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1 SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF BROOKLYN: CIVIL TERM PART 31 2 3 DAVID ARONOV, Plaintiff, INDEX NO. 4 500499/2016 5 - against -EUGENE KHAVINSON 290 13TH STREET LLC ET AL, 6 Defendant. 7 ----X 8 360 Adams Street Brooklyn, New York 11201 9 December 7, 2023 10 BEFORE: 11 HONORABLE PATRIA FRIAS-COLON, Justice (A jury of 6 and 2 alternates.) 12 13 APPEARANCES: 14 THE LAW FIRM OF GRASING & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 15 Raymond R. Grasing 99 Smithtown Blvd., Suite 6 Smithtown, NY 11787 16 17 MESTECHKIN LAW GROUP P.C. 18 Oleg Mestechkin/Wing K. Chiu 2218 Ocean Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11229 19 20 21 22 23 24 CASSANDRA JOHNSON 25 SENIOR COURT REPORTER

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1 THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Good morning ladies and 2 gentlemen. This is the case of David Aronov verses 290 13th Street 3 et al. Part 31 calendar before the Honorable Judge Frias-Colon. 4 Please come to order. 5 The index number. THE COURT: 6 THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Index number 500499 of 7 2016. THE COURT OFFICER: All rise jury entering. 8 THE COURT: Good morning everyone you may be 9 seated. Let the record reflect all parties remain the 10 same. Our jury is in the jury box. Mr. Grasing, are you 11 ready to proceed with your next witness? 12 MR. GRASING: Yes. I'd like to call Mr. Eugene 13 Khavinson to the stand please. 14 THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson. Can we swear the 15 witness in. 16 THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Please raise your 17 right hand. Do you solemnly swear or affirm to the tell 18 the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. 19 THE WITNESS: I do. 20 Thank you. You may be seated. THE COURT: 21 Mr. Khavinson, you've been with us observing as a party for 22 a few days so you know the rules. Listen to the question 23 very carefully and answer what is being asked. I'm going 24 to ask you to get comfortable in the chair and speak in to 25 the mic to make sure that we hear everything that you have

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1	to say.
2	THE WITNESS: Okay.
3	THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, the floor is yours.
4	MR. GRASING: Thank you.
5	DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GRASING:
6	Q Good morning, Mr. Khavinson?
7	A Good morning.
8	THE COURT: I'm sorry. It's okay for me if you
9	stay seated but if you are going to stand and walk around
10	I'd like to get you the mic.
11	MR. GRASING: For the most part, if it's okay
12	with the court and the witness, to try to expedite things
13	I'd like to be able to sit during this, because I have two
14	screens open.
15	THE COURT: I don't need an explanation. I
16	just want to make sure that if you are going to stand that
17	I have what you need to make sure we can hear you.
18	MR. GRASING: Thank you.
19	THE COURT: Wonderful if you do stand, we'll
20	make sure to get you the mic.
21	MR. GRASING: Thank you very much.
22	THE COURT: Go ahead Mr. Grasing. You have the
23	floor.
24	DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GRASING:
25	Q Mr. Khavinson, what's your connection with 290 13th

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1 Street LLC? 2 Α I was a managing member. 3 Who -- withdrawn. When was it formed? 0 4 In 2007 I believe, or 2008. Α 5 Does it still exist today? 0 6 It does. Α 7 Q When was the last time it did any substantial 8 business? 9 2014. Α 10 What was the purpose of the LLC, and just so it's 11 clear if we call it your LLC or the LLC for short, will you know 12 what it is I'm talking about? 13 Okay. Α 14 So what was the purpose of the LLC? 15 The purpose of LLC was to reconstruct the building 16 which we purchased in Brooklyn, New York. And convert it into four 17 apartment buildings and sell those condominium apartments. 18 What was the address? Q 19 290 13th Street Brooklyn, New York. 20 When was the project completed to the extent that the 21 units were sold? 22 I believe end of 2013. Α 23 How much in total were they sold for? Q 24 A little over \$4,000,000. Α 25 Who were the members or owners of the LLC? Q

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1	A	The members were Vyacheslav Faybyshev, Mikhail
2	Kremerman,	Aleksandra Bogoslavski, Artyom Kirzhner, Mikola
3	Wolinski, V	ritaly Kochnev, Michael Khavinson.
4	Q	Anyone else?
5	А	That's all.
6	Q	Only because I didn't hear you say the name David
7	Aronov?	
8	А	Yes, David Aronov the main person.
9	Q	Okay. Was there an operating agreement prepared for
10	the LLC at	any point?
11	А	Yes, it was.
12	Q	When?
13	А	Probably in 2008.
14	Q	By who?
15	А	I don't remember right now. But probably by my law
16	firm.	
17	Q	Did you represent the LLC at any point in a legal
18	capacity?	
19	А	Only when I did not personally represent, but my
20	law firm re	epresent in defending lawsuit against Jerzy Schnapp.
21	Q	What's the name of your law firm?
22	А	Today it's Khavinson and Matronica P.C. (phonetic.)
23	Q	What was it at the time you were referring to when you
24	defended th	ne LLC against the Jerzy Schnapp?
25	А	Khavinson & Associates P.C.

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1	Q Briefly, but approximately when did it change?
2	A It changed probably a year ago.
3	Q The members you listed, did they each sign the one
4	operating agreement that you spoke about?
5	A Yes.
6	Q Okay. I'd like to draw your attention to I don't
7	have it. It would be the Plaintiff's Exhibit One. It would be the
8	operating agreement for 290 13th Street LLC New York State Limited
9	Liability Company dated the 9th day of February 2008. It's on my
10	screen. If you want to show it to the witness.
11	THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, would you also like
12	that shown to the jury?
13	MR. GRASING: It's in evidence, yes.
14	THE COURT: So let's put Plaintiff's Exhibit
15	One published in all the screens please.
16	Q And just so it's clear, do you have a hard copy of the
17	exhibit in front of you, if not we can get it from the table
18	directly in front of me.
19	A I don't have a hard copy in front of me.
20	THE COURT: Why does he need a hard copy? He
21	has it on the screen.
22	MR. GRASING: Okay. I thought that was a
23	protocol just from yesterday.
24	THE COURT: No, the protocol is if you direct
25	him wherever you need him to be directed, you can. Just

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1	direct him to where you need him to go to answer your
2	question. If you want it the physical in front of him we
3	can do that too.
4	Q I believe I can do it this way. I am directing you to
5	the eighth page of the exhibit where it is typed Eugene Khavinson.
6	There's a signature above that. Is that your signature?
7	A It is my signature.
8	Q Out of the names on this page, these are each of
9	these members of the LLC?
10	A Yes, they are.
11	Q Out of the names that you mentioned, Mr. Bogoslavski,
12	Aleksandra Bogoslavski is not written there. Do you know why?
13	A This is a second version of the original operating
14	agreement, because David Aronov joined the company at the later
15	date. And then it was another amendment for that page and
16	everybody signed it. And where Aleksandra Bogoslavski was added to
17	this list of members.
18	Q When was that?
19	A When Aleksandra Bogoslavski joined the company. I
20	don't remember exact date.
21	Q What year?
22	A I don't remember.
23	Q Did anyone are you saying everyone including David
24	Aronov signed an amended operating agreement listing Aleksandra
25	Bogoslavski?

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1	A Correct.
2	Q Do you have it?
3	A I don't have it.
4	Q What happened to it?
5	A Somebody took it from my office. When Mr. Aronov left
6	the office I lost a lot of documents. So, I don't know what
7	happened. I did not hold them by hand so I cannot say he took it,
8	but something happened.
9	Q Approximately, what year did Aleksandra Bogoslavski
10	become a member?
11	A I do not remember, but at a later date then this
12	document was signed.
13	Q Well, briefly if this is dated February 9, 2008 and
14	the units were sold, the four condominiums in the project were sold
15	and closed sometime in 2014?
16	A Correct.
17	Q When in there if you can give an approximate date that
18	Aleksandra Bogoslavski become a member to the best of your
19	recollection?
20	A It was before 2014 when construction was still going
21	on. And it was definitely after this agreement was signed in 2008.
22	Q Did you ever take a loan out from Aleksandra
23	Bogoslavski?
24	A Never.
25	Q Okay. Give me one second. I'm going to pull up an

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1 additional version. If we can have the screens shut off for a

- 2 second so I can scroll through and get it, I would appreciate it.
- 3 Thank you. Mr. Khavinson, I'd like to direct your attention to
- 4 Exhibit 4B, Plaintiff's Exhibit 4B, the 2008 corporate return for
- 5 the LLC. I have it on my screen. You can show it. Now on this
- 6 page of the exhibit, the partner's schedule K1's begin. We're
- going to scroll through each of them to try to jog your memory as 7
- 8 to when Aleksandra Bogoslavski became an owner. We can go as fast
- 9 or as slow as you like. The first one is for you. Do you see
- 10 that?
- 11 Α Yes.
- 12 Do you see in box J, partnership profit, loss and the
- 13 capital. Profit 13.33 percent. And loss 13.33 percent. Capital
- 14 13.33 both at the beginning and end of the year.
- 15 I don't see it here.
- 16 If you look at box J, it's on the left-hand side. Q
- 17 It's what type of entity, is this partner, individual appears
- 18 directly above it. Do you see where it says J partner share of
- 19 profit, loss, and capital. It's right on the screen on the
- 20 left-hand side?
- 21 Α I can see that.
- 22 Is that accurate for that year? 0
- 23 It's accurate. Α
- 24 The next K1 for 2008 is for Mr. Michael Khavinson,
- 25 first is that your brother?

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1	A Yes.
2	Q Do you see his share of profit, loss, and capital at
3	the beginning and the end of the year is 13.33 percent, is that
4	accurate?
5	A It's accurate.
6	Q The next one, and I never pronounced the gentleman's
7	first name correctly so forgive me. Is the K1 Vyacheslav
8	Faybyshev. Do you see that?
9	A I do.
10	Q And where it says in the same box profit, loss, and
11	capital at the beginning and the end of the year is 30 percent for
12	each. Do you see that?
13	A Yes I see that.
14	Q All right. Is that accurate?
15	A It would be accurate if Bogoslavski did not join the
16	company.
17	Q Well, this is in case I'm not clear and please
18	/TPOT I'm not trying to put any words in your mouth all you have to
19	do is tell me. I'm asking about the particular tax year because my
20	intent is to go through each of the tax years. So, in the calendar
21	year 2008, is this K1 accurate as far as Mr. Faybyshev's ownership
22	share of the LLC?
23	A Most likely, yes.
24	Q Okay. Now you say I believe that you were a managing
25	member of the LLC, is that correct?

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1	I	A Correct.
2	Ç	Who else when the LLC was formed was a managing
3	member, i	if there were any?
4	I	A Michael Kremerman.
5	Ç	Did that ever change?
6	I	Yes.
7	Ç	When?
8	I	A At the later time. Mr. Vyaschelav Faybyshev became
9	managing	member and Mr. Kremerman stepped down.
10	Ç	Why did Mr. Kremerman step down?
11	I	He could not function. He had some legal problems.
12	Ç	What were the legal problems?
13	I	He had some problem with health care, a company which
14	he had.	Billing company.
15	Ç	Is it fair to say that Mr. Michael Kremerman was
16	indicted	and convicted of insurance fraud by the Federal
17	Governmer	nt?
18		MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection, relevance.
19		THE COURT: There's an objection as to
20	:	relevance. Mr. Grasing.
21		MR. GRASING: It goes both to the change when it
22	(	occurred and the movement of the bank accounts and if you
23		
24		THE COURT: The objection is sustained.
25	]	Rephrase your question.

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1	Q Okay. As far as you know was Michael Kremerman
2	convicted of insurance fraud? I thought you asked me to rephrase
3	it.
4	THE COURT: Off the record. Side bar.
5	(Off-the-record discussion.)
6	THE COURT OFFICER: Remain seated. Come to
7	order.
8	THE COURT: Back on the record. We've had a
9	productive off-the-record discussion related to the last
10	question and answer. The objection regarding relevance
11	the objection is overruled. However, I am going to ask or
12	remind Mr. Grasing that Mr. Eugene Khavinson is his direct
13	witness. And so you may ask your next question based on
14	the discussion we had on the side bar.
15	MR. GRASING: Yes, Your Honor but before I do
16	I'd ask permission for David Aronov, the plaintiff to sit
17	next to me at Counsel table.
18	THE COURT: Sure, you can do that. Mr. Aronov
19	you may come forward since you are the plaintiff. And let
20	the record reflect Mr. David Aronov is present and will be
21	seated next to his attorney. Good morning Mr. Aronov.
22	THE PLAINTIFF: Good morning.
23	THE COURT: Just make sure that all your
24	devices are off. If at any point either of you need to

have a side bar please just let the court know and I'll

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1	grant you that request. Same for you Mr. Mestechkin.
2	MR. MESTECHKIN: Noted Your Honor.
3	MR. GRASING: Thank you.
4	THE COURT: You may proceed Mr. Grasing.
5	Q Mr. Khavinson, do you know what Mr. Michael
6	Kremerman's legal troubles were that caused him to step down?
7	A As I testified ten minutes ago that he had problem
8	with some health care law.
9	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson, remember what I
10	said. Listen to the question and answer what's asked. So
11	the question was do you know what legal issues prompted
12	Mr. Kremerman to step down. I believe your answer is yes,
13	or is it no. Do you know what legal troubles caused
14	Mr. Kremerman to step down as managing partner? That's the
15	question, do you know.
16	THE WITNESS: I do know some.
17	THE COURT: Okay. Next question.
18	Q Can you please tell us what it is you do know?
19	A I know that he had some problems with health care law,
20	and that's all I know.
21	Q Just give me one second. You can close the screen so
22	I can scroll to the appropriate page at least for the jury.
23	THE COURT: Did you turn off the jury screen?
24	Is it off?
25	THE JURORS: Yes.

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1	THE COURT: Thank you. Mr. Aronov it does
2	pivot up, but ask for assistance.
3	THE PLAINTIFF: Thank you very much.
4	Q Okay. With the screen to expedite this because I'm
5	having some technical problems. Was there an operating account
6	when the LLC was opened?
7	A I couldn't hear you.
8	Q Was there an operating account for the LLC when the
9	LLC began business?
10	A Yes, it was opened.
11	Q Where?
12	A At Chase Bank.
13	Q Did that ever change?
14	A Yes.
15	Q When?
16	A At a later date.
17	Q Why?
18	A We had some problem with Chase Bank so we opened an
19	account with Citibank.
20	Q What were the problems with Chase Bank?
21	A Because of little problems of Mr. Kremerman, our
22	account was closed.
23	Q And you went where?
24	A Citibank.

How long was it in Citibank for?

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1		A	How long?
2		Q	Yes, sir.
3		A	I don't remember how long.
4		Q	Did it remain there?
5		A	I couldn't hear you.
6		Q	Did it remain in Citibank?
7		А	What remained in Citibank?
8		Q	The operating account?
9		А	Yes, it was until a certain date.
10		Q	Okay. So did it eventually change from Citibank to
11	some otl	ner a	ccount?
12		А	Yes.
13		Q	When?
14		А	It happened when the plaintiff attorney, Jerzy
15	Schnapp	, put	a lien on our property. And in order to save whatever
16	money we	e hav	e on the account we decided to move that money to
17	Khavins	on & .	Associates in close Citibank account.
18		Q	How long did the operating account for the LLC remain
19	in Khav	inson	& Associates IOLA account?
20		А	It remains even to date.
21		Q	Could you just briefly explain what an IOLA account
22	is?		
23		А	IOLA account is a client trust account.
24		Q	Maintained by who?
25		А	Maintained by a law firm.

