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Off: (312) 642-1837

TO: Cardinal Bernardin

FROM: Rev. Raymond Goedert *RG*

DATE: June 23, 1990

RE: Rev. Robert Mayer

1. As you are probably aware, Bob Mayer has applied for the pastorate of St. Odilo. I was asked by Ray Cusack if I had any objections, in the light of all that has happened over the last 8 or 9 years. My response to Ray was somewhat noncommittal, as I really am not sure just what ought to be done. Part of me would welcome Bob being named a pastor, but there is also the concerns I have for the risks involved. Ultimately, the decision to appoint Bob a pastor or not will be yours, but I thought I should offer some input.

2. As you well know, Bob is a very talented but controversial person. I do think that he has been humbled a bit by all that he has gone through with the litigation and subsequent investigations. I have no doubt that he would be a very dynamic pastor, and were he to be named to St. Odilo, you can be sure Berwyn would never be the same again.

3. As I see it, the risks involved can be reduced to three, all somewhat related:

A. The original allegations against Bob were that he was guilty of inappropriate sexual behavior toward minors.

[REDACTED]

As Tom Ventura used to say, "There has always been a lot of smoke surrounding Bob, and there is no guarantee that the allegations of sexual misconduct won't surface again."

B. Bob does have a history, and unfortunately this history has been recorded, whether truthfully or not, in the book "Assault on Innocence" by Hilary Styles, supposedly the pseudonym used by [REDACTED] the mother of one of the boys involved with Bob. [REDACTED] has a real vendetta against Bob, and rumor has it that Hollywood is producing a movie based on her book.

C. This same [REDACTED] according to John Hurley, the pastor at St. Edna, is currently working towards a law degree. John is convinced that once she passes the bar, she will offer her legal services to anyone who has been mistreated by priests. This same woman is supposed to be connected with the

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██████████ and was quoted in the Baltimore Sun article at the time of the Bishops' meeting in 1989. So obviously, she is not adverse to going to the press with her crusade.

4. Having said the above, I am not thereby opposed to Bob's appointment. Bishop Jakubowski strongly supports it, and I presume his judgement is based on the very successful way in which Bob handled his role as administrator at St. Dionysius and in the manner in which he prepared the people for the closing of that parish. Moreover, I don't think it is fair to hold him hostage, as it were, to what this woman or others may or may not do. And if someone does go public and digs up the past, the possibility of scandal can be minimized if we are able to counter such an attack with the data revealed in ██████████

5. In all honesty, I am ambivalent on just what you ought to do. But I do think the time has come to decide whether or not Bob will ever be a pastor. In fairness to him, we cannot let him dangle indefinitely. He has to know once and for all whether or not he will ever be permitted to become a pastor in this Archdiocese.

6. Perhaps it would be worth having a staffing of sorts on this before you make a final decision. If this seems advisable, I would suggest Tom Ventura, Jim Roache, Jim Serritella and I be included in the discussion.



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TO: File
FROM: Rev. Andrew McDonagh
DATE: July 16, 1990
RE: Norbert Maday

1. Fr. Jack Powers (708-333-3550, rectory, [REDACTED], pastor of St. Jude, South Holland, called Monday morning to report that a certain [REDACTED] called the rectory to charge that his child had been molested by Fr. Maday 2 years ago and he learned about it just then. He was very angry and said he was going to call the South Holland Police.

2. I suggested that Fr. Jack call the detective. The reply was that no one by that name lived there.

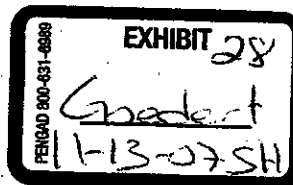
3. Fr. Norbert Maday '64, is the alleged perpetrator. Fr. Norb has been at St. Jude about a year, 5 years at Our Lady of Ridge (the phone prefix given by the caller is in Our Lady of the Ridge area. Also, I called the police station, asking for a [REDACTED]. The police said no one by that name was a member of their force nor did they know of anyone by that name in the surrounding forces). He was 5 years at St. Bede. I don't know about the other 4 years.

4. On Monday, July 16, Fr. Maday in company with 4 parents took 15 boys and girls to Schaeffer Lake for an all-day picnic. Father spends a lot of time with kids --- has them in his room. Jack and Fr. John Michael Murphy have discussed this and have some concern.

5. I told Fr. Powers to call back if there is more.

6. Today (7/18) I called Fr. Powers and suggested he tell Fr. Maday about the incident. Fr. Powers feels he can handle the situation. I suggested also that Jack could invite Norbert to talk with me. I asked that he be cautious not to give the impression that there is anything punitive involved.

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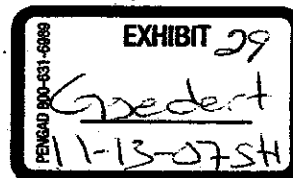
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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: Aug. 25, 1990

RE: Robert Mayer

In a conversation with Bishop Gorman today, he mentioned a number of cases which the Cardinal brought to his attention, one of which was Bob Mayer. In view of the fact that Bob's deposition is supposed to come up some time in September, Jack's advice to the Cardinal was that he hold off the appointment to St. Odilo until we see the results of that deposition. If nothing happens, well and good. On the other hand, if it causes some sort of public situation, then it would be much better that Bob not be in the position of pastor when things erupt.



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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: Sept. 13, 1990

RE: Robert Craig '74

1. Ed Maloney called from St. Mark's [REDACTED]. He called at 3:40 P.M.

2. Ed said that a woman came to see him at the rectory at the request of Fr. James Socias, an Opus Dei priest at mid-town. She had gone to see Fr. James and he suggested that she talk to the pastor. She actually lives at [REDACTED] in St. Ann's parish on the near south side. Her telephone number is [REDACTED]

3. The woman's name is Mrs. [REDACTED]. She was concerned about her son, [REDACTED] is about 20 years old. [REDACTED]

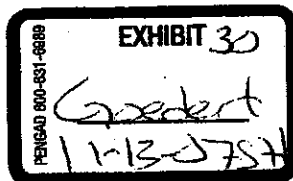
[REDACTED] He then told her that Fr. Craig, who used to be the assistant at St. Ann's, had been abusing him for six months or so. [REDACTED]

4. Ed said that Bob has kids on the second floor all the time. He spends an awful lot of time with kids. Right now Bob's mother is sick. For some reason, the burden of caring for the mother is Bob's and Larry seems not to get involved at all.

5. After talking to Ed, I called Fr. Socias at Mid-town (421-8129). He is a Spanish priest from Barcelona and has been in the Philippines for 9 years, having come to this country just a year and a half or so ago. He spends a good deal of his time hearing confessions at Mid-town, Notre Dame Church and Five Holy Martyrs. This woman sees him almost every week for the last year or so. She doesn't want to cause any trouble, but she did tell him about her son, age 20 or 21 who mentioned to her about Fr. Craig.

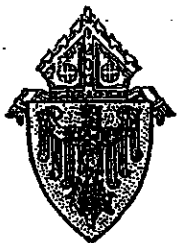
6. When I asked Fr. Socias just exactly what she said Craig did to her son, he said he didn't really go into it deeply with her. He did not want to give it too much importance. He simply told her to tell the pastor about it and then to make sure that her children don't hang around the rectory. Evidently a lot of them continued to see Fr. Craig even after he was transferred to St. Mark.

7. In view of the fact that the woman doesn't speak English that well, I asked Fr. James if he would interview her again, together with the son, and try to get the complete story. After he hears from them, I asked him to give me a call. If possible, I would like to set up an appointment for the son before I confront Bob Craig on it.



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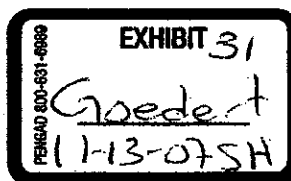
RE: Robert Craig

1. I spoke to Dan Sullivan today. I explained everything to him. [REDACTED]

2. I explained to Dan that I had given permission for Bob to concelebrate the Jubilee Mass, as I did not want to create any wonderment on the part of his mother. However, apart from that one event, I told Dan that I had asked Bob to refrain from all public ministry.

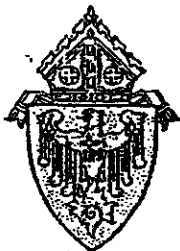
3. I explained the nature of Bob's problem, indicating that it is more than just one incident. I told him that there was a pattern in Bob's activity and that some of the things that he has done would constitute criminal behavior. For that reason, it is necessary to have someone serve as an on-site supervisor, checking on Bob periodically, etc. Dan agreed to do this. I told him to give me a call next week, after the Jubilee celebration, if he had any other questions to ask about this.

