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Judge K.P.Palubicki
We have Mr. Serena. Mr. Kempner and Ms. Serena.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Matters are for fact finding on the issue of relocation.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Mr. Serena has noted up 11 issues to be decided. Those issues cannot be addressed until after the issue of relocation is decided.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Under RCW 2609520, Mr. Serena has the burden of proving by a preponderance of evidence that the detrimental effect of the relocation outweighs the benefit of the change to the children as well as Ms. Serena.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
After the court rules on relocation, it shall also determine what, if any, modifications to the parenting plan should be made. Any modification has to be based on a substantial change of circumstances.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
It must be based on the best interests of the children. Because Mr. Serena has the burden of proof, he gets to put on his evidence first. Other rules of evidence apply at this hearing. All witnesses will be sworn in. Generally speaking, Mr. Serena, you cannot testify as to what other people have said or written, other than Ms. Serena. The time for testifying is not the time to make an argument. You will have the opportunity to make an argument at the end of the fact-finding. If you testify, Mr. Kempner will have the opportunity to ask you questions that is called cross-examination. If Mr. Kempner puts on witnesses, you will have the opportunity to cross-examine them.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
A cross-examination is not the time to make an argument. The court asks both parties to please do the court a favor and speak slowly and clearly. The court will be taking notes throughout this fact-finding. If you're speaking a mile a minute, the court's not going to catch everything you have to say. Mr. Serena, are you ready to proceed?

Mr. Surina
I am, Your Honor. I have a couple questions.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
You may be seated, Mr. Serino.

Mr. Surina

I'm not a lawyer. I don't report to be a lawyer. I work at a council. Unfortunately, the case, the way it is, it's a $10,000 retainer to come to represent for a hearing.

Mr. Surina

I do have insurance, so I have a MetLife insurance, and it's relative to me standing here today.

Mr. Surina

And I have real shield. Neither of which even progress in the document. I had Gravis Law in town here. They were supposed to help me scribe the documents, and they, not even a single one was, I think they helped me. I'm doing the best I can. I think I've turned in everything. I'm here, and you're here, so I think that's going good.

Mr. Surina

I'm here for my kids today.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You mentioned that you had some questions. What are they? Yeah.

Mr. Surina

The fact-finding process, you said you have arguments afterward. So during the fact-finding process, if I don't testify and she doesn't testify, and he doesn't put her on the stand.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

If no one testifies, then you've lost. The burden is on you.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

We don't hear any evidence today. Yeah, it's it's over on that issue. It's your burden.

Mr. Surina

Okay, so... Thank you.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Have you had a chance to look at the RCW, the 2609520?

Mr. Surina

Yeah, yeah, and 480.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Do you have a copy of 520?

Mr. Surina

I don't.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Would you like a copy of 520? That would be great. Because this is what you have to approach, Mr. Serino.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Here you go.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Would you like a copy, Mr. Kempner? All right.

Mr. Surina

So there's a couple things in this that either are the gate opener or the gate closer. Some of those is timing.

Mr. Surina

To start off, I found out, contrary to the brief, I found out about the move in an email during during the discussions of my son.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So hold on, Mr. Steering. So it sounds like you want you're about to testify and you want to tell me about the facts of what happened. So let me swear you and raise your right hand.

Mr. Surina

Well, I haven't. I haven't. I haven't.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

But I mean, you're starting to get into the facts of the case. So let's. I use your right hand. Do you swear for him to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth? I do. Okay. All right. Please say and spell your name.

Mr. Surina

My name is Aaron Surina, A-A-R-O-N-S-U-R-I-N-A. Okay, uh, you may proceed, Mr.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Serena. Mr. Serena, you don't need to stand like you— you have a I can hear everything that you're saying. You're probably going to be more comfortable sitting down in a chair. The court won't make you sit in a witness box. Any issue with Mr. Serena just testifying from the counsel table, Mr. Kempner?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

All right. So, uh, Mr. Serena, um, proceed.

Mr. Surina

Okay. So, uh, Mr. Serena, um, proceed. And there was—I'm trying—I have a um—I have a kind of Let me just start with the 520 legal statute here. So there was no prior agreement to the parties.

Mr. Surina

There was no notice. There was no notice. So in regards to 2609520, I have a really strong relationship with my children, which is... Which is one of the items here.

Mr. Surina

The nature, extent of involvement, and stability of the relationship with each parent is a significant determination. I understand that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So my suggestion, Mr. Serena, and I think this will make this go a lot faster, is so you have the factor in front of you, right? Relative strength, nature, quality. All that about, you know, your children. Tell me about your children. Instead of just worrying about, you know, tracking the language of this RCW, just leave the RCW site. Tell me about your children. You know, their names, their ages, what your relationship is like.

Mr. Surina

Okay, so my children are— I have two boys. They're David and Andrew. They're 7 and 11 years old right now. We both turn 8 and 12 in the summertime. During the summertime, I have a 50-50 parenting plan with their mother.

Mr. Surina

I generally get along fairly well. There's a couple key things that we don't see eye to eye on. We'll go into those later. My kids are everything. They're struggling right now because they're being raised in a, you know, they've been for the last couple of years raised in an environment that's just not good for kids.

Mr. Surina

Nobody would want their kids to be raised in that situation. And as far as I'm concerned, that is a big deal. That's a big deal because I'm seeing the after effects of that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

I've read your pleadings. I understand your concerns.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

I'm going to decide the issue of relocation based on the testimony that comes out today. So you mentioned you do not like the environment there. Tell me about that environment.

Mr. Surina

Well, the environment is people who are unable to resolve issues in life. Where they go and drink all day. That's not what I had in mind when... established all this stuff with Judge Price here. Nobody can see this coming. That being said, I've tried to allow this for a couple years, and it goes back. So I've tried to level and say, 'Look, everything from tutoring, you know, so this all started in a discussion about building a support network for David.

Mr. Surina

And that was at the school. So this wasn't a text message or any of that stuff. This started an email thread between their mother, me, and David's teacher, fifth-grade teacher, Miss Jane.

