

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces an undated letter from Fr. John "Jack" Keough to Victim MU. In the letter, Keough expressed his love for Victim MU and asked Victim MU to destroy the letter. Victim MU provided a copy of the letter to the Archdiocese of Chicago after bringing her allegation of sexual abuse against Keough.

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TO: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
FROM: Rev. Patrick Lagges *PUL*
RE: Votum of Instructor Re: John J. Keough, a resigned priest

John (Jack) Keough was ordained as a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 1, 1952. He was assigned as Assistant Pastor to St. Justin Martyr (1952-60), Our Lady of Hope (1960-65), and St. Francis of Rome (1965-66). In 1966, Keough was assigned as Rector at Our Lady of Loretto Chapel in O'Hare International Airport until 1981. He was on a leave of absence beginning November 15, 1981 and left active ministry on March 4, 1982.

In a letter dated April 12, 1982, Keough advised the Archbishop of Chicago, John Cardinal Cody, that he had "married an old friend from Chicago." This civil marriage took place on June 18, 1980 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

In April 2002, an adult female advised the archdiocese that Keough had engaged in improper contact of a sexual nature with her (kissing and fondling over and under clothing) over several years while she was a minor under 16 years of age. She stated that this inappropriate contact took place at Our Lady of Hope parish where the victim was a student and Keough was assigned as an Associate Pastor.

These allegations were investigated by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator and in October 2003, the Professional Responsibility Review Board determined that there was reasonable cause to suspect that Keough engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor. This finding was formally accepted by you on October 28, 2003.

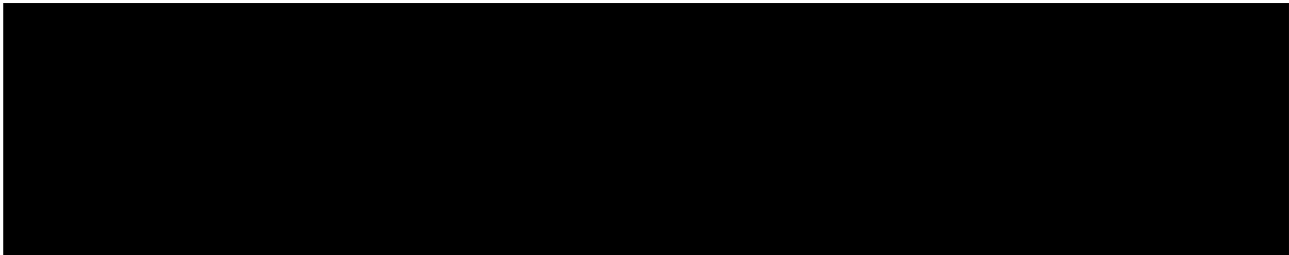
It should be noted that, on advice of his civil attorney, Keough made no response when confronted with the allegations and has never offered any response. [REDACTED]

A formal suspension of all priestly faculties was issued in 2005 based upon, inter alia, Keough's failure to return to active ministry since 1981 and the attempted marriage, as well as the findings of the Review Board.

Keough has lived a secular life since his voluntary withdrawal from ministry in 1981. It appears that he was married civilly for 17 months before he sought a leave of absence. During this time he presumptively functioned as a priest of the Archdiocese in his assignment as Chaplain at O'Hare International Airport.

Pursuant to your letter of December 2007, he has submitted a Petition to the Holy Father for a dispensation from all obligations of the clerical state including the obligation of celibacy.

John Keough has voluntarily lived a secular life for the last 26 years and, based upon his attempted marriage, has incurred the *latae sententiae* suspension from all acts of the power of orders in accordance with Canons 1333 §1 and 1394 §1 of the Code of Canon Law. Further, there is reasonable cause to suspect that Keough engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor over a period of several years.



June 30th, 1952

My dear Father Keough,

I hereby appoint you assistant to the pastor of
St. Justin Martyr Church, Chicago, Illinois.

You will kindly report for duty to Father Halleran
on July 8th.

With blessing,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend John J. Keough
9014 S. Loomis Street
Chicago 20, Illinois.

June 24, 1960

My dear Father **Keough,**

I hereby appoint you assistant to
the pastor of **O. L. of Hope Church, Desplaines Ill.,**
transferring you as assistant to the pastor of
St. Justin Martyr Church, Chicago.

You will kindly report for duty
on July 6th to **Father Buck, the pastor.**

Wishing you every blessing, I
remain,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend John Keough
St. Justin Martyr Rectory
1818 W. 71st St.
Chicago ILL.



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Office of the Chancellor

November 9, 1981

Reverend John J. Keough
Church of Our Lady of Loretto
O'Hare International Airport
P. O. Box 66123
Chicago, Illinois 60666

Dear Father Keough:

This is to confirm that, in light of your recent conversation with the Cardinal, His Eminence honors your request for a temporary leave of absence from your priestly duties. Your leave of absence will be in effect from November 15, 1981 to May 15, 1982.

While on leave, your license to function, or represent yourself, as a priest is withdrawn, and you are dispensed from the normal obligations of clerical garb and the Divine Office.

Please keep us informed of any change in your address while you are on leave from the Archdiocese. When your leave is about to expire, I would ask that you contact me so that we might discuss what should be done at that time.

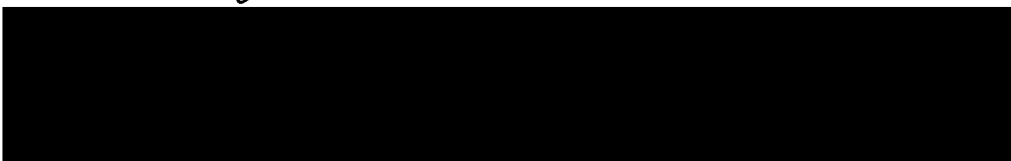
Please rest assured of a fraternal memento at the Altar.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend John R. Keating
Chancellor

+JPC:JRK/ ag

His address as of 11/11/81



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April 12, 1982

His Eminence

John Cardinal Cody
Archbishop of Chicago
1555 N. State Parkway
Chicago, Illinois 60610

Your Eminence:

You told me in October that I would be writing and telling you that it's no fun coming home to cook supper in an empty house. I said I was used to being alone at O'Hare. I have since found out that, although I lived alone for 15 years, I was never alone or lonely. One should listen to the prophecies of his Cardinal Archbishop.

I do enjoy Seattle, the airline job, my house -- but these are all pointless if there is no one with whom to share. Just as my life was totally shared for 29½ years and lived for the community, an adjustment to total self couldn't work. Consequently, I have married an old friend from Chicago who will be joining me here in June.

With my longevity genes I figure I have another 35 or 40 years of the Lord's indulgence. It will be better this way. The major difficulty is the disappointing of family and friends who reasonable expect me to work out this problem more in keeping with our traditional values. I find violating this aspect of our tradition and disappointing those close to me very painful, but weighed against the future alone it becomes tolerable. I must admit that the joy of my plan is diminished by the expectations up to which I will not live.

I read that Pope John Paul II will not consider a dispensation unless the priest in question is old and already married. I qualify with both conditions. I therefore ask Your Eminence to initiate the process on my behalf.

Considering your weakened condition, these are not pleasant sentiments to write to you. I hope you feel better and that you will judge this old friend with compassion.

As ever,

Jack

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This abstract replaces a letter from Victim MU to Francis Cardinal George, received in April of 2002. In the letter, Victim MU informs Cardinal George of the alleged abuse by Fr. John Keough, which began when Victim MU was 11 years old and lasted until after she graduated from high school. According to Victim MU she wanted to record her allegation against Keough, which consisted of fondling, kissing and, after Victim MU graduated from high school, intercourse.

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P H O N E M E M O	TO	KL	DATE	4/26/02	TIME	8:13	AM
	FROM	[REDACTED]	PHONE	[REDACTED]			PM
	OF	[REDACTED]	CELL ()				
		[REDACTED]	FAX ()				
	MESSAGE	Important that you call					
	E-MAIL ADDRESS					SIGNED	
	PHONED ☒	CALL BACK ☐	RETURNED CALL ☒	WANTS TO SEE YOU ☐	WILL CALL AGAIN ☐	WAS IN ☐	URGENT ☐

Called 4-26-02 will check on status of print +
call back 4-29-02 Jack Kough
Called 5-2-02 1:50 deceased / Have VAM # for follow up

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Neri-Palomino, Laura

From: Treanor, John
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2002 3:49 PM
To: Neri-Palomino, Laura
Subject: assignments

Laura,
The following assignments vis-à-vis your request.

The priests at Our Lady of Hope were:

1960
Francis J. Buck
Carl McNerney

1961 to 1965
Francis J. Buck
John J. Keough

1966
Francis J. Buck
John W. Dewes

1967 to 1968
Francis J. Buck
John W. Dewes
resident John Keough

1969
Francis J. Buck
John W. Dewes

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PFR-120 Keough [REDACTED] 11/21/02

Per Jac Treanor at Archives

- no Jack Keough found
- There was a John Keough at Our Lady Hope, Desplaines probably 1966 - 1967 ~~Chapel~~
- John Keough is listed as founder of airport Chapel
- was at Our Lady of Loretto
- left priesthood for an airline Stewardess
- date unknown
- unknown if laicized

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January 14, 2003

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Dear Ms. [REDACTED]:

My name is Mike Just, and I am the Interim Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA] for the Archdiocese of Chicago. I work in the Office of Professional Fitness Review, where we receive all allegations of sexual misconduct made against priests. I have read your letter to Cardinal George two times, and sincerely regret the pain that has occurred in your life as the result of what happened. I commend your courage in stepping forward with your allegations.

