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DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
OFFICE OF THE DELEGATE OF THE BISHOP
REPORT SUMMARY - CIVIL AUTHORITIES

Date/Time of Contact: _____

Name of Complainant: _____ (Maiden Name): _____

Address: _____ N

Telephone # _____

DOB: _____ **SS#** _____ **E-mail:** _____

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant): _____ **Relationship:** _____
Tel. No.: _____ **Address:** _____

Name of Accused: GERALD JOYAL

1. Location (City/Town) of Alleged Abuse: BENNINGTON, NH
Place of Alleged Abuse: ST. PATRICK RECTORY
Date of Alleged Abuse: DECEMBER 1980 - SCHOOL VACATION
Nature of Alleged Abuse: ANAL INTERCOURSE
Age of Complainant at the Time of alleged abuse: 16

2. Location (City/Town) of Alleged Abuse: _____
Place of Alleged Abuse: _____
Date of Alleged Abuse: _____
Nature of Alleged Abuse: _____
Age of Complainant at the Time of alleged abuse: _____

Complainant has been informed that the Diocese will report this allegation to law enforcement (Attorney General's Office and possibly DCYF and local law enforcement)
XXX Yes _____ No

Specific Concerns: _____

Report to DCYF (if Complainant is under age 18) (800-894-5533):
Date: _____ **Time:** _____ **Name of DCYF Intake Rep.:** _____

Report to Ovide Lamontagne (603-695-8516) (to report to AG and law enforcement):
Date: _____ **Time:** _____

Copies of Report: **Delegate** _____
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Other _____

Anthony Fowler

From: Anthony Fowler
Sent: Wednesday, April 30, 2003 9:16 AM
To: 'Ovide Lamontagne'
Subject: RE: New Report [REDACTED] Fr. Gerald Joyal)

Ovide: I do not think we need to report to Law Enforcement due to Fr. Joyal being deceased.

Thanks, Tony F.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ovide Lamontagne [mailto:OMLAMONTAGNE@dmb.com]
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2003 9:14 AM
To: Anthony Fowler
Cc: jnaiff@catholiccharitiesnh.org; EArsenault@RCBM.org
Subject: New Report ([REDACTED] BA.org Redact)/Fr. Gerald Joyal)

Dear Tony,

Please find attached a new report received late last week from a [REDACTED] regarding allegations of abuse committed by Fr Gerald Joyal. As you know, Fr Joyal is now deceased. The victim is [REDACTED] pending a criminal trial or the resolution of criminal charges. Given the age of the abuse, Fr Joyal's passing and [REDACTED] present status, perhaps there will be no need to involve local law enforcement, but I look forward to hearing back from you about what more you believe needs to be done.

Thanks, Ovide

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REPORT SUMMARY ~ CIVIL AUTHORITIES

Date of Contact: 5/13/2003 **Time:** 4:15 **Received by:** Diane Murphy, Ombudsman

Complainant Name: [REDACTED] **(Maiden Name):**
Address: [REDACTED] 03867
Telephone: [REDACTED]
DOB: [REDACTED] **SS#:** - - **E-mail:**

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant): **Relationship:**
Telephone: **Address:**

Name of Accused: Gerald Chalifour

1. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:** Somersworth

Place of alleged abuse: The Beach

Date of alleged abuse: Late 1950s

Nature of alleged abuse: Wrestling without wearing clothing.

Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: He cannot recall his age but believes that he was 17 or 18 years old. He believes it happened soon before Fr. Chalifour was transferred to St. Charles (March 1959).

2. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:**

Place of alleged abuse:

Date of alleged abuse:

Nature of alleged abuse:

Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse:

Complainant has been informed that the Diocese of Manchester will report this allegation to law enforcement (Attorney General/ DCYF if applicable/local law enforcement) Yes X No ☐
Specific Concerns: [REDACTED] It is concerned about his confidentiality and does not want his name publicly revealed.

