

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of a phone conversation with a family member of Victim BE, which took place on July 29, 2004. Victim BE's family member reported to Ms. McCluskey that he believed that Victim BE was emotionally ill and that his claims of sexual abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly were false.

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This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim BF's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on February 18, 2004, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of approximately five to seven incidents of fondling and oral sex, which took place at Little Flower parish. The alleged abuse occurred between 1971 and 1972, when Victim BF was 17 and 18 years old. According to Victim BF, the abuse occurred 4 to 6 times between 1971 and 1972. Victim BF also reported that Kelly provided him with alcohol and cigarettes, and that he even drank and smoked with Kelly, while he was a minor, in the presence of another cleric at the Little Flower rectory.

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This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim BG's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on February 18, 2004, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly performing oral sex on Victim BG on multiple occasions when he was between 11 and 16 years old. The alleged abuse took place at St. John Vianney parish. Victim BG also reported that he stayed overnight in the rectory, that Fr. Kelly would regularly take him to dinner and movies, and that Fr. Kelly gave him alcohol.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor  
Leah McCluskey, Office of Professional Responsibility  
John O'Malley, Legal Services  
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

FROM: <sup>LNP</sup> Laura Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant  
Office of Professional Responsibility

DATE: October 28, 2003

RE: [PFR-21] Kelly, Thomas F. (Deceased) [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 10/21/03. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with [REDACTED]. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Kelly, Thomas F. [REDACTED]

It is extremely important that you forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case to this office within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Most Rev. Edwin M. Conway

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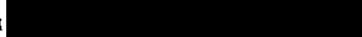

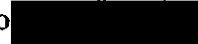
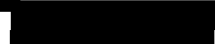
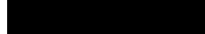
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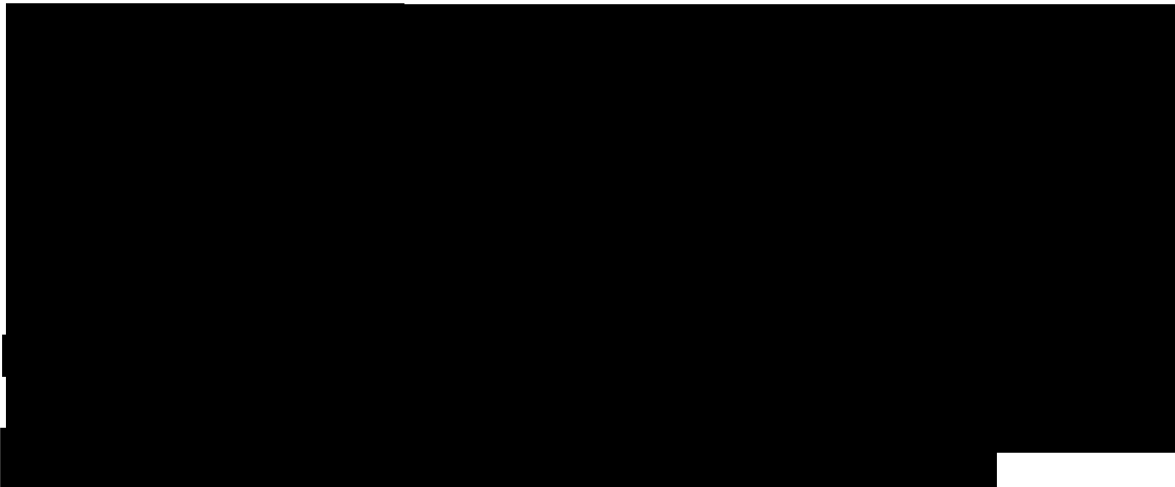
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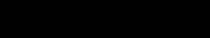


Re: Kelly, Thomas [Deceased] 

Date: October 2, 2003

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PRA received a phone call from  today regarding his allegation of sexual misconduct made against Fr. Thomas Kelly in April of 2002.  referred to a letter he received in January of 2003 written by PRA informing him of a change in policy regarding allegations made against deceased priests. PRA explained to  that the Review Board no longer is presented matters involving deceased priests.  was assured that this change in policy in no way affects the importance of him coming forward or the significance of the allegation itself.  indicated to PRA that he understood.



 stated that he did he have his own attorney nor did he know any attorneys. PRA suggested that  speak with Ralph Bonaccorsi, Dr. Michael Bland, or Mayra Flores of Assistance Ministry in regards to his need for suggestions of attorneys to contact. 



Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal' Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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January 24, 2003



Dear 

My name is Leah McCluskey and I am the Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA] at the Archdiocese of Chicago. I work in the Office of Professional Fitness Review, where we receive all allegations of sexual misconduct made against priests and deacons of the Archdiocese.

I am writing this letter in regards to your allegation of sexual misconduct against Thomas F. Kelly. As you may know, Thomas Kelly is deceased. The Archdiocese has amended its procedures with respect to deceased priests and I would like to share the changes with you. Allegations against deceased priests will continue to be received by this office, however, after our inquiry the matter will no longer be presented to the Review Board. The Archdiocesan office of Assistance Ministry will now receive and process all allegations of misconduct against deceased priests once this office has concluded its inquiry. This policy change is due to the fact that it is the responsibility of the Review Board to first and foremost protect children and to also make recommendations to the Cardinal regarding the fitness for ministry of accused priests. This recent revision of the Review Board's process will not in any way affect the seriousness with which your allegation is addressed by this office.

Upon receipt of the report written by PFRA, the office of Victim Assistance Ministry [VAM] will provide assistance and outreach to the individual who has made an allegation against the deceased priest. VAM will also be the primary contact for the individual as he or she proceeds through the Archdiocesan process of formalizing an allegation of misconduct.

I understand that the process of formalizing an allegation against a priest is an extremely difficult and sensitive matter. It is our intention to have a process in place that addresses the needs of those who have come forward with allegations, whether the accused is alive or deceased.

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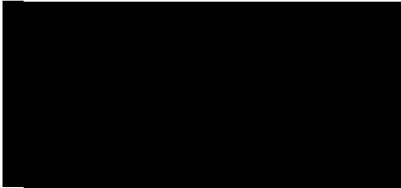
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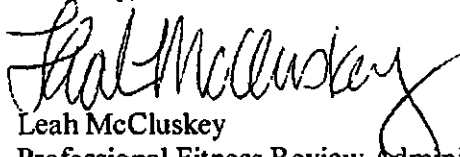


If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached by mail, phone, or e-mail:

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For interest in additional support services, please feel free to contact the Office of Assistance Ministry at 312.751.8267.

Sincerely,



Leah McCluskey  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry  
John O'Malley, Legal Services

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January 24, 2003



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If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached by mail, phone, or e-mail:

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Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry  
John O'Malley, Legal Services

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October 24, 2002

Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Office of Professional Fitness Review  
676 N. St. Clair St.  
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Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of October 5, 2002, regarding the matter of **Rev. Thomas Kelly**, a deceased priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, and the allegation made by [REDACTED] following the First Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on September 7, 2002.

In light of the Board's consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that there is no reasonable cause to suspect that Father Kelly engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. [unclear]".  
Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General  
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services  
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services  
Ms. Laura Neri, Office of Professional Fitness Review

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## MEMORANDUM

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Jimmy Lago, Chancellor  
Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review  
John O'Malley, Legal Services  
✓ Rev. Thomas Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the PFRB  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

FROM: Laura Neri-Palomino, <sup>LWP</sup> Administrative Assistant  
Professional Fitness Review Office

DATE: October 15, 2002

RE: [PFR-21] Kelly, Rev. Thomas (Deceased)/Infelise, Kenneth

Attached is a copy of an allegation received by this office on 5/2/02. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Interim Professional Fitness Review Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with Kenneth Infelise. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Kelly, Thomas/Infelise, Kenneth.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Most Rev. Raymond E. Goedert

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October 5, 2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago  
155 E. Superior Street  
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Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on September 7, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) in the allegation made by [REDACTED]. A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

The Board further recommends that the Professional Fitness Review Administrator check files of Rev. Thomas Kelly to determine if he was assigned at St. John Vianney; contact [REDACTED] to determine if Professional Fitness Review Administrator can contact [REDACTED].