My records indicate you spoke to my predecessor, Kathleen Leggdas, on April 26th and April 29th about your allegations. On November 6th and November 7th of 2002, I called and decided not to leave messages out of respect for your privacy. On November 11, 2002, I did leave my name and phone number on your answering machine. I am wondering whether you received the call, or whether you are interested in pursuing your allegations.

I wanted to follow up with you to make sure you are aware that we respect any decisions you have made or will make regarding your allegation against Jack Keough. The intent of this letter is to offer you any service this office may be able to provide you. We want to offer our support to you with what is most assuredly a difficult and painful subject. As part of the support, I am offering to investigate your case. Part of that investigation involves talking with you in person about what happened, should you choose to pursue this matter further.

I will be leaving the employ of the Office of Professional Fitness Review effective January 31, 2003. Should you wish to pursue any of your allegations or have any further questions after that date, please contact my successor, Ms. Leah McCluskey, at the same phone number and address.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael C. Just".

Michael C. Just
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry
John O'Malley, Legal Services

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Neri-Palomino, Laura

From: Just, Michael
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2003 2:39 PM
To: Neri-Palomino, Laura
Cc: Bonaccorsi, Ralph
Subject: RE: Scheduled Interview

[REDACTED] called the office on Friday and cancelled the interview. She said she'd call to reschedule.

MJ

-----Original Message-----

From: Neri-Palomino, Laura
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2003 2:35 PM
To: Bonaccorsi, Ralph; Bland, Michael
Cc: Flores, Mayra; Just, Michael
Subject: Scheduled Interview

FYI,
Michael Just spoke to [REDACTED] today regarding her allegation against Fr. Jack Keough - Deceased.

Michael agreed to meet with her at her home on Monday, January 27th at 1:30 p.m. due to the fact that Ms. [REDACTED] is only available on Mondays and this is the only Monday Michael is available before he leaves AOC.

He asked that I pass this message on to VAM.

[REDACTED]

Laura

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Draft - Allegation report

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The following is the Allegation report regarding the allegation against John "Jack" Keough
made by [REDACTED] your client.

Please have Ms. [REDACTED] review and make any necessary changes and return

to this office at your earliest convenience. Once the report is corrected - an original
will be forward to you for your client's signature.

If you have any questions I can be reached at the above phone number

Thank you,

Leah McCluskey

Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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NOTE: This fax may contain *privileged and confidential* information.
If you receive it in error, please call us immediately.

DATE: 5/5/03

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TO: Leah McCluskey

(312) 751-5279

FROM:

RE:

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

memo has some changes made in 1 paragraph -
I pointed that out for you.
Let me know if there's anything else you
need.

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If you have any problems, please call for assistance.

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RE:

[Redacted] / [Redacted] reports

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Here are the reports for [Redacted] [Redacted] Corrections have been made
to reports and signatures for approval are requested.

Leah

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MAY 19 2003

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PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW**

May 15, 2003

Leah McCluskey
Archdiocese of Chicago
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 North St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Re: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

Enclosed is the report of allegations signed by [REDACTED]. Please forward to me a fully executed copy upon receipt.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Enclosure

cc: [REDACTED]

5/30/03
Copy of report sent.
Laura N.P.

[REDACTED]

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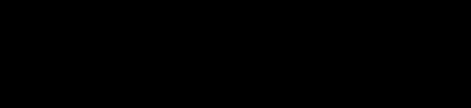


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May 29, 2003

Mr. John J. Keough



Dear Mr. Keough,

My name is Leah McCluskey and I work in the Office of Professional Fitness Review at the Archdiocese of Chicago.

I received your contact information from Fr. James Kaczorowski. It is extremely important that I speak with you. Please contact me as soon as possible at 312.751.5205.

Sincerely,

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

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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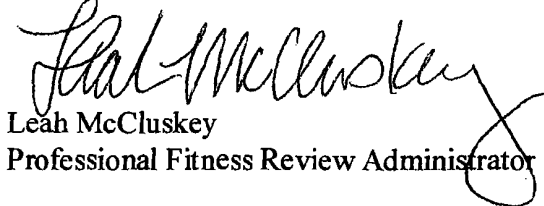
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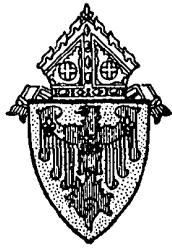
Sincerely,



Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
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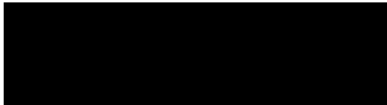
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Off: (312) 642-1837

Fax: (312) 642-4933

May 30, 2003

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL & U. S. MAIL



Dear Mr. Keough:

I am the Vicar for Priests for the Archdiocese of Chicago. During the past month, I have attempted to contact you by telephone on several occasions, but have been unable to reach you.

It is very important that you contact me as soon as possible. I can be reached at (312) 642-1837.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James T. Kaczorowski".

Reverend James T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests

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Pat,

Here is the allegation on the above case.

Leah

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MEMORANDUM

To: PFR-120

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Re: **JOHN "JACK" KEOUGH'S RESPONSE TO ALLEGATION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT MADE BY [REDACTED]**

Date: June 6, 2003

Date of Interview: June 5, 2003

Time of Interview: 11:00am

Present at Interview

Mr. John "Jack" Keough
Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

Phone Interview

Fr. Kaczorowski contacted Mr. John "Jack" Keough from the Vicar for Priests Office via phone at 11:00am for the scheduled interview. The interview was conducted entirely via speakerphone.

After introductions were made, PFRA described the responsibilities of the Office of Professional Fitness Review as well as those of PFRA. PFRA also explained the Review Board process to Mr. Keough. As PFRA prepared to read the allegation of sexual misconduct made by [REDACTED] Mr. Keough agreed to interrupt PFRA if he was unclear with any information that was being read to him.

Prior to being read the allegation, Mr. Keough informed PFRA and VP that he was instructed by his attorney Patrick Reardon not to make any response to the allegation. As per Mr. Keough, Mr. Reardon was unavailable for the scheduled meeting due to being in court.

PFRA read to Mr. Keough the entire allegation made against him by Ms. [REDACTED] without any interruptions. Mr. Keough requested that PFRA forward a copy of Ms. [REDACTED] allegation to the attention of Mr. Reardon and to then expect a written response to the allegation by Mr. Reardon on Mr. Keough's behalf. PFRA informed Mr. Keough that a copy of the allegation would be faxed to Mr. Reardon's office by the end of the day.

John J. Keough
Accused

6/23/03
Date

Paul McElvick
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

6/6/03
Date

Rev. James T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests

6/13/03
Date

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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June 11, 2003

Mr. Patrick Reardon
221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1938
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Reardon,

You should have received a fax from my office on Thursday, June 5, 2003 regarding a matter of sexual misconduct brought against your client John "Jack" Keough by Ms. [REDACTED]. I have enclosed with this letter another copy of the previously faxed report.

As per Mr. Keough, he was advised by you to not respond to Ms. [REDACTED] allegation as I read it to him on June 5, 2003. Mr. Keough also stated that you would provide a formal written response to the allegation. I am requesting that you provide me with Mr. Keough's written response to the allegation by Wednesday, June 25, 2003.

Please feel free to contact me at 312 751-5205 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Enclosure

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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June 17, 2003

Mr. John Keough

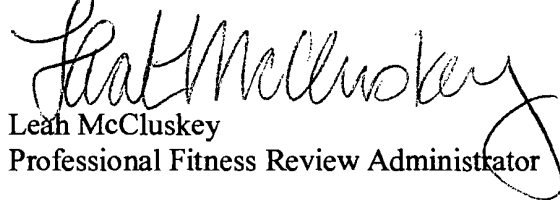

Dear Mr. Keough,

Enclosed you will find the report written by myself as a result of our telephone conversation that took place on June 5, 2003. I ask that if you agree with the information written please sign and date the report and return to me in the envelope provided. If you would like corrections and/or additions to be made to the document, please make the necessary changes and return the report to me. I will then make your noted adjustments to the report and return to you for your signature.

I do understand that your attorney Patrick Reardon will be providing me with a written response to the allegation. However, in accordance with procedure, I have documented our June 5, 2003 meeting and ask for your signature.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 312 751-5205.

Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Enclosure

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PATRICK G. REARDON
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
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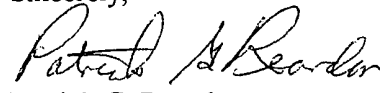
Dear Ms. McCluskey,

You recently contacted John Keough regarding an investigation by the Office of Professional Fitness Review of the Archdiocese of Chicago arising out of an accusation by someone named [REDACTED]. John Keough has asked me to provide him legal counsel and to explain to him the function of the Office of Professional Fitness Review. Therefore, I am writing to you on his behalf.

My client is not in ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago and has no plan to seek such a career. He does not desire or request judgment by the Professional Fitness Review Board. Accordingly he will decline to discuss the remarks of Ms. [REDACTED] and he will make no response to the Professional Fitness Review Board.

Thank you for your communications in this matter.