Report to DCYF (if complainant under age of 18) 800-894-5533

Date of Contact: / /200 **Time:** :

Name of DCYF Intake Rep:

Report to Ovide Lamontagne (603-695-8516) for report to AG/law enforcement:

Date of Contact: 5/13/2003 **Time:** 4: 25

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Delegate: ☐ **Record Clerk** ☐ **Asst. to Delegate for Pastoral Care:** ☐ **Other:** ☐

Anthony Fowler

From: Ovide Lamontagne [OMLAMONTAGNE@dmb.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2003 5:18 PM
To: Anthony Fowler
Cc: DQuinlan@RCBM.org
Subject: New Report: [REDACTED] Fr Chalifour

Tony,

Please find attached a "new" report which we just received. As you will note, the victim wishes to remain anonymous and the accused priest is deceased. I assume we will not have to report this incident to local law enforcement, but I will await word back from you.

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Anthony Fowler

To: Ovide Lamontagne
Subject: RE: New Report: [REDACTED] Fr Chalifour

Ovide, The incident is old, and the accused priest is deceased. No need to report this to Law Enforcement.
Tony

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Date of Complaint: [REDACTED] **Complainant:** [REDACTED] **MacDonnell**

Complainant Name: [REDACTED]	(Maiden Name):
Address: [REDACTED]	
Telephone: [REDACTED]	
DOB: [REDACTED]	E-mail:

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant): Peter Hutchins	Relationship: Attorney
Telephone: [REDACTED]	Address: 80 Merrimack Street, Manchester, NH 03101

Name of Accused: Rev. Romeo Valliere

1. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:** Claremont
Place of alleged abuse: St. Mary Parish
Date of alleged abuse: 1966-1969
Nature of alleged abuse: oral sex and masturbation
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: 12-15 years old

Name of Accused: Rev. Paul Aube

2. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:** Claremont
Place of alleged abuse: St. Mary Parish
Date of alleged abuse: 1970-1971
Nature of alleged abuse: fondling and masturbation
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: 16-17 years old

Complainant has been informed that the Diocese of Manchester will report this allegation to law enforcement (Attorney General/ DCYF if applicable/local law enforcement) Yes ☐ No ☐
Specific Concerns:

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July 1, 2003

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Gordon MacDonald, Esq.
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Re: New Case # 93
Client: [REDACTED]
Priest: Father Romeo J. Valliere
Father Paul Aube
Location: St. Mary's Parish
Claremont, NH
Date(s): [REDACTED] 1970-1971
Relationship: Altar Boy
Victim's Age: [REDACTED] 12-15
[REDACTED] 16-17
Level: 3
Frequency: [REDACTED] 40
[REDACTED] 25-30
Insurance Coverage: No

Dear Gordon:

Kindly add the above captioned case to our list as case #93 to be included in our settlement mechanism / process.

This is a very serious "Level 3" case which involved sexual abuse committed against [REDACTED] by two different priests, Romeo Valliere and Paul Aube, both of whom were actively investigated by the New Hampshire Attorney General's office. The case also has significant factors enhancing evaluation.

This is an "uncovered" claim due to the fact that the abuse claimed occurred prior to 1972.

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Client Background

[REDACTED] is a 49 year old resident of [REDACTED]. He was married 16 years ago, however is currently separated from his wife. He has two children, [REDACTED] age 15, and [REDACTED] age 13. He is currently [REDACTED].

He attended St. Mary's school in Claremont from grades 1-8, and graduated St. Mary's High School [REDACTED]. He has [REDACTED] brothers and sisters. He received a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy from [REDACTED], and a Master's degree in Theology from [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. He attended the Theological College seminary through 1979.

He was ordained a deacon in the Diocese of Manchester [REDACTED], and a priest in the Diocese on [REDACTED]. While a Catholic priest in this Diocese, he was assigned to St. [REDACTED], and St. [REDACTED] in Concord. He took a leave of absence in [REDACTED], and permanently left the Catholic priesthood in the [REDACTED]. He was married in July of 1987. He has been a [REDACTED].

Abuse by Father Romeo J. Valliere (1966-69)

The sexual abuse committed by Father Romeo J. Valliere against [REDACTED] involved approximately 40 incidents of oral sex and masturbation.

