



CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT No:

March 14, 2017

Mr. David J. LeValley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Special Agent in Charge
2635 Century Parkway NE
Suite 400
Atlanta, GA 30345

Re: Attorney Violation of the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act of 2009; the Violence Against Women Act of 1994; and 18 US Code Chapter 1 § 16; Chapter 11 § 203; Chapter 13 §§ 241, 242, 245, 246, 249; Chapter 31; Chapter 63; Chapter 95; and, Chapter 96

Dear Mr. LeValley:

I write to register a complaint against my former attorney, Willie E. Gary, the principal owner of the Gary Law Group located at 221 SE Osceola Street, Stuart, FL 34994. I believe that Mr. Gary perpetrated the acts alleged herein as a result of the elitist social status he attained from monetary awards by juries and stolen from clients' settlement agreements; that he used said wealth, influence and power, and did so with impunity, to perpetuate his hate of minorities of a lower socioeconomic status, who were most vulnerable in the midst of sexual/discrimination and other abuses, and who had little to no knowledge of civil law or legal procedure. I also believe that he targeted women particularly because of male privilege and male dominance in the legal profession of which he is a member as well as the code of secrecy in the African American culture.

The basis of my complaint, includes, but is not limited to: **sexual battery, fraud and racketeering** in violation of the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act; the Violence Against Women Act; and, 18 US Code Chapter 1 § 16 – Violent Crime; Chapter 11 § 203 – Compensation to Members of Congress, Officers, and others in matters affecting the government; Chapter 13 - Civil Rights §§ 241, 242, 245, 246, 249; Chapter 31 – Embezzlement and Theft; Chapter 63 – Fraud by Wire; Chapter 95 - Racketeering; Chapter 96 – Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations.

ALLEGATIONS

Mr. Gary represented me in my complaints of discrimination against The Coca-Cola Company (Coca-Cola) in Civil Actions 1:2001-cv-2866-RWS and 1:2003-cv-00233-RWS

(see Exhibit A). He valued my first complaint in 2001 at **\$2,000,000** in compensatory damages (see Exhibit B). The value of my second complaint in 2003 was never provided.

1. *Sexual Battery, Sexual Harassment and Civil Rights and Hate Crime Violations*
During the course of the litigation against Coca-Cola from March 2001 until June 2003, I was sexually violated/harassed by Mr. Gary. I believe that Mr. Gary targeted me because of my gender, socioeconomic status as a minority, my vulnerability as a victim of discrimination, and the code of secrecy in the African American culture.

The sexual abuse began April 17, 2002 while I was attending a protest march against Coca-Cola at their annual shareholders meeting on April 18, 2002. Mr. Gary organized the protest march for the seventeen (17) clients that he represented individually against Coca-Cola. Mr. Gary funded transportation, hotel accommodations, t-shirts and other expenses for his clients that could attend as well as their friends, family or colleagues who attended as supporters.

- a. First Offense on April 17, 2002

Mr. Gary and I met the evening of the 17th to discuss my individual case against Coca-Cola. It was my intent to travel by taxi to a local restaurant where we were scheduled to meet, however, Mr. Gary offered to pick me up using his limousine service to which I agreed.

Shortly after arriving at the restaurant, I was seated directly across from Mr. Gary at a table for two. I thanked Mr. Gary for taking the time to meet with me. As I asked him about his strategy for the protest march, I was interrupted when I felt his socked foot stroking my right leg. I asked him to stop, which he did. I stated to Mr. Gary that I wish to keep our relationship strictly professional to which he responded that he was rich and could provide me with anything that I wanted. At this point, he attempted to seduce me with his wealth.

Mr. Gary proceeded to place his hands on the dinner table to showcase two 10+ carat diamond rings, one on each hand. He said that he could have one made for me. I again said to Mr. Gary that I only wanted a professional relationship with him and was there specifically to discuss his strategy for the protest march, and any new developments in my case. Ignoring my pleas for respect, Mr. Gary retrieved his wallet from his blazer and pulled out his American Express Black Card, his Diners Club Card and others. He stated that he could see that I liked to dress well, and offered his card to me for a shopping spree while I was in New York. Again, I declined Mr. Gary's offer and pleaded with him to keep the conversation on business. Sensing my irritation, Mr. Gary put away his cards and wallet. Shortly after completing dinner and our business discussion, Mr. Gary offered to take me back to my hotel. Believing that I had no reason to fear for my safety, I accepted his offer.

Mr. Gary instructed the driver to head to his hotel, Lotte New York Palace, shortly after we entered the limousine and while it was in transit. I loudly

protested and asked the driver to take me back to my hotel. Mr. Gary proceeded to roll up the dark, divider glass window inside the limousine, restricting any visual and audio contact of the driver. Mr. Gary then attacked me—grabbing my breast, grabbing between my legs, forcibly placing my hand on his penis and trying to force his tongue into my mouth. I fought back and reached for the door handle of the fast moving limo on the streets of New York, trying to jump to safety. Wrestling with Mr. Gary, I screamed for him to stop and take me back to my hotel or I would jump out of the car. Seeing my hand on the door handle and fearing that I would jump out of the car, Mr. Gary eventually leaned back away from me, raising his hands, saying, “Okay.” He then rolled down the dark glass window and instructed the driver to go to my hotel. Completely shaken, upset, and in shock at what I experienced, it was difficult for me to sleep that night. In the preceding weeks, I sought advice, which resulted in a complaint against Mr. Gary with the Florida Bar.

b. Sexual Harassment from May – June 2002

Mr. Gary called me repeatedly between May and June 2002, which was witnessed by a colleague. He made several attempts to seduce me with his money. He offered to pay my car note and mortgage. When that failed, he offered to send his private jet to pick me up for a two-week vacation with him at a condo in Florida as an alternative to staying at his home while his wife was traveling on business.

c. Last Sexual Offense December 8, 2006

I was present along with several classmates at the Gate City Bar Association Christmas Gala in Atlanta. As I was walking through the venue greeting some of the guests, a classmate grabbed my arm and pulled me in the direction of Mr. Gary who I didn't know was present at the gala. She wanted to talk to him about an internship at his firm. As she went to greet Mr. Gary, he grabbed my hand forcefully and pulled me into his body for a tight embrace and commented how good I looked. Trying to seduce me again, later that evening he told me to contact his office for an internship. Then, as an afterthought, he told my colleagues that they should too.

2. *Theft, Fraud, Racketeering, Corruption, Civil Rights and Hate Crime Violations*

Based on information and belief, Mr. Gary used his wealth and power to conceal more than **\$2,000,000** he received in settlement of my claims against Coca-Cola. After receipt of said monies, Mr. Gary orchestrated a malicious scheme that included sexual abuse, threats and elitist associations to overt suspicion using said wealth, power and influence. In support of these claims, I provide the following:

- a. October 20, 2001, Mr. Gary chartered a private jet to fly me and thirteen (13) of his Coca-Cola clients to Stuart, FL for a meeting with him (**Exhibit C**). During the meeting, Mr. Gary advised us to gather any Coca-Cola company documents that would substantiate our claims in pay and promotion disparities. In response to a question regarding confidential documents, Mr. Gary advised us not to worry about the legal ramifications because this was

common practice by lawyers who wanted to win. He stated that attorneys used this tactic to get an advantage over the defending parties during discovery and that we were protected by the attorney-client agreement. He also stated that he was Willie Gary, the infamous giant killer, and Coca-Cola knew that they would have to pay him millions or he was going to make their life a living hell. He conveyed that his strategy was to keep our cases in the media to pressure Coca-Cola into a settlement. He added that he would hold press conferences on the courthouse steps in Atlanta and he would organize a protest march at Coca-Cola's annual shareholders' meeting the following year. Also, during a tour of his home, Mr. Gary boasted of his relationship with Bill and Hillary Clinton—describing how armed FBI officers swarmed his home when former President Clinton visited him.

- b. On or about the evening of January 11, 2002, I received a call from Mr. Gary's firm. Attorney C.K. Hoffler threatened me with arrest if I did not drop my case against Coca-Cola. She threatened that Coca-Cola would arrest me for allegedly stealing confidential documents. She threatened that Coca-Cola would have me arrested at their Atlanta Beverage Base Plant where I worked in Human Resources. After consulting with other attorneys, a former wealthy client of Mr. Gary's and a retired judge, I advised Attorney Hoffler on or about 17 January 2002 to have Coca-Cola proceed with having me arrested. I later found out from some of Mr. Gary's other clients that he used this same tactic to coerce them to drop their claims. In the Microsoft Corporation case, Civil Action 1:00-cv-01457-JGP, he made good on this threat and the plaintiffs in that case lost their right to sue.
 - i. On or about January 12, 2002, a family member who knew Mr. Jeremiah J. O'Keefe arranged for me to speak to him. Mr. O'Keefe—a World War II veteran, politician, philanthropist, and wealthy businessman—was a client of Mr. Gary's in *The Loewen Group Inc., et al*, Civil Action 91-67-423. The final judgment in this case was a reported **\$500,000,000**. I consulted Mr. O'Keefe for advice because of my suspicions that Mr. Gary was committing fraud in my case. Mr. O'Keefe stated that he had not experienced the kind of behavior I described with Mr. Gary. He suggested that I gather as much evidence in the event I needed to pursue a claim against Mr. Gary. I believe that Mr. O'Keefe escaped injury because of his gender and wealth.
 - ii. On or about January 15, 2002, I contacted a family member who at the time served as the Chief of Staff to a US Representative and who also knew former President Bill Clinton and Hillary Clinton very well. I informed him of my concerns with Mr. Gary. He perceived Mr. Gary's conduct to be unbecoming of a legal professional. He also suggested that I accumulate as much evidence as possible. At this point, I began tape recording conversations/meetings to which I was a party.

