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Larry King Testimony/Michael Viner Testimony

Michael Jackson Trial

Q Mr. King, do you know an attorney named Larry Feldman?

A Yes, I do.

Q And how long have you known Attorney /<sup>1</sup> Larry Feldman?

A Probably ten years.

Q Do you meet with him from time to time?

A Occasionally.

Q Have you interviewed Mr. Feldman? /<sup>2</sup>

A Yes.

Q My questions are not going to concern any of those interviews. Have you ever discussed this case with Attorney /<sup>3</sup> Larry Feldman?

A Yes.

Q When did that happen?

A Last year sometime, I think. I don't know the date.

Q And approximately what /<sup>4</sup> month do you think it was?

A You know, it would be a wild guess. It was before this trial started. /<sup>5</sup>

Q Where did this meeting take place?

A It was at a restaurant in Beverly Hills.

Q Who else was present?

A One of /<sup>6</sup> my producers and three other friends.

Q And who arranged the meeting?

A I contacted Larry in order to try to convince /<sup>7</sup> him to come on our show.

Q And did Mr. Feldman show up at the restaurant?

A Yes, he did.

Q Did he /<sup>8</sup> show up with anyone else?

A No.

Q Did he sit down with you?

A We were in adjoining booths. The booths only /<sup>9</sup> hold four. He sat here. I have breakfast there every morning, so I was sitting here. Sid was sitting here, /<sup>10</sup> and Michael was over there, and Nancy was over there, and Larry was sitting right next to me.

Q Did Mr. /<sup>11</sup> Feldman express any interest in working with your show?

A Very much.

Q How long did the meeting last?

A About 45 /<sup>12</sup> minutes.

Q Did Mr. Feldman say anything else to you about the Michael Jackson case?

A He did.

Q What did he say? /<sup>13</sup>

A He said that the case of ten years ago, where he represented the other person when there was a settlement, /<sup>14</sup> that was a very good case. But he thought the woman in this case, the mother, was a whacko, was /<sup>15</sup> the term he used. He thought she was just in it for the money. He had met with her. He /<sup>16</sup> didn't want to represent her. He advised her to see someone else and he contacted the authorities.

Q Did he say /<sup>17</sup> this woman told him she wanted money?

A No, I think he said he thinks she wants money.

Q Did he say /<sup>18</sup> what he based that opinion on?

A No.

Q Did you ask him?

A No. He just said she was a “whacko.” He /<sup>19</sup> said “whacko” a couple of times, and he said, “She is in this for the money.”

Q When he said she /<sup>20</sup> is a “whacko,” did you ask Mr. Feldman what he meant by that?

A No, I think that’s self-explanatory.

Q Okay, /<sup>21</sup> did he say anything else about the mother?

A Just that he refused to take her case.

Q Okay. Did he give /<sup>22</sup> any reasons why he refused to take her case?

A He thought she was just in it for the money. She /<sup>23</sup> was a little erratic, or whacko, as he said, and he didn’t want to represent her.

Q Did he say he /<sup>24</sup> had met this mother?

A Yes.

Q Did he tell you how many times he had met her?

A No.

Q Did he tell /<sup>25</sup> you where he met her?

A I gathered it was at his office, but he didn’t say.

Q Now, you mentioned that /<sup>26</sup> Mr. Feldman said he had told the authorities about his opinion?

A Yes, he said he gave his opinion to the /<sup>27</sup> authorities.

Q And did he say when he had given his opinion to the authorities?

A I guess it was subsequent to /<sup>28</sup> meeting with her.

Q Okay. Did he tell you who he was speaking to with the so-called authorities?

A No.

Q Did he tell /<sup>29</sup> you whether he had gone to authorities in L.A.?

A Could have been, I don't remember.

Q Did he say anything /<sup>30</sup> else about the Michael Jackson case that you remember?

A Other than that he would like to be a regular on /<sup>31</sup> our show.

Q Okay. And after that meeting, did he pursue any further discussions with you about being a regular on /<sup>32</sup> the show?

A Well, we left the meeting and we would call him to pick a date for him to come /<sup>33</sup> on and he would be a regular guest during the course of the trial.

