

EXHIBIT B

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
MARTINSBURG

IN RE: Panthera Enterprises, LLC,
Case No. 2:19-BK-00787

MARTINSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2019

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REPRESENTED BY JAMES PUNELLI

a witness called for oral examination pursuant to Notice of Meeting of Creditors Hearing, and pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure by counsel located at the Old Historic Courthouse, 2nd Floor Courtroom, 100 West King Street, Martinsburg, West Virginia, 25401.

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1 P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S
2 10:00 A.M.

3 MR. KINDER:

4 Q. It is Friday, October 18th, we're in Martinsburg,
5 West Virginia, in the case of Panthera Enterprises, LLC,
6 Case No. 19-787. I believe the debtors representative is
7 here, and his name is James Punelli. I'm looking at his
8 drivers license, and it does appear to be him. Mr. Punelli,
9 if you'll raise your right hand, I'll swear you in. Do you
10 solemnly swear or affirm the testimony you're about to give
11 is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?

12 A. I do.

13 WHEREUPON,

14 JAMES PUNELLI

15 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:

16 DIRECT EXAMINATION:

17 BY MR. KINDER:

18 Q. Okay. Can you identify the -- the debtor, please?
19 The name of the debtor?

20 A. Yes, Panthera Enterprises, LLC.

21 Q. Okay. And you are the debtor's representative?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. Also, I believe we'll introduce the -- the
24 creditors counsel as they ask question, if they ask

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1 questions, but also Mark Lindsay is here representing the
2 debtor. What's the debtor's address?

3 A. Its facility is at 2506 Fish Pond Road, Old
4 Fields, West Virginia. Mailing address, 215 Depot Court,
5 SE, Leesburg, Virginia, 20175.

6 Q. Okay. And I believe you have in front of you your
7 schedules --

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. -- and the petition. Those are not the ones that
10 contain your -- your signature where you handwrote your
11 signature.

12 A. Right.

13 Q. I believe those are back at your counsel's office,
14 we discussed that prior to going on the record. But do
15 those -- are those -- do those accurately reflect the
16 schedules and petition that you did sign?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Okay. And the one that was filed is the -- an
19 accurate copy of the ones you -- you signed?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Okay. And the corporate resolution authorizing
22 the debtor to file, you signed that, also?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Okay. Do you know the date that the debtor was

1 incorporated?
2 A. It's October 2011. I don't remember the specific
3 date.
4 Q. Okay. And was it Panthera Enterprises, LLC, at
5 the time?
6 A. The name at the time was TENX Group, LLC.
7 Q. Okay. And when did it change its name to Panthera
8 Enterprises, LLC?
9 A. 2016.
10 Q. Okay. Do you know about what month?
11 A. I don't recall exactly.
12 Q. Okay. And just to clarify certain things, I know
13 that there are various entities with the name Panthera in it
14 that are involved in this case, I'm gonna kinda go through
15 that. The ones that are affiliated with a similar ownership
16 group, which ones are those?
17 A. Panthera Worldwide, LLC, and Panthera Training
18 Center, LLC.
19 Q. Okay. So those are affiliated with similar owners
20 --
21 A. Right.
22 Q. -- to Panthera Enter --
23 A. That's correct.
24 Q. -- the debtor --

1 A. Yes.
2 Q. -- Panthera? Now there's another entity with a
3 Panthera in its name involved in this case, also?
4 A. Yes, Panthera Training, LLC.
5 Q. Okay. And the difference would be that the one
6 that's associated with the owner has Center in its name?
7 A. Correct.
8 Q. Okay. Is there any other Panthera named entities
9 that are involved in this case?
10 A. No.
11 Q. Okay. So the -- the one Panthera that is
12 currently unaffiliated with the debtor is Panthera Training,
13 LLC?
14 A. Correct.
15 Q. Okay. Can you give a brief description of the
16 nature of the business?
17 A. Yes, federal government contracting primarily in -
18 - in the military special operations, kinda focused, and law
19 - federal law enforcement, and intelligence agencies. It's
20 primarily tactical training.
21 Q. Okay. Does it operate that training, the actual
22 training itself or does it subcontract that out?
23 A. Panthera Enterprises subcontracts it out.
24 Q. Okay. Who are the -- who does it subcontract it

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1 out to?
2 A. Well, we -- we, in the past, have subcontracted it
3 to Panthera Training Center, and -- and as of June 1
4 subcontracting to Panthera Training.
5 Q. Okay. Anybody else that it --
6 A. No.
7 Q. Okay. So just one subcontractor at a time that
8 does the actual training?
9 A. Right. And well, I should -- I should add that, I
10 mean, there are independent like 1099s, instructors and all
11 that used in the past, and but those could be considered
12 strictly speaking subcontractors, but --
13 Q. Mm-hmm.
14 A. -- but they've worked for like, for instance, for
15 -- Panthera Training Center has employed them as
16 instructors.
17 Q. Okay. So the debtor themselves hasn't employed
18 any other subcontractors --
19 A. No. No.
20 Q. -- in the past year, say?
21 A. No.
22 Q. Okay. Are there any special licenses required to
23 operate a facility like that?
24 A. No. I mean -- Well, there's, you know, the state

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1 local zoning type -- type things, and you know, for some of
2 the equipment for ammunition and munitions there's federal
3 firearms with, you know, the federal firearms or explosive
4 licenses that might be required, and if there's any, you
5 know, international then there -- there could be a state
6 department arms export regulations that -- that gets
7 involved, but there hasn't been any of that for -- for a
8 while.
9 Q. Okay. And who would get the license, the debtor
10 or the subcontractor?
11 A. It could be either, I think it depends.
12 Q. Okay. Are you aware of any issues that might
13 arise involving licensing that the debtor might be facing?
14 A. No. No, not that --
15 Q. You're not aware of any lapsed licenses or
16 operations without license, or anything like that?
17 A. Well, from a license standpoint, I mean, the
18 federal firearms has been through the subcontractor, so it's
19 not -- not the debtor specifically. And the arms export
20 control needs to be renewed, you know, but -- but that
21 doesn't impact any -- anything happening right now.
22 Q. Okay. When do you expect to have to renew that?
23 A. Probably do that next month.
24 Q. Okay. All right. Who is the owner of the debtor?

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1 A. It would be myself, James Punelli, and -- and
 2 Raymond Jones.
 3 Q. Okay. And what percentage do you own?
 4 A. 50 percent.
 5 Q. And Raymond Jones?
 6 A. 50.
 7 Q. Who are the officers of the debtor?
 8 A. Both Raymond Jones and -- and myself, James
 9 Punelli.
 10 Q. Okay. Do you have specific titles?
 11 A. Well, Raymond Jones has been, in -- in the past
 12 has been CEO and I've been president, but -- but most, I
 13 think normally we use managing directors as titles.
 14 Q. Okay. And do you all have a formal breakdown of
 15 responsibilities between the two of you?
 16 A. Not formal, but -- but informally, you know, Ray -
 17 - Raymond handles primarily business development, and -- and
 18 I do a lot of the operational aspects.
 19 Q. Okay. In terms of obligating the debtor for any
 20 sort of debts, both of you would be -- have the authority to
 21 obligate the debtor --
 22 A. Correct.
 23 Q. -- for debts?
 24 A. Correct.

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1 Q. Okay. How long have you and Raymond Jones owned
 2 50 percent each?
 3 A. Since the inception, 2011.
 4 Q. Okay. So since it was through TENX Group --
 5 A. Right.
 6 Q. -- LLC? Okay. Are there any other officers
 7 besides the two of you?
 8 A. No.
 9 Q. How many employees does the debtor have?
 10 A. None.
 11 Q. Okay. And do you pay yourself, and when I say you
 12 I mean the debtor, does the debtor pay you and Mr. Jones
 13 salaries or do you take draws from profits?
 14 A. Well, yeah, it would be draws, but I mean at this
 15 time, you know, it hasn't -- there hasn't been any for some
 16 time.
 17 Q. Okay. When's the last time you got paid?
 18 A. I mean, from the debtor it's -- it's been over a
 19 year.
 20 Q. Okay. I'll just -- just alert you two now, if you
 21 do decide that you need to get paid, either one of you, for
 22 the work you're doing --
 23 A. Right.
 24 Q. -- you need to contact your attorney, you'll need

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1 court authorization --
 2 A. Right.
 3 Q. -- to do that.
 4 A. Right, okay.
 5 Q. But your attorney is experienced in -- in handling
 6 that. So before you take any draws, no matter how
 7 profitable you are --
 8 A. Right. Right.
 9 Q. -- as long as you're in bankruptcy speak to your
 10 attorney first and let them work through that process. So
 11 no employees. When's the last time the debtor had an
 12 employee?
 13 A. I believe it was May of 2018.
 14 Q. Okay. And how many employees did you have at that
 15 time?
 16 A. At that time it would be three.
 17 Q. And do you anticipate hiring any new employees?
 18 A. No, I don't anticipate it.
 19 Q. Okay. Normally I'd ask if there were any family
 20 members employed, but it sounds like with --
 21 A. No.
 22 Q. -- no employees, that's -- there aren't any. So
 23 since May of 2018 you haven't had any employees. And when
 24 the debtor is operating optimally, would you have employees?

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1 A. I mean, it depends because it's mostly, you know,
 2 the debtor has the facility and -- and any work that it
 3 might have any contracts would be subcontracted out. So,
 4 you know, optimally, you know, if -- if the workload
 5 increased tremendously, yes, we might have some
 6 administrative people.
 7 Q. Okay. But it can -- it can fully operate with
 8 just the two of you?
 9 A. Right.
 10 Q. Okay. Do you or Mr. Jones have other forms of
 11 employment other than the debtor?
 12 A. At this time, no.
 13 Q. Okay. How are you guys surviving in terms of your
 14 -- your, if you're not drawing a salary and not -- not
 15 taking any draws?
 16 A. I mean, well, you know, we had some money coming
 17 from, you know, Panthera Training Center and -- and but in
 18 terms of jobs. Now we've had some other -- other activities
 19 going on outside of -- of Enterprises.
 20 Q. Okay. So you all are drawing some income from the
 21 affiliating company?
 22 A. Right.
 23 Q. Okay. All right, let's go through the affiliating
 24 companies. Before I kind of focused on the ones with the

1 Panthera name before, but what other companies do you and
 2 Mr. Jones own?
 3 A. Those are -- those are it, the Panthera Training
 4 Center and Panthera Worldwide.
 5 Q. Okay. And those are the only ones?
 6 A. Right.
 7 Q. Okay.
 8 A. And in the past we had a Panthera Mission Systems,
 9 but that's not operating anymore.
 10 Q. Okay. What does Panthera Training do?
 11 A. Panthera Training?
 12 Q. Center. Panthera Training Center?
 13 A. Panthera Training Center. Well --
 14 Q. I fell on the same track I was worried about.
 15 A. Right. Panthera Training Center primarily
 16 operated the training facility prior to June of last year,
 17 and -- and, you know, currently it has a couple outstanding
 18 contracts with the government, and in the past Panthera
 19 training has -- has performed on those.
 20 Q. Okay. And that's where you're currently drawing
 21 your income from is, you personally --
 22 A. Right.
 23 Q. -- is Panthera Training Center?
 24 A. Right.

1 Q. Okay. This Panthera Worldwide, what does it do?
 2 A. Well, it has primarily one -- one larger
 3 government contract that -- the focus of Panthera Worldwide
 4 is, you know, activities outside of the country. So we have
 5 a large Department of Defense contract for training, but --
 6 but right now there's no task orders performing on it.
 7 Q. Okay. Is it generating income right now?
 8 A. Not right now, no, there's no task orders
 9 performing.
 10 Q. Okay. Do those two entities, do they utilize the
 11 facility that Panthera Enterprises owns?
 12 A. Yes. I mean, for the -- the two contracts that
 13 are active right now. With Panthera Training Center it does
 14 utilize the facility.
 15 Q. Okay.
 16 A. And Panthera Worldwide does have the potential if
 17 there's any future task orders to perform. But at this
 18 point, I said since June of last year, Panthera Training has
 19 had work subcontracted to it since they had been leasing the
 20 facility.
 21 Q. Okay. If Panthera Training Center and Panthera
 22 Worldwide are utilizing the facilities of Panthera
 23 Enterprises, LLC, is there a contract that's signed or is --
 24 is that, like a written contract or is it just an

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1 understanding since it has common ownership?
 2 A. I mean, it -- it's -- it's been an understanding,
 3 you know, in -- in the past when we did utilize it, yes.
 4 Q. Okay. And did -- does Panthera Training Center,
 5 LLC, and Panthera Worldwide, do they pay any sort of lease
 6 payments or rent to the debtor?
 7 A. Well, they did in the past, but, and -- and again,
 8 we -- we had a lease in place since June 1 of last year with
 9 Panthera Training, and -- and they -- they had operated the
 10 facility and paid the rent.
 11 Q. Okay. Are there any issues currently with any
 12 sort of withholdings that weren't made or any sort of tax
 13 issues relative to any sort of employee or -- or trust fund
 14 issues?
 15 A. There are -- there's real estate taxes, and there
 16 are some state past due taxes from previous years.
 17 Q. Income taxes?
 18 A. Yes, state income taxes due. And for Panthera
 19 Enterprises I don't believe there's any trust fund --
 20 Q. No, no Workers' Comp, no Unemployment, no -- none
 21 of those types of -- no withheld employee income taxes?
 22 A. I believe -- I'm almost sure all that is caught
 23 up.
 24 Q. Okay. So the tax issues are the property taxes

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1 and potential income tax liability?
 2 A. Correct.
 3 Q. Okay. This year, year-to-date, what's the gross
 4 income of the debtor been?
 5 A. Well, it, on here it's -- it's -- it's been, let's
 6 see I -- I believe we had 1.7 million when we filed, and
 7 there's been an addition \$170,000.00.
 8 Q. Okay.
 9 A. So somewhere in the 1.8 million range.
 10 Q. Any idea what the net income could've been?
 11 A. Do I have that filed? I don't have the exact
 12 numbers, I don't wanna say if I don't recall the exact
 13 numbers so far.
 14 Q. Is it your sense that it's been profitable --
 15 A. Yeah.
 16 Q. -- year-to-date or unprofitable?
 17 A. Yes, it's been profitable.
 18 Q. So you think the net income's been positive?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. Okay. Looking at the taxes that you all provided,
 21 the 2018 and 2019 it looks like it was not profitable, those
 22 two years, is that correct?
 23 A. That -- that's correct.
 24 Q. Okay. Does the debtor derive any income other

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1 than from its principal business?

2 A. No.

3 Q. Okay. Since you filed your petition do you think

4 it's been -- there's since been a positive cash flow or a

5 negative cash flow?

6 A. I would -- I would say it's positive, yeah.

7 Q. Okay. Have you been paying secured creditors

8 since then?

9 A. West Virginia EDAs gotten payments.

10 Q. Okay. If you factored in the normal payments that

11 you would make to secured creditors, would it be a positive

12 cash flow then or has the positive cash flow resulted from

13 not making --

14 A. Well --

15 Q. -- certain payments because of the bankruptcy

16 protection?

17 A. Well, I mean, I guess it depends on a couple

18 factors, it depends on the plan, you know --

19 Q. Mm-hmm.

20 A. -- that we wanna come forward with, which, you

21 know, is still being worked on, and -- and I -- and -- and

22 the --

23 Q. I don't think you have to anticipate, just --

24 A. Yeah.

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1 Q. -- I just asking, trying to get a sense of how,

2 what the cash flow has been like since you filed. I know

3 that there's some others. Do you think that you've been

4 generating enough to pay all your --

5 A. I think it's -- I think it'd be adequate, yes.

6 Q. Okay. Is the business seasonal in nature in the

7 sense that there are certain predictable seasons when

8 business increases versus --

9 A. Well --

10 Q. -- decreases?

11 A. -- yeah. In -- in, you know, December/January it

12 -- it -- it -- there's -- there's somewhat of a lull, and

13 that -- but that all depends, but because of the training,

14 you know, the holidays, and for the final fiscal quarter,

15 government fiscal quarters leading up to the end of

16 September there's -- there's often quite a bit of activity.

17 Q. So increase is --

18 A. Yeah.

19 Q. -- consistent with the -- the -- the government's

20 --

21 A. The government, yes.

22 Q. Okay. For the past year, have you closed any part

23 of the facility or shuttered it, or anything like that?

24 A. Well, it's -- it -- it's -- it has been leased by

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1 Panthera Training, and -- and, you know, to my knowledge,

2 it's all -- it's all operating.

3 Q. Okay. No -- no change where you've sectioned off

4 a portion and -- and shut it down in order to make --

5 A. Not that I'm aware of, no.

6 Q. Okay. All right. Bank accounts, you had some

7 pre-petition bank accounts. I believe those have been

8 closed, correct?

