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15 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
16 CALIFORNIA,

17 Plaintiffs,

18 vs.

19 MICHAEL JOSEPH JACKSON,

20 Defendant.  
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) Case No: 1133603

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) SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF  
) OPPOSITION TO DISTRICT  
) ATTORNEY'S MOTION FOR ADMISSION  
) OF ALLEGED PRIOR OFFENSES (Evid.  
) Code Sections 1108, 1101(b))

) ~~UNDER SEAL~~

) Honorable Rodney S. Melville  
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1 I.

2 THE PROSECUTION HAS FAILED TO CARRY THE BURDEN OF ESTABLISHING  
3 A PRIMA FACIE CASE OF LEWD CONDUCT IN THE PRESENT CASE

4 The prosecution is attempting to shore up the testimony of weak witnesses with everything  
5 but actual, credible evidence of the charged crimes. To date, the prosecution has presented a large  
6 amount of indirect evidence in an attempt to make up for the fact that the only direct evidence, the  
7 testimony of the Arvizo children, has proven to be contradictory and improbable.

8 II.

9 THE PROSECUTION CANNOT PROVE THE CHARGES AGAINST MR. JACKSON  
10 BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT AND IT WOULD VIOLATE HIS STATE AND  
11 FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS TO A FAIR TRIAL AND DUE PROCESS TO  
12 ALLOW THE PROSECUTION TO INTRODUCE  
13 THE PROFFERED PRIOR OFFENSE EVIDENCE

14 Since the standard of proof for such evidence is lower than beyond a reasonable doubt, if it  
15 were to be the main or even a significant factor in conviction, it would violate the defendant's right  
16 to proof beyond a reasonable doubt.

17 The prosecution has presented a CSAAS expert who failed to bolster the testimony of the  
18 complaining witness. Dr. Anthony Urquiza, the government's CSAAS expert, did not address the  
19 contradictions in the testimony of the Arvizo children. Dr. Urquiza did not explain how a 15 year  
20 old complaining witness could attribute a statement, that if men do not masturbate they will rape  
21 women, to Mr. Jackson, after repeatedly attributing the same statement to his grandmother. In any  
22 other case, the prosecution would realize that the complaining witnesses are lying.

23 Dr. Urquiza did not explain why the Arvizo family told the police that almost everything they  
24 said in the "rebuttal" video was scripted by Dieter Wiesner, including referring to Mr. Jackson as a  
25 father figure, when it has been demonstrated that they sent cards and notes to Mr. Jackson that  
26 referred to him as a father figure, months, if not years, before the "rebuttal" was taped.



1 B. Jason Francia

2 The prosecution claims that Jason Francia will testify that he was molested when he was as  
3 young as 6 years old. However, the transcripts of his interviews with police reveal that he does not  
4 remember these events and was only able to describe these alleged incidents after being coached by  
5 the detectives who interviewed him. Furthermore, it is apparent from the interviews that his mother  
6 made him aware of these alleged incidents.

7 The transcripts of the November 4, 1993, and March 24, 1994, interviews by law  
8 enforcement and prosecutors are textbook examples of improperly suggestive interrogations.

9 For instance, in the November 4, 1993, interview, Jason Francia tells the detectives that he  
10 does not remember Mr. Jackson putting his hands anywhere that made him feel uncomfortable. Det.  
11 Neglia, one of the interviewers, responds by stating:

12 Okay, but what I am getting at is that maybe I am not being obvious enough. What  
13 I am saying is maybe he put his hands someplace on you where he shouldn't have.  
14 Maybe he put his hands on you someplace that made you feel uncomfortable. And  
15 that's why you are not remembering. It's like there is a little bit of "Oh, I can't  
16 remember that guy's name and I don't remember his last name, and I just don't  
17 remember that. No I don't want to remember that, no I can't remember." It's a little  
18 of bit of a different kind of not remembering, one is because you are choosing not to,  
19 and one is that you just can't call back the uh, the event. And I think of what you  
20 doing is tickling and all this stuff, is trying forcing yourself not to remember. And  
21 you also kind of got to the one where you're saying that fourth time at the party you  
22 said something like, "That was the time." What time was it Jason: What was the  
23 time?

