior/senior course in evolution.
7 I teach an upper division course in the evolution of
8 vertebrates. I teach a number of freshman seminars
9 usually on dinosaurs. I teach a number of graduate
10 seminars on topics that range from macroevolution to
11 the history of evolutionary thought. Currently we're
12 doing Darwin's *Origin of Species*.

13 Q. And you said a moment ago that your
14 background and expertise is in evolutionary biology
15 and paleontology. Could you tell us what those
16 specialties involve?

17 A. Sure. Evolutionary biology is a broad field
18 that ranges from the study of the changes through time
19 of molecules to the changes in time of the whole
20 history of life as it relates to the changes of the
21 planet Earth through time, the whole solar system.
22 And my specialty in this is what we call
23 macroevolution. Within that, I focus principally on
24 how major new adaptations begin in evolution.

25 Q. When you say "major new adaptations," what

1 do you mean?

2 A. Well, about things like flight or how, for
3 example, dinosaurs took over the earth. That's a
4 great big change in evolution that happened about
5 225 million years ago. I work on problems like that.

6 And I also work on problems involving
7 dinosaurs and general things about reading their
8 footprints, their locomotion, again, how the age of
9 dinosaurs got started. And I'm interested in the
10 history of evolutionary thought, how people have
11 conceived of the idea of evolution and how it's
12 developed over time in the past 200 years.

13 Q. And is some aspect of what you just talked
14 about paleontology?

15 A. Paleontology is the study of life of the
16 past, generally put. And so when I say that I work on
17 macroevolution, these are large changes that happened
18 at a scale above the population level. So we usually
19 have to look at them through time.

20 Q. And do you look at something called the
21 fossil record?

22 A. Fossil record is where I spend a lot of my
23 time.

24 Q. And what is the fossil record?

25 A. The fossil record is the record in the rocks

1 of the remains of organic beings through time. It can
2 take the form of bone shells, footprints, trace
3 fossils, all sorts of things.

4 And what we do is, we don't -- I mean, when
5 you look at television documentaries, it normally
6 focuses on people going out in the field and parking
7 the truck and walking out in the Badlands and, you
8 know, stumbling over bones someplace and finding that
9 it's interesting in digging up and getting a skeleton
10 and putting it in plaster and taking it back to the
11 lab.

12 That's the first stage of what we do, but
13 that's just the beginning of the science. The science
14 is asking the questions about how life evolves, how
15 the changes in life have happened through time.

16 Q. It sounds like you have to have knowledge in
17 many different fields.

18 A. Well, my department is called integrative
19 biology for a reason, that we actually look at
20 problems in a rather integrative way. That is, my
21 work involves physiology, bone histology, which is the
22 tissue form of bones and mechanics of growth, as well
23 as fossils and geologic change through time.

24 So, yeah, the questions you ask could be
25 pretty complex and integrative, and different kinds of

1 evolutionary biologists and paleontologists work on
2 different aspects of these problems.

3 Q. And are you still involved in research?

4 A. Oh, yes. Berkeley is a premiere research
5 institution like Harvard or Yale or Penn State, and
6 basically most of what we do is research and teaching.
7 So as part of my job, I'm expected to produce a lot of
8 peer-reviewed articles and books and things on a
9 regular basis.

10 Q. And you've been doing research for 30 years
11 now?

12 A. Yeah, roughly.

13 Q. And this is all on evolution and
14 paleontology and the fossil record?

15 A. Oh, yes.

16 Q. And you mentioned that you've --

17 (White noise.)

18 MR. WALCZAK: Is that a hint, Your Honor?

19 THE COURT: No. Inadvertent button push.

20 BY MR. WALCZAK:

21 Q. You mentioned that you've published
22 peer-reviewed research. Let me direct your attention
23 to the top of Page 2 of your curriculum vitae, or I
24 guess about a third of the way down. Now, it says
25 there, Publications. What do you mean by that?

1 A. These are -- the list that I enclose with my
2 CV here includes what we call peer-reviewed
3 publications. And so these would be publications that
4 have been sent out to our professional journals and,
5 in some cases, to books that are edited by
6 professionals again.

7 I don't know if you've gone through the
8 concept of peer review much in the court, but by "peer
9 review" we mean that if you publish -- if you have
10 some research that you've produced and you want to get
11 it published, you send it to a journal in the field,
12 and the editor, who is an expert in the field, takes
13 your manuscript and sends it to several experts that
14 you can't choose and you don't know who they are.
15 And --

16 Q. So you, as the author, don't know who is
17 reviewing your articles?

18 A. That's correct. This is the anonymity of
19 peer review. Ordinarily you don't know who these
20 commentators are.

21 Q. What's the purpose of that?

22 A. Well, it's basically so that they can give a
23 frank appraisal of what you're writing without
24 worrying about whether they're going to offend you
25 and, if you're a senior scientist, whether you're

1 going to get mad at them or something. I don't know.
2 But it's been a habit that's always been the case in
3 the scientific field, certainly.

4 And the reviewers who look at your papers
5 then decide whether you've followed the right
6 procedures for going about the science, whether the
7 methods you use are up to date, whether you've cited
8 all the literature that's relevant, whether you've
9 inferred or speculated on more than you should, or
10 whether it's basically within the grounds of what is
11 acceptable science.

12 And they will propose changes, major or
13 minor. If they don't think that your paper is very
14 good, they'll suggest it be rejected, and the editor
15 takes that into consideration.

16 Q. And so is everything that is submitted to a
17 peer-review journal published?

18 A. Oh, no. A lot submitted to peer-review
19 journals isn't published. It depends on the journal.
20 On the journals on which I've been an editor, you have
21 an acceptance rate of anywhere from 50 percent upwards
22 or downwards to 30 percent, for example, in the ones
23 I'm familiar with.

24 Q. And is there a -- what you might consider a
25 hierarchy of journals for publication?

1 A. Yes, there are certain journals that pretty
2 much every scientist in the world reads every week.
3 Two of them in particular are *Nature*, which is
4 published in London by Macmillan Journals, and
5 *Science*, which is published in Washington every week
6 by the American Association for the Advancement of
7 Science, which is our sort of central public science
8 organization in America.

9 Everybody reads those journals because they
10 contain good review articles, but mainly the hottest
11 sort of new research in all fields. They will also
12 include news about new scientific developments not
13 just in science but in education, industry,
14 technology, even this court case, for example.

15 Q. And do they have a high rejection rate?

16 A. Oh, yes, they have a very high rejection
17 rate. No more than about 10 percent of what's
18 submitted to them even gets considered for
19 publication.

20 Q. Now, is there something called -- is it an
21 impact factor?

22 A. Yeah, there's a -- the Institute for
23 Scientific Information produces a measure of how
24 important journals are basically to the fields.
25 Journals like *Nature* and *Science* have a very high

1 impact factor. But they're general journals that
2 everybody reads, and they're highly selective.

3 Some fields are smaller fields, they don't
4 have much of an impact because they're not cited very
5 much simply because the fields are small, but within
6 the fields they might be very important. So you could
7 have an impact factor that is relatively low, but in
8 the field it's high because it's cited a lot for that
9 field.

10 Q. And the way they measure this impact factor
11 is to see how many times an article from that
12 publication is cited thereafter?

13 A. That's basically it.

14 Q. And what journals have you published in?

15 A. Well, I've published in a lot of journals.
16 My colleagues and I try to -- you know, you always try
17 to go for the best journal in the field that you're
18 writing for the people who would be the most
19 interested in the research.

20 Sometimes I'm writing about dinosaur
21 footprints, and I might try to publish in a journal
22 that publishes a lot of footprint work. Other times,
23 for example, when we've done our work on how fast
24 dinosaurs grow, learning about this from the fine
25 structure of their bone tissues, we've gone to *Nature*,

1 we've gone to *Paleobiology*, we've gone to *Journal of*
2 *Vertebrate Paleontology*, again, sort of the best
3 journals in the field that we can target, depending on
4 the scope and interest of what we're trying to do.

5 Not all the papers are gems, not all are
6 Nobel prize quality. Sometimes they are very general,
7 and sometimes they're a very specific interest.

8 Q. Now, I note that by my count, you've got
9 eight pages of peer-reviewed publications listed here
10 in your curriculum vitae. Do you know how many
11 peer-reviewed publications you are either an author or
12 coauthor on?

13 A. It's 8200. I don't keep a correct count.

14 Q. And have you included in this curriculum
15 vitae nonpeer-reviewed publications?

16 A. I believe the copy that I gave the Court may
17 have only the peer-reviewed ones. I have about
18 another eight or ten pages of things like book reviews
19 and popular articles, things in *Scientific American*
20 and stuff like that. But I didn't include all those
21 here. I may have included some of the books that I've
22 authored or edited.

23 Q. Let's turn to -- I believe it's Page 9. And
24 you've got a heading on books. And you are either the
25 author or the editor or a contributor to these nine

1 books?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And just pick one. Tell us about your
4 contribution to, for instance, the *Encyclopedia of*
5 *Dinosaurs*, and what is that book?

6 A. The *Encyclopedia of Dinosaurs* was published
7 by Academic Press, I guess in 1997. It's a standard
8 reference work for the field. And my job, along with
9 Phil Currie, my coeditor, was to organize and solicit
10 the contributions to make sure all the relevant
11 entries were covered, to read the manuscripts when
12 they came in from the authors, if they needed changes,
13 to suggest them or to make them.

14 And, in fact, as it turns out, I wound up
15 writing about a sixth or a seventh of the book before
16 publication just because of filling in the parts that
17 were needed, as inevitably happens with reference
18 works.

19 Q. And this is a book that would be found in
20 your public library or your school library as a
21 reference text on dinosaurs?

22 A. Yes. This book is cited by other scientists
23 in their publications. It is in libraries for
24 ordinary people to read. We tried to write it at a
25 level that somebody that would have a general

1 understanding of dinosaurs would do it. And then for
2 the dino fans and freaks, they're going to pick it up,
3 too, and enjoy it as much as the rest of us.

4 Q. Now, does something become science or
5 accepted in science because it's published in a book?

6 A. Well, it depends on the book. When books
7 are published, they may have a seminal influence, but
8 simply because something is published in a book
9 doesn't mean that it's science. I think that that's a
10 question of its reception by the scientific community.

11 If somebody writes a book and nobody reads
12 it, is it influential? And the answer would be no.
13 And if somebody writes a book but claims it's science
14 and it's not cited by scientists, it doesn't stimulate
15 scientific research and the ideas in it are never
16 brought to peer review, then the answer is probably
17 not much, because we depend on peer-review discussion
18 of ideas and research results in order to further the
19 progress of science.

20 Q. So anybody can write a book and proclaim
21 that they have a new scientific theory, but the test
22 really is whether it's ultimately accepted by a large
23 part of the scientific community?

24 A. Yes. And here I think the term "theory,"
25 again, has to be looked at the way scientists consider

1 it. A theory is not just something that we think of
2 in the middle of the night after too much coffee and
3 not enough sleep. That's an idea. And if you have a
4 hypothesis, it's something that's a testable
5 proposition, you can actually find some evidence that
6 will help you to weigh it one way or the other.

7 A theory, in science, as maybe it's been
8 pointed out in court, I don't know, in science means a
9 very large body of information that's withstood a lot
10 of testing. It probably consists of a number of
11 different hypotheses, many different lines of
12 evidence. And it's something that is very difficult
13 to slay with an ugly fact, as Huxley once put it,
14 because it's just a complex body of work that's been
15 worked on through time.

16 Gravitation is a theory that's unlikely to
17 be falsified even if we saw something fall up. It
18 would make us wonder, but we'd try to figure out what
19 was going on there rather than just immediately
20 dismiss gravitation.

21 Q. Is the same true for evolution?

22 A. Oh, yes. Evolution has a great number of
23 different kinds of lines of evidence that support it
24 from, of course, the fossil record, the geologic
25 record, comparative anatomy, comparative embryology,

1 systematic, that is, classification work, molecular
2 phylogenies, all of these independent lines of
3 evidence.

4 Q. We're going to talk a little bit more in
5 detail about some of those concepts in just a couple
6 of minutes. Your expertise has been recognized by
7 professional societies and scientific journals in a
8 sense that you have been an officer or a committee
9 chair on a number of prominent scientific
10 associations?

11 A. Yes, if that's a measure. My work is
12 published in the organs of scientific societies, their
13 professional journals. I've served as an officer in a
14 couple of societies and committee member, and I've
15 been on the editorial board of a number of
16 peer-reviewed journals in our field.

17 Q. Matt, if you could turn back to the first
18 page of Dr. Padian's CV under Professional Service.
19 Now, it appears that you've been an editor on the
20 editorial board of more than a half a dozen journals.
21 Can you tell us what it means to be an editor of a
22 journal?

23 A. It generally means that when manuscripts
24 come in, the chief editor will send them to you either
25 for review yourself or for deciding whether they

1 should be reviewed by people. Or if you send them out
2 to review, you might gather the reviews from the
3 referees and determine the merits of the manuscript in
4 question.

5 Often, of course, with general editorial
6 meetings you're looking at where the journal wants to
7 go, what kinds of papers and research it wants to
8 solicit, sort of things like that.

