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4 P R O C E E D I N G S

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6 JUDGE PEARSON: Let's be on the record.

7 Good morning. Today is Wednesday, July 21st, 2021. The
8 time is approximately 9:48 a.m.

9 This is Docket TV-210382, which is an
10 application for a household goods permit filed by Neo
11 Moving, LLC.

12 My name is Rayne Pearson. I'm the
13 administrative law judge presiding over today's brief
14 adjudicative proceeding.

15 Let's begin by taking appearances from both
16 parties and then we'll talk about how we're going to
17 proceed this morning. So let's start with Commission
18 Staff. Mr. Fukano?

19 MR. FUKANO: Good morning, Judge Pearson.
20 Harry Fukano, Assistant Attorney General, here on behalf
21 of Commission Staff.

22 JUDGE PEARSON: Thank you.

23 And for the company, Mr. Bowling, if you can
24 state your first and last name and spell your last name
25 and then provide your address, telephone number, and

1 email address.

2 MR. BOWLING: Sure. Charley Bowling,
3 B-o-w-l-i-n-g. 20005 Poplar Way, Unit 2, Lynnwood,
4 Washington 98036. Email, Charley with an e-y,
5 C-h-a-r-l-e-y@neomoving.com. 425-971-1170.

6 JUDGE PEARSON: Great, thank you.

7 So before we get started, I just want to
8 provide a roadmap for today's brief adjudicative
9 proceeding. We're here today because the Commission
10 originally issued a notice of intent to deny the
11 company's application for permanent authority to operate
12 as a household goods mover.

13 Mr. Bowling, you requested a hearing to have
14 an opportunity to respond to the allegations contained
15 in that notice and explained -- explain why the
16 application should be approved.

17 So, Mr. Bowling, after Mr. Fukano gives a
18 brief overview of Staff's case, you can present your
19 case, and once you present your case, Staff will
20 introduce its witness, Patrick Remfrey, who will testify
21 about Staff's investigation, and then, Mr. Bowling, you
22 will have an opportunity to ask Mr. Remfrey questions
23 when he's finished testifying.

24 Once all of the witnesses have testified,
25 both parties will have a chance to make closing

1 statements.

2 So, Mr. Bowling, do you have any questions
3 before we proceed?

4 MR. BOWLING: I don't think so. Thank you,
5 Your Honor.

6 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Mr. Fukano, you can
7 proceed with your opening statement.

8 MR. FUKANO: Thank you, Your Honor.

9 Neo Moving has filed an application with the
10 Commission seeking authority to operate as a household
11 goods moving company.

12 WAC 480-15-302 establishes several criteria
13 that a household goods applicant must meet in order to
14 receive operating authority from the Commission.
15 Specifically, WAC 480-15-302(8) requires a household
16 goods applicant to undergo a criminal background check
17 and states that the Commission will not grant household
18 goods moving company authority if a person named in the
19 application has been convicted of any crime involving
20 assault in the last five years.

21 Commission Staff, through its witness,
22 Patrick Remfrey, intends to introduce evidence that Neo
23 Moving did not satisfy this requirement. Consequently,
24 Staff maintains that it properly deny the company's
25 household goods application.

1 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you.

2 Mr. Bowling, at this point, I'm going to
3 swear you in, and then I will let you testify and just
4 kind of explain your side of the story.

5 (Charley Bowling sworn.)

6 JUDGE PEARSON: All right. So if you would
7 like to just go ahead and explain the circumstances
8 behind the conviction that Staff represents in the
9 notice of intent to deny.

10 MR. BOWLING: Okay. So I want to -- I want
11 to kind of start out and give a bit of a background of
12 kind of the events that led up to -- to that point if I
13 could. I grew up in group homes and foster homes since
14 the age of 11 years old. I was disbanded from my
15 family. So it was very difficult -- a very difficult
16 period of my life as a child. I had very limited adult
17 guidance, which hindered my ability to think and make
18 good choices.

19 While this was a significant contributor as
20 to my inability to function as an upstanding citizen
21 when I grew into adulthood, I still take full
22 accountability for the actions I took and refuse to
23 take.

