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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
SECURITY AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DIVISION

Date of Interview: March 22, 2007
Location of Interview: ATCT, Concord, CA.

I, James Swanson, make the following statement freely and voluntarily to Special Agent James Austin who has identified himself to me as Special Agent of the Federal Aviation Administration. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me. I make this statement with full knowledge that it may be used in any administrative or civil proceeding.

I am employed as an ATCS at Concord ATCT. I have been advised that the FAA is conducting an investigation into inappropriate comments and hostile work environment.

✓ I have consented to Special Agent Austin assisting me in preparing this statement.

On a Sunday morning in late January Jeffrey came to work and John Crabtree told him what position he was going to work. Jeffrey made a statement like "trying to hold us niggers down". I told him not to ever make that statement again. He mentioned some song or something he had heard and I told him I was going on vacation and didn't want to hear about it.

I have not heard Jeffrey make any other racial comments. When I have been with him in the workplace, other than the comment he made, I have not had any conflicts with him or observed any problems in the workplace with other employees. *LS*

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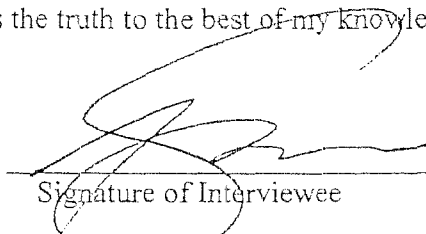
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I have read this entire statement consisting of 2 pages. I have been given the opportunity to make any additions, deletions, or corrections. I have initialed each page and all corrections. This statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge and recollections.



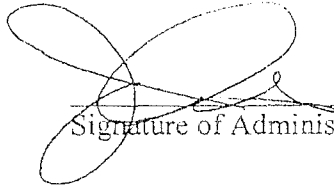
Signature of Interviewee

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Date

Subscribed and sworn before me a person authorized by law to administer oaths this 22 day of MARCH, 2007 at CONCORD
(city) CALIFORNIA (state).

Signature of Witness



Signature of Administering Agent

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