

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT
OF COMMERCE,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 95-133 (RCL/JMF)

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NANCY MAYER-WHITTINGTON, CLERK
U.S. DISTRICT COURT

ORDER

Upon consideration of Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Depose Johnny Chung [#485], defendant's opposition thereto, and the entire record herein, it is hereby

ORDERED that said motion is **GRANTED**, subject to any opposition by Mr. Chung, for the reasons stated on the record during the recent deposition of Ginger Lew. As I then explained, I believe that inquiry into the activities of persons who donated funds to the DNC and attended trade missions is likely to reveal evidence that is reasonably calculated to lead to admissible evidence. Such evidence might provide a powerful motive for the Department of Commerce to remove or destroy documents subject to plaintiff's FOIA request. I am certain that such inquiries falls directly within the scope of discovery Judge Lamberth ordered to take place.

I understand that the parties intend to take such deposition at Tuesday, April 27, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. Pending review of any objections by Mr. Chung, it is **SO ORDERED**.


JOHN M. FACCIOLA
UNITED STATE MAGISTRATE JUDGE

April 26, 1999