Page 1 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS 1 OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO 2 3 BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., etc. 4 Plaintiff, 5 Case No. CV-12-789401 vs. EDGEWATER REALTY, LLC, et al. 6 7 Defendant. 8 Deposition of SUE ETHRIDGE 9 May 14, 2015 10 10:10 a.m. 11 Taken at: 12 Offices of Harry Buffalo 18605 Detroit Avenue Lakewood, Ohio 44107 13 14 Tracy Morse, RPR and Notary Public 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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Page 5 SUE ETHRIDGE, of lawful age, called for 1 2 examination, as provided by the Ohio Rules of 3 Civil Procedure, being by me first duly sworn, as hereinafter certified, deposed and said as 4 5 follows: 6 EXAMINATION OF SUE ETHRIDGE 7 BY MR. MILLIGAN: Good morning, Ms. Ethridge. 8 Ο. 9 Α. Good morning. 10 My name is PJ Milligan. I am Ο. 11 attorney for the defendants in this case, which 12is captioned Bank of America versus Edgewater 13 Realty, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, 14 case number CV-12-789401. You're here today in 15 response to a subpoena you received, correct? 16 Α. Correct. 17 Before we get into the questions, I Q. 18 just want to ask: Have you ever been deposed 19 before? 20 No. Α. 21 This is your first deposition? Ο. 2.2 Α. Yes. 23 So being that it's your first Ο. 24 deposition, I just want to go over some general 25 information and rules regarding depositions.

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Page 6 1 I'm sure your attorney has probably gone over 2 some of this with you already. One of the 3 things I'm going to ask of you is to make sure you audibalize all of your answers so the court 4 5 reporter can take down your answer, meaning it has to be verbal. Do you understand? 6 7 Α. Yes. That's because nods of the head and 8 Ο. 9 things like that can't be recorded very 10 accurately. Okay? 11 Α. Okay. 12I'm also going to ask that you wait Ο. 13 until I'm finished with a question before 14 responding so we can avoid talking over each 15 other. Do you understand? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Third, if I ask a question, and Q. 18 sometimes I tend to maybe mumble or it might be 19 confusing, just ask me to rephrase the question 20 and I'll try my best to do that. Do you 21 understand? 2.2 Α. Yes. 23 If I ask a question and you've Ο. 24 answered it, I'm going to assume you understood 2.5 the question. Is that fair?

Page 7 1 Α. Yes. 2 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit A, 3 Subpoena, was marked for purposes of 4 5 identification.) 6 7 Ms. Ethridge, you've been handed Ο. what's been marked Defendant's Exhibit A. 8 Take 9 a second to review the document. 10 Α. Okay. 11 Have you had a chance to review it? Ο. 12Α. Yes. 13 Ο. Have you seen this document before? 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. And can you describe it for us? 16 It's a subpoena to be here today. Α. 17 This is a subpoena that you Q. received at your office at Carlisle McNellie 18 19 Rini Kramer & Ulrich? 20 Yes. Α. 21 I would like you to turn to the Ο. 2.2 third page of that document where it indicates, "Documents to Be Produced." Are you there? 23 2.4 Α. Yes. 25 Q. In response to the subpoena, you've

Page 8 provided two documents. Is that correct? 1 2 Α. Yes. 3 What did you do in terms of 0. searching for documents responsive to this 4 5 subpoena? I pulled our old file that we had 6 Α. 7 and pulled out a copy of the mortgage assignment and then I pulled a copy of that 8 9 agreement out of our Bank of America file. 10 Where are these files kept? Ο. 11 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 12You can answer. Ο. 13 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm objecting based 14 on proprietary information, privileged information. 15 16 I'm instructing my client not to answer. 17 MR. MILLIGAN: The location of 18 files is proprietary and privileged? 19 MR. DEIGHTON: Yes. 20 MR. MILLIGAN: I don't understand. 21 MR. DEIGHTON: The way we organize 2.2 and keep our files is privileged, proprietary 23 information. 2.4 MR. MILLIGAN: I'm going to have to 25 disagree with you on that.

Page 9 1 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm willing to 2 stipulate generally that they're located at 24755 Chagrin Boulevard, Suite 2002, Beachwood, 3 Ohio 44122, but beyond that, the location and 4 5 maintenance of physically how we keep and where we keep our files is proprietary. 6 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 7 Well, let me ask: Are they kept 8 Ο. 9 electronically or hard file? 10 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object. 11 MR. MILLIGAN: Are you asserting 12 some sort of --MR. DEIGHTON: Not on that one. 13 14 MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. 15 Q. You can answer. 16 Both. Α. 17 Did you search both electronic Q. 18 records and hard copies? 19 Α. Yes. 20 Did anyone assist you in searching Q. 21 for documents responsive to the subpoena? 2.2 Α. No. Okay. Let's look at the first 23 0. item, which requests, "All documents evidencing 24 Ms. Ethridge's employment with Mortgage 2.5

Page 10 Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. and/or 1 2 MERSCORP Holdings, Inc. and/or MERS System and/or MERS Residential (hereinafter 'MERS'). 3 Documents responsive to this request include, 4 5 but are not limited to, W-2s, tax returns, 1099 tax forms, contract of employment, offer of 6 7 employment, personnel file, offer of employment." 8 9 Of the documents you provided to me, do 10 you consider any of those documents responsive 11 to the particular request I just read to you? 12Α. No. 13 Ο. Are you an employee of Mortgage 14 Electronic Registration Systems? 15 MR. SANDY: Object to form. 16 You can answer. Ο. 17 Α. No. 18 Have you ever been employed by Q. 19 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems? 20 Α. No. 21 The second request on the list of Ο. 2.2 items to be produced is, "All documents vesting 23 Ms. Ethridge with authority to act on behalf of 24 MERS." Do you see that? 25 Α. Yes.

Page 11 Of the documents produced, what 1 Ο. 2 documents do you consider responsive to that 3 request? Agreement for signing authority. 4 Α. 5 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit B, 6 7 Agreement for Signing Authority, was marked for purposes of 8 identification.) 9 10 You've been handed what's been 11 Ο. 12 marked as Defendant's Exhibit B. If you would 13 take a minute to review the exhibit and let me 14 know when you're finished. I'm finished. 15 Α. 16 Can you describe the exhibit? Ο. 17 It's an agreement between BAC, MERS Α. and our law office to execute certain 18 19 documents. 20 Q. Who is BAC? MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 21 2.2 Ο. You can answer. 23 Α. Bank of America entity, I guess. 24 Ο. Now, in your own words, can you 25 describe this agreement for signing authority,

Page 12 what it covers, what it entails? 1 2 MR. SANDY: Objection, form. MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. The 3 document speaks for itself. 4 5 MR. MILLIGAN: I want to know her understanding of the document. 6 7 MR. DEIGHTON: My objection has been noted. 8 9 Α. On a corporation resolution, it 10 authorizes us to execute mortgage assignments, 11 deeds, affidavits, quitclaims, affidavits 12 regarding lost promissory notes. 13 Q. When did you first see this 14 document? 15 Α. Prior to April 10 -- or April 26, 16 2010. I don't know exactly. 17 Q. Do you know who drafted the document? 18 19 I do not. Α. 20 You did review it, though, prior to Q. 21 its execution? 2.2 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 23 You can answer. Q. 24 Α. Yes. Are there any other agreements for 25 Q.