As my case progressed, I became overwhelmed with concerns of Mr. Gary's ability to represent my interests amidst the sexual battery/harassment and other issues as outlined above. On January 23, 2003, Mr. Gary filed a second discrimination action on my behalf against Coca-Cola. Upon review of the complaint, I noticed that the whistleblower activities—minority vendor fraud, labor department violations, contamination for which OSHA mandated a fine, etc.—were excluded.

Additionally, in 2005 I became aware that Mr. Gary represented forty-two (42) women in a gender bias case against Ford Motor Company and Visteon Corporation. In Civil Action 03-73350-PDB, these women alleged that Mr. Gary concealed more than **\$51,500,000** in a settlement agreement. Consequently, Mr. Gary agreed to a cash settlement totaling approximately **\$20,000,000 (see Exhibit D)**. In a discussion with a plaintiff in this case, Marietta Goodman and I were advised that evidence under seal in this case supported our allegations that Mr. Gary concealed millions in settlement monies from the seventeen (17) clients he represented against Coca-Cola. Additionally, a number of women in this case also described Mr. Gary as a sexual predator and one plaintiff was threatened that she could end up in a body bag. Mr. Gary also threatened Marietta Goodman and me with bodily injury after we confronted him in August 2007 at a conference in Atlanta.

Mr. Gary's misconduct with his clients and others, expands beyond the cases mentioned above. Allegations of fraud, theft or other forms of abuse have been filed in court, including, but not limited to the following actions:

- a. Defendant Allen H. Isaac et al, Civil Action 570037/10
- b. Defendant Gary, Williams, Parenti, et al, Civil Action 04-CV-14026-DMM
- c. Defendant Microsoft Corporation, Civil Action 1:00-cv-01457-JGP
- d. Defendant William Morris Agency, Civil Action 98-8272-RPP
- e. Defendant Willie E. Gary, Case Number 07-1617-CA
- f. Willie E. Gary et al, Civil Action 1:03-cv-3387-RWS
- g. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-06139-RWS
- h. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-03039-RWS
- i. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02525-RWS
- j. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-03040-RWS
- k. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-01336-RWS
- l. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02812-RWS
- m. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02046-RWS
- n. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-01774-RWS
- o. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02813-RWS
- p. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02868-RWS
- q. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02105-RWS
- r. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02870-RWS
- s. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02871-RWS
- t. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02867-RWS
- u. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02869-RWS
- v. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02873-RWS
- w. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-02872-RWS

x. Defendant Coca-Cola, Civil Action 1:01-CV-03041-RWS

3. *Compensation to Members of Congress, Officers, and Others in Government*

I believe that Mr. Gary's motive in the claims enumerated above was in part an attempt to influence the former presidential candidate, Hillary Clinton, to appoint him as her campaign co-chair in 2008 which she did (**see Exhibit E**). I believe that Mr. Gary hoped to use his association with the Clintons to not only secure a permanent placement in the administration of Hillary Clinton if she was elected president in 2008 or in 2016, but also as a marketing strategy to disarm clients of suspicions.

I also believe that Mr. Gary's motive was in part to raise money for his failing television network, Major Broadcasting Cable (MBC) (**see Exhibit F**). This venture eventually led to Marlon Jackson, Alvin James and others known as James & Jackson LLC filing Civil Action 2006- cv-124372 in the Superior Court of Fulton County against Mr. Gary and others for alleged mismanagement and merger.

I believe that Mr. Gary's theft of his clients' settlement monies is highway robbery of tax dollars from the American government that would have been paid by Mr. Gary's clients (**see Exhibit G**). I believe that Mr. Gary has effectively robbed the Internal Revenue Service and denied the American public the benefits of taxpayer dollars that could be used to fund public education, among other things.

4. *Actions Taken in the Pursuit of Justice*

I, along with Mr. Gary's other clients, have filed complaints in federal court, Civil Action 03-cv-3387-RWS and most recently Civil Action 1:16-cv-mi-99999-UNA in the Northern District Court of Georgia, as well as with various bar associations, including, Florida, Georgia, and Washington, D.C. between 2003 and 2014 seeking justice for the crimes perpetrated against us. We have pursued every option known civilly that could hold Mr. Gary accountable for his crimes for the past fifteen (15) years. However, we have been unsuccessful to date.

In conclusion, I reiterate my belief that once Mr. Gary attained the social status of an elitist, that he used said wealth, influence and power, and did so with impunity, to perpetuate his hate of minorities of a lower socioeconomic status, and that he did target women particularly because of male privilege and male dominance in the legal profession as well as the code of secrecy in the African American culture as evidenced in the following: the forty-two (42) female plaintiffs he represented in the Ford Motor Company/Visteon Corporation case and with whom he settled a case of fraud for approximately **\$20,000,000**, the fourteen (14) female plaintiffs he represented who opted out of the Coca-Cola class-action settlement, the female plaintiff in the Allen H. Isaac et al, the seven (7) women in the Plaintiff Jillian Nedd's case and the countless women who have yet to come forward for fear of perceived deception, ostracization, public humiliation and re-victimization if Mr. Gary successfully avoids the hand of justice as he has done so the past fifteen (15) years.

Furthermore, as a result of this fifteen-year (15) journey in seeking justice, I believe that Mr. Gary has defrauded his clients of settlement monies in excess of **\$500,000,000** in furtherance of the aforementioned claims. I also believe that Mr. Gary is a sexual predator who will go to no end to gratify his lust, including allegations by Jillian Nedd in the summer of 2007 of 'racketeering and raping seven [7] women' that included herself as reported by *The AM Law Daily*. I also reiterate my belief that Mr. Gary's history of repeated sexual offenses against women and fraud against clients he represented in discrimination actions constitute violations, including, but not limited to: the Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act; the Violence Against Women Act; and, 18 US Code Chapter 1 § 16 – Violent Crime; Chapter 11 § 203 – Compensation to Members of Congress, Officers, and others in matters affecting the government; Chapter 13 - Civil Rights §§ 241, 242, 245, 246, 249; Chapter 31 – Embezzlement and Theft; Chapter 63 – Fraud by Wire; Chapter 95 - Racketeering; Chapter 96 – Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations.

I also believe that if Mr. Gary is not held accountable, he will continue to use his wealth and power to influence other Officers of the Court, US/International politics, political pundits, the media and many others at my expense, at the expense of his other clients, the US government and the American public as evident in the audio recording of April 2, 2003 wherein I was again threatened arrest during a meeting Mr. Gary requested with the attendance of the former Mayor of Atlanta, Bill Campbell. I do not believe that this is how the laws of the United States were intended to work and hope that you will agree.

I pray that you consider my complaint seriously and in the interest of justice, act swiftly to hold Mr. Gary and his co-conspirators accountable for the crimes perpetrated against the good citizens of this country. To discuss this matter, I can be reached at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,



Sharron D. Mangum

Enclosures

cc: Nadine M. Neufville via US Postal Mail and ovw.info@usdoj.gov w/o enclosures
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EXHIBIT

A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-3361

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LUTHER D. THOMAS
CLERK OF COURT

January 30, 2003

Mr. Willie E. Gary
Gary Williams Parenti Finney Lewis
McManus Watson & Sperando
221 East Osceola Street
Stuart, FL 34994

Re: Sharron Mangum v. The Coca-Cola Company
1:02-cv-223-RWS
Your client: Sharron Mangum

Dear Mr. Gary:

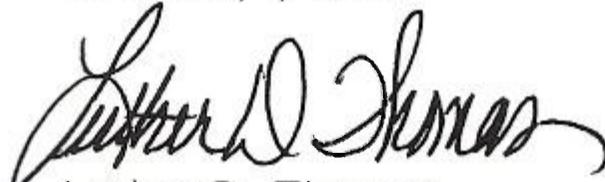
You are counsel in the subject case and, as an out-of-state attorney who is not a member of the Bar of this Court, must be admitted pro hac vice (Local Rule 83.1). A pro hac vice application (with complete instructions and LR 83.1 attached) is provided to facilitate prompt compliance.

If you decide not to complete the application, you must file a (1) motion to withdraw identifying therein the attorney who will represent the party or (2) notice of substitution of counsel.

This is the only notice you will receive; after 30 days and no **written** response, the status of your admission will be brought to the attention of the assigned judge.

Direct all correspondence to Suzy Edwards, or if you have questions, call her at 404-215-1600.

Sincerely yours,


Luther D. Thomas

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LUTHER D. THOMAS, Clerk
By: 
Deputy Clerk

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
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SHARRON MANGUM,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE COCA-COLA COMPANY

