#### Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc.	)	File No. EB-02-IH-0786/DJB
Licensee of KRON-TV San Francisco, California	)	
	)	

To: The Chief

**Investigations and Hearings Division** 

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#### RESPONSE OF YOUNG BROADCASTING OF SAN FRANCISCO, INC. TO THE JULY 29, 2003 LETTER OF WILLIAM D. FREEDMAN

August 1, 2003

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc. ("KRON"), licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California, through its undersigned attorneys, hereby responds to the July 29 letter of William D. Freedman, Deputy Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau ("Freedman Letter") (attached as Exhibit A). This Response is timely filed, as the Freedman Letter required a response by August 5, 2003. Numbered paragraphs below correspond to the numbered items in the Freedman Letter.

#### II. KRON'S RESPONSE

KRON responds as follows:

- The Licensee did not publicly broadcast all or any portion of the material described in the May 27 letter of Maureen F. Del Duca. over any station licensed to it other than Station KRON-TV.
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#### III. CONCLUSION

The broadcast of the program material at issue was a fleeting incident that was the result of an obvious mistake. The broadcast was limited to a single incident on a single station. For these reasons and the reasons set forth in KRON's Response dated July 3, 2003, the Enforcement Bureau should exercise its judgment to take no further action in this matter since the material broadcast on October 4, 2002 was, as a matter of law, not indecent.

Respectfully submitted, this the 1st day of August, 2003.

Mark J. Prak

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# Exhibit A



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July 29, 2003

# YIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED AND FACSIMILE

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Re:

EB-02-IH-0786/DJB

ID # 65526

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As you know, the Enforcement Bureau is investigating allegations that certain indecent material may have been broadcast over Station KRON-TV, San Francisco, California, on October 4, 2002, during the "KRON 4 Morning News" show. Our May 27, 2003, letter directed you to provide certain information and Documents, as defined therein. You filed a response on July 3, 2003.

We have additional inquiries, to which the definitions set forth in our May 27, 2003, letter also apply. We direct you to respond, within seven (7) calendar days from the date of this letter, to the following:

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Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division

Enforcement Bureau

cc: Stephen G. Hartzell-Jordan, Esquire, via facsimile

#### DECLARATION OF PAUL DINOVITZ

- I, Paul Dinovitz, under penalty of perjury, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. I am the President and General Manager of Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California.
- 2. I have reviewed the foregoing Response to the July 29, 2003 Letter of William D. Freedman ("Letter") and certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the facts set forth therein are true, complete, and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, and, as to facts and matters not within my personal knowledge, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I believe them to be true.
- 3. I further certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that, to the best of my personal knowledge, all of the information requested by the Letter which is in KRON's possession, custody, control or knowledge is being produced herewith and there are no documents in KRON's possession, custody, or control that are responsive to the Letter.

Executed on July 31, 2003.

Paul Dinovitz

President and General Manager

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Re: Young Broadcasting of San Franciso, Inc.

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Response to Letter of July 29, 2003

Dear Ms. Godschall:

This firm is counsel to Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc. ("KRON"), licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California.

Enclosed herewith is one original and four copies of KRON's Response to the July 29, 2003 letter of William D. Freedman.

Please note that any future correspondence to KRON sent by facsimile should be directed to (919) 839-0300 and (415) 561-8142.

Ms. Melanie A. Godschall, Esq. August 4, 2003 Page 2

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Executed on

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# Exhibit A

05:11pm



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cc: Stephen G. Hartzell-Jordan, Esquire, via facsimile



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July 14, 2003

#### Via Overnight Mail

Ms. Melanie A. Godschall Investigations and Hearings Division Enforcement Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 3-A365 Washington, D.C. 20554

> Re: Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc. EB-02-IH-0786/DJB Response to Letter of May 27, 2003

Dear Ms. Godschall:

This firm is counsel to Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California ("KRON").

Please find enclosed the Declaration of Lauren Williams with original signature (and 4 copies). An unsigned version was filed as an attachment with KRON's Response to the Enforcement Bureau's letter of May 27, 2003. As we discussed previously, a fax copy of the signed declaration was to have been filed with the Response but was not. This version of the Declaration is identical in all respects to the unsigned version filed with the Response, except that this version is executed. I would greatly appreciate your letting me know that you have received this document. I can be reached at the number above or by email at shartzell-jordan@brookspierce.com.

Ms. Melanie A. Godschall July 14, 2003 Page 2

If any questions should arise during the course of your consideration of this matter, it is respectfully requested that you communicate with this office.