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1	Q So that would be an attorney's trust account?
2	A Yes.
3	Q When, if you can be more precise, was Mr. Michael
4	Kremerman, when did he step down as a managing member? How long,
5	even if you can't give a specific date, approximately how long
6	after the LLC began operations?
7	A I don't remember.
8	Q Was it more than a year?
9	A I believe it was more than a year.
10	Q Was it more than two years?
11	A Probably more than two years.
12	Q Okay. It was in operation from 2007 to 2014. So
13	that's approximately seven to eight years. So out of those seven
14	to eight years, approximately how long was Michael Kremerman a
15	managing member?
16	A I don't remember that.
17	Q What was the procedure that Mr. Faybyshev became a
18	managing member when Michael Kremerman stepped down?
19	A I don't remember the exact formal procedure. But
20	everybody, all members were informed of Michael Kremerman stepping
21	down and Mr. Faybyshev stepping into becoming a managing member.
22	And everybody was in agreement.
23	Q How were the members notified?
24	A By telephone, in person. That's the way they were
25	notified.

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1	Q	Was any of this ever confirmed in writing?
2	А	Pardon me?
3	Q	Was any of this, what you just testified to about
4	informing th	ne members of the change in managing member from Michael
5	Kremerman to	Mr. Faybyshev, was any of it confirmed in writing?
6	А	It was confirmed in writing.
7	Q	What?
8	А	Michael Kremerman signed the agreement that he is
9	stepping out	and Mr. Faybyshev signed an agreement that he's
10	stepping up.	I don't remember all the papers.
11	Q	Did you ever have any of the members sign them?
12	А	I don't remember.
13	Q	Did you ever have David Aronov sign anything?
14	А	I don't remember.
15	Q	Did you ever ask David Aronov whether he consented?
16	А	I did definite ask him if he consented.
17	Q	When?
18	А	I saw him every day. He was working for the firm. So
19	when it was	happening, I definitely told him and he definitely
20	consented.	
21	Q	When was the last day that he worked for you?
22	А	Maybe 2014, 13. Fourteen, probably.
23	Q	So is it fair to say that Michael Kremerman stepped
24	down, and Mr	. Faybyshev became a managing member before Mr. Aronov
25	stopped work	king for you?

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1 Correct. Α 2 Q Was there ever an amended operating agreement? 3 I cannot tell you for sure, but probably it was. Α 4 Do you have a copy of it? Q 5 I don't have any copies. I told you, I don't have any Α 6 documents. They disappeared from my office. 7 The disappearance from your office, did that have Q anything to do with Super Storm Sandy on October 29, 2012? 8 9 My office was not affected by Sandy. 10 0 Were the records of the company affected by Super 11 Storm Sandy? 12 Records of the company which were in possession, my Α possession, in my law firm Khavinson & Associates were not affected 13 by Sandy. 14 15 Respectfully sir, that was not the question. If I was 16 unclear I really didn't mean it in the beginning --17 Mr. Grasing, just ask the question. THE COURT: Please don't engage instructions to this witness. 18 That's 19 my all to do. 20 MR. GRASING: Sure. 21 Were any of the LLC's records, no matter where they Q

might have been, or who might have been in possession of them

related to 290 13th Street LLC which were in possession of

Some of LLC documents, and mostly Omnibuild documents

affected by Super Storm Sandy?

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1	Omnibuild were destroyed by Sandy.
2	Q Were any of the LLC records affected by well
3	withdrawn. Were any of the LLC's records taken out of the
4	possession of the LLC because of the legal troubles of Michael
5	Kremerman?
6	A No.
7	Q Were the operating agreements was there more than
8	one copy of the, you said there was a second operating agreement.
9	Was there more than one copy kept of that?
10	A It was actually at least three copies, because first
11	operating agreement when the company was just opened, Mr. Aronov
12	was not a member. So therefore, we had an agreement signed. And
13	then Mr. Aronov joined the company and we had first amendment. And
14	then when Mr. Bogoslavski joined the company we had second
15	amendment. So at least two amendments.
16	Q Is it fair to say well, who was responsible for the
17	company's day-to-day operations and finances?
18	A I was responsible.
19	Q Was Yana Soskil ever a member of the company?
20	A Never.
21	Q Do you know who Yana Soskil is?
22	A I do know.
23	Q Who?
24	A She is Michael Kremerman's wife.
25	Q Did the company make any payments to Yana Soskil?

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2	Michael Kremerman ask to pay his portion to his wife.
3	Q Yana Soskil, did she ever purchase any of Michael
4	Kremerman's shares?
5	A Did she? Did he I do not know.
6	Q Did she purchase any of his membership shares?
7	A Never.
8	Q Was she ever issued, as far as you know a K1 showing
9	income from the LLC to her at any point?
10	A I don't know that.
11	MR. GRASING: Judge, I'm going to scroll through
12	some pages. If it's okay I'll just do it. Your Honor, if
13	I may, may I have the witness hold a hard copy of
14	Plaintiff's Exhibit One? I want to refer him to something
15	on it.
16	THE COURT: Do you have it physically?
17	MR. GRASING: Physically.
18	THE COURT: Okay.
19	MR. GRASING: May I walk it up to him?
20	THE COURT: Can I please have Plaintiff's
21	Exhibit One given to the witness.
22	Q I'd like to draw your attention to the bottom of the
23	right-hand side corner. In black there appears to be a base
24	number. It begins I believe KBTF, do you see that?
25	A Yes.

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1 Do you know who KBTF is? 0 2 Α No. 3 What was the name of your first firm that represented Q you in this? 4 5 Kasowitz (phonetic) and something. Α 6 Is that their initials? 0 7 Α I don't know. Did you produce that document previously in this 8 Q action? 9 10 Α Did I produce, I did. 11 Did you produce any other operating agreements in this Q 12 action? 13 I don't remember. Α 14 Did you ever notify anyone in this action that there 15 were other operating agreements other than the one you're holding 16 in your hand? 17 Yes. Α 18 I think you may have said to your attorney with that 19 exception who? 20 I probably said it to Faybyshev, I said it to 21 Bogoslavski, I said it to other members, Kochnev, Kremerman, 22 Wolinski, Kirzhner. Who else did I forget, that's about it. 23 Did you ever mention it in your affidavit in support 24 of your prior motion for summary judgment? 25 I don't remember.

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1	Q I'd like to draw your attention could you stop
2	publishing or stop showing what I have on my screen to the jury.
3	THE COURT: The jury has not been shown
4	anything, that's fine.
5	MR. GRASING: I would like the witness to have
6	it, because this is not yet in evidence.
7	Q I'd like to draw your attention to the affidavit of
8	Eugene Khavinson in support of defendant's motion for summary
9	judgment. I'll give you a date. The date is given by notary that
LO	the 13th day of December 2017 in front of you
L1	THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, this is not in
L2	evidence. Are you trying to put a document in front of the
L3	witness to try and see if the document will help the
L 4	witness remember something?
L5	MR. GRASING: Yes.
L 6	THE COURT: Then you ask that, but you can't
L7	read from a document in evidence.
L8	MR. GRASING: I was going to ask the witness
L 9	whether that was his signature above his name.
20	THE COURT: I think what you want to do is ask
21	the witness is there anything he doesn't remember. He said
22	I don't remember.
23	MR. GRASING: Yes.
24	THE COURT: So maybe you want to ask him, will
25	X document help you remember. If he says yes, then you put

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1	whatever version it doesn't matter whether he signed it or
2	not. You can try to refresh his recollection with
3	anything.
4	Q I ask that the witness review with your affidavit in
5	support of summary judgment affidavit in this case, refresh your
6	recollection as to whether you previously notified anyone in this
7	litigation that there was more than one operating agreement? I
8	have it available on the screen.
9	A Well I have to read the document before I can tell
10	you.
11	THE COURT: Then go ahead and do that. It's
12	right there on the screen. Do you need the actual
13	document, or is there any particular area of the document
14	Mr. Grasing that might move us quicker, because I believe
15	it's a nine page document according to what I'm saying. So
16	if there's a particular page, a particular paragraph. I
17	don't think there's any objection to move this along.
18	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor this is a nine page
19	document. I'm not sure what my client may or may not need
20	to refresh his memory.
21	THE COURT: So that's what I'm asking
22	Mr. Mestechkin is that you don't object to Mr. Grasing
23	directing him to a particular portion that Mr. Grasing may
24	have your client remember.
25	MR. MESTECHKIN: Not at this time, Your Honor.

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1	THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, is there a particular
2	paragraph in this nine page document that you think might
3	help Mr. Khavinson remember?
4	MR. GRASING: Yes, I'll turn to it now.
5	THE COURT: Okay.
6	MR. GRASING: Paragraph 28.
7	THE COURT: Let the record reflect that the
8	witness is reading paragraph 28 to see if that refreshes
9	his recollection.
10	THE WITNESS: I read it.
11	Q Does it refresh your recollection at all as to whether
12	you notified anyone in this lawsuit that there was more than one
13	operating agreement?
14	A This paragraph does not refresh my recollection one
15	way or another.
16	Q If you look at this paragraph, does the fact that it
17	referred to a document with a particular dates, number in front of
18	it, refresh your recollection as to who KBTF is?
19	A As you mentioned it's Kosowitz.
20	Q Your former attorney's?
21	A Correct.
22	Q Plaintiff's Exhibit One, the operating agreement, what
23	could you just tell me please what the page range KBTF, what
24	to what in the lower right-hand side corner you have the hard copy
25	right in front of you?

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1	A Exhibit One.
2	Q Exhibit one, yes, sir.
3	THE COURT: What's your question Mr. Grasing
4	regarding
5	MR. GRASING: The page range.
6	THE COURT: So if I'm speaking you cannot speak.
7	Regarding Plaintiff's Exhibit one, what is your question to
8	the witness?
9	MR. GRASING: What the KBTF dates, number range,
10	first page to the last page. Is it
11	A First page 86140861. Last page 40868.
12	Q Okay. I'm just going to scroll to the next
13	appropriate section. Would looking at the 19A statement of
14	undisputed facts in support of defendant's motion for summary
15	judgment in this case jog your memory, refresh your recollection as
16	to whether you previously notified anyone that there was an
17	additional operating agreement in this matter?
18	A This document does not address that. I don't see it
19	here.
20	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson, when you say this
21	document, which document are you referring to?
22	THE WITNESS: The one in front of me.
23	THE COURT: One on the screen and
24	THE WITNESS: The one on the screen.
25	THE COURT: So the document you're referencing

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1	is the summary judgement affidavit?
2	MR. GRASING: The document I'm referencing is
3	the statement of undisputed admitted facts admitted by the
4	defendant in particular.
5	Q I'd like to ask you to read paragraph two, it's on the
6	screen in front of you.
7	A It does not address how many amendments on operating
8	agreement there were. All it says on or about February 9, 2008
9	plaintiff executes the operating agreement.
10	Q And what were the dates, number ranges beginning with
11	KBTF for the operating agreement identified here?
12	A This page which I see on the screen is from 861 comma
13	869.
14	Q Does that jog your memory as at all, refresh your
15	recollection as to whether you previously notified anyone that
16	there was more than one operating agreement executed for the LLC?
17	A It does not refresh my recollection. This paragraph
18	does not address this issue. The answer is no, it does not.
19	MR. GRASING: Can I have a brief side bar?
20	THE COURT: Yeah, off the record.
21	(Off-the-record discussion.)
22	THE COURT OFFICER: Remain seated. Come to
23	order.
24	THE COURT: Back on the record. Based on
25	another productive off-the-record conference, the parties

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1	have consented to having another document entered into
2	evidence. It will be marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit, I
3	believe we're up to seven, correct me if I'm wrong
4	Mr. Grasing?
5	MR. GRASING: You are correct.
6	THE COURT: And what will be the title of that
7	document Mr. Grasing?
8	MR. GRASING: It will be the defendant's motion
9	for summary judgment.
LO	THE COURT: Remember to keep your voice up.
L1	Continue with your questions please.
L2	CONTINUED DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GRASING:
L3	Q Mr. Khavinson, docket number I'm showing you on the
L 4	screen Plaintiff's Exhibit 7, docket number 71, paragraph two. Do
L 5	you agree with that statement?
L 6	A I don't see it. I see only two pages here. Kosowitz
L 7	861 and Kosowitz 869. The operating agreements which I have some
L 8	copy, goes all the way through 868. It doesn't go through 869.
L 9	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson the question was very
20	specific. Looking at the screen which is now Plaintiff's
21	Seven in evidence. I believe the question for Mr. Grasing
22	was look at paragraph two of Plaintiff's 7 if that is
23	accurate statement. So you just have to read paragraph two
24	and say whether that statement is accurate. I believe that
25	was the question Mr. Grasing, is that correct?

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1	MR. GRASING: That's correct.
2	THE COURT: So looking at paragraph two just
3	take a moment to read it to yourself. And the question is,
4	is that an accurate statement?
5	THE WITNESS: It is an accurate statement.
6	THE COURT: And since that document is in
7	evidence, Mr. Grasing would you like the jury to also be
8	able to see this?
9	MR. GRASING: Yes, please.
10	THE COURT: Any objection?
11	MR. MESTECHKIN: No, Your Honor.
12	THE COURT: So let's make sure the jury is able
13	to see. Why don't we get this sort of together this is a
14	good time to take a break so let's do that.
15	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise jury exiting.
16	(Off-the-record discussion.)
17	THE COURT: We swore you in Mr. Khavinson. We
18	also need to get your name and address just for the record.
19	Go ahead.
20	THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Can you state your
21	name and address for the record.
22	THE WITNESS: Eugene Khavinson, 365 Ardsee
23	Street Staten Island, New York 10306.
24	THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Thank you.
25	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise. Jury entering.

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1	THE COURT: Everyone may be seated. I want to
2	thank the jury for reminding the Court about my bedside
3	manners. We all could have used that break. Are we ready
4	to proceed Mr. Grasing?
5	MR. GRASING: Yes.
6	THE COURT: Okay. You have the floor.
7	DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GRASING:
8	Q Mr. Khavinson, you previously mentioned that documents
9	were did you mention that documents were
10	A Documents were what?
11	Q Taken from the LLC?
12	A I don't have them, so they were taken.
13	Q Do you know by whom?
14	MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection.
15	THE COURT: Basis?
16	MR. MESTECHKIN: Mischaracterization. Nothing
17	was taken from the LLC. Witness testified to something
18	else.
19	THE COURT: I'm going to overrule the
20	objection, but I technically, he's correct. Taken from
21	the LLC was not the testimony, but it seems like the
22	witness understood what the question was. Just keep that
23	in mind Mr. Grasing. And also, the microphone moves
24	around. So if you want to move it up a little so if you
25	wanted to speak a little louder. Thank you Mr. Grasing.

