

December 30, 1979



Most Reverend Leo Maher:

First of all I want to thank you for having Msgr. Galindo as Pastor of St. Joseph's Cathedral.

When he celebrates the Liturgy it is really a celebration. Each time I listen to his homilies they always have a very special impact, and the congregation is left with a feeling of joy and hope.

At every Liturgy I have attended with Msgr Galindo, he has arranged special Music which adds very much to praising the Lord.

He has taken time away from his busy schedule to bring Communion to the sick at Center City Hospital and pay a followup visit with Communion at their home.

All the people whom I have spoken with about Msgr. Galindo, have praised him as a special Christian and a very special priest.

A returned Catholic who was away from the Church for over 20 years, looks forward to attending Mass at the Cathedral and feels right at home there, even though it is not her parish.

The midnight Mass, my friend and I attended on Christmas was a special experience. You can well be proud of the Pastor and all the Clergy at St. Joseph's Cathedral.

This is not my parish but I profit much when I attended services at the Cathedral

It is really a priveledge to be a Christian (Catholic)
at this time because the Church has so many Clergy wo are
blessed with the Holy Spirit and the joy is contageous.

God bless you and your flock,
REDACTED

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cc: Msgr Galindo

February 9, 1979

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San Diego, California 92101

Dear Mrs. Bimer:

It was delightful to receive your thoughtful letter of February 5, 1979 and your praiseworthy remarks about your beloved and devoted pastor, Monsignor Galindo.

I am so pleased to know that you are served with such love and affection and the ministry of Monsignor Galindo is so well appreciated. I certainly concur in all the accolades that you have made and I am very grateful to him for his pastoral interest and concern.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher
Bishop of San Diego

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February 5th 1979



Dear Bishop Maher:

Please ~~write~~ write me, as I am 78 years old, not good at writing letters. I want to tell you how our Pastor, Msgr. Galindo, here at St. Joseph's Cathedral, is teaching and instructing us, after the Gospel in his daily Mass, and since Msgr. Galindo our Pastor, we have a new instructive and interesting weekly Bullentine

Many new Aliens here at Cathedral, and the Senior Citizens here at Cathedral Plaza and ^{many} Non Catholics here at Luther Tower are going to Sunday Mass; We love the ^{since Fr. Galindo is here,} the Sunday Masses, from 9 AM through later masses; Fr. Galindo's weekly Bullentine is surely helping us to grow Spiritually.

We are very Thankful to Fr. Galindo, and all our priests here; for our Sunday Holy Hour 3 to 4 PM, and for our Social "Day time" Bingo.

Happy Thanks for our Pastor and all our Priests here

Sincerely
REDACTED

1551 Third Avenue Apt. 1612
San Diego, California 92101
June 6, 1999

Most Rev. Bishop Leo J. Mahoney
Alcala Park, San Diego, California

Your Excellency:

Regarding my nephew, Radoiph Galindo. He is
a wonderful person and a fine priest. Many
are the changes he has made - both spiritual
and material - for the betterment of St. Joseph's
Cathedral and its rectory.

I thank you for sending him to me. We
need him here.

Yours, in Christ
REDACTED

a rectory receptionist

1455 - 2nd. Ave.,
San Diego Calif.
June 4-1977.

Most Reverend Bishop.

Your Excellency

I am stating you to say what
a beautiful job Monsignor Galindo
is doing here at the Cathedral.

On Mother's day we had a
special Mariachi Mass honoring
the Cathedral Parish Queen Mother
and her Princesses. We also had
a novena to the Holy Spirit which
was very well attended and
appreciated.

The interior of the Cathedral
Rectory has been improved,
making it more pleasant for
all living there.

Insgv. Galindo has a nice
Personality, always kind &
gracious.

I, as a parishioner, am happy
to write this favorable note
to you,

Sincerely, Yours in Christ

REDACTED

May 15, 1974

REDACTED

San Bernardino, California 92411

Dear Mr. Collazo:

Thank you for your very kind letter of May 13. I certainly enjoyed my recent visit to Our Lady of Guadalupe on Mother's Day. I was very impressed with the great attendance and meeting with the wonderful people.

I certainly appreciate your excellent comments and appraisal of the work being accomplished by Monsignor Galindo. At this time I am not in a position to know what changes will take place but I can assure you that Monsignor Galindo will receive every attention and that his great qualities of leadership and zeal will always be remembered in any appointment that he receives.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher
Bishop of San Diego

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587 N. Roberds Ave.

San Bernardino, Ca. 92411

May 13, 1974

The Most Reverend Leo T. Maher

Bishop of San Diego

Alcala Park

Diocese of San Diego

San Diego, Cal.

Your Excellency,

Above all, allow me to extend my gratitude for your great love and guidance for all the people of the diocese. I am particularly grateful, and I am sure all the people of Our Lady of Guadalupe in San Bernardino as well for the great love and devotion you have demonstrated. As I witnessed your presence at the Confirmation ceremonies, I could not help but thank God for the great people He chooses to guide us all. With all due respect, may I commend you for the fine job you have performed as Bishop of San Diego.

Your Excellency, I am a parishioner of Our Lady of Guadalupe. I am only one among many who has Our Lady enthroned in our hearts as the mediatrix between God and man. I am also a college student who has worked in the past with the administration of the late Msgr. Nunez, and I am now assisting Msgr. Galindo in whatever I can. I believe that in helping the church you do it for Christ because He is the church.

