

1 A Well, it can cause two problems. One is,
2 when it obstructs, the fluid has no place to go, so it
3 re-accumulates. And the second is that, if you have a
4 foreign material sitting now in the vessel with
5 nothing going through it, it is a prime candidate for
6 infection and a very serious infection if it
7 develops.

8 Q Now, what was Mr. Vandergucht's date of
9 death?

10 A November 9th, 1981.

11 Q Do you have an opinion to a reasonable
12 degree of medical certainty as to what the cause of
13 his death was, Dr. Rubin?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And what is that opinion?

16 A The cause of death was a malignant
17 mesothelioma of the peritoneum.

18 Q Do you have an opinion, again, with
19 reasonable medical certainty, as to what the cause was
20 of his peritoneal malignant mesothelioma?

21 A Yes.