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4	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY-SECOND		
5	JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MCHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS		
6	PAUL DULBERG,		
7	Plaintiff,)		
8	vs.)		
9	DAVID GAGNON,) Case No.		
10	Individually, and as) 12 LA 178 Agent of CAROLINE) McGUIRE and BILL)		
11	McGUIRE and BILL) McGUIRE, and CAROLINE) McGUIRE and BILL)		
12	McGUIRE, Individually,		
13	Defendants.)		
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15	The deposition of		
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17	DR. KATHY KUJAWA		
18	July 23, 2014		
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25	The deposition of DR. KATHY KUJAWA,		
26	taken before Jill S. Tiffany, CSR, a notary		

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     State of Illinois, on July 23, 2014, at the
     hour of 1:34 p.m., at 2614 Patriot Boulevard,
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     Glenview, Illinois.
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5	DR. KATHY KUJAWA	
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8	MR. ACCARDO 4	
9	MR. LUMBER 25	
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11	EXHIBITS:	
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- DR. KATHY KUJAWA,
- 2 called as a witness and having been first
- 3 duly sworn under oath, was examined and
- 4 testified as follows:
- 5 EXAMINATION
- BY MR. ACCARDO:
- 7 Q. Doctor, could you please state
- 8 your name and spell it for the court
- 9 reporter?
- 10 A. Kathy Kujawa; Kathy with a K, last
- 11 name is K-U-J-A-W-A.
- MR. ACCARDO: Let the record
- 13 reflect this is the discovery deposition of
- 14 Dr. Kathy Kujawa taken pursuant to notice,
- 15 taken in accordance with the Rules of the
- 16 Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, the
- 17 Rules of the Circuit Court of McHenry County
- 18 and any other applicable Local Court Rules.
- 19 Q. Good afternoon, Doctor. My name
- 20 is Perry Accardo and I'm going to be asking
- 21 you some questions today about a patient of
- 22 yours by the name of Paul Dulberg, okay?
- 23 A. Okay.
- Q. Have you ever given depositions

- 1 before?
- 2 A. Yes, I have.
- 3 Q. You're familiar with the ground
- 4 rules then governing depositions? I don't
- 5 have to go over them with you?
- 6 A. You don't have to.
- 7 Q. All right, great. What type of
- 8 doctor are you?
- 9 A. A neurologist with a specialist in
- 10 movement disorders which means two additional
- 11 years of training beyond the standard
- 12 neurology residency.
- 13 Q. And today we are located at your
- 14 offices in Glenview; is that correct?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. And what practice are you
- 17 affiliated with currently?
- 18 A. Let's see. I have two offices. I
- 19 saw the -- Mr. Dulberg at my Alexian Brothers
- 20 office. Here it's just more convenient. I'm
- 21 in private practice here, renting space from
- 22 a group. Though the door says Presence, I am
- 23 not with Presence.
- Q. But you are affiliated with

- 1 Alexian Brothers?
- 2 A. Correct, absolutely.
- 3 Q. Gotcha. And do you have at least
- 4 some of your records here today regarding
- 5 Mr. Dulberg?
- 6 A. That's right. I have the initial
- 7 visit when I saw him in September 2013.
- 8 Q. And then it's my understanding
- 9 that you saw him in February of 2014 for an
- 10 injection as well as in May of 2014 for
- 11 another injection; is that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. Have you reviewed any other
- 14 records prior to today's deposition for any
- 15 other medical care or treatment that Mr.
- 16 Dulberg has received?
- 17 A. If I did, it was back when I saw
- 18 him in September. I do know his orthopedic
- 19 doctor, Dr. Sagerman, referred him to me.
- 20 But off the top of my head, I can't remember
- 21 if I saw some records from Dr. Sagerman.
- Q. Other than Dr. Sagerman, are you
- 23 aware of any other medical care or treatment
- 24 that Mr. Dulberg received as a result of this

- 1 incident?
- 2 A. No, but it looks like he told me
- 3 he saw Dr. Levin. If I recall, I don't think
- 4 I've seen any records from Dr. Levin.
- 5 Q. Do you know what kind of doctor
- 6 Dr. Levin is?
- 7 A. My note said he was a neurologist,
- 8 but I don't recognize his name.
- 9 Q. And I'm here today to ask you some
- 10 questions regarding follow-up and injuries
- 11 that Mr. Dulberg is claiming resulted from an
- 12 incident that took place on June 28th of
- 13 2011. Now, when Dr. Dulberg -- or when Mr.
- 14 Dulberg first came to see you in September
- 15 of 2013, you said he was referred to you by
- 16 Dr. Sagerman?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And why did Dr. Sagerman refer him
- 19 to you, if you know?
- 20 A. Dr. Sagerman knows I'm movement
- 21 disorders, so the patient had some -- I don't
- 22 know if it's correct to say -- some spasms, I
- 23 think we were calling them spasms, in his
- 24 right arm which occurred after the injury.

- 1 Q. And when you first saw Mr.
- 2 Dulberg, did you take a history from him?
- 3 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And what did that history consist
- 5 of?
- 6 A. It looks like he had two
- 7 complaints, which was pain in the arm that
- 8 had the trauma, but also an abnormal posture
- 9 of the right hand.
- 10 Q. And so we're talking about the
- 11 right arm and the right hand?
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. I see in the history that there's
- 14 a mention of a right arm dystonia. What is
- 15 that?
- 16 A. It's abnormal muscle spasms. So
- 17 dystonia is a fancy word for involuntary
- 18 muscle contractions.
- 19 Q. Did Mr. Dulberg give you a history
- 20 of how the incident occurred that led him to
- 21 come to see you?
- A. Yes, he did. He told me two years
- 23 prior to seeing him he was in a chain saw
- 24 accident.