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1	Next question.
2	Q If you understood the question, well
3	THE COURT: Just re-ask it.
4	Q What happened to the other versions of the operating
5	agreement?
6	A They disappeared from my office of Khavinson &
7	Associates. That's where they were filed in storage.
8	Q Do you have any idea why?
9	A I have an idea.
10	Q What was it?
11	A I think it was plaintiff.
12	Q Did you ever notify law enforcement?
13	A No.
14	Q Did you ever make that claim in this action?
15	A No.
16	Q Why not?
17	A I didn't. It's not my claim.
18	Q Showing the statement I'm showing the statement of
19	material facts, Plaintiff Exhibit Seven. Drawing your attention to
20	paragraph five. It's on the screen right now. Everybody should be
21	able to see it. Do you agree with that statement?
22	THE COURT: Which exhibit is it?
23	MR. GRASING: This is Plaintiff's Exhibit Seven.
24	A Yes.
25	Q Why did you refer to these single operating agreement

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1	and not reference the others that you say are missing?		
2	A I did not prepare this document.		
3	Q Is it fair to say it was submitted on your behalf by		
4	your first set of attorney's in support of your motion for summary		
5	judgment in this action?		
6	A Yes.		
7	Q And it was entitled Rule 19A statement of undisputed		
8	facts in support of defendant's motion for summary judgment?		
9	A Yes.		
10	Q Did you review this document at all before it was		
11	submitted on your behalf?		
12	A Yes, I did.		
13	Q So besides the fact that you did not personally		
14	prepare it, were there any reasons why you didn't reference any		
15	other operating agreement?		
16	A In paragraph two it spells out the operating agreement		
17	of 2008, February 9, 2008. And then you refer to paragraph five.		
18	They're taking this agreement. They're not taking any amended		
19	agreement. They're taking 2008 agreement where plaintiff executed.		
20	It does not talk about any other amended agreements. It only talks		
21	about the agreement signed on February 9, 2008 where plaintiff		
22	executed that agreement. There were no other amended agreements at		
23	that time. The amended agreements came later.		
24	Q Same document. The date on this document I'm showing		
25	it to you now after paragraph 19, December 13, 2017. Do you see		

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1 Did the amended agreements come before or after that date? December 13, 2017, yes. The answer is yes. 2 3 Well there is a question, did they come before or after that date? 4 5 Α Before. 6 And Joshua A. Siegel from Kosowitz, Benson, & Torres 7 LLP he was your attorney at the time this was submitted in this 8 action, right? 9 Α Yes. 10 Now drawing your attention to paragraph six where it 11 says "other members of the company and their respective ownership 12 interest are as follows, E. Khavinson for 13.23 percent." That's 13 you, right? 14 Correct. Α 15 Is that an inaccurate ownership as of the date this 16 document was submitted, right? 17 Yes. Α 18 Mikhail Kremerman, 30 percent, was that accurate at 19 that time? 20 At that time, accurate. 21 M. Khavinson, 13.33 percent. First, is that your Q 22 brother Michael? 23 Α Yes. 24 And second, is that an accurate percentage as of this 25 date?

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1	А	Yes it is.
2	Q	V. Faybyshev, 30 percent. First, is that
3	Mr. Vyaches	lav Faybyshev?
4	А	Yes.
5	Q	Again, there is nothing personal with that I will try
6	to get that	right. And then was his ownership percentage of 30
7	percent acci	rate as of that date?
8	А	Correct.
9	Q	The next one is A. Kirzhner. First, is that Arytom
10	Kirzhner?	
11	А	Artyom Kirzhner.
12	Q	And he was a member, right?
13	А	Correct.
14	Q	And that says 3.5 percent. Is that accurate, that was
15	his ownersh	ip share as of that date?
16	А	Correct.
17	Q	And the next one is V. Kochnev. Is that Vitaly
18	Kochnev?	
19	А	Vitaly Kochnev.
20	Q	And was he member at that time?
21	А	Yes.
22	Q	And is that three percent ownership share accurate?
23	А	Accurate.
24	Q	Then M. Wolinski at 3.5 percent. First, who is that?
25	А	Mikola Wolinski.

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1	Q Was he a member?
2	A He is a member.
3	Q And is that an accurate percentage of his ownership?
4	A Yes it is.
5	Q And then plaintiff in this action is David Aronov,
6	3.33 percent. Is that accurate?
7	A It is accurate.
8	Q Is there any reason that you're aware of that
9	Aleksandra Bogoslavksi is not listed here?
10	A This paragraph refers to 2008 agreement.
11	Q Okay. And how is that relevant to where what's
12	your understanding as to why Mr. Aleksandra Bogoslavski was not
13	listed as an owner?
14	MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection.
15	THE COURT: Basis?
16	MR. MESTECHKIN: I think
17	THE COURT: What's the basis for the objection
18	for that question?
19	MR. MESTECHKIN: You know what Your Honor, I
20	withdraw.
21	THE COURT: You may answer Mr. Khavinson.
22	THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question?
23	MR. GRASING: Can I have it read back, please.
24	(Court Reporter did a read back.)
25	A This document addresses operating agreement of 2008.

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1	At that time Mr. Bogoslavski was not a member of the LLC.	
2	Paragraph six repeats and spells out who owns what according to	
3	that operating the agreement of 2008. Why my lawyer did he what he	
4	did I cannot answer.	
5	Q He did it in your name; isn't that correct?	
6	A It is correct. But what's written here is accurate.	
7	Q Which operating agreement governed the LLC at the time	
8	the condominium units were sold, you said in 2014?	
9	A The operating agreement which had another member by	
10	the name of Aleksandra Bogoslavski, percentage of Faybyshev shares	
11	and Kremerman shares were reduced each by two and a half percent so	
12	they became 27 and a half. And Mr. Bogoslavski took five percent	
13	for \$150,000 which were deposited into operating agreement of LLC.	
14	So two members, Kremerman and Faybyshev did not benefit financially	
15	from that transaction.	
16	Q Did anyone ever ask David Aronov whether it was okay	
17	to perform that transaction?	
18	A Yes.	
19	Q Who?	
20	A I.	
21	Q When?	
22	A When, before it happened.	
23	Q Could you be anymore specific?	
24	A What date it was? I don't see the dates here. I	
25	don't remember the date.	

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1	Q	An approximate time, day, month, year anything?
2	А	I don't remember.
3	Q	Did you ever confirm that in writing?
4	А	Yes, it was amended page with new signatures and new
5	percentages.	And everybody had it and everybody signed it. And it
6	disappeared.	
7	Q	Did you make an electronic copy of it?
8	А	I did not make an electronic copy.
9	Q	Why not?
10	А	Maybe I did, I can't find it.
11	Q	So what's which is the answer?
12	A	I don't know.
13	Q	Have you searched?
14	А	I did not.
15	Q	Does any other member have a copy of the amended
16	agreement?	
17	A	I don't know I don't think so.
18	Q	Did you ever ask?
19	А	Yes I did.
20	Q	Start with who?
21	A	Pardon me.
22	Q	Well start with who?
23	A	Who did I ask?
24	Q	Yes, sir.
25	A	Faybyshev, Kremerman.

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1 Well can we take it one at a time and it would be the 2 same series of questions. So who did you ask first? 3 Faybyshev. Α 4 When? Q At that time. 5 Α Could you be anymore specific then at that time? 6 7 Α I cannot be more specific. 8 Are you referring to the time that the motion, your Q 9 defendant's motion for summary judgment was submitted in this 10 action or at some other time? 11 At the time when Bogoslavski became a member with five 12 percent interest in LLC. 13 Did Mr. Faybyshev tell you he had a copy of it? 14 He did not have a copy. All signed copies was filed 15 in my office, in safe. 16 Who had access to the safe? 17 I know at least Mr. Aronov's wife had access to the 18 safe. And I don't know if Mr. Aronov had access to the safe. I 19 did not give it to him. 20 Was it a key, or was a it a combination to open the 21 safe? 22 Pardon me? Α 23 How did you open the safe at that time, when you put 24 the amended operating agreement, or agreements in? 25 By putting the code in and open the door of the safe, Α

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1	and put it,	filing the documents in a safe. Storing the documents
2	in a safe.	
3	Q	So what was the name of Mr. Aronov's wife at that
4	time?	
5	A	Svetlana Aronov.
6	Q	Did she know the code?
7	A	She did know the code.
8	Q	Do you have any understanding as to well, did you
9	take them?	
10	A	Pardon me?
11	Q	Did she take them?
12	A	I did not see her taking anything.
13	Q	As far as you know, did she?
14	A	The documents disappeared.
15	Q	Did she work for you at that time?
16	A	She did work for me at that time.
17	Q	Did you ever ask her whether she took them?
18	A	We did not speak after she left.
19	Q	Do you mean when she stopped working for you?
20	A	Pardon me?
21	Q	Do you mean when she stopped working for you?
22	A	Yes.
23	Q	When did she stop working for you?
24	А	Don't remember. Probably '14.
25	Q	2014?

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1	_	A	2014, yes.
2	(	Q	Before she left in 2014, did you ask her?
3	2	A	No, I did not ask her.
4	(	Q	When did you first realize they were missing?
5	]	A	When I opened the safe and looking for all documents
6	which we	re r	related to LLC, which was stored in a safe.
7	(	Q	Was that before or after she stopped working for you?
8		A	After.
9	(	Q	Was it at any time was it before or after this
10	lawsuit n	was	started?
11	]	A	Before or during, I don't remember.
12	(	Q	Were there any other witness's, anyone else with you
13	at that	time	when you opened the safe and discovered they weren't
14	there?		
15	]	A	I don't remember.
16	(	Q	Did you ever notify law enforcement that things had
17	been take	en f	rom you?
18	]	A	I did not.
19	(	Q	Why not?
20	]	A	Pardon me?
21	(	Q	Why not?
22	]	A	Because I did not.
23	(	Q	Do you have any understanding as to why statement six
24	other men	mber	s of the company and their respective ownership
25	interest	are	as follows: Why it stays they are, rather than refer

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1	to any particular time period before this document? It's in
2	paragraph six. It's the first and second line it's on the screen.
3	A Paragraph six refers to paragraph two, operating
4	agreement of 2008. And it is accurate as to the agreement in front
5	of me. That operating agreement of 2008.
6	Q When you submitted this motion for summary judgment,
7	what did you refer to as to the operating agreement that controlled
8	the LLC?
9	A I did not prepare this agreement. I trusted my lawyer
10	to prepare this agreement correctly and he did. He refers to this
11	operating agreement. He probably got it from the opposite side,
12	because I did not submit it to him. I didn't have that document
13	signed. So therefore, it had to be given by somebody from
14	plaintiff's side. And therefore, whatever they got, that's what
15	they referred to.
16	THE COURT: I just want the record to reflect
17	that the witness is referencing this operating agreement
18	which is the physical copy of Plaintiff's Exhibit One. Is
19	that accurate Counsel?
20	MR. MESTECHKIN: That's correct, Your Honor.
21	MR. GRASING: Yes.
22	THE COURT: Anything else?
23	MR. GRASING: Yes.
24	Q Drawing your attention to the same document, paragraph
25	nine where it states the operating agreement provides that net

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1 profits and net losses of the company shall be allocated to the

2 members in the same proportions that they share in distributions of

3 cash flow which is allocated among the members according to their

4 interest in the company. And it references an affidavit from

5 Mr. Siegel and a KBTF-0000865 base number. First, do you agree

6 with that statement?

- 7 A I agree with that statement.
- Does the statement say anywhere in there that refers to a prior operating agreement that was not governing the transactions at the time the money was distributed?
- 11 A My understanding of paragraph nine it refers to the 12 same paragraph of operating agreement which is in my hands, of 13 2008.
- 14 Q I'd like to draw your attention to paragraph ten of 15 the same document. The condo's were sold over the course of 2014 16 for a total of \$4,185,000. Do you agree with that statement?
- 17 A Probably, yes.
- 19 A I don't have any reason to doubt \$4,185,000 probably accurate, as well.
- 21 Q The next paragraph, paragraph 11. "Proceeds of the 22 condo sales were distributed to company members pursuant to the 23 operating agreement in or around September 14th," citing Mr.
- Siegel's Exhibit Three and Exhibit Four, and Khavinson affidavit at
- paragraph 31. First, do you agree with that statement?

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1	A Agree.
2	Q Do you have any understanding as to why it referred to
3	the single operating agreement rather than that you said was no
4	longer in effect at that time?
5	A I don't know why. Perhaps, because that's the only
6	agreement was in possession of my attorney's.
7	Q Now you previously testified about Schnapp, Jerzy
8	Schnapp I believe you said?
9	A Correct.
10	Q Who is Mr. Jerzy Schnapp?
11	A Mr. Jerzy Schnapp was a subcontractor of Scone
12	Preparation, operating room track. And he was plaintiff when he
13	filed a lawsuit against everybody for his injuries.
14	Q Was he injured on the project for 290 13th Street LLC?
15	A He was injured, allegedly he was injured on the
16	property. I wasn't there, of 290 13th Street LLC. At 290 13th
17	Street.
18	Q Did he sue anyone because of what he claimed were the
19	injuries?
20	A He did.
21	Q Who did he sue?
22	A He sued everybody. He sued owner of the property, he
23	sued the LLC, he sued general contractor. I don't remember who
24	else.
25	Q Did he sue you individually?

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1	А	He sued me as an owner of the property.
2	Q	Did he sue the LLC?
3	А	He sued the LLC.
4	Q	In what capacity?
5	А	In the capacity of LLC. I don't remember exactly what
6	it said in	his complaint.
7	Q	Was that eventually settled?
8	А	It was eventually settled.
9	Q	What were the terms of the settlement?
10	А	The terms of the settlement was Zone's Preparation
11	Insurance p	aid \$1,000,000 to Mr. Schnapp. And LLC and general
12	contractor	or Omnibuild paid \$749,800. Eugene Khavinson paid \$100,
13	LLC paid \$1	00.
14	Q	Zom or Zone?
15	А	Zom, it's a subcontractor who did masonry work for LLC
16	constructio	n.
17	Q	Did the LLC ever supply Omnibuild with any portion of
18	their share	of the settlement?
19	А	Can you repeat please.
20	Q	Well first, I'll break it down. Who is Omnibuild?
21	А	Omnibuild is a general contractor for 290 13th Street
22	LLC Constru	ction.
23	Q	For this particular project?
24	А	For this particular project.
25	Q	Who owned it at the time?

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1	A Who?
2	Q Who owned it at the time?
3	A Vyacheslav Faybyshev.
4	Q By the time the lawsuit, the Jerzy Schanpp lawsuit was
5	settled, was Mr. Faybyshev a managing member of the LLC?
6	A Yes, he was.
7	Q The LLC did the LLC supply Omnibuild with money to
8	pay their share of the Jerzy Schnapp settlement?
9	A LLC lent money to Omnibuild to settle the lawsuit by
10	Jerzy Schnapp.
11	Q How much?
12	A \$749,800.
13	Q Has it ever okay. What were the terms of the loan?
14	A The terms of the loan was that Mr Omnibuild will
15	file a lawsuit against the broker who sells insurance.
16	Q Could you give me the name if you know it please?
17	A I don't know the name.
18	Q If I said the name Dinver Associates would that jog
19	your memory?
20	A What's the name?
21	Q Dinver, D-I-N-V-E-R?
22	A Sounds familiar. Dinver, yes, D-I-N-V-E-R Associates,
23	correct. And whatever the proceeds are going to be as a result of
24	this lawsuit, it is going to be immediately repaid to LLC?
25	Q Was there a time limit?