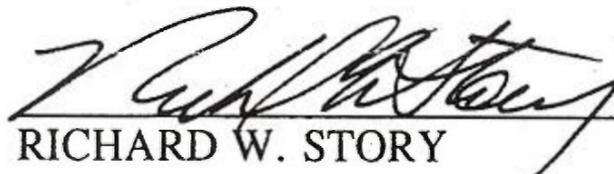
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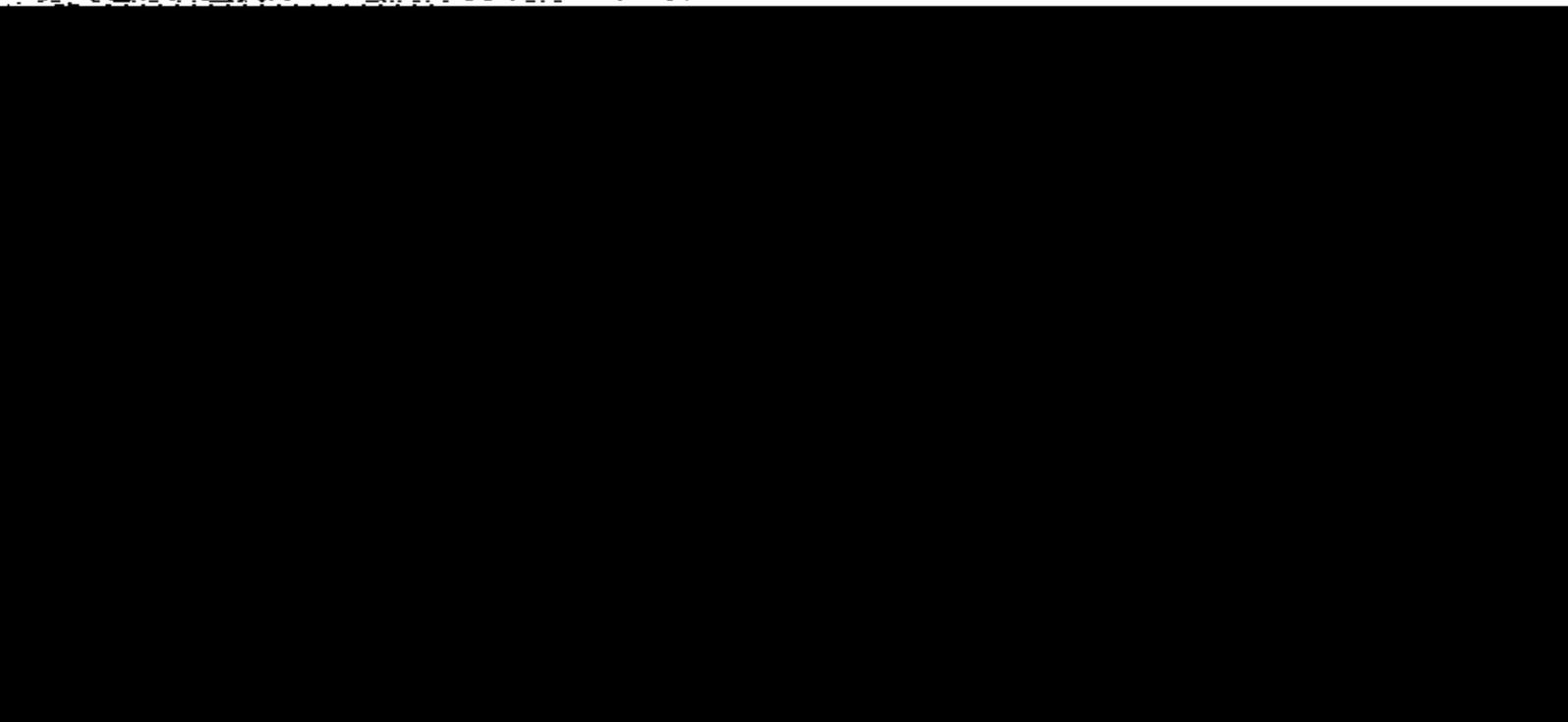
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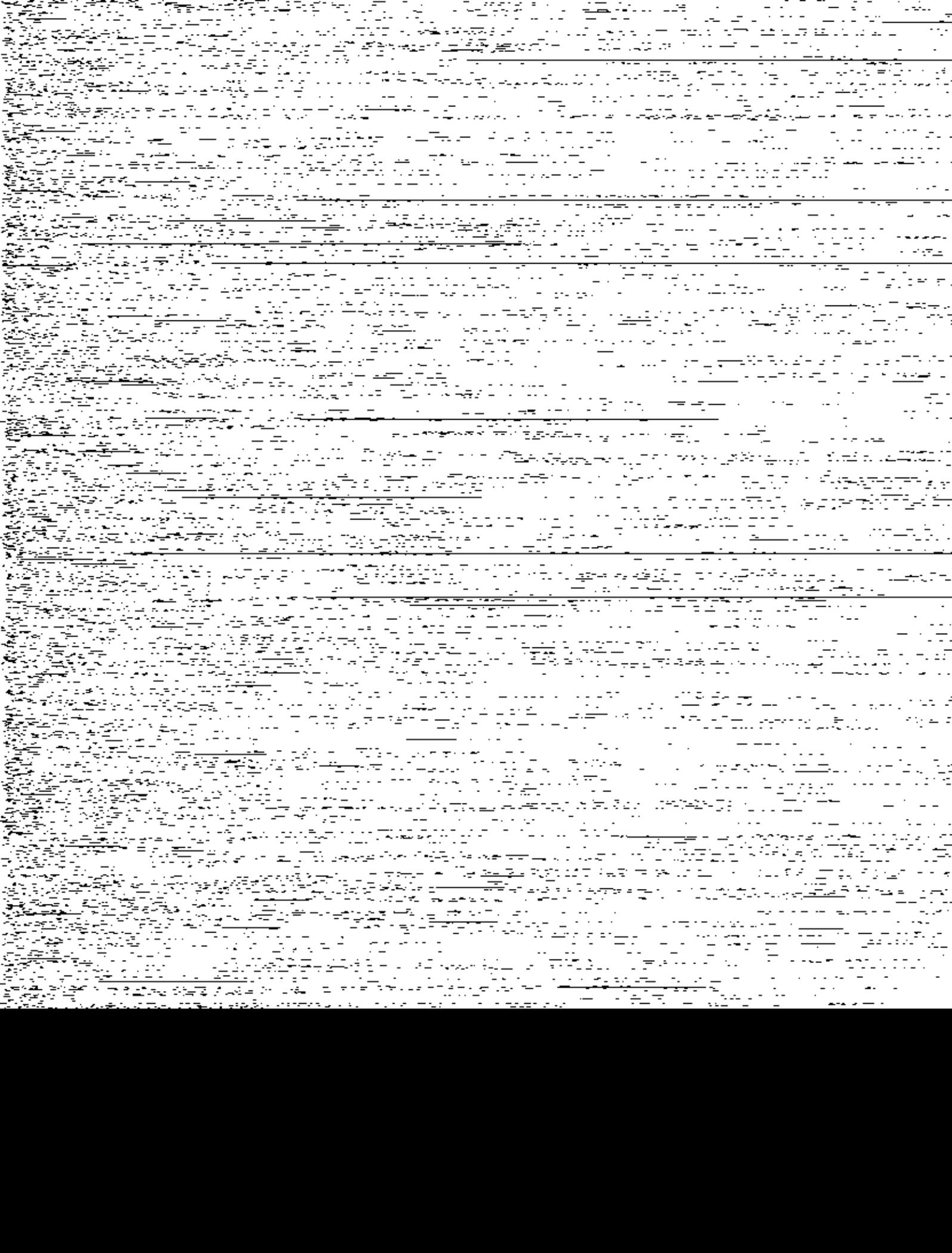
The Clerk has advised the Court that Willie E. Gary has failed to submit the pro hac vice application or to file a withdrawal in this action as directed by the Clerk's Office on January 30, 2003 (Local Rule 83.1). If Mr. Gary does not do so by April 28, 2003 the Clerk is directed to remove the name of Willie E. Gary from the docket.

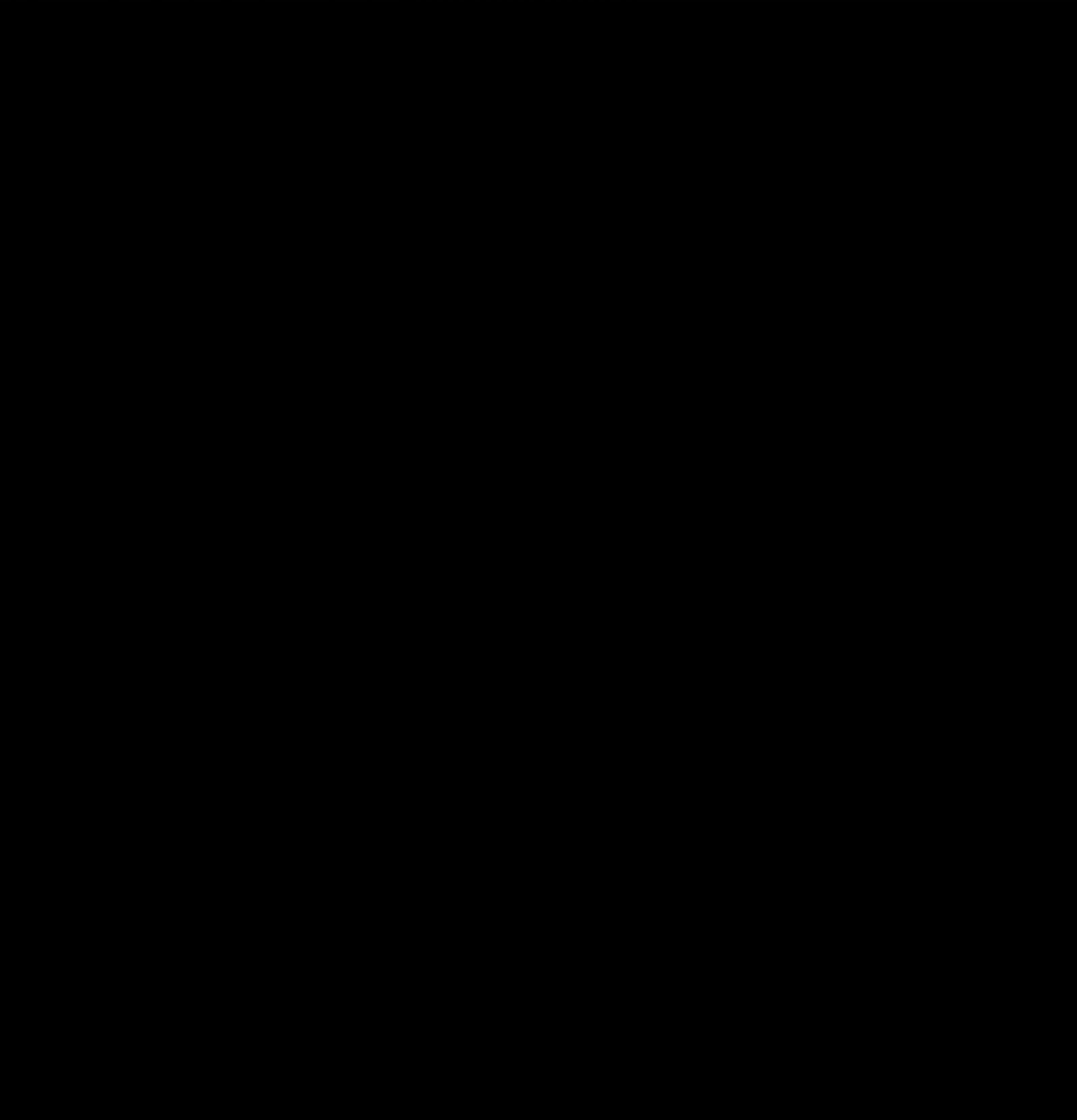
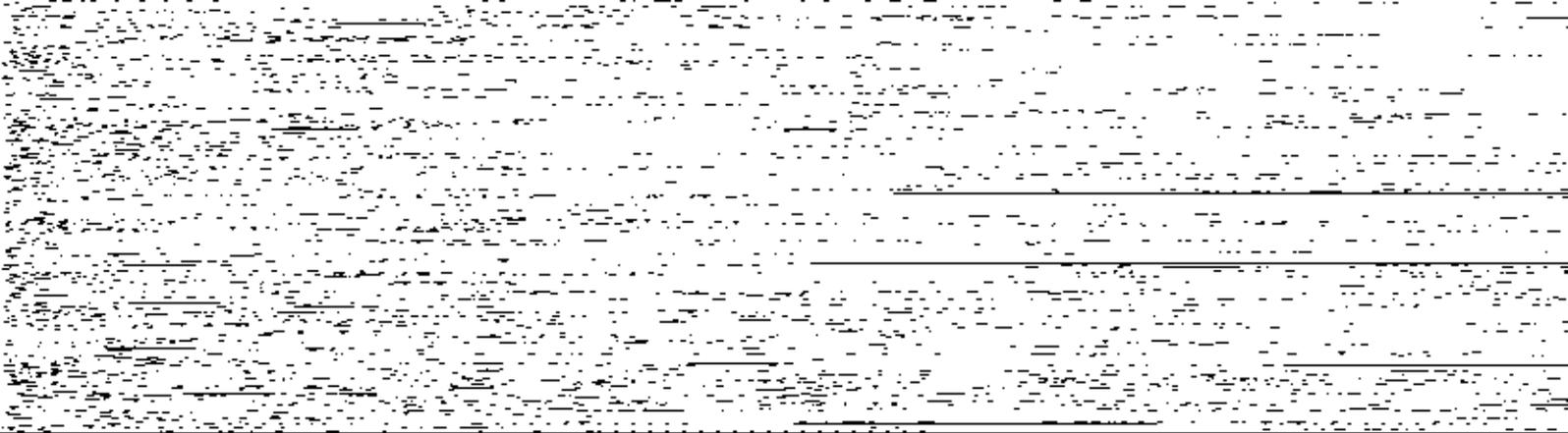
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, this 3rd day of April, 2003.