- 1 Q. And what if anything did he say
- 2 about that chain saw accident?
- 3 A. He told me he was helping a
- 4 neighbor who was using the chain saw.
- 5 Q. And he suffered some kind of
- 6 trauma to his right forearm; is that correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And I see in the history that he
- 9 talks about his arm was nearly severed; is
- 10 that correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And that would have been something
- 13 that he would have told you?
- 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 15 Q. And his primary complaint was when
- 16 he talked about a burning pain in his right
- 17 forearm?
- 18 A. Correct. First complaint is pain.
- 19 Q. And there's I think a mention
- 20 there of a medication that he was on,
- 21 gabapentin, G-A-B-A-P-E-N-T-I-N?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- Q. What type of medication is that?
- 24 A. It was initially developed as a

- 1 seizure medication. But neurologists, we
- 2 have discovered it's very helpful in other
- 3 disorders, primarily pain, but also
- 4 psychiatrists can use it for mood
- 5 stabilization.
- 6 Q. And as far as this involuntary
- 7 spasm where I think you used, in quotations,
- 8 a curling of the right hand?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. He indicated that that started
- 11 approximately 18 months before seeing you; is
- 12 that correct?
- 13 A. That's right.
- 14 Q. And he also reports a constant
- 15 numbness in the medial aspect of the right
- 16 forearm?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. As well as an intermittent
- 19 tingling?
- 20 A. Yes, that's right.
- Q. What part of the forearm are we
- 22 talking about when we're talking about the
- 23 medial aspect?
- 24 A. The anatomical position is thumbs

- 1 out, so that would be the, if the thumbs are
- 2 held out, the surface closest to the body.
- 3 Q. So sort of basically what would be
- 4 like the inside of the right forearm?
- 5 A. Yes, that's right.
- 6 Q. And did you perform a physical
- 7 examination of him back in September of 2013?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. And what were the results of that
- 10 physical examination insofar as anything that
- 11 was significant to you?
- 12 A. Let's see. He was slightly weak
- 13 in his right hand. But he had observable
- 14 spasms in his -- it was actually wrist and
- 15 hand also.
- Q. When you say observable, could you
- 17 sort of explain to me what it was that you
- 18 were able to observe?
- 19 A. Let's see. So his wrist came in,
- 20 and his third, fourth and fifth, so the last
- 21 three fingers curled into his palm.
- 22 Q. And was that the result of you
- 23 asking him to do some types of certain
- 24 movements or something like that?

- 1 A. I was trying to provoke the
- 2 involuntary movement, so I asked him to
- 3 voluntary make a fist. And then the abnormal
- 4 -- after making a fist, asking him to relax
- 5 and he couldn't. The hand continued in that
- 6 posture.
- 7 Q. Would you consider that to be an
- 8 objective or subjective finding?
- 9 A. Objective.
- 10 Q. Is there any subjective component
- 11 to that whatsoever as far as you're
- 12 concerned?
- 13 A. Subjective on my part or the
- 14 patient's part.
- Q. On the patient's part.
- 16 A. No, these are my observations.
- 17 Q. After your taking a history of him
- 18 and doing your physical examination, did you
- 19 come to an assessment or a diagnosis?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And what was that?
- 22 A. That he had post-traumatic
- 23 dystonia, which is involuntary muscle
- 24 contractures of his right hand. And also by

- 1 history, he's got a resultant pain syndrome
- 2 also.
- 3 Q. And what was your plan of
- 4 treatment?
- 5 A. To continue the gabapentin since
- 6 he felt it did help his pain. But also to
- 7 help the spasms, the treatment of choice --
- 8 or the gold standard of treatment for
- 9 dystonia is actually botulinum toxin
- 10 injections.
- 11 Q. Commonly known as Botox?
- 12 A. Botox, that's correct. The brand
- 13 name is Botox.
- 14 Q. I also note under assessment and
- 15 plan there's numbers 1 and 2; 1 being other,
- 16 acquired torsion dystonia. What is that?
- 17 A. Our EMR, electronic medical
- 18 record, has a search to find out billable
- 19 diagnoses. So torsion is an old, old term
- 20 but dystonia is not so old. But acquired
- 21 means it wasn't congenital; he wasn't born
- 22 with it. So the dystonia happened later in
- 23 life. But actually, dystonia can affect many
- 24 parts of the body, so the second diagnosis

- 1 was writer's cramp which is actually dystonia
- 2 of the hand.
- 3 Q. And I think as we said before
- 4 then, Mr. Dulberg came back to see you in
- 5 February of 2014?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. Was there any contact between
- 8 Mr. Dulberg and your office between the
- 9 September 25th visit and coming in in
- 10 February of 2014?
- 11 A. Actually, I believe there were
- 12 several phone calls because I -- I don't --
- 13 the recommended therapy was Botox which is
- 14 very expensive. So there were phone calls
- 15 back and forth to see if he would qualify
- 16 from a Patient Assistance Program through
- 17 Allergan which owns -- essentially owns the
- 18 drug, the Botox.
- 19 Q. And by very expensive, what are we
- 20 talking about?
- A. \$500 a vial. I know I gave him at
- 22 least one vial. That's for the drug itself.
- 23 But the injection and the doctor visits are
- 24 on top of that.

