

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Archbishop Kelly  
FROM: Brian Reynolds  
RE: Report of Sexual Abuse by Clergy  
DATE: January 28, 1998

Early this afternoon Bishop Maloney came to my office to report a man had come by the Chancery yesterday and again today to report the he had been abused by a priest of the Archdiocese. He had spoken briefly with the man but thought it best that someone else hear his story. I then met with the man for approximately 60 minutes.

Name: S-1  
Phone #:   
Address:   
Age: 30

Accusation: Fr. Thomas R. Clark had sexually abused him many times as a teenager and attempted to do so often over recent years as well

Fr. Clark retained custody of S-1 when he was 14 or 15 years old. He was a leader in the youth group at St. Benedicts Parish and was being beaten so Fr. Clark took him in for several years. He lived with him at St. Benedicts and also at All Saints in Taylorsville. He said Father Clark would come into his room at night and fondle him when he was sleeping and would also perform oral sex on S-1. In later years when Fr. Clark was at St. Monica and St. Timothy, S-1 would visit over night and the same actions were attempted. Often S-1 would yell and tell him no and Father Clark would leave the room. The next day he would act as if nothing had happened. Fr. Clark took him on trips as a teenager and young adult, even once to Hawaii. They went to Myrtle Beach 3 years ago.

S-1 was very agitated when he spoke with me and was very angry.

- He said he had been trying for weeks to get a appointment with Archbishop Kelly through calls and visits and was told by his secretary to write a letter making the request. Felt rejected.

- Said he can't sleep and has constant nightmares about Fr. Clark. Live-in girlfriend ( [REDACTED], with [REDACTED] kids of hers) says he yells out at night at Fr. Clark. Says this is hurting their relationship. Neither has steady jobs because can't keep working with no sleep.

- Sees Fr. Clark as his father, calls him Dad sometimes.

- He complained that he has recently asked Fr. Clark for money for counseling and basic needs and has been told to go to nearby churches instead. "How can a father reject his child with these needs?" "I guess he was just using me."

- With the encouragement of his girlfriend and his mother, **S-1** called the Crimes Against Children's Department earlier this month. Detective Stanley came to **S-1**'s home and, with another officer, they are investigating. They asked **S-1** to call Fr. Clark from their office so they could record them talking about the sexual abuse. **S-1** said this was a "set-up" and he did not want to do that and wanted instead to see the Archbishop. The detectives told him not to bother that the Archdiocese would do nothing. They told him, "don't worry, we will get him."

- **S-1** said he wants something done, said, "he stole my manhood, he was the first person I had sex with, but I am not gay." "I want my life back."

- Said he wanted 4 things:

- To confront Tom Clark and have him admit he abused me
- Pay for counseling
- Some kind of compensation for "what he did to me"
- Get Fr. Clarke counseling

Other statements he said :

"Tom needs counseling, I hope he gets some help"

"priests who molest children should not be allowed to preach"

"My girlfriend wants to call the TV stations."

"I think he was with other kids too,"

**S-1** is partially disabled, [REDACTED], says he has talked with "Becker Law Office about helping him to get social security disability payments"