Sincerely,


Patrick G. Reardon

PGR/bi
Encl:

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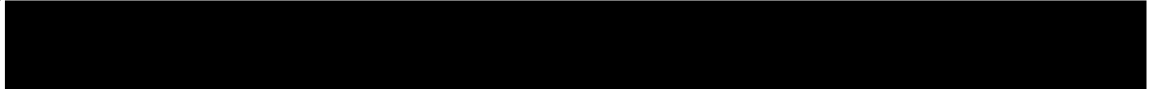
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**Professional Responsibility Review Board
Saturday, August 16, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:



Members absent:

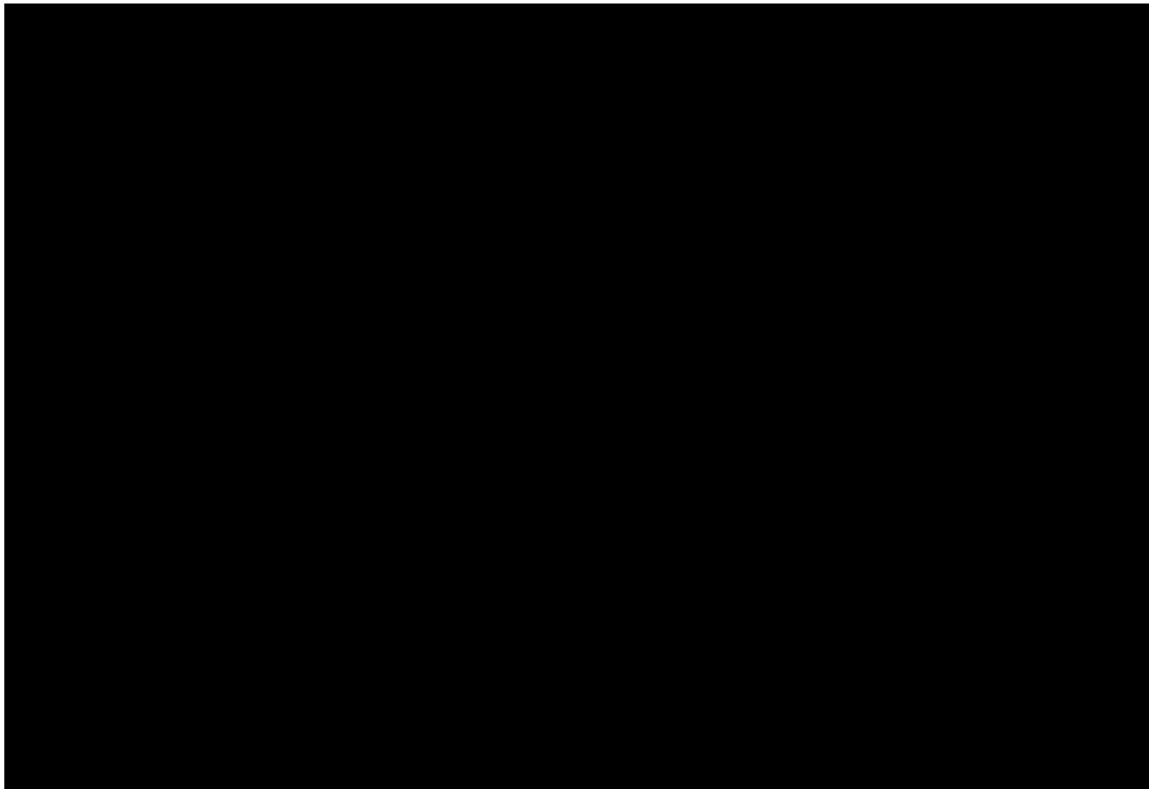
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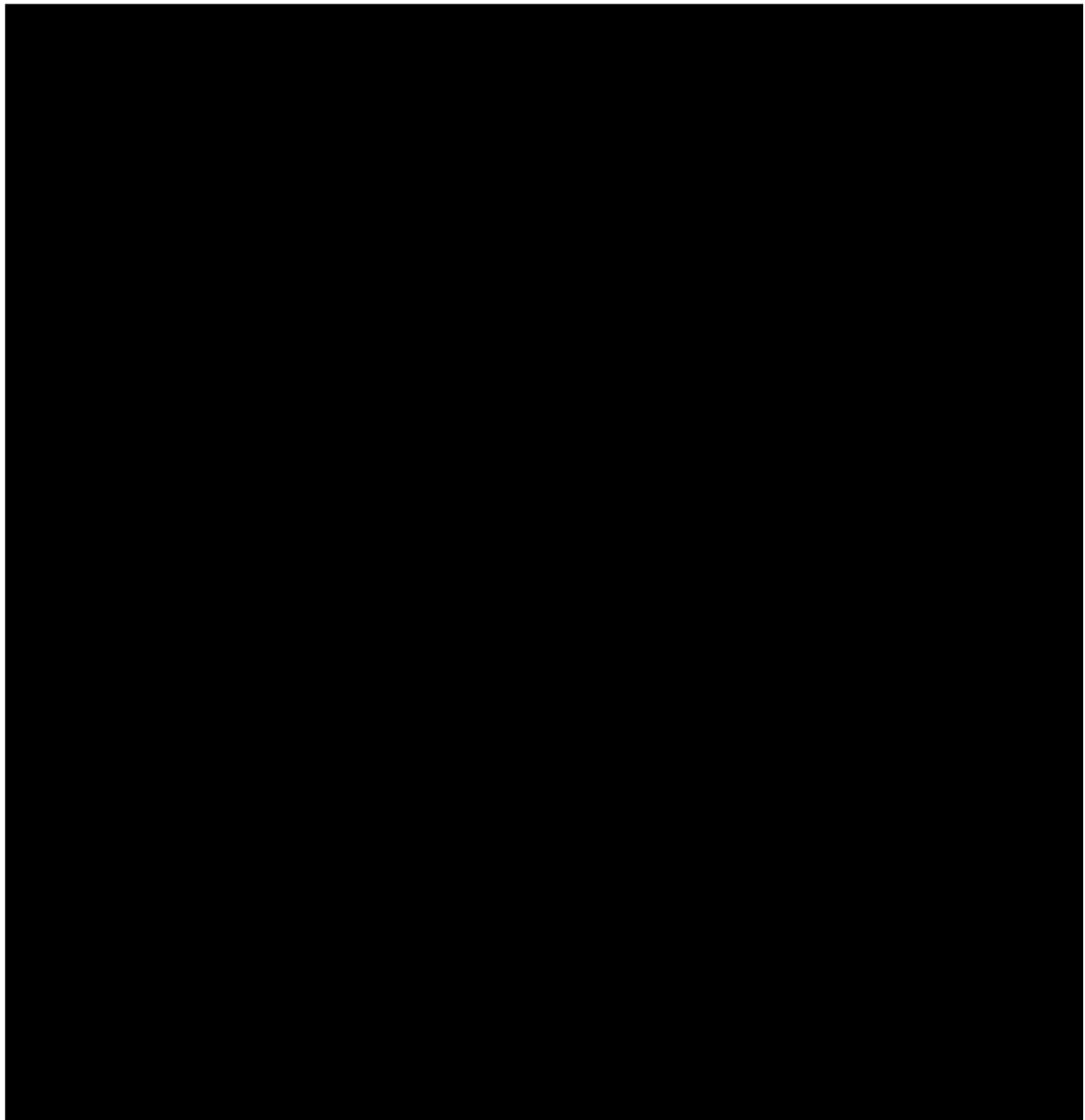
Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – July 19, 2003

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III. Case Reviews

Initial Review

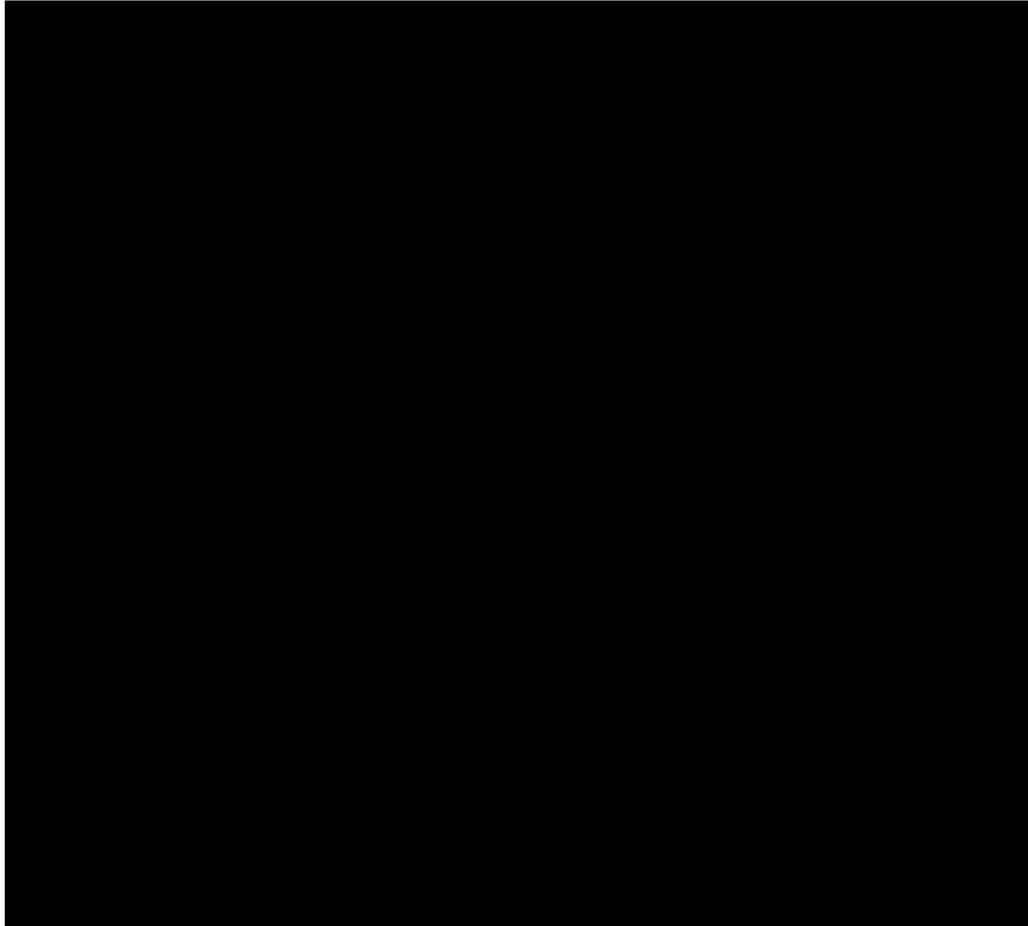
A. In the Matter of John “Jack” Keough [Resigned 1992] – PFR-120

