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**APARTMENT OWNER TO PAY
RECORD AMOUNT IN BIAS CASE**

WASHINGTON - The owner of a south Florida apartment complex who had been sued for refusing to rent to blacks has agreed to pay a record \$1.2 million in damages and penalties, the Justice Department said Wednesday. It said the settlement, approved Tuesday by a federal judge in Miami, represented the largest amount ever obtained in a rental housing discrimination case involving race. The settlement resolved a lawsuit charging Jose Milton, the owner of the 694-unit apartment complex in North Miami Beach, with charging blacks higher rents than whites and falsely telling black apartment-seekers no units were available. The lawsuit marked the second time the Justice Department had accused Milton of discriminating against blacks. The first lawsuit had been settled in 1989.

**REYNOLDS TO RESIGN FROM
CONGRESS OCTOBER 1**

LOS ANGELES - Rep. Mel Reynolds, convicted of having sex with an underage campaign worker, said last Friday he plans to resign from Congress effective Oct. 1. "Today ... my office was instructed to send a letter to (House) Speaker (Newt) Gingrich and to the sergeant-at-arms telling him that I was resigning from Congress effective Oct. 1," Reynolds said on CNN's Larry King Live. "We're going to tie up some loose ends and do some things and then we're going to get on with our lives."

POWELL AS CLINTON VP?

Excerpts from Colin Powell's upcoming book show a Clinton campaign insider asked him if he wanted to be Bill Clinton's running mate in 1992. Newsweek says Powell's book "My American Journey," leaves little doubt he's interested in a presidential bid. But it does little to detail Powell's stand on the issues except to say he's interested in low taxes, has faith in free enterprise and wants a review of entitlement programs.

VONS HOLDS GRAND OPENING CEREMONY

Former Laker Brings "Magic" to the Community

By Victor S. Ingram

The 6' 9" former Los Angeles Laker guard returned to West Las Vegas to deliver on a promise made 3 years ago to partnership with Vons Grocery chain and build a supermarket and plaza in the economically depressed West Las Vegas area. Earvin "Magic" Johnson's Magic's Westland Plaza opened the first phase of its development during grand opening ceremonies held Friday, September 1. Flanked by a host of dignitaries and elected officials, Johnson endured a barrage of fans, who when informed of the superstar's eminent arrival, hand carried basketballs, books, t-shirts, napkins—anything which would keep autograph etchings. As co-developer of the project, Johnson loaned funds, his reputation, and famous name to the endeavor.

His main concern, he comments, is that the community receives a store similar to those found in other communities. "Our main problem is that we've never gotten quality," says Johnson regarding grocery stores traditionally found in under-developed areas. "(This store) is the same store you see in the suburbs," he adds expressing his satisfaction with the new facility.

Johnson, famous for his transition game during his NBA exploits, would show his transition expertise as he would gravitate from NBA legend to pitchman. "Now is the time to embrace this store," he says. "Let's have some fun...let's get in here and get our bar-b-

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Former Laker great Earvin "Magic" Johnson returned to West Las Vegas to deliver on a promise made 3 years ago to partnership with Vons Grocery chain and build a supermarket and plaza. Photo by Victor Ingram

Sprint Seeks Resolution to Phone Book Issue

By Victor S. Ingram

Sprint-Centel Telephone Company will settle with a group of community activists who protested their July 1995 phone book cover. The cover, which critics say displayed a negative portrayal of an African American male, was a public relations nightmare for the company causing it to issue a public apology. The phone company published and distributed more than 1,000,000 copies of the book showing children of various races joined in a joint conservation effort. Critics claimed that all other children were shown in a complementary light with the exception to the African American child. The figure was shown bowing on its knees with an oblong head and elevated dreadlocks.

Community outrage was immediate.

