

1 What were the discharge diagnoses, Doctor?

2 A Mesothelioma, dyspnea on exertion secondary
3 to malignancy.

4 Dyspnea is shortness of breath and
5 intractable pain, secondary to malignancy.

6 Q What does that mean, intractable pain,
7 secondary to malignancy?

8 A It means pain that is essentially
9 unresponsive to treatment.

10 Q Now, under medications he was given
11 something called MS Contin?

12 A Yes.

13 Q 30 milligrams every eight hours?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Is that a typical dose of -- that is oral
16 morphine?

17 A That is oral morphine. Morphine is a
18 narcotic, very potent narcotic. And this is oral
19 morphine, and it is a goodly dose.

20 Q He was also given Amitriptyline?

21 A Yes, that is an antidepressant and