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REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDING BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE NOTICE TO REVOKE FOR LICENSE ISSUED TO PHILLP ARRINGTON, ON MARCH 7, 2023

1	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING
2	BUREAU of ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS and EXPLOSIVES (ATF)
3	IN THE MATTER OF
4	GOODLETTSVILLE GUN SHOP
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6	REMOTE HYBRID VIDEOCONFERENCE HEARING
7	VIA MS TEAMS AND IN-PERSON IN FRANKLIN, TN
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11	BEFORE STEVEN KOLB (ATF DIO)
12	9:00 A.M. PACIFIC TIME, MARCH 7, 2023
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23	Reported by:
24	Blake Washington, CSR 13027
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1	time frame?	
2	A. I believe so, yes.	
3	Q. Okay. All right. Have you ever heard that it was	
4	significant to know whether or not that number, like the 94 on	
5	this Report of Violations for 2008, was above or below the 5	
6	percent threshold?	
7	A. Wait a minute. Explain that again.	
8	Q. Yeah. So, in what you do as an IOI and I'll back	
9	up one second.	
LO	In preparing the report of violations, is the issue	
L1	of willfulness even a factor?	
L2	MS. CRIM: Objection. Ms. Edwards does not make any	
L3	willfulness determinations. That's why we're here.	
L4	MR. HARRIS: Well, I disagree with that. Okay?	
L5	Because we know why. I'm looking at the adverse action memos.	
L6	But more importantly the question is does the Report of	
L7	Violations does the preparation of the Report of	
L8	Violations, does it in any context take into consideration the	
L9	issue of willfulness? She prepared it. I just want to	
20	know.	
21	THE WITNESS: I input data, and Spartan does the	
22	figuring.	
23	Q. BY MR. HARRIS: Okay. So, you are not entering	
24	when you do a Report of Violation, you are not entering any	
25	information about observations or thoughts or beliefs that you	



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     may have as an IOI about whether the error that you are
 2
     documenting was done willfully?
              Well, I know Spartan has data in it from previous
 3
         Α.
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     inspections.
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         0.
              Right?
 6
              And if it compares it, I honestly don't know.
     didn't write the program.
 8
              No, no, no. I got you there. If you make a data
         0.
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     entry point like this number one on the 2008 inspection --
     well, I'll tell you what let's do. Let's -- is Tab 7, your
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11
     inspection, your report of the violations Government's Tab
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     7?
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              In your book -- in your book or mine?
         Α.
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         0.
              In the stack.
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         Α.
              Is this what you are referring --
16
              Either one is fine.
         Q.
17
         Α.
              Okay.
              And IOI -- or you document that I'm saying to be the
18
         Q.
19
     Report of Violations from the 2020 compliance inspection that
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     you performed; is that correct?
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         Α.
              Yes, sir.
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         Q.
              Okay. And which -- which form -- okay. So, the
23
     landscape version of the form that you and I are both looking
     at, when was it generated?
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              The form?
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         Α.
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1 serial number is incorrect. 2 Okay. Okay. And while you were performing your inspection, you detected that, and you said hey, we got a 3 4 problem here. There's a serial number that's wrong. You need 5 to correct it. Is that generally what happened? 6 Α. Yes, sir. Did the Mr. Arrington give you any stonewalling about 7 0. making the correction or the change? 9 Α. No. 10 Q. Was he cooperative? Α. 11 Yes. 12 0. Okay. Would you have also charged a violation if 13 there had been a typo on the model or the type? 14 Α. The type, no. Model, yes. 15 Q. Okay. What about the manufacturer or import for --16 there was a typo there. Would you charge a violation for 17 that? 18 Yes. Α. Okay. And who's the manufacturer? 19 0. 2.0 Α. Century -- excuse me. 21 Canik Manufacturing. 22 Q. Okay. And then Century Arms is the importer? 23 Α. Yes. 24 Q. Okay. And if we look back at Exhibit 2, the 25 Government's charge, you are going to want to keep it handy



1 because we will be going back and forth to it a little bit. 2 Α. Okay. 3 Okay. And go to the appendix -- go to the Q. 4 appendix -- this page. 5 Α. Okay. 6 And is the data that's entered there concerning the 7 description of the gun accurate? 8 Α. Yes. 9 Q. Who is the importer? Century International Arms. 10 Α. 11 Okay. But Century is misspelled? Q. 12 Α. Oh, yes, sir. 13 If it had been misspelled in the A and D book, would Q. you have noted that as a violation? 14 15 Α. Yes, sir. I could. Okay. Is the other -- other than the serial number 16 0. 17 being off -- and it's hard for me to tell from this 18 photograph. Was it completely wrong, or was it just wrong by 19 like one or two digits? 2.0 Α. It was wrong by one digit. 21 Okay. And did you in discussing that or reviewing 0. 22 this particular transaction, would you have classified that 23 violation or that error as anything other than just a human 24 error?

I can't do that. I mean, as an error.

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