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#### SEPARATE STATEMENT (SPECIAL INTERROGATORIES)

Plaintiffs submit this separate statement in support of the Motion to Compel the Defendant DIOCESE OF TEHUACAN to respond further to the First Set of Interrogatories, in compliance with California Rules of Court, Rule 335.

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 36:**

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had a verbal communication(s) with Cardinal Roger Mahony, regarding Nicholas Aguilar, please state whether there are any writings which document the subject matter of the communication(s).

10 RESPONSE:

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The subject interrogatory is relevant to the subject matter jurisdiction issue for which discovery is allowed at this stage in the litigation.

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# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 37:**

Has an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan every had any conversation(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed.

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#### LEGAL AND FACTUAL REASONS FOR COMPELLING FURTHER RESPONSE:

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# **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 38:**

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had a conversation with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed, please identify each officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan who had this conversation(s).

#### RESPONSE:

The Diocese incorporates by reference its Preliminary Statement and General Objections set forth above. The Diocese further objects to this Interrogatory because Plaintiff has exceeded the maximum number of special interrogatories authorized by Section 2030.030 of the California Code of Civil Procedure and declines to respond to this Interrogatory on the same grounds.

#### LEGAL AND FACTUAL REASONS FOR COMPELLING FURTHER RESPONSE:

The objections made to this interrogatory are too general and/or meritless and/or

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#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 40:

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had a conversation(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed, please describe the substance of the conversation.

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#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 41:

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had a conversation(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed, please state whether there are any writings which document the subject matter of the conversation(s).

RESPONSE:

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Objections set forth above. The Diocese further objects to this Interrogatory because Plaintiff
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## **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 42:**

Has an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan had any written communication(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed.

# RESPONSE:

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 44:**

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had written communication(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed, please describe the date of the communication(s).

#### RESPONSE:

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 45:**

If an officer, director, or managing agent of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had written communication(s) with Nicholas Aguilar in which the subject of Aguilar's transfer to California was discussed, please describe the substance of the communication(s).

#### RESPONSE:

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#### LEGAL AND FACTUAL REASONS FOR COMPELLING FURTHER RESPONSE:

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| 5           | this case may be sanctionable"  |  |  |
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| 7           | SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 46:   |  |  |
| 8           | Does The Diocese of Tehuacan own any property in California, United States of America?  |  |  |
| 9           | RESPONSE:   |  |  |
| 10          | The Diocese incorporates by reference its Preliminary Statement and General   |  |  |
| 11          | Objections set forth above. The Diocese further objects to this Interrogatory because Plaintiff   |  |  |
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| 15          | LEGAL AND FACTUAL REASONS FOR COMPELLING FURTHER RESPONSE:  |  |  |
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| 17          | frivolous, warranting sanctions. The objecting party has the burden of justifying an objection  |  |  |
| 18          | to an interrogatory. Coy v. Superior Court (1962) 58 Cal.2d 210, 220.   |  |  |
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| 24          | (2) An exercise of the party's option to produce writings.  |  |  |
| 25          | (3) An objection to the particular interrogatory.   |  |  |
| 23 25 27 27 | [Emphasis added.]   |  |  |
| 27          | Code of Civil Procedure Section 2030.240, subdivision (b), further provides that:   |  |  |
| 28          | (h) If an objection is made to an interrogatory or to a part of an  |  |  |

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 47:**

If The Diocese of Tehuacan does own property in California, United States of America, please identify the property.

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Defendant's "General Objections" are prohibited. C.C.P. § 2030.210 requires that interrogatories be responded to separately. Subdivision (a) of Section 2030.210 states:

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- (3) An objection to the particular interrogatory.

[Emphasis added.]

Code of Civil Procedure Section 2030.240, subdivision (b), further provides that:

(b) If an objection is made to an interrogatory or to a part of an interrogatory, the specific ground for the objection shall be set forth clearly in the response. If an objection is based on a claim of privilege, the particular privilege invoked shall be clearly stated. If an objection is based on a claim that the information sought is protected work product under Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 2018.010), that claim shall be expressly asserted.

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#### **SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 48:**

If The Diocese of Tehuacan does own property in California, United States of America, please state the date the property was acquired.

#### **RESPONSE**:

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| 4              | this case may be sanctionable"  |
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| 6              | SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 49:   |
| 7              | If The Diocese of Tehuacan does own property in California, United States of America, please  |
| 8              | describe the nature of use of the property.   |
| 9              | RESPONSE:   |
| 10             | The Diocese incorporates by reference its Preliminary Statement and General   |
| 11             | Objections set forth above. The Diocese further objects to this Interrogatory because Plaintiff   |
| 12             | has exceeded the maximum number of special interrogatories authorized by Section 2030.030   |
| 13             | of the California Code of Civil Procedure and declines to respond to this Interrogatory on the  |
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| 24             | (2) An exercise of the party's option to produce writings.  |
| 25<br>25       | (3) An objection to the particular interrogatory.   |
| 25<br>26<br>27 | [Emphasis added.]   |
| 27             | Code of Civil Procedure Section 2030.240, subdivision (b), further provides that:   |
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#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 50:

Please identify each and every communication in whatever form that any cleric, priest, brother, or lay employees of The Diocese of Tehuacan has had with any person incardinated with The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, A Corporation Sole.

#### RESPONSE:

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#### LEGAL AND FACTUAL REASONS FOR COMPELLING FURTHER RESPONSE:

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#### SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 51:

Has any person incardinated in The Diocese of Tehuacan been accused of sexually abusing minors while that incardinated person was in Califronia, United States of America? RESPONSE:

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| 6                          | SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 52:   |
| 7                          | If a person incardinated in The Diocese of Tehuacan has been accused of sexually abusing a  |
| 8                          | minor in California, please describe how The Diocese of Tehuacan became aware of the abuse  |
| 9                          | RESPONSE:   |
| 10                         | The Diocese incorporates by reference its Preliminary Statement and General   |
| 11                         | Objections set forth above. The Diocese further objects to this Interrogatory because Plaintiff   |
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# SPECIAL INTERROGATORY NO. 53:

If a person incardinated in The Diocese of Tehuacan has been accused of sexually abusing a minor in California, please state the date The Diocese of Tehuacan became aware of the abuse.

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#### **RESPONSE:**

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