MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 26, 1996

TO: File

FROM: David G. Marwell

SUBJECT: Brian Rosen

I called Brian Rosen at approximately 2:00 p.m. on June 26, 1996. The purpose of the call was to clarify certain issues that were not covered in the background investigation completed by OPM. The two issues were the reason for Rosen's having left the law firm in 1994 and Rosen's activity between 1994 and the present. Rosen indicated that he left the law firm primarily because he was not interested in continuing with a large law firm. He was not happy in the practice area that he'd been assigned and was more interested in looking for a job in the government. The timing of his departure was dictated by his health problems. Specifically, he suffered from very bad back pains. Toward the end of his tenure of the law firm, he was unable to sit and needed to work at a standing desk. He decided that he would leave the firm and address his back ailment. It took several months to get to the bottom of his back problem. Apparently, after many false tries, he, through the use of orthotics, has been successful in eliminating the back pain. During this period of convalescence, he severely injured his knee, requiring knee surgery. During the period of his unemployment, he worked as a volunteer for an organization known as "Higher Achievement." He gave me the name of his supervisor at Higher Achievement, Karen Lawrence, whose number is 842-5116, ext. 17. Brian appeared completely forthcoming in his explanations.