9 Q. And I note that you've had a couple of
10 stints as editor of the *Journal of Vertebrate*
11 *Paleontology*. Is that a prestigious journal in your
12 field?

13 A. That is, in our field of just those
14 paleontologists that run around the rocks and look for
15 the remains of old animals with backbones, yes, that's
16 our primary international scientific organization.
17 *Paleobiology* is probably the premiere journal in the
18 field of paleontology that works on macroevolution,
19 which is one of the things that interests me.

20 Q. And you were the editor of *Paleobiology* for
21 six years?

22 A. I was one of the editors on the editorial
23 committee, yes.

24 Q. And you were also on the editorial board of
25 *Geology* and the *Proceedings* of the Royal Society of

1 London?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Dr. Padian, have you had any experience with
4 high school or elementary school curriculum
5 development and teacher training?

6 A. Yes. Since I've been in California, since
7 the mid 1980s, I've worked in several capacities for
8 the State Department of Education in California on
9 various panels and committees.

10 Notably, I guess, I was one of the people
11 who wrote and edited the state science framework for
12 K12 schools in 1990. And this is the central document
13 that embodies science education for the state. It's
14 the document against which districts and other
15 organizations will develop their curricula locally.

16 And my role there was to write about
17 guidelines for the -- explaining what science is, the
18 nature of science, explaining the goals for K12 in the
19 life sciences and for some of the earth sciences and
20 several other parts of that.

21 In addition, I guess I've served three times
22 on what we call the instructional materials evaluation
23 panel as a scientific member. California is an
24 adoption state, which means that it's one of 23 states
25 for which the state actually selects which textbooks

1 can be used by local districts and for which state
2 funds can be spent.

3 And so it's kind of a quality control that
4 educators and content area specialists like scientists
5 or historians or mathematicians will get together and
6 evaluate textbooks and things submitted. And then the
7 question is whether these are -- which ones pass
8 muster and which ones don't, and that's what you can
9 use state funds to buy.

10 Q. And you've been involved in that for several
11 years?

12 A. Three times.

13 Q. And do you have familiarity with creationism
14 and intelligent design?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And just tell us a little bit about that.
17 What's your history of involvement?

18 A. Well, California has an interesting history
19 with respect to the creationist movement, I guess we
20 might call it creation science and related fields.

21 The Institute for Creation Research in
22 Southern California has been very active since the
23 early 1980s and various kinds of legal and social
24 processes that have come out of objections to the
25 teaching of evolution in California have mirrored

1 what's happened in other states, as well.

2 And so early on in the 1980s I was one of a
3 number of scientists who were involved in trying to
4 clarify evolution and related science to the public
5 and to advise the Department of Education and other
6 bodies about it and to talk generally to the public
7 about what evolution was.

8 And these organizations and sort of
9 committees of correspondence, as they were called
10 then, eventually morphed into what became the National
11 Center for Science Education which I've been president
12 of for some years.

13 Q. I'm sorry, you said you're president of the
14 National Center for Science --

15 A. National Center for Science Education.

16 Q. Dr. Padian, can you tell us a little bit
17 about the history of paleontology and its importance
18 to evolution?

19 A. Sure. Paleontology, the idea that you're
20 finding rocks that have the remains of ancient life in
21 it, has been around actually in some form or another
22 since the 1500s and 1600s when people first started to
23 understand that these were actually the remains of
24 organisms that were dead and not simply sports of
25 nature or some kind of sculptural-looking accident.

1 The understanding of fossils really began to
2 mature in the late 1700s when people realized that
3 these were the remains of dead creatures that were not
4 coming back, they were extinct. And the upshot of
5 this meant that ideas about the philosophy of nature
6 began to change as the enlightenment developed.

7 By 1800, you had people in both England and
8 France developing systems of looking at the order of
9 the rocks through time, moving up through a section,
10 that could be correlated from one area to another.
11 The same sequences of rocks were appearing. These
12 were used in England, for example, by civil engineers
13 to dig canals and to show them where reliably they
14 could find the right rocks to dig canals through.

15 Part of these indications were by the
16 fossils that they contained which also went up in the
17 same sequence every time. And this resulted in the
18 first real geologic map of England, which was produced
19 in about 1800. So we're already talking about using
20 fossils in a very forensic sense, that is, to help dig
21 canals, but using them as an index for mapping
22 geologic -- we call them strata or outcrops all over
23 England. A similar development of the idea was taking
24 place in France at the time and also in Germany.

25 So the idea that there was a progression of

1 fossils in rocks from the oldest to the youngest going
2 up through a section of rocks is really quite old.
3 And it was developed, in a sense, that had nothing to
4 do with any ideas about evolution. It was just seen
5 as the progression of fossils through time.

6 And then ultimately in the early 1800s
7 people began to understand that this reflected an idea
8 of common ancestry change through time and the fact
9 that in the past the world was not like it is now.

10 Q. And so what you've just told us about is
11 taking place before Charles Darwin published his
12 *Origin of Species*?

13 A. Oh, yes. Darwin doesn't publish the *Origin*
14 *of Species* until 1859. The geologic map of England is
15 being done by 1801, and already by 1846 they have a
16 pretty good idea of the diversity of fossils through
17 time.

18 Q. So was Darwin trying to explain the history
19 of life or the fossil record?

20 A. No, he really wasn't. Other people were
21 doing that at the time, including people like Richard
22 Owen. What Darwin was doing was proposing a mechanism
23 for how change through time could occur in a lineage
24 of organisms, and he called that natural selection.

25 He made an analogy with what he called

1 artificial selection, which is what breeders do every
2 day in selecting plants and animals for the
3 characteristics that we admire or want to use for
4 various purposes.

5 Q. Now, we've had, I guess, testimony in this
6 case where people seem to be using terms in different
7 ways. Could you distinguish for us the way science
8 uses the term "natural selection" from "evolution of
9 life"? I mean, is there a distinction?

10 A. Yes. "Evolution," of course, refers to
11 change through time in a general sense. Darwin's own
12 definition is descent with modification, which is
13 probably still the best one.

14 Natural selection is a mechanism, a process
15 that accounts for a lot of that change, but it needs
16 to be distinguished from evolution, per se, because
17 there are a number of mechanisms, as Darwin noted,
18 including sexual selection, which is another term he
19 invented, a concept that he invented, as he did so
20 many things, and it's just one mechanism for life to
21 change. It's not the whole thing. Darwin was very
22 clear on that in his writings.

23 Q. And can you distinguish evolution of life,
24 the term "evolution of life," from the term "origin of
25 life"?

1 A. Sure. And that's a common conflation in
2 popular parlance. Evolution of life is essentially
3 the whole enchilada. It's everything from the first
4 organisms that appeared right up until the organisms
5 that are alive today. That whole procession of
6 things, all the patterns and processes that are
7 involved in it, we would call the evolution of life.

8 "Origins" is a trickier phrase. The origin
9 of life we expect, as Darwin said in 1859 -- the last
10 paragraph of *The Origin of Species* refers to one or a
11 few forms being the original embodiment of life. But
12 today we look at the genetic material, DNA, RNA, and
13 its genetic components, and scientists reason from
14 this that they are so complex and so similar that they
15 must have had a common origin. And this is the origin
16 of life question.

17 That's separate if you talk about, like,
18 origin of birds or origin of mammals or origin of the
19 middle ear. Those things are part of the progression
20 of life that's already established. They aren't
21 something new that happens all over again that's, in
22 other words, abruptly or specially put in there.
23 They're just part of something that's already
24 happening that now is modified to become something
25 else.

1 Q. So as scientists would use "origin of life,"
2 that would be sort of first life?

3 A. Exactly.

4 Q. Now, it seems that genes and molecules are
5 getting much of the attention today when you're
6 talking about evolution. Is it still important to
7 study comparative anatomy, fossils, geology,
8 paleontology? I guess another way to say it, are you
9 still relevant?

10 A. I'm a fossil like everybody else. No, genes
11 and molecules get a lot of press, and deservedly so.
12 The research on them has been amazing over the past
13 half century. The new discovery has just come at an
14 incredible rate. They're just revealing all sorts of
15 new things about the world we never could have
16 imagined. We could have hoped we could have known,
17 but we wouldn't have known how.

18 But, oddly enough, the most recent great
19 advances in biology are coming with the integration of
20 this new molecular evidence with what we already know
21 from comparative anatomy, from fossils, and from
22 geology.

23 An example I could give you is like the
24 hottest area in biology today is called evo-devo or
25 evolutionary developmental biology. Evo-devo is not a

1 rock group. And the thing about it is that the whole
2 premise of evo-devo is that we are now understanding a
3 lot more about the genes that actually code for the
4 development of organisms. That is, we know the genes
5 that make you line up in a front-to-back axis and make
6 your limbs sprout and make you have wings instead of
7 hoofs or whatever it happens to be.

8 These are under the command of a relatively
9 well-organized system of genes that are universal
10 among a great many organisms. And you can even
11 transplant parts of these into other organisms, and
12 they'll work properly, which is really amazing.

13 And why paleontology and evolutionary
14 biology is relevant to this is because, for one thing,
15 in the fossil record we see a lot of forms that are
16 not present in any kind of shape today.

17 Configurations of hands and wings and skulls that we
18 can see by examination of the genetic structure and
19 functions of development actually are produced in
20 certain ways and they mimic what we see in the past.

21 So, oddly enough, paleontology, evolutionary
22 biology are coming back front and center to be
23 integrated in this very hot new area.

24 Q. So is it fair to say that molecular biology
25 today reinforces what you find in paleontology or

1 integrative biology?

2 A. Oh, yes. The molecular biology of the 1960s
3 and '70s was very strongly what we would call
4 reductionists. That is, they were looking for the
5 little, tiny workings, because they were able to do
6 so, of genes and structures in the cells and
7 chromosomes, and that was really amazing.

8 But, you know, in a sense, all that work is
9 figuring out how the carburetor goes, you know, what
10 are all the parts here. But they don't lose sight of
11 and it doesn't change the importance of, you know, how
12 you drive the car, what the purpose of the car is in
13 terms of running down the road and operating on the
14 internal combustion engine. And that's where the
15 evolution comes in.

16 Q. I want to ask you one other question coming
17 back to natural selection, and you said that is a
18 mechanism for driving evolution.

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And is that a mechanism that is widely
21 supported by the scientific community?

22 A. Oh, yes. Darwin proposed it at the same
23 time that Alfred Russel Wallace came up with it in
24 1858. And since then natural selection has been
25 tested in the wild and in laboratory populations by a

1 great number of scientists. And there are many books
2 written that summarize this research, and the
3 understanding of natural selection is primary to
4 understanding population biology and evolution.

5 Q. Now, next week an expert for the school
6 district, Dr. Behe, are you familiar with him?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. He's going to testify. And Dr. Behe has
9 claimed that it is not possible to observe natural
10 selection in the fossil record. And is that true,
11 and, if so, is the fossil record relevant to
12 evolution?

13 A. Dr. Behe and some of the ID proponents
14 characterize evolution, Darwinism evolution, as they
15 call it, as random mutation and natural selection
16 alone. And natural selection is important, but it's
17 not the only process. Random mutation is a whole
18 other problem in language. But natural selection can
19 be observed in the fossil record in a different way
20 than we'd see it in populations.

21 When Darwin developed his idea of natural
22 selection, he's looking at individuals running around
23 out there. He's saying that an individual horse is
24 going to be able better to escape a lion than another
25 horse. That horse is going to live longer, produce

1 more offspring with the same characteristics, and
2 those will be passed on to the next generation. So
3 this is an idea about individuals.

4 Now, the problem is, when we go out to the
5 fossil record, if we have a nice fossil deposit here
6 of snails or clams or whatever it happens to be and
7 you've got, you know, many local fossils, fossil
8 deposits which you can find things like this, you
9 know, we can't tell whether a particular fossil clam
10 was better adapted than the guy who is dead next to
11 him. We can't measure how many successful offspring
12 he had. We just simply don't know. We don't know
13 anything about the reproduction of fossils, individual
14 organisms. And so in that sense, we're not looking at
15 that level of natural selection.

16 But as everybody knows, we have a concept in
17 evolution called "adaptation," which is sort of the
18 main thing that drives the origination of new sort of
19 types of organisms, the way that they get around in
20 the world. And this notion of adaptation, by
21 definition, is shaped by natural selection.

22 And my job is to look at macroevolution, and
23 I focus on how new adaptations get going. So I study
24 natural selection all the time in its ramifications
25 for the development and improvement of all these

1 complex adaptations that click in piece by piece in
2 fossil animals and are shaped and preserved by natural
3 selection.

4 Q. So the fossil record, in fact, helps to
5 support the whole concept of natural selection?

6 A. In fact, it's indispensable to it, because
7 we could look at natural selection in populations
8 today, but our compass for looking at populations
9 today is on the order of years, maybe decades, in some
10 cases centuries.

11 A trend that we see today might reverse
12 itself. It might be just sort of a drift or a random
13 fluctuation, a temporary change, but in the fossil
14 record, you see change through the big time. This is
15 deep time, we call it. This is like mega history.

16 MR. WALCZAK: Your Honor, I was thinking
17 about taking a break now. It might be an opportune
18 time.

19 THE COURT: Why don't we do that. Let's
20 take a shorter break than we've been taking so that we
21 can keep moving with this witness. We'll take a
22 15-minute break at this point, and we'll return with
23 Mr. Walczak's continued direct examination of this
24 witness. We'll be in recess.

