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SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	<b>CASE NO. 1:20-CR-0077</b>
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Plaintiff,	:	<b>JURY TRIAL, DAY 3</b>
vs.	:	
	:	<b>31st of January, 2023</b>
LARRY HOUSEHOLDER, et al.	:	<b>9:26 a.m.</b>
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Defendant.	:	

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**TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
BEFORE THE HONORABLE TIMOTHY S. BLACK, JUDGE**

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1 from the government that they were amenable to my approach.  
2 We had a conversation with one of Mr. Householder's lawyers,  
3 and they, too, were amenable to the Court's approach.  
4 30 minutes or so after that, may not have been 30, we got an  
5 e-mail from another one of Mr. Householder's attorneys  
6 raising an objection to the Court having excused the juror.  
7 That objection was waived by the first lawyer for  
8 Householder indicating acquiescence. The Court further  
9 instructed at the final pretrial conference if there was any  
10 issue that needed immediate attention to call the cell phone  
11 of my law clerk, it's on the contact sheet we distributed,  
12 the objecting attorney did not appear at the final pretrial  
13 conference. So as soon as we can, we're going to bring down  
14 the 15 jurors and proceed with the testimony of the witness  
15 who was on the stand when we were required to recess.

16 Is there anything else that requires the Court's  
17 attention before I inquire if the jurors are ready for us?  
18 Does the government have anything that compels my attention  
19 at this time?

20 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes. Two brief matters just in  
21 the way of notification. The first is we reviewed the  
22 exhibit list and we appreciate so much the cooperation of  
23 all of the parties. There were a few exhibits we missed  
24 from the same custodians and so at the beginning of the  
25 testimony of the witness, I would like to go through those.

1 Given the parties' cooperation, I think we admitted close to  
2 900 and this is just a very small number of exhibits I  
3 inadvertently missed or maybe we didn't record correctly.

4 THE COURT: How small?

5 MS. GLATFELTER: Less than 20.

6 THE COURT: Very well.

7 MS. GLATFELTER: They're just from a variety of  
8 like one is an iCloud, one is --

9 THE COURT: Very well.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: The second is I expect that we  
11 will get to recordings today.

12 THE COURT: Yes.

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Which will bring forward the issue  
14 of the transcripts. So the government's prepared transcript  
15 binders with the transcripts that are in evidence for each  
16 juror and I don't know that we'll get to it this morning,  
17 but how would the Court like me to proceed, advise when I  
18 get to that point and we can --

19 THE COURT: How do you propose to proceed?

20 MS. GLATFELTER: We would propose the following,  
21 that we pass out the transcript binders to the parties and  
22 to the jurors. That we hear the recording and then the  
23 Court makes a determination about whether the transcript is  
24 admissible given that the parties have -- given that there  
25 is no objection, as I understand it, to their accuracy.

1 THE COURT: Very well.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: And we could do that for each  
3 transcript as we go.

4 THE COURT: So your proposal is as the oral  
5 recording is playing, the jury would have before them the  
6 accurate transcript, and the issue of whether the  
7 transcripts themselves go into evidence will need to be  
8 resolved?

9 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes. And we would propose a  
10 limiting instruction at that time and also advising the  
11 jurors not to look ahead in the binder of the transcripts.

12 THE COURT: And what limiting instruction do you  
13 propose?

14 MS. GLATFELTER: For that I would turn to my  
15 colleague, Ms. Gaffney-Painter.

16 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: Good morning, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Good morning.

18 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: Government proposes a  
19 limiting instruction found in the pattern instruction at  
20 7.17. The pattern instruction there, we can e-mail to the  
21 Court, happy to read it now if you prefer.

22 THE COURT: It has been e-mailed to the Court?

23 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: No, it hasn't but I'm happy  
24 to do so.

25 THE COURT: How long is it?

1 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: It is about two paragraphs.

2 THE COURT: Would you read it to me, please?

3 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: You have heard some recorded  
4 conversations that were received in evidence as you were  
5 given some written transcripts of the recordings. Keep in  
6 mind that the transcripts are not evidence. They were given  
7 to you only as a guide to help you follow what was being  
8 said. The recordings themselves are evidence. If you  
9 noticed no, I did not differences between the what you heard  
10 on the recordings and what you read in the transcripts, you  
11 must rely on what you heard, not what you read. And if you  
12 could not hear or understand certain parts of the  
13 recordings, you must ignore the transcripts as far as those  
14 parts are concerned.

15 THE COURT: That anticipates the transcripts will  
16 not come into evidence in and of themselves.

17 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: That's right. And this could  
18 be tailored to suggest that even if the transcripts are  
19 received into evidence, they defer to the jurors listening  
20 to the recordings themselves.

21 THE COURT: Very well. Thank you. If you would  
22 e-mail that to the law clerk.

23 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: Certainly.

24 THE COURT: Ms. Glatfelter, are there other issues  
25 from your perspective?

1 MS. GLATFELTER: No, Your Honor, just those two.  
2 Thank you.

3 THE COURT: Very well. Counsel for Mr. Householder  
4 need to bring anything else to my attention outside the  
5 presence of the jury?

6 MR. MAREIN: Yes, Judge.

7 THE COURT: Go ahead.

8 MR. MAREIN: You had just made a rendition.

9 THE COURT: If you would speak up.

10 MR. MAREIN: Judge, you've just spoke to the record  
11 relative to what occurred yesterday relative to your  
12 dismissal of Juror No. 4. You concluded that we waived that  
13 objection. I respectfully suggest to you that your  
14 rendition of what occurred is not accurate.

15 THE COURT: Make your record.

16 MR. MAREIN: And what I am suggesting to the Court  
17 is that when it was communicated to the Householder team  
18 that Juror No. 4 was already dismissed.

19 THE COURT: We communicated in writing, it's of  
20 record. I'm happy to put anything on the docket and  
21 proceed. But that was --

22 MR. MAREIN: Judge, then I would respectfully  
23 request at some point the e-mails that were sent by Cristina  
24 to us and my response be part of the record because that  
25 will glean that the juror had already been dismissed.



1 THE COURT: That's flat out inaccurate. You can  
2 make your record as to however you choose.

3 MR. MAREIN: In point of fact, I respectfully  
4 disagree with you.

5 THE COURT: So be it. Make your record.

6 MR. MAREIN: I've made my record.

7 THE COURT: We'll put the e-mails on the docket so  
8 that it's formally in the record.

9 MR. MAREIN: And what I'm suggesting is that while  
10 we were not consulted, there were less restrictive options  
11 that we could have discussed at the end of the day, however,  
12 that juror is gone, and I don't believe we have waived any  
13 objection to that.

14 THE COURT: Very well. Are there other issues that  
15 Mr. Householder's lawyers want to bring to my attention  
16 outside of the presence of the jury?

17 MR. MAREIN: Yes, Judge. Respectfully, we have  
18 felt collectively that the vibe in this courtroom is such  
19 that we must have done something wrong, that we all  
20 collectively believe that the Court holds animosity towards  
21 us, and we've been -- we've been racking our brains relative  
22 to what it could have been that we did to the Court to feel  
23 this way, and over the course of the last couple of days, we  
24 began discussing what could it be. And what we have come up  
25 with is that back in 2000 when the Court ran for the Ohio

1 Supreme Court, Mr. Householder was very active in raising  
2 money for a 501(c)(4) that was critical of your campaign,  
3 and we are wondering if the Court holds personal animosity  
4 towards Mr. Householder and, hence, his team? And if that's  
5 the case, I'm questioning whether the Court should be  
6 presiding over this case.

7 THE COURT: The answer to your question is no.

8 MR. MAREIN: Okay. I've made my record.

9 THE COURT: Yes. Is there anything else that the  
10 Householder lawyers wish to bring to the Court's attention  
11 outside of the presence of the jury?

12 MR. GLICKMAN: Judge, regarding the witness who is  
13 currently on the stand and Ms. Painter's discussion  
14 regarding the transcripts, as long as, it's my understanding  
15 we would reserve the right to object to the admission of the  
16 transcripts. Other than that, as long as that's the case,  
17 we think that the process is appropriate.

18 THE COURT: Well, that's my understanding. Is it  
19 yours, Ms. Glatfelter?

20 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: All right. Anything further from --

22 MR. GLICKMAN: No, thank you, Judge.

23 THE COURT: Very well. And from Mr. Borges'  
24 counsel?

25 MR. SCHNEIDER: Good morning, Your Honor.

1 THE COURT: Good morning.

2 MR. SCHNEIDER: Just a clarification, if I can get  
3 that. The Special Agent is going to be on the stand. When  
4 it gets to recordings, I understand the transcripts -- he'll  
5 have a binder, we'll have a binder, the jurors will have a  
6 binder, they may or may not be admitted depending on what  
7 happens in the forthcoming way, but will we be able in  
8 cross-examination to present a binder to the Special Agent  
9 and to the juror, same binders and would the jurors be able  
10 at that point in time during cross-examination, whether  
11 admitted or not, have the benefit of that same transcript?

12 THE COURT: Yes.

13 MR. SCHNEIDER: Thank you.

14 THE COURT: Is there anything else from Borges'  
15 team?

16 MR. SCHNEIDER: Nothing, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Very well. Do we know where we are on  
18 the jurors?

19 THE DEPUTY: They are ready. They're all here.

20 THE COURT: Let's call for the jury.

21 (Pause.)

22 THE DEPUTY: Judge, we're waiting on one juror.

23 THE COURT: Who is in the building?

24 THE DEPUTY: He is in the building.

25 THE COURT: On the ninth floor?

1 THE DEPUTY: Yes, Judge.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, would you like the  
3 witness to come into the courtroom so we're ready with him  
4 or would you like us to wait?

5 THE COURT: I'd like you to wait, please.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay.

7 THE COURT: I'd like somebody ready when we call  
8 for them.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: Sure.

10 THE COURT: Ms. Glatfelter.

11 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes.

12 THE COURT: We're going to leave the witness out of  
13 the courtroom until we're ready to call for the witness.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: I'm sorry, I misunderstood, I  
15 thought we were talking about the witness chair. If you  
16 could just stay outside the courtroom, Mr. Wetzel. Thank  
17 you.

18 (Pause.)

19 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

20 (Jury entered the courtroom at 9:49 a.m.)

21 THE COURT: Jurors may be seated as they join us.  
22 You may all be seated. Thank you. To the jurors who have  
23 walked into the courtroom this morning, good morning. I  
24 apologize for the delay over the last few days. We all  
25 respect your time and regret that we had to keep changing

1 the schedule, but I needed to try to do what was best to  
2 ensure that you all stay healthy. I'm also asking that you  
3 all mask for the remainder of the week. This is, again,  
4 another effort to keep you healthy and the parties and their  
5 lawyers have agreed in solidarity and consideration of you  
6 to mask as well. In the meantime, you'll notice that one  
7 juror is missing. This juror was excused with the Court's  
8 gratitude and the 15 of you are the jury and I want you to  
9 stay safe and healthy and be smart about protecting your own  
10 health.

11 We're going to proceed with the taking of evidence,  
12 taking of testimony. The witness who was on the stand when  
13 we broke will retake the stand under oath. The government  
14 will take up its examination of that witness. If the  
15 government would please call for the witness.

16 (Pause.)

17 THE COURT: If the witness would be willing to  
18 retake the stand.

19 (Witness took the stand.)

20 THE COURT: Sir; you remain under oath to tell the  
21 truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth subject to  
22 the penalty of perjury. Do you understand you remain under  
23 oath?

24 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, I do.

25 THE COURT: If you'll stay near the microphone.

1 Ms. Glatfelter, you can proceed with your examination.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

3 **DIRECT EXAMINATION (Continued.)**

4 **BY MS. GLATFELTER:**

5 **Q** Last Tuesday, Agent Wetzel, we went through a number  
6 of exhibits that you had collected and reviewed in the  
7 exhibit books. There are just a few additional ones I  
8 wanted to ask you about and make sure are admitted.

9 Did you receive records from Arena Online, Arena  
10 Online, the business.

11 **A** Yes, ma'am, I did.

12 **Q** And did you review those in our exhibit books?

13 **A** I did.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: At this time, I'd ask absent an  
15 objection from defense counsel that we admit 244 B, 244 C,  
16 244 D.

17 THE COURT: Any objection?

18 MR. GLICKMAN: One moment, please, Judge. No,  
19 Judge.

20 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

21 THE COURT: They're admitted.

22 **Q** And we also talked about, Agent Wetzel that you  
23 received records from FirstEnergy and there were a few that  
24 we missed.

25 MS. GAFFNEY-PAINTER: I wanted to ask that we go

1 ahead and admit 295 A through F, as in Frank, if there's no  
2 objection.

3 THE COURT: Any objection?

4 MR. GLICKMAN: No objection.

5 MR. LONG: No objection.

6 THE COURT: They're admitted.

7 **Q** Just a few more. Agent Wetzel, did you recover some  
8 text messages from Mr. Borges' cell phone?

9 **A** Yes, ma'am, I did.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: At this time, I'd ask for the  
11 admission of 442 A through E, if there's no objection.

12 THE COURT: Any objection?

13 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

14 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: They're admitted.

16 **Q** Agent Wetzel, did you also receive some records  
17 relating to Jeff Longstreth's Gmail account?

18 **A** Yes, ma'am, I did.

19 **Q** And we reviewed some of those last week?

20 **A** We did.

21 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Absent any objection, I  
22 would ask for admission of 202 E, 257 A, 257 B, 266 A, 296  
23 A, and 331 A.

24 THE COURT: Any objections?

25 MR. GLICKMAN: One moment, please, Judge.

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 MR. GLICKMAN: No objection.

3 MR. LONG: No objection.

4 THE COURT: They're admitted.

5 **Q** Agent Wetzel, we also spoke about some Apple records.  
6 We missed one we spoke about last week, 471.

7 MS. GLATFELTER: Absent any objection, I'd ask for  
8 the admission of 471.

9 THE COURT: Any objection?

10 MR. GLICKMAN: One second, please, Judge. Sorry.  
11 No objection.

12 MR. LONG: No objection.

13 THE COURT: It's admitted.

14 **Q** Agent Wetzel, did you recover some messages from Juan  
15 Cespedes' cell phone?

16 **A** Yes, I did.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Absent any objection, I would ask  
18 for the admission of 484.

19 THE COURT: Any objections?

20 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

21 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: It's admitted.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor. The last  
24 two -- last week, we discussed 808 D, which the defendants  
25 initially objected to but later withdrew their objection,



1 and so I wanted to ask for the admission of that exhibit.

2 THE COURT: Any objection?

3 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

4 MR. LONG: No, Judge.

5 THE COURT: It's admitted.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: And the last one would be an open  
7 source, Document 443, which is a J Lect registration; absent  
8 any objection, I'd ask for the admission of that.

9 THE COURT: Any objections?

10 MR. GLICKMAN: No objection.

11 THE COURT: Thank you.

12 MR. LONG: No objection.

13 THE COURT: It's admitted.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you for indulging us in  
15 admitting those exhibits, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 **Q** Now, last week -- actually had to change my notes, it  
18 says yesterday, but last week, when we finished, we were  
19 looking at Exhibit 223 A.

20 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Your Honor, if we may  
21 continue viewing that exhibit?

22 THE COURT: It's been admitted?

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes.

24 THE COURT: Very well. You can show it to the  
25 witness, the parties, the jury, and the public.

1 Q Agent Wetzel, if we start at the bottom of this  
2 e-mail, the e-mail is from whom?

3 A Jeff Longstreth.

4 Q Is that the Gmail account that you were talking about  
5 last week?

6 A Yes, that's the one we discussed last week.

7 Q Okay. And who is the e-mail to?

8 A It's sent to Mr. Michael Dowling.

9 Q And what is the subject?

10 A Generation Now Donor Reply Info/Wiring Instructions.

11 Q Okay. And what does the message say?

12 A Hi, Mike, attached, please find the wiring  
13 instructions for Generation Now, Inc., that we discussed on  
14 Thursday. This is the organization that Chuck and Larry  
15 discussed. Please let me know if you need anything else,  
16 thanks, Jeff.

17 Q Now, we also talked about some phone records last  
18 week.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: If we could publish, Your Honor,  
20 what has been admitted as Exhibit 734.

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we may look at the early  
23 part of 2017. All the way down to the bottom, Ms. Terry.  
24 There you go.

25 Q Okay. Exhibit 734, Agent Wetzel, can you remind us

1 what this -- what this chart or what this summary shows?

2 **A** Sure. So this is a chart that we constructed and  
3 again, just kind of going left to right with the columns,  
4 you have the date that the contact occurred, the time, and  
5 again, those are in eastern, and we talked about before how  
6 sometimes there's a conversion that has to happen just  
7 depending upon how the records are provided. But these are  
8 all in Eastern Standard Time, which is Ohio time. And then  
9 in the center, we have which device or person is contacting  
10 another device, and it is directional, so, for example, the  
11 first 117, Larry Householder contacts Mike Dowling. And  
12 then the next column is the duration of that contact and  
13 then the final column is the source of those records. In  
14 this case, they're all from AT&T.

15 **Q** Thank you, Agent Wetzel. And the message we just  
16 reviewed mentioned Larry and Chuck had discussed this  
17 organization. Do you see contacts before that e-mail  
18 between Larry Householder and Charles Jones?

19 **A** Yes, I do.

20 **Q** Can you point out some of those to us?

21 **A** Sure. Let me --

22 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Santoro, would it be possible  
23 for him to write on his screen?

24 THE WITNESS: Would you -- oh, yeah, okay. And,  
25 I'm sorry, you're looking for?

1 Q I'm looking for contacts between Charles Jones and  
2 Larry Householder between -- up to the e-mail.

3 A Would you mind showing it to me one more time?

4 Q Sure.

5 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we could go back to  
6 the exhibit we were just looking, which is 223 A?

7 Q The bottom of that e-mail, the date is what, Agent  
8 Wetzel?

9 A It's March 7th.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we can go back to  
11 the phone records now. 734.

12 Q And if you can just point out some examples of  
13 contacts between Charles Jones and Larry Householder?

14 A Sure.

15 Q I think if you tap on your screen. Yeah, you've got  
16 it.

17 A (Witness writing.)

18 Q Okay. And the one that you picked out there on  
19 February 18th, 2017, how long was that phone call?

20 A 9 minutes and 23 seconds.

21 Q Okay. What about, do you see one on February 9th,  
22 2017?

23 A I do.

24 Q Okay. And how long was that phone contact?

25 A (Witness writing.) 25 minutes and 50 seconds.

1 Q Okay. And are there some other ones on this table as  
2 well?

3 A Yes, there are.

4 Q Like January 26th, 2017?

5 A Yes, I see that. That one is 17 minutes and  
6 55 seconds. (Witness writing.)

7 Q Okay. And so fair to say you were able to identify  
8 some phone contacts prior to that e-mail that we were  
9 looking at?

10 A Yes, ma'am, that's correct.

11 Q Okay. And last week we had discussed this trip to  
12 Washington, DC; do you remember that?

13 A I do.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we could publish,  
15 Your Honor, Exhibit 215 B, which has been admitted.

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we go to the second page.

18 Q Do you remember looking at this document, Agent  
19 Wetzels?

20 A Yes, I do.

21 Q Okay. And were there -- and this was a document you  
22 received from where?

23 A FirstEnergy.

24 Q Okay. And were there items on this itinerary which  
25 corresponded to dinners with Larry Householder?

1       **A**       Yes. There were a number that I believe we circled  
2       under the notes section, they noted that the reservation was  
3       under Larry Householder, and I believe there were a few.

4       **Q**       Okay. And so on this first page, do you see any?

5       **A**       Yes, I do.

6       **Q**       Okay. Can you circle that?

7       **A**       (Witness writing.)

8               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we go to the second  
9       page, if we clear -- okay.

10      **Q**       And can you circle ones that you see on the second  
11      page?

12      **A**       (Witness writing.)

13      **Q**       Do you know what kind of restaurant The Palm is?

14      **A**       I believe it's a steakhouse.

15      **Q**       Okay.

16               MS. GLATFELTER: Now, if we go back to Exhibit 223  
17      A, which we were looking at when we started today, which has  
18      been published, Your Honor.

19               THE COURT: Very well.

20      **Q**       All right. The top of the message, who is that  
21      message from?

22      **A**       That message is from Michael Dowling.

23      **Q**       Okay. And who is it to?

24      **A**       Christina Housley.

25      **Q**       Okay. And how does the date of this message relate to

1 the one at the bottom?

2 **A** It is the same day.

3 **Q** Okay.

4 **A** It's actually about five minutes later.

5 **Q** Okay. And what does the e-mail say?

6 **A** Please get moving on this contribution. Let's do  
7 250,000 asap and we will do 1M by the end of the year, by  
8 year-end 2017 -- excuse me. Jeff, please send Chris W-9,  
9 prefer to wire this, but let me know if that's a problem,  
10 followed by his signature block.

11 **Q** Now, during your investigation, Agent Wetzel, did you  
12 obtain bank records for Generation Now?

13 **A** Yes, I did.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
15 14 E, which has been admitted?

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, do you -- can you briefly describe  
18 or generally describe what this document is to the jury?

19 **A** Certainly. So when a Grand Jury subpoena is issued to  
20 a bank, we can ask for wire transfers in addition to  
21 statements, signature cards, other kinds of things. So this  
22 is how this bank provided us these wire transfers. It's  
23 essentially just an Excel spreadsheet. It's how they have  
24 it stored and how they provide it to us. And then there's a  
25 series of columns which I can run through, if you would

1 like, ma'am, that sort of just denote day, time, amount and  
2 so on.

3 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, when you received this document,  
4 were you able to identify deposits from FirstEnergy in 2017?

5 **A** Yes, I was.

6 **Q** Can you circle where those are on the document for the  
7 jury?

8 **A** Certainly. (Witness writing.)

9 **Q** And can you tell us where we find the date of the  
10 transaction?

11 **A** Sure. So column A is the transaction date or TRN date  
12 as it's listed there. And it's listed year, month, day, so  
13 2017, March on the 16th day, and it's just in column A  
14 there. And then below are other days and transactions.

15 **Q** So if that last e-mail was on March 7th, 2017, which  
16 was the first wire transfer from FirstEnergy into the  
17 Generation Now account that you found?

18 **A** The 16th of that month.

19 **Q** Okay. So a little less than a week?

20 **A** Correct.

21 **Q** Or more than a week. And what was the amount of that  
22 transfer?

23 **A** It's listed under column D an amount as \$250,000.

24 **Q** Okay. And does it tell you what bank that it came  
25 from?



1       **A**       Yes. It says -- under debit name is the J.P. Morgan  
2 Chase Bank which is the bank that the money is coming from.

3       **Q**       And where is that bank located?

4       **A**       New York, New York, which is listed in column G, I  
5 should say.

6       **Q**       Column -- I'm sorry, which column?

7       **A**       G.

8       **Q**       Okay. And can you see on this sheet the name of the  
9 account where it came from?

10      **A**       Yes. It is under column K, which is the FirstEnergy  
11 Service Co.

12      **Q**       Okay. And do you see the amount of the wire transfer?

13      **A**       Yes. The amount of the transfer, as I mentioned, is  
14 column D, and it says 250,000 for the first one.

15      **Q**       And how many wire transactions from FirstEnergy to  
16 Generation Now did you find in 2017?

17      **A**       There are four.

18      **Q**       Totaling what?

19      **A**       A million dollars.

20      **Q**       Okay.

21               MS. GLATFELTER: And if we go to the next page, Ms.  
22 Terry.

23      **Q**       Is this a continuation of the same rows that we saw on  
24 the previous page?

25      **A**       Yeah. It comes in a spreadsheet form, and so it's a

1 little too wide for one piece of paper. So this is just  
2 sort of horizontally continuing to move to the right.

3 **Q** Okay.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we go down to the next --

5 **Q** I'm sorry, this is a continuation down, but if we go  
6 to the next page, I had you on the wrong page, Agent Wetzel,  
7 if we see the rows 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, does that correspond to  
8 the same initial rows that we saw before?

9 **A** Yes, it does.

10 **Q** Okay. And how do we know what account -- besides this  
11 coming from the bank and you were asking for Generation Now  
12 records, is there a way to tell that these records relate to  
13 Generation Now?

14 **A** Yes. So sort of two ways. Under the CBT ID, there is  
15 an account number, and the 3310 account is associated with  
16 Generation Now.

17 And then also next to it, under CBT's name, is the  
18 name of the account, which is Generation Now, Inc., and then  
19 also the address is the Q and R columns that are immediately  
20 to the right.

21 **Q** Okay. And can you circle where you see Generation Now  
22 in those first -- those first four rows or those first rows  
23 with writing?

24 **A** (Witness writing.)

25 **Q** Thank you, Agent Wetzel.

1           Now, by the way, when you were -- when you were  
2           investigating the Generation Now account, did you obtain  
3           registration records for it?

4           **A**       Yes, I did.

5           MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry -- we'll ask the Court,  
6           Court, may we publish Exhibit 11 and 12, which are -- we'll  
7           do one individually, but they have been admitted already.

8           THE COURT: Yes, yes.

9           MS. GLATFELTER: So we will start with Exhibit  
10          No. 11.

11          **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe this document to the  
12          jury?

13          **A**       Yeah. This is the incorporation document for  
14          Generation Now, Incorporated.

15          **Q**       Okay. And where is this document from, what state?

16          **A**       It's actually from Delaware, the corporation was  
17          originally incorporated in the state of Delaware, and so you  
18          see, under "residency," it's calling it a domestic kind  
19          corporation and from the state of Delaware.

20          **Q**       Okay. And can you circle the date of incorporation  
21          for us so we can see that on the document?

22          **A**       (Witness writing.) Sure. And I will say here, just  
23          briefly, as it relates to the bank records that you're  
24          seeing, the incorporation is a necessary step to opening a  
25          bank account; whereas, you would open a bank account using

1 your social security number, a business is required to have  
2 an EIN number to do that and that comes as a part of  
3 registering a corporation.

4 **Q** So you have to have that to register and open the  
5 account?

6 **A** Correct.

7 **Q** Okay. And if we -- strike that.

8 Did you also look to see if Generation Now was  
9 registered in Ohio?

10 **A** I did.

11 **Q** And what did you find?

12 **A** It was, although, I believe it was later in the summer  
13 of that year.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Ms. Terry, if we  
15 can publish Exhibit No. 12.

16 **Q** Agent Wetzel, was this the registration that you were  
17 just referring to?

18 **A** Yes, it is.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we look to page 3,  
20 Ms. Terry -- okay. And if you can enlarge the part under  
21 foreign nonprofit corporation, the whole second half of the  
22 document. Thanks. Thank you.

23 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you see Generation Now's name on this  
24 document?

25 **A** Yes, under name of corporation is Generation Now,

1 Incorporated.

2 **Q** And can you circle that to make sure we all see where  
3 that is?

4 **A** (Witness writing.)

5 **Q** Thank you. And what is the stated purpose -- or let  
6 me ask you this: Is there a stated purpose of Generation  
7 Now on this document?

8 **A** Yes.

9 **Q** Okay. And what is the purpose state?

10 **A** The corporation is organized exclusively for the  
11 promotion of social, welfare, and economic development  
12 purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the  
13 Internal Revenue Code, the code, or the corresponding  
14 section of any future federal tax code.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Ms. Terry, if we can go  
16 back to Exhibit 14 E, which is what we were looking at a few  
17 moments ago.

