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## ABSTRACT

**Jean C. Jones** begins her interview by discussing her family life and how she began working at Fairchild Semiconductor Corporation. She talks about her early interactions with Gordon E. Moore and Robert N. Noyce. She details how she became a full-time secretary for Fairchild Semiconductor Corporation and her involvement with the Research and Development Laboratory and her supervisor, Victor Grinich. Jones chronicles her daily life while working at Fairchild and shares engaging stories about Gordon and Robert. Jones continues the interview by describing the move from Fairchild Semiconductor to the Intel Corporation. She recounts stories about the daily interactions in the office and details the working relationship between several of the staff including Andrew S. Grove, Robert Noyce and Gordon Moore. Jones discusses Gordon Moore as CEO of Intel, her interaction with the Board of Directors and her communication with Craig Barrett and Max Palevsky. Finally, Jones reflects on Gordon Moore's character and what she is most proud of from her association with the Intel Corporation.

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