25 (Recess taken.)

1 THE COURT: All right, Mr. Walczak, you may
2 continue.

3 MR. WALCZAK: Thank you, Your Honor.

4 BY MR. WALCZAK:

5 Q. Dr. Padian, what is intelligent design?

6 A. As I understand the definition, intelligent
7 design is the proposition that there are some things,
8 natural phenomena in the world that could not have
9 come to being by natural means and that the design of
10 these structures has a certain complexity and certain
11 features that implies that they must have been
12 produced by what is called an intelligent designer by
13 which is understood to mean possibly some kind of
14 unknown forces or a supernatural being.

15 Q. And how is intelligent design different from
16 creation science?

17 A. Well, it has some similarities, and it has
18 some differences. Creation science is a movement that
19 flowered mostly in the 1960s and 1970s. And creation
20 science was an attempt by certain conservative
21 Christian people with some science or engineering
22 degrees to attempt to explain Bible stories or to find
23 scientific evidence for Bible stories or explain them
24 in scientific terms, that is, to attempt to justify
25 them on scientific grounds.

1 Intelligent design doesn't have as its
2 objective to validate Bible stories or any particular
3 religious or creation stories, but what it shares with
4 creation science, in part, is the insistence that
5 things were designed and could not have evolved. And
6 so over 90 percent of the corpus of intelligent design
7 work has to do with basically trying to undermine the
8 evidence for evolution and the concepts associated
9 with evolution and related sciences.

10 Q. And we're going to spend a good bit of time
11 talking about the undermining attempt, the undermining
12 of the evolutionary science.

13 As I understand it, the affirmative argument
14 for design, not the criticism of evolution, but the
15 affirmative argument for design is that it looks
16 designed or it's so complicated we can't imagine that
17 it couldn't have been designed. Is that your
18 understanding?

19 A. That's my understanding, in an informal
20 sense, that that's what they mean.

21 Q. What's wrong with this appearance of design
22 analysis from a scientific standpoint?

23 A. Well, it's not particularly rigorous. Lots
24 of things look designed, but they may not necessarily
25 be designed. Intelligent design looks a lot like

1 science in some respects, but it's only superficial.
2 It doesn't operate according to the principles of
3 science, so the resemblances are superficial.

4 And appearances can be deceiving. For all
5 the world, it looks like, you know, to us normal
6 people, that the sun goes around the Earth. And for
7 most people, it wouldn't make a difference whether the
8 sun went around the Earth or it went around the moon,
9 as Sherlock Holmes famously said to Watson. But when
10 the renaissance scholars understood, found out that,
11 in fact, the sun does not go around the Earth but the
12 Earth and the planets go around the sun, it changed
13 the way we look at the whole natural world in a very
14 important and fundamental way.

15 And so part of the process of science is to
16 discover things that will make a difference to our
17 understanding of the natural world and not simply to
18 reinforce appearances that are very difficult to test
19 in an objective or testable sense.

20 Q. Let's begin to talk about the problems that
21 you have with how intelligent design represents
22 science, and I want to focus on the areas of science
23 within your expertise. What is wrong with the
24 intelligent design arguments against evolution?

25 A. Well, there are a number of systemic

1 problems with the arguments about intelligent design.

2 Q. I'm sorry, Professor Padian, have you
3 prepared an exhibit to help you explain this?

4 A. Yes. At your request, I've done some
5 demonstratives that I hope may be of use in
6 illustrating some of these things.

7 Q. Matt, would you put up the first slide,
8 please.

9 A. There are certain systemic problems with the
10 way that intelligent design represents the scientific
11 findings of the scientific community. And in a sense,
12 it is really just standard anti-evolutionist special
13 creationism. I will explain why it's special
14 creationism in the course of things.

15 The ways that scientists have problems with
16 intelligent design literature is, first of all, that
17 it provides some misleading definitions of evolution.
18 In doing so, it sets up a straw man. It also distorts
19 some commonplace scientific concepts, and, as a
20 result, it sows doubt in the minds of students who
21 would understandably be confused, as I am, by their
22 treatment of certain fairly standard ideas. When
23 they --

24 Q. What kind of concepts do they sow doubt
25 about?

1 A. Well, they begin -- if you want to begin
2 with definitions of evolution, they define micro and
3 macroevolution in different terms. Microevolution
4 they're fine with. That's evolution in populations.
5 It's just genetic variation. And creation scientists
6 didn't have a problem with that stuff, either.

7 But when we study evolution, we actually
8 look at it on several discrete levels. Microevolution
9 is what happens in populations at the gene level and
10 among individuals in populations within a species.

11 But then when populations diverge from each
12 other geographically and genetically to the point
13 where they become different species, different
14 lineages that are not going to have a mixed history
15 anymore but separate histories and diverge further and
16 make more new species, we call this process
17 speciation, and it's a different level of
18 consideration than simply what happens in populations,
19 because now you see we have the situation where we're
20 no longer exchanging genes with each other in a
21 population, we're actually looking at two separate or
22 more separate entities that will be that way
23 historically for the future.

24 Once we start looking at how these new
25 lineages, new species and new species that they give

1 rise to, interact in the environment, how they change
2 further through time, how they adapt more to changing
3 environmental conditions, we're now at the level
4 that's called macroevolution. And the reason we call
5 it macroevolution is it's just on a bigger level.
6 We're no longer dealing with populations.

7 Q. And by "populations," you mean, like, people
8 or horses or --

9 A. Well, like just groups of organisms.
10 Individual organisms within a species are different
11 populations. You can have a population in this
12 valley, a population in that state, whatever it
13 happens to be.

14 The way that scientists regard this is much
15 like economists look at microeconomics and
16 macroeconomics. Microeconomics is how you run the
17 corner grocery store, you know, what the economic
18 balance is in the small town's economy, how a company
19 works. But macroeconomics has more to do with things
20 like the Federal Reserve, the international balance of
21 trade. The common thing that -- the thread between
22 this is, of course, money. It's all about currency.
23 It's cash at some level.

24 And with evolution, we've got genes that are
25 very similar because everything is hereditary. It's

1 transmitted. And the genetic transmission of this
2 works one way within populations when organisms can
3 exchange genes, but when you get above the species
4 level, they're no longer exchanging genes. We're
5 working at different species disporting themselves
6 through time. And then you get the whole process of
7 the evolution of new adaptations and major groups of
8 animals and plants.

9 And the intelligent design people define
10 macroevolution as a major change that has to happen to
11 make a major group, and they say that this is a
12 completely different process than what happens at the
13 microevolutionary level. And scientists just don't
14 think so.

15 Q. And are some of the other concepts that they
16 don't quite represent accurately homology and
17 cladistics and classifications?

18 A. Yes, the basic principles of classification,
19 the principles also by which you can compare organisms
20 in order to say things in comparative biology are very
21 problematic for intelligent design creationists. They
22 have a hard time explaining these in the terms that
23 scientists use. And so a lot of what they do is to
24 try to cast doubt on the very legitimacy of the basis
25 of doing these things as scientists understand them.

1 Q. I'm sorry, continue. I believe you were on
2 Number 3.

3 A. One of the problems with the ways that
4 intelligent design creationists present scientific
5 evidence is that they present only part of it. They
6 present the part that might suit their cause, but they
7 really leave out an awful lot of important research.
8 And in so doing, they say that scientists don't know
9 this or they can't know this. And this creates the
10 sense of ridicule for students.

11 Now, you know, we'll be the first people to
12 admit that science doesn't know everything and can't
13 know everything. But on the other hand, we would like
14 a fair and accurate representation of what we do know.

15 I would also like to show in the course of
16 explaining some of these things today that most of the
17 claims that the ID proponents make are directly
18 inherited from the old-time scientific creationism
19 claims in the evolution bashing that they do. Many of
20 the same arguments are used, the same kinds of
21 evidence are used.

22 And, finally, the conclusion that is raised
23 is that if you can mount some kind of alleged evidence
24 against evolution, which is most of what the ID
25 proponents do, as the scientific creationists did,

1 then this is evidence for intelligent design. In so
2 doing, they set up this false dichotomy or contrived
3 dualism of religion and science that is disturbing to
4 scientists who have religious backgrounds, as well as
5 to those who don't have religious backgrounds because
6 it isn't part of science to do that.

7 Q. Now, you said that ID proponents
8 mischaracterize evolution as just a starting point.
9 Matt, could you put up the next slide.

10 A. Yes, calling macroevolution the origin of
11 new types, this is not a definition that scientists
12 would recognize. Macroevolution, as I mentioned, is
13 looking at the patterns and processes of organisms
14 above the level of species.

15 So we're trying to figure out a lot of the
16 major patterns of evolutionary change, but the origin
17 of new types, again, that word "origins" comes in, and
18 scientists just don't talk about origins in that sort
19 of cataclysmic sense.

20 The proponents of intelligent design, as you
21 see here embodied in these quotes from *Of Pandas and*
22 *People*, claim that it's a mistake to claim from
23 macroevolution the status of fact. And, again, this
24 confuses for students what facts mean in science.

25 In contrast, from *Pandas*, again from Page 99

1 to 100, they state, quote, that intelligent design
2 means that various forms of life begin abruptly
3 through an intelligent agency with their distinctive
4 features already intact. And this tells you two
5 things, first of all, that everything was already the
6 way it was when things first appeared, so there's no
7 transitions, and that an intelligent agency did this.

8 Now, that's a perfectly fine idea, but it's
9 not scientific to claim this in advance of any kind of
10 evidence that could be adduced to the contrary.

11 Q. But in order for this to be true, you have
12 to show that evolution is false?

13 A. Yes, or at least you have to exclude the
14 possibility of considering it in advance, which is a
15 philosophical rather than an empirical consideration.

16 Q. If we could go to the next slide. You say
17 that there are other definitions that intelligent
18 design proponents confuse.

19 A. Yes. I would just like to clarify what we
20 mean when we talk about speciation, macroevolution,
21 which really differs from how it's treated in texts
22 like *Pandas*. We call speciation what happens when new
23 lineages are formed. They diverge from parent
24 populations. That is, from old species new species
25 bud off, if you will.

1 And this can happen in many different ways.
2 You can have changes in behavior, in structure, in
3 ecological adaptation, in physiology, in geography,
4 and all these things may lead to the historical
5 differentiation of these lineages. That's how we get
6 new species. It's been happening ever since life was
7 first running around on the planet.

8 Intelligent design proponents claim, for
9 example, in *Pandas* that when speciation occurs, it
10 actually limits variation, and so it's really unlikely
11 that the kinds of changes we see in populations can
12 actually lead to speciation.

13 I find this statement surprising because
14 there's no evidence that I know of that when a new
15 species forms, that genetic variability is necessarily
16 reduced. It doesn't seem to be the case. Species
17 that are closely related to each other, you don't find
18 one with a lot less genetic variability than another
19 that has ascribed to this process.

20 And so we regard speciation, in fact, as the
21 raw material for the big changes through time. It's
22 like births in a population are the starting point for
23 populational change and development and the way that
24 new species are formed. Without new species, we
25 wouldn't get any kind of new developments in

1 evolution.

2 Q. And that's contrasted with macroevolution
3 how?

4 A. Well, the macroevolution -- then the
5 speciation becomes the raw material for
6 macroevolution, because macroevolution would be the
7 study of what happens to those species after they're
8 formed and as they deploy themselves through time,
9 space, and ecology.

10 Q. And, Matt, if you could turn to the next
11 slide. And you're familiar with the textbook *Of*
12 *Pandas and People*?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And do you believe that *Pandas* is a good
15 representation of intelligent design theory or
16 thinking?

17 A. I think it is. And I believe that the ID
18 proponents also attest to this.

19 Q. And here we have a slide. We pulled out a
20 passage from Page 85. This is what they say about
21 speciation?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And could you read the highlighted passage?

24 A. The whole thing?

25 Q. Please.

1 mechanisms are too limited to account for the
2 important biological change and the adaptive diversity
3 that we see through time.

4 Q. And if science's concept of speciation is,
5 in fact, accurate, then that would mean that there's
6 no abrupt appearance of organisms already intact?

7 A. Well, it certainly would mean that we are
8 not finding new complex adaptations appearing all at
9 once in major groups of organisms with no possibility
10 of their evolution step by step from other kinds of
11 creatures out there, and that's a point on which books
12 like *Pandas* is quite adamant. They consistently say
13 this does not occur.

14 Q. And is this argument from *Pandas* and by
15 intelligent design proponents similar to the argument
16 that creation scientists made?

17 A. Yes. It's quite similar in its
18 ramifications.

19 Q. Could you put up the next slide, please,
20 Matt. Could you tell us what this is, Professor
21 Padian?

22 A. The slide is some text from a publication
23 from the Institute for Creation Research called Impact
24 Number 43 by Duane Gish. Duane Gish is vice president
25 of the Institute for Creation Research, a famous

1 creation scientist speaker who has been giving
2 presentations against evolution for several decades
3 now.

4 And what I'd like to show by this quotation
5 included in the record is that the ideas of
6 intelligent design reflect exactly what special
7 creationists, what scientific creationists, so-called,
8 were saying decades ago.