RICHARD W. STORY
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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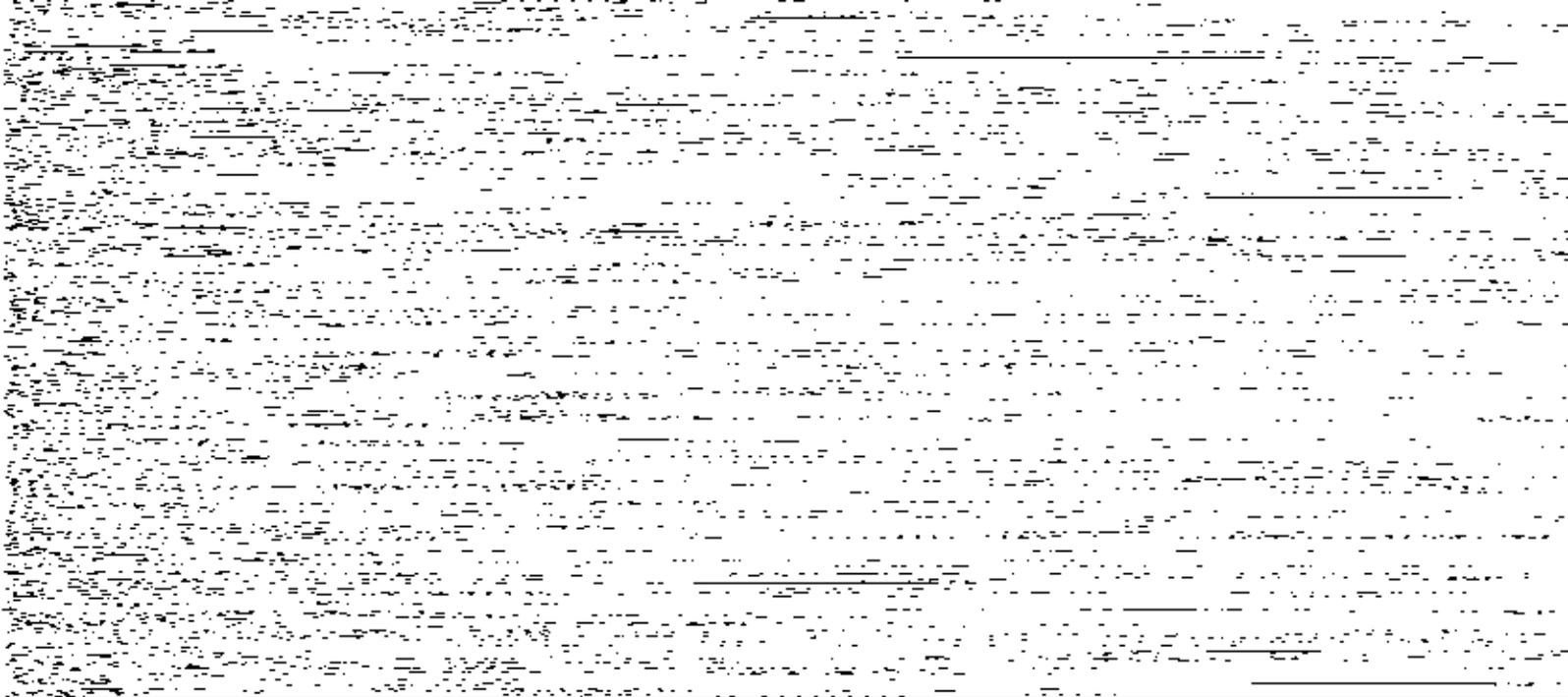






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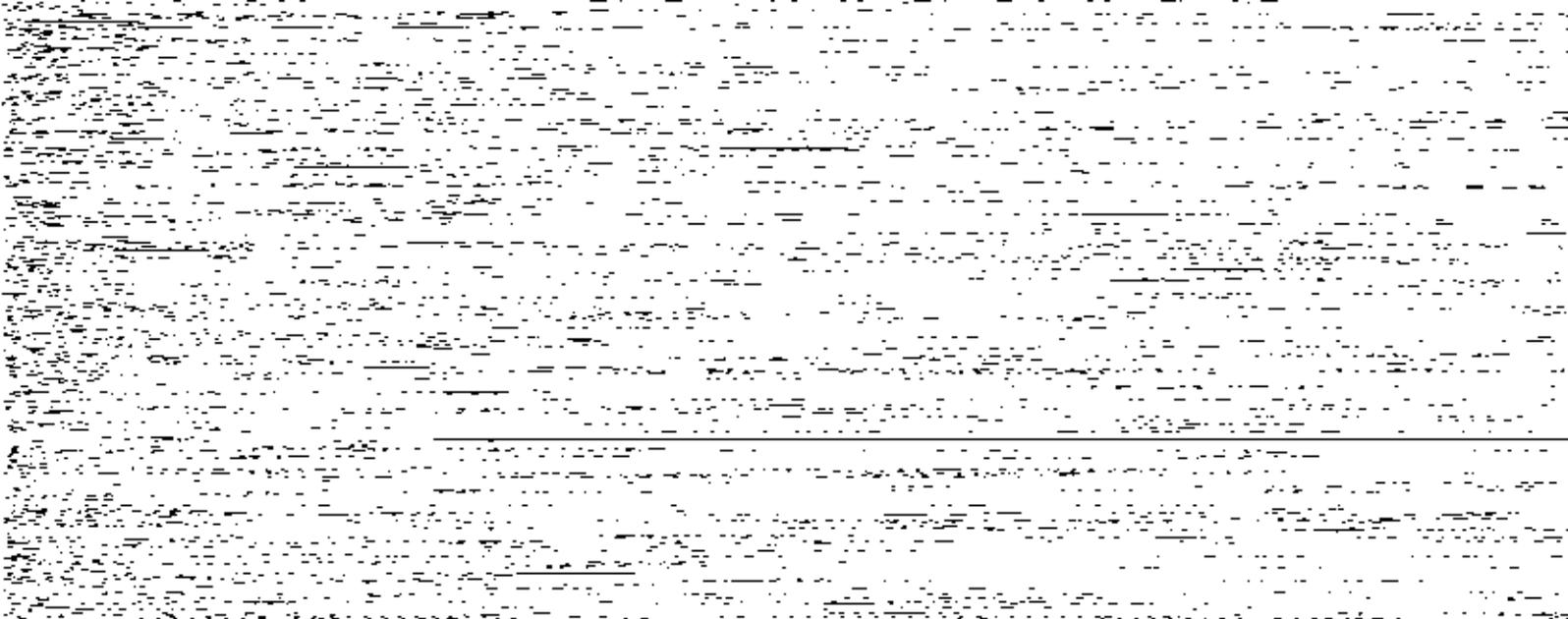
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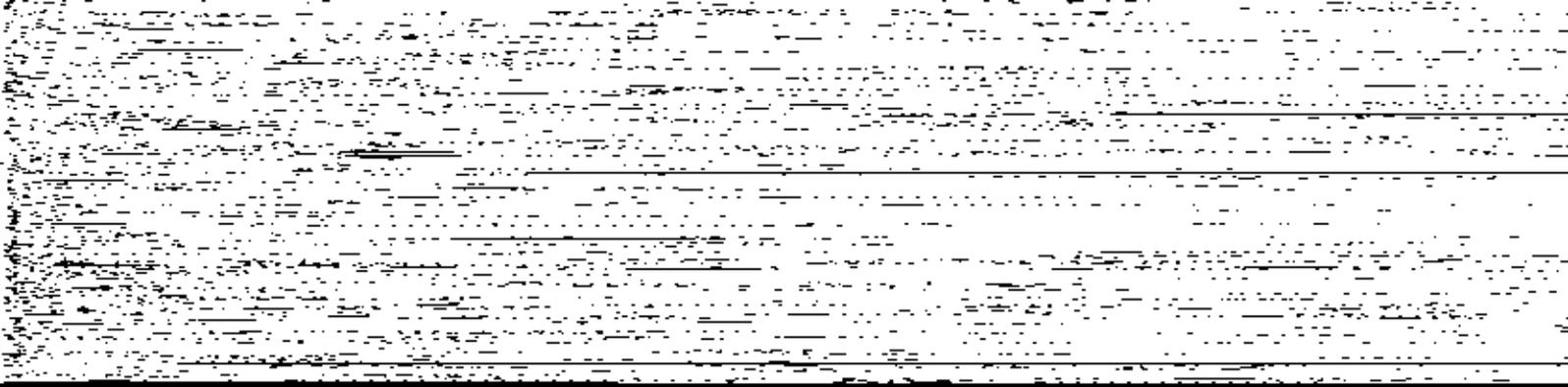


