

MAGALDI, PHILIP

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Dear Bishop Delaney:

I understand that you are considering reinstating Rev. Philip Magaldi to once again serve as a Priest. I feel compelled to write this in behalf of _____ who _____

I live in _____ and am employed at _____ where I have worked since 1980. I have a _____

I met _____ many years ago and knew immediately there was something very special about him. We became very close friends and always kept in touch over the years. _____ was the most caring and considerate person I have ever known. He always went out of his way to help anyone that may have needed help. It is ironic that _____ helped so many people _____ he could not find the help he himself needed.

I had many conversations with _____ about the sexual abuse he endured as a child and how painful it was for him to overcome. Life was a struggle for _____ and unfortunately he used drugs as a way to escape the pain. _____ suffered from post traumatic stress disorder and was often very depressed.

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I know that _____ took and passed a polygraph test relative to sexual abuse by Philip Magaldi. At that same time, Rev. Magaldi also took a polygraph test but did not pass when questioned about sexually abusing _____

A detective was in this area soon after _____ passed away to investigate the allegations of sexual abuse. He was in no way conducting an investigation to get to the truth. His mind was made up and he continued to say that he did not believe the sexual abuse happened. He was more interested in talking about _____ which I was already well aware of.

_____ was in no way an impartial person conducting an investigation. I do feel that he was hired by either the Catholic Diocese or Rev. Philip Magaldi in an attempt to clear Rev. Magaldi's name. Apparently, this detective came up with a 200 page report about _____ in an attempt to discredit his allegations. With further investigation, it would be more appropriate to review this 200 page report and all of the arrests and problems included in it as the result of the sexual abuse that indeed did happen.

This detective also states that _____ said he posed as an altar boy and that he was just trying to get money from the Catholic Church. These allegations about _____ are absolutely not true. _____ talked to me about his abuse alot and at no time did he ever mention money. Money was not important to _____ What was important, however, was preventing Rev. Philip Magaldi from working with or being around children. _____ never mentioned anything to me about posing as an altar boy.

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