4. The news about Bob came as a shock to Dan, as he has a very high regard for both Bob and [REDACTED]. Dan said that he served as [REDACTED] deacon supervisor and got to know him quite well. Dan's telephone number is [REDACTED].



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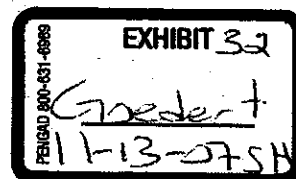
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TO: File ([REDACTED])

DATE: Feb. 8, 1991

RE: Vincent McCaffrey

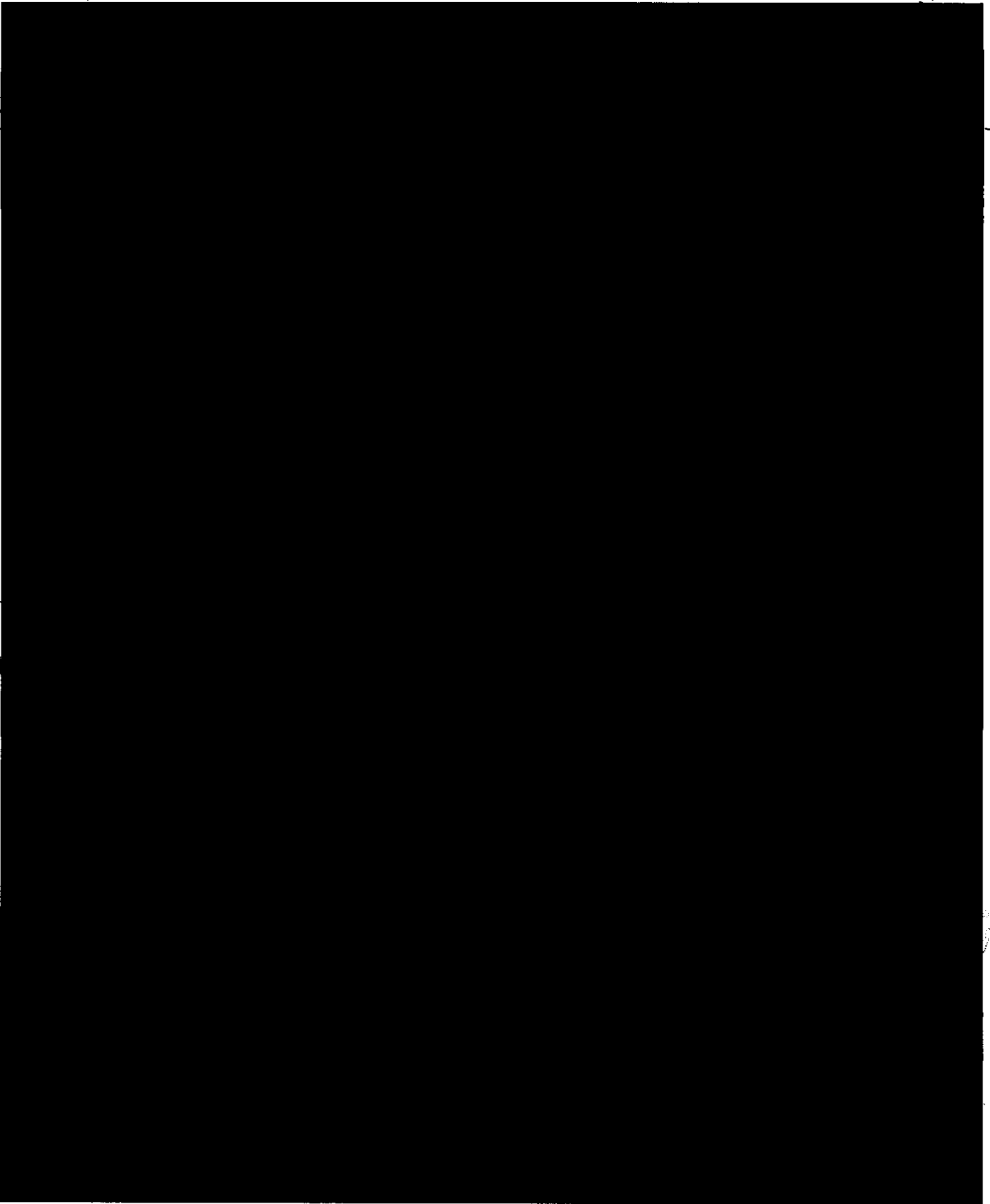
1. [REDACTED] the pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel, called at 9:50 A.M. [REDACTED] said that he wanted to get advice on a situation involving Vince. [REDACTED] is getting very uneasy about Vince's behavior. Vince has been at Our Lady of Good Counsel almost two years. [REDACTED] has observed that Vince continues to associate with high school boys. They are parishioners, but not those who work in the rectory. [REDACTED] is not suggesting that there is anything sexual in the relationship, but he feels uneasy about it and has discussed this with Vince. Vince will help some of these boys with their homework. One time he told [REDACTED] that he was going to take some of the kids to ski and they would stay at his cottage in Twin Lakes. [REDACTED] did not think that that was a wise thing for him to do and [REDACTED] was relieved when Vince decided not to.
2. What really upset [REDACTED] was the fact that Vince did take one kid overnight this past weekend. It was clear to [REDACTED] that Vince didn't want [REDACTED] to know about it. [REDACTED] said that a group of kids from the parish was going to Wilmet that day and [REDACTED] invited Vince to come along. Vince declined, but didn't say anything to [REDACTED] about why he was not interested in going. [REDACTED] found out what actually happened purely by accident. He said that when he and the rest of the group got to Wilmet, one of the parishioners, who had driven up, just made a comment to [REDACTED] that he saw Vince McCaffrey. He passed him on the highway and Vince was in the car together with [REDACTED], a high school freshman. This is the boy that [REDACTED] is most concerned about, as the relationships seems to be very close. Vince and the boy went up to Vince's cottage on Feb. 1 in the afternoon and stayed through Sunday afternoon, Feb. 3. [REDACTED] also mentioned that two nights before the ski trip, [REDACTED] father called around 11:30 P.M. This would have been Thursday, Jan. 31. [REDACTED] asked if [REDACTED] was at the rectory. [REDACTED] wasn't, but he was out with Vince. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that he was upset about this and didn't want parents to be calling all hours of the night looking for their sons.
3. I asked [REDACTED] whether or not any other adults were present at Vince's cottage and he said that others were there. Whether or not they were, [REDACTED] doesn't really know. Vince assured [REDACTED] that nothing inappropriate happened.



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5. I told [REDACTED] that all of this seems to be signs that Vince is in serious trouble. I commended [REDACTED] for his courage in bringing this to our attention, as that is precisely what his role as parish supervisor requires. I asked [REDACTED] if he would be willing to meet with [REDACTED] and myself, together with Vince, and confront Vince with all of this. [REDACTED] said that while he would not look forward to such a meeting, nevertheless he would do it. I told him that I would call [REDACTED] and set up something and get back to [REDACTED].

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11. [REDACTED]

12. [REDACTED] said that he really thinks that Fr. Mayer has a problem. He said he doesn't think it's restricted to any one sex or age. [REDACTED]

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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: June 3, 1991

RE: Kenneth Ruge

1. [redacted], ordained in [redacted], came to see me today at his own request. [redacted]

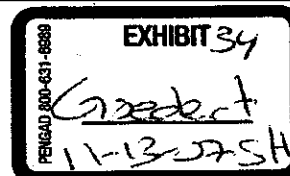
2. [redacted] Kenneth Ruge was the associate.

