

JOHN HUESTON COVERAGE FROM THE ENRON TRIAL

“MR. LAY, I’M AN ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY,’ HUESTON RESPONDED. ‘THIS IS MY JOB. YOU MAY CALL ME ANYTHING YOU WANT.’ AT THAT POINT THE UNTHINKABLE HAPPENED: THE CRISP, METICULOUS GOVERNMENT PROSECUTOR HAD CLAIMED THE MORAL HIGH GROUND FROM THE FAMILY MAN WHO IS CALLING TWO BAPTIST MINISTERS TO TESTIFY ON HIS BEHALF.”

CNN

“THE GOVERNMENT LAWYERS TOOK A VERY COMPLICATED CASE, ONE THAT EASILY COULD HAVE GOTTEN BOGGED DOWN IN STULTIFYING ACCOUNTING MINUTIA, AND CREATED A COMPELLING THEME OF ‘LIES AND CHOICES,’ JUST AS PROSECUTOR JOHN HUESTON PROMISED IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT.”

FORTUNE MAGAZINE

“THE GOVERNMENT’S OPENING WAS SO EFFECTIVE THAT SKILLING’S LAWYER, DANIEL PETROCELLI, WENT OVER AND CONGRATULATED THE PROSECUTION TEAM DURING THE BREAK. AND I THOUGHT TO MYSELF, THAT CAN’T BE A VERY HAPPY SIGHT IF YOU ARE JEFF SKILLING.”

NATIONAL PUBLIC RADIO

“WITH NO KEY EVIDENCE, SKILL WAS AT A PREMIUM.... HUESTON’S CHILLY PERSISTENCE LEFT THE ONCE-GENIAL CORPORATE CHIEFTAIN, WHO HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO FLASH HIS CHARM LIKE A GET-OUT-OF-JAIL CARD, STAMMERING AND ANGRY, DRAWN FOR THE JURY IN A FEW QUICK STROKES AS A MICROMANAGER WHO THOUGHT HE COULD TALK HIS WAY OUT OF TROUBLE...”

THE WASHINGTON POST

“HUESTON...WAS THE PERFECT DAVID TO LAY’S GOLIATH – BOYISH, BUTTONED-DOWN, SOFT-SPOKEN, UTTERLY COMPOSED. IT WAS MR. HUESTON VERSUS MR. HOUSTON. AND IT WASN’T PRETTY.”

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

“IF TWO WAYS TO ALIENATE YOURSELF FROM A JURY ARE A) BY PUTTING THEM TO SLEEP AND B) BY COMING ACROSS AS UNLIKEABLE, LAY HIT THE LOTTO YESTERDAY. HIS TRANSFORMATION AT THE HANDS OF HUESTON WAS SOMETHING TO SEE.”

THE WASHINGTON POST

“EVEN BEFORE THE TRIAL BEGAN, LAY HAD PUBLICLY MAINTAINED THAT HE HAD SOLD HIS ENRON STOCK ONLY BECAUSE HE HAD NO CHOICE... ON CROSS-EXAMINATION, PROSECUTOR JOHN HUESTON METHODICALLY EVISцерATED THIS CLAIM.”

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