Page 13 1 signing authority that you're aware of that 2 vest in you the power to sign documents on behalf of MERS? 3 4 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 5 MR. SANDY: Object to form. 6 Α. No. 7 Ο. Have you signed documents pursuant to the authority created by this Exhibit B? 8 9 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a 10 legal conclusion. 11 I don't understand what you're Α. 12 asking. 13 Ο. Do you sign documents on behalf of 14 MERS? 15 Α. Now, today? 16 Have you signed documents on behalf Ο. 17 of MERS? 18 Α. Yes. 19 If you recall, when did you first Ο. 20 start signing documents on behalf of MERS? 21 After April 2010. Α. 2.2 Ο. Going back to Defendant's 23 Exhibit A. Turn to the third page of that 24 exhibit. Are you aware of any other documents that vest in you the authority to act on behalf 2.5

Page 14 of MERS? 1 2 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 3 4 Ο. You can answer. 5 Α. No. 6 Ο. You're not aware of any other 7 documents? Α. No. 8 9 Ο. Okay. The next item on the list on 10 page 3 of Exhibit A asks you to produce, "All 11 documents vesting Ms. Ethridge with authority 12 to sign documents on behalf of MERS." Today 13 you produced the agreement for signing authority that's been marked Exhibit B. Are 14 15 you aware of any other documents vesting in you 16 the authority to sign documents on behalf of 17 MERS? 18 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 19 20 MR. SANDY: Object to form. 21 Α. No. 2.2 Q. Did you look for any other 23 documents that would vest your authority to act 24 on behalf of MERS or to sign documents on behalf of MERS? 2.5

Page 15 1 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a 2 legal conclusion. 3 Α. No. MR. MILLIGAN: If there's an 4 5 objection, you don't need to provide the basis for the objection. You can just note the 6 7 objection. If there's a need for us to discuss, we can do that off the record. 8 9 MR. DEIGHTON: Okay. 10 BY MR. MILLIGAN: Let's move down to the next item on 11 Ο. 12the list. "All documents related to 13 Ms. Ethridge's involvement in the assignment of documents pertaining to the foreclosure action 14 15 in Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas, Case 16 Number CV-12-789401. 17 I object to that MR. SANDY: 18 category on the basis of work product doctrine. 19 Anything the law firm did to prepare for the 20 foreclosure on behalf of Bank of America, I 21 believe is privileged and their work product. 2.2 I'm going to limit that. 23 MR. MILLIGAN: When you say, "The 24 law firm, " you mean --25 MR. SANDY: Carlisle, her

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1 employer.

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Page 17 have a chance to review the document? 1 2 Α. Yes. 3 Is this a true and accurate copy of Ο. the mortgage assignment that you previously 4 5 just mentioned? 6 Α. Yes. 7 I want to go back. When I say Ο. "MERS," do you understand that that means 8 9 Mortgage Electronic Registration System? 10 Α. Yes. 11 And also its subsidiary mortgage --Ο. 12 or I'm sorry. Let me back up. When I say, 13 "MERS," that means MERS Corp., Inc. as well as 14 its subsidiary Mortgage Electronic Registration 15 Systems, Inc. Do you understand that? 16 Α. Yes. 17 So it would be fair throughout this Q. 18 deposition when a question has been asked and 19 I've said, "MERS," you understood it to mean 20 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. or MERS Corp., Inc.? 21 2.2 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 23 Α. Yes. 2.4 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. If you're saying going forward, but if you are now asking 25

Page 18 her to ratify all of her previous testimony 1 2 based on a definition you're now providing --3 MR. MILLIGAN: I am. I am asking her to do that. 4 5 MR. DEIGHTON: -- I object to that. 6 MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. 7 BY MR. MILLIGAN: All right. Just so we're clear: 8 Ο. 9 How much time did you spend searching for 10 documents responsive to the subpoena? 11 Forty-five minutes. Α. 12And were any documents responsive Ο. 13 to the subpoena located at your home? 14 Α. No. 15 Ο. So the documents were at your 16 office, correct? 17 Α. Yes. 18 And you searched both 0. electronically and hard copies? 19 20 Α. Correct. 21 Hard files? Ο. 2.2 Α. Yes. 23 Finally, I would like you to turn 0. 24 In Exhibit A, the last item or to Exhibit A. category of documents to be produced requests 2.5

that you produce from the period October 2010 1 2 through the present all documents 3 signed/executed by Ms. Ethridge in which she purports to act on behalf of MERS and/or in 4 5 which she indicates she is an authorized representative of MERS. 6 7 I'm objecting to MR. DEIGHTON: that category of documents. Those are 8 9 documents that are not in Ms. Ethridge's 10 possession. Those are documents that, if they 11 exist, would be freely available to both 12parties in a public record, but if they exist 13 in the form of business records of Carlisle, 14 there has been no subpoena served on Carlisle 15 to produce those documents. Those are 16 documents that are not in Ms. Ethridge's 17 possession. 18 Ο. So you did not produce any 19 documents responsive to the particular category 20 I just mentioned. Is that correct? 21 Α. Correct. 2.2 Did you do anything to search for Ο. those documents? 23 2.4 Α. No. Are you aware of the existence of 25 Q.

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1 documents that would be responsive to this
2 request?

A. I'm not sure I understand thequestion.

5 I understand you didn't look for Ο. any documents. There's a difference between 6 7 whether you actually looked for those documents and whether documents that would be responsive 8 9 to this particular request actually exist. So 10 I'm asking you: Are you aware, are there 11 documents that would be responsive to the 12request that exist?

MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object based on form. Are you asking about a general broad category of documents or are you asking her if she's aware of specific assignments, if she has actual knowledge of assignments from one entity to another?

MR. MILLIGAN: It's more of a general question. And the category, just to be clear, are documents from October of 2010 through the present, documents signed and/or executed by you in which you purported to act on behalf of MERS and/or in which you indicated you were an authorized representative of MERS.

Page 21 MR. DEIGHTON: Object to form and 1 2 the over broadness of the request itself. BY MR. MILLIGAN: 3 But my question is: Are there any 4 Ο. 5 documents that you are aware of that would be responsive to that particular category 6 7 identified in the subpoena? Α. 8 Yes. 9 Ο. Where would those documents be 10 kept? 11 I don't know. Α. 12Q. Do you know who would know? 13 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 14 Α. No. 15 Q. I'm going to back up a little here. 16 Normally I would ask these kind of questions 17 first. I want to get a little information about your background. Where do you work? 18 19 Carlisle McNellie Rini Kramer & Α. 20 Ulrich. 21 And how long have you worked there? Ο. 2.2 Α. February 1997. 23 What's your title? Ο. 2.4 Director of client relations. Α. 25 How long have you been director of Q.

Page 22 client relations? 1 I don't recall. 2 Α. 3 Ο. What position did you hold, prior to director of client relations? 4 5 Α. Foreclosure administrator. Do you know the dates that you held 6 Ο. 7 that position, as foreclosure administrator? I do not. 8 Α. 9 What was your first position with Ο. 10 Carlisle? 11 Legal assistant. Α. 12 Who were you legal assistant for? Q. 13 Α. All of the attorneys. 14 Were you promoted to foreclosure Ο. administrator after legal assistant? 15 16 Α. Yes. 17 Q. You don't recall the date? 18 Α. I do not. 19 And you don't recall when you were Ο. 20 promoted to director of client relations? 21 Α. No. 2.2 Q. What do you do as director of client relations? 23 2.4 I attend conferences. I go through Α. 2.5 client contracts, make sure we're compliant,

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work with our staff. 1 2 Ο. When you say that you go through client contracts to make sure of compliance, 3 what do you mean by that? 4 5 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object. That's proprietary information. 6 7 I'm going to instruct my client not to 8 answer. 9 MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. 10 What type of contracts are you Ο. 11 referring to that you review in your role as 12 director of client relations? 13 Α. Work product instructions, what the requirements might be, how things need to be 14 15 done. 16 Q. When you say, "How things need to be done," is that in connection with pursuing 17 foreclosure actions? 18 19 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object. 20 Proprietary action. 21 Instruct my client not to answer. What type of contracts do you 2.2 Q. review? 23 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object, 2.4 25 asked and answered.

Page 24 1 I didn't quite understand the 0. 2 answer. Are these contracts between your firm and the client? 3 4 Α. Yes. 5 And contracts that lay out the Ο. scope of legal services that your firm would 6 7 provide to the client? MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object 8 9 based on proprietary information. Instruct my client not to answer. 10 11 MR. MILLIGAN: I'm just asking in a 12 general sense, what type of contracts she's 13 reviewing in her role as director of client 14 relations. I'm not trying to invade into 15 Carlisle's proprietary information. I'm not 16 interested in trying to compete with Carlisle, 17 engage in any type of, you know, creditor's 18 foreclosure action-type of practice. I just 19 want to know what she does in her role as 20 director of client relations. 21 MR. DEIGHTON: Okay. May I have a 2.2 moment to discuss it with my client? 23 MR. MILLIGAN: Sure. 2.4 (Recess taken.) 25 (Discussion held off the record.)