18 Okay. And Your Honor, at the same time, may I publish  
19 in the bottom half, Exhibit 60, which has also been  
20 admitted?

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 MS. GLATFELTER: It might take a second here.

23 MS. TERRY: What was the --

24 MS. GLATFELTER: I'm sorry, 60.

25 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, did you obtain wire transfer

1 information related to the FirstEnergy accounts?

2 **A** Yes, I did.

3 **Q** Okay. And you don't have to go -- we're not going to  
4 look line by line because I know it's very hard on your  
5 screen right now.

6 But were you able to cross-reference the wire  
7 transfers that you received from the FirstEnergy bank  
8 accounts to the Generation Now bank accounts?

9 **A** Yes, I was.

10 **Q** Okay. And based on cross-referencing these accounts,  
11 were you able to track the deposits from FirstEnergy bank  
12 accounts into the Generation Now bank account?

13 **A** Yes, yes, I was. You can see that they're listed  
14 similarly by date, transaction, ID, debit account and so on  
15 versus receiving account.

16 **Q** Okay. So if we just look at the first one, if we look  
17 at the transaction in row No. 7, I know it's a little bit  
18 hard to read, but if you can circle the date on that  
19 transaction and the -- I'm sorry, the second one, if we look  
20 at --

21 **A** Yes, I see it there.

22 **Q** -- No. 9.

23 **A** (Witness writing.)

24 **Q** There you go. Okay. And can you circle the one on  
25 the Generation Now account that it corresponds to?

1       **A**       (Witness writing.)

2       **Q**       Is this how you were able to -- an example of the  
3       cross-referencing that you did?

4       **A**       Exactly. Just sender, recipient, verifying that both  
5       sides agree.

6       **Q**       Okay. And based on your cross-referencing, were you  
7       able to create a simplified chart of the deposits into the  
8       Generation Now account from the FirstEnergy account?

9       **A**       Yes, ma'am.

10               MS. GLATFELTER: May I please show the witness what  
11       has been marked as Exhibit 15? This has not been admitted  
12       yet.

13               THE COURT: You can show it to the witness and the  
14       lawyers.

15       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

16       **A**       Yes, I do.

17       **Q**       Okay. What is it?

18       **A**       So this is a chart that was created, and it's just  
19       essentially the FirstEnergy payments to the Generation Now  
20       bank account, specifically the one ending in 33130 that we  
21       were discussing earlier. There's a discussion of columns  
22       there, date, amount of money, the method of the transfer of  
23       funds, the source of the funds, the account number in  
24       question, and then also the exhibit to which the other  
25       information corresponds.

1 Q And did you review this chart for accuracy?

2 A Yes, I did.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time I'd ask  
4 for the admission of Exhibit 15.

5 MR. GLICKMAN: No objection.

6 MR. LONG: No objection.

7 THE COURT: It's admitted. You can show it to the  
8 jury.

9 Q Agent Wetzel, are you able to see that well enough on  
10 your screen? I know you can tilt it if you're having  
11 trouble.

12 A Yeah, I can see it okay.

13 Q Okay. If we can go, if we can explain the different  
14 columns to the jury, Agent Wetzel, that you were just  
15 naming.

16 A Certainly. So on the far left, you see the date  
17 column, this is just the date of the transaction listed by  
18 the financial institutions. The amount is the amount of  
19 money that moves from the source, which is listed in the  
20 fourth column that I'll get to in a second, into the  
21 Generation Now bank account. So all of these funds are  
22 ending up in Generation Now, in that, specifically the 3310  
23 bank account.

24 And then under "method," you'll see there's really two  
25 varieties, there's wire, which is a Fedwire wire transfer,



1 and then "check" because some of them were, you know,  
2 physical paper checks. And then under "source" is just  
3 basically who is paying Generation Now, the "account" is the  
4 account number that's paying Generation Now. And then the  
5 "EX," which is the final column, is just the exhibit that  
6 contains that information.

7 **Q** So if we look at the four -- the first four rows in  
8 that spreadsheet, can you explain those to us in relation to  
9 the records we were just reviewing?

10 **A** Certainly. So these are the four wire transfers that  
11 we just saw in those documents. So for example, with the  
12 first one, on March 16th of 2017, there is a \$250,000 wire  
13 transfer from the FirstEnergy Service Company into the  
14 Generation Now 3310 account. And specifically, the account  
15 that sourced that funds is the 6496 account with FirstEnergy  
16 Service.

17 **Q** Agent Wetzel, during this time that you were  
18 investigating Generation Now, did you obtain information  
19 about whether Generation Now had office space?

20 **A** Yes, I did.

21 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I please publish  
22 what has been admitted as 201 A?

23 THE COURT: Yes.

24 **Q** Agents Wetzel, do you recognize this?

25 **A** I do.

1 Q Okay. And what is it?

2 A This is a landlord consent to sublease form. This is  
3 a sublease form from the Strategy Group companies, so  
4 essentially, the Strategy Group companies is in possession  
5 of the lease with the Hertz Columbus One Company, and it is  
6 going to sublease some of its space, which is to say the  
7 Strategy Group space to another entity. In this particular  
8 case, it's listed as Generation Now, Inc.

9 Q Okay.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can go to  
11 page 5.

12 Q Agent Wetzel, can you describe what this page is to  
13 the jury, please?

14 A Yes. This is just the signature, the signature page,  
15 the last page of the document. And it -- and it has listed  
16 the landlord, which is the Hertz Columbus One Company, which  
17 is the building corporation, the corporation that owns the  
18 building, I should say, and then there is the current  
19 tenant, which is the Strategy Group companies or Strategy  
20 Group For Media, as it is listed by a couple of different  
21 names that it has. And then there's going to be a subtenant  
22 which is Generation Now, Inc., which is signed by Jeff  
23 Longstreth where he lists himself as the director.

24 Q What is the Strategy Group?

25 A The Strategy Group is -- they do a variety of things

1 under a variety of companies, but generally speaking, they  
2 provide campaign services, majority of which I would say is  
3 media related. They make political commercials. I believe  
4 they also do some polling and a few other services as well,  
5 but I think the largest part of their business is political  
6 advertising.

7 **Q** And who are the principals, based on your  
8 investigation, do you know who the principals of Strategy  
9 Group are?

10 **A** Yes. It's Rex Elsass and also Scott Schweitzer.

11 **Q** Now, during your investigation, what, if any,  
12 relationship did you find between Strategy Group and Larry  
13 Householder?

14 **A** They did -- I should say the company did quite a bit  
15 of work for Mr. Householder and some of the other entities  
16 in question in terms of creating advertisements and other  
17 things.

18 MS. GLATFELTER: Now, Ms. Terry, if we can go to  
19 the last page of this exhibit. Thank you.

20 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

21 **A** I do.

22 **Q** What is it?

23 **A** So this is sort of the final page of the packet as we  
24 received it and it's essentially a map of the office space.  
25 And then it says: "Generation Now will utilize the area in

1 solid pink and the Strategy Group will utilize the striped  
2 areas and Generation Now will have access."

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I please show the  
4 witness what's been marked as Exhibit 404, which is not in  
5 evidence yet?

6 THE COURT: You can show it to the witness and the  
7 lawyers.

8 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, so that Agent  
9 Wetzel can see the exhibit fully, can you show him the  
10 second page as well? Okay. Thank you.

11 Q Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

12 A I do.

13 Q What is it?

14 A So this is a map of downtown Columbus that we have  
15 overlaid with -- and there's a key placed on the map for  
16 some locations of interest to the investigation.

17 Q All right. And so this is an aerial map of Columbus  
18 that you've added labels to?

19 A Correct.

20 Q Okay. And is this aerial map a fair and accurate  
21 representation of downtown Columbus?

22 A Yes, it is.

23 Q And have you reviewed this exhibit for accuracy?

24 A I have.

25 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, I move to admit 404

1 and publish to the jury.

2 THE COURT: Any objection?

3 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

4 MR. LONG: No objection.

5 THE COURT: It's admitted. You may show it to the  
6 jury.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel --

8 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can go to the  
9 second page, please.

10 **Q** Agent Wetzel, now that the jury can see the exhibit,  
11 can you orient us to the different locations on the map,  
12 please?

13 **A** Certainly. So in downtown Columbus, kind of starting  
14 in the center is the Ohio Statehouse, that's marked with a  
15 blue diamond. And then around it are a number of other  
16 locations that are referenced throughout the investigation.  
17 Take them just sort of from left to right, there is the  
18 House Republican Campaign Committee Office, so that is  
19 listed here as HRCC. It's gone through a couple of  
20 different iterations, but essentially, that is the  
21 Republican caucus fundraising apparatus office. And then on  
22 that same block to the south with the orange diamond is the  
23 Vern Riffe State Office Tower, that is where a majority of  
24 the offices that state representatives and members of the  
25 general assembly have offices. Then going to the green

1 diamond, that is the Generation Now/Strategy Group office  
2 that we were just talking about, the lease. You can see  
3 it's just a block south of the blue diamond where we  
4 started. And then to the right of the blue diamond sort of  
5 in the purple is Grant Street Consultants and then just  
6 across the street from it is the Athletic Club of Columbus.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel, the green square or the green diamond  
8 that you were talking about, how does that relate to the  
9 lease that we were just looking at?

10 **A** So that is the building where the lease is occurring.  
11 So the office space is within that building that you see  
12 covered with the diamond.

13 **Q** And have you been to the outside of that building?

14 **A** I have.

15 **Q** Can you describe it?

16 **A** Yeah. So it's a rather large office building. It has  
17 kind of an open lobby, and then there's several banks of  
18 elevators that take you up the stairs and then depending on  
19 sort of what floor you go to, ground floor is kind of mixed  
20 use. I think there might be a Starbucks or a restaurant in  
21 there, and then as you see go up, there's office space and  
22 other things.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to show the  
24 witness Exhibit 200, which I'm not sure if that's been  
25 admitted. So if we could just show it to the witness.

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

3 A Yes. This is the photograph of the outside of the  
4 building we were just discussing at 65 East State Street.

5 Q The location of the Generation Now office?

6 A Correct.

7 Q And this is -- and you've been to this location  
8 before?

9 A I have.

10 Q Is this a fair and accurate picture of the location?

11 A It is.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, move to admit  
13 Exhibit 200, if it's not already been admitted.

14 MR. GLICKMAN: It's admitted.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor. May we  
16 publish?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, this is the outside of the  
19 Generation Now building?

20 A It is, yes.

21 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection, Judge, just to form.

22 BY MS. GLATFELTER:

23 Q Agent Wetzel -- I'm sorry.

24 THE COURT: Don't lead the witness.

25 Q Agent Wetzel, what is this picture of?

1       **A**       So this is a picture of the building at 65 East State  
2       Street and the Generation Now office was inside after they  
3       subleased that space.

4       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, did you identify any documents that  
5       identified potential candidates in early 2017 after the  
6       inauguration trip?

7       **A**       Yes, I did.

8               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we please publish  
9       Exhibit 201 G, which has been admitted?

10              THE COURT: Yes.

11              MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Ms. Terry, if we  
12       can go to the last page to look at the document properties.

13       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, based on the document properties that  
14       you received, when was this document created?

15       **A**       This document according to the properties was created  
16       on February 20th of 2017.

17       **Q**       Okay. And how did that relate -- how does that timing  
18       relate to the DC trip?

19       **A**       It is right around a month after.

20       **Q**       Okay. And who is credited as being the author here?

21       **A**       Jeff Longstreth.

22       **Q**       Where did you receive this document from?

23       **A**       This is from Mr. Longstreth's iCloud.

24              MS. GLATFELTER: All right. If we can go to the  
25       first page, Ms. Terry. All right. And if we could enlarge



1 the top of the document, please.

2 **Q** Agent Wetzel, could you read to us what the columns  
3 are at the top of the document?

4 **A** Yes. They are H Term, farm, last, first, senator, S  
5 Term, S Dist, potential replacements, notes, party, H dist,  
6 representative, first year, staff, notes, member notes.

7 **Q** Okay. Based on your investigation and looking at  
8 other documents in the iCloud that we've reviewed before the  
9 jury, did any of these columns correlate to those documents?

10 **A** Yes.

11 **Q** Okay. Can you explain that to us?

12 **A** Yeah. So when looking across the different columns,  
13 for example, in H Term, that relates to the House term and  
14 then obviously, you have the name of the individual.  
15 Specifically, 2018 corresponded with folks that would be  
16 termed out in the year 2018, meaning, they would no longer  
17 be eligible to rerun to keep their seats, they would be sort  
18 of open seats, so to speak. And then potential  
19 replacements, under there, for example, Kevin Bacon, Jim  
20 Trakas is a candidate ultimately who ended up running as a  
21 part of the Team Householder, Kris Jordan below that, there  
22 are a number of other folks as well, sort of below, I  
23 believe, the magnifying part. And then to the right, we see  
24 party affiliation, district number, current representative,  
25 when they started and then obviously, in the far right

1 column, are just some notes that were added.

2 **Q** All right. And the H district or H Dist column, based  
3 on your investigation, were you able to correlate that with  
4 anything?

5 **A** Yes. That's the House District.

6 **Q** So Gonzales -- if we look at the first row, for  
7 example, Gonzales would term out in 2018 and is that what  
8 you were explaining to us before?

9 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection, Judge.

10 THE COURT: Don't lead the witness.

11 THE WITNESS: So -- yeah, so under --

12 THE COURT: Excuse me, excuse me. Could you  
13 restate the question, please?

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, I can't remember what  
15 I asked, but I'll ask it in a nonleading way, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 **Q** Could you explain the first row to us in terms of how  
18 you just described the columns?

19 **A** Certainly. So under H Term, there's 2018, that  
20 corresponded with, based upon my research, when they would  
21 term out of office or be no longer eligible to rerun, those  
22 seats would become open. Under Farm, there's some manner of  
23 score, it appears. Last, is the last name, Gonzales.  
24 First, first name, Anne. The senator covering that area is  
25 Bacon. S Term is the Senate term for that senator. S Dist

1 is the Senate district that corresponds. Under potential  
2 replacements, Kevin Bacon. Excuse me. Under party,  
3 Republican, H Dist is the House District, that is  
4 representative Gonzales' House District. Next to that,  
5 Representative and Gonzales, and then first year would be  
6 the first year of Ms. Gonzales' term, which would be 2011 in  
7 this particular case.

8 **Q** And the column "farm" that you mentioned, have you  
9 seen that before?

10 **A** Yes. There were a number of references to "on the  
11 farm." I believe we discussed one previously, but this  
12 appears to be a reference to that as well.

13 **Q** Thank you.

14 Now, Agent Wetzel, you mentioned in responding to one  
15 of my questions, the term "Team Householder." Did you  
16 encounter documents during your investigation that used the  
17 term "Team Householder"?

18 **A** Yes, I did.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
20 201 J, which has been admitted into evidence?

21 THE COURT: Yes.

22 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you go through the different or  
23 describe the different columns in this spreadsheet for us?

24 **A** Yes. So starting on the left, there is Team  
25 Householder, and there's a couple of sub columns which I'll

1 do after. Team Householder, moving our way, middle of the  
2 road, moving the other way, and against us. And then sort  
3 of under each of those, I'll say, broader columns that are  
4 colorized across the top, there is a listing of year, and  
5 then a last name and a first name, and that's true for both  
6 Team Householder moving our way, middle of the way, moving  
7 the other way, and against us.

8 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, can you read off the names that are  
9 in the Team Householder column?

10 **A** Certainly. It's Jay Edwards, Larry Householder, Nino  
11 Vitale, John Becker, Paul Zeltwanger, Niraj Antani, Tony  
12 Devitis, Tim Schaeffer, Jim Butler, Derek Merrin, Wes  
13 Retherford, Candice Keller, Christina Gagan, Anne Gonzales,  
14 Andy Thompson, Andy Brenner, Keith Faber, Jim Hughes.

15 **Q** Okay. And, Agent Wetzel, do you see the years on the  
16 column of years on the left-hand side?

17 **A** I do.

18 **Q** And what does this interval of dates refer to?

19 **A** Based upon my research, it would indicate that this is  
20 the year that those folks are going to again term out and  
21 their seats will be open.

22 **Q** Okay. And can you explain the concept of terming out,  
23 just so we all make sure we understand?

24 **A** Certainly. Like on the other sheet that you saw  
25 highlighted in yellow, the number 2018 is highlighted in

1 yellow here. And 2018 is the next election, and so when  
2 someone is to term out, that means they've reached the  
3 maximum number of terms that they're eligible to serve. The  
4 State of Ohio only allows a state representative or a state  
5 senator to serve for so many years before they then become  
6 ineligible. And so these corresponded to seats where that  
7 person had reached just the end of their eligibility. And  
8 then the other years correspond to, you know, when those  
9 individuals would have reached the ends of their  
10 eligibility, and it's obviously rolling because it depends  
11 on when you start. You get a certain number of years.

12 **Q** Agent Wetzel, during your investigation, did you find  
13 any e-mails or communications about the candidates in early  
14 2017?

15 **A** Yes, I did.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
17 202 B, which is admitted into evidence?

18 THE COURT: Yes.

19 **Q** Agent Wetzel, who is this e-mail from?

20 **A** This is from Jeff Longstreth.

21 **Q** Okay. And who is it to?

22 **A** Larry.

23 **Q** Subject?

24 **A** Updated Recruitment.

25 **Q** All right. And what is the date of this e-mail?

1       **A**       Thursday, May 4th, 2017.

2       **Q**       Okay. And does it include attachments?

3       **A**       It does. There appear to be two.

4       **Q**       All right. And can you read the content of the  
5 message, please?

6       **A**       Please see attached. Candidates in bold are ready to  
7 meet you. Candidates asterisked had met you. Candidates,  
8 double asterisk candidates have been through the program,  
9 and then Jeff Longstreth's signature block.

10               MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can look at  
11 the second page of this exhibit.

12       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe the columns that you  
13 see on this page?

14       **A**       Certainly. So the left column, potential successors,  
15 Jeff, and then there's a list of individuals below. And  
16 then the next column is last, which is also full of names.

17               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, are you  
18 able to split the screen and show us the first page and the  
19 second page? No? If not, that's okay. We can just go back  
20 to the first page. Very nice, thank you.

21       **Q**       You had mentioned something in the message about  
22 asterisks.

23       **A**       Yes, that's right. So candidates with the single  
24 asterisk have met you, candidates with a double asterisk  
25 have been through the program, is what the e-mail says.

1 Q Do you see any candidates with a single asterisk?

2 A Yes, I do. There's Bill Roemer, Jim Trakas, Kris  
3 Jordan and Jamie Callendar.

4 Q And any candidates with a double asterisk who have  
5 been through the program?

6 A Mike Rasor and Tim Barhorst.

7 Q Now, Agent Wetzel, have you identified further  
8 communications in 2017 between FirstEnergy executives who  
9 were present during the trip to DC and Jeff Longstreth?

10 A Yes, I have.

11 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, permission to  
12 publish 226 B, which is admitted into evidence?

13 THE COURT: Yes.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you. Oops, I pulled up the  
15 wrong one first. We'll start with this one.

16 Q Did you identify any other meetings between  
17 FirstEnergy executives and either Jeff Longstreth or Larry  
18 Householder?

19 A Yes, I did.

20 Q Okay. And can you tell us what we're looking at here?

21 A Yeah. So this is from the subpoena to the FirstEnergy  
22 Corporation. This is a calendar event. The event title is  
23 Jeff Longstreth start date is listed as May 30th, 2017, also  
24 ends date. The organizer is Ty Pine. And then attendees  
25 are Michael Dowling and Joel Bailey.

1 Q Okay. And can you remind me who Ty Pine are and  
2 Michael Dowling?

3 A Yes. They're both employees or, I should say, were  
4 employees at the time of the FirstEnergy Corporation,  
5 working in government affairs.

6 Q What about Joel Bailey?

7 A He also works in that department as well. And I  
8 believe they technically called it maybe external affairs.

9 Q Now, you said this was what date?

10 A This is May 30th, 2017.

11 Q Did you identify any deposits into Generation Now from  
12 FirstEnergy accounts around the time, around this time?

13 A Yes, I did.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
15 Exhibit 15, which has been admitted?

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you identify which deposit  
18 you were referring to by circling it?

19 A (Witness writing.)

20 Q Thank you.

21 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we can turn to Exhibit 232  
22 B, Your Honor, which has already been admitted.

23 THE COURT: Yes, you can publish it.

24 Q And did you identify any other communications between  
25 FirstEnergy and either Jeff Longstreth or Larry Householder



1 around this time?

2 **A** Yes, I did.

3 **Q** Okay.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if you can enlarge the  
5 first half of this document.

6 **Q** Okay. Can you describe what this is?

7 **A** Yes. This was provided by FirstEnergy again pursuant  
8 to the subpoena, and here we see -- like we had talked about  
9 previously, a text message exchange. This one is between  
10 614-378-1107, which is the cell phone based upon the  
11 investigation of Jeff Longstreth, and then below that  
12 Michael Dowling.

13 And so we see in the -- and the activity is on  
14 8/1/2017, and so we see a text message from Mr. Dowling in  
15 green: Are we at 500 K for the (c)(4) now? And then a  
16 reply from the 1107 number belonging to Mr. Longstreth to  
17 Mike Dowling that says, "Yes."

18 **Q** All right. Now, did you receive similar documents  
19 like this from FirstEnergy?

20 **A** Yes, I did.

21 **Q** Okay. Since this is the first one of this kind, I  
22 want to take a few moments to explain it so when we see  
23 others, we understand. All right. And so what form of  
24 communication is this, Agent Wetzel?

25 **A** So these are text messages, likely iMessages.

1 Q Okay. And why do you say that?

2 A So I'm aware that both Mr. Dowling and Mr. Longstreth  
3 have iPhones, and for folks that are iPhone users, you'll  
4 know if you text another iPhone user, you send the message  
5 in blue, versus if you are sending to a noniPhone, it sends  
6 it in green. So there's actually a technical difference in  
7 how that works, but essentially the iMessages go from iPhone  
8 to iPhone and they're a data message that's being sent  
9 rather than a text message, which is kind of like the old  
10 fashioned ones that have a character limit and so on.

11 Q And are you familiar with the -- you said you received  
12 these -- let me strike that.

13 You received these documents from FirstEnergy?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Okay. And are you familiar with the format of this  
16 kind of document?

17 A Yes, I am.

18 Q What is it?

19 A So this appears to be just a message extraction. So  
20 they ran -- I believe this one at the top of the page said  
21 Mr. Dowling's iPad, but they ran the Apple device through a  
22 program similar to the one that we would use -- I'm not  
23 certain exactly which program they used but a similar  
24 forensic program and they pulled text messages off of it.

25 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection, Judge.

1 THE COURT: Overruled. Please proceed.

2 THE WITNESS: And they pulled the text messages off  
3 of it and then provide it had to us, is all I was going to  
4 say.

5 Q You're speaking about just the formatting of the  
6 document and how this looks familiar to you because you use  
7 the same program in the FBI?

8 A Yes.

9 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection.

10 THE COURT: Overruled.

11 Q Okay. And at the top of the document underneath  
12 "participants," can you explain how the participants areas  
13 appear on a Cellebrite report that you would receive at the  
14 FBI?

15 A Sure. So under participants, that's just a list of  
16 the folks that are in the conversation. Obviously, a text  
17 message needs a minimum of two people, but certainly there  
18 could be two or three or four or five, so when you look at  
19 the section under summary, where it says, "participants,"  
20 those are all of the people or phone numbers really that are  
21 participating in the message that's listed under  
22 conversation, which you see below.

23 Q Now, in terms of the contents of this message, what  
24 does the green message say?

25 A Are we at 500 K for the (c) (4) now?

1 Q Okay. And did you find any correlation between the  
2 500 K referenced here and the deposits into the first -- I'm  
3 sorry, in the Generation Now account?

4 A Yes, I did.

5 Q What was the correlation?

6 A So at the time that this message was sent, FirstEnergy  
7 had sent two \$250,000 wire transfers into Generation Now.

8 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Your Honor, if we  
9 may publish again Exhibit No. 15, which has been admitted?

10 THE COURT: Yes.

11 Q Okay. And so we're all clear, which two are you  
12 referring to, Agent Wetzel?

13 A The top two. I can circle them. (Witness writing.)

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish  
15 Exhibit 232 A, which has been admitted into evidence?

16 THE COURT: Yes.

17 Q Agent Wetzel, did you uncover other messages around  
18 the time of the one we just saw?

19 A Yes, I did.

20 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we may, if we can  
21 enlarge the first half of this document.

22 Q Agent Wetzel, who are the participants in this  
23 conversation?

24 A Jeff Longstreth and Michael Dowling.

25 Q Okay. And when does it occur?

1       **A**       The first message occurs at 4:14 p.m. on July 24th,  
2       2017.

3               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, if you can  
4       go back to the document and maybe enlarge just the message  
5       portion for us.

6       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, we'll be reading quite a few messages  
7       today, so why don't we split up the duties here. You read  
8       the blue part, I'll read the green part, okay?

9       **A**       Okay.

10      **Q**       Go ahead.

11      **A**       How's everything going? Second message: Let me know  
12      if there's anything we can be doing for you guys.

13      **Q**       From Dowling at FirstEnergy Corp., Michael Dowling,  
14      owner: Thanks, Jeff. I was driving a few hours when your  
15      first text came in. We are hanging in there. I know you  
16      guys are there for us. We should talk later this week. Let  
17      me know if you have time tomorrow or Wednesday to chat.

18      **A**       And from Jeff Longstreth: Tomorrow is good for me  
19      except 1 to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday before 11 is also good.

20              MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
21      what has been admitted as Exhibit 734?

22              And, Ms. Terry, if we can keep the same exhibit up at  
23      the same time, please.

24              THE COURT: Yes, you may publish.

25              MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can go to

1 the second page of 734, which is on the other side.

2 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, what is the date on the text  
3 message?

4 **A** It is the 24th of July, 2017.

5 **Q** All right. And did you find any phone contact between  
6 Jeff Longstreth and Mike Dowling around this same time?

7 **A** Yes, on the 26th.

8 **Q** Okay. And can you circle that for the jury on the  
9 screen?

10 **A** (Witness writing.)

11 **Q** Okay. And how long was this phone contact?

12 **A** 11 minutes and 14 seconds.

13 **Q** Now, you mentioned before the amount that was in the  
14 Generation Now account in early August?

15 **A** I did, yes. It was \$500,000.

16 **Q** And did that amount increase in the month of August?

17 **A** It did.

18 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish again  
19 Exhibit 15?

20 THE COURT: Yes.

21 **Q** And according to your review of bank records, when did  
22 that increase?

23 **A** The 10th of August.

24 **Q** Okay. And how does the timing of that relate to the  
25 message that we just saw?

1     **A**     It's, I believe, after the message but shortly before  
2     the phone call.

3     **Q**     Say that again.

4     **A**     I believe it's after the message but shortly before  
5     the phone call.

6     **Q**     Okay. The deposit is what date?

7     **A**     The 10th of August.

8     **Q**     Okay. And the messages we were just looking at?

9     **A**     I'd have to look at them again, I'm sorry.

10            MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can go back to  
11     those, please. I think it was 232.

12            THE WITNESS: Yeah. So --

13     **Q**     And the date of the message on the left, which is the  
14     500,000 message?

15     **A**     It is August 1st.

16     **Q**     Okay. And the date of the phone call that we were  
17     talking about?

18     **A**     The 26th of July.

