Seagram engages powerbroker Ovitz to head MCA Collapse

ANGELES (AP) — Seagram Co. Ltd.'s talks with top Hollywood talent agent Michael Ovitz to head MCA Inc. have collapsed, a source close to the negotiations

Word that Ovitz won't head the studio came as Seagram announced the completion of its purchase of an 80 percent stake in MCA from Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. of Japan for \$5.7 billion.

There was no immediate announcement on who would head MCA under Seagram, a Canadian beverage company. The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said it won't be Ovitz.

The source said Seagram's negotiations with Ovitz fell apart today over financial issues. Ovitz wanted a lucra-

tive compensation package and asked that Seagram buy out his stake in his Creative Artists Agency for \$250 million. The agency represents such stars as Tom Hanks, Meryl Streep and Sylvester Stallone.

Ovitz's lawyer did not immediately return telephone calls seeking comment. MCA President Sid Sheinberg is now expected to remain at MCA through an inde inite transition period. Sheinberg did m immediately return a telephone call.

Seagram has never commented pub licly on the reports of the talks with Ovitz. Spokesman Chris Tofalli said to day that Seagram was "continuing to ad dress the issue of management but we're not going to discuss individual names."

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SOMEBODY'S GOT TO DO IT!

Monday afternoon at Wofford Lain Cain Pool.

obtain a championship ring, his chances of winning this award will increase exponentially.

Attention! About face! "The Admiral" has now entered the race. David Robinson, the league's MVP, had one of the best statistical years in the NBA, but as stated earlier, the Wright award includes the performances of the candidates in the postseason too.

Robinson is probably the most focused player in the league and the best role model around. But his playoff downfall ruined the Spurs' chances of getting their hands on the elusive NBA crown. Once David and the Spurs can tame Dennis "The Worm" Rodman and play more as a team, they can grasp the coveted champi-

onship ring. Now we come to the player regarded by many as the greatest of all time - Michael Jordan. Everyone wants to be like Mike, financially speaking, and his "second coming" this season would have been the greatest event in NBA history if the Bulls had made

the Finals. I have a tremendous deal of respect for M.J., but he will not be receiving the Wright award this year as he sits at home, sipping Gatorade out of his \$130 sneakers while savoring a

Quarter Pounder in his Hanes. Well, the esteemed judge has chosen the player best suited for the first annual Lee Wright NBA Player of the Year Award. He possesses everything a franchise player should: an unstoppable shot, amazing quickness, outstanding defensive skills and most

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Marc Mulkey, a senior Industrial Distribution student from San Antonio watches over swimmers

and never give up. He was last season's league MVP, Defensive Player of the Year and Finals MVP – the only player in history to accomplish that. But that was last year; what has he done this year?

importantly, the desire to win

Not much except for leading his team this season despite being diagnosed with anemia, toying with breaking Jordan's record for playoff scoring average and leading the No. 6 seed in the Western Conference to the NBA Finals. Oh yeah, that team beat the top three seeded teams in the conference - something that has never done before.

This season, "The Dream" has played exactly like his nickname: He just doesn't seem real.

Hakeem Olajuwon, I present you with the Lee Wright NBA Player of the Year Award. Your trophy is in the mail along with an early congratulations to you and your team for winning the NBA title again (Please, don't make me eat my words).

tries to block juror dismissal □ Jury lost two panelists Monday: one Hispanic, one black. LOS ANGELES (AP) - Th trouble-plagued O.J. Simpson

Simpson defense

jury lost two more panelist Monday, a Hispanic woman an a black man, but the defense rushed to an appeals court to ing to reinstate the black man

Superior Court Judge Land Ito said only that he found "gov cause" to remove the jurors.

The two were missing when panelists left the jury room ter testimony was postpone Monday morning. The woma a 28-year-old real estate appraiser, had already been so home. The 54-year-old post operations manager whom ouster was being challenge remained at the hotel when jurors are sequestered.

Both had reportedly been u

der scrutiny for some time, a the judge spent hours in h chambers in recent weeks bating with lawyers whether they should be removed. Ito's pool of alternates w

dwindle to two, from the one

nal 12, if the postal worker dismissal is upheld. Jurors ha been sequestered since Jan. although opening statemer didn't begin until Jan. 24. Leaving Ito's chambers at the decision was made, prosen tors appeared ebullient. Defen attorneys were downcast, a

emergency appeal. He held up testimony for he a day, then canceled it altogeth er. The ousted jurors were mi immediately replaced.

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The disruption halted proceedings just as the case was to enter its most gruesome phasecoroner's testimony and thedis play of autopsy photographs and Simpson attorney Johnni L. Cochran Jr. said the defens might ask to stop the tril longer than a day.

A source close to the case said the defense was challen ing Ito's removal of the blad juror as "an abuse of discre tion" with no good cause show for dismissal.

Defense lawyers also di closed Monday that Simpso doesn't want to be in cour when the autopsy evidence presented. Cochran said Sim son almost bolted from the courtroom Friday when a pro ecutor graphically describe how Ms. Simpson may have been murdered.

Idaho student wins state jackpot □ Hiatt will collect a total of \$87.6 million.

Nick Rodnicki, THE BATTALION

BOISE, Idaho (AP) - Pam Hiatt was clear Monday on what she intends to do with her Powerball jackpot of nearly \$87.6 ml lion: "If I want it, I'll buy it." The 26-year-old college student also said she will quit the lde

ho National Guard and drop out of Boise State University, at least for a while. "Today we're all getting new cars for the whole family," said Hiatt, who is expecting a child next month.

She accepted a ceremonial check from Gov. Phil Batt as he mother, sister and three brothers watched. Her first payment was \$4.38 million before taxes.

She'll receive the rest in \$4.4 million yearly chunks. It was the multistate game's fifth-highest jackpot. "I'll invest part of it, most of it, new cars, new house, I guess whatever I want" Hiatt said. "If I want it, I'll buy it."

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