3. [redacted] story is as follows:

[redacted] Fr. Ruge used to take altar boys swimming at Fenwick High School [redacted]

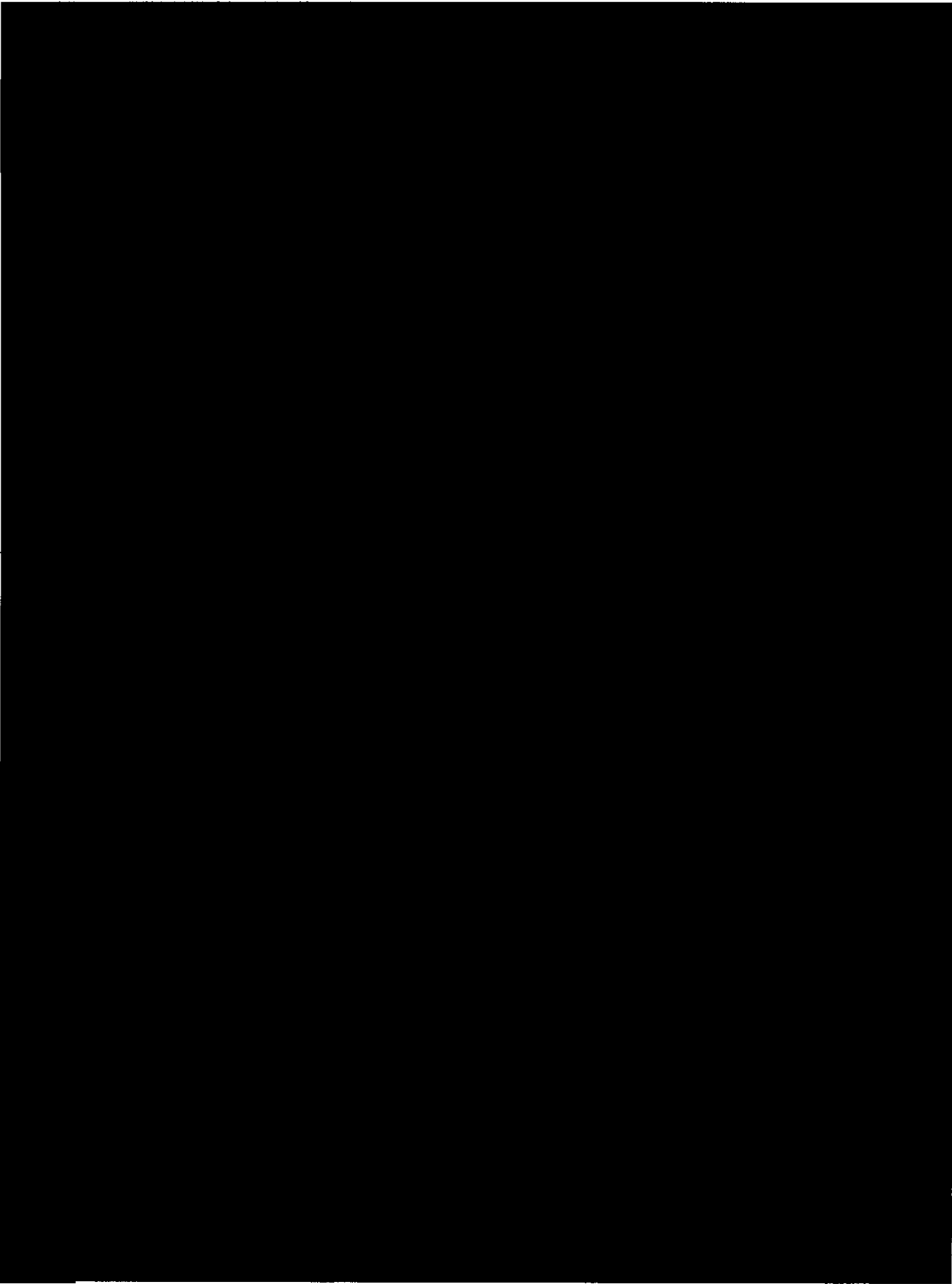
[redacted] You had to swim in the nude. Everyone was naked, including the priests. [redacted]

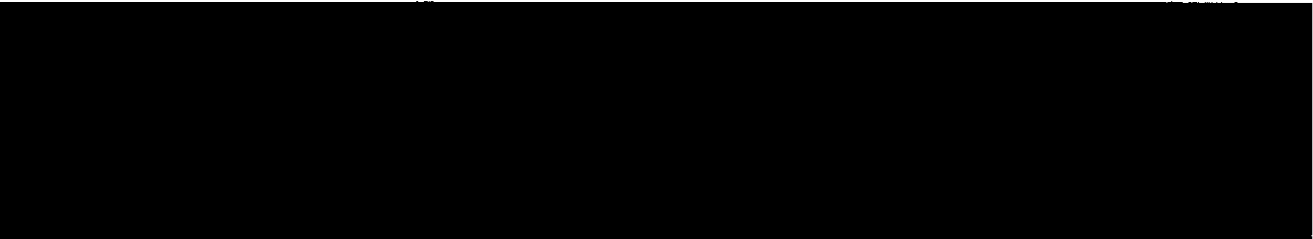
[redacted] said that Ken also had a trailer home at Woodhaven Lake near Kankakee. As a reward for serving, he would frequently take the altar boys there. [redacted]



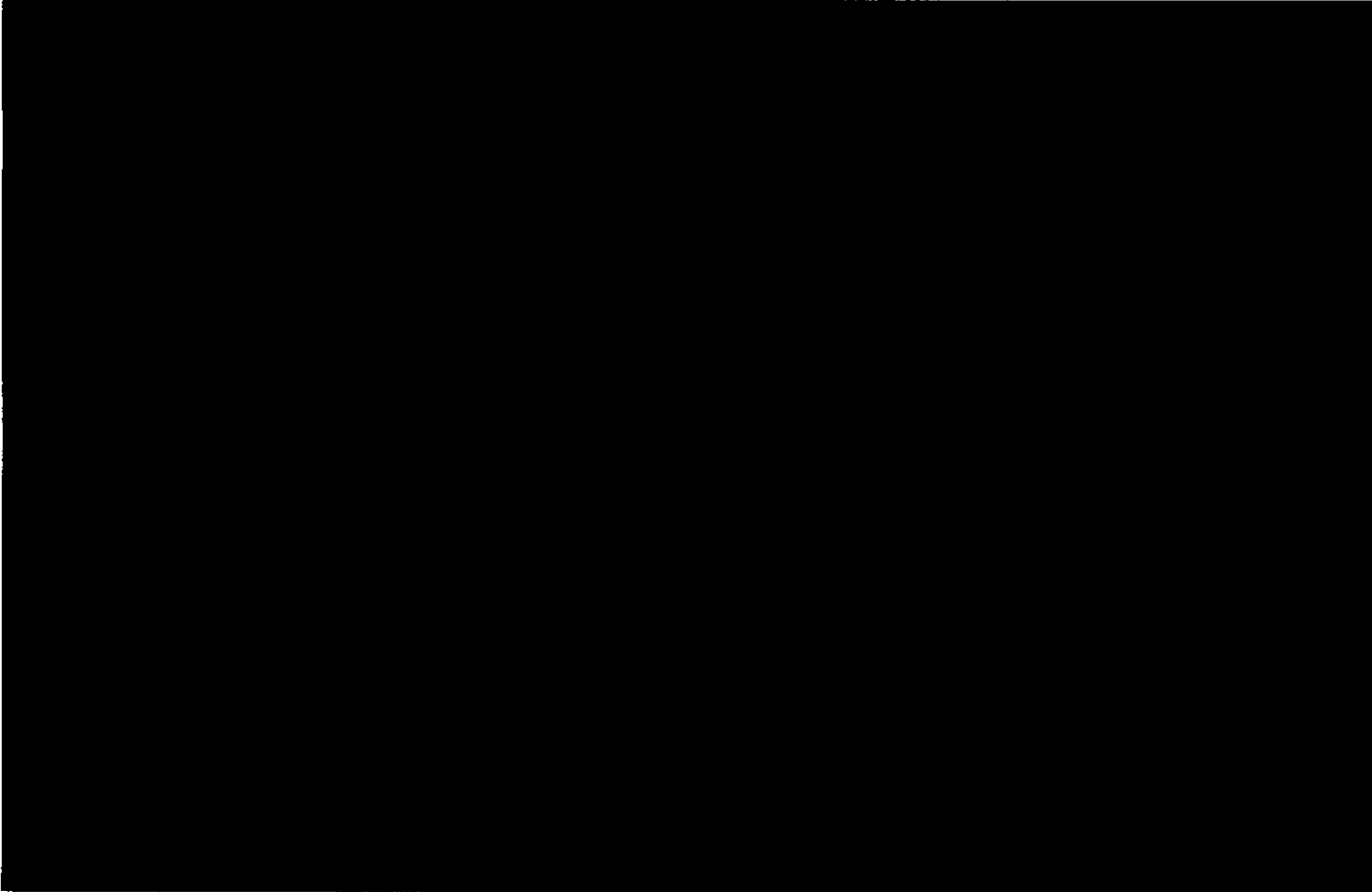
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11. I asked again if he could recall any other victims. He really could not, but because the kids joked about it all the time, he presumes that there were other victims.