19     **Q**     Okay. And if we go to Exhibit 15, what is the date of  
20     the deposit?

21     **A**     The 10th of August.

22     **Q**     Okay. So which -- what preceded what?

23     **A**     So the deposit was made after the call and the  
24     messages.

25     **Q**     Now, did you find other communications or other

1 documents from around this same time period related to  
2 FirstEnergy and Generation Now?

3 **A** Yes, I did.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Permission to publish what has  
5 been admitted as 231 A?

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel, who is this from?

8 **A** This is from Jeff Longstreth.

9 **Q** And where did you obtain this document?

10 **A** This is from Mr. Longstreth's Gmail account, which is  
11 the Jeff Longstreth at Gmail.com.

12 **Q** And who is the e-mail to?

13 **A** Michael Dowling with a cc of Christina Housley.

14 **Q** And the subject?

15 **A** Generation Now.

16 **Q** All right. Can you please read the content of the  
17 message?

18 **A** Hi, Mike. I just wanted to follow up on our  
19 conversation at the Greenbrier regarding the next donation  
20 installment of \$250,000 to Generation Now, Inc. Attached  
21 please find a donor reply card with wiring instructions.  
22 Please let me know if you need any additional information.  
23 Thank you for your continued support of Generation Now,  
24 sincerely. And then Jeff Longstreth's signature block.

25 **Q** And how many days was this in relation to the deposit



1 we just looked at?

2 **A** It is two days before.

3 **Q** Now, you said that you received e-mails from Jeff  
4 Longstreth's e-mail account?

5 **A** That's correct.

6 **Q** There's a reference in the first line there to  
7 conversation at the Greenbrier; do you see that?

8 **A** I do.

9 **Q** Do you know what the Greenbrier is?

10 **A** Yes. It is a very old resort hotel, golf course, in  
11 West Virginia.

12 **Q** And did you find anything in the Gmail account related  
13 to the Greenbrier?

14 **A** Yes, I did.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
16 231 B, which is in evidence?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize what we're viewing on  
19 the screen?

20 **A** Yes. This is a reservation form for the Greenbrier in  
21 West Virginia, and specifically it lists the West Virginia  
22 Coal Association, August 2nd through 6th, 2017.

23 **Q** All right. And can you circle the part that you just  
24 read, the West Virginia Coal Association and date?

25 **A** (Witness writing.)

1 Q And how does that relate to the message we just saw?

2 A It's just before.

3 Q Okay. Your Honor, permission to publish Exhibit 232  
4 D, which has been admitted into evidence?

5 THE COURT: Yes.

6 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, if we start at the bottom, can  
7 you please read the message at the bottom?

8 A On August 8th, 2017, Jeff Longstreth wrote: "Hi,  
9 Mike, I just wanted to follow up on our conversation at the  
10 Greenbrier regarding the next donation installment of  
11 \$250,000 to Generation Now, Inc. Attached please find a  
12 donor reply card with wiring instructions. Please let me  
13 know if you need additional information. Thank you for your  
14 continued support of Generation Now. Sincerely," and then  
15 Mr. Longstreth's signature block.

16 Q And, Agent Wetzel, is this the same e-mail that we saw  
17 before?

18 A Yes, it is. This one actually was produced to us from  
19 FirstEnergy, whereas, the other one was recovered from the  
20 Gmail.

21 Q Okay. And does anyone respond to this message?

22 A It does not appear so, and then it appears that on  
23 August 17th there are a couple of messages, one from  
24 Mr. Longstreth and one from Mr. Dowling.

25 Q If we can start with the older one first, the one in

1 the middle of the page?

2 **A** This is from Jeff Longstreth. Hi, Mike, just wanted  
3 to let you know the contribution did show up in the bank.  
4 Thank you very much for your continued support of our  
5 efforts. Please let me know if there's anything I can do  
6 for you, Jeff. And then Jeff Longstreth's signature block.

7 **Q** Okay. And the final message at the top?

8 **A** This is from Michael Dowling to Jeff Longstreth. I'll  
9 find out Monday, my assistant, Chris, returns Monday. Thank  
10 you for letting me know. And then Mr. Dowling's signature  
11 block.

12 **Q** Okay. And the reference to "Chris," do you recognize  
13 the name "Chris"?

14 **A** Yes, I do.

15 **Q** Who is that?

16 **A** That's Christina Housley, who have been on some of  
17 these e-mails we've been talking about. She assists  
18 Mr. Dowling at FirstEnergy.

19 **Q** Now, Agent Wetzels, did you find any evidence that  
20 Chuck Jones and Larry Householder were in contact or meeting  
21 around this time in August?

22 **A** Yes.

23 **Q** Of 2017?

24 MS. GLATFELTER: Permission to publish Exhibit 232  
25 C, which has been admitted?

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you describe this document to the  
3 jury?

4 **A** This is another calendar entry that was provided by  
5 FirstEnergy. This one, the event title is Larry Householder  
6 at Crop. The start date is August 15, 2017, which is just  
7 two days prior, and then attendee is Charles Jones.

8 **Q** Are you familiar with the location "at Crop"?

9 **A** Yes. This is a reference to the Crop Bistro, which is  
10 a restaurant in the Cleveland area.

11 **Q** Are you familiar with Crop Bistro from your  
12 investigation?

13 **A** Yes, I am.

14 **Q** Can you tell us how you're familiar with it?

15 **A** I'm familiar with it from trying to research on a  
16 number of occasions, what the Crop is. There's several  
17 references to it like this. It is a restaurant that's owned  
18 and operated by Mr. Tony George.

19 **Q** Is that the same person that you were referring to as  
20 going to the Washington -- going to Washington, D.C., with  
21 Mr. Householder?

22 **A** Yes.

23 **Q** Now, did you find any additional deposits into the  
24 Generation Now account during 2017?

25 **A** Yes, I did.

1 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
2 Exhibit 15 again.

3 THE COURT: Yes.

4 Q And what did you find, Agent Wetzel?

5 A There are -- in addition to the first two deposits  
6 that we discussed, and then there's the one that we  
7 discussed on August 10th. There is also a deposit for  
8 \$250,000 in December on the 8th, specifically.

9 Q Okay. And did you find any communications from around  
10 this time in December 2017 relevant to the deposit?

11 A Yes, I did.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
13 236 A, which has been admitted?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 Q Agent Wetzel, can you describe what type of document  
16 this is?

17 A This is an e-mail.

18 Q And where did you receive it?

19 A This is from the FirstEnergy Corporation.

20 Q Who is the e-mail from?

21 A Jeff Longstreth, it's to Michael Dowling with a cc of  
22 Christina Housley.

23 Q All right. And what is the subject of the e-mail?

24 A Generation Now.

25 Q The date?

1       **A**       It's Tuesday, the 5th of December, 2017.

2       **Q**       Okay. Is that before or after the last date of the --  
3       or the date of the last deposit we just looked at?

4       **A**       Before.

5       **Q**       And can you read the contents of the e-mail for us?

6       **A**       Hi, Mike, just wanted to follow up on our conversation  
7       regarding the next donation installment of \$250,000 to  
8       Generation Now, Inc. Attached please find a donor reply  
9       card with wiring instructions. Please let me know if you  
10      need any additional information. Thank you for your  
11      continued support of Generation Now. Sincerely, and then  
12      Mr. Longstreth's signature block.

13                   MS. GLATFELTER: And permission to publish  
14      Exhibit 236 B, which has been admitted?

15                   THE COURT: Yes.

16      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe this document for us?

17      **A**       Yes. This is an e-mail that was provided to us by  
18      FirstEnergy.

19      **Q**       Okay. How does it relate to the previous e-mail we  
20      just looked at?

21      **A**       It appears to be the same e-mail, though, there are  
22      some written notes on it.

23      **Q**       Okay. And do you recognize the initials of anyone on  
24      the document?

25      **A**       Yes. Where it says -- and it's, the date is a little

1 cut, it says: "Okay, MJD," which is Mr. Dowling's initials,  
2 and then there's the date.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Ms. Terry, can we  
4 see the date on that? There you go, that's fine.

5 **A** And the date is 12/5/17.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, I don't know if  
7 you would like to take a morning break at this point.

8 THE COURT: Yes. Very well. We're going to take  
9 our morning break, Members of the Jury. During the break,  
10 as always, do not discuss the case with anyone, even among  
11 yourselves, no independent research. It's especially  
12 important to recall that you need to keep an open mind until  
13 you hear all of the evidence. Out of respect for you, we'll  
14 rise as you leave. We'll get you in 20 minutes.

15 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

16 (Jury exited the courtroom at 10:59 a.m.)

17 THE COURT: Jury is leaving the room, the door is  
18 closing. We'll be seated and await the jury clearing the  
19 floor. Yes, Ms. Glatfelter. We're on the record, go ahead.

20 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you. Your Honor, I had  
21 thought this would be a good breaking point because we will  
22 be doing a recording next with the transcripts and so during  
23 this break, I'd ask permission to pass out the binders so we  
24 didn't take time.

25 THE COURT: Any objection?

1 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

2 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you.

4 THE COURT: Yes, you may so proceed. The witness  
5 is reminded not to discuss your testimony during the break.  
6 Take a break.

7 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

8 THE COURT: We'll come back at 11:20. We're in  
9 recess until then.

10 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is in recess  
11 until 11:20.

12 (Recess taken from 11:00 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.)

13 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is in session  
14 pursuant to the recess.

15 THE COURT: Thank you. Please be seated. We're  
16 back in the open courtroom on the record outside the  
17 presence of the jury. You intend to move to a recording?

18 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: And when are you going to move to admit  
20 the recording itself into the evidence?

21 MS. GLATFELTER: Probably within the first  
22 five minutes or so. I have a few questions to lay the  
23 foundation.

24 THE COURT: Well, then, they're not going to be  
25 looking at the transcripts until then, correct?



1 MS. GLATFELTER: Correct.

2 THE COURT: Okay. Is there anything that requires  
3 my attention before we get the jury from the government?

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, I would just ask that  
5 the witness and myself be permitted to remove our masks and  
6 maybe say that in front of the jury so they don't think that  
7 we're disrespecting the Court.

8 THE COURT: No. It was my intention, I thought it  
9 was stated, that the witnesses, all of them, and the  
10 attorney who is examining are welcome to remove their masks,  
11 but nobody else.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

13 THE COURT: And I will say it in front of the jury.  
14 Anything from Mr. Householder's counsel before we get the  
15 jury?

16 MR. GLICKMAN: No, thank you, Judge.

17 THE COURT: Mr. Borges?

18 MR. SCHNEIDER: Nothing here, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Let's call for the jury. We're going  
20 to break for lunch at 12:30ish.

21 (Pause.)

22 THE COURT: Is there likely to be an objection from  
23 the defense to this first recording?

24 MR. GLICKMAN: I don't know which recording it is,  
25 Judge.

1 MS. GLATFELTER: If I may get my outline, I can  
2 tell them the exhibit number.

3 THE COURT: Yes. Will you stand at the door,  
4 Ms. Frankian?

5 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, these are the calls  
6 that are in our exhibit books and the transcripts we gave  
7 the defense, so I --

8 MR. GLICKMAN: Are they in that order that you're  
9 going to use them?

10 MS. GLATFELTER: I'm not sure. 206 A is the  
11 recording.

12 THE COURT: Is there likely to be an objection that  
13 we could address before the jury comes in? They're on their  
14 way.

15 MR. GLICKMAN: Just one moment, Judge.

16 (Pause.)

17 MR. GLICKMAN: Judge, it's my understanding from  
18 looking at this, it appears to me that the first  
19 conversation is going to be between Mr. Householder and Neil  
20 Clark.

21 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes.

22 MR. GLICKMAN: Okay. So Neil Clark, the deceased,  
23 we had raised some objections that recordings with him were  
24 not, would not be in furtherance of the conspiracy, involved  
25 another investigation. The Court ruled on that. We just

1 ask that the Court preserve our objection.

2 THE COURT: Yes, of course.

3 MR. GLICKMAN: Thank you.

4 THE COURT: Does counsel for Mr. Borges need to be  
5 heard?

6 MR. LONG: Your Honor, just the standing objection.

7 THE COURT: Understood.

8 MR. LONG: Thank you.

9 THE COURT: If somebody could tell us to bring the  
10 jury in, please. Thank you.

11 (Pause.)

12 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

13 (Jury entered the courtroom at 11:32 a.m.)

14 THE COURT: Members of the Jury, as you arrive, you  
15 may be seated. Place the binder on the floor in front of  
16 you. Do not look at it yet. You may all be seated. The  
17 jury has returned, all 15 of them. Welcome back. We'll  
18 continue with the taking of testimony.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Members of the Jury, I'm going to allow  
21 the witness, all witnesses, and the examining attorney to  
22 remove masks only.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

24 **Q** Agent Wetzel, last week you mentioned wiretap calls as  
25 something that you reviewed during this investigation?

1       **A**       Yes, ma'am, I did.

2       **Q**       Were the calls that you were referring to a separate  
3       investigation or this investigation?

4       **A**       They were separate.

5       **Q**       Once you started this investigation, what did you  
6       realize about -- what, if anything, did you realize about  
7       the Title III calls?

8       **A**       Yeah. So as a part of starting a new case or an  
9       investigation, it is routine for us to examine other  
10      evidence that may be pertinent, that included, like I  
11      mentioned before, several things, open source, internet,  
12      that kind of stuff, but also other holdings. So in this  
13      case, discovered that there were some calls that were  
14      pertinent to this investigation from that other  
15      investigation.

16      **Q**       And the calls that you're referring to, who are the  
17      parties to that call?

18      **A**       In this particular or in these particular instances,  
19      it is Mr. Householder and Mr. Neil Clark, who are having the  
20      telephonic conversation.

21      **Q**       Did the FBI ever have a wiretap on Mr. Householder's  
22      phone?

23      **A**       It did not.

24      **Q**       And did the FBI ever have a wiretap on Mr. Borges'  
25      phone?

1       **A**       No, it did not.

2                   MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time, I would  
3       ask permission to show the witness 206 A, which is not  
4       admitted yet.

5                   THE COURT: You can show it to the witness.

6       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you recognize Government's  
7       Exhibit 206 A?

8       **A**       Yes, I do.

9       **Q**       Okay. Can you explain to the jury what this is?

10      **A**       Yes. This is something that's automatically  
11      generated. It is a -- by the program I should say that we  
12      use for Title III interceptions, and essentially, it is just  
13      a -- a detailed sort of report of the -- of what's going on.  
14      It has the case ID, phone number, date, time, those kinds of  
15      things. It's essentially just like a record stamp for that  
16      particular call, and one is generated for every call that is  
17      intercepted, is the term that we use, every time we get a  
18      new call, it gets one of these.

19      **Q**       Okay. Is the paper that you're referring to on the  
20      screen, is that -- how is that generated?

21      **A**       So that's generated automatically by the program. And  
22      so every, every contact, like we talked about using the word  
23      contact, every contact during a Title III interception  
24      period gets what the program calls a session number, and  
25      essentially, every time there's a new session, it takes down

1 all of the information, you know, who the calling parties  
2 are, when the call happened, how long it lasted, those kinds  
3 of things, and it can be printed out essentially in this  
4 record form that is shown here.

5 **Q** And so the document that you're referring to is  
6 generated by a computer program at the FBI?

7 **A** Yes, that's correct. It's automatically generated by  
8 the program. If you say you would like this phone call, it  
9 creates a printout essentially of the details.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, I would ask permission  
11 to publish 206 A to the jury?

12 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection. Other than what we put  
13 on the record, no new objection.

14 THE COURT: Very well.

15 MR. LONG: Same.

16 THE COURT: Very well.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay.

18 **Q** Mr. Wetzel -- or Agent Wetzel, I would like to go  
19 through this with the jury now that the jurors can see it.

20 **A** Okay.

21 **Q** So you were referring to the different columns on the  
22 screen. If you can describe across the top what we're  
23 looking at?

24 **A** Sure. So case is just the case number. This is just  
25 an internal FBI number that denotes the case. It doesn't

1 have any particular significance to the call. It just is  
2 housed within that case. And then target here is Neil  
3 Clark, that's because, as I was mentioning before, this was  
4 Neil Clark's telephone that was being intercepted. The line  
5 is the phone number that was being intercepted, the 6703  
6 number that you see there. And then below that there are  
7 listings such as the session number, the date of the call,  
8 start and end time, duration, which is, you know, how long  
9 it lasted, and then some other information. Specifically,  
10 on the right side, there's the in/out digits, which is the  
11 phone number that the 6703 account is making contact with,  
12 which is the (740)707-2500 phone number that we've talked  
13 about for Mr. Householder before and then --

14 **Q** Agent Wetzel, if you can pause right there.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
16 again what has been admitted as 700 A and I would like to  
17 keep this on the screen, Ms. Terry, if the Court gives us  
18 permission.

19 THE COURT: 206 A has been admitted.

20 MS. GLATFELTER: And 700 A has been admitted. I  
21 would like to do a dual screen to show him the phone  
22 numbers.

23 THE COURT: You may proceed.

24 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

25 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you circle the phone number, the

1 phone number used by Neil Clark based on your investigation  
2 on the right side, 700 A?

3 **A** (Witness writing.)

4 **Q** Okay. And during your investigation, what phone  
5 numbers -- or what methods -- in what ways were you able to  
6 associate that phone number with Neil Clark based on the  
7 right column of this exhibit?

8 **A** Sure. There's a phone extraction which is the one I  
9 partially covered, I apologize, which is essentially when we  
10 took the phone and we extracted it. It lists an owner, but  
11 then also there is a phone contact and Mr. Householder's  
12 phone that corresponds to Neil Clark at that phone number.

13 **Q** All right. And looking at Government Exhibit 206 A,  
14 can you circle where you see Neil Clark's phone number so we  
15 understand where that appears on the record?

16 **A** (Witness writing.)

17 **Q** Okay. At the top under line. Yeah. You're fine.

18 **A** Is that -- oh, yeah.

19 **Q** Just for the record, I was describing where you were  
20 circling, just to make sure it was clear.

21 Okay. And then can you use an asterisk and show us  
22 where -- just so it's different, can you use an asterisk and  
23 show us where Mr. Householder's number is on the right  
24 document, 700 A?

25 **A** (Witness writing.)



1 Q And based on your investigation, how are you able to  
2 associate this phone number with Mr. Householder?

3 A So there's the phone extraction of his phone, again,  
4 which you see there, and then also phone contacts in Mr.  
5 Householder's phone and then also there are contacts in Mr.  
6 Borges' phone for Mr. Householder at that phone number.

7 Q And, Agent Wetzel, were you able to match that phone  
8 number with the wiretap records you have?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Okay. Can you show us that correlation with an  
11 asterisk?

12 A (Witness writing.)

13 Q Now, Agent Wetzel, what was the date of this  
14 particular session?

15 A This was December 11th, 2017.

16 Q And have you -- and what type of communication was  
17 this?

18 A This was a phone call.

19 Q And have you reviewed that phone call prior to today?

20 A Yes, I have.

21 Q Did you also review a transcript for -- in preparation  
22 for today?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And did you review it for accuracy?

25 A I did.

1       **Q**       Now, before we seek the Court's permission to  
2       publish -- to admit and publish this call, I want to set the  
3       stage and ask you a few facts about the call.

4                You said this was in December of 2017?

5       **A**       Yes, that's correct.

6       **Q**       How does that time period relate to the 2018 election  
7       year?

8       **A**       Would you state that again, please?

9       **Q**       Well, are there -- if it's December in 2017 and you're  
10       coming up on an election year, 2018, what are some of the  
11       general types of significant dates there might be in a  
12       general election year?

13       **A**       Sure. So 2017 preparing to run 2018 is the election  
14       year, in the spring, you'll have a primary election where  
15       the November ballot is decided and then obviously in  
16       November, then, you'll have the general election where the  
17       actual winner is decided. And so December is kind of the --  
18       part of the time when you would be preparing to begin to run  
19       your primary candidates.

20       **Q**       And are there any deadlines that occur before the  
21       primary?

22       **A**       Yes. So as laid out in state law, there are deadlines  
23       when you can declare yourself to be a candidate. They're  
24       the filing deadline, I guess you would call them, and so it  
25       is the last moment where you can follow the state's process

1 to be listed as a candidate on a particular ballot. So  
2 there's obviously a deadline for the primary, in this case,  
3 where it's like the last date, you can say, I would like to  
4 be available for voters to see me on and there's some other  
5 parts of the process that you have to follow.

6 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, based on your training and  
7 experience in this case, did all of the candidates in the  
8 2018 primary for House of Representatives have opponents?

9 **A** They did not. Some of them were unopposed.

10 **Q** Can you explain that to the jury?

11 **A** Sure. So the -- obviously, some primaries are what  
12 you would say contested, meaning that there's two or three  
13 or more people running to be selected as the candidate from  
14 a party for the general election. And sometimes people are  
15 running unopposed, the other term, and then it just means  
16 that you're on there by yourself, so you sort of win by  
17 default. So some folks don't have primary opponents, some  
18 folks do. If there is a primary opponent, then, whoever  
19 gets more votes in that primary election will represent the  
20 ticket for that party in November.

21 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you still have to go through the  
22 process of running in the primary even if you don't have an  
23 opposing candidate?

24 **A** You still have to comply with the technical  
25 requirements, but certainly things like advertising or

1 campaigning or other kinds of things you don't really need  
2 to worry about because you're going to prevail.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time, I would  
4 ask to publish -- I'm sorry, I would like to admit 206 A,  
5 which is the audio portion of that document we saw, and  
6 publish that for the jury.

7 MR. GLICKMAN: Other than what was put on the  
8 record, Judge, no additional objection.

9 MR. LONG: Same, Your Honor.

10 THE COURT: The recording is admitted. You can  
11 publish it to the jury. Do you wish to address transcripts?

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Sure, Your Honor. Would you like  
13 me to describe what's before them and then --

14 THE COURT: I'm going to give a limiting  
15 instruction. Do you want me to give it now?

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Sure. Thank you, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: All right. You're about to hear a  
18 recording. You're going to hear more. The recording has  
19 been admitted into evidence. You may consider it. So  
20 you're about to hear some recorded conversations that have  
21 been received in evidence, and we have given you some  
22 written transcripts of the recordings in the notebook. Keep  
23 in mind that the transcripts are not evidence. The  
24 recordings themselves are the evidence. The transcripts are  
25 provided as a guide only to help you follow along with the

1 recording. If you notice any differences between what you  
2 hear on the recordings and what you read in the transcripts,  
3 you must rely on what you heard, not what you've read. And  
4 if you could not hear or understand certain portions, parts  
5 of the recordings, you must ignore the transcripts as far as  
6 those parts are concerned. Whether the transcripts  
7 themselves come into evidence is an open question, but now  
8 you're listening to the recording, which is in evidence.  
9 You're welcome to pull up your notebooks and are we on  
10 Government Exhibit 206 B, Ms. Glatfelter?

11 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes, Your Honor, that's correct.

12 THE COURT: All right. It's the first transcript.  
13 Don't look at the others. And don't read ahead in the  
14 transcripts, stay focused on listening. You may proceed.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, I'm going to ask  
16 you, within the first, I think, minute to pause so I can ask  
17 a question. So I just wanted to give you that direction,  
18 thank you.

19 (Recording playing.)

20 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, can you pause it,  
21 please?

22 **Q** Did you hear that, did you hear in the call the  
23 mention of the word filing deadline?

24 **A** Yes, I did.

25 **Q** Okay. How does that relate to what you were

1 describing before about deadlines?

2 **A** Yeah. So the filing deadline is the last time that  
3 you could file to be on the ballot in a primary. So you  
4 would have to file before that deadline in order to appear  
5 on the ballot. After that deadline, you can no longer file  
6 and appear on the ballot.

7 **Q** One last question. The name Oelslager, which we see  
8 in the transcript and heard, who is that?

9 **A** Scott Oelslager is a Team Householder candidate in  
10 2018.

11 **Q** And what is his first name?

12 **A** Scott.

13 **Q** Okay.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Ms. Terry.

15 (Recording playing.)

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time I'd move  
17 to admit the transcript, which is 206 B.

18 MR. GLICKMAN: Object to the admission of the  
19 transcript, Judge.

20 THE COURT: Counsel for Mr. Borges wish to be  
21 heard?

22 MR. SCHNEIDER: One second, Your Honor.

23 MR. LONG: Your Honor, we too would object, noticed  
24 inaccuracy on page 4.

25 THE COURT: Very well. Decision to admit the

1 recordings is in the discretion of the Court. The Court  
2 admits the recording. Admits the transcript of the  
3 recording as well.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

5 **Q** Agent Wetzel, did you hear and see a reference to Troy  
6 Balderson?

7 **A** Yes, I did.

8 **Q** And who is Troy Balderson?

9 **A** He is the Congressman that now represents that  
10 district.

11 **Q** Okay. And was he -- was he involved in the 2018  
12 election?

13 **A** He was.

14 **Q** What was he running for?

15 **A** I believe it was a state representative.

16 **Q** In your investigation -- let me stop there and strike  
17 that.

18 This call was, you said was from December 2017?

19 **A** That's correct.

20 **Q** Now, during your investigation, did you find other  
21 communications about the organization and structure of  
22 supporting these Householder candidates?

23 **A** Yes, I did.

24 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time I'd move  
25 to publish 205 B, which has been admitted.

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 Q Agent Wetzel, do you see 205 B on your screen?

3 A I do.

4 Q What is the subject line of 205 B, at the very top?

5 A Digital bullet points for SLH.

6 Q And what -- I think you told us last week, but remind  
7 us what SLH refers to?

8 A Speaker Larry Householder.

9 Q And was he Speaker at this time?

10 A He was not.

11 Q Okay. Who's the e-mail from?

12 A Kevin Biegel.

13 Q And who is the e-mail to?

14 A Anna Lippincott with a cc of Jeff Longstreth, Chris  
15 Schrimpf, Dwight Crum, Jacqueline Tracy, Megan Fitzmartin,  
16 Bryan Gray, and Jonathan Bocanegra.

17 Q Okay. Are these names that came up during your  
18 investigation?

19 A Yes, they did.

20 Q Okay. In what way?

21 A So these, these folks have various roles, but  
22 generally are supporting Team Householder and Larry  
23 Householder.

24 Q During this time frame?

25 A Correct.



1 Q Okay. And what was the date of this e-mail?

2 A It was the 8th of December 2017.

3 Q Okay. And can you read the message for us, please?

4 A This past week, we had a Generation Now message  
5 planning meeting and identified next steps to get us closer  
6 to an approved budget and ads live. Met with Mike Rasor to  
7 go over some social medias does/dont's and identified next  
8 steps to get him ready for his announcement in January.  
9 Finalizing candidate budget. Launched new Facebook ad for  
10 SLH for video. Going extremely well with fundraising, ask  
11 next week. Working on a digital companion piece for the  
12 upcoming Will Black finance meeting. Had a social --

13 Q Agent Wetzel, can you read that last part again for  
14 us? After Will Black?

15 A Finance mailing, excuse me. Had a social media call  
16 with Niraj. Created a requested social media graphic for  
17 Jay Edwards. Had a conversation with Jon Cross about  
18 growing his Facebook audience. Goals for next week, finish  
19 SLH budget, align on SLH social media accounts and statement  
20 template graphic, workers' comp, update e-mail, work with  
21 Joe to get animated disclaimer/logo screens for our  
22 candidate videos. Launch new ads for Barhorst, get the  
23 talking points we need to start Gen Now ads, revisit the  
24 brand lift project and figure out how to do in January. And  
25 then Kevin Dinkel's signature block.

