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Walsh book accuses Dole of hypocrisy

■ **WHITEWATER:** The GOP candidate's campaign insists the pardon question is fair

By Pete Yost
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Former Iran-Contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh accused Bob Dole of "hypocrisy" Tuesday in trying to use the pardon issue against President Clinton in the Whitewater affair.

Releasing two chapters of his forthcoming book, Walsh said Dole successfully "urged pardons for crimes of constitutional dimension" in the Iran-Contra scandal in 1992. President Bush pardoned former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger less than two weeks before he was to go on trial for allegedly lying about his knowledge of the Reagan White House's secret arms sales to Iran.

"Senator Dole's demand that President Clinton forego future pardons connected with Whitewater gives the voters a remarkable view of Dole's hypocrisy," Walsh said in a three-page statement released by his publisher.

While the pardon issue is being raised with Clinton regarding business transactions that occurred before he became president, "Dole, himself, had urged pardons for crimes of constitutional dimension committed in office by a Reagan cabinet officer," Walsh said.

"Dole's profession of public concern about what President



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woman Christina Martin issued a terse retort.

"With all due respect to Judge Walsh, his understanding of the issue appears to have been clouded by the opportunity of a little self-promotion and moneymaking," Martin said in a statement. "Judge Walsh failed to note that prior instances did not involve sitting presidents who were active participants in investigations and who stood to personally gain from promised pardons."

Walsh's book is to be released next spring, but "in the interest of full disclosure during the current presidential campaign, I am releasing two chapters" now, said Walsh's statement.

The book is entitled "Firewall: The Iran-Contra Conspiracy and Cover-up."

Walsh's statement came amid Dole's new ethics offensive against Clinton, who is under attack from the Republican presidential nominee as presiding over one of the most unethical administrations in history.

Clinton says "there's a lot of evidence" to support the contention that Whitewater prosecutors are out to get the Clintons — hunting for information to implicate the president and first lady in wrongdoing regardless of whether the information is true.

Walsh bluntly denounced Dole's actions of four years ago.

"After the indictment of Weinberger and even after the jurors had been notified to report for the trial, Senator Dole continuously attacked the investigation and the indictment with McCarthy-like false statements," Walsh said in his statement.

"When Dole failed to derail pre-trial proceedings, he became the foremost advocate of a pardon for Weinberger in advance of trial," Walsh added.

"It was never intended that the pardon power of the president be used to block a trial of an indicted person," Walsh said.

In a Dec. 15, 1992, news release entitled "Walsh's Latest Outrage," Dole accused Walsh of conducting "an outrageous \$35 million political persecution of Republicans."

Bush pardoned Weinberger and five other Iran-Contra figures on Christmas Eve 1992, the month after losing the presidential election to Clinton.

Gassy boss helps blow employee to Hawaii

NEW YORK — America's worst boss of 1996 is sexist and a slob, a cheapskate and a cheater, greedy and gassy.

The winner (loser?) of the nation's fourth annual search for supervisors who make their employees' flesh crawl was announced Tuesday by management techniques expert Jim Miller, who sorted through more than 300 entries.

The worst of the worst emerged from the East, but his identity must remain secret — the employee who nominated him is still working for Mr. Nasty and wants to keep his job (for now, at least).

What makes him so awful? Here's the winning nomination, submitted in the form of a want ad:

"Most Wanted List: Office manager. Successful candidate must be able to: Schedule fake business trips to spend time with another woman. ... Forcibly kiss secretary on the lips. Wear the same clothes all week. ... Cough in employees' faces, and pass gas and act as though this is normal behavior."

There's more — 26 reasons in all detailing the horrors of this person who brings his employees to a level of hell that even Dante didn't imagine.

"Rig company raffles and keep merchandise for yourself. Rub against employees whenever possible. ... Separate a fast food order to the correct employees by taking a bite out of each sandwich to determine its contents. ... Lie or cheat as long as yourself and ONLY yourself will benefit."

Miller, author of the best seller "Best Boss, Worst Boss," also selected the nation's best administrator: Bill Barnes, a principal at Spring Garden Elementary School in Bedford, Texas.

Having a rotten boss did pay off for the anonymous underling: He gets a one-week trip for two to Hawaii. Having a good boss meant the same prize for Andra Ende-



brock of Bedford, Texas, who submitted Barnes as the nation's best boss.

The 'Material girl' is now the maternal girl

LOS ANGELES — Madonna's a mama.

The 38-year-old pop diva and actress gave birth Monday to a healthy 6-pound, 9-ounce girl, Lourdes Maria Ciccone Leon.

Madonna, baby and daddy Carlos Leon were resting comfortably, spokeswoman Liz Rosenberg said. It is the first child for Madonna Louise Veronica Ciccone. The 30-year-old father is her personal trainer and boyfriend.



MADONNA

The girl was born at 4:01 p.m. at Good Samaritan Hospital, Rosenberg said. She and hospital officials declined to release other details of the birth, including

whether it was a natural birth or a Caesarean section delivery.

Dr. Paul Fleiss, father of Hollywood madam Heidi Fleiss, told TV crews as he left the hospital that he was the baby's pediatrician.

Fans all over the world celebrated the news of the baby. MTV ran a series of Madonna videos along with congratulatory messages from fans on the bottom of the screen.

The New York Daily News reported earlier this month that Madonna had wanted a natural childbirth, took birthing classes, considered having the baby at home and planned to breast-feed

the girl.

Gossip columnists had also said she would name her baby "Lola." Instead, she settled on Lourdes (pronounced LOR-dis). It also is the name of a French city — (but pronounced LUURD) — where millions seek healing each year at a shrine to the Virgin Mary. Maria is Leon's mother's name.

TV camera crews, reporters and tabloid photographers continued to stake out the hospital entrance today, but it was unclear whether the maternal girl was even there.

Months before announcing her pregnancy, Madonna told ABC's "Primetime Live" she planned to take out a personal ad to find a suitable candidate for "the fatherhood gig."

Leon got the job but Madonna did not use him as a "stud service," she said in November's *Vanity Fair*, which published excerpts of a diary she kept while filming "Evita" in Argentina.

Madonna says she didn't get pregnant for "shock value" and in one entry describes first seeing her fetus during an ultrasound test:

"I was stunned when I saw on the ultrasound a tiny, living creature spinning around in my womb. Tap-dancing, I think. Waving its tiny arms around and trying to suck its thumb. I could have sworn I heard it laughing."

Once she was pregnant, the woman who has mass-marketed herself through incarnations as actress, pop diva, vamp and "boy toy," suddenly became a recluse.

She was rarely photographed while pregnant and was reported to be scaling down her lifestyle this summer. After putting her Hollywood Hills mansion on the market she moved into a smaller, \$2.7 million home in the Los Feliz district, the *Los Angeles Times* reported.

For years she has said she wanted a child. Her mother died when she was a young girl, leaving her, she said, with "a longing, a feeling of emptiness."