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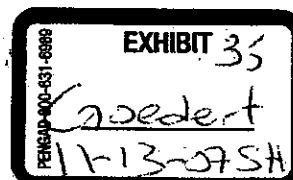
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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: June 4, 1991

RE: Ken Velo

In speaking to Ken Velo about other matters, I asked if he was privy to those names of persons applying for the pastorates. He said that he was. I asked him to make sure that the Personnel Board did not consider Ken Ruge for a pastorate until I was able to get back to them. I did not go into detail with Ken why I was asking for that and he did not ask any questions, but assured me that he would see to it that Ken's name would not come up for consideration until I gave an O.K.

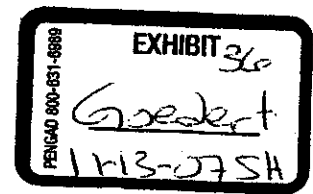


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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: June 10, 1991

RE: Robert Mayer

1. I spoke to Dave Mulvihill today. Dave is a resident at St. Odilo. He is working in the Tribunal, so his knowledge of what goes on at St. Odilo is limited by the fact that he is usually not around during the day time except for weekends. Ordinarily he would get back to the rectory around 6 P.M.

2. I asked Dave whether or not he was aware of any inappropriate behavior on Bob's part. He said that he did feel that Bob lacked good judgement. When I asked him to what he was referring, he responded that anyone who had the problem that he had would be expected to use much greater discretion. But Bob continues to have kids of grammar school and high school age in the rectory. In fact, Dave used the phrase that "kids are all over the place". I asked Dave how he knew this. Was it first-hand information or hearsay. Dave responded that in view of the fact that he is ordinarily at the Tribunal during the day, it is only when he would come home early that he would see kids in Bob's room. I asked Dave approximately how often this has happened and he said that he thought it was twice. I asked if the kids were definitely minors, and Dave said that they were. I asked if any other adults were present at the time and Dave said "no".

3. I asked Dave if there were any other concerns being expressed by either staff or parishioners. He said that Bob gets mixed reviews. His homilies are usually about 12 minutes, but the rest of the Sunday Mass is quite quick. A Sunday Mass probably lasts about 35 minutes. Some people like this, but others complain. Some people enjoy his homilies, while others say it is just pop psychology, and not religious as such. Just what they mean by that, Dave doesn't know. Dave did comment that the people from St. Dionysius who came over to St. Odilo's really do think that Bob is a wonderful priest. They look upon him as "God".

4. I asked Dave if he had ever seen any pornography in Bob's room. He responded that he has not. I asked whether he would be in Bob's room at different times and he responded that usually they all congregate in Bob's room Saturday evening after the 5:00 Mass. They have a drink before dinner. On those occasions, Bob's room is always very neat. He will usually have just one book out that he is reading at a time and everything else is put away. Dave said that it is just the opposite of his own room. Dave said that he has never seen any pornography, either magazines or video tape, and never heard anything about such in Bob's room.

5. I asked Dave what he thought about the appointment of Bob to the pastorate. Dave said that his own vision is rather myopic in that he only sees what happens after 6 P.M. and on weekends. From what Dave can gather, he doesn't see Bob working that closely with the people. And any of the staff members that were here when Bob came are no longer here. Dave didn't want to make a big thing out of this, as many pastors change staff when they arrive. But Dave finds Bob

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to be somewhat inconsistent in the sense that to your face everything will be great, but behind your back he will demean a person. Dave cited as an example both the Youth Minister and the Business Manager who are recently hired by Bob and yet he claims he doesn't really like them. Dave doesn't understand that mentality.

6. I again asked Dave if he had any concern himself about any type of immorality at St. Odilo since Bob's coming and he responded in the negative.

7. I then asked Dave what Bob's usual pattern would be in the evenings. In other words, would he be occupied as most pastors with all sorts of parish meetings, events, etc.? I was trying to determine whether Bob was continuing the pattern he established at St. Edna's, whereby he seemed to turn his phone off and spend most of the evenings entertaining young people. Dave said that St. Odilo's is not like other parishes. They simply never have had evening meetings, primarily because the bulk of the parish consists of senior citizens. For that reason, the meetings are all held during the day. However, a Parish Council is now being formed, so that may change things. I asked Dave if they had a Finance Committee and he said there were one or two people on it, but just what their responsibilities are is not clear. Dave said that they usually have dinner at 6 P.M., end around 7:15 P.M. and that's about it for the evening. As far as Dave knows, there is no congregating of kids in Bob's rooms in the evenings.

DRAFT OF MESSAGE TO BE GIVEN BY CARDINAL TO BOB MAYER ON JULY 1, 1991

1. I cannot tell you how hurt and disappointed and angry I am that this meeting today has become a necessity. I feel that you have betrayed me and violated the trust I placed in you. Over the years, you have repeatedly been the subject of allegations of sexual impropriety, and yet you have refused to modify your behavior in such a way that the risk to yourself and to the Church would be eliminated. Your appointment to St. Odilo, as you well know, was approved by me only after I received your solemn assurance that you would no longer engage in the kind of behaviors that caused so much distress for your parishioners and yourself in your previous assignments. I regret to say that I now have reason to believe that you have broken this promise.

2. On June 2, 1987, you signed an agreement which included among other things the following condition for your continuation in ministry:

"A canonical mandate is given to Fr. Mayer to avoid all unsupervised contact with all persons under the age of 21. This applies especially to his private living quarters in the rectory. He is not to have persons under age 21 as guests at his cottage unless other adults are present".

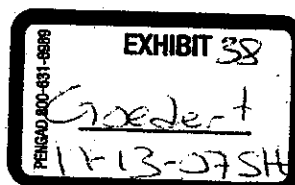
have recently learned
I ~~know~~ that you have violated this mandate on more than one occasion in the short time that you have been at St. Odilo's. Moreover, I also *recently learned* ~~have knowledge~~ of grossly inappropriate behavior on your part towards a young man, involving touches, sexual innuendos and pornographic material. Even if you deny any sexual intent, your judgment in these matters is so obviously impaired that I cannot allow you to continue in this position of trust any longer.

3. I am convinced, Bob, that you are laboring under the kind of psychic defect referred to in Canons 1041 and 1044, and for this reason I am withdrawing your faculties and I forbid you any and all exercise of your Sacred Orders until such time as it is evident that you are capable of resuming effective priestly ministry.

4. You are no longer empowered to act, therefore, as pastor of St. Odilo Parish. Because you have so seriously violated the trust I placed in you, I am asking you today to submit your resignation. If you refuse to do so, I will initiate immediately the canonical process for your removal.

5. Furthermore, I direct you to [REDACTED] on Wednesday, July 10. The [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] and I will remain in contact with you [REDACTED] and a determination will eventually be made as to whether or not you will be permitted to return to the active ministry.

6. This decision, Bob, grieves me deeply. I can only hope and pray that you will commit yourself to participate fully [REDACTED] and, with the Lord's help, return to the Archdiocese a much better man and a much better priest.



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TO: CARDINAL BERNARDIN
FROM: REV. RAY GOEDERT *RG*
DATE: JUNE 24, 1991
RE: REV. ROBERT MAYER

1. I am enclosing the revised drafts of:
 - A. The statement for you to make in confronting Bob on July 1;
 - B. The letter to be read at the weekend Masses if Bob cooperates (i.e. resigns and agrees to go for treatment)
 - C. The letter to be read at the weekend Masses if Bob refused to resign or to go for treatment.
2. I am also attaching the following:
 - A. A copy of the two Canons (1041 and 1044) upon which your decision to withdraw his faculties is based;
 - B. A copy of the agreement Bob signed on 6/2/87 giving the canonical mandate to avoid all unsupervised contact with persons under the age of 21.
3. As it stands now, the meeting with Bob will be on Monday, July 1 at 4:30 p.m. He will be asked to resign effective immediately. If he refuses to resign, he should be informed that the canonical process for his removal will begin immediately.
4. Bob should be directed to remove all of his belongings within the next 24 or 48 hours, whichever you think is more reasonable, and take up his residence either at his cottage, at Little Flower, or at any rectory approved by you. Bob Banzen is a classmate and close friend, so Bob Mayer might very well choose St. John Brebeuf.
5. Bob should be informed that he [REDACTED] on Wednesday, July 10. The Vicar for Priests will arrange to get the plane ticket.
6. With regard to a replacement, the Personnel Board will initiate its process immediately if Bob resigns; otherwise, as soon as the parish is declared vacant. In the meantime, a retired pastor would be named administrator. We agreed that [REDACTED] would be our first choice. I think it is important that you call [REDACTED] personally to make the request. (I spoke to [REDACTED] today 6/24/91 and gave him the background).
7. With regard to the confrontation itself on July 1, I would suggest that the following elements be included:
 - A. The meeting would begin with a clear statement from yourself of the decision that has already been made - namely, that Bob has violated the trust you put in him and that you are now

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asking for his resignation.