9 Here, for example, outlined in yellow on the
10 top paragraph, Duane Gish says that natural selection
11 would be powerless to generate increasing complexity
12 and to originate something new or novel and thus
13 powerless to change one kind of animal into another.

14 Now, by that is understood, at least, the
15 basis of speciation, and this is very close to what
16 the *Pandas* text says, and I think the idea really
17 conveys the same message. In the bottom paragraph,
18 Mr. Gish notes that such a process could only produce
19 variance within an established kind and could never
20 produce new and novel structures.

21 Q. I want to start talking about some of the
22 areas of evolutionary biology and evolution that
23 *Pandas* discusses and get your understanding of whether
24 they are accurate representations of current
25 scientific thought.

1 I've asked you to pick several examples out
2 of *Pandas* where you believe that they do not
3 accurately represent the science. And does the first
4 one involve something called cladistics?

5 A. Yes. I wanted to talk a bit to explain, if
6 I could, the basis for classification in science.

7 Q. And when you say "classification," what do
8 you mean by that?

9 A. I mean precisely how we study the
10 relationships of organisms. The basis of
11 classification, since Darwin, has been the
12 relationships that organisms have to each other.

13 And the concepts of how classification is
14 done, how we, in other words, understand and construct
15 the tree of life, the whole idea of who ancestors and
16 what ancestors are and the relationships of organisms
17 to each other are problems that works such as *Pandas*
18 really do not reflect accurately the way that science
19 understands these processes, procedures and methods.

20 Q. And have you prepared a demonstrative
21 exhibit to help explain this?

22 A. Yes. I'd like to do just a basic showing of
23 what some of the principles are, if I could have the
24 next slide to talk about that. In their texts,
25 intelligent design proponents either do not understand

1 or they don't accept how scientists establish
2 relationships among organisms because most of this is
3 left out of what their discussions are.

4 Despite a lot of popular impression, when we
5 try to establish relationships among living and
6 extinct organisms, it's not a never-ending search for
7 direct ancestors. We don't go out in the fossil
8 record, I don't go out looking for dinosaurs or
9 whatever I'm doing in the summer in the field season
10 looking for the ancestor of something else I know. I
11 don't expect to find a direct ancestor of anything.
12 The chances of that are really small. But I want to
13 show you what we do try to look for.

14 Paleontologists, in other words, are not
15 searching the rocks for the missing links. Instead,
16 when we, like all biologists, establish organisms,
17 living and extinct, whether we work on bacteria or
18 mosses or hoofed animals, it doesn't matter, we all do
19 this according to the same methods in biology, and it
20 doesn't matter whether we use molecules or fossils.

21 What we do is we look for shared
22 characteristics. These are uniquely shared
23 characteristics shared by certain organisms and not
24 others. And by identifying these characteristics, we
25 identify the pathway of evolution, that is, the order,

1 the sequence, the genealogy of evolution. We want to
2 find out who is most closely related to whom.

3 And the reasoning is that if an organism
4 acquires a new trait and passes it on to its
5 descendents, then those descendents will be more
6 closely related to each other because they possess
7 that new trait than anybody else in the world will be.
8 And that's the principle that we use.

9 And this is a fairly simple concept to get
10 across, and it's revolutionized the way that people do
11 what we call systematics or to assemble the tree of
12 life. But, in fact, this began in the 1960s and
13 1970s, and so for decades it's been the standard.

14 There are two concepts of ancestry that are
15 important to point out here. One is lineal, and the
16 other is called collateral. Lineal ancestors are the
17 ones that are directly in your path, that is, your
18 parents, your grandparents, your great grandparents,
19 your great, great, great, and all the times you can
20 say great, those are your direct ancestors.

21 But collateral ancestors are a little
22 broader than that. They would include your aunts and
23 uncles, your great aunt, your cousin twice removed on
24 your mother's side, and that guy with the funny hat in
25 the civil war picture on the wall in the dining room,

1 whatever it happens to be. These are what we call
2 collateral ancestors. They are individuals who are
3 not directly in your ancestral line, but they still
4 share so many of your features that they can tell us a
5 lot about who you were -- who you are.

6 If you know, for example, that your family
7 came from Sweden in the 1800s, you can return to
8 Sweden to the approximate place where they came.
9 Maybe you can't find their bones in the church yard,
10 but you can find the relics and the remains and the
11 museum's evidence for many other aspects of their
12 culture and their biology. You know what they ate,
13 you know what they wore, you know the language they
14 spoke. You may know from photographs and drawings
15 what they looked like, what their features were. You
16 may be able to recognize your ancestral features, as
17 well. All these things are properties of collateral
18 ancestors, not just lineal or direct ancestors.

19 So when we look to assemble the
20 relationships of organisms, we don't have to find
21 every direct ancestor. In fact, in the fossil record,
22 it's really hard to say that somebody was anybody's
23 direct ancestor, as I mentioned before with the fossil
24 clams. We don't know what offspring any individual
25 left. It's too hard for us to figure out. But we can

1 still tell a great deal about it. And this is how we
2 assemble the tree of life.

3 The next slide I have here is a preparation
4 of a kind of diagram that we call a cladogram. And
5 it's very similar to a phylogenetic tree, that is to
6 say a tree of relationships. But the logic of this, I
7 want to point out, is not something that's arbitrary.
8 It's not simply assembled by art or by anything that's
9 subjective. Rather, it is a diagram that reflects the
10 grouping of organisms according to these new
11 evolutionary features, these shared characteristics I
12 mentioned before.

13 And if you can see the red marks along
14 this -- the basic spine of the hat rack running from
15 the lower left to the upper right -- these things
16 always look like hat racks to me. I don't know what
17 else you'd describe them as. But each one of those
18 red bars represents a feature that was a new
19 evolutionary feature that we reasoned was a new
20 evolutionary feature because it suddenly is something
21 that now all the animals above it share and the
22 animals below it do not share.

23 So, for example, at the top here, the human
24 and gorilla are united by a great many features, and
25 we've only listed a few here because it would just

1 really crowd things, and I think it's fairly obvious.
2 Things that the human and gorilla share are a
3 prehensile hand and a large brain. That is not the
4 case for the cow, the lion, the marsupials, and the
5 other animals on this slide.

6 We reason that on the basis of this and many
7 other shared characteristics that these features were
8 inherited from a common ancestor. It's the best
9 natural explanation we can come up with. And as we go
10 down this diagram even more, what we find is that at
11 each juncture -- and if we can just stop it there for
12 a second -- we find an increasing number of things
13 that all these groups have.

14 And so if you look at the level put here on
15 the chart that's indicated, there's a shared feature
16 called an amnion, which is a property of one of the
17 membranes of the egg around the embryo, that is shared
18 by birds, marsupials, and placental mammals, but frogs
19 and sharks and fishes don't have it. And so these
20 hierarchically nested sets of features are the logical
21 structure by which scientists establish the
22 relationships of life.

23 Q. I'm sorry, Professor Padian. Matt, if you
24 could go back just a couple of slides. So you talked
25 about how -- and I guess we read from left to right up

1 the line is how you read this?

2 A. Well, all we can say is this is a depiction
3 of how all these organisms are related. We don't look
4 on this as a ladder of life. We don't look at it as
5 fish give rise to frogs which give rise to birds.
6 It's not like that.

7 Q. But, for instance, where you have the
8 stirrup-shaped ear bone --

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. -- and you have that line, so it would be
11 the organisms above that that share that particular
12 feature?

13 A. That's correct. That would be something
14 that unites them to the exclusion of all the other
15 critters on the slide. And that's the logic of
16 cladograms, pure and simple.

17 I'd like to stress that we can use physical
18 features like this, we can use them on fossils or on
19 living animals, we can use them on molecules or we can
20 use them on skeletal features or egg shell proteins or
21 anything else that we want to do. Whatever works, we
22 use. It's very practical.

23 Q. And is this a -- could you say it's a
24 universal approach used by scientists?

25 A. Since the 1960s, it has become the dominant

1 form of understanding relationships in the scientific
2 community around the world.

3 I would go so far as to say that if you were
4 going to apply to the National Science Foundation to
5 ask for money to work on the classification of a group
6 of organisms, whether it was dinosaurs or a group of
7 bacteria or mosses or liverworts, you would have to
8 show the review panel that you understood the
9 principles that I'm discussing here and that you were
10 going to use this kind of analysis in your work if you
11 wanted to convince them that you knew what you were
12 doing.

13 Q. And is this method somehow validated
14 quantitatively or statistically?

15 A. Yes. And I'm glad you raised that point,
16 because I've only put a couple of the features on this
17 chart. But, in fact, there are hundreds that are
18 represented in this analysis. And it's obviously too
19 many for us to arrange by hand.

20 And so all the characters that we're talking
21 about and all the animals that we're trying to
22 analyze, we have ways of putting these into a data
23 matrix and asking the computer essentially to sort
24 this out for us to produce the simplest to the most,
25 basically, complicated trees that you could possibly

1 get. And we try to start with the simplest trees for
2 further work, which is a principle in science called
3 parsimony.

4 Q. And do intelligent design proponents use
5 this type of cladogram?

6 A. I haven't seen them use any type of analysis
7 like this in any of their works.

8 Q. And if you could advance to the intelligent
9 design slide. Is this a copy of a chart found in *Of*
10 *Pandas and People*?

11 A. Yes. This is Figure 4 from *Pandas*, second
12 edition.

13 Q. And can you tell us what this is?

14 A. Well, the caption says that it's the pattern
15 of phylogenetic origins, according to the face value
16 interpretation of the fossil record.

17 Q. And can you make heads or tails of this?

18 A. I have trouble. I'm not sure -- I guess I
19 understand that time is the axis from top to bottom.
20 That's perfectly fine, although there are no
21 particular periods listed. I understand that they're
22 looking at variation in morphology, and that's
23 perfectly fine. But there are no names of organisms
24 there, so I don't know exactly what they're talking
25 about.

1 Also, the presence of these bars as straight
2 bars without variation suggests quite strongly that
3 organisms suddenly appear quite recognizable as what
4 they are and do not vary in morphology all the way up
5 through the geologic column until they peter out.

6 Q. So this chart would show that there's abrupt
7 creation and then there's no change in those organisms
8 throughout their lifetimes?

9 A. That would be the face-value interpretation
10 that they say the fossil record shows. Now, I just
11 want to point out that this implies that there is no
12 substantial change in any fossil lineages because they
13 have drawn only bars that go straight up with no
14 change, no diversification, no anything.

15 Q. And if you represented a classification
16 system in a grant application to the National Science
17 Foundation like this, you don't believe you would get
18 a grant?

19 A. Well, no, but, of course, this is not meant
20 to represent any kind of research, it's meant to be a
21 didactic device for teaching. I should also note that
22 if we're talking about phylogeny in relationships,
23 this wouldn't qualify because it doesn't draw any
24 lines between those lines. It doesn't admit the
25 possibility that any of those lines evolved from any

1 of the others.

2 Q. I'm going to talk about the use of the term
3 "irreducible complexity" and "adaptational packages"
4 as it's used by intelligent design proponents.

5 Can you explain to us how *Pandas* uses the
6 term "adaptational packages"?

7 A. Well, the last slide showed you lineages of
8 organisms that seem to have a sudden appearance and no
9 substantial change during their histories and of no
10 relationship to any other lineages in this diagram.

11 This suggests quite strongly, and the *Pandas*
12 authors are making this point, that organisms that
13 they regard as major types of organisms suddenly
14 appear with all their major features intact and that
15 they do not change. These are characterized in works
16 like *Pandas* as adaptational packages, which they say
17 cannot be separated into simpler components without
18 destroying the functional advantage that they provide
19 to the organisms that have them.

20 And so these adaptational packages for ID
21 proponents represent the concept called irreducible
22 complexity, which means that they can't evolve by
23 known natural means, they're too complex to do so, and
24 so they must be specially created by a designer.

25 Q. Now, that term "irreducible complexity," is

1 that one, to your knowledge, that's found in *Pandas*?

2 A. To my knowledge, the exact words are not
3 found in *Pandas*. I believe the first place where that
4 is really brought out as a major term is in Michael
5 Behe's book *Darwin's Black Box* in 1996. But in 1993,
6 when I believe Professor Behe was working on the
7 second edition of *Pandas*, these concepts are brought
8 out in the second edition of that text.

9 Q. So Dr. Behe's concept of irreducible
10 complexity is contained in *Pandas* even though that
11 term is not used?

12 A. Yes. And before, even in the first edition,
13 these adaptational packages are represented. They are
14 essentially one of these ideas that, again, has a long
15 pedigree, that there are such complex forms out there
16 they couldn't possibly have evolved. We've heard
17 these arguments since the 1800s, so they do have a
18 long history.

19 Q. Perhaps you could help explain to us these
20 adaptational packages and irreducible complexity.

21 A. Well, there seems to be some conflict among
22 the ID proponents about this. Dr. Behe claims that
23 irreducible complexity applies only to cells and
24 molecules, and that's his specialty, of course, he's a
25 biochemist, and that it does not apply to adaptive

1 features in organs or to major groups of organisms.

2 But if you look at the whole corpus of
3 intelligent design work, including *Pandas*, on which
4 Dr. Behe worked, the implications of irreducible
5 complexity are extended time and time again to
6 large-scale tissue and organ adaptations and, indeed,
7 to whole organisms.

