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Video Deposition of Nancy L. Wilde - July 30, 2012

1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
2	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN		
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4	RUTHELLE FRANK, et al.,		
5	Plaintiffs,		
6	VIDEO DEPOSITION OF:		
7	-VS- NANCY L. WILDE CASE NO. 2:11-cv-01128		
8	SCOTT WALKER, et al.,		
9	Defendants.		
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12	Video deposition examination of		
13	NANCY L. WILDE, taken at the instance of the		
14	Plaintiffs, under and pursuant to Rule 30 of the		
15	Federal Rules of Civil Procedures and the acts		
16	amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto,		
17	pursuant to Notice upon the parties, before Monica M.		
18	Hunkins, RPR, a Notary Public in and for the State of		
19	Wisconsin, at the University of Wisconsin - Marathon		
20	County, 518 South 7th Avenue, Wausau, Wisconsin, on		
21	the 30th day of July, 2012, commencing at 2:05 p.m.		
22	and ending at 3:08 p.m.		
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1 A. Yes. My maiden name was Nancy Lee Jojade.	1 A. No.
2 Q. And how do you spell that?	2 Q. Do you have a U.S. passport?
3 A. J-O-J-A-D-E.	3 A. No.
4 Q. And what is your date of birth?	4 Q. Have you ever had one?
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5 A. July 20th, 1937.	5 A. No.
6 Q. And where were you born?	6 Q. Do you have any other form of photo ID?
7 A. In Wausau, Wisconsin.	7 A. Not that I can think of.
8 Q. And have you lived in this area your whole	8 Q. Okay. I want to now ask you about your
9 life?	9 voting background.
10 A. Yes, I have.	10 A. Yes.
11 Q. What is your current address?	11 Q. When was the first time that you voted?
12 A. 119 Airport Street, Schofield, Wisconsin.	12 A. In 1957.
13 Q. And how long have you lived there?	13 Q. And where do you typically vote?
14 A. Since 1958. '57. I'm sorry. Did I say	14 A. I vote at the Schofield City Hall.
15 '58? I'm sorry. '57.	15 Q. How frequently do you vote?
16 Q. So you've lived there since 1957?	16 A. I voted every year that I can think of
17 A. Yep.	anyway except for two years when I was in the
18 Q. And does anyone live at your house with	18 hospital.
19 you?	19 Q. Have you ever had your right to vote taken
20 A. My husband, Gerald Wilde.	20 away by a court?
21 Q. And how long have you been married?	21 A. No.
22 A. For it will be 55 years this year. As of	22 Q. Do you have any felony convictions?
23 1957 we were married.	23 A. No.
24 Q. Did you graduate from high school?	24 Q. Mrs. Wilde, why do you vote?
25 A. Yes. From Wausau Senior High School.	25 A. Because I think it's a very important thing.
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	1 A. Well, the reason I was I got involved in	1 Q. So they sent you an application for a
	the first place, my sister, who lives in Florida,	2 delayed birth certificate?
	3 asked me to get her a copy of her birth certificate.	3 A. That's that's correct.
	4 And so I went to the Register of Deeds. And as long	4 Q. And what did you do when you received it?
	5 as I was there, being that for health purposes, I	5 A. We I filled it out. I shouldn't say we.
	6 decided to try to find mine too. I asked if I could	6 But I filled it out. And then I sent it all back.
	7 get mine too, but they told me they had no record of	7 They had some other things. And they also wanted an
	8 my birth in Marathon County.	8 affidavit from my sister verifying that I was born on
	9 Q. In Marathon County?	9 the day I was.
	10 A. Yes.	10 Q. And so go ahead.
	11 Q. Just to back up just a bit, what is your	11 A. Excuse me. But she was the only one that I
	sister's name?	had to provide an affidavit. All the rest of my
	13 A. Leatrice.	13 relation are already passed.
	14 Q. And is she older than you?	14 Q. So in 2004, you submitted the application?
	15 A. Yes. She's ten years older than I am.	15 A. Yes.
	16 Q. Did they have her birth certificate?	16 Q. And you submitted an affidavit from your
	17 A. Yes, they did.	17 sister?
	18 Q. And did she receive a copy?	18 A. That's correct.
	19 A. Yes, she did. They sent it to her.	19 Q. Did you submit any other forms?
	20 Q. So what did you what steps did you take	20 A. I submitted copies of forms to identify
	after you found out that the Marathon County Register	21 myself - my social security form, my Medicare card,
	22 did not have a copy of your birth certificate?	other cards that I had, and credit cards and our tax
	23 A. They gave at the Marathon County Register	23 copy of our tax records with my husband and my
	of Deeds, gave me a number to call in Madison, which	name both on and our copy of that we owned the
	25 I did, asking for forms to to fill out so that I	25 house and everything, anything I could find that
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	1 could receive a birth certificate.	would verify who I was and where I was or how long Ilived there.
	2 Q. Do you know who you were calling in3 Madison?	0 5
	4 A. It was the Vital Records, Department of	3 Q. Do you so, Mrs. Wilde, you were unable to4 locate your birth certificate. Did you have any
	5 Vital Records.	5 other documents from your early years?
	6 Q. And so what steps did you take after they	6 A. I had a I got records from my church
	7 told you to call?	7 being of the baptism. I had a baptismal certificate.
	8 A. We called and asked for the for the	8 I had a certificate from the hospital that I was
	9 record. We explained the situation, asked for the	9 born. I I got let's see.
	records, and then they sent me records to to be	10 Q. Well, let's break that down.
	11 filled out and sent back.	11 A. Okay.
	12 Q. When you say "we," who do you mean?	12 Q. So on your baptismal certificate, do you
	13 A. My husband was there to help me. He always	know what information is included?
	14 is.	14 A. Is my name, the date of of the baptism,
	15 Q. And what's his name?	my father's name, my mother's name.
	16 A. Gerald.	16 Q. And what church were you baptized in?
	17 Q. Gerald Wilde?	17 A. Grace United Church of Christ in Wausau.
	18 A. Yes.	18 Q. And does that church still exist?
	19 Q. And so you called. And what records did	19 A. Yes, it does.