- B. Only after you have completed your statement would Bob be given the opportunity to respond. However, you should make it clear to him that this is not a fact finding session and that even if Bob denies the present charge, you nevertheless are convinced that he has violated the mandate, that he has acted quite inappropriately, that his conduct has been such that you believe that he is laboring under a psychic defect so serious that you judge him incapable of rightly carrying out the pastoral ministry (Canons 1041 and 1044), and for this reason his faculties are removed and he may not exercise any Sacred Orders whatever.
- C. Bob should be told that a decision will eventually be made, [REDACTED] as to whether or not he will be allowed to return to ministry in any capacity.
- D. Bob should be told that if he cooperates (i.e. resigns and agrees to enter treatment), a more benign statement will be read at all the weekend Masses, a statement that will simply say that Bob has decided to resign the parish for personal reasons, etc. However, if Bob refuses to cooperate, a more severe statement will be read giving the nature of the charge against him, etc.

- 8. With regard to the statement to the parishioners, we agreed it should be:
 - A. In the form of a letter from you to the people
 - B. Read by Bishop Jakubowski at all the Masses the weekend of July 6-7.
- 9. A major concern remains - what will be the fallout, especially in connection with the [REDACTED] case and with those at St. Edna who brought the law suit against Bob some ten years ago?

I honestly have no answer. The fallout could very well be serious, and I think the only thing we can do is to tell the truth - namely, that until this incident, we were never able to substantiate any of the allegations made against him.



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TO: File (R. Goedert)

DATE: JULY 1, 1991

RE: ROBERT MAYER

1. The Cardinal, Bishop Jakubowski and I met with Bob Mayer from 4:30 p.m. to approximately 6:30 p.m. The Cardinal began the meeting by paraphrasing the statement that had been drafted for this purpose. He made it very clear to Bob that he was expecting him to resign and that if Bob refused to resign, he would institute the canonical process for removal. The Cardinal was very firm in this and made it clear to Bob that the issue was non-negotiable.
2. After the Cardinal concluded his statement, he asked Bob for his response, reaction, etc. Bob was very upset and felt that this was a terrible injustice. He insisted that he had done nothing wrong and that he has done his very best to be a good priest, etc. When Bob continued to press the issue that unknown persons were making unknown charges, the Cardinal then told Bob the name of the accuser and turned it over to me to spell out the details of the charges. Once Bob realized who it was that was making the accusations, he seemed to back down and not protest his innocence as strongly as he had initially. Eventually, the Cardinal asked Bob again for his resignation and Bob signed it.
3. Bob then asked about his future and whether there was any hope for him. The Cardinal indicated that the future depends on Bob and that if [REDACTED] is successful, he would be able to receive another assignment. When Bob asked if he could ever be made a pastor again, the Cardinal said: "It depends on the outcome of the treatment. I don't rule out the possibility, but neither do I make any promises."
4. Bob said that we are going to have to help him to handle the political fallout and the Cardinal responded that he was willing to do whatever he could to protect Bob's reputation. On the other hand, if Bob had refused to resign, the Cardinal said that he would have to spell out the reasons for his dismissal, etc.
5. The Cardinal told Bob that his faculties were withdrawn as of that moment and that he could no longer exercise the office of pastor. He further stated that Bob would have to move everything out of the premises by Wednesday evening. He also stated that Bob would have to report to [REDACTED] on Wednesday, July 10. Bob said that he wanted some time to think about this and to consult with his friends, etc. He agreed to call me on the next day. He was going to be up at his cottage with his priest friends and would have a chance to discuss it with them.
6. After the meeting concluded, the Cardinal, Bishop Jakubowski and I continued to discuss the situation. We agreed that if the priests ask us why Bob was treated in this fashion, we would tell the truth. In a sense, Bob has forfeited his right to privacy and we will not let the church or any of us take the heat.

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for his behavior. On the other hand, we will do our best to protect him as far as his parishioners and others are concerned.

7. After the meeting, I then put in a call to [REDACTED] in order to see if Joyce Brothers could do the moving and [REDACTED] agreed. They will be at St. Odilo's on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

8. I also called [REDACTED] to let him know what had happened. He will try to take over on Friday.

9. Jake indicated that he may be tied up at the time of some of the Masses, so I or someone else will share it with him.

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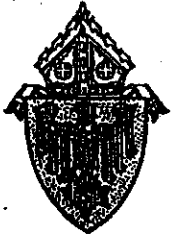
1. Bob Mayer called [REDACTED]. I then called [REDACTED] to let her know and gave Bob her name and number and asked him to call her on Wednesday to get whatever information he needed.

2. I told Bob that I would purchase the plane tickets. I also asked him to draft [REDACTED]

3. I tried to reach [REDACTED] at 4:45 but she was not home. I then reached [REDACTED] at his place of work and told him what had transpired. [REDACTED] said that his parents were out of town but would be back that evening. I said that I would try and call them later tonight.

3. I also called St. Odilo's to talk to Dave Mulvihill, but he was not home yet. I put in a call at the Tribunal but there was no answer.

4. I will have to verify with Bob just exactly what the Mass schedule is. According to our directory, the Saturday evening Mass is at 5:00 p.m. and the Sunday Masses are at 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30. Bob will be staying at the cottage and his number there is (708) 587-0215.



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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Office of the Archbishop

July 2, 1991

My dear Parishioners:

It is with great sadness that I must convey to you information that I know will be distressing. As you are aware, Father Mayer, your pastor, has been with you approximately ten months. During this time, he has accomplished much for the welfare of your parish, and for that I am grateful, as I know you are. Because of personal reasons, however, he has asked that I accept his resignation effective immediately so that he may go on sabbatical. I have done so, and until such time as a new pastor is appointed, I have asked Reverend Martin Borowczyk, the well-respected retired pastor of St. Constance Parish, to administer the affairs of St. Odilo.

I ask your prayers for Father Mayer, for Father Borowczyk, and for your entire parish that Our Blessed Lord will be with you as you make the adjustment that lies ahead.

Be assured of my prayers and special blessing.

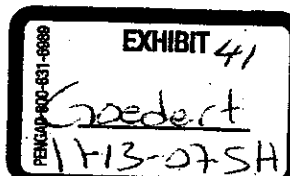
With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Joseph Card. Bernardin
Archbishop of Chicago

Parishioners of St. Odilo Parish
2244 South East Avenue
Berwyn, Illinois 60402

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Oct. 23, 1991
St. Odilo Parish
Meeting with Parish Leadership

Present: Jill Gardiner, Ralph Bonaccorsi, McDonagh, Goedert, Jakubowski, Gorman, Cyscon, Mulvihill, Dunleavy, POM

From the parish, the following groups were represented: A & R Society, Scouts, Pastoral Council, School Board, Finance Committee, Parents' Club, Ushers, Music Ministry, Ministry of Care, Eucharistic Ministers, DRE, Youth Ministry.

Again Peter Cyscon led off with prayer and introduced POM, who introduced the panel and the first speaker B. Goedert. Ray gave substantially the same statement as on Tuesday night, then questions were entertained.

First question was from [redacted] brother of [redacted] priests. Said he was a lieutenant with State Police, member of Pastoral Council. In a way he set the tone for the meeting - positive for the most part with emphasis on avoiding our unhelpful procedures in the future. Later Jill Gardiner was to characterize the meeting as sad rather than angry - though some people were obviously still angry and hurt.

He asked: What will the Diocese do to avoid this kind of fiasco in the future - what are your procedures? He said that the attempt to cover up was an insult and, at least, some people should have had information - both about Mayer's background and when removal took place.

