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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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RAYMING CHANG, et al.,	:	
Plaintiffs,	:	
v.	:	Civil Action No.
UNITED STATES, et al.,	:	02-02010 (EGS) (AK)
Defendants.	:	
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JEFFREY BARHAM, et al.,	:	
Plaintiffs,	:	
v.	:	Civil Action No.
CHIEF CHARLES H. RAMSEY,	:	02-02283 (EGS) (AK)
et al.,	:	
Defendants.	:	
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JULIE ABATE, et al.,	:	
Plaintiffs,	:	
v.	:	Civil Action No.
CHIEF CHARLES H. RAMSEY,	:	03-00767 (EGS) (AK)
et al.,	:	
Defendants.	:	
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JOEL DIAMOND, et al.,	:	
Plaintiffs,	:	
v.	:	Civil Action No.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, et al.,	:	03-02005 (EGS) (AK)
Defendants.	:	
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DEPOSITION OF NICOLE DJEDDAOUI

Washington, D.C.
Monday, June 7, 2004

The deposition of NICOLE DJEDDAOUI, called for examination by counsel for Defendants in the above-entitled matter, pursuant to notice, at the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 441 Fourth Street, N.W., Sixth Floor South, Washington, D.C., convened at 10:38 a.m., before Donald J. Jacobsen, a notary public in and for the District of Columbia, when were present on behalf of the parties:

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1 would say 9:00ish.

2 Q Would that be the first time or the second
3 time?

4 A The first time.

5 Q When was the second time?

6 A The second time would have been sometime
7 early morning the next day, around 5:00.

8 Q Did you leave the gym at any point after
9 you entered the gym aside from to go to the
10 bathroom?

11 A No.

12 Q How is it that you came to be released?

13 A I was trying to understand what my options
14 were for being released, and I didn't have money to
15 pay a fine or the fee to get out, and so, I was one
16 of the last ones to be released in the morning, and
17 they just, I don't know, let me go.

18 Q Try to think back--withdrawn. At some
19 point in time, you came to understand that if you
20 were able to make a payment of some sort, you could
21 be released; is that right?

22 A That's right.

1 Q What was it that you learned that
2 information?

3 A We were told that if we paid \$50 and
4 wanted to admit guilt, we could be released.

5 Q Did they have any shorthand term for that?

6 A Yes; something--there was, like, three
7 options, post and forfeit and something like that;
8 I don't remember exactly the terms that they used.

9 Q Okay; let me back up a little bit. At
10 some point, someone said there's more than one way
11 out of here.

12 A That is correct; they were giving us three
13 options.

14 Q Do you remember when that information came
15 to you?

16 A That came to us when we were outside.

17 Q And your understanding--what was your
18 understanding of the post and forfeit option?

19 A I did not understand it at all. It was
20 very confusing.

21 Q Without the name of what the other two
22 options may have been, what do you recall about

1 what was entailed in each of the other options?

2 A One of the options was to see a judge, but
3 they informed us that that would not be possible
4 since it was the weekend, so we would have to be
5 held in jail until Monday, when we could see a
6 judge.

7 Q Do you remember what the third option was?

8 A The third option was to pay--I think it
9 was to pay a fine, but then, you would have to show
10 up in court at a later date.

11 Q As it turned out, you were released on a
12 basis that was not any of those three options; is
13 that right?

14 A I think that's correct.

15 Q When did that possibility come to your
16 attention?

17 A I don't remember exactly.

18 Q Do you remember whether it was Friday
19 versus Saturday?

20 A No.

21 Q What, if anything, do you recall about the
22 way that possibility of being released without