- 1 Q. And can you give me a ball park as
- 2 far as about total how much that would be?
- 3 A. I would guess maybe \$2,000.
- 4 Q. And that would just be for one
- 5 injection?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And as far as you know, were there
- 8 any complications with that initial injection
- 9 in February of 2014?
- 10 A. Complication, no.
- 11 Q. Now, as far as getting any type of
- 12 relief from any of the symptoms that Mr.
- 13 Dulberg was complaining of, how immediate is
- 14 -- would be the onset of any relief after a
- 15 Botox injection?
- 16 A. It would have to be at least a
- 17 week and a half.
- Q. And so what would the plan then be
- 19 after that first injection in February of
- 20 2014? What would be the follow-up
- 21 recommendation?
- 22 A. The initial visit is just to see
- 23 if there's some sort of response. And
- 24 actually, like any medication, you start at

- 1 the lowest dose possible and titrate up. So
- 2 that's kind of an exploratory visit. He did
- 3 come back in May. I can't quite -- there had
- 4 to be some sort of positive response;
- 5 otherwise we wouldn't have invited him back
- 6 three months later. But the first one was
- 7 just kind of a -- essentially exploratory.
- Q. And sitting here today, we don't
- 9 have the records from that May 2014 visit,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. As far as what you recall, you
- 13 believe that there would have been some type
- 14 of positive reaction to the initial
- 15 injection?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. And the second injection, would
- 18 that have been at a higher dose?
- 19 A. Either different muscles or
- 20 varying the dose I gave to certain muscles.
- 21 Q. Are you aware of Mr. Dulberg's
- 22 reaction, either positive or negative, or if
- 23 there was any improvement in symptoms
- 24 following that May 2014 injection?

- 1 A. I don't know. The injections have
- 2 to be spaced out every three months for
- 3 insurance as well as to avoid immunity. So I
- 4 haven't seen him since then. And I'm not --
- 5 I don't know if he's got a follow-up
- 6 appointment in August. If he made the
- 7 appointment I would assume then there was a
- 8 positive response. But I don't know.
- 9 Q. Doctor, I'm going to ask you to
- 10 give some opinions. I would just ask that
- 11 the opinions you give today be within a
- 12 reasonable degree of medical and neurological
- 13 certainty, okay?
- A. (Nodding.)
- 15 Q. Do you have an opinion as to what
- 16 if any injury Mr. Dulberg suffered as a
- 17 result of the incident with the chain saw
- 18 that took place on June 28th of 2011?
- 19 A. Well, I believe due to the
- 20 severing of muscles and nerves in his
- 21 forearm, he's left with pain and involuntary
- 22 muscle spasms.
- Q. What would cause the involuntary
- 24 muscle spasms given the trauma that Mr.

- 1 Dulberg suffered to his right forearm?
- 2 (Brief interruption.)
- 3 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, could you
- 4 repeat that question?
- 5 MR. ACCARDO: Could you read it
- 6 back.
- 7 (The last question was
- 8 read by the reporter.)
- 9 A. The brain is trying to rewire
- 10 itself. Not only is the brain trying to
- 11 rewire itself, the nerves are trying to
- 12 regrow. And nerves can regrow, but very
- 13 slowly. And unfortunately, a lot of times
- 14 it's -- the connections made are incorrect,
- 15 to the wrong muscles, to the wrong place. So
- 16 the man may say voluntary I want to squeeze
- 17 my hand and the wrong muscles contract, if
- 18 they can contract at all.
- 19 Q. Does it make a difference as far
- 20 as any symptoms that Mr. Dulberg would have
- 21 been experiencing if you relate it back to
- 22 how deep or how severe the cut was to his
- 23 right forearm?
- A. Well, I believe I asked, do you

- 1 have any pins in your forearm. He says no,
- 2 no, the bone was not injured, so it was
- 3 completely a soft tissue injury. But from
- 4 what I -- I didn't describe the scar so I
- 5 can't remember how extensive the scar was.
- 6 But from what I could tell, it was quite the
- 7 severe injury. It was very deep, at least an
- 8 inch deep, through most of his soft tissue in
- 9 his arm.
- 10 Q. And would that have been based on
- 11 what he would have told you as far as your
- 12 approximation of the depth or the severity?
- 13 A. Well, and also who he had been to
- 14 see. Dr. Sagerman is a hand surgeon. He's
- 15 not a general orthopedic doc. I mean, he
- 16 takes the worst of the hand injuries. So
- 17 where he came from, too, sort of tells me the
- 18 extent of his injury.
- 19 Q. And as you sit here today, do you
- 20 have an opinion as to whether any injury that
- 21 Mr. Dulberg may have suffered as a result of
- 22 the incident of June 28th of 2011 is
- 23 permanent in nature?
- A. Since he came to me 18 months

- 1 after the initial injury, it's going to be
- 2 pretty chronic at that point. He's come to
- 3 me late enough where the damage is done.
- 4 Q. So you would consider it to be a
- 5 permanent injury?
- 6 A. Correct. I would consider it to
- 7 be a permanent injury.
- 8 Q. What was your prognosis as of the
- 9 last time that Mr. Dulberg came to see you?
- 10 A. That his -- I was trying my best
- 11 to relieve some of the spasms which were
- 12 contributing to the pain. Completely
- 13 resolving his symptoms, it wasn't going to
- 14 happen, and I was very honest with him. But
- 15 to try to give him some relief and improve
- 16 his quality of life, that was my intent.
- 17 Q. At any point did Mr. Dulberg tell
- 18 you that he was having difficulties
- 19 performing certain activities or anything
- 20 like that?
- 21 A. That I can't recall, but since we
- 22 had to help him with the Patient Assistance
- 23 Program, I assumed he didn't have insurance
- 24 and he certainly didn't have the means to pay

- 1 for his medical treatment.
- 2 Q. But at least as far as your
- 3 records and as you sit here today, your
- 4 recollection of treating Mr. Dulberg, can you
- 5 give me any specific examples of any
- 6 limitations in activities or anything that
- 7 Mr. Dulberg complained of?
- 8 A. I can guess what he can't do, but
- 9 I didn't write down what he couldn't do.
- 10 Q. Yeah, I don't want you to guess.
- 11 It would just be based on your memory or
- 12 anything that would be contained in the
- 13 records.
- 14 A. Based on my memory of the records,
- 15 no, I can't recall what he exactly couldn't
- 16 do.
- 17 Q. You said that one of the main
- 18 goals was to try to alleviate the spasms that
- 19 you believed was contributing to the pain.
- 20 Would those be basically intermingled or
- 21 would there be a separate and independent
- 22 pain component that would be going along with
- 23 it? If you know what I mean.
- 24 A. I think there was both. I mean,

