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- 1 | (Proceedings heard in open court:)
- THE COURT: All right. We can proceed.
- 3 R. CHRISTOPHER SEATON, PLAINTIFF'S WITNESS, PREVIOUSLY SWORN.
 - CROSS-EXAMINATION (Resumed)
- 5 BY MR. NELSON:

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- 6 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Seaton.
- 7 ∥A. Good afternoon.
- Q. Can you please turn to JTX 109, the separation and
- 9 distribution agreement, please.
- 10 And what is the date of the separation and
- 11 distribution agreement?
- 12 A. April 12th, 2004.
- 13 Q. Can you turn to JTX 109 at page 12, please.
- 14 And you see the section entitled, "Ancillary
- 15 Agreements." It's about the third, fourth one down?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. There's a series of agreements listed there. Those
- 18 agreements were entered into between Abbott and Hospira before
- 19 the effective date of this agreement, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. And if you can turn to page 51 of this agreement. That's
- 22 JTX 109.51. And if we look at the section that's entitled,
- 23 "Advisors." Do you see that?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. And this section says that the attorneys that represented

- 1 Abbott in this agreement were not the same law firms that
- 2 represented Hospira, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 Q. So, the parties had separate law firms when they were
- 5 | negotiating this agreement, correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And you'd agree with me that Abbott actually transferred
- 8 \parallel the IND to Hospira after the effective date of this agreement,
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. I believe that's correct.
- 11 Q. Can you please turn to JTX 40. It's in your binder.
- 12 Are you there, sir?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. Good. This is a letter from Hospira dated May 10th, 2004,
- 15 to FDA, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. So, that's after the effective date of the agreement,
- 18 | correct?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. And here, this agreement -- and we might disagree with the
- 21 wording, but it does say that there's a transfer of ownership
- 22 in the general correspondence regarding line, correct?
- 23 A. It does say that, yes.
- 24 Q. And if we look down at that first paragraph, it says,
- 25 | "On this date, Abbott transferred ownership of the



- 1 above-referenced IND to Hospira." And the above-referenced
- 2 | IND is the IND we've been looking at, correct?
- 3 A. That is correct, sir.
- 4 Q. And if we look at that second paragraph, the last sentence
- 5 there says that, "This letter assures that all legal and
- 6 regulatory obligations will continue to be met and that
- 7 Hospira accepts all rights and responsibilities associated
- 8 with the sponsorship of this IND effective May 3rd, 2004,"
- 9 | correct?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. So, here, Hospira is communicating to FDA that it is
- 12 accepting all rights and responsibilities associated with
- 13 sponsorship, isn't that right?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- MR. NELSON: Your Honor, may I have one minute to
- 16 confer with my colleagues?
- 17 THE COURT: Sure.
- 18 MR. NELSON: Nothing further, your Honor.
- 19 THE COURT: Any redirect?
- 20 MR. LYERLA: I guess I'll ask one question.
- 21 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 22 BY MR. LYERLA:
- 23 Q. Can you explain why you said the spin-off occurred after
- 24 the agreement and what the significance of that is to your
- 25 opinions?



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