32

- the third year resident spends a day with an
- experienced surgeon. The resident assists the surgeon
- 3 on his or her cases and then the surgeon assists the
- 4 resident on his or her cases and coaches. So the two of them spend the day together. Some cases are the
- residents and some cases are the experienced surgeon's
- 7 cases.
- 8 Q. As of 1997 is there any way for you to estimate
- 9 how many lens extractions you had performed?
- 10 A. How much cataract surgery?
- 11 Q. Well, yeah, how much cataract surgery you had
- 12 performed?
- 13 A. Do you want me to guess?
- 14 MS. NEWMAN: No.
- 15 BY MR. KAFRISSEN:
- 16 Q. No.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. What I'm looking for if you can give a reasonable estimate, like, yeah, I do about 40 of those a year,
- 20 then, that's fine. But if it's just going to be a wild
- 21 guess, then don't bother giving it?
- 22 A. Over a thousand, but I don't have an exact
- 23 number.
- 24 Q. Okay.
 - A. Maybe a lot higher.
 - MS. NEWMAN: Minimum of a thousand?
- THE WITNESS: Minimum of a thousand.
- BY MR. KAFRISSEN:
- 5 Q. Now, can you tell me what's the difference
- between active staff, courtesy staff, and associate staff, in the hospital appointments at the different hospitals?
- 9 A. How many meetings you're required to attend.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. If you're on courtesy staff you really don't have
- 12 to attend staff meetings.
- 13 Q. Okay. But do you have operating privileges at
- 14 the hospital then?
- MS. NEWMAN: You want to tell her
- 16 which hospital, maybe that would help?
- 17 BY MR. KAFRISSEN:
- 18 Q. Graduate Hospital is listed as courtesy staff?
- 19 A. At this point I'm courtesy. I don't remember
- when I stopped operating there and then I stayed on active staff for a few years and finally switched to
 - active staff for a few years and finally switched to courtesy.
 - Q. Other than how many meetings you have to attend, do you have the same privileges?

- 1 A. Admitting privileges are different and I don't
- erecall the details. I haven't admitted anybody there
- in a long time.
 Q. Are you on the active staff at the University of
- 5 Pennsylvania?
- 6 A. I don't think so, no, not now.
- 7 Q. Now, here you have associate staff, Presbyterian?
- 8 A. Oh, I am on the staff at Presbyterian, yes.
- 9 Q. What does associate staff mean?
- 10 A. I don't remember. There are a lot of categories
- 11 of staff.
- 12 Q. Can you admit patients at Presbyterian? _
- 13 A. I don't recall.
- 14 Q. Can you perform surgery at Presbyterian?
- 15 A. I think so.
- 16 Q. Let me ask you something, do you perform -- as of
- 17 1997, were your performing surgery anywhere other than
- 18 at the Delaware Valley Laser Surgery Institute?
- 19 A. I believe I was still performing surgery at the
- 20 Medical College of Pennsylvania, but I would have to
- 21 check and see how many cases I was on.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 A. I was not operating at Penn at that point.
- 24 Q. You have it here as an attending at Graduate
- 1 Health System, City Avenue?
 - A. I wasn't operating there.
- 3 Q. Okay. You had privileges there to operate
- 4 though?

30

- 5 A. I think so.
- 6 Q. Are you Board Certified?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What's your certification?
- 9 A. American Board of Ophthalmology.
- 10 Q. Do you consider yourself to be an expert in any
- other field of medicine outside of ophthalmology?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Now, the presentations that you've given, I did
- 14 have one quick question on that. You have Nevyas Eye
- 15 Associates Clinical Lecture Series, what's that?
- 16 A. Nevyas Eye Associates offers lectures for doctors
- 17 in the community for educational purposes.
- 18 Q. Was that in existence in 1997?
- 19 A. Yes
- 20 Q. Have you lectured regarding the lasik procedure?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Have you lecture regarding lens replacement
- 23 surgery.
 - 4 A. Yes.