- 1 not -- with the injury to the nerves, he was
- 2 left with a baseline pain syndrome. But
- 3 every time he had the spasms, the pain
- 4 intensified. And with the spasms his pain
- 5 was so bad it would wake him up at night.
- 6 Q. Did he give you any frame of
- 7 reference or any indication regarding what
- 8 his baseline level of pain was?
- 9 A. No. It looks like we did a pain
- 10 scale and at that time it was zero.
- 11 Q. At which time? Would that have
- 12 been --
- 13 A. It looks like the initial visit,
- 14 pain scale is zero, 9/25 at 10:00 a.m.
- 15 Q. And getting back to some opinion
- 16 testimony, as you sit here today do you have
- 17 an opinion as to any medical care or
- 18 treatment that Mr. Dulberg is going to
- 19 require in the future to treat any injuries
- 20 that you believe he sustained as a result of
- 21 that incident?
- 22 A. I believe he'll need medications
- 23 to treat his neuropathic pain probably
- 24 indefinitely. At least periodic visits to

- 1 physical therapy, at least once a year. My
- 2 preference would be several times a year.
- 3 We're working with him on the dose to each
- 4 muscles and the beneficial muscles to inject.
- 5 And it really takes about a year to find a
- 6 pattern that each of us is happy with. So at
- 7 least for the next -- if I started in
- 8 February, until next February to really
- 9 decide is the Botox helpful for him.
- 10 And if we decide the Botox isn't
- 11 helpful, then there's oral medications that
- 12 sometimes can help with the spasms, but
- 13 they're poorly tolerated due to sleepiness,
- 14 dry mouth. If he fails Botox and we have to
- 15 do those, there would be visits back and
- 16 forth to see if he responds to them and see
- 17 if the side effects are tolerable.
- 18 Q. Could you give me the names of
- 19 some of those oral medications?
- 20 A. Oh, Baclofen, the tranquilizers,
- 21 Klonopin. I don't like to use Ativan. It
- 22 would be Klonopin. Flexeril, tizanidine. I
- 23 can't remember the other name of tizanidine.
- 24 So it's muscle relaxants and then the

- 1 tranquilizers.
- 2 Q. And as far as the Botox
- 3 injections, you said that those would be
- 4 scheduled every three months as long as
- 5 there's some indication that the patient was
- 6 experiencing some positive outcome from it?
- 7 A. Correct. It's not permanent.
- 8 Unfortunately, the effects wear off so the
- 9 patient has to return on a regular basis.
- 10 And we have to space them out every three
- 11 months so they don't become resistant to the
- 12 therapy, develop antibodies against the
- 13 Botox.
- Q. And then if after a year he is
- 15 still showing some temporary improvement,
- 16 would you then continue --
- 17 A. Oh, they could be continued
- 18 indefinitely.
- 19 Q. Okay. And would those then also
- 20 be every three months --
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. -- or at some point --
- 23 A. We'd continue at three-month
- 24 intervals.

- 1 Q. At any point does that three-month
- 2 interval ever get stretched out?
- 3 A. In my experience, when I inject
- 4 other body parts, like the face, sometimes we
- 5 can go six to eight months because those
- 6 muscles are very sensitive. But larger
- 7 muscle groups, they're desperate at three
- 8 months to come in.
- 9 MR. ACCARDO: All right. I don't
- 10 think I have anything else. Thank you,
- 11 Doctor.

- 13 EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. LUMBER:
- 15 Q. Doctor, I just have one quick
- 16 question. My name is Robert Lumber and we
- 17 represent Mr. Dulberg in this matter.
- 18 The spasms that you had referred
- 19 to, is there generally any rhyme or reason as
- 20 to what may trigger them? I know in your
- 21 visit you indicated that you were
- 22 intentionally trying to trigger them by
- 23 having him make a fist. But is there any
- 24 other rhyme or reason? Or is this something

- 1 that just sitting anywhere at any time may
- 2 flare up on him?
- 3 A. They can -- they can occur
- 4 spontaneously, but a lot of times with
- 5 voluntary movement they can be triggered.
- 6 And we're very active with our hands so we're
- 7 always using our hands, so I can imagine
- 8 they're always being set off.
- 9 Q. One last question. You had
- 10 indicated earlier, I believe, when describing
- 11 the spasms or the dystonia that it was an
- 12 acquired dystonia. Can that be acquired --
- 13 meaning trauma induced? Can that be a
- 14 possible reason for that?
- 15 A. Correct. Within our coding I
- 16 don't think -- at that time I don't think
- 17 there was a code for trauma. So acquired
- 18 means trauma. It's trauma as opposed to
- 19 congenital, born with it.
- 20 MR. LUMBER: I have nothing
- 21 further.
- MR. ACCARDO: I don't have
- 23 anything else. Doctor, signature reserved,
- 24 waived?