24 Those actions and upbringing, no matter how
25 detrimental it seemed to me at the time, forced me to

1 become the man I am today. It molded me to pursue and
2 become an (unintelligible), which means I'm still
3 (unintelligible) pretty much in -- in every category.
4 Didn't really have much formal schooling, and -- and I
5 wanted to become a better person and a better man.

6 I got into some trouble when I was younger
7 as I -- as I entered into adulthood, and -- and that --
8 that kind of conditioning that I had as -- as a youth
9 carried over late into my adulthood, and I continued to
10 make bad decisions, and I continue to pay for those
11 until this day.

12 Alcohol played a significant role in -- in
13 the criminal events that took place, which is preventing
14 me from gaining -- which is preventing me from gaining
15 the authority that I'm seeking today.

16 I -- I've done several things to combat and
17 recondition myself and my thinking and my actions. I'm
18 going to speak to those.

19 I've -- I've donated to several
20 organizations on a monthly basis, one of which being
21 DAWN, which is a domestic violence shelter to women.
22 I'm also making monthly donations to Mary's Place, which
23 is a transitional housing shelter for homeless women and
24 children. I acknowledge the fact that women and
25 children are deeply affected by acts of domestic

1 violence, and I have affected my own family in this
2 regard. So I have a personal experience with this
3 problem and I hope to give value combatting this
4 epidemic.

5 I also took a domestic violence certificate
6 program online. That was not sanctioned by the court
7 for me to do. That was something I -- I did on my own.
8 That's all part of taking accountability and
9 responsibility for my actions. Not for some kind of
10 recompense from someone somewhere, it was for my own
11 rehabilitation.

12 I took and passed a drug and alcohol
13 treatment program, which extended I think between three
14 to six months, somewhere between there, which I gained
15 certification -- I gained a certificate for completing.

16 So meantime, in this healing process, I
17 wanted to provide a better lifestyle for my family and
18 for myself. If you can't help yourself first, you can't
19 help anybody, so I started there internally. And that
20 evolved into me creating something special, I -- I felt,
21 in terms of a company. And something -- a company that
22 isn't just centered around profit, but centered around
23 helping people, helping the community. And -- and I've
24 done that and it shows through my reviews and the
25 reputation that I've got and the respect in the

1 community.

2 I -- I've done moves for homeless people for
3 free. So in addition to the donations, I've -- I've
4 done -- I've done -- I've helped people tremendously. I
5 helped cancer patients do things like disassemble their
6 beds for free, just -- just -- just charity. I've
7 sponsored youth basketball tournaments. Just did one in
8 Shoreline recently.

9 I've -- I'm sorry, bear with me. I have
10 some bullet points that -- that I've captured. I was
11 kind of speaking genuinely and off the cuff of a lot of
12 this.

13 My overall -- my overall point is that yes,
14 I've made some mistakes, we all have, and I've paid
15 greatly for those mistakes, and -- and I wish to not pay
16 anymore. I wish to just offer my services and be useful
17 to not only the people in my community, but to my family
18 once again. I have been torn apart, my family's been
19 torn apart, and I've only done things to repair that and
20 repair myself psychologically to -- to -- to -- to help
21 that whole process be successful.

22 I have a seven-year-old son. My son's
23 mother, we've been together for ten years. As you know,
24 relationships are -- are challenging. And -- and they
25 come with a lot of ups and downs. It can be a roller

1 coaster ride so to speak. And I've grown up in an
2 abusive household. My father was an alcoholic, and --
3 and maybe that's conditioned me to respond in ways that
4 were not justifiable and -- and -- at which point now
5 I'm hoping to regain some -- some solitude, some --
6 some -- I don't know if that's the right word. I'm
7 hoping to regain my freedom back, my -- my ability to
8 protect and serve people.

9 I do a very good job of that, and I think
10 that this would be a huge hindrance to deny me. Not --
11 not -- not because of myself, because I'm selfless. I'm
12 a selfless individual, but it would hurt the people that
13 I help each and every single day.

14 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Can you describe for
15 me the incident, the actual incident that led to the
16 arrest?

