



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

2 MR. WOODY: Let's see, the time is 11  
3 o'clock and this is the 17 of June.

4 And would you give us your name, Ms. Davis,  
5 for the record?

6 MRS. DAVIS: Sharon Davis.

7 MR. WOODY: S-H-A-R-O-N.

8 MRS. DAVIS: S-H-A-R-O-N, D-A-V-I-S.

9 MR. WOODY: Okay. Do you have a middle  
10 initial?

11 MRS. DAVIS: L.

12 MR. WOODY: L.

13 And your address, please?

14 MRS. DAVIS: My residence address is 503

15 Birch. My mailing address is [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED].

17 MR. WOODY: Okay. And the zip code?

18 MRS. DAVIS: [REDACTED]

19 MR. WOODY: [REDACTED]. Okay.

20 Now, things like address and things we do  
21 not give out, that is just for us to contact you if  
22 we need to come back and ask you a question or  
23 clarify something. And if you would care to give us  
24 your phone number, we will take that and give it the  
25 same care.

1 MRS. DAVIS: Okay. [REDACTED]

2 [REDACTED]

3 MR. WOODY: [REDACTED], I have got.

4 MRS. DAVIS: [REDACTED].

5 MR. WOODY: [REDACTED].

6 MRS. DAVIS: I tend, when I am a little  
7 nervous, speak a little fast.

8 MR. WOODY: You do. Are you from the  
9 midwest?

10 MRS. DAVIS: No.

11 MR. WOODY: No. I thought that might be a  
12 Kansas trait or something because I do the same  
13 thing.

14 Okay. If you could just give us anything  
15 you can think of about the day that the casualty  
16 occurred, we would sure appreciate it. Just what  
17 time Captain Davis got up and --

18 MRS. DAVIS: Doug gets up usually about 4:30  
19 when he knows he going to fishing. And does his  
20 coffee and his lunch and everything. And gets ready  
21 to go, and that morning, sometimes he comes in, it  
22 depends, we have a new puppy, os if that puppy is up  
23 or whatever, we talk about him and stuff and he will  
24 always come in and usually say I am leaving and  
25 goodbye. And I was not feeling good that day, he

1 said to me, I will be back to take you to the  
2 emergency room, because I was having some stomach  
3 problems. And I said, okay, that is not necessary,  
4 and I will see you later. And he left at  
5 approximately 5:30.

6 MR. WOODY: Okay.

7 MRS. DAVIS: And that is the last I saw of  
8 him.

9 MR. WOODY: Okay. Now, what we would like to  
10 just think about, and you mentioned that you had a  
11 couple of knee replacements.

12 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

13 MR. WOODY: And we are trying to think of  
14 something different --

15 MRS. DAVIS: Oh, okay. I had my first knee  
16 surgery, my knee replacement in 2000, September of  
17 2000. It went really well. The next one I had  
18 done, the left leg, in August of 2002.

19 MR. WOODY: August 2002.

20 MRS. DAVIS: And that one was really rough  
21 because I was in therapy, I had to go back in the  
22 hospital. I had to have my knee rebent because it  
23 was not bending after six weeks and they put me back  
24 in the hospital to have that done. And ever since  
25 then I have a little stiffness and -- But, I am

1 coming along really good.

2 MR. WOODY: I presume you are not back to  
3 playing volleyball or anything like that yet.

4 MRS. DAVIS: No, no, and I never was a  
5 runner, so I don't, I am not, I am not going to miss  
6 that.

7 MR. WOODY: Not going to miss that.

8 MRS. DAVIS: So, yeah.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: She probably had to  
10 chase after him, though.

11 MRS. DAVIS: You wouldn't believe.

12 MR. WOODY: Is he the only one?

13 MRS. DAVIS: No, I have a daughter who is  
14 very calm and --

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Mild like --

16 MRS. DAVIS: I liked it when they were  
17 little kids, and they have reversed the roles now.  
18 He is the, yeah, you can't believe, I was climbing  
19 the walls. He was --

20 MR. WOODY: Have you always been a homemaker  
21 or have you been --

22 MRS. DAVIS: No, I have worked out since the  
23 kids were in third grade, so I worked, in fact my  
24 husband and I met at the Woolworth Company many  
25 years ago, when we were in high school and --

1 MR. WOODY: At the Woolworth Company.

2 MRS. DAVIS: Yes. My husband was manager  
3 for Woolworth stores for 25 years around the  
4 Northwest area.

5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Wow.

6 MR. WOODY: Okay.

7 MRS. DAVIS: And when he, in fact, he closed  
8 the downtown Portland store and they wanted to move  
9 us back to California and that is when he said, I am  
10 not raising my kids in California. Nothing against  
11 California, but he wasn't going to raise our kids  
12 there. And he was in the fence business.

13 MR. WOODY: In what business, please?

14 MRS. DAVIS: The fencing business, chain  
15 link fencing.

16 MR. WOODY: Okay.

17 MRS. DAVIS: A salesman for selling fence.  
18 And then we are the former owners of Garibaldi  
19 Charters, and sold the business two years ago.

20 MR. WOODY: Yes.

21 MRS. DAVIS: And he ran, he had to run that  
22 boat, I mean, he couldn't get it out of his system,  
23 you know, I wanted to retire because you know, I was  
24 in the office all the time and he did all the  
25 booking and everything and you know, we were going

1 to retire, because this was a couple of years ago  
2 and he was like 63.

