

The CHAIRMAN. I realize that the way we are doing this is a bit unusual. My recollection was, that the witness had acknowledged that they did not appear in the report, and had acknowledged that she had not said that to the agents, as well.

Ms. HILL. That is true.

Senator SIMPSON. Mr. Chairman, you have your opportunity to—

The CHAIRMAN. No, I just wanted to mention this now because this is unusual, and she hasn't had a chance to see it. Please continue.

Senator SIMPSON. You are very fair.

Let me ask you, I think both of you say that you—both Judge Thomas and you say you never met each other until 1981. Is that correct?

Ms. HILL. That is correct.

Senator SIMPSON. Weren't you both members of the Black Republican Congressional Staff Association?

Ms. HILL. No.

Senator SIMPSON. You never were?

Ms. HILL. No, I never was.

Senator SIMPSON. Well, I don't have enough time to go into that one. I had heard you were, and that you knew him there, and other people stated that, and perhaps—that is what I was advised by a person who called me who knew you both, and was there with you both, but that is enough.

I am not leaving that out there as some sinister thing. I am just trying to find out if you knew each other before, because I heard that because he knew you there and respected you and enjoyed you there and found you very professional, that it was there he made the contact to then bring you to the Department of Education.

Ms. HILL. Which group is this?

Senator SIMPSON. The Black Republican Congressional Staff Association.

Ms. HILL. No, I am not a member of that. I have never been a member of that group.

Senator SIMPSON. In 1970, 1979, or 1980, some time in there—

Ms. HILL. I was in law school in 1979 and 1980.

Senator SIMPSON. Eighty and eighty-one?

Ms. HILL. In eighty, I graduated from law school in 1980 and went to work in private practice here in Washington, DC.

Senator SIMPSON. OK, that's good. Thank you. That was presented to me.

Now I heard Howard Metzenbaum say, and you have presented yourself and your testimony in an extraordinary way. I did think that Senator Specter pointed out some inconsistencies. But like Howard, I thought too of my daughter, my rainbow of life, and I would be outraged if such alleged conduct occurred directed to her.

And then I have had the terrible pain of also thinking of my sons, raised by a very enlightened mother, responsive, still kiss their old man good night and things like that, and rather expansive, stalwart boys, and where that kind of conduct could lead them—very troubling for me. Because all we have heard for 103 days is about a most remarkable man, and nobody has come forward, and they scoured his every shred of life, and nobody but you