## DEPOSITION OF STEPHEN E. SANDHERR CONDUCTED ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2002

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2	THREE JUDGE COURT, WASHINGTON, D.C.
3	MCCONNELL, et al.,
4	Plaintiffs,
5	v. CONSOLIDATED CASES
6	FEDERAL ELECTION COMMITTEE, 02-0582
7	et al.,
8	Defendants.
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10	Deposition of ASSOCIATED GENERAL
11	CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA
12	BY STEPHEN E. SANDHERR AS 30(b)(6) WITNESS
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And did you speak yourself to any of 1 Q. those individuals or members? 2 Α. Frequently, yes. 3 How many of your members asked those Q. 5 sorts of questions? I would say probably at least -- well, let me go back a second. After getting a number 7 of phone calls and questions when I would be on 8 9 the road making presentations to our chapters -when I say to our chapters, it was in a public 10 forum where we would have, you know, a large 11 12 sampling of members of the association that were 13 in attendance, and I would get the question. After a few times of getting the question 14 15 will our contributions be anonymous, I put it out 16 there publicly before the question was asked. 17 know, I had a number of phone calls from people that were contemplating making a contribution, and 18 19 I assured them their contributions would not be 20 disclosed. Let's see if we can try and arrive at at 21 Ο. 22 least an approximate number. Can you give me your best estimate of the number of members who 23

Oh, I would say directly at least a dozen

expressed concerns about anonymity?

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if not two dozen. But after getting those calls, ī it became pretty clear that in making public 2 3 presentations would nip the -- would alleviate any concern of members by offering that their contributions would not be disclosed. So it was something you would put out to 6 Ο. the public before the question --7 3 Α. Exactly. 9 Ο. -- even was asked? 10 Α. Yes, that's correct. 11 In other words, what I was trying to do was to make it easy for members to make 12 contributions and to alleviate any concerns they 13 14 might have about the propriety of making a contribution and whether or not somebody would 15 know that they did. 16 Now of the dozen to two dozen members who 17 0. you said explicitly raised the concern, did they 18 all raise the concern with you personally? 19 20 Yes, some in telephone calls, some in 21 pulling me aside, some in asking a question in a 22 public forum. 23 0. Do you know if anyone else expressed similar concerns to anyone else at the AGC? 24 I do not know firsthand. 25 Α.

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1	would guess no, I wouldn't guess. I would say
2	about 25.
3	Q. 25 percent?
4	A. Well, 25 out of 100, so yes, 25 percent.
5	Q. Incidentally, what proportion of the
6	AGC's members were union shops as opposed to
7	non-union shops?
8	A. It's about 40 percent, 35 to 40 percent.
9	Q. 35 to 40 percent unionized?
10	A. Correct.
11	Q. Of those members who approached you with
12	concerns for anonymity of contributions, were all
13	of those members union shops?
14	A. The vast majority of them were, yes.
15	Q. Some were not?
16	A. Some were not.
17	Q. What concerns did they express as to
18	anonymity?
19	A. The ones that were not?
20	Q. That's right.
21	A. They did not. They just wanted to make
22	sure that their contributions were not disclosed
23	for whatever reason.
24	Q. Of the union shops, did any of them
25	express any concern for strike that.

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1	Q from any of its contributors?
2	A. Yes, we do.
3	Q. Do you have any idea as to what
4	percentage of contributors contribute more than
5	\$200 a year to the PAC?
6	A. Yes. The lion's share of our
7	contributors is about 500 to 550 at that time were
8	\$1,000 contributions.
9	Q. And in fact, you had various clubs set up
10	for PAC contributors who contribute various
11	amounts over \$200?
12	A. That's true.
13	Q. Did any member ever voice to you any
14	concern as to whether their contributions to AGC's
15	PAC would be anonymous or not?
16	A. No.
17	Q. Did any contributor ever communicate to
18	you that they planned not to contribute more than
19	\$200 to the PAC because that would require
20	disclosure of their identities?
21	A. No.
22	MR. PAOLELLA: Let's go off the record
23	here.
24	(Brief recess.)
25	BY MR. PAOLELLA:

1 Just a couple of quick follow-ups, Mr. Sandherr. Did any member of the AGC ever 3 communicate to you that they had been subject to retaliation from any union for giving money to 5 your PAC? 6 Α. No. Ο. Did any member ever report to you that 8 they had been subject to retaliation from a union 9 for funding any other sort of public issue 1.0 campaign? 11 Α. 12 No. I would like to draw a distinction 13 14 between contributions to The Coalition and the 15 PAC, though. I'm just asking in my first 16 Ο. Understood. question about contributions to your PAC. I 17 18 understand they are two very separate things. Well, I mean contributions to our PAC, I 19 A. mean let's face it, you can give \$1,000 to our 20 PAC, and you have no idea what candidate's race 21 that \$1,000 goes to. 22 23 So there are obviously candidates that we 24 support that the building trade supports as well, 25 both Republicans and Democrats. So to that