

1 This is a gentleman who is 55 years of age,
2 had never been in the hospital in his entire life
3 except for a tonsillectomy at the age of 21.

4 At 54 years old, ladies and gentlemen, the
5 evidence will show that he couldn't walk 30 feet
6 because his left lung was completely encased, two-
7 thirds encased in a tumor.

8 Dr. DeLuca, again, shortness of breath with
9 minimal exertion, thin and chronically ill, left lung
10 almost completely opacified, encased, advanced
11 mesothelioma by that time.

12 Again, he was being treated at the
13 University of Maryland with some chemotherapy, but he
14 developed a very severe reaction to it and developed
15 mucositis which was an inflammation of his mouth, his
16 tongue, his nose and all of his mucous membranes in
17 the mouth from his chemotherapy.

18 Again, he was so ill that in 1993 he
19 developed a right-sided pneumonia because that left
20 lung that was encased was now affecting the mechanics
21 of his respiratory system that his body -- his lungs