8 And so if we're going to accept this, we
9 have to accept that Dr. Behe had no knowledge that his
10 coauthors were going to take his concept above the
11 cell and molecular level, or irreducible complexity
12 is, in fact, not only a molecular concept and we
13 cannot accept Dr. Behe's view on that point.

14 Q. And have you identified an example to show
15 how this irreducible complexity does apply above the
16 molecular level?

17 A. Yes. I'll give a number of them from *Pandas*
18 just to show that they actually are there. The next
19 slide, I believe, shows several quotations from *Pandas*
20 that indicate that it applies to levels above simply
21 molecules. A quote from Page 72 indicates that
22 multi-functional adaptations where a single structure
23 or trait achieves two or more functions at once. This
24 is not restricted to the cell level.

25 A quote from Page 71 talks about, quote, the

1 total engineering requirements of an organism like the
2 giraffe, unquote. So here they are talking about the
3 whole organism, a giraffe, not simply a cell or a
4 molecule.

5 The quote from Page 66 says, quote, It has
6 not been demonstrated that mutations are able to
7 produce the highly-coordinated parts of novel
8 structures needed again and again by macroevolution.

9 Now, recall here that macroevolution, to
10 intelligent designers, is the origin of new types of
11 organisms, not of new cells, not of new molecules. So
12 they are really looking at the large-scale structural
13 tissue, organ, individual organism level. And,
14 finally, the quotation from Page 25, which I believe
15 is maybe even repeated more or less on Page 99 --

16 Q. So that's not an error, that is on Page 25?

17 A. Oh, yes, it's 25, as well.

18 Q. And this is from the introduction, overview
19 of the book?

20 A. Yes, it's from the overview of the book. It
21 says, quote, that design theories suggest that various
22 forms of life began with their distinctive features
23 already intact, fish with fins and scales, birds with
24 feathers, beaks, and wings, et cetera. So they are
25 talking about various forms of life, not molecules,

1 not cells.

2 And here's an example, just to show you a
3 page from *Pandas*, that does this with respect not to
4 the giraffe as a whole, I've already showed you how
5 they've dealt with the consummate engineering
6 requirements of the giraffe as a whole, but this is
7 just a set of structures in the giraffe's head, neck,
8 and brain.

9 Q. And could you identify the figure and page
10 number?

11 A. Oh, yes, I'm sorry. This is Figure 2.5 from
12 Pages 69 and 70.

13 Q. And that's in *Pandas*?

14 A. In *Pandas*, second edition. And so they are
15 talking about an adaptational package in the caption
16 that protects the giraffe from hemorrhaging in the
17 brain. And this is all perfectly reasonable.
18 Pressure sensors along the arteries, muscle fibers in
19 the artery walls, heavily valved veins, and the
20 arteries that approach the head they say correctly
21 branch into what's called rete mirabile, which is a
22 network of capillaries that prevents the brain from
23 exploding when it gets a flood of blood coming up to
24 it suddenly.

25 These are correctly understood by

1 physiologists as part of an adaptation of the giraffe,
2 but I just want to point out here that this is not a
3 discussion of cells and molecules, this is a
4 discussion of tissues and organs.

5 Q. Now, I want to turn to the fossil record,
6 and I've asked you to identify from the book *Of Pandas*
7 *and People* various examples where they claim that
8 certain types of organisms could not have evolved
9 naturally.

10 Can you show us where you believe that
11 *Pandas* misrepresents the science? I believe you want
12 to start with the Cambrian explosion?

13 A. Well, I'd like to start with a few examples
14 that are of some concern to scientists because the
15 representation of the science in these pages is really
16 quite different from what scientists understand and
17 understood when *Pandas* was written.

18 The next slide, I guess, starts with several
19 quotations from *Pandas* about the Cambrian explosion.
20 Now, I should explain that what is meant by the
21 Cambrian explosion is a sudden appearance of organisms
22 that are shelled marine organisms within a
23 geologically rapid time, relatively speaking, 10 to
24 30 million years as the smallest possible increment,
25 which seems like a long time to us as humans. If my

1 testimony goes very long, I think it's going to seem
2 like several million years, but --

3 THE COURT: You're doing fine so far.

4 THE WITNESS: You know, time to
5 paleontologists means something quite different than
6 it means to ecologists and normal people. But these
7 organisms appear over 500 million years ago. And we
8 find records mainly of these shelled sea creatures,
9 marine invertebrates we call them, snails and clams
10 and their relatives back in that time.

11 Before this the record is a bit more
12 difficult. It preserves different kinds of fossils
13 that are a little bit harder to suss out. And this
14 has been a really interesting area of study for
15 paleontologists, biologists, geochemists,
16 geophysicists for many, many years.

17 The way that *Pandas* treats this is to say
18 that organisms appear with these adaptational packages
19 intact at the Cambrian boundary, multicellular life
20 first flowers here. No evidence whatsoever of fossil
21 ancestors.

22 BY MR. WALCZAK:

23 Q. Now, I'm sorry, is that a direct quote from
24 *Pandas*?

25 A. This is a direct quote from *Pandas*, Page 71

1 and 72. They go on to infer directly that only an
2 intelligent designer could do this. They state, on
3 Page 94 and 95, that the great majority of these
4 animal phyla, by which is meant sort of these major
5 groups of invertebrates, the arthropods and the
6 annelids and the echinoderms and the mollusks and so
7 forth, brachiopods, appear in a remarkably brief
8 period of time, again, 10 to 30 million years.

9 We'll have recourse to that 10 to 30 figure
10 in a second. But they say they're not connected by
11 evolutionary intermediates, and there's an unexpected
12 lack of fossils bridging the evolutionary distance
13 between these phyla to document evolutionary origins
14 for them.

15 Q. What does that mean?

16 A. I'm not sure. There are some code words
17 there. I would agree that the fossil record is not
18 complete. It will never be complete. On the other
19 hand, how many intermediates do you need to suggest
20 relationships, and what do you accept as intermediate?

21 And in the previous paragraph, there is some
22 text that's even more worrisome because they say that
23 these are adaptational packages that appear at the
24 Cambrian boundary, by which they mean the boundary
25 between the pre-Cambrian and the Cambrian. They say

1 that multicellular life first flowers there, whatever
2 that means, but they say there's no evidence
3 whatsoever of fossil ancestors.

4 Q. And is that true?

5 A. Well, I think the record will show us
6 something different. Before we go to the next slide,
7 however, I want to point out at the bottom that after
8 talking about phyla, groups of phyla, these major
9 divisions of animals that are apparently having no
10 bridges between them and no ancestors, they then go on
11 to say that categories of classification are largely
12 artificial human groupings.

13 I would agree with that, but it contradicts
14 what they say in the previous passages, because if you
15 treat phyla as somehow real entities that you cannot
16 bridge, then how can you also say that these
17 categories are largely artificial?

18 The next slide shows a bit of this pedigree,
19 again from scientific creationism. A quote here from
20 Henry Morris, who is head of the Institute for
21 Scientific Creationism outside San Diego, from his
22 textbook of more than three decades ago claiming that
23 all of these kingdoms, phyla and classes unchanged
24 since life began, that things appear suddenly, no
25 incipient forms leading up to them. There may have

1 quotation, also from *Pandas*, implies quite directly
2 that there are no chains of fossils leading from lower
3 organisms to higher ones. They stress that we can
4 only accept evolution if we assume that only natural
5 causes were at work to explain these things.

6 But then they say there's another
7 possibility that science leaves open to us, and that
8 is that an intelligent cause made fully formed and
9 functional creatures which later left their traces in
10 the rocks. This is as close a definition as I could
11 come to special creation. I don't see how else you
12 could interpret that as the possibility that natural
13 processes could have gotten you from one form to
14 another.

15 Q. And you are just quoting from Pages 25 and
16 26 of *Pandas*?

17 A. This is Pages 25-26 of *Pandas*.

18 Q. And what is this slide, Professor Padian?

19 A. This diagram comes from Page 95 of the
20 second edition of *Pandas*. It's Figure 4.2. I can
21 best describe it by the caption provided, their own
22 caption, which says, This is a generalized schematic
23 of the fossil record that's designed to show the
24 Cambrian origins of nearly all animal phyla. Dotted
25 lines represent the presumed existence of phyla, not

1 the fossil record.

2 Again, I'm not sure what this chart is meant
3 to represent, because what students are not being
4 shown here or, indeed, any readers, there's no real
5 time scale on here, so the implication clearly is that
6 the vast majority of these things appeared all at once
7 at the Cambrian/pre-Cambrian boundary. Boom, there
8 they are. And if you look at that line below the
9 Cambrian, where it says pre-Cambrian, there is no
10 record whatsoever. There are no fossils as far as
11 they're concerned.

12 They say in the caption this is a
13 generalized schematic of the fossil record. They
14 don't tell you which animal groups they're talking
15 about, and they don't give you any idea that there
16 could be any possible relationships among these
17 organisms.

18 And so the question of whether that's an
19 accurate depiction of the fossil record may be
20 illustrated by this diagram from Kevin Peterson and
21 his colleagues in *Paleobiology* earlier this year.

22 Q. I'm sorry, what is that text?

23 A. *Paleobiology* is a peer-review journal in our
24 field.

25 Q. And that's 2005?

1 A. 2005. What the authors have done here is
2 essentially to turn the rock column on its side, so
3 time is now going from the lower left to the lower
4 right as we move up into the Cambrian early and late.
5 And you can see the boundary here between the Cambrian
6 and the Ediacaran period right before that.

7 Q. Professor Padian, you have a pointer, a
8 laser pointer there. It might be helpful to show
9 that.

10 A. Okay. We'll see if it works. I can see
11 that there. Okay, I can kind of see it myself. I'm
12 not sure if that's visible to you.

13 THE COURT: We can see it.

14 THE WITNESS: Okay. The dark bars here, the
15 dark black bars, are the actual fossil records of
16 organisms. The gray bars you see here, these are
17 cases where there are fossils that are supposed to be
18 this old, but they haven't been verified yet.

19 The lighter colored black bars here are
20 inferred existences that are inferred by a different
21 line of evidence. These red boxes with numbers in
22 them are dates by which scientists estimate when the
23 divergences between -- that is, the separations
24 between lines like this took place, the annelids and
25 the mollusks.

1 You may ask, how is this done? And the
2 answer is, well, molecular biology looks at the
3 configurations of genes on chromosomes. By lining up
4 the genes, the sequences of the genes are homologized
5 and matched up with each other, and the closest
6 matches and the more derived similarities, the unusual
7 features of evolution, tell us which groups are most
8 related to which.

9 Now, in the *Pandas* diagram, all of the names
10 on the right-hand side in these various colors, the
11 names of the major groups of organisms were not given,
12 and there was no indication that we had any idea that
13 these lines could be related to each other.

14 But, in fact, we had morphological ideas
15 based on fossils, on embryology, and on the shells and
16 tissues of these animals. Molecular biology has now
17 come through with a whole other wealth of data. And
18 this is --

19 BY MR. WALCZAK:

20 Q. I'm sorry, in the red boxes, those are
21 dates?

22 A. The red boxes are numbers that are estimated
23 dates of when each of the lines in question would have
24 separated from each other based on how much their
25 molecules differ or resemble each other.

1 Q. So that would be the age of the fossils?

2 A. That would be the age of the splits of the
3 lineages. The fossils may not extend back that far.
4 Sometimes they get nearly that far, and sometimes they
5 don't.

6 The fossils are represented by the little
7 purple boxes below the slide here. There you see the
8 purple boxes at the bottom. And, for example, here at
9 about 600, we have listed the oldest metazoans.
10 Metazoans are multicellular animals with several
11 distinct tissue layers, so they would include actually
12 all the animals here on this slide except the bottom
13 two, and the bottom two, as their names suggest, are
14 sponges.

15 And it turns out that the molecular date
16 shows a divergence time at about 604 years. The
17 oldest metazoans are dated, estimated in the fossil
18 record at this date, as well.

19 Q. I'm sorry, you said 604 years. That's
20 604 million years?

21 A. Million years, yeah. The next slide I think
22 will give an indication of not so much the
23 relationships of these organisms, but of the fact
24 that, indeed, before the so-called Cambrian explosion,
25 there was a lot of evolution.

1 For example, the Cambrian explosion listed
2 here in yellow -- and I'm not sure if I can make
3 this -- yeah. The Cambrian explosion here of
4 skeletonized animals is seen by scientists as really
5 mostly a preservational artifact, although a lot of
6 evolution is going on. But this is the point in
7 history in which a lot of skeletons begin to be
8 preserved, where before this we're not getting that
9 much.

10 So the Cambrian explosion here is occurring
11 along this yellow bar from about the Cambrian boundary
12 well up into over 520 million years ago. It's not a
13 single abrupt process but rather it's a process that
14 takes quite a long time.

15 Even after this so-called Cambrian
16 explosion, there are amazing preservations of fossils,
17 soft-bodied critters that show us remains that we
18 don't find earlier just because they're not preserved.
19 It's very difficult to preserve fossils.

