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13 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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15 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

16 Plaintiffs,

17 vs.

18 MICHAEL JOSEPH JACKSON,

19 Defendant.

) Case No. 1133603
)
) OPPOSITION TO DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
) MOTION TO EXCLUDE HEARSAY
) TESTIMONY OF DEFENSE WITNESS
) MICHAEL VINER PURSUANT TO
) EVIDENCE CODE SECTION 352
)
) Honorable Rodney S. Melville
) Date: TBD
) Time: 8:30 am
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21 MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

22 I.

23 Michael Viner's testimony regarding statements made by Larry Feldman are not being
24 offered as lay opinion testimony regarding the credibility of the Arvizos. Instead, Mr. Viner's
25 testimony is being offered as prior inconsistent statements by Mr. Feldman. (Evidence Code
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1 Section 1235.) On cross-examination, Mr. Feldman was asked if he ever stated that the Arvizos
2 were fabricating their claims against Michael Jackson during a meeting with Larry King and
3 Michael Viner. The District Attorney did not object to the question. Mr. Feldman answered that
4 he absolutely did not make that statement and that he never met with Michael Viner. (RT
5 4596:6-4596:4.) On re-direct, Mr. Feldman stated that anyone who claimed he made that
6 statement is lying. (RT 4601:20-4602:20.)

7 If the District Attorney believed testimony regarding Mr. Feldman's statements to Mr.
8 King and Mr. Viner was objectionable he should have objected at the time. Instead, he invited
9 Mr. Feldman to deny ever making the statement and allowed him to label anyone who testifies
10 otherwise as a liar. The Court should not allow the self-serving testimony to stand when there is
11 a witness who will testify that Mr. Feldman did in fact make the statement.

12 II.

13 CONCLUSION

14 For the reasons stated above, Mr. Viner should be allowed to testify regarding Mr.
15 Feldman's statement.

16 Dated: May 6, 2005

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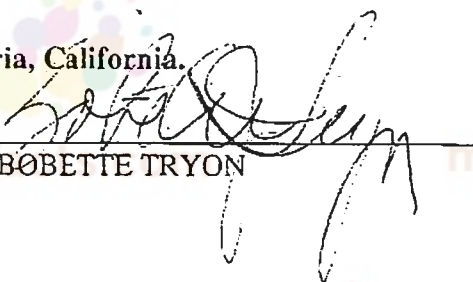
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Executed May 6, 2005 at Santa Maria, California.


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