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

OK FL

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey, Interim  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

LM:lnp

cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Pat Lagges, Judicial Vicar  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
John O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

A:/George Notification Letter

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### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, of Victim BH's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on June 26, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident of Fr. Kelly providing Victim BH with alcohol, as well as fondling, masturbating, and performing oral sex on the minor when Victim BH was 14 years old. The alleged abuse occurred at St. John Vianney parish, after Fr. Kelly had given Victim BH a lot of alcohol to drink.

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June 17, 2002

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator  
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Dear Kathleen,

I am writing in response to your letter of May 23, 2002, regarding the matter of **Reverend Thomas Kelly (deceased)**, following the First Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on May 18, 2002.

In light of the Board's consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, I accept the Board's determination finding reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki  
Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General  
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Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
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## MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR - 21

Fr: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA)

Re: **Rev. Thomas Kelly**

Date: May 23, 2002

The Review Board concluded the First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly regarding the allegation brought by [REDACTED]. Board members reviewed all oral and written information including a previous allegation made in 1993 against Rev. Kelly.

Father Charles Rubey verified that Father Kelly died [REDACTED] and that he was ordained in 1962.

Board members determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur.

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## Memorandum

To: File

From: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate to the Professional Fitness Review Board TJP

Re: Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased)  
Review Board Meeting – First Stage Review

Date: April 20, 2002

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The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) regarding the allegation brought by [REDACTED] Kathleen Leggdas reported that there was a previous allegation in Father Kelly's file in the Vicar for Priests' office brought by a different person.

The Board asked Kathleen to present additional information from the file regarding the previous allegation. The First Stage Review will be continued at the next meeting of the Board.

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, of Victim BE's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on April 4, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim BE with alcohol and marijuana, as well as five incidents of oral sex, which took place at the Little Flower parish rectory. The alleged abuse began when Victim BE was approximately 17 years old and ended when he was approximately 20 years old. Victim BE also reported that Fr. Kelly had provided him with drugs and alcohol.

MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD  
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
(Minutes)

Date: March 13, 1993

Board Members Present:

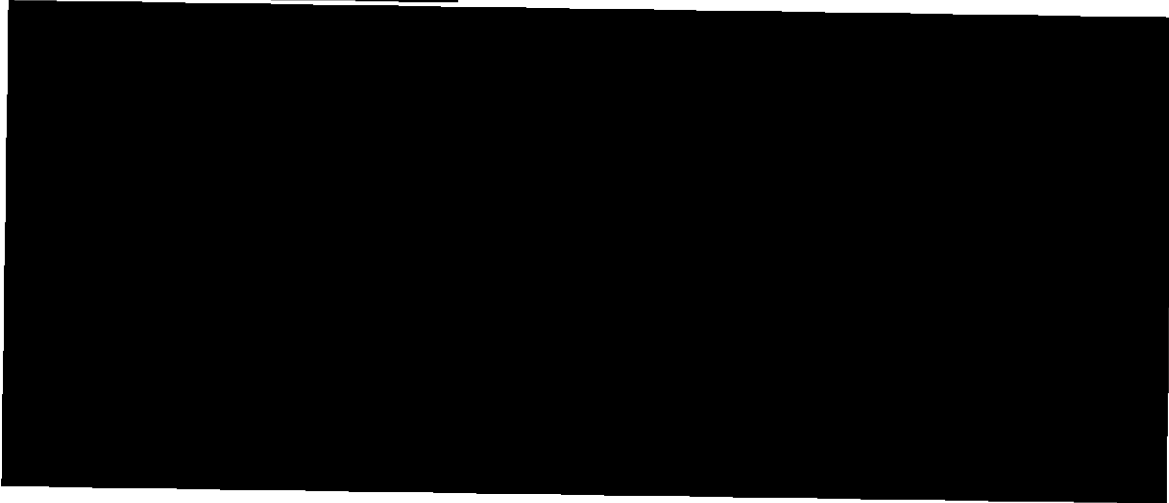


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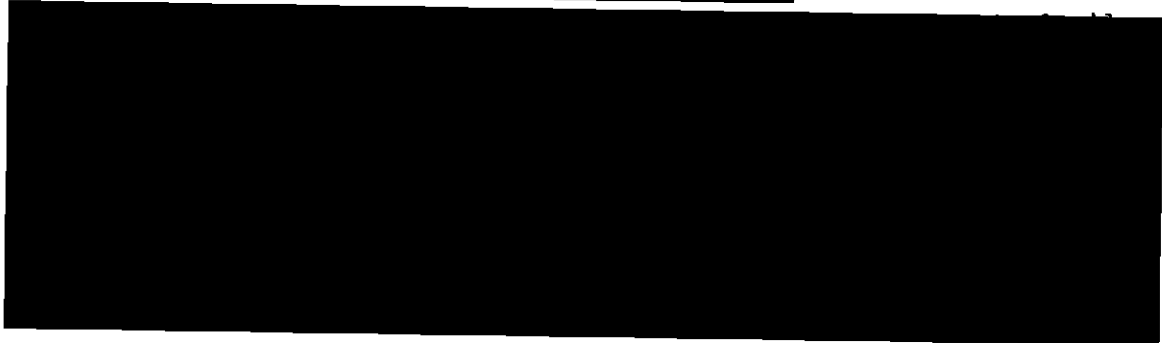
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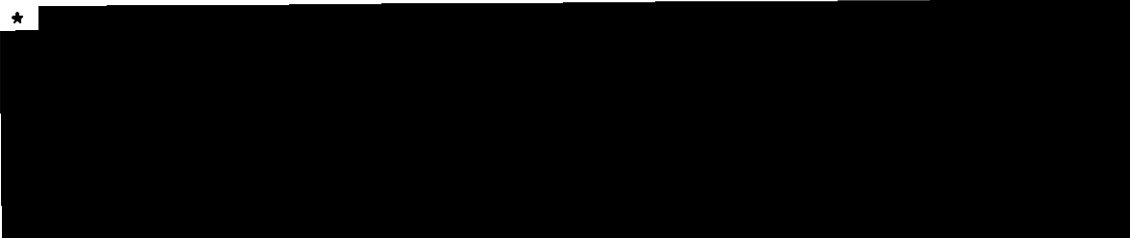
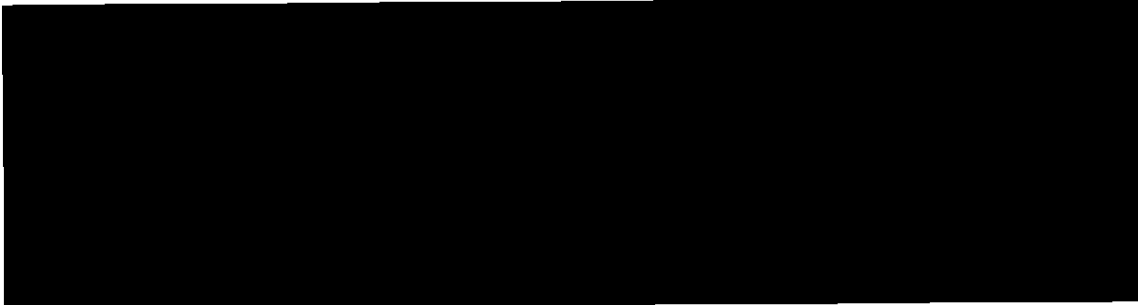
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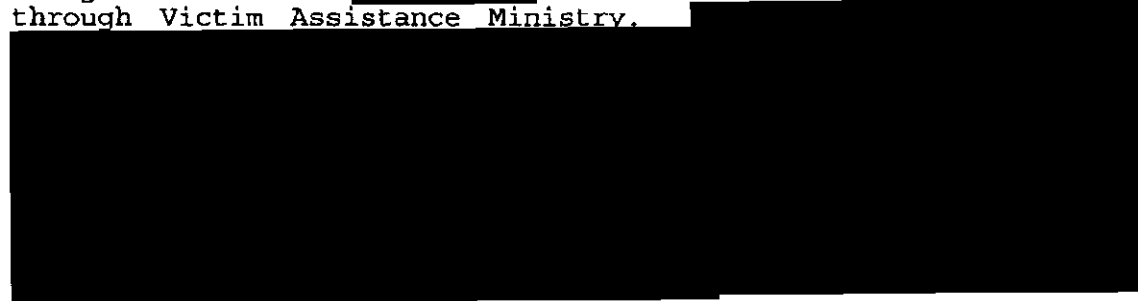