3 MR. WOODY: Do you know the date it was that  
4 you sold your business?

5 MRS. DAVIS: It was the summer of 2001.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: It was 2001.

7 MRS. DAVIS: 2001.

8 MR. WOODY: Summer of 2001.

9 MRS. DAVIS: Yes, we sold it to the Buell  
10 family.

11 MR. WOODY: Yes.

12 MRS. DAVIS: And the first year he ran quite  
13 a lot for the Taki Too, that summer, the second  
14 summer it was, it was less and now he was just a  
15 part, if they needed him to run it, he wanted to it  
16 a couple of days a week, but, the business had been  
17 so slow this year, because the economy and the  
18 fishing industry and everything that he had only  
19 made two or three trips since we got back, because  
20 we are not here in the wintertime. We leave and we  
21 came back in, since we have retired, that is, I  
22 mean, since we have sold the business, we have been  
23 a way a little bit more, but we were gone six months  
24 this year.

25 MR. WOODY: Where did you go to?

1 MRS. DAVIS: Baha, Mexico.

2 MR. WOODY: Okay. Do you go to the same  
3 place, do you go there, have you been there before?

4 MRS. DAVIS: I have a home, we have a home  
5 there.

6 MR. WOODY: In Baha.

7 MRS. DAVIS: Yes.

8 MR. WOODY: Okay.

9 MRS. DAVIS: And so we came back to go  
10 Halibut fishing for the Buells because they went to  
11 Tammi's graduation from college. And that, he was  
12 out fishing for one day, a week or so ago to help  
13 the fishermen catch the, the Coast Guard or  
14 auxiliary was going to have a fish fry and they all  
15 went out to catch the fish for it. And that  
16 morning, Saturday morning, the only reason he was on  
17 the ocean that morning was that the people that were  
18 onboard had requested Doug. They were our  
19 customers, had been with us for at least 10 years  
20 that I can remember, because we had the business  
21 here. We were in the fishing business here and ran  
22 the boats 15 years out of this port. Doug ran the  
23 Taki Too.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: That is the railroad  
25 bench area.

1 MRS. DAVIS: Yes.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You call it something  
3 like that.

4 MRS. DAVIS: Yes, Steve -- group. The game,  
5 the boys, what they call themselves, yes.

6 MR. WOODY: You had the business 15 years.

7 MRS. DAVIS: Yes.

8 MR. WOODY: And what boats had you owned  
9 over the years?

10 MRS. DAVIS: We had owned the Taki Too,  
11 well, Doug started, we owned boats all our, all our  
12 lives since we got married. We have had boats. And  
13 then on the Columbia River, we did the Straits of  
14 Juan Furca(ph). We took a boat up through the Orca  
15 Islands and all of that. We have had a boat since  
16 we have been married.

17 MR. WOODY: Okay.

18 MRS. DAVIS: And we brought the charter  
19 company. We were in business here on a part time  
20 basis for many years. We both had jobs in Portland.  
21 And we would come down on the weekends to run the  
22 Taki Too. And we had someone else working it during  
23 the week. And at that time, and then we purchased,  
24 I want to say, we have been in the charter business  
25 15 years, and with this office here on the corner

1 approximately seven years at that location. We  
2 owned the Taki Too, the D&D, the West, at this, when  
3 it was in the port this year, I mean, when it was in  
4 the port here, it is no longer in the port, the boat  
5 was called the Westward. And we have brought,  
6 originally we brought the original Garibaldi  
7 Charters Company, we brought the name and that boat  
8 at that time. And then we decided to branch on our  
9 own and do our own, form our own charter company.  
10 And that is when we -- Right.

11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

12 MRS. DAVIS: We had the, we got the others,  
13 we had the Taki Too and the D&D, though before we  
14 got the Westward.

15 MR. WOODY: Okay.

16 MRS. DAVIS: Before we brought the charter  
17 company and then we finally eventually got that  
18 little building and been there ever since.

19 MR. WOODY: Over the years, has the D&D and  
20 the Taki Too and the D&D have they been good  
21 performing boats?

22 MRS. DAVIS: Excellent performing boats. We  
23 have never had any major problems with the boats.

24 MR. WOODY: Now, we would like to ask you,  
25 let's see you have been in business 15 years, and

1 your husband was with, with Walmart, I am sorry --

2 MRS. DAVIS: F. W. Woolworth.

3 MR. WOODY: Woolworth. How was his health  
4 the last few years? Any health problems? This is  
5 something we always ask.

6 MRS. DAVIS: He had, around 10 to 12 years  
7 ago, he had, was diagnosed with throat, cancer was  
8 in his, on his tongue. He has been in remission  
9 from that, I mean, he has had no problems  
10 reoccurring. He checked, he had a physical every  
11 year with that doctor performed the surgery and  
12 always went back to that same doctor. Even though  
13 our insurance did not cover it, you know, that  
14 doctor that we had at the time, he always went back  
15 to that specialist who performed the surgery.

