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PETER A. GEORGESCU, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, YOUNG and RUBICAM, INC. (YRI), 285 Madison Avenue, New York, NY, was made available for interview by his attorneys, MARK T. MCENROE and MARK DILLER, Legal Counsels for YRI, telephone number (212) 210-3427. MCENROE and DILLER were present during the interview which was arranged to take place at the Millinium Hotel. All persons present were advised of the purpose of the interview and the official identity of OIC Investigator and FBI Special Agent (Georgescu) thereafter provided the following information:

A few days before December 11, 1997 Georgescu recalls receiveing a telephone call from "an old friend and business acquaintence since 1979" VERNON JORDAN who asked that he take a look at a "young person from the WHITE HOUSE" for possible work in the New York area. GEORGESCU responded that "we'll take a look at her in the usual way". GEORGESCU explained that both he and JORDAN knows that the "usual way" means that if we have an opening that she can qualify for. The conversation was only a few minutes in length and JORDAN closed the telephone call with a committment to send her resume to his office.

A resume with a cover letter and fax sheet was recieved at GEORGESCU's office on December 11, 1997. GEORGESCU saw these documents on December 12, 1997 and wrote on the fax transmittal page the following note to TOM BELL, president of BURSON-MARSTELLER, a division of YRI:

> "Dear Tom, Our good pal called personally to ask us to look with care at this young lady. I know it would mean lots if we can help. Could you arrange for her to meet the right people. Let me know what they think. Thanks, Peter"

Near the bottom of the page GEORGESCU wrote the following note:

"P.S. I'll have JANE follow up with RHONDA to see who MONICA should see in N.Y."

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Some time before January 21, 1997 GEORGESCU remembers that he happened to think about the referral from JORDAN and so he rechecked with BELL to see if she had been interviewed by BURSON-MARSTELLER. BELL replied that LEWINSKY had been interviewed.

A short time following the newspaper stories about the President and LEWINSKY (approximately January 21, 1997) GEORGESCU learned for the first time from an unrecalled company associate that LEWINSKY was not offered a job with BURSON-MARSTELLER.

GEORGESCU remembers on the day of VERNON JORDAN's press conference about his part in the job search for MONICA LEWINSKY, he received a telephone call from JORDAN at about 2:00 pm which was about 1 hour before the press conference. JORDAN informed GEORGESCU that he was going to hold a press conference and he was simply giving GEORGESCU advance notice. JORDAN explained that he was going to tell about his involvement and he wanted to do it soon. JORDAN's main concern seemed to be that GEORGESCU had prior warning that he would mention YRI in his press release. GEORGESCU remembers it being a short phone call and he did not see the press conference.

GEORGESCU is described as follows from observation and interview:

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Home Telephone:	
Business Telephone:	
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PETER A. GEORGESCU, Chief Executive Officer, YOUNG & RUBICAM (Y&R), New York, New York, telephone number (1997), was interviewed telephonically at his place of business. Also present in New York during the conversation was MARK DILLER, a corporate attorney for Y&R. Present in Washington at the time of interview was THOMAS BIENERT, Assistant Independent Counsel, Office of Independent Counsel. Y&R is an advertising company.

At the outset, it was re-affirmed that Y&R was not a target of investigation. It was also stated that this interview was a follow-up to GEORGESCU's earlier interview for the purpose of clarification and coverage of additional issues.

GEORGESCU and VERNON JORDAN have been friends and business associates for about twenty years. They originally met in Chicago. JORDAN has no formal connection to Y&R or any of its subsidiary companies. JORDAN may have done some work for Y&R in the past, however GEORGESCU has no knowledge of it.

Y&R's subsidiary companies are:

BURSON MARSTELLER (B-M) WONDERMAN, VITO & JOHNSON LONDON & ASSOCIATES STODLER & HENNESSEY BRAVO COHN & WOLFE CHAPLAIN

These companies have varying interests such as public relations, advertising, and direct marketing.

During the calendar year ending with December 1997, GEORGESCU saw VERNON JORDAN in person one or two times.

In 1997, GEORGESCU had only one telephone conversation with VERNON JORDAN which occurred in December, exact date not recalled. The topic of the conversation was singular in nature with only one apparent motivation. JORDAN called GEORGESCU at

(telephonically)

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his office to ask if they (Y&R) would take a look at a certain young woman for the purpose of **potential** employment with one of their companies. He asked if they **would provide** her with an employment interview. JORDAN suggested that her experience **might** fit well with B-M, a public relations company. JORDAN mentioned that this request would be in accordance with "the usual conditions.' This meant that GEORGESCU would arrange to initiate the employment interview process, but from there on **GEORGESCU's** involvement would be from arm's length. The interviewee would be on their own from that point.