1	THE WITNESS: Waived. So I don't
2	have to see anything, right?
3	MR. ACCARDO: Correct. Show
4	signature waived then.
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               vs.
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      Agent of CAROLINE
      McGUIRE and BILL
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Τ	public within and for the county of lake and
2	State of Illinois, on July 23, 2014, at the
3	hour of 1:34 p.m., at 2614 Patriot Boulevard
4	Glenview, Illinois.
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7	APPEARANCES:
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9	MR. ROBERT J. LUMBER, of the Law Offices of Thomas J. Popovich, P.C.
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11	appeared on behalf of plaintiff;
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13	MR. PERRY A. ACCARDO, of the Law Office of Steven A. Lihosit
14	200 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2650 Chicago, Illinois 60601,
15	appeared on behalf of defendants.
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- 1 DR. KATHY KUJAWA,
- 2 called as a witness and having been first
- 3 duly sworn under oath, was examined and
- 4 testified as follows:
- 5 EXAMINATION
- BY MR. ACCARDO:
- 7 Q. Doctor, could you please state
- 8 your name and spell it for the court
- 9 reporter?
- 10 A. Kathy Kujawa; Kathy with a K, last
- 11 name is K-U-J-A-W-A.
- MR. ACCARDO: Let the record
- 13 reflect this is the discovery deposition of
- 14 Dr. Kathy Kujawa taken pursuant to notice,
- 15 taken in accordance with the Rules of the
- 16 Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, the
- 17 Rules of the Circuit Court of McHenry County
- 18 and any other applicable Local Court Rules.
- 19 O. Good afternoon, Doctor. My name
- 20 is Perry Accardo and I'm going to be asking
- 21 you some questions today about a patient of
- 22 yours by the name of Paul Dulberg, okay?
- 23 A. Okay.
- Q. Have you ever given depositions

- 1 before?
- 2 A. Yes, I have.
- Q. You're familiar with the ground
- 4 rules then governing depositions? I don't
- 5 have to go over them with you?
- 6 A. You don't have to.
- 7 Q. All right, great. What type of
- 8 doctor are you?
- 9 A. A neurologist with a specialist in
- 10 \movement disorders which means two additional
- 11 (years of training beyond the standardy
- 12 Meurology residency;
- Q. And today we are located at your
- 14 offices in Glenview; is that correct?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. And what practice are you
- 17 affiliated with currently?
- 18 A. Let's see. I have two offices. I
- 19 saw the -- Mr. Dulberg at my Alexian Brothers
- 20 office. Here it's just more convenient. I'm
- 21 in private practice here, renting space from
- 22 a group. Though the door says Presence, I am
- 23 not with Presence.
- Q. But you are affiliated with

- 1 Alexian Brothers?
- 2 A. Correct, absolutely.
- 3 Q. Gotcha. And do you have at least
- 4 some of your records here today regarding
- 5 Mr. Dulberg?
- 6 A. That's right. I have the initial
- 7 visit when I saw him in September 2013
- Q. And then it's my understanding
- 9 that you saw him in February 05-2014 for an
- 10 injection as well as in May of 2014 for
- 11 another injection; is that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. Have you reviewed any other
- 14 records prior to today's deposition for any
- 15 other medical care or treatment that Mr.
- 16 Dulberg has received?
- 17 A. If I did, it was back when I saw
- 18 him in September. I do know his orthopedic
- 19 doctor, Dr. Sagerman, referred him to me
- 20 But off the top of my head, I can't remember
- 21 if I saw some records from Dr. Sagerman.
- Q. Other than Dr. Sagerman, are you
- 23 aware of any other medical care or treatment
- 24 that Mr. Dulberg received as a result of this

1st saw Sept 13 2rd Visit Feb 14 Injection May 14

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- 1 incident?
- 2 A. No, but it looks like he told me
- 3 he saw Dr. Levin. If I recall, I don't think
- 4 I've seen any records from Dr. Levin.
- Do you know what kind of doctor
- 6 Dr. Levin is?
- 7 A. My note said he was a neurologist,
- 8 but I don't recognize his name.
- 9 Q. And I'm here today to ask you some
- 10 questions regarding follow-up and injuries
- 11 that Mr. Dulberg is claiming resulted from an
- 12 incident that took place on June 28th of
- 13 2011. Now, when Dr. Dulberg -- or when Mr.
- 14 Dulberg first came to see you in September
- 15 of 2013, you said he was referred to you by
- 16 Dr. Sagerman?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. And why did Dr. Sagerman refer him
- 19 to you, if you know?
- 20 A. Dr. Sagerman knows I'm movement
- 21 disorders, so the patient had some -- I don't
- 22 know if it's correct to say -- some spasms/ I
- 23 think we were calling them spasms, in his
- 24 right arm which loguinged after the wingury

had Desems spasms

- 1 0. And when you first saw Mr.
- 2 Dulberg, did you take a history from him?
- 3 Yes, I did. Α.
- 4 Ο. And what did that history consist
- 5 of?
- 6 It looks like he had two
- 7 complaints, which was pain in the arm that
- had the trauma, but also an apnormal posture 8
- 9 of the right hand.
- 10 And so we're talking about the
- 11 right arm and the right hand?
- 12 Α. That's right.
- 13 I see in the history that there's
- Dovern dystonia abnormal muscle spasms a mention of a right arm dystomal What is 14
- 15 that?
- It's appormal muscle spasms. So 16
- dystonia is a fancy word for involuntary 17
- 18 muscle contractions.
- 19 Did Mr. Dulberg give you a history
- 20 of how the incident occurred that led him to
- 21 come to see you?
- Yes, he did. He told mer wears 22 Α.
- 23 prior to seeing him he was in a chaim saw
- 24 accidenta

- 1 Q. And what if anything did he say
- 2 about that chain saw accident?
- 3 A. He told me he was helping a
- 4 neighbor who was using the chain saw.
- 5 Q. And he suffered some kind of
- 6 trauma to his right forearm; is that correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And I see in the history that he
- 9 talks about his arm was hearly severed is
- 10 that correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And that would have been something
- 13 that he would have told you?
- 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 15 Q. And his primary complaint was when
- 16 he talked about a burning pain in his night
- 17 forearm.
- 18 A. Correct. First complaint is pain.
- 19 O. And there's I think a mention
- 20 there of a medication that he was on,
- 21 gabapentin, G-A-B-A-P-E-N-T-I-N?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- Q. What type of medication is that?
- A. It was initially developed as a