Mr. Surina

So during that time... There was a, there was a, basically they had considered David for, uh, just, just, uh, what is it? Um, disabled learning or, or, um, for basically having a learning disadvantage, a learning disability, excuse me. He was up for an IEP for a learning disability. So we met at the conference and I was in shock. Because this is a child who builds Roblox games with me. I mean, this is somebody who's bright. He's a very bright kid. So to go in and a lot of that stuff is, 'Hey, I'm the decision maker from the above the party. I'm the decision maker. I'll tell you if I want to tell you. I'm a decision maker. They don't need to do that. You know, these are the kind of things that I've been hearing for seven years now, honestly. And the same thing with my kids. They're not allowed to talk to me. They get their Xbox taken away if they message me. Yeah, yeah, don't message me. I'll get my Xbox taken away.

Court Clerk Reporter

Thank you. Thank you.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Bases. Mr. Kempner.

Court Clerk Reporter

First of all, it's a Thursday statement.

Court Clerk Reporter

And it's a statement by a minor.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So, Mr. Serena in the beginning, I told you generally cannot say what other people say besides Miss Serena. You can say what she said because that's an exception to the hearsay, but let's not talk about what your children are saying. Okay, yes, because it's again it's yours, it's it's another it's another person's word here. There's no— You're saying what another person is saying. That's the issue. So the court will sustain the objection, you know, now, but continue your testimony.

Mr. Surina

Um, quick question, procedurally. So, is my son's testimony before the court not a legitimate fact? Or is it?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

No, if you... your son was here and he testified, that would be testimony that the court can, if he testified in this hearing, this relocation fact-finding, then the court can consider it. But I have also said that the court cannot base its decision on relocation based on all the things that have been filed in this case. It's going to be based on... you know, the evidence that is presented here. So you can, you can, you know, I think you can, you can talk about a lot of things, but saying what other people said is not one of them.

Mr. Surina

So I objected in good faith, not to her relocating, but to be clear, and I went for this with Dixon. It's to the children being relocated. Judge Dixon. Yeah. Yes, an honorable judge, Jason, yeah.

Mr. Surina

Who I have a lot of respect for. He was, you know, he was rough around the edges, but he was involved. He was really, you know... he was to the point about stuff, and I didn't appreciate that. So anyway, so there's a couple things here in the trial brief that come up.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Right now is not the time for argument. Please so you were talking about an email thread about an IEP and then you kind of went and how David was a bright kid and then we got in you started talking about what your children are saying. We've got sustained. So let's keep talking about, like, what things that you've seen, your personal knowledge of what's going on.

Mr. Surina

Saúde!

Mr. Surina

So my kids are... Very good. They're very evil.

Mr. Surina

Kind of caught in the middle of all of the, you know, so I can't really say, I can't really tell you a whole bunch about my kids without really kind of giving you some of the details. I mean, it's difficult because there's a lot going on. I mean, there's, you know, none of this stuff has been resolved or sorted out since 2017, honestly.

Mr. Surina

There's a whole handful of things here that are really difficult. But the things I can tell you about my kids is I love my kids. I'm 100% their financial support. I don't know, actually, 200% of the financial support. Because the financial support from both sides, really. And we can say that there's contributions, but there's every single type of action. Impossible on coming to play, coming to play to prevent, you know, to not contribute to the kids. And, you know, I chose that, I guess. I don't know. But it would be nice to get some help with some of the bills. I mean, I have thousands of dollars in medical bills alone just for my kids.

Mr. Surina

And I was talking about David and him being smart and not EEP.

Mr. Surina

So there's, we go to a conference. I actually received an email from the school, was cc'd on it, to go to it. A conference about David's potential learning disability. And I was like, what is this? So I showed up, and David's mom was there.

Mr. Surina

Andrew, my youngest son, was there also. And the first thing that comes to mind, and this is really interesting, is that Andrew's head just... He's on the table. He's literally drooling and just snoring. It's 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. Surina

Give or take, he's right when school got out.

Mr. Surina

School psychologist there also, which I submitted her letter also, if you saw it or not. She kind of gave a... minutes of what happened in that meeting, though. So a couple things happened. One is that they had real concerns that he had a learning disability, which was shocking to me, because I... Here's a cat that's super bright. But I didn't understand the extent of the time that they were not spending at home. I didn't know. If I would have known, I would have. recorded I did not know so that's one thing I didn't know it was every day and you know so what was going on is they would they would go to school and around their school, okay? And then after school, mom works swing shift. So mom would pick them up from school. And she works four to close, or four until the last person's done drinking, is the fairest way to put it. Because after 8 o'clock, it's not a restaurant. It's a bar. Thank you. Yeah. So... Basically, she would keep them locked, basically just sitting in a tiny little room.

Mr. Surina

When you walked in the restaurant, I'll say restaurant.

Mr. Surina

Over on the right-hand side, there's a room closet right there. They put a couch in, a TV, and a computer.

Mr. Surina

There's not very much room in that little room. They've lived in that room for... for a few years now. I mean. After school all day long, until the last person goes home, do you know she wants to collect money?

Mr. Surina

My reviews, I can do.

Mr. Surina

So to be clear in the court, I want that. I want her to succeed. And I think that, at the end of the day, hey, she's going to benefit and she's going to be happy with custody arrangements when they join because they have to. They can't continue doing this. I don't even know why she would be advocating.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

I'm sure you're getting into argument now. You're doing good. You mentioned, you know, these things keep, let's stick to the facts, okay?

Mr. Surina

So we're in the conference. Andrew's passed out on the table.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

And can you tell me when this conference is about?

Mr. Surina

This conference is, you know, May, end of May, early June. I don't want to say 'their' end of— I have a date in here. It's roughly? 2023, yeah.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, so May, June 2023?

Mr. Surina

Yeah, end of second quarter, 2023.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

All right, continue.