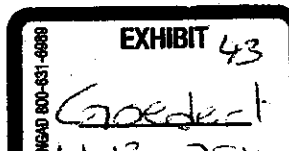
He then asked what we were doing to inform good priests and to shore up their self esteem. We spoke of this meeting, the task forces to be formed, the talk to fourth year seminarians on 10/28 and other initiatives.

[redacted] confided to me at the break that he was determined this meeting would be positive yet truthful. He wanted to do what he could to assure something good would come from it.

Another question from an older man: Why did we hear it from the media, from others and not from our own newspaper? Again the issue of silence was spoken to.

Jill Gardiner (wrongly introduced as Gail by POM) then spoke about what happens when this kind of situation happens. She spoke of people's upheaval, of the range of normal reactions. Some of it predictable, some of not so. She went on to validate their reactions. She spoke of emotionality of reactions, the variety of reactions, how this trauma can trigger past traumas in their lives, the volatile nature of people's reactions.

She indicated there would be much ambivalence - especially among leadership. Some people found Mayer a wonderful and helpful person. (This regard for Mayer also surfaced in one-to-ones at the break.) Jill then talked about what could be helpful to the people. She called for people to accept their feelings and the feelings of others. She said information, and plans for moving forward are important. So also prayers, returning to good "business as usual" routines, respect for all varieties of reactions, seeking appropriate help.



Jill concluded reminding people that there was a tremendous power for healing within the Odilo community itself. She told the people they were key people in that healing.

More questions:

One man indicated he himself had been abused and accused wrongly as a younger person. He had sympathy for Mayer and had been almost threatened by a person recently when he was accused of defending "that man" meaning Mayer. He wanted to know if others had been bothered besides the one young man who came forward. Jill explained about the young girl at Tuesday night's meeting and Ray explained about the original accusation that triggered the removal. Ray also mentioned concerns that had surfaced in small groups on the previous night but were not reported out for understandable reasons.

[REDACTED] spoke of how not knowing the circumstances of Mayer's problem and restrictions put her in a very vulnerable spot - especially vis a vis the children. She was controlled but angry and frustrated.

A man on the Finance Committee said that the parish had been hurt by this. People would not come to Church, children would not enter school, the financial picture would be worsened. What would the diocese do to bail out the parish?

Ray Goedert answered that the school is being evaluated and is doing a very good job. It will grow. He said the diocese through the Vicar and Vicar of priests will continue to monitor the parish situation and try to be of help to Peter and leadership until it's no longer necessary.

Someone asked if the parish might be sued. Ray explained that that would not happen. Andy McD. spoke to the feelings he was picking up and he explained how the diocese's ability to deal with situations around sexual abuse is just growing - he used the AA experience of 25 years ago as a paradigm.

In the break, one young man from the youth ministry privately expressed great anger at the group for knocking Mayer. For him, Mayer had been an entry back to the Church. He was angry and said he was through with the Church now. Several of the youth ministry team seemed to share this supportive feeling for Mayer.

After the break, more questions: Any real proof that he was guilty of the charges? We went over them again. How far back do the allegations against Mayer go? Ray explained the 1982 situation.

One woman, obviously emotional and still angry, said that this was the third meeting she had attended and she was still so enraged at the diocese for sending in a man under a mandate without supervision.

Then POM introduced the possibility of informing the rest of the parish. He talked about a letter being read at all Masses this coming weekend from the Cardinal, with the opportunity for further information and feedback afterwards in the school hall. A young man said the Cardinal himself should come out, not B. Gorman. Gorman said we would inform the Cardinal of that sentiment.

Once again [redacted] intervened and said that the Cardinal's coming would occasion a media circus and the primary reason for the meeting - the dispensing of information - would be lost. He suggested Gorman come this weekend, information be given - and then at a later date, the Cardinal should be invited in to give his input. Most of the people found this approach to be acceptable - especially the sympathetic older people. The crowd was not unanimous in this, but seemed to favor it over other options.

One man asked whether help would be available for individual parishioners who had been psychically hurt by what had happened. We assured him it would. An older lady from the A & R table said the Cardinal should tape a message to the people Sunday. Another man suggested a TV program by the Cardinal to the Archdiocese in general, but which would also cover Odilo's problem.

[redacted] said the Cardinal should have a big meeting with all the people invited. Peter Cyscon took an active part in the planning of the next meetings then. He spoke against a big parish meeting - which he had originally favored - on the grounds that people would not be heard.

Another older man said the problem was being exaggerated, the Cardinal shouldn't be involved. The problem was that the P. Bd. had not done their job when surveying the parish and recommending a pastor.

[redacted] recalled an incident years ago when the pastor, C. Skach, had stood before the people and announced he was a recovering alcoholic. The people had cheered him. He encouraged the Cardinal and the diocese to trust the people to respond in a Christian way. "We made it through that crisis; we'll make it through this one." There was general agreement among others.

Women from the A&R Society were volunteered to help with coffee and on the weekend. Leadership was encouraged to be present, to direct people, to explain, to heal.

Peter Cyscon closed the meeting with a short talk in which, in a comfortable and kidding way, he told the people that the Diocese, with all its problems, is demonstrating real care for the people. He extolled the various vicars and priests.

(He did not mention the great work done by the consultants and facilitators from the OCE and elsewhere. The presence of Craddock, Gardner, Bonaccorsi, Guccione, Leone, et al has been an essential ingredient and has kept these meetings from being total disasters!)

It's clear however that Peter has high regard for all who have come to help. He called them his "family" and encouraged the people to trust them. He said the Spirit is at work. Faith, Peter said emotionally, is all about dying and rising - and that's what is happening at St. Odilo. His message was met with approval and applause.

The panel stayed around afterwards and each of us learned more about where people were at. Suggestions were also made to us, some of which have real merit. E.g. an 800 number people could call for information, for help - the number to be posted in the school, in the bulletin.
WHAT ELSE SHOULD BE ADDED TO THIS SUMMARY?

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AGENDA FOR MEETING WITH PEOPLE OF DIVINE SAVIOR
FRIDAY, NOV. 15, 1991 7:00 P.M.

Prayer - Fr. STEVE TEBES
Introduction by STEVE
All are introduced

1. May we ask something of one another this evening. This is a family meeting; we are members of this family dealing with a confidential personnel matter. We would ask that all of us observe confidentiality about what goes on at this meeting. Is that agreed?
2. As some of you may already know, Fr. Ken Ruge has been removed by the Archdiocese from his assignment as associate pastor of Divine Savior. His removal will come as a shock to you perhaps. However, over the past few years, Fr. Ruge has been struggling with some issues in his personal life.
3. Some years back an accusation of sexual abuse of a young person was brought against him.

As far as we know, there has been no recurrence of this problem.

4. Because of his willingness to cooperate and with the archdiocesan authorities, Fr. Ruge was allowed to remain in parish ministry. Within the past few months, - and again he has done so with total cooperation. When Fr. Steve Tebes was appointed pastor a short time ago, he did not have knowledge of Fr. Ruge's previous history.

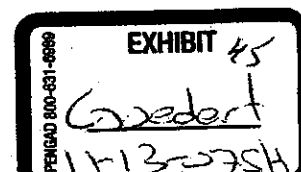
5. But we are at a new moment now.

Moreover, heightened concern in both Church and society has brought the Archdiocese to a new understanding of its policy of placing or retaining such priests in parish ministry. So in order to avoid even the possibility of risks to young people, the Archdiocese has removed Fr. Ruge from parish ministry.

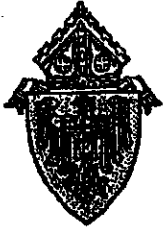
Cardinal Bernardin and Fr. Ruge met recently to discuss what this meant. It was a very moving experience.

He will not be returning to Divine Savior in the future.

6. We wanted to share this information with this small group from the parish so that you may know the truth. We also want to ask your advice on how we may present this information to the rest of your parish. Before we do that, however, I will answer any questions you may have at this time.



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VICAR FOR PRIESTS
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TO: Cardinal Bernardin
FROM: Rev. Patrick O'Malley
DATE: Jan. 7, 1992
RE: Rev. Norbert Maday -- possible letter

Dear Norb,

Pat O'Malley has informed me of your conversations about the [REDACTED]. I want to once again reassure you that I am requesting that you take this [REDACTED] as a help for you and for ourselves.

An allegation of child molestation was made against you. Who made the call is a point we cannot determine. In a sense, it is anonymous. But, in the present climate, for your protection and for the Archdiocese's protection, I submitted the situation to the Commission I had appointed. They recommended that you [REDACTED].