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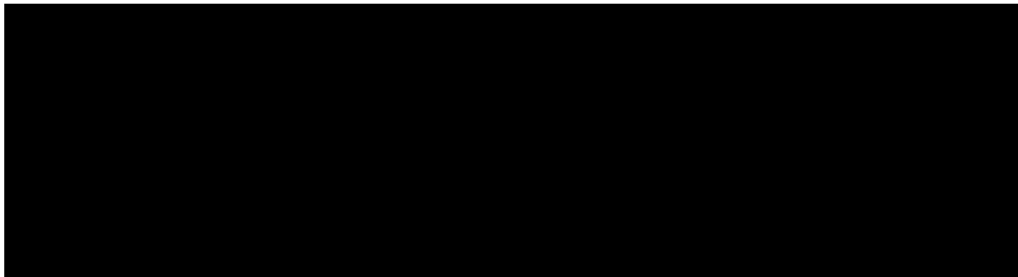
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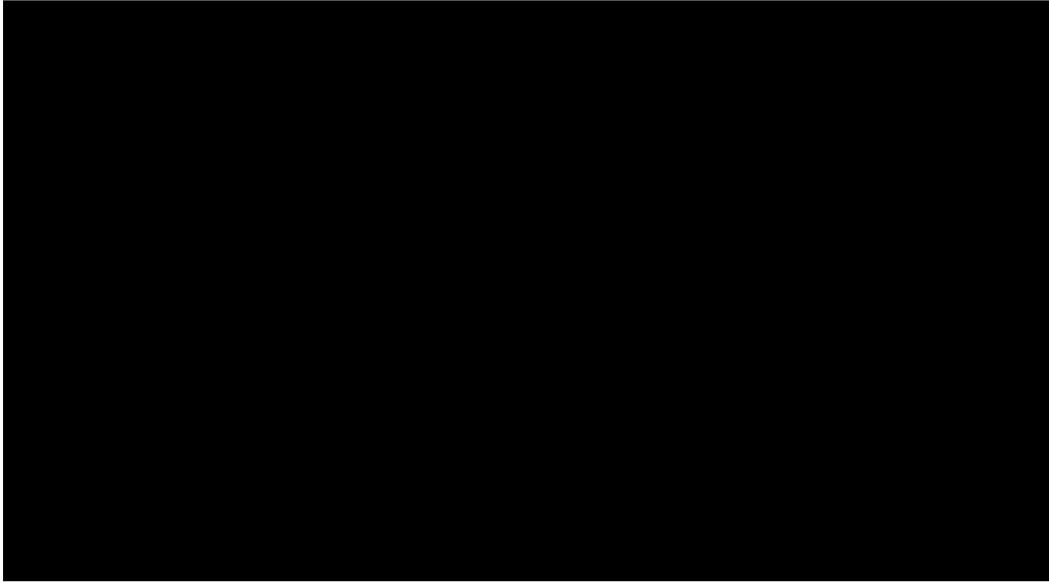
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IV. Other Matters





Next scheduled meeting is September 20, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
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PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING **Saturday, August 16, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – July 19, 2003

II.

III. Case Reviews

Initial Review:

- A. In the Matter of John Keough (Resigned 1982) - PFR-120
- Allegation made by [REDACTED]

Second Stage Reviews:

B.

IV. Other Matters

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

The next scheduled Board Meeting is for Saturday, September 20, 2003

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MEMORANDUM

To: File -PFR-120

From: Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting

Re: **John "Jack" Keough**

Date: August 16, 2003

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on August 16, 2003:

The Review Board conducted an Initial Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: fondling over and under clothing; kissing; sexual relationship in teen/adult years.

In a unanimous 9-0 vote, the Review Board recommended that the information seems to be true of an offense. The Board recommends that PRA locate Fr. [REDACTED] to determine his knowledge of alleged abuse of [REDACTED] by John "Jack" Keough. Further, Board requested copy of letter from John "Jack" Keough to [REDACTED].

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RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Responsibility Review Board met on August 16 2003 to conduct a(n)
(enter date: month/day/year)

(check one:) ☒ Initial Review ☐ Review for Cause ☐ Supplementary Review ☐ Status Report
regarding the allegation of _____
(enter name of alleged victim)

against John "Jack" Keough (resigned)
(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 Archdiocese of Chicago
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

☐ a deceased priest or deacon of _____
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: relationship in teen/adult yrs.;
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)
fondling over clothes, kissing; fondling
under clothes; sexual relationship

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

(check one:) ☒ the information at least seems to be true of an offense.
☐ the information does not seem to be true of an offense and the file should be closed.

If the information at least seems to be true of an offense, the Board recommends that

(check one:) ☒ the safety of children requires the immediate withdrawal of the accused from ministry.
☐ the accused may remain in ministry with monitoring and restrictions pending inquiry.
☐ the accused may remain in ministry without monitoring or restrictions pending inquiry.

Review for Cause: 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: unanimous 9-0 seems to be true;
seek out _____; copy of letter from Keough to

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August 18, 2003

Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on August 16, 2003 and conducted an Initial Review regarding [REDACTED]'s allegation of sexual misconduct against John "Jack" Keough pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommended that the information seems to be true of an offense. As a result, the Board also recommends that the safety of children requires the immediate withdrawal of the accused from ministry. Due to the fact that John "Jack" Keough is resigned from ministry, no interim action is required.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 312 751-5205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-120

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Keough, John 

Date: September 3, 2003

PRA looked through the Kennedy Directory in attempts to locate a Fr. . The following names were found relative to the Chicago area after 1955, the date that the alleged abuse of  by John Keough began:





This information will be brought to the attention of the Review Board regarding the aforementioned matter.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-120

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator 

Re: Keough, John [REDACTED]

Date: September 3, 2003

PRA spoke with Brother [REDACTED] OSM at the Order of Friar Servants of Mary—USA Province office via phone today regarding Fr. [REDACTED]. PRA explained to Brother [REDACTED] that a priest by the name of Fr. [REDACTED] surfaced in an allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor by a different priest. At this point in time, PRA is attempting to locate Fr. [REDACTED] through his order, even though information is not certain that Fr. [REDACTED] is/was an OSM.

Brother [REDACTED] informed PRA that his order [he has been in the order for 50 years] has only had two [REDACTED]s, one by the name of [REDACTED] and the other by the name of [REDACTED]. As per Brother [REDACTED], Fr. [REDACTED] is deceased and is the uncle of Fr. [REDACTED].

PRA thanked Brother [REDACTED] for his time and information.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Sr. Joan McGlinchey, Office for Religious

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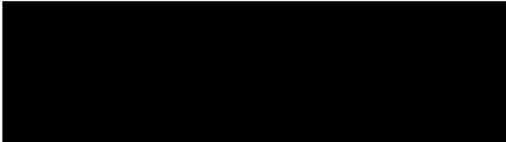
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September 5, 2003



Dear Ms. [REDACTED]

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on August 16, 2003 and conducted an Initial Review regarding your allegation of sexual misconduct against John "Jack" Keough pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommended that the information seems to be true of an offense. Due to the fact that John "Jack" Keough is resigned from ministry, no interim action is required.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at [312] 751-5205 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that the Office of Assistance Ministry continues to be available to you. They may be reached at [312] 751-8267.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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September 5, 2003

Mr. John Keough
C/o Mr. Patrick Reardon
221 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1938
Chicago, IL 60601

Dear Mr. Keough,

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on August 16, 2003 and conducted an Initial Review regarding [REDACTED]'s allegation of sexual misconduct against you pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommended that the information seems to be true of an offense. Due to the fact that you are resigned from ministry, no interim action is required.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at [312] 751-5205 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that Rev. James Kaczorowski continues to be available to you. He may be reached at the Vicar for Priests office at [312] 642-1837.

Sincerely,

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

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Mr. John Keough
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
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D E C R E E

Having received the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Professional Fitness Review Board that there is "reasonable cause to suspect" that **John "Jack" Keough** engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, I have concluded that this constitutes information which "at least seems to be true" (c. 1717).

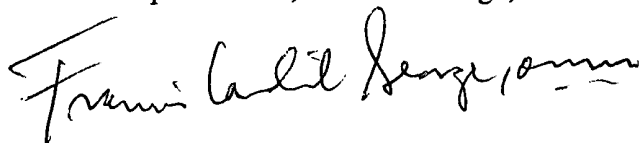
Therefore, in accordance with the aforementioned canon, I decree that an inquiry be done into the facts and circumstances of this accusation, as well as its imputability to **John Keough**.