20 And at this Cambrian boundary where,
21 according to works like *Pandas*, there are no fossils
22 before that, there are no transitions, there are no
23 possible ancestors, well, one of the things I pointed
24 out before is that, you know, we're not always looking
25 for direct ancestors, we're finding things that have

1 the same features as the organisms that we're trying
2 to understand the relationships of.

3 And so this pre-Cambrian record is actually
4 quite interesting. We have fossilized animal burrows,
5 and the burrows of these animals go in sort of
6 all sorts of curvy lines and wavy lines that indicate
7 that the animals were proceeding front to back, so
8 they were what we call bilaterian, that is, two-sided
9 things like us, like snails, like worms, like things
10 that are -- have a left and a right side. This is the
11 way they walk.

12 So even though we didn't have their shells
13 or other remains of them, we have their burrows that
14 could only have been made by complex metazoans that
15 were also bilaterians, that is, two-sided animals. We
16 can even go back --

17 Q. I'm sorry, and those have been dated before
18 the Cambrian boundary?

19 A. Oh, yes. Everything that you see at the
20 Cambrian boundary is over 540 million years old, and
21 these are things that are still older than that.

22 Q. And on the right-hand side of this slide,
23 there are several photographs. Can you tell us what
24 those are?

25 A. These are photographs of the actual fossils.

1 This is the actual fossil evidence that is preserved.
2 These are taken from, in some cases, peer-reviewed
3 books and journals and in some cases Web sites where
4 the specimens are well known from other sources.

5 I want to point out that at about
6 590 million years there's a little dot there where it
7 says "fossil metazoan embryos" at the bottom of the
8 slide, and there's a picture of one of them.

9 This is a really amazing find because it
10 shows us that some 50 million years before the
11 Cambrian boundary and even longer before some of the
12 Cambrian explosion took place, we have evidence of
13 metazoan embryos. By that we mean the embryos of
14 organisms that belong to one of the groups I showed in
15 the previous slide.

16 How do we know this? We know this because
17 the embryos themselves have characteristics of
18 metazoans. They are not simply one-celled organisms.
19 And if there are these embryos then, then there are
20 metazoans present. That doesn't mean that there are
21 full-blown trilobites and snails and brachiopods and
22 so forth, but it does mean that there was some kind of
23 metazoan life.

24 Q. And is this well established in science?

25 A. Oh, yes. It's the subject of countless

1 articles and books and papers. And a few of them just
2 are here, along with a recent book by Jim Valentine,
3 who is emeritus professor in my department, member of
4 the National Academy of Science, and one of the four
5 or five most important paleobiologists of the last
6 century, and he treated this problem and all its
7 ramifications in depth.

8 Q. And if you could just read the titles and
9 the journals from which they came into the record.

10 A. The top one is, *Fossils, Molecules, and*
11 *Embryos: New Perspectives on the Cambrian Explosion.*
12 This comes from a journal called *Development.*

13 Now, *Development* is about developmental
14 biology. Would you expect to see fossils in
15 developmental biology? Well, as I said before, this
16 is the new age of integrative biology. Fossils are
17 really important to all kinds of evolutionary study.
18 They're incredibly indispensable to this sort of work.

19 A paper below that from *Integrative and*
20 *Comparative Biology*, which is, again, not a
21 paleontological journal, by Nick Butterfield called,
22 *Exceptional Fossil Preservation and the Cambrian*
23 *Explosion*, because we see this as a problem of
24 preservation, not just of quick evolution. Both
25 things are going on here.

1 And, finally, below in a journal called
2 *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, again, not a
3 journal you'd think the average rock hound would be
4 publishing in, but we have *Current Advances in the*
5 *Phylogenetic Reconstruction of Metazoan Evolution, a*
6 *New Paradigm for the Cambrian Explosion?*

7 And these are all journals and articles that
8 show the integration of molecular techniques with the
9 fossil record, with developmental biology, and this is
10 why it's one of the most exciting areas you'll find.

11 Q. And so the statements you've read to us a
12 few minutes ago about the way *Pandas* characterizes the
13 Cambrian boundary and says that there are no fossil
14 ancestors before that boundary, that's not supported
15 by the state of science today?

16 A. Well, as we can see, there are some
17 metazoans that appear well before the Cambrian
18 boundary. If you are looking for direct ancestors, if
19 you insist on an unbroken stream of intermediate
20 fossils to document a case, I'm afraid that that's
21 going to be difficult to get under any circumstances,
22 but it's also equally impossible for the historical
23 record of humans.

24 If we had to come up with evidence of every
25 one of our direct linear or collateral ancestors and

1 know everything about them, it would be impossible,
2 yet we don't question the parentage of our friends and
3 neighbors because they can't do that.

4 Q. Now, we talked about the evolution of
5 invertebrates. Can you talk to us about how *Pandas*
6 portrays the evolution of vertebrates?

7 A. Yes, I would like to talk a bit about some
8 of the major transitions that are discussed in *Pandas*
9 that relate to backboned animals, which are closer to
10 home, as far as we're concerned, because we belong
11 among the backboned vertebrates. The text from *Pandas*
12 says that fossil types are --

13 Q. I'm sorry, are you quoting?

14 A. I'm quoting from Page 22. Fossil types are
15 fully formed and functional when they first appear in
16 the fossil record. For example, we don't find
17 creatures that are partly fish and partly something
18 else leading to today's fish.

19 They say, Instead, fish have all the
20 characteristics of today's fish from the earliest
21 known fish fossils, reptiles in the record have all
22 the characteristics of present-day reptiles, and so
23 on. This is, again, the abrupt appearance theory,
24 sudden appearance complex adaptive packages,
25 irreducible complexity argument.

1 Q. So this says fish were formed intact?

2 A. Yeah, pretty much, yep. Here is their
3 treatment of amphibians.

4 Q. And this is a slide from Page 104 of *Pandas*?

5 A. Page 104, yes. They say at the upper left
6 column, Darwinists believe that the first amphibians
7 evolved from early fish. "Darwinists believe," that's
8 problematic language. It suggests to students that
9 these are just matters of faith without any evidence.
10 And for myself, I'd prefer to reserve matters of
11 belief and faith for things that are not tested
12 empirically.

13 The *Pandas* authors say in the next paragraph
14 that if Crossopterygians, by which they mean the
15 fish-like things, really did evolve into amphibians,
16 by which they mean the first animals that came on
17 land, tremendous changes must have taken place. Fins
18 must have been transformed into four limbs, the skull
19 had to change from two parts to a single solid piece.
20 The hipbones had to enlarge and become attached to the
21 backbone. Numerous changes must also have occurred in
22 other soft tissues and so on.

23 They say in the next paragraph, How many
24 different transitional species were required to bridge
25 the gap? Hundreds even thousands? We don't know, but

1 we do know that no such transitional species have been
2 recovered.

3 Q. The next slide, is this a diagram from
4 *Pandas*?

5 A. This is a diagram from *Pandas* of two forms
6 from the fossil record. Eusthenopteron, which they
7 take to be a fish, and Ichthyostega, which they take to
8 be an amphibian. Eusthenopteron doesn't look much
9 like any fish you know. Neither does Ichthyostega look
10 much like any living amphibian. But in naming them
11 like this, the editors, authors of *Pandas* are really
12 giving them assignments to different whole groups of
13 organisms and suggesting that the transition between
14 them would be very difficult to achieve.

15 Certainly there are differences between
16 these two skeletons. There are differences in the way
17 they're drawn, as well as many features of their
18 specimens that we find in the fossil record. And the
19 next slide --

20 Q. I'm sorry, and that was from Page 103 of
21 *Pandas*?

22 A. Yes. We've prepared some slides that show a
23 bit more accurately the way that scientists understand
24 this fossil record. What we've done here is to take
25 the text from *Pandas* on Pages 103 and 104, but to

1 illustrate our illustration of some of the major
2 fossil animals that are known that move from aquatic,
3 fish-like critters, up into the first animals that
4 appear on land.

5 We're including in this Eusthenopteron,
6 which is the second guy from the bottom left, and
7 Ichthyostega, which is three more guys up to the right
8 from him, which are the two animals you saw in the
9 last slide in *Pandas*. *Pandas* is giving you two
10 animals and inviting you to draw contrasts between
11 them. What we'd like to do is show the evidence that
12 scientists have to show comparisons and to show the
13 transitional features that the *Pandas* authors say do
14 not exist.

15 So, for example, the text in the upper left
16 taken again from *Pandas* insists in blue that no
17 transitional species have been recovered.

18 Q. Could you read that please, that quote?

19 A. It says, How many different transitional
20 species were required to bridge this gap? We don't
21 know, but we do know that no such transitional species
22 have been recovered.

23 Now, here, of course, we're going to focus
24 on what are you defining as a transitional species?
25 Does it have to be a direct ancestor, does it have to

1 be intermediate in all features? Do you have to know
2 that it had the same genetic antecedent composition
3 and therefore could only have been the great, great,
4 great, great, great, great grandfather of the next
5 animal along the way?

6 That seems like a very difficult standard of
7 evidence to live up to. We can't do that with humans
8 most of the time, and I'd be surprised if we could do
9 it with animals that are 350, 400 million years old.

10 The next slide looks a lot like the one you
11 just saw. The *Pandas* authors say in blue that there
12 are two large gaps in the fossil record that we're
13 talking about here. One is between ordinary fish and
14 Crossopterygians, what they would regard as the
15 organisms that are closest to the land animals, and an
16 even larger second gap between these lobed-finned fish
17 and amphibians, again, the transition to life on land.

18 This slide just points out where the
19 ray-finned fish are on the left. Ray-finned fish
20 include the 25,000-odd species of fish that live today
21 that we would all think of as fish, that is, tunas,
22 trout, salmon, monkfish, angler fish, catfish. It
23 would not include sharks, for example, which are
24 cartilaginous animals. And it doesn't include any of
25 the animals you see running along the right side of

1 this slide. No one thinks that an animal like a trout
2 directly gave rise to an animal like a frog.

3 Q. When you say "no one," no one in science?

4 A. No one in science, but I don't think any
5 creationist obviously wouldn't think so, either. But
6 scientists don't think this. Rather, we find that
7 ray-finned fishes, this great radiation of 25,000
8 species today reaching back into the remote past, have
9 a long history that's independent from the other
10 watery creatures, so to speak. And, in fact, their
11 histories are quite separate.

12 The two little crosses below the ray-finned
13 fish and the two little crosses to the left of the
14 lungfish are representations of two pairs of fossil
15 species are that listed on the right-hand side. We
16 call them stem taxa because they are ancient
17 relatives. Their names here, just for a couple of
18 examples, Moythomasia and Howqualepis. The names are
19 really unimportant. And on the other side, Psarolepis
20 and Achoania. Again, the names are unimportant.

21 But it just goes to show you that we have
22 extinct relatives outside the lungfish. We have
23 extinct relatives outside the ray-finned fishes that
24 indicate that the ray-fins are not directly ancestral
25 to the lungfish and all the other animals on the right

1 side. They are rather a separate evolutionary branch,
2 and they have been since way back in the Devonian, 400
3 or so million years ago.

4 The next slide talks a bit about another
5 transition here where the *Pandas* authors note that
6 fins must have transformed into four limbs, which is
7 certainly fair enough, but they say that no such
8 transitional species have been recovered.

9 Well, again, here is this cladogram that you
10 see here. And I want to stress, as I did before, that
11 the cladogram in question, that is, the way that we
12 have -- the way that we have developed the
13 relationships of the lungfish, the Eusthenopteron,
14 Panderichthys, and all the other animals on this slide
15 are not just based on a couple of features, they're
16 based on dozens and dozens and dozens of skeletal
17 characters of which we're only going to show a few.
18 But this is backed up by a lot more evidence in
19 peer-reviewed publications that I'll show you at the
20 end of this.

21 The *Pandas* authors say that no such
22 transitional species have been recovered, but, in
23 fact, we have indications here, beginning with
24 Eusthenopteron, of a limb that is a very interesting
25 limb with branching bones in it.

1 Q. I'm sorry, the photograph just below the
2 blue text on *Pandas* there, what is that?

3 A. That's a photograph of a limb of
4 Eusthenopteron. And you'll have to excuse me, I'm
5 showing you some Paleozoic road-kill. That's the best
6 way I can describe it. It's pretty ugly. But I
7 wanted to show you the actual fossils so you could see
8 that we have them and then to show you next to that a
9 drawing of what these bones actually are.

10 This doesn't look much like an arm of any
11 animal today, but scientists have been able to compare
12 the elements, which we've put here in the same colors,
13 by the process of homology, which I'll talk to you
14 about later. And there really is no dispute about the
15 fact that these are, in fact, the precursors of limbs
16 that we see in animals today, the same kinds of
17 structures, the humerus here in yellow, the radius,
18 and ulna, which are, I guess, in green, and then some
19 of the features that become parts of the hand and the
20 other digits in a darker color there.

21 You can also see that in the course of
22 evolution, animals that begin having eight digits,
23 such as *Acanthostega* here, reduce to seven digits, to
24 six digits, and to five digits. I don't know how we
25 could find anything more in the way of transitional

1 forms or features unless we went to six and
2 three-quarters or five and a half digits. But, I
3 mean, that may be as good as we'll get in the fossil
4 record in terms of a transition.