9 A. Well -- well, there's -- there's two that are open

10 that -- that, and I believe I, I don't know if it passed

11 through the counsel or not, but we're waiting to make sure

12 no -- no outstanding payments coming in, because --

13 Q. Right.

14 A. -- it's very hard to change, you know, government

15 payments, and --

16 Q. Okay. So I should say inactive, correct?

17 A. They're inactive, but --

18 Q. Right.

19 A. -- just in case any of those payments come through

20 we're waiting until probably at least the end of the month.

21 Q. Okay. And -- and who were those bank accounts

22 through?

23 A. Atlantic Union Bank.

24 Q. Okay. And what were the nature of those accounts,

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1 like checking accounts or --

2 A. They're both checking, yeah.

3 Q. Okay. So there were two checking accounts --

4 A. Right.

5 Q. -- with Atlantic Union?

6 A. Right.

7 Q. And you've deactivated those?

8 A. Deactivated, yes.

9 Q. And then you've opened new accounts, correct?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And I believe you've given us documentation to

12 that effect?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. And who is that with?

15 A. With SunTrust.

16 Q. Okay. And similarly, they're a checking account?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. Just a checking account?

19 A. A checking account, yes.

20 Q. Okay. In the past two years, has all income that

21 the debtors received been deposited into a checking account?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Okay. So any income that comes through the

24 checking account and then is disbursed as needed from the

1 checking account?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. Has the debtor ever received cash?

4 A. Well, let me -- let me --

5 Q. Okay.

6 A. -- let me clarify.

7 Q. Yeah, go --

8 A. There -- there have been the -- the, since we

9 signed the lease with Panthera Training, the monthly

10 payments to West Virginia EDA have been made directly by

11 Training to them on our behalf.

12 Q. Okay.

13 A. So that -- that money has not gone into the

14 checking account.

15 Q. Okay. So that money has not gone --

16 A. Right.

17 Q. -- through check --

18 A. Right.

19 Q. Even though it probably is --

20 A. Yeah.

21 Q. -- considered income?

22 A. It is most definitely income, yes.

23 Q. Okay. Is there anything else similar to that that

24 have -- has not gone through the --

1 A. No.

2 Q. Okay. Any expense -- any payments from the

3 debtor? When's the last time you took a draw, I should say,

4 I'll start with that?

5 A. From -- from Enterprise, from the debtor, it -- it

6 was several months ago. I believe it's in -- in the

7 documents --

8 Q. Okay.

9 A. -- for those.

10 Q. And how do you designate that in -- would it just

11 be a check to you?

12 A. Yes. Or -- or --

13 Q. Or to Mr. Jones?

14 A. Yeah. Yeah.

15 Q. And is that identifiable in the bank records that

16 the payment's to you?

17 A. It should be, yes.

18 Q. Okay. Other than those payments to you or Mr.

19 Jones, has funds of the debtor been used to pay any expenses

20 of any other entity?

21 A. In -- in what time period?

22 Q. In the past year?

23 A. No.

24 Q. Okay. So all expenses have been expenses of the

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1 debtor or draws to you or Mr. Jones?

2 A. As -- as far as I can recollect, yes.

3 Q. All right. Okay. Let's talk about the debtor's

4 assets. I noticed on your schedules you have an accounts

5 receivable of \$777,700.00. Can you describe those accounts

6 receivable?

7 A. Yes, it's -- it's money owed from Panthera

8 Training, and I don't -- I don't have the schedule in front

9 of me.

10 Q. And I noticed that it's --

11 A. I don't know what other -- other is in there.

12 MR. LINDSAY: I believe that's the bulk of it.

13 Q. Yeah.

14 A. Yeah, that's most of it.

15 Q. And it's -- it's designated as over 90 days old.

16 A. Right.

17 Q. Typically that indicates a collection issue if

18 it's over 90 days old, but if it's all from one source, or

19 the majority from one source, that might change that

20 equation. Is that an accurate statement or is that --

21 A. Yes. Yes.

22 Q. Okay. And I'm aware that last evening a adversary

23 proceeding was filed, and your attorney may wanna speak to

24 this, does that adversary proceeding speak to these accounts

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1 receivable?

2 MR. LINDSAY: It does not seek collection of those

3 accounts receivable.

4 MR. KINDER: Okay. Maybe you could just describe

5 that adversary proceeding briefly.

6 MR. LINDSAY: The adversary does relate to amounts

7 due, and defaults under the operative contract documents

8 between the debtor and Panthera Training. The adversary

9 seeks turnover of the real property and other assets from

10 Panthera Training.

11 MR. KINDER: Okay.

12 MR. LINDSAY: That's the -- that's the primary

13 crux of the adversary.

14 MR. KINDER: Okay.

15 Q. Your attorney just gave a brief description of the

16 adversary proceeding that was filed. Is that consistent

17 with your understanding of the lawsuit?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. So it sounds like it doesn't speak to some

20 of the accounts receivable. Do you perceive those accounts

21 receivable as being collectible?

22 A. I'm -- I'm not sure.

23 MR. LINDSAY: May I answer?

24 Q. Okay. You'll defer to counsel.

7 (Pages 22 to 25)

1 MR. LINDSAY: The collectible is a -- is a
2 judgment call, but I -- I would say yes.
3 MR. KINDER: So this is a viable asset --
4 MR. LINDSAY: Yes.
5 MR. KINDER: -- you believe? Okay.
6 Q. Now it shows that the debtor is an owner of
7 Panthera Mission Systems, LLC.
8 A. Correct.
9 Q. What is that?
10 A. Well, it's -- it's -- really, it's defunct. I
11 mean, it's -- so we're -- we're -- it's been closed down,
12 but officially it's still there, but it's being closed down.
13 And it was intended to -- to do some aviation work which we
14 never -- never ended up doing.
15 Q. Are any assets in --
16 A. There's no assets, none, no.
17 Q. Okay. And I've also seen where it says see
18 continuation sheet under non-publically and traded stock.
19 Does the debtor own other businesses?
20 A. Not other than the three that -- Panthera Training
21 Center, Panthera -- Panthera Worldwide, Panthera Mission
22 Systems.
23 Q. Okay. So Panthera Mission Systems the debtor
24 owns, correct?

1 A. Yes.
2 Q. But Panthera Training Center, you and Mr. Jones
3 own?
4 A. No, the debtor owns.
5 Q. Oh, the debtor owns, okay.
6 MR. LINDSAY: Is that --
7 A. Oh, no.
8 MR. LINDSAY: It's an 80 percent.
9 A. Right.
10 MR. LINDSAY: Is that correct?
11 A. It's 80, right.
12 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, it'd be page, it's Page 11 of
13 the -- if you look at the top.
14 A. Right. Right.
15 Q. Okay. There we go, okay. All right. So the
16 debtor owns 100 percent of Panthera Worldwide, LLC?
17 A. Right.
18 Q. And then Panthera Training Center, the debtor owns
19 80 percent?
20 Q. And then who owns the other 20 percent?
21 A. A man by the name of Dave, David Dolan.
22 Q. And who is David Dolan?
23 A. We originally built the facility, and when we --
24 we formed Panthera Training Center, and -- and purchased the

1 facility we -- he had -- he was given a 20 percent stake in
2 it --
3 Q. Okay. Does he have --
4 A. -- for services.
5 Q. -- any management responsibility?
6 A. No. No.
7 Q. Okay. So his interest is purely financial?
8 A. Yes.
9 Q. Okay. And Panthera Worldwide, how much -- what
10 are the assets that it has?
11 A. I mean, other -- other than a currently non-
12 performing contract there's no assets.
13 Q. Okay. And Panthera Training Center, LLC, what
14 assets does it have?
15 A. Well, I mean, it has -- has some contracts, and
16 really that's -- that's it. And there was -- there's a --
17 Do you care to speak to the personal property issue at all,
18 or -- for the training center?
19 MR. LINDSAY: I don't know that those are assets--
20 A. Okay.
21 MR. LINDSAY: -- of Panthera Training Center.
22 A. Well, they're not. Yeah, yeah, they're not. So--
23 Q. Okay. You mentioned that Panthera World --
24 Worldwide's contracts were non-performing. Are the

1 contracts with Panthera Training Center, LLC, are they
2 performing?
3 A. There are two small contracts performing, yes.
4 Q. Okay. So who are the managers of Panthera
5 Worldwide, LLC?
6 A. It would be the same, Ray Jones and myself.
7 Q. Okay. And then who are the managers of Panthera
8 Training Center, LLC?
9 A. Ray Jones and -- and -- and me.
10 Q. Okay. And since it's owned by the debtor, I wanna
11 get into a little bit more of that income. The Panthera
12 Training Center, LLC, which is where you've received your
13 income personally in the past year, is that correct?
14 A. Well, yes, that's correct.
15 Q. Okay. And Panthera Training Center, LLC, has been
16 profitable?
17 A. No, I don't believe it has been, no.
18 Q. Okay. How have you documented your, the income
19 you have received from Panthera Training Center?
20 A. I mean, it's -- it's recorded in -- in a ledger in
21 the -- in the --
22 Q. Okay.
23 A. -- in the books.
24 MR. KINDER: I'm just going to ask your counsel if

1 you could provide us with the bank statements for – for
2 both of the two subsidiaries. I'd like to take a look at
3 that.
4 MR. LINDSAY: Sure. We can do that.
5 MR. KINDER: We'll add that to –
6 MR. LINDSAY: How far back would you like us to
7 go?
8 MR. KINDER: Last year.
9 MR. LINDSAY: Okay.
10 MS. ALLEN: Could we also receive a copy of those
11 statements? Gary?
12 MR. KINDER: We can't share those without the –
13 MR. LINDSAY: No.
14 MR. KINDER: – debtor's permission. You could
15 ask the court for that.
16 MS. ALLEN: Okay.
17 MR. KINDER: If the debtor has –
18 MS. ALLEN: Okay.
19 MR. KINDER: – gives us permission, we can pass
20 those along, or you all can – can communicate directly.
21 MS. ALLEN: Okay.
22 MR. KINDER: But –
23 MS. ALLEN: Okay.
24 MR. KINDER: – any of those sorts of things we

1 can only share with permission. So I don't know if you all
2 wanna speak to that afterwards or – or what.
3 MS. ALLEN: Sure.
4 Q. All right. Other than the three LLCs we've
5 discussed, does the debtor own any other stock in any other
6 business?
7 A. No. No.
8 Q. Any sort of investment stock?
9 A. No.
10 Q. Okay. All right. The debtor does own real
11 property, it's the facility at 2506 Fish Pond Road, Old
12 Fields, West Virginia, is that the only real property the
13 debtor owns?
14 A. That's correct. And it's two parcels –
15 Q. Yeah.
16 A. – but it's the same address.
17 Q. It's two parcels that are operated as one
18 facility?
19 A. Right. Right.
20 Q. Okay. And the appraised value is \$15,050,000.00?
21 A. Yes.
22 Q. And does that – is that accurate, to the best of
23 your –
24 A. Yes.

1 Q. – knowledge? Okay. All right. Debtor lists
2 that it has machinery, equipment, vehicles of \$900,000.00,
3 is that correct?
4 A. Primarily the pre-fab buildings.
5 Q. Okay. And so, the pre-fab buildings sit on the
6 property?
7 A. Correct.
8 Q. But they're not permanently attached?
9 A. No.
10 Q. So – so a creditor, or whoever, could – could
11 attach those without attaching –
12 A. I –
13 Q. – the real –
14 A. That's a question I can't –
15 Q. Okay.
16 A. – can't answer.
17 Q. Do they sit on a foundation?
18 A. No.
19 Q. Okay. What are the pre-fab buildings used for?
20 A. Primarily office and classroom meetings, you know,
21 classroom training facilities.
22 Q. Okay. Yeah, you – they're listed as modular
23 office buildings. Is there any other machinery or equipment
24 that the debtor owns?

1 A. No.
2 Q. Okay. So it would be the – the buildings
3 themselves?
4 A. Correct.
5 Q. Okay. How about the – like office furniture and
6 sort of thing that is inside there, who – who owns that?
7 A. Well, that – the personal property was signed
8 over to SMI at some point in the past, and it's being used
9 at the facility now.
10 Q. Okay. And who's SMI?
11 A. They're one of the debtors. Or one – one of the
12 creditors, I'm sorry.
13 Q. All right. So you've signed it – you've signed
14 over title, or you signed over a security interest?
15 A. It was – it was title.
16 Q. So –
17 A. Yeah.
18 Q. – one of the creditors is SMI, and you've signed
19 over title to all of the personal property?
20 A. Correct.
21 Q. When was that?
22 A. It was sometime last year, I – I – I don't
23 recall the exact date.
24 Q. Sometime in 2018?

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1 A. Yes.
 2 Q. Okay. And was that transaction documented?
 3 A. Yes.
 4 Q. Okay. I'll ask for a copy of that, the
 5 transaction papers for that, if you don't care. Is that
 6 something you think you guys can come up with?
 7 MR. LINDSAY: I'll have to ask Jim about that.
 8 A. Yes.
 9 Q. Okay.
 10 MR. LINDSAY: But I'm sure we can.
 11 Q. All right. And why was it transferred to a
 12 creditor?
 13 A. It was — it was part of the agreement we made to
 14 them on — on — on, you know, on the payback of — of the
 15 debt.
 16 Q. And what debt did — what debt is that?
 17 A. Just a loan.
 18 Q. Just a loan —
 19 A. It was a loan.
 20 Q. — they gave you cash?
 21 A. Secured with — yeah, secured with personal
 22 property.
 23 Q. Okay. And then you transferred that personal
 24 property but maintained possession of it?

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1 mean, we owe some real estate taxes to the state. That was
 2 taken by the state. I'm not sure. Is that — is that was
 3 that is?
 4 Q. Real estate tax is probably the Sheriff of Hardy
 5 County, would be my —
 6 MR. LINDSAY: There's a belief that something may
 7 be due to the state, and but it's an amount that's not
 8 determined at least at this time. So it was identified, it
 9 may or may not be something that remains on Schedule D
 10 forever.
 11 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 12 Q. And I'm just asking you this for — for
 13 information just to get a sense, so you may not know the
 14 answer, but is that tax, is it in the millions, is it
 15 something significantly less, any idea about the value?
 16 A. It was part — it's part of the \$79,000.00 of the
 17 Sheriff of Hardy County, but the state had — 2017 is owed
 18 to the state, so it's part of that — that number, the
 19 seventy-nine.
 20 Q. Okay. Okay.
 21 A. Yeah.
 22 Q. All right. Then the West Virginia Economic
 23 Development Authority, 6.433 million, that looks like it's a
 24 mortgage, is that correct?

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1 A. Correct.
 2 Q. Okay. All right. Is there any assets of the
 3 debtor that we haven't talked about?
 4 A. No.
 5 Q. Okay. I'm gonna briefly kinda go through some of
 6 your creditors, the claims that you listed, particularly the
 7 especially large ones, and — and just kinda ask you some
 8 general questions about those. One of the creditors, Howard
 9 Shockey & Sons, Inc.
 10 A. Right.
 11 Q. And it's for 1.7 million dollars?
 12 A. Right.
 13 Q. What is that?
 14 A. Construction. It was done in, I think, 2014/15.
 15 Q. And that's secured by the debtor's facility?
 16 A. Correct.
 17 Q. The debtor's large — There's one to John
 18 McCuskey, that's — it has in his official capacity, that's
 19 a tax lien from 2017. Do you know, any idea what the amount
 20 of that claim is? A range possibly?
 21 A. John McCuskey?
 22 Q. It's a West Virginia State Tax, would be my
 23 impression from that.
 24 A. West Virginia State Tax? Well, there's the — I

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1 A. Correct, two — two mortgages.
 2 Q. Okay. West Virginia Paving, \$640,000.00, is that
 3 part of a judgment lien?
 4 A. Yes, it's money owed for — we had agreed to pay —
 5 — they had built the — did the paving work on the track
 6 facilities, and we agreed to pay them —
 7 Q. And they —
 8 A. — when we acquired the facility.
 9 Q. And they have received judgment on that?
 10 A. Yes.
 11 Q. Okay. All right. Moving on to your unsecured
 12 debt, there's a claim for \$714,000.00 to A.L.L.
 13 Construction.
 14 A. Yes.
 15 Q. What type of construction was that?
 16 A. They do mainly excavation work.
 17 Q. Okay. When did they do that work?
 18 A. Some of this was — was in — goes back to the
 19 construction of the facility previous to us, it was — was
 20 owed to them, that we assumed the debt, and then some of
 21 that was in, I think, 2014.
 22 Q. Okay. 1.58 million owed to Anthony McIntyre.
 23 A. Right.
 24 Q. What is that?