" our was devered"

- 1 seizure medication. But neurologists, we
- 2 have discovered it's very helpful in other
- 3 disorders, primarily pain, but also
- 4 psychiatrists can use it for mood
- 5 stabilization.
- 6 Q. And as far as this involuntary
- 7 spasm where I think you used, in quotations,
- 8 Waveurling of the right hand?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. He indicated that that started
- 11 Vapproximately 18 months before seeing you; is
- 12 that correct?
- 13 A. That's right.
- 14 Q. And he also reports a constant
- 15 chumbness in the medial aspect of the right
- 16 Torearm?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. As well as an intermittent
- 19 terroduing?
- 20 A. Yes, that's right.
- 21 Q. What part of the forearm are we
- 22 talking about when we're talking about the
- 23 medial aspect?
- 24 A. The anatomical position is thumbs

- 1 out, so that would be the, if the thumbs are
- 2 held out, the surface closest to the body.
- 3 O. So sort of basically what would be
- 4 like the inside of the right foream?
- 5 A. Yes, that's right.
- 6 Q. And did you perform a physical
- 7 examination of him back in September of 2013?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- 9 Q. And what were the results of that
- 10 physical examination insofar as anything that
- 11 was significant to you?
- 12 A. Let's see. He was slightly weak
- 13 April 13 Man has tright hand But he had observable
- 14 (spasms in his -- ut was actually wrist and)
- 15 Whand also.
- 16 Q. When you say observable, could you
- 17 sort of explain to me what it was that you
- 18 were able to observe?
- 19 A. Let's see. So his wrist came in
- 20 and his there, Lourth and fifth, so the last
- 21 Whree Tingers curled into his paim!
- 22 Q. And was that the result of you
- 23 asking him to do some types of certain
- 24 movements or something like that?

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- 1 A. I was trying to provoke the
- 2 involuntary movement, so I asked him to
- 3 voluntary make a fist. And then the abnormal
- 4 -- Witer making a fist, asking him to relax
- 5 (and he couldn't) The hand continued in that
- 6 posture.
- 7 Q. Would you consider that to be an
- 8 objective or subjective finding?
- 9 A. Objective.
- 10 Q. Is there any subjective component
- 11 to that whatsoever as far as you're
- 12 concerned?
- 13 A. Subjective on my part or the
- 14 patient's part.
- 15 Q. On the patient's part.
- 16 A. No, these are my observations.
- 17 Q. After your taking a history of him
- 18 and doing your physical examination, did you
- 19 come to an assessment or a diagnosis?
- 20 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. And what was that?
- 22 A. That he chad post traumatic
- 23 dystonia, which is involuntary muscle!
- 24 Contractures of his right hand. And also by

- 1 history, he's got a mesultant pain syndrome
- 2 [lalso.
- 3 Q. And what was your plan of
- 4 treatment?
- A. To continue the gabapentin since
- 6 whe felt it did help his pain. But also to
- 7 help the spasms, the treatment of choice --
- 8 or the gold standard of treatment for
- 9 dystonia is actually between the
- 10 Finjections
- 11 Q. Commonly known as Botox?
- 12 A. Botox, that's correct. The brand
- 13 name is Botox.
- 14 Q. I also note under assessment and
- 15 plan there's numbers 1 and 2; 1 being other,
- 16 Recquired torsion dystonia What is that?
- 17 A. Our EMR, electronic medical
- 18 record, has a search to find out billable
- 19 diagnoses. So torsion is an old, old term
- 20 but dystonia is not so old. But acquired
- 21 means it wasn't congenital; he wasn't born
- 22 with it. So the dystonia happened later in
- 23 life. But actually, dystonia can affect many
- 24 parts of the body, so the second diagnosis

- 1 was welter's cramp which is actually dystonia
- 2 of the hand.
- 3 Q. And I think as we said before
- 4 then, Mr. Dulberg came back to see you in
- 5 Rebruary of 2014?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. Was there any contact between
- 8 Mr. Dulberg and your office between the
- 9 September 25th visttwand coming in in
- 10 [February/of 20147
- 11 A. Actually, I believe there were
- 12 several phone calls because I -- I don't --
- 13 the recommended therapy was Botox which is
- 14 very expensive. So there were phone calls
- 15 (back and forth to see if he would qualify)
- 16 From a Eatient Assistance Program through
- 17 MALTergan which owns -- essentially owns they
- 18 Corug, the Botox
- 19 Q. And by very expensive, what are we
- 20 talking about?
- 21 A. \$500 a vial I know I gave him at
- 22 least one vial. That's for the drug itself.
- 23 (But the injection and the doctor visits are)
- 24 Won top of that

- 1 Q. And can you give me a ball park as
- 2 far as about total how much that would be?
- 3 A. I would guess maybe \$2,000.
- 4 Q. And that would just be for one
- 5 injection?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And as far as you know, were there
- 8 any complications with that initial injection
- 9 in February of 2014?
- 10 A. Complication, no.
- 11 Q. Now, as far as getting any type of
- 12 relief from any of the symptoms that Mr.
- 13 Dulberg was complaining of, how immediate is
- 14 -- would be the onset of any relief after a
- 15 Botox injection?
- 16 A. At would have to be at least a
- 17 week and a half
- 18 Q. And so what would the plan then be
- 19 after that first injection in February of
- 20 2014? What would be the follow-up
- 21 recommendation?
- 22 A. Whe initial visit is just to see
- 23 (Trubere's some sort of response) And
- 24 actually, like any medication, you start at

- 1 the lowest dose possible and titrate up. So
- 2 that's kind of an exploratory visit. He did
- 3 come back in May. I can't quite -- there had
- 4 (to be some sort of positive response)
- 5 otherwise we wouldn't have invited him back.
- 6 Three months Water. But the first one was
- 7 just kind of a -- ressentially exploratory.
- Q. And sitting here today, we don't
- 9 have the records from that May 2014 visit,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. As far as what you recall, you
- 13 believe that there would have been some type
- 14 (of positive reaction to the initial)
- 15 unjection?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 Q. And the second injection, would
- 18 (that have been at a higher dose)
- 19 A. Either different muscles of
- 20 varying the dose I gave to certain muscles.
- Q. Are you aware of Mr. Dulberg's
- 22 reaction, either positive or negative, or if
- 23 there was any improvement in symptoms
- 24 following that May 2014 injection?