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1	A There's no time limit. It was extended. It was one
2	year promissory note, but then it was extended to another year.
3	Q What were the terms, if any in addition to the
4	original one year term that you said was extended?
5	A I do not remember the terms. That was nine years ago
6	and my memory is not that good.
7	Q Was there any interest charged?
8	A I don't remember interest being charged. But it's
9	possible.
10	Q Why did the LLC lend Omnibuild that money?
11	A In order to settle the case and lift the lien from the
12	property. So the company does not broke and all shareholders would
13	lose all their investments period. So in order to get an
14	agreement, to settle this case, LLC and Omnibuild came up to an
15	agreement, and certain strategy to recover as much money as
16	possible for LLC. And that's how we settled the agreement and a
17	lien was immediately lifted. And we got access to all the money.
18	We already had the buyers, and the buyers obviously made
19	settlements when settlement was agreed on. But before the money
20	was distributed. So money was going for each sold apartment to
21	independent attorney Soskowitz.
22	Q And what was their role?
23	A Their role was to hold proceeds of sale of the
24	apartments.
25	Q Were they the escrow agent?

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1 Α Escrow agent, correct. 2 Q Can you just clarify what you mean by the lien of the 3 property? 4 The plaintiff, Jerzy Schnapp put a lien on the Α So that property could not be sold. They cannot be --5 6 nothing can be done with that property. 7 What did Omnibuild do with the money that the LLC gave to them, the \$749,800? 8 9 Paid to Jerzy Schnapp to settle the case. 10 Did they pay it to anyone else? Q 11 No, they did not pay to anyone else. Α 12 Who is, if you know, West 35th Street LLC? Q 13 What's the name? Α I'm sorry. 35 West End Avenue LLC? 14 0 15 35 West End Avenue LLC is LLC which constructed the Α 16 building on the address of 35 West End Avenue Brooklyn, New York. 17 Who was the general contractor on that job? 18 Omnibuild. Α 19 At the time Omnibuild was the contractor on that job, 20 who owned Omnibuild? Vyacheslav Faybyshev. 21 Α 22 Was that at the same time that Mr. Faybyshev or one of Q the two managing members of our LLC? 23 24 Repeat please. Α At the time he built that project, was he a managing 25 Q

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1	member of this LLC?
2	A Of 35 West End Avenue LLC, I don't think so. I don't
3	know.
4	Q No, actually the question was, this LLC that's the
5	term we would agreed would refer the one we're here about today?
6	A He was a managing member of this LLC.
7	Q At the time Omnibuild which he controlled built that
8	project, am I right?
9	MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection.
10	A Omnibuild was a general contractor for 35 West End
11	Avenue LLC to my knowledge.
12	THE COURT: Hold on there was an objection. I
13	believe it was withdrawn.
14	MR. MESTECHKIN: It's withdrawn. The witness
15	answered.
16	THE COURT: Because the witness did clarify
17	which LLC, which project Omnibuild was addressing. Thank
18	you Mr. Khavinson. Anything else?
19	MR. GRASING: Yes.
20	Q Did Omnibuild receive any money from 35 West End
21	Avenue \$749,800 immediately before this LLC lent them the same
22	amount of money?
23	A Omnibuild and Mr. Faybyshev did not receive any money
24	from 35 West End Avenue LLC at the time when this LLC as you call
25	it, gave them a loan of \$749,800 to pay for settlement with

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1	Mr. Schnapp.	
2	Q	Are you aware, do you know whether Omnibuild any time
3	within 30 da	ys of we'll use that as a baseline, within 30 days
4	of the date	the loan took place from this LLC to Omnibuild, did
5	Omnibuild re	ceive \$749,800 or \$750,000 from 35 West End Avenue LLC?
6	A	The answer is no.
7	Q	Mr. Khavinson, has that loan ever been paid back in
8	whole or in	part?
9	A	In part, yes.
10	Q	How much?
11	A	\$468,000.
12	Q	Has that ever been distributed to any of the members?
13	A	No.
14	Q	Why not?
15	A	Because of litigation expenses.
16	Q	When did you receive that money?
17	A	I don't remember.
18	Q	What was the reason you received that money, as you
19	understand i	t?
20	A	Mr. Faybyshev on behalf of Omnibuild settled the case
21	with Dinver,	and received money from Dinver. And immediately wrote
22	a check, dep	osited money to his account. Wrote a check to LLC and
23	I deposited	the money in LLC.
24	Q	Who did he pay the litigation cost to?
25	A	The litigation cost I paid to our first attorney,

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1 Kosowitz and whatever. And then litigation cost also continued 2 with Mr. Mestechkin. 3 Why did you pay -- well, withdrawn. The first Q attorney how much did you pay them? 4 5 I paid them \$216,000, \$220,000, something to that 6 extent. 7 MR. GRASING: Can I have a brief side bar? 8 Sure. Off the record. THE COURT: 9 (Off-the-record discussion.) 10 THE COURT OFFICER: Remain seated. Come to 11 order. 12 THE COURT: Back on the record. Mr. Grasing 13 you have the floor. 14 How much of that settlement which I believe you said 15 was for \$468,000 that you received back on that loan, how much was paid to your current attorney? 16 17 I don't remember how much I paid to my current 18 attorney. 19 Is there any portion of it still in your operating 20 account? 21 Α Yes it is. 22 How much? 0 23 I don't remember this second. I don't look at it Α 24 every day. 25 Has it been spent on anything else? Q.

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1	A It's not an operating account. It's an IOLA account.
2	It was not spent on anything else.
3	Q So how much of the \$468,000 partial loan repaid from
4	Omnibuild was do you still have it?
5	A I don't remember.
6	MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection.
7	THE COURT: Hold on. There's an objection.
8	MR. MESTECHKIN: Asked and answered.
9	THE COURT: Overruled. The answer will stand.
10	Next question.
11	Q How was that \$468,000 paid to you?
12	A By check.
13	Q Was there any particular what's your understanding
14	well withdrawn. The part of the \$468,000 settlement that you
15	received back as partial payment for the loan, why hasn't that been
16	distributed to the members?
17	A Because members agreed to Eugene Khavinson and
18	Vyacheslav Faybyshev to advance the money for legal representation
19	of everybody in LLC. Therefore, I advanced the money, 200 whatever
20	thousand dollars. Faybyshev advanced over \$70,000, and Kremerman
21	advanced around \$20,000 dollars. And then we also advanced money
22	to our new attorney Mr. Mestechkin, I don't know details, but I can
23	certainly find out details.
24	Q Yes I'd ask that you do. And the question stands
25	about how much of that money, that loan repayment you still have?

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1	A I don't know.
2	Q Is there anything you can do to find out?
3	A Yes. I have to look into my IOLA account and find out
4	what the balance is.
5	Q Is the IOLA account that you're referring to, are
6	there funds from any other matter in there other than for this LLC?
7	A Only for this LLC at the moment.
8	Q From the time you received the partial repayment, have
9	there been any other monies from any other matter coming in there?
10	A The answer is no.
11	Q From the time you started using your IOLA account as
12	an operating account for this LLC, has there ever been money from
13	any other matter, or client in that account?
14	A In the beginning it was.
15	Q Until when?
16	A Until those monies were paid on behalf of those
17	clients. It was insignificant amount of money.
18	Q Approximately, how much?
19	A I don't remember, but small amount.
20	Q Can you be anymore specific as to what you mean by
21	small?
22	A I don't remember. Well, less than \$50,000 probably.
23	Q Has the LLC filed any corporate tax returns since
24	2014?
25	A 2014?

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1	Q After 2014, yes, sir.
2	A I don't think so.
3	Q What's your understanding as to why not?
4	A Because there's no any action with that corporation,
5	that LLC. That LLC is not doing anything. It's dormant.
6	Q You just testified, I believe that you received
7	\$468,000 as a partial loan repayments since that time is that
8	correct?
9	A That's correct. And that money is sitting in the
10	account minus legal fees.
11	Q Do you have the documents for the legal fees that you
12	paid, the bills that you paid?
13	A I probably do.
14	Q How did you pay those legal fees?
15	A I'm sure by either wire or check.
16	Q Do you have the records of each such transfer?
17	A I don't know. I have to check.
18	Q Did you pay any other legal fees besides to your first
19	attorney's in this case?
20	A And second attorney.
21	Q Anyone else?
22	A Pardon me?
23	Q Did you pay any other attorney's at any time with the
24	LLC's funds?

A After two attorney's, no.

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1	Q	Did you ever represent the LLC in any capacity?
2	A	Yes, I did.
3	Q	Did you ever pay your legal fees?
4	A	I did it for free.
5	Q	So the answer is what, no you did not?
6	A	I did not get any money for representing the LLC in
7	the case aga	inst Jerzy Schnapp.
8	Q	That was not the question. The question is, did you
9	ever pay the	LLC's funds to you or your law firm for legal services
10	rendered at	any time, regarding any matter?
11	A	Never for legal services.
12	Q	Okay. Did you pay them for any other reasons?
13	A	Yes, for administrative services.
14	Q	And could you be any more specific?
15	A	I got paid the law firm of Khavinson & Associates, the
16	first year p	erformed a lot of services in connection with soft
17	cost. Condo	minium book, marketing with the brokerage firms, tax
18	abatements,	and also bookkeeping. So for that, the law firm
19	received \$2,	000 a month for ten months, a total of \$20,500.
20	Q	By the way well withdrawn. Did Mr. David Aronov
21	ever agree t	o allow you to pay the litigation cost related to this
22	action?	
23	A	First I didn't ask his permission. I don't need to
24	ask his perm	nission. So the answer is I don't remember. I'm
25	confused in	terms of what money you're talking about. Which

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1	litigation, there are a lot of litigations.
2	Q Did you ever use did the LLC first, what I was
3	referring to well, withdrawn. What were you referring to when I
4	believe you testified that the other members consented to paying
5	the litigation cost for the legal fees for this litigation?
6	A When did I say that? When we received the complaint,
7	we were served the complaint from Mr. Aronov. We had to hire an
8	attorney. At that time, we did not have any money. So we ask all
9	members except for Mr. Aronov if they'd like to hire their own
10	attorney's, because they all were sued, or they would like us to
11	cover the cost and hire one attorney. Everybody said if you pay
12	the necessary money, we don't need lawyer's for each individual
13	member. We trust you. Whatever you're going to be doing so one
14	attorney for everybody will be sufficient. So I did ask and I did
15	get the answer. And I advanced the money, Faybyshev advanced the
16	money, Kremerman advanced the money, but in different proportions.
17	Q Who paid the legal fees for Omnibuild in the Dinver
18	action against the broker?
19	A Who paid legal fees?
20	Q Yes.

A Legal fees consisted of two parts. One part was \$50,000. And the second part was small percentage after \$250 or \$300,000 which was the contingent fee agreement. So the settlement was \$500,000 and expenses were \$32,000, legal fees I guess. So the net fee was \$468 which was transferred by check to my IOLA account

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1	which holds money for a lawsuit.
2	Q Where did the \$50,000 that you referred to as the
3	first part of the legal fees for Omnibuild, in that Dinver action,
4	who paid that?
5	A The LLC paid that.
6	Q Why?
7	A Because Omnibuild didn't have any money. And we were
8	derivative plaintiff in that action. We were interested in that
9	money. All that money belonged to LLC. So we had direct interest
LO	to make that lawsuit happen, and to get some funds, as much as
L1	possible to LLC.
L2	Q Is that a term in the loan agreement between the LLC
L3	and Omnibuild?
L 4	A It was not in a loan agreement. It was a message
L5	within a loan agreement.
L 6	Q Why was that paid withdrawn. What's your
L7	understanding as to why that was paid directly by the LLC rather
L8	than in any other form such as a loan?
L 9	A It was paid directly by LLC. Deposit LLC and I repeat
20	again had direct interest in settling for getting funds from Dinver
21	company, whatever it is. In order to compensate Omnibuild for
22	losses with selling that Northfield Insurance to them with hidden
23	exception for secondary subcontractors. So LLC had direct

interest. That money would not belong to Omnibuild at anymore.

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1 wrote new check to LLC. So therefore I made a decision to pay with 2 that \$50,000 in order for that lawsuit to happen, because Omnibuild 3 didn't have any money at that time. 4 Did you ever receive the consent of any of the other members? 5 I received consent of all members. 6 7 Q Is David Aronov still a member of the LLC today? He's still a member of the LLC today. 8 Α 9 Did you ever notify him that you were paying 0 10 Omnibuild's legal fees in the Dinver action? 11 At that time definitely yes. He was still employed Α 12 there. 13 When did the Dinver action start? Q 14 Did it start? Α 15 When was it started, yes, sir? Q It started probably 2014. 16 Α 17 And I'm talking about, well the action that was 18 settled in the court that it was settled? 19 That action started in 2014 most likely. I don't know 20 the date of 2014. 21 The action Omnibuild against Dinver & Associates, was 0 22 the LLC a party to it? 23 No, it was not. 24 What court was that in? 25 It probably was in Brooklyn Supreme. Α

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1	MR. GRASING: I just need to pull up something
2	else on the screen. If I can have the screen shut off
3	while I get it. These will be things not in evidence.
4	THE COURT: Okay. Let's knock off the jury
5	screen and the witness screen.
6	Q Mr. Khavinson if I showed you the summons and
7	complaint bearing the index number for the Omnibuild action against
8	Dinver & Associates would that jog your memory as to when that case
9	was started?
10	A Probably would.
11	MR. GRASING: I ask, because it's not in
12	evidence that I show that it just be put on the witness's
13	screen. It's obtained directly off the NYCEF docket.
14	THE COURT: Let's get the witness's screen back
15	up. And we're putting this in front of the witness to see
16	if it refreshes his recollection regarding what?
17	Q When Omnibuild commenced the Dinver action?
18	A May 5, 2016.
19	Q Was David Aronov working for you at that time?
20	A No.
21	Q I showed you the correspondence to the court from the
22	attorney from one of the parties in the Dinver action notifying
23	them of the settlement, would that jog your memory as to when that
24	settlement occurred?
25	A I want to see heading.