1 A. That's -- that's a loan.
 2 Q. A loan of cash?
 3 A. Yes.
 4 Q. And when was that loan made?
 5 A. That was over a period of, I think, 2015/16. I
 6 believe.
 7 Q. And who is Anthony McIntyre?
 8 A. He's -- he's an acquaintance of ours.
 9 Q. Okay. Is he in the business of making loans?
 10 A. No, no, he's just a well off individual, and --
 11 and he -- well, yeah, and so we -- we came to know him. He
 12 -- he did own the brokerage, insurance brokerage that we --
 13 we used, but he's since sold that. He's just a well off
 14 individual.
 15 Q. Okay. And so, he made the loan, but he didn't
 16 take any sort of management interest in the term?
 17 A. No. No.
 18 Q. It's purely a debt?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. Okay. There's \$174,000.00 loan to Arthur J.
 21 Gallagher & Co. What is that?
 22 A. That's for insurance premiums.
 23 Q. That are -- that were due and not paid?
 24 A. Correct.

1 Q. What type of insurance?
 2 A. Pretty much everything that the -- liability,
 3 Workers' Comp -- umbrella.
 4 Q. Okay. There's one for \$224,000.00 to Azadian
 5 Group. Do you know what that is?
 6 A. Yeah, the -- that's a -- was a loan. They're a
 7 loan company. Short term loan company.
 8 Q. Is that an Internet lender, one that you found on
 9 the Internet?
 10 A. Well, someone introduced us to them, but --
 11 Q. Okay.
 12 A. -- yeah.
 13 Q. Okay. What's the interest rate on that? Do you
 14 know?
 15 A. I mean, it's -- it's extremely high. Actually, I
 16 don't know.
 17 MR. LINDSAY: I don't know.
 18 A. 20-something percent.
 19 Q. Yeah, they're short term --
 20 A. Yeah.
 21 Q. -- tend to be.
 22 A. Right. I mean, the principal on it's actually a
 23 very small part of that.
 24 Q. Okay. Do they have access to your bank accounts,

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1 or anything like that?
 2 A. No. No longer.
 3 Q. Okay. Bill Neff Enterprises --
 4 A. Yeah.
 5 Q. -- for \$690,000.00.
 6 A. Those are the modular buildings.
 7 Q. Okay. The modular --
 8 A. It's a lease/purchase agreement with them, yes.
 9 Q. Okay. Do they -- do they have a security interest
 10 in those buildings? Or a --
 11 A. Yeah, I -- I don't know if it's -- (indiscernible)
 12 --
 13 MR. LINDSAY: We don't believe so. I mean, it's -
 14 - it's a legal question. We don't believe so.
 15 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 16 Q. All right. \$379,000.00 to Duncan Development
 17 Group, LLC.
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. What's that?
 20 A. It's a professional services that we'd contracted
 21 over time.
 22 Q. What type of professional services?
 23 A. Just he -- he assisted with a lot of the real
 24 estate, and -- and construction that we did, and -- and some

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1 of the operational aspects of running the facility.
 2 Q. Okay. Then you owe your -- owed James Punelli,
 3 the debtor owes James -- owes James Punelli \$2,582,000.00
 4 plus dollars. What is that for?
 5 A. Well -- well, some of it is money -- money put
 6 into the company, and some of it's back, you know, any back
 7 payments that we, you know, paid -- that we had been paying
 8 ourselves previously to like 2016, '17 --
 9 Q. Okay.
 10 A. -- that we didn't receive.
 11 Q. How much money did you put into the company
 12 personally?
 13 A. Personally, I mean, cash I don't -- close to a
 14 million, and then -- and then, you know profits that were
 15 put back in that I never actually received, we just rolled
 16 it back in.
 17 Q. Okay. Midtown Resources is \$273,000.00.
 18 A. That's a -- it's another loan company.
 19 Q. Okay. Short term loan company?
 20 A. Right. Right.
 21 Q. Okay. Raymond Jones, \$3.258 million dollars.
 22 A. Right.
 23 Q. Can you briefly describe that?
 24 A. I mean, it's primarily, you know, cash that he put

1 in over time. Probably close to about 1.7/1.8 million, and
 2 profits rolled back in, and then some back pay.
 3 Q. Okay. SMI, LLC.
 4 A. That's a loan, loan and interest.
 5 Q. Okay. The State of West Virginia State Tax
 6 Department for \$170,000.00. Do you know what that is?
 7 A. Yeah, it's -- there's -- some of the withholding,
 8 when we -- when we -- we did a previous company that -- that
 9 was operating the facility. Back in 2013, we did an asset
 10 purchase, we did not acquire the company, so a large --
 11 about half of that is the withholding because the state, you
 12 know, deemed that we were still responsible for the, you
 13 know -- you know, we didn't acquire the company, and then
 14 there's a passthrough and -- and some sales tax.
 15 Q. Okay. Are you personally, do you personally owe,
 16 do you have personal liability with respect to that?
 17 A. No. No.
 18 Q. Okay. Tim Miller for \$151,000.00, do you know
 19 what that is?
 20 A. It's, yeah, partially a loan and -- and it's
 21 disputed --
 22 Q. Mm-hmm.
 23 A. -- with the amount.
 24 Q. And who is Tim Miller?

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1 subcontract, what's your intention with respect to it? If
 2 you've decided yet?
 3 A. Well, I defer to you to --
 4 MR. LINDSAY: Well, I don't know that -- we don't
 5 necessarily wanna defend it, overly state our intention at
 6 this -- this time, we have various options. Number one,
 7 it's -- it's, for the record, it probably makes sense to
 8 advise that, you know, the subcontract, although
 9 outstanding, gives the debtor the sole discretion as to
 10 assigning any new work under the subcontract. So
 11 essentially they don't have to give anymore work to Panthera
 12 Training at any time once the current work ends. They do
 13 that by virtue of issuing task orders, they have -- there
 14 are -- there's only one task order outstanding at this time.
 15 So there's actually little work that's currently assigned to
 16 Panthera Training, and at the debtor's discretion they could
 17 chose to not assign any further work. Subcontract also is
 18 executory contract clearly that we would -- we are in the
 19 process of determining whether or not it's necessary to
 20 reject or assume or --
 21 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 22 MR. LINDSAY: -- address in any one of those
 23 numerous ways.
 24 MR. KINDER: Okay.

1 A. He's -- he's an individual.
 2 Q. Okay. Did he, is he alleging that he owed --
 3 loaned money to -- or did he do work?
 4 A. No, he loaned money.
 5 Q. Okay. All right. Executory Contracts and Expired
 6 Leases. One of those is with Panthera Training, LLC,
 7 correct?
 8 A. Correct.
 9 Q. And it's my impression that possibly that
 10 adversary proceeding that was filed relates to that
 11 contract, is that correct?
 12 A. Correct.
 13 Q. Okay.
 14 MR. LINDSAY: If I could just --
 15 MR. KINDER: Mm-hmm.
 16 MR. LINDSAY: -- comment quick. It -- it really
 17 relates to the lease --
 18 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 19 MR. LINDSAY: -- and not as much to the
 20 subcontract.
 21 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 22 MR. LINDSAY: Just to be clear.
 23 MR. KINDER: That's helpful, yeah. Thank you.
 24 Q. And I guess, okay, with respect to the

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1 Q. Let me, and I maybe should've asked this at the
 2 beginning just to get a sense of how your business works,
 3 does the debtor obtain the government contracts and then
 4 subcontract out the services of a --
 5 A. Yes.
 6 Q. Is that correct?
 7 A. Yes.
 8 Q. Okay. So it's not that they're just leasing the
 9 facility and whoever is leasing the facility goes out and
 10 acquires the contract, the contracts come through the
 11 debtor, is that correct?
 12 A. It could be both.
 13 Q. Okay. So the -- the subcontractor/lease -- lessor
 14 may seek contracts with government entities independent of
 15 the debtor, is that correct? Correct me if I'm wrong.
 16 MR. LINDSAY: I would say, and again, that -- that
 17 could be a legal issue, but I think technically speaking as
 18 long as they're not with the same government agencies that
 19 the debtor has contracts with.
 20 MR. KINDER: Okay. Okay.
 21 MR. LINDSAY: So, and -- and, as an example, the
 22 debtor has a contract with the I -- and it subcontracts that
 23 training work to Panthera Training to do on the facility
 24 that it also leases to Panthera Training, there could

1 conceivably be another government entity that Panthera
2 Training might have a relationship with that we don't know
3 about.
4 MR. KINDER: Okay.
5 Q. So the — the debtor earns income not just from
6 leasing the facility to another entity, they also acquire
7 contracts and then, I guess, make a profit for the
8 difference between what they pay a subcontractor versus what
9 the contract pays, is that correct?
10 A. Correct.
11 Q. Okay. And currently that only — the only
12 subcontractor that fits into that category is Panthera
13 Training, LLC?
14 A. Yes.
15 Q. Okay. Timber agreement with SMI, LLC, what's
16 that?
17 A. Well, the timber — timber rights agreement, I
18 don't know if you wanna speak to it because it's —
19 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, I mean, I don't want — we
20 don't wanna try to characterize the entire agreement, but it
21 is a — it's an agreement with SMI whereby some rights to
22 take timber from the property where an agreement was made so
23 they have some rights in that regard. We're still
24 evaluating what to do with that agreement.

1 MR. KINDER: Okay. So there's timber on the
2 property?
3 MR. LINDSAY: Yes.
4 Q. And do you believe it has some value, that time?
5 A. Yes.
6 Q. Okay. And has that timber been timbered —
7 A. No.
8 Q. — has any of it been timbered?
9 A. No.
10 Q. So it's all still there?
11 A. Yes.
12 Q. Okay. So that is a potential income stream for
13 the debtor, is the selling of the timber that's on the
14 property?
15 A. Potentially. Not — as long as it doesn't
16 interfere with the ability to train.
17 Q. Okay. And do you have any sense of the value of
18 that timber?
19 A. No, I don't.
20 Q. Okay. As part of your reorganization, would you
21 try to capitalize on that value?
22 A. That's — that's a potential, I think.
23 MR. LINDSAY: Certainly, if need be.
24 MR. KINDER: If — if that — if it exists.

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1 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah.
2 MR. KINDER: Okay.
3 Q. The contract with the Small Business Consortium,
4 what's that?
5 A. We're a member of consortium with other businesses
6 that have set aside, you know, government contracting. We —
7 — we have a HUBzone, the debtor has HUBzone designation.
8 There's companies in there that have, you know, Veteran,
9 Disabled Veteran, woman owned, and — and other set-asides
10 so to form the consortium to able to — to acquire contracts
11 that — that are set aside for those various things. You
12 know, there — there is a contract that the consortium has
13 won under one of the members, and so any of the training
14 work that happens under that contract would — would come to
15 us as a — as a member of the consortium.
16 Q. Okay. You got a license agreement with Panthera
17 Training. We won't get into that right now. The —
18 you've got a contract to perform training with them?
19 A. Yes.
20 Q. Real Estate Sales Agreement to Renick C. Williams
21 and Betty P. Williams, what is that?
22 A. This is, it's where we purchased the land from, so
23 there's an agreement with — with — I guess the main thing
24 would be a first right of refusal in it.

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1 Q. So that's what that contract is —
2 A. Yes.
3 Q. — is a right of first refusal if you would sell
4 the realty?
5 A. Yes, mainly, I think, yeah.
6 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, and the — the agreement is
7 the primary APA whereby the debtor purchased the property —
8 MR. KINDER: Mm-hmm.
9 MR. LINDSAY: — in, what year was that?
10 A. 2013.
11 MR. LINDSAY: It's — it's identified as executory
12 because there are those types of items —
13 MR. KINDER: Okay.
14 MR. LINDSAY: — that potentially could be —
15 could come into play.
16 MR. KINDER: Okay.
17 Q. So you — you're not under contract to sell the
18 property —
19 A. No, no, no.
20 Q. — to anybody —
21 A. No, no.
22 Q. — or anything like that?
23 A. Absolutely not.
24 Q. Okay. The Bill Neff Enterprises, the Sales

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1 Contract Purchaser, what's that?

2 A. That's the modular buildings.

3 Q. Okay. Right, okay. South Branch Inn, what is

4 that, Covenant & Agreement?

5 MR. LINDSAY: Do you want me to talk about that

6 real quick?

7 A. Yeah, if -- if you can, yeah.

8 MR. LINDSAY: The Covenant & Agreement relates to

9 if you go down two spots to the Joint Venture Agreement --

10 MR. KINDER: Mm-hmm.

11 MR. LINDSAY: -- this is related to hospitality

12 services, and the covenant basically is the debtor's

13 agreement to not, I believe, participate or allow the --

14 some other facility or company to provide those types of

15 services within a certain I would say geographical range.

16 MR. KINDER: Okay.

17 Q. Does that relate to trainees at the facility?

18 A. Right. Correct.

19 Q. Okay. And -- and does the debtor get paid by the

20 South Branch Inn for supplying of --

21 A. You know, South Branch Inn was related to the --

22 to the property owner we had purchased from. So we just --

23 there's like a covenant and agreement on, you know,

24 competition, so we didn't go outside of the -- the realm of

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1 training when it comes to hospitality and -- and lodging.

2 So we didn't go outside of the -- the student base, I guess.

3 Is that -- that a correct characterization, I guess, from

4 what you see?

5 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, it's -- it's --

6 Q. Okay. So --

7 MR. LINDSAY: -- it's simplified, yes.

8 Q. So you got trainees coming in and you require the

9 trainees to stay at the South Branch Inn or a facility

10 operated by the -- the South Branch Inn?

11 A. No, no, it doesn't require that at all, just --

12 just that it's a covenant if any, you know, any outside -- I

13 guess so we wouldn't be competing with them on the

14 hospitality side --

15 Q. Okay. So --

16 A. -- outside of the training.

17 Q. So you wouldn't build your own hotel in order to --

18 -- to house trainees?

19 A. No, it doesn't restrict that, it just -- so that

20 we don't build a hotel to compete with them otherwise

21 outside of training. I believe --

22 Q. Okay.

23 A. -- is how to characterize it.

24 Q. Okay. Amira Security Systems, Inc., Joint Venture

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1 Agreement, what is that?

2 A. Some -- some work in the Middle East that we are

3 pursuing, and it's really non-operative at this point.

4 Q. Okay. MRW, Inc., c/o Robert R. Williams, Covenant

5 & Agreement, what is that?

6 A. It was -- it's a -- they were -- they were going

7 to be leasing adjacent land on a -- on a shooting range, and

8 -- and we agreed to compensate them for not doing that

9 because it would interfere with our training.

10 Q. Okay. Okay, who is Iron Force Consulting, LLC?

11 A. They're a professional services consultant, and

12 they did business development work for us.

13 Q. Okay. All right. Real quickly I'm gonna go over

14 some of the legal actions. You filed an adversary

15 proceeding yesterday. We've briefly talked about it.

16 There's Azadian Group, LLC, v. TENX Group, LLC. Can you

17 just briefly describe that?

18 A. It's one of the debtors that's pursuing a

19 judgment.

20 Q. It's a creditor?

21 A. I'm sorry, creditor, yeah.

22 Q. Yeah, okay. West Virginia Paving, Inc., v.

23 Panthera Enterprises formerly known as TENX Group, what is

24 that?

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1 A. Again, one of the -- one of the creditors that got

2 -- that was on the paving that got a judgment.

3 Q. Okay. Does the debtor have any potential lawsuits

4 other than the one it already filed that it may --

5 A. Not --

6 Q. -- recover from? That you're aware of?

7 A. No. No.

8 MR. LINDSAY: Well, to clarify, I mean,

9 potentially the receivables could be part of a separate

10 lawsuit.

11 MR. KINDER: Right, okay. But they're, other than

12 the receivables.

13 MR. LINDSAY: Yes.

14 MR. KINDER: But you're not aware of any cause of

15 action that -- that may be available other than -- than

16 through your --

17 MR. LEON: (Indiscernible) -- on the schedule?

18 MR. LINDSAY: Not currently.

19 MR. KINDER: That was just a question, that was

20 not on the schedules, that was just me thinking of some -- I

21 was looking at, in terms of the schedules, I'm actually on

22 the Statement of Financial Affairs, Part 3, Legal Actions

23 and Assignments, and that caused me to ask a question about

24 potential assets.

1 MR. LEON: Thank you.

2 Q. Okay. Other than what's listed on your schedules,

3 and we've kind of talked through, does the debtor lease any

4 property to any other party?

5 A. No.

6 Q. Okay. Does the debtor lease any property from any

7 other party?

8 A. No.

9 Q. Okay. Is, I guess, all the personal property, and

10 title is actually in, that the debtor possesses, is actually

11 in a different entity that -- that you transferred that to,

12 is it SMI, or something like that? Or am I misremembering?

13 A. That -- that's --

14 MR. LINDSAY: That's correct.

15 A. That's correct.

16 MR. LINDSAY: Other than the -- the modular

17 buildings to the extent they're considered personal

18 property, which we believe they are.

19 MR. KINDER: Okay.

20 Q. So any personal property that the debtor possesses

21 belongs to SMI, is your understanding?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And then the real estate and the modular --

24 modular buildings that the debtor possesses belongs to the

1 debtor?