At my house on the day we talked, you shared with me your fear and your own misgivings about what might have occurred in the past. I understand, Norb, and I want you to know that, in no way, will the test or whatever the [REDACTED] discloses be held "against" you. That's not the way I operate. If one of my priests needs help, I will do all I can to make sure he gets that help. You have served the Archdiocese well over the years. I want to see that service continue and even deepen. You have always been a generous priest.

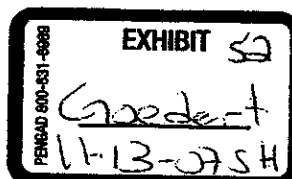
We are thinking of your future, Norb, and of your physical and emotional well-being. [REDACTED]

I assure you I will have the same regard for you after the [REDACTED] as I will have after your physical exams. I want to see you whole and well.

Please believe me when I offer you this word of encouragement. Let's work together and the loving grace of God will be even more a part of our lives. I will be praying for you as you move through this important phase of your life. If you want to talk to me, don't hesitate to call.

Traternally yours in X
Sincerely yours,

Cardinal Bernardin



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April 8, 1992

Rev. Norbert Maday
Post Office Box 16703
Chicago, Illinois 60616-0703

Dear Norb,

After our conversation on August 8 in the morning, I wanted to clarify our reasoning for not allowing that letter.

One, the Archdiocese does not want to appear as if it is making a judgement about innocence or guilt while the investigation is proceeding. Anything like that letter which would appear in an Archdiocesan or a parish publication might be construed by the opposition as such a judgement.

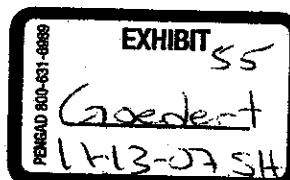
Secondly, we are always afraid that if your name appears in a bulletin or in a newspaper that it might trigger someone else, out of anger or whatever, to come forward to bring an accusation. That is the reason why we are asking you to be very circumspect in your behavior and to follow the parameters of the protocol that has been set down. Your lawyer's advice not to go to that Health Club without Ernie present is very good advice and I hope that you follow it.

I'll be in touch.

Faternally yours,

Rev. Patrick O'Malley
Vicar for Priests

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Chancellor



Post Office Box 1979
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November 25, 1992

Reverend Norbert J. Maday
P.O. Box 16702
Chicago, Illinois 60616-0703

Dear Father Maday:

At the direction of Cardinal Bernardin, I am writing in response to your request to review the restriction forbidding you to wear the Roman collar or any other form of clerical garb while you are on an administrative leave of absence.

The Cardinal has reviewed your request with his advisors. Accordingly, as explained to you by Father Patrick O'Malley, Vicar for Priests, you are hereby dispensed from paragraph #5 of the Precept Imposing Restrictions, dated July 1, 1992, during such times as you are required to appear publicly in connection with your pending prosecution.

With every best wish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Thomas J. Paprocki

Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki
Chancellor

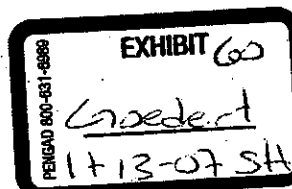
Given at the Chancery

Robert J. Spence S.J.D.
Vice-Chancellor

cc: Reverend Patrick J. O'Malley, Vicar for Priests
Mr. John O'Malley, Office of Legal Counsel
Mr. James Serritella, Legal Counsel

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Memo

To: Cardinal Bernardin

From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley *Jon*

Date: 3/5/95

Re: Norbert Maday



On 3/3/95 I visited Norb at Columbia Correctional Facility. He is no longer in isolation and so our visit was much less strained than it was back in January.

They allowed us a little longer time, about an hour and a half, and we had a good conversation. I was able to talk to Norb more directly about why he is in the prison and what our perception of his history is.

Norb has been pressured by the people at the facility to get into a treatment program for sex abusers. He has some concern about generating information while he is awaiting his appeal. I told him that concern should be directly discussed with his attorney.

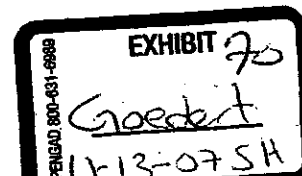
He also has some concern about whether you would want him to get into such a program. I told him that I am certain you would want him to get help. I also told him that, while he is able to write to you several times a week, you can only return his letters when you have the opportunity. He understood that and doesn't expect you to respond every time he writes.

All in all, he seemed to be in a better frame of mind. I spoke to Jerry Boyle, his attorney, last week.

Their request for a lessening of the sentence was dismissed. That is the first step in the appeal of the case. Now papers will be submitted and the usual legal point-counterpoint will take place. Boyle thinks that the case may go to the Appellate Court around July. The court then has 90 to 120 days normally to respond. So a decision on the appeal may not be forthcoming until well into the fall or early winter.

I'll keep you informed as we go along about the matter.

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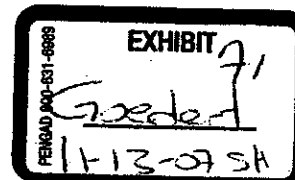
Date: April 25, 1996
Subject: Father James Hagan
From: [REDACTED]
To: Whoever is looking into the allegations of misconduct. Is it still Mr. Donacoursi?

I was very upset to hear the allegations re. Father James Hagan. In 1988 several mothers from St. Gertrude's (17) called [REDACTED] at St. Gertrude's to complain about Father Hagan rubbing their daughter's legs in face to face confession and putting his hands very high up on their legs under their skirts. The girls were especially upset when Mr. Hagan then was selected to teach them sex education in a room with just the girls and with the door closed. There were complaints made to the principal who was not cooperative. As I was not the parent of a girl I heard that when the moms planned a meeting to discuss this the pastor broke up the meeting and said it would look bad for the parish. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] My son agreed to tell his story to DCFs and the police as did one brave young woman. The other girls took back their stories after the pastor approached their mothers. I called to complain to [REDACTED] who said he would believe [REDACTED] over me any day as [REDACTED] was his friend.

I was very upset to hear Hagan was reassigned to St. Denis especially after that school had experienced molestation by a science teacher that same year. I talked to [REDACTED] and voiced my dismay.

I know that the Archdiocese must be aware of this. Why did you allow him to go to St. Denis? I had better hear soon that you are acknowledging this or I will have to go to the media. This is incestuous and very very sad. In 1988 I told the Archdiocese they had better watch him and if anything else happened I would go public. I will or ask the students to do so. If even one St. Denis student comes forward let it be on your conscience. I pray you will make the correct decision.



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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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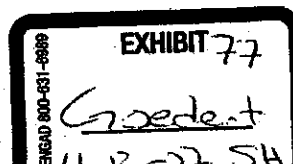
TO: Leah McCluskey
FROM: Father Lagges
RE: Revs. Norbert Maday [REDACTED]
DATE: 28 October, 2004

A while ago, we were discussing a possible assurance that Cardinal Bernardin had given to Fr. Maday [REDACTED] that he would not seek the canonical penalty of dismissal from the clerical state. At that time, I said that I may have copies of those letters in my files.

I was finally able to locate copies of the letters that were sent in June, 1996. I have enclosed them with this memo.

As you can see, Cardinal Bernardin did say that he would not seek the penalty of dismissal from the clerical state. He also said that any decisions about future ministry would have to be made in accordance with universal and particular law. He did not, however, promise that he would not seek other penalties which might be less severe than dismissal from the clerical state.

I hope this assists you.



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VICAR FOR PRIESTS

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October 16, 1990

Rev. Robert Craig
[REDACTED]

Dear Bob,

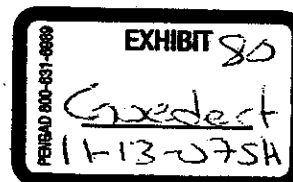
At a meeting with Jim Serritella and Carrie Huff, subsequent to our last conversation on Oct. 8, I discussed the conflict of interests that has arisen in regard to the list of names and addresses I had asked you to provide. While recognizing that Mr. Tuite's advice is designed to protect you from the possibility of further incrimination, the Archdiocese also has responsibilities that it cannot ignore. Primary among these, of course, is the necessity to provide professional counseling to those victims who need it and wish to avail themselves of this service at no expense to themselves.

As mentioned above, Bob, I am painfully aware of the conflict of interests that this situation creates. I would appreciate your discussing this with Mr. Tuite and would ask that he be in touch with Mr. Serritella, so that we might resolve this impasse as soon as possible.

