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ALLEGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT AT THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY JAIL

Michael J. Jackson ("Mr. Jackson"), by and through his counsel, Thomas A. Mesereau, Jr., objects and responds to the above-entitled Motion as follows:

The attempt by the prosecution to release a purported report and conclusion by the State of California, Department of Justice, is nothing but a ploy to poison the local jury pool against Mr. Jackson. The prosecution knows that Mr. Jackson was not permitted to speak to representatives of the Attorney General's Office regarding this matter due to the on-going criminal case. Mr. Jackson's counsel would not permit such an interview. As such, this purported investigation was flawed from the outset. Release of this document would be prejudicial to Mr. Jackson's right to a fair trial and should not be permitted.

Furthermore, Mr. Jackson never filed a formal complaint with any agency regarding this issue. Mr. Jackson made statements critical of the way he was treated prior to the Court's imposition of a Protective Order. In response, the prosecution and its agents in the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Department went on television and denied these allegations. They not only denied these allegations, but they also threatened further prosecution of Mr. Jackson for making a false report. These statements by the prosecution were designed to effect the jury pool.

This purported investigation was conducted by the prosecution – no one else. The Office of the Attorney General supervises and controls all District Attorneys' Offices throughout California. Both organizations are part of the same branch of government. The investigation was nothing less than a "stacked deck" designed to help the prosecution poison the jury pool. With Mr. Jackson unable to participate in the investigation, there is no conceivable way it could be deemed complete or accurate. In fact, it has been documented and proven that Mr. Jackson had bruises on his body and complained about the handcuffs. It has also been proven that he was placed in a filthy, smelly cell during this process. Mr. Jackson is a vegetarian who does not eat fish, meat or fowl. He is very thin and frail and bruises easily. His chiropractor has documented injuries to his shoulders.

The purported investigation and conclusions of the Attorney General constitute witness statements which the Court has ordered not be released. If the prosecution is permitted to release this propaganda, the defense should be entitled to release its own witness statements and reports on this and related issues. The defense has conducted its own investigations into this issue and reached conclusions that might shock the prosecution.

Of course, none of this behavior would be consistent with the letter and spirit of the Court's Protective Order. None of it would assist the Court in preserving the fairness and objectivity of this proceeding. The prosecution's goals are patently transparent, and the defense hopes that the Court will view them for what they are.

There are other issues that affect the integrity of this alleged investigation and report. These concern, but are not limited to, the reality that Mr. Jackson did not file a formal complaint or lawsuit and that personnel investigations like this are often deemed confidential. The prosecution has made every effort to violate its own internal procedures to affect the jury pool. The defense, as can be expected, has been investigating various issues relating to prosecution dishonesty; disrespect for the Court's Protective Order; misrepresentations to the Court about discovery; intimidation of witnesses and obstruction of justice; false statements to the Court; and related misbehavior. May the defense appropriately release the results of its own investigations into these areas? Of course, this is exactly what the Court does not want.

Attorney General Bill Lockyer is known to make extra-judicial statements regarding cases being prosecuted around the country. He has a tendency to make such statements for political purposes. His support for the prosecution in this instance is widely known. It would not be appropriate to force the defense to respond to this alleged investigation

and conclusion. The Protective Order should remain in place. DATED: August 13, 2004 Respectfully submitted, 3 Thomas A. Mesereau, Jr. Susan C. Yu COLLINS, MESEREAU, REDDOCK & YU 5 Steve Cochran Stacey McGee Knight 6 KATTEN MUCHIN ZAVIS ROSENMAN 7 Robert M. Sanger SANGER & SWYSEN 8 9 Brian Oxman OXMAN & JAROSCAK 10 By: 11 Mesercau, Ir. Attorneys for Mr. MICHAEL J. JACKSON 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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