2 A. Correct.

3 Q. Okay. Is there any property that the debtor

4 possesses other than those things that belongs to a

5 different party?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Okay. Is there any property that anybody else

8 possesses that belongs to the debtor other than cash and any

9 bank account?

10 A. No. No.

11 Q. Okay. Does the debtor have any sort of inventory?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Okay. Does the debtor own or lease any motor

14 vehicles?

15 A. No.

16 Q. We talked about those. Does the debtor own any

17 credit cards?

18 A. No.

19 Q. So it hasn't use credit cards post petition?

20 A. No.

21 Q. Doesn't have any that are outstanding?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Okay. Have all federal and state tax returns been

24 filed?

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. Who prepares the taxes for the debtor?

3 A. In the past we had a CPA who is actually one of

4 the creditors. This past year I did them.

5 Q. Okay. Who do you, if -- if this case stays in

6 bankruptcy, who do you anticipate preparing the tax returns

7 in the future?

8 A. We'll have to contract somebody to do that. I

9 don't have anybody in mind right now.

10 Q. Okay. Similar to -- to -- to other professional

11 services before you contract anybody you'll need to talk to

12 your attorney --

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. -- and -- and get them approved. The tax records,

15 are they still in the possession of your previous

16 accountant?

17 A. Yes, I believe he has records, and I think we have

18 them all, too.

19 Q. All right.

20 A. You know, I possess them as well.

21 Q. Okay. Has the debtor ever been audited?

22 A. No.

23 Q. Okay. We talked briefly about insurance. We have

24 not received any sort of insurance certificate. In a brief

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1 conversation with your attorney's office, it sounds like

2 it's not as simple as just providing us with an insurance

3 certificate. Can you briefly describe the state of your

4 insurance coverage?

5 A. Okay. You know, our insurance had -- had lapsed

6 and I'm -- I'm exploring options, which is rather, given the

7 kind of work we do, it's -- it's not as easy as it, you

8 know, as a, you know an office type environment. So I'm --

9 I'm -- I'm pursuing that. And there's also some other

10 issues that may be tied up in --

11 MR. LINDSAY: The debtor is pursuing potentially

12 obtaining its own insurance as it had already done over the

13 past year despite the fact that it believes it's -- Panthera

14 Training is responsible for that obligation. We've, in an

15 attempt to provide the U.S. Trustee's office with proof of

16 insurance, we've requested that from Panthera Training, and

17 are still waiting for that.

18 MR. KINDER: Okay.

19 Q. I'll -- I'll tell you, and your attorney already

20 knows this, the United States Trustee requires particularly

21 liability insurance, but all relevant insurance to be up-to-

22 date and current, and certificates to be provided.

23 Encourage you to work on that as quickly as possible.

24 A. Yes, sir.

1 Q. I wouldn't be surprised if you'll be seeing a
 2 motion from the United States Trustee with -- with that
 3 respect, but keep us in the loop on that, let us know, and
 4 but we still may be filing a motion.
 5 A. Okay.
 6 Q. All right.
 7 MR. LINDSAY: Understood.
 8 Q. Okay. Debtor's books and records for the past
 9 three years. Where have those been maintained?
 10 A. Those have been in-house.
 11 Q. And when you say in-house, specifically where are
 12 they located?
 13 A. Well, our accounting system is the Cloud system,
 14 and -- and -- and virtually everything is there
 15 electronically.
 16 Q. Okay.
 17 A. Yeah.
 18 Q. On the computers in your office?
 19 A. Yes.
 20 Q. Or the Cloud that --
 21 A. Yes. Yes.
 22 Q. Okay.
 23 A. Yes.
 24 Q. Do you anticipate continuing to maintain your

1 records like that?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. Okay. And who's the responsible party with
 4 respect to maintaining the records?
 5 A. I am.
 6 Q. Okay. Does the debtor have income statements?
 7 A. Yes.
 8 Q. Balance sheets?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. Cash flow reports?
 11 A. Yes.
 12 Q. And inventory records? To the extent there is
 13 inventory?
 14 A. To the extent there is, yes.
 15 Q. Okay. In the past year we've kind of gotten into
 16 this already, what's been the compensation level for your --
 17 the officers of the business?
 18 A. It's been -- well, from -- from the debtor
 19 virtually nothing. There isn't anything other than
 20 expenses, some expenses reimbursed.
 21 Q. Okay. Have any dividends or bonuses been paid?
 22 A. No.
 23 Q. Has the debtor guaranteed any personal debts of
 24 the officers?

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1 A. No.
 2 Q. Has the debtor made payments on any personal loans
 3 of the officers?
 4 A. No.
 5 Q. Has the debtor made a loan to any party?
 6 A. No.
 7 Q. Okay. Other than what's been documented including
 8 your payment to your attorneys, has the debtor made any
 9 payments to any other professionals?
 10 A. No.
 11 Q. All right. Has the debtor gifted any property in
 12 the past year?
 13 A. No.
 14 Q. In the past three years?
 15 A. No.
 16 Q. Has the debtor sold any real property in the past
 17 three years?
 18 A. No.
 19 Q. Okay. Has there been -- Okay, we -- we know the
 20 transfer of the personal property as part of the loan with
 21 SMI, has there been any other bulk sales of personal
 22 property by the debtor in the past three years?
 23 A. No.
 24 Q. Okay. Has there been any payments to creditors

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1 outside of the ordinary course of business in the past year?
 2 A. No.
 3 Q. Okay. Has any property been repossessed in the
 4 past year?
 5 A. No.
 6 Q. Past three years?
 7 A. Yes, there was a tractor. Well, actually that was
 8 -- no, that wasn't the debtor's. Well --
 9 Q. Was it a debt --
 10 A. It was --
 11 Q. -- that the debtor owed?
 12 A. No, it was -- actually it was Panthera Training
 13 Center.
 14 Q. Okay. Has any of the debtor's property been
 15 seized?
 16 A. No.
 17 Q. Has there been any involuntary attachments to any
 18 property in the past year?
 19 MR. LINDSAY: I think there was -- there was a
 20 garnishment. If to the extent you include that in either of
 21 those categories, then it's --
 22 MR. KINDER: Yeah.
 23 MR. LINDSAY: -- identified on the sub --
 24 MR. KINDER: Go ahead, yeah, anything in that

1 nature.
 2 MR. LINDSAY: Yes, it's -- it's a garnishment by
 3 Iron Horse, I believe.
 4 MR. KINDER: Okay. And I think that's --
 5 A. That was in -- yeah, yes.
 6 MR. KINDER: -- reflected in your --
 7 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, it's in Part 2, Section -- or
 8 No. 3.
 9 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 10 Q. And it does sound like that there is some
 11 variables that are out there, but do you expect to file a
 12 plan?
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. Do you have a sense on when you would expect to
 15 file a plan?
 16 A. I think it depends on some of the actions. So I'm
 17 prepared when --
 18 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, our -- our -- our initial
 19 intent is to file it within the original exclusivity period,
 20 but that, obviously, if we need to seek an extension we
 21 will, but we'd like to move this case as quickly as
 22 possible.
 23 MR. KINDER: What thing -- specific variables to
 24 you anticipate need to be resolved before you file a plan?

1 MR. LINDSAY: Primarily issues with Panthera
 2 Training.
 3 MR. KINDER: Okay.
 4 Q. All right. As we, your -- your counsel alluded
 5 to, there are deadlines that are out there, when your
 6 counsel contacts you about those deadlines, those are
 7 serious deadlines --
 8 A. Yes.
 9 Q. -- don't ignore your counsel, respond to them, get
 10 back with him, because those deadlines do have legal effect.
 11 Monthly operating reports are due, they're due by the 21st
 12 day following the month for which you're reporting. Those
 13 are something that -- that we will stay on you about.
 14 That's something else that will result in motions from our
 15 office. Quarterly fees are due. You'll be receiving a
 16 invoice from the United States Trustee. Similarly, we'll
 17 file motions in order to collect those if those aren't paid.
 18 So we would encourage you to respond to those and pay those
 19 fees to keep this case moving forward.
 20 A. Understood.
 21 Q. I believe that's all the questions I have. I'm
 22 now going to open this up to creditors. Is there anyone
 23 that would like to go first?
 24 MS. ALLEN: I would like to go first.

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1 MR. KINDER: Okay. Would you care to identify
 2 yourself and who you represent and then --
 3 MS. ALLEN: Certainly.
 4 MR. KINDER: -- ask your questions.
 5 MS. ALLEN: I'm Debra Lee Allen, and I'm with the
 6 firm of Spilman, Thomas & Battle, and we represent the West
 7 Virginia Economic Development Authority.
 8 EXAMINATION OF MR. PUNELLI
 9 BY MS. ALLEN:
 10 Q. Mr. Punelli, we met just recently out in the
 11 hallway.
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. I have a few questions to follow up on the
 14 questions from the U.S. Trustee's office. You had, there
 15 were some questions about property being transferred, your,
 16 the real estate in this issue, the 2--- -- in this case, I'm
 17 sorry, the 2017 tax liens were sold, or were auctioned by
 18 the West Virginia -- or by the -- I'm sorry -- Hardy County
 19 Sheriff's Office in 2018, correct?
 20 A. Correct.
 21 Q. And my understanding is the tax liens have been
 22 certified to the state auditor's office for disposition?
 23 A. Correct.
 24 Q. And they need to -- and the property will have to

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1 be redeemed by August -- or April 1, 2020, is that your
 2 understanding?
 3 A. That's my understanding, yes.
 4 Q. Okay. Have there been any plans to redeem the
 5 property?
 6 A. Defer to -- to his advise as when do we do that.
 7 MR. LINDSAY: When? Clearly we have to address it
 8 before the deadline. So we're in the process of determining
 9 how to do that. We have no intention of relinquishing the
 10 property or allowing it to go to someone else, so we'll be
 11 addressing that.
 12 MS. ALLEN: So at this point, I mean, the debtor
 13 really holds simply a right of redemption, doesn't really
 14 hold the property.
 15 MR. LINDSAY: Well, debtor holds title.
 16 Q. The -- there were some questions about bank
 17 accounts. There was listed in your schedules an Old Line
 18 Bank account?
 19 A. Right.
 20 Q. What -- what is that bank account?
 21 A. It -- it was just, it had a small amount of cash,
 22 and it's been closed.
 23 Q. It's closed, okay.
 24 A. We hadn't really used it, no.

1 Q. All right. And you said there are no other bank
2 accounts for the debtor, correct?
3 A. Other than what we discussed earlier, no.
4 Q. Okay. When -- when did the insurance lapse? You
5 indicated that it had lapsed. When did it lapse?
6 A. In -- in August.
7 Q. Of this year?
8 A. Yes.
9 Q. And following up on questions related to the
10 accounts receivable, there was listed a \$777,000.00 account
11 receivable. You indicated that's all Panthera Training?
12 A. The -- the majority of it, yes.
13 Q. What amount is not Panthera Training?
14 A. I would have -- have to look at it to give you
15 details, I don't know the exact detail.
16 Q. Do you know who the other parties are that money
17 is owed?
18 A. Panthera Training Center.
19 Q. And how much of it is Panthera Training Center?
20 A. I believe it's around \$100,000.00.
21 Q. And the figures that are listed, the \$777,000.00,
22 where are those figures documented?
23 A. I mean, we have -- have them in our accounting,
24 you know, documented. I'm not sure what specifically you're

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1 Q. Okay. Do you consider yourself an employee of the
2 debtor?
3 A. I'm a -- I'm a member of the company, so --
4 Q. Okay. The appraisal that you rely on for the
5 value of the property, that's a 2015 appraisal, correct?
6 A. I believe so, yes.
7 Q. Okay. And that was done per Access National Bank?
8 A. Yes.
9 Q. And it relied on, I think, a significant increase
10 in income for the center, or for the facility, correct?
11 A. You know, I -- I'm not familiar with the
12 methodology that they use. You know, I'm not an appraiser,
13 so I can't get into that.
14 Q. But it also included furniture, fixtures, and
15 other item -- and other personal property in that appraisal,
16 is that your recollection?
17 A. I don't recall.
18 Q. Could you tell me, SMI, you've talked about SMI,
19 and you have this timber agreement, and you also had a sale
20 of personal property to SMI, is this one loan to SMI -- from
21 SMI or is it two, or multiple?
22 A. There was two or three loans.
23 Q. Can you tell me the dates of the loans?
24 A. I -- I don't have that in front of me, no.

1 -- you're asking, but --
2 Q. Well, I'm just curious how we came up with this
3 figure. If it was all Panthera Training, then I was curious
4 about how you came up with the figure. But now you're
5 telling me some of it is other --
6 A. Right.
7 Q. -- parties.
8 A. Right. That's correct.
9 Q. Okay. You indicated that you and Raymond Jones
10 share responsibilities for the debtor, and that he, Raymond
11 Jones, does most of the business development and you are
12 operational. Is that correct?
13 A. Yes.
14 Q. Okay. Now when you say operational, what is it
15 that you do for Enterprises?
16 A. Well, you know, at this point, you know, we -- we
17 have -- the property had been -- had been leased to Panthera
18 Training, so there isn't as much in dealing, in terms of
19 dealing with -- with the property or -- or training
20 contracts, there wasn't as much activity to -- to do. But -
21 - but primarily it's accounting, and I do -- do some
22 business development as well.
23 Q. So?
24 A. Accounting, admin.

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1 Q. What would you -- I mean, you have no idea? Is it
2 within the last year?
3 A. No, it's further back than that.
4 Q. Is it 2014, 2015?
5 A. You know, I don't wanna say something I don't have
6 the exact answer to, but it's -- it's, you know, previous to
7 the past year. But, and -- and I believe it's in the -- in
8 the -- in the area of 2016, but I -- I don't know the exact
9 dates.
10 Q. And you say all -- were all three loans made in
11 2016?
12 A. I -- I don't recall exactly when, it was over a
13 period of time.
14 Q. So how many loans were there?
15 A. I -- I told you, there was two or three, I
16 believe.
17 Q. And what were those loans for?
18 A. They -- they loaned us cash.
19 Q. Now you indicated that the personal property from
20 -- or the debtor's personal property was all sold to SMI,
21 correct?
22 A. Yes, they took title to it.
23 Q. And you -- you didn't recall the date, but I have
24 a copy of the commercial lease that you have with Panthera

1 Training, and it has attached it an appendix of almost 40
2 pages of personal property. So was the personal property
3 sold after the lease or before the lease?

4 A. I believe at the time of the lease that became a
5 point of contention because they had a, SMI had the right to
6 the title of it, and -- and I don't recall the exact date
7 that it was done, though.

8 Q. A point of contention with whom?

9 A. I mean, we -- we had the lease with Panthera
10 Training which included personal property, which is in our
11 possession. So, you know, SMI, you know, claim that, claim
12 -- claim that. You know, again, to --

13 MR. LINDSAY: I don't think there's a question
14 that Panthera Training uses the personal property right now,
15 and that's why it's identified in the lease. Title is not
16 gonna be identified therein, and it's certainly not
17 dispositive from the lease. I think that's a legal issue
18 that SMI would also probably have an opinion about. But the
19 personal property is identified in the lease, and Panthera
20 Training currently uses it.

21 MS. ALLEN: Okay.

22 Q. But Enterprises, the debtor, does not own the
23 property, correct?

24 A. At this time, no.

1 MR. LINDSAY: I don't believe so.

2 Q. Was there ever an adjustment made to the lease,
3 because it does include personal property?

4 A. There's no adjustment to the lease, no.

5 Q. You indicated that you get most of your income
6 from Panthera Training Center. What is it exactly you do
7 for Panthera -- Panthera Training Center?

8 A. Well, Panthera Training Center has a few
9 contracts, and -- and they -- and any -- any work from
10 Panthera Enterprises, it really flows through Panthera
11 Training Center.

12 Q. Say that again, any work from --

13 A. We -- we manage -- Panthera Training Center has a
14 few contracts, also basically manages the contract of
15 Panthera Enterprises.

16 Q. And what does it do to manage the contract for
17 Panthera Enterprises?

18 A. Well, Panthera, the subcontract that we had with -
19 - with Panthera Training was a subcontract between all the -
20 - all -- all of our entities, so Panthera Enterprises,
21 Panthera Training Center, Panthera Worldwide, any
22 subcontract, any task orders issued. So -- so just, you
23 know, management of -- of those contracts, and of that -- of
24 those operations.

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1 Q. So it's just sending out invoices and --

2 A. Program management. It's program management, and
3 so forth, yeah.

4 Q. Does Panthera Training Center have any employees?

5 A. At this time, no.

6 Q. So the only people doing anything with Panthera
7 Training Center are you and Raymond Jones, again, correct?

8 A. Right. Correct.

9 Q. I did not see listed in your Schedule D a secured
10 claim for Virginia Heritage Bank, which showed up in our
11 title work. Was that debt paid off?