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Next, the Administrator reported he received a call from a [REDACTED] through the 800# and the Administrator's call back to [REDACTED] in which he learned of an allegation of sexual misconduct by [REDACTED] while he was a minor involving a deceased Archdiocesan priest, Rev. Thomas Kelly. The Administrator informed the Board he would be meeting with [REDACTED] and Victim Assistance Minister on 3-18-93 to receive further details regarding the allegation and that [REDACTED] will be offered further assistance through Victim Assistance Ministry.



Respectfully  
Submitted By  
Steve Sidlowski  
Administrator

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Minutes Unanimously  
Approved By  
Review Board

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## Professional Fitness Review Board Saturday, September 7, 2002

### MINUTES Corrected Minutes

#### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

#### Members absent:

[REDACTED]

#### Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

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#### **I. In review of the Board Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2002**

- In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

#### **II. Case Reviews**

##### First Stage Reviews

- #### A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

B. In the Matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (Deceased) – PFR-21

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED] against Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased), a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The claim is as follows: alleged victim [REDACTED] stated that he and [REDACTED] were invited by Father Kelly to his apartment; alleges that there was fondling of genitals, oral sex and masturbation.

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

The Board further recommends that the Professional Fitness Review Administrator check files of Rev. Thomas Kelly to determine if he was assigned at St. John Vianney; contact [REDACTED] to determine if PFRA can contact [REDACTED]

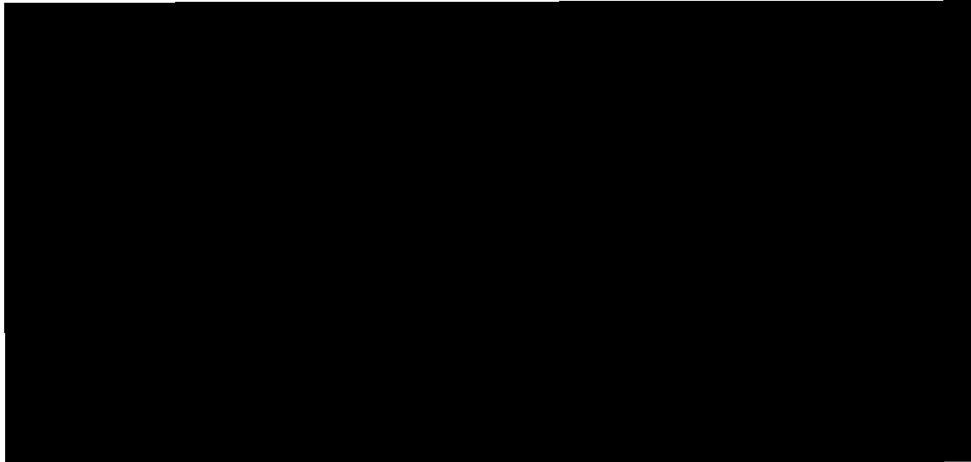
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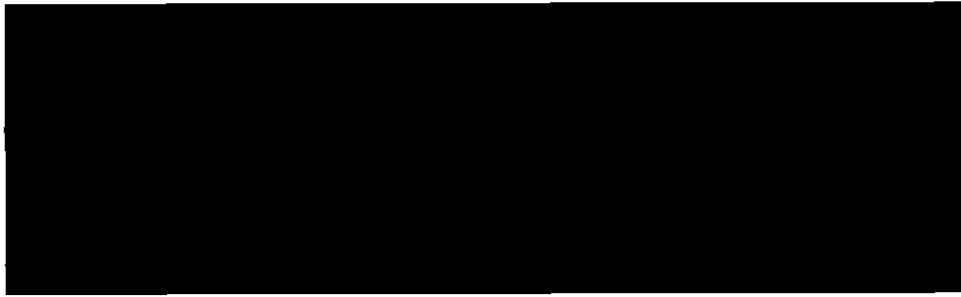
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C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



D. In the Matter of [REDACTED]



III. Other Business

In the Matter of [REDACTED]

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is September 21, 2002 at 10:00 a.m.**

Cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests



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## Professional Fitness Review Board Saturday, May 18, 2002

### MINUTES

#### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

#### Absent:

[REDACTED]

#### Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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### I. Case Reviews

#### A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

#### B. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

D. In the Matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (Deceased)

The Review Board concluded the First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly regarding the allegation brought by [REDACTED] Board Members reviewed all oral and written information including a previous allegation made in 1993 against Father Kelly.

[REDACTED] verified that Kelly was ordained in 1962 and did, in fact, die of [REDACTED]. Board members determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur.

E. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

F. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

G. In the Matter of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

H. In the Matter of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is June 15, 2002, 10:00 a.m.**

Cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board  
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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## Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, April 20, 2002

### MINUTES

#### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

#### Absent:

[REDACTED]

#### Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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### I. Case Reviews

#### A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

#### B. In the Matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) – PFR-21

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) regarding the allegation brought by [REDACTED] Kathleen Leggdas reported that there was a previous allegation in Father Kelly's file in the Vicar for Priests' office brought by a different person.

The Board asked Kathleen to present additional information from the file regarding the previous allegation. The First Stage Review will be continued at the next meeting of the Board.

C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

D. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

E. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is May 18, 2002, 10:00 a.m.**

Cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board  
Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

**From:** Ralph Bonaccorsi  
**To:** Grace, Edward  
**Date:** 3/29/2007 2:53:22 PM  
**Subject:** [REDACTED]

Ed, Yes to a,b,c. I am sending [REDACTED] our policies and other process info. I will keep you informed.  
Peace, ralph

>>> Edward Grace 03/29/07 2:04 PM >>>  
March 29, 2007

Ralph,

I just wish to confirm my understanding of the present posture of our out reach to [REDACTED]

It is my understanding:

- a. you have spoken with [REDACTED] and offered the services of VAM
- b. He continues to work through his issues.
- c. I should wait for him to contact me if he so desires rather than calling him again.

Thanks for your help.,

Ed

### Victim Statement Abstract

The abstract replaces a memorandum to file prepared by Rev. Edward Grace, then Co-Vicar for Priests, dated March 23, 2007, recording a conversation with Victim GI concerning his report of alleged abuse by Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of a single incident, however Victim GI did not provide specific details during the phone call. The alleged abuse occurred in 1963, however Victim GI had not told his relatives of the abuse, as his family was close to Fr. Kelly's family. Victim GI expressed his concern that Fr. Kelly continued to engaged in sexual misconduct after the alleged abuse of Victim GI.

