PERSONAL-PROFESSIONAL RESUME

JONN G. CHRISTIAN 530 - 48th AVENUE SAN FRANCISCO

Born: Woodland, California - April 8, 1932

Education: 1 year college

Military: 4 years United States Navy (1951-55) - Honorable Discharge

Domestic: Married, 4 children aged 2-12

Professional: Broadcasting - talent, production, writing Sacramento & Los Angeles (1956-60) - American Broadcasting (1966) in San Francisco (KGO-TV) as News Assignment Editor Marketing/Legislative Consultant (1960-65) Carmel & San Francisco; emphasis on petroleum, food, retail drug

References:

Thomas M. Huston, Vice President Transamerica Corporation (ret.) & E. F. Hutton Company San Francisco

markets; political affairs

Amory J. Cooke, Vice President-Director The Hearst Corporation
San Francisco

Phillips S. Davies, Vice President E. W. Axe and Company San Francisco

Lee Rashall, Editorial Director KGO--American Broadcasting San Francisco

Thomas MacColl Huston 160 Montgomery Street San Francisco 4, California

SEPTEMBER 15, 1966

SUBJECT: JOHN CHRISTIAN

To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I HAVE KNOWN JONN CHRISTIAN FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND HAVE

A VERY HIGH REGARD FOR HIS ABILITIES. I THINK HE HAS A

SOUND KNOWLEDGE OF BUSINESS AND HAS EXHIBITED A TALENTED

DISCERNMENT OF VALUES IN THE NEWS FIELD AND IN THE FIELD OF

CALIFORNIA POLITICS. I BELIEVE, ALSO, THAT HE POSSESSES A

DEGREE OF PROBITY WHICH IS SOMETIMES LACKING IN THE REPORTORIAL

COVERAGE OF BOTH NEWS AND POLITICS.

I AM VERY GLAD TO RECOMMEND HIM FOR ANY RESPONSIBLE POSITION.

Yours very truly,

THOMAS M. HUSTON

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KGO-810

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

September 22, 1966

John Christian worked for me as my Assignment Editor prior to his leaving to take a position as an Advisor in the Yorty For Governor campaign.

During the time he was in our shop he demonstrated a great will-ingness to work and a keen knowledge of the body-politic, a combination difficult to find in today's market place of newsmen.

His departure was a gamble.....and that too is a willingness not easily found in people today.

I'm sure that given the tools and confidence of his superiors

John will do well. You should know that he is a "hardnose" and
willing to argue a point. At the same time.....in the last analysis.....he will be loyal.

GER GRIMSBY NEWS DIRECTOR KGO TELEVISION

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September 16, 1966

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have known Jonn Christian for the past three years and was privileged to be associated with him in the KGO Radio and TV news-room very recently.

I can tell you that Mr. Christian is a newsman's newsman. He has a keen awareness of everyday developments and the ability to search out every minute detail of every story he undertakes. In addition, Mr. Christian has very often put in many hours of his own time to make certain his facts and figures regarding a particular story are correct.

Jonn's wealth of knowledge relating to the complex California political picture is second to none.

In summation, I would recommend Mr. Christian very highly for any position in the broadcasting news industry.

Sincerely,

Radio Station KGO

Ray Tannehill

News Director

RT:p



Sept. 12, 1966

To Whom It May Concern:

We have worked rather closely with Jonn Christian in our earlier function as KGO News Editor, sharing the same newsroom with the television news staff, for which he was assignment editor.

From our observations of Christian's action and direction, in deploying Channel Seven's news manpower, we should say that he exhibited unusual aggressiveness and a rare brand of imaginative leadership. Frequently we witnessed him filling in the newsman with the background and proper approach for covering a story. He imparted to the outside man a degree of inspiration, and transferred some of his own enthusiasm in these sessions.

In assessing John, one needs to add two other factors: he does not accept the face value of any story, but instead habitually looks deeper. And, second, he has made it his business to ammass a unique store of knowledge about California politics which should be invaluable to any newsroom in any of the media.

When you combine with these facts the added asset that he is a refreshingly pleasant person to have around, and that he knows how to get along with fellow-workers, you come up with quite an unusual nominee for a responsible news direction job.

bee Rashall

KGO-TV

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

FROM WILSON. K. "BUD" FOSTER

DATE AUGUST 30,1966

SUBJECT LETTER OF REFERENCE: JOHN G. CHRISTIAN

IT HAS BEEN MY PLEASURE TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH JONN G. CHRISTIAN IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS NEWS FOR AMERICAN BROADCASTING IN THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA. AS NEWS ASSIGNMENT EDITOR FOR THIS BROADCAST DISTRICT, HIS BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE IN SPORTS ACTIVITIES HAS BEEN AN INVALUABLE ASSET ALL ROUND.

IT IS ALSO MY OPINION THAT MR. CHRISTIAN POSSESSES EXTRAORDINARY INSIGHT IN CALIFORNIA POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AT ALL LEVELS. HE HAS DEMONSTRATED THIS ON MANY OCCASIONS TO THE BETTERMENT OF OUR OVERALL NEWS COVERAGE.

UNDER HIS DIRECTION, I HAVE OBSERVED HIS ABILITIES TO SUPERVISE AND ADMINISTRATE THE GENERAL OPERATION OF OUR NEWS DEPARTMENT FROM HIS POSITION AS ASSIGNMENT EDITOR; HIS PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN EXCELLENT.

MR. CHRISTIAN'S IMAGINATION AND INITIATIVE WOULD COMPLIMENT ANY NEWS OPERATION, ANYWHERE.

VILSON K. "BUD" FOSTER

SPORTS DIRECTOR

KGO-TV

TO Jonn G. Christian

FROM Bob Dunn

DATE September 10th - '66

SUBJECT Letter of reference

To Whom It May Concern:

I have worked under the direction of Jonn G. Christian during his stay as Assignment Editor here at KGO-TV. His work in this capacity was outstanding.

Mr. Christian is uniquely equipped in the development of news stories concerning political affairs. He is also well-versed in other categories, especially sports. In general, he has a complete grasp of current events, with major emphasis on California life.

In my opinion Mr. Christian would compliment any news department in California.

Bob Dunn
"The Bob Dunn News Show"
Channel 7
San Francisco