16 MR. WOODY: Okay.

17 MRS. DAVIS: Because he could got a long  
18 with him so good.

19 MR. WOODY: Okay. And was he in radiation or  
20 was it --

21 MRS. DAVIS: He went through radiation, yes.

22 MR. WOODY: And chemotherapy, too?

23 MRS. DAVIS: No chemotherapy.

24 MR. WOODY: No chemo.

25 MRS. DAVIS: No.

1 MR. WOODY: Any surgery?

2 MRS. DAVIS: Not on the throat cancer. I  
3 call it throat cancer, it actually was on the back  
4 of his tongue, on his tongue.

5 MR. WOODY: Okay. And he had, and we know he  
6 wore glasses, which is a normal thing that many  
7 people do. How was his vision? I know he passed  
8 the Coast Guard physical so --

9 MRS. DAVIS: Fine. Yeah, he was fine. He  
10 wore them to read some and then finally he just,  
11 instead of taking them off and on, he just wore  
12 them. He got used to them, to wear glasses all the  
13 time. But, he had no problems. He had no eye  
14 diseases or nothing, you know, that was affecting  
15 the eyes, you know.

16 MR. WOODY: His vision and need for glasses  
17 was that for reading or for distance or for -- You  
18 say he was taking them off and on, I was kind of --

19 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah, I think it was mostly for  
20 reading, just really up close, you know, far away,  
21 like distance, just like I am now, I need it for  
22 reading the newspaper, but, far away I can, you  
23 know.

24 MR. WOODY: Right.

25 MRS. DAVIS: I need them for reading and

1 signs. And he was kind of, I think he was kind of  
2 that way. But, you know, I am not, I can't  
3 remember. I mean, but it hasn't been that long that  
4 he has wore them full time.

5 MR. WOODY: And what was his age?

6 MRS. DAVIS: He was 66.

7 MR. WOODY: Sixty six.

8 And you would characterize his health as  
9 good?

10 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah, as far as, yeah,  
11 excellent health. I mean, he was, his only  
12 complaint was that he couldn't do things like he did  
13 20 years ago, but, who can after they are, you know,  
14 during the years, you know, because he used to work  
15 from morning to night on the boats, and do all the,  
16 we never hired anybody to do maintenance. He did  
17 all the maintenance on all three boats and ran the  
18 boat and worked in the office with me and  
19 everything. So, I mean, he, you know.

20 MR. WOODY: Now, he ran the boat a couple of  
21 times a week. Did he have any hobbies or --

22 MRS. DAVIS: Well, he didn't --

23 MR. WOODY: Well, I am putting words in your  
24 mouth.

25 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah, you mean, okay. The

1 question was did he run the boat a couple of days a  
2 week.

3 MR. WOODY: Well --

4 MRS. DAVIS: Now or when?

5 MR. WOODY: Well, say the last year, this  
6 season now.

7 MRS. DAVIS: He had only been out on two  
8 trips.

9 MR. WOODY: Two trips this year.

10 MRS. DAVIS: For this year.

11 MR. WOODY: That is right, I remember that  
12 now.

13 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

14 MR. WOODY: And did he have any other  
15 vocations or hobbies or anything that took up his  
16 time?

17 MRS. DAVIS: Just, just the boating and he  
18 wanted to be around boats, and he would go down  
19 there and help them do anything or, you know, he  
20 would, I mean, no, fishing and boating was his life,  
21 really, after he, you know, after he --

22 MR. WOODY: Did he still have a boat, did he  
23 fish with one or two people?

24 MRS. DAVIS: We have a private boat, yeah.

25 MR. WOODY: You have a boat. And what kind

1 of boat is that?

2 MRS. DAVIS: Well, that is not here. That  
3 is in Mexico.

4 MR. WOODY: In Mexico, okay.

5 MRS. DAVIS: And we just got that, that  
6 boat, he was out on it six times in Mexico and that  
7 was all because of the weather down there this  
8 winter. And we had just taken it down there this  
9 winter.

10 MR. WOODY: What city in Mexico did you say?

11 MRS. DAVIS: Las Veralces.

12 MR. WOODY: Las Veralces.

13 MRS. DAVIS: Yes. We have been going down  
14 there for about six, seven, eight years. I don't  
15 know. And we have, you know, in our business we did  
16 all the sport shows around the northwest, so we  
17 couldn't be gone that long, but, now that he, we  
18 didn't own the business and we were planning on  
19 being there six months.

20 MR. WOODY: You said sport shows, what --

21 MRS. DAVIS: You know, to advertise, have  
22 you been to a fishing and hunting show and all that,  
23 like at the Expo Centers.

24 MR. WOODY: Yes, I see what you mean.

25 MRS. DAVIS: And you advertise your

1 business, you have a display and you advertise your  
2 business. We did those for, that was how our basic  
3 output of advertising for the Garibaldi Charters.  
4 That is how we got the word out basically.

5 MR. WOODY: Okay. Have you still been doing  
6 that sort of thing?

7 MRS. DAVIS: No, we, the Buells, when we  
8 sold the business, I did it the first year with them  
9 to show them the routine and what, what, where we  
10 stayed. And it was a routine, you know, and we did  
11 it for two months every two weeks around the  
12 Northwest.

13 MR. WOODY: I see. Okay.

14 Well, we are just, we always try to get  
15 acquainted with people involved and that is what we  
16 are doing here. And it is not much more than that.

17 You have kind of given us a sketch that we can  
18 begin to understand.

19 Do you have some questions that you can  
20 think of or anything?

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Not at the moment.

