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## MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: [REDACTED]  
PLACE OF INTERVIEW: Concord, NH (telephonically)  
DATE OF INTERVIEW: 2 JAN 07  
CASE NUMBER: 38430-001  
PERSON INTERVIEWING: Paul E. Brodeur, Sr. Investigator

I received a notification from Atty. Quirk this date only indicating the name of [REDACTED] and the act taking place by Fr. Leo SHEA. Through Westlaw and DMV located and spoke with the following:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Ms. [REDACTED] verified that she is the one that notified Atty. [REDACTED] of the abuse by Fr. Shea. Requested further particulars in an effort to determine the elements etc.

[REDACTED] advised the acts took place between 1968 and 1973 when she was between the ages of 9 to 14. The perpetrator was Fr. Leo SHEA when he was assigned to the Holy Rosary Church in Plaistow, NH. The acts took place at the rectory and the church. [REDACTED] advised that SHEA had also victimized her stepsister. [REDACTED] that she has no idea where the stepsister is located or her current name.

[REDACTED] advised the acts consisted of touching over and under the clothing, French kissing, and licking her chest. She recalled an incident where she was sitting on his lap and felt that he had an erection but "he never pulled it out." She also advised that there was never any penetration.

A review of the SOL chart seems to indicate that SOL Expired.

[REDACTED] also advised that her stepfather was abusing her at the same time. She believes it was from 1968 to 1977 when she was ages 9 to 18. There was sexual intercourse involved and the stepfather was concerned about her getting pregnant. He is [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that she was [REDACTED] [REDACTED] at one time and is aware of statutes of limitation and the fact that SOL does not run

it the person leaves the state. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] left the State of NH in 1980 and moved to CT and also winters in FL. [REDACTED] was a [REDACTED] at the time. She reported the incident to [REDACTED] and they had her speak with [REDACTED] at the time. [REDACTED] refused to go forward stating that no one would believe her.

Appears SOL may have tolled in 1980.

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January 3, 2007

James M. Reames, Esq.  
County Attorney  
Rockingham County  
PO Box 1209  
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Re: Sexual abuse of a female child by [REDACTED]

Dear County Attorney Reames:

Our office recently received a report of abuse involving a priest. I interviewed the victim and determined that there was also abuse by her stepfather.

I spoke with [REDACTED]

She advised that her stepfather, [REDACTED]

sexually abused her and her stepsister from 1968 to 1977. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that intercourse took place with her by [REDACTED]. She is not aware of the location or current name that her stepsister would be known as at this time. Ms. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] left the state of New Hampshire in 1980 and moved to Connecticut. CT DMV records had him at [REDACTED]. She also advised that [REDACTED] winters in Florida and records indicate that he is at [REDACTED].

Ms. [REDACTED] is a [REDACTED] therefore mentioned that the statute of limitations stopped running when [REDACTED] left the state of New Hampshire.

Ms. [REDACTED] advised that she did report the abuse to the Plaistow NH Police a number of years ago and they brought the matter to then County Attorney Eldridge. County Attorney

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County Attorney Reames

Eldridge would not go forward because [REDACTED] was a [REDACTED] at the time and he advised that no one would believe her allegations.

This matter is being forward for your information and for whatever action you deem appropriate.

Assuring you of our complete cooperation, I remain

Respectfully,

Paul E. Brodeur  
Sr. Investigator  
Criminal Justice Bureau  
(603) 271-3671

PEB  
Attach: Internet and Westlaw research

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

**ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR  
REPORT SUMMARY ~ CIVIL AUTHORITIES**

<b>1. Complainant Name:</b> [REDACTED] <b>(Maiden Name):</b> Unknown	
Address: Unknown	
Telephone: Unknown	
DOB: Unknown	E-mail:
<b>Name of Reporter (if not Complainant):</b> [REDACTED] <b>Relationship:</b> [REDACTED]	
Telephone: [REDACTED]	Address: [REDACTED]

Name of Accused: Leo Shea (restricted from ecclesiastical ministry)  
Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse: Plaistow, NH  
Place of alleged abuse: Unknown  
Date of alleged abuse: Unknown  
Nature of alleged abuse: Unknown  
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: Unknown

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: Attorney [REDACTED] is aware of the diocesan policy to report all allegations of sexual abuse of a minor to the Attorney General's office.

Report to DCYF (if complainant under age of 18) 800-894-5533  
Date of Contact: / /200 Time: :  
Name of DCYF Intake Rep: Not applicable

Report to Brian Quirk, Esq. for report to AG/law enforcement:  
Date of Contact: January 2, 2007 Time: 10:45 AM

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**Brodeur, Paul**

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**From:** Brodeur, Paul  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 02, 2007 1:19 PM  
**To:** 'Quirk, Brian M.'  
**Cc:** Delker, Will; Huntress, Karen  
**Subject:** RE: Civil Report - Leo Shea

Brian, I just spoke with [REDACTED]  
Acts took place at Holy Angels at the rectory and church. Acts took place between 1968 and 1973 when she was ages 9 to 14.  
Acts including touching over and under clothing, french kissing, licking of her chest. She recalls sitting on his lap at one time and felt that he had an erection but "he never pulled it out."

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**From:** Quirk, Brian M. [mailto:BQuirk@pretl.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 02, 2007 12:49 PM  
**To:** Brodeur, Paul  
**Subject:** RE: Civil Report - Leo Shea

Thanks - I will follow up with details when the Diocese receives more information from [REDACTED]

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Thanks, I just looked at DMV. The only [REDACTED] in NH is from [REDACTED]

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**To:** Brodeur, Paul  
**Subject:** RE: Civil Report - Leo Shea

Paul,

I agree, the report is completely lacking in detail. I assume [REDACTED] will share details upon his return from vacation. No one has reached out to Ms. [REDACTED] at this point.

Brian

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Just reviewed the report. What would [REDACTED] propose anyone do with a piece of paper that basically says nothing? Does he have more particulars that he will share when he returns from vacation? Did Gordon or anyone reach out for [REDACTED] in an effort to determine particulars?

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**From:** Quirk, Brian M. [mailto:BQuirk@preti.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 02, 2007 12:01 PM  
**To:** Brodeur, Paul  
**Subject:** Civil Report - Leo Shea

Paul,

I hope you and your family had a great Christmas. I have attached a civil report concerning Leo Shea that was reported by Attorney [REDACTED] via e-mail to Attorney Gordon MacDonald on Friday, December 29, 2006 at 8:37 pm. Mr. Shea was (and remains) restricted from ecclesiastical ministry based upon prior misconduct. The alleged victim, [REDACTED], is presently an adult.



Attorney [REDACTED] sent the e-mail/report prior to a two week vacation. He returns to the office on January 15, 2007. The attached report contains all the information that Attorney [REDACTED] has reported thus far. Upon Attorney [REDACTED] return from vacation and receipt of additional details, I will forward to you an updated civil report.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best Regards,

Brian

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