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From the December 10-16, 1998 issue of Metro.

Truth and Consequences

Truth Sayer: Silicon Valley Wunderkind Joe Firmage says the moment has arrived for the world to embrace the truth, and President Clinton should tell it: space aliens have visited the earth.

Photo: Christopher Gardner

When USWeb replaced company founder Joe Firmage as CEO, two things became clear. One, in the boardrooms of Silicon Valley, you don't get to believe in space aliens. And two, the world isn't ready for anything billed as The Truth, whether it's true or not.

By *Michael Learmonth

NOTHING about Joseph P. Firmage seems the slightest bit ethereal, a hard thing to reconcile considering the events of recent weeks. Forty-five minutes after our meeting was scheduled to start, I am ushered down a busy hall in a Santa Clara office building and shown into his corner office at USWeb, where the young executive sits busily tapping his keyboard. Without turning away from his computer, Firmage asks me to take a seat. At 28, he's a decamillionaire with two wildly successful high-tech startups under his belt.

Having founded USWeb in 1995 and in three years built it into a public company worth about \$1 billion, Firmage has made himself and a lot of other people very rich, very fast. Firmage founded his first company,

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