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 2 MARLENE McCORD,
 3 the witness herein, being first duly sworn, was examined
 4 and testified as follows:
 5 DIRECT EXAMINATION
 6 BY MR. McGOWAN:
 7 Q. Ms. McCord, your attorney has probably gone over
 8 some of this with you. But just so we understand each
 9 other, have you ever given a deposition before?
 10 A. No.
 11 Q. Okay. If you could, try and wait until I finish
 12 my question before you answer, even if you think you know
 13 where I'm going. Also if you could -- if you don't
 14 understand a question, I'm happy to rephrase it. Just tell
 15 me you don't understand it, and I'll try to rephrase it.
 16 Also, if you have a yes or no, please say yes or
 17 no rather than uh-huh or uh-uh so it gets recorded properly.
 18 And let's see. What else? That's pretty much it.
 19 It's not a test. If you don't know something, you don't
 20 know. That's fine.
 21 And unless I ask you to guess or give me an
 22 estimate, try not to guess.
 23 A. Okay.
 24 Q. Okay? Thank you.
 25 For the record, if you could state your name and

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1 address?
 2 A. Marlene McCord, 1100 North Shore Drive, Northeast,
 3 Number 402, St. Petersburg, Florida, 33701.
 4 Q. And what is your occupation, Ms. McCord?
 5 A. I am the -- my title is Vice President of
 6 Community -- Political and Community Affairs at the Sembler
 7 Company.
 8 Q. Political --
 9 A. -- and Community Affairs.
 10 Q. Is it the Sembler Company or Sembler? Did they
 11 change the name?
 12 A. The name of the company is the Sembler Company.
 13 Q. Okay.
 14 A. The advertising view is Sembler.
 15 Q. Is Sembler. Okay. I just was unclear if they did
 16 something with the name.
 17 How long have you held this position?
 18 A. For that particular title, golly, I don't recall
 19 when I got it. Maybe 1994 probably.
 20 Q. Okay. And before that what was your --
 21 A. I was Vice President of Administration.
 22 Q. What are your duties as Vice President of
 23 Political and Community Affairs?
 24 A. Assisting Ambassador Sembler in each and
 25 everything he does.