

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER vs. DONALD STERLING, et al.

Deposition of DIXIE MARTIN
Los Angeles, California, commencing at
10:22 A.M., Wednesday, February 11, 2004

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2 Q. What else did he ask you about in that 10:43
3 conversation, that first meeting that you had in
4 March of 2002?

5 A. About the vendors or --

6 Q. Just other -- any other subjects. 10:43

7 A. He asked me about the tenants, he asked me
8 about the racial makeup of the tenants.

9 Q. And what did he ask you about the racial 10:43
10 makeup of the tenants?

11 A. Basically if we had a lot of Koreans.

12 Q. And what did you tell him? 10:43

13 A. I told him about a third of our population
14 was Korean. He asked me about other racial makeup,
15 and I told him our building was pretty much like the
16 United Nations, that it had a broad range of
17 background, makeup, everything.

18 Q. Did he say anything in response to that? 10:44

19 A. He asked me whether I didn't believe that
20 the Korean tenants were the best.

21 Q. And your response to him? 10:44

22 A. I said, no, I didn't think they were the
23 best. I didn't see how they were any different than
24 any other tenant.

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11 Q. I believe the first comment that you listed 10:57
12 with regard to race was that he said that he liked
13 Korean tenants?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And did he just say that like that? 10:57

16 A. I don't recall how it came out. He was
17 talking about rentals in the building. It came out
18 that he liked Korean tenants the best. He did
19 mention that he knew that he shouldn't discriminate,
20 but that he had a right to do so because he was the
21 owner of the building.

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23 Q. Any other conversations that you had with 11:17
24 Mr. Sterling that you felt were improper?

25 A. Most of the time when he talked to me he

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1 would refer to the fact that Korean tenants were the
2 best. He would also refer to the fact that there
3 were people, Koreans, who were waiting for my job.

13 Q. How many times do you think Mr. Sterling 11:18
14 told you that there were Koreans waiting for your
15 job?

16 A. Just about every time he talked to me. I
17 don't know how many times that was.