24 Later in the interview, the detectives tell Jason Francia that Mr. Jackson is currently  
25 molesting Macaulay Culkin:

26 Det. Neglia: I realize how hard this is. I realize how painful it is to think of these  
27 things you tried so hard not to think about but you are doing fine.  
28 And you are also helping the kid that he is bothering now.

29 Jason Francia: What do you mean he's bothering?

30 Det. Birchim: He's doing the same thing.

31 Jason Francia: Macaulay Culkin.

32 Det. Neglia: Only he's getting a lot more into it. Like your mother pulled you out  
33 of there. Macaulay's mother is not going to pull him out of there.  
34 They are feeding him.

35 Det. Birchim: He's doing worse stuff.

36 Det. Neglia: It's much worse with him.

37 The detectives then tell him that another child actor is a drug addict based on his alleged

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1 molestation by Mr. Jackson:

2 Det. Neglia: He's a junkie now, he gets arrested, he doesn't act or anything, he  
3 gets high. He packs his nose with cocaine and he's going to die by  
the time he is 22 years old.

4 Jason Francia: How old is he?

5 Det. Neglia: About 21. But that's the kind of life he is living, and it's got to do with being  
exposed to people like this, and having nobody to protect them and to take  
them out.

6 Det. Birchim: Like you had your mom.

7 Det. Neglia: Like your mom pulled you out, and you're, you're candid, and you're honesty  
with us is going to help us. To pull the next kid out, it might even be too late  
for Macauly already. But these kids that he's traveling with are on tour right  
now. Maybe we can pull them out of it . . .

8 In order to defend against the false allegations of Jason Francia, it will be necessary to  
9 present expert testimony regarding child interview techniques.

10 **C. The Quindoys**

11 The Quindoys have no credibility. They sold successive stories to magazines. The  
12 Quindoys reserved their interviews for the media. When Santa Barbara law enforcement went to the  
13 Philippines to talk to the Quindoy, they were not able to get an interview.

14 **D. Other alleged victims.**

15 The defense will seek to bring each one of the other alleged "victims" to testify as, based on  
16 the information developed at this point, none of them would testify they were molested by Mr.  
17 Jackson.

18 **E. The Abdool Plaintiffs**

19 The defense requests that the Court take judicial notice of the file in *Abdool v. Jackson*,  
20 Santa Maria Superior Court, Case No. SM 89344. The plaintiffs in that case, including Adrian  
21 McManus and Ralph Chacon, who are listed as witnesses in the prosecution's motion, and their  
22 lawyer, Michael Ring, were sanctioned jointly on numerous occasions for lying in their depositions  
23 and to the court.

24 The total sanctions were approximately \$66,000. The sanctions were imposed for discovery  
25 violations and for forcing the defendants to prove, in open court, that the plaintiffs were lying. The  
26 sanctions were imposed because the plaintiffs had lied in their depositions and, in some instances,  
27 actually lied on the stand in open court. For instance, on one occasion, one of the plaintiffs, while  
28 on the stand, blatantly contradicted her own testimony, given earlier in the day. The judge left the

1 bench saying he was disgusted.

2 The jury in the *Abdool* case found against the plaintiffs on all of their allegations. The jury  
3 also found in favor of the defendant, Michael Jackson, and against Adrian McManus and Ralph  
4 Chacon, for stealing from Mr. Jackson. The court imposed attorneys fees and costs of \$1.4 million  
5 against the plaintiffs. The trial of these plaintiffs lasted 6 months and 1 day before The Honorable  
6 Judge Canter. Were these plaintiffs to be called in this case, one would assume, based on the sixth  
7 month duration of the *Abdool* trial, that the plaintiff's testimony and the defense would take at least  
8 a month in and of itself.