12 A. It's --

13 Q. Or is it listed as something else?

14 A. There's -- there's a debt to -- there's a debt to
15 Access, I believe.

16 Q. Well, the title work that was done for the EDA
17 showed that there was a Deed of Trust from 2014 in favor of
18 Virginia Heritage Bank. So I'm curious why it doesn't show
19 up?

20 A. Give me a moment here. That's on -- on the
21 schedule, Page 2 of 9, 3.6, Atlantic Union Bank, is a
22 successor.

23 Q. I'm sorry, can you tell me --

24 A. Atlantic Union Bank.

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1 Q. -- what schedule it is?

2 A. This is, what is that, Part 2.

3 MR. LINDSAY: That's Schedule F.

4 MS. ALLEN: Schedule --

5 MR. LINDSAY: 3.6.

6 MS. ALLEN: Schedule F?

7 MR. LINDSAY: Correct.

8 MS. ALLEN: E/F. Why is it they are holding a
9 Deed of Trust and listed as a non-secured creditor?

10 MR. LINDSAY: We'd have to get back to you on
11 that, I'm sure some analysis was done.

12 Q. So which one is it, again?

13 A. 3.6, Atlantic Union Bank.

14 Q. Let me see. And it shows only owed \$6,000.00 for
15 bank fees?

16 A. Yes. And they're showing --

17 Q. I have a Deed of Trust showing for a \$500,000.00
18 loan.

19 A. Oh, well, yeah, that -- that loan has been paid.

20 Q. I see. Well, that's what I was --

21 A. Yeah.

22 Q. -- asking.

23 A. Yeah.

24 Q. That's why. Yeah.

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1 MS. ALLEN: There were some questions about West
 2 Virginia taxes. I don't know if the U.S. Trustee's office
 3 has known -- the West Virginia State Tax Department did file
 4 a Proof of Claim. You have that?
 5 MR. KINDER: I imagine we do, but I have not
 6 looked at it personally.
 7 MS. ALLEN: Okay. All right.
 8 MR. KINDER: But that, that should answer most of
 9 my questions.
 10 MS. ALLEN: Yes, it -- yeah, it does.
 11 Q. On your list of unsecured creditors, I know that
 12 from reading the file in 2013 when you acquired the property
 13 there were certain unsecured debts that were assumed by the
 14 debtor.
 15 A. Right.
 16 Q. How many of these unsecured debts are debts that
 17 are -- that were assumed by the debtor?
 18 A. On -- on here, the only thing on here would be the
 19 West Virginia withholding taxes. And -- and also, part of
 20 the A.L.L. Construction, which is 3.1. And let's see --
 21 Well, I -- well, the unsecured. And secured, we did assume
 22 also the West Virginia Paving, that's secured. Just making
 23 sure there's nothing else that -- That's, yeah, that's all.
 24 Q. So all the rest of the debts then are ones that

1 have been incurred since 2013 then?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. And you said none of them have been incurred in
 4 the last year?
 5 A. No. No.
 6 Q. There were questions about licenses. I understand
 7 that for the contracts that you have with the government
 8 there's some sort of a security clearance that you may need,
 9 or other designation, is that correct?
 10 A. It's for Panthera Worldwide.
 11 Q. For Panthera Worldwide?
 12 A. Yes.
 13 Q. But Panthera Worldwide is not operational,
 14 correct?
 15 A. No, it's -- No, Panthera Worldwide is, we have a
 16 DOD contract. It has not task orders performing at this
 17 time, and that -- that requires a security clearance.
 18 Q. Okay. But not for the contract with the
 19
 20 A. No.
 21 Q. Or the
 22 A. No.
 23 Q. Okay. What's the most number of contracts this
 24 debtor has ever had at one time?

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1 A. Well, the -- most of the contracts we have are --
 2 are not long term, they're -- they're more ad hoc, and most
 3 of them perform under Panthera Training Center. So Panthera
 4 Enterprises has had maybe two or three at any given time.
 5 Q. And how much income does the
 6 generate?
 7 A. It's in the neighborhood of about 1.7 million.
 8 Q. That's the revenue?
 9 A. Yes.
 10 Q. And do you have a figure for what the net profit
 11 is on that?
 12 A. Well, I mean, that's gonna depend on going forward
 13 on what happens with some of our actions. So --
 14 Q. And there are no other contracts other than the
 15 and the two contracts right now, correct?
 16 A. Correct. Well, I mean, those are the -- those are
 17 long term contracts. There's -- there's other things that
 18 the training center -- commercial -- commercial contracts
 19 and -- and other government training that happens, but it's,
 20 as I said, it's -- it's more ad hoc, and it's relatively
 21 significant, but -- but not long term contracts. A lot of
 22 the training that's done is done, you know, is done for --
 23 for short term requirements, deployments, and so forth.
 24 Q. On the executory contracts, you had listed a

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1 license agreement with Panthera Training, and I don't wanna
 2 take this away from Mr. Kahle if was gonna ask it, but I'm
 3 curious, what is this license agreement, what are you
 4 referring to?
 5 A. You wanna characterize that?
 6 MR. LINDSAY: It's really just related to certain,
 7 I would say, I believe like domain names, and use of, I
 8 mean, I think it includes email addresses and things of that
 9 nature. So, in other words there are --
 10 A. Advertising.
 11 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah. They're able to use those.
 12 MS. ALLEN: So I -- I have read in a -- an
 13 agreement, and I -- I call it an agreement of assignment
 14 where everything was assigned to Panthera Training. Is that
 15 what you're referring to, is that the agreement?
 16 MR. LINDSAY: No. Well, actually is that the --
 17 A. No. No.
 18 MR. LINDSAY: Let me see.
 19 MS. ALLEN: Is there something else documented?
 20 MR. LINDSAY: That is, I believe that is the
 21 agreement. And what that agreement covers, more than just
 22 the items that we considered to have been licensed to
 23 Panthera Training, that I just mentioned, it includes -- it
 24 -- it purports to be an assignment of contracts which the

1 government thereafter told the debtor it could not do, so
2 that portion is essentially null and void, but we would, I
3 guess, agree that the portions that involve things that we
4 could have assigned, like the domain names and things of
5 that nature, it's probably still effective. So I believe
6 that is the agreement that — that you're looking at.
7 Q. And the subcontract, I know we talked about that
8 for just a few minutes with Panthera Training, that
9 contemplates doing the training on the facility, correct?
10 A. Yes.
11 Q. Okay. The timber agreement, what date was —
12 Well, actually I have a copy of that, I take that back. The
13 timber agreement, I understood that was an agreement that
14 was given for payment of a debt to SMI, is that correct?
15 A. Mark, can you characterize that, I mean —
16 MR. LINDSAY: I don't — Actually, I can't answer
17 that. I don't know that it was given to satisfy a debt.
18 I'm happy to follow up and provide a better answer, but I
19 don't — I don't know at this time if that's true.
20 Q. Well, the agreement recites that it's given for
21 \$100,000.00 consideration. Did you — did you or the did
22 the debtor receive \$100,000.00 for that agreement?
23 A. No, it was — that may have been — that may have
24 been referring to a previous loan.

1 MR. LINDSAY: In which case, maybe that is.
2 Q. So there was no cash given for the agreement when
3 it was signed?
4 A. No. No.
5 MR. LINDSAY: It sounds like the answer to your
6 question is likely yes, but we can confirm that. Your
7 original question with regard to whether or not it satisfied
8 a debt.
9 Q. Okay. Go to Schedule H. Schedule H is a request
10 for co-debtors, and co-debtors is to include guarantors.
11 And I'm curious why the guarantors on the West Virginia EDA
12 loan are not listed? And I'm also wondering if there are
13 not guarantors on some of these other loans?
14 MR. LINDSAY: So what's your question?
15 Q. Why is Global Matrix not listed as a co-debtor on
16 Schedule H?
17 MR. LINDSAY: Do you believe them to be a co-
18 debtor?
19 A. When we originally signed that mortgage, they —
20 they're — yeah, they were on there as a guarantor, I
21 believe.
22 MR. LINDSAY: Okay.
23 Q. And could you tell us who is Global Matrix?
24 A. That's — that's Ray Jones.

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1 Q. He is the sole owner, do you know?
2 A. I — I don't know, I believe so.
3 Q. And what does it do?
4 A. It's just like a professional services company of
5 his.
6 Q. Does it provide any services to the debtor?
7 A. No. I mean, originally it was contemplated that
8 it was holding the — the ownership.
9 Q. But it doesn't hold any ownership now?
10 A. No.
11 Q. Okay. And you said it does not provide any
12 services to the debtor?
13 A. No. No.
14 Q. Okay. There's also a company called Pons Milvius?
15 A. Yes, and that was — that was my person services
16 company, if you will. But again, that was — well,
17 conceived, I guess to be similar to Global Matrix to be a
18 co- — you know, be the owner, but does not own — doesn't
19 own stock now, but yes, just, I guess just a vestige of —
20 MR. LINDSAY: What is it a guarantor of?
21 A. Well, of the mortgage. I —
22 Q. Does it provide any services to the debtor?
23 A. No.
24 Q. And you are the sole member?

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1 A. Yes.
2 Q. And then both you and Mr. Jones personally are
3 guarantors on the EDA loan, and you're not listed either.
4 A. Okay.
5 Q. Are you guarantors on any of the other debt that's
6 been listed in the — in the schedules?
7 A. For Azadian and Midtown.
8 Q. Are you a guarantor of any of the SMI loans?
9 A. I — I do not believe so.
10 Q. Are you a co-obligor — I mean, are you a borrow
11 with SMI on the SMI loan?
12 A. I — I would have to look at the documents, but I
13 don't —
14 MR. LINDSAY: We'll file an Amended Schedule H.
15 Clearly.
16 Q. What is the status of the litigation with Azadian
17 Group?
18 A. It's — it's been taken off the docket.
19 Q. Because of the bankruptcy?
20 MR. LINDSAY: It's stayed.
21 A. It's stayed, yeah.
22 Q. Okay. And you indicated all the books and records
23 are with, of the debtor, are with — are on the Cloud, and
24 that you and —

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1 A. Right.

2 Q. — Raymond Jones control those, is that correct?

3 A. Yes. Yes.

4 Q. And no one else has reviewed those within the past

5 couple of years?

6 A. That's — that's correct.

7 Q. Okay. I think I may not have anything else, just

8 a second.

9 MS. ALLEN: Okay. I don't have anything else

10 right now. Thanks.

11 MR. KINDER: Okay. You want — you wanna go next?

12 MR. LEON: I would, yeah. Mind if I swap seats

13 with you?

14 MS. ALLEN: Yes, that's fine. I mean, I don't

15 mind.

16 MR. LEON: If you wanna do that. Thank you.

17 MR. KAHLE: I'll go next.

18 MR. KINDER: You — you'd rather. Well —

19 MR. KAHLE: Is it — let me go ahead, if you don't

20 mind.

21 MR. LEON: Sure. I'm sorry.

22 MR. KAHLE: But have a seat.

23 MR. KINDER: Would you identify yourself and who

24 you represent?

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1 MR. KAHLE: Sure. Douglas Kahle, law firm,

2 Basnight, Kinser, present Panthera Training, LLC.

3 EXAMINATION OF MR. PUNELLI

4 BY MR. KAHLE:

5 Q. I wanna follow up first on a few questions Ms.

6 Allen asked you. Panthera Training Center, LLC, you

7 testified that it manages contracts for Enterprises, is that

8 right?

9 A. That — that's what it's done in the past, yes.

10 Q. So let's talk about since June 1 of 2018. What

11 has Panthera Training Center done to manage contracts for

12 Enterprises?

13 A. Well, you know, we have three longer term

14 contracts, and there's been other business development work

15 that we've done. So I don't know that I wanna get into any

16 great detail at this point with, you know, discussing that.

17 Q. Well —

18 MR. LINDSAY: I think that's —

19 Q. — you testified that — that it manages contracts

20 for Enterprises. I think it's fair to know what it does to

21 manage contracts starting from June 1 of last year.

22 MR. LINDSAY: But that's to oversee the contracts.

23 I think that's what he says, they are a party to the

24 contract, they — they oversee them.

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1 Q. So what do — what has Panthera Training Center

2 done to oversee its contracts since June 1 of last year,

3 it's done nothing, has it?

4 A. You know, given the —

5 MR. LINDSAY: What's the relevance of that

6 question?

7 MR. KAHLE: Well, his testimony was to justify

8 what Panthera Training's earning were. I think it got to

9 how he and Mr. Jones have received income from Panthera

10 Training Center. I'm trying to understand how it fits in

11 the picture. What — what does it do to manage contracts or

12 to service contracts which in turn justifies money coming

13 out to Mr. Jones and Mr. Punelli. I think it's a fair

14 question. I'm following up on his testimony to clarify what

15 it does to manage contracts since June 1 of last year to

16 generate it getting money.

17 MR. LINDSAY: It's — it's a party to those

18 contracts.

19 MR. KAHLE: But — but he —

20 MR. LINDSAY: I think that's what he testified to.

21 MR. KAHLE: Well, no, he testified that it manages

22 the contracts, you testified that he — it services the

23 contracts. I'm just asking what does that consist of. Let

24 me be specific.

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1 Q. Has Panthera Training Center made phone calls to

2 clients to help manage contracts performed at the facility

3 since June 1 of last year?

4 A. I know that Ray Jones has been involved, and —

5 and worked with Panthera training people on not only

6 business development but on contract issues. I can't speak

7 for him what was done.

8 Q. So —

9 A. He — he's done a lot of that in the past.

10 Q. Okay. So — so he as opposed to you would be the

11 person who could answer that question?

12 A. He — he's mainly the one who's — who's done that

13 work, yes.

14 Q. Okay. Do you, Jim Punelli, have any knowledge as

15 to actual services provided or management services provided

16 by Panthera Training Center in connection with contracts

17 since June 1 of 2018?

18 A. As I said, Ray was the one who's been working with

19 Panthera Training, and with, you know, with any customer as

20 well as a lot of the business development. So I — I can't

21 speak to it directly right now, no.

22 Q. Okay. You — you — you testified in response to

23 questions from Ms. Allen, talked about the contract, and

24 I believe you testified that for 2019 there'd been 1.7

1 million dollars of revenue --
 2 A. No.
 3 Q. -- approximately --
 4 A. No.
 5 Q. -- from that contract?
 6 A. No, that's not what I said. She asked what --
 7 Q. Okay. What's you say?
 8 A. She asked what the expected annual revenue would
 9 be, and I said it would in the range of about 1.7 million.
 10 Q. Okay. Looking back at the schedule, I believe you
 11 reported, approximately, 1.7 million dollars of revenue for
 12 2019, year-to-date.
 13 A. Yes.
 14 Q. Okay. And that was from the contract, right?
 15 A. And -- and rents money. Rent, contract and rent,
 16 yes.
 17 Q. From the facility?
 18 A. Right.
 19 Q. Okay. Now you testified that -- that either
 20 Enterprises or the contract was profitable. Do you
 21 recall that testimony?
 22 A. I said I believe Enterprises would be profitable
 23 this year.
 24 Q. All right. Now is that -- is that year-to-date

1 profitable or are you projecting into the future?
 2 A. For this year. For --
 3 Q. Okay.
 4 A. So it would be profitable this year.
 5 Q. Let's talk about not going forward, year-to-date,
 6 has -- has contract generated profit to Enterprises?
 7 A. Well, okay, given that what the question was
 8 Panthera Enterprises, the debtor, okay --
 9 Q. Okay.
 10 A. -- and I said yes, there -- there would be a
 11 profit.
 12 Q. Okay. Out of the contract?
 13 A. You know, I didn't -- I did not -- You asked me
 14 what I spoke to, I did not speak to the specific contracts,
 15 I talked about the -- the Enterprise as a whole, and that's
 16 kind of where I'm gonna go right now because I haven't, you
 17 know, I haven't put together the plan, we're working on
 18 that, and -- and that's all a part of that.
 19 Q. Okay. Well, I may have misunderstood, but there
 20 was testimony about the contract. To be clear, a
 21 hundred percent of your revenue that comes in on the
 22 contract pursuant to the subcontract is to be paid
 23 immediately over to Panthera Training, correct?
 24 MR. LINDSAY: Well, you're asking -- I'm just

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1 gonna instruct him not to answer. These are contractual
 2 interpretation issues.
 3 MR. KAHLE: They're -- they're related --
 4 MR. LINDSAY: They have nothing to do with the
 5 schedules.
 6 MR. KAHLE: Well, it has to do with the questions
 7 he's testified --
 8 MR. LINDSAY: I've already told him that he's not
 9 -- he doesn't have to answer that.
 10 MR. KAHLE: So you --
 11 MR. LINDSAY: So you --
 12 MR. KAHLE: To -- to --
 13 MR. LINDSAY: -- can seek an answer to that
 14 somewhere else.
 15 MR. KAHLE: -- to -- to what extent? So are you
 16 directing him not to testify about any questions about the
 17 contract?
 18 MR. LINDSAY: I don't know, you'd have to ask him
 19 first.
 20 MR. KAHLE: Okay.
 21 Q. The you're familiar with the contract?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. And are you familiar with the subcontract whereby
 24 Panthera Training performs all the services for the

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1 contract?
 2 MR. LINDSAY: He's not gonna answer any questions
 3 about the subcontract --
 4 MR. KAHLE: Okay.
 5 MR. LINDSAY: -- put it that way.
 6 MR. KAHLE: Okay.
 7 Q. You testified in response to Ms. Allen's questions
 8 about the \$777,000.00 of accounts receivable, I believe you
 9 said about \$100,000.00 of that was from some -- well, it was
 10 from Panthera Training Center, correct?
 11 A. That's what I told her, yes.
 12 Q. And am I right that Panthera Training is an 80
 13 percent subsidiary of -- of Enterprises?
 14 A. That's correct.
 15 Q. And -- and operationally you and Ray Jones
 16 basically run both companies yourselves?
 17 A. That's correct.
 18 Q. Is there any operational independence between the
 19 two companies?
 20 A. Well, yes, there's contract independence and
 21 operational independence, yes.
 22 Q. Okay. The six hundred and some odd thousand
 23 dollars left over of the accounts receivables that you say
 24 Panthera Training owes, did you personally calculate that

1 number?
 2 A. Yes.
 3 Q. And what's the number comprised of?
 4 A. Well, I don't know that I really wanna get into at
 5 this time because it involves some other things that are
 6 ongoing.
 7 Q. Well, it's in the schedule.
 8 A. Well, I understand that.
 9 Q. Do you -- do you --
 10 A. I mean, it's -- it's comprised of money -- monies
 11 owed, I mean, rents and --
 12 MR. LINDSAY: Your client has a -- has an itemized
 13 list of those amounts owed.
 14 MR. KAHLE: I understand, but he's under oath
 15 today.
 16 Q. So -- so that six hundred and some thousand --
 17 MR. LINDSAY: I don't think he has it in front of
 18 him.
 19 Q. But do you know what that six hundred and some
 20 thousand dollars is comprised of, Mr. Punelli?
 21 A. I, again, I don't have the exact breakdown in
 22 front of me.
 23 Q. Have you got the approximate breakdown in your
 24 mind?