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**MEMORANDUM**

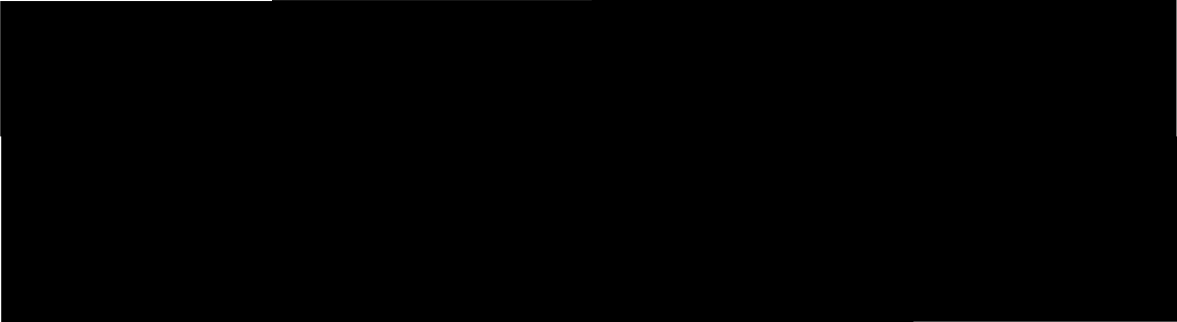
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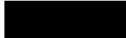

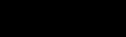
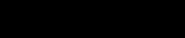
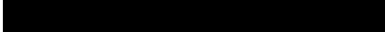
From: Leah McCluskey, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review 


Re: Kelly, Rev. Thomas [Deceased] 

Date: March 12, 2007

 called the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review this morning to report the alleged sexual abuse that he sustained by Rev. Thomas Kelly when he was 19 years old.



I informed  of the Vicar for Priests' Office and the Vicars' work with those to address the allegations of the sexual abuse of those over 18 years old by clerics of this Archdiocese. When given the choice,  requested that I provide Rev. Edward Grace, Vicar for Priests with his name and phone number and ask that he call him directly.  provided me with his full name and added that he goes by ' and when asked stated that a message could be left for him at this number. 



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### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim BI's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on March 20, 2006, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident in which Fr. Kelly provided Victim BI with alcohol and fondled Victim BI at the St. Catherine of Genoa parish rectory when the victim was a minor, in or about 1967 or 1968.

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## MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR-21

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino *LNP*

Re: Kelly, Rev. Thomas F. (Deceased) [REDACTED]

Date: March 20, 2006

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It has come to my attention that the unidentified priest has been identified as Fr. Thomas Frank Kelly on the above matter.

Please make necessary changes to your files.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Vince Costello, Vicar for Priests  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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January 12, 2006

James Serritella  
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RE: Archdiocese of Chicago Cases

Dear Mr. Serritella:

This is to advise you that we have been retained to represent the following individuals for claims against the Archdiocese of Chicago as follows:



I am requesting that these claims be added to the tolling agreement effective as of today's date so that these matters can be brought to ADR.

Additionally, on November 29, 2005, I advised you that we represent [redacted] and requested a tolling agreement as of that date. I have not heard back from you and am again requesting that a tolling agreement be effective as of November 29, 2005.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey R. Anderson  
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cc: Marc Pearlman

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Ms. Shauna Boliker  
Assistant State's Attorney  
State's Attorney of Cook County (2)  
2650 South California  
Chicago, Illinois 60608

RE:



Date of Birth: Unknown  
Date of alleged abuse: 1966 or 1967

Dear Ms. Boliker:

Please be advised the Archdiocese of Chicago has received an allegation from Joseph Klest, on behalf of [REDACTED] current age unknown, that in 1966 or 1967 he was the alleged victim of sexual abuse by Fr. Thomas Kelly. Fr. Kelly was an archdiocesan priest and is now deceased. It is not known at this time the age of the victim, or where the sexual misconduct occurred.

If our office can provide any additional information, or be of any further help, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

  
John C. O'Malley  
Director of Legal Services

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cc: Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Mr. James A. Serritella

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Off: (312) 642-1837  
Fax: (312) 642-4933

November 8, 2005



Dear [REDACTED]

I have been asked to respond to your inquiry concerning [REDACTED] the late Father Thomas F. Kelly.

First of all, I'm sorry that you and [REDACTED] learned of the allegations through the Chicago Tribune report. I'm sure the article was a shock and a sorrow. This publication was not desired by the Archdiocese. This unfortunate situation arose only because an attorney representing persons making claims against the Archdiocese chose to publicize the names for his own purposes.

You asked when the allegations were made and what was Tom's response. The allegations were presented to the Archdiocese after Father Kelly had died. Obviously, this precluded Father Kelly from making any response or raising any defense.

Again, I am sorry for the distress this announcement has caused you and Father Kelly's [REDACTED]. If you would like to talk with me about this you may call me at 312-642-1837. However, I cannot think of any other information I would be able to share with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rev. Edward D. Grace".

Rev. Edward D. Grace  
Vicar for Priests

From: Priest personnel



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Office of the Archbishop

June 8, 1972

C

Reverend Thomas F. Kelly  
St. Catherine of Genoa Parish  
640 W. 118th Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60628

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Dear Father Kelly,

It gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Vicarius Cooperator to the Reverend Msgr. Bernard M. Brogan, Pastor of St. Therese of the Infant Jesus, 8026 S. Wood, Chicago, Illinois and to grant you the necessary faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty (Canon 476, 3).

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This appointment is effective immediately, but I would ask you to make arrangements with the Pastor about the exact date when you will assume your new duties.

Y

Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in this pastoral assignment, I remain, dear Father Kelly,

Very truly yours in Christ,

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of an original document  
housed in the

archive of the Archdiocese of Chicago

Archbishop of Chicago

Vice Chancellor

cc: Reverend Msgr. Bernard M. Brogan  
Reverend John Shirey

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim A's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on January 21, 2004, formalizing his allegation of sexual abuse against Fr. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim A with alcohol and engaging in oral sex. Fr. Kelly used alcohol and restaurants to entice Victim A to engage in similar behavior on approximately 24 occasions, beginning when Victim A was 17 years old. Victim A reported that the sexual abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Genoa parish rectory and Little Flower parish.

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John C. O'Malley  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
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RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Counsel:

This is to advise you that we represent the interests of [REDACTED] in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago and Fr. Thomas Kelly for misconduct while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please forward a proposed Tolling Agreement so that this matter can be brought into ADR. Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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**PHONE CALL**

FOR	KL	DATE	5/2/02	TIME	10:18 P.M.
M.	[REDACTED]				
OF	[REDACTED]				PHONED
PHONE	<input type="checkbox"/> FAX <input type="checkbox"/> MOBILE	[REDACTED]			RETURNED YOUR CALL
MESSAGE	Allegation of sexual misconduct by a Fr. [REDACTED] at St. John Vianney No. Lake 35 years ago.	AREA CODE	NUMBER	EXTENSION	PLEASE CALL
					WILL CALL AGAIN
					CAME TO SEE YOU
SIGNED	- Contacted States Att. office.				WANTS TO SEE YOU

Thomas Kelly  
93SC14070

Appointment set for 4-9-02 at 11:00  
No call / No show

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June 17, 2002

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator  
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910  
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Kathleen,

I am writing in response to your letter of May 23, 2002, regarding the matter of **Reverend Thomas Kelly (deceased)**, following the First Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on May 18, 2002.

In light of the Board's consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, I accept the Board's determination finding reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas J. Paprocki".

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki  
Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate to the Professional Fitness Review Board  
✓ Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

AOC 003491

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Rev. Patrick O'Malley, of Victim BJ's statement, given to Rev. O'Malley on June 5, 1993, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim BJ with alcohol and fondling the minor's genitals when Victim BJ was approximately 16 years old in 1965. The alleged abuse occurred on multiple occasions in Fr. Kelly's room and car. According to Victim BJ, Fr. Kelly also gave him money and would take him on outings such as to the movies, and also gave him alcohol and showed him pornography. Victim BJ also reported that he had to share a bed with Fr. Kelly during an overnight stay at the rectory.