Mr. Surina

So we're sitting there, Andrew's passed out, he's snoring, and I have a discussion with him, and I basically advise him, 'Look, he doesn't have a learning disability, but I'm willing to tutor him to catch him up. He's probably behind, he's probably struggling with some stuff because he doesn't have as much support during the school days.'

Mr. Surina

He's left with her mom a lot of times. She doesn't speak English. I mean, she can't even call 911 if there's an emergency. So there's a lot of issues there. There's a lot of different issues here that, well, they're doing their best.

Mr. Surina

We can do better for the kids, though. We can do better for the kids. I'm in no way hitting their relationship with their mother at all. Zero. I encourage it. I do everything possible to... No, she

should, you know, they ask me, yeah, why this, why that? And I try, I understand that they're after her. I understand the, I understand the.

Mr. Surina

hurt and stuff that can go a long way. But the kids are going to, the kids are, they need, they need, they need their dad. They need, right now, especially, my all of a sudden is at a point where it's worse than any other disability if he goes down the wrong track. I'm worried about him right now for obvious reasons, because there's no discipline and no guidance. So we're in this conference, and... And they're talking about how he would be separated from the rest of the kids and all these things that go along with the learning disability. At Hutton Elementary. His mother and I both agreed that he doesn't have a learning disability at that day. We were in agreement.

Mr. Surina

One of the things that I asked the teachers there that day is: I asked them, 'look, if you had to keep the same schedule as these kids are now, you'd fail too. You wouldn't be able to do it. There's no way.' They didn't get home. Let's just say it was 9 o'clock every night. Okay.

Mr. Surina

They get up in the morning, she takes them to school and goes back home and goes to bed.

Mr. Surina

So they don't get to rest. And it was obvious. It was evident that they weren't getting much rest. On Wednesday nights, Wednesday nights are kind of party night. They get to stay up late because mom... to spend time with them. My day is Thursday. So I get them in homework after school on Thursday. It's horrible for my oldest son because he's been up pretty much all night. They keep him up. Pretty Red Bull stuff before I pick them up after school on Thursday. Both of them completely just— it takes half of my— it takes about until Saturday to get them back into focus. It's every single time now. So that's the big joke. That's the running joke on me. It's not funny, though. You know, it's our kids. Those are our kids. And that affects them.

Mr. Surina

No matter what the court comes up with, I respect the court's orders. That's the thing is I follow the court's orders.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You know, we're kind of straying from the facts.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You're, you mentioned the, so you have the factors in front of you. You've been talking about your kids and your interaction with them in the restaurant and your interactions with the kids after the restaurant, what else would you like the court to know about? Your children.

Mr. Surina

So my, so my children, so I'm, I'm... Attempt you know I've signed them up for the sports that

they've been involved with. Their medical, their medical, you know one of the issues one of the greetings from um commissioner is that you know she's been the one facilitating all their medical appointments and which it couldn't be that's almost.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So why don't you say what you've done instead of focusing on Ms. Serena?

Mr. Surina

So I have provided their health insurance, for example, their entire lives. I have financially supported them.

Mr. Surina

100% financial support for my children because of my children. I've never abandoned my children. So for the record, I've never abandoned my children, nor would I ever abandon my children. A lot of this unfortunately started when the petitioner found out that she did. of paying child support. So that began before all of this other stuff. And that was amended. The child support was amended because they had actually signed up for it, saying that. But I moved out of state and left them with no food or no money. So that abandonment was the initial cause of all of this. And if you want to stay on the record, that, of course, is not true. So, you know.

Mr. Surina

Um, So the other things that I want to tell you about my kids is really important. Sure. They're actually lovable, good kids. I mean, they're being, you know, they're... They're... Being brought up in a tough environment, learning things that kids don't need to learn, but they mean well. They're very good kids. They have an opportunity to really do something, but that window needs to be nurtured.

Mr. Surina

I think, because of all of this stuff. They haven't even been allowed to go to counseling or anything.

Mr. Surina

this whole time the court ordered counseling they weren't allowed to do it i mean a lot of stuff happened in this case that is that is you know more than the facts and findings you know there's a reason why you're here and my kids are everyone i mean they're they're like they're you know Very important. And I come here, I'm trying my best. I can't, you know, I can't get legal, I can't get counsel. I don't, you know, trying to do this in pro se is, to me, is insanity. But I don't have any other option. But I was, you know, the thing here is that if I didn't file on time, if I didn't file an objection. There's a bunch of stuff.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You're straying from the facts, Mr. Serena. I don't want to interrupt you every 30 seconds, but you're kind of going a lot farther in the in the wrong direction than you should be. So you know, you mentioned that you know kids mean everything to you, you know, they're lovable kids, but they're being brought up in a tough environment.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You're kind of talking about factor number one.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Is there anything else you'd like me to know about factor number one? Yeah, so the relative strength, nature, quality, extent of involvement and stability of the child's relationship with each parent. and other significant persons in the child's life.

Mr. Surina

So I have a strong bond with my kids.

Mr. Surina

I'm kind of the one who wants to, I mean, I've changed more diapers than her and her mom combined. I mean, I was the, you know, I was the primary, pretty much. or a parent, I would think absolutely everything. I mean, I had to go home for that lunch to make sure they were being fed. I mean, all of that is real. And I'm the one that earned that, I would say, motherly bond with my kids because I was there for them. I'm the one that could hear them cry and know they were cold. And they couldn't talk yet. Those are the things that... That most men don't actually experience, and that's something that I've gained with my kids, and I think it's important. So there's that. And that, only one of us has that. I do want to say it. There's only one of us has that. Only one of us didn't beat our kids with hangers while they're in the bathtub. I'm there for them.

Court Clerk Reporter

It's an important fact, though.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

They live that every day. I mean, do you have personal knowledge of... No, I have. My son testified.

Mr. Surina

I wasn't in a room that day when he testified.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So you've got to testify to things that you saw.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Thank you. To have personal knowledge of it. And you can testify as to bruises that you saw.