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Kubik v Gary et al Award Figures

Civil Action 03-73350

Total Payout in millions:

\$20,391,367

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1 Aguinaga	Sara	3.60%	\$734,089
2 Arnold	Barbara	2.20%	\$448,610
3 Battaglia	Lisa	3.90%	\$795,263
4 Blajic	Georgina	2.20%	\$448,610
5 Bolone	Pat	2.20%	\$448,610
6 Bott	Janet	3.60%	\$734,089
7 Boulton	Michele	2.20%	\$448,610
8 Bousson	Bonnie	2.20%	\$448,610
9 DeTomaso	Michelle	1.00%	\$203,914
10 Diem	Christina	1.00%	\$203,914
11 Diem	Kathy	2.20%	\$448,610
12 Dillon	Rita	2.20%	\$448,610
13 Ditch	Rebecca	1.00%	\$203,914
14 Ewald	Christine	2.90%	\$591,350
15 Flenna	Judith	2.90%	\$591,350
16 Gould	Theresa	3.60%	\$734,089
17 Haddix	Lisa	1.50%	\$305,871
18 Harbin	Stephanie	1.50%	\$305,871
19 Harder	Marjorie	2.90%	\$591,350
20 Harsen	Patricia	2.90%	\$591,350
21 Kolodziej	Elaine	2.20%	\$448,610
22 Kubik	Wendy	2.20%	\$448,610
23 Lindstrom	Pamela	2.20%	\$448,610
24 Maniaci	Sandra	2.20%	\$448,610
25 Mayo	Osuil	2.90%	\$591,350
26 Presley	Deborah	2.20%	\$448,610
27 Pryzbylski	Peggy	1.50%	\$305,871
28 Rahill	Joan	2.20%	\$448,610
29 Richardson	Mary	2.90%	\$591,350
30 Ritch	Joan	2.90%	\$591,350
31 Rogers	Pamela	3.60%	\$734,089
32 Sandora	Janice	2.20%	\$448,610
33 Schmaltz	Susan	2.90%	\$591,350
34 Spradley	Judy	1.50%	\$305,871
35 Stewart	Barbara	2.20%	\$448,610

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Award %</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
36 Taylor	Eleanor	3.10%	\$632,132
37 Thomas	Beverly	1.00%	\$203,914
38 Thornton	Judith	1.50%	\$305,871
39 Trombley	Kristie	3.90%	\$795,263
40 Van Tiem	Mary Jo	3.10%	\$632,132
41 Vaughn	Donna	2.90%	\$591,350
42 Willits	Renee	1.50%	\$305,871
			\$20,493,324

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2016 Democratic Presidential Nominee: Secretary of State

Press Release - Clinton Names Willie Gary National Campaign Co-Chair

September 27, 2007

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The Clinton campaign today announced that Florida attorney Willie E. Gary has been named a national campaign co-chair. In July, Gary announced his support for Senator Clinton to an audience of over 200 African American men who participated in an *African Americans for Hillary* lunch meeting.

"Hillary is a champion of civil rights, and she cares about the future of America's youth," Gary stated. "I have much admiration and respect for her and believe her steadfast values, forward thinking and outstanding leadership is what our country needs in a president. I am honored to serve as a national co-chair for the campaign."

Recognized by numerous publications for his work in the courtroom and for his philanthropic works, Gary has been featured in *Ebony* magazine as one of the "100 Most Influential Black Americans," in *Forbes Magazine* as one of the "Top 50 attorneys in the U.S." as well as the *New York Times*, *Black Enterprise*, *JET*, *the New Yorker*, and the *National Law Journal*.

"Willie has a remarkable legal career and a passionate work ethic," said Clinton. "I am honored to have Willie's support and know that as one of my national co-chairs, he will work tirelessly on my behalf and bring his amazing energy to my campaign."

Gary is the founder and senior partner at Gary, Williams, Finney, Lewis, Watson & Sperando, P.L., in Stuart, Florida. Gary's amazing success has earned him national recognition as a leading trial attorney. He has won some of the largest jury awards and settlements in U.S. history, including more than 150 cases in excess of \$1 million each. Once a migrant worker, Gary has earned his reputation as "The Giant Killer" by challenging some of America's most well-known corporations on behalf of his clients.

Gary is known as a businessman, churchman, humanitarian and philanthropist who is very involved in charity and civic work. He formed the Gary Foundation which provides college scholarships and resources for youth so they can realize their dreams of achieving a higher education. In 1991, Gary donated \$10.1 million to his alma mater Shaw University in North Carolina and has donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to Historically Black Colleges and Universities throughout the United States.

Citation: Hillary Clinton: "Press Release - Clinton Names Willie Gary National Campaign Co-Chair," September 27, 2007. Online by Gerhard Peters and John T. Woolley, *The American Presidency Project*. <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=92363>.

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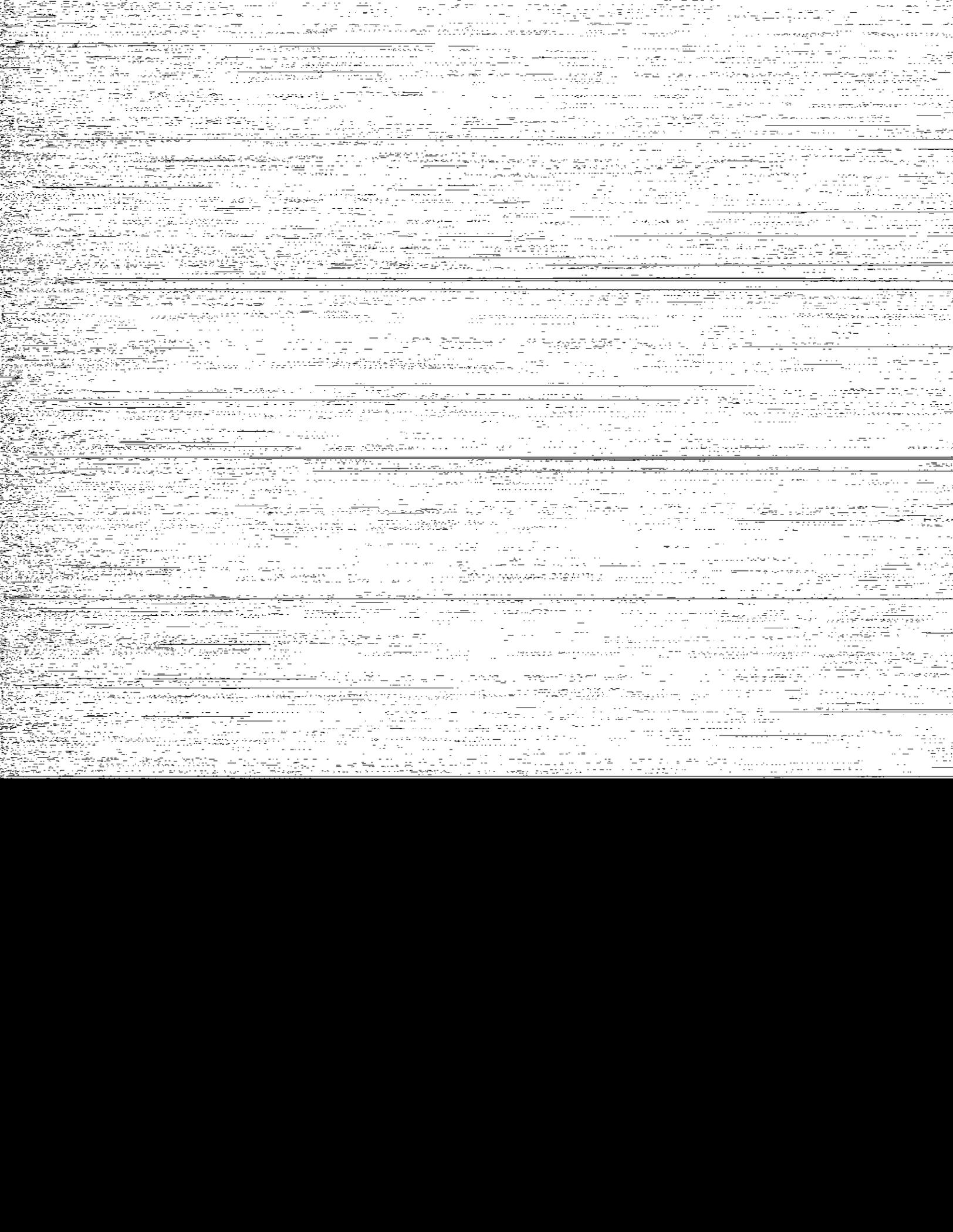