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1	Q Hold on I hit the wrong one.
2	A Okay.
3	MR. GRASING: Again, this should only be on the
4	witness's screen, it is not in evidence.
5	Q I'd like you to take a look of the October 2013 letter
6	to the Honorable Scott Quires the Supreme Court Kings County
7	regarding the Omnibuild Inc. Against Dinver & Associates from an
8	Allen L Frank. When you're done reading it just please tell me
9	whether that jogs your memory as to when the case settled?
10	A Yes it does.
11	Q Does it jog your memory that it settled on or about
12	the date of this letter which is October 13, 2021?
13	A October 13, 2021.
14	Q When was that case discontinued?
15	A I don't remember, soon after.
16	Q If I showed you the filed stipulation of
17	discontinuance in Omnibuild against Dinver & Associates index
18	number 507368 of 2016 with a NYCEF time stamp showing it was filed
19	with the Kings County clerk on 12/09/21 at 9:59 a.m. signed by
20	Allen L Frank Associate for the plaintiff and Kaufman, Dull, Rich
21	LLP for the defendant's.
22	THE COURT: So right now Mr. Grasing can we
23	just put the document in front of him and have him read it.
24	You don't have to read anything. We've identified it. I
25	don't think it matters all these other details in terms of

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1	when it was time stamped. Let's just ask the question,
2	does this help refresh this witness's recollection as to
3	when the case between Omnibuild and Dinver Associates was
4	discontinued. I believe that is your question.
5	MR. GRASING: Yes.
6	THE COURT: Can you review that document
7	Mr. Khavinson and let us know if that refreshes your
8	recollection.
9	THE WITNESS: I'd like to see all the way to the
10	end of this document.
11	MR. GRASING: Give me one second.
12	THE WITNESS: Let's put it this way December 8,
13	2021 stipulation of discontinuance was filed.
14	Q In that particular case?
15	A In this particular case.
16	Q Does that jog your memory at all as to when the LLC
17	received the funds?
18	A No it does not. Probably soon after, or day before.
19	I don't know. It's very close to that date. Either before or
20	after.
21	THE COURT: So this is a good time to ask
22	Mr. Grasing, it's 12:45 will you be going much longer? Can
23	you go until 1:00 or would this be a good time to break
24	until 2:30?
25	MR. GRASING: The way I understand your

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1	question. I will not be done with the witness by 1:00.
2	THE COURT: Is there another area that you can
3	cover within the next few minutes?
4	MR. GRASING: Give me one second and I'll tell
5	you. Yes.
6	THE COURT: Okay. Let's continue then.
7	MR. GRASING: I have to put another document on
8	the screen. Can you shut off the screen for a second so
9	the witness can't see it and the Defense Counsel can't see
10	it.
11	THE COURT: Only have up Mr. Grasing's screen
12	please.
13	MR. GRASING: Just bare with me one second. Can
14	I have one second to ask a question of Defense Counsel off
15	the record that my extent, and I can get fifteen minutes
16	worth of quick questions in.
17	THE COURT: Off the record.
18	(Off-the-record discussion.)
19	THE COURT: All right. Come back Counsel this
20	is going to be a good time to break. You all get
21	yourselves together and then we'll deal with these
22	administrative issues before the jury comes back and ready
23	to go promptly at 2:30.
24	MR. GRASING: Yes.
25	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise jury exiting.

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1	(Off-the-record discussion.)
2	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise, jury entering.
3	THE COURT: Thank you. Everyone may be seated.
4	Mr. Grasing, are you ready to proceed?
5	MR. GRASING: Yes.
6	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson, again, I remind you
7	that you're still under oath.
8	MR. GRASING: Can I have my screen shown to the
9	jury, as well. This is Defendant's Exhibit A, the Chase
LO	Bank records.
L1	THE COURT: And a reminder Mr. Grasing to please
L2	speak clearly in to the mic as loudly as you can to make
L3	sure everyone can hear you.
L 4	MR. GRASING: Yes.
L5	THE COURT: Thank you. Let's have the screen
L 6	shared, Defendant's Exhibit A to the jury and Counsel's
L7	screens, as well as the Court, and the witness thank you.
L8	I believe that's already been done?
L 9	THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: Yes.
20	CONTINUED DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. GRASING:
21	Q Mr. Khavinson I'd like to direct your attention to
22	page 159 of the exhibit. It's a check made payable to 290 13th
23	Street LLC. It's check number 1166 dated 8/16 of '10 to 2546 East
24	17th Street Realty LLC in the amount of \$20,000. Do you recognize
25	that check?

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1	A Yes.
2	Q What was that check for?
3	A It was a small loan to 290 13th Street LLC from a
4	company which was controlled by Faybyshev for a short term loan to
5	buy material before our shareholders had put additional funds to
6	the company not to slow down the construction.
7	Q Was that ever approved by all of the members?
8	A It was approved by all members multiple times, because
9	everybody agreed that nobody wanted to put another dollar in to the
10	company. So therefore, everybody was glad that the funds are
11	available for short term so the construction doesn't slow down.
12	Q When was David Aronov asked if he consented?
13	A I saw Aronov every day in my office. And it was his
14	office at that time. He worked there. So we had conversations on
15	different subjects all the time. So it was not a secret.
16	Q Could you be any well, my question was when did you
17	ask him for his consent can you be anymore specific?
18	A On 8/16 whatever the year is, '21. I can't see.
19	August 16th, I can't see the year.
20	THE COURT: Can you amplify that since you're
21	the one managing this exhibit, thank you. Is that a little
22	bit Mr. Khavinson?
23	THE WITNESS: August 16th. It's simply not
24	written.
25	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor may I?

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1		THE WITNESS: So I cannot say what year it is.
2	Is	ee it's 8/16.
3	Q	Whose handwriting is that?
4	А	Faybyshev, probably.
5	Q	Whose signature is on the check?
6	A	Vyacheslav Faybyshev.
7	Q	Was there any construction, or ongoing operations by
8	the LLC in 2	2020?
9	A	Not in 2020, no.
10	Q	Were there any ongoing operations from the LLC in
11	2010?	
12	A	2010, yes.
13	Q	Did you what did David Aronov tell you when you
14	asked him fo	or his consent as to whether the LLC could take on this
15	loan?	
16	A	He agreed with short term loans, no interest. It's a
17	no brainer.	Instead of him putting in money and other shareholders
18	putting in r	money. So we had placed that Faybyshev put the money
19	basically.	
20	Q	Did you ask him for this particular loan, or was it
21	something di	ifferent?
22	A	I do not remember what happened 13 years ago exactly.
23	Q	Did you confirm it in writing that he didn't?
24	А	I did not confirm in writing. It wasn't necessary. I
25	would be con	nfirming everything in writing I would still be writing.

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1	Q Did they have access to the e-mail at that time?
2	A We don't need e-mail when I saw him face to face.
3	Q Did you send him an e-mail confirming his consent?
4	A I did not send him an e-mail. I did not send anybody
5	an e-mail. Not any other shareholders.
6	Q Did you ever ask David Aronov to contribute any
7	additional funds instead of obtaining the loan from 25 46 East 96th
8	Street LLC?
9	A I asked every shareholder about that, and everybody
10	agreed that the alternative method of borrowing the money from
11	Faybyshev is much better.
12	Q Why didn't you con firm it in writing?
13	A Because I don't need to confirm it in writing.
14	Everybody agreed to that. That's not a major loan. And that loan
15	was repaid many times over.
16	Q When was it repaid?
17	A Soon after, when we got funds.
18	Q Do you have a record of when it was repaid?
19	A It probably was a record I'm sure.
20	Q Who wrote the operating agreement for the company, was
21	that you or somebody else?
22	A I don't remember.
23	Q Does the operating agreement the way you understand it
24	no, withdrawn. Let me pull up Exhibit A. If you can shut the
25	screen for a second please. I'm sorry, Plaintiff's Exhibit One

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1	just so it's not published to the jury please. I'm going through
2	the access right now.
3	THE COURT: So let's stop publishing
4	Defendant's A to the jury. Thank you.
5	Q You can go back. Plaintiff's Exhibit One the
6	operating agreement dated February 9, 2008 is on my screen.
7	THE COURT: Are you asking that you're ready for
8	this to be published to the jury on screen?
9	MR. GRASING: Yes.
10	THE COURT: They have it. Since we're using a
11	lot of screen time and documents through the screens
12	thankfully, the protocol I'm going to put in place if you
13	want something published to the jury you should ask me.
14	And I will let our clerk know where and to who, because if
15	I don't agree to do that it won't be done. If you want
16	something you request permission of the court and the court
17	will direct accordingly. Okay.
18	MR. GRASING: Yes.
19	THE COURT: You may continue.
20	Q I'd like to draw your attention to article four of the
21	agreement management, in particular paragraph C, subparagraph I.
22	THE COURT: And what we're publishing right now
23	is Plaintiff's Exhibit One?
24	MR. GRASING: Yes.
25	Q In light of this section of the agreement that says

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1	Eugene Khavinson and Mikhail Kremerman may not make any of the
2	following management decisions without obtaining unanimous consent
3	of all members, in particular to create any indebtedness to borrow
4	money whether or not secured. Why didn't you confirm every members
5	consent in writing?
6	A Because nowhere in this agreement said I had to
7	confirm in writing. Oral confirmation was sufficient. This was
8	not a major loan for this size of corporation or LLC.
9	Q Was the permission or the consent of all the members
10	for the \$750,000 loan to Omnibuild to pay the Jerzy Schnapp
11	settlement confirmed in writing?
12	A That's not an indebtedness. I was allowed to make
13	loans. I wasn't allowed to take loans, accept loans. But I was
14	allowed to make loans.
15	Q Okay. So are you saying in your opinion subparagraph
16	five that we just read allows you to give out that loan without any
17	other members consent?
18	A Correct.
19	Q Now continuing down that same section subparagraph
20	four things that Eugene Khavinson and Mikhail Kremerman are not
21	allowed to do. In light of the fact that it says to do any act
22	that make it impossible to carry on the ordinary business of the
23	company, why didn't you confirm everyone's consent in writing to
24	that \$750,000 loan?
25	A In order to do what, to make it impossible to carry

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1	that loan. That loan did not make it impossible to carry on
2	ordinary business of the company.
3	Q How much did you have in working capitol for the LLC
4	at that time?
5	A I cannot tell you.
6	Q You don't remember?
7	A I don't remember.
8	Q First, do you remember being deposed and providing
9	sworn testimony in the Dinver action entitled Omnibuild plaintiff
10	against Dinver and associates Inc. Reliable General Agency Date
11	Inc. And the date was August 23, 2019 at 10:15 a.m.?
12	A I did give testimony.
13	Q Now in particular first I'm looking at, and this
14	should not be published to the jury because this is not in
15	evidence. Page 105?
16	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, side bar before
17	Mr. Grasing proceeds?
18	THE COURT: Okay. Off the record.
19	(Off-the-record discussion.)
20	THE COURT OFFICER: Remain seated come to
21	order.
22	THE COURT: Back on the record. Given the
23	off-the-record discussion Mr. Grasing are you ready to
24	continue?
25	MR. GRASING: Yes.

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1	THE COURT: Hold on. Let's take a short
2	recess.
3	(Off-the-record discussion.)
4	THE COURT: All rise. Jury exiting.
5	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise jury entering.
6	THE COURT: Everyone may be seated. You may
7	continue Mr. Grasing.
8	MR. GRASING: All right Mr. Khavinson.
9	THE COURT: Turn on your mic.
LO	Q Mr. Khavinson, we're talking about the same deposition
L1	in the Omnibuild against Dinver Associates that you said you gave
L2	at 10:15 a.m. beginning August 23, 2019. Do you recall being asked
L3	the following question, beginning actually it's on page four to
L 4	give a reference to what you were talking about page 104, line two:
L 5	Question, where was the money before it was
L 6	released?
L7	Answer, it was sitting in Mark Kran's escrow
L8	account.
L 9	Question, after it was released it went into an
20	LLC bank account?
21	Answer, it went into Khavinson & Associates IOLA
22	account on behalf of LLC. LLC had no account at that time.
23	Then there was back and forth between the attorney and the
24	witness.
25	THE COURT: So Mr. Grasing all your doing is

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1	asking the witness do you recall being asked this question
2	and giving this answer.
3	Q Do you recall being asked that question and giving
4	that answer?
5	A I don't recall. I'm reading it, but I don't recall
6	independently.
7	Q Do you recall being asked this question beginning on
8	page 104 of the same deposition.
9	A I don't see page 104. Okay.
10	Q Do you recall being asked the question beginning on
11	page 104 line 20:
12	Question, that number was distributed within 30
13	days of the settlement agreement?
14	Answer, no I'm not sure about 30 days talking
15	distribution.
16	Question, to the Plata firm?
17	Answer, that's not how it went.
18	Q Do you recall being asked those two questions and
19	giving those answers?
20	A I independently do not recall if I was asked those
21	questions and given those answers.
22	Q Next on page 105 on the of the same deposition
23	beginning on line two. Do you recall being asked the question:
24	And tell me how it went?
25	Answer, when we give the settlement in order for

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1	Platta Law Firm to allow Mark Kranz to release funds he
2	wanted to get paid first. Zom Insurance, Northfield's
3	million dollar policy.
4	Q Do you recall being asked that question and giving
5	that answer?
6	A Not independently, but I'm reading transcript so I did
7	give that answer.
8	Q Are you talking about the Jerzy Schnapp settlement?
9	A I guess it's the Jerzy Schnapp settlement, yes.
10	Q Do you recall being asked the following question
11	beginning on page 105 at line 8:
12	Question, Zom paid a million dollars?
13	Answer, paid million dollars.
14	Question, then Omnibuild borrowed \$750,000 or
15	thereabouts from 35 West End Avenue LLC as a short loan.
16	Paid \$749,800 to Platta firm on behalf of Jerzy Schnapp.
17	Eugene Khavinson & LLC paid \$200. The funds from the
18	escrow account were released immediately and went to IOLA
19	account of Khavinson & Associates. And Khavinson &
20	Associates immediately on behalf of LLC issued check in the
21	amount of \$749,800 to Omnibuild in return for promissory
22	note which Omnibuild president Vyacheslav Faybyshev signed.
23	And immediately after Omnibuild repaid the loan to 35 West
24	End Avenue ND.
25	O And it continues on the next page, page 106 beginning

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1	at line two. I'll turn the screen to it.
2	Question, the amount \$750,000 and that's the end
3	of story very simple.
4	Q Do you recall being asked those questions and giving
5	those answers?
6	A I recall being asked those questions. I probably gave
7	those answers.
8	Q As you sit here today, is that what happened?
9	A Pardon me?
10	Q Is that what happened what you testified to at that
11	deposition?
12	A I think it wasn't exactly what happened. My
13	recollection is the 35 West End Avenue LLC lend our LLC \$750,000.
14	LLC in turn, lent \$749,800 to Omnibuild so Omnibuild can settle the
15	case with Schapp, which it did. Then the funds were released. And
16	as soon as the funds were released, LLC repaid the loan of \$750,000
17	to 35 West End Avenue LLC. That's exactly how it happened. Maybe
18	I wasn't that accurate.
19	Q Okay. Give me one second. I'll turn off the screen
20	from my end and go to the appropriate exhibit. I'd like to draw
21	your attention to Plaintiff's Exhibit 4H, the LLC's 2014 corporate
22	income tax return. First, could you take a look please, I direct
23	your attention to the page of the exhibit that is the Federal
24	statements. The first one on the page that's referenced is the
25	statement one, other deductions. In particular, I draw your

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1 attention to statement four, form 1065, schedule L, line 17 under 2 current liabilities. 3 Α Yes. 4 If you look at the first one it says loan, 2546 East 17th Street \$88,000, do you see that? 5 6 Yeah I see that. Α 7 And there's nothing at the end of the year, what do 8 you understand that to mean? 9 That it was paid off. 10 Next there's listed here a loan to a A. Bogoslavski 11 for \$250,000 at the beginning of the year. And then there's a 12 blank for the end of the year liabilities, do you see that? 13 I see that. Α 14 What's your understanding of that? 15 My understanding if that were the correct number that Bogoslavski lent \$250,000 to LLC. And at the end of the year, LLC 16 17 paid him \$250,000 which is completely incorrect. Bogoslavski never lent \$250,000, \$100,000, or \$1 to LLC. And therefore this second 18 19 line is incorrect. 20 Did you review this tax return before it was filed for 21 the LLC? 22 I wasn't reviewing that particular statement, because Α 23 it really didn't make any difference for purposes of LLC. LLC has 24 profit and loss statement where it has accurate representations. 25 So I ordered my bank statements and therefore that would be up to

