

The CHAIRMAN. Now, does anybody on—Senator Kohl?

Senator KOHL. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Some of you suggested possible motives for Ms. Hill to have done what she did. And I can understand that. But what I cannot understand and perhaps you can explain it to me, is what the motives would be of those four people who came here today, each one who had heard from Professor Hill over the past 10 years, about these sexual harassment charges. Reputable people, people who had not talked to her over the past 2 years, had not talked to her over the past several months, but clearly reputable people who didn't know each other, came here from all walks of life.

And they testified that in 1981, 1982, 1983, and 1987, Professor Hill told them about what was happening.

Ms. BERRY. I have already challenged Mr. Carr's statement. He said that Anita Hill told him that she was harassed by her supervisor. And he made the great leap that the supervisor that she was referring to was Clarence Thomas. And that, right there, is suspect to me when I know, for a fact, that Anita Hill had more than one supervisor.

Senator KOHL. Okay. So in your case, you are saying her comments might have been about somebody else at EEOC? Her comments might not have referred specifically to him. All right, I think that is possible.

Diane.

Ms. HOLT. Senator, I think I would question the fact that none of those people who Professor Hill told that she had been sexually harassed did not provide any advice. These were professional people. They knew what the recourse was. Nobody told her to go forward with her story.

Senator KOHL. But the assumption there is that all four of them are lying.

Ms. HOLT. That's not my assumption.

Senator KOHL. But that is what you are saying.

Ms. HOLT. No, I said I questioned that fact.

Senator KOHL. I know but let's just move on to real talk. If you question that fact, you question the veracity of what they are saying.

Ms. HOLT. I do, yes.

Senator KOHL. All right, that is another way of saying in your opinion—

Ms. HOLT. I question it, but I am not calling them liars.

Senator KOHL. Well, we are just trying to use nice words, but I want to understand. You can say that, there is nothing wrong with it, but your explanation is that they are not telling the truth?

Ms. HOLT. That's right, I don't believe it.

Senator KOHL. I appreciate that.

And Ms. Fitch.

Ms. FITCH. Senator, in discussing motivation I have said that I only understand my own. I cannot, I cannot try to discuss their motivation. I am sure they had the best intentions and wanted to be helpful to the person that they believe in. I don't know what else to say about that question. It is a question that I can't answer.

Senator KOHL. Ms. Alvarez?