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim CW's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on August 30, 2006, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Rev. Kelly providing Victim CW with alcohol, getting him intoxicated, and then Victim CW waking up to find Fr. Kelly performing oral sex on him. Victim CM estimates that there were approximately 10 incidents abuse. The alleged abuse began around the time Victim CW was in the sixth grade. The alleged abuse occurred in Fr. Kelly's bedroom at the St. John Vianney rectory.

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry  
Rev. Vince Costello, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor  
✓ Leah McCluskey, Office of Professional Responsibility  
John O'Malley, Legal Services  
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board  
Patricia Zacharias, Office of Professional Responsibility

FROM: <sup>LNP</sup> Laura Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant  
Office of Professional Responsibility

DATE: January 5, 2006

RE: [PFR-283] Kelly, Rev. [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 1/5/06. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with [REDACTED]. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Kelly, Rev. [REDACTED].

It is extremely important that you forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case to this office within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Bishop-Elect George Rassas, Vicar General

AOC 003494

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, of Victim CX's statement, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim CX with alcohol, as well as at least one incident of fondling, masturbation and oral sex, which occurred in 1968 or 1969 when Victim CX was approximately 14 or 15 years old. The alleged abuse occurred at Fr. Kelly's apartment. According to Victim CX's statement, another boy was also present for the abuse and Fr. Kelly attempted to fondle the other boy as well.

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## RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 9-7-02 to conduct a  
(enter date: month/day/year)

(check one:)  First Stage Review     Second Stage Review     Supplementary Review     Status Report

regarding the allegation of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of alleged victim)

against Thomas Kelly (deceased)  
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(check one:)  a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago     a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of [Arch]diocese)

a religious priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of religious community)

a resigned priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

a deceased priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: alleged victim \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)  
4 \_\_\_\_\_ were invited by Thomas Kelly to his  
apt.; alleges that there was fondling of genitals, oral sex  
& masturbation

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

(check one:)  there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
 there is not reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
 there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

If there is a finding of reasonable cause to suspect, the Board recommends that

(check one:)  the priest or deacon be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.  
 no further action be taken because the accused priest is resigned or deceased, except to provide appropriate outreach to those affected by the alleged misconduct.

The Board further recommends: PFRA to check files of Thomas Kelly to determine if he was assigned to St. John Vianney; contact \_\_\_\_\_ to determine if PFRA can contact \_\_\_\_\_

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## Memorandum

To: File --PFR-21

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant

Re: Rev. Thomas Kelly (Deceased)

Date: September 20, 2002

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A summary of the discussion from the Review Board Meeting on September 7, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED] against Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased), a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The claim is as follows: alleged victim [REDACTED] stated that he and [REDACTED] were invited by Father Kelly to his apartment; alleges that there was fondling of genitals, oral sex and masturbation.

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

The Board further recommends that the Professional Fitness Review Administrator check files of Rev. Thomas Kelly to determine if he was assigned at St. John Vianney; contact [REDACTED] to determine if PFRA can contact [REDACTED]

In an Addendum to the Review Board Minutes, the following information was added:

### Review Board Policy Matters

#### Deceased Priests

The Review Board formally requested (by a vote of 7-0) that they no longer consider cases involving deceased priests. They see their role as protecting minors, and if the priest is deceased, there is obviously no risk. Also, it is difficult to assess these cases if there is no accused to respond.



**Reverend Tom Kelly**

**Assignments:**

**Years:**

St. John Vianney

'62-'67

St. Catherine of Genoa

'67-'72

St. Therese of the Infant Jesus  
(Little Flower)

'72-'73

Queen of the Apostles

'73-'78

St. Kieran

'78-'80

St. James (Saulk Village)

'80-'86

Our Lady of Knock

'86-'90 (deceased)

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Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

FROM: <sup>LNP</sup> Laura Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant  
Office of Professional Responsibility

DATE: February 6, 2004

RE: [PFR-21] Kelly, Thomas F. (Deceased)/ [REDACTED]

A new allegation was received by this office on 2/5/04. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator has begun the Review Process by arranging an interview with [REDACTED] through his attorney, Mark Pearlman. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Kelly, Thomas F./ [REDACTED]

It is extremely important that you forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case to this office within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Thank you.

cc: Most Rev. Edwin M. Conway

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Mr. O'Malley:

This is to advise you that we represent the interests of [REDACTED] in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago and Fr. Thomas Kelly for misconduct while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. This letter is to advise you of our representation and to confirm our understanding that we have entered into a tolling agreement, a copy of which is included.

Very truly yours,



Jeffrey R. Anderson  
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cc: Marc Pearlman

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AOC 003500

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Steve Sidlowski, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago, of Victim CY's statement, given to Mr. Sidlowski on or about March 18, 1993, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim CY with alcohol, and Victim CY waking up after being drunk to find Kelly rubbing his penis against Victim CY. Victim CY also stated that the next morning he woke up at the rectory and that Fr. Kelly abused him again by fondling and masturbation. The alleged abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Genoa rectory when Victim CY was between his freshman and sophomore years in high school. Victim CY also states that he was an altar boy at the church.

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, of Victim CZ's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on April 4, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim CZ with alcohol and marijuana, Fr. Kelly rubbing and massaging Victim CZ, as well as five incidents of oral sex, which took place at the Little Flower parish rectory. Fr. Kelly once asked Victim CZ to masturbate him but Victim CZ refused. According to Victim CZ's report, Fr. Kelly told him that he had relationships with other boys as well. The alleged abuse began when Victim CZ was approximately 17 years old and ended when he was approximately 20 years old.

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## Memorandum

To: File – PFR-21

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Re: Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased)  
**Review Board Meeting – First Stage Review**

Date: April 20, 2002

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The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) regarding the allegation brought by [REDACTED]. Kathleen Leggdas reported that there was a previous allegation in Father Kelly's file in the Vicar for Priests' office brought by a different person.

The Board asked Kathleen to present additional information from the file regarding the previous allegation. The First Stage Review will be continued at the next meeting of the Board.

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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

John C. O'Malley  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
155 East Superior Street  
P.O. Box 1979  
Chicago, IL 60690

RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Mr. O'Malley:

This is to advise you that we represent the interests of [REDACTED] in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago and Father Thomas Kelly for misconduct while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. This letter is to advise you of our representation and to confirm our understanding that we have entered into a tolling agreement, a copy of which is included.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey R. Anderson  
[jeff@andersonadvocates.com](mailto:jeff@andersonadvocates.com)

JRA:tat

cc: Marc Pearlman

STATUS:  
concluded-process  
complete

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

(Please type all information)

Released  
6/13/90

NAME Kelly Thomas Francis  
(last) (first) (middle)

BORN [redacted] Chicago Illinois All Saints  
(date) (city) (state) (parish)

BAPTIZED October 25, 1936 Chicago Illinois All Saints  
(date) (city) (state) (parish)

ORDAINED April 28, 1962 Mundelein Illinois All Saints  
(date) (city) (state) (parish)

ORDAINING PRELATE Albert Cardinal Meyer Chicago  
(name) (diocese)

FIRST SOLEMN MASS May 6, 1962 Chicago Illinois All Saints  
(date) (city) (state) (parish)

NAME OF FATHER [redacted] Living   
Deceased

NAME OF MOTHER (maiden) [redacted] Living   
Deceased

NATIONALITY: American (Irish - Italian Descent)

HOME PARISH: All Saints (Parents now in Nativity)

