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After the notice of claim is filed, in any case or claim against the city of New York, the next thing that's required is what's called a 50-H hearing. Under New York State law, the city of New York and other municipalities have the right to take what is basically a deposition of the plaintiff or the claimant, that's our client, before the lawsuit is filed. The law basically allows the City and other municipal entities to gather more information about the claim before the suit is filed. So after the notice of claim is filed, and after a period of time after the incident, we will get a notice from the City where our client will be asked to appear for what's known as a 50-H proceeding. And this is like a deposition where they are asked questions, and they give answers under oath in a formal proceeding about what happened, about the incident, and what damages resulted.