[REDACTED] first encountered Valliere while a 7th grader at St. Mary's school. [REDACTED] had become an altar boy during the 6th grade (1964-65), and Valliere was assigned to St. Mary's on August 3, 1965. Their initial contact was through the altar boy connection, and Valliere befriended the 12 year old [REDACTED] almost immediately upon his assignment to St. Mary's.

[REDACTED] recalls the abuse beginning in the St. Mary's rectory in Valliere's room. This abuse, which most likely occurred prior to the summer of 1966, involved french kissing, displaying pornographic films, and coaxing the 12 year old boy to take his clothes off. He recalls that this occurred 2 or 3 times during that first school year that Valliere was present (1965-66).

The majority of the sexual abuse occurred at Valliere's

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parent's home in Berlin. Apparently Valliere would take 2-3 vacation weeks each summer at the Berlin home. He invited [redacted] to come with him, and [redacted] did accompany Valliere to this home during these vacation weeks for three summers - 1966-1968.

Valliere would have [redacted] sleep in the same bed as him, and the abuse always involved Valliere performing oral sex on the boy to the point of ejaculation, and then force the boy to masturbate the priest, also to the point of ejaculation. Both the boy and the priest would be completely naked and under the covers. [redacted] recalls that Valliere would always give him beer, and that the priest would drink beer himself. This same pattern of abuse continued for the three summers noted, and [redacted] estimates that it took place on a total of approximately 40 occasions.

[redacted] also recalls several instances of sexual abuse that occurred at locations other than the Berlin home.

He recalls one occasion that occurred at a home on Cape Cod that [redacted] parents were renting in the summer of either 1967 or 1968. His parents, brother and sisters were present on the trip. Members of the family had their own rooms, and Valliere slept in a separate bed in [redacted] room. During the night, Valliere came into [redacted] bed, and performed oral sex on him.

[redacted] recalls another occasion where he, Valliere, Valliere's teenage brother and a teenage friend went to a drive-in movie. Valliere's brother and the friend were a year or two older than [redacted] at the time. [redacted] and the brother's friend sat in the back seat of the car with Valliere in the middle. Valliere's brother was in the front passenger seat. During the movie, Valliere unzipped [redacted] pants and began to fondle and masturbate him. [redacted] then realized that Valliere was doing the same thing, simultaneously, with his other hand to the brother's friend. Valliere leaned over to [redacted] and whispered for him to reach to the front seat and fondle/masturbate his brother. [redacted] refused.

A third occasion that [redacted] recalls was when he was a 9th grader on the freshman basketball team. Valliere had volunteered to drive his car to help transport the team. On the way home from a game, Valliere stopped with the team at the Margate hotel in Laconia. He took the players into the hot tub at the resort, and while they were in the hot tub, Valliere fondled his genitals. On the ride the rest of the way home to Claremont,

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Valliere also attempted to fondle [REDACTED]'s genitals, but [REDACTED], fearful the other boys would notice, pushed his hand away.

The abuse stopped when Valliere was transferred from St. Mary's in the spring of 1969. [REDACTED] had no further contact of any type with Valliere after that time.

Abuse by Father Paul Aube (1970-71)

[REDACTED] encountered Paul Aube within the first week of Aube's assignment to St. Mary's in 1970. By this time, [REDACTED] had begun to develop a serious interest in pursuing a vocation in the priesthood, and Aube was made immediately aware of this fact. Aube was very friendly and outgoing, and befriended [REDACTED] immediately.

He recalls his first encounter of a sexual nature with Aube occurring during the summer of 1970. Like Valliere, Aube's parents also apparently lived in Berlin, and again [REDACTED] was invited to spend a week with Aube at the Berlin house. [REDACTED] was 16 years old at the time. [REDACTED] recalls that at night when they were going to bed, Aube insisted that they both sleep in the nude, telling [REDACTED] how it was more healthy for the body's blood circulation to sleep naked. [REDACTED] recalls that Aube would keep the light on until 2:00-3:00am talking to [REDACTED] while they both lie there naked. Every time [REDACTED] would try to go to sleep, Aube would awaken him, often by placing a lit cigarette under [REDACTED]'s nose. The sexual abuse involved genital fondling. Apparently Aube's form of perversion was to cause [REDACTED] to have an erection, and to continue to fondle him to a point just short of ejaculation, and then stop. [REDACTED] recalls this occurring on 6 or 7 nights during that trip. He recalls a total of four (4) one week trips to the Berlin home, for a total of 25-30 incidents of this naked masturbation.