With prayers for you and your mother, Bob, I remain

Fraternally yours,


Rev. Raymond Goedert



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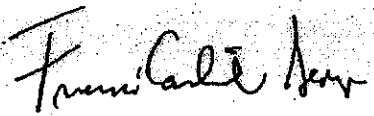
DECLARATION

IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY. AMEN


- (1) Whereas Robert E. Mayer, born on [REDACTED] was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago on April 30, 1964 at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois, and
- (2) Whereas he left the active ministry in 1993 and, because of violations against Canon 1395 § 2, would never be permitted to return,

I, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., by the grace of God and the favor of the Apostolic See, Archbishop of Chicago, do hereby declare:

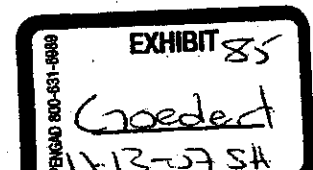
- a) That Robert E. Mayer has no authorization whatsoever to act as an agent of this Archdiocese;
- b) that he is no longer affiliated as a priest in any way with the Archdiocese of Chicago;
- c) that he is not to represent himself as a Roman Catholic priest with canonical faculties, nor is he to present himself as a 'Catholic priest in good standing';
- d) that the Archdiocese does not consider itself in any way responsible for the activities of Robert E. Mayer, and
- e) that the Archdiocese is not to be held liable for any scandal or harm to souls for which he has been or is responsible.


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

May 28, 2005


Most Rev. Raymond E. Goedert
Ecclesiastical Notary

MAY-CB6-00001



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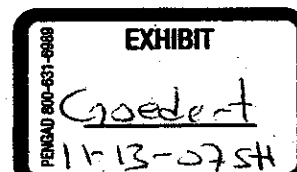
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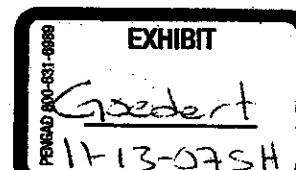
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MASTER'S OPINION

The attorneys representing the claimants and the Archdiocese in the above titled matter appeared before me on July 10, 2009 to review the parties' positions as to the publication of the deposition of Bishop Raymond E. Goedert taken in connection with the mediation of certain claims.

Background

The parties entered into a Mediation Agreement on September 23, 2006. The purpose of the Agreement was to establish a process whereby certain claims would be resolved through negotiation and mediation, rather than through litigation or a trial. Thomas F. Gibbons serves as the mediator and the undersigned serves as a Master to decide certain issues related to the sharing of information. To aid and facilitate the settlement of certain claims, Jeffrey R. Anderson took the deposition of Bishop Goedert on November 13, 2007 pursuant to provisions in the Agreement relating to the sharing of information. Bishop Goedert served as the Vicar for Priests in the Archdiocese from July 1, 1987 through September, 1991. As Vicar for Priests, his responsibilities included dealing with allegations that certain priests sexually abused minors. Many of the claims at issue have now been settled.

The claimants' attorneys have expressed an interest in disseminating Bishop Goedert's deposition. The Archdiocese expressed certain concerns regarding publication. Those concerns are addressed in this opinion.

The Archdiocese's Concerns

Both the Archdiocese and the claimants have expressed concern for the privacy of certain people who are identified in the original transcript and exhibits of the deposition. These people may be those who brought forward allegations or others who were not directly involved with the

allegations. They are either identified by name or by other circumstances that are described. Both the Archdiocese and the claimants agree that the names and identifying information of these third parties should not be disclosed.

In addition, the Archdiocese is concerned about how its observance of mandatory mental health confidentiality laws impacts the description of Bishop Goedert's efforts to respond to allegations of clergy misconduct. Bishop Goedert testified that it was the Archdiocese's regular practice to obtain a full forensic psychiatric evaluation of accused clergy from institutions that specialized in evaluation and treatment of sexual offenders and to rely on those evaluations. Bishop Goedert testified that he would not have recommended that any cleric remain in ministry where forensic psychiatrists identified a risk to children. The Archdiocese is concerned that without the disclosure of information about these opinions, Bishop Goedert's actions may appear arbitrary or unwarranted. The Archdiocese maintains that the professional advice it received cannot be disclosed because the Illinois Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act prohibits the disclosure of confidential mental health information. While the claimants disagree regarding the application and scope of the Illinois Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act under these circumstances, in an abundance of caution, all references to accused clergy receiving psychiatric evaluations or treatment have been redacted from the deposition transcript and exhibits. For the same reason, all of the advice and/or recommendations Bishop Goedert or the Archdiocese received from forensic psychiatrists concerning the suitability of accused clergy for any form of ministry have been redacted.

Finally, the Archdiocese expressed a concern that publication of Bishop Goedert's deposition may be confusing because Bishop Goedert's testimony describes practices prior to 1992. Joseph Cardinal Bernardin appointed a Special Commission in 1992 to review those

practices as part of an effort to improve the Archdiocese's response to allegations of sexual abuse of minors. As a result of the Special Commission's report, the Archdiocese adopted and promulgated new policies and procedures on September 21, 1992. From time to time since then, the Archdiocese has made changes intended to strengthen and improve those policies. These new policies and procedures have been in effect for more than sixteen years. Among other things, the policies create a nine-person review board (the majority of whom are lay people) to consider allegations that a priest sexually abused a minor. The policies also provide for a lay staff person to assist the Review Board. The lay staff person receives allegations on behalf of the Review Board and promptly reports them to the public authorities. A complete statement of the policies can be found on the Archdiocese's website at:

<http://policy.archchicago.org/policies/bk2ttl3chpt1num1100.pdf>.

Thus, the Archdiocese believes that readers of the transcript should be reminded that Bishop Goedert's testimony describes an approach that has not been in place since 1992.

The Claimants' Response

As mentioned above, the claimants share the Archdiocese privacy concerns for other victims and third parties. However, the claimants do not believe that the Archdiocese's other concerns create any particular problems for the disclosure of the deposition transcript and, in any event, believe that any concerns can be addressed by reasonable redactions or other means.

The Parties' Agreement

Because of this disagreement, the parties met with the Mediator, Thomas F. Gibbons, to review the deposition transcript and exhibits. They have agreed to delete or black out certain words from the deposition to help address the Archdiocese's concerns. Those deletions are sometimes called "redactions." The purpose of the redactions is to protect the privacy of those

bringing forward allegations as well as of persons who are not directly involved in these cases, and to protect information that the Archdiocese believes must be kept confidential by law. In the exhibits, the vast majority of the redactions protect the privacy of those bringing allegations. As a result of this mediation, the parties have agreed to publication of the deposition with these redactions.

OPINION

The parties have asked the Master to review the Archdiocese's concerns and the agreed upon redactions and render an opinion about these matters. The Master has carefully done so. However, it should be noted that the parties did not request and the Master has not provided a legal opinion regarding the applicability or scope of any legal privilege. Rather, the Master acknowledges the Archdiocese's concerns and the Claimants' response, approves the parties' agreed upon redactions and the attachment of this opinion to Bishop Goedert's deposition as means to address those concerns. In addition, the Master points out the following important facts about the deposition:

1. The purpose of the deposition was to allow the claimants' attorney, Jeffrey R. Anderson, to ask Bishop Goedert questions to assist in resolving certain claims fairly and promptly.
2. At a deposition, only the witness provides testimony under oath. The words of the attorneys are not testimony. The attorney taking the deposition asks questions that he or she chooses. Accordingly, a deposition is not meant to provide a full view of a case. In addition, Illinois law provides for discovery depositions, which are not intended to be used as evidence, and evidence depositions that require stricter standards. Bishop Goedert's deposition was a discovery deposition and therefore contains hearsay and other testimony that may or may not be admissible in evidence.
3. The attorney taking a deposition also has wide latitude in the use of documents. He or she can present documents from the witness files or other documents that the witness may not have seen, and that may or may not be accurate. Documents created by attorneys and statements made by attorneys are not evidence.

This opinion shall be attached to Bishop Goedert's deposition whenever it is published.

Based upon the information the Master has been supplied thus far, this ruling shall issue.

I wish to thank the parties and their attorneys for the professional and cooperative way in which they addressed the difficult questions presented by the dissemination of this deposition.

Entered July 15, 2009

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stuart Nudelman", is written over a horizontal line.

Hon. Stuart Nudelman (Ret.)
Master