



**DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
OFFICE FOR MINISTERIAL CONDUCT**

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

Date of Contact: 1/28/08 **Time:** 8:23 p.m. **Received by:** Gordon MacDonald

Complainant Name: [REDACTED] (Maiden Name):
Address: [REDACTED]
Telephone: //
DOB: 07/31/69 E-mail:

Name of Reporter (if not Complainant): Peter E. Hutchins Relationship: Attorney
Telephone: 603-629-4566 Address: 670 North Commercial St., Box 808, Manchester, NH 03105

Name of Accused: "Father Edward Townsend" *
Location (City/Town) of alleged abuse: Farmington, NH
Place of alleged abuse: Rectory parking lot and corner of Maple Street and Maple Court
Date of alleged abuse: Fall 1975 through early 1977
Nature of alleged abuse: Sexual contact as set forth in RSA 632-A:1, IV
Age of Complainant at time of alleged abuse: 6 - 7

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 Hutchins is aware of the Diocesan requirement to make a report to the Attorney General.

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 (603-410-1530) for report to AG/law enforcement:
Date of Contact: January 28, 2008 **Time:** 10:30 a.m.

Notification to Chair, Diocesan Review Board (or in his/her absence, another member):
Date of Contact: 1/28/08 **Time:** 10:00 a.m.

Copy Distribution:
Delegate **Record Clerk** **Office for Healing and Pastoral Care**
Associate Delegate **Other:**

* "Fr. Townsend" did not serve as a priest of the Diocese of Manchester and was not assigned in New Hampshire. The Diocese of Manchester is unable to identify him, as his name is not listed in the Official Catholic Directory.

Brodeur, Paul

From: Quirk, Brian M. [BQuirk@preti.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 10:59 AM
To: Brodeur, Paul
Subject: Civil Report

Paul,

Following up on our discussions of yesterday regarding the claim by Attorney Peter Hutchins, I have attached the civil report form. The Diocese has researched whether a "Father Edward Townsend" was ever a priest for the Diocese of Manchester or was ever assigned by the Diocese. No information has been located regarding anyone by the name of Edward Townsend. A "Father Townsend" did not serve as a priest for the Diocese; a "Father Townsend" was never assigned by the Diocese in New Hampshire; and his name is not listed in the Official Catholic Directory.

I will update you if additional information is obtained. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards,

Brian

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Brodeur, Paul

From: Brodeur, Paul
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2008 3:27 PM
To: 'Quirk, Brian M.'
Cc: Delker, Will; Huntress, Karen; Spath, Kristin
Subject: RE: Civil Report

Thanks Brian: I was going to send an email shortly but you beat me to it. I called Hutchins in an effort to get more specifics. He advised as you determined that Townsend was from Canada and was a friend the visited Chalifour on weekends. Supposedly Townsend would stop boys riding their bikes in the area. Supposedly [redacted] was victimized 12 times during 75 to 77. Hutchins believes that Townsend is now deceased. Hopefully that will help jog someone's memory.

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From: Quirk, Brian M. [mailto:BQuirk@preti.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2008 2:50 PM
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Paul,

Yes, the Diocese does keep records of the priests assigned to various parishes; and the priests listed below were assigned in Farmington during the time frame of the allegation:

Rev. Gerald E. Chalifour (pastor) June 3, 1970-September 8, 1976

Rev. Joseph S. Klatka (administrator) Sept. 8, 1976-September 15, 1976

Rev. Edouard J. Duval (pastor) Sept. 15, 1976-June 16, 1981(deceased)

The Diocese still has not located any record of a "Fr. Townsend" within any of its documents.

The Diocese conducted additional research beyond its own documents including reviewing the Official Catholic Directories ("OCD") for the 1970's through 2007, and today found a listing for an "Edward Townsend c.j.m., 3542 Rosemont Blvd., Montreal Province, Canada" in the OCDs for the years 1973, 1974, 1975 and 1976. There is no mention of him in any other years. CJM (Congregation of Jesus and Mary) is a religious order in Canada. Their contact information is: North American Province, 6125 Premier Avenue, G1H2V9, Charlesbourg Quebec, Canada; and their telephone number is 418-626-6494.

Please let me know if you have other questions or need additional information.

Brian

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From: Brodeur, Paul. [mailto:Paul.Brodeur@doj.nh.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 12:13 PM
To: Quirk, Brian M.
Subject: RE: Civil Report

Thanks Brian. I have forwarded to Will, Karen and Chris. Does the Diocese keep records of who was assigned in Farmington during the time period identified?

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