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#### DECLARATION OF LAUREN WILLIAMS

I, Lauren Williams, under penalty of perjury, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am more than eighteen (18) years old and am under no disability. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the facts set forth herein are true, complete, and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, and, as to facts and matters not within my personal knowledge, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I believe them to be true.
- 2. I served as Executive Producer of the KRON 4 Morning News produced by Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California ("KRON"), at the time of the October 4, 2002 broadcast of the KRON 4 Morning News. I am not currently employed by KRON.
- 3. On October 4, 2002, the KRON 4 Morning News aired a live interview with the founders and performers of a stage show entitled "Puppetry of the Penis." The interview was hosted by news anchors Darya Folsom and Susan Blake. Prior to the October 4, 2002 news program, I informed News Director Stacy Owen of the scheduled appearance of the performers on the program, but, as it was our practice to book guests independent of senior management, we did not discuss their stage production in detail.
- 4. When the booking producer secured the interview of the "Puppetry of the Penis" performers, I gave great consideration to the wisdom of such an interview. After reading generally favorable reviews of the performance in mainstream media outlets such as the New York Times and reviewing promotional materials characterizing the performance of the show as the male counterpart to the critically acclaimed stage production "The Vagina Monologues," I determined that the subject was newsworthy. At the time of the

interview, "Puppetry of the Penis" had just completed a successful run in Los Angeles and was about to open in San Francisco. The KRON 4 Morning News routinely covers newsworthy stage performances and art events in the San Francisco area.

- 5. Prior to the interview, the stage manager reminded the guests that they were not to perform their "origami" and that KRON only wanted an interview. In fact, in conjunction with the interview, KRON personnel had previously driven around San Francisco and played a videotape of excerpts of the stage performance for willing viewers, and then solicited and taped reactions to the performance. This obviated the need for the guests to perform in the studio at all, and it was our intent that the guests would <u>not</u> perform during the interview.
- 6. When the guests entered the studio, they were wearing capes, but I believed them to be clothed underneath. We had no intention or desire to broadcast nudity during the October 4 program. Unfortunately, a split-second shot of one of the guests' naked penis was broadcast when he unexpectedly turned around toward the camera as he disrobed. Just prior to the accidental nude shot, our director had purposefully called for the guests to be shot from behind. Approximately 20 frames of the nudity were shot before human reaction time allowed the camera to cut away.
- 7. Upon return from commercial break following the end of the interview, the anchors apologized for the accidental nude shot. Approximately 4 minutes had passed between the brief broadcast of nudity and the apologies. Following the broadcast, I was reprimanded and suspended without pay for one week.
- 8. I have reviewed the foregoing Response to the May 27, 2003 Letter of Maureen F. Del Duca and attached Exhibits and certify that I provided factual information that was used in the preparation of all four sections of the Response.

Executed on July 3, 2003.

Yayan Ur Davis

Lauren Williams

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Response to Letter of May 27, 2003

Dear Ms. Godschall:

My client would like the complainant in this matter to know that Young Broadcasting Management: (1) shares her sentiments regarding the inappropriateness of the program material; (2) regrets that the error occurred which resulted in the complained of matter being broadcast; and (3) has taken steps to ensure that such an error does not occur again.

Should the complainant wish to contact me, I will be happy to have Ms. Deborah McDermott, Executive Vice President of Young Broadcasting, contact her/him to discuss the matter further. I can be reached at 919.839.0108. Thank you for forwarding this information on to the complainant. Ms. Melanie A. Godschall July 3, 2003 Page 2

Very truly yours,

BROOKS, PIERSE, McLENDON, HUMPHREY & JEONARD, L.L.P.

Mark J. Prak

Counsel to Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc.

Enclosures

cc: Mr. William D. Freedman

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Deb McDermott (w/enc.)

#### Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc.	) File No. EB-02-IH-078	86/DJB
Licensee of KRON-TV San Francisco, California	)	

To: The Chief

**Investigations and Hearings Division** 

**Enforcement Bureau** 

#### AFFIDAVIT OF STACY OWEN

Stacy Owen, being first duly sworn, alleges and says:

- 1. I am more than eighteen (18) years old and am under no disability. I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in this Affidavit, and I am competent to testify to them.
- I currently serve as News Director for Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California ("KRON"), and I was News Director for KRON at the time of the October 4, 2002 broadcast of the KRON 4 Morning News.
- 3. On October 4, 2002, the KRON 4 Morning News aired a live interview with the founders and performers of a stage show entitled "Puppetry of the Penis." The interview was hosted by news anchors Darya Folsom and Susan Blake. Prior to the October 4, 2002 news program, I was unaware of the precise nature of the guests' stage production and was advised on October 3, 2002 that their performance is the male answer to "The Vagina Monologues." Prior to October 3, 2002, the Executive Producer of the KRON 4 Morning News failed to consult with me or other senior management of KRON regarding the appearance of the performers on the program.
- 4. I watched the October 4 KRON Morning News from home, and, upon viewing the nudity—the broadcast of which was obviously accidental—I telephoned the production booth to demand that (1) the interview segment end and (2) the anchors apologize immediately. KRON personnel complied with both of my demands, and the anchors apologized immediately upon return from commercial break, approximately 4 minutes after the nudity had inadvertently aired. I was informed that the guests were

escorted from the building by our Managing Editor immediately after the interview ended.