5 So we do have a very clear change, not just
6 in the reductions of digits, but you'll also notice
7 that they look a lot more digital-like the closer you
8 get to the animals that we recognize as living
9 amphibians and so forth.

10 In contrast, above, when *Pandas* teaches this
11 to students, it gives them two animals and invites
12 them to draw contrasts. It essentially does not
13 identify any of the bones, does not indicate that you
14 could have any identification between those two bones,
15 places them in different positions, reconstructs an
16 outline for them that may not be unreasonable, but
17 it's certainly in a different orientation.

18 And its function, the cumulative effect is
19 really to sort of confuse students, and certainly I'm
20 confused looking at it about what I'm supposed to take
21 out of a diagram like this, except the fact that, boy,
22 these are different, and I don't see how we could get
23 from one way to the other. It would have been so much
24 nicer if they had used a diagram like the one at the
25 bottom or acknowledged that we did at least have some

1 transitional features that we could discuss.

2 Q. And that's Figure 4.9 from *Pandas* at the top
3 of the slide?

4 A. That is Figure 4.9. The next slide is
5 another feature. The *Pandas* authors, as noted before,
6 said the skull had to change from two parts to a
7 single solid piece, but, again, no such transitional
8 species have been recovered.

9 Q. And, I'm sorry, that's what *Pandas* authors
10 say?

11 A. That's what *Pandas* says, yeah. But as you
12 can see, on this slide we can go easily from two
13 mobile parts to two immobile parts to two parts that
14 are fused and lack a ventral gap, that is, a one-part
15 skull, to all the remaining vertebrates which have a
16 one-part skull. This is a perfectly reasonable
17 transition, morphologically and physically, and it's
18 difficult to see how you could become any more
19 transitional than this.

20 Q. So these are transitional fossil forms that
21 have --

22 A. These are drawings of actual specimens and
23 reconstructions of them from the scientific
24 literature.

25 The next slide I think will indicate that

1 although the *Pandas* authors say that the hipbones had
2 to enlarge and become attached to the backbone, no
3 such transitional species have been recovered,
4 according to the *Pandas* authors.

5 But we can see, moving from *Eusthenopteron*
6 up through *Acanthostega* and *Ichthyostega*, that, in
7 fact, you can go from small, unattached hind limbs and
8 hipbones to become somewhat larger as you can see in
9 *Acanthostega* and attached to the backbone by what we
10 call a sacral rib. Our sacroiliac is the human
11 equivalent of that.

12 And as you can see in *Ichthyostega* and other
13 animals, it gets even larger, expanded and attached to
14 the backbone as these animals begin to use their limbs
15 more in support of the skeleton. And as they come out
16 on land, this will be even more important, as it is,
17 of course, in the living animals which -- almost all
18 of which have at least two sacral ribs attaching to
19 their backbones.

20 So I think the next slide is just a
21 depiction of some of the references from the
22 scientific peer-reviewed literature from which the
23 slides I've just shown you have given us the
24 information.

25 Q. Could you just maybe read a couple of the

1 titles into the record, please?

2 A. Yes. Fins to Limbs, What the Fossils Say,
3 that appeared in *Evolution & Development*. Again, you
4 can see where paleontology and developmental biology
5 are seeing a great cooperation and a great number of
6 new insights. From Fins to Fingers, again, a paper
7 published in *Science* by Jenny Clack, who is a
8 paleontologist at Cambridge. Fish-Like Gills and
9 Breathing in the Earliest Known Tetrapod. So we can
10 actually find fossil evidence even of some soft
11 tissues which tell us a bit about these sorts of
12 things. And I'd like to point out that these works
13 are published in *Nature*, in *Science*, in the *Bulletin*
14 *of the British Museum of Natural History*, and in the
15 *Philosophical Transactions of the Royal Society of*
16 *London*, among other publications.

17 Q. Dr. Padian, I note that some of these
18 articles appear to be pretty old, for instance, Fins
19 to Limbs appears to have been published in 1969,
20 *Bulletin of the British Museum* is 1984. These were
21 published before *Pandas* was written.

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. So the fact that there were, in fact,
24 transitional fossils is something that was known to
25 scientists at the time *Pandas* was being written and

1 was published?

2 A. Yes. There were many fossils that had
3 transitional features that were available in the
4 scientific literature, as scientists understood them.
5 And so for whatever reason, these were not included by
6 the authors of *Pandas*. Perhaps they didn't accept it
7 as evidence.

8 Q. And do you know why in *Pandas* they would
9 misrepresent, it seems, or not accurately portray the
10 state of scientific knowledge at the time?

11 A. Well, the *Pandas* book, as noted, promotes
12 the view of intelligent design, which they state here
13 means that various forms of life began abruptly
14 through an intelligent agency with their distinctive
15 features already intact, fish with fins and scales,
16 birds with feathers, beaks, and wings, et cetera. I
17 believe this is from maybe Page 99.

18 Q. That's right. And what you've just shown us
19 is an evolutionary pathway?

20 A. Well, this is sort of worrisome, because
21 scientists would interpret this as an evolutionary
22 pathway, and intelligent design seems to be excluding
23 the possibility that you can actually get those
24 pathways. Now, we should note that as you pointed
25 out, some of those publications I just showed were

1 available when *Pandas* was written and some of them
2 appeared afterward.

3 But it worries me that students would be
4 told that they have to make a conclusion in advance of
5 all the evidence that you can't get from A to B,
6 essentially, by natural means. This quotation from
7 *Pandas* says, Should we close our minds to the
8 possibility that the various types of plants and
9 animals were intelligently designed? This alternative
10 suggests that a reasonable natural cause explanation
11 for origins may never be found and that intelligent
12 design best fits the data.

13 And so the question I would have is, what is
14 a kid supposed to think when you tell him that you
15 can't get from Point A to Point B and then evidence is
16 uncovered that shows that, well, in fact, it looks
17 pretty conceivable you can get from Point A to Point B
18 and we're not making up this stuff.

19 Is a student supposed to say, well, gee, I
20 guess there's no designer? Or is the student supposed
21 to say, well, I guess the methods of intelligent
22 design are really not very good? Or is he supposed to
23 conclude something else? The intelligent design
24 proponents provide no guidance on this.

25 Q. So when *Pandas* asserts that fish must have

1 been created abruptly intact with fins and scales,
2 really science has refuted that proposition?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And in the passage which I think virtually
5 every expert witness has focused on in this trial,
6 Page 99 to 100, when they talk about fish being formed
7 abruptly and the other animal that's mentioned there
8 is birds with wings, feathers, and beaks already
9 intact, can you talk to us about whether or not there
10 is an evolutionary pathway, natural explanation for
11 the evolution of birds?

12 A. Well, I'd be delighted to, if I can look at
13 the next slide. As it turns out, when I went to
14 graduate school, my advisor there, John Ostrom, is the
15 person who actually established the origin of birds
16 from carnivorous dinosaurs. And this became very well
17 accepted over the next several years. We are now 30
18 years on into that, and it is one of the great
19 achievements of 20th Century paleontology and that
20 kind of science.

21 And I did work on this myself in the course
22 of 30 years of research, the origin of birds and the
23 origin of flight and of feathers. And so I'd like to
24 show a little bit about what science has understood
25 about this.

1 The next slide, I believe, gives you two
2 quotes from *Pandas*, along with a picture of
3 Archaeopteryx, which is the first known bird. It's
4 about 150 million years old. It comes from Germany.
5 It's a beautiful fossil. This is the Berlin specimen.
6 It's known from a number of specimens, seven or eight
7 now.

8 And as you can see, it's got beautiful
9 wings, feathers, look very modern in their appearance,
10 and yet Archaeopteryx has a long bony tail, its skull
11 still has teeth, it's got various configurations of
12 bones that we don't find in birds today. Many of the
13 bones of its hand and foot are not fused like the
14 bones of living birds. And so it's been known since
15 its discovery in the 1860s, the time of the Civil War,
16 right after Darwin published the *Origin of Species*,
17 that scientists have accepted this as an animal that
18 shows a lot of intermediate characteristics between
19 birds and other animals, particularly certain kinds of
20 reptiles.

21 Q. And what does *Pandas* say about this?

22 A. Well, *Pandas* says that there is no gradual
23 series of fossils that lead from fish to amphibians or
24 from reptiles to birds, rather these animals are fully
25 formed.

1 Q. And you were quoting from Page 106 of
2 *Pandas*?

3 A. 106, yeah. And that's one problem that they
4 come up with. And a second problem that they talk
5 about on Page 22 is that -- is their bemoaning the
6 lack of fossils that show scales developing the
7 property of feathers. They say, then we would have
8 more to go on, but the fossil record gives no evidence
9 for such changes.

10 I've picked out these two quotes because I
11 want to emphasize that in the first case, there was
12 very good evidence for the evolution of birds from
13 dinosaurs when they wrote *Pandas*. And in the second
14 case, they were right at the time, we did not have
15 very many fossils that showed anything about the
16 origin of feathers.

17 But in the past decade, we've had a bunch of
18 remarkable fossils that have. And so this raises the
19 question again of, if you tell children that you can't
20 get there from here and then evidence is found, what
21 are you going to do?

22 The next slide, I believe, talks about some
23 of the -- this is really just a montage of a few, I
24 mean, it's just a very few of the papers about
25 feathered dinosaurs, dinosaurs that are not birds,

1 they didn't fly, but they had various kinds of very
2 rudimentary feathers.

3 And these have been discovered in a
4 remarkable deposit in Northeastern China, the first
5 one in 1996, so this was after *Pandas* was written.
6 And so we wouldn't expect those authors to know
7 anything about these discoveries, but it just goes to
8 show that there are some really interesting things
9 that crop up.

10 Q. And could you just read into the record the
11 titles of some of these?

12 A. An Exceptionally Well-Preserved Theropod
13 Dinosaur from the Yixian Formation of China. This is
14 a dinosaur with feathers. The next one is Two
15 Feathered Dinosaurs from Northeastern China. Another
16 one here is Branched Integumental Structures in
17 *Sinornithosaurus* and the Origin of Feathers.

18 Q. In what type of journals were these
19 published in?

20 A. These happen to be taken all from the
21 journal *Nature*, which is one of those two magazines
22 that I noted that all scientists are going to read
23 every week. They're the most prestigious journals to
24 publish in.

25 Q. And what you're going to show us now about

1 the evolution of feathers is taken based on these
2 peer-reviewed --

3 A. These and many others, yes. In the next
4 series of slides, if I may, I'd like to show you three
5 things going on at once, because I want to tell you
6 that this is not simply a matter of speculation or of
7 isolated observation and inference, that this comes
8 from independent lines of evidence, not just the
9 fossil record.

10 What I've done in this series of slides is
11 to take, on the left, one of those hat rack cladograms
12 that show you the relationships of organisms, and
13 again I've turned it on its side. So you can see that
14 Archaeopteryx and modern birds are on the bottom, and
15 that successively the groups above them are various
16 dinosaur groups that are closely related to them.

17 I want to stress that this scheme of
18 relationships, again, is based on dozens and dozens of
19 characteristics that are not controversial to any
20 extent in the scientific community, and whereas we do
21 have uncertainties about some of the minor
22 relationships among these animals, this is the scheme
23 that is generally accepted by paleontologists.

24 On the upper right, I want to show you a
25 series of pictures that were taken from an article in

1 *Scientific American* that reflects the work of Rick
2 Prum at Yale and Alan Brush and Scott Williamson and
3 their coauthors on the development of feathers, that
4 is, how feathers develop in living birds.

5 And the reason for doing this is to couple
6 this with a series of slides I'm going to show you on
7 the bottom, which are of fossils of feathered
8 dinosaurs, that is, dinosaurs that are not birds but
9 that have feathers or some structures that are
10 rudimentary feathers.

11 And what I want to show you is that as we
12 proceed on the left up the tree leading to birds, we
13 will also see that the feathers that are found in
14 these little carnivorous dinosaurs in the lower right
15 are becoming more and more complex and that they are
16 reflecting the complexification of feather structure
17 seen in the series of diagrams in the upper right as
18 feathers develop embryologically.

19 So we're actually looking at phylogeny or
20 relationships on the left, we're looking at fossils on
21 the right, and we're looking at developmental
22 structures and embryology on the upper left -- upper
23 right, I mean. Fair enough? Okay.

24 Then in this stage, we see a little animal
25 in the lower right, and that black fuzz that seems to

1 be going along its backbone is recognized as the most
2 basal traces of things that are going to become
3 feathers. And these structures are hair-like. They
4 look like the structures in the upper right. There
5 has been observation suggesting that they are even
6 hollow in their structure. And we find these at that
7 point in the cladogram noted at Stage 1 on the
8 left-hand side.

9 The next slide should show us Stage 2. Now
10 we've just jumped up a notch in the cladogram. And
11 here we're beginning to find not just these single
12 filamentous features, but also feathers that begin to
13 branch and begin to have different kinds of tufts
14 involved with them. The specimen on the lower right I
15 realize is a road-kill and it's difficult to
16 interpret, but let me see if I can just give you a
17 sense of -- there we go. Down here we have bones of
18 the backbone, tail. And these black and white marks
19 up in here are remnants of these branched, feathery
20 structures that appear in these dinosaurs.