they -- or what documents did they send you to fill 20

out? 21

22 A. They sent me a certificate to fill out for

an application for -- here we go again. I'm sorry.

I need help. A delayed birth certificate. There we 24

25 go. 21 hospital certificate? 22 A. Yes, I do.

20 Q. And you also mentioned that you have a

23 Q. And what information to your knowledge does

24 that contain?

25 A. That also has my name and my mother's name,

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 my father's name, the date, also my weight, my birth weight. And I think that's there's maybe other information, but that's that's about the most important. Q. And you submitted those documents together with your application? A. Yes, I did. Q. And what did you receive in response? A. I received everything came back that I had filled out, and there was we had taken a long time to get all the information. And it took a long time to come back. But when it did, it there was a letter with it saying that they could not grant me 	 A. Yes, we were. Q. When did you go? A. That was about two years ago. Q. And what happened then? A. They still said that I would need the that that they had told us before the birth certificate or a driver's license, which I didn't have neither neither one. Q. So because you didn't have a birth certificate or driver's license, you were denied a photo ID card a second time? A. Correct. Q. And that was about two years ago?
any infor any birth certificate because I had signed it wrong. I had signed it with my maiden name. In parentheses in the middle I had written "Nancy Lee Jojade Wilde," and they said that was wrong. I was not supposed to include the Wilde, I believe. Also, when my sister had had an affidavit for this this, written it, she wrote it the same way, and they they they would not accept that either. Q. Did you pay a fee when you applied? A. I sent the \$20 in by check, but they also sent the money back.	 14 A. Correct. 15 Q. Did you make any other attempts to get your 16 birth get a birth certificate or a copy? 17 A. I let's see. My husband called about a 18 year ago and called the Vital Records office thinking 19 maybe they've maybe found something now, but they, of 20 course, hadn't, and 21 Q. And 22 A they sent us some more forms to fill 23 out. 24 Q. And why did you call them? And when I say 25 "them," why did you call the Vital Records office?
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 Q. And do you know roughly when you received the negative response? A. May of 2004. Q. What did you do after receiving that? A. I became angry reading it. We had put so much effort and work into getting all these things filled out and copied. I also thought, I don't think 	 A. Because I had read that we might be needing people might be needing a picture ID to vote. And then then I thought, now I need it. Before I didn't think I needed it, but now I need it. It was very important to me. So that was the reason I thought, well, we would go back and try again, do it again.
8 I really needed I wasn't planning on getting a 9 driver's license. I wasn't I really didn't need 10 it for I didn't think I needed it much. I I 11 was everything I had my social security. I had 12 my Medicare. Everything was being taken care of 13 health-wise. I thought maybe I really don't need 14 this. I thought, I'm just going to put it off. So I 15 kept the papers, but I did not do anything else, not	 8 Q. So you said that the Vital Records office 9 was that in Madison? 10 A. Yes, ma'am. 11 Q. And did they what did they send you? 12 A. They sent me some forms to fill out, about 13 the same ones I had filled out those years before. 14 Q. So they sent you an application? 15 A. Application for a delayed birth certificate,

16 -- not right then anyway.

17 Q. Around the same period, did you make any

other efforts to get a photo ID?

19 A. Well, a few -- we went to the V -- what's

20 that -- V -- oh, I'm sorry. DV -- DMV office. And

told them about the situation. But they told us that 21

we needed that birth certificate, and that was all

there is to it. So we couldn't -- they told us they

24 -- they couldn't do anything about it.

25 Q. Have you been back to the DMV since?

- **15** A. Application for a delayed birth certificate,
- **17** Q. What did you do in response?
- 18 A. I sent -- I sent -- I -- I filled it out,
- 19 sent it back to Madison. And I haven't -- didn't
- 20 really hear anything after that from them.
- 21 Q. Have you made a third attempt?
- 22 A. Yes.
- **23** Q. And what was that attempt?
- 24 A. I called the -- that I need help with. What
- 25 is that?