Spearheading organized protests, the Westside Action Alliance Korps-Uplifting People (WAAK-UP), called community forums to discuss the issue. The group called for an organized boycott of Sprint-Centel custom calling features and planned a protest at the MGM Hotel on August 19, the night of the Mike Tyson fight. The purpose of the protest was to bring national exposure to the incident. Sprint, however, according to sources, intervened prior to the protest following directives from their national corporate

office which instructed an "immediate settlement of the matter".

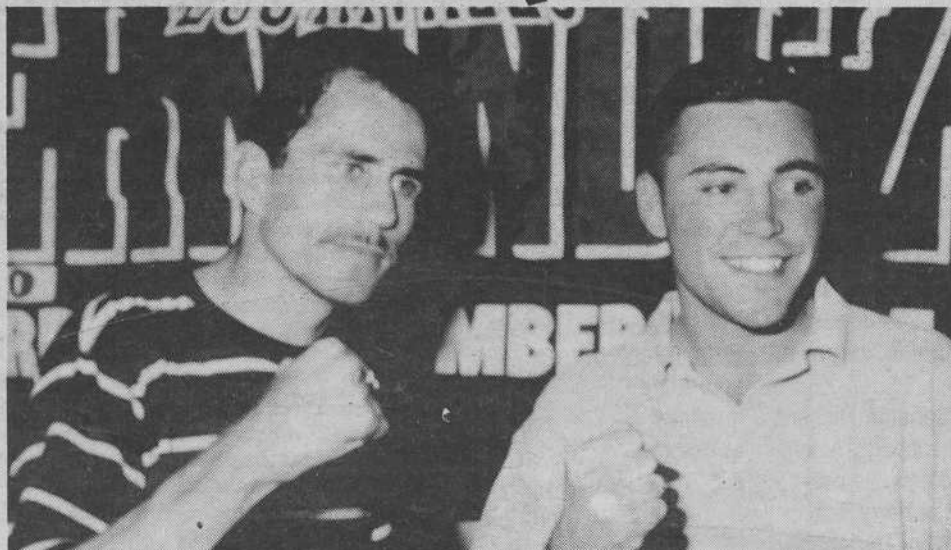
The matter received national exposure with Jet Magazine carrying the story in a late August issue. The issue polarized the community with KLAS TV-8 news anchor George Knapp editorializing that WAAK-UP was attempting to "extort" funds from Sprint. The editorial was responded to by a letter from WAAK-UP demanding a retraction or equal time the respond to Knapp's accusations. As of press time there has been no response to a rebuttal.

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L.A. RIVALS TO SQUARE OFF

East L.A. rivals since high school, lightweight Oscar De La Hoya (R) will take on Genaro Hernandez this weekend at Caesars Palace, as the two work their way towards a shot at the title.

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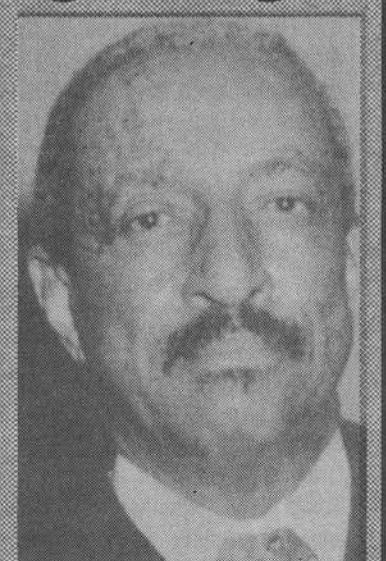


Nevada's First African American Judge Resigns

By Victor S. Ingram

Longtime District Court Judge Addeljar Guy recently announced his resignation, effective January 13. As the first African American Judge in Nevada, Guy was appointed by then-governor Michael O'Callahan in 1975. Guy, 71, spent 10 years in the Clark County prosecutor's office inclusive of 3 years as chief deputy. "Judge Guy has been an outstanding judge," says O'Callahan, now editor of the Las Vegas Sun Newspaper. "I can't say enough good."

Guy participated in a variety of civic activities inclusive of a board position on the local boys club which bears his name, the A.D. Guy Boys & Girls Club.



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