[REDACTED] also recalls abuse at locations other than the Berlin house. He recalls once that Aube rented a cabin somewhere in the mountains for 3 days. He recalls the similar naked fondling, however on these nights the fondling did progress to masturbation and ejaculation. He also recalls accompanying Aube to Maine where Aube was scheduled to give some type of talk or speech. They stayed together at a hotel for one night, and the same form of abuse took place on that occasion as well.

[REDACTED] further recalls one extremely bizarre incident that

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occurred when he accompanied Aube to Gardez, Massachusetts for a wedding of a 20-21 male that Aube apparently knew. [REDACTED] was 17 years old at the time. He remembers that on one evening prior to the actual wedding, he, Aube and the groom-to-be were together in a hotel room, and all three, at Aube's request, were naked. At the beginning of the evening Aube sat facing [REDACTED] and the groom-to-be while he fondled the genitals of them both. Aube then directed the groom-to-be to essentially mount [REDACTED] and simulate a sex act. After going to bed that evening, Aube engaged in masturbation with [REDACTED] to the point of ejaculation for Aube.

Conclusion

This is a very serious "Level 3" case. The value of this case, under our settlement system, is enhanced for several reasons:

- 1- Multiple priests;
- 2- Instances involving multiple victims;
- 3- Pornography;
- 4- Simulated sex acts with victims; and
- 5- Alcohol.

The sick and perverted nature of the acts as described in this letter speak for themselves, and I will not expound further.

This is an "uncovered" claim, and as such, we will need to choose a date to meet and discuss this and other cases not covered by insurance.

Very truly yours,

Peter B. Hutchins

PHH
c: [REDACTED]



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Complainant Name: [REDACTED] **(Maiden Name):** [REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]
Telephone: [REDACTED]
DOB: / / **SS#:** - - **E-mail:** [REDACTED]

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant): [REDACTED] **Relationship:** self
Telephone: same as above **Address:** [REDACTED]

Name of Accused: Fr. Steve Scruton

1. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:** unknown
Place of alleged abuse: unknown
Date of alleged abuse: 1975
Nature of alleged abuse: "made a pass at me" details unknown
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: 17 y/o
2. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:**
Place of alleged abuse:
Date of alleged abuse:
Nature of alleged abuse:
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse:

Complainant has been informed that the Diocese of Manchester will report this allegation to law enforcement (Attorney General/ DCYF if applicable/local law enforcement) Yes ☐ No ☒
Specific Concerns: [REDACTED] did not wish to report this information to civil authorities. He will write an account of the incident and send to Joseph Naff

Report to DCYF (if complainant under age of 18) 800-894-5533
Date of Contact: / /200 **Time:** :
Name of DCYF Intake Rep:

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Cc: jnaff@catholiccharitiesnh.org; Earsenault@rcbm.org
Subject: New Report: [REDACTED] /Fr Steve Scruton

Dear Tony,

This is a report from [REDACTED] from whom we have had previous contact on the Fr. Lower case. Apparently, in 1975 when he was 17 years old, [REDACTED] he said that Fr Scruton "made a pass at me," and said that he would prefer to write an account of the incident and send it to Joe Naff. I thought I would file this with you now and then provide you the details when I receive them from [REDACTED]. Please advise if you would like me to do anything further at this time.

Ovide

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Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 4:27 PM
To: Fowler, Anthony
Cc: jnauff@catholiccharitiesnh.org; DQuinlan@RCBM.org; EArsenault@RCBM.org
Subject: Update from [REDACTED] Report of 7-14-03

Dear Tony,

Please find attached more detail from the report I sent you on July 14, 2003 (a copy of which is also attached) regarding [REDACTED]. The attached memo was prepared by [REDACTED]. Please let me know if you need more information or if you believe additional steps need to be taken by the Diocese.