Mr. Surina

Absolutely, yeah. So my son, before he was two years old, I picked him up five different times with a black guy, Andrew. Five times. Which are reported. They're all in the case. Every single picture, all of that stuff was in the case.

Mr. Surina

There was privilege in this case, though, which is why you're here. There was privilege in this case that was able to, you know, to... A very good representation, let me just say that. That's a better way to put it. Because, you know, like the clerical errors, for example, in the final orders.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

We're talking about the issue of relocation, and now you're going to final orders. Is there anything else? I'm going to try to just keep you on track, Mr. Serena. Is there anything else you'd like the court to know about the first factor? And you can look at it, take a moment. Take a look at it if not, then we'll move on to the second factor.

Mr. Surina

But um, So the strength, the nature, and the quality and extent of involvement, I've been completely involved in everything I do with my kids. So private schools, funding absolutely everything, first of all, which I voluntarily do. Nobody has to tell me to fund my children.

Mr. Surina

So the involvement, besides the petitioner blocking me being involved, I'm involved with everything in their lives. I know their teachers well.

Mr. Surina

I keep up with everything. I'm the one that puts them in sports. I'm the one that, you know, I try to find sports that don't go into her time. She does.

Mr. Surina

She has taken them when it's a sports day, so I don't know who would be ready for that.

Mr. Surina

The same involvement is the maximum. The stability of the child's relationship with me is very stable. They're both boys, they're number one, they're all the same sex. You know? And that's what I intend to be— is a good role model for my kids.

Mr. Surina

They have... I facilitate the relationship with all of their family, though. Of their family, which is a huge thing for them, because they have cousins, aunts, uncles, and grandparents that they're not allowed to contact or talk to. You when they're with their mom. So that's a big deal.

Mr. Surina

They're waiting to move in. They're waiting to get out of the bar. They're waiting. They're praying that things go well here just as I am.

Mr. Surina

Essa é uma boa.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, anything else on number one? Mr. Serena, um.

Mr. Surina

I'm not.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

I'm not trying to push you along, but I'm just trying to focus focus your testimony because I know you. You want the court to To hear a lot of information. Is there anything else on number one?

Mr. Surina

Their dental appointments, their medical appointments. I worked at Providence for almost nine years. I mean, that, you know, it's absurd to think anything else, other than that.

Mr. Surina

As far as the education goes, I'm very much involved in my children's education. I'm concerned about it. I'm pushing. I'm the one who's paying them. They get good report cards. They're coming straight to me with all of their Hawkeye fives and selling them to me. Because Mom throws them away. And it's not cool.

Mr. Surina

I paid them for them. You know, hey, you got a Hawkeye 5 today. Yeah, yeah, look, and they're just excited to show you that stuff.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

It's a Hawkeye 5.

Mr. Surina

It's a, it's a, it's a, it's like an ad. From the school, you know, so the teacher or anybody in the school can write one. And it's just for doing something, you know, you're courageous, or you're this, or, you know, something like that.

Mr. Surina

So our guys are valuable. They're, hey, keep getting us, keep getting us.

Mr. Surina

The kids shine when they're not so tired. They shine. They're great kids.

Mr. Surina

So decision-making as far as the schools go, you know, my extent of involvement with that is major. I would like them to be in a better place. better school environment than the public schools, but Tappajouli is a great middle school, the facilities are brand new, you know, it's very exciting. To go to school, start school there. All his friends are there. So one of the things that I'm trying to do is just give them consistency.

Mr. Surina

To pull them out and to pluck them from their school, their friends and everything, especially at the end of the last, that's why we were in that. That's why that need, this is where. This all started was their support network. So I try to facilitate that network, that support of the teachers, their co-workers, their friends, all of them. That are going on in school, I'm trying to make that good. You know, trying to keep that good and going.

Mr. Surina

I don't just drop them off at school and pick them up. I am interested in all the little details that are going on there. And that's also a big deal. They need that. They need the encouragement. They need to know that they're doing okay. Not the description, oh, you're stupid. You don't get your homework done. Any of that kind of stuff is not... It's not good at all. It's not good. And, you know, I hear my kids, you know, go there.

Mr. Surina

Anyway, I think that... That covers number one. My relationship is pure. The nature of the relationship, I'm their father, and I'm their same-sex parent. I'm not a one-on-one model. Quality is... Is very good. The extent of my involvement, I'm involved in every aspect of their lives as much as I can. Block from some of it, but you know. And this ability of their relationship with me is very strong on their father.

Mr. Surina

Love him.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Anything else? On number one, Mr. Serena?

Mr. Surina

No, you're not. I mean, I could go all day.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Well, I mean... As long as you're tracking different territory, I'm fine with you talking more about number one.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Don't don't repeat what you've already already said. So if you have anything else that you'd like the court to consider on number 1, I'm here.

Mr. Surina

The biggest thing is I have some stuff written that's broken down into sections for discussion, but I assumed I would be able to do it online pretty easily, but I'm not. So you know what, we can take about maybe four minutes.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Madam clerk, do we have do is.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
WI, fi available in the courtroom.

Court Clerk Reporter
Thank you.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Does he need a passcode to get onto it?

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Okay, so it's slow. I think that that may be your bigger issue. Mr. Serena. If the wifi is not very fast.

Court Clerk Reporter
I appreciate that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
I'll give you a couple of minutes. Mr. Street. I don't I don't want to go off the record, but I'll, I'll give you, I'll give you 3 minutes. To try to figure it out.

Court Clerk Reporter
A lot of paperwork.

Court Clerk Reporter
Yeah, let's just go with that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Are you able to get on now?

Court Clerk Reporter
It's on, but it's still like... I have a hospital here.

Court Clerk Reporter
Yes, he's doing that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
All right, Mr. Serena, so just do your best. Anything else you'd like the court to consider on number one?

Mr. Surina
Yes, so... routine, routine is the other thing that's I think really important to be added to number one is regiment—uh, having uh, having boundaries and regiment.