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1	MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. You were
2	going to propose a stipulation.
3	MR. DEIGHTON: Yes. I do believe
4	that that information is proprietary, but for
5	the purposes of moving this deposition along,
6	we're willing to stipulate that as part of her
7	job responsibilities, she reviews contracts
8	between our law firm and our clients to ensure
9	that we are operational on an operational
10	basis complying with the contracts, but to go
11	any further I believe would be infringing on
12	our proprietary information, how we do
13	business, how we maintain our clients, how we
14	get our clients
15	MR. MILLIGAN: Sure.
16	MR. DEIGHTON: so I'm not
17	willing to allow her to testify any further
18	than that.
19	MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. Just so I
20	understand, basically her role is to ensure
21	that your firm is providing the services that
22	it represented it would in the contracts
23	between your firm and its clients?
24	MR. DEIGHTON: What we're willing
25	to stipulate to is that she reviews the

Page 26 contracts to make sure that the operations that 1 2 we have set up will provide those services. I'm not stipulating that on a file-level basis 3 or a client-level basis or on an 4 5 individualized-level employee basis that she ensures that -- that the overall operation 6 7 itself is set up and designed to comply with the client requirements. 8 9 MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. That's fair. 10 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 11 Do you have a current resume, Ο. 12Ms. Ethridge? 13 Α. No. 14 When you worked as a foreclosure Ο. 15 administrator, do you recall the dates that you 16 were in that role? 17 Α. No. 18 Do you have even a ballpark idea? Ο. 19 I don't. Α. 20 Okay. Do you know when you signed Q. 21 the mortgage assignment that's Exhibit C 2.2 whether you were a director of client relations or foreclosure administrator at that time? 23 2.4 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 25 Director of client relations. Α.

Page 27 Is one of your job duties as 1 Ο. director of client relations to execute certain 2 documents on behalf of MERS? 3 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 4 5 Α. No. Who directs you to sign mortgage 6 0. 7 documents or any other type of document on behalf of MERS? 8 9 MR. SANDY: Objection. 10 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 11 All right. What did you do before Ο. 12 you worked at Carlisle? Where were you 13 employed, I mean? 14 Benco Industries. Α. 15 Q. Can you spell that? 16 B-e-n-c-o. Α. 17 Q. What did you do at Benco Industries? 18 19 Α. Sold their products. You were in sales? 20 Q. 21 Α. Yes. How long were you in sales for 2.2 Q. Benco? 23 24 Α. A couple years. 25 Prior to working for Carlisle, had Q.

Page 28 you had any other experience working at a law 1 2 firm? 3 Α. Some. Describe that experience. 4 Q. 5 Α. My father was a lawyer. And you worked for your father at 6 Q. 7 some point? 8 Α. Summer vacations. 9 Ο. What firm did your father work at? 10 Α. Sole practice. 11 What's your father's name? Ο. 12Α. Leo Collins. Collins? 13 Ο. 14 Α. Yes. 15 Q. Are you an employee of MERS? 16 Α. No. 17 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, asked and 18 answered. 19 Can you explain for us the Ο. circumstances under which you were appointed as 20 21 a vice president of MERS? 2.2 MR. SANDY: Objection. 23 I don't understand. I don't Α. 24 understand what you're asking. 25 Can you look at Exhibit C? Q.

Page 29 1 Α. Okay. 2 Ο. Are you there? Yes. 3 Α. It indicates that you are a vice 4 Ο. 5 president for MERS, correct? 6 Α. Correct. 7 So my question was: Can you 0. describe the circumstances under which you were 8 9 appointed vice president of MERS? MR. SANDY: 10 Objection. 11 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 12The agreement for signing Α. 13 authority. 14 I may have asked this. You don't 0. 15 know who prepared the agreement for signing 16 authority? 17 Α. I do not. 18 Ο. Would it have been an attorney at your firm? 19 20 Α. I don't know. 21 Is there any other documentation, 0. 2.2 other than this agreement for signing 23 authority, that would evidence your appointment 24 as a vice president for MERS? 25 MR. SANDY: Objection.

1	A. No.
2	Q. Have you had any other titles in
3	your role with MERS?
4	MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. The
5	documents speak for themselves.
б	Q. Well, the mortgage assignments
7	indicate that you're vice president. Have you
8	ever been secretary or any other title, when
9	you signed a document for MERS?
10	MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object.
11	I'm going to point to Exhibit B, the third
12	page, which states that the list of candidates
13	on the fourth page are appointed as assistant
14	secretaries and vice presidents of MERS; and
15	we're willing to stipulate that pursuant to
16	this agreement, that she would be both an
17	assistant secretary and vice president.
18	MR. MILLIGAN: Okay.
19	Q. Have you been in a role other than
20	assistant secretary or vice president for MERS?
21	A. No.
22	Q. Do you consider yourself a
23	corporate officer of MERS?
24	MR. DEIGHTON: Objection.
25	A. No.

Page 31 Have you ever been paid by MERS? 1 Q. 2 Α. No. 3 Have you ever received any type of Q. compensation from MERS? 4 5 Α. No. Have you ever visited MERS' 6 Ο. 7 corporate offices? 8 Α. No. 9 Q. Have you ever spoken with any corporate officers of MERS? 10 11 Α. No. 12 Ο. Do you know where MERS' corporate offices are located? 13 14 Α. No. 15 Ο. Have you ever spoken to anyone at 16 MERS? 17 Α. Yes. Who have you spoken to at MERS? 18 Q. 19 I don't recall their names. Α. Do you recall the last time you 20 Q. spoke with someone from MERS? 21 2.2 Α. Years. 23 Years ago? 0. 24 (Nodding.) Α. 25 Five years? Q.

Page 32 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 1 2 I don't recall. Α. 3 Q. Do you recall who that person was? No. 4 Α. 5 Do you recall what the conversation Ο. was about? 6 7 Α. No. 8 Do you recall how many Ο. 9 conversations you've had with people affiliated with MERS? 10 11 Α. No. 12 Q. Can you give a ballpark? 13 Α. I don't know. 14 A dozen? Ο. 15 MR. SANDY: Objection. 16 A couple dozen? Ο. 17 Α. I don't know. 18 But it's been years since you've Q. 19 talked to anyone at MERS? 20 Α. Correct. 21 Did you have any obligation to Ο. 22 report to anyone at MERS? 23 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 2.4 Α. No. 25 Did you ever report to anyone at Q.

Page 33 1 MERS? 2 Α. No. 3 0. Did anyone at MERS direct your activities? 4 5 MR. SANDY: Objection. 6 Α. No. 7 And you mentioned that years ago, Ο. you had talked to someone at MERS. Would that 8 9 have been on a weekly basis, daily basis? 10 What's the frequency with which you would speak 11 to someone at MERS? 12 Α. Random. 13 0. And what would be the reason for 14 those discussions? Assistance of their website 15 Α. 16 typically. 17 Q. Assist with their website? Assistance for me with their 18 Α. 19 website. 20 Q. What type of assistance would you 21 need? 2.2 Α. Maneuvering it. Sometimes it was changed and I couldn't find what I needed to 23 2.4 find. So it was more or less for 25 Q.

Page 34 1 technical support? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Do you recall the last time you Q. executed a document on behalf of MERS? 4 5 Α. No. Was it within the last year --6 Q. 7 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, asked and 8 answered. 9 Ο. -- if you know? 10 Α. I don't know. 11 Have you executed any documents on Ο. 12 behalf of MERS within the last month? 13 Α. No. 14 Have you executed any documents on Ο. behalf of MERS within the calendar year of 15 16 2015?17 Α. No. What about 2014? 18 Ο. 19 I do not believe so. Α. 20 Do you know the frequency or how Q. 21 often you would sign documents on behalf of 2.2 MERS? 23 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 24 No. Α. 25 Did anyone at Carlisle -- and when Q.

Page 35 I say, "Carlisle," I'm referring to your 1 2 current employer. Is that fair? 3 Α. Yes. 4 Ο. You understand what I mean by, 5 "Carlisle," correct? 6 Α. Yes. 7 Okay. Did anyone from Carlisle Ο. direct your activities with respect to MERS? 8 9 Α. No. 10 So explain to me; when you would Ο. 11 get a document, a mortgage assignment for 12instance, can you explain the process for me? 13 Can you describe that process for me? 14 Sure. I would get the mortgage Α. 15 assignment along with the file, the title work. 16 I would look at the title work. I would look at the foreclosure referral. I would look at 17 18 the mortgage assignment. I looked at MERS 19 website, reviewed all those items. 20 Who would assign the file to you? Q. 21 Α. The mortgage assignment girls that -- they prepare them. There's girls that 22 23 prepare these assignments. 24 Ο. These are employees of Carlisle? 25 Α. Yes.