9 Furthermore, these witnesses are not claiming to be percipient witnesses to actual sexual  
10 offenses, with the exception of Ralph Chacon.

11 Ralph Chacon is a liar. He lied about being given a weapons permit based on his role as a  
12 witness. He lied in deposition. He lied to reporters and he lied on the stand.

13 Adrian McManus had stolen from her own family members. She was sued for stealing her  
14 niece and nephew's inheritance. She made all sorts of false and contradictory claims.

15 The plaintiffs were allowed to talk about the allegations in pretrial discovery, and did so. The  
16 only person having anything salacious to say was Ralph Chacon. When the case came to trial, the  
17 trial court disallowed evidence of the salacious allegations because they had nothing to do with the  
18 causes of action in the litigation. Nevertheless, these plaintiffs were thoroughly discredited, not only  
19 as to the allegations they made in court, but as to what Mr. Chacon had to say.

20 With regard to all of the *Abdool* plaintiffs, they lied about going to the media and selling to  
21 their stories, when in fact, they had an agent and had gone to the media to sell their stories. It turned  
22 out they were a bit too late to take advantage of the opportunities that Blanca Francia and the  
23 Quindoys were able to cash in on. These people tried to hawk their false stories and were  
24 unsuccessful, so they filed their meritless lawsuit. They lied about meeting with the media. As if  
25 this were not enough, the stories that they told and personally edited were so fantastic and salacious,  
26 that they had denied ever saying such things, when they believed that Mr. Jackson's counsel did not  
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1 know about it. Even after the stories appeared, they denied that they had talked with the journalists,  
2 because they denied that the events in the stories occurred. In one instance, it was demonstrated that  
3 their handwritten notes were on drafts of the stories. Once again, it will be necessary to relitigate  
4 all of this.

5 **IV.**

6 **THE COMPLAINING WITNESSES WERE AWARE OF THE 1993 ALLEGATIONS**  
7 **WHEN THEY FABRICATED THEIR STORY**

8 Gavin Arvizo made a reference to the alleged victim in the 1993 allegation in the Rebuttal  
9 Tape. Gavin discussed the alleged victim in his meetings with Stan Katz. It is probable that the  
10 1993 allegations were discussed with Larry Feldman, given that he was the lawyer in that case. Any  
11 probative value is negated by the fact that Mr. Feldman possessed all the details of the 1993  
12 allegations.

13 The probative value of the prior offense evidence is severely undermined by the fact that  
14 Gavin, Star, Davellin and their mother, had access to Larry Feldman, who knows all the details of  
15 the previous allegations. It is also severely undermined by the fact that It was not until after they  
16 met with Mr. Feldman, on several occasions if his grand jury testimony is to be believed, that any  
17 member of the Arvizo family made sexual abuse allegations against Mr. Jackson. Dr. Urquiza could  
18 not explain this away with his testimony.

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V.

CONCLUSION

For the above stated reason, and the reasons stated in the opposition to the prosecution's motion, Mr. Jackson objects to the introduction of the prosecution's proposed Section 1108 and 1101(b) testimony.

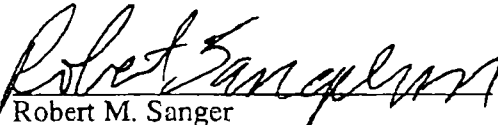
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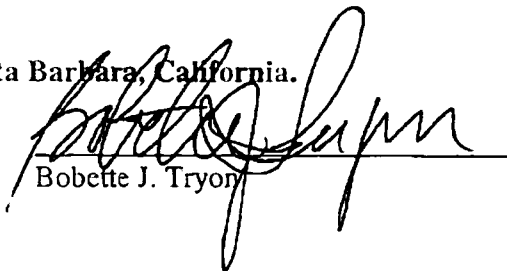
I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action. I am employed in the County of Santa Barbara. My business address is 233 East Carrillo Street, Suite C, Santa Barbara, California, 93101.

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