1 Q Now, there were several names in the body of that  
2 e-mail, for example, in the second bullet point, Mike Rasor.  
3 Do you recognize that name from your investigation?

4 A Yes. He -- I believe he was listed as having gone  
5 through the program in the e-mail we looked at earlier, but  
6 he's a Team Householder candidate.

7 Q And a few lines down from that, we see a name Niraj.

8 A Yes. That's a reference to Niraj Antani, who is also  
9 a Team Householder member.

10 Q Next line, Jay Edwards?

11 A That is also a Team Householder member.

12 Q Next line, Jon Cross?

13 A Also a Team Householder member.

14 Q Okay. And down at the bottom, there's a mention of  
15 Barhorst, who is that?

16 A That was Tim Barhorst. We saw him earlier today as  
17 well, that's another Team Householder candidate.

18 Q Okay. The date of this e-mail, can you remind us,  
19 Agent Wetzel?

20 A It's the 8th of December 2017.

21 Q And by December 8th, 2017, how much money was in --  
22 how much money had FirstEnergy deposited into the Generation  
23 Now bank account? If you need to see --

24 A Yeah. I'd like to see the date of the final  
25 transaction, if I can.

1 Q Sure.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I publish again  
3 Exhibit 15, which has been admitted?

4 THE COURT: Yes.

5 THE WITNESS: So it was that same day, December 8th  
6 was the final \$250,000 transaction in 2017, so a million  
7 dollars.

8 Q Okay. Now, you've mentioned a few -- if we go back to  
9 the e-mail we were just reviewing, which I believe is 205 B,  
10 you identified several names in that e-mail as being  
11 candidates associated with Mr. Householder?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q Did you find any communications that listed the  
14 candidates that he was recruiting?

15 A Yes, I did.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
17 240 D, which has been admitted?

18 THE COURT: Yes.

19 Q All right. Agent Wetzel, before we read the message,  
20 can you tell us a little bit about the document, the type of  
21 document that we're seeing on the screen?

22 A Yes. So like other Cellebrite extraction reports that  
23 we were looking at previously, so this is an extraction  
24 report from an Apple device. If you look at the  
25 participants, you will see that there are two, just like the

1 one we previously looked at, you'll notice that one has  
2 owner next to it, that is the device that this exchange came  
3 from. So in this case, it is that phone number associated  
4 with Megan Fitzmartin, so this came from her device when it  
5 was imaged and then the conversation is with Jeff  
6 Longstreth, whose name and phone number you see below.

7 **Q** Okay. And just to be clear, are there different ways  
8 during your investigation that you can obtain communications  
9 of parties?

10 **A** Yes.

11 **Q** Okay. And what's an example, can you give us an  
12 example of those?

13 **A** Sure. So, you know, one way that we might get them is  
14 from just running the Cellebrite program on a cell phone,  
15 which was the case for Ms. Fitzmartin's phone, you know,  
16 just running it directly on the physical phone pursuant to a  
17 search warrant. Another way would be you can -- if the  
18 contents or the messages are stored, for example, in an  
19 Apple iCloud and we get that, we can also use the Apple  
20 iCloud data to potentially get text messages as well.  
21 There's a couple of different ways we can derive that  
22 information.

23 **Q** And did you use both of those techniques in this  
24 investigation?

25 **A** Yes.

1 Q Now, this particular communication was derived from  
2 what?

3 A This was from Ms. Fitzmartin's phone, so pursuant to a  
4 search warrant, she surrendered her phone and we ran the  
5 Cellebrite program on her phone and then took the messages  
6 off of it.

7 Q Okay. And can you tell the date of communications  
8 from this document? We can -- can you just tell us where  
9 they are and then we'll blow up that part.

10 A Certainly. When you're looking at the text messages,  
11 in the bottom right corner of the bubbles is the date that  
12 that message is sent. So in this case, it's April 2nd,  
13 2018, and at 10:09 a.m. and then, again, it says that UTC  
14 minus 4, which is Ohio time, so this is Eastern standard or  
15 the time that we live in.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, if you can  
17 zoom out again.

18 Q All right. Agent Wetzel, we will -- let's go ahead  
19 and read this message. I forget, was I blue or green?

20 A I don't recall. I'm happy to do either.

21 Q Okay. I'll do blue. From 614-378-1107, Jeff  
22 Longstreth: Can you text me a list of our candidates?  
23 April 2nd, 2018.

24 A And then from 614-561-0808, Megan Fitzmartin. HD 6,  
25 Jim Trakas; HD 19, Tim Barhorst; HD 21, Stu Harris; HD 24,

1 Eric Yassenoff; HD 37, Mike Rasor; HD 38, Bill Roemer; HD  
2 40, Phil Plummer; HD 43, Kenny Henning; HD 48, Scott  
3 Oelslager; HD 50, Josh Hagan; HD 55, Gayle Manning; HD 61,  
4 Jamie Callendar; HD 67, Kris Jordan; HD 80, Jena Powell; HD  
5 83, Jon Cross; HD 84, Travis Faber; HD 86, Tracy Richardson;  
6 HD 90, Brian Baldrige; HD 91, Shane Wilkin; HD 95, Don  
7 Jones; and HD 98, Brett Hillyer. And that was sent  
8 April 2nd, 2018, at 10:18 a.m.

9 **Q** Now, Agent Wetzel, before each name, there is an HD  
10 and a number. Based on your investigation, were you able to  
11 tell what those numbers corresponded to?

12 **A** Yes. Those are the House districts that those  
13 candidates are running in.

14 **Q** Okay. And how many districts are there in the state  
15 of Ohio?

16 **A** 99.

17 **Q** Now, do some of the names on this list correspond to  
18 the phone call that we heard a few minutes ago?

19 **A** Yes.

20 **Q** Okay. And can you tell us which ones those are, can  
21 you circle them?

22 **A** (Witness writing.)

23 **Q** I think you've got it. Thank you.

24 **A** Um-hmm.

25 **Q** Now, did you -- during your investigation, did you

1 find other similar lists of candidates or descriptions of  
2 candidates?

3 **A** Yes, I did.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time, we would  
5 ask to publish 240 F, which has been admitted?

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you tell us what we're  
8 looking at in Government Exhibit 240 F?

9 **A** This is another extraction report. Again, this is  
10 from Megan Fitzmartin, her phone listed at the top with Jeff  
11 Longstreth. And then this is a message from Mr. Longstreth  
12 to Ms. Fitzmartin. Would you like me to read it?

13 **Q** Yes, please.

14 **A** So from 614-378-1107, Jeff Longstreth: We want to do  
15 something like this for third rail. Can you put this  
16 together and get back with me before you send it to them?  
17 2018 primary scorecard Householder/Smith. Jim Trakas v.  
18 Mike Canty. Jamie Callendar v. John Plecnik. Gayle Manning  
19 v. Unopposed. Mike Rasor v. Dexter Vaughn. Bill Roemer v.  
20 Unopposed. Josh Hagan v Reggie Stoltzfus. Scott Oelslager  
21 v. Unopposed. Tracy Richardson v. Matt Sammons. Kris  
22 Jordan v. Denise Martin. Stu Harris v. Doug Smith. Eric  
23 Yassenoff v. Unopposed. Tim Barhorst v. Dave Ferguson.  
24 Brett Hillyer v. Shane Gunnoe. Shane Wilkin v. Beth Ellis.  
25 Don Jones v. Unopposed. Brian Baldrige v Gina

1 Collinsworth. Jena Powell v. Bud O'Brien. Phil Plummer v.  
2 Unopposed. Travis Faber v Aaron Hellers. Jon Cross v.  
3 Cheryl Buckland. Kenny Henny v, and it's blank. And that  
4 was sent on May 7th, 2018, at 3:43 p.m.

5 **Q** And at the top of this or right in front of the list,  
6 it says "2018 primary scorecard." In terms of the primary,  
7 what type of candidates are running against each other in  
8 the primary?

9 **A** So generally speaking, the way this is set up, there  
10 are Householder candidates and Smith candidates, and so the  
11 list is the Householder candidates v. the Smith candidates.

12 **Q** And are the people listed under either Householder or  
13 Smith, are they part of the same party?

14 **A** Yes. These are all running in the Republican primary.  
15 It just is divided by who they're supporting.

16 **Q** Now, halfway down the list, the name Scott Oelslager  
17 appears.

18 **A** That's correct.

19 **Q** Right. Who's the candidate that he is running  
20 against?

21 **A** He is unopposed, so he is not running against anyone.

22 **Q** How does that relate to the conversation earlier where  
23 you were mentioning what it means to be unopposed?

24 **A** That means there's no other Republican in that  
25 primary, so when, you know, you go down your ballot and you



1 get to that section, it will just list one name that you can  
2 fill in. That essentially means that person will win.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Permission to publish 241 L, which  
4 has been admitted?

5 THE COURT: Yes.

6 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize Government Exhibit 241  
7 L?

8 **A** Yes. This is an e-mail recovered from Jeff  
9 Longstreth's Gmail, the Jeff Longstreth at Gmail dot com  
10 that we've been discussing. It is from Megan Fitzmartin to  
11 Jeff Longstreth.

12 **Q** And what's the subject of this?

13 **A** Candidates plus members.

14 **Q** And the date?

15 **A** Wednesday, October 31st, 2018, and it appears that  
16 there is an attachment.

17 **Q** And how does that date, in terms of the election  
18 cycle, how does that date relate to the previous dates we've  
19 seen in the spring of 2018?

20 **A** Sure. So this is after the primary, but before the  
21 general. The general election always happens in November,  
22 but the primary happens in the spring, and so this would  
23 have been after the primary but before the general election  
24 occurred.

25 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we may see the

1 attachment, please, Ms. Terry.

2 **Q** Okay. And can you describe the document that's on the  
3 screen, Agent Wetzel?

4 **A** There's three columns, HD, which, again, is a  
5 reference to House District, the candidate in that district  
6 on the left, and then their opponent, which is listed in the  
7 next column over to the right.

8 **Q** Now, in terms of the opponent, is the opponent  
9 different in this list than the one we just saw from the  
10 spring?

11 **A** Yes, it is. So here because the primary has already  
12 occurred, the opponent is the general election opponent,  
13 which in this case would be a Democrat or someone from  
14 another party.

15 **Q** Agent Wetzel, did you monitor or did you review all  
16 sorts of different lists related to the primary election in  
17 2018?

18 **A** Yes, I did.

19 **Q** Okay. And what, if anything, did you do with those  
20 different lists?

21 **A** So it was a little challenging because there's lots of  
22 different iterations over time. There's sort of you'll  
23 recall the document we looked at before, the on the farm,  
24 the quasi, the farm, the whatever, so it's kind of shifting.  
25 So we tried to keep track of who was sort of, you know,

1 aligned in which way and who was being supported through a  
2 variety of communications, iterations of that information we  
3 were getting from different sources.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I please show the  
5 witness 207, which has not been admitted?

6 THE COURT: Yes, witness only.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

8 **A** I do.

9 **Q** What is it?

10 **A** This is a chart that's titled the 2018 primary  
11 election.

12 **Q** Okay. And can you describe what this is?

13 **A** Sure. So this is -- this is a list, there are four  
14 columns, the left-most column is the House District, the  
15 next column to the right is the Team Householder candidate,  
16 the next column is primary opponent, and then the last  
17 column is the primary winner.

18 **Q** All right. And, Agent Wetzel, have you reviewed this  
19 document for accuracy?

20 **A** Yes, I have.

21 **Q** Did you help prepare it?

22 **A** I did.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, move to admit 207 and  
24 publish to the jury?

25 THE COURT: Any objection?

1 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

2 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: It's admitted. You may show it to the  
4 jury.

5 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, if we can describe the  
6 different columns on this table for the jury.

7 **A** Sure. So the left-most column is the House District,  
8 again, you know, 1 through 99, and then the next column over  
9 is the Team Householder supported candidate and again that  
10 comes from a variety of sources, you know, we looked at a  
11 couple, but there were a number of iterations. Next is the  
12 primary opponent, if they had one, you'll notice that some  
13 of the folks listed there are unopposed, that just means  
14 that there was no primary opponent for the person listed as  
15 the Team Householder candidate and then in the far column is  
16 the primary winner, so who ultimately prevailed in the  
17 spring.

18 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, let's take a few examples  
19 here. So if we look, if we go down the chart and we look at  
20 House District 72?

21 **A** Yeah. So for House District 72, the Team Householder  
22 candidate is Larry Householder, his primary opponent is  
23 Kevin Black, and then Larry Householder is the primary  
24 winner.

25 **Q** All right. And if we can look at House District 91?

1       **A**       So 91 is Shane Wilkin is the Team Householder  
2 candidate and he ran against Beth Ellis, and then Shane  
3 Wilkin is the primary winner.

4       **Q**       All right. Thank you, Agent Wetzel. We'll be  
5 referring to this document a couple of different times  
6 today.

7               Now, did you identify any documents that related to  
8 candidates and representatives for leadership positions?

9       **A**       Yes, I did.

10              MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
11 201 M, which has been admitted?

12              THE COURT: Yes.

13              MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can start  
14 with the last page to identify the document properties.

15       **Q**       First, Agent Wetzel, where did this document come  
16 from?

17       **A**       This is from Mr. Longstreth's iPod.

18       **Q**       Okay. And were there document properties associated  
19 with this document?

20       **A**       Yes. It was created on February 4th of 2018. At this  
21 time the author was not listed.

22       **Q**       But where did you recover it?

23       **A**       It was from Mr. Longstreth's iCloud account.

24              MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. If we can look at the first  
25 page, Ms. Terry.

1 Q Okay. And if we can read the columns at the top for  
2 the jury.

3 A Yes. It's standing committee, current chair, proposed  
4 chair, current vice chair, proposed vice chair.

5 Q All right. And under the standing committee column,  
6 what's listed there?

7 A These are committees of the House, aging and long-term  
8 care, agricultural and rural development, Armed Services,  
9 Veterans affairs and Homeland, civil justice, community and  
10 family advancement, and criminal justice.

11 Q Okay. So it lists the committee -- are these House  
12 committees?

13 A Yes, I believe so.

14 Q So it lists the committee on the left and then the  
15 next column is what?

16 A The current chair.

17 Q Okay.

18 A And it does continue to go down the full page. Do you  
19 want me to read all of the standing committees?

20 Q We don't have to at this point. We'll go to the  
21 second page in a minute. So current chair is the next  
22 column and then what is after that?

23 A Proposed chair.

24 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we go to the second  
25 page, Ms. Terry.

1 Q All right. And was this a continuation of the same  
2 document?

3 A Yes, it is.

4 Q Now, what appears at the top left of this document?

5 A Leadership.

6 Q Okay. And can you read those different, different  
7 phrases?

8 A Speaker of the House, Speaker pro tempore, majority  
9 floor leader, assistant majority floor leader, majority whip  
10 and assistant majority whip.

11 Q Let's go across each column here. Speaker of the  
12 House, who's the current Speaker listed on this sheet?

13 A Clifford A.

14 Q Does Clifford A correspond to anyone you know?

15 A Clifford Rosenberger.

16 Q Who's the proposed?

17 A Larry.

18 Q Speaker pro tem?

19 A Kirk Schuring and the proposed is Tom Patton.

20 Q What about majority floor leader?

21 A It is currently listed as Bill Seitz and the proposed  
22 is Bill Seitz.

23 Q What about assistant majority floor leader?

24 A Under current, it says Sarah LaTourette and the  
25 proposed is Jim Butler.

1 Q Okay. Majority whip?

2 A Thomas F. Patton is listed under Current, and Proposed  
3 is Jay Edwards.

4 Q And then assistant majority whip?

5 A Current is listed as Bill Reineke, and under Proposed,  
6 "woman" is listed.

7 Q Now, underneath the Current column, do you see another  
8 column?

9 A Yes. It's Team Householder.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we can look at that  
11 list, and then, Ms. Terry, if we can scroll to the next page  
12 so Agent Wetzel can see the whole thing. All right. And if  
13 you go back up.

14 Q And who is listed under Team Householder?

15 A These are Team Householder members.

16 Q Okay. Does this correspond to the list that you  
17 created?

18 A Yes, it does.

19 Q How so?

20 A These are similar individuals. There's also a list to  
21 the right of interests, skills and development that was  
22 listed, but as you go down, you can see that the folks that  
23 are listed under Team Householder are the folks that were  
24 listed in what we previously looked at.

25 Q Now, to the right of the Team Householder column,



1 what's listed?

2 **A** There is a number and then in the next column to the  
3 right from there is interests, skills, and so on.

4 **Q** Sorry, Agent Wetzel, I was talking about the far left.

5 **A** Oh, I'm sorry. Fundraising ability 1 through 5.

6 **Q** Okay. And then the column where Team Householder is,  
7 does it have any numbers following it?

8 **A** Yes. There's numbers listed there from 1 to 5.

9 **Q** Okay. And what about for each Team Householder name,  
10 is there a number associated with the name?

11 **A** Yes. So in the -- you can't see because of the way  
12 the document is laid out, but that's just a separate column  
13 and so that column is 1 through 5 and then there's a list of  
14 the number 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 below that corresponds with the  
15 Team Householder member.

16 **Q** And if we scroll down, are each of the Team  
17 Householder members ranked or appear to be ranked?

18 **A** Yes, they do appear to be ranked.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we can go to the end,  
20 Ms. Terry.

21 **Q** So going back to the top of the document, does this  
22 document contain what appears to be a leadership team for  
23 Speaker Householder?

24 **A** It does.

25 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection.

1 THE COURT: Basis?

2 MR. GLICKMAN: Form, Judge.

3 THE COURT: Overruled. Don't lead the witness.

4 **Q** What does document appear to contain, Agent Wetzel?

5 **A** It appears to contain a potential or a proposed, is  
6 the word that's used, leadership slate. It contains the  
7 current leadership team in the House and then a proposed  
8 leadership team.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can look at those  
10 document properties one more time, please, on the last page.

11 **Q** And when was this document created?

12 **A** February 4th of 2018.

13 **Q** Okay. And one last question, if we go back up to the  
14 first page on the different committees, Agent Wetzel, do you  
15 see on this document any subcommittee on energy generation?

16 **A** I do not.

17 **Q** All right. Next, I'd like to talk a little bit more  
18 about the support for Team Householder candidates. Based on  
19 your review of bank records and business records and  
20 communications, did you identify any areas of support?

21 **A** Yes.

22 **Q** Okay. Can you generally describe some of those  
23 different areas to the jury?

24 **A** Yeah. So they received support in the form of  
25 polling, strategic management, fundraising, and staffing.

1 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel -- strike that.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry -- I need to ask the  
3 Court first. If we may publish Exhibit 240 A, which has  
4 been admitted to the jury?

5 Sorry, Ms. Terry, I told you too soon. May I please  
6 publish Exhibit 240 A, which has been admitted?

7 THE COURT: It's admitted. Yes.

8 Q Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this document?

9 A Yes, I do.

10 Q Okay. And what is it?

11 A This is another text message conversation between  
12 Megan Fitzmartin and Jeff Longstreth.

13 Q Okay. And when did it take place?

14 A The first message occurred on January 12th of 2018.

15 Q All right. And can you read the green messages for  
16 us, please? I think we're going to expand the document or  
17 enlarge it first.

18 A 614-561-0800, Megan Fitzmartin. If possible, I think  
19 SLH should call Daniels, he's going to be in Shane's group  
20 meeting tomorrow.

21 Next message, also from Ms. Fitzmartin. I can call if  
22 that's helpful too, just having another reassuring voice in  
23 the room that the money/infrastructure will be will be  
24 helpful.

25 Q Jeff Longstreth says: "Yep."

1 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, is that the end of the  
2 document? Are there more pages?

3 MS. TERRY: That's the end.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Your Honor, if I can  
5 publish 243 A, which has been admitted?

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you describe 243 A?

8 **A** Yeah. So this is a document that was provided by  
9 Ms. Fitzmartin. It appears to be a timeline related to Jon  
10 Cross for state representative and there's a number of  
11 points along the timeline.

12 **Q** Okay. And who is Jon Cross?

13 **A** He is a Team Householder candidate.

14 **Q** And do you see a title to the document on the  
15 right-hand side?

16 **A** On the right-hand side, it says May 2018.

17 **Q** All right. The blue writing at the top?

18 **A** 20 -- 17-2018 campaign timeline.

19 **Q** Now, when does the timeline start?

20 **A** September of 2016.

21 **Q** Okay. And when does it end?

22 **A** The May 2018 that I mentioned before.

23 **Q** Okay. What's the significance in terms of an election  
24 year of May 2000 -- or May?

25 **A** So May corresponds with the primary election, as I was

1 mentioning before, in the spring, there's the primary and  
2 then there's the general in November, and so this timeline  
3 cuts off at the primary election, which you can actually see  
4 is the last listed entry there on the far right.

5 **Q** Okay. And you received this document from whom?

6 **A** Ms. Fitzmartin.

7 **Q** Was Ms. Fitzmartin working for Jon Cross?

8 **A** She was working for JPL & Associates at that time.

9 **Q** Okay. Next -- well, what was JPL & Associates  
10 relationship with Jon Cross?

11 **A** It was working for -- with Generation Now and Larry  
12 Householder at that time and John Cross, as I mentioned, was  
13 a Team Householder candidate.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. If we can go to -- I'm  
15 sorry, Your Honor, may I please publish 241 K, which has  
16 been admitted.

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 **Q** Okay. And what is this document?

19 **A** This is an e-mail from Mr. Longstreth's Gmail account.  
20 It is from Dwight Crum, who we saw earlier listed among  
21 those group of folks that were assisting Team Householder,  
22 and it is to Jeff Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin, subject,  
23 Team Householder newsletter.

24 **Q** Okay. And the date of this?

25 **A** This is Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

1 Q Okay. And how does that relate to the primary and  
2 general election?

3 A It is after the primary, but before the general.

4 Q And what is -- can you read the content of the message  
5 for us?

6 A Here is an overview of how we could approach the  
7 newsletter. Goals, components, et cetera, let me know your  
8 thoughts, Dwight. And there appears to be an attachment.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we can go to the  
10 attachment, Ms. Terry.

11 Q Okay. And what does the top of the document indicate?

12 A To Jeff Longstreth, Megan Fitzmartin, from Dwight  
13 Crum, August 14, 2018, re, Newsletter Thoughts.

14 Q Okay. And if you can read the first three paragraphs  
15 for us.

16 A The primary goal of the newsletter should be to  
17 communicate with the growing organization. Briefly  
18 highlighting key issues and contributing to ongoing team  
19 building efforts. The target audience should be members of  
20 and candidates for the Ohio House of Representatives. The  
21 weekly newsletter distributed via e-mail first thing Monday  
22 morning should come from Jeff. I would recommend that it be  
23 text based rather than a PDF to make it easier to read and  
24 provide greater flexibility in length. The newsletter  
25 should have an aspirational, believe in Ohio tone,

1 reinforcing SLH's brand. We believe in Ohio and her future.  
2 It shouldn't sugarcoat or shy away from Ohio challenges,  
3 opioids, infrastructure, poverty, to name a few because  
4 working together and being part of something larger than  
5 ourselves, we can solve these challenges and do big things.

6 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you continue, please?

7 **A** The newsletter should also promote team building,  
8 members, candidates, staff. The team SLH is building to  
9 tackle the challenges of today and the future. A one-stop  
10 shop, if you will. The target audience must view us as the  
11 organization that can provide them with the resources,  
12 insight and expertise they cannot get anywhere else.

13 **Q** Okay. And, Agent Wetzel, are there bullet points at  
14 the bottom of the document?

15 **A** Yes.

16 **Q** Okay. And what are those bullet points?

17 **A** Every issue should include the number of days until  
18 the election, thoughts for the week, two, three brief points  
19 we wish to convey to candidates/members and things people  
20 will be talking about for the week, with our perspective,  
21 beyond the headlines, a paragraph about an item that is the  
22 news Ohio or nationally ideal policy oriented, a new study  
23 says X, but there may be items of political note as well,  
24 this should include a sentence following it that says, "what  
25 it means," and/or, "why it matters." This is an opportunity

1 to briefly weigh in on a current trend, event or topic of  
2 discussion. Did you know, a brief blurb with a statistic on  
3 Ohio. This could be an economic stat, Ohio is 25th in  
4 something, a state budget factoid, et cetera. For example,  
5 did you know funding for schools and Medicaid makes up XX  
6 percent of the state budget or did you know Ohio imports XX  
7 percent of its electricity?

8 In the spotlight, a brief less than a hundred word  
9 blurb on a member or candidate that shares a bit of  
10 biographical information about the individual, Jim Butler,  
11 for example, is a Naval academy graduate who flew F14s.  
12 Purposes to help the current and future members to get to  
13 know each other a bit better, team building.

14 **Q** Okay. And the very bottom of the newsletter. Agent  
15 Wetzel, if you can read that?

16 **A** Targeting for individual members/candidates, as  
17 appropriate, the newsletter can be personalized for  
18 individual members/candidates by adding an opening paragraph  
19 focused on them a, 'thought this might interest you,' type  
20 of approach.

21 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, did you recover similar  
22 messages regarding e-mails to candidates or people who are  
23 on Team Householder?

24 **A** Yes.

25 **Q** All right.



1 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we please publish  
2 241 J, which has been admitted?

3 THE COURT: Yes.

4 Q All right. Agent Wetzel, starting at the top -- well,  
5 I ask you first, what is this document?

6 A This is an e-mail recovered from Jeff Longstreth's  
7 Gmail account. It's from Jeff to a number of recipients  
8 that I can read if you like.

9 Q Rather than reading it, do you -- can you identify  
10 some of the names that you recognize and e-mail addresses?

11 A Certainly. Jim Trakas, Tim Barhorst, Eric Yassenof,  
12 Mike Rasor, Bill Roemer, Phil Plummer, Jay Todd Smith, Anna  
13 Lippincott, Megan Fitzmartin, Jaime Callendar, Kris Jordan,  
14 Jenna Powell, Jon Cross, Brian Baldridge, Brett Hillyer, and  
15 there's a few others as well.

16 Q Are those the names of -- putting aside Anna  
17 Lippincott and Megan Fitzmartin, are those names of  
18 candidates for Team Householder?

19 A Yes, they are.

20 Q And what's the subject line here?

21 A Friday Campaign Update, which was sent September 14,  
22 2018.

23 Q All right. And what does the message say?

24 A Good afternoon. We want to touch base on a few things  
25 now that we're into September and the election is getting

1 closer. We need to do a better job of communicating,  
2 especially as we enter the final stretch. Please make sure  
3 you are sharing any information you receive with Megan. If  
4 you find out about forums, debates, interviews, et cetera,  
5 it is very important for you to share upcoming events so we  
6 can help you best prepare. Additionally, make sure you are  
7 sharing any information you hear regarding your opponent  
8 with Megan. We also need to do a better job communicating  
9 on a daily basis with your fundraisers. They need to be in  
10 constant communication with you to get your call updates.  
11 Checks that have come in and cash on-hand. It is important  
12 for us to always have this information on-hand, especially  
13 as we get into the final stretch. LH makes calls to  
14 lobbyists and donors every day. He can't help -- he can't  
15 help you with fundraising if we don't have accurate  
16 information. Help us help you. If it is easier to have  
17 your fundraisers communicate directly with your treasurers  
18 so they know exactly what checks have coming in/cash  
19 on-hand, please let me know ASAP.