Mr. Surina

They thirst and they hunger for that. They need that. And that is something that I do provide my kids that they're not aware of. necessarily, but they definitely move toward it. They need rules. They need boundaries. They need discipline. They need to understand social cues and this type of thing. I do provide those things also for them.

Mr. Surina

Yeah, I don't. I don't. I would really like this.

Court Clerk Reporter

Do you have an outline?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Alright, Mr. Serena, let's turn to factor number two, prior agreements of the parties.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

What would you like the court to know about that, if anything?

Mr. Surina

Um, we don't have any prior agreements. About the relocation, there was no notice.

Mr. Surina

And we're talking about somebody who closed an escrow on a house before they even mentioned it. And we sanctioned for it.

Mr. Surina

One of the sanctions weren't really on them yet, but they were, she was sanctioned because that was part of the trial.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Thank you.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, factor number three.

Mr. Surina

Back to number three. Whether disrupting the contact between the child and the person seeking relocation will be more correct or not to the child than disrupting contact between the child and the person objecting to the relocation.

Mr. Surina

So the key things here is that what they're asking for is for the parent plan not to change.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So this is the time for facts. So you can make an argument at the end. You will have an argument.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

But you've got the burden here, Mr. Saria. Yeah.

Mr. Surina

So disrupting the contact between the child and the person seeking... and relocation is necessary and for a number of reasons. The alternative would be disrupting their school, disrupting their support networks, disrupting their their ability to be involved in sports and everything else for her community. Remember, I don't know if you read the initial notice of intent to relocate, but the entire reason for relocation was based on being financially for financial reasons, even though it doubled the cost. So I do want to say that the only gain with Kuski remaining in this situation would be her commute and finances.

Mr. Surina

I mean, there's a number of contributions. I mean, I'm the one who's going to pay. At the end of the day, I'm going to be paying their health care. It's not going to change. I mean, 11 years into this. None of that's going to change. I'm going to still facilitate. Regardless of what the court does, I'm still going to take care of my kids. I'm still going to provide for them. It doesn't really matter. I'm their father, and that's what we do. But it would be nice if there were prior agreements, for example. It would be nice if we just had a kind of... with something similar to what goes on in the summertime. I mean, initially, that would be great. But disrupting contact, I don't think we're changing a whole bunch here, but we're changing enough that makes a difference for the kids.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So explain that to me.

Mr. Surina

Sure. So... The petitioner is the owner, the sole proprietor of a lounge and restaurant in Erie Heights.

Mr. Surina

Which is busy, which is doing well, which is great, but at the cost of the kids. The kids have to pay. The kids are the ones paying for that because there's no way to facilitate even a 50-50 earning plan with her schedule. G. We're. You might as well assume that when the business is open, she's working. I mean, yes, she can take time off and go get groceries, but she's there every day.

Mr. Surina

She has to be. Your Honor, I'm going to object because all this testimony that I'm hearing today does not really answer any of these questions. Because these questions— how does the relocation affect... The contact between the child and the person is seen. That's not... will underlie what is the best communication.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So can you bring it back to the relocation?

Mr. Surina

Here's why he went, so disrupting that. schedule of them being in the little room all day long is necessary. It's absolutely necessary. It's gone on for too long. So the number three is this. Whether disrupting the contact between the child and the person seeking relocation would be more detrimental to the child, the disruptive contact between the child and the person objecting. Well, obviously, it's going to be more detrimental if... If they're going to continue the same thing, it's going to continue, which is their schedule. That's what they're fighting against. They're doing all their homework at my house on a weekend.

Mr. Surina

No friends, no play dates, none of that. No sports, none of that.

Mr. Surina

Once in a while, a basketball game. A lot of times, she didn't make it to the basketball game. And if she said that she would, that's even worse.

Mr. Surina

So yes, disrupting that is better than disrupting what I'm asking for, for sure, in regards to what's best for the kid. There's no doubt about that. And we'll prove that here through trial.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Any issue or any evidence on number four, Mr. Streets?

Mr. Surina

So number four, I never received the facts or findings. That was a deal that was maybe between Mr. Glanzer and Judge Price. I have no idea what it referenced. I don't know how it referenced.

Mr. Surina

My butt kicked all over Spokane for two and a half years while they took the equity out of my house. I don't know how I did anything to my children, and I would never hurt my children. So when they put 191 decision, or when they give her full decision making, they put some kind of 191 restriction. And I'm asking for the court to readdress that, too. That needs to be assessed. Uh, anyway, how— We've had a review, final orders called for a review within one year, and that review has been blocked and curtailed and everything.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So do you know what kind of 191 restrictions have been put on you?

Mr. Surina

Their decision making. Yeah, they took my ability to, you know, make decisions about their health care, and I'm aiming for it. You know, I can't, I'm the one that's always done that, so I still do it. That's the funny thing is. There's only one of us really can facilitate this, and I'm still doing it. So it's kind of absurd to have that in there. But yeah, so that's number three.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Are there other 191 restrictions that you are aware of? No, no. Okay. So you mentioned decision making for health care.

Mr. Surina

All this small decision— maybe I was just 191. Okay, it was joint before that. So I kind of. That was the deal that judge price and council worked out without me. I wasn't involved.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

I was just sustained that I, we're kind of getting getting far field here. Mr. Serena. So, you mentioned that you do have, you have 191 restrictions on all decision making. What about number 5? What can you tell me about number 5?

Mr. Surina

So number four, they increased my residential time. I just wanted to say that.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So, of course, if you still have more on number four, then let me know.

Mr. Surina

In order to, for whatever was going on, they put specific wording in the oral ruling, which I do, which is relative here, but it said 'decision-making,' the gaps. joint decision-making between us because of an abusive conflict. Now, I don't, I, and that was to suppose that I was the one that kept the case going.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Now, So now is not the time to argue that ruling.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

It's just one of the factors.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

The prior court did find abusive use of conflict.