KNOWLEDGE OF MODERN LANGUAGES  
OTHER THAN ENGLISH:

	Poor	Average	Fluent
Reading <u>Italian - French</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spoken <u>None</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Confessional Work Only <u>None</u>			

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY:

1. [redacted] Mother  
(name) (relationship)  
[redacted] [redacted]  
(address) (telephone)  
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
(city) (state) (zone)

2. [redacted] Sister  
(name) (relationship)  
[redacted] [redacted]  
(address) (telephone)  
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
(city) (state) (zone)

SCHOOLS ATTENDED

ELEMENTARY	<u>All Saints</u> (name)	<u>Chicago</u> (city)	<u>Illinois</u> (state)	<u>8</u> (years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
SECONDARY	<u>Quigley Seminary</u> (name)	<u>Chicago</u> (city)	<u>Illinois</u> (state)	<u>5</u> (years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
COLLEGE				
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
PHILOSOPHY	<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u> (name)	<u>Mundelein</u> (city)	<u>Illinois</u> (state)	<u>3</u> (years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
THEOLOGY	<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u> (name)	<u>Mundelein</u> (city)	<u>Illinois</u> (state)	<u>4</u> (years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
POST GRADUATE				
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)
	(name)	(city)	(state)	(years)

DEGREES EARNED	<u>BA</u> (degree)	<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u> (college or university)	<u>1958</u> (year)
	<u>MA</u> (degree)	<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u> (college or university)	<u>1961</u> (year)
	<u>STL</u> (degree)	<u>St. Mary of the Lake</u> (college or university)	<u>1962</u> (year)

DEGREES HONORARY	(degree)	(college or university)	(year)
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PAROCHIAL AND CHAPLAIN ASSIGNMENTS (Chronological)

St. John Vianny Church Assistant 1962 - Nov. 67

(position) (from) (to)

St. Catherine of Genoa Rectory Assistant Nov. 67 - 6/8/72

(position) (from) (to)

St. Theresa & St. August Jesus Chp. 7 6/8/72 - 12/73

(position) (from) (to)

Queen of Apostles, Kinkadee St. Vicar Sec. 12/73 - 6/12/78

(position) (from) (to)

St. Raphael Chp. Dwight St. Assoc. Pastor 6/12/78 - 6/9/80

(position) (from) (to)

St. James, South Village St. " " 6/9/80 6-10-86

(position) (from) (to)

Our Lady of Knock Cal City Associate 6-10-86

(position) (from) (to)

OTHER ASSIGNMENTS (e.g. Moderator of diocesan organizations, etc)

(position) (from) (to)

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**HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE** Metropolitan Life Insurance Company  
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**AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE** State Farm Insurance Company  
(insuring company)

**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT** \_\_\_\_\_  
(date of most recent copy) (place)

Filed in Personnel

Do you have a copy in a sealed envelope on file in the Chancery? Jalet 3/27/71 mm

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS**

**PREFERRED PLACE OF BURIAL** [REDACTED]

(Filed at the Chancery Office, together with a recent copy of the Will, should be a letter of instructions to be opened at the time of death)

Dec. 1, 1965  
DATE

Rev. Thomas F. Kelly  
SIGNATURE

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# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office for the Protection of Children and Youth  
Office of Assistance Ministry  
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review  
Safe Environment Office



P. O. Box 1979  
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## MEMORANDUM

To: File [PFR-21]

From: Patricia Zacharias, Office of Child Abuse Investigations and Review PZ

Date: November 12, 2008

Re: [PFR-21] Kelly, Fr. Thomas (deceased) - [REDACTED]

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On Monday, November 10, 2008, I received a voice mail message from a man who identified himself as [REDACTED]

He said that he had had previous conversation throughout the years with Ralph Bonaccorsi and he now wished to speak to me about some questions he has.

He left a phone number of [REDACTED]

I checked the RADAR database and found a [REDACTED] listed with the same phone number. It appears he formalized his allegation several years ago and Mr. Bonaccorsi represented the Office of Assistance Ministry during that interview.

I sent an email to Mr. Bonaccorsi to ask if he had any information about the matter, which would be helpful for me to know.

I returned [REDACTED] call and left a message for him on his voicemail.

AOC 003510

PFR 21

**From:** Patricia Zacharias  
**To:** Hunnicutt, Matthew  
**Date:** 12/12/2008 2:36 PM  
**Subject:** re: [REDACTED]

Hi Matt,

Thanks for getting back to me on this.

As an FYI, [REDACTED] has already formalized his allegation with my office many years ago, so our role is complete regarding his allegation. If convenient for you when you are on the phone with someone, you can usually check if they have formalized or not through RADAR, I can show you where it is at if you like.

Thanks,  
Patty

>>> Matthew Hunnicutt 12/2/2008 9:33 AM >>>  
Patty,

Last week, before I had a chance to contact [REDACTED] myself as you had requested, he called me and reiterated his request basically as you have documented below. I asked him to clarify if he was asking for the AOC to pay [REDACTED]. He stated he would be grateful for a "donation" anywhere from [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]. I informed [REDACTED] that his request was beyond the realm of what our office normally does, but that I would confer with my superiors to get their input. After discussing the issue with Jan Slattery, it was determined that Assistance Ministry should not subsidize [REDACTED] primarily because the money would not be going to help a victim-survivor directly. [REDACTED]

On 12/01/08, I phoned [REDACTED] to inform him that we would not be able to honor his request, but that the Office of Assistance Ministry remains available to him in a number of other ways pastorally. [REDACTED] was disappointed. By the end of the conversation, he said he was going to consider getting an attorney in an attempt to get a financial settlement. I encouraged him to contact the CAIR office, informing him that you (Patty) were out this week, but letting him know that Leah would be in today if he had questions about the formalizing process. He then asked me if he had not already formalized his allegation in 1993 when he came forward. I told him that there were a few notes in his file, but that I was not sure if that constituted "formalizing." I encouraged him to ask Leah or Patty that question, and also informed him that he could find more information on the Arch. website. While we were still on the phone, he had gone online, asking me for guidance to get to the information about the CAIR office. He had located it and said that he would give some thought to formalizing his allegation.

Matt Hunnicutt, M.A., L.C.S.W.  
Director  
Office of Assistance Ministry  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
(312) 751-8267

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>>> Patricia Zacharias 11/21/2008 12:16 PM >>>  
Hi Matt,

I received several phone calls from and finally spoke with a [REDACTED] this past Wednesday, November 19th.

[REDACTED] said he was calling because he had previously spoken with Ralph several years ago about his allegation against deceased priest, Fr Kelly

Our file on this is PFR 21 and the file indicates he came forward with his allegation in 1993. At that time, the process was much less formalized so I do not think he went through a formal interview process, however, it does look like he met with Ralph and

Steve Sidlowski who was one of the pioneers of my office.

[REDACTED] told me that he is now calling because he is hoping to talk to someone about receiving assistance. He said that he never filed a claim and is not interested in doing so. [REDACTED]

He said that his request is for the Archdiocese to provide some monetary assistance [REDACTED]

My sense from [REDACTED] is that he is not seeking the whole amount by any means, but that he is requesting some type of monetary gift in a "restorative justice" way. He is very concerned about confidentiality and if anything could be worked out, he would want the check not to be noted that he is a victim or anything close to that

My two cents is that he sounds very sincere and the restorative justice piece for him may be very healing.

I explained my role and your role to [REDACTED]. I told him I would document and forward his request to you by the end of this week. I told him I thought you might be able to get back to him sometime next week. He said that would be fine.

