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Rev. John Sarro

Born: December 7, 1941, Presently 61 years old

Ordained: December 8, 1979

Removed from Active Ministry: January 1998

Current Status: Fr. Sarro [Redacted - Conf. Med Recs.] and currently resides at the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales Nursing Home in Childs, MD.

Facts of the Case:

February 13, 2003 Summary of Fr. Sarro's case by Msgr. J. Thomas Cini, Vicar General of the Diocese of Wilmington: "Fr. Sarro had been a missionary in New Guinea for a number of years. [Redacted] he returned to the United States and was accepted as a fully incardinated priest here in the Diocese of Wilmington. Some years after his return the Bishop received a letter from a family in England which accused Fr. Sarro of molesting the family's two children. Father was confronted with the letter. He admitted to the charges and was permanently removed from ministry by Bishop Saltarelli. He has not functioned as a priest since that time. He has been most cooperative. [Redacted] A review of Fr. Sarro's file confirms Msgr. Cini's summary.

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publicly or to administer the sacraments. He is to be instructed not to wear clerical garb or to present himself publicly as a priest.” Given the facts of the case established above and Fr. Sarro’s advanced age and [REDACTED] I ask the CDF to approve the Diocese of Wilmington’s judgment that Fr. Sarro’s case should be handled according to Section 8B of the *Essential Norms* and that no further action or penal process is necessary.

Rev. Edward Dudzinski, Jr.

Born: March 26, 1950, Presently 53 years old

Ordained: April 8, 1978

Removed from Active Ministry: September 6, 1985

Current Status: Fr. Dudzinski resides in Herndon, Virginia in a private residence with his mother. The Bishop of the Diocese of Arlington, VA has been notified.

Facts of the Case:

August 15, 1990: Deposition of Victim **W-002** to the Circuit Court for the City of Williamsburg, Virginia, James City County: “I had buttons on the front of my [bathing] suit, the velcro type fly. He put his hands down my pants from behind and started feeling my behind. He put his finger on like my rectum, things of that nature. He had something – I think it was the stuff that he used – that he liked to put on my back, the lotion when he did back rubs, and inserted a finger inside of me, and I was saying, like, no, you know, it hurt and stuff like that. After awhile he was like forceful like, holding on to me and stuff like that, and I was trying to scoot away. He turned me around and started performing fellatio on me. Then he told me to bend over and I said like no way, and he like physically bent me and performed anal sex on me...He pulled up his pants, walked back out like nothing happened, and I was like, oh, man. I was bleeding at the time. I went to the bathroom and tried to get myself cleaned up.” This incident occurred when Mr. **W-002** was a minor.

June 6, 2003 *Wilmington News Journal* newspaper article: “A former Catholic priest from Delaware who was accused of sexually abusing teenage boys in the mid-1980s has agreed to give up his license to counsel children in Virginia. Edward F. Dudzinski, Jr. surrendered his