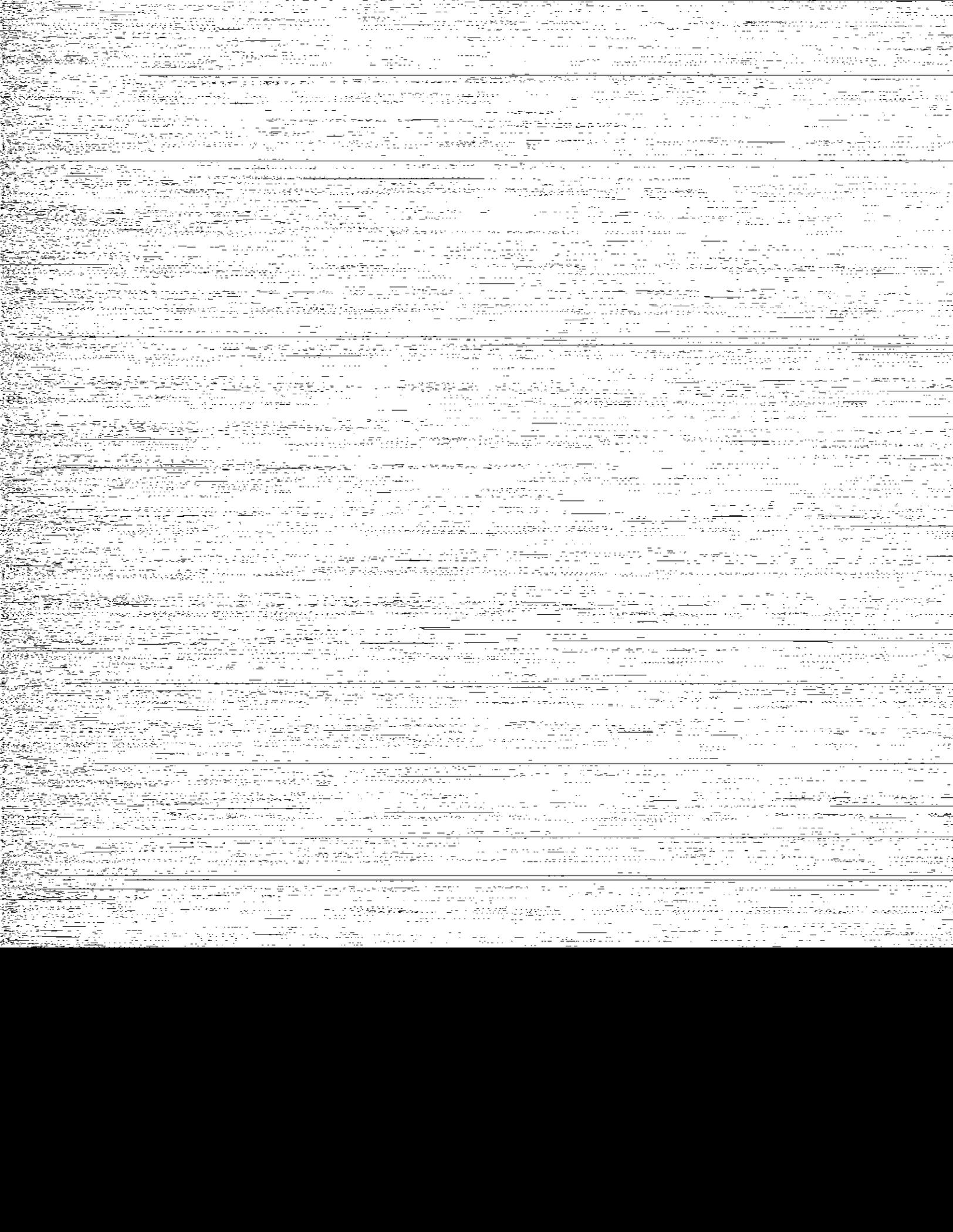
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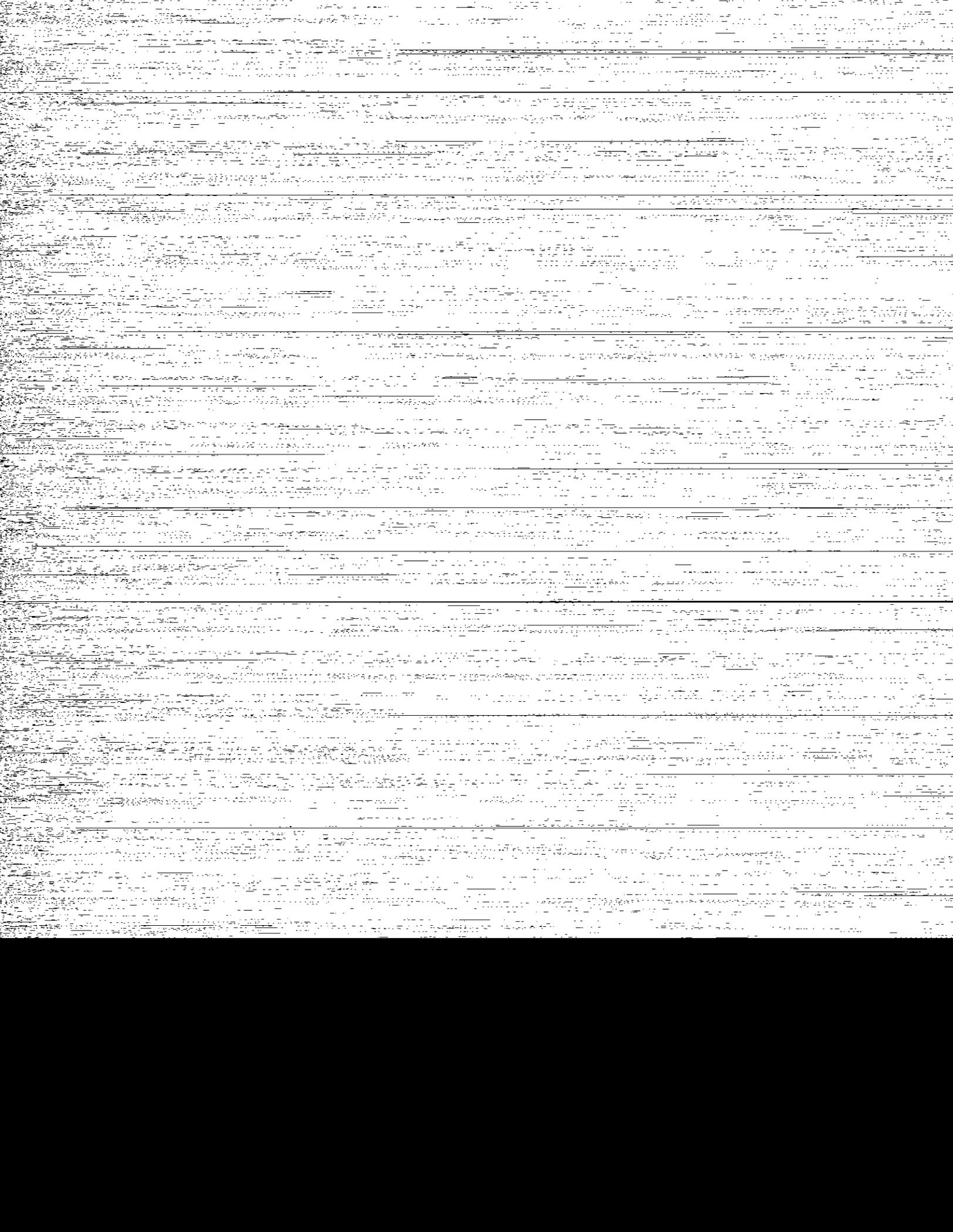
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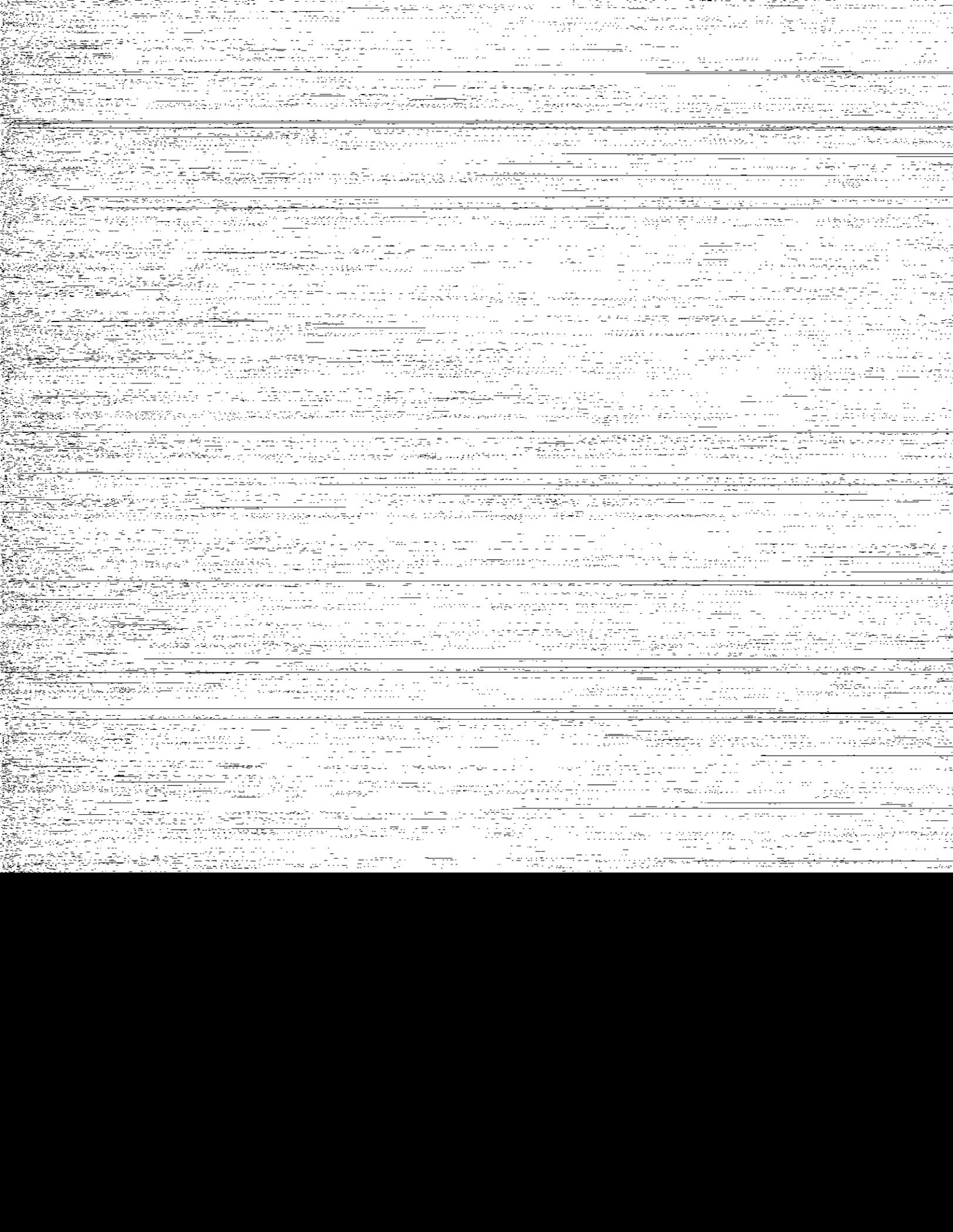
