

# Exhibit 4

1 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
2 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
3 (WESTERN DIVISION)  
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5 ChromaDex, Inc., )

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6 Plaintiff, )

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7 VS. )

CASE NO. SACV

) 16-02277-CJC(DFMx)

8 Elysium Health, Inc. and )

Mark Morris, )

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9 Defendants. )

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11 Elysium Health, Inc., )

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12 Counterclaimant, )

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13 V. )

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14 ChromaDex, Inc., )

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15 Counter-Defendant. )

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18 HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL, ATTORNEYS' EYES ONLY  
19 VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF TROY RHONEMUS  
20 Los Angeles, California  
21 Thursday, March 28, 2019  
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25 CSR No. 3052

1 and quitting by the end of the week just didn't look  
2 good for him or look good for anybody.

3 I thought I had him convinced that he would  
4 stay. And come Friday of that afternoon, HR said  
5 he's leaving.

6 Q. Now you mentioned that you were going to  
7 give him some different opportunity.

8 What opportunity was that?

9 A. Well, there was discussions with other  
10 confidential things, other potential business  
11 opportunities that he may be able to lead. And so  
12 there was talk of, you know, developing new  
13 ingredients and so -- with companies that are under  
14 confidentiality.

15 But we were just -- at that time I was just  
16 grasping at straws because he's been such an  
17 important part of the organization. I just --  
18 whatever he wanted to do, I was willing to just have  
19 a discussion.

20 Q. And you mentioned that he was upset that  
21 Will Black had joined the company.

22 Do you recall why he was upset?

23 A. His comment was you're bringing in big --  
24 you know, a guy from a big company and no, we're just  
25 becoming a big company. And I kind of just said,

1 Healthspan Research had one that was in there,  
2 Nectar7. I guess also HPN. You just showed me a  
3 document that I did not recall. So yes, that looked  
4 like that had a royalty on it.

5 Q. Did ChromaDex ever have any formal customer  
6 review process to decide who they would sell NR to?

7 A. Can you be more specific, what you mean?

8 Q. Sure.

9 So could anybody come to ChromaDex and enter  
10 into a supply agreement, or did you have a vetting  
11 process of some sort?

12 A. No we -- we looked at, you know, potential.  
13 I mean, if they've sold products before what -- if  
14 they have financial backings, you know. We looked  
15 at -- I'm pretty sure that the accounting team would  
16 do a credit check, that type of thing.

17 Q. When you say "we looked at if they'd sold  
18 products before," who is the "we" in that sentence?

19 A. Could be Mark. But mostly Mark would vet  
20 these companies and say, this is interesting. We  
21 should consider working with these guys. And he was  
22 the one that was out every day trying to develop new  
23 relationships, new customers.

24 Q. To your knowledge, was each customer  
25 required to sign a supply agreement in order to get

1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
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2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )  
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4 I, NIKKI ROY, Certified Shorthand Reporter,  
5 certificate number 3052, for the State of  
6 California, hereby certify:

7 The foregoing proceedings were taken before me  
8 at the time and place therein set forth, at which  
9 time the deponent was placed under oath by me;

10 The testimony of the deponent and all  
11 objections at the time of the examination were  
12 recorded stenographically by me and were thereafter  
13 transcribed;

14 The foregoing transcript is a true and correct  
15 transcript of my shorthand notes so taken;

16 I further certify that I am neither counsel for  
17 nor related to any party to said action nor in any  
18 way interested in the outcome thereof.

19 In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
20 my name this 9th day of April, 2019.

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Nikki Roy

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