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Mr. Naff, Rev. Arsenault:

Last December, while I was making my report on Rev. Lower, I also mentioned that there had been an incident with Rev. S. Scruton. I would like to report the following incidents for the record.

Because of the change of Bishops and scheduling issues, Confirmation at St. Rose of Lima in Littleton had been postponed for several years. Finally it was scheduled for the spring of 1975 and in September of 1974 the guidelines for students who wish to be confirmed in the spring were laid out. These included required attendance at formation classes through the year and service projects. Through the year I participated in the classes and the other 'required' activities. I did notice that a number of my classmates dropped out of class and did not participate in the 'required' activities. Yet when confirmation came around, EVERYONE was confirmed, including those that did not fulfill the requirements. Rev. Scruton decided on his own that everyone would be included and though I complained, it fell on deaf ears. I would classify this as abusive authority behavior by Rev. Scruton.

I had been very much involved in activities. One of them I'd like to report because of it abuse of trust (theft from the parish).

Prior to Rev. Scruton's arrival, the collection counting had been taken care of by families in the Parish (neighbors that I knew). These were trusted people in the community and freely gave of their time to take care of the responsibility of organizing and counting the collection and depositing it in the bank. Rev. Scruton did not care for this arrangement (for reasons I will disclose later). He decided that the collection needed to be counted in the rectory under his supervision. In January of 1975, I was enlisted to count the collection at the rectory. Each Sunday that winter and spring, I would go to an early Mass and then go to the rectory and begin counting the collection, beginning with the Saturday evening and early Sunday Mass collections. As the morning passed, collection from the additional Masses would arrive and finally after the last Mass, Rev. Scruton would assist in finishing counting the collection. (Since this usually ran into lunch, I would be tasked to cook lunch for Rev. Scruton, and quite often for his guest.) As we came to the end of counting the collection, Rev. Scruton would go into his office and return with a cigar box. Anywhere from \$20 to \$50 was put into this box (these funds were not included in the collection). The collection was 'fixed' to look like a legitimate number (no even \$100 or even \$10 increments were reported). What I did find was that this cigar box funds were being set aside for personal and entertainment use. The money from the cigar box was used for Pizza, Movie Theater Tickets, and going out to eat. I'm sure it was used for other things that I was not involved in as well. Most of all, it was not reported to the parishioners. This theft is clearly an abuse of trust.

I was very upset at the time of confirmation and quit the collection counting and lunch service I was doing. I even stopped going to church.

Finally on Saturday of the First Sunday of Advent (December 1975), I made an attempt to return to church. I happened to stop by church Saturday afternoon while Rev. Scruton and the part time associate (Rev. Rochefort (sp?)) were working on putting up banners for Advent. Rev. Rochfort had to leave for other duties and I was asked to work on a banner in the rectory. This time I was taken up into a workroom on the second floor (north east corner of the rectory as I recall) to work on the banner. This went on into the early evening. At one point, Rev. Scruton offered to show me the changes he had made to the rectory (this is where the incident with Rev. Lower had taken place in 1973). As he showed me one of the bedrooms, we turned to leave and he grabbed me from behind and pulled me back onto the bed. I was able to break away, but did not know how to react. I returned to the workroom and made sure to not have my back to Rev. Scruton for the remainder of my stay that evening. Work was finished quickly (maybe 15 or 20 minutes) and I left the rectory.

I have only been to the Rectory in Littleton twice since (once to get Certificates, and once to see Rev. Klatka).

I stopped going to church at St. Rose. During this time, I was invited and participated in the Methodist church choir and began to attend there.

The following summer, my mother asked why I was not going to church and I told her of the incident of the First Sunday of Advent. My parents supported me and they began to attend Mass at St. Catherine's in Lisbon. By the end of the summer I began to go to Mass in Lisbon as well, while still participating in the Methodist Church Choir.

Rev. Scruton was still pastor in Littleton when I applied to be a Seminarian, for that reason; there was no Pastor's Letter for my file.

My mother reported the assault incident to Rev. John Horan (former Pastor in Littleton and a family friend). This was after Rev. Scruton had been arrested for Sodomy and removed from ministry.