20 As we keep working through mail, please remember that  
21 we set a 24-hour rule for giving your feedback to Megan.  
22 Check your e-mails regularly and be responsive when you  
23 receive something from a member of the team. I know you're  
24 all working very hard and thank you for all your time and  
25 effort. We have an exciting few weeks ahead and we're lucky

1 to be working with all of you. Thanks, Jeff. And his  
2 signature block is below.

3 **Q** Agent Wetzel, what was the date of this e-mail?

4 **A** It's September 14, 2018.

5 **Q** And can you relate that or correlate that with the  
6 dates of the 2018 election?

7 **A** Yes. It's after the primary but before the general  
8 election in November.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, I know you mentioned  
10 stopping at 12:30, I see that we're a little bit past that.  
11 Would you like us to continue or stop?

12 THE COURT: It's time for our lunch break. During  
13 the break, do not discuss the case with anyone, including  
14 among yourselves. No independent research. Continue to  
15 keep an open mind. We're going to break until 1:45 when we  
16 hope we can get you. I understand lunch is from Silver  
17 Ladle. We'll rise as you leave.

18 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

19 (Jury exited the courtroom at 12:33 p.m.)

20 THE COURT: Jury has left the room, the door is  
21 closing sort of. You may all be seated. We'll wait until  
22 the jury clears the floor. During the time of break,  
23 Mr. Witness, please do not discuss your testimony.

24 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

25 (Pause.)

1 THE COURT: All right. We'll recess until 1:45.

2 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is in recess  
3 until 1:45.

4 (Recess taken from 12:34 p.m. to 1:44 p.m.)

5 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is back in  
6 session pursuant to the recess.

7 THE COURT: Thank you, please be seated. Back in  
8 the open courtroom, quarter of 2. Prosecutor's team and  
9 lawyers are here. Mr. Householder's team is here.  
10 Mr. Householder is here. Mr. Borges is here with his  
11 attorneys. Are we ready to get the jury from the  
12 government's perspective?

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Ready from Mr. Householder's  
15 perspective?

16 MR. GLICKMAN: We're ready, Judge.

17 MR. SCHNEIDER: We are as well.

18 THE COURT: All right. Let's call for the jury,  
19 please.

20 (Pause.)

21 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

22 (Jury entered the courtroom at 1:47 p.m.)

23 THE COURT: Jurors can be seated as they join us.  
24 Thank you. May all be seated. Thank you.

25 The witness remains on the stand under oath.

1 Ms. Glatfelter, you may proceed when you're ready.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor. Your  
3 Honor, if it's permissible, I'll remove my mask.

4 THE COURT: Yes. I have given the examining  
5 attorney and the witness permission to remove their masks.

6 **Q** Agent Wetzel, today we've been talking about different  
7 records that you received during your investigation. And  
8 during the investigation, did you find records involving  
9 communications that involved the hierarchy of  
10 Mr. Householder and his associates?

11 **A** Yes, I did.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish 240 C,  
13 which has been admitted?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize Exhibit 240 C?

16 **A** Yes, I do.

17 **Q** What is it?

18 **A** This is another Cellebrite extraction. It's a  
19 conversation between Megan Fitzmartin and Jeff Longstreth.

20 **Q** Okay. And which device did it come from?

21 **A** This came from Ms. Fitzmartin's device.

22 **Q** And can you explain to us again how you're able to  
23 tell that?

24 **A** Yes. So when you look under participants at the top,  
25 you'll see that there is an owner that's listed next to the

1 name and then also, actually, in her messages, which are on  
2 the right side, which is the same way it would appear in  
3 your cell phone, your messages are on the right kind of a  
4 thing. You also see "owner" next to her name there as well  
5 and each individual of the green messages.

6 **Q** Okay. Let's go ahead and read the text message  
7 exchange, and I'll read the green parts and you read the  
8 blue part, okay?

9 **A** Okay.

10 **Q** 614-561-0800, Megan Fitzmartin, owner: Are you with  
11 SLH?

12 **A** 614-378-1107, Jeff Longstreth: I'm going to grab him  
13 lunch. He's at Brooks.

14 **Q** Okay. I can send you his final first piece -- first  
15 mail piece for his final sign-off.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: And next page, Ms. Terry.

17 **A** Jeff Longstreth, at that 1107 number, okay.

18 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin, attaches a document.

19 **A** Jeff Longstreth: He doesn't feel like the language  
20 has changed. Wants what he wrote on the yellow sheet and  
21 then there's an attachment.

22 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin: Okay.

23 **A** Jeff Longstreth: Doesn't want to say strengthening  
24 our border because that's a federal issue, and then there is  
25 an attachment.

1 Q Megan Fitzmartin: Okay.

2 Agent Wetzel, are these the attachments that you were  
3 referring to?

4 A Yes.

5 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we can go to the  
6 next page, Ms. Terry, the final page -- or I'm sorry, the  
7 sixth page. And I think, Ms. Terry, if you -- yes, scroll  
8 out. Thank you.

9 Q And is this the yellow sheet of paper that you were  
10 referencing above in the message --

11 A Yes, it is.

12 Q -- with the handwritten notes?

13 A Indeed.

14 Q Okay.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
16 240 -- I'm sorry, 241 G, which is already admitted.

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, what is this?

19 A This is an e-mail recovered from Jeff Longstreth's,  
20 jefflongstreth@gmail.com e-mail.

21 Q Okay. Who is it to?

22 A This is sent from Mr. Longstreth to Scott A. Pullins.

23 Q And what's the subject matter?

24 A It is a draft article.

25 Q Okay. And the date of the message?

1       **A**       May 7th, 2018.

2       **Q**       Can you relate that to the 2018 election cycle?

3       **A**       Sure. So this is in that primary time frame that we  
4       were talking about, you know, the spring, in May, is the  
5       primary and then November is the general election.

6       **Q**       And what does the message say?

7       **A**       Let me run by LH and get back to you.

8       **Q**       Okay. Have you seen any references to "LH" during  
9       your investigation?

10      **A**       Yes. The initials for Larry Householder.

11      **Q**       Now, is there any document attached to this e-mail?

12      **A**       There is not to this particular one. We actually have  
13      Jeff's reply. The original e-mail that appears below from  
14      May 7th at 7:33 p.m. from Mr. Pullins to Mr. Longstreth  
15      appeared that it did have an attachment.

16      **Q**       And what was the name of that attachment?

17      **A**       Your 2018 GOP House primary scorecard.doc X.

18      **Q**       And Mr. Longstreth's reply back to this message was  
19      what?

20      **A**       Let me run by LH and get back to you.

21               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, permission to  
22      publish 241 I, which has been admitted?

23               THE COURT: Yes.

24      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you identify 241 I?

25      **A**       Yeah. This is another e-mail recovered from Jeff



1 Longstreth's Gmail. This one is from Brooke Bodney to Jeff  
2 Longstreth. The subject, July 13th -- or 7/13, it says,  
3 excuse me, "Householder weekly candidate update," and it was  
4 sent on July 13th, 2018, and then there's an attached PDF  
5 document.

6 **Q** Okay. And who is Brooke Bodney?

7 **A** Brooke Bodney is someone who worked for Larry  
8 Householder. She is a professional fundraiser.

9 **Q** And what does the message say?

10 **A** Okay to send to Larry?

11 **Q** And you referenced an attachment before.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we could see the  
13 attachment. Okay. And if, Ms. Terry, you could scroll  
14 through the pages so Agent Wetzel could see them. Okay.  
15 And go back up to page 2, please. Thank you.

16 **Q** Okay. Is this the attachment that you were referring  
17 to?

18 **A** Yes.

19 **Q** All right. What's the title of the attachment?

20 **A** Weekly candidate report Friday July 13th, 2018.

21 **Q** And the columns at the top, can you read those for us?

22 **A** Yes. Starting with the left, it's fundraiser and then  
23 F name, L name, and then there's a middle column and then to  
24 the far right is date.

25 **Q** Now, in terms of the fundraiser column, do you

1 recognize the names that are in the fundraiser column?

2 **A** I do. You know, Andrea, Anna, these are folks that  
3 have either worked with or for Brooke Bodney for fundraising  
4 purposes.

5 **Q** And Brooke Bodney worked with whom?

6 **A** Brooke Bodney was the professional fundraiser I  
7 mentioned a minute ago who worked for Larry Householder.

8 **Q** Okay. The first name, do you recognize the people  
9 listed in the first name and last name columns?

10 **A** Yes. These are some of the Team Householder  
11 candidates that we were discussing earlier this morning.

12 **Q** Okay. And then the columns which has no title,  
13 there's three rows, can you identify what those rows are?

14 **A** Yeah. So this is meetings, complete the calls, and  
15 total upcoming events, and then there's a date to the right  
16 for those.

17 **Q** All right. And if we go back to the first page, and  
18 who was this message being sent to?

19 **A** Jeff Longstreth.

20 **Q** And what was the question being asked of him?

21 **A** Is it okay to send to Larry?

22 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish 241 B,  
23 which has been admitted?

24 THE COURT: Yes.

25 **Q** Agent Wetzel, what is 241 B?

1       **A**       This is an e-mail. The top e-mail from Jeff's Gmail,  
2       and it depicts the first e-mail which is lower from Dwight  
3       Crum to Jeff Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin, and then based  
4       upon the top, it appears that's forwarded from Jeff to Bryan  
5       Gray.

6       **Q**       Okay. And what's the date on this e-mail?

7       **A**       Both e-mails occur on March 28th of 2018.

8       **Q**       What's the subject?

9       **A**       The subject is the Padgett video.

10      **Q**       Do you know anyone by the name of Padgett?

11      **A**       Yes. This is the last name of a candidate who is  
12      running against one of the Team Householder members.

13      **Q**       Okay. And what is the message that Mr. Longstreth  
14      sends to Mr. Gray?

15      **A**       Please share this one with SLH also.

16      **Q**       All right. And the first line of the e-mail below it?

17      **A**       So below it, Dwight Crum sends to Jeff Longstreth and  
18      Megan Fitzmartin: Here is the first draft of the Joy  
19      Padgett video.

20      **Q**       Now, did you identify any communications where  
21      Mr. Householder was being informed of budgets or spending?

22      **A**       Yes.

23      **Q**       During the 2018 election cycle?

24      **A**       Yes, that's correct.

25      **Q**       Now, first of all, before we get to some of those

1 communications, during your investigation, did you find out  
2 about the preferred methods in which Mr. Householder  
3 communicated?

4 **A** Yes. It became clear through some of the messages we  
5 found that Mr. Householder does not e-mail.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. If we can look at -- Your  
7 Honor, if we could publish 240 G, which is in evidence?

8 THE COURT: Yes.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Ms. Terry, if we can  
10 zoom out for a second, so we can identify this document,  
11 Agent Wetzel.

12 **A** So this is another one of those text conversations and  
13 extraction like we were talking about. This one is from  
14 Ms. Fitzmartin's device and it's between Megan Fitzmartin  
15 and Jeff Longstreth.

16 **Q** Okay. And around what time period are these  
17 communications?

18 **A** These are in January of 2018.

19 **Q** All right. I will read the green portions and you  
20 read the blue portions. Megan Fitzmartin, owner: I just  
21 realized SLH doesn't e-mail. How does he want this  
22 info/call list?

23 **A** Jeff Longstreth: Text him a PDF if you can or let me  
24 know.

25 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin: Blank.

1 MS. GLATFELTER: Is there a second page, Ms. Terry,  
2 or is that the last one? Okay. Thank you.

3 Q Was this the type of communication that you were  
4 referring to earlier when you talked about Mr. Householder's  
5 methods of communicating?

6 A Yes. I think there were some other references as well  
7 to it, but this is one of them where they indicated that he  
8 doesn't e-mail.

9 Q And did you identify other communications during your  
10 investigation where e-mails were designated as please share  
11 with Mr. Householder?

12 A Yes, I did.

13 Q Now, if we could look at 240 -- strike that.

14 Before we -- before we pivot here in a moment and talk  
15 about the method of communication, I was asking you about  
16 whether you identified communications involving  
17 Mr. Householder and the budgeting or spending during the  
18 2018 election, remember that?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Did you?

21 A Yes.

22 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we please publish  
23 Exhibit 243 E, which is in evidence?

24 THE COURT: Yes.

25 Q All right. Agent Wetzel, what are we looking at here?

1       **A**       This is an e-mail from Scott Schweitzer. He works for  
2       the Strategy Group, I mentioned him earlier, and you can see  
3       his e-mail address is TSGCO, The Strategy Group Company.  
4       And it's an e-mail sent from him to Megan Fitzmartin and  
5       Jeff Longstreth on September 14th of 2018.

6       **Q**       Okay. And what is the message?

7       **A**       Please share with LLH. I have attached the spending  
8       overview from the Ohio HD/SD candidates, not much to report  
9       yet. Scott.

10               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we may publish 243  
11       F, which is in evidence?

12               THE COURT: Yes.

13       **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzels, what is 243 F?

14       **A**       It is an e-mail from Scott Schweitzer, again, as we  
15       just discussed, to Megan Fitzmartin and Jeff Longstreth.  
16       This one on October 26th of 2018 titled SOS.

17       **Q**       All right. And what does the message state?

18       **A**       Please share with LLH, TY.

19       **Q**       And can you relate the date to the 2018 election  
20       cycle?

21       **A**       Yeah. So this is just before the November election in  
22       2018.

23               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Your Honor, if we may  
24       publish 243 G, which is admitted?

25               THE COURT: Yes.

1       **Q**       All right. Agent Wetzel, can you identify 243 G?

2       **A**       Yes. This is an e-mail chain that was sent. There's  
3 a couple of different folks on it. Again, Mr. Schweitzer  
4 along with Jeff Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin, and it  
5 reads from Bob, at the top, and this is around that same  
6 time frame. I believe the message -- I believe it's the  
7 same day or right around the same time as the one we just  
8 looked at.

9       **Q**       All right. And what is the message at the bottom from  
10 Mr. Longstreth to Mr. Schweitzer?

11       **A**       I sent it to him via text. Can we get those via PDF?  
12 Better yet, could you have one staffer at Strategy Group  
13 text all of us a daily summary in PDF format? When these  
14 come in sporadically in e-mail format, they get lost in the  
15 shuffle. We're all busy, let's figure out a way to get this  
16 all to senior staff. Text it directly -- text it directly  
17 to LH is the key. And then sent from my iPhone.

18       **Q**       Okay. And if we can look at the top of the e-mail  
19 starting from the bottom.

20       **A**       Yes. Scott Schweitzer wrote: My point was, he did  
21 get it. He was on the e-mail to be sent via text. I am  
22 just wanting to be sure it all went through, but, yes, we  
23 have asked someone to make a PDF daily.

24       **Q**       Okay. And at the beginning of it, can you reread the  
25 part that says, "my point was"? I just want to make sure we

1 got the language right there.

2 **A** My point was, did he get it? He was on the e-mail to  
3 be sent via text. I'm just wanting to be sure it all went  
4 through, but yes, we have asked someone to make a PDF daily.

5 **Q** Okay. And then how does Mr. Longstreth respond to  
6 Scott Schweitzer?

7 **A** Confirmed he did receive it.

8 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish 243 H,  
9 which has been admitted?

10 THE COURT: Yes.

11 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzels, can you identify this  
12 document for us?

13 **A** Yes. This is a document, the subject is Buys. It's  
14 from Mr. Schweitzer to Jeff Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin,  
15 and it occurs on the 29th of October, 2018.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, can you  
17 scroll through the other pages, if there are any other.  
18 Just one, okay. Just wanted to make sure.

19 **Q** And what is the date of this e-mail?

20 **A** The 29th of October, 2018.

21 **Q** Okay. How does that relate to the other e-mails that  
22 we've been going through in the last few minutes?

23 **A** It's around the same time and right before the general  
24 election.

25 **Q** Okay. And can you read the first line of this e-mail?



1       **A**       I am told that the buy team here will be creating a  
2 dot PDF at the end of the day and texting it to LLH.

3               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Your Honor, permission  
4 to publish 243 I, which has been admitted into evidence?

5               THE COURT: Yes.

6       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you identify 243 I?

7       **A**       Yes. This is another e-mail titled OH Statewide  
8 Summary, 10.29.PDF. It's from Scott Schweitzer again with  
9 The Strategy Group Company to Megan Fitzmartin and Jeff  
10 Longstreth, the 30th of October 2018. There's an  
11 attachment. And I can read the text if you like.

12       **Q**       Yes, please.

13       **A**       This being sent to LLH via text.

14       **Q**       Now, we've been talking about Mr. Householder for a  
15 few minutes. I want to pivot here and talk about Matt  
16 Borges.

17               What was Matt Borges doing during this time based on  
18 your investigation?

19       **A**       During the 2018 time period, he was assisting several  
20 candidates that were Larry Householder candidates.

21       **Q**       And during your investigation, did you identify any  
22 records or communications related to his activities in 2018?

23       **A**       Yes, I did.

24               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time, I'd ask  
25 to publish 248 A, which is in evidence?

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you identify what 248 A  
3 is?

4 **A** Yes. This is an extraction report, so again, this is  
5 just a text message conversation. This one comes from  
6 Mr. Borges' phone.

7 **Q** And how can you tell that it comes from Mr. Borges'  
8 phone?

9 **A** So if you look at the participants, again, there's a  
10 Matthew Borges at the top and next to it it says "owner" and  
11 then also his messages below in the green, which are on the  
12 right side again because it's coming from his phone. It  
13 says "owner" next to them.

14 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, let's go ahead and read this  
15 and I'll give you a break and read the blue, since there's  
16 more text. You've been reading quite a while today.

17 From 513-668-8221, Scooter: Tyler Fehrman is still  
18 working for Stu's campaign, right?

19 **A** Matt Borges, 614-204-1050: Yes.

20 **Q** Same number and name. Louis called with a heads-up,  
21 there is a fundraiser for Yas tonight in Akron, FirstEnergy  
22 will be there. Louis believes it is unlikely that they will  
23 mention the (c)(4) CPP issue tonight, but they will probably  
24 request a meeting at a later date in which the issue could  
25 come up.

1       **A**       Matt Borges: Okay. Dave has a heads-up.

2       **Q**       Scooter, do you want me in the FES meeting?

3       **A**       Matt Borges: I have no problem with you sitting in,  
4       but if it goes long, I need you to be leading the MMJ call,  
5       and I'd rather not have you leaving the FES meeting to do  
6       that.

7       **Q**       From Scooter: Got it.

8       **A**       Matt Borges: Actually, no. I have this 11:30 call on  
9       another FES related matter and I'd rather you do that one.  
10      If they want to hire us. Could be a sort of conflict to do  
11      both, so good to keep them separate. I'll explain it all.

12      **Q**       Scooter: Okay.

13      **A**       Matt Borges: Just recommended you for this grass tops  
14      project, 6 to 7K/month. I'm going to try to push the  
15      legislative effort off on Melissa.

16      **Q**       Great. Thank you. This is the FES related project?

17      **A**       Matt Borges: Yes.

18      **Q**       Okay. Scooter: I'm happy to help on the legislative  
19      aspect as well.

20              Matt Borges: Not sure we can do both.

21      **Q**       Scooter, gotcha.

22      **A**       Matt Borges: Plus, I still have until June 1st to  
23      figure out AEP.

24      **Q**       Scooter: Ah-ha.

25              MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, is that end?

1 Okay. If we can go up to the first page again.

2 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you see the reference in the first  
3 message to Stu's campaign?

4 **A** Yes.

5 **Q** Who is Stu a reference to?

6 **A** He's a Team Householder candidate.

7 **Q** What's Stu's last name?

8 **A** Harris, I believe.

9 **Q** And what was Mr. Borges' relationship with Stu Harris  
10 in terms of campaign?

11 **A** He was assisting in running his campaign for the House  
12 of Representatives, the Ohio House of Representatives, I  
13 should say.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we go to the second  
15 page, Ms. Terry.

16 **Q** Do you see references to an FES meeting?

17 **A** Yes, I do.

18 **Q** Okay. And what are the dates of these messages  
19 generally?

20 **A** They're in mid May.

21 **Q** Okay. And so there are two different topics discussed  
22 in this, this message between Scooter and Matt Borges; is  
23 that right?

24 **A** Yes, that's correct.

25 **Q** And those topics are what?

1       **A**       The first was a discussion of the Stu Harris campaign  
2       that was ongoing at that time. And then the second one is  
3       about this sort of FES issue that they're discussing.

4               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, permission to  
5       publish 248 B, which has been admitted into evidence?

6               THE COURT: Yes.

7       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you identify 248 B for us?

8       **A**       Yes. This is another extraction report. This is from  
9       Matt Borges' phone. It's a text message conversation with  
10      Stu Harris, who we were just talking about.

11      **Q**       The Stu Harris candidate that you were referring to?

12      **A**       Yes, ma'am.

13      **Q**       And around what dates are the messages here?

14      **A**       This is a couple of days after I believe the other  
15      ones were around the 17th and this is on the 21st.

16      **Q**       Okay. And are these before or after the primary in  
17      2018?

18      **A**       These are after the primary.

19      **Q**       Okay. I'll go ahead and read the blue and then you  
20      can read the green.

21              From Stu Harris: Hey, I would like to set up a meeting  
22      with you, Jeff, and Megan to talk about the campaign going  
23      forward. Could you please give me some times? Thanks.

24              Liked.

25              Hey, I would like to set up a meeting with you and

1 Megan to set up the campaign going forward. Could you  
2 please give me some time? Thanks.

3 **A** Matt Borges: Yes, sir. In meetings will call.

4 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you see the reference to "liked" in  
5 the second blue message?

6 **A** Yes, I do.

7 **Q** Based on your training and experience, what does the  
8 "liked" mean?

9 **A** Yeah. So if you've ever used an iPhone, you can kind  
10 of hold down, press down on a message and you have the  
11 ability to like or dislike or do other sorts of emotes. So  
12 even though the iPhone sort of places them in the top corner  
13 like an image that you like something or something along  
14 those lines, the phone records those as like a separate  
15 action. So as we're doing the phone extraction, that's  
16 essentially that someone used that little emote property of  
17 an iPhone to indicate that they liked something.

18 **Q** Okay. And so the liked part of the message is  
19 actually from whom?

20 **A** The liked part of the message, it appears, would be  
21 from Mr. Borges because Stu is liking a message that he saw  
22 previously.

23 **Q** Okay. That Stu sent previously?

24 **A** Oh, yes. I'm sorry. I misspoke, yes. He's liking  
25 the message that he had just sent. I'm sorry.

1 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
2 248 C, which has been admitted?

3 THE COURT: Yes.

4 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you identify 248 C for us?

5 **A** Yes. This is another extraction report. As I had  
6 mentioned earlier, sometimes if you're in a group message,  
7 there's going to be multiple participants. Most of the ones  
8 we've been looking at so far with just between two people.  
9 This is a group message -- so this one has Jeff Longstreth,  
10 Megan Fitzmartin and Jeff Longstreth in it, and they're all  
11 listed, as you can see, under the Participant section.

12 **Q** And where did you obtain this message?

13 **A** This is from Matt Borges' phone. Again, if you look  
14 up in the participant section, you can see Matt Borges  
15 owner, and that's how you can tell that that message came  
16 from his phone.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if you could enlarge  
18 the bottom there.

19 **Q** Agent Wetzel, could you read these for us?

20 **A** Certainly. And I would say in the group message  
21 context as well that Mr. Borges' messages will still appear  
22 to the right in green as the others have, but the messages  
23 to the left are all of the ones he's receiving, so they  
24 could be coming from different people. So the top one, Stu  
25 Harris, good morning, hope everyone had a good weekend.

1       Could we please set up a time to discuss my campaign next  
2       week? I will be out all of this week with my mom's visit  
3       and 80th birthday and we travel Wednesday for Ohio high  
4       school lacrosse final four. And I have all day meetings  
5       with Nationwide Thursday. And, finally, I'll be attending  
6       the Muirfield golf tournament on Friday with Dublin  
7       officials. Thanks for all of your help and guidance, and I  
8       look forward to winning in the fall with this team.

9       **Q**       And what was the date of that message?

10      **A**       That is May 29th, 2018.

11      **Q**       Okay. And the second message, I can read. From Anna  
12      Lippincott: Lots going on, very exciting. Yes, I'll take a  
13      look at our schedules. Also May 29th, 2018.

14               MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, is that the end of the  
15      document?

16      **Q**       Okay. I can read Ms. Fitzmartin. Megan Fitzmartin:  
17      Hi there, do either 6/4 or 6/6 work? Same date.

18      **A**       And then from Stu Harris: I think both might work.  
19      Let me check. Same date.

20               And then Stu Harris says: Thanks, again, same date.

21               And then Stu Harris says: Greetings, how about Monday,  
22      June 4th, late afternoon, like 4 or 4:30? Thanks, Stu. And  
23      that is on May 31st, 2018.

24      **Q**       Okay. And Matt Borges says: Thanks, works for me.

25               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish



1 Exhibit 259, which has been admitted into evidence?

2 THE COURT: Yes.

3 Q Agent Wetzel, can you identify 259 for us?

4 A Yes. This is another Cellebrite extraction report.  
5 Again, the owner here is Matt Borges. And I would emphasize  
6 as well even though there are only two participants, it  
7 appears that they are broken out by phone number and then  
8 also there is an e-mail address there. That is just a quirk  
9 that kind of comes from an extraction with an iPhone  
10 depending on how the extraction is done, but you can see  
11 they're both listed as owner and this particular  
12 conversation came from Mr. Borges' iPhone when we imaged it.

13 Q Thank you, Agent Wetzel. If we can go ahead and read  
14 this text message, you can read the green messages.

15 A Matt Borges: We have some checks for a couple of your  
16 candidates here at Roetzel. Can someone swing by and grab  
17 them? And that was on November 1st, 2018.

18 Q From Megan Fitzmartin: Of course. Thank you.

19 All right. Agent Wetzel, what -- are you familiar with  
20 something called Roetzel?

21 A Yes, I am.

22 Q What is Roetzel?

23 A Roetzel & Andress is a law firm, and I believe that at  
24 this time Mr. Borges worked with that law firm.

25 Q And what's the date of these messages?

1       **A**       This is November 1st, 2018.

2       **Q**       How does that relate to the 2018 election cycle?

3       **A**       This is just before the general election.

4       **Q**       When you say "just before," are you talking days,  
5 weeks?

6       **A**       Days.

7       **Q**       Now, you mentioned that you analyzed a phone related  
8 to Megan Fitzmartin; is that right?

9       **A**       Yes, that's correct.

10               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, permission to  
11 publish 707 A, which has been admitted?

12               THE COURT: Yes.

13       **Q**       And, Agent Wetzel, can you identify what 707 A is?

14       **A**       Yes. This is the device report. I believe we looked  
15 at one of these for a different phone earlier, though it was  
16 awhile ago. This is essentially just the device information  
17 that is pulled off of the cell phone when we use the program  
18 on it, and so there's just a listing, for example, of the  
19 Apple ID, phone number, IEMI, essentially the properties of  
20 the device.

21       **Q**       And sometimes, Agent Wetzel, are you able to pull from  
22 a device calendar entries?

23       **A**       Yes.

24               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
25 707 D, which has been admitted?

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 Q Agent Wetzel, do you recognize 707 D?