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1 Bogoslavski to talk to his accountant, having to be Mr. Rosenberg 2 and say that it's incorrect. 3 So Mr. Rosenberg was -- Serge Rosenberg is that who you're talking about? 4 5 Α Correct. 6 And Serge Rosenberg you understand to be 7 Mr. Bogoslavski's personal accountant? 8 Yes, my understanding. Α 9 Is that the same Mr. Serge Rosenberg who is the LLC's 0 10 accountant? 11 Same Mr. Rosenberg. Α 12 Who prepared this tax return? 13 Yes. Α 14 Was he the only accountant for the LLC from 2007 15 through at least 2014? 16 The only tax preparer, correct. He's not an Α 17 accountant. 18 Did you, because I don't believe -- well, withdrawn. 19 Did you review any part of this tax return before it was filed? 20 I reviewed K1 forms. And I had some comments for 21 Mr. Rosenberg. He had to reduce certain things whatever I caught. 22 So that's it. 23 Did you ever ask Mr. Rosenberg about this particular 24 schedule? 25 I never did, because I never looked at that statement

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1	regarding Mr. Bogoslavski.
2	Q Well, was the first entry correct that belonged to
3	2546 East 17th Street that had a liability of \$88,000 at the
4	beginning of the calendar year of 2014 and no liability at the ends
5	of the year, is that correct?
6	A I'm not sure if the number is correct, but 2546 17th
7	Street did lend money. And you just showed me the check five
8	minutes ago to our LLC. So it might be correct, might be incorrect
9	in terms of the number. But in terms of lender it's correct.
10	Q Is it correct to say that the LLC paid it off in 2014?
11	A Yes.
12	Q Then there's a loan listed here from an A Gorlicht?
13	A Correct.
14	Q In the amount of \$48,000?
15	A I see that.
16	Q First, who is he?
17	A He is Faybyshev's friend, my understanding.
18	Q When was the loan taken out?
19	A I don't remember, but it was Mr. Gorlicht did lend
20	money to LLC for construction to continue. I'm not sure about
21	\$48,000 if that's a correct number. It might \$40,000. I'm not
22	going to argue. It is what it is here. I will look at bank
23	statements and I will know if it's correct or not correct. But in
24	principal Mr. Gorlicht did lend money to LLC.
25	Q Did you ever ask any of the members whether they

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1	consented to you taking that loan from Mr. Gorlicht?
2	A We already discussed it with you on previous
3	questions. That we continued to discuss those type of loans to all
4	LLC members and everybody consent.
5	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson, you will be asked a
6	question and you can probably expect that that question is
7	going to be asked numerous times in different ways. It's
8	part of the process. So please avoid the extrinsic
9	comments and simply answer the question, without
10	instructions back to the attorney who is asking you the
11	questions.
12	THE WITNESS: Okay.
13	THE COURT: Next question.
14	Q The next entry down in the same schedule is an I.
15	Michellin, do you see that?
16	A I see that.
17	Q Who is that?
18	A It's Faybyshev's friend.
19	Q Is it accurate where it says at the end of the
20	calendar year 2014, the LLC had a liability to them of \$13,000?
21	A Yes.
22	Q Is it accurate where it says at the end of the year
23	there was no liability to them?
24	A Correct.
25	Q And does that mean that the LLC paid it off?

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1		A	Yes.
2		Q	When was this loan taken out?
3		А	I don't know.
4		Q	What were the terms of the loan?
5		A	I don't remember.
6		Q	Did the LLC have to pay any interest?
7		А	No interest on any of these loans.
8		Q	Did the LLC sign a promissory note?
9		A	No.
10		Q	Did the LLC sign a promissory note for Mr. Gorlicht's
11	loan?		
12		А	No.
13		Q	Was there any interest paid on that?
14		А	No.
15		Q	What was the funds from Mr. Gorlicht's loan used for?
16		А	For construction.
17		Q	Any particular part?
18		А	Don't remember.
19			THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, do you want this
20		exh	ibit to be published to the jury at this point I just
21		wan	t to make sure that it's not.
22			MR. GRASING: I thought it was. I lost track so
23		the	answer is yes.
24			THE COURT: Can we have Plaintiff's Exhibit 4H
25		pub	lished to the jury please so that they can follow along.

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1	Does the jury have it up. Okay. I'm going to direct you
2	to statement four, other current liabilities. That is
3	where the testimony is coming from right now. Next
4	question Mr. Grasing.
5	Q Underneath the one to I. Michellin, it says loan OBT
6	\$2,650. First, who is OBT?
7	A I don't know.
8	Q Next one is a loan to 561 I'm sorry, 561 11th
9	Street in the amount, the liability in the beginning of the
10	calendar year of 2014 was \$47,000. First, who is 561 11th Street?
11	A One of the Faybyshev's construction sites.
12	Q When was the loan taken out?
13	A I don't remember.
14	Q Did you ask the members whether they consented to take
15	on that loan?
16	A I did.
17	Q When?
18	A Before we took the loan.
19	Q When did you take out the loan, how long before 2014?
20	A I don't remember.
21	Q Did you sign a promissory note?
22	A No.
23	Q Did you sign a loan agreement?
24	A No.
25	Q Was there any interest paid on this?

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1	А	No.
2		THE COURT: Mr. Grasing, there's already been
3	te	stimony that there was no interest on any of these loans.
4	So	you do not need to ask this witness that question again.
5	Ne.	xt question.
6	Q	Was that loan paid off during the calendar year of
7	2014?	
8	А	Yes.
9	Q	The next entry is loan Celinchuck with a liability at
10	the beginn	ing of the year of \$30,000. First, who is or what is
11	Celinchuck	
12	А	Mr. Celinchuck is also associated with Faybyshev,
13	either his	friend. Most likely his friend.
14	Q	When did the LLC take out the \$30,000 loan?
15	А	I don't remember.
16	Q	Did the LLC pay it back in the calendar year of 2014?
17	А	Yes.
18	Q	Was there a promissory note signed?
19	А	No.
20	Q	Was there a loan agreement signed?
21	А	No.
22		THE COURT: Anything else?
23		MR. GRASING: Yes.
24	Q	Do you have any understanding as to why there is no
25	loan listed	d here from 35 West End Avenue to the LLC?

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1	A I don't have any understanding.
2	Q Didn't you just testify that 35 West End Avenue LLC
3	lent the LLC \$750,000?
4	A I did.
5	Q And didn't you just testify that the LLC then lent
6	that money to Omnibuild?
7	A Yes, I did.
8	Q What year was that?
9	A 2014, probably. End of 2000 2014.
10	Q Do you have any understanding as to why that loan is
11	not listed here?
12	MR. MESTECHKIN: Objection, asked and answered.
13	THE COURT: Overruled. You may answer
14	Mr. Khavinson.
15	A I don't remember why its not listed here, but it was
16	very short term loan.
17	MR. GRASING: I'm just going to turn to the next
18	exhibit that should be published. It's already in
19	evidence.
20	THE COURT: Which exhibit is that?
21	MR. GRASING: The general ledger from 2014.
22	THE COURT: I just need the exhibit number to
23	make sure our record is clear.
24	MR. GRASING: Two.
25	THE COURT: Go ahead. Can we get Plaintiff's

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1	Exhibit Two up on the screen for everyone.
2	MR. GRASING: Yes, I'm pulling it up now.
3	THE COURT: While you get to your location I do
4	want to indicate that there is a Artyom Kirzhner trying to
5	get into the lobby and we've been trying to accept this
6	person. A-R-T-Y-O-M, K-I-R-Z-H-N-E-R. If that person is
7	listening they can call in to the number.
8	MR. MESTECHKIN: Noted Your Honor. It looks
9	like they're in now. They might be trying to get in
10	through a different device.
11	MR. GRASING: Your Honor I have Plaintiff's
12	Exhibit Two, the 2014 accounting ledger for the LLC on my
13	screen. I'd like it published to the jury please.
14	THE COURT: You may do so. I believe you have
15	the capacity to do that, as well. Let us know if you need
16	our assistance.
17	MR. GRASING: It's on my screen and the display.
18	THE COURT: I see that from the jury that it is
19	being published on their respective screens. You may
20	continue, next question.
21	Q I'd like to direct your attention to page one,
22	transaction last year 1/1/2014 through 12/31/2014 that's
23	Plaintiff's Exhibit Two. First, I'm directing your attention to
24	capital it says capital A. Bogoslavski 9/10/2014 in the amount of
25	\$112,844. What was that for, if you know?

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1	A It's a return on Mr. Bogoslavski's investment of
2	\$150,000.
3	Q Did Mr. Bogoslavski invest any other money other than
4	the \$150,000?
5	A Mr. Bogoslavski invested \$150,000. And he received at
6	the end \$112,844.
7	Q Did he loan any other money to the LLC?
8	A He did not loan any money to the LLC.
9	Q Do you have any understanding as to where the \$250,000
10	listed on the 2014 Federal statement that we were just looking at
11	
12	A He purchased five percent stock in LLC for \$150,000.
13	Q Where did he purchase it from?
14	A He purchased if from, two and a half percent from
15	Vyacheslav Faybyshev and two and a half percent from Michael
16	Kremerman. But the money were not paid to Mr. Kremerman and
17	Mr. Faybyshev. The money was invested into LLC.
18	Q When did that transaction occur?
19	A That I cannot tell you. Before 2014.
20	Q Did it happen while Mr. Faybyshev was a managing
21	member of the LLC?
22	A I don't remember that.
23	Q Did it happen when Mr. Kremerman was a managing member
24	of the LLC?
25	A Either/or, yes.

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1 Did you notify any of the other members of the sale of 2 any of those membership shares? 3 It was not sale, because there was no consideration 4 for Mr. Faybyshev or Mr. Kremerman. 5 What do you mean by that? 6 Mr. Faybyshev and Mr. Kremerman did not receive one 7 penny from that transaction. That \$150,000 was deposited in to 8 attorney account with LLC. 9 Why was Mr. Bogoslavski transferred five percent of 10 the shares for \$150,000 rather than any other amount? Mr. Bogoslavski was offered to buy five percent shares 11 12 for \$150,000 which should be deposited into LLC. And he liked the 13 idea. Who determined the amount of the investment the cost 14 15 of the five percent of the membership? 16 He was offered it by Faybyshev and Kremerman. Α 17 Did they offer it to the company, meaning the LLC? 18 They did not offer it to LLC. They offered it to Α 19 Mr. Bogoslavski. 20 How was the \$150,000 determined? 21 Α It was determined by Mr. Faybyshev and Mr. Kremerman. 22 And Mr. Bogoslavski agreed to that number. 23 Why didn't the LLC attempt to buy five percent membership back for \$150,000? 24 25 Because LLC would have to pay \$150,000. And it would Α

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1	be less on the operating account of LLC. And it wasn't the terms
2	of Mr. Faybyshev and Mr. Kremerman. Their intent was to bring
3	\$150,000 to that written agreement of LLC. So they gave up five
4	percent of their shares.
5	Q I believe you recently testified that David Aronov
6	paid \$150,000 or 3.3 percent interest in the LLC; is that correct?
7	A That's correct.
8	Q So is it fair to say that the unit price was less for
9	Mr. Bogoslavski's shares?
10	A Yes, it was.
11	Q Do you have any understanding as to why?
12	A It's a market. You can sell your shares at any price
13	you want.
14	Q According to who?
15	A According to the seller.
16	Q Is that what the operating agreement says?
17	A The operating agreement does not say anything to that
18	That is the shareholder can give up his shares in return for an
19	amount of money deposited in to the LLC.
20	Q I'd like to direct the witness's attention to exhibit
21	A. I'll pull it up on my screen momentarily. I'm going to
22	disconnect for a second. It's back on. I believe it's been
23	published to both the witness and the jury. This is the operating
24	agreement. This is Plaintiff's Exhibit One. In particular I'd
25	like to draw your attention to article six, withdrawal of a member.

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1 I draw your attention to paragraph A, in particular the portion 2 where it states if a member dies or desires to sell, transfer, or 3 otherwise dispose of all or any part of his interest in the 4 company. Such members and/or his heirs, selling member, must offer to sell and convey such interest to the company at a fair market 5 6 value. For the purpose of this agreement fair market value shall 7 be determined by the parties but by unanimously better bargain. Ιf the parties cannot agree within fifteen days from the selling 8 9 members offer, any member in petition of the American Arbitration 10 Commission will appoint or this determination of FMV shall be 11 binding on all parties within 30 days after F and V determination, 12 the company shall deliver to the selling member a written notice 13 either accepting or rejecting the offer. In light of that 14 provision, why -- well, was that provision followed with the 15 transfer of the shares that Mr. Bogoslavski purchased? 16 Mr. Bogoslavski purchased five percent shares for Α 17 \$150,000. But \$150,000 was not paid to giving up shareholders. 18 Shareholders actually gave gift to the LLC of \$150,000 giving up 19 five percent of their shares. They did not even one penny they 20 just gave this donation to the corporation. And get less debt and 21 can finish the project. And at that point no shareholder was 22 interested in buying any shares from anybody for any amount of 23 money. When did you ask David Aronov whether he was 24 25 interested?

