

- Q. Let's talk just in general about fast colonoscopies. When did you first learn that Dr. Desai claimed to be the fastest colonoscopist in town?
- A. I can't recall the exact date, but I heard this on the street, that he did fast colonoscopies. That had to be probably in the 2000 – 2001, 2002, somewhere in there.
- Q. So you had known about that prior to the hepatitis outbreak?
- A. I – when the hepatitis outbreak occurred, then I heard that he was doing them in two to three minutes. Prior to that, I had no knowledge of the exact timeframe. But fast colonoscopies, that came to my attention sort of early – early in this decade or earlier in the previous decade, 2001, 2002, somewhere in there. I didn't equate that with any bad experience.
- Q. So did you hear that from Dr. Desai, himself?
- A. No, not directly from Dr. Desai.
- Q. And can you recall any more details about what you heard?
- A. I heard just that he was doing fast colonoscopies.
- Q. You testified a minute ago in response to Mr. Roberts' questions that you became aware that he was doing fast colonoscopies in the year 2000, 2001. Do you remember that testimony?
- A. I remember that testimony.
- Q. In fact, what you learned was he was doing the fastest colonoscopies; right?
- A. I don't recall that.
- Q. Let's play Clip 108 and see if that refreshes your memory , Doctor.

(Whereupon, video clip was played.)

BY MR. HAM:

- Q. Had you ever heard at any time prior to the hepatitis outbreak that Dr. Desai performed quick colonoscopies?
- A. Before the hepatitis –
- Q. Before 2008?
- A. Yeah. It was common knowledge here in town.
- Q. Was it common knowledge there in town prior to 2005? Is it your understanding that it was common knowledge in the community prior to 2005?
- A. May I answer that?
- Q. yes.
- A. The answer is yes.
- Q. And define for me what you mean when you agree that he was doing quick colonoscopies? What does that mean?
- A. Well, he was very proud of the fact that he was the fastest colonoscopies – he claimed to be the fastest colonoscopist in town.

BY MR. EGLET:

- Q. So, Dr. Colquit, you knew that before credentialing and recredentialing Dr. Desai, didn't you?
- A. That's true.
- Q. And fastest means quicker than any other physician; correct? There's only one fastest; right?
- A. Somebody has to be fastest.
- Q. Somebody has to be the fastest; right?
- A. Right.
- Q. And that's what it means; right?
- A. That's right.
- Q. And you have testified that you have worked with all of the gastroenterologists in town; correct?
- A. Most of them. There's some that I don't know.

Q. Most of them you have worked with in town; right?

A. Right.

Q. And he was the fastest; right?

A. He bragged about that.

Q. Okay.

A. I had – I had no visible evidence of that .

Q. You testified during Mr. Roberts' questioning that you had no knowledge of the Cohan information until after the Hepatitis C outbreak in 2008; correct?

A. That's correct.

Q. And you had no knowledge because no one from HPN told you as a credentialing committee member that Dr. Cohan met with two HPN administrators and gave them this information; right?

A. That is what I said yesterday.

Q. So you don't know about the Cohan warning because HPN never told you about it; correct?

A. That's what I said yesterday

Q. And as a credentialing committee member for HPN, you would expect that HPN would share information like this, the Cohan information with the credentialing committee members; right?

A. I didn't lend any credence to it.

Q. It's a yes or no question. Yes?

A. It must be yes.

Q. And you would expect HPN would share this information with you because you, as a credentialing committee member, need this information to do your job; right? You need to have information about the doctors that you or the physicians as a credentialing committee member, you need to have the information about physicians, especially negative information that might impact the health and safety of the insured members of HPN, and in order to do your job as a credentialing committee member you need that information; right?

A. I did not consider that negative –

Q. Do you need the information, yes or no?

A. Yes.

Q. Thank you.

Now, when Mr. Roberts asked you about the chart that we had up yesterday when I was examining you which shows 22 malpractice or adverse claims – adverse incident claims, do you recall that?

A. I recall that.

Q. You said you didn't know about any of those; correct?

A. Correct.

Q. And that's because no one at HPN didn't tell you about those either; correct?

A. I don't know where –

Q. No one at H–

A. I didn't know anything about it.

Q. No one at HPN ever gave you any of that information –

A. That's true.

Q. – correct? And again, you would expect HPN to tell you about this information if they knew about it; right?

A. If they knew about it.