22 MR. WOODY: Okay. I should have explained  
23 before we started. What we do, we, the Safety  
24 Board, since there is so few of us, whenever we come  
25 into an area, we always look for people to help us,

1 you know, who know the local things, like as far as  
2 the Bar out here, I am a deep sea mariner and have  
3 had many years at sea in the Navy and Merchant  
4 Marine. But, however, how you go across the bar out  
5 here is something I don't have local knowledge on  
6 and local knowledge on and so, when we come to an  
7 area we always look for people who know the area and  
8 then we offer something called "Party Status", like  
9 the Buells, who are owners of the ship, they can  
10 have a representative here if they choose to, to be  
11 a party, like partners. So, the Sheriff's folks  
12 here are boating accident investigators and they  
13 felt because of the seriousness and see what we  
14 could do to make things better next time, maybe  
15 prevent it from happening. So, it is a partnership.

16 And I should have explained why we have associates  
17 here and we are asking them if they can think of  
18 something.

19 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

20 MR. WOODY: Because they know a lot of  
21 things when it comes angling across the bar.

22 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

23 MR. WOODY: That I as a deep sea mariner  
24 don't know. And so.

25 But, we have groups. Right now I am called

1 Human Performance. I am suppose to, you know, be  
2 the one who gets acquainted with the person who was  
3 involved in the accident, to find out if they had  
4 health problems, anything, attitude, anything like  
5 this. Any surprises in their life, that sort of  
6 thing. We ask that question. And normally we have  
7 a psychologist who is a little more, you know,  
8 careful in asking questions than myself, but, he is  
9 not here, so I am the, so that is basically why the  
10 three of us, there would be one more person here, a  
11 Coast Guard person, but, he had to go right now.

12 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Well, the only thing  
13 I can think of is if there was any, any indication  
14 of memory losses or anything like that recently?

15 MRS. DAVIS: No.

16 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So he has been --

17 MRS. DAVIS: No, no. Not that I saw.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Not getting  
19 forgetful.

20 MRS. DAVIS: No.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I mean, I am  
22 forgetful now.

23 MRS. DAVIS: Yes. No, he was, no.

24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I don't know what I  
25 am going to be like when I get, you know.

1 MRS. DAVIS: No, he was not anywhere near  
2 that way, no.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No changes in the  
4 last few years that you could tell.

5 MRS. DAVIS: No. No. Just that he was  
6 slowing down. He was getting older and he was  
7 slowing down, you know.

8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Taking his time now.

9 MRS. DAVIS: He wasn't a kid age anymore.

10 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right.

11 MRS. DAVIS: You know, yeah, just taking it  
12 easy. And he didn't like to sit still. I mean, I  
13 can curl up with a book for a day, but he could not,  
14 he is just learning how to sit down and relax. I  
15 mean, it is just like him, he is like his dad, he  
16 can't sit down and relax. He had to be doing  
17 something, working on something.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right.

19 MRS. DAVIS: I mean, he was, he was, he  
20 works on his computer all the time constantly when  
21 he wasn't doing anything else. Or he was working  
22 on, he was a good mechanic, I mean, he was working  
23 on the cars or, you know, stuff, you know, and they  
24 always called him for that. But, no, he, that is  
25 his only problem, he couldn't sit still. He had to

1 be doing something all the time.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: You said he works on  
3 the computers, does he look at the weather and stuff  
4 for the area?

5 MRS. DAVIS: Always, yeah.

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

7 MRS. DAVIS: And always listened to, the  
8 radios were going every morning to know the bar, the  
9 conditions, even when it wasn't rainy, see I had no,  
10 I didn't even know what the conditions were this  
11 week because I hadn't even, I mean, we hadn't been  
12 out there. So, I mean, we hadn't made a point of  
13 listening to the radio, you know, but every morning  
14 the radio, the little, that little VHF radio and we  
15 had this police, the scanner in our house and we two  
16 VHF radios. We have a VHF radio in his truck. So,  
17 that was the -- that was the first thing that was on  
18 his mind, you know, the weather conditions and bar  
19 conditions and, and yeah, he listened to that  
20 basically every morning. And he did the weather  
21 printouts, you know, on the computer, too.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Did he ever mention  
24 any concerns about this specific bar?

25 MRS. DAVIS: Oh.

1 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I am sure he has.

2 MRS. DAVIS: He worked, he worked endless  
3 hours with the, he was on the Pacific Halibut  
4 Commission for four years. He was a member of the  
5 City Council. He worked on any committees he could  
6 find, he went to all the fishing meetings that they  
7 had for rules and regulations in the fishing  
8 industry. He tried to work on the conditions of the  
9 bar because it was just deteriorating so bad that it  
10 was so shallow, and he, that was the main topic of,  
11 when they got together of the, how the shallow the  
12 south side apparently, I mean, I am not, I am not an  
13 expert, you know, but how the south side especially,  
14 that this last two or three years, because they have  
15 lost so much of the rocks. They have lost a lot of  
16 the rocks off the jetty. That was, that was the  
17 main condition and it kept getting hazardous and the  
18 waves kept getting wore and worse every year since  
19 we have been here. And they --

20 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: So, you definitely  
21 have seen a change over the years.

