**FPB – CLASSIFIER’S REPORT**

**TITLE: David Searching**

**GENRE: Gay, Drama, Comedy**

**CLASSIFICATION DECISION Film : 16 LSN**

**CLASSIFICATION DECISION Trailer :**

**Format : Digital**

**Director : Leslie L. Smith**

**Language : English**

**Cast : Camryn Mannheim, Anthony Rapp, Julie Halston, Joseph Fuqua, David Courier, Michael Rupert Running**

**Time : 103 min**

**Year : 1997**

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**Synopsis**

A witty and charming, “slice of New York singles-life”, comedy on the greatest quest of all: finding Mr. Right.  
  
David is an idealistic documentary filmmaker whose quest for romance is as stalled as his career. Unable to make rent, he takes in the feisty and sassy Gwen. Comrades-in-arms, the pair come to each other’s aid as they are plagued by divorce, unemployment, crammed living, and a mysterious sexy stranger sloshed out on their sofa named Walter.   
  
David’s search takes him on a sequence of hellish but comical trysts that feature cameo performances by top Broadway stars including; two time Tony winner Stephen Spinella as a guy with a humus fetish; Hedwig and the Angry Inch creator John Cameron Mitchell as a grape caressing literary snob; and Obie winner David Drake (who picks David up on the street and jumps him after three words of dialogue. Theatre veteran Kathleen Chalfant gives a moving performance as David’s Southern grandmother.  
Eventually, David receives emotional and career guidance from real-life comedian Julie Halston who teaches David how to incorporate pain and angst into his romantic and professional life.

**Classifiable Elements**

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| **Language** | Low impact, infrequent |
| **Sexually related activity** | Strong impact, Implied, occasional |
| **Nudity** | Low impact, infrequent |

**Cumulative Impact (element, sound, lighting, techniques)**

**INFORMATION ABOUT CLASSIFIABLE ELEMENTS IN THE FILM:**

**Mandatory Classifiable Elements**

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| **LANGUAGE** | **16** |
| **NUDITY** | **16** |
| **PREJUDICE** |  |
| **SEXUALLY RELATED ACTIVITY** | **16** |
| **VIOLENCE** |  |
| **SUBSTANCE ABUSE** |  |
| **SEXUAL VIOLENCE** |  |
| **HORROR** |  |
| **IMITABLE ACTS (IAT)** |  |
| **CRIMINAL TECHNIQUES (CT)** |  |
| **COMPETITIVE INTENSITY (CI)** |  |

**VOLUNTARY CLASSIFIABLE ELEMENTS**

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| **BLASPHEMY** |  |
| **PHOTO/PATTERN SENSITIVITY (PPS)** |  |