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**MEMORANDUM**

TO:  Brother Joseph J. Willard, F.S.C.  
Associate to the Vicar for Administration  
 Mrs. Patricia Barcliff  
Director, Respect Life Office  
 Reverend William J. Lynn  
Secretary for Clergy  
 Reverend Paul S. Quinter, S.T.D.  
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 Mr. James J. Bock  
Associate to the Vicar for Administration

FROM: Reverend Monsignor James E. Molloy *JEM*  
Assistant Vicar for Administration

DATE: 28 October 1992

ITEM: Excerpt from Minutes of Issues Meeting of 22 October 1992

RE: Your memorandum of 16 October 1992 regarding Reverend Edward V. Avery (1970)

For your information and handling.

Attachment(s)

No. 0551 - 00224



Vicar for Administration

Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua  
Monsignor Edward P. Cullen  
October 28, 1992  
Issues discussed, October 22, 1992

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Memorandum of October 16, 1992 from Reverend William J. Lynn  
Regarding Reverend Edward V. Avery (1970) \*\*

Cardinal Bevilacqua approved two recommendations listed at the  
conclusion of the cited memorandum from Father Lynn.  
(Monsignor Molloy)

No. 0551 - 00225



Office of: Secretary for Clergy

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TO: Anthony Cardinal Bevilacqua  
 FROM: Reverend William J. Lynn *WJL*  
 DATE: October 16, 1992  
 RE: Reverend Edward V. Avery (50) (1970)

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I did ask Father Avery if he thought these incidents could have happened under the influence of alcohol and he might not remember. Father Avery said "it could be". He then said: "I was definitely under the influence of alcohol but I'm not an alcoholic." I asked if he thought these things could have happened. His response was: "I don't know." I mentioned it might be a prudent course to have a psychological evaluation. Father Avery responded: "I'll definitely go for all of that to clear myself."

Recommendation:

Because of Father Avery's cloudedness on some of the allegations, the issue of alcohol seeming to be involved, and immaturity involved, I recommend the following:

1. That Father Avery take part in a four day out-patient assessment at the Anodas Center of Saint John Vianney Hospital. This would be a more thorough evaluation than he would receive by just seeing one psychologist, and it might assist in determining if these allegations are true and/or if there are other problems involved.
2. That further recommendations be provided to your attention in light of the results of the evaluation called for in # 1 above.

*Approved*  
*WJL*  
*10/22/92*

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