What I saw in this one self appointed church leader was the abuses of assault, theft, and authority. It should never have happened.

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Fowler, Anthony

From: Ovide Lamontagne [OMLAMONTAGNE@dmb.com]
Sent: Monday, August 04, 2003 4:27 PM
To: Fowler, Anthony
Cc: jnaiff@catholiccharitiesnh.org; DQuinlan@RCBM.org; EArsenault@RCBM.org
Subject: New Report: [REDACTED] /Fr Roger Fortier

Dear Tony,

This a report made to you pursuant to the Agreement. In essence, this report was made known to the Diocese in February of 2002. As you will see, it was reported to us by the victim's then guardian ad litem. [REDACTED] already been notified as well as the Strafford County Attorney who later declined to prosecute (Roger Fortier had been convicted and sentenced by then on other charges.)

The victim's new guardian ad litem has recently re-contacted the Diocese seeking treatment services for the victim and given the renewed contact, we thought we should report it to you under the Agreement. Please let me know if you would like additional information or need us to take any further action.

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**DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
OFFICE OF THE DELEGATE OF THE BISHOP**

REPORT SUMMARY ~ CIVIL AUTHORITIES

Date of Contact: 08/04/2003 **Time:** [REDACTED]

Complainant Name: [REDACTED]s (now 11-12 years old) (Maiden Name):
Address:
Telephone:
DOB: / / **SS#:** - - **E-mail:**

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant)*: [REDACTED]

*Note that matter reported to Fr. Arsenault in 2002 by then guardian ad litem, Betty Stowell. At that time, the matter had already been [REDACTED] and Strafford County Attorney, and Ms. Stowell asked that Fr. Arsenault keep the matter in confidence, as the County Attorney was handling it.

Name of Accused: Roger Fortier

1. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:**
Place of alleged abuse:
Date of alleged abuse:
Nature of alleged abuse:
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse:
2. **Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse:**
Place of alleged abuse:
Date of alleged abuse:
Nature of alleged abuse:
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse:

Complainant has been informed that the Diocese of Manchester will report this allegation to law enforcement (Attorney General/ DCYF if applicable/local law enforcement) Yes ☐ No ☐
Specific Concerns:

Report to DCYF (if complainant under age of 18) 800-894-5533

Date of Contact: / /200 **Time:** :

Name of DCYF Intake Rep: [REDACTED]

Report to Law Enforcement (if applicable): Previously reported to Strafford County Attorney

Report to Ovide Lamontagne (603-695-8516) for report to AG/law enforcement:

Date of Contact: 08/04/2003 **Time:** :

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Fowler, Anthony

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EArsenault@RCBM.org; MKipp@RCBM.org
Subject: Update on Reports of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Clergy

Dear Tony,

I have asked Martha Kipp, Director of Risk Management for the Diocese of Manchester, to compile a summary of all civil claims made by individuals alleging sexual abuse as minors by certain named clergy that the Diocese learned about since December 10, 2002, the date of the Agreement between the Office of the Attorney General and the Diocese. These claims are those which were made known to us by the filing of civil lawsuits and/or demands being made on behalf of victims by lawyers, etc.

Please find attached a summary of these claims identifying the victim by name and the accused priest. I am submitting the attached document with the understanding that this "report," like all others, is not available to the public under NH's Right to Know law as this information is being submitted to you, for among other reasons, as part of the audit and reporting provisions of the Agreement. In addition, it is important to stress that several of the victims have expressly requested (and in some cases adamantly demanded) that their names be held confidential and not be released.

I believe the attached summary will give you an opportunity to cross-reference your files so that you will be fully informed as we are of all claims asserted. To the best of my knowledge, all of the accused have previously been identified and reported to your office with the possible exception of Gregoire Dumont, Joseph Sands, George Roulier and Brother Henry. None of these individuals are in ministry.

As is our normal custom and practice, please let me know if you would like further information about any of these claims or if you believe that a further report should be made to local law enforcement.

Thank you for your ongoing assistance and cooperation.