22 MRS. DAVIS: Oh, oh, yeah, and we lost tons  
23 of, I mean, we are not, we weren't, we didn't make  
24 any money. We were in it for the love of fishing  
25 and we saw it deteriorate so much. And we turned

1 back, I mean, you know, on trips that you can't go,  
2 you know. And that is why that Doug, those three  
3 other boats got out there, and if there is a boat  
4 that could have made it, it would have been the Taki  
5 Too. Because that boat could do it, you know. But,  
6 yeah, that was the main, main concern of all the  
7 charter skippers here. And that was, they have had  
8 meetings on it, the City Council, the Port, you  
9 know, and it was dredged like only one time that I  
10 can ever remember being here in all those years that  
11 we were in the fishing industry. I can only  
12 remember it once. And I can remember going down to  
13 the docks and looking at those boats, you know, low  
14 tide, sitting on the sand. That we had to hold our  
15 trips back because the Taki Too was sitting on, on  
16 the, they were sitting on the sand, the boats.

17 MR. WOODY: And where was that?

18 MRS. DAVIS: Right in the moor here, where  
19 the boats are moored.

20 MR. WOODY: Okay.

21 MRS. DAVIS: The first, from the first slip  
22 where the Norwester is right now. The Norwester is  
23 there, the Carrie Lynn is next.

24 MR. WOODY: Right.

25 MRS. DAVIS: The Herbie is now next, the

1 Taki Too, the D&D, the Togo, I can name, I can name  
2 all the boats on, I was involved in it.

3 MR. WOODY: Okay.

4 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

5 MRS. DAVIS: That was the trouble, if I  
6 wasn't so involved in, too. Sorry.

7 MR. WOODY: That is all right. You are  
8 doing pretty grand, you know.

9 MRS. DAVIS: But, yeah, he worked on that,  
10 and that was --

11 MR. WOODY: The Pacific Halibut Commission -  
12 -

13 MRS. DAVIS: Well, that was, that was  
14 basically more fishing rules and regulations with  
15 the Halibut industry.

16 MR. WOODY: Okay.

17 MRS. DAVIS: Up and down from, from the  
18 Columbia River Bar to California --

19 MR. WOODY: Yeah, I am --

20 MRS. DAVIS: The three zones.

21 MR. WOODY: Yeah, I heard there are a lot of  
22 regulations about Halibut.

23 MRS. DAVIS: And he worked on all of that,  
24 too.

25 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Bottom fish.

1 MRS. DAVIS: Bottom fishing, right.

2 MR. WOODY: Bottom fish --

3 MRS. DAVIS: Yes, yes.

4 MR. WOODY: Is Halibut a bottom fish?

5 MRS. DAVIS: Yes, it is right on the bottom.

6 MR. WOODY: Right on the bottom.

7 MRS. DAVIS: They have a sandy place and  
8 that is where they went, right, 28 miles off shore,  
9 right to the sand, and that is mainly where they got  
10 them, right there, yeah. They would, it was like, I  
11 think when they caught one somewhere else, those  
12 fish were moving the area to go somewhere else and  
13 that was a fluke, basically, inside 30 fathoms to  
14 catch a Halibut.

15 MR. WOODY: Now, this, the City Council  
16 here, of course it is concerned about the bar  
17 because it is part of the town. But, is there any,  
18 is there any kind of a citizens committee that comes  
19 down and talks to fishermen to find out what their  
20 views are or what their problems are? Does the Corps  
21 of Engineers do that? Does anybody do that?

22 MRS. DAVIS: In the town?

23 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: No, outside.

24 MRS. DAVIS: No.

25 MR. WOODY: I am sorry, I know that, has

1 anybody from the outside that comes into town to  
2 collect information about the bar and the  
3 information from the --

4 MRS. DAVIS: Just the Army, what is it, the  
5 Corps of Engineers?

6 MR. WOODY: The Corps of Engineers, right.

7 MRS. DAVIS: That would be, I think the  
8 people that, you know, the fishing game was the  
9 rules and regulations and all of that and Halibut  
10 catching. But, the Corps of Engineers would, I  
11 think works with the Port on dredging the bar and  
12 that would be, and I never, I never sat on any of  
13 those meetings.

14 MR. WOODY: I see.

15 MRS. DAVIS: I am sure Doug did, you know, I  
16 would have to, you know, you would have to speak to  
17 the rest of the captains on that. I am not  
18 familiar, I am not that up on that. But, I know that  
19 it was a major topic.

20 MR. WOODY: Okay.

21 MRS. DAVIS: And concern.

22 MR. WOODY: Okay. Let me see if I can think  
23 of anything.

24 (Pause.)

25 MR. WOODY: Excuse me, let me just take a

1 minute to look at my notes here.

2 MRS. DAVIS: Oh, sure. No problem.

3 MR. WOODY: After we dragged you down here,  
4 we want to make sure we --

5 MRS. DAVIS: No problem. Yeah I would  
6 rather do it all at one time.

7 MR. WOODY: Yeah, right.

8 MRS. DAVIS: I mean, I don't, you know, you  
9 certainly have the right to come back and talk to  
10 me, that is no problem.

11 MR. WOODY: One of the things that we  
12 appreciated was that Captain Davis announced to the  
13 passengers that he didn't have any alcohol on the  
14 boat. There was no alcohol there. I think that was  
15 very, that is a good rule. And because people go  
16 out and bounce around the boat, they are going to be  
17 less able to take care of themselves and that sort  
18 of thing.