JORDAN said that GEORGESCU would shortly receive a facsimile communication from the person in question, MONICA LEWINSKY. During this conversation JORDAN did not characterize **LEWINSKY's** qualifications other than to mention that she was a young person. JORDAN did not engage in a "sales pitch" about LEWINSKY. GEORGESCU inferred that LEWINSKY would be qualified for an entry level position. JORDAN's remarks gave no indication as to whether the favor was on behalf of any other person. GEORGESCU could not recall if there was a White House connection mentioned during the conversation with JORDAN. He took no notes during their discussion.

GEORGESCU recalled that JORDAN made a similar request to Y&R on a previous occasion more than five or six years ago. He was unsure; however, it was possible JORDAN made a request in the past for more than one person. GEORGESCU could not recall the level of experience of the last recommended person. In addition to these instances, JORDAN and GEORGESCU have exchanged . opinions of several people in the industry on an informal basis.

Soon after the telephone call, GEORGESCU's office received a fax from **LEWINSKY consisting** of a Department of Defense cover page, a letter to GEORGESCU, and a resume. Upon receiving it, he read through the document.

GEORGESCU referred the matter of LEWINSKY to TOM BELL, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), B-M, a public relations firm. He did this because he recalled JORDAN mentioning public relations as a possible area of employment. JORDAN may have specifically mentioned B-M; however, GEORGESCU was unsure of this point. GEORGESCU pointed out that as a matter of practice, if he were

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recommending someone to B-M, even at the entry level, he would make the initial contact with TOM BELL.

Regarding **GEORGESCU's** handwritten notes on the Department of Defense facsimile cover sheet received by Y&R from LEWINSKY, he said the following:

The phrase "our good pal" is a reference to JORDAN which BELL would understand, not only because of JORDAN's familiarity with the company, but the attached documents contained his name. GEORGESCU added that he attached significance to the request from JORDAN because he had not spoken with JORDAN on the telephone on any matter for approximately one year. The referral obviously meant a lot to JORDAN. The term "meet the right people" indicated that she should get an interview. BELL would decide what would be done from that point.

The mention of the name JANE is a reference to **GEORGESCU's** secretary, JANE TRESE. RHONDA is a reference to BELL's assistant. The initials PAG refers to PETER A. GEORGESCU.

The note on the side of the page is probably BELL's handwriting. The note in the middle of the page may be the writing of PATTY FOX, BELL's assistant.

GEORGESCU did not make any other notes about this matter and had no further involvement. Between December 12, 1997 and the follow-up call from JORDAN, GEORGESCU received no other feedback on LEWINSKY. In addition, he did not receive any other communication from LEWINSKY. JORDAN'S December telephone call to GEORGESCU was made to **George or Compared**, which are his **office telephone** numbers. His secretary's telephone number is

GEORGESCU initiated one inquiry about LEWINSKY after his first referral to BELL. At some point prior to January 21, 1998, he had his secretary call someone (exact person not recalled) about the matter. He did not recall what prompted *him* to do this, but he believed he may have seen some written reference to LEWINSKY. He learned, as a result, that LEWINSKY had been interviewed; however, he did not hear about any assessment of her. GEORGESCU believed that his obligation to

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JORDAN was fulfilled. He made no effort to inform JORDAN of what had happened or the status of LEWINSKY's employment prospects.

GEORGESCU had no further dealings with the matter until receiving a telephone call from JORDAN a couple hours before his (JORDAN'S) statement to the press on or about January 21, 1998. In this call, JORDAN said he wanted GEORGESCU to know about his impending comments. He said he planned to announce that he had asked three organizations, including Y&R, to interview LEWINSKY. While GEORGESCU was on the telephone with JORDAN, he recalled that he had seen news stories about the LEWINSKY matter; however, he had not, until that moment, connected the news reports to the request from JORDAN.

GEORGESCU did not ask JORDAN any questions about the matter of the LEWINSKY referral. The issue as to why the request was made seemed to be self-evident. GEORGESCU neither made nor received any calls from JORDAN about this subject after the news became public.

Since approximately January 21, 1998, GEORGESCU has seen JORDAN on one occasion. This occurred at the end of January, when they were present at the same economic forum in Davos, Switzerland. He did not recall any references to LEWINSKY during that encounter.

At no time did JORDAN offer any explanation as to how he got involved with LEWINSKY.

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GEORGESCU has had no contact with any attorneys connected with CLINTON about LEWINSKY or JORDAN.

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