Since my other duties prevent me from conducting this investigation personally, I hereby appoint **Ms. Leah McCluskey** to act as the investigator in this matter. In carrying out these duties, Ms. McCluskey will have all of the authority of an auditor, in accordance with cc. 1428 and 1717. She is to collect any additional proofs she deems necessary in accordance with the norm of law as they relate to the present allegation. She is delegated to take testimony from the accused and from any witnesses (cc. 1530 – 1538 and 1547 – 1573), to obtain any necessary documents (cc. 1540 – 1546), to enlist the services of any experts deemed necessary (cc. 1574 – 1581), and to have access to places or things which she deems necessary for her investigation.

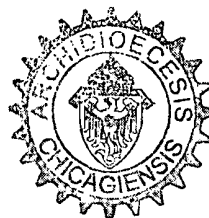
In conducting her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to take care that such an investigation does nothing to harm John Keough's name or to violate his right to protect his privacy.

After she has concluded her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to make a written and oral report to the Professional Responsibility Review Board, no later than one hundred eighty days from the date of this appointment. This report is to address the facts, circumstances, and imputability concerning the alleged offense.

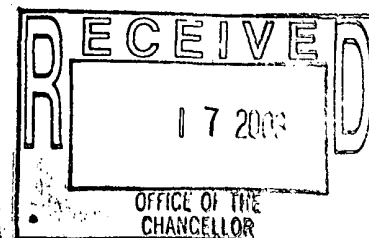
Given on September 13, 2003 at Chicago, Illinois.

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



Rev. Richard Sanchez
Ecclesiastical Notary



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September 13, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey
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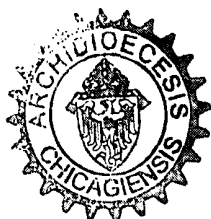
Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of August 18, 2003, regarding the matter of **John "Jack" Keough**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago who resigned from active ministry a number of years ago, and the allegation made by [REDACTED] following the Initial Review conducted by the Professional Responsibility Review Board on August 16, 2003.

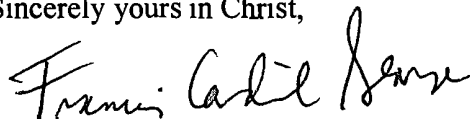
In light of the Board's consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that the information they received at least seems to be true that **John Keough** engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

With this letter is a decree which appoints you as the investigator into an allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor that was made against **John Keough**. The terms of this investigation are spelled out in the decree.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



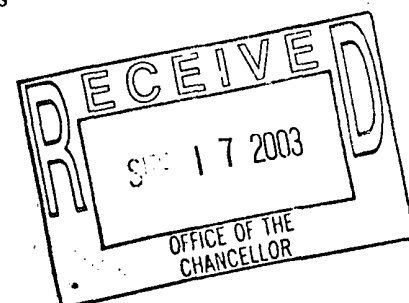
Sincerely yours in Christ,



Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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cc: Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway, Vicar General
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Minister
Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Professional Conduct Administrative Committee
FROM: Laura Neri Palomino, ^{LNP}Administrative Assistant
DATE: September 19, 2002
RE: [PFR-120] Rev. Jack Keough in an Allegation made by [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a ^{new} allegation received by this office on 4/26/02. 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 [REDACTED]. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Keough/Jack/ [REDACTED]

Thank you.

Attachment

A:/PCAC Notification Memo

VAM has no file or does.

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Professional Responsibility Review Board Saturday, September 20, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA] 
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – August 16, 2003

- In regards to Keough [REDACTED] matter, Review Board recommends that PRA determine Date of Ordination of Fr. [REDACTED] mentioned in [REDACTED] allegation in attempts to locate Fr. Doyle; Board also recommends that PRA contact the former Fr. Keough in attempts to locate Fr. [REDACTED]

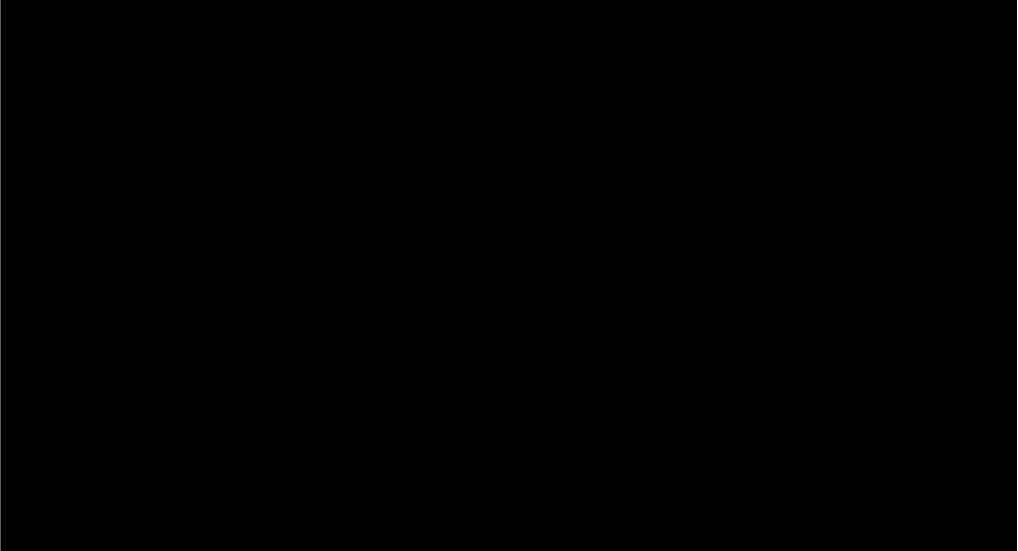
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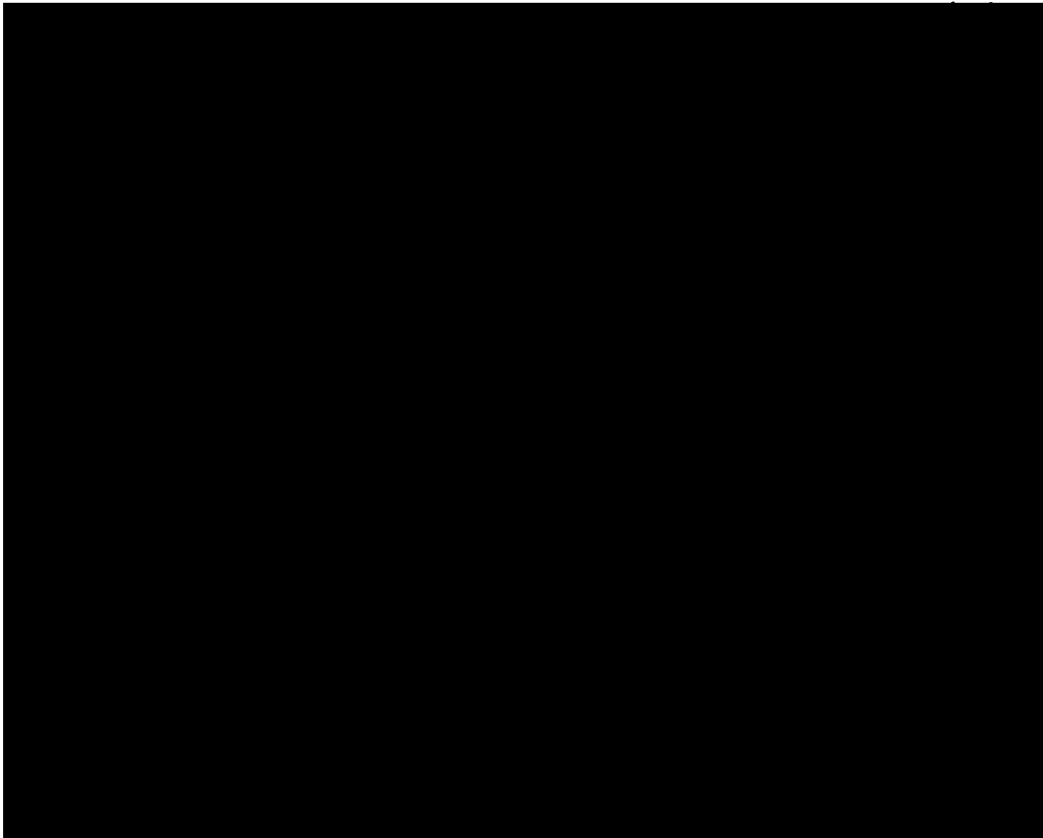
- [REDACTED]
- The Board expressed their concerns with the validity of the Individual Specific Protocol [ISP] forms when they are verbally agreed to and not signed
- In regards to the ISP, a suggestion that a line be added on the ISP, "A signature on this form does not indicate guilt. It indicates the agreement to comply with protocols." --or something similar
 - Board then recommended that all men be presented with ISPs again with aforementioned "disclaimer"
 - Also suggested men be notified of possible financial consequences that may result in not signing/complying with ISP

- The Board suggested the need for consequences for those men who are under the ISP and are not adhering to all requests [i.e. refuse to sign ISP or refusal to complete the Daily Log forms]
 - Suggested consequences
 - Reduction in monthly salary
 - Archdiocese would not pay for car insurance
- The Board expressed their concerns with the performance of Fr. Anthony Talarico as the monitor at Mundelein
- The Board expressed their great concern with the monitoring at Mundelein
 - Suggested that Pat O'Malley monitor
 - Suggested that Ted Jakubowski monitor
- The Board suggested to PRA that all monitoring information be brought to their attention for review on a quarterly basis
- Violations of monitoring protocols need to be brought to the Board as an agenda item
- Board is interested in information as to how Vicar for Priests initiate monitoring
- Board recommended that monitors be "trained" prior to providing monitoring of those removed from ministry [i.e. a checklist provided to monitors of things to be aware of]
- Board recommended that monitors have specific qualifications
- Board recommended that monitors participate in Safe Environment/Virtus training [as per Jan Slattery, training sessions are scheduled for November 13, 14, and 15th]