1 A. I'm not gonna speak to approximate things.
 2 Especially since, you know, you have the information anyway.
 3 So --
 4 Q. So do you have the categories that comprise that
 5 number?
 6 A. Well, there's -- there's taxes, rents, insurance.
 7 Q. What kind of rents?
 8 A. There's additional rents that are under the lease.
 9 Q. And again, did you calculate that number?
 10 A. I did.
 11 Q. Okay. Ray Jones didn't?
 12 A. Well, he -- he was involved with going through it
 13 with me, yes.
 14 Q. You gave an address for Panthera Enterprises being
 15 Fish Pond Road. When's the last time Enterprises had any
 16 employees located there?
 17 A. It would be last year.
 18 Q. Say again?
 19 A. Last year.
 20 Q. Say June 1 of 2018?
 21 A. Yeah, right.
 22 Q. When's the last time Enterprises had any
 23 representatives located there? Same date?
 24 A. It'd be at the same time, yes, the facility --

1 Q. So --
 2 A. -- has been leased to Panthera Training.
 3 Q. -- when's the last time that Enterprises or
 4 Panthera Training Center performed any functions in Fish
 5 Pond Road in Hardy County, same date?
 6 A. No. I mean, we have contracts that we hold.
 7 Q. There are no --
 8 A. There were subcontract -- the --
 9 Q. Well, when's the last time that Panthera Training
 10 Center or Panthera Enterprises itself performed any
 11 functions?
 12 MR. LINDSAY: Can I ask you a question quick?
 13 MR. KAHLE: Sure.
 14 MR. LINDSAY: If I were to look at the schedules
 15 and his statement of financial affairs, what would these
 16 questions relate to?
 17 MR. KAHLE: Well, it relates to why he's telling
 18 the court, or the Trustee, that it has an address at Fish
 19 Pond Road. I'm trying to find out what its connection with
 20 is there other than ownership.
 21 MR. LINDSAY: I don't think there is -- that's --
 22 that is a -- the address of a piece of property they own.
 23 Is that what you're asking?
 24 MR. KAHLE: Okay.

1 Q. So you don't perform any -- any business there?
 2 A. Yes, we do.
 3 Q. Okay. What -- what business does Enterprises
 4 perform there?
 5 A. We have contracts that are performed there.
 6 Q. But not by you?
 7 A. They're subcontract --
 8 MR. LINDSAY: By Mr. Punelli himself?
 9 MR. KAHLE: By Enterprises.
 10 MR. LINDSAY: Oh.
 11 Q. Enterprises doesn't perform any contracts at that
 12 location and hasn't since June 1 of last year, correct?
 13 A. Well -- well, I don't know. I mean, I guess --
 14 MR. LINDSAY: That's --
 15 A. -- it depends how you wanna --
 16 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, you don't have to answer that.
 17 It's -- it's -- you're asking a legal question, whether or
 18 not a primary contractor performs a contract by a
 19 subcontract contracting it, what's your answer to that
 20 question?
 21 Q. And you think that's a legal question, Mr.
 22 Patelli?
 23 A. I'm not a lawyer.
 24 MR. LINDSAY: Yes, it is.

1 MR. KAHLE: Okay.
2 Q. You -- you testified, this is back to questions
3 the Trustee asked you, that -- that you and Mr. Jones were
4 drawing income from Panthera Training Center. How much?
5 A. I don't have the figures right in front of me.
6 Q. Approximately?
7 A. Again, I don't have the numbers right in front of
8 me, and -- and I don't know how that relates to the schedule.
9 Q. Well -- well, you testified in response to the
10 Trustee's questions when he asked you about it, where your
11 income is coming from, you testified it came from Panthera
12 Training Center. I think it's a fair question, how much,
13 \$1.00, \$100,000.00? I just want -- I think the creditors
14 are entitled to know how much money you and Mr. Jones are
15 pulling out of the 80 percent subsidiary of Enterprises, and
16 you don't -- Do you have an approximate number? In the
17 last 12 months?
18 A. The last 12 months, maybe seventy, around
19 \$70,000.00 each, somewhere in that neighborhood.
20 Q. How -- how much, seven or seventy?
21 A. Seventy. \$70,000.00.
22 Q. And -- and --
23 A. Somewhere in that neighborhood.
24 Q. And what services were provided by you or Mr.

1 Jones for that money?
2 A. Well, business development and -- and so forth,
3 and you know, I was -- I was overseas for most of last year.
4 So, you know -- so, you know, I'm not -- I don't know.
5 MR. LINDSAY: Well, I mean, he -- I think he's
6 answered the question.
7 MR. KAHLE: He did.
8 MR. LINDSAY: They're -- they're members of the
9 LLC and they perform services.
10 MR. KAHLE: Okay.
11 Q. And that, did that money come to you or Mr. Jones
12 out of the Panthera Training Center bank account or out of
13 Enterprises bank account?
14 A. I -- I don't have that, I don't have that in front
15 of me.
16 Q. How -- how did you and Mr. Jones receive that
17 \$70,000.00 each?
18 A. I -- I don't have the exact details in front of
19 me, which account it came out of or --
20 Q. Did --
21 A. And I don't know -- I don't know where --
22 Q. Are you saying you don't know the source of
23 \$70,000.00 that you and Mr. Jones each received over the
24 past 12 months?

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1 MR. LINDSAY: I think what he's saying is he can't
2 testify to it with having the exact information in front of
3 him. He's not going to say something that might possibly be
4 incorrect. So --
5 Q. To -- to pick in the time frame, you were
6 testifying you believe that you and Mr. Jones each received
7 \$70,000.00 compensation from Panthera Training Center, what
8 would be the time frame during which each of you received
9 about \$70,000.00?
10 A. Well, you asked me over the past year.
11 Q. So to be clear, the past 12 months from --
12 A. And --
13 Q. -- October?
14 A. And again -- Yeah. And again, I'm -- I'm -- I
15 don't have the information in front of me. You know, I'm
16 under oath, I'm not -- it's in that neighborhood, I can't
17 tell you the exact amount.
18 MR. KINDER: Let me -- there may be a more
19 efficient way to do this. I do think that it's relevant to
20 under -- for creditors to understand --
21 A. Right.
22 MR. KINDER: -- how much insiders receive. I'm
23 going to ask for various things. This is one thing that I
24 think it would be good, if you -- if you could clarify the

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1 amount of monies received and the source of those, of -- of
2 -- of the two owners of the business, from either Panthera
3 or their majority owned subsidiaries that -- that we can
4 share with creditors that --
5 MR. LINDSAY: Yeah, and going back, I believe the
6 U.S. Trustee's Office has asked for those bank statements --
7 MR. KINDER: Yeah.
8 MR. LINDSAY: -- and we've agreed to provide them.
9 MR. KINDER: Yeah. Now I -- I don't know that --
10 that we can share the -- we --
11 MR. LINDSAY: I -- I understand that you --
12 MR. KINDER: -- can push for you to share the full
13 bank statement --
14 MR. LINDSAY: -- can't share them without our --
15 our consent.
16 MR. KINDER: But -- but if you're willing to
17 consent for us to share the bank statements, we're happy to
18 do that, but I think that at the very least we would ask
19 that we be able to share the amount of money the insiders
20 received with all -- with any creditors that --
21 MR. KAHLE: And the source of the payments? If
22 not, you can -- you can white out the bank detail
23 information, but to know where'd the money come from.
24 MR. KINDER: Well, I think even a summary that

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1 they prepare that just shows that they -- that they verify
2 that shows the source of the payments and the amount of
3 payments to -- to insiders from either the debtor or
4 subsidiaries of the -- of the debtor.
5 MR. LINDSAY: Well, if I could ask this, once I
6 see them and -- and you see them, and you could confer --
7 MR. KINDER: Yeah.
8 MR. LINDSAY: -- and decide how -- how -- what's
9 fair to how to present them.
10 MR. KINDER: Right.
11 MR. LINDSAY: Okay.
12 MR. KINDER: That -- that'd be fine. I'm -- I do
13 expect -- was expecting to do this anyway. I'm leaving the
14 -- the record open on this Meeting of Creditors so that if
15 that would inspire questions by creditors we may have to
16 reconvene if -- if that doesn't answer it. Now the scope of
17 the --
18 MR. LINDSAY: Mm-hmm.
19 MR. KINDER: -- would be limited to -- to the new
20 information, but it may answer the question, we wouldn't
21 need to, but I'm not gonna officially close the -- the
22 record on this until we see those. Is that fair? Does that
23 short circuit some that questioning?
24 MR. KAHLE: Yes, sir. Do you have a time frame on

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1 A. That --
2 Q. -- couple weeks after that a Bill of Sale was
3 signed --
4 A. I believe --
5 Q. -- as to the personal property?
6 A. I believe that is correct, yes.
7 Q. And to understand, how -- how did Enterprise
8 anticipate that Panthera Training was gonna conduct business
9 if it sold all the personal property located on the
10 equipment to a third party?
11 A. Well, again, that transaction is -- is tied up
12 with other previous agreements and previous to the lease of
13 which, you know, Panthera Training was -- was made aware of
14 before the least was signed. So, I mean, it was -- it was a
15 matter that was discussed.
16 Q. With who?
17 A. With Panthera Training, and -- and also, you know,
18 the fact that the -- the property is still located at the
19 facility, still being used for -- for training. I think it
20 speaks to that.
21 MR. LINDSAY: I know you possibly won't be happy
22 about this, but to the extent you're gonna ask questions
23 regarding the lease, and which is clearly subject of
24 dispute, he's not gonna answer those questions either today.

1 that?
2 MR. KINDER: How soon do you think you can do it?
3 A. Relatively soon I can get that to him --
4 MR. LINDSAY: We'll get them in the next 10 days.
5 MR. KINDER: Ten days, okay, that sounds good.
6 Q. To follow up some questions further that I believe
7 the Trustee and Ms. Allen asked about. The personal
8 property, Mr. -- Mr. Punelli, I think you'll recall some
9 dates when I refresh your recollection, do you recall the
10 commercial lease for the property was signed back as of June
11 1 of 2018?
12 A. Yes.
13 Q. And I believe you testified that there were some
14 schedules, acknowledged some scheduled that referenced
15 personal property, and it wasn't until June 18 of 2018 when
16 Enterprise assigned a Bill of Sale selling all the personal
17 property to this SMI Group, correct?
18 A. And to the extent that -- yeah, that -- that date
19 may be correct, I don't have it in front of me, but -- but
20 it goes back to some previous agreements with SMI, so I'm
21 not gonna characterize that because it's a legal issue and I
22 -- I can't answer it.
23 Q. But -- but do you recall the sequence of events
24 that the lease was signed first and then -- then within a --

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1 MR. KAHLE: You haven't left --
2 MR. LINDSAY: Because that's -- that's --
3 MR. KAHLE: You haven't left much, have you?
4 Q. Give me one more minute here. Oh, in your list of
5 unsecured creditors, I see that you don't have Panthera
6 Training listed. Are you familiar with the -- the
7 garnishment back in June when \$103,000.00 that came into
8 Enterprises was not forwarded to Panthera Training?
9 A. Well, that -- that -- that amount -- well, we were
10 paying that through -- through Training Center, but it was
11 paid, you know, subsequently in August. In the August
12 training that was done, I believe that was short paid. So
13 yeah, Panthera -- Panthera Training Center I believe paid
14 that in August, yeah.
15 Q. So -- so your testimony is the \$103,000.00 that
16 was grabbed by garnishment was later paid by Enterprises to
17 Training?
18 A. And isn't it --
19 MR. LINDSAY: We're not aware of a \$103,000.00
20 garnishment. I believe we're aware of a \$97,000.00 --
21 \$97,782.00 by Iron Horse, is that what you're referring to?
22 MR. KAHLE: Yeah, let's call it, approximately,
23 \$100,000.00 to make it easy.
24 Q. So -- so there was about \$100,000.00 grabbed in a

1 garnishment in June of 2019, correct?

2 A. That's correct.

3 Q. Okay. And that, whatever that dollar amount is,

4 approximately, \$100,000.00, that was payable to Training

5 back at the time by Enterprises, correct?

6 A. Not by -- yeah, by -- by Panthera Training Center,

7 yeah.

8 Q. Okay. But that wasn't done, was it?

9 A. I said it was subsequently paid in August.

10 Q. Oh, I'm sorry. So --

11 A. And --

12 Q. Yeah, you did say that, I misunderstood. So your

13 testimony then is in August of 2019 Panthera Enterprises or

14 Panthera Training Center paid that \$100,000.00 down to

15 Panthera Training?

16 A. From June, right. And then there was a payable --

17 there was a payable in August then that was not paid on

18 time. So we -- we -- we paid the old payable, and there was

19 a new payable.

20 Q. But the payable in August, that was for a separate

21 course, correct?

22 A. Well, okay.

23 MR. LINDSAY: Are you -- are you asking about

24 amounts that potentially could be due under the subcontract?

1 MR. KAHLE: I'm just trying to track down that

2 garnished money as to find out what happened with it.

3 MR. LINDSAY: Well, the money -- money that was

4 garnished, it went to Iron Horse.

5 MR. KAHLE: All right. And so, that note --

6 MR. LINDSAY: So that, there's no way that

7 particular money could be paid to anyone, it was taken by

8 Iron Horse, correct.

9 Q. And that money that was grabbed by Iron Horse, the

10 equivalent of that money, \$100,000.00 that -- that was taken

11 by Iron Horse, that amount was, and no later amount

12 replacing that was ever forwarded on to Panthera Training,

13 correct?

14 MR. LINDSAY: And all I'm saying is to the extent

15 that we have disputes as to what is owned and what is not

16 owed under the subcontract, as I've said on the record,

17 we're not gonna answer those questions. Obviously, any

18 creditor is free to file a Proof of Claim if they don't

19 agree with the schedules.

20 Q. Duncan Development Group, Rob Duncan is at least a

21 part owner of that company?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And does Rob Duncan, he at one time had options to

24 buy into Panthera Enterprises, correct?

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1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Are those options still outstanding?

3 A. That's -- that's a question that we have to look

4 at the agreement, and I -- I don't know.

5 MR. LINDSAY: I'm not sure that he can answer

6 that. I'm not trying to be obstinate, that's truly a -- I

7 don't know that he can answer that question yes or no at

8 this point. That's a contractual issue.

9 Q. Whatever options Mr. Duncan has or had, have you,

10 I mean, do you have possession of documents that memorialize

11 that agreement?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. Under the Executory Contracts heading, are you

14 familiar with a Novem -- I'm sorry -- with a December of

15 2018 novation agreement that was signed by Panthera

16 Enterprises?

17 A. Yeah, there was an agreement that was rejected by

18 the government.

19 Q. In writing?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Who told you that?

22 A. Do we have a reference?

23 MR. LINDSAY: It's a -- it's a -- it's a

24 correspondence from the government.