He can be reached on his cell phone at [REDACTED]

Thanks, Matt.  
Patty

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## MEMORANDUM

**FILE COPY**

**To:** Very Rev. John Canary, Vicar General  
Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests  
Carol Fowler, Personnel Services  
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Matt Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry  
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor  
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

**From:** Santa Garcia, Secretary *S.G.*  
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

**Re:** [PFR - 21] KELLY, (REV.) THOMAS F. (DECEASED)  
[REDACTED]

**Date:** March 12, 2009

A copy of a new was allegation received by this office on March 9, 2009.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding [PFR - 21] KELLY, REV. THOMAS F. (DECEASED) [REDACTED]

It is extremely important that your forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case to this office within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Please call Patty Zacharias with any questions you may have at 312/ 534-8793.  
Thank you.

**Cc:** John O'Malley, Office of Legal Services

AOC 003513



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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** File – [PFR - 21]  
**From:** Patty Zacharias, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review (PZ)  
**Re:** [PFR- 21] KELLY, REV. THOMAS F. (DECEASED)/ [REDACTED]  
**Date:** March 9, 2009

Jennifer Haggerty, principal of St. John Vianney School in Northlake, IL ([REDACTED]) left a detailed voicemail message for Leah McCluskey late in the afternoon on Friday, March 6, 2009.

She said in her message that a [REDACTED] contacted her to request a copy of his school records. She said he had left St. John Vianney School after 7<sup>th</sup> grade in [REDACTED]. She said she was only able to locate a transfer from which she faxed to his attention.

She said that she asked [REDACTED] for more identifying information so she could add him to her alumni list and he declined to give her any more information. He then disclosed that Fr. Kelly had sexually abused him for five years during the time he attended St. John Vianney School.

Ms. McCluskey forwarded Ms. Haggerty's message to my attention and I returned Ms. Haggerty's phone call. I left her a message asking her to call me back and asking for her help in giving [REDACTED] information about my office so we can try to assist him if he chooses to contact us.

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## MEMORANDUM

To: File-PFR-21

From: Jen Hibben, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review *jh*

Re: Kelly, Thomas [REDACTED]

Date: April 23, 2010

On March 6, 2009 Jennifer Haggerty, principal of St. John Vianney School called our office. She stated that [REDACTED] had contacted her in order to obtain his school records. Her records indicated that he had left the school after 7<sup>th</sup> grade. She asked him for more information for their alumni list and he declined. He then disclosed to her that he had been sexually abused by Fr. Kelly during the time he attended St. John Vianney School. Patty Zacharias asked for his information in order to give him information about our office. She was unable to get in contact with Ms. Haggerty and left her a message on March 13, 2009 asking her to contact [REDACTED] and give him the information about our office should he choose to come forward with an allegation.

Due to the fact that 180 days have passed since Ms. Zacharias left a message with Ms. Haggerty and [REDACTED] has not contacted our office, this matter is considered inactive at this time.

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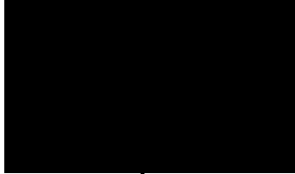
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September 24, 2008



Dear 

Enclosed you will find a draft copy of the report based upon the meeting that took place with you, Patty Zacharias and Matt Hunnicutt on September 15, 2008.

I ask that you review the report and make any changes necessary to ensure its accuracy. Please return the draft to Ms. Zacharias with any changes in the envelope provided. She will then return a final report to you for your signature. Once all signatures are provided, a copy of the final report will be forwarded to you through your attorney.

 in the interest of expediting this process, I ask that you return the enclosed report with your changes by October 15, 2008. Please know that you may also respond by October 15th with a written request to Ms. Zacharias for an extension to review the report, which then I would ask that you return it to her by October 30, 2008. In the event that she does not receive a response from you by October 15th, she will assume that the draft report is accurate and will proceed forward with this matter.

If you have any questions please contact Patty Zacharias at 312-867-8793.

Sincerely,

  
Carolyn Pez  
Office Manager

Enclosure

AOC 003516

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim C's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on September 15, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly providing Victim C with alcohol and several incidents of fondling, during which both Victim C and Fr. Kelly were unclothed. The alleged abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Genoa parish rectory between the fall of 1971 and the spring of 1972, when Victim C was a minor. Victim C also reported that Kelly admitted to him that he had been in trouble before with the Bishop because of sexual abuse. Victim C also recalled that on occasion an older woman greeted him at the rectory when visiting Fr. Kelly.

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JUN 15 2009

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE FOR CHILD ABUSE  
INVESTIGATIONS AND REVIEW

June 3, 2009

James Serritella  
Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella  
22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, IBM Plaza  
330 North Wabash Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60611-3607

RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Mr. Serritella:

This is to advise you that we represent the interests of [REDACTED] in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago for claims of sexual misconduct by Fr. Thomas Kelly while he was serving within the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please contact David Argay at 312-261-4550 to facilitate the review board process with our client.

We will consider adding [REDACTED] to the new tolling agreement once it is finalized. Please contact me to discuss.

Very truly yours,



Jeffrey R. Anderson  
jeff@andersonadvocates.com

JRA:tat  
cc: Marc Pearlman

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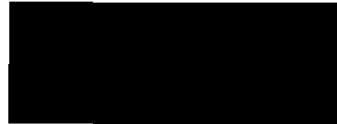
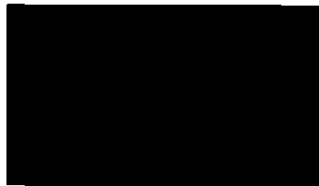
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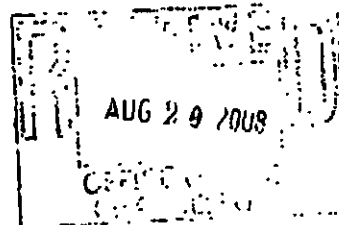
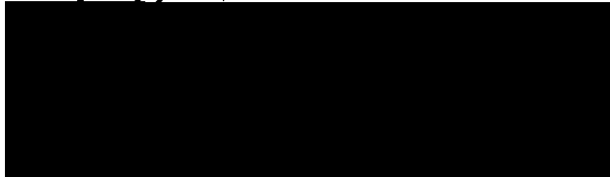
RE: [REDACTED] v. ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO, et al.

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that I represent [REDACTED] in his claim against the ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO and Rev. THOMAS KELLY arising out of sexual childhood abuse committed by him when [REDACTED] was a minor.

Please be advised that I claim a lien for my services as attorney for the above-captioned individual, and I ask that someone contact me before September 2, 2008 to discuss a reasonable resolution to this claim.

Very truly yours,



# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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January 28, 2009

[REDACTED]  
C/O Attorney Jeff Anderson  
366 Jackson Street, Suite 100  
St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear [REDACTED]

Enclosed please find attached a copy of the Allegation Report against Rev. Thomas Kelly (deceased) for your signature.

Please return the report with your signature to Ms. Zacharias's attention. The designated persons on the last page of the report will then sign it and a copy of each report with all signatures will be sent to you.

In the interest of expediting this process, I ask that you return the enclosed report with your signature by February 13, 2009. Please know that you may also respond by February 13th with a written request to Ms. Zacharias for a two-week extension to review the report, which then I would ask that you return it to her by February 27, 2009. In the event that she does not receive a response from you by February 13th, she will proceed forward with this matter.

Sincerely,

*Santa Garcia*  
Santa Garcia  
Secretary

Enclosure

AOC 003520

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DA's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on November 19, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Kelly inviting Victim DA to stay overnight at the rectory, providing Victim DA with alcohol, cigarettes and pornography, as well as multiple incidents of fondling and oral sex. The alleged abuse took place at the St. John Vianney parish rectory and at the rectory of a parish in Riverdale, Illinois. Victim DA was between sixth and eighth grade during the alleged abusive incidents, and he believes that Fr. Kelly abused him approximately once every couple of weeks to once every month. Victim DA remembers seeing other boys at the Northlake rectory drinking and smoking, but does not know if they were abused by Fr. Kelly.



