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1 UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS
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 3 IN RE:
 4 NEW BLACK PANTHER PARTY
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 6 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 7 Monday, January 11, 2010
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 9 TRANSCRIPT of testimony of KING SAMIR
 10 SHABAZZ, as taken by and before Cherilyn M.
 11 McCollum, a Registered Professional Reporter, at
 12 the HILTON GARDEN HOTEL, 1100 Arch Street,
 13 commencing at 1:08 o'clock in the afternoon.
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1 MR. BLACKWOOD: Good afternoon.
 2 Before we start, if you could give your full name
 3 to the court reporter.
 4 THE WITNESS: King Samir Shabazz.
 5 MR. BLACKWOOD: And would you please
 6 swear him in.
 7 KING SAMIR SHABAZZ, after having
 8 been first duly sworn, was examined and testified
 9 as follows:
 10 EXAMINATION
 11 BY MR. BLACKWOOD:
 12 Q. Mr. Shabazz, I appreciate your
 13 coming. You're here because you were subpoenaed.
 14 Is that correct?
 15 A. Yes.
 16 Q. And we've been waiting several hours
 17 now for Mr. Coard. Is that correct?
 18 A. Yes.
 19 Q. And you've attempted to reach
 20 Mr. Coard, but you've been unsuccessful. Is that
 21 correct?
 22 A. Yes.
 23 Q. In my conversations with you
 24 outside, you indicated that you intended to plead

1 the Fifth Amendment in regards to the subject
 2 matters to which you were subpoenaed. Is that
 3 correct?
 4 A. Plead the Fifth.
 5 Q. And that is because you believe your
 6 testimony might risk incriminating you?
 7 A. No, it's not.
 8 Q. Let me just hit some categories
 9 about if I was going to ask this specific category
 10 whether you would and do raise the Fifth Amendment.
 11 First, if I ask you any questions
 12 about your Election Day activities 2008?
 13 A. Plead the Fifth.
 14 Q. If I ask you any questions with
 15 regard to planning for the Election Day activities
 16 regarding 2008?
 17 A. Plead the Fifth.
 18 Q. If I ask you any questions about any
 19 investigation conducted by the New Black Panther
 20 Party with regard to your conduct?
 21 A. Plead the Fifth.
 22 MR. BLACKWOOD: Thank you very much.
 23 Now, as discussed, I'm not releasing
 24 you from the subpoena. I'm releasing you for

1 today. If Mr. Coard, for example, makes himself
 2 available, I will be here in Philadelphia today
 3 until about noon tomorrow. So if we can reschedule
 4 this, I would appreciate it. Otherwise, we'll take
 5 whatever action we think is appropriate to have the
 6 Court order the substance of the testimony that I'm
 7 seeking to be presented, but, otherwise, you are
 8 free today.
 9 (1:10 p.m.)
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1 C E R T I F I C A T E
 2 I, Cheryl M. McCollum, a Certified
 3 Court Reporter and Notary Public, do hereby certify
 4 that, prior to the commencement of the examination,
 5 the witness and/or witnesses were sworn by me to
 6 testify to the truth and nothing but the truth.
 7 I do further certify that the
 8 foregoing is a true and accurate computer-aided
 9 transcript of the testimony as taken
 10 stenographically by and before me at the time,
 11 place and on the date hereinbefore set forth.
 12 I do further certify that I am
 13 neither of counsel nor attorney for any party in
 14 this action and that I am not interested in the
 15 event nor outcome of this litigation.
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