III. Review of August 16, 2003 Board Meeting recommendations

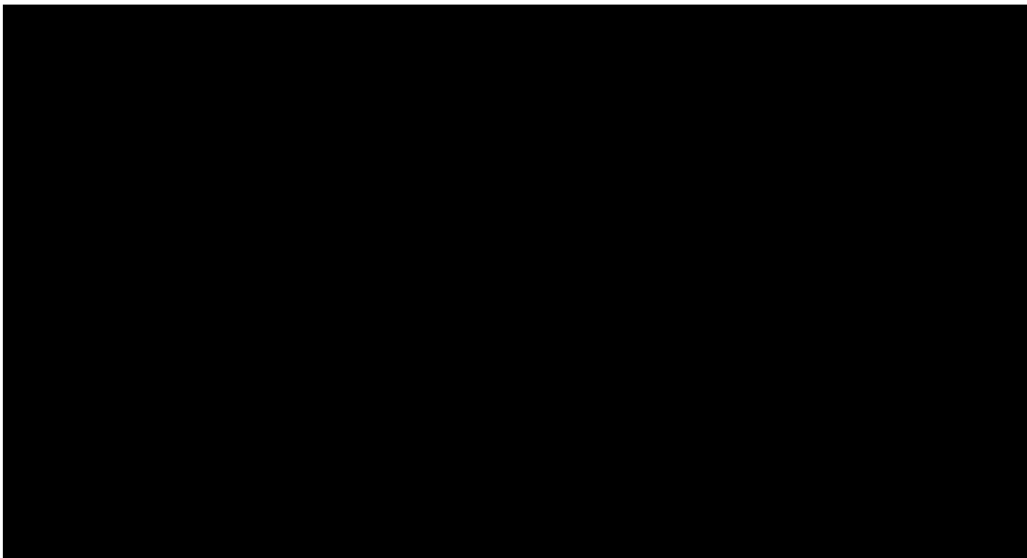
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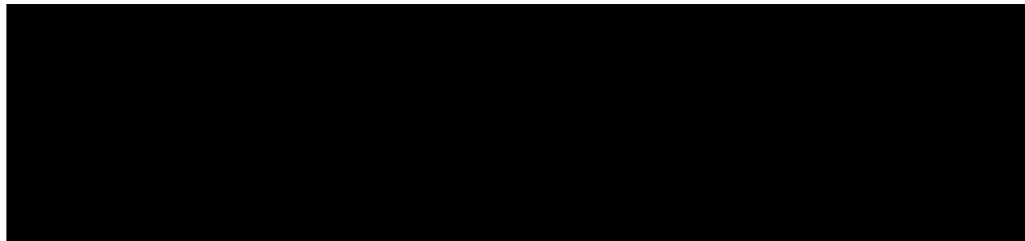
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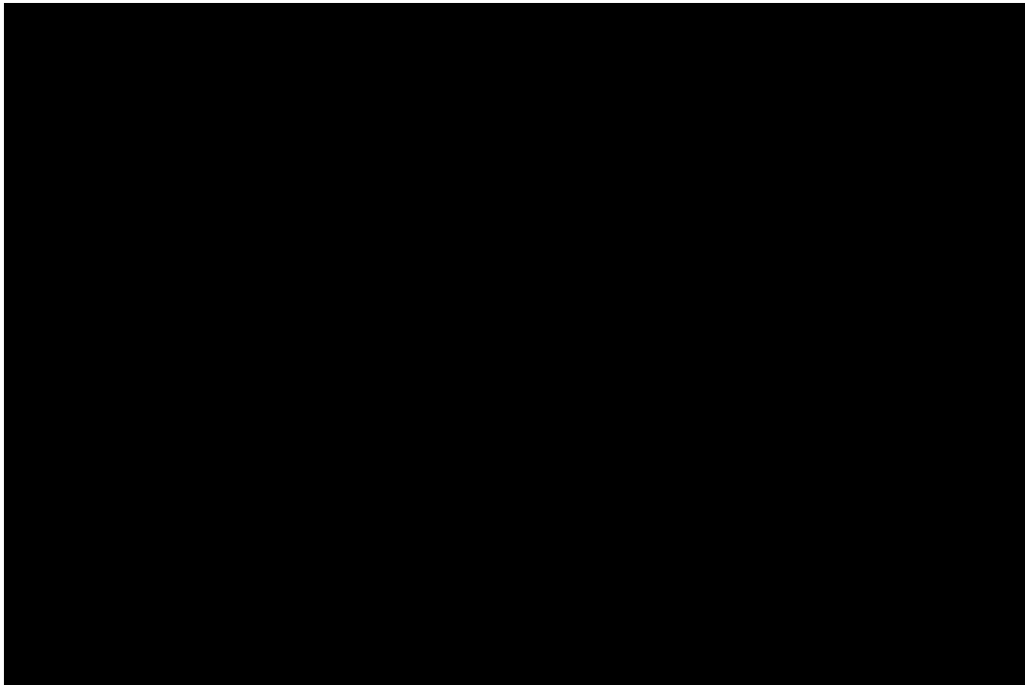
Review for Cause

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Second Stage Review

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Next scheduled meeting is October 18, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

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MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-120
From: Review Board Minutes
Re: Keough, John [REDACTED]
Date: September 20, 2003

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A Summary of the discussion from the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on September 20, 2003:

The Review Board recommends that PRA determine Date of Ordination of Fr. [REDACTED] mentioned in [REDACTED] allegation in attempts to locate Fr. [REDACTED]; Board also recommends that PRA contact the former Fr. Keough in attempts to locate Fr. [REDACTED]

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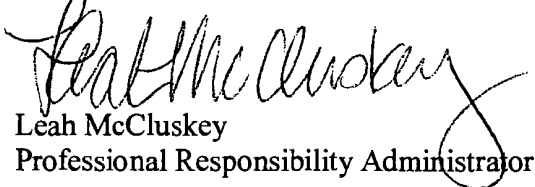
Mr. John Keough


Dear Mr. Keough,

I apologize for the oversight in neglecting to forward you a copy of the enclosed report. I have already forwarded a copy to your attorney, Patrick Reardon.

Please feel free to contact me with any other questions or concerns at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosure

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October 9, 2003

Mr. John Keough
[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Keough,

Pursuant to your request for additional information regarding the allegation of sexual misconduct made against you by [REDACTED], I reviewed the file and noted that on June 27, 2003 your attorney Patrick Reardon indicated your decision to decline participation in our process involving Ms. [REDACTED] allegation. For this reason, I am unable to provide you with any further information.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [312] 751-5205

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".
Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Mr. Patrick Reardon, Attorney
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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Professional Responsibility Review Board Saturday, October 18, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

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- I. Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2003
 - II. Review of September 20, 2003 Board Meeting recommendations
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Initial Review

A.

[REDACTED]

Review for Cause

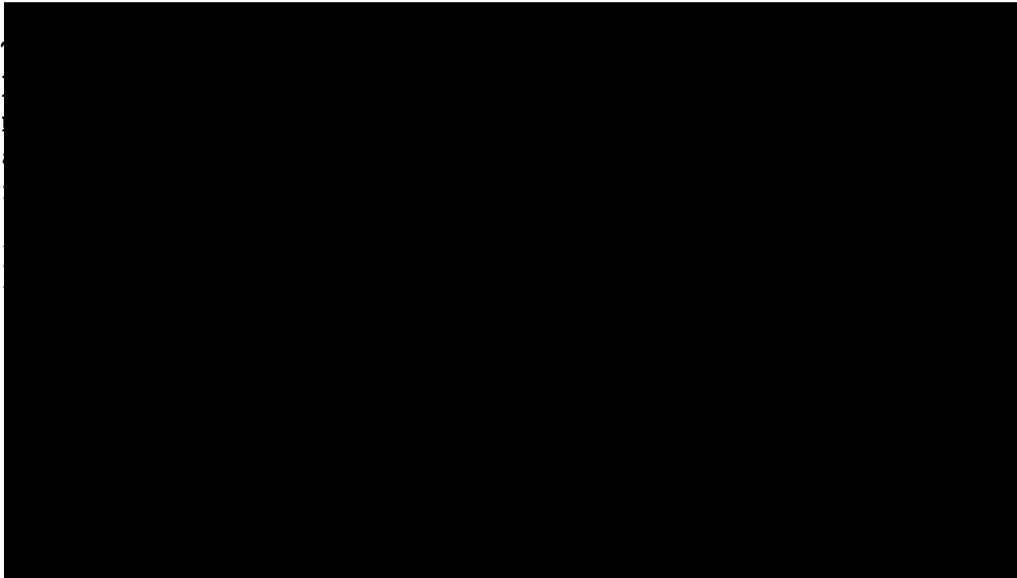
B. In the Matter of John Keough [Resigned 1982] – PFR-120

The Review Board conducted a Review for Cause regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: frequent visits to the rectory by [REDACTED]. Included sitting on John Keough's lap, being fondled and kissed by John Keough, later John

Keough touching [REDACTED] with her clothes off and escalated to sexual intercourse when [REDACTED] was high school age and older.