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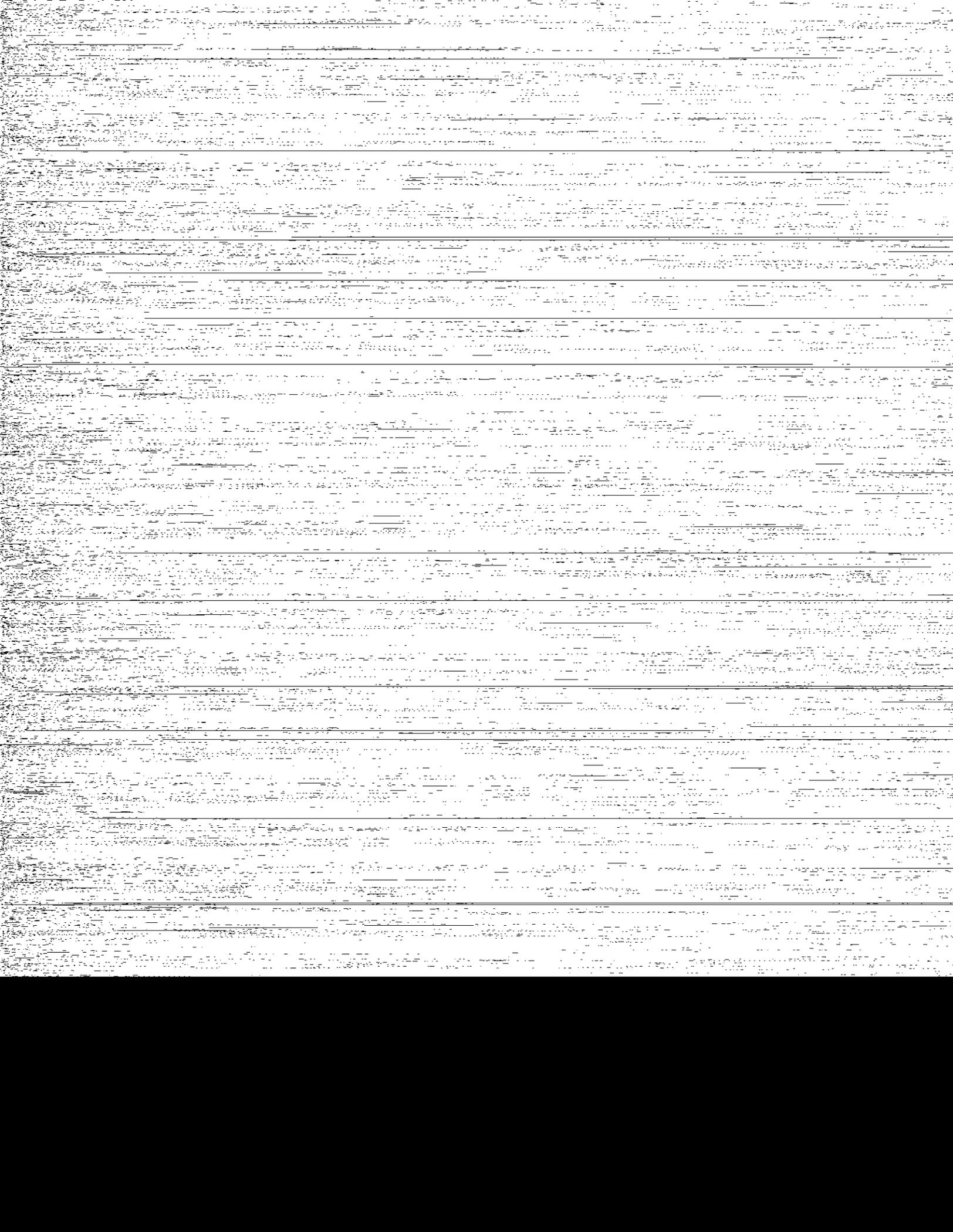
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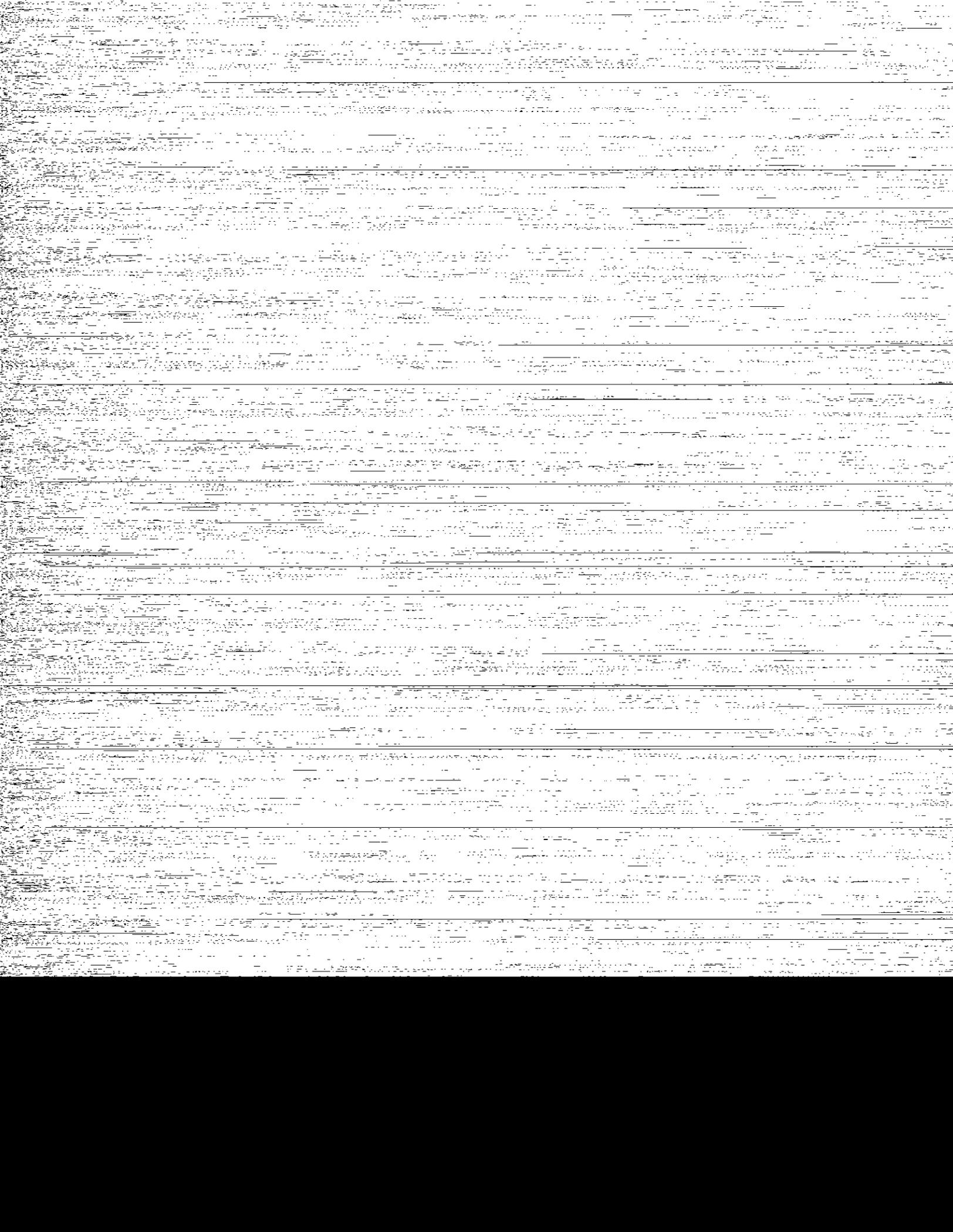