17 MR. BOWLING: Yes, I can. I -- I was --
18 excuse me, I'm going to take a drink of water. We were
19 in our home, me and my son's mother and my son. I was
20 watching a basketball game and I was drinking, and I had
21 quite a bit too much to drink. We know that when we are
22 under the influence of anything, drugs, alcohol,
23 whatever it is, it impacts your ability to think or
24 rationalize or do anything coherently. And I can't
25 recall exactly the events that took place that day, but

1 I know I was belligerent. I know that I was verbally
2 abusive.

3 Shonda, my son's mother, I want to refer to
4 her by her name so you're clear about who I'm talking
5 about, she said something to me that apparently set me
6 off, and obviously we've had a long history at that
7 point being together, and there were probably other
8 incidents that kind of built up to me -- the straw
9 breaking the camel's back so to speak.

10 I believe that I broke a dish and being
11 verbally abusive. She -- I don't know if she put her
12 hands on me or I put my hands on her or what that
13 interaction was, but there was some sort of a wrestling
14 match that occurred. And she was on the couch, she --
15 she was, you know, very just I would say scared at that
16 point.

17 I always did have the wherewithal even under
18 the influence of -- of alcohol to not over-exceed my
19 boundaries. So I think that I -- I -- you know, I don't
20 want to hit women, like I don't want to abuse women.
21 Obviously, it got into something more physical than is
22 desirable or acceptable, right? But it happened and --
23 and -- and -- and the police were called.

24 When the police were called, I was still
25 sitting there kind of casually, maybe as if nothing ever

1 happened or as if nothing was going to happen. And when
2 the police showed up, they asked her her side of the
3 story, they asked me mine, and -- and then they -- I was
4 kind of standing in the kitchen, slash, area where the
5 upstairs leads to, and I was explaining my side, and
6 they said well, you're under arrest. At which point I
7 had more poor judgment and I proceeded to stand at the
8 landing, which was a bad idea because anytime you take a
9 step towards the victim at that point, they're going to
10 have to do what they have to do.

11 So they grabbed me and, you know, I wasn't
12 resisting arrest at that point, but, you know, I was --
13 they did what they had to do. I was arrested.

14 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you. And then
15 was the protection order placed on you as a result of
16 that arrest?

17 MR. BOWLING: Correct.

18 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. And that is the
19 protection order that was in place for two years?

20 MR. BOWLING: Correct.

21 JUDGE PEARSON: And then when did that
22 expire?

23 MR. BOWLING: So it was two years, so the
24 date that -- the date that I believe the date I was
25 convicted, which was October of 2018, I believe, and

1 then two years from that point.

2 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you.

3 MR. BOWLING: You're welcome.

4 JUDGE PEARSON: And then, Mr. Fukano, I
5 assume that you have questions for Mr. Bowling, and I --
6 I am going to issue a bench request for the confirmation
7 that the protective order has expired, but I guess my
8 question for you, Mr. Fukano, is who that should be
9 directed at. Is it more appropriately directed at Staff
10 or at Mr. Bowling for whom it would be easier to obtain
11 that information? It sounds like Staff might be in the
12 process of obtaining it.

13 MR. FUKANO: Staff had been in the process
14 of reaching out to the district court this morning. We
15 have not been able to successfully contact any
16 individuals there to request the information. If the --
17 if Mr. Bowling does have a -- perhaps a copy of the
18 order, perhaps not on hand, but available, that would be
19 fairly straightforward.

20 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Mr. Bowling, would
21 you be able to obtain a copy of that?

22 MR. BOWLING: I'm sure I could if I -- if I
23 try hard enough. It's very hard to access things in the
24 court system at this point, I think. So, you know, it
25 would definitely be a process, I think.

1 JUDGE PEARSON: All right. How about if
2 after the hearing if the parties stay in touch and,
3 Mr. Fukano, if you hear back from the district court, if
4 you could let Mr. Bowling know, and meanwhile,
5 Mr. Bowling, if you could attempt to locate that
6 information. And basically whichever party locates it
7 first, if you could provide it to me via email.