Page 36 1 Legal assistants? Ο. 2 Α. Yes. And in this case, you executed a 3 0. mortgage assignment that we've identified as 4 5 Exhibit C. Were there any other types of documents you would sign on behalf of MERS? 6 7 MR. SANDY: Objection. Α. 8 No. 9 So your role pursuant to the Ο. 10 agreement for signing authority was strictly 11 limited to signing mortgage assignments? 12MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. MR. SANDY: 13 Objection. 14 MR. DEIGHTON: The document speaks 15 for itself. 16 That was a bad question. I'm Ο. 17 sorry. I guess what I'm trying to get at is: 18 There's other types of documents related to 19 transfers of real property. In this case, 20 there was a mortgage assignment. Did you sign, 21 execute documents other than mortgage 2.2 assignments? 23 Α. No. 2.4 Just so we're clear, I'm asking Ο. 25 that question in a general sense, not just

Page 37 limited to this particular case. Do you 1 understand? 2 3 Α. Yes. Okay. Can you give me an estimate 4 Ο. 5 of how many mortgage assignments on behalf of MERS you've executed total? 6 7 Α. No. Can you give a range? 8 Ο. 9 Α. I really don't know. I really 10 don't know. Is it more than a hundred? 11 Ο. 12 Α. Yes. 13 0. More than a thousand? 14 Α. No. 15 Q. And you gave me the agreement for 16 signing authority, which was executed in April 17 of 2010. Um-hum. 18 Α. 19 Prior to April of 2010, did you Ο. 20 sign any documents on behalf of MERS? 21 Α. No. 2.2 Q. So between April 2010 through the present, you estimate that it's been at least a 23 24 hundred mortgage assignments that you've signed on behalf of MERS? 2.5

Page 38 Α. 1 Yes. 2 Ο. Were there any other employees of Carlisle that signed documents on behalf of 3 MERS? 4 5 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, proprietary information. 6 7 Instruct my client not to answer. MR. MILLIGAN: I'm not asking the 8 9 identity of the employees, just whether there 10 was anyone else other than her, so I'm not sure how that's proprietary information. 11 12 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 13 Ο. I know the agreement for signing authority lists James Sassano. Is that an 14 15 employee of Carlisle? 16 Α. Yes. 17 Q. Did he sign documents on behalf of 18 MERS? 19 I don't know. Α. 20 Did you work with him? Q. 21 He's a partner at the law firm. Α. 2.2 Ο. And Richard McNellie is also a 23 partner of the law firm, correct? 24 Α. Correct. 25 Just so we're clear on the record, Ο.

Page 39 Sue Barnes is your previous name? 1 2 Α. Yes. Were you married, divorced? 3 0. How did your name change? 4 5 Both but recently married. Α. Congratulations. How recent? 6 Ο. 7 Α. 2012. So after you were married, you took 8 Ο. 9 your husband's name which is Ethridge, correct? 10 Α. Correct. 11 Have you signed any documents on Ο. 12behalf of MERS as Sue Ethridge? 13 Α. No. 14 You were describing the process of Ο. when you would receive a file from the legal 15 16 assistants at the firm. Did you have any 17 specific training in how to execute documents, 18 mortgage assignments? Did you have any 19 training related to your role in the process 20 that you previously described? 21 Α. No. 2.2 Ο. So when you received a mortgage 23 assignment, describe for me specifically what 24 it was that you would do. 25 First review the title work to see Α.

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who holds the mortgage, review the mortgage 1 assignment, review the instructions from the 2 client to see who they would like the 3 foreclosure action in the name of. 4 5 And you personally would review the Ο. title work? 6 7 Prior to the file coming to me, it Α. went to an attorney who is responsible for the 8 9 case. The mortgage assignment is prepared and 10 went to the attorney who was handling the 11 foreclosure action. They route it and then it 12came to me and I also did my review prior to 13 executing the mortgage assignment. 14 What did your review entail? Ο. 15 Α. Making sure everything is in line 16 where you had the parcel number, you had the 17 recording information, you had the mortgage. All of this information that's in here listing 18 19 the prior mortgage, I would make sure that all 20 matched what's on the title work, the mortgage. So you were, I guess a second set 21 Ο. 2.2 of eyes on the document. 23 Α. Yes. 2.4 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 25 Q. Do you have a physical office

Page 41 location with MERS? 1 2 Α. No. Does anyone from MERS have an 3 0. office at Carlisle? 4 5 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 6 Α. No. 7 Are there any employees of MERS 0. that you work with? 8 9 MR. SANDY: Objection. 10 Α. No. 11 And what are your duties as a Ο. 12 representative of MERS? 13 MR. SANDY: Objection. 14 Α. I reviewed mortgage assignments and executed them. 15 16 It's been several years since Ο. 17 you've executed a mortgage assignment, I believe you testified. When it was part of 18 19 your job duties to execute mortgage 20 assignments, what was the frequency in which 21 you would do that? 2.2 A. I don't recall. 23 Ο. Was it a daily thing? Was it a 24 weekly thing? 25 A. Weekly.

Page 42 Well, other than BAC Home Loan 1 Ο. 2 Servicing, LP, are there any other banks or 3 lenders or servicing companies that you would sign mortgage assignments on behalf of MERS? 4 5 Α. No. So you were strictly Bank of 6 Ο. 7 America. Is that correct? 8 MR. SANDY: Objection. 9 Ο. That was a bad question. You only 10 signed documents related to Bank of America 11 accounts. Is that correct? 12Α. That's correct. 13 Ο. And Carlisle wanted you to sign 14 mortgage assignments on behalf of MERS? 15 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, 16 proprietary information. 17 I'm instructing my client not to answer. 18 MR. SANDY: Objection. 19 Your role with MERS came about Ο. 20 through your employment with Carlisle. Is that 21 correct? 2.2 Α. Yes. 23 It's not as if someone from MERS 0. 24 independently approached you and asked you to 25 sign mortgage assignments. Is that correct?

Page 43 1 Α. That's correct. 2 Ο. Who at Carlisle first approached 3 you about doing mortgage assignments for MERS? MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, 4 5 proprietary information. I don't recall. 6 Α. 7 Okay. I want to go back to Ο. Exhibit C. Do you have that in front of you? 8 9 Α. Yes. You've had a chance to review that 10 Ο. 11 exhibit. Can you verify for us that that is in 12fact your signature on the first page? 13 Α. Yes, that's my signature. 14 The mortgage assignment was Ο. 15 prepared by an attorney at your firm. Is that 16 correct? 17 Attorney and staff member. Α. 18 The printed handwriting on the Q. 19 document, is that your handwriting also? 20 Α. No. 21 Whose handwriting is it? 0. 2.2 Α. Legal assistant's. 23 Do you know the individual whose Ο. 24 handwriting is on this particular document? 25 I don't know. Α.

Page 44 1 How many legal assistants were Ο. 2 there at Carlisle that prepared or were 3 involved in the preparation of mortgage assignments? 4 5 It's varied, but two, three from Α. time to time. 6 7 And what are their names? Ο. Α. Renee McGowan --8 9 Ο. Can you spell it? 10 M-c-g-o-w-a-n, I believe. Α. 11 -- and other people in that department. 12Some of them aren't there. I don't even know. 13 It was always one department, the complaint and 14 mortgage assignment department, but Renee would 15 be the primary person. 16 Who worked in the complaint and Ο. 17 mortgage assignments department? 18 Α. That are still employees or --19 Let's start there. Currently. Ο. 20 Shannon Maki, M-a-k-i, I believe. Α. 21 Ο. What's her position? 2.2 Α. Legal assistant. 23 Is there an attorney who's in Ο. 24 charge of that particular department? They work for all the 25 Α. No.

Page 45 1 attorneys. 2 Ο. All the attorneys? 3 Α. Yes. How many attorneys are at Carlisle? 4 Ο. 5 Α. Sixteen. In November 2010, who worked in the 6 Ο. 7 complaint and mortgage assignment department? 8 Α. I don't recall. I really don't. 9 It would be a guess and I don't remember, so. 10 Ο. How many employees would have 11 worked in that particular department? 12Α. I don't know. 13 Ο. How many currently work in the 14 mortgage assignment and complaint department? 15 Α. Four. 16 And you mentioned Shannon Maki. Ο. 17 Who are the other three? 18 Α. The other ones only prepare 19 complaints. 20 Q. What are their names? 21 Denise Williger. I do not know how Α. to spell her name. 2.2 23 And? Ο. 2.4 Α. Kim Furlong. 25 Furlong? Q.