19 MRS. DAVIS: That is no place for it and he  
20 knew that and, you know. He announced that and he  
21 would, and he would, if he knew it, in fact, they  
22 found, you know, people will sneak, you know, and at  
23 one time --

24 MR. WOODY: Oh, sure.

25 MRS. DAVIS: He found a bottle, somebody

1 brought it onboard and he threw it, emptied it  
2 overboard.

3 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: While we are on that,  
4 what about, what do you think his feelings were  
5 about life jackets and the use of them and rules and  
6 that kind of stuff?

7 MRS. DAVIS: He always, you know, he always  
8 had a speech that he would give. He always pointed  
9 out where the life jackets were to them, went  
10 through, you know, the life raft procedures and how  
11 to wear the life jackets, and, you know, and if he  
12 didn't think that Taki Too could get across the bar,  
13 he would have people in life jackets in a minute.

14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Did he ever discuss,  
15 I know over the years they have talked about  
16 requiring life jackets --

17 MRS. DAVIS: No, I was, no.

18 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: There wasn't any  
19 discussion that?

20 MRS. DAVIS: With me, he didn't, we didn't  
21 discuss it.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Okay.

23 MRS. DAVIS: No, no. I think they, because  
24 I think so few people, you know, he would offer it  
25 to them, and they wouldn't put them on because they

1 are so cumbersome.

2 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Right, right. Those  
3 big square things.

4 MRS. DAVIS: If they would have made a life  
5 jacket that was light weight and the minute you hit  
6 the water it --

7 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Then it is a  
8 different choice.

9 MRS. DAVIS: Then it is a different choice,  
10 you would have worn it. But, trying to get your  
11 arms like, I mean, when you put those Mae West  
12 things on, you know, you are up around here and here  
13 like this and you are going out there for a fun day,  
14 and, you know, it is, I mean it would be a great  
15 requirement. And of course, kids, you know, the  
16 rules was that kids who were 12 under, have, are  
17 required, you have to have life jackets on them.  
18 And that was, he always did that. But, yeah, he, if  
19 they can come up with something that would be  
20 appropriate and not so bulky and then he would have  
21 put them on in a minute.

22 MR. WOODY: Now, is that something you would  
23 wear and be comfortable.

24 MRS. DAVIS: And comfortable and, you know,  
25 but, you know, like I say, we were talking about

1 that, I don't even think they have a demand for to  
2 do that way, I don't know where they ever required  
3 that you put a life jacket on in the United States.

4 I don't know the port, I don't know the port that  
5 does that.

6 MR. WOODY: Well, that, of course, keeps  
7 coming up. We want to know what the captain's  
8 feelings are, a little bit about that, whether he  
9 was for them or against them.

10 MRS. DAVIS: Oh, he was for anything, I  
11 mean, for safety. I mean, you know.

12 MR. WOODY: There is a balance, you know,  
13 having them on in an emergency and a question about  
14 that. All day long we tried to --

15 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

16 MR. WOODY: And you might not want to wear,  
17 everybody is wearing and --

18 MRS. DAVIS: Right.

19 MR. WOODY: Okay. You say he has required  
20 passengers to wear them. Is that coming back in the  
21 port?

22 MRS. DAVIS: That was, yeah.

23 MR. WOODY: Coming back in the port.

24 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah, right.

25 MR. WOODY: Is the bar generally worse to

1 cross, coming in than going out? Or is it, just  
2 depends?

3 MRS. DAVIS: I think they have had more  
4 trouble going out than they have had coming in.

5 MR. WOODY: I see.

6 MRS. DAVIS: As just as I can recall things.  
7 I mean, I don't --

8 MR. WOODY: That is your impression, I  
9 understand.

10 MRS. DAVIS: I don't know, that is just my  
11 impression and feeling, yeah.

12 MR. WOODY: Okay.

13 MRS. DAVIS: Because the morning seems to be  
14 that tide, they can, I don't know, I am not, I can't  
15 say on that, but, that is my feeling.

16 MR. WOODY: When you were operating the  
17 business, do you recall ever changing your hours,  
18 well, maybe, what time do the boats, when you were  
19 running the business, what time did the boats  
20 normally depart from the pier?

21 MRS. DAVIS: Well, in the summer time, you  
22 know, the weather, I mean, Daylight Savings time,  
23 you know, with the light, you can go over a little  
24 bit earlier. You want to see the bar. We didn't go  
25 across in the dark. I mean, we waited until we

1       could see it basically. The only times that our  
2       trips were probably maybe you would consider darker  
3       days, a darker day, would be Halibut trips, because  
4       those Halibut trips are longer and those were like  
5       4:30 checking in the office, leaving at five. The  
6       rest of the bottom fishing trips were 5:30, leave at  
7       six, basically. And as the fall came on, the fall  
8       season into September and October that would get a  
9       little bit later, seven, 7:30 because of the  
10      darkest. And you want to see the bar, you know, the  
11      conditions, you know.

12               MR. WOODY: Now, with the Halibut, do they  
13      come back after darkness, or do they always, be able  
14      to see the bar coming bar?

15               MRS. DAVIS: No, they always saw bar. They  
16      would never in the dark. Doug was never back in  
17      dark on Halibut.

