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**Questions and Answers for 2023 High School Mock Trial Case, with Notes of
Changes in November 22, 2023 Updated Case Document:**

Watson v. Gillette Lodge & Catering

- 1) **"With such a large volume of materials and especially exhibit emails, will we be allowed to enter all of them at once?"**

Managing the entry of exhibits is in the discretion of the presiding judge. We will advise them, during orientation, to consider offers of all the emails at once, subject to objections for individual emails or portions thereof.

- 2) **"I looked at the complaint and the wedding day is July 4, 2020, but paragraphs 19 and 20 are talking about e-mails after the wedding date where they are negotiating. Is this correct?"**

This is correct.

- 3) **"In the Mycroft Holmes affidavit—page 40, line 92—should the date be June 2019?"**

Yes. Change made in document (now line 90).

- 4) **"Are the exhibits 5A-5H from Mycroft or Grace? Grace's statement say they are from her but the exhibits themselves say they are from Mycroft?"**

"On page 46 of [the Greg/Grace Lestrade] statement, they say: 'I've had a chance to review Exhibits 5a through 5h, and they are fair and accurate copies of emails between them and me' (lines 122 and 123). That line would seem to indicate that Greg/Grace has personal knowledge of those emails, and can thus be asked questions related

to their contents (assuming the exhibits are successfully entered); however, the only email actually sent to or from Greg/Grace is 5j and they are not CC'd on any of the other emails, so there is nothing in the exhibits themselves to indicate that Grace would have seen them. Is it, then, a reasonable inference to assume that Grace must have been shown these emails by Mycroft?"

"Lestrade lines 122 and 123 claims that exhibits 5a-5h are fair and accurate but makes no mention of 5J which is an email he wrote. Is this intentional?"

See page 42, line 189, which adds to Mycroft Holmes' statement: "I also forward them to Greg/Grace Lestrade, our venue manager."

See page 46, lines 115-121, which now reads:

I keep all my emails to and from clients in case there's a dispute down the road. Mycroft forwarded me the e-mails that he received in connection with the wedding of Jon/Joni and Parker. Every time he forwards me an email about any client, or I send one to a client or get an email from a client, I move the email to a folder in my inbox. I have a separate folder for each client. When I found out that Jon/Joni & Parker were threatening to sue us, I provided copies of all the emails to our lawyer. I've had a chance to review Exhibits 5a through 5n, and they are fair and accurate copies of the emails.

5) "Exhibits 5h, 5i, 5j, 5l and 5n:

- Is the email address for Jordan Watson correct?**
- Is the physical address on Exhibit 5i correct?**
- Note that a different email address is used for Jordan Watson in Exhibits 5k and 5m"**

Please see repairs to email addresses for Jordan Watson in the exhibits. All should read jWatson@palaceclothiers.com. The physical address in Exhibit 5i is correct.

6) "Should the dollar amount on page 52, Exhibit 2, 2a ii be \$18,362?"

No, it should read \$18,363.00. A corresponding change has been made in the deposit section of the exhibit on page 50, to read \$26,363.00.