Page 46 A. F-u-r-l-o-n-q. That's it. Denise, 1 2 Kim, Shannon and Renee. And Shannon and Renee do the 3 Ο. mortgage assignments? 4 5 Mostly Renee. Α. 6 Ο. Did she do the mortgage assignments in November of 2010? 7 Possibly. 8 Α. 9 Has the department maintained a Ο. 10 consistent level of employees, since November 11 of 2010? 12Α. It's fluctuated quite a bit, up and 13 down. 14 Quite a bit. How many? Ο. 15 Α. Well, since 2010 -- well, only 16 maybe lost one and gained -- it's probably 17 stayed the same. Lost one or two and gained 18 one or two. It's hard to remember. 19 MR. SANDY: PJ, can we go off 20 the record for a moment? 21 MR. MILLIGAN: Certainly. 2.2 (Off the record.) BY MR. MILLIGAN: 23 24 Ο. Okay. Let's turn to page 2 of Exhibit C. Now, on this notary clause -- do 2.5

Page 47 you see where I'm looking at? 1 2 Α. Yes. 3 -- it indicates that you signed on 0. behalf of MERS with the authority of its board 4 5 of directors. Do you know where that authority is evidenced? 6 7 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 8 9 O. You can answer. 10 Α. The agreement. (Indicating.) 11 It's from the agreement for signing 0. 12 authority that you produced today and has been identified as Exhibit B? 13 14 Α. Yes. 15 Ο. Do you know who is on the board of 16 directors of MERS? 17 Α. No. 18 Q. No? 19 Α. No. 20 Do you know who William Holtman is? Q. 21 Α. No. 2.2 Ο. Let's move back to Exhibit B. Can you turn to page 2 of that exhibit. 23 Well, before we turn to page 2: Prior to 24 today, when was the last time you reviewed 2.5

Page 48 Exhibit B? 1 2 Α. Yesterday. Prior to yesterday, when was the 3 Q. last time you had reviewed it? 4 5 Α. Within the last year. Do you know what the reason for 6 Ο. 7 your review of that document within the last year was? 8 A case similar to this. 9 Α. 10 A different foreclosure case? Ο. Do 11 you recall the name of that case? 12Α. I don't exactly. 13 Ο. Do you recall where it was filed? 14 In Cuyahoga County. Α. 15 Q. Do you know; is that case still 16 pending? 17 Α. No. It was dismissed. 18 Q. Do you know why it was dismissed? 19 No. Α. 20 Do you recall the name of the Q. 21 property owner? 2.2 Α. I believe it's the same as this 23 case. 24 I'm sorry. The homeowner in the Ο. 25 other case, do you recall the person's name?

Page 49 1 MR. DEIGHTON: I'm willing to 2 stipulate to help make this easier. 3 THE WITNESS: Thank you. MR. DEIGHTON: There was a lawsuit 4 5 filed by, I think it was by Mr. Sheridan here against Sue and Jim and it was dismissed. 6 7 MR. MILLIGAN: Oh, okay. Thanks. MR. DEIGHTON: You're welcome. 8 9 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 10 So in a previous lawsuit that Ο. 11 Mr. Sheridan had filed, that gave you cause to 12 review Exhibit B in relation to your being 13 named as a defendant in that lawsuit? 14 Α. Correct. 15 Ο. Prior to that review, which you 16 indicated was within the last year, had you had 17 any other occasion to review Exhibit B? 18 Α. Not that I can recall. 19 Would you have had any other reason 0. 20 to review Exhibit B prior to Mr. Sheridan's 21 lawsuit? 2.2 Α. No. 23 Exhibit C -- and I'm sorry. I'm 0. 24 bouncing around a little bit. On page 2 of Exhibit C, do you see where it says, "This 2.5

Page 50 instrument prepared by"? 1 2 Α. Yes. 3 At the very bottom of that section, Ο. there are numbers indicated, 10-6606. Do you 4 5 see where I'm looking at? 6 Α. Yes. 7 What do those numbers mean? 0. MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to object 8 9 based on proprietary information. 10 MR. MILLIGAN: So are you 11 instructing her not to answer? 12MR. DEIGHTON: I'm instructing her 13 not to answer, but we will stipulate that as a 14 law firm we assign file numbers based on a 15 two-digit date for the year and an up to four 16 digit date for the number of file that was 17 opened that year. 18 MR. MILLIGAN: So these are 19 internal file numbers for Carlisle. Is that 20 fair? 21 MR. DEIGHTON: The first one is. MR. MILLIGAN: Is there a 2.2 23 stipulation for the second number? 2.4 There is no MR. DEIGHTON: stipulation for the second number, but based on 2.5

Page 51 the first number, I imagine it is some sort of 1 way that we track the documents internally. 2 3 Do most mortgage assignments have Ο. two numbers affiliated with them? I'm asking 4 5 you. 6 Α. No. 7 Do you know why this particular one Ο. has two numbers? 8 9 Α. No. 10 Do you have any involvement in the Ο. assignment of numbers to files? 11 12Α. No. 13 Ο. Did you sign mortgage documents 14 that were recorded in you Cuyahoga County? 15 Α. Yes. 16 Did you sign mortgage assignments Ο. 17 that were recorded in any other counties? 18 Α. Yes. 19 Do you know which counties? Ο. 20 It could have been any of them. Α. 21 Do you know how many counties in 0. Ohio Carlisle files foreclosure actions? 2.2 23 All of them. Α. 2.4 Ο. So you could have signed mortgage 25 assignments in any one of Ohio's 88 counties, I

Page 52 believe? 1 2 Α. That's correct. 3 What about any other out-of-state Q. 4 mortgages? 5 Α. No. Strictly Ohio? 6 Q. 7 Α. Yes. Okay. In general what's your 8 Ο. 9 understanding of how this mortgage assignment 10 works? 11 MR. SANDY: Objection. 12 It puts everybody on notice of who Α. 13 holds the mortgage once you record it, who is 14 the mortgage holder. 15 Ο. Can you explain a little more 16 detail what you mean by, "It puts everybody on 17 notice"? The loan service transfers and it 18 Α. 19 transfers to a new entity. The mortgage 20 assignment reflects that and gives notice to 21 everybody once it's recorded. 2.2 Ο. What was your understanding of why you were executing mortgage assignments on 23 24 behalf of MERS? 25 Because we can't foreclosure in the Α.

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1 name of MERS. 2 0. So

Q. So was the only reason for you to execute mortgage assignments on behalf of MERS 3 was so that Carlisle could institute 4 5 foreclosure actions on behalf of its clients? MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, 6 7 proprietary information. What was the reason for you signing 8 Ο. 9 mortgage assignments? 10 We did receive a foreclosure Α. 11 referral and to get the record to reflect the 12 proper plaintiff. 13 Ο. Did you sign mortgage assignments in any other capacity, other than in connection 14 with a foreclosure action? 15 16 Α. No. 17 It's your understanding a Q. 18 foreclosure assignment was necessary -- or is 19 necessary because a foreclosure action cannot 20 be instituted on behalf of MERS? 21 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection as to form. If you could clear that up. You asked her 2.2 23 about a foreclosure assignment, not a mortgage 24 assignment. 25 MR. MILLIGAN: I'm sorry.

Page 54 Can you just read it back, please. 1 (Record was read.) 2 3 And after your counsel has Q. clarified that, do you understand the question? 4 5 Α. Yes. 6 0. When I said, "Foreclosure 7 assignment," I meant, "mortgage assignment." So it's your understanding that a mortgage 8 9 assignment is needed because a foreclosure action cannot be brought in the name of MERS. 10 Is that correct? 11 12 Α. Correct. 13 0. What's your understanding of how MERS functions? 14 15 Α. What do you mean? 16 Explain for us your understanding Ο. 17 of MERS; what it is, what it does, how it functions. 18 19 It's an entity that -- how do I Α. 20 describe this? -- mortgages are held in their 21 name so when loans transfer, service 22 transferring people can find them by going to 23 MERS. 24 Ο. Where do people find the mortgages? 25 You can access it through their Α.

Page 55 website, so you would know who the servicer is 1 2 currently on any MERS mortgage. 3 Can anyone access the information 0. on the MERS website? 4 5 I believe so. Α. 6 Ο. Do you have to have a special 7 account or password? I didn't. Α. 8 Currently in your job at Carlisle, 9 0. 10 do you access the MERS website on a regular basis? 11 12From time to time. Α. 13 0. What's the primary reason for doing 14 so? To find who the servicer is of the 15 Α. 16 loan. 17 Typically what servicers do you Q. work with or work for? 18 19 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. That's 20 proprietary information. 21 I'm going to instruct my client not to 2.2 answer. 23 In this case, the loan servicer has Ο. 24 been identified as BAC Home Loan Servicing, LP. 25 Is that correct? Is that your understanding?