18               MR. WOODY: Okay. That was his policy or  
19      your company policy?

20               MRS. DAVIS: No, he just got, I hate to  
21      brag, but he was a good fisherman, and he got, he  
22      could get those fish when other people couldn't and  
23      he was back, usually, a lot of times, early.

24               MR. WOODY: When they came back in with the  
25      fish, I presume they, you had people who would clean

1 the fish for you.

2 MRS. DAVIS: Right. Right.

3 MR. WOODY: Can you tell me, did you carry  
4 crab pots?

5 MRS. DAVIS: We did for a few years, and  
6 then we got, Doug felt that when the crabbing  
7 industry, a few years ago, it wasn't good and we  
8 were going out there, it takes an hour to throw the  
9 crab pots out when you are going out basically. It  
10 takes up room on the boat, because we usually threw  
11 out six to nine crab pots and it took up the room.  
12 And when you came back, then you had to pull those,  
13 that is another hour. And you would get, sometimes  
14 there wasn't enough crabs to go around with your  
15 amount of people, you know. And so, we just felt,  
16 plus, when you are trying to pull those crab pots in  
17 and get in, there is rope all over, there is people  
18 wanting to see. We were afraid that somebody was  
19 going to get, especially throwing them out, Doug  
20 moved people back, because if somebody got caught in  
21 a rope going overboard, you know, with the crab  
22 pots.

23 MR. WOODY: Yes.

24 MRS. DAVIS: They were gone, I mean, they  
25 would have been gone. They would have been pulled.

1       So, it just got not enough crab and he, we just  
2 felt that we could do our customers a better job.

3               MR. WOODY: It was just --

4               MRS. DAVIS: Yeah. On request, now, we did  
5 a few in the last few years, but, no, not for the  
6 last four years, maybe, that we owned the business,  
7 did we throw the crab pots.

8               MR. WOODY: Okay. Awhile ago I started to  
9 ask a question about the group that you had for 10  
10 years, did they have a name or was it a club?

11               MRS. DAVIS: No, they just worked for the  
12 railroad, and the head gentleman, his name was Steve  
13 Elvis, and he always, they always just booked and  
14 they booked through me at the Spokane, the first  
15 time, at the Spokane, Washington Show and once they  
16 got onboard, and started coming down, it was their  
17 annual thing and I think they, they did a lot of  
18 things together, not only hunting, I mean, not only  
19 fishing, but hunting and a number of things  
20 together. And it was like the  
21 guys --

22               MR. WOODY: Was it mostly men?

23               MRS. DAVIS: Yes.

24               MR. WOODY: Any wives with them?

25               MRS. DAVIS: No, not that I can remember

1 very many women coming.

2 MR. WOODY: Okay.

3 MRS. DAVIS: Yes.

4 MR. WOODY: And see that was, that was  
5 SantaFe, or do you know what railroad?

6 MRS. DAVIS: No, I am not sure.

7 MR. WOODY: Okay.

8 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah, I am not sure, I just  
9 know it was the rail, because we had three or four  
10 different railroad groups.

11 MR. WOODY: Okay.

12 MRS. DAVIS: Come with us. We had, that is  
13 one thing, we had such a following and that is what  
14 we are getting now, and getting now that all these  
15 customers in group, people and anywhere that Doug  
16 went, he would promote his business that, you come  
17 fishing with me, you know, we will have to get you  
18 out there and have a fun time and a good time. So,  
19 we had a lot of, he had a lot of, we had a lot of  
20 repeat business with good customers. And that is,  
21 get in touch with me.

22 MR. WOODY: Was there ever any accidents,  
23 any close calls that you can remember?

24 MRS. DAVIS: No. The only thing that I, we  
25 were talking about that, too, the only thing that I

1 can remember, I used to work for Subaru of America,  
2 and when we did we took a group out there and this  
3 gentleman was very overweight and he, we thought he  
4 was having a heart attack, and we had, they had to  
5 call the Coast Guard, and have, they were going to  
6 evacuate him. Well, he was too large, in fact, they  
7 couldn't get him out of the cabin. He got in  
8 there, but they couldn't get him out when he had  
9 this, it turned out to be he had a gall bladder  
10 attack. And so, they dropped the two paramedics  
11 onto the boat and Doug brought them in to shore and  
12 they got him out of the cabin then. Because there  
13 just wasn't enough help onboard, anyway, he needed,  
14 they finally got him off. That was one incident.

15 We had a claim against us one time of a gal  
16 went out and it was a fairly rough ocean and she was  
17 another very obese, large person, and she was  
18 sitting down and they went over a wave or something,  
19 and this was out in the ocean. This was not on the  
20 bar or anything. And she came up and came down,  
21 when she tried to say that she hurt her back on our  
22 boat and we, of course, we immediately turned it  
23 over to, we didn't have any people come out, you  
24 know, I mean, we didn't have the Coast Guard  
25 involved or anything.

1 MR. WOODY: Yes.

2 MRS. DAVIS: But, she did file a claim  
3 against us and they did do a settlement, I never  
4 found out what. It was all settled through the  
5 insurance company. And, but, I know that she had a  
6 lot of prior problems before she got on our boat and  
7 was trying to get us for it.

