

1 Q Okay. When you made the incision and
2 operated, was there something that you noticed during
3 the operation that seemed unusual compared to a normal
4 hernia operation?

5 A Only that the fatty tissue that was in the
6 sac was harder than it usually is. That sometimes is
7 not unusual.

8 If the fat has been entrapped in the sac for
9 a period of time, it becomes scarred down and becomes
10 very fibrotic and hard.

11 At that time in the operating room, there
12 was no consideration that this would be malignant in
13 any way.

14 Q But as a result of your taking -- I assume
15 you took some tissue and had it sent out?

16 A Yes.

17 Q What kind of tissue did you take and send
18 out?

19 A The projection of the fatty tissue into the
20 sac and a portion of the hernia sac.

21 Q All right. Where did you all send that?