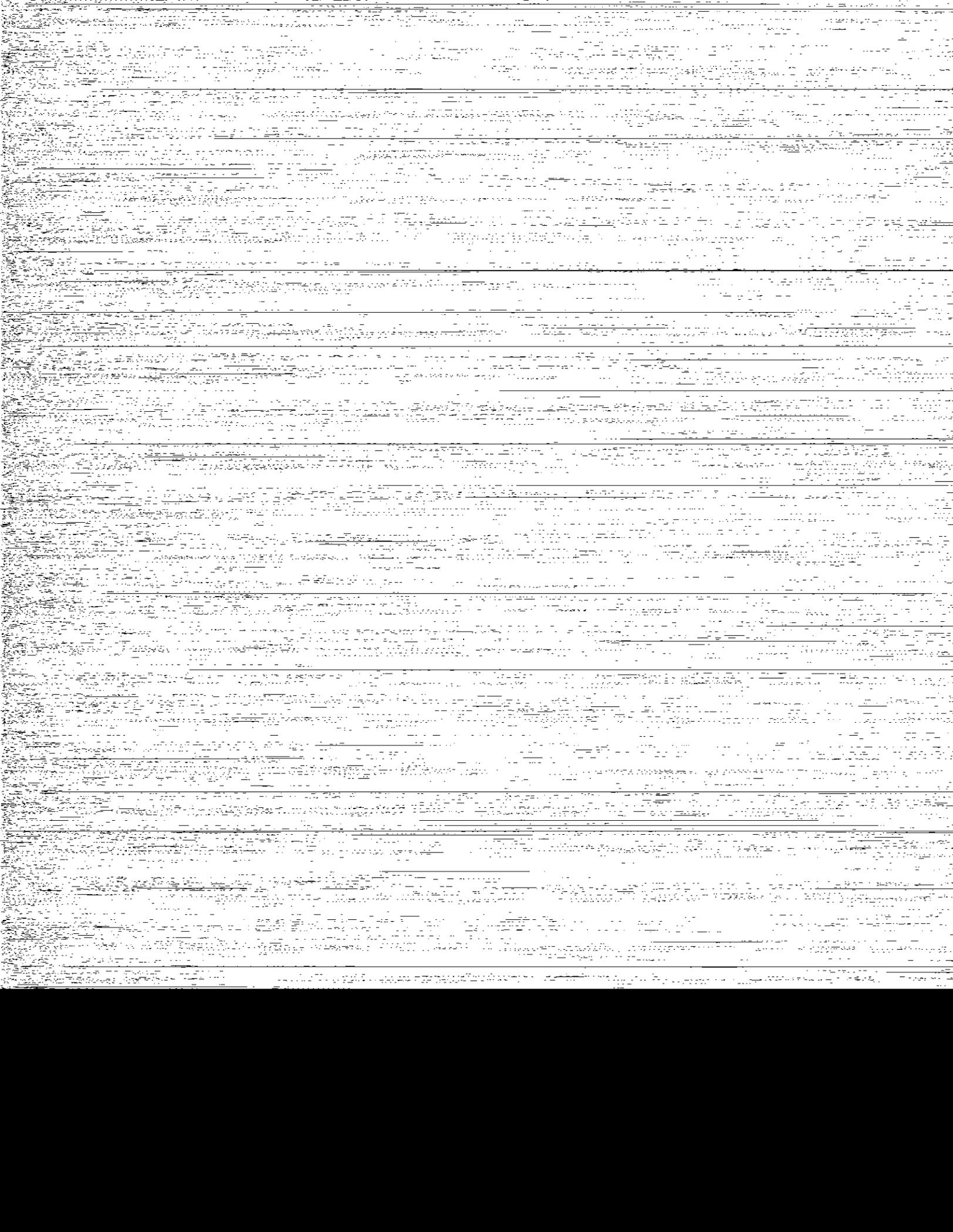


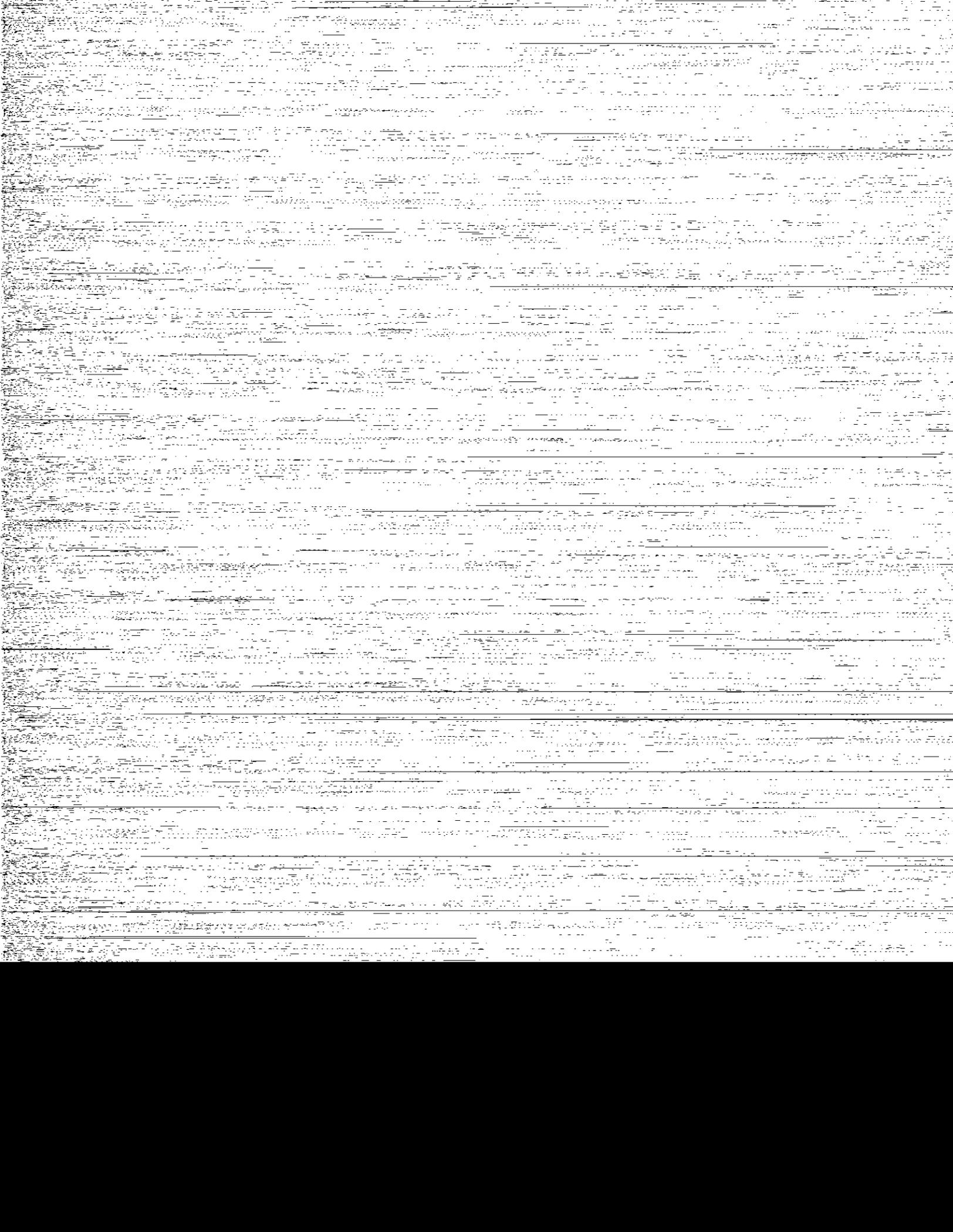














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Microsoft sued for \$5 billion

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WASHINGTON (CBS.MW) -- Former Microsoft employee Rahn Jackson says he told the company's president and chief executive Steve Ballmer in a phone conversation a few months ago that he didn't want it to come to this. But it has.

On Wednesday, Jackson was one of seven former and current African-American employees of Microsoft **MSFT, +0.31%** to file a \$5 billion lawsuit in U.S. District Court against the software giant, alleging racial discrimination in pay, promotions and compensation, as well as wrongful termination and retaliation.

The suit, which seeks class-action status on behalf of at least 400 Microsoft employees, builds on a complaint Jackson originally filed last June.

Speaking to a cramped roomful of reporters at the National Press Club, trial lawyer Willie Gary, the plaintiffs' lead attorney, charged Microsoft with fostering a "plantation-like mentality" that must be stopped.

"Microsoft is not the company it purports to be," said Gary, a Florida lawyer who is also representing seven African-Americans in a similar \$1.5 billion suit against Coca-Cola. "It's a whole different ballgame behind closed doors. ... We're not afraid of them."

In a twist, the suit will or will not be certified by federal Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson. Last summer, Jackson ordered Microsoft to be split into two companies in a landmark antitrust case. That ruling is being appealed.

In a prepared statement, Deborah Willingham, vice president of human resources at Microsoft, said the company has not had an opportunity to review the suit but said it is strongly committed to workplace diversity.

"Microsoft has a zero tolerance policy towards discrimination in the workplace," she said, adding how the company has invested \$100 million in recent years to stimulate interest among minorities and women in the field of technology. "We take any allegations of discrimination very seriously and immediately investigate any concern that is raised."



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re of 2.6 percent is on par with a September 2000 report released by the Congressional Commission on the Advancement of Women and Minorities in Science, Engineering and Technology Development.

The study revealed African-Americans comprise 3.2 percent of the technology, science, and engineering work force in the most recent period for which information is available.

At the press conference, Jackson said he joined Microsoft in 1992 because he truly believed the Redmond, Wash.-based tech leader was a great company.

But after he was turned down for several promotions despite working for a six-person division that generated \$50 million in revenue selling software and related services to the Army, Jackson said, he arrived at a much different conclusion: the company was racist.

"This is rampant all across Microsoft," said Jackson, who also learned of the company's alleged discrimination practices from other African-American employees through an internal e-mail address. "They ignore issues they cannot address."

The 36-year-old Jackson, who said he believes he was paid much less in stock options and bonuses than other, less-qualified employees at Microsoft, has worked in the technology industry for 17 years.

He is presently employed as an account manager with one of Microsoft's archrivals, Sun Microsystems **SUNW, -2.86%**

Gary, a senior partner at Gary, Parenti, Finney, Lewis, McManus, Watson & Sperando, said he and his client hope Judge Jackson will certify their class-action suit within 90 days so they can go to trial in a year.

On Dec. 12, Microsoft agreed to pay \$96.9 million to settle an 8-year-old class-action suit bought by a group of longtime temporary workers meant to cover the fringe benefits offered to the company's full-time employees, such as stock options, health insurance and retirement benefits.

Shares of Microsoft advanced \$4.56 to close at \$47.94.

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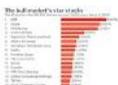
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