Mr. Surina

Yeah, they talked about divorce. Okay. But when they applied the... the 191 restrictions, they also increased my residential time. So it's not to say that that had anything to do with the time I would have with my kids. They doubled my time with my kids at the same time as putting those restrictions on. So that's, I don't know what the restrictions really are. The restrictions really

haven't applied, so, because only one of us can facilitate a lot of that stuff, so. Number five.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Okay.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
What would you like the court to know for?

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Number five and you and you had mentioned you kind of addressed number five earlier when you you believe that uh this the sole motivation for Miss Serena is financial uh for the for her commute and her her finances so uh tell me so Talk about number five.

Mr. Surina
Okay, so number five, the reasons of each person proceeding or opposing the relocation, the parties requesting or opposing the relocation.

Mr. Surina
I oppose the relocation of the children because it would have yanked them out of the support networks that we spend a lot of time building. It would have yanked them out of their friends. reason to do that.

Mr. Surina
We're close enough to where it, you know, and the court sided with me on that. Number five was, is I seek to object to that because my kids didn't want to go to some other school.

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Yeah well, it's your your kids are not here to testify on the history and a coral sustaining objection.

Mr. Surina
Um, so they're.

Mr. Surina
So their support networks, their familiarity, I mean, they're already, and most importantly, the teachers and the people. Involved. They know they know the game now that's one of the big deals here is that the teachers caught on to what was going on all of the stories you know, the things that were being said about me, they actually finally objected.

Mr. Surina
Talk about what?

Judge K.P.Palubicki
Let's just address your comments to the court. This is going to devolve Mr. Serena. So, Mr. Kempner, could you repeat your objection?

Mr. Surina

Yes, objection. He's relating the oppressions of other people. It's his hearsay.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

And and that is and that is true. Mr. Serena court will sustain the objection. So you can, you were, you know, you, you. You're on a, you're on a roll. THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THE SUPPORT NETWORK, FAMILIARITY, AND THEN KIND OF GIVING THE IMPRESSIONS OF OTHERS WHO ARE NOT HERE TO TESTIFY. SO KEEP ON TRACK, MR. STREET.

Mr. Surina

So I objected to the relocation prior to there ever being a notice, but I did it in real faith because of these things. One, the school. They go to support networks, their friends, all of these things that give them stability in an otherwise kind of tumultuous situation where they're, you know.

Mr. Surina

So, uh... The reason why, one of the reasons why I think that the relocation, the objection was necessary, is because it was done in a vacuum. I did it in good faith because there was no notice. I mean, what if it was Tacoma? That's a flat-out abduction if it were in Tacoma.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You're kind of making an argument now, Mr. Serena. Okay, you mentioned that you're objecting in good faith. Continue.

Mr. Surina

Yeah, I'm objecting in good faith.

Mr. Surina

The reasons why I'm objecting are, number one, we need a modification of the parent line. It's been, she's not a stay-at-home mom, and we need a modification. Finances she's not a stay-at-home mom, I mean she's doing everything not to disclose her finances.

Mr. Surina

Because we need this stuff to be reviewed. We need some changes. The kids need changes. They're growing up. They're getting older. There's a ton of things that need to be addressed. And they're not being addressed. So those are coming to the court to try to get some of this stuff taken care of.

Mr. Surina

It's really the best I can do. I don't know any other options. I don't know any other way to... There's no compromise. There's no negotiating. There's no nothing. Otherwise, this should be something that we could talk about and work out. You can't. There's no, there's no, not even allowed, not even allowed one hour to let me tutor.

Mr. Surina

Not even one hour of tutoring. I volunteered to tutor one to three hours a day in that conference, and she said, 'No, the court doesn't give you that time.' And did not allow me to tutor my son one hour last year. Not one.

Mr. Surina

It took a long time to figure out what was going on. And it's good where they know what's going on, where the school is aware of all the situations that happen. And it's comforting for them.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, so now we're talking about other people, what other people are aware of, what other people are doing. Let's keep it to your testimony on good faith, Mr. Serena.

Mr. Surina

Um... So, well, the real reasons, so let's just break down the real reasons. So the real reasons that I'm objecting to the relocation are, one, I completely isolated my kids.

Mr. Surina

More, wait, go on.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Are you saying the move would isolate them?

Mr. Surina

Yeah, them relocating and going to school in a new, you know, all their support networks dropped. All their friends dropped off. Why? Why do that when it's... Yeah, so number one.

Mr. Surina

The second reason is that they're... they want, you know, I guess I can't say that they want to, you know, go to school with their friends and stuff. They do, and it's relative to this.

Mr. Surina

So, I think I listed just about everything in my cleaning in the objection. I'm trying to think— I'm kind of under. I'm not a lawyer again, so I'm trying to.

Mr. Surina

Yeah, so other reasons for objecting to relocation. There's been a ton of custodial interference. The intention. The intent to deprive, which are...

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Yeah, so, I mean... Bruh.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

It sounds like you're making an argument now. Mr. Serena, do you have anything else on your

good faith?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Or anything else on factor five. And if you need a minute just to figure it out, I'll give you a minute. I'll give you a minute. Cool, cool, cool.

Court Clerk Reporter

Because I have a lot of, I hate guys who are like, man, I have a little document right here.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Take a minute, Mr. Serena.

Mr. Surina

So, so... Some of the reasons for the, some of the reasons for filing an objection to the move are: I was immediately at a disadvantage because of the move. It already happened. So following the objection is the only way I can reserve my right to the existing permit plan not remaining in place. Because there's a lot of changes that that made. We're no longer 45 seconds from school. I work in the daytime, so the kids and I have the same schedule. I get off work about 15 minutes before my youngest son gets out of school for the day.

Mr. Surina

I live about a minute from each of the, about two minutes from each of the schools, so to drop them off is like it wasn't, you know, once you live close. It's very easy. It's easy for them. It's easy for me.

Mr. Surina

It's easy for her too. Like she said, it's a very small commute. It's not a very long commute.

Mr. Surina

But the other reasons why I objected to relocation is because I felt like... I also felt like, so there have been threats of abduction throughout the case.