Page 56 1 Α. Yes. Did you personally work with any 2 Ο. other loan servicers? 3 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. That's 4 5 an overbroad question. Are you referring to this case? 6 7 MR. MILLIGAN: Not this case, in general. 8 9 Ο. In general, were there any other 10 loan servicers that you would execute mortgage 11 assignments? 12Α. No. 13 Ο. Other than executing mortgage 14 assignments, did you do anything else on behalf of MERS? 15 16 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 17 Α. No. 18 Other than the agreement for 0. signing authority that's been marked Exhibit B, 19 20 is there any other documents that would define your responsibilities with MERS? 21 2.2 Α. No. 23 When a file would come to you --Ο. 24 and you described the process earlier -- I 25 believe you testified that you would get it

Page 57 from one of the legal assistants in the 1 2 complaint and mortgage assignment department. Is that correct? 3 Correct. 4 Α. 5 Were you considered a part of that Ο. department or were you in a different 6 7 department? 8 Α. Different department. 9 Ο. What was your department? 10 Α. Myself. I wasn't part of any 11 specific department. 12 You have an office at Carlisle? Ο. 13 Α. Yes. 14 Who would direct you to sign the Ο. 15 mortgage assignments? 16 Α. No one. 17 When you would receive a mortgage Q. 18 assignment on your desk, it would already be 19 prepared, correct? 20 Α. Correct. 21 And it would have been one of the 0. 2.2 attorneys or their assistants who drafted it? 23 Α. Correct. 2.4 I just want to make sure I have it Ο. 25 clear. You would look at the mortgage

Page 58 assignment and basically double-check it 1 against the title work to make sure of 2 3 accuracy. Is that correct? Prior to signing. 4 Α. 5 Then what would happen after you Ο. signed? 6 7 I reviewed them first and then I Α. would call the notary in and we would go 8 9 through them and I would execute and sign. She 10 would notarize and then I would give the files 11 back to the legal assistant. 12Did you ever draft any of the Ο. 13 mortgage assignments yourself? 14 Α. No. 15 Ο. So the people drafting the mortgage 16 assignments are all legal assistants or 17 attorneys at Carlisle? 18 A legal assistant drafts it. The Α. attorney reviews it. 19 20 What other types of documents, Q. besides the title and the actual mortgage 21 2.2 assignment, would you review? 23 The referral from the client. Α. 2.4 What's in the referral from the Ο. 25 client?

Page 59 I'm going to object 1 MR. SANDY: 2 on the basis of attorney-client privilege. Any referral from my client to the law firm is 3 covered by the privilege. My client is not 4 5 waiving the privilege. 6 MR. MILLIGAN: So it's your position that the type of documents that would 7 be in a referral are --8 9 MR. SANDY: Any communications 10 between my client and its counsel will be 11 privileged. 12MR. MILLIGAN: Well, I'm not asking 13 about specific advice that's given, legal 14 advice. I don't think the privilege is as 15 broad as you're suggesting. 16 MR. SANDY: T think it is and T 17 think you're asking for --18 MR. MILLIGAN: I just want to know 19 what type of documents are provided in general from a client when it's referred. 20 21 MR. SANDY: I think that's 22 privileged information. 23 MR. MILLIGAN: So you're objecting 24 and instructing the witness not to answer? 25 On behalf of Bank of MR. SANDY:

Page 60 1 America, it's not waiving any privilege. 2 MR. MILLIGAN: Are you going to 3 instruct your client not to answer the question? 4 5 MR. DEIGHTON: The objection is on the record. 6 7 MR. MILLIGAN: Right. But you're 8 here representing her today. 9 MR. SANDY: My client, though, 10 holds the privilege, not the law firm and my 11 client isn't waiving the privilege. 12MR. MILLIGAN: I understand that. 13 She could still answer and waive the privilege. 14 She doesn't have the MR. SANDY: 15 authority to waive the privilege. The only 16 party who can waive the privilege is the actual 17 client. That's why I'm saying: My client is 18 not waiving the privilege, so she cannot 19 testify to it. 20 MR. MILLIGAN: All right. Well, 21 I'm going to ask the question again. Let's try 22 to clear this up. BY MR. MILLIGAN: 23 24 Ο. What's in a referral package that 2.5 you receive from a client?

object to the extent you're asking about this particular case. Now, if you're asking just in general --In general, what type of documents Ο. are in a referral package? MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to at this point suggest that we go off the record, the three attorneys talk about it, perhaps a stipulation -- four attorneys. I apologize. We might be able to clear up Attorney Sandy's issue and still address your needs for information. And if we're not able to resolve it, then we can go back on the record and you can ask your questions. MR. MILLIGAN: Let's do that. (Discussion held off the record.) MR. MILLIGAN: We were off the record. Do you want to put it on the record? MR. DEIGHTON: I'll put the stipulation on the record. MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. MR. DEIGHTON: I'm going to put a stipulation on that addresses what is typically

MR. SANDY:

25 contained in a typical foreclosure referral

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1	package. In a typical foreclosure referral
2	package, a client will direct a law firm to
3	take a specific action with regards to a loan.
4	That might be, file an answer in a preexisting
5	foreclosure case, initiate a foreclosure case.
6	They'll identify the loan by a loan number, by
7	an address, by a party's name.
8	They will sometimes include loan
9	documents. They will include the date of last
10	payment, the current principal balance, the
11	interest rate. They will include the name of
12	the entity that the client wants us to
13	foreclose in. That is a typical foreclosure
14	referral. It is a letter from the client to
15	the law firm. That's my stipulation.
16	MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. Thanks.
17	BY MR. MILLIGAN:
18	Q. Ms. Ethridge, when you receive a
19	mortgage assignment, do you go through the
20	entire file with all the documents and the
21	referral that your attorney just described?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Do you recall; did you personally
24	review the referral documents in this
25	particular case?

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1	A. I would have to say, yes. I did in
2	every case.
3	Q. You did in every case?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Can you describe the scope of your
6	review and what exactly you would do?
7	A. I would look for the name who we're
8	instructed to foreclosure in. I would look at
9	the title work and see what the title work
10	said, figure out the connection of where we
11	need to go from there, what we needed to do,
12	review the title work, review the mortgage
13	assignment, make sure everything matches
14	recording information, the dates of the
15	mortgage.
16	Q. Would you review the actual
17	mortgage itself?
18	A. Yes.
19	Q. And would you have the notes in the
20	file, promissory notes?
21	A. Yes, the note would be in the file.
22	Q. And the promissory note would be
23	one of the things you would review?
24	A. Sometimes.
25	MR. DEIGHTON: Before you ask your

Page 64 next question, I want to make sure that the 1 2 stipulation I previously read on the record, when we were off the record, all counsel in the 3 room had the chance to hear that stipulation 4 5 and approve it before I put that on the record. 6 Is everyone in agreement with that? 7 MR. SANDY: I agree. MR. MILLIGAN: 8 Yes. 9 MR. DEIGHTON: Okay. 10 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 11 Are you aware of any resolution Ο. 12between MERS and Republic Bank stating that you 13 have authority to sign mortgage assignments? 14 Objection. MR. SANDY: 15 Q. You can answer. 16 Α. No. 17 Are you familiar with Republic Q. Bank? 18 19 Α. No. 20 Back to Exhibit C. Do you see Q. 21 where it says that MERS is acting solely as a nominee for Republic Bank on the second line? 2.2 23 Α. Yes. 2.4 Ο. What does that mean to you, acting solely as a nominee for Republic Bank? 2.5

Page 65 They're acting on their behalf, 1 Α. 2 MERS. 3 And prior to signing this document, Ο. did you request any verification that MERS was 4 5 in fact a nominee for Republic Bank? 6 Α. No. 7 Do you know whether MERS is in fact Ο. a nominee for Republic Bank? 8 9 Α. No. 10 Do you know whether Republic Bank Ο. 11 was in business when you signed the mortgage 12 assignment in November of 2010? 13 MR. SANDY: Objection. 14 Α. No. 15 Q. Do you know if Republic Bank is 16 currently in business? 17 MR. SANDY: Objection. 18 Α. I don't believe so. 19 Now, you've given me Exhibit B, the Ο. 20 agreement for signing authority, which lists 21 BAC Home Loan Servicing, LP. Are you aware of 2.2 whether there's a resolution between MERS and Bank of America, a similar resolution to this 23 2.4 one? 25 Α. No.