8 MR. BOWLING: Sure. Can I -- can I have
9 your email address, Your Honor?

10 JUDGE PEARSON: Yes.

11 MR. BOWLING: I'm ready.

12 JUDGE PEARSON: It's Rayne, R-a-y-n-e.

13 MR. BOWLING: A-y-n-e, okay.

14 JUDGE PEARSON: Dot Pearson, P-e-a-r-s-o-n.

15 MR. BOWLING: Okay.

16 JUDGE PEARSON: At utc.

17 MR. BOWLING: Okay.

18 JUDGE PEARSON: Dot WA, W-A, dot gov, g-o-v.

19 MR. BOWLING: Okay. Got it.

20 JUDGE PEARSON: Yeah, so, Mr. Bowling, if
21 you can just work on obtaining that. I'm guessing that
22 you're probably going to have to be the one to obtain
23 it, but if for some reason Mr. Fukano hears back because
24 he's put out that inquiry, then he can let you know if
25 he obtains the information in the meantime.

1 MR. BOWLING: Is it possible to take a
2 picture, like scan the document as well; is that
3 suitable?

4 JUDGE PEARSON: Yes.

5 MR. BOWLING: Okay.

6 JUDGE PEARSON: That would be fine.

7 And then, Mr. Fukano, if you have questions
8 for Mr. Bowling, please go ahead.

9 MR. FUKANO: Thank you, Your Honor.

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11 E X A M I N A T I O N

12 BY MR. FUKANO:

13 Q. Good morning, Mr. Bowling.

14 A. Good morning, sir. How are you?

15 Q. I'm doing well. How are you this day?

16 A. Doing well as well. I -- I could complain -- I
17 always say I could complain, but I choose not to.

18 Q. I just have one quick question.

19 So are you contesting or at all challenging
20 Staff's assertion that there was a conviction for
21 assault 4 in 2018?

22 A. I'm sorry, could you repeat that?

23 Q. Certainly.

24 You would agree that you -- you have a
25 conviction for assault 4 from 2018; is that correct?

1 A. Correct, yes.

2 MR. FUKANO: No further questions from
3 Staff.

4 JUDGE PEARSON: So I guess, then, I have one
5 additional question for you, Mr. Bowling.

6 Just to be clear, Commission rules have a
7 bar on any applicant who has had a conviction in the
8 past five years. So your option, then, would be to
9 argue asking the Commission to make an exception and
10 waive our rule.

11 MR. BOWLING: Correct, that is correct, Your
12 Honor. Yes.

13 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Okay. All right. So
14 based on that request, Mr. Fukano, do you have any
15 additional questions for Mr. Bowling?

16 MR. FUKANO: One moment, Your Honor.

17 JUDGE PEARSON: Sure.

18 BY MR. FUKANO:

19 Q. Mr. Bowling, are you familiar with the
20 Commission's standard for exemption and modification?

21 A. Exemption from?

22 Q. Commission rules.

23 A. No, I'm not.

24 Q. And so would you please explain why the
25 Commission should grant an exemption from its rules in

1 this instance?

2 A. I think it would be a reiteration of -- of kind
3 of the details that I gave earlier in terms of my
4 service helping others and -- and also helping clean up
5 some of the mess that I made with my own family. You
6 know, taking ownership and accountability, which I have
7 done, which I have demonstrated, which I've testified
8 for. You know, I would like the opportunity to continue
9 to do those things, to make those donations, to make
10 those charitable actions, and -- and just, you know,
11 provide for my family and -- and my son.

12 MR. FUKANO: No further questions from
13 Staff.

14 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you.

15 And, Mr. Bowling, did you want to call your
16 witness?

17 MR. BOWLING: Sure. Shonda Davis.

18 MS. DAVIS: Hi. I'm Shonda Davis. We need
19 to go like any further as far as work or anything like
20 that?

21 JUDGE PEARSON: I will just swear you in at
22 this time.

23 (Shonda Davis sworn.)

24 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Great. So if you
25 could just state and spell your full name for the court

1 reporter.

2 MS. DAVIS: Sure. Shonda Davis, D-a -- I'm
3 sorry, S-h-o-n-d-a, last name D-a-v-i-s.

4 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay, great.

5 And so you can do this one of two ways.
6 Mr. Bowling, if you want to ask her questions that she
7 answers or, Ms. Davis, if you just want to give a
8 narrative explanation to support him. Either way is
9 fine.

10 MS. DAVIS: Sure. I will just do a
11 narrative explanation. Make it easier that way.

12 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay.