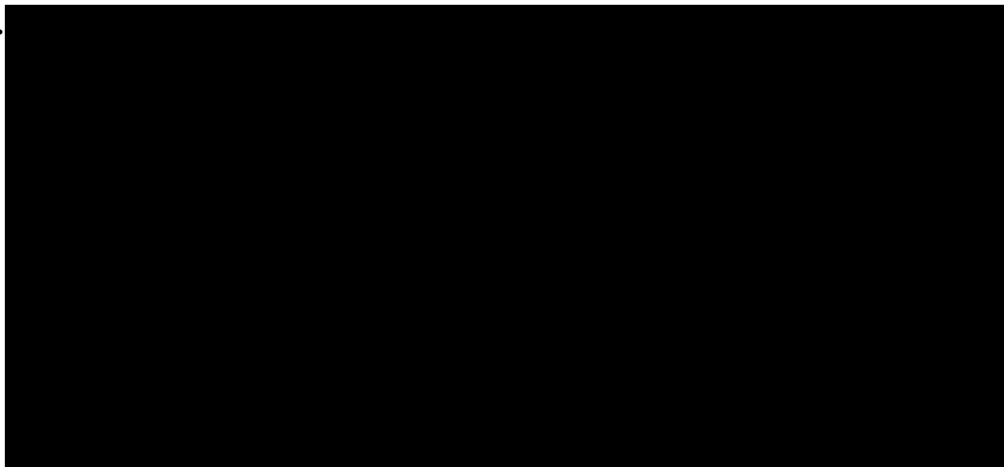
In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Board recommended that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred. If Joe Doyle contact information is easily assessable, Review Board recommends PRA attempt to speak with him regarding [REDACTED] allegation against John Keough. If PRA is unable to contact [REDACTED] Review Board recommends is not necessary to continue a search for him.

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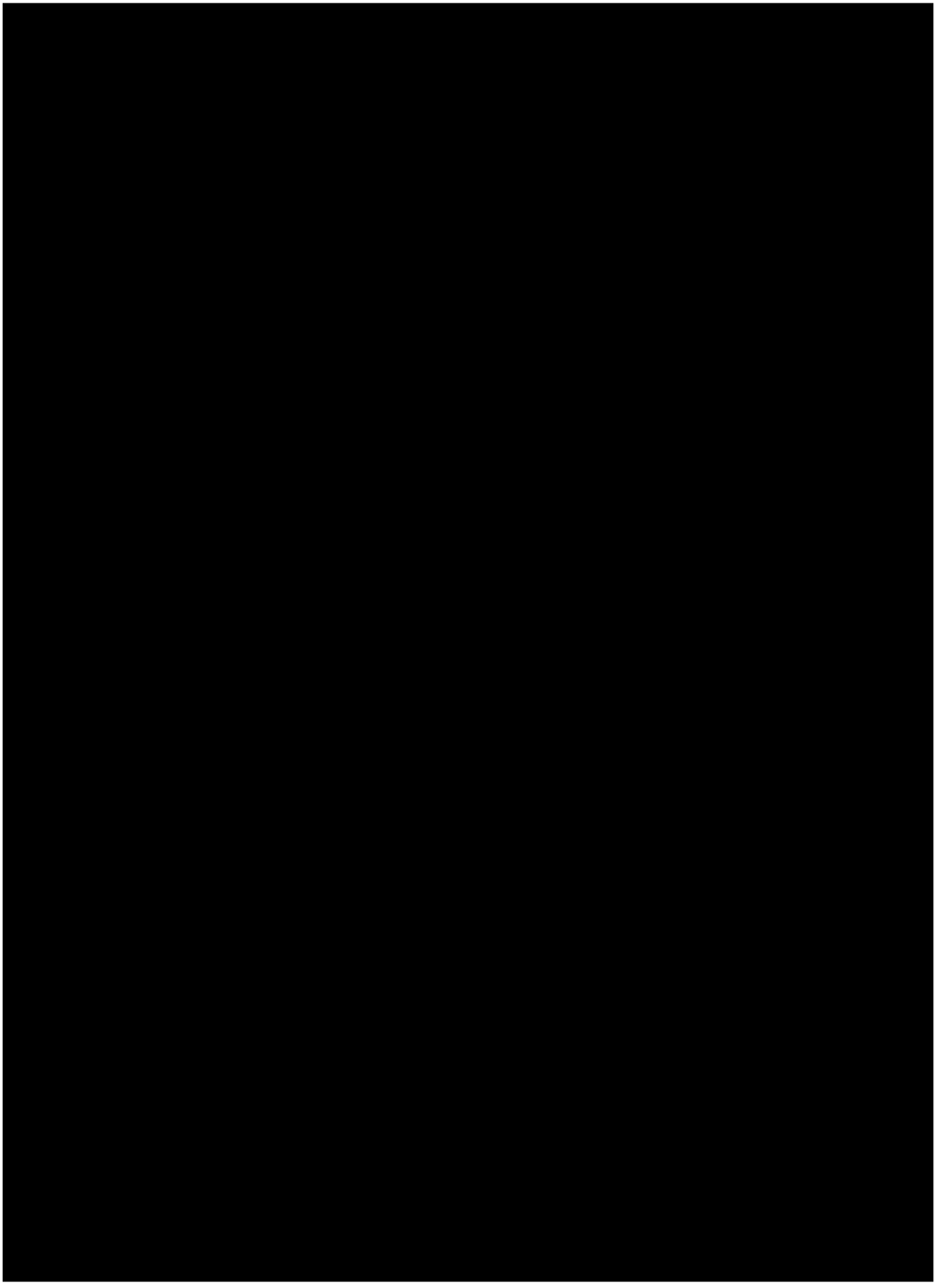


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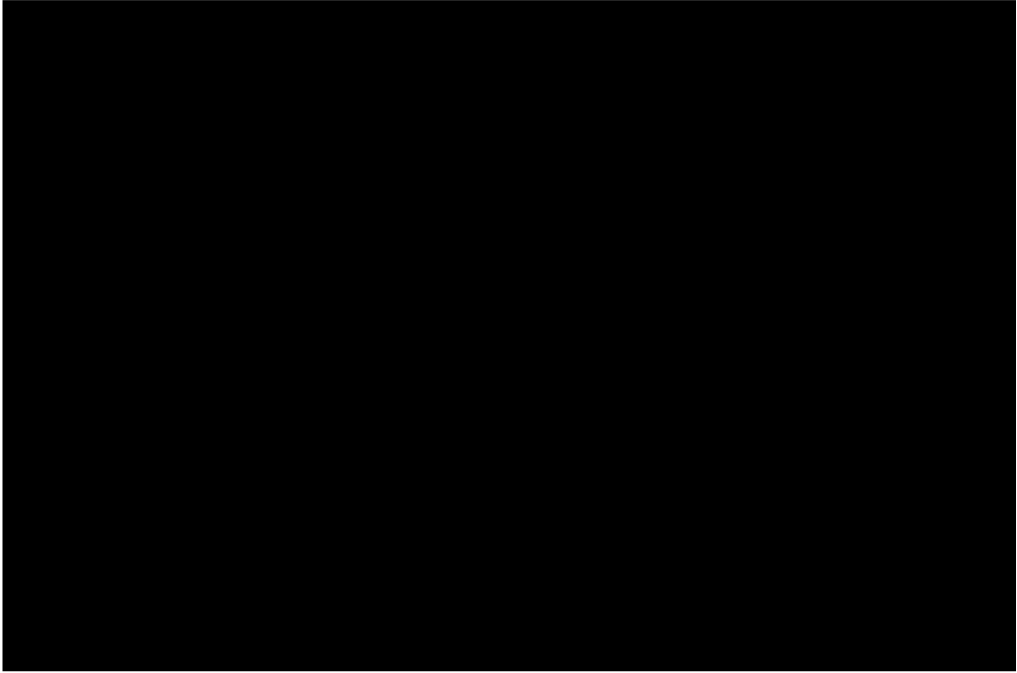


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Next scheduled meeting is November 15, 2003 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
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PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING **Saturday, October 18, 2003 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – September 20, 2003

II. Case Reviews

Initial Review:

A. [REDACTED]

Review for Cause:

B. In the Matter of John Keough (Resigned 1982) - PFR-120

- Allegation made by [REDACTED]

C. [REDACTED]

III. Other Matters

D. [REDACTED]

E. [REDACTED]

F. [REDACTED]

G. [REDACTED]

The next scheduled Board Meeting is for Saturday, November 15, 2003

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RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Responsibility Review Board met on October 18, 2003 to conduct a(n)
(enter date: month/day/year)

(check one:) ☐ Initial Review ☒ Review for Cause ☐ Supplementary Review ☐ Status Report
regarding the allegation of _____
(enter name of alleged victim)

against John Keough (Resigned 1982)
(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: frequent visits to rectory by [redacted]
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

included sitting on his lap, being fondled and
kissed; later touching [redacted] by JK w/ clothes off; intercourse
after [redacted] was in high school

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

(check one:) ☐ the information at least seems to be true of an offense.
☐ the information does not seem to be true of an offense and the file should be closed.

If the information at least seems to be true of an offense, the Board recommends that

(check one:) ☐ the safety of children requires the immediate withdrawal of the accused from ministry.
☐ the accused may remain in ministry with monitoring and restrictions pending inquiry.
☐ the accused may remain in ministry without monitoring or restrictions pending inquiry.

