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JUDGE REFUSES TO DISMISS SEX LAWSUIT AGAINST PRIEST Published on 10/17/1990

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A Ramsey County judge refused Tuesday to dismiss a *lawsuit* brought by a woman who alleges she was sexually abused by a *priest* who was director of the St. Paul *Catholic* Youth Center.

Judge Margaret Marrinan denied a motion by the *priest*, the Rev. Michael Kolar, and the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, for summary judgment. They alleged that the woman's claim was barred by the statute of limitations, which they said expired long ago.

But Marrinan said in her memorandum that the key in this situation was whether there was a "genuine issue of material fact." The judge said determining when the plaintiff was aware that the sexual contact had damaged her was an issue to be resolved.

The plaintiff, known only as M.B.M., claims Kolar sexually abused her in 1973 while she was receiving counseling from him. Her attorney, Jeffrey R. Anderson, said the woman, then 19, alleges she had sexual intercourse with Kolar on three occasions in early 1973.

In her memorandum, Marrinan said it was apparent from depositions that the plaintiff suffered pain, depression and guilt.

"However, it is questionable that in this particular victim's mind she ever realized that Kolar was the cause of her depression etc." Marrinan said.

Kolar, now 46, began working at the youth center in 1969 and left in 1988. The center, at 150 N. Smith Ave., closed in 1989.

Kolar also is the defendant in another *suit* brought last spring by a second woman who claims to be a victim of sexual abuse. She alleges that Kolar touched her sexually in December 1984 while receiving counseling during a religious retreat in Wyoming, Minn.

M.B.M. has filed a second *lawsuit* this week in Ramsey County against a different *priest* she claims touched her sexually in November 1986.

The second complaint is against Father Antonio *Molina*, a chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital in St. Paul. The woman alleges the incident occurred while she was being treated in the hospital.