13 MS. DAVIS: Yes, as he stated, that night,
14 yes, he had too much to drink. He did break a glass.
15 Obviously we have a young son who obviously we were
16 yelling and stuff like that --

17 THE COURT REPORTER: Ms. Davis, can you slow
18 down and speak up? I am having a hard time hearing you.

19 MS. DAVIS: I said that as he stated, he was
20 drinking, he had his voice raised. With us having a
21 young son, I wanted to leave the house. He was upset
22 that I wanted to leave and not be able to give his side
23 of the story, so that was when the physical altercation
24 occurred of him trying to hold me down.

25 At that time, I was able to get up from him.

1 As he stated, contacted the police so that it wouldn't
2 escalate any further, and then we were able to leave.
3 And then the police came, I was upstairs throughout the
4 time. When they said that I had called, he wasn't
5 aware. That's when I believe he tried to go upstairs
6 and asked me if I did, and that's when they arrested
7 him. So yes, it was, obviously he stated, a domestic
8 violence situation.

9 I will say the primary pieces of Charley is
10 he does have a phenomenal business and phenomenal
11 business ethics. And he was able to do a great job with
12 his company currently. His customers love him. He's
13 put lots of work and dedication into building the
14 company's word in a very short amount of time.

15 And as he stated, he has unfortunately been
16 in the system for a very long time and not being able to
17 break out of that. And with him not having the ability
18 to continue with his business, it would be another huge
19 major setback for him in trying to start over to where
20 can he go with another piece on his record. And
21 obviously when he was 18 years old, the decisions he
22 made then has followed him up into being 30 years old
23 today.

24 So overall, we're just trying to ask him
25 have the ability to continue with his business, continue

1 to be an upstanding member. He's done a great job with
2 the places that he sponsors as stated. The shelters, my
3 mother is a volunteer and working for DAWN domestic
4 violence. He has provided rental services many times
5 for women and families in need. But he does definitely
6 understand his actions and what the result of his
7 actions and how this impacts families, just not ours,
8 but all around.

9 But yeah, so we're just asking for him to
10 have an opportunity to continue so he can provide for
11 his family. So thank you.

12 JUDGE PEARSON: Thank you.

13 Mr. Fukano, do you have any questions for
14 Ms. Davis?

15 MR. FUKANO: No, no questions from Staff.

16 JUDGE PEARSON: All right. Thank you both.

17 All right. And at this time, Mr. Fukano,
18 did you want to present testimony from Mr. Remfrey?

19 MR. FUKANO: Yes, Your Honor. I -- I did
20 have a question as to some -- some of the form here. In
21 cross-examination, the applicant agreed that the -- that
22 the conviction for -- in 2018 is valid. Much of Staff's
23 presentation was to be establishing that fact.

24 Given the other concerns about the potential
25 personal information or confidentiality, if that fact is

1 stipulated or agreed to, then Staff need not introduce
2 evidence and may proceed to discussion on the exemption
3 if that would be agreeable.

4 JUDGE PEARSON: That is definitely agreeable
5 to me because there was a stipulation, and so I think we
6 can proceed with that and just address the exemption.
7 That works.

8 MR. FUKANO: Would that be agreeable,
9 Mr. Bowling?

10 MR. BOWLING: Absolutely. Thank you.

11 MR. FUKANO: Thank you.

12 With that, I would like to call Staff
13 witness, Patrick Remfrey, to the stand.

14 (Patrick Remfrey sworn.)

15 JUDGE PEARSON: All right. Thank you.

16 Go ahead, Mr. Fukano.

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18 E X A M I N A T I O N

19 BY MR. FUKANO:

20 Q. Good morning, Mr. Remfrey. Will you please
21 state your name and spell your last name for the record?

22 A. My name is Patrick Remfrey, spelled
23 R-e-m-f-r-e-y.

24 Q. And what is your current occupation?

25 A. I'm a transportation specialist 3 in the

1 licensing section at the Utilities and Transportation
2 Commission.

3 Q. And how long have you been in that position?

4 A. I have been in this position for about one year
5 and eight months.

6 Q. And what does that position involve?

7 A. For the most part, it is the reviewing and
8 processing of applications for regulated companies like
9 household goods, solid waste, auto trans, and charter
10 excursion. And specifically to household goods in
11 processing the application is also to perform the
12 background check as required by WAC 480-15-302(8).