Review for Cause: 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: unanimous 6-0 reasonable cause

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October 21, 2003

Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on October 18, 2003 and conducted a Review for Cause regarding [REDACTED]'s allegation of sexual misconduct against John Keough [Resigned] pursuant to Article 1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommended that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

*I accept the results -
Fhr
Oct 23, 2003*

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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MEMORANDUM

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To: File - PFR-120

From: Review Board Minutes

Re: Keough, John (Resigned) [REDACTED]

Date: October 24, 2003

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A Summary of the discussion from the Professional Responsibility Review Board Meeting on October 18, 2003:

The Review Board conducted a Review for Cause regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: frequent visits to the rectory by [REDACTED]. Included sitting on John Keough's lap, being fondled and kissed by John Keough, later John Keough touching [REDACTED] with her clothes off and escalated to sexual intercourse when [REDACTED] was high school age and older.

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Board recommended that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred. If [REDACTED] contact information is easily assessable, Review Board recommends PRA attempt to speak with him regarding [REDACTED] allegation against John Keough. If PRA is unable to contact [REDACTED], Review Board recommends is not necessary to continue a search for him.

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October 28, 2003

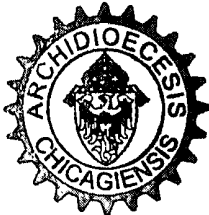
Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Responsibility
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

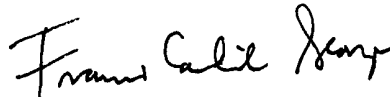
I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note of October 23, 2003 in response to your letter of October 21, 2003, regarding the matter of **John Keough**, a priest ordained for the Archdiocese of Chicago who resigned from active ministry many years ago, and the allegations of sexual misconduct that were made against him by [REDACTED]. I understand that a Review for Cause was conducted by the Review Board on October 18, 2003.

I accept the Review Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that **John Keough** engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor. Since he is no longer exercising ministry in the name of the Church, there are no further restrictions that can be placed upon his ministry.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



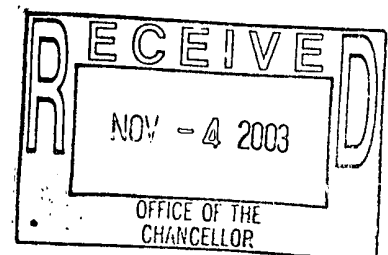
Sincerely yours in Christ,



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


Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway, Vicar General
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services



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November 11, 2003

Mr. John Keough
[REDACTED]

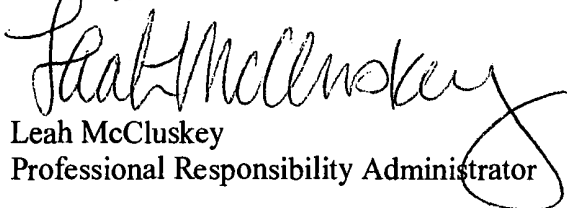
Dear Mr. Keough,

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on October 18, 2003 and conducted a Review for Cause regarding [REDACTED]'s allegation of sexual misconduct against you pursuant to Article 1104.9 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Cardinal has accepted the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that you engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor. Due to the fact that you are resigned from the priesthood, there is no further action to be taken against you at this time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at [312] 751-5205 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that Rev. James T. Kaczorowski continues to be available to you. He may be reached at the Vicars for Priests office at [312] 642-1837.

Sincerely,


Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Patrick Reardon, Attorney

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November 11, 2003



Dear Ms. [REDACTED],

Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on October 18, 2003 and conducted a Review for Cause regarding your allegation of sexual misconduct against John Keough pursuant to Article 1104.9 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Cardinal has accepted the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that John Keough engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor. Due to the fact that John Keough is resigned from the priesthood, there is no further action to be taken against him at this time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at [312] 751-5205 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that the Office of Assistance Ministry continues to be available to you. They may be reached at [312] 751-8267.

Sincerely,



Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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November 13, 2003

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator
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Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am in receipt of the copy of your recent letter to Mr. John Keough. I am writing to convey Mr. Keough's strong desire that neither his name nor his location be published to anyone by any agency of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Of course the Professional Responsibility Board may make determinations and conclusions for its private purposes, based upon whatever criteria it wishes. Nevertheless, a public declaration repeating and purporting to confirm an erroneous accusation would amount to defamation, particularly if accompanied by information identifying and locating the slandered individual.

I realize that such release information is neither the practice nor the desire of the Professional Responsibility Board or its agents. I assure you I write this letter only because other agencies have allowed my clients' name to appear in news stories discussing settlements of pending or threatened litigation, despite the fact that there has been no judicial determination of wrongdoing by my client.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



Patrick G. Reardon

PGR:ms
Cc: John Keough

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DECLARATION

IN THE NAME OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY. AMEN

- (1) Whereas John J. Keough, born on [REDACTED], was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago on May 1, 1952 at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary, Mundelein, Illinois, and
- (2) Whereas he left the active ministry in 1981, and contrary to Canon 274, §2, he has shown no inclination whatsoever to return to the active ministry, and
- (3) Whereas he has attempted marriage, thus incurring the *latae sententiae* suspension from all acts of the power of orders, as well as the power of governance, in accord with Canons 1333, §1 and 1394, §1 of the Code of Canon Law, and
- (4) Whereas, in virtue of Canon 1044, §1, 3°, he is irregular for the exercise of orders already received,

I, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., by the grace of God and the Apostolic See, Archbishop of Chicago, do hereby state that John J. Keough *ipso facto* has incurred the penalty of suspension and is irregular for the exercise of orders, and therefore declare:

- a) that John J. Keough has no authorization whatsoever to act as an agent of this Archdiocese;
- b) that he is no longer affiliated as a priest in any way with the Archdiocese of Chicago;
- c) that he should not represent himself as a Roman Catholic priest with canonical faculties, nor should he present himself as a 'Catholic priest in good standing';
- d) that the Archdiocese does not consider itself in any way responsible for the activities of John J. Keough, and
- e) that this Archdiocese should not be held liable for any scandal or harm to souls that he might cause.

Handwritten signature of Francis Cardinal George in cursive.

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

February 9, 2005

Handwritten signature of Raymond E. Goedert in cursive, preceded by a plus sign.

+ Raymond E. Goedert
Most Rev. Raymond E. Goedert
Ecclesiastical Notary

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155 E. Superior St.
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December 29, 2007

Mr. John J. Keough
[REDACTED]

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Dear Mr. Keough:

When you left active ministry in 1982, it was with the understanding that at some point you would seek a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state, also known as laicization. Since that time, you have not done so. Since laicization is the only way that a priest can leave the clerical state, it is important that you take this step to clarify your status in the Church.

For priests accused of sexual misconduct with a minor, there are two options available from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. In the first option, the priest himself can write a letter to the Holy Father, requesting a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state. In the second option, the priest's bishop asks the Holy Father to dismiss the priest from the clerical state *ex officio*. Before making his request to the Holy Father, the bishop must invite the priest to petition for laicization on his own.

For your own good and the good of the Church, I am asking you to make this petition voluntarily. If you wish to do so, you should address your letter to the Holy Father, requesting a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state. The letter does not need to be an acknowledgment of guilt, but it should express sorrow for the pain your actions may have caused the Church. It should acknowledge that since Church law for the United States prohibits you from exercising priestly ministry, you are asking to be dispensed from the clerical obligations that you can no longer fulfill. The letter need not be longer than a page in length, and should be dated and signed by you. You can send the letter to: Deacon Daniel G. Welter, Metropolitan Tribunal, 155 East Superior Street, Chicago, IL 60611.

If I do not hear from you within one month of the date of this letter, I will presume that you are not willing to petition the Holy Father on your own, and I will proceed with my petition to have you dismissed from the clerical state.

Should you wish to discuss this further, you can contact Father Patrick Lagges at 312.751.8384.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Francis Cardinal George".

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

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Rev. William Vanecko
St. Kilian Parish
8725 S. May St.
Chicago, IL 60620-3449

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Dear Bill:

I am writing to let you know that the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has notified me that the Holy Father has granted a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state to a man who was baptized at St. Kilian Parish.

On November 21, 2008, Pope Benedict XVI dispensed **John Joseph Keough** from the obligations of the clerical state. Jack was born on June 28, 1926 to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He was baptized at St. Kilian Parish on July 11, 1926.

I would appreciate it if you would make a notation of this dispensation in your baptismal register next to the notation about Jack's ordination. Please include the Protocol Number P.N. 309/2008 next to the notation.

If you have any questions about this, please feel free to call me.

Fraternally,

(Rev.) Patrick R. Lagges
Vicar for Canonical Services

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Archdiocese of Chicago Priest Vitae Card

John Joseph Keough

Born:



Ordained: 05/01/1952

Died:

Ethnicity:

Assignment	Position	Begin Date	End Date
St. Justin the Martyr Parish (71st St.)	Assistant Pastor	07/08/1952	07/06/1960
Our Lady of Hope Parish (Rosemont)	Assistant Pastor	07/06/1960	06/30/1965
St. Frances of Rome Parish (Cicero)	Assistant Pastor	06/30/1965	11/15/1981
O'Hare Airport Chapel	Chaplain	10/30/1967	11/15/1981
	On Leave	11/15/1981	05/15/1982
	Laicized	11/21/2008	

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Appointments:**

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Bishop Goedert
Father Canary, Vicar General
Father Grace, Vicar for Priests
Father Donovan, Priests Placement Board
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Carol Fowler, Personnel Services
Jan Slattery, Office for the Protection of Children and Youth

FROM: Father Lagges *PL*
RE: Laicization
DATE: 20 February, 2009

This is to inform you that **Reverend John J. Keough**, a priest ordained for the Archdiocese in 1952, has received a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state ("laicization") on November 21, 2008.

He has been notified of this dispensation and has accepted the decree. Notification has also been sent to his place of baptism.

Please make a note of this in your files.

Thank you.