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Is there any distinction between 1 0. BAC Home Loan Servicing, LP and Bank of America 2 3 in your understanding? MR. SANDY: Object. Bank of 4 5 America has all sorts of different entities. When you're talking about a Bank of America 6 7 entity, what entity are you talking about? MR. MILLIGAN: Bank of America --8 9 I'm not really referring to any specific 10 entity. In this case, we have BAC Home Loan 11 Servicing, LP. I guess I'm not understanding 12the basis for your objection. Are there 13 other --14 Well, it's like MR. SANDY: anyone. I mean, lots of different banks have 15 16 different entities, different subsidiaries, 17 things of that nature. So when you use the term, "Bank of America," as a generalized 18 19 terms, what relationship are you --20 MR. MILLIGAN: Let's go off the 21 record. 2.2 MR. SANDY: Sure. (Discussion held off the record.) 23 2.4 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 25 Ο. Okay. My question here is that the

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1	agreement for signing authority, which has been
2	marked Exhibit B, specifically identified BAC
3	Home Loan Servicing, LP. As Bank of America's
4	attorney just indicated, Bank of America has
5	several different entities and subsidiaries
6	that fall under the Bank of America umbrella.
7	My question is: Does this agreement for
8	signing authority that specifically references
9	BAC Home Loan Servicing, LP encompass all of
10	the Bank of Americas entities and subsidiaries?
11	MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a
12	legal conclusion.
13	Q. If you know.
14	A. I don't know.
15	Q. Are you aware of any other Bank of
16	America subsidiaries or entities?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. Can you identify those other Bank
19	of America entities?
20	A. BA Mortgage. There's been several
21	over the years when they Countrywide
22	purchased Countrywide and BAC, BA Mortgage,
23	LLC. I've seen several over the years. And,
24	no, I don't know specifically who they are.
25	They're Bank of America.

Page 68 When you say you've seen several, 1 Ο. 2 where would you see them? Title work, additional lienholders 3 Α. in cases, plaintiffs in actions. 4 5 Would they be identified in Ο. 6 particular mortgage assignments that you would 7 have signed? I don't believe so. Α. 8 9 0. I'm sorry? 10 Α. I don't believe so. 11 Okay. Are there other agreements Ο. 12for signing authority related to Bank of 13 America entities other than the one that you've provided in Exhibit B? 14 15 Α. No. 16 So is it your understanding that Ο. 17 this agreement for signing authority would encompass all of Bank of America's entities? 18 19 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection --20 MR. SANDY: Objection. 21 MR. DEIGHTON: -- seeks a legal 2.2 conclusion. 23 I don't know. Α. 2.4 Ο. I quess what I'm asking: For your purposes, for what you would do in terms of 2.5

Page 69 signing a mortgage assignment -- and let's look 1 2 at Exhibit C again. This one is assigned to BAC Home Loan Servicing, LP. Do you recall 3 whether you ever signed a mortgage assignment 4 5 assigning an interest to an entity other than BAC Home Loan Service, LP? 6 7 Α. No. You don't recall or you didn't? 8 Ο. 9 Α. Don't recall. 10 But you may have assigned --Ο. 11 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, 12 speculation. 13 Α. I don't know. 14 MR. MILLIGAN: Let's take 5. 15 (Recess taken.) 16 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 17 Exhibit C again, if you could. Q. 18 Α. Okay. 19 The mortgage assignment starts Ο. 20 with, "For value received." Are you aware of 21 what consideration was given for the 22 assignment? 23 MR. SANDY: Objection. 24 Α. No. 25 Do you know what's meant by, "For Q.

Page 70 value received"? 1 2 Α. No. When you would execute a mortgage 3 Ο. assignment, would you ask for or review any 4 5 documents showing that there was any type of consideration given for the assignment? 6 7 MR. SANDY: Objection. Α. No. 8 9 On Exhibit C, you signed, "Sue Q. 10 Barnes." I'm assuming now you sign things, 11 "Sue Ethridge." Is that correct? 12 Α. Right. 13 Ο. And you've done that since you've been married, correct? 14 15 Α. Yes. 16 But you've already identified that Ο. 17 that is in fact your signature and --MR. SANDY: Objection. Asked and 18 19 answered. 20 You can answer. Q. 21 Α. Yes, yes. 2.2 Do you always sign your signature Q. 23 the same way? 24 Α. No. 25 Do you mind signing -- and we'll Q.

Page 71 mark this as an exhibit, but --1 2 Α. Barnes or Ethridge? Do both and all the different 3 0. variations of how you would sign your 4 5 signature. 6 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 7 Α. (Witness complies.) 8 MR. DEIGHTON: Do you have copies 9 for us? 10 MR. MILLIGAN: I'll make copies. 11 MR. DEIGHTON: Okay. 1213 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit D, 14 Signatures of Sue Ethridge, was 15 marked for purposes of 16 identification.) 17 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 18 19 We've marked as Defendant's Ο. 20 Exhibit D a piece of legal pad that you've 21 provided the different variations of your 2.2 signature both as Sue Barnes and Sue Ethridge. 23 Is that correct? 2.4 That's correct. Α. 25 Ο. And this document accurately

Page 72 reflects how you would have signed documents in 1 2 the past and how you sign documents today? MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 3 That's correct. 4 Α. 5 So as far as a mortgage assignment Ο. 6 goes, you didn't always sign it the same way. 7 Is that correct? MR. SANDY: Objection. 8 9 Ο. Is that correct? 10 Α. That's correct. 11 Let me rephrase that. A particular Ο. 12mortgage assignment that you would have signed 13 could have included any of the two Sue Barnes signatures. Is that correct? 14 15 Α. Also like that, any of these. 16 (Indicating.) 17 Ο. Okay. So on Exhibit D, you've indicated with an asterisk next to the 18 19 signature the variations of your signature that 20 might appear on a mortgage assignment. Is that 21 correct? 2.2 Α. That's correct. 23 Do you have any other documents 0. 24 here with you that would show your signature? No, I do not. 25 Α.

Page 73 Maybe a driver's license? 1 Ο. 2 Α. I didn't bring it in. 3 Back on Exhibit C. Are you 0. familiar with the notary Samantha Miloro? 4 5 Α. Yes. How do you know Samantha? 6 Q. 7 She's an employee at the law firm. Α. What's her title? 8 Ο. 9 Α. Legal assistant. 10 Is she still currently employed 0. at Carlisle? 11 12Α. Yes. 13 Ο. What department does she work in? 14 Currently the billing department. Α. 15 Ο. Do you know what department she was 16 in when the mortgage assignment, Exhibit C, was 17 signed? 18 Α. Foreclosure department. 19 How many departments are there? Ο. 20 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection, 21 proprietary information. 2.2 MR. MILLIGAN: I just want the 23 number of departments. 2.4 I don't know. I mean, there's the Α. foreclosure -- five, six. 2.5

Page 74 Is the complaint and mortgage 1 0. 2 assignment department part of the foreclosure 3 department? Α. 4 Yes. 5 Do you know what Samantha would do, Ο. what was her job duties? 6 7 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Can you clean it up by limiting the period of time that 8 9 you're asking about? 10 On or around when the mortgage Ο. 11 assignment in this case was executed. 12Α. I don't recall. She has worked in 13 many departments at the firm. 14 Were you present when Samantha 0. notarized this? 15 16 Α. Yes. 17 Was Samantha present when you Q. signed the document? 18 19 Α. Yes. 20 Do you recall whether you signed Q. 21 any other documents on November 17, 2010 in 2.2 front of Samantha? 23 I don't recall. Α. 2.4 0. Do you know who prepared this 2.5 particular mortgage assignment, Exhibit C?

Page 75 1 Α. No. 2 Ο. Who instructed you to execute this mortgage assignment? 3 No one. 4 Α. 5 No specific individual instructed Ο. 6 you? 7 Α. No. Is there a policy at Carlisle 8 0. 9 related to execution of mortgage assignments? 10 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. That 11 seeks proprietary information. 12 Instruct my client not to answer. 13 0. Did anyone from MERS instruct you 14 to sign --15 MR. SANDY: Objection. 16 -- the mortgage assignment? Ο. 17 Α. No. 18 When the mortgage assignment is Q. 19 presented to you, how long does the process 20 typically take to review, sign and notarize? 21 Fifteen minutes. Α. 2.2 Q. Just so we're clear, you do not get 23 any compensation from MERS? 2.4 MR. SANDY: Objection, asked and 25 answered.

Page 76 1 Α. That's correct. 2 Ο. Do you recall reviewing any of the 3 loan documents related to the property that's the subject of the mortgage assignment that's 4 5 been identified as Exhibit C? 6 Α. No. 7 Do you recall having reviewed the Ο. mortgage that was assigned? 8 9 Α. No. 10 Do you typically review the Ο. 11 mortgage before signing the mortgage 12 assignment? Α. 13 Yes. 14 15 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit E, 16 Open-End Mortgage, was marked for 17 purposes of identification.) 18 19 Okay. I've handed you what's been Ο. 20 marked as Defendant's Exhibit E. Take a second 21 and review it. Let me know when you've 2.2 finished reviewing it. You're done? 23 Α. Yes. 2.4 Have you seen Exhibit E before Ο. 25 today?