8 The only other complaint we had, a gal got,  
9 the guy was, the deck hand was jumping down from the  
10 flying bridge onto the fish box to get down to maybe  
11 go like tie up the boat, I don't remember. It has  
12 been so many years ago. And she had her hand kind  
13 of sitting there and he jumped on her hand and Doug,  
14 Doug took her to have it checked. He said, because  
15 she was complaining and so he brought, and that was,  
16 I think even we were, she was onshore then, tied up  
17 and you know, getting the boat tied up, because he  
18 always made everybody sit down and stay in their  
19 position, no one was to leave the boat until the  
20 boat was tied to the dock. And you know, he just  
21 jumped down, an accident, jumped on her hand. But,  
22 Doug took her to the hospital and he paid the bill.

23 MR. WOODY: One of the more difficulties we  
24 ask people is their 72 hour history, to get, what  
25 was Captain typical going to bed time? Did he have,

1 did he go to bed a certain time or was a night owl  
2 stayed up late?

3 MRS. DAVIS: No, no, no. He was in bed  
4 usually by, by nine o'clock. He was probably asleep  
5 in his chair by eight o'clock and in bed by nine  
6 o'clock. But, he got up at 4:30, every day, even  
7 when he wasn't fishing, that was his routine. He  
8 got up at 4:30 and he went to bed, and I did, too.  
9 That was our routine because I got up at, sometimes,  
10 at Halibut season, I was down there at 3:30.

11 MR. WOODY: Is that right?

12 MRS. DAVIS: Well, yeah, I had to do the  
13 coffee. I had to make sure, I mean, I was, I had to  
14 make sure I knew what was going on. I had to be  
15 awake. And so, you know.

16 MR. WOODY: So, you would be down to the  
17 business --

18 MRS. DAVIS: At 3:30. And then we would  
19 have to come home, we would have to do the  
20 maintenance, we stayed in, I have stayed in the  
21 office until sometimes seven, eight o'clock at  
22 night, especially in the summer. I was in the  
23 office seven days a week, from sometimes 4:30 in the  
24 morning, I would run home and always be back in  
25 there by 10:00 a.m. and sometimes out of there not

1 before --

2 MR. WOODY: So, would it be safe to say if  
3 we want back to Wednesday that he went to bed his  
4 customary time at nine o'clock.

5 MRS. DAVIS: Yeah.

6 MR. WOODY: And got up at four, got up a  
7 four each the morning.

8 MRS. DAVIS: Yes. And he, he had coffee.  
9 We didn't eat any breakfast in the morning, but he  
10 had coffee and then he went off to the docks and  
11 that morning he was happy, jolly, and I am sure they  
12 are telling you that he bounced into the office.

13 MR. WOODY: He did indeed, they did.

14 MRS. DAVIS: And he was ready to go. And he  
15 wanted to get out there, you know, and --

16 MR. WOODY: The take we get he seemed to be  
17 very pleased to be around the boat that day.

18 MRS. DAVIS: Oh, yes.

19 MR. WOODY: Yes, yes.

20 Well, I think this takes care of, I  
21 appreciate so much you coming down and talking to  
22 us.

23 MRS. DAVIS: Okay. I am not glad to be  
24 here, but --

25 MR. WOODY: Oh, no, we understand.

1 MRS. DAVIS: You know.

2 MR. WOODY: Under different circumstances,  
3 for goodness sake.

4 MRS. DAVIS: Right, right.

5 MR. WOODY: So.

6 MRS. DAVIS: Right. But, if you need me for  
7 anything else, I will be around. I am not running  
8 away.

9 MR. WOODY: Okay. All right.

10 Now, does the -- get you, Mark?

11 MR. DAVIS: No. It will for a week, but I  
12 am going to have to go back to Sandy for awhile.

13 MR. WOODY: Salem.

14 MR. DAVIS: Sandy.

15 MR. WOODY: Sandy.

16 MR. DAVIS: My home phone number is (503) -

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18 MR. WOODY: Okay. You are Mark Davis.

19 MRS. DAVIS: Mark Davis.

20 MR. DAVIS: Mark Davis.

21 MR. WOODY: And you are in Sandy, Oregon.

22 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Just outside of  
23 Portland.

24 MR. DAVIS: Yes, about 30 miles east or  
25 west, I guess.

1 MR. WOODY: I have been to Sandy.

2 MR. DAVIS: It is beautiful.

3 MR. WOODY: It is indeed. My uncle Harry  
4 Woody, they used to live at Sandy, Oregon and I  
5 think, I had a cousin live there. He has since  
6 passed on. And I think his wife is still living  
7 there. We talk to her on the phone every now and  
8 then. So, if you meet any Woodys in Sandy, Oregon,  
9 why they are part of my family. Small world, my  
10 word. It is very beautiful. I remember years ago  
11 they used have a little farm and they had the cows  
12 there. The cows -- green grass and it is beautiful.

13 Yeah.

14 How did you get to be in Sandy? You grew  
15 up here, I presume.

16 MR. DAVIS: I grew up in Portland, and I  
17 went to Arizona for 15 years and Southern California  
18 for five, but I always, Portland, Oregon was always  
19 home.

20 MR. WOODY: I see.

21 MR. DAVIS: I knew that I would come back.  
22 And it was back in July, a year and a half ago, mom  
23 and dad and some friends made the decision then,  
24 that I would come back and --

25 MR. WOODY: And what line of work are you

1 in?

2 MR. DAVIS: I work for an aviation company.

3 MR. WOODY: Okay.

4 (End of tape.)