21 The next slide shows a further
22 complexification of feathers in the next step up on
23 the cladogram toward birds in which we have a gaggle
24 of feathers there in the center. These are just a
25 group of feathers that have, as you might be able to

1 see, a central sort of stalk where you can see all
2 these things gather in the middle. You can see this
3 happening in the early development of a feather in the
4 upper right. And then you see the feather
5 differentiating into veins along a central stalk, just
6 like you see in the next stage of the development of a
7 feather in a bird that lives today.

8 The next slide, again, at this stage we also
9 see another kind of feather that is a feather that is
10 organized very well into veins on each side. And
11 these veins are very well organized along the central
12 stalk. In this fossil I've shown you in the middle,
13 you can see perhaps faintly the outline of these black
14 and white structures radiating off along this white
15 stripe, which is the central axis of the feathers.

16 And so these are several feathers from the
17 tail of one of these animals that are just bunched up
18 right next to each other in one of these fossils.
19 And, again, this is mirrored also in the progress of
20 development from the feather from a single follicle
21 bud up to a complete feather that we'd see today.

22 The final stages I want to show you as we
23 get closer to birds is a feather in which the veins
24 are asymmetrical, that is, one side of the feather is
25 bigger and the other side is smaller. And this is

1 seen in birds today, but it's also seen in some of the
2 other carnivorous dinosaurs that are close to birds,
3 but not in all of them.

4 So, again, what we're seeing is as we move
5 up the cladogram towards birds, we go from the
6 simplest filamentous feathers up to more complex
7 structures that are then gathered and around a central
8 stalk that produce veins. These are interlocked by
9 barbs and barbules, and they eventually become the
10 aerodynamic structures that birds use in their wings.

11 But I'd like to point out, if I can, in the
12 next slide that the obvious question is, what are they
13 doing with these feathers before they're flying? And
14 the evidence that we found in the fossil record in the
15 last ten years indicates beyond any reasonable
16 question that feathers did not evolve for flight.
17 Flight was an afterthought for birds. They somehow
18 acquired that adaptation later on.

19 What do we know about those first little
20 hairy feathers that we're looking at? Well, one thing
21 we know is, if you put a fur coat on somebody, they're
22 going to stay warmer. And this little covering of
23 dense fibers is going to give you insulation. That
24 tells us something about the metabolic status of these
25 animals even then.

1 Another thing is, you may have noticed some
2 dark and light color patterns on those feathers. The
3 fossils preserve this. What good are color patterns?
4 Well, on these animals, they could serve as
5 camouflage, as display, or even to help them recognize
6 species.

7 I'm going to show you another function in a
8 second that indicates that these animals were also
9 using the feathers to shelter the eggs as they brooded
10 their young. And these are all examples of what we
11 call exaptation and evolution. And by that I mean
12 that a structure evolves for one purpose, but it's
13 selected, in turn, to acquire a second purpose,
14 without, of course, losing the first one instantly.
15 It will retain the first one.

16 And as it develops the second one, because
17 it has the ecological opportunity or the pressure to
18 do so, that second structure, that second function,
19 may become more and more important to the structure,
20 it may be selected to change more to accommodate this
21 new function. And this is how exaptation works to
22 change one kind of function into another through
23 evolution.

24 Q. You have at the top there, What good is a
25 half wing? What do you mean by that?

1 A. Well, if you just -- this is the question
2 that has always been asked of evolutionists. St.
3 George Mivart asked this of Darwin in the 1870s, what
4 good is half a wing?

5 And the answer is, well, if you don't think
6 of it as something you have to use to fly with, you
7 can find out other functions if you just let the
8 evidence tell you. And these are some of the lines of
9 evidence. I will briefly show, if I may, a couple of
10 these other functions.

11 The next slide provides some additional
12 evidence of the other problem we talked about, not so
13 much feathers, but the question of the evolution of
14 birds. We have tremendous evidence on this, but one
15 line of evidence comes from the hand itself. If you
16 look at the hand of crocodiles, they have got five
17 fingers. If you go all the way over to the left, you
18 see Archaeopteryx, the first bird, that has only
19 three.

20 Well, again, here's a cladogram of
21 relationship diagrams of how these organisms are
22 related based on many, many characteristics. And as
23 we move up from the crocodiles through the various
24 kinds of dinosaurs, we see that the fourth and the
25 fifth finger, first the fifth and then the fourth,

1 become reduced and finally lost, until, when you get
2 up to animals like Allosaurus, Deinonicus, and
3 Archaeopteryx, they have only three fingers, and those
4 are the first three fingers. The second finger is the
5 longest, and you can see that through time, these
6 fingers and the hand bones become even longer and more
7 gracile.

8 Those three fingers that you see in
9 Archaeopteryx at the end are still separate fingers,
10 but in birds today, they're fused up. You would know
11 them better as the pointy part of the wing in the
12 Kentucky fried chicken.

13 So if you were to dissect your Kentucky
14 fried chicken, which I don't recommend, but I can tell
15 you about turkeys and Thanksgiving, which is a lot of
16 fun, you will find that you can get to the individual
17 hand bones, we can watch the bird develop, and these
18 are individual bones that later become fused. And
19 this is because the bird is no longer using its hand
20 for anything except flight. It's not using its
21 fingers to pick up things or claw or scratch anymore.

22 And early in the evolution of birds, when
23 they dedicated themselves to flying with the four
24 limbs and very little else, there was no further need
25 to use these fingers for anything, and it made more

1 sense to fuse them into position rather than use
2 muscles to hold them there. And this is the evidence
3 that we have of how these organs evolve.

4 The next slide, I believe, will give us one
5 more thing about feathers and behavior, too. This is
6 a dinosaur, an extraordinary ostrich dinosaur
7 relative. It's an Oviraptor dinosaur. The name isn't
8 important. But one thing you can see about this
9 specimen, which is very beautiful, it comes from the
10 Cretaceous of Mongolia, is that in the photograph at
11 the top, I'm going to show you, here is the right arm,
12 here is the humerus, the bones of the forearm, and
13 three clawed fingers of the right hand. Moving over
14 to the other side, the arm comes out here, and here
15 are the three clawed fingers of the left hand.

16 These white objects you see in this specimen
17 are eggs. And here is the hind limb and the foot on
18 the left side. Here is the hind limb and foot of the
19 right side. Here is part of the tail. And the
20 animal's rib cage is in here. There are more eggs
21 underneath this animal. This critter was brooding its
22 eggs in exactly the same position that hens brood
23 their eggs today.

24 Furthermore -- well, one thing to draw from
25 this is that some behaviors that we associate with

1 birds did not evolve with birds, they actually
2 apparently were already present in the dinosaurian
3 relatives of birds, and they simply were passed on to
4 birds as they evolved.

5 But the other thing this shows is a funny
6 thing. The fingers, you'll notice, are spread so as
7 to cover the eggs. And in the fossil relatives of
8 this particular dinosaur, not this specimen because
9 they aren't preserved, but we have feathers in other
10 Oviraptor dinosaurs that come off the fingers that are
11 long and gracile. And if this particular dinosaur had
12 preserved its feathers, it would have been using them
13 to shelter the eggs as it brooded them. This is
14 evidence of behavior, not just of structure, that we
15 can find very anciently in the fossil record.

16 The next slide, I believe, shows an equally
17 extraordinary find. And this is of a dinosaur, not a
18 bird. He looks a lot like a bird, but he's in a
19 sleeping position. And what is unusual about this
20 critter is that here's its skull here with its big eye
21 right here, and here's its little beak and its tail,
22 bones like this. Up here are the arm bones of the
23 left arm. And what this animal is doing -- his tail
24 end is back this way and his front end is really to
25 the left, but he's tucked his head and neck underneath

1 his left arm. In other words, he's sleeping like a
2 bird does. This is not a bird. This is a little
3 carnivorous dinosaur that's close to birds.

4 So, again, there is remarkable evidence that
5 not just the structures of birds, but the behaviors of
6 birds can sometimes be found in the fossil record and
7 they precede birds. They actually are more general.
8 They apply to the fossil record of many dinosaurs, as
9 well.

10 Q. And, again, this is all based on
11 peer-reviewed research?

12 A. The paper you see there is from *Nature*.

13 Q. And so do scientists today understand that,
14 in fact, birds evolved and were not created abruptly?

15 A. In fact, that they evolved from small
16 carnivorous dinosaurs sometime in the middle or late
17 Jurassic period about 150 million years ago.

18 MR. WALCZAK: You Honor, I know there have
19 been a number of references to food here. I have one
20 more very short topic that I'd like to cover with
21 Professor Padian, and that will be a good place to
22 break.

23 THE COURT: After that point?

24 MR. WALCZAK: Yes.

25 THE COURT: That's fine. I thought we'd go

1 to about no later than 12:15, but if it takes longer
2 than that, that's fine. Let's break at whatever point
3 you think is logical so that we don't break up the
4 testimony unnecessarily.

5 BY MR. WALCZAK:

6 Q. Professor Padian, you talked about this
7 change of function, and I think you used the term
8 "exaptation."

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Is that a biological concept that's well
11 established?

12 A. Yes, it is.

13 Q. And how do intelligent design proponents
14 deal with exaptation?

15 A. Well, as far as I can tell, they don't
16 really. It's very difficult for them to deal with
17 exaptation because it implies that you can take a
18 structure and change its function to a new function.
19 And the whole purpose of intelligent design is to
20 identify structures and functions that are too complex
21 to have changed naturally from an antecedent state to
22 a new state.

23 I believe that the evidence that I'm
24 providing here is trying to show that we have, piece
25 by piece, assembly of major adaptations. I believe

1 that we've shown that with the transition of swimming
2 animals up into the animals that came onto land, for
3 example, a very good transition of features step by
4 step by step, and that it isn't like an adaptational
5 package of land animals that had to be assembled
6 abruptly, but rather that structures are changed in
7 their function.

8 So, for example, the fin of a fish moves up
9 and down and helps it to negotiate the water, that is,
10 to push water, pass it or to steer and do things like
11 that in a medium that's a thousand times denser than
12 air.

13 How do you get from that to an animal that
14 puts its limbs under its body and stands on this limb?
15 Well, as we've seen, what happens in the evolution of
16 limbs from basic fins is that these bones become
17 stouter and stronger. Their articulations change.
18 They begin to be able to be much more able to support
19 weight, and they change from having a lot of those
20 individual sort of rays that you see in any fish fin
21 to a fewer number of things that are covered by flesh.
22 In fact, these are the fleshy fins that we have, our
23 hands. They're exactly the same structures.

24 And we saw from the slides that these
25 structures, the numbers of fingers, how they

1 articulate, change in a very step-like pattern, not in
2 an abrupt way at all. So the answer is that
3 intelligent design proponents, this is the last thing
4 they want to hear, because it would indicate to them
5 that there are ways of getting from Point A to Point B
6 when they want to talk about abrupt appearance and
7 irreducible complexity.

8 MR. WALCZAK: I'd like to end abruptly now
9 so we could get some lunch.

10 THE COURT: I don't know if there will be a
11 run on chicken. But we'll break here until -- how are
12 you proceeding time-wise?

13 We could take an abbreviated lunch, take an
14 hour rather than the longer lunch, or we can go to
15 1:30, which might be a little bit more reasonable.
16 I'll give you a crack at that because you know how
17 much more you have on direct and you want to save
18 time -- I know you don't want to bring this witness
19 back -- you want to save time, reserve time for
20 appropriate cross.

21 MR. WALCZAK: I'm guessing an hour, maybe a
22 little bit more. We've got mammals, we've got whales.

23 THE COURT: Mr. Muise, if we stopped at
24 2:30 or if we gave Mr. Walczak until 2:30, if we
25 reconvened at 1:30, would that give you enough time to

1 cross-examine?

2 MR. MUISE: 2:30 and stop at 4:00, Your
3 Honor?

4 THE COURT: Well, no, we'd stop at 4:30-ish.
5 That would give you two full hours. But if you don't
6 think that that's going to be enough, I want to try to
7 regulate what we're doing here.

8 MR. MUISE: It's always hard to judge, Your
9 Honor, you know, for cross-examination, depending on,
10 you know, how the responses come, obviously.

11 THE COURT: Well, I'm saying I would hold
12 Mr. Walczak, because I know there's an issue -- this
13 witness has come a great distance. I would hold him
14 to 2:30. You've got to keep it within two. Now, you
15 may not use two, but I'm saying, is that enough? Now,
16 if you want a little over, that's fine. I'm just
17 trying to get a fix on --

18 MR. MUISE: Let's do an abbreviated lunch
19 since we want to make sure we get done.

20 THE COURT: Let's take precisely an hour.
21 We'll come back at 1:15. And then why don't you have
22 a conversation during the lunch break about how you
23 want to carve up the afternoon, because I think that's
24 the appropriate thing to do.

25 So, Mr. Walczak, if you don't go too deeply

1 into the afternoon and not give Mr. Muise enough time,
2 in the interest of not bringing this witness back --
3 which I think is what you're striving to do. Am I
4 correct?

5 MR. WALCZAK: That's right, Your Honor.

6 THE COURT: So as a courtesy, make sure he's
7 got enough time. All right?

8 MR. WALCZAK: Yes, Your Honor.

9 THE COURT: We'll be in recess until 1:15.

10 (A luncheon recess was taken.)
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