And then we called him a /<sup>34</sup> week later and he didn't respond. And then a couple weeks later I saw him at another restaurant at lunch /<sup>35</sup> and I said, "What's going on?" And he said, "Well, something came up." And that's the last we heard of /<sup>36</sup> it. He never came on.

Q At some point you learned he had decided to represent this mother, correct?

A I learned /<sup>37</sup> that just through reading it in the paper.

End of Larry King Testimony

Testimony of Michael Viner/ Present with Larry King

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Q Mr. Viner, do you know someone named Attorney Larry Feldman?

A I have met him.

Q Where have you met him?

A At /<sup>1</sup> a restaurant.

Q When was this?

A About six months ago.

Q That was before this trial began?

A Yes.

Q What was the purpose /<sup>2</sup> of that meeting?

A I was just a bystander. It was really a meeting with Larry King and some people from /<sup>3</sup> CNN.

Q And what was the purpose of the meeting, if you know?

A They were discussing Larry Feldman becoming /<sup>4</sup> a guest or an expert or rendering opinions on Larry's show regarding this upcoming trial.

Q And where were you sitting /<sup>5</sup> at this meeting?

A I was sitting in the corner of one of the two booths, side-by-side booths.

Q Could /<sup>6</sup> you hear Mr. Feldman speak?

A Yes.

Q And did you hear him speak?

A Yes, I did.

Q Did you hear him say /<sup>7</sup> anything about this particular case?

A Yes, about the subject matter of the case.

Q What did you hear him say?

A He /<sup>8</sup> expressed opinions about the accuser and his family.

Q And what were his opinions?

A To paraphrase, that he had met with /<sup>9</sup> them, and felt that their statements, their case didn't hold up to scrutiny, and he didn't believe them.

Q Did he /<sup>10</sup> say anything about the mother?

A Yes.

Q What did he say about the mother?

A Again paraphrasing, not remembering verbatim, that she /<sup>11</sup> was out for money.

Q Did he quote her as being out for money?

A Yes. Well, no, I'm sorry. I'm quoting /<sup>12</sup> him. I'm not implying that she said those words exactly.

Q Did he tell you she said anything?

A There was some /<sup>13</sup> discussion but I couldn't and wouldn't want to tell you exact words because I don't recall them.

Q Do you recall /<sup>14</sup> Mr. Feldman saying anything about what this mother told him?

A That her motives were financial.

Q And did Mr. Feldman say <sup>/15</sup> anything about her children?

A Again, only referring, to my recollection, to the accuser – that he had talked and I believe <sup>/16</sup> had someone else talk to the accuser, and he didn't believe the story.

Q Did you say anything to Mr. Feldman <sup>/17</sup> about his comments?

A I'm sure, you know, I chimed in a little bit in the conversation, but I don't remember <sup>/18</sup> what I said. Nothing significant in any way, I'm quite sure.

Q Do you recall anyone else responding to his comments <sup>/19</sup> that the mother said she was out for money?

A There was general conversation, but I couldn't quote it.

Q Okay. Did <sup>/20</sup> Mr. Feldman tell you when he had met with the mother?

A I only knew it was sometime in the past, <sup>/21</sup> prior to that breakfast.

Q Did he tell you where he met with her?

A My impression, and I don't know why this <sup>/22</sup> was my impression, but that it was his office.

Q Did Mr. Feldman say anything to you about his belief that <sup>/23</sup> the allegations against Mr. Jackson are false?

A Again, I want to be clear. I was a wallflower at this. He <sup>/24</sup> wasn't talking directly to me. But I went away believing that he definitely did not believe the allegations.

Q Do you <sup>/25</sup> know what your belief was based on?

A Yes.

Q Did Mr. Feldman say anything about what the mother had told him? <sup>/26</sup>

A He said he didn't believe the mother's story.

Q What did he say the mother's story to him was?

A Again, not <sup>/27</sup> being able to quote him exactly, and not wanting to misquote, it was that her son was sexually abused by Michael <sup>/28</sup> Jackson.

Q And he said that he thought it was false?

A Yes.

Q Did he say she ever said anything to him <sup>/29</sup> about wanting money from Mr. Jackson?

A I cannot specifically recall whether he said it was his opinion or she stated <sup>/30</sup> it, but he left me believing that was her purpose in seeing him.

Q And I'm trying to find out what your <sup>/31</sup> belief stemmed from.

A The conversation.