- 1 A. I don't know. The injections have,
- 2 (to be spaced out every three months for (
- 3 Vinsurance as well as to avoid immunity. So I
- 4 haven't seen him since then. And I'm not --
- 5 II don't know if he's got a follow-up
- 6 pappointment in August. If he made the
- 7 vappointment I would assume then there was a
- 8 positive response. But I don't know.
- 9 Q. Doctor, I'm going to ask you to
- 10 give some opinions. I would just ask that
- 11 the opinions you give today be within a
- 12 reasonable degree of medical and neurological
- 13 certainty, okay?
- A. (Nodding.)
- 15 Q. Do you have an opinion as to what
- 16 if any injury Mr. Dulberg suffered as a
- 17 result of the incident with the chain saw
- 18 that took place on June 28th of 2011?
- 19 A. Well, (I believe due to the)
- 20 Ksewering of muscles and nerves in his
- 21 (Torearm, he's left with pain and involuntary)
- 22 muscle spasms
- Q. What would @ause the involuntary)
- 24 muscle spasms given the trauma that Mr.

IN AS A RESULT OF ACCIDENT

" dlt severing of muscles Overves in his forearm, This left w/ pain & involuntary muscle spasms

Dulberg suffered to his right forearm? 1 (Brief interruption.) 2 I'm sorry, could you THE WITNESS: 3 repeat that question? 4 MR. ACCARDO: Could you read it 5 6 back. (The last question was 7 read by the reporter.) 8 The brain is trying to rewire 9 Α. itself. Not only is the brain trying to 10 Vrewire itself, the herves are trying to 11 regrow. VAnd nerves can regrow, but very 12 (slowly) Wand unfortunately, a lot of times 13 titus -- the connections made are incorrect; 14 Tto the wrong muscles, to the wrong place. 15 the man may say voluntary I want to squeeze 16 my hand and the wrong muscles contract, if 17 they can contract at all. 1.8 Does it make a difference as far 19 Ο. as any symptoms that Mr. Dulberg would have 20 been experiencing if you relate it back to 21 how deep or how severe the cut was to his 22

Well, I believe I asked, do you

right forearm?

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- · brain trying to rewire
- *Nerves trying to pegrou & a lot of times the Connections made are * Incorrect to warong

- 1 have any pins in your forearm. He says no,
- 2 no, the bone was not injured, so wit was
- 3 Completed Marie This such that I But from
- 4 what I -- Ladidn't describe the scar so I)
- 5 can't remember how extensive the scar was
- 6 \But from what I could tell, it was quite the
- 7 vsevere injury at was very deep, at least an
- 8 , inch deep, through most of his soft tissue in tissue in his arm
- 9 (his arm
- 10 Q. And would that have been based on
- 11 -what he would have told you as far as your.
- 12 approximation of the depth or the severity?
- 13 A. Well, and also who he had been to
- 14 see. Dr. Sagerman is a hand surgeon. He's
- 15 -not a general orthopedic doc. I mean, he
- 16 takes the worst of the hand injuries. So
- 17 where he came from, too, sort of tells me the,
- 18 extent of his injury.
- 19 Q. And as you sit here today, do you
- 20 have an opinion as to whether any injury that
- 21 Mr. Dulberg may have suffered as a result of
- 22 the incident of June 28th of 2011 is
- 23 permanent in nature?
- A. Since he came to me 18 months

PERMANENT

- 1 after the initial injury, it's going to be
- 2 pretty chronic at that point. He's come to
- 3 me late enough where the damage is done.
- 4 Q. So you would consider it to be a
- 5 permanent injury?
- 6 A. Correct. Twould consider it to
- 7 Whata permanent injury
- 8 Q. What was your prognosis as of the
- 9 last time that Mr. Dulberg came to see you?
- 10 A. That his -- Twas trying my best
- 11 to relieve some of the spasms which were
- 12 contributing to the pain Completely
- 13 wesolving his symptoms, it wasn't going to
- 14 Chappen, and I was very honest with him But
- 15 to try to give him some relief and improve
- 16 this quality of life, that was my intent.
- 17 Q. At any point did Mr. Dulberg tell
- 18 you that he was having difficulties
- 19 performing certain activities or anything
- 20 like that?
- 21 A. That I can't recall, but since we
- 22 had to help him with the Patient Assistance
- 23 Program, I assumed he didn't have insurance
- 24 and he certainly didn't have the means to pay

- 1 for his medical treatment.
- 2 Q. But at least as far as your
- 3 records and as you sit here today, your
- 4 recollection of treating Mr. Dulberg, can you
- 5 give me any specific examples of any
- 6 limitations in activities or anything that
- 7 Mr. Dulberg complained of?
- A. I can guess what he can't do, but
- 9 I didn't write down what he couldn't do.
- 10 Q. Yeah, I don't want you to guess.
- 11 It would just be based on your memory or
- 12 anything that would be contained in the
- 13 records.
- 14 A. Based on my memory of the records,
- 15 no, recall what he exactly couldn't ? what he caudn't do
- 16 (do).
- 17 Q. You said that one of the main
- 18 goals was to try to alleviate the spasms that
- 19 you believed was contributing to the pain.
- 20 Would those be basically intermingled or
- 21 would there be a separate and independent
- 22 pain component that would be going along with
- 23 it? If you know what I mean.
- A. I think there was both. I mean,

