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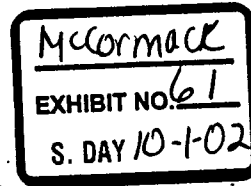
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Rev. John B. McCormack
2121 Commonwealth Ave.
Brighton, Ma. 02135



Dear Fr. McCormack:

This letter concerns my patient, the Reverend Paul R. Shanley, specifically his work capabilities. He gave me permission to discuss his medical problems with you. These problems are such that Rev. Shanley probably will never be able to return to his profession.

The nature of his disability is divided into three areas:

1. The patient has a history of chronic gastroenteritis and hiatal hernia which is manifested by epigastric pain, distention and cramps, episodically. It must be treated with a special diet and H2-antagonist medication.
2. The patient has chronic anxiety neurosis which would be exacerbated by a return to work.
3. The patient has a severe chronic allergic rhinitis and sinusitis. This condition has been resistant to various therapies and has resulted in episodes of asthma when aggravated by his anxiety attacks or bouts of gastroenteritis.

Rev. Shanley has other maladies also, including benign prostatic hypertrophy, Bell's palsy, macular degeneration, decreased auditory acuity and insomnia.

In summary, I do not recommend his returning to full time work of any kind. It is important that he avoid stress, maintain a strict diet, and get plenty of rest.

Thank You.
Sincerely,

James W. Shaner, M.D.

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