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1 MR. KAHLE: Okay.

2 MR. LINDSAY: So I guess the government told him

3 that.

4 MR. KAHLE: Okay.

5 MR. LINDSAY: I assume you're talking -- you --

6 you -- you referenced, just so we're clear on the record,

7 you -- you called it a novation agreement?

8 MR. KAHLE: Correct.

9 MR. LINDSAY: That's not the title of the

10 agreement, is it? If -- I wanna make sure we're talking

11 about the same agreement.

12 MR. KAHLE: I believe it is called that.

13 MR. KINDER: Let me clarify, ask a clarifying --

14 when you say the government, is that the government as a

15 customer or is that the government as a regulating entity.

16 A. As a customer.

17 MR. KINDER: As a customer, okay.

18 A. Contracting office, yeah.

19 MR. KINDER: Okay.

20 MR. LINDSAY: What was -- what was the date of the

21 agreement that you referenced?

22 MR. KAHLE: I think it was dated a couple

23 different times, the -- the latest version may have been

24 dated May of 2019.

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1 MR. LINDSAY: And you believe it's called a 2 novation agreement? 3 MR. KAHLE: I seem to recall that. 4 MR. LINDSAY: Okay. 5 Q. So -- so it is your testimony, Mr. Punelli, that 6 that, assuming it was dated May 2019, I believe it's titled 7 a novation agreement, you believe you have correspondence 8 from the government that officially rejected that novation 9 agreement? 10 A. Yes. 11 Q. Okay. 12 MR. KAHLE: No more questions. 13 MR. KINDER: Okay. 14 EXAMINATION OF MR. PUNELLI 15 BY MR. LEON: 16 Q. Mr. Punelli, we met briefly earlier. My name is 17 Jay Leon, and I represent SMI and Bill Neff Enterprises. 18 I'm gonna ask you a few questions just to orient myself 19 here. I know you've covered most of this -- 20 A. Sure. 21 Q. -- earlier. You and Mr. Jones own the debtor, 22 correct? 23 A. Yes. 24 Q. And that's Panthera Enterprises, LLC?	1 A. Correct. 2 Q. You're -- you're the only two members of that LLC? 3 A. That's correct. 4 Q. Is it a member managed LLC? 5 A. Yes. 6 Q. Okay. Do you have a written operating agreement? 7 A. Yes. 8 Q. Okay. And your current address is listed in, I'm 9 gonna say Virginia? 10 A. Right. 11 Q. Is that a residence address that I see in these 12 schedules? 13 A. That's the -- that's an office address, mailing 14 address. 15 Q. Okay. Where do you live? 16 A. Live in Virginia. 17 Q. Okay. What's your physical address in Virginia? 18 MR. LINDSAY: You don't have to answer that. 19 MR. LEON: Okay. 20 Q. How about Mr. Jones, where does he live? 21 A. He lives in Virginia. 22 Q. Okay. And Panthera Training, LLC, who owns that? 23 A. I -- I believe it's Bob Star, Robert Star. 24 MR. LINDSAY: You -- he -- I mean, you don't have
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1 to answer that either, that's not a related entity, that's a 2 tenant. 3 MR. LEON: Well, you're suing them. 4 MR. LINDSAY: Right. 5 MR. LEON: Okay. 6 Q. And you don't have, you personally do not have an 7 ownership interest in Panthera Training? 8 A. That is correct. 9 Q. Nor does Mr. Jones? 10 A. That's correct. 11 Q. Does Panthera Enterprises have an interest in 12 Panthera Training? 13 A. No. 14 Q. Okay. So it just shares a name? 15 A. Correct. 16 Q. Okay. And -- Okay, that clarifies that. All 17 right. You indicated that apparently in 2008, or 18 thereabouts, the debtor transferred essentially all of its 19 personal property to SMI. 20 A. 2018. 21 Q. Right. 22 A. Right. 23 Q. I'm sorry. And that included, from what I can 24 see, a whole bunch of firearms --	1 A. Correct. 2 Q. -- ammunition, trucks, do you agree with that? 3 A. Right, correct. 4 Q. Okay. And Panthera Training is using all that 5 stuff to run their business? Yes? 6 A. That -- that's correct. 7 Q. Okay. Is SMI getting paid for the use of its 8 equipment? 9 A. That's something I don't -- I'm not aware of? 10 Q. Well, are you -- is -- 11 A. We are not -- 12 Q. -- the debtor paying it? 13 A. We are not paying, no, we are not paying that. 14 Q. So is it your position that -- that Panthera 15 Training has some right to use this equipment? Or that's 16 between Panthera -- 17 MR. LINDSAY: You're not -- 18 Q. -- Panthera Training and my client? 19 MR. LINDSAY: The last thing that he said. 20 A. Yeah, that's -- the latter. 21 Q. Okay. Let's talk about the schedules a little 22 bit. Specifically on Page 19 you listed yourself as an 23 unsecured creditor, or the debtor has listed you as an 24 unsecured creditor being owed 2.58 million dollars.

1 A. Right.

2 Q. I wasn't clear what the basis of that claim was,

3 is that unpaid compensation?

4 A. Some of it is. Some of it's cash loans, you know,

5 or -- or profits that were loaned back to the company is --

6 is the majority of it.

7 Q. Okay. So the majority of it is -- is loans that

8 you made back to the company?

9 A. Right.

10 Q. Okay. Walk me through that, are you saying that

11 as a, first off, as -- as a member of the LLC, did you

12 receive K-1 distributions?

13 A. We're going back a few years. Yeah, there was K-1

14 income.

15 Q. Okay. Were you a W-2 employee, did you receive a

16 salary from the debtor?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Okay. So the only money that you got -- one more

19 -- back up one more. Did the debtor ever loan you money?

20 A. No.

21 Q. Okay. So any money you got out of the debtor was

22 in the form of a K -- K-1 distribution as a member of the

23 LLC, is that a fair statement?

24 A. Or -- or draws that --

1 Q. What's the difference between a draw and a

2 distribution?

3 A. Well, I mean, you know, it -- yeah, it's the same,

4 yeah.

5 Q. Okay. So, and on some occasions you apparently

6 took that money that you'd received in the form of K-1

7 distributions and lent it back to the debtor?

8 A. That's correct.

9 Q. What sort of documentation exists to show those

10 loans?

11 A. It -- it's -- it's reflected in the general

12 ledger.

13 Q. Who maintains the general ledger?

14 A. At that point we had a -- had a CPA and CFO, but

15 at this point I do. But since -- since I've been doing it

16 the last year there's -- there's been none of those

17 transactions.

18 Q. Okay. Before you became the keeper of the ledger,

19 who -- who was in charge of the ledger?

20 A. Our -- our CFO.

21 Q. Who was that?

22 A. Raymond Barbic.

23 Q. Spell the last name, please?

24 A. Ray -- B-A-R-B-I-C.

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1 Q. Okay.

2 A. B-A-R-B-I-C.

3 Q. And where does he hail from?

4 A. He's in Virginia.

5 Q. Okay. Was he fired or did he quit?

6 A. Well, I guess you would say lay off, yeah.

7 Q. Okay. So are we talking about a physical ledger

8 here or is this -- is this a digital QuickBooks ledger --

9 A. It's --

10 Q. -- or what form is this information?

11 A. Well, it's -- it's a digital accounting system.

12 Q. Okay. Is there a note, a physical note whereby

13 Panthera, the debtor, acknowledged it owed you money because

14 you'd loaned it money?

15 A. I mean, yeah, the -- the general ledger entries

16 are -- are typically documented that way -- (indiscernible)

17 --

18 Q. Okay. What are the terms of the loan?

19 A. We -- we don't have loan documents.

20 Q. Okay. Well, are you entitled to receive interest?

21 A. Entitled versus, you know --

22 Q. Okay. Well, I'm not -- I'm not trying to parse

23 words with you.

24 A. No. I mean, we -- we -- we don't -- we're not

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1 trying to -- that does not include any interest --

2 Q. Okay.

3 A. -- if that's what you're asking.

4 Q. Does it have repayment terms?

5 A. No. As I said, it's -- it's in the general ledger

6 notations, so there's no repayment terms noted in there,

7 right.

8 Q. All right. As you understand this -- I mean,

9 first off, I assume you're on both sides of this

10 transaction, you're the -- the managing member of the LLC

11 borrowing money from yourself?

12 A. Right.

13 Q. Okay. So it seems to me if anybody knows the

14 terms, it's you. Is it a demand note?

15 A. Basically, yeah, as the -- as money is available

16 we -- we would pay ourselves. But we stoved to pay back any

17 debtors, you know, that we could before ourselves. You

18 know, we're -- we see our -- saw ourselves as -- as being

19 last in line to be paid.

20 Q. That's -- that's the reality of anybody that owns

21 a small business, I guess. So but the question I have is

22 have -- has the debtor ever, in fact, paid you anything on

23 those notes? Or those loans?

24 A. No.

1 Q. Okay. And over what period of time did you make
2 these loans to the debtor?
3 A. Really since the beginning of the -- of the
4 company.
5 Q. Which is when?
6 A. 2011.
7 Q. Okay. How did you capitalize the company, did you
8 make an investment as opposed to a loan?
9 A. Most of it was a loan, I think.
10 Q. Okay. Well, of the 2.58 million dollars you're
11 claiming as an unsecured creditor, how much of that was
12 contributed -- contributions to capital as opposed to loans?
13 A. Well, initially we had virtually no contributions
14 to capital because we didn't have any -- any infrastructure,
15 we were going out and -- and bidding on contracts.
16 Q. Okay. So, I mean, that's a pretty precise number,
17 \$2,582,637.31. Where in the books of the debtor can I find
18 that number? Where do I need to go to look for that?
19 A. It's -- it's in the general ledger.
20 Q. Okay. And it's gonna be, best you recall, since
21 you're now the keeper of the general ledger, what I'm gonna
22 see is notations that say loan from member?
23 A. Something to that effect, yeah. It's --
24 Q. Well, what other effect could it be?

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1 that, you know, that he had the ability to -- to loan money
2 in times where I didn't, and -- and that's -- that's what
3 happened.
4 Q. Okay. So is that agreement in writing?
5 A. It's -- it's in the general ledger. I mean --
6 Q. Okay. So is it your belief and understanding that
7 that 3.258 million dollars is a loan from a member?
8 A. Yes.
9 Q. Okay. Were there any contributions to capital
10 made by either of you as opposed to loans?
11 A. I -- I believe initially there may have been some
12 contributions to capital, I don't recall --
13 Q. Okay.
14 A. -- but I think it's mostly loans.
15 Q. Is it a fair statement to say that in large part
16 this bankruptcy was precipitated by Panthera Training
17 stopping paying its rent, cutting off your ability to
18 service the debt owed to the State of West Virginia over
19 here?
20 MR. KAHLE: You mean, Panthera Training Center?
21 MR. LEON: Yeah.
22 Q. Whoever you're suing in the AP.
23 MR. LINDSAY: I think he means Panthera Training,
24 not Panthera Training Center. If you wanna ask the question

1 A. Well, I mean, it's --
2 Q. No, I'm -- I'm not parsing words with you --
3 A. Sure.
4 Q. -- I wanna know how you booked the transaction.
5 A. I don't have the exact words on each ledger entry.
6 Q. Okay.
7 A. But it's gonna say something similar to that, yes.
8 Q. Okay. Well, let's drop down to Page 21. Raymond
9 Jones has an unsecured claim of \$3,258,323.18.
10 A. Okay.
11 Q. That's like a million more than yours.
12 A. Right.
13 Q. What's that made up of?
14 A. Again, it's -- it's mostly loans into the company.
15 Q. Okay.
16 A. And --
17 Q. You're 50/50 owners?
18 A. Right.
19 Q. In my experience when you have 50/50 owners the
20 discussion goes something like this, hey, the company needs
21 a hundred grand, I'm putting in fifty, you gotta put in
22 fifty. How was it that Mr. Jones contributed hundreds of
23 thousands of dollars more in loans than you did?
24 A. It was -- it was an agreement between he and I

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1 again just so we're --
2 MR. LEON: Okay. Let me make sure I understand
3 the players because I get lost in all these, everybody's
4 named the same thing.
5 MR. LINDSAY: Training Center is a -- is a debtor
6 subsidiary, or partial --
7 Q. Panthera, LLC, the defendant in the adversary
8 proceeding, am I correct that it is leasing the realty that
9 the debtor owns on which this training facility is located?
10 A. That's correct.
11 Q. Okay. And is it also correct that at present the
12 biggest source of income for the debtor are the rent
13 payments from Panthera Training, LLC?
14 A. That's correct.
15 Q. Okay. And for lack of a better term, they quit
16 paying you, apparently?
17 A. Well, it's in two parts, so --
18 MR. LINDSAY: I -- it's a little more -- there's -
19 - there's different rent aspects under the lease.
20 MR. LEON: Right.
21 MR. LINDSAY: We believe, I will -- will say
22 conservatively that, believe they continued paying a portion
23 of it, but there are other portions that it's our position
24 that they have not paid.

1 MR. LEON: They owe a \$52,000.00 a month base
2 rent, right?
3 MR. LINDSAY: Correct.
4 MR. LEON: Okay.
5 Q. Are they paying that?
6 A. Yes.
7 Q. Okay. So that's \$600,000.00 a year income from
8 that. So the fuss with them is over this additional rent
9 that's based on some profitability calculation?
10 MR. LINDSAY: That's a portion of the fuss.
11 MR. LEON: Okay.
12 Q. And is the \$500,000.00 you're getting insufficient
13 to serve as the debt due the State of West Virginia over
14 here?
15 A. No, it's not insufficient. It is sufficient.
16 Q. It is insufficient?
17 A. It is sufficient.
18 Q. Okay.
19 A. Yeah.
20 Q. Are you paying the State of West Virginia on this
21 note?
22 A. They've been paid.
23 Q. Okay. And so, as you understand it, why did they,
24 the state, give notice that is was gonna foreclose on this

1 property if you were making the note payments?
2 A. Well, I mean, there were other arrearages and
3 other -- other issues that they had. So do you wanna --
4 Q. Okay. One of which is this unpaid property tax, I
5 guess?
6 A. That's one, yes.
7 Q. Okay. Okay. Couple of questions about Mr. Neff.
8 I think there are, as I understand it, these are sort of
9 modular office units --
10 A. Correct.
11 Q. -- that are on wheels, or at least can be
12 transported on a undercarriage of some sort, right?
13 A. Correct.
14 Q. And I think you've got, what, 37, or so, of them
15 out there?
16 A. It's 37, 38, yeah.
17 Q. And -- and they can be lashed together to make
18 larger units, right?
19 A. Correct.
20 Q. Okay. And how many of those, I don't know what
21 you call that, a pod or a -- those lashed together things,
22 how many of those unit assemblages are out there on your
23 property?
24 A. Let's see --

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1 Q. Three? Four?
2 A. -- there's five, I think.
3 Q. Five, okay. How many of them are you actually
4 using?
5 A. They're all -- they're all --
6 Q. You, the debtor?
7 A. We -- we, as the debtor, right now they're leased.
8 So they're leased.
9 Q. Okay. How many are the lessee using?
10 A. I believe all of them.
11 Q. For what?
12 A. Office space and training, classroom training
13 space.
14 Q. Okay. And I think your counsel indicated that to
15 his mind there is some issue about whether -- who holds
16 title to those properties, is that a fair statement, those --
17 those units?
18 MR. LINDSAY: I -- if I -- I don't believe I said
19 that. We identified them as -- as -- as assets of the
20 estate.
21 MR. LEON: Okay.
22 Q. They weren't, those units were not part of the
23 personality that you sold to or transferred to SMI, is that
24 correct?

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1 A. That's correct.
2 Q. Okay. Again, just sort of for my edification, who
3 or what was TENX?
4 A. TENX was the original, the name of Panthera
5 Enterprises, the original name, and we changed it in 2016.
6 Q. Okay. So it was an LLC as well?
7 A. Yes.
8 Q. Was there a merger or was it just a change of
9 names?
10 A. Just a name change.
11 Q. Okay. As far as you know, and I may have asked
12 this and probably forgotten the answer, is Panthera
13 Training, LLC, using the guns and the trucks and all the
14 other personal property that Panthera Enterprises
15 transferred to SMI?
16 A. I believe so.
17 Q. Okay. Am I correct that part of the use of these
18 vehicles is they eventually get shot up, they're used for
19 target practice?
20 A. Well, I mean, the majority of the vehicles are
21 used for -- as training vehicles.
22 Q. Right.
23 A. They're -- they're vehicles that are bought as
24 junk, you know, as junkers and used in that way, yeah.