Mr. Surina

That's definitely relevant. We have the NCMEC, the National Center for Risk and Exploitation.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

All right, do you have personal knowledge of threats? Yeah, absolutely. Threats to abduct your choice. So by who?

Mr. Surina

by the petitioner. Numerous times, so many times. That's a big deal because that's actually something that is just not going to be legislated. That's not going to be really taken seriously because it's something that the judicial system really isn't too aware of.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

If you, if miss Serena has threatened to abduct the kids, you can talk about those in those instances as they, as they relate to. The factors, the factors that are here, because we're not going to, you know, litigate, you know, whether whether that happened or or, you know, or what to do about it. But if they, if you can show the court that they relate to these factors, then you may present testimony on them.

Mr. Surina

The current court order is very specifically worded in a couple of ways that are really concerning. I didn't notice it in 2019. I had no idea. It wasn't until one of the threats of abduction where I had contacted the State Department. This is something that the court is aware of. Judge Price is well aware of it. He wrote in specifics about international travel with the kids for that reason. But they got construed when the written orders were created. So this relocation is almost testing the waters.

Mr. Surina

The petitioner relocated with the kids, bought a house, closed escrow, and never mentioned it. I found out in an email to school authorities that she had moved, already moved.

Mr. Surina

Dad? Dad?

Mr. Surina

The restraining order in place— there is a restraining order in place.

Mr. Surina

is unusually restrictive, preventing our children from contacting the other parent, which, in this context, means... this condition is not only the is not only]

Mr. Surina

Against the sharing the children mandate.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, which is so you're, you're making you're making an argument now. Mr. Serena, how does it tie to.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Specifically, we're on factor five. We're talking about good faith of each party. If you are, you got to tell me how it, how it ties. To five or another factor, if you want to talk about it. And if you talk about it, you can't make an argument about it, okay?

Mr. Surina

The current restraining order that's on the kids gives cover to the potential risk of child reduction.

Mr. Surina

By allowing the kids not to contact the other parent. It makes it look like they're complying in an abduction. It's crazy.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So I understand you're frustrated with the current order, but how does this relate to good faith?

Mr. Surina

Well, this is a relocation, objection to a relocation that was never even notified about.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Okay, so you've mentioned that you were not notified before, so that is in the record.

Mr. Surina

Yeah, yeah, I was, I filed the objection without any notice. Okay. Yeah.

Court Clerk Reporter

The notice didn't come until 3 weeks after that.

Mr. Surina

Not 60 days before— 60 days before is the.

Mr. Surina

I didn't want to lose my right to... How did this stuff review? Because we need a review one year after the final words anyway. This relocation really brought it into the focus that we really need. We need help. We need the court to go in here because this is not, this is, you know, now we're moving without even telling the other party. That's not good, Randy.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Do you have anything else on number five, Mr. Serino?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

And if you do, I'm happy to hear it, but it's not the time to just vent general frustrations about the situation.

Mr. Surina

Well, there's dirt, you know.

Mr. Surina

There's confusing and contradictory terms in there anyway.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So, so that's so again, we're talking about, like, the, the parenting plan when when the issue today is, is is relocation and relocation based on these factors. Okay.

Mr. Surina

So, I think number 5, I think is.

Mr. Surina

My number five is, yeah, my good faith objecting to the location is reserving my children, my right to be known. five-for-one, to stay in school, to keep the relationships and the support networks that exist, their friends, all of that stuff that they do after school, all of that would have been gone without an objection. Would have been gone. And that was it. That was what was on the line for them.

Mr. Surina

And given the substantial concerns about the well-being of my children, I objected.

Mr. Surina

And there's a time, sense, and nature in those things. Awesome. Um... and I filed all my funds.

Mr. Surina

Which is part of the program.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Anything on number 6, Mr.

Mr. Surina

Serena stage and he's the child. Yeah.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So this would make sense if you just go child by child. Okay. So pick a child and begin if you want to address this factor.

Mr. Surina

So number six is, let's start with Andrew, the youngest one. My son Andrew is, he is really developing. He's very, very bright. He's advanced in math. He wanted to take sign language recently. We can get into that later.

Mr. Surina

He's developing and right now is a really good time to take that time to work with it, to do stuff.

Mr. Surina

But he's stuck inside of an office all day long instead.

Mr. Surina

And anybody, anybody can hang around him, just not Gap. Cheers, Nadia.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

So, thanks. I think, regardless of the, you know, the court senses your general frustration about children, you know, as you say, being placed. In the restaurant, but we're again, we're talking about relocation, even if the court denies the relocation, like that situation can still happen. In the future, so you're. You know, yeah. You made your frustration very, very clear on the court that you don't like that, but you don't need to keep saying it, Mr. Serena. Okay.

Mr. Surina

Well, the needs of the child, so...

Judge K.P.Palubicki

have a relocation specifically not where they're at, yeah you know, but what they need, but what they need is important because they're, um.

Mr. Surina

He's seven. So we start with Andrew. Andrew's seven years old. He comes and tells me, Dad, David cuts. Well, it's wrong. I'm not saying anything that's out.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

And Mr. Serena, we've had this objection a few times now. I think you can get plenty of evidence in about your children without relating what they say. So let's not go there anymore.

Mr. Surina

Amém.

Mr. Surina

Okay, the needs of the child. The developmental stage of Andrew. He's seven. He's very impressionable.

Mr. Surina

That matters to me. I like to... to provide, you know, activity, learning activities. You know, I like to use my time as wisely as possible with my kids. To see time wasted is frustrating to me, very frustrating, because I know it's, I know.

Mr. Surina

Thank you. You can't really do that. When I worked on site, I couldn't do that. And one of the reasons why I think that that's relative here is because they're... There's only so much time. Memories cost a lot when you're not making them. That's about the best way I can put that. And that's true. I found that to be very true. So the development, the needs of the child. The children need to be loved. They need to be more important than the strangers who cut the water. They need to be loved. They need guidance. discipline. They need to be more important than the stranger cussing under his cup of water. That's one of the big deals here.

