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## Cochran In The Spotlight

Johnnie Cochran, the head of O.J. Simpson's "dream team" legal defense, is one of America's best-known lawyers who won celebrity status through his celebrity clients.

He has handled a string of high-profile cases, including an out-of-court settlement for Michael Jackson in the child-molestation case.

But he has devoted much of his professional career to fighting on behalf of mostly black victims of police and other official abuse. For Cochran, 57, who began the defense's closing arguments in the O.J. Simpson case Wednesday, race is a motivating force.

Last week he told the Congressional Black Caucus in Washington that the American justice system treated blacks unfairly and was biased in favor of the prosecution.

"Race plays a part of almost everything in America," Cochran said. "Justice is neither colorblind nor is it equal in this country."

Yet, surprisingly, another of Cochran's high profile cases is that of Reginald Denny, the white trucker nearly beaten to death by black rioters in Los Angeles during the 1992 unrest. Cochran's \$40 million suit against the police for failing to protect Denny is pending.

"If the police were negligent in the way they reacted, it shouldn't matter whether the victim is white, black, red or yellow," he has said.

Prosecutors, defense lawyers and clients who have worked with Cochran all mention the same things his homework is flawless, every word is calculated, he is tenacious and charismatic, and juries love him.

## Minority Entrepreneurs Promote Economic Development

Formed in 1987, the Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs, OAME Center is a non-profit, tax exempt organization with a mission to promote and develop entrepreneurship and economic development for ethnic minorities in the state of Oregon.

The association is a partnership between minority entrepreneurs, education, government, the community and established businesses.

The mission of the group is also directed toward eliminating discrimination and racism. The delivery mechanism of OAME Center services is both; Incubator With and Without Walls.

OAME began with the established position that a central core to the healthy development of a community is economic development, in other words the creation of wealth and jobs. OAME determined that if it could create and develop business ownership, jobs would be the result.

Paramount to successful busi-

ness growth and development was a core set of services.

The OAME Cascade Plaza at 4134 N. Vancouver Ave. established its core services as technical assistance, access to capital, matching capability with opportunity (clearinghouse), administrative services and information and networking.

• Technical Assistance: The Minority Entrepreneurship Program provides technical support for Oregon minority businesses. The program addresses a wide range of problems related to both skill development and attitudes reflected in minority business owners and managers.

• Access To Capital: Along with the establishment of a technical assistance program, OAME can work initially to make access to capital possible for minority business and later with major lending institutions.

• Matching Capability With Opportunity (Clearinghouse): The

Clearinghouse is a program that has a database of minority businesses in Oregon, their capability and their business opportunities in both the public and private sectors.

• Administrative Services. OAME offers secretarial services, typesetting, mail/postage service, copying/folding and faxing.

• Information and Networking Information. OAME maintains a resource library of magazines, publications, newspapers, public and private documents, video and audio tapes and playback equipment for member use.

Any organization or individual that supports the mission of OAME may become a member and receive services. OAME seeks participation and contributions from individuals and organizations to assist in achieving its mission.

For more information contact the OAME at 4134 N. Vancouver Ave., phone (503) 249-7744 or fax (503) 2349-2027.

## Clinton Sees

### Destructive Visions In Opponents

President Bill Clinton, revving up his political engines, sees his re-election bid as even more crucial than his 1992 run for the presidency because his would-be successors offered "destructive" visions.

"Four years ago, I ran because I thought there was no action being taken to give us a new economic policy... Now I think the alternative vision out there is destructive of the future we want," he said.

Clinton, who is not yet an avowed candidate for a second term in the White House, said in an interview with newspaper journalists he was confident about his chances at the polls next year because voters were starting to look at his record.

He said one of the reasons for the remarkable ups and downs of his trouble-plagued presidency was "if you do things, you've got to make people mad."

In what seemed to be a veiled jab at the conservative talk show hosts who have pounded him repeatedly, Clinton said if one's critics had access to radio and television programs and other channels of communications, "they will go wacky and they will generate animosity."

The interview took place over a luncheon celebrating the 80th birthday of Godfrey Sperling, a longtime political reporter for the Christian Science Monitor and focused on the 1996 election campaign.

Clinton, who recently spent five days in a cross-country campaign fundraising trip, said the policies he put in place over the last two-and-one half years were showing results.

"It's been a stormy time for the country, but if you look at what has been accomplished, I think the record has been good for America and will be good for our future," he said.

The 49-year-old president said the main difference between him and his Republican critics is over the extent of people's obligations to try to help one another.

"I think that if their view prevails, it may be more like the '20s than the '30s," he said, referring to the 1920s, an era when rapacious free-market policies sowed the seeds of an economic failure that led to the Great Depression.

He recalled that congressional Republicans voted en masse against his economic program, saying it would bring recession, and that "instead we had the best economic performance we've had in two or three decades."

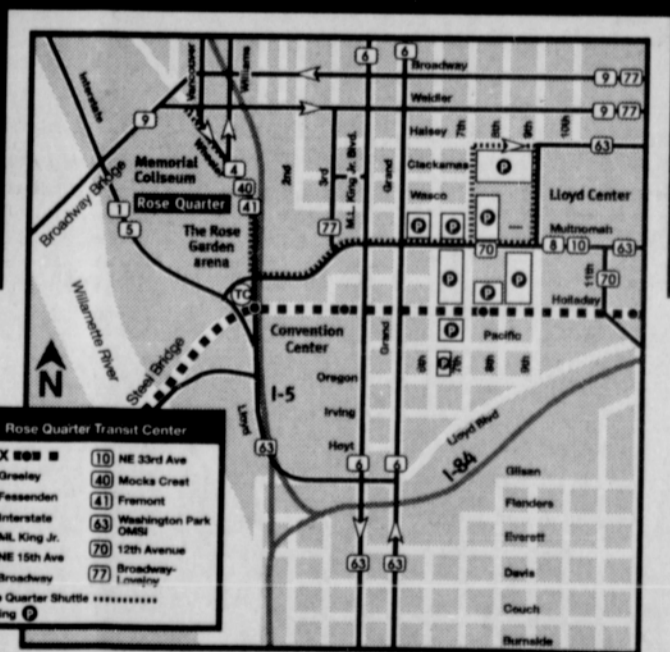
He also noted that the U.S. crime rate was declining.

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