1 Q. Okay. Okay. Just out of curiosity, what –
2 what's your educational background?
3 A. I have a bachelor of science in – in ocean
4 engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy, and I have a
5 masters degree in business.
6 Q. Okay. How old are you, sir?
7 A. I'm 57.
8 Q. 57?
9 A. Yes.
10 Q. Okay. That's all the questions I have for you, I
11 appreciate your patience.
12 A. Sure.
13 MR. KINDER: Do you all have questions back there,
14 come on up. Did you have questions?
15 MR. QUEEN: No, sir.
16 MR. KINDER: If you wanna have a seat here,
17 identify yourself. Then I'll have some, if this is the last
18 questioning, I'll have a few housekeeping things at the end,
19 and then we'll wrap up. If you can identify yourself, who
20 you represent, and then you can go ahead now.
21 MR. GOOD: I'm John P. Good, Jr. I'm treasurer of
22 Howard Shockey & Sons, Inc., and we're a trust holder on the
23 real estate, second trust holder on one of the parcels, and
24 third trust, I believe, after the paving company in the

1 A. No, no –
2 Q. – North Carolina business?
3 A. No, no, they – they're very separate in any –
4 any, you know, as far as any payment made. I mean, there
5 were – But because we had an ownership interest in them,
6 they – let's see, how do I – We had an ownership interest
7 in them at one time, so we borrowed money, so – so the
8 debtor had borrowed money and they were guarantors.
9 Q. They were –
10 A. But –
11 Q. – guarantors of that debt?
12 A. Right, but – but any – any money that was, you
13 know, any – any debt that debtor had the debtor paid, did
14 not pay any debt of that North Carolina company.
15 Q. But it eliminated that guaranty.
16 A. Well, the debt was paid off. We – the debtor
17 paid off the – the bank loan.
18 Q. When was that debt created?
19 A. That was, I think, 2012.
20 Q. 2012.
21 A. Yeah.
22 Q. When was it paid off?
23 A. 2015, maybe, '16.
24 Q. Okay. You understand my reason for – for that –

1 State of West Virginia on the other parcel.
2 EXAMINATION OF MR. PUNELLI
3 BY MR. GOOD:
4 Q. Some of these are real quick, Jim.
5 A. How are you doing, John?
6 Q. Would you agree that you and Ray Jones are
7 guarantors of the Howard Shockey & Sons debt?
8 A. Yes.
9 Q. Okay. I did, I apologize, I didn't hear your
10 answer to that –
11 A. Yeah.
12 Q. -- question earlier to Ms. Allen. In earlier work
13 with you and Jim – and pardon me – Ray, you mentioned you
14 had a business in North Carolina, do you still have that?
15 A. No.
16 Q. Okay. Did it have any relationship, either cash
17 coming or going with the debtor?
18 A. Yeah, there were some – there were some loans
19 that were – that were co-signed by them, if you will, that
20 have been paid previously. Several –
21 Q. Loans to the debtor?
22 A. Well, yes. But –
23 Q. So – so the debtor paid those loans because they
24 were co-signed by the –

1 that –
2 A. Right.
3 Q. – line of questioning. Let's go back to this
4 timber situation. I spoke with Ray Jones, I believe, about
5 that after a title search turned up that the – an interest
6 in the timber somehow was transferred. This SMI, I don't
7 recall. There was a person's name associated with that that
8 had loaned you money. Do you recall that – that name?
9 A. I believe it's the – the member of SMI is – is
10 Terry Migliore.
11 Q. Okay. All right. And it, would it seem
12 consistent to you that my conversation with Ray included,
13 when I asked about, you know, we – we do have a – an
14 interest in the real estate –
15 A. Right.
16 Q. – the West Virginia Economic Development
17 Authority has an interest in the real estate, and the timber
18 is rooted and grows on the real estate, we were concerned
19 about that –
20 A. Right.
21 Q. – Ray said, and – and I assuming, I think you
22 said earlier today it has not been harvested, is that
23 correct?
24 A. That's correct.

1 Q. All right. What's the trigger for harvesting?
 2 A. I don't know that I can answer that. Do -- I --
 3 MR. LINDSAY: I think -- I don't know if there's--
 4 Q. Is that the --
 5 MR. LINDSAY: -- trigger other than SMI has the
 6 rights to use the --
 7 Q. Or -- or is it your understanding, is it being
 8 stayed by the action now or -- And -- and let me wrap that
 9 up.
 10 MR. LINDSAY: Without giving you a legal opinion,
 11 I -- I -- I, let's just say, I -- we can't answer that.
 12 MR. GOOD: Okay.
 13 Q. And -- and -- and final question related to that
 14 is is it consistent, Ray told me that, when I asked about
 15 this, I did not understand it at all from him, that it was a
 16 sale of timber, but that it was, these aren't his exact
 17 words, but the impression I got was it was to make the
 18 person who loaned the money some time ago to the debtor feel
 19 more secure, is that -- is that -- that's your take on it,
 20 too?
 21 A. I think that's -- I mean, Ray is the one who
 22 worked on it, but that's -- that's --
 23 Q. But it was to help give security to somebody who
 24 had made a loan at some earlier date?

1 A. Well, that's -- that's an accurate
 2 characterization, I think is how Ray looked at it, yeah.
 3 Q. Okay. At the potential expense of the first and
 4 second, and -- and in our case, and some cases, third trust
 5 holder ultimately if that timber would be harvested by that
 6 creditor?
 7 A. Yeah, I suppose so, yes.
 8 Q. Okay. Greg Farland of our company, and I, met
 9 with you, roughly, February of 2018. Do you remember we met
 10 you up at the --
 11 A. Yeah.
 12 Q. -- trailers there --
 13 A. Yeah.
 14 Q. -- and you gave us some information that we had
 15 requested, including three years worth of tax returns and
 16 some internal financial statements. Do you have any problem
 17 if I share one page of one of those tax returns with you to
 18 -- as the basis of a question, with your counsel, so they
 19 can see what I'm talking about --
 20 A. Okay.
 21 Q. -- and with the representative of the United
 22 States Trustee's Office, problem with one page? I don't
 23 give out other people's tax information.
 24 MR. LINDSAY: Understood, and I think I would have

1 to look at it. If it's gonna become part of the record, I
 2 would like to -- I need to review it.
 3 MR. KINDER: We don't attach exhibits to these, so
 4 it would not be an exhibit, but -- but --
 5 MR. LINDSAY: But to the extent there's
 6 information from it that is gonna be -- become --
 7 MR. GOOD: Verbalized?
 8 MR. LINDSAY: -- part of the record --
 9 MR. KINDER: Yeah.
 10 MR. LINDSAY: -- I don't know that we'll --
 11 Q. Turn to the second page, because it's attached.
 12 And here's a copy for you, too. This came out of the 2016
 13 return.
 14 MR. LINDSAY: Can I ask you what -- what -- what
 15 information are you going to ask about?
 16 MR. GOOD: The question is on the other page.
 17 Q. As background, when you shared the -- and gave us
 18 copies of the tax returns, it was just in the same meeting,
 19 I flipped through the returns and I had questions about the
 20 equity section of the balance sheet, that if the beginning
 21 equity at the beginning of the three-year period was one
 22 number, and if I subtracted the losses recognized on that
 23 tax return, the three tax returns, I would get one equity
 24 number, but the equity number actually reflected at the end

1 of the last tax year presented was substantially lower. I
 2 couldn't understand that. Do you remember me being confused
 3 about that?
 4 A. And -- and I'm not a -- I'm not a tax expert, I
 5 can't speak to this.
 6 MR. LINDSAY: I mean, if you -- if -- if you'd
 7 like to ask questions, I don't know that -- This is, just
 8 this one page, I'm not comfortable, frankly, just referring
 9 to without everything else that -- that went into the
 10 creation of -- of this tax return. But certainly you can
 11 ask questions.
 12 MR. GOOD: Well, I'll ask my question.
 13 MR. LINDSAY: Okay.
 14 MR. GOOD: And --
 15 MR. LINDSAY: If he can answer it, he -- he
 16 certainly will.
 17 MR. GOOD: -- I won't share the copy of the part
 18 of the tax return then, but I'll ask my question.
 19 Q. The 2016 Form 1065 Federal Tax Return for TENX
 20 Group, LLC, now Panthera Enterprises, LLC, Schedule M-2,
 21 shows a property distribution of \$6,507,664.00. This
 22 distribution caused partners capital accounts to show a
 23 negative balance on the tax return of \$2,871,626.00.
 24 Similarly, the member equity shown on the consolidated

1 balance sheet of TENX Group, LLC, this is the prepared
2 financial statements outside of the tax return you gave me,
3 shows a negative balance of \$3,729,892.00. This property
4 distribution rendered the company insolvent. Key question,
5 what made up the distribution and who received it?
6 A. Okay. Again, I'm not a tax expert, and I -- and
7 I'm -- I'm certainly not, you know, a gap, you know,
8 accounting expert, but I will tell you that I think there
9 were some adjustments made, some -- it was just adjustments
10 because Ray Jones nor I received any large distributions, we
11 never really received any distributions. So, you know, so,
12 I mean, your question's comprised like, well, who received
13 this distribution, and there was none. There was no --
14 there was no cash distribution or property distribution.
15 Q. But six and a half million dollars --
16 A. I -- I don't know why the adjustment --
17 Q. -- is -- is not memorable? It's -- it's --
18 A. I don't know why the adjustment was made, and well
19 --
20 Q. It wasn't shown as an adjustment, it was shown as
21 a distribution.
22 A. Okay. Again, I don't know why that's -- What I'm
23 telling you is we never -- we never received any large
24 distribution, never received any distribution --

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1 basis of my question because that -- that could be. I just
2 discovered this this morning in preparing to come over here.
3 So I didn't have a lot of time to -- to double check, but it
4 was shown as a distribution not as an adjustment. There are
5 plenty of places for adjustments to be shown.
6 MR. LINDSAY: Understood. And -- and again, I
7 just have to assert -- (indiscernible) -- he didn't prepare
8 it, and -- and --
9 MR. GOOD: And the impact on the equity took it
10 from a positive equity to a negative equity.
11 Q. You can understand why -- (indiscernible) -- would
12 be asking this question?
13 A. I understand, and -- and it has -- it has
14 something to do, I think, who knows, it could be the
15 adjustments with Panthera Training Center, which has a
16 separate tax return, I'm not sure. All I -- all I know is I
17 can tell you that we never received any distributions. So,
18 you know, we were --
19 Q. But is there another entity that might've been --
20 A. No.
21 Q. -- heaved off, and that -- that that entity needs
22 to be brought back into this?
23 A. I -- I don't -- I don't think so, no. No. I -- I
24 can't answer the -- the numbers there.

1 MR. LINDSAY: Did you --
2 A. -- from the company.
3 MR. LINDSAY: You didn't prepare these tax
4 returns?
5 A. We -- I don't remember, what year was that?
6 MR. LINDSAY: This is 2015.
7 A. No.
8 Q. 2016 --
9 A. Yeah.
10 Q. -- tax return.
11 A. Yes.
12 MR. LINDSAY: That's -- Maybe it is, it's -- it
13 says 2015 at the top. But I'll -- I'll take your word for
14 it, but either way you didn't --
15 A. No.
16 MR. LINDSAY: -- prepare either one of these?
17 A. Hmm-mm.
18 MR. LINDSAY: I don't know that he can really
19 testify as to what this form says.
20 Q. But what, you understand why? And I see where,
21 the same thing you're saying, 2015's at the top.
22 MR. LINDSAY: Okay.
23 Q. I -- I maybe have to stand corrected, maybe it was
24 a 2015 return filed in 2016. I may -- I will correct the

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1 Q. Okay. All right. Well, that's the -- all I have.
2 Thank you very much.
3 MR. KINDER: Any other questions?
4 MS. ALLEN: I have two clarifying questions.
5 MR. KINDER: Okay.
6 MS. ALLEN: Just what Mr. Leon, and I didn't catch
7 his name.
8 RE-EXAMINATION OF MR. PUNELLI
9 BY MS. ALLEN:
10 Q. Your attorney at the first scheduling conference
11 we had with the court, with the judge, indicated that you
12 had filed the bankruptcy because of the foreclosure that had
13 been initiated by the WVEDA, do you recall?
14 A. Yes.
15 Q. You were on that call. Okay. Because Mr. Leon
16 made a statement that he thought the bankruptcy filing was
17 prompted by Panthera Training's failure to pay rent, and
18 that's not correct?
19 A. No, that -- that's not correct, no.
20 Q. Okay.
21 A. I -- I don't know that I answered that it was, I
22 said --
23 Q. Okay. I just wanted to make sure it was clear.
24 A. Okay.

1 Q. Okay. And then there was reference from the last
2 gentleman of a Terry Migliore in SMI.
3 A. Yes.
4 Q. Was there a separate loan made by Terry Migliore?
5 A. It's -- it's all through SMI as -- as far as I --
6 I can recall. But she's the -- the member, the owner of
7 SMI.
8 Q. I see. I see.
9 A. That's what he asked me, who the name was.
10 Q. And was that loan to you or to the debtor?
11 A. To -- to the debtor.
12 Q. Okay. And -- and then the last thing is has the
13 debtor done anything to maintain the property in the last
14 three/four years?
15 A. There isn't a lot of -- I mean, there's been --
16 we've done work on, you know, erosion control and -- and try
17 to maintain that, and --
18 Q. Did the debtor pay for that?
19 A. Well, yes. I mean, in -- in, you know,
20 maintenance of the property, yes.
21 Q. And when was that done?
22 A. I mean, it's kind of a constant ongoing thing. I
23 mean, we're in the mountains, yes.
24 Q. Did they hire a contractor for that?

1 A. Some -- some was, and some was just done
2 ourselves.
3 Q. And who did they retain?
4 A. I'm -- I'm sorry, I don't understand?
5 Q. Who did they -- who did they hire? Who was the
6 contractor they hired?
7 A. I don't recall.
8 MS. ALLEN: I have nothing else.
9 MR. KINDER: Okay. No other questions? Okay,
10 there's a couple things I've already asked for, but I'm
11 gonna ask for a few other things that I haven't asked for,
12 then I'll give a summary of everything I'm asking for. If
13 you can provide us with a copy of the timber agreement, I
14 don't know if that was a sale or a security interest, or
15 whatever, but the -- the agreement related to the timber. I
16 think that we would like a list of, and this kind of goes to
17 the next thing, which is an Amended Schedule H, which you
18 already indicated you intend to file, but Amended --
19 MR. LINDSAY: Yes.
20 MR. KINDER: -- Schedule H to reflect all the --
21 the guarantors and co-debtors. But also a list of all non-
22 publically traded ownership interest in companies that
23 either James Punelli or Raymond James has. So a list
24 because there was a company that came up that would have not

1 appeared anywhere else on Schedule -- on -- with respect to
2 this request for a new Schedule H, so which there may not be
3 any that you own, but there's at least one that Raymond
4 James owned.
5 A. That's present tense?
6 MR. KINDER: Yes, that'd be -- Well, okay, let's
7 say within, presently or within the past year.
8 A. Okay.
9 MR. KINDER: Then I'd also like to see a breakdown
10 of the accounts receivable as to who owes the debtor what
11 under the accounts receivable. And then we also discussed
12 this, and this may be separate from the bank statements we
13 already discussed, but a summary of payments made by either
14 the debtor or subsidiaries of the debtor to insiders, and
15 that's something that I would intend to share with creditors
16 if they ask for it.
17 A. Okay.
18 MR. KINDER: So just to summarize a total list, a
19 list of bank statements for the past year of the
20 subsidiaries, the -- a copy of the documents related to the
21 personal property transfer that occurred, the insurance is
22 an ongoing --
23 A. Right.
24 MR. KINDER: -- request, a copy of the timber

1 agreement, a list of the non-publically traded -- traded
2 ownership interest in businesses or companies that James
3 Punelli and Raymond James has, the amendment to Schedule H,
4 a breakdown of the accounts receivable, and the summary of
5 payments to insiders that -- that would be shared. And I'm
6 going, like I mentioned before, we're gonna keep the record
7 open. If any of those documents would inspire additional
8 questions, so that we don't have to move for a 2004
9 examination, I'll keep the record open, but if our questions
10 are satisfied by the provision of those documents, then
11 we'll close the Meeting of Creditors at that time.
12 Is there anything else anybody would like to put
13 on the record?
14 MS. ALLEN: Is there a time by which they're gonna
15 provide this information?
16 MR. KINDER: Definitely the summary of payments to
17 insiders was 10 days. Do you have a time frame you all
18 would like to suggest on -- The insurance, I know is -- is
19 currently due, so that's as soon as possible. Do you wanna
20 suggest a --
21 MR. LINDSAY: If you just -- if -- if we could
22 have 14 days?
23 MR. KINDER: Two weeks, okay. Two weeks for the
24 other stuff. And again, other than the payment to insiders,

1 we would check with the debtor before we'd share any
2 information with anyone else, and get permission before we'd
3 do that. So unless anything, anybody else had anything to
4 add, we'll turn off the recording and -- and close testimony
5 for the day. Thank you.

6 MR. LINDSAY: Thank you.

7 (Proceeding went off the record at 12:33
8 p.m.)
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