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1 I asked him at the same time. Α 2 Q How much money did you say it would cost? 3 \$150,000. Α 4 What was done to determine that was fair market value? Q 5 It wasn't fair market value. The company, at that 6 time had debt and it wasn't doing that great. So the lawsuit was 7 there. So therefore, the company needed more funds. And that was 8 the way for two major shareholders; such as, Faybyshev and 9 Kremerman to bring another \$150,000 to LLC. And they did so. 10 I'd like to draw your attention to the operating 11 agreement Plaintiff's Exhibit One, article six subparagraph C where 12 "The members agree to sign such additional documents as it says: 13 may be required in order to sell and admit additional interest to 14 the company in pursuance of article 6A, 6B, as well as among other 15 things, to provide for the division of documents profits, losses, 16 and the cash flows among the members." Were any such documents 17 executed by the members for the transfer of these shares from 18 Mr. Kremerman and Mr. Faybyshev and Mr. Bogosalvski? 19 All members signed an amendment where Mr. Bogoslavski 20 was listed at five percent shareholder. Mr. Faybyshev was listed 21 to have 27 and a half percent shares. And Mr. Kremerman also had 22 27 and a half percent shares. And everybody else was the same 23 amount. 24 THE COURT: Anything else Mr. Grasing? 25 MR. GRASING: Yes, I'm just looking to pull it

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1	up on my screen the exact portion. We're going back to the
2	general ledger for the LLC.
3	THE COURT: That would be Plaintiff's Exhibit
4	Two, correct?
5	MR. GRASING: Yes.
6	THE COURT: Let's go. Next question.
7	Q In particular I'd like to draw your attention to the
8	entries for Yana Soskil for this is on page entitled transaction
9	last year 1/1/2014 through 12/31/2014. There's a payment listed on
10	9/10/2014 from Khavinson ampersand to Dennis Nayberg (phonetic) in
11	the amount of \$38,870. What was that for?
12	A What line is that?
13	Q If you look and see where it says Yana Soskil on line
14	20?
15	A What does it say?
16	Q Khavinson with a shorthand for the word and.
17	THE COURT: Mr. Grasing maybe what you can do
18	is take that cursor that you have available to you and
19	direct the witness with the cursor. It's now almost 4:00
20	and you had this witness from 2:30. Let's try and get it
21	done. Are you able to do that?
22	MR. GRASING: No, it doesn't appear that way on
23	my screen. The Adobe program that I have I can't do it
24	with the cursor or my finger.
25	THE COURT: So just get up and come approach the

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1	witness and use your finger then.
2	MR. GRASING: Sure.
3	Q You see right there?
4	A Yes, I see it.
5	THE COURT: Ask your question.
6	Q What was that entry for?
7	A Dennis Naiberg is Michael Kremerman's son-in-law. So
8	Michael Kremerman had also proceeds from his investment. And he
9	used those proceeds to pay for certain things; such as he paid to
10	his son-in-law $\$38,870$ . And Khavinson and that means Khavinson $\&$
11	Associates trust account.
12	Q What were the services he was paid for?
13	A He didn't pay for any services. It's Michael
14	Kremerman's money. He just directed LLC to pay his money instead
15	of to him to his son-in-law.
16	Q Do you have any understanding as to why?
17	A That's how he wanted. It doesn't matter why. It's
18	his money he can do whatever he wants to do.
19	Q Respectfully, that didn't answer the question. Do you
20	know?
21	A Do I know why?
22	Q Yes.
23	A Because that's the way he want it. He told me can you
24	please send a portion of my money in the amount of to Dennis
25	Naiberg who I know very well. I said yes we can do that. And we

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1 deducted it from total of Michael Kremerman's money. 2 Is Dennis Naiberg an attorney? 3 He is not an attorney. 4 Directly above that there's a payment to Yana Soskil Q in the amount of \$12,000? 5 6 Yana Soskil is Michael Kremerman's wife. So he asked Α 7 me to send \$12,000 of his money to his wife. 8 On June 16, 2014 there's a payment to Braitheman and Q 9 Associates (phonetic.) It says for M. Kremerman in the amount of 10 \$50,000. What was that for? 11 \$50,000 Michael Kremerman asked me to send money to 12 his attorney in the amount of \$50,000 as an advance to distribution 13 right before three months -- three and a half months before 14 distribution. We already had the funds. So it was his money, but 15 we didn't do distribution so he asked for an exception to send that 16 advance which was deducted from his total sum, as well. 17 Did his attorney represent him for any action he took 18 on behalf of the LLC? 19 No. 20 The entry directly above that on April 5, 2014 it list 21 a Citibank account wired out to S-O-L-S-T in the amount of \$24,644. 22 What was that for? 23 Solst is Michael Kremerman company. And he ask me to 24 wire his money to that company Solst. 25 Next, turn to the next page. Direct your attention to

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1	where it says legal fees an entry of 2/27/14 to Khavinson and A-S-S
2	legal in the amount of \$7,500. What was that for?
3	A Let me find it first. There's a lot of legals here.
4	MR. GRASING: May I approach the witness?
5	THE COURT: You may.
6	MR. GRASING: I'm going to look over your
7	shoulder again.
8	Q What was that entry for?
9	A That entry for Khavinson and Associates as a receiver
10	of \$7,500 for legal services. And I don't know exactly what this
11	for. Most likely to paid Khavinson and Associates already paid to
12	Susklovich fee. Most likely that's what it was. And it got
13	reimbursed when the money came in. It got reimbursed of \$7,500.
14	Q The next page of the same exhibit banking summary last
15	year $1/1/2013$ to $12/31/2013$ it says loan to Gregory Celinchuck for
16	\$30,000. Is that the same loan or a different loan from the
17	\$40,000 that we're looking at?
18	A If it's return of the money, I don't understand this
19	page. So it's either Celinchuck lend this money, or did he receive
20	the payment. I don't know.
21	Q If you look further down the same page underneath in
22	bold and in capitals expenses it says legal fees in the amount of
23	\$14,265.21 cents. Do you see that?
24	A In expenses \$14,265.21, yeah I see that.
25	Q What was that for?

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1	A I don't know what it's for. It could be for different
2	legal fees. It could have been legal fees for representing the
3	company against Schnapp where we hired attorney's who were
4	specializing in
5	THE COURT: Well Mr. Khavinson, if you know you
6	know. If you don't know I don't want you to make up what
7	legal fees were distributed.
8	THE WITNESS: I don't know. I'm not going to
9	speculate.
10	THE COURT: I don't want you to make up what
11	legal fees this is attributed to.
12	Q Were any of your legal fees paid to your law firm?
13	A No legal feels were paid to me or my law firm.
14	THE COURT: Anything else Mr. Grasing?
15	MR. GRASING: No. I'm going to turn to the bank
16	records now.
17	Q I wanted to draw your attention to Defendant's Exhibit
18	A, check number 1188 dated 9/22. It appears to be from 2546 East
19	17th Street to 290 13th Street LLC in the amount of \$15,000. What
20	was that for?
21	A I don't remember.
22	Q I'd like to direct your attention to the same exhibit,
23	check number 10110 from 2546 East 17th Street Realty LLC. It's
24	check number 1191 payable to 290 13th Street LLC in the amount of
25	\$13,000. What was that for?

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1	A I don't remember.
2	Q I'd like to direct your attention to the same exhibit
3	Defendant's Exhibit A. It is check number 1202 dated 12/6 of '10
4	from 2546 East 17th this Street Realty LLC made payable to 290 13th
5	Street LLC in the amount of \$20,000. What was that for?
6	A I don't remember.
7	Q I'd like you to look at Defendant's Exhibit A on page
8	268 I believe, and it is check number 1399 dated February 1, 2011
9	to 290 13th Street LLC. It is made payable to Alpha Omega Coverage
10	Corp. In the amount of \$722, it appears to be 80 cents. What was
11	this for?
12	A It says in the memo, liability insurance.
13	Q Did you have liability insurance?
14	A I did.
15	Q Is that on the construction project?
16	A Yes.
17	Q Did you ever make a claim for it when Jerzy Schnapp
18	was injured?
19	A Yes.
20	Q Was it in effect at that time?
21	A It was. Maybe it wasn't liability insurance. I don't
22	believe it's liability insurance.
23	Q What was it for, if not liability insurance?
24	A Liability insurance, I don't know what it's for. It
25	says something which I cannot read the last letter. I can't

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1	understand what it says. So I don't. I know it's for liability
2	insurance.
3	Q The LLC, did it have liability insurance on a
4	construction project in effect at the time Jerzy Schnapp
5	A It was written for 290 13th Street LLC.
6	THE COURT: Mr. Khavinson you have to wait
7	until the question is completely asked. So please don't
8	cut Mr don't cut him off. Okay. Next question.
9	Q I'd like to direct you're attention to the same
10	exhibit page 297 check number 1393 dated 3/22 of '11 from New Park
11	Slope Realty LLC made payable to 290 13th Street LLC in the amount
12	of \$13,000. What was this for?
13	A I don't remember.
14	Q Do you know what
15	A I don't know.
16	Q Do you know what New Park Slope Realty LLC is?
17	A No.
18	Q Do you know any of the owners of New Park Slope Realty
19	LLC?
20	A I see signature of Vyacheslav Faybyshev so I assume
21	he's one of the owners.
22	Q Was this a loan issued by New Park Slope Realty LLC to
23	290 13th Street LLC?
24	A I don't know.
25	Q I'd like to direct your attention to the same exhibit.

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1	It is page 323. It is check number 1436 from 290 13th Street LLC
2	to Shimmons Paint Finishes LLC in the amount of \$150. What was
3	this for?
4	A For water damage touch up.
5	Q Was there water damage to the project?
6	A To the property, yes.
7	Q What did the water damage consist of?
8	A I don't remember.
9	Q Did you make the claim to recover for it under any
10	insurance policy?
11	A No, we did not.
12	Q What was the reason?
13	A Because insurance policies are much more deductible
14	than \$150.
15	Q Was there any other damage other than water damage
16	touch up?
17	A I don't know any other damage to the project.
18	Q I'd like to direct your attention to page 358 of the
19	exhibit check number 1327 in the amount of \$43,000 issued by 561
20	11th Street Realty LLC made payable to 290 13th Street LLC. What
21	was this for?
22	A It's a short term loan to LLC to continue
23	construction.
24	Q Which signature appears on this check?
25	A Vyacheslav Faybyshev.

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1	Q Was this at the same time when Mr. Faybyshev was a
2	managing member of 290 13th Street LLC?
3	A I don't remember that.
4	Q The Jerzy Schnapp settlement, was that a voluntary
5	settlement?
6	A It was a voluntary settlement, yes.
7	Q What was the reason that Omnibuild agreed to pay
8	\$749,800 rather than any other portion of that?
9	A The reason was so that Omnibuild could go and sue the
LO	brokerage firm Dinver to try and recover the maximum damages, which
L1	is \$750,000.
L2	Q Have you made any attempts to recover the balance?
L3	A Yes, we did make attempts to recover the balance. But
L 4	there's no place to recover balance from.
L5	Q Is Omnibuild Inc. Still in business?
L 6	A Omnibuild Inc. Still in business?
L7	Q Not just existing, but are they doing projects at this
L 8	time?
L 9	A I don't know what they're doing.
20	Q What were your attempts to recover the remaining
21	balance of the \$750,000 loan?
22	A I didn't make any attempts.
23	MR. GRASING: All right, thank you. I have
24	nothing further.
25	THE COURT: Mr. Mestechkin, are you ready to

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1	proceed with your cross-examination of this witness?
2	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, if I may five
3	minutes just to collect my thoughts.
4	THE COURT: You may. While he does that let's
5	give the jury an opportunity to stretch their legs if they
6	like.
7	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you.
8	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise, jury exiting.
9	THE COURT: You may be seated. Off the record.
10	(Off-the-record discussion.)
11	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise. Jury entering.
12	THE COURT: Everyone may be seated.
13	Mr. Mestechkin, are you ready to proceed with your
14	questions?
15	MR. MESTECHKIN: Yes, Your Honor.
16	THE COURT: You may proceed.
17	CROSS EXAMINATION MR. MESTECHKIN:
18	Q Good afternoon Mr. Khavinson.
19	A Good afternoon.
20	Q Do you remember in what year you purchased the
21	property located at 290 13th Street in Brooklyn?
22	A 2007.
23	Q If I were to show you a picture of the property, would
24	you be able to state whether it's fair and accurate representation
25	of the property the way you purchased it?

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1	A Yes I would.
2	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor with your
3	permission, may I show witness image?
4	THE COURT: Yes, you may.
5	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you.
6	Q Mr. Khavinson, the picture that you're holding in your
7	hands, is it fair and accurate depiction of the property that was
8	purchased by you and your brother in 2007?
9	A There are actually three properties here. The one in
10	the middle.
11	Q So the one in the middle is the property that was
12	purchased?
13	A Yes.
14	Q And is that the address 290 13th Street in Brooklyn?
15	A Yes.
16	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor may we enter this
17	picture in evidence as Defendant's B1?
18	THE COURT: Yes, but I just want the record to
19	reflect what the witness is actually holding in his hand is
20	an eight and a half by eleven color copy of a photograph.
21	It is not the actual photograph. It's a color copy of a
22	photograph, correct?
23	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your absolutely correct Your
24	Honor. I have to be more specific.
25	THE COURT: Is that an accurate reflection

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1	Mr. Grasing?
2	MR. GRASING: Yes.
3	THE COURT: And that will be marked into
4	evidence, any objections, to that being marked into
5	evidence as Defendant's B, as in boy point one?
6	MR. GRASING: No.
7	THE COURT: It's in evidence.
8	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you, Your Honor.
9	Q Mr. Khavinson, to the best of your recollection, how
10	long did the construction take overall?
11	A Actually, longer than we predicted. From 2008 I don't
12	remember exactly maybe four five years. Maybe four.
13	Q During this time of construction, on how many
14	occasions did you visit a job site?
15	A Maybe once a month, or two.
16	Q For the entire duration of the construction?
17	A Yes.
18	Q Did you hear testimony of Mr. Aronov who said that he
19	visited job site a dozen or more times?
20	A Yes.
21	Q Did Mr. Aronov ever accompany you to the job site when
22	you were travelling there?
23	A I believe maybe two times, maybe three times we went
24	together.
25	Q And if I will show you a picture of a job site where

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1	it was taken during the construction, would you be able to attest
2	whether it's fair and accurate representation of what construction
3	site looked like during the construction?
4	A Yes I would.
5	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor with your
6	permission, I would like to show image, that is a color
7	reproduction of the picture seven by eleven?
8	THE COURT: You may.
9	MR. GRASING: Can I just take a quick look at it
LO	before you hand it to the witness? Thank you.
L1	Q Mr. Khavinson, the image that you hold in your hands,
L2	it roughly seven by eleven color representation of the photograph.
L3	Does it represent a fair and accurate representation of the image
L 4	of the construction site at 290 13th Street?
L5	A Yes.
L 6	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, I would like to
L7	enter this image reproduction, color reproduction of the
L8	image as Defendant's Exhibit B2.
L 9	THE COURT: Any objection?
20	MR. GRASING: No.
21	THE COURT: B2 is entered into evidence.
22	Q Mr. Khavinson, the entire purpose of 290 13th Street
23	LLC was to develop this property, correct?
24	A Correct.
25	Q Was it developed?

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1	A Yes, it was.
2	Q Do you remember the year when construction was
3	completed and properties were ready to be sold?
4	A I believe 2011.
5	Q And did you see the project when it was completely
6	completed and ready to be sold?
7	A Yes I did.
8	Q And if I show you picture of that property you'll be
9	able to attest whether it's fair and accurate representation of
10	reconstructed property?
11	A Yes I would.
12	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, with your
13	permission and the subject to my opposing counsel review, I
14	would like to show the witness the color representation of
15	the picture.
16	THE COURT: You may.
17	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you.
18	THE COURT: Before you continue with your next
19	question I don't know why my screen is black. You may
20	proceed.
21	Q Mr. Khavinson, what you hold in your hand right now is
22	a color representation about seven to eleven color reproduction of
23	the picture depicting of the property. Can you attest whether it's
24	a fair and accurate depiction of the property the way it's actually
25	developed now?