Mr. Surina

The likely impact of relocation I just discussed in number five. It's large. If this was allowed, they

would have been ripped from their support networks at school.

Mr. Surina

They would have lost their drive, they would have just annihilated their drive in school, completely annihilated it. I was so concerned about that.

Mr. Surina

The Honorable Judge Nixon recognized that in the hearings, especially on the hearing on the 14th where she was sanctioned. That was a big day.

Mr. Surina

The prevention will have on the children's physical, educational, and emotional development. So the prevention is a big deal.

Mr. Surina

It's siding with the children, essentially. It's siding with, you know, keeping their support networks, allowing them to have friends. They're not allowed to play with their friends, generally when they're with their mom. It's allowing them to have friends, allowing them to have these normal life. That's important. I mean, growing up in a restaurant bar is not a normal life, you know, every day. It's not.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

And again, that is separate from the issue of relocation, Mr. Serena. Okay, well, when it is, but this is, but there's, let's, let's say, you know, if, if Miss, if Miss Arena had not moved, if she had just stayed here, the situation could still, but she had the restaurant.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

The children could still be at the restaurant, even if her residents didn't move. So let's not talk about that anymore. You've mentioned it.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Maybe half a dozen times already.

Mr. Surina

The vehicle for the objection is the petition to model by custody.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

But we're deciding relocation right now. So, is there anything else you would like on like the court, to know about Andrew before if you want to talk about David?

Mr. Surina

Um, so... Andrew doesn't have any special needs as far as learning disabilities. Neither does David.

Mr. Surina

They just need to sleep tonight.

Mr. Surina

The development of the children, that's a really important one as far as this goes too, because for Andrew, the opportunity to... how to play games, and it's really important to him right now because he sees his brother. He has all these friends now, you know? And last year at Hutton, they both were in the same school. They won't be in the same school. Again, until it was last year, I believe, in high school. The next time that Andrew will enter is in ninth grade or when he's in 12th grade. They're not going to be in school anymore together, which is actually a lot. That's a big deal for them. And I don't think either of them recognize that until recently. So the... The impact of the relocation was, they were like, 'Why do we have to move?' They were thinking the worst of this. And trying to keep it positive. Because I'm not in control. I don't make those decisions. The court does. And I advise them that. But I think that the developmental stage of Andrew It is an important factor here.

Mr. Surina

He can learn so much so quickly.

Mr. Surina

He needs support. He needs somebody who's willing to sit down with him, who has the time to sit down with him after school to do some of his homework. And, you know, I talk to his teacher quite a bit. He gets these report cards every week when I take him home on Thursdays. He has a, it's like a ninth grade, and it relays how he's doing in school.

Mr. Surina

Um, you know, yeah, we know you're over that stuff.

Mr. Surina

Right now, his physical, educational, emotional development are really important. He's very impressionable.

Mr. Surina

It's a critical crossroads for my children right now. And so, number six is very relevant. It's very important.

Mr. Surina

The prevention is a big deal. The prevention of them being yanked out of school and all that stuff. That's the only thing we're really talking about as far as relocation goes. We're talking about their schooling.

Mr. Surina

We're not talking about whether mom moves or not. She moved without any intent to notify anybody anyway. That's already happened.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Let's make an argument again, Mr. Serino.

Mr. Surina

I mean, is there anything other than the relocation, other than their schooling that we're talking about here?

Mr. Surina

Because we're not talking about the granting plan modification yet. And that's the vehicle for this. So how does this go?

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Well, you're opposing the relocation, so it's your burden to establish that these factors... Thank you. Support your position. Is there anything else on Andrew for Factor 6?

Mr. Surina

On factor six. So Andrew's super shy, very, very shy.

Mr. Surina

And for reasons that are not given into today's case, the age, developmental stage, and needs of the child and the likely impact of the medication or its prevention will have on the child's physical, educational, and emotional development.

Mr. Surina

Andrew is, um... Just beginning to gain traction in school. Just beginning to, like, I mean, he's a second grader. He's just, he's forming his social, you know, kind of circle.

Mr. Surina

He's just starting to excel and do well.

Mr. Surina

Granted, he's tired a lot.

Mr. Surina

He's accepting his... kind of the way things are in his friend circles and stuff. So that's a big deal. That's about what I have for Andrew. I probably have a whole page right now, but I feel like I'm an impression of my people straight.

Mr. Surina

Yeah. So David, right? Okay.

Mr. Surina

David's 12.

Mr. Surina

He's in a developmental stage where they are. I mean, David's 11. He's going to be 12 this summer. And he's in the developmental stage where... He's, you know, in middle school. So he's learning lots of, you know, be cool, be tough. It's an era in life where I remember discipline in this time. I remember... being corrected because I was, you know, I was, for a number of reasons, you know, I had a tough upbringing.

Mr. Surina

I've taken a lot of stuff from my kids so seriously. They don't need to have that.

Mr. Surina

So David's age, being 11, and being the youngest, this is the first year where sixth graders are back in middle school. So that's a big deal. I think he's the youngest in his class, so he's like the youngest.

Mr. Surina

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Mr. Surina

Like, one of the youngest six-figures to attack is Leo.

Mr. Surina

So that's tough because he has to be cool. He's in a public school. He has to be cool. He feels like he has to do all these things.

Mr. Surina

He's starving for attention so badly. And I tell him, 'You're already cool. You're already cool. You don't have to talk like that.' But the majority of the time... It's evident. The majority of the time, there's no supervision. There's nobody supervising him. There's no guidance. There's definitely not male role model guidance. And he's at... The needs of a child, number six, the needs of a child of this age are: they need guidance, they need structure, they need boundaries. These are the things that... If I don't prevent the relocation, they would be completely isolated over in this situation where they're all new school. I don't know any of the teachers.

Mr. Surina

You know, we're talking... No notice. So let me...

Judge K.P.Palubicki

You've mentioned that quite a few times, Mr. Serena.

Judge K.P.Palubicki

Focusing on the...