- 1 not -- with the injury to the nerves, he was
- 2 Weft with a baseline pain syndrome. But
- 3 revery time he had the spasms, the pain
- 4 (intensified And with the spasms his pain
- 5 (was so bad it would wake him up at hight.
- 6 Q. Did he give you any frame of
- 7 reference or any indication regarding what
- 8 his baseline level of pain was?
- 9 A. No. It looks like we did a pain
- 10 scale and at that time it was zero.
- 11 Q. At which time? Would that have
- 12 been --
- 13 A. It looks like the initial visit,
- 14 pain scale is zero, 9/25 at 10:00 a.m.
- 15 Q. And getting back to some opinion
- 16 testimony, as you sit here today do you have
- 17 an opinion as to any medical care or
- 18 treatment that Mr. Dulberg is going to
- 19 require in the future to treat any injuries
- 20 that you believe he sustained as a result of
- 21 that incident?
- 22 A. Tebetteve ne II beed med catalons
- 23 to treat his neuropathic pain probably 1
- 24 cindefinitely. At least periodic visits to

buselink pain syndrome, but pain intensified whea.spasm

OP RE FUTUREIX

- · meds to Tx neuropathic pain indefinitely
- ·PT @ least 1x/yr, Lind prefer several times peryr
- "need until Feb 15 to determine if Botox helpful "If no Botox, oral meds
 - can help & and need till's to see if helesponds 4 muscle relaxors a tranquilizers

- 1 (physical themapy, at least once a year My
- 2 preference would be several times a year.
- 3 Welse working with him on the dose to each
- 4 muscles and the beneficial muscles to inject.
- 5 And it really takes about a year to find a
- 6 pattern that each of us is happy with. So at
- 7 least for the next -- 17 I started in
- 8 February, until next February to reallye
- 9 decide is the Botox helpful for him $_{m{ ilde{s}}}$
- 10 And if we decide the Betex isn't
- 11 helpful, then there's oral medications that
- 12 sometimes can help with the spasms, but
- 13 they re poorly tolerated due to sleepiness,
- 14 dry mouth. If he fails Botox and we have to
- 15 Wo those, there would be visits back and
- 16 forth to see if he responds to them and see
- 17 If the side effects are tolerable.
- 18 Q. Could you give me the names of
- 19 some of those oral medications?
- 20 A. Oh, Baclofen, the Branquilizers ...
- 21 Klonopin. I don't like to use Ativan. It
- 22 would be Klonopin. Wlexeril, bizanidine, I
- 23 can't remember the other name of tizanidine.
- 24 VSo It's muscle relaxants and then the

- 1 wranquidizersw
- 2 Q. And as far as the potox
- 3 injections you said that those would be
- 4 scheduled every three months as long as
- 5 there's some indication that the patient was
- 6 experiencing some positive outcome from it?
- 7 A. Correct. Att since permanent.
- 8 Unfortunately, the effects wear off so the
- 9 patient has to return on a regular basis.
- 10 And we have to space them out every three,
- 11 months so they don't become resistant to the
- 12 (therapy; develop antibodies against the
- 13 Botox
- 14 Q. And then if after a year he is
- 15 still showing some temporary improvement,
- 16 would you then continue --
- 17 A. Oh, they could be continued
- 18 indefinitely.
- 19 Q. Okay. And would those then also
- 20 be every three months --
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. -- or at some point --
- A. We'd continue at three-month
- 24 intervals.

Botok every 3 mos.
ble not peremanent
befrects wear off
a don't want them
to be resistant

Alf he responds, every 3 mas. and have Botox indefinitely

- 1 Q. At any point does that three-month
- 2 interval ever get stretched out?
- 3 A. In my experience, when I inject
- 4 other body parts, like the face, sometimes we
- 5 can go six to eight months because those
- 6 muscles are very sensitive. But larger
- 7 muscle groups, they're desperate at three
- 8 months to come in.
- 9 MR. ACCARDO: All right. I don't
- 10 think I have anything else. Thank you,
- 11 Doctor.
- 12
- 13 EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. LUMBER:
- 15 Q. Doctor, I just have one quick
- 16 question. My name is Robert Lumber and we
- 17 represent Mr. Dulberg in this matter.
- The spasms that you had referred
- 19 to, is there generally any rhyme or reason as
- 20 to what may trigger them? I know in your
- 21 visit you indicated that you were
- 22 intentionally trying to trigger them by
- 23 having him make a fist. But is there any
- 24 other rhyme or reason? Or is this something

- 1 that just sitting anywhere at any time may
- 2 flare up on him?
- 3 A. They can -- they can occur?
- 4 g spontaneously, but a lot of times with a
- 5 woluntary movement they can be triggered w
- 6 Wand we're very active with our hands so we're
- 7 valways using our hands, so I can imagine,
- 8 (they re always being set off)
- 9 Q. One last question. You had
- 10 indicated earlier, I believe, when describing
- 11 the spasms or the dystonia that it was an
- 12 acquired dystonia. Can that be acquired --
- 13 meaning trauma induced? Can that be a
- 14 possible reason for that?
- 15 A. Correct. Within our coding I
- 16 don't think -- at that time I don't think
- 17 there was a code for trauma. Somecquired
- 18 Means trauma. Alt's trauma as opposed to
- 19 & congenital, born with it.
- 20 MR. LUMBER: I have nothing
- 21 further.
- MR. ACCARDO: I don't have
- 23 anything else. Doctor, signature reserved,
- 24 waived?

1	THE WITNESS: Waived. So I don't
2	have to see anything, right?
3	MR. ACCARDO: Correct. Show
4	signature waived then.
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     DR. KATHY KUJAWA on July 23, 2014 was by me
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