MEMORANDUM

February 21, 2003

TO: Lee Ann

Phillip

FROM: John

RE: Request for interview

The governor has been nominated for the "In the Arena" award presented to public officials who actively promote the use of technology in government. The award is presented by the Center for Digital Government.

Michelle Risley with the Center would like to do a phone interview with the governor for this award, and it will be posted on their website (see attached material). Cathilea Robinett, executive director of the Center, would also like to sit in on this interview; according to Michelle, she is the one who wants the governor to be recognized for his efforts.

The attached pages also outline some other Mississippians who have received the award and their interviews.

We just need to decide whether or not we do this, so I can get with Jill to get an interview time lined up.

Please let me know your thoughts on this asap. Thanks.