13 Q. Thank you.

14 Are you familiar with the matter involving Neo
15 Moving at issue in today's hearing?

16 A. Yes, I am.

17 Q. And how are you familiar?

18 A. I am familiar because I performed the background
19 check in both DOL and the WATCH System that identified
20 the conviction from 2018.

21 Q. And you've heard today that the company is
22 seeking exemption from the Commission rule regarding
23 prior convictions, WAC 480-15-302(8), correct?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Are you familiar with the Commission exemption

1 standard for waiving or modifying its rules?

2 A. I am familiar with that standard, yes.

3 Q. What is that standard?

4 A. The specifics I'd have to pull up in the WAC to
5 read, but it has to do with if the -- does the exemption
6 meet the public good or consumers, is it -- does it make
7 sense for Washington.

8 Q. May I refer you to WAC 480-07-110?

9 A. I'm there.

10 Q. What does sub 1 state?

11 A. (As read) The Commission, in requests -- in
12 response to a request or on its own initiative, may
13 grant an exemption from, or modify the application of,
14 any of its rules in individual circumstances if the
15 exemption or modification is consistent with the public
16 interest, the purposes underlying regulation, and
17 applicable statutes. Consistent with due process and
18 the public interest, the Commission may modify the
19 application of procedural rules in this chapter or on
20 its own initiative during a particular adjudication or
21 other docket without following the process identified in
22 subsection 2.

23 Q. Thank you.

24 To your mind, what is the purpose underlying the
25 Commission's regulation regarding background checks?

1 A. To my mind, the purpose is to en- -- as best the
2 Commission can, ensure the consumer allowing basically a
3 stranger into their house and access to all their
4 worldly potions is the most trustworthy, responsible
5 individual that the Commission can permit to do that.

6 Q. And how would you say that is related to the
7 public interest in household goods moving?

8 A. I think anyone who's ever moved would understand
9 that not having all your stuff is possibly one of the
10 more stressful experiences you can go through in life,
11 and moving is a pretty big deal. And for the Commission
12 to say that this company is permitted and authorized to
13 do it and we give the stamp of approval on it, we have
14 to do our due diligence to make sure that they are,
15 aside from operating correctly and charging the correct
16 amount and everything, being staffed and ran by as
17 trustworthy people as possible.

18 Q. Based on what you've heard at today's hearing,
19 do you believe the Commission should grant a
20 modifications of its rules in this instance?

21 A. I think that I don't personally have a problem
22 with the modification in this instance. I think that
23 every single situation is much more nuance than what a
24 simple conviction says. And in this particular
25 instance, I don't think I would personally have issue

1 with somebody moving my possessions who was convicted of
2 an assault in the past under the circumstances as
3 described to me.

4 Q. And so you would --

5 MR. FUKANO: No further questions from
6 Staff.

7 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you.

8 Mr. Bowling, do you have any questions for
9 Mr. Remfrey?

10 MR. BOWLING: I -- I don't, no. Thank you.

11 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. Thank you.

12 All right. Is there any- -- anything else
13 that we need to address here today? I think we may only
14 have -- let me just quickly look at my calendar. One
15 moment. I do have a request from the parties. I would
16 like to waive the requirement to issue an order in ten
17 days because I am going to be on leave beginning next
18 week. I anticipate that I will be able to issue an
19 order likely within two to three weeks no problem, but I
20 will be out of the office (audio disruption) so if
21 that's okay with the parties.

22 MR. FUKANO: No objection from Staff.

23 JUDGE PEARSON: Is that okay with you,
24 Mr. Bowling?

25 MR. BOWLING: Yes.

1 JUDGE PEARSON: Okay. And I can try to do
2 it before I leave, but I can't make any promises.

3 MR. BOWLING: Understandable.

4 JUDGE PEARSON: I appreciate that
5 flexibility.

6 MR. BOWLING: Always. Thanks.

7 JUDGE PEARSON: All right. If there is
8 nothing else, then I just want to thank you all for
9 appearing today, and we are adjourned.

10 (Adjourned at 10:21 a.m.)

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