3 A I do. These are some of the calendar entries from  
4 that phone we were just discussing.

5 Q Okay. And were you able to identify any calendar  
6 entries related to Borges in the lead-up to the 2018 general  
7 election?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Okay. And are those listed on this document?

10 A Yes. These are three calendar entries: Meeting with  
11 Borges, meeting with Borges, and call Borges.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, can we go  
13 to the last page there?

14 Q And is there an additional one on the fourth page?

15 A Yes. Schedule one plus LSH.

16 Q And what was the date of that meeting?

17 A November 27th, 2017.

18 Q Okay. And if we can go back up to the first page.

19 Okay. And the dates of the other meetings?

20 A These are all in January of 2018.

21 Q Okay. And whose phone did these calendar entries come  
22 from?

23 A I believe these came from Ms. Fitzmartin's phone.

24 Q Now, going back to Mr. Householder and his staff,  
25 before lunch you identified some different ways that he was

1 assisting candidates. Did you identify any documents  
2 related to management of media campaigns or messaging?

3 **A** Yes, I did.

4 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
5 243 D, which has been admitted?

6 THE COURT: Yes.

7 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you identify 243 D?

8 **A** Yes. This is an e-mail, subject forward LLH, Ohio  
9 House districts, it's from Jeff Longstreth and to Megan  
10 Fitzmartin.

11 **Q** Okay. And what's the date of the message?

12 **A** The 3rd of April 2018.

13 **Q** Okay. And are there any attachments related to this  
14 message?

15 **A** Yes. There were multiple attachments.

16 **Q** Okay. Do you see a message in the middle of the page  
17 there?

18 **A** Yes. It would appear that Scott Schweitzer, again  
19 with The Strategy Group Company, sent a message to Jeff  
20 Longstreth. And then at the top we see that he forwarded  
21 that message to Megan Fitzmartin.

22 **Q** And what did Mr. Schweitzer write to Mr. Longstreth?

23 **A** Jeff, attached are the reworked plans for the Ohio  
24 House races as indicated below. Please review and let me  
25 know if you would like anything adjusted. Additionally,

1 please let me know which seats you would like to see intro  
2 scripts. Thanks, Scott.

3 **Q** And the only parties on this e-mail are the two at the  
4 top, right?

5 **A** It was Mr. Schweitzer to Jeff and then Jeff to Megan  
6 Fitzmartin.

7 **Q** But I guess my point is, do you see any e-mail  
8 addresses to candidates at the top of this e-mail?

9 **A** No, there are not any.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Now, if we look at the  
11 attachments, okay, scroll to next one, and if we can just  
12 look at one of these.

13 **Q** All right. Do you see a logo at the top left of the  
14 screen?

15 **A** Yes. It says Strategy Media Placement, which is one  
16 of the Strategy Group business. There are a number of  
17 businesses that are sort of under that umbrella that are run  
18 by Mr. Schweitzer, Mr. Elsass, et cetera, and Strategic  
19 Media Placement is one of them.

20 **Q** Is this the company that you were describing earlier  
21 that was subleasing a space?

22 **A** Yes.

23 **Q** And what's the title of this document?

24 **A** Ohio Sixth House District Primary.

25 **Q** Okay. And the columns on the left?

1       **A**       Broadcast TV -- I'm sorry, do you want me to do  
2       columns or rows?

3       **Q**       I'm sorry, just the rows.

4       **A**       Broadcast TV, cable/satellite, and then radio.

5       **Q**       All right. And are -- is it fair to say that there  
6       are a number of dollar figures on the screen?

7       **A**       Yes.

8       **Q**       Okay. And if we scrolled to the next page, same  
9       thing?

10      **A**       Yes. This one is just the Ohio 19th House District  
11      primary with a similar breakout structure.

12      **Q**       Okay. And the next page?

13      **A**       The same but for the 37th House District.

14               MS. GLATFELTER: And if we scroll through the rest  
15      of them, Ms. Terry.

16      **Q**       Okay. And if we stay on this last one for a second,  
17      the bottom, does it have a dollar figure total?

18      **A**       Yes, it does. There's a grand total, cumulative grand  
19      total at the very bottom that's listed ads \$184,360.

20      **Q**       Okay. And the categories on the left part of the  
21      screen are what?

22      **A**       Broadcast TV, cable/satellite, and radio.

23               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Your Honor, if we may  
24      publish 243 C, which has been admitted?

25               THE COURT: Yes.

1       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe the document on the  
2 screen for the jury?

3       **A**       Yes. This is another document from Strategic Media  
4 Placement. I believe you received this from Ms. Fitzmartin  
5 and it just lists at the top Ohio House district media  
6 costs, 2018 general, and then there's a series of columns,  
7 and then the rows are House districts.

8       **Q**       Okay. And what do you notice, if anything, about the  
9 column on the left about districts and candidates?

10       **A**       So the districts are listed as HD with a number just  
11 as they have been through the documents we're looking at.  
12 And then the candidates listed there are all Team  
13 Householder candidates.

14       **Q**       All right. And you said this was from Strategic Media  
15 Placement?

16       **A**       That's correct.

17       **Q**       And what's the title of the document?

18       **A**       Ohio House district media costs 2018 general.

19               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Permission to publish  
20 244 C, which has been admitted?

21               THE COURT: Yes.

22       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, you mentioned you received documents  
23 from a variety of businesses. Is one of those Arena Online?

24       **A**       Yes, it is.

25       **Q**       Okay. What is Arena Online?

1       **A**       It is another company that Team Householder was using  
2       to do advertising for candidates.

3       **Q**       Okay. And if we look at the screen, can you tell us  
4       what 244 C or describe generally the Document 244 C?

5       **A**       Yeah. This is a spreadsheet. It has a series of  
6       columns, and then rows by district again. It lists  
7       district, candidate, budget, spend, and then some other  
8       categories related to date, and then total invoice on the  
9       far right.

10      **Q**       Okay. And are these broken out by House District as  
11      was the last ones from Strategic Media Placement?

12      **A**       Yes, that's right.

13               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we can zoom  
14      back out, Ms. Terry.

15      **Q**       Okay. And is there a total figure at the bottom?

16      **A**       Yes. Under March spend, the total listed is \$194,400.

17               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
18      244 D, which has been admitted?

19               THE COURT: Yes.

20      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you recognize what the first page of  
21      Exhibit 244 D is?

22      **A**       Yes. These were provided from Arena Online, just like  
23      the last document, pursuant to subpoena. This is an invoice  
24      from Arena Online to JPL & Associates.

25      **Q**       Okay. And is there -- and can you tell us what's in



1 the description column?

2 **A** Yeah. So listed below the description column, it's a  
3 candidate and then, you know, it says April/May advertising  
4 for each of them. And then there are other columns,  
5 quantity, unit price, and amount.

6 **Q** All right. And the names that are in the description  
7 column, do you recognize those names?

8 **A** Yes. Those are Team Householder members.

9 **Q** All right. Now, you said the invoice is addressed to  
10 whom?

11 **A** JPL & Associates, LLC, care of Jeff Longstreth.

12 **Q** You reviewed bank records in this case, right?

13 **A** Yes.

14 **Q** Okay. What was the relationship between JPL &  
15 Associates and Generation Now based on the bank records?

16 **A** Generation Now is funding JPL & Associates.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, permission to publish  
18 244 A, which has been admitted?

19 THE COURT: Yes.

20 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, this exhibit is several  
21 pages, so I'm going to ask Ms. Terry to scroll through these  
22 and then ask you about it.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: All right, Ms. Terry, I think  
24 that's good. Thank you.

25 **Q** Do you recognize what Government's Exhibit 244 A is?

1       **A**       Yes.  These are items that were provided by Red  
2       Maverick -- excuse me, Red Maverick.  It is e-mails and also  
3       invoices for work done for JPL & Associates for Team  
4       Householder candidates.

5       **Q**       And based on your investigation, who is Red Maverick  
6       Media?

7       **A**       The primary contact is Adam Maust.  It's a company  
8       that is doing primarily mail work, so creating the mail  
9       pieces that you might receive in the mail.

10               MS. GLATFELTER:  Okay.  And if we look at page 2,  
11       Ms. Terry -- oh, I'm sorry, page 3.

12       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, is this what you were referring a moment  
13       ago to the invoices being broken down by House District or a  
14       candidate?

15       **A**       Yes.  So this is a listing of round/candidate and then  
16       there's a list of the candidates in Ohio.  Those are all  
17       Team Householder members, and then there's a breakout of the  
18       production cost, creative and administrative cost, postage  
19       cost and then a total.

20       **Q**       You mentioned the top in terms of round, you said 7?

21       **A**       Yes, that's what's listed there.

22       **Q**       Okay.  And based on your investigation, what was the  
23       significance of Round 7?

24       **A**       There are a series of rounds that were being sent out.  
25       I don't recall how many, but there were certainly more than

1 ten, and they were sent out periodically sort of in groups  
2 as time was advancing toward the election.

3 **Q** So at least there were seven, right, as we're looking  
4 at this document between rounds?

5 **A** Yes.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we look at the next  
7 page, Ms. Terry. Okay.

8 **Q** Is this one of the invoices that you were referring to  
9 as we scrolled through the documents?

10 **A** Yes.

11 **Q** Okay. Can you describe who the invoice is to?

12 **A** Yes. This is from Red Maverick Media, LLC to JPL &  
13 Associates, Jeff Longstreth.

14 **Q** Okay. What's the difference between this document and  
15 this invoice and the one we were just looking at with the  
16 House breakdown?

17 **A** This isn't broken down in any way. It just lists a  
18 total quantity and then the description is production, and  
19 then there's just a total amount. There's no breakout about  
20 who they're, you know, working for or I should say which  
21 candidate they are doing work for.

22 **Q** Okay. And what's the description of the job on the  
23 invoice?

24 **A** Production.

25 **Q** Oh, I'm sorry. At the top there's a chart, right?

1       **A**       Yes. It lists the date as the 11th of April 2018.  
2       And then under job, it says Ohio Round 7 prod.

3               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Ms. Terry, if we can go to  
4       the next document, please?

5       **Q**       You said the previous one was production. What's this  
6       invoice for?

7       **A**       Creative/admin.

8       **Q**       Okay. And what round does this refer to?

9       **A**       This is also Round 7.

10      **Q**       Is this one broken up by House District?

11      **A**       It is not.

12              MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And the next page,  
13      Ms. Terry.

14      **Q**       And what is this invoice for?

15      **A**       Postage for Round 7 again, not broken out by any  
16      particular candidate.

17      **Q**       Now, Agent Wetzel, in your investigation, did you find  
18      any documents or communication regarding budgeting that JPL  
19      or Generation Now was doing for candidates?

20      **A**       Yes.

21              MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, permission to  
22      publish 242 A, which has been admitted?

23              THE COURT: Yes.

24      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe this document  
25      generally, 242 A?

1       **A**       Yes. This was from Ms. Lippincott pursuant to  
2       subpoena. In the left, there is an HD or House District  
3       along with the candidates and then there are several other  
4       columns, gross spend, funds received, end gross underspend  
5       along with totals.

6       **Q**       And what was Ms. Lippincott's relationship to JPL or  
7       Generation Now based on your investigation?

8       **A**       She worked for JPL.

9       **Q**       Okay. And so this chart or table came from her?

10      **A**       It did.

11               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Permission to publish  
12      242 B, which has been admitted?

13               THE COURT: Yes.

14      **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize 242 B?

15               MS. GLATFELTER: And I guess before to be fair,  
16      before I ask you that, Ms. Terry, could you scroll through a  
17      few pages to show him what 242 B is? Okay. If you can go  
18      back to the top.

19      **Q**       All right. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize what's  
20      depicted in 242 B?

21      **A**       Yes, I do.

22      **Q**       Okay. What are these?

23      **A**       This is also from Ms. Lippincott. These are campaign  
24      budgets and spend, essentially. So at the top, is the  
25      candidate, for example, this one is Brian Baldrige, total

1 cost paid with an amount, total funds raised by Team  
2 Householder with an amount, and then below that there is a  
3 breakout of the spend essentially.

4 **Q** Okay. And if we look down towards the bottom, do you  
5 see the area that says mail, literature, pieces, cost?

6 **A** Yes.

7 **Q** Okay. And are there numbers associated with those  
8 different lines or rows?

9 **A** Yes, there are. This one is 1, 2 A, 2 B, 3, 6, 7, 9,  
10 12, 8, 10, and then also one labeled gun piece and palm  
11 card.

12 **Q** Were the mail literature and pieces the type of work  
13 that Red Maverick Media was doing?

14 **A** Yes, that's correct.

15 **Q** Now, Agent Wetzel, this morning you mentioned staffing  
16 or I believe it was staffing as one of the types of support  
17 that Generation Now/JPL was using or was providing to the  
18 Team Householder candidates?

19 **A** Yes, I did.

20 **Q** Do you remember that conversation? All right.

21 Did you find any evidence that Generation Now employed  
22 anyone?

23 **A** Yes, I did.

24 **Q** Who did Generation Now employ?

25 **A** They employed -- I'm sorry, would you restate the

1 question?

2 **Q** Who did -- maybe it's the way that I asked the  
3 question.

4 Did you find employees who were regularly working for  
5 either Larry Householder or being paid through JPL?

6 **A** Yes, I did.

7 **Q** Okay. And who were those people?

8 **A** So through JPL, there was Jeff Longstreth, Megan  
9 Fitzmartin, Anna Lippincott, but also as time went on into  
10 the 2018 time period, there were other folks who were  
11 brought on at various times to do various tasks. For  
12 example, we looked at some e-mails from Dwight Crum, he was  
13 paid for his assistance. There are also some campaign staff  
14 and organizers that were brought on for a shorter period of  
15 time. There were a variety of folks who were paid that way.

16 **Q** Okay. And those people generally reported up the  
17 chain?

18 **A** Yes, that's right.

19 **Q** Who did they report to?

20 **A** Jeff.

21 MR. GLICKMAN: Objection.

22 THE COURT: Basis?

23 MR. GLICKMAN: Foundation.

24 THE COURT: Overruled. Please proceed.

25 THE WITNESS: Jeff Longstreth.

1 Q Okay. And who did Jeff Longstreth report to?

2 A Larry Householder.

3 Q Now, who -- we've mentioned a couple of names here  
4 today, such as Anna Lippincott, Brooke Bodney, and Megan  
5 Fitzmartin. Can you generally describe their roles to the  
6 jury before we proceed to the documents?

7 A Certainly. So Anna Lippincott had a bit of changing  
8 roles over time. There was a period of time when she did  
9 more fundraising. She sort of transitioned into another  
10 role. She also did a lot of clerical work. It sort of  
11 evolves a bit over time.

12 Megan Fitzmartin was hired to manage the staffing of  
13 candidates. So she sort of oversaw folks that would then  
14 work directly with the candidates, kind of like a manager of  
15 those folks, I suppose, if you will.

16 And then I think you also had said Brooke Bodney and  
17 when I mentioned her before, she's a professional fundraiser  
18 and so she assisted in raising money for Mr. Householder.

19 Q And is your testimony about their role based on  
20 reviewing records from a variety of different sources?

21 A Yes, it is.

22 Q Such as records you received from them?

23 A Correct.

24 Q Okay. Now, I want to talk about their compensation.  
25 Were -- in your investigation, how were these different



1 people compensated generally?

2 **A** They were compensated a variety of ways, and it  
3 changed, but ultimately, it was funded by Generation Now.

4 **Q** And when you say ultimately funded by, what do you  
5 mean?

6 **A** So there's a period of time where the money passes  
7 from Generation Now to JPL and then JPL might write someone  
8 a check. There was also a period of time where JPL was  
9 using Paychex, which is like a service that does payroll,  
10 but then obviously it was still funded out of the bank  
11 account of JPL, which was funded by Generation Now. There  
12 may also have been some wire transfers, I can't recall  
13 specifically, but there were a variety of ways, but  
14 ultimately, the funding came through JPL from Generation  
15 Now.

16 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. May we please show the  
17 witness Exhibit 246, which has been admitted, Your Honor?

18 THE COURT: Yes.

19 **Q** Okay. Agent Wetzel, what is this document, first of  
20 all, 246?

21 **A** This is an e-mail from Jeff Longstreth's Gmail  
22 account. It is from Bryan Gray to Jeff Longstreth and Megan  
23 Fitzmartin.

24 **Q** Okay. And who's Bryan Gray?

25 **A** Bryan Gray is a person who works for Mr. Householder.

1 Q Now, what's the subject matter?

2 A Field staff.

3 Q And the date of this e-mail?

4 A It's June 8th, 2018.

5 Q Okay. And how does that relate to the election cycle?

6 A So it is after the primary but before the general  
7 election.

8 Q Okay. And if you can read the e-mail for us?

9 A Please see the attached document regarding field staff  
10 deployments and pay. I would like to call through this  
11 evening and offer some of these folks the position. Best  
12 regards, Bryan Gray.

13 Q And was there an attachment to this e-mail?

14 A Yes, there was.

15 Q And what was the name of the attachment?

16 A Fieldstaff.XLSX.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can please see  
18 the attachment.

19 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you describe the columns at  
20 the top -- yeah, the columns at the top of the page for us?

21 A Sure. So under the Field Staff heading, there is a  
22 candidate member, and then candidate, deployment date, and  
23 pay.

24 Q All right. And the names in the left column, do you  
25 recognize those names?

1       **A**       Yes. Those are Team Householder candidates.

2       **Q**       All right. What about the names in the second row,  
3       such as Jordan Tidwell?

4       **A**       Yeah. So these are folks that they were exploring the  
5       possibility of deploying in this field staff for the folks  
6       that are listed to the left. So, for example, Mr. Tidwell  
7       that you mentioned, it would appear, was candidate member  
8       for I can't say November.

9       **Q**       And did you find any correlation between some of the  
10       names listed in the second column and other records from  
11       sources like Paychex or JPL?

12       **A**       Yes, I did.

13       **Q**       And what did you find?

14       **A**       That these folks were paid through Paychex.

15               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. May I please show the  
16       witness what's been admitted as 247?

17               THE COURT: Yes.

18       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this document?

19       **A**       I do. So when we send a subpoena to Paychex, in  
20       addition to the actual payroll records, they provide us with  
21       a sort of a full sort of account of the documents they've  
22       received related to the subpoenaing party. In this case,  
23       this is just like a -- it's called an enroll client. It's  
24       just like a new client form, like getting you started, and  
25       so there's client enrollment information that's listed

1 there, and the client company here is JPL & Associates. And  
2 then there's other information listed as well.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Ms. Terry, if we can  
4 scroll through the document for a moment. I'll tell you  
5 where to stop. Okay. If we can stop here as an example.

6 **Q** Agent Wetzel, can you explain to the jury what is on  
7 page 2 of the Paychex records?

8 **A** Yes. So on this we see in the top left corner there's  
9 kind of like an identification, this is the JPL & Associates  
10 LLC account. And then the employee name, these are -- that  
11 is who the check is issued to, so in this case, these are  
12 payees that are going to Anna Lippincott. And then in the  
13 next column, it says that it's a 1099 compensation, and then  
14 there's a date listed, for example, the top one is  
15 October 2nd, 2018. And then to the right, we see an amount  
16 which is \$10,226.32. And then all the way -- then we see  
17 withholdings and deductions which in this case there are not  
18 any and then there's a net pay allocations at the far right.

19 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, if we go back to the first page of  
20 this exhibit, all right, and where were the funds for the  
21 Paychex account coming from?

22 **A** JPL & Associates.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: May I please show the witness  
24 Exhibit 249, and this has not been admitted, Your Honor,  
25 yet?

1 THE COURT: Yes, just the witness.

2 Q Agent Wetzel, do you recognize Exhibit 249?

3 A Yes, I do.

4 Q What is it?

5 A This is a chart of payments from the JPL account 9192  
6 and it's broken down to a series of columns. On the left is  
7 the staffer, and then there are several time periods, 2017  
8 primary election period, general election period, and then  
9 there's a total column, and then an exhibit column which is  
10 where that data is found.

11 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, did you help prepare this  
12 document?

13 A Yes, I did.

14 Q And can you tell -- tell us how or what sources of  
15 information you used to prepare this document?

16 A Yeah. So we used both bank records for JPL, the 9192  
17 account specifically, but also we received records from  
18 Paychex on a couple of occasions, and so we went through  
19 both, and were able to tell. The reason why we had to go to  
20 the Paychex level is because the withdrawal of funds from  
21 the JPL 9192 account to Paychex is like a total, right, it's  
22 a full amount, so in order to understand who the money was  
23 specifically allocated to, we had to look at that chart we  
24 were just looking at to say on this day, this person  
25 received a certain amount, which is like a subtotal of the

1 total because there were folks employed.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, at this time, I would  
3 ask permission -- or I'd ask to admit Exhibit 249.

4 THE COURT: Any objection?

5 MR. GLICKMAN: No, Judge.

6 MR. LONG: No, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: It's admitted.

8 MS. GLATFELTER: And may we publish it to the jury?

9 THE COURT: Yes, show the jury.

10 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, the first column is called  
11 what?

12 **A** Staffer.

13 **Q** All right. And what time period did you look at in  
14 creating this chart?

15 **A** So this begins January 1st of 2017 and runs through  
16 the 31st of December, 2018.

17 **Q** So through the period of the general election, maybe a  
18 month afterwards?

19 **A** Yes, that's right.

20 **Q** Okay. And what is this chart overall, what is the  
21 point of this chart overall?

22 **A** It's essentially how much each of these individuals  
23 were paid related to their various staffing projects. And  
24 so you can look at a staffer, take for example, Ryan Cole  
25 Ross at the top, so he was not paid in 2017, nor was he paid

1 from January 1st, 2018, through May 8th of 2018, that's why  
2 those columns are left blank, but then from May 9th, 2018,  
3 to December 1st, 2018, he was paid \$9,600 and then the total  
4 obviously is just that one column because he was only paid  
5 in that period and then that information can be found in  
6 Exhibit 247.

7 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, what was the total amount paid to  
8 these staffers between 2017 and 2018?

9 **A** \$577,812.79.

10 **Q** And what account did that come out of?

11 **A** Those are all paid by the 9192 account of JPL &  
12 Associates.

13 **Q** And how are these staffers -- how do these staffers  
14 connect with the Team Householder candidates, if at all?

15 **A** Sure. Like we were looking at earlier, some of them  
16 were directly assigned to assist candidates on a one on one  
17 basis, like field staff. Some of the other folks were  
18 working at a higher level, like Anna Lippincott, for  
19 example, or Megan Fitzmartin, kind of managing more broadly,  
20 but there is some of each.

21 **Q** Now, we talked about fundraising a little bit. Did  
22 you find any evidence during your investigation that  
23 indicated Householder and Longstreth were assisting recruits  
24 with fundraising?

25 **A** Yes, I did.

1 Q And generally, how were they assisting in fundraising?

2 A There's a few ways that you can assist someone with  
3 fundraising. In this case, certainly, there's, you know,  
4 coaching, making appointments with a fundraiser to help them  
5 make calls and things like that and it appears as though  
6 that occurred. But also you can make fundraising calls on  
7 someone's behalf.

8 Q Now, did you find any communications about this first  
9 category, the introductions?

10 A Yes.

11 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. If we may show the  
12 witness or show -- pardon me. If we may publish 250 A,  
13 which has been admitted into evidence?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you identify 250 A for us,  
16 please?

17 A Yes. This is an e-mail from Jeff Longstreth's Gmail  
18 account between Jeff Longstreth and Michael Dowling,  
19 subject, oops.

20 Q Okay. And Michael Dowling, remind us who he is.

21 A He is an executive vice president of FirstEnergy at  
22 the time and governmental affairs.

23 Q And is he identified on this e-mail?

24 A Yes, he is.

25 Q Okay. Can you circle that for the jury, please?



1       **A**       I don't think it's --

2                   MS. GLATFELTER: It's not working. Ms. Santoro,  
3       may we have the ability to circle? Thank you. Not like  
4       that, Agent Wetzel.

5                   THE WITNESS: (Witness writing.)

6       **Q**       All right. So the time period of this e-mail is when?

7       **A**       This is in June of 2017.

8       **Q**       Okay. And if we look at the first e-mail, which would  
9       be the bottom e-mail, right?

10      **A**       Yes.

11      **Q**       Okay. What's the date of that e-mail?

12      **A**       June 18, 2017.

13      **Q**       And who is that e-mail from?

14      **A**       That is from Michael Dowling to Jeff Longstreth.

15      **Q**       Okay. And can you read that for us, please?

16      **A**       Jeff, looking over some notes and saw a note to myself  
17      to find out what, if any, Thursday night would work for  
18      Chuck Jones to attend Larry's candidate day. Sorry, but I  
19      haven't checked into that yet. I will unless I missed my  
20      window, let me know, thanks. With his signature block.

21      **Q**       And does Mr. Longstreth respond to the e-mail?

22      **A**       He does.

23      **Q**       Okay. And what does he say?

24      **A**       Hi, Mike, no worries, we're just looking for a date  
25      between now and September. We think it would be great to

1 introduce our candidates to him and FE, thanks, Jeff.

2 **Q** Now, Agent Wetzel, during your investigation, did you  
3 obtain a calendar that Mr. Householder and Mr. Longstreth  
4 shared?

5 **A** Yes.

6 **Q** All right.

7 MS. GLATFELTER: Permission to publish Exhibit 240  
8 E, which is in evidence?

9 THE COURT: Yes.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Oh, sorry, 204 E. I transposed my  
11 numbers. That's also in evidence.

12 THE COURT: You can publish it.

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

14 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this  
15 document?

16 **A** Yes, I do.

17 **Q** What is this?

18 **A** So this is a -- this is a calendar that was in the  
19 possession of Anna Lippincott and on here and there's  
20 multiple pages of this that go with date, there's the  
21 bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com calendar that's pictured there in  
22 green, and we talked about previously that that was one of  
23 Mr. Householder's e-mails, so that is his calendar. And  
24 then there is also a jefflongstreth@gmail.com calendar that  
25 you'll see along the top in gray, and so those events are

1 coming from his calendar, and also in yellow is just a  
2 generic holidays of the United States calendar.

3 **Q** Okay. And where did you obtain this calendar from?

4 **A** This was in the possession of Ms. Lippincott who gave  
5 it to us pursuant to subpoena.

6 **Q** How voluminous is this calendar?

7 **A** It's large.

8 **Q** Do you see at the top where it says 1 of 260?

9 **A** Yes.

10 **Q** Does that sound about right, 260 pages?

11 **A** Yes.

12 **Q** Let me ask you this --

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, can you scroll to the  
14 last page, please?

15 **Q** Okay. And what time period does this calendar end,  
16 Agent Wetzel?

17 **A** This calendar here appears to end July 21st of 2020.

18 MS. GLATFELTER: And if we go back up to the first  
19 page again, Ms. Terry.

20 **Q** It starts when?

21 **A** January 1st of 2017.

22 **Q** Now, you mentioned the e-mail addresses at the top.  
23 One is jefflongstreth@gmail.com. Is that -- how does that  
24 account relate to your search warrants in this case?

25 **A** So when I've been mentioning in the past that we

1 received those e-mails from a search warrant of Jeff  
2 Longstreth's Gmail, that is that same account.

3 **Q** All right. And bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com, is that an  
4 e-mail address that you recognize from other documents?

5 **A** Yes, it is. It belongs to Mr. Householder.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: May I please publish 202 E, which  
7 has been admitted?

8 THE COURT: Yes.

9 **Q** Okay. And, Agent Wetzel, can you describe 202 E?