Page 77 Don't recall. 1 Α. 2 Ο. Would you agree that this is a copy 3 of the open-end mortgage that is related to the mortgage assignment that's been identified as 4 5 Exhibit C? MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. 6 7 Α. Yes. And having taken a minute to look 8 Ο. 9 at Exhibit E, does it do anything to refresh 10 your memory as to whether you reviewed this 11 document prior to executing a mortgage 12 assignment? 13 Α. No. 14 It does not jog your memory? Ο. 15 Α. No. 16 Have you reviewed or had a chance Ο. 17 to see any other assignments related to the 18 property that's the subject of this lawsuit? 19 Α. No. 20 Are you aware of any other Q. 21 assignments? 2.2 Α. No. 23 Do you know if you reviewed the 0. promissory note that was related to this 24 25 particular property?

Page 78 I do not recall. 1 Α. 2 Ο. Did you review any documents prior 3 to today in preparation for your deposition today? 4 5 Α. No. Did you review the case file for 6 Ο. 7 this particular property? Α. No. 8 9 What did you do in preparation, 0. 10 other than talking to your attorney, in 11 preparation for the deposition today? 12Α. Gathered the documents that I 13 presented. 14 MR. MILLIGAN: Off the record. 15 (Recess taken.) 16 (Record was read.) 17 18 (Thereupon, Deposition Exhibit F, 19 Note, was marked for purposes of 20 identification.) 21 2.2 BY MR. MILLIGAN: 23 I'm handing you what's been marked Ο. 24 as Defendant's Exhibit F. Take a second and review each page and let me know when you're 2.5

Page 79 finished reviewing. 1 2 MR. SANDY: Just for the record, I'm going to object. Ms. Ethridge indicated 3 she did not review the note for this case. 4 5 MR. MILLIGAN: I believe she indicated she didn't recall. 6 7 (Record was read.) BY MR. MILLIGAN: 8 9 Q. Have you had an opportunity to look at Exhibit F? 10 11 Α. Yes. 12Q. Have you seen Exhibit F before 13 today? 14 I do not know. Α. 15 Q. Can you describe Exhibit F for us? 16 It appears to be a promissory note. Α. 17 It's a promissory note related to Q. this foreclosure case? 18 19 Α. Yes. 20 And the third page of the exhibit Q. 21 is the allonge. Is that correct? 2.2 Α. Correct. 23 Are you familiar with allonges? Q. 24 A little bit. Α. 25 What's your understanding of how an Q.

Page 80 allonge works? 1 2 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 3 Go ahead. 4 Ο. 5 Α. It's like a mortgage assignment for a mortgage. It shows -- transfers the note. 6 7 Have you ever prepared an allonge? Ο. Α. No. 8 9 Ο. Do you know who prepared this 10 allonge? 11 Α. No. 12Do you know whether you reviewed Ο. 13 the note allonge prior to executing the 14 mortgage assignment? 15 Α. I do not know. 16 Is an allonge typically one of the Ο. 17 types -- or one of the types of documents that 18 is included in your review when you're 19 reviewing a file in connection with executing a 20 mortgage assignment? 21 Sometimes. Α. 2.2 Q. And that would depend on whether 23 the client gave you a copy, correct? 2.4 Α. Correct. 25 Q. Do you prepare or are you involved

Page 81 in any part of the process of preparing 1 2 complaints that are filed? 3 Α. No. MR. MILLIGAN: All right. I don't 4 5 have any further questions today. I would like to thank you for your time. 6 7 MR. SANDY: I would like to ask a few questions. 8 9 MR. MILLIGAN: Okay. I have no 10 further questions at this time. 11 EXAMINATION OF SUE ETHRIDGE 12 BY MR. SANDY: 13 Ο. Good afternoon, Sue. Do you mind 14 if I call you Sue? 15 Α. That's fine. 16 Just again, my name is James Sandy. Ο. 17 I'm one of the attorneys representing Bank of 18 America in this matter. I just have a couple 19 follow-up questions for you. Okay? 20 Α. Okay. 21 Referring to Defendant's Exhibit B, Ο. 22 the agreement for signing authority. This agreement appointed you as an assistant 23 24 secretary and vice president of MERS, correct? 25 Α. Correct.

Page 82 And it gave you authority to sign 1 Ο. mortgage assignments on behalf of MERS? 2 3 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 4 5 Α. Yes. And that was effective as of 6 Ο. 7 April 26, 2010, right? 8 Α. Correct. 9 Okay. Going to Exhibit C, the Ο. 10 mortgage assignment in this case. You've 11 testified that that is your signature on that 12 mortgage assignment? 13 Α. Yes. 14 And you executed that mortgage Ο. 15 assignment on behalf of MERS, correct? 16 Α. Correct. 17 As vice president, right? Q. 18 Α. Correct. 19 And that was pursuant to the Ο. 20 agreement for signing authority that's been marked as Exhibit B? 21 2.2 MR. DEIGHTON: Objection. Seeks a legal conclusion. 23 2.4 Α. Correct. 25 And the mortgage assignment itself Q.

Page 83 is from Mortgage Electronic Registrations 1 2 Systems, Inc. acting solely as nominee for 3 Republic Bank, correct? Correct. 4 Α. 5 And real quick. Exhibit E is the Ο. mortgage. You previously testified that you 6 7 don't recall if you saw it, right? Α. 8 Yes. 9 Would you agree that the first Ο. 10 paragraph on the first page of the mortgage 11 states, "This security instrument is given to 12 Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. 13 (MERS), (solely as a nominee for lender, as hereinafter defined, and Lender's successors 14 15 and assigns), as mortgagee"? Is that what it 16 says? 17 Α. Yes. 18 MR. MILLIGAN: I'll stipulate that 19 it says that. 20 MR. SANDY: Okay. 21 0. That's who the mortgage assignment 2.2 was from in this case as well, correct? 23 Correct. Α. 2.4 MR. SANDY: I don't have any 2.5 more questions. Thank you for your time.

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1	MR. MILLIGAN: Subject to the
2	objections based on privilege in which the
3	witness was instructed not to answer, I'm going
4	to adjourn the deposition and reserve the right
5	to recall Ms. Ethridge after having an
6	opportunity to present those objections to the
7	Court for review.
8	MR. DEIGHTON: She'll read.
9	I'm going to let you know that in most
10	depositions, most court reporters I found are
11	incredibly accurate. I have no reason to have
12	any reason to doubt that this young lady is
13	incredibly accurate. This being said, most
14	people will want to review their testimony
15	before having it become official, although you
16	do have the right to waive the right to review
17	that testimony before plaintiff in this case is
18	able to use it as evidence in this case.
19	THE WITNESS: I would like to
20	review it.
21	(Thereupon, the deposition
22	was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.)
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Page 85 1 Whereupon, counsel was requested to give 2 instruction regarding the witness's review of 3 the transcript pursuant to the Civil Rules. 4 5 SIGNATURE: 6 Transcript review was requested pursuant to the 7 applicable Rules of Civil Procedure. 8 9 TRANSCRIPT DELIVERY: 10 Counsel was requested to give instruction 11 regarding delivery date of transcript. 12 Patrick J. Milligan ordered the original 13 transcript regular delivery. 14 Copy--James W. Sandy 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 2.2 23 2.4 25

Page 86 1 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE 2 The State of Ohio,) 3 SS: County of Cuyahoga. 4) 5 I, Tracy Morse, a Notary Public 6 7 within and for the State of Ohio, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify 8 9 that the within named witness, SUE ETHRIDGE, 10 was by me first duly sworn to testify the 11 truth, the whole truth and nothing but the 12 truth in the cause aforesaid; that the 13 testimony then given by the above-referenced 14 witness was by me reduced to stenotypy in the presence of said witness; afterwards 15 16 transcribed, and that the foregoing is a true 17 and correct transcription of the testimony so given by the above-referenced witness. 18 19 I do further certify that this 20 deposition was taken at the time and place in 21 the foregoing caption specified and was 2.2 completed without adjournment. 23 2.4 25

Page 87 I do further certify that I am not a relative, counsel or attorney for either party, or otherwise interested in the event of this action. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at Cleveland, Ohio, on this 21st day of May, 2015. Tracy Morse, Notary Public within and for the State of Ohio My commission expires 1/26/2018. 2.2

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