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1. [REDACTED] accuses Gregoire Dumont (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Anne Parish in Berlin, NH from 1978 until 1983. The diocese received the report through her attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated January 16, 2003.
2. [REDACTED] accuses Roland Veillette (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Peter Parish in Peterborough, NH in 1975. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated February 6, 2003.
3. [REDACTED] accuses Gerald Joyal (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Patrick Parish in Bennington, NH from 1980 until 1985. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated March 12, 2003.
4. [REDACTED] accuses Gerald Joyal (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Patrick Parish in Bennington, NH from 1980 until 1983. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated March 12, 2003.
5. [REDACTED]le accuses George Roulier, O.M.I. (deceased) of sexual abuse at Immaculate Conception Parish in Nashua, NH in 1979. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated March 13, 2003.
6. [REDACTED]e accuses Francis Lamothe (deceased) of sexual abuse at Sacred Heart Parish in Greenville, NH in 1962 or 1963. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated May 12, 2003.
7. [REDACTED]y accuses Robert Densmore (removed) of sexual abuse at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in New London, NH from 1971 until 1975. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated March 18, 2003.
8. [REDACTED] accuses Donald Osgood (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Joseph Cathedral School from 1955 until 1959. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated May 19, 2003.
9. [REDACTED]e accuses Gordon MacRae (incarcerated) of sexual abuse at Sacred Heart School in Hampton, NH in 1983. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated May 20, 2003.
10. [REDACTED] accuses Albert Boulanger (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Agnes in Ashland, NH in 1976. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated May 20, 2003.
11. [REDACTED] accuses Alfred Constant (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Anthony School in Manchester, NH in 1951 or 1952. The diocese received the report from his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated May 21, 2003.
12. [REDACTED] accuses J. Joseph Sands (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Bernard Parish in Keene, NH from 1966 until 1969. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated May 28, 2003.
13. [REDACTED] accuses Donald Osgood (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Joseph Cathedral from 1956 until 1959. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated May 28, 2003.
14. [REDACTED] accuses Joseph Maguire (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Joseph Parish in Dover, NH from 1977 until 1983. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated May 28, 2003.

15. [REDACTED] accuses Joseph Maguire (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Joseph Parish in Dover, NH from 1975 until 1976. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated May 28, 2003.
16. [REDACTED] i accuses Gordon MacRae (incarcerated) of sexual abuse at Spofford Hall in Cheshirefield, NH in 1988. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Mark Abramson) in a letter dated May 28, 2003.
17. [REDACTED] r accuses Romeo Valliere (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Mary Parish in Claremont, NH in 1971. The diocese received the report from his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated July 1, 2003.
18. [REDACTED] g accuses John T. Sullivan (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Mary Academy in Amarillo, TX in 1961. The diocese received the report through her attorney in a letter dated July 1, 2003.
19. [REDACTED] ance accuses Bro. Henry, F.S.C. (deceased) of sexual abuse at Bishop Bradley High School in Manchester, NH in 1961. The diocese received the report through his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated July 14, 2003.
20. [REDACTED] h accuses Karl Dowd (deceased) of sexual abuse at St. Joseph Parish in Salem, NH from 1975 until 1978. The diocese received the report from his attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated July 16, 2003.
21. [REDACTED] accuses Romeo Valliere (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Mary in Claremont, NH in 1966 and Paul Aube (removed) of sexual abuse at St. Mary Parish in Claremont, NH in 1970 and 1971. The diocese received the report through her attorney (Peter Hutchins) in a letter dated July 22, 2003. *NB: the diocese received a previous report directly from [REDACTED] in which she was unable to identify the priest who may have abused her.*

Brodeur, Paul

To: Ayotte, Kelly; Delker, Will
Cc: Huntress, Karen
Subject: Fr. Paul Aube dismissed

AG and Will. Brian Quirk called and wanted me to let you know prior to the 12 noon announcement this date that there will be a news release advising that Fr. PAUL AUBE is being dismissed from his clerical state. Quirk also advised that each of the victims were either contacted directly or through their Attorneys. Just an FYI in their continued spirit of cooperation.

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