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Mr. Brian Lamb
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Dear Brian Lamb:

Our family are regular watchers and listeners of C-Span and find it generally fair and responsible in its programming. We believe that you and your colleagues are performing an excellent public service. The reason for this letter is, in our view, a recent glaring exception. It was the interview that you conducted with David Brock of The American Spectator.

We objected very much to your providing this writer with a forum to spread his news (and views). C-Span, after all, is not in competition with CNN and Larry King or with a daily newspaper such as The Los Angeles Times. Your mission, as we understand it, is public service. Given the track record of David Brock and the lack of background data on the individuals who spread the word about the President's purported sexual adventures as governor, we think that interview was in very poor taste. It caused us for the first time to be suspicious of C-Span's role in public affairs.

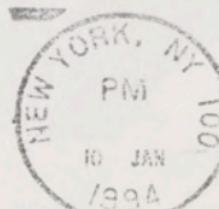
We noticed that when you asked David Brock to describe The American Spectator and to name its ownership, he avoided providing any direct information--and you let it pass. We found this particularly objectionable because we have known you to be a skilled and persistent questioner with other interviewees who have been evasive. We would have liked to have your question answered and are still wondering.

In summary, we hope that you will not again provide a conduit for such a sensational allegation until there is clearcut, responsible evidence that it merits time on C-Span.

Sincerely, [REDACTED]
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