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"Reporter" on Justice Watch has given me permission to use her report from the yesterday events at the Arndt trial to post here on the ACR.

I want to thank "reporter" for taking her own time to attend the trial and share her reports with our community forum. :-)

The report below is an exact copy-n-paste of what she sent to me in e-mail. By the way, this was the "good news" that Toadload mentioned on a post earlier is that "reporter" said I could use her reports.

"Reporter" report from JW 6-4-2001

What a sad day! The reporters in the hall are remembering what a consummate newspaperman Chris was. One reporter counted walking to lunch with him hand having Chris point out many fringe

players in the case which were unknown even to the reporter. Just goes to show you how well he knew his subject. The court extended its sympathy to the family.

It is interesting to sit there and try to figure out which side a spectator is most interested in, or who they are taking notes for. Sooner or later a nod or an exchanged word tells the story.

Bruce Jones (LA's attorney) reported that they had tried to get 20 some exhibits stipulated to by the BPD side and was unable to get this accomplished. Judge is not happy.

Sally Goedert, Victim's Advocate for the BPD, now retired, testified that LA was capable and competent before Ramsey and changed very much for the worse after Ramsey. Short testimony and cross. With each witness Halaby brings out that this case affected everyone connected to case.

From 10:30 on, all day then, the witness was Van Blaricom mostly being cross examined. Lots of jockeying to get in a chart or time line which shows who and when people were cleared of suspected wrong-doing in the case. Trying to show that LA was never cleared or supported.

Jones brought out the 8 items listed last week by Jackson, LA's former attorney. In each and every item, Van Blaricom said that telling the truth about that item would not have hampered the investigation.

Then lots of testimony about the investigation within the Department to determine the source of the police leaks. The Police Union would not permit polygraphs of the Police Ramsey investigative team.

The a video was shown of a city council meeting where Boulder Mayor Greenlee urged Koby to be more forthcoming to the press. Koby cited the time spent on FOUR major investigations at once as reason he did not have time for the media. Koby had

dark hair then and now it is almost all white. Dye, then? Or stress now? He predicted , in January 1988, that he would be 'ready to go' in the case in three months.

The afternoon session was fun. Halaby and Blaricom squaring off time after time. Each really knows how to testify and they provoked each other no end. He insists that moving the body by Linda is much ado about nothing.

The upshot was that Blaricom stuck to his guns that the case was mishandled all right, but not by Arndt. He could not be moved from his point of view. The jury leaned forward, some taking notes. I have not noticed any inattention whatsoever from them.

The media present today were Charlie Brennan, Owen Good (Rocky Mountain News), Frank Coffman and Raj Chohan (or however you spell that, from CBS in Denver).

Linda wore a black skirt and a grey top, most everyone in the courtroom dressed somberly I think because of Chris's death.

Tomorrow the redirect and short cross of Blaricom will take place, then what I think will be a short appearance of Linda's therapist and then Linda. Everyone expects that to be several days' worth. If this trial goes past Friday I don't think I can come, so who will take my place? everyone expects the room to fill up then.

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