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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
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March 6, 2009

Ms. Patricia Zacharias  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
Office for the Protection of Children and Youth  
P.O. Box 1979  
Chicago, IL 60690

RE: [REDACTED]

Dear Patricia,

Enclosed please find [REDACTED] corrected version of the report of allegations against Fr. Thomas Kelly.

Very truly yours,



Christine Rued  
Paralegal  
chris@andersonadvocates.com

CR/ns  
Enclosure  
cc: Marc Pearlman

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### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DB's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on November 21, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Thomas Kelly. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident during which Fr. Kelly provided Victim DB with alcohol and fondled and rubbed his penis against Victim DB, and used Victim DB's hand to masturbate himself. The alleged abuse occurred at the St. John Vianney parish rectory when Victim DB was in elementary school, and two other boys were sleeping in the same room during the abuse. Victim DB was an altar boy.

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James Serritella  
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330 North Wabash Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60611-3607

RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Mr. Serritella:

This is to advise you that we represent the interests of [REDACTED] in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago for claims of sexual misconduct by Fr. Thomas Kelly while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please contact either David Argay or Jessica Arbour at 312-261-4550 to facilitate the review board process with our client.

We will consider adding [REDACTED] to the tolling agreement after we discuss updating and modifying it. Please contact me to discuss.

Very truly yours,



Jeffrey R. Anderson  
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JRA:tat  
cc: Marc Pearlman  
[REDACTED]

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October 23, 1967

Reverend Thomas F. Kelly  
St. John Baptist Vianny Rectory  
46 North Wolf Road  
Northlake, Illinois 60164

Dear Father Kelly:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 10, 1967 with an explanation about the allegations made against you.

I would be very pleased to see you at my Residence (1555 North State Parkway) on Friday, October 27, 1967, at 3:00 p.m. to discuss this matter.

With every sincere good wish, I am, dear Father Kelly,

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

bcc: Msgr. F. W. Byrne

JPC:sm

AOC 003525

**Memorandum**

**From the Desk of**  
**Archbishop Cody**

**Date**  
**10/23/67**

**To: Msgr. Byrne**

What are you planning to  
do about this Father Kelly.

+ JPC

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TO Your Eminence

FROM Msgr. Byrne

SUBJECT Father Tom Kelly

MESSAGE

DATE October 25, 1967

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The Personnel Board will be recommending that Father Tom Kelly be sent to Father Frank Murphy, where there is a vacancy. Father Lenihan left St. Catherine of Genoa for the service and there is only one assistant, and it is a large parish. I feel certain Father Frank Murphy is the right pastor for Father Tom Kelly.

SIGNED Msgr. Byrne

REPLY

DATE 10/26 1967

*Prepare letter & we will appoint him there.*

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SIGNED J. PC

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**OFFICE**  
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**November 2, 1967**

**Reverend Thomas F. Kelly  
807 West 36th Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60609**

**Dear Father Kelly:**

**It gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Vicarius  
Cooperator to the Reverend Francis C. Murphy, Pastor of St.  
Catherine of Genoa Church, 640 West 118th Street, Chicago, Illinois  
and, in accordance with Canon 476, 3, to grant you the necessary  
faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty.**

**This appointment is effective immediately, but I would  
ask you to make arrangements with the Pastor about the exact date  
when you will assume your new duties.**

**Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in this  
pastoral assignment, I am, dear Father Kelly,**

**Very truly yours in Christ,**

**Archbishop of Chicago**

**Chancellor**

**cc: Rev. Francis C. Murphy**

**JPC:sm**

**AOC 003528**

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St. Catherine of Genoa Rectory

Chicago, Illinois

640 WEST 118TH STREET

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

TELEPHONE 354-8800

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February 14, 1968

Rt. Rev. and dear Monsignor,

I'm sorry for not having contacted you sooner. I am at the Retreat House making my annual Retreat

St. Catherine's has presented a challenge. The people are very good and I am getting to know many of them. I finally got the CCD set up and it seems to be going pretty well now. There is certainly plenty to do. I can see what you meant about Father Murphy. But he certainly is one of the most hard-working, dedicated men I have met.

I am very happy that many people have been calling from Northlake to tell me what's going on, etc. So, it does not seem that there has been any public scandal, for which I thank God daily.

Everything else is going fine. I have been faithful to my spiritual exercises and am more convinced than before that there is no real problem as long as vigilance and common sense prevail. Thanks again for everything.

Respectfully,  
Tom Kelly



St. Catherine of Genoa Rectory

640 WEST 118TH STREET  
CHICAGO 28, ILLINOIS  
TELEPHONE-PULLMAN 5-8800

November 29, 1968

Your Eminence,

I beg your indulgence in what may be the last letter I write to you. I spent most of the afternoon in Church after I left you trying to sort out this past year and a half, and see what possible hope there is for my future. I cannot think of myself as anything but a priest. It's all I ever wanted since I was a child - not only to be a priest, but to be a good and holy one. If this is impossible, then for the salvation of my own soul, I would appeal for laicization.

Believe me, this is not what I really want. I do want to remain a priest. If you would consider giving me one last chance to prove that I can be a good priest, I know that I can do it. You very aptly compared the situation to alcoholism. We have all seen men who joined AA make the road back to recovery. First, they had to admit the problem, then seek help. I have done the former, which I had not done last year. If you will allow me to remain, I will do the latter and seek psychiatric help immediately. I do realize your position and know what a risk you would be taking by giving me one more chance. But the priesthood is my life, Your Eminence, and I cannot pretend that losing it would not shatter me and my family. At the same time, a public scandal while I was a priest would be much worse, not only for us, but for the Church as well.

If you decide that, in the best interests of all, I cannot remain, then I humbly request that the necessary papers be sent to Rome or that I be given a leave of absence without the ordeal and scandal involved in a formal trial. This I beg, Your Eminence, with all the sincerity of my heart.

May God give you the wisdom and strength to do what is best. I will keep you in my prayers as I hope you will keep me in yours.

Respectfully,



Tom Kelly

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*Justice app'd*

December 6, 1968

PERSONAL

Reverend Thomas Kelly  
St. Catherine of Genoa Rectory  
640 West 118th Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60628

*Don - ask me  
about an  
app't for this  
man*

Dear Father Kelly:

This will acknowledge your letter of Nov. 29, 1968 for which I thank you sincerely--even more so for the fine spirit of priestly cooperation which you are willing to show in this delicate matter.

As soon as I have had an opportunity to investigate the matter, I will call you for another appointment.

Assuring you of my prayers in your desire to carry on your priestly work, and with all good wishes, I am, dear Father Kelly

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

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Memo From:  
**JOHN CARDINAL CODY**

Date 7/9/70

To SALLY

Will you please put this in  
Father Kelly's file for future  
reference.

H.P.C.

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Reverend Thomas F. Kelly  
St. Therese of the Infant Jesus Parish  
8026 S. Wood  
Chicago, Illinois 60620

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Dear Father Kelly,

In accordance with Canon 476, 3, and following the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Priests' Personnel Board, it gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Vicarius Cooperator to the Reverend Charles J. Burnikel, Pastor of Queen of the Apostles Parish, Rivedale, Illinois, and to grant you the necessary faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty.

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This appointment is effective immediately, but I would ask you to make arrangements with the Pastor about the exact date when you will assume your new duties.

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Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in this pastoral assignment, I am, dear Father Kelly,

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Co-Chancellor

cc: Rev. Charles J. Burnikel - Pastor, Queen of Apostles Parish  
Reverend Edward Corcoran - Pastor, St. Therese of the Infant Jesus Parish  
Priests' Personnel Board