1		Court File No. 14107
2	ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE	
3	(CENTRAL EAST R	EGION)
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5	IN THE MATTER OF a Contempt Order	issued against DONALD BEST
6	on January 15, 2010, by The Honour	able Justice Shaughnessy
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8	B E T W E E N:	
9	NELSON BARBADOS GROUP LTD.	
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11	and	
12	RICHARD IVAN COX, et al,	
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15	Transcript of the crossexamination	of DONALD BEST, taken on
16	the 11th day of January, 2013, at	the offices of Simcoe
17	Court Reporting (Barrie) Inc., 134	Collier Street, Barrie,
18	Ontario, commencing at 9:30 a.m.	
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21	APPEARANCES:	
22	MR. DONALD BEST	On his own behalf
23	MR. GERALD RANKING and	
24	MR. LORNE SILVER	For Richard Ivan Cox et
25		al

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- 1 believe it is. So I'm going to put that on the record and
- then we'll get to your questions, sir. I am reading from my
- affidavit of December 10th, 2012 it's one of the ones I'm
- 4 here to be crossexamined on starting at 144.
- 5 65 Q. Well, just rather than
- 6 A. Sir
- 7 66 Q. No, no, no, no.
- 8 A. Sir
- 9 67 Q. Rather than putting reading it, just state the
- 10 paragraph numbers from that affidavit and then they're on
- 11 the record.
- 12 A. Sir
- 13 68 Q. I'm trying to help you, sir.
- 14 A. Sir, thank you for your advice.
- 15 69 Q. Because otherwise you're just wasting my time.
- 16 A. Sir, thank you for your advice. And I'm going to
- 17 say this
- 18 70 Q. Okay.
- 19 A. Gerald Ranking's and Fasken Martineau DuMoulin
- 20 LLP's purported client is false and a nonentity. As a
- 21 person who is facing a conviction for contempt of court
- 22 which conviction, if it stands, will be the effective end of
- 23 my ability to earn a living in private law enforcement and
- 24 investigations and who is facing a sentence of three
- 25 months in jail and a fine based upon that conviction plus

- costs I have a natural right to know the exact and detailed 1
- legal entity legal identity of any entity or person 2
- demanding I be convicted or jailed, fined or assessed. I 3
- also have the natural right to know the exact and detailed 4
- legal identity of any entity or person submitting evidence 5
- or information to the court. If I am to be convicted, 6
- jailed, fined and my 30year employment taken from me for 7
- the rest of my life it is only fair and just that I know the 8
- exact and detailed legal identity of any entity or person 9
- participating in the court process against me. It is also 10
- only fair and just that I know who are the controlling minds 11
- directing any entity and its counsel to seek my conviction 12
- and incarceration. 13
- 14 Q. Okay.
- A. As a result of my investigations and observations 15
- 16 and also
- Q. You're just reading from the just state the 17
- paragraph numbers. 18
- 19 A. Sir, please.
- 73 Q. Shaughnessy's going to read it all. 20
- A. Sir 21
- Q. And I'm not 'please' isn't sufficient any more. 22 74
- You've exhausted my courtesy. 23
- MR. RANKING: For the record, Mr. Best has just read 24
- paragraphs 145 through 148 of his affidavit sworn 25

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- 1 December 10th.
- 2 MR. SILVER: And now I'm going to
- 3 MR. RANKING: And I fully support Mr. Silver's
- 4 position. Make reference to what further paragraphs
- 5 you intend to draw to the attention of His Honour in
- 6 particular and allow Mr. Silver to ask his questions.
- 7 BY MR. SILVER:
- 8 75 Q. Right. Let's just move along. Come on.
- 9 MR. RANKING: If there are other paragraphs, Mr.
- 10 Best, please put them on the record and Mr. Silver
- 11 BY MR. SILVER:
- 12 76 Q. You have to they're all on the record. I'm
- 13 about to mark these affidavits as exhibits to make them
- 14 formally part of the record. I'm going to help you out in
- 15 that regard.
- 16 A. Sir
- 17 77 Q. You're going to get to make an argument or your
- lawyer's going to be making an argument to Justice rely
- on all of this.
- 20 A. Sir.
- 21 78 Q. What?
- 22 A. Sworn evidence was submitted to the court by
- 23 Gerald Ranking, Faskens and Marcus Hatch.
- 24 79 Q. What paragraph are you reading?
- 25 A. 150.

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- 1 80 Q. All right. Okay. Good.
- 2 A. Further, the use of the false entity
- 3 'PricewaterhouseCoopers East Caribbean firm' confers
- 4 potential benefits to its users such as obfuscating
- 5 liabilities and confusing evidence production in actual or
- 6 potential lawsuits.
- 7 81 Q. Okay. Are you done? Because if you're not done
- 8 I'm leaving. If you read another paragraph from this
- 9 affidavit I'm leaving.
- 10 A. I would like to know who Mr. Ranking paid the
- 11 million dollars costs to because it sure wasn't any client
- named 'PricewaterhouseCoopers East Caribbean firm'.
- 13 82 Q. Sir, are you done? Because if you're not I'm
- leaving. And I'm not threatening that, it's the last time
- 15 I'm going to say that. And I'm going to bring all of this
- 16 to the attention of Shaughnessy and seek the appropriate
- 17 sanctions and orders. Okay, sir? So now you have a
- 18 decision to make.
- 19 A. Let me just
- 20 83 Q. Can I proceed with my cross no. Let me is
- it enough to have me walk out of here? It's yes or no. Can
- I proceed with my crossexamination, yes or no?
- A. So if I say one more word you guys are getting out
- 24 and walking out?
- 25 84 Q. Unless the word is yes, that's right, that I can

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- 1 proceed with my crossexamination and you're not going to
- 2 carry on as you have been up till now.
- 3 A. Sir, with the greatest respect with the
- 4 greatest respect, I'm not carrying on
- 5 85 Q. Well
- 6 A. I am
- 7 86 Q. doing what you're doing.
- A. asking who wants me hanged. Yes, who wants me
- 9 hanged.
- 10 MR. RANKING: You're putting positions on the record
- and you're not allowing Mr. Silver to conduct a
- 12 crossexamination.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Can I start
- 14 BY MR. SILVER:
- 15 87 Q. Please, Mr. Best
- 16 A. Please put your voice down. I'm talking.
- 17 MR. RANKING: My voice is not high. I'm expressing a
- position: Either Mr. Silver will be permitted to
- 19 crossexamine you or he won't. Are you prepared to
- 20 submit to a crossexamination? Mr. Silver's
- 21 BY MR. SILVER:
- 22 88 Q. Starting now. I'm just going to start, Mr. Best,
- 23 because I'm
- 24 A. My voice is very calm and I'd ask the two of
- 25 you