10 **A** Yes. This is an e-mail from the Google calendar  
11 application on behalf of bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com and it's  
12 to jefflongstreth@gmail.com. The e-mail just says: "Hello,  
13 jefflongstreth@gmail.com, we are writing to let you know  
14 that bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com has given you access to view  
15 events in the Google calendar called,

16 bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com. We've automatically added this  
17 to your Google calendar account. You can hide or completely  
18 remove this account at any time, the Google calendar team."

19 **Q** All right. Is bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com the e-mail  
20 address at the top of the calendar we were looking at  
21 previously?

22 **A** Yes.

23 **Q** And you mentioned that -- I believe you mentioned, it  
24 was last Tuesday that you obtained search warrants for  
25 Mr. Householder's phones?

1       **A**       Yes, that's correct.

2       **Q**       And did you obtain calendar entries from those search  
3 warrants?

4       **A**       Yes, I did.

5               MS. GLATFELTER: If we can look at Exhibit 203 A,  
6 Your Honor, which has been admitted?

7               THE COURT: Yes. Show it to the jury.

8               MS. GLATFELTER: And if we may enlarge the bottom  
9 portion of that document.

10       **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize Exhibit 203 A?

11       **A**       Yes. This is another extraction report. This is  
12 coming from one of Mr. Householder's phones.

13       **Q**       Okay. And is this the calendar portion of that  
14 extraction?

15       **A**       It is, indeed, yes.

16       **Q**       Okay. Do you see anywhere on the document blue suede  
17 loafers, that same e-mail address?

18       **A**       Yes. So in the left columns there's a start time end  
19 time and subject and so on in the middle and to the right is  
20 some of the details about that. So under category, in the  
21 right-most column, you see bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com.

22       **Q**       And can you circle that for us, Agent Wetzel?

23       **A**       (Witness writing.)

24       **Q**       Now, how does that -- how does this calendar correlate  
25 to the one we were looking at initially, Ms. Lippincott's

1 calendar?

2 **A** It's the same calendar.

3 **Q** Now, if we go back to 204 E on page 19, that was the  
4 calendar we started with. Okay. And to orient ourselves,  
5 Agent Wetzel, what does the green correspond to on the  
6 calendar?

7 **A** The green is the bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com calendar.

8 **Q** Okay. And the gray is?

9 **A** Mr. Longstreth, jefflongstreth@gmail.com.

10 **Q** Okay. And I am --

11 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we -- I seem to  
12 have an error in my notes on an exhibit number. Would it be  
13 time to take an afternoon break at this point?

14 THE COURT: It would be perfect.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you.

16 THE COURT: We've reached our midafternoon break,  
17 about 3:00. We're going to break for 20 minutes. Jurors,  
18 as you know, during the break, take a break. No discussion  
19 of the case even among yourselves, no discussion with  
20 anyone. Do not conduct any independent research and  
21 remember to keep an open mind until you've heard all of the  
22 evidence. Out of respect for you, we'll rise as you leave  
23 for your 20-minute break.

24 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

25 (Jury exited the courtroom at 2:57 p.m.)

1 THE COURT: You may all be seated. The jury has  
2 left the courtroom and the door is closing. As always,  
3 we'll remain in place until we've been advised that the jury  
4 has cleared the hallway. Okay. 20-minute break. Take a  
5 break. We're in recess until that time.

6 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is in recess for  
7 20 minutes. Do not discuss your testimony.

8 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

9 (Recess taken from 2:58 p.m. to 3:20 p.m.)

10 THE DEPUTY: All rise. This court is in session  
11 pursuant to the recess.

12 THE COURT: Thank you. Please be seated. Are we  
13 ready for the jury from the government's perspective?

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes, Your Honor.

15 THE COURT: From Mr. Householder's perspective?

16 MR. GLICKMAN: Yes, Judge.

17 THE COURT: Mr. Borges as well?

18 MR. SCHNEIDER: We're fine.

19 THE COURT: Let's call for the jury, please.

20 I anticipate stopping at 4:30.

21 (Pause.)

22 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

23 (Jury entered the courtroom at 3:23 p.m.)

24 THE COURT: The jurors can be seated as they join  
25 us. You may all be seated. Thank you. Jurors are returned

1 to the courtroom. I hope you had a decent break. I've been  
2 watching, you guys are on task and concentrating. We  
3 appreciate your work. Getting close to the end of the day.

4 Ms. Glatfelter, you may continue to examine the  
5 witness.

6 MS. GLATFELTER: Thank you, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: You're welcome.

8 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, before the break, we were  
9 talking generally about fundraising; do you remember that?

10 **A** I do.

11 **Q** Okay. And also we were looking at some calendars?

12 **A** That's correct.

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. If we can go back to one of  
14 the calendars that we were looking at before the break,  
15 which is 204 E, and page 76.

16 **Q** Okay. To reorient us, can you tell us again whose  
17 calendar this is?

18 **A** Yes. So this was again in the possession of Ms.  
19 Lippincott, and there are two sort of things here to bear in  
20 mind. There's the green calendar, which is the  
21 bluesuedeloafers@gmail.com calendar that is  
22 Mr. Householder's calendar and then also the one depicted in  
23 gray is the jefflongstreth@gmail.com calendar belonging to  
24 Mr. Longstreth.

25 **Q** And those two -- are those two calendars integrated



1 into this document?

2 **A** Yes, they are.

3 **Q** Now, we were talking about fundraising before the  
4 break, and during your investigation, did you find anything  
5 related to candidate fundraising days?

6 **A** Yes.

7 **Q** Okay. Can you explain that to the jury?

8 **A** Yes. Candidate fundraising day is again -- people  
9 that are not politicians may not necessarily be familiar  
10 with best practices or how to fundraise. It's a little bit  
11 of a foreign concept unless you've worked with it before,  
12 and so a candidate fundraising day is a way to sort of  
13 educate on best practices, how to do it, scripts, those  
14 kinds of things, but also there might be assistants, someone  
15 sits with you, they tell you about the person you're  
16 calling, those manner of things as well in an attempt to  
17 help make you more successful when you cold call someone and  
18 ask them for money.

19 **Q** And, Agent Wetzel, what you just described, is that  
20 based on your review of the documents we're going to look at  
21 in a few minutes?

22 **A** Indeed.

23 **Q** Okay. Now, did you find examples of communications  
24 about candidate fundraising days in the business records  
25 that you reviewed?

1       **A**       Yes, I did.

2       **Q**       Okay. And if we look at the screen on Government's  
3 Exhibit 204 do you see a reference to one of those candidate  
4 fundraising days?

5       **A**       Yes. There's a hold on Mr. Householder's blue suede  
6 loafers calendar on the 12th of January, and it says: Hold,  
7 candidate fundraising day 9:00 a.m. until 20 p.m.

8       **Q**       And did you find communications about this particular  
9 candidate fundraising day?

10      **A**       Yes.

11                   MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, if we may  
12 publish Exhibit 251, which has been admitted?

13                   THE COURT: Yes.

14      **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you describe 251 in terms of  
15 what type of document this is?

16      **A**       This is another one of those extraction reports we've  
17 been discussing. It is a text message, a conversation  
18 between Megan Fitzmartin, who is the owner, and Jeff  
19 Longstreth.

20      **Q**       Okay. And from about what time period are we talking  
21 about?

22      **A**       So the first message is January 9th of 2018.

23      **Q**       Okay. And if you can read those messages. Once  
24 Ms. Terry enlarges them, if you can read the ones in the  
25 blue?

1       **A**       From Jeff Longstreth:  FYI, I'm picking up SLH at 9  
2       a.m. and taking him to Brooks at 9:45.  Then I'm headed to  
3       meet with Byers/Minton.  Happy to have the utilities  
4       planning meeting later in the day.

5       **Q**       Megan Fitzmartin:  Okay, thanks.

6       **A**       And then there's a blank message from Mr. Longstreth.

7       **Q**       Okay.  And did you come to find out what utilities  
8       planning meeting or utilities meeting referenced based on  
9       your review of the documents?

10      **A**       Yes.  So there was a utilities day that was planned  
11      for Team Householder candidates.  It was a time to bring in  
12      folks from the utilities and introduce them to Team  
13      Householder members, you know, kind of a get to know you  
14      kind of meeting.

15               MS. GLATFELTER:  Your Honor, may we publish 252,  
16      which has been admitted?

17               THE COURT:  Yes.

18      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you describe the Document 252?

19      **A**       Yes.  This is an e-mail, recovered from Jeff  
20      Longstreth's Gmail account.  It's from Ty Pine to Jeff  
21      Longstreth, subject candidates.  And it was sent Thursday,  
22      January 11, 2018.

23      **Q**       Okay.  Is that close in time to the calendar entry  
24      that we saw before?

25      **A**       The day before.

1 Q Okay. Now, Ty Pine, is his title listed on this  
2 document?

3 A Yes. He's the director of state affairs for  
4 FirstEnergy Corporation.

5 Q Okay. And what does the message say?

6 A Please have the attached PowerPoint loaded into  
7 computer and put it up on the screen when we meet with the  
8 candidates. Is that doable? And then his signature block.

9 Q All right. And was there an attachment to this  
10 e-mail?

11 A Yes, there was. There was a PowerPoint.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, can you show us  
13 the first page of that PowerPoint?

14 Q Okay. Is this the PowerPoint that you're referring  
15 to?

16 THE COURT: Is this in evidence?

17 MS. GLATFELTER: Yes. It's attached to this  
18 message, Your Honor. I'm sorry.

19 THE COURT: All right.

20 Q And this is part of the e-mail that you were  
21 referencing before?

22 A Correct. This is the attachment to that e-mail.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Your Honor, may we  
24 please publish Exhibit 253, which has been admitted?

25 THE COURT: Yes.

1 Q Agent Wetzel, what is Government Exhibit 253?

2 A This another extraction report. This is from Ms.  
3 Fitzmartin's phone. It's a conversation with Ms. Fitzmartin  
4 and Mr. Longstreth.

5 Q All right. And if you can tell us the starting date  
6 of these messages.

7 A The first -- the first message is dated January 11th,  
8 2018.

9 Q Okay. And how does that relate to the e-mail that we  
10 just saw?

11 A It's from the same day as the e-mail.

12 Q Okay. If you read the blue messages, I'll read the  
13 green messages.

14 A Jeff Longstreth, do we have bios of the candidates?  
15 Mike Carey is looking for something he can show Mr. Murray.

16 Q Megan Fitzmartin: For the vast majority. Do you want  
17 the full bios, Ty request -- for the vast majority. Do you  
18 want the full bios? Ty requested an abbreviated version  
19 with two or -- sorry, two hyphen three sentences on each  
20 with pictures, so I also have that.

21 A Jeff Longstreth: Just abbreviated. I'm on with Ty  
22 now.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: And the next page, Ms. Terry.

24 Q Ms. Fitzmartin, or Megan Fitzmartin: Got it. Just  
25 sent it over to you. I'll be back upstairs in a second, in

1 a sec.

2 **A** Mr. Longstreth sends a PowerPoint. And then below  
3 that: Dayton and Duke are both coming tomorrow.

4 **Q** Okay. Ms. Fitzmartin: Great, just shot back our  
5 edited doc to Dwight and Brian to add them.

6 **A** Jeff Longstreth: Thanks.

7 **Q** Of course. Cleaned up -- Megan Fitzmartin: Cleaned  
8 up Dwight's new brief and shot it over to you. If you're  
9 okay with it, would like to e-mail it out. E-mail out.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. We can go to -- or we  
11 can stop, Ms. Terry, for a moment.

12 Now, Your Honor, may we publish 254 which has been  
13 admitted?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize 254?

16 **A** I do.

17 **Q** Okay. And what is it?

18 **A** This is an e-mail from Mr. Longstreth to Ty Pine with  
19 a cc of Mike Carey, Subject: Candidate briefs. And it was  
20 sent on Thursday, January 11th, 2018.

21 **Q** And who is Mike Carey?

22 **A** Mike Carey at the time was the head of government  
23 affairs and other things for Murray Energy.

24 **Q** Was he referenced in the previous text message?

25 **A** Yes.

1 Q Okay. And T Pine at FirstEnergy Corp., who is that?

2 A That is Ty Pine's e-mail address at the FirstEnergy  
3 Corporation.

4 Q And is there an attachment to this e-mail?

5 A Yes. Mr. Longstreth attaches candidate briefs  
6 January 12th DOT doc X and says: Please see attached,  
7 thanks, Jeff, with his signature block.

8 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, if we can  
9 see the attachment that's part of this exhibit.

10 Q Okay. The title of the attachment?

11 A 9:00 a.m. candidate meeting.

12 Q Okay. And if you can read the first two for us, first  
13 two paragraphs.

14 A Tim Barhorst, HD 19. Tim Barhorst is the founder and  
15 president of Business Partners, Inc. Tim and his firm serve  
16 the central Ohio marketplace as a full-service and  
17 comprehensive employee benefits and financial planning  
18 group. He currently serves as vice legislative chair for  
19 the Ohio Association of Health Underwriters, board member  
20 and legislative co-chairman of the Columbus Association of  
21 Health Underwriters.

22 Second paragraph: Stu Harris, HD 21. Stu Harris is  
23 assistant general counsel at Nationwide Insurance. Prior to  
24 that, he was an associate at Kegler, Brown, Hill & Ritter.  
25 Since 2005, he has served as an at-large member on the

1 Dublin City School Board.

2 **Q** Agent Wetzel --

3 MS. GLATFELTER: If we scroll through the rest of  
4 this exhibit, Ms. Terry.

5 **Q** -- do you recognize these names?

6 **A** Yes.

7 **Q** And how do these relate, if at all, to the chart that  
8 you prepared of the 2018 primaries?

9 **A** These are Team Householder members.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we publish 255 A,  
11 which has been admitted?

12 THE COURT: Yes.

13 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this document?

14 **A** Yes, I do.

15 **Q** What is it?

16 **A** So this is from Ms. Fitzmartin. It's a briefing for  
17 January 12, 2018, and it's a list of folks that would be  
18 attending and then also a bit about them on the utilities  
19 side.

20 **Q** Okay. And do you see Ty Pine, FirstEnergy, listed  
21 here?

22 **A** I do. It's the third paragraph.

23 **Q** Okay. And can you read that paragraph for us?

24 **A** Ty Pine, FirstEnergy is one of the largest investor  
25 and utilities in America and is headquartered in Akron.



1 They employ about 10,000 people across Ohio, western  
2 Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey. Their  
3 fleet generates annually around 16,000 megawatts of  
4 electricity. FirstEnergy Solutions, a competitive  
5 subsidiary owns the only two nuclear plants in Ohio.  
6 FirstEnergy's generation fleet is also one of the largest  
7 coal fleets located in the Midwest.

8 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, the date on this document,  
9 how does it relate to the candidate briefing document that  
10 we just saw?

11 **A** This is the day after. We were looking at documents  
12 from the 11th. This is titled January 12th.

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Ms. Terry, if we can  
14 go back to the exhibit we started with, which is  
15 Exhibit 204, the calendar, which is admitted, and go back to  
16 page 76.

17 **Q** Okay. And the document we just saw with the date of  
18 January 12th, how does that relate to the calendar entry  
19 here?

20 **A** We see that on the 12th, there is a hold for a  
21 candidate fundraising day.

22 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, may we publish  
23 Exhibit 256 B, which is in evidence?

24 THE COURT: Yes.

25 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you identify 256 B?

1       **A**       This is another extraction report. This is from  
2       Fitzgerald's phone. It's a conversation with Jeff  
3       Longstreth.

4       **Q**       Okay. And what is the date of these messages?

5       **A**       The messages is January 13, 2018.

6       **Q**       All right. I'll read the green messages if you read  
7       the blue.

8               Megan Fitzmartin: This Friday I think it would be good  
9       to ask Chris to be there and we can have him chat with our  
10       candidates about messaging and having their memorize 2 to --  
11       or sorry 2, 3-minute pitch.

12              Megan Fitzmartin: Thoughts? Some have it, others  
13       don't, but I think everyone can benefit from an overview.

14       **A**       Jeff Longstreth: Great idea. One question everyone  
15       will get is, why are you running? I'll text him, do we have  
16       a schedule yet.

17              MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can go to the  
18       next page.

19       **Q**       Megan Fitzmartin: Exactly.

20              Megan Fitzmartin: No. I was going to have it  
21       finalized Monday. Wanted to understand how yesterday went  
22       to make any changes.

23       **A**       Jeff Longstreth: I would suggest no more than two  
24       groups of candidates at 1:30 for each meeting. They don't  
25       really want to get to know the candidates. They want the

1 candidates to get to know them.

2 Jeff Longstreth: How many candidates do we have  
3 confirmed?

4 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin: Every candidate we invited has that  
5 date held. 1.5 hours, question mark. I thought we had the  
6 guys from 10 to 2, question mark.

7 **A** Jeff Longstreth: Yes, 1.5 dash 2 hours would be good  
8 for each meeting. I found two small problems with the  
9 meetings yesterday. One, they were too short. Two, by the  
10 third meeting the utilities were getting bored of hearing  
11 and repeating their own material. I had to ask a lot of  
12 questions and drag the info out of them.

13 Jeff Longstreth: The third meeting wasn't too short,  
14 but that's because the utilities were much less engaging.

15 Jeff Longstreth: Can you remind me how many candidates  
16 we invited? I can't seem to find that document. Also, I  
17 would add an extra half hour for the lobbyist to arrive and  
18 get settled before we bring the candidates in.

19 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin: I agree with all of those changes.  
20 Megan Fitzmartin, 12, not Roemer, Jordan, Garrett or Faber.

21 Megan Fitzmartin: I guess I should say all have it  
22 held but Plummer since he did not call me.

23 **A** Jeff Longstreth: Okay, I'll follow up with Plummer.  
24 I'd say two groups of six would be perfect. We should  
25 probably plan to do this on the fourth floor since the table

1 is bigger.

2 **Q** Sounds good.

3 **A** Jeff Longstreth: I think they told us we have them  
4 from 10-dash 4. What do you think about the schedule? Time  
5 built in for delays. 10:30 dash 12:30 meeting,  
6 candidates/SLH/lobbyists, 12:30-1:30, lunch, lobbyists/SLH,  
7 1:30-3:30 meeting candidates/SLH/lobbyists.

8 **Q** Megan Fitzmartin: I think that's great. Half hour  
9 for candidates to meet with Chris.

10 **A** Jeff Longstreth: I would suggest we stage the  
11 candidates up on 25 and keep the lobbyists on 4.

12 **Q** Yeah, that makes sense.

13 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, can we go to the first  
14 page of this again?

15 **Q** Okay. And these messages were on January 13th, 2018?

16 **A** That's correct.

17 **Q** Okay. If we can go --

18 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we may publish 256  
19 A, which is admitted?

20 THE COURT: Yes.

21 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you recognize 256 A?

22 **A** I do. This is another extraction report from Megan  
23 Fitzmartin's phone. It's a conversation between Megan  
24 Fitzmartin and Jeff Longstreth.

25 **Q** Okay. And what are the dates of these messages?

1       **A**       They begin on January 12th of 2018.

2       **Q**       Is that the same day as the utilities day?

3       **A**       Yes, that's correct.

4       **Q**       And if we can read these messages, again, I'll be  
5 green if this time you are gray.

6       **A**       Okay. Jeff Longstreth: Will you please share the cc  
7 endorsement committee list with Borges and see how many  
8 friends we have?

9       **Q**       Megan Fitzmartin: Okay. I can talk about some of  
10 them.

11           Megan Fitzmartin: Kaiser wants to come over Monday  
12 anyway. Want to schedule a meeting and get a strategy in  
13 place.

14       **A**       Jeff Longstreth: Probably. We have a kitchen cabinet  
15 group text going on right now regarding it.

16       **Q**       Megan Fitzmartin: Okay.

17           Megan Fitzmartin: Frost should be able to get to Lamb.  
18 I know Talmage, Carnes, Goodman, Simon. Obviously, BDM  
19 won't be gettable.

20           Megan Fitzmartin: We're getting to a non-endorsement,  
21 correct?

22       **A**       Jeff Longstreth: Our goal is no endorsements in open  
23 seat primaries. We don't care if they endorse elected  
24 Republican incumbents.

25       **Q**       Megan Fitzmartin: Yeah, I was talking about opens.

1       **A**       Jeff Longstreth:  Yep.

2       **Q**       Okay.  And can you read the last message on this page?

3       **A**       Jeff Longstreth:  Thanks for all of your hard work  
4       planning and executing today.  SLH and I thought it went  
5       great.  I think all of our guests thought it went well too  
6       and I think our candidates were all very impressive, even  
7       Reggie.  Have a great weekend.

8       **Q**       All right.  Agent Wetzel, in the context of  
9       fundraising, did you find any documents indicating that  
10      Mr. Householder's staff were tracking the funds raised by  
11      their candidates?

12      **A**       Yes.

13               MS. GLATFELTER:  Your Honor, may we publish 257 B,  
14      which has been admitted?

15               THE COURT:  Yes.

16      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you identify 257 B for us?

17      **A**       Yes.  This is an e-mail from Anna Lippincott to Jeff  
18      Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin.  Subject:  Candidate  
19      fundraising breakdown.

20      **Q**       Okay.  And you said it's to Jeff Longstreth?

21      **A**       That's correct, yes, it is.

22      **Q**       And where did you recover the document from?

23      **A**       This is from Jeff Longstreth's, Jeff Longstreth's  
24      Gmail we've been talking about.

25      **Q**       And is there an attachment?

1       **A**       There is. It's breakdown dash candidate  
2 fundraising.XLSX.

3       **Q**       And does Ms. Lippincott write to Mr. Longstreth?

4       **A**       Please see the attached overview. The tabs within the  
5 spreadsheet specifies where the money is from. Some  
6 potential donor options. Jeff, I printed out copies of the  
7 spreads and left them on your desk, but they printed on  
8 multiple sheets because of their size. Megan, it's in the  
9 Householder candidates Dropbox if you want to make any  
10 changes to it. Hope this helps. Thanks, Anna.

11                   MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can see the  
12 attachment that is attached to this exhibit.

13       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, can you read the columns across the top  
14 for us?

15       **A**       Yes. Starting on the left, HD, candidate, budget,  
16 cash on hand, total raised, dollar sign raised from HH,  
17 source raised from HH, dollar sign raised from candidate,  
18 dollar sign raised from self, dollar sign pledged from HH,  
19 source pledged from HH, dollar sign pledged from candidate,  
20 dollar sign outstanding from HH, source outstanding from HH,  
21 dollar sign outstanding from candidate, upcoming events.

22       **Q**       Okay. And if we can go across the first row there as  
23 an example, what is the HD referred to there?

24       **A**       That's the House District.

25       **Q**       And how do you know that?

1       **A**       Because I am able to -- throughout the investigation,  
2       I became familiar with the folks, and so the candidate is  
3       Faber, the HD or House District he is running in is 84.

4       **Q**       Okay. And what was his budget listed as?

5       **A**       \$25,000.

6       **Q**       Cash on hand?

7       **A**       \$75,000.

8       **Q**       Total raised?

9       **A**       \$94,707.

10      **Q**       Okay. And money raised from HH?

11      **A**       29,707.

12      **Q**       Source raised from HH?

13      **A**       SLH, FE, Boich.

14      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you know what "Boich" means?

15      **A**       Yes. Boich is a company. The Boich companies, they  
16      have a variety of things that they do, but a part of their  
17      business is they are a coal broker, and they are the coal  
18      broker for FirstEnergy.

19      **Q**       And do you see FirstEnergy abbreviation in that box?

20      **A**       Yes, FE is listed there.

21      **Q**       And what is FE next to?

22      **A**       SLH.

23      **Q**       Okay.

24                   MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can scroll  
25      through the next pages of this document. Okay. We can stop



1 there.

2 **Q** The pages that we went through, this is Page No. 6,  
3 the previous pages, were they similar?

4 **A** Yes.

5 **Q** Okay. And the names in those pages pertain to who?

6 **A** Those are Team Householder candidates.

7 **Q** Okay. And this page, what are the columns referenced  
8 here?

9 **A** So on the left is HD, candidate, Murray PAC,  
10 FirstEnergy, Boich, Totman, Szollosi, SLH -- excuse me.  
11 Then, Willie, AEP, Alexander, laborers, Clark, R. King,  
12 Summit, Cuyahoga, Wise, Goal, and then Total.

13 **Q** Okay. And the first line, does that pertain to the  
14 same candidate that we saw before?

15 **A** It does, yes.

16 **Q** Who is that?

17 **A** Faber, Travis Faber.

18 **Q** Now, do you see in some of these columns the  
19 Figure 12,700?

20 **A** Yes, I do.

21 **Q** Based on your investigation, do you understand the  
22 significance of 12,700?

23 **A** Yes. So when you're dealing with campaign money that  
24 is regulated by the State of Ohio, sort of the hard money as  
25 it will sometimes be referred to, there is a limit to the

1 amount that you can give. It ends up being a peculiar  
2 number because it is indexed to a figure, so it increases  
3 automatically every year, so in this particular cycle, the  
4 maximum amount is \$12,707, I believe.

5 **Q** And that's a reference, you said, to hard dollars.  
6 What is as you understand it from this investigation, what  
7 does "hard dollars" stand for?

8 **A** Sure. So these are -- so when you're fundraising, you  
9 form a, you know, committee to elect or friends of committee  
10 to assist you in running to become a state representative.  
11 You can accept money from donors. However, there are  
12 donation requirements such as transparency requirements, you  
13 have to list the amount of money that you received, when you  
14 received it, the amount, and then you also have a regular  
15 reporting schedule for reporting to the Secretary of State's  
16 office what you spent it on, so who you paid, how much on  
17 what day and so on. There's a limit to the amount that you  
18 can intake from individual people, and the regular reporting  
19 schedule is laid out in the Ohio Revised Code.

20 **Q** And when you mentioned that you have to report this or  
21 you file this, is that -- are those reports and filings  
22 publicly available?

23 **A** Yes. They're available publicly. They're on the  
24 Secretary of State's website.

25 **Q** And is that how you know about those, from this

1 investigation?

2 **A** Yes, that's right. If you go to the election page on  
3 the Ohio Secretary of State's website, you can see any  
4 candidate's committee account, and then you can also view  
5 back through many, many years the money coming in and going  
6 out with dates to whom and from whom and so on.

7 **Q** All right. And with Generation Now, were you able to  
8 look up Generation Now filing on the Secretary of State's  
9 website?

10 **A** No. They do not file with the Secretary of State.

11 **Q** So there were no filings at all?

12 **A** There are filings. They file a form with the IRS.

13 **Q** Okay.

14 **A** And that's an IRS Form 990.

15 **Q** Now, backing up to the different services that the  
16 Householder candidates receive from Generation Now and JPL,  
17 I think you mentioned polling before?

18 **A** I did.

19 **Q** And did you find any evidence that Generation Now was  
20 funding polling for the House districts of Team Householder  
21 candidates?

22 **A** Yes, I did.

23 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we may publish  
24 Exhibit 264, which has been admitted?

25 **A** Yes.

1       **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you identify Exhibit 264 for  
2       us?

3       **A**       Yes. This is an e-mail from a Cheyenne Haines,  
4       chaines@tsgco.com, that's The Strategy Group Company, to  
5       Jeff Longstreth at the Gmail we've been discussing and also  
6       Megan Fitzmartin, with a cc of Brian Osborne at his  
7       TSGCO.com e-mail.