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1	A Yes.
2	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, with your
3	permission I would like to enter into evidence as
4	Defendant's B3.
5	THE COURT: Any objection?
6	MR. MESTECHKIN: No.
7	THE COURT: It is entered into evidence as B3,
8	Defendant's B3.
9	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, with your
10	permission may I show to the jury an enlarged images of
11	what I just showed to the witness.
12	THE COURT: You can, but that's why we have
13	that camera because with that large image you need a
14	tripod. And I don't think we need to obstruct anyone. If
15	you don't know how to use that you can use your large
16	image.
17	MR. MESTECHKIN: Or we can actually broadcast.
18	THE COURT: Please, let's do that.
19	MR. MESTECHKIN: Would you be able to process,
20	thank you.
21	THE COURT: I would just ask that while it is
22	being published to the jury by way of the screens in front
23	of them that you indicate which exhibit is being published.
24	MR. MESTECHKIN: For the record, what is on the
25	screen right now is Exhibit Defendant's B1 that shows the

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1	property the way it was purchased by the Khavinson Brothers
2	in 2007 before it was developed.
3	THE COURT: And of all the properties that I
4	see in that picture, it is the property I believe it's in
5	the middle.
6	MR. MESTECHKIN: My apologies Your Honor for
7	interrupting. It's a three story light colored building in
8	the middle of the picture.
9	THE COURT: Did everyone in the jury have a
10	chance to see Defendant's B1? I'm seeing yes. You may
11	move on to the next image that you'd like to publish to the
12	jury.
13	MR. MESTECHKIN: For the record, Mr. Chiu will
14	assist me in broad casting for the jury image that is
15	marked as Defendant's Exhibit B2 which represents the job
16	site at 290 13th Street in Brooklyn when 290 13th LLC was
17	developed. Can anyone see this picture?
18	THE JURORS: Yes.
19	MR. MESTECHKIN: Now I would like to show you
20	the third image which is Defendant's Exhibit B3. And that
21	represents the finally developed property that is currently
22	at 290 13th Street in Brooklyn.
23	Q Mr. Khavinson, all this well, I withdraw. The
24	property that is currently on the screen before you and shown to
25	the jury, how many units is in this property?

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Τ	A Four.
2	Q And all four units were sold, correct?
3	A Correct.
4	Q And upon sale of all these four units, all available
5	cash was distributed to the members of the LLC, correct?
6	A Can you repeat please.
7	Q Upon the sale of the property and the closing, all
8	available cash that represented the net was distributed to the
9	members of the LLC?
10	A No it wasn't. It was sitting in escrow account of
11	Suslovich and Klein.
12	Q What had to happen in order for this cash to be freed
13	up to be distributed?
14	A The lien suppose by plaintiff Jerzy Schnapp was
15	suppose to be removed from that property in order to receive access
16	of all that cash and from Suslovich and Klein.
17	Q And the following of I withdraw. That became
18	possible when the settlement with Jerzy Schnapp took place,
19	correct?
20	A Correct.
21	Q During the construction, what was the frequency during
22	which you communicated with the members of the LLC with respect to
23	day-to-day operations and construction questions?
24	A We would only access and reach the shareholders when
25	we had certain questions for them except for maybe Mr. Aronov who I

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1	saw every day. I didn't see other members every day. I spoke with
2	Faybyshev a lot. I spoke with Kremerman a lot. And then I spoke
3	with Vitaly Kochnev a lot with the assistance of Faybyshev. But
4	the other shareholders I did not speak every day.
5	Q Who would be a first person to know that LLC required
6	additional money for the construction?
7	A Faybyshev would make a demand for a certain amount of
8	money, and I would tell him what balance do I have so he would know
9	what the story is.
10	Q And if there was not enough money, what were your next
11	steps?
12	A My next step would be to ask him if he can send or
13	deposit some money which he still owes to the LLC. I would ask as
14	a shareholder the same question, or he would ask those
15	shareholders. And when nobody had the funds immediately available
16	he would find a way to get a short loan so we don't have to stop
17	construction. And we don't have to force our shareholders to get
18	out of their way to go get that necessary funds for immediately
19	tomorrow.
20	Q Prior to accepting checks from those third parties,
21	did you obtain consent from the members of the LLC?
22	A Yes.
23	Q What would happen if you did not secure those funds
24	through third parties?
25	A We would have to stop and wait until we can bring more

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1	funds, meaning either we have to, if everybody already paid their	
2	share, we would have to ask everybody to bring a additional funds.	
3	Q And if you could not do that, what would happen then?	
4	A The construction would stop.	
5	Q Did the property have a mortgage?	
6	A The property had almost a million dollar mortgage,	
7	yes.	
8	Q Do you remember what were the monthly payments on tha	
9	mortgage?	
10	A Close to \$6,000.	
11	Q So during this five years, or four years of	
12	construction, mortgage was being paid, correct?	
13	A Correct.	
14	Q Were there any other lien holders besides the bank on	
15	the property?	
16	A No.	
17	Q Would it be fair to say that if you did not secure	
18	funds, what would happen then?	
19	A They would stop construction and we would have to	
20	either sell it as is to try to satisfy the mortgage and close the	
21	project.	
22	Q Do you remember obtaining consent from all members to	
23	secure those I would say not so small, but nonetheless smaller	
24	amounts?	
25	A Yes.	

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1	Q	With respect to accepting a new member in to LLC and
2	I'm talking	about Mr. Bogoslavski?
3	А	Yes.
4	Q	Did the share of Mr. Aronov in LLC change?
5	А	No.
6	Q	Did your share, membership share in LLC change?
7	А	No.
8	Q	Did Mr. Faybyshev's share change?
9	А	Yes.
10	Q	Did Mr. Kremerman's share change?
11	А	Yes.
12	Q	What was the reason why LLC required \$150,000?
13	А	To raise capital for construction.
14	Q	Was there any other way to secure funds for the LLC?
15	А	To ask shareholders to bring additional funds.
16	Q	Did you try to do that?
17	А	Yes we did.
18	Q	And what was the outcome?
19	А	They said they preferred option number one for
20	Bogoslavski	to bring \$150,000.
21	Q	And did Mr. Bogoslavski provide a payment in the
22	amount of \$1	50,000 to the LLC?
23	А	Yes he did.
24	Q	And did the ownership share of Mr. Kremerman and Mr.
25	Faybyshev ch	ange on the K1's of the LLC?

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1	A	It should have been, yes.	
2	Q	With respect to your understanding of the operating	
3	agreement a	and your powers under it, did you have authority to make	
4	financial d	lecisions on behalf of the company?	
5	А	Yes.	
6	Q	And did you require a consent from Mr. Aronov for	
7	example to make a loan to a third party?		
8	А	No.	
9	Q	Going back to Mr. Bogoslavski, the \$150,000 was in	
10	exchange fo	er what percentage?	
11	А	Five percent.	
12	Q	That would make the 100 percent about \$3,000,000 for	
13	the entire project?		
14	А	Yes.	
15	Q	Would you say it's a responsible fair market value for	
16	the project	at the time?	
17	А	Yes.	
18	Q	The decision making process on your part on behalf of	
19	the LLC, wh	at was the reason behind it? You know what, I withdraw.	
20	You're an a	ttorney, correct?	
21	А	Correct.	
22	Q	You also served as a managing member of the LLC,	
23	correct?		
24	A	Correct.	
25	Q	Did you know that you had fiduciary duty to the	

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1	members of the LLC to conduct yourself responsibly?
2	A Correct, I did know.
3	Q With respect to financial decisions that you have made
4	between 2008 and 2014, were there any decisions that you would deem
5	to be in violation of your fiduciary duty to the LLC?
6	A None.
7	Q Do you think you exercised some judgment when you made
8	decisions?
9	A Of course, yes.
10	Q What would happen if you did not make those decisions?
11	MR. GRASING: Objection.
12	THE COURT: Basis Mr. Grasing?
13	MR. GRASING: Ask for an opinion and a
14	hypothetical.
15	THE COURT: Overruled. You may answer that.
16	A At different times sometimes the decision had to be
17	made more critical decisions. And some decisions in other times
18	would be less critical. The most critical decision was to set up
19	the lawsuit with Mr. Schnapp so that we can liberate our property
20	and we can first so we can sell because we had buyers and those
21	buyers could not make settlement. Then we made a first step and we
22	made an agreement. First we filed a lawsuit against Schnapp to
23	lift the lien. The decision wasn't made speedy and basically we
24	came up with the conclusion that Judge was trying to push us into
25	settlement. And we did. An we settled with Jerzy Schnapp that we

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1 would be allowed to go to closing one by one and the proceeds would 2 go into escrow account of law firm of Suslovich and Klein. And we 3 did that. So the properties were sold. People moved in, but we 4 still had a lien. So then we understood that they want the only 5 solution is to make a settlement with Mr. Schnapp and therefore to 6 liberate those funds so we can finally deal. We would not have to 7 go under. And we would give maximum funds and return maximum funds 8 back to investors and pay the mortgage off. 9 Thank you. Distribution that was made to Yana Soskil, 10 was it made after you spoke with Mr. Kremerman or -- you know what, 11 From whom did you receive instructions to make 12 distributions on Michael Kremerman's behalf? 13 From Michael Kremerman. Α 14 Michael Kremerman was one of the initial managing 15 members of the LLC, correct? 16 Correct. Α 17 And since him stepping down from this role, did he 18 participate in any aspect of this LLC life? 19 No. Α 20 Did he communicate with you with respect to expenses? 0 21 Α Yes, occasionally. 22 Did you send him any money before 2014 from the LLC? Q 23 I don't believe before 2014. I'm sorry not before 2014, in 2000 14. 24 Did you issue any checks from the Khavinson and 25

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1	Associates account that was dedicated for the LLC?
2	A Cash, no.
3	Q Did you make any personal purchases from the account
4	that was used for funds for LLC?
5	A No.
6	Q Did you maintain a checkbook which is used to record
7	and memorialize all the expenses that were issued on behalf of the
8	LLC?
9	A Yes.
10	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, with your
11	permission may I show the witness voluminous Exhibit Five,
12	Plaintiff's Five?
13	THE COURT: You may. Before you continue
14	Mr. Mestechkin, do you still need the exhibit that's being
15	published to the jury, the photograph being published to
16	the jury to continue being published?
17	MR. MESTECHKIN: No Your Honor.
18	THE COURT: You have the power to take it off.
19	THE SUPREME COURT CLERK: I just turned it off.
20	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you.
21	THE COURT: Is there a question?
22	MR. MESTECHKIN: I was just waiting for the
23	witness to peruse through.
24	THE COURT: That's three voluminous packs of
25	documents. I think you need to direct him to something.

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1	Q Mr. Khavinson, do you recognize the first page of that
2	document which you have before you?
3	A Yes.
4	Q Can you describe it for the jury, what is it?
5	A I believe it's a register whatever it can be called
6	for Chase Bank account for LLC Chase Bank account.
7	Q And for how long have you been maintaining such
8	records?
9	A Until the accounts was closed.
10	Q And since what date?
11	A Pardon me?
12	Q Since when did you maintain it? When did you start
13	maintaining it?
14	A From the beginning of LLC and opening that account.
15	From day one.
16	Q Is that the records that you provided to the
17	accountant, for the accountant to prepare tax returns?
18	A Yes.
19	Q Nonetheless as Mr. Grasing showed to you one of the
20	tax returns indicated a supposed loan for \$250,000 supposedly
21	attributed to Mr. Bogoslavski?
22	A Correct.
23	Q Did the LLC take a loan from Mr. Bogoslavski in the
24	amount of \$250,000?
2.5	A No.

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1	Q	Does it appear to be an error in the tax return?
2	А	Correct.
3	Q	Whose handwriting is it on the exhibit that you just
4	reviewed?	
5	А	I believe mostly mine.
6	Q	So all these copies of the checks and paystubs, all of
7	it was cond	ucted by you, correct?
8	А	Correct, and my one of my paralegals.
9	Q	That includes the payments for utilities, correct?
10	А	Correct.
11	Q	Does it include payment for mortgage?
12	А	Yes.
13	Q	Does it include payment for real estate taxes?
14	A	Yes.
15	Q	Does it include fees for Department of Building?
16	A	Yes.
17	Q	Does it include payment to architects?
18	А	Yes.
19	Q	Does it include a report of payment of contributions
20	received fro	om the members?
21	А	Yes.
22	Q	So pretty much this is ledger of the LLC with respect
23	to all debi	ts and credits, correct?
24	А	Correct.
25	Q	Did you ever delegate this duty to any one else

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1	outside o	the LLC?
2	A	No.
3	Q	Do you remember how much was the fee for the real
4	estate br	ker on the closing sold for all four units?
5	A	Five percent.
6	Q	Five percent of what?
7	А	Five percent of total sale price.
8	Q	So it would be five percent of \$1,125,000?
9	А	Yes.
10	Q	Do you remember the amount of mortgage when the
11	closing to	ook place?
12	А	I believe \$1,375,000.
13	Q	Did you ensure that all costs and liabilities are
14	deducted	from the LLC's proffers before distributions were made to
15	the membe	rs?
16	А	Yes.
17	Q	Did you receive money back in the same amount as you
18	invested	for the LLC?
19	A	No, I did not.
20	Q	Did you lose money?
21	A	Yes, I did.
22	Q	Did Mr. Faybyshev recoup the entire investment that
23	he invest	ed in the LLC?
24	А	No he did not.
25	Q	Did he lose money?

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Q Did Mr. Bogoslavski lose money on his investment?  A Yes he did.  Q So he did not receive \$150,000 back?  A No he did not.  Q Did Mr. Kremerman receive the entire amount of  investment at the time of distribution?  A No he did not.  Q Did he lose money?  A Yes he did.  Q Were there any members in the LLC that recouped the  entire amount that they invested in the beginning?  A No member recouped the full amount.  Q So would it be fair to say that all members of the LLC  lost money on this project?  A Correct.  Q If you were to summarize the reasons why this project  turned out to be in the negative, how would you, what reasons would  you list?  A The major factors were of course the lawsuit from  Jerzy Schnapp, the second major factor that the building front and  back had to be reconstructed, moving 18 inches inside, front and  back. And that took for Department of Buildings or whatever agency  it was more than a year just to tell us about it. And then of  course it took time to do it. It didn't take a lot of time, but it	1	А	Yes he did.
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1	did take time. And in the meantime the mortgage had to be paid,
2	the insurance had to be paid, taxes had to be paid, utilities have
3	to be paid. So therefore it was a lot of expenses in addition to
4	construction.
5	Q Did other members contributing did other members
6	contribute to the payment for mortgage and real estate taxes?
7	A Nobody.
8	Q So on whose shoulders were those payments?
9	A We consulted with Faybyshev and we knew talking to our
10	shareholders that nobody was interested in putting this addition
11	money. So Faybyshev suggested to me that I lend the money to LLC,
12	and then when we sell the building then we can recoup that money as
13	a loan. And he did the same thing, not in the same amount I put,
14	but three times as much. He put roughly over about \$100,000. I
15	did over \$200,000.
16	THE COURT: Before you ask your next question,
17	it's now after 5:00 is this a good place to stop or are you
18	almost done?
19	MR. MESTECHKIN: Your Honor, I'm pretty much
20	done. We're done. Mr. Khavinson, thank you so much for
21	your answers. I have no further questions.
22	THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Grasing, do you have any
23	any redirect for this witness?
24	MR. GRASING: Yes.
25	THE COURT: Okay. So we will pick up. How

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1	much do you have?
2	MR. GRASING: Approximately a half hour.
3	THE COURT: So we're going to end now. And
4	we're going to pickup. Tomorrow is Friday. We will not be
5	here until 11:30 tomorrow. So if everyone will be here
6	tomorrow at 11:30 to hopefully conclude with
7	Mr. Khavinson's testimony and we end tomorrow at 3:00 p.m.
8	So my expectation that we're going to be done with this
9	witness soon so be prepared with your next witness or two.
10	MR. GRASING: Yes.
11	THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
12	THE COURT OFFICER: All rise, jury exiting.
13	THE COURT: Everyone may be seated. See
14	everyone tomorrow at 11:30.
15	MR. GRASING: Thank you.
16	MR. MESTECHKIN: Thank you Your Honor.
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