

1 A. Is that right?

2 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Object to the form.

3 THE WITNESS: That was the picture I got
4 in my mind, but he did not say that to me that I recollect,
5 you know.

6 Q. (BY MR. COCHRAN) And then we've heard about your initial
7 reaction which was that was inappropriate, right?

8 A. Yeah. I mean, I thought any kind of -- you know, if you
9 think -- if I thought back to Brother Keely, in today's world
10 I would say that it was inappropriate. In 1961 when I was
11 there as a kid and -- we could care less, you know. You
12 know, if somebody did that to my kid and I was a parent now,
13 I would say that that's really inappropriate, but, you know.

14 Q. But there was a difference in your mind in the mid 1970s when
15 you talked to the [REDACTED] brother --

16 A. Right.

17 Q. -- between what Feely had been doing over the years --

18 A. Right.

19 Q. -- and what you had just heard that Courtney had done?

20 A. And it was in the brother's house.

21 MR. GOLDSTEIN: Object to form.

22 Q. (BY MR. COCHRAN) Go ahead.

23 A. It was in the brother's house is my recollection, and I
24 thought that was not an appropriate thing.

25 Q. Right. Just so I'm clear, the report that you got from the

1 older [REDACTED] brother was that Ed Courtney had hugged this
2 boy inappropriately in the Christian Brothers' residence?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And so what did you do in response to that report?

5 A. I talked to Brother McGraw and Brother Reilly that evening.

6 Q. Brother McGraw and Brother Reilly?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. That's Kevin Reilly, right?

9 A. Right.

10 Q. And where did you talk to them at?

11 A. Actually they were in my car.

12 Q. And what were the circumstances for them being in your car?

13 A. I asked them to be in my car.

14 Q. Okay. Was it after the school day?

15 A. Oh, yes.

16 Q. And so why did you ask them to be in your car?

17 A. To tell them what the [REDACTED] kid had told me.

18 Q. You wanted to have a level of -- secrecy is not the word, but
19 you wanted it to be a confidential conversation; is that
20 right?

21 A. Well, I didn't want it in the school office, that's for sure.

22 Q. And why is that?

23 A. Because you never know who's there. I never knew if Courtney
24 would be there, you know, I'm not going to --

25 Q. So you asked Brother McGraw and Brother Reilly to have this

1 meeting with you in your car about the report of Brother
2 Courtney inappropriately hugging a child, and what happened?

3 A. They said that they would take care of it so that was the end
4 for me.

5 Q. So tell us what you told them specifically.

6 A. I told them I just met with the older [REDACTED] boy of so and
7 so -- of course I knew his first name then, and he had told
8 me that his little brother had told him that Brother Courtney
9 had hugged him while he was in the brother's house.

10 Q. And what were the reactions of either Brother McGraw or
11 Brother Reilly or both?

12 A. They said they would take care of it.

13 Q. Did they say anything more about it?

14 A. No.

15 Q. To your knowledge had there been any other concerns discussed
16 about Ed Courtney's behavior while at O'Dea?

17 A. Any other?

18 Q. Right.

19 A. I know after I first heard about this, and that was a couple
20 years ago when it really came out, I have searched in my mind
21 trying to think where the flags were that either I saw or
22 missed or whatever and I cannot think of one thing.

23 Q. That came to --

24 A. That came to my mind that I --

25 Q. -- your --