- 5. Paul Dinovitz, President and General Manager of KRON was immediately notified of the situation, as was the station manager. Upon our arrivals at the station that morning, we met, addressed the situation, issued reprimands to station personnel involved in the situation, and notified Deborah McDermott, Executive Vice President for Broadcast Operations for Young Broadcasting, Inc., the parent company of Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc. KRON suspended for one week without pay, the booking producer and executive producer, and for 3 days without pay, the staff director of the KRON 4 Morning News program.
- 6. Upon reviewing a videotape of the entire October 4 episode of the KRON 4 Morning News, I observed that the anchors referenced the upcoming interview and nature of the guests' stage performance at least seven times prior to the commencement of the interview. I also observed that the anchors issued two specific warnings to parents to give parents the opportunity to make decisions regarding whether they wanted children to watch the interview segment. In addition, I observed that a total of 17/30 of one second elapsed during the period in which the guest's penis was exposed on live television. This time measurement was facilitated by the time-lapse counter appearing at the top of the screen on the videotape. I understand that a copy of the videotape, complete with the time-lapse counter, is attached to KRON's Response.
- 7. I have reviewed the foregoing Response to the May 27, 2003 Letter of Maureen F. Del Duca and attached Exhibits and certify that I provided factual information that was used in the preparation of all four sections of the Response.

[signature appears on following page]

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## FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

This the \_\_l\_\_ day of July, 2003.

Name: Stacy Owen

STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF <u>SAW FRANCISE</u> 5

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this \_\_\_\_ day of July, 2003

Notary Public

ANGELA K. FAWCETT
Commission #1245797
Notary Public - California
San Francisco County
My Comm. Expires Dec 16, 2003

#### DECLARATION OF PAUL DINOVITZ

- I, Paul Dinovitz, under penalty of perjury, hereby declare as follows:
- I am the President and General Manager of Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of KRON-TV, San Francisco, California.
- 2. I have reviewed the foregoing Response to the May 27, 2003 Letter of Maureen F. Del Duca ("Letter") and attached Exhibits and certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the facts set forth therein are true, complete, and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, and, as to facts and matters not within my personal knowledge, I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I believe them to be true.
- 3. I have also reviewed the Documents which are being submitted in response to the Letter, and I further certify under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that, to the best of my personal knowledge, all of the Documents and information requested by the Letter which are in KRON's possession, custody, control or knowledge are being produced herewith.

Executed on July 1, 2003.

Paul Dinovitz

President and General Manager

SURSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME

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### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Enforcement Bureau Investigations and Hearings Division

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June 20, 2003

# VIA U.S. MAIL AND TELECOPIER

Stephen Hartzell-Jordan, Esq. Brooks, Pierce, McLendon, Humphrey & Leonard, L.L.P. Post Office Box 1600 Raleigh, NC 27602

> EB-02-IH-0786/DJB Re:

> > ID # 65526

Dear Mr. Hartzell-Jordan:

We have received your request, dated June 20, 2003, which you sent on behalf of your client, Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc., licensee of Station KRON-TV, San Francisco, California (the "Licensee), for a one-week extension of time within which to respond to our May 27, 2003, letter concerning the investigation of allegations that indecent material may have been broadcast over the station during the "KRON 4 Morning News" show on October 4, 2002, at approximately 8:25 a.m., in violation of Title 18 United States Code, section 1464, 18 U.S.C. § 1464, and section 73.3999 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 73.3999. Our letter directed you to provide information and Documents, as defined within the letter, by June 26, 2003.

We have reviewed your request and find that you have shown good cause supporting a one-week extension of time, to and including July 3, 2003, within which to file a response. Accordingly, the Licensee's response is due on July 3, 2003.

As set forth in our May 27, 2003, letter, you should direct the Licensee's response to the attention of Melanie A. Godschall, Investigations and Hearings Division, Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room 3-A365, Washington, DC, 20554, and you must submit the Licensee's response to her via hand-delivery.

Sincerely

William D. Freedman

Deputy Chief, Investigations and Hearings Division

Enforcement Bureau

cc: Young Broadcasting of San Francisco, Inc.