8       **Q**       Okay. And how do you know that Cheyenne is from The  
9       Strategy Group?

10      **A**       So if you look at the e-mail address, the at TSGCO is  
11      The Strategy Group Company, and their employees use e-mail  
12      addresses with that "at" located in it.

13      **Q**       And, Agent Wetzel, if you're looking at the document,  
14      is there an even easier way to figure that out?

15      **A**       Yes. In the signature block below is the name along  
16      with title, cell phone, e-mail address, and then it says The  
17      Strategy Group Company, LLC.

18      **Q**       Thank you. And what does the message say to Jeff  
19      Longstreth and Megan Fitzmartin?

20      **A**       Hi, Jeff and Megan. I wasn't sure how you would like  
21      these surveys from last week invoiced. We've price matched  
22      your other surveys and invoice to Generation Now. If this  
23      needs to be changed and invoiced elsewhere, please let me  
24      know and I can get that updated for you. Thank you. And  
25      then the signature block I was just missing -- or mentioning

1 from Ms. Haines.

2 **Q** If we can go to the second page of this exhibit. And  
3 if we can enlarge the top half. All right. All right.  
4 What's the date of this invoice?

5 **A** September 14th, 2018.

6 **Q** And who's it from?

7 **A** This is from The Strategy Group Company with the  
8 address listed below and it's billed to Generation Now.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we scroll back  
10 out to or zoom back out, Ms. Terry, and look at the middle  
11 there. Thank you.

12 **Q** All right. And can you tell us based on the first  
13 line, what does the first line say this invoice is for?

14 **A** So there's a quantity one, these are automated calls  
15 under product and service and the description is standard  
16 automated IVR survey project. And then there's a date  
17 listed, the 4th of September 2018, HD 24, cross tabs and  
18 presentation included. And then there's a price listed,  
19 which is \$16,050.

20 **Q** And are there similar descriptions for each line of  
21 the invoice?

22 **A** Yes. They appear to correspond with different House  
23 districts.

24 **Q** And are -- and do you say that because you see  
25 different numbers next to the letters HD?

1       **A**       Yes, correct. As you go down the list, you can see  
2       there's HD 24 and then HD 37, HD 41, HD 67, HD 73, and then  
3       HD 79.

4               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we zoom back out,  
5       Ms. Terry.

6       **Q**       And who is this invoice to again?

7       **A**       Generation Now.

8       **Q**       Now, Agent Wetzel, during your investigation, did you  
9       learn about an entity called Storytellers?

10      **A**       I did.

11      **Q**       And just a general description to the jury what  
12      Storytellers is?

13      **A**       This is another firm that does sort of political  
14      services, I'll say generally. This one in particular does  
15      polling and there were a number of documents related to the  
16      polling that they performed that we recovered.

17      **Q**       That was my next question. Did you obtain records  
18      from Storytellers?

19      **A**       Yes, ma'am.

20               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we may publish 262  
21      C, which has been admitted into evidence?

22               THE COURT: Yes.

23      **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, can you explain what 262 C is?

24      **A**       This is an e-mail, it's from Christina Englander sent  
25      Friday, February 9th, 2018, to Jeff Longstreth with a cc of

1 tom@storytellersconsulting.com, subject, JPL at A  
2 Storytellers invoice Feb.

3 **Q** Thank you. And what does the body of the e-mail say  
4 to Mr. Longstreth?

5 **A** Hi, Jeff, I've attached a polling invoice for you from  
6 Storytellers Group, LLC. Also in case you don't have a copy  
7 of Storytellers' W9, I've attached that as well. Let me  
8 know if you have any questions. Thank you, Christina,  
9 Storytellers Group, LLC.

10 MS. GLATFELTER: And, Ms. Terry, if we can show him  
11 the second page of this exhibit.

12 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you see that okay on  
13 your screen?

14 **A** Yes.

15 **Q** All right. Who is the invoice to?

16 **A** JPL and A.

17 **Q** All right. Placed on your investigation, what does  
18 JPL & A refer to?

19 **A** JPL & Associates, it's the business that we've been  
20 discussing that's Mr. Longstreth's.

21 **Q** The date of this invoice?

22 **A** February 9, 2018.

23 **Q** Can you relate that to the dates of the election cycle  
24 in 2018?

25 **A** Yes. So this is back before the primary and also

1 obviously before the general as well.

2 **Q** Okay. And below we see a description of the product  
3 and the total. Can you just read the product section for  
4 us?

5 **A** Yes. The products listed are pole 1, which was HD 50  
6 and poll 2, which was HD 98.

7 **MS. GLATFELTER:** Okay. And if we can go to page 7,  
8 Ms. Terry.

9 **Q** Agent Wetzel, what's the title of this document?

10 **A** This is another invoice from Storytellers.

11 **Q** Okay. And who is the bill to, person or entity?

12 **A** Jeff Longstreth.

13 **Q** And the date of this invoice?

14 **A** September 6th, 2018.

15 **Q** And in this invoice, does it list sort of a  
16 description or activities that are being billed?

17 **A** Yes. So on the far left is the date, 9/6/2018, and  
18 the activity is a Storytellers poll and then there is would  
19 you like me to read them?

20 **Q** You don't have to read all of the numbers, but can you  
21 tell us how they relate to your investigation?

22 **A** Yes. So then there's Ohio HD and then a list of  
23 numbers, and those are obviously Ohio House districts that  
24 are races that are being run at that time, and to place this  
25 in time, we are post primary but pre general election in



1 September.

2 **Q** All right. And what's the amount of this invoice?

3 **A** The total balance due is \$83,748.

4 **Q** Okay. Now, Agent Wetzel, during the course of your  
5 investigation, did you find results of polling in the  
6 documents you received from various entities?

7 **A** Yes, ma'am, I did.

8 **Q** And did you investigate where, if any, polling results  
9 were posted once they were received?

10 **A** Yes, ma'am, I did.

11 **Q** Where were they posted?

12 **A** So there was a website that was created Gen Now news  
13 was the name of the website, and polling data was posted on  
14 that website after it was received.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And, Your Honor, if we can  
16 publish 260 H, which has been admitted?

17 THE COURT: Yes.

18 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you identify 260 H for  
19 us?

20 **A** Yes. This is an e-mail that we recovered from Jeff  
21 Longstreth's Gmail account. It's from Jeff Longstreth to  
22 Kevin Bingle, and Megan Fitzmartin is cc'd. The subject is  
23 Gennownews.com and the date is Thursday, August 23rd, 2018.

24 **Q** Okay. And does this e-mail contain a number of  
25 attachments to the e-mail?

1       **A**       It does.

2       **Q**       And what does the body of the e-mail say?

3       **A**       Here's some news for immediate posting. Please post  
4       these as PDFs.

5               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Ms. Terry, if we  
6       can go to the second page of this exhibit.

7       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, is this one of the attachments to the  
8       e-mail?

9       **A**       Yes, it is.

10      **Q**       Okay. And what's the title of the document?

11      **A**       Ohio House district 6 general election poll results.

12      **Q**       Okay. And are these the type of polling results that  
13      you were referring to a few moments ago?

14      **A**       Yes.

15               MS. GLATFELTER: And if we can scroll through a few  
16      more pages, Ms. Terry.

17      **Q**       Agent Wetzel, are there various House districts  
18      referred to in these different polls?

19      **A**       Yes.

20      **Q**       And how do those relate to the Team Householder  
21      candidates?

22      **A**       They are the districts that some of the Team  
23      Householder candidates are running in.

24               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Your Honor, may I  
25      please publish what has been admitted as 260 E?

1 THE COURT: Yes.

2 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we --  
3 Ms. Terry, if you can expand the top of that exhibit. Thank  
4 you.

5 Q Agent Wetzel, can you identify Government Exhibit 260  
6 E for us?

7 A Yes. This is an e-mail recovered from Jeff  
8 Longstreth's Gmail account, it is from up at the top is  
9 which is the last e-mail is from Chris Schrimpf, Jeff  
10 Longstreth, and Megan Fitzmartin and Tom Moran.

11 Q Okay. And what's the date of the e-mail?

12 A The top e-mail is October 20, 2018.

13 Q How does that relate to the 2018 election cycle?

14 A That's before the general election.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if you can zoom back  
16 out for a moment.

17 Q Okay. Agent Wetzel, can we go through this e-mail  
18 from the bottom up, please?

19 A Yes. Starting at the bottom of this page, Thursday,  
20 October 18, 2018, Chris Schrimpf wrote: Questionnaires  
21 attached for review, will need some time to set these up.

22 Then, on October 19th, Chris Schrimpf wrote: Flagging  
23 this. On Friday, October 19th, 2018, Jeff Longstreth wrote:  
24 We need to get the price down on these. All we are looking  
25 for is a quick indication if there is any trouble in these

1 quote "safe districts." Followed by Mr. Longstreth's  
2 signature block.

3 October 19, 2018, Chris Schrimpf wrote: We can cut  
4 questions three, four, five, six, and costs would be \$1,255.  
5 And Mr. Longstreth wrote: Essentially, I want to do 1 party  
6 reg, 2 ballot test, and 3, gender, and I wanted to spend 500  
7 to \$600. Can that be done? Followed by Mr. Longstreth's  
8 signature block.

9 Again, on the 19th, Chris Schrimpf wrote: If we cut  
10 all demos, we can't do a valid poll. You're just making ID  
11 calls really. Same day, Mr. Longstreth replies: We've done  
12 roughly 200 K in polling with your firm this year. Plus, we  
13 pay a monthly retainer. We've been very happy with the  
14 results and we are very close to winning. When we do, we're  
15 likely to keep the vendors we're very happy with to do all  
16 of the work for the caucus for the foreseeable future.  
17 We've asked other vendors to work with us to cut cost and  
18 even the TV guy has cut costs because he sees the big  
19 picture. I have two other pollers who have been begging for  
20 our business who do these polls for free. I'm not asking  
21 you to do them for free, I am asking you to check my safe  
22 districts for \$500. Can you do that?

23 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, in Mr. Longstreth's response  
24 to Chris Schrimpf, does he give a dollar figure of the  
25 amount of polling that they've done this year?

1       **A**       He says roughly 200 K.

2                   MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I please publish  
3 what's been admitted as 260 A 1?

4                   THE COURT: Yes.

5       **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, how does this relate to the prior  
6 e-mails that we looked -- we examined before, a couple of  
7 moments ago?

8       **A**       Would you --

9       **Q**       Let me start this way, go ahead and identify what this  
10 exhibit is?

11       **A**       This is another e-mail from Jeff Longstreth's Gmail  
12 account. It is from Jeff Longstreth to kbingle1@gmail.com.  
13 It's from Thursday, October 18, 2018, and there's a PDF  
14 attached. This is ready to post on Gen Now news website,  
15 link should be titled 10-18-2018 update.

16       **Q**       And, Agent Wetzel, is Gen Now news the website that  
17 you were referring to before?

18       **A**       Yes.

19                   MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can go to the  
20 second page of this exhibit.

21       **Q**       Okay. And, Agent Wetzel, if you can read the title  
22 and the first sentence for us?

23       **A**       Yes. Ohio needs to know. October 2018. With the  
24 2018 general election just around the corner, Gen Now news  
25 has done extensive polling to find out which Ohio races are

1 the most competitive and which issues will be driving the  
2 debate.

3 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, does it go on to describe  
4 some of the polling results?

5 **A** It does.

6 **Q** Okay. And at the bottom, at the bottom of this  
7 document, does it contain a list of names?

8 **A** It does.

9 **Q** How do those relate to your investigation?

10 **A** So district number again and then next to it is one  
11 name v another name. The name on the left is the Team  
12 Householder candidate and then the name to the right is who  
13 they're running against. In a couple of cases, there's  
14 actually two people that are running because there are  
15 multiple folks that are in that race.

16 **Q** Thank you, Agent Wetzel. Now, we've been talking  
17 about Storytellers' records. Did you obtain bank records  
18 for the Storytellers' bank accounts during your  
19 investigation?

20 **A** I did.

21 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may I please publish  
22 Exhibit 261, which has been admitted?

23 THE COURT: Yes.

24 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize what  
25 Exhibit 261 is?

1       **A**       Yes. This is the big business signature card for the  
2       Storytellers Group, LLC bank account with Chase Bank.

3       **Q**       Okay. And who are the signatories on the account or  
4       at least the first one?

5       **A**       Chip Englander and the second one is Christopher  
6       Schrimpff.

7       **Q**       And where was this account opened?

8       **A**       Chicago, Illinois is the business address.

9       **Q**       Can you put a circle around that for us so we can see  
10      it?

11      **A**       (Witness writing.)

12      **Q**       Thank you, Agent Wetzel.

13               MS. GLATFELTER: Ms. Terry, if we can go to page 8  
14      of the exhibits, of this exhibit.

15      **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this?

16      **A**       I do.

17      **Q**       What is it?

18      **A**       This is a check from JPL & Associates to Storytellers  
19      Group, LLC in the amount of \$4,000.

20               MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we can go to  
21      page 13, please, Ms. Terry.

22      **Q**       All right. Agent Wetzel, can you describe this,  
23      please?

24      **A**       This is a check from JPL & Associates LLC to the  
25      Storytellers Group, LLC. This one is for \$26,875.

1 Q And the date of the check?

2 A This one is from March 2nd, 2018.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we go to  
4 page 24, Ms. Terry.

5 Q Agent Wetzel, can you describe this?

6 A Yes. This is another check from JPL & Associates, LLC  
7 to Storytellers Group. This one is in the amount of \$83,748  
8 and it is from September 19th of 2018.

9 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And, Ms. Terry, if we  
10 can go to page 33.

11 Q Agent Wetzel, what's depicted on page 33?

12 A This is a check from JPL & Associates, LLC, to the  
13 Storytellers Group. This one is in the amount of \$37,716,  
14 and it's from October 25th of 2018.

15 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And page 43, Ms. Terry.

16 Q Agent Wetzel, can you describe what's depicted on  
17 page 43?

18 A This is another JPL & Associates, LLC check to the  
19 Storytellers Group, this one is for \$2,100 and it has the  
20 date of November 19th of 2018.

21 Q Agent Wetzel, you said that this check is from the JPL  
22 & Associates?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q And did you investigate the JPL & Associates account  
25 9121, 9192 in this investigation?



1       **A**       Yes, I did.

2       **Q**       Generally before we go to the documents, can you  
3 describe the relationship between the JPL & Associates 9192  
4 account and the Generation Now account?

5       **A**       Yes. So the 9192 account is the operating account  
6 essentially for JPL & Associates, and it is funded by the  
7 Generation Now account that we were discussing earlier.

8               MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, may we please publish  
9 Exhibit 32 K to the jury and that has been admitted?

10              THE COURT: Yes.

11       **Q**       Okay. Agent Wetzels, can you generally describe what  
12 Exhibit 32 K is?

13       **A**       Yes. These are wire transfers.

14       **Q**       Okay. And do you see -- to orient ourselves, I know  
15 we looked at one of these or two of these last week, but can  
16 we go through and just generally describe the columns for  
17 the jury?

18       **A**       Absolutely. So the columns to the left is bank, and  
19 then to the right is TRN, which is the transaction, and then  
20 the SRC, and then amount, AMT. Cur for currency, type, and  
21 then there's FNDS, funds. And then there's several other  
22 sort of modifiers listed there: Debit, ABA/account, DBT  
23 after that, then debit val, debit name, debit name 2, debit  
24 name 3, debit name 4, and then there's a reference number.

25              MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And page 2, Ms. Terry.

1 Q And you only have to go through the columns that have  
2 data in them, please.

3 A Okay. And then there's the ORP ID, ORP name 1, ORP  
4 name 2, ORP name 3, and then there's the SBK ref number, ORP  
5 ref number, and then credit ABA/account, CDT, and then  
6 credit val.

7 Q Thank you, Agent Wetzel.

8 Do you see the column you just mentioned, credit  
9 account?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Okay. And in that first row, what is the credit  
12 account?

13 A It's listed as 9192.

14 Q All right. And what is account No. 9192?

15 A That's the JPL & Associates account we were just  
16 discussing.

17 Q Okay. Let's go ahead and circle the 9192 so everyone  
18 sees where we are. Okay. So by a credit account, is that  
19 the account that is paying money or receiving the money in  
20 the wire transfer?

21 A Receiving. The debit account is where the money comes  
22 from. The credit account is to where it's going.

23 Q Okay. And if we go back to the first page of this  
24 document, are page -- how are page 1 and 2 related?

25 A They're just a horizontal continuation.

1 Q Is this a very long spreadsheet that's divided into  
2 two pages?

3 A It is.

4 Q Okay. That first row, then, who is the debit -- who  
5 is the debit account?

6 A The debit account here --

7 Q In that first row.

8 A Yes. The debit account is 0314, is where it's listed.

9 Q Okay. And I'm sorry, the debit name. My bad.

10 A Debit name is Fifth Third Bank.

11 Q Okay. And can you circle that for us?

12 A (Witness writing.)

13 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we go back to  
14 the second page, Ms. Terry.

15 Q What is the entity associated with the debit bank?

16 A Generation Now, Inc.

17 Q All right. Circle that for us.

18 A (Witness writing.)

19 Q All right. So if we go back again to the first page,  
20 and I apologize for doing this, we're going back and forth  
21 between two sheets, can you summarize this transaction so we  
22 understand whether it's -- who it's to and from?

23 A Yes. So there's a debit out of the Fifth Third Bank  
24 account belonging to Gen Now in the amount of \$53,600 to the  
25 JPL account.

1 Q All right. And if we go back to page 2 for a moment,  
2 can you circle all of the Generation Now transactions for  
3 us?

4 A (Witness writing.)

5 Q And those are the debit accounts going into what  
6 account?

7 A Those are going to the 9192 account.

8 Q Okay. And circle that for us, where we see the 9192.

9 A (Witness writing.)

10 Q So are these all wire transfers going from Generation  
11 Now into the JPL 9192 account?

12 A May I look at the first page?

13 Q Yes.

14 A Yes, under type they're listed as Fed, which is a  
15 Fedwire.

16 Q So these are all wire transfers going into the JPL  
17 account from Generation Now?

18 A Correct.

19 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. And if we can clear  
20 these. Let me see if I can do this. Oh, someone did it for  
21 me. Thank you, Ms. Santoro.

22 Q And for some of these transactions on page 1 or  
23 page 2, does it also list what they're for, what the  
24 description of services is?

25 A It does.

1 Q Okay. If we can look at page 2 as an example. All  
2 right. And where does that -- Can you circle the column  
3 where the description is?

4 A (Witness writing.)

5 Q All right. So, for example, if we look at that third  
6 transaction, and what does it indicate that the Generation  
7 Now wire to JPL is for?

8 A Polling.

9 Q Okay. And if we go back to the first page. All  
10 right. Can you circle the amount that's associated with  
11 that transfer? It's the third row we were looking at.

12 A (Witness writing.)

13 Q Okay. What is the amount?

14 A \$71,337.

15 Q Okay. And what's the amount of the wire transfer  
16 right below it from Generation Now to JPL?

17 A The one below it is \$109,513.35.

18 Q All right. So is this an example of the type of  
19 exercise you had to do to compare the bank records and  
20 figure out where the money was coming from in this case?

21 A Yes. Every bank uses their own home-brew method for  
22 keeping track of all of this information, so we had to try  
23 to synthesize that into a way that we could understand.

24 Q And just to further explain that point, if we look at  
25 the time of the transactions on the left, on the left side

1 of this page, are these all of the transactions between  
2 Generation Now and JPL during your investigation?

3 **A** No.

4 **Q** Okay. Do they represent a portion?

5 **A** They do.

6 **Q** What is that portion?

7 **A** These are 2016, '17, and then also some in 2018.

8 **Q** Thank you, Agent Wetzel.

9 Now, during your investigation, did you find any  
10 communications involving Mr. Householder and polling?

11 **A** Yes, I did.

12 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, if we may publish 266  
13 A, which is already in evidence?

14 THE COURT: Yes.

15 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you describe what 266 A  
16 is?

17 **A** Yes. This is an e-mail from Jeff Longstreth to  
18 larry@friendsoflarryhouseholder.com. It is a forward of an  
19 e-mail that Mr. Longstreth received at his  
20 jefflongstreth@gmail.com from Chris Schrimpf, who we  
21 discussed as a person at Storytellers a moment ago, and it  
22 has several attachments.

23 **Q** And based on your investigation and going through the  
24 phones that we've looked at before, is  
25 Larry@FriendsofLarryHouseholder associated with

1 Mr. Householder?

2 **A** It is.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. Your Honor, may we publish  
4 266 B, which has been admitted into evidence?

5 THE COURT: Yes.

6 **Q** All right. Agent Wetzel, can you identify 266 B?

7 **A** Yes. This is another e-mail from Jeff Longstreth to  
8 larry@friendsoflarryhouseholder.com, subject is forward Ohio  
9 reports. It appears Mr. Longstreth is forwarding to  
10 Mr. Householder an e-mail that he received from Chris  
11 Schrimpf with several attachments.

12 **Q** All right. And do the attachments contain the word  
13 poll?

14 **A** Yes. They're listed as Ohio HD and then there's a  
15 different one for each HD in question, poll 1, and then it's  
16 either X tabs or top lines.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Permission to publish  
18 260 C, which is in evidence?

19 THE COURT: Yes.

20 **Q** 260 C, Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this document?

21 **A** I do.

22 **Q** What is it?

23 **A** This is an e-mail from Scott Schweitzer from the  
24 Strategy Group to Larry Householder with a cc of Rex Elsass,  
25 who also works at The Strategy Group Company, Jeff

1 Longstreth, and Brian Osborne. Subject: LLH House Ohio  
2 House Districts.

3 **Q** Okay. And can you read the first three paragraphs for  
4 us?

5 **A** Hi, Larry, after combing through the polling and  
6 matching that up with the district's efficiency, we came up  
7 with our own tiered targeting. We can see three races as a  
8 no-brainer, all in investments because of the district's  
9 costs and strong candidates, 83, 80 and 90. The rest of the  
10 targets are a low efficiency districts, but have either  
11 strong candidates or candidates in two way winnable races.

12 **Q** Agent Wetzel, do you see the words "Tier 1," "Tier 2,"  
13 and "Tier 3" at the bottom of the page?

14 **A** Yes.

15 **Q** Okay. And what's under, for example, Tier 1?

16 **A** High efficiency, low uncertainty.

17 **Q** All right. And Tier 1 is -- is there another Tier 1  
18 below that?

19 **A** Yes. And that is Tier 1 OH 83 Cross.

20 **Q** Okay. Do you recognize OH 83 Cross?

21 **A** Yes. That's Mr. Cross that we were discussing  
22 earlier. It's a Team Householder member, and 83 is the  
23 district that he's running in.

24 **Q** And do you recognize the names under Tier 2 and Tier  
25 3?



1       **A**       Yes. Those are Powell and Baldrige, who are also  
2 Team Householder candidates.

3               MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Ms. Terry, if we can  
4 go to the next page, please. All right. And the following  
5 page. Sorry.

6       **Q**       Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this document?

7       **A**       I do.

8       **Q**       Okay. And what's the title of the document?

9       **A**       This is a document from Strategy Media Placement. It  
10 is the Ohio House district media cost 2018 primary.

11       **Q**       All right. And is Mr. Householder's district on this  
12 sheet of paper?

13       **A**       It is. HD 72.

14       **Q**       Is that in the middle of the page?

15       **A**       It is.

16       **Q**       Okay. Is he the only district on this page?

17       **A**       No.

18       **Q**       How many others are there?

19       **A**       I count 14.

20       **Q**       Okay. How does that relate to your investigation?

21       **A**       These are Team Householder candidates.

22       **Q**       Okay. And each row is -- each row pertains to those  
23 different House districts?

24       **A**       Yes. Each row is a different district, the candidate  
25 and then information about the advertising.

1 Q The cost of different advertising?

2 A Indeed.

3 MS. GLATFELTER: Okay. And if we go back up to the  
4 first page, Ms. Terry.

5 Q Do you see any of the candidates besides Larry  
6 Householder on this e-mail?

7 A Yes, under Tier 1, like we discussed is Cross. And  
8 then Tier 2, Powell and Baldrige. Tier 3, Trakas,  
9 Barnhorst is how they list him there, Rasor, Hagan, Jordan,  
10 and then Richardson, in addition to Mr. Householder.

11 Q And I apologize, I should have been more precise with  
12 my question. Do you recognize any of those candidates as  
13 e-mail recipients on this e-mail?

14 A No, none of them received this e-mail.

15 Q Just Mr. Householder?

16 A Correct.

17 MS. GLATFELTER: All right. Your Honor, may we  
18 publish Exhibit 262 B, which is in evidence?

19 THE COURT: Yes.

20 Q All right. Agent Wetzel, do you recognize this  
21 document?

22 A I do.

23 Q What is it?

24 A This is an e-mail. This one that we have here is from  
25 Jeff Longstreth to Chris Schrimpff with a cc of Megan

1 Fitzmartin and Tom Moran. It appears to be a reply to an  
2 earlier e-mail from Chris Schrimpf.

3 **Q** Okay. And what is the subject of the e-mail?

4 **A** Re, model questionnaire Cross v Buckland.

5 **Q** And what is the content of the message?

6 **A** So the first e-mail, Chris Schrimpf wrote: Draft  
7 attached and then there was an attachment, OH HD 83, Poll 2  
8 V2 with some numbers that appear to be a date.

9 And then the reply from Jeff Longstreth to Chris  
10 Schrimpf is: Let me run it by LH before we field it.

11 **Q** Okay. And does the draft that's attached, does it  
12 have the word "poll" in it?

13 **A** It does.

14 MS. GLATFELTER: Your Honor, the next segment I  
15 have is a little bit longer. I don't know -- I don't know  
16 if you want me to continue or if you would like to stop.

17 THE COURT: I would like to break soon. A little  
18 bit longer? I think it's a good time to break. I don't  
19 know. Is that all right?

20 MS. GLATFELTER: That's fine. I just have a number  
21 of exhibits in the next section, so it would probably be  
22 good to break.

23 THE COURT: We try to break at 4:30 to get you home  
24 jurors. You've had a full day and that's a credit to you.  
25 Momentarily, I'm going to release you for the day. As you

1 well know, during the time you're away from us, do not  
2 discuss the case with anyone. Do not discuss it among  
3 yourselves. You're not to conduct any independent research  
4 about the trial, or read, listen to or watch any news  
5 reports. Don't check Google, Facebook, Twitter, et cetera,  
6 to find any information about any aspect of the case. And,  
7 remember, it's especially important that you keep an open  
8 mind. Do not form or express any opinion on the case until  
9 it's finally submitted to you after all of the evidence is  
10 in.

11 I want you to have a good, healthy, quiet night. Out  
12 of respect for you, we'll rise as you leave, and ask that  
13 you be at your location by 9:15. If you'd rise as the jury  
14 leaves.

15 THE DEPUTY: All rise for the jury.

16 (Jury exited the courtroom at 4:27 p.m.)

17 THE COURT: Jury has left the room and the door is  
18 closing. You may be seated. As always, we'll simply wait  
19 until the jury has cleared the floor and then we'll be  
20 adjourned for the day. Pick up tomorrow at 9:30. Ask the  
21 lawyers to be here at 9:15 in case we need to discuss  
22 anything. Jury has cleared the room.

23 Sir, do not discuss your testimony during the break.

24 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

25 THE COURT: And we are now adjourned for the day.



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