The reason for this letter, Your Excellency, is to let you know of a matter which is of great importance to me and many others in the parish. Word has been going around that the newly-elected Bishop Chavez may replace Msgr. Galindo at Our Lady of Guadalupe. That Msgr. Chavez will serve as the auxiliary Bishop from this parish. We all admire Msgr. Chavez for so great an appointment, and we all hope that he lives up to the dignity of that high office.

Msgr. Galindo is something very special to all of us. Ever since he came to this parish, he has given us

nothing less than his heart and good example. Needless for me to tell you the kind of an administrator he is. He is constantly looking after his people trying to find another way to bring them closer to God. Again, needless for me to tell you of the many wonderful projects he has undertaken to beautify the church and the school. Above all, he has enhanced our love and devotion to Our Lady, and he has acted as a true spiritual leader who stands out as par-excellence. He has enhanced the dignity and pride of the Mexican-American people, and he has acted as a representative for all souls of all races and denominations. My pen can continue without cessation in an attempt to describe this man's accomplishments.

Finally, Your Excellency, I only pray to God and Our Lady that our present pastor remain within our midst. Perhaps you have other plans for this man, and we would submit to your will and God's. However, our hearts would truly be broken at a great loss. You know as well as I do the capacity of this individual. Therefore, I hope you would leave him with us because he has given us his heart, and we would hate to see that heart leave. If it is necessary I will obtain signatures from parishioners who will back my statements. Accordingly, if it isn't too much trouble, Your Excellency, I would appreciate very much a response to this letter. I thank you for your valuable time.

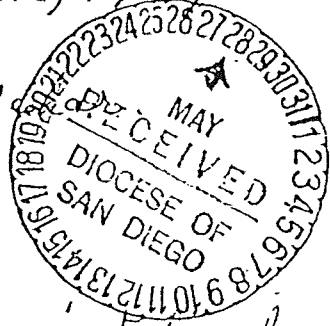
Sincerely,
REDACTED

Greg Galindo

San Diego, California

May 23, 1974

Right Reverend Bishop Leo T. Meyer
San Diego, California



Your Excellency,

We are not personally acquainted so I shall introduce myself as convert for nearly sixty years and a member of this diocese for twenty years in good standing.

Now I congratulate you for having a Monsignor in the diocese whom I have observed since his first assignment as Pastor of a parish, Father Rudolph Galindo.

His remarkable ability, hard work and dedication to his church and Bishop I feel I'd like to share with you.

I've observed him these twenty years as he built a complete complex with nothing but poverty and a dream to begin with. His love for the betterment of Mexican Americans, his faith and action was in the love of his people, many not of Mexican ancestry.

He now is Pastor of the largest church in the diocese. You are aware of the large and many projects which he has initiated.

money wise. His personal attention to all aspects of his parish and sisters for whom he has added to their comfort.

All the years in which I've known him as a member of one parish and observer of others, he has never lost his ideals as a Priest towards his service and loyalty to three Bishops under whom he served.

He does not subscribe to demonstrations of rebellion among any group of Christians nor others.

For me it is refreshing ^{to} meet a Priest of his quality, dignity and dedication to Christ, His Blessed Mother and His Church.

He is and I'm sure will always be a living example of love and fairness to those he serves in any parish.

It is my hope that if he is ever assigned another parish it will be to one comparable to those he has built to God's glory.

His Lit. program Sunday, and daily prayer have been such a blessing to shut ins sick and elderly.

Our good Priests are so often forgotten. Thanks to your Excellency for listening.

Respectfully

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May 31, 1974

REDACTED

San Diego, California 92139

Dear Mrs. Bailey:

His Excellency, Bishop Maher, has received your letter of May 23, 1974, and after reviewing carefully your kind words on behalf of Monsignor Rudolph Galindo, he has asked me to make this reply.

Bishop Maher certainly appreciates your taking the time to write your beautiful description of Monsignor Galindo's work as a priest and pastor. He shares your high estimation of Monsignor's dedication and ability; he considers Monsignor a valuable co-worker in the ministry; and he looks forward to Monsignor's continued cooperation as an effective and inspirational pastor.

Wishing you all God's blessings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Reverend Richard F. Duncanson
Secretary to the Bishop

May 2, 1974

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Rialto, Calif. 92376

Dear Mrs. Truffillo:

This is to acknowledge your letter of April 29, 1974 which was received and reviewed by His Excellency, Most Reverend Leo T. Maher.

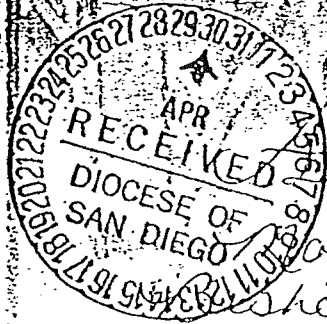
Bishop Maher has asked me to inform you that he is most grateful for your very kind words and recommendation of Monsignor Rudolph Galindo.

Please be assured of our prayerful good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen
Chancellor

Rialto, Calif. April 29, 1974



of Nature's Offspring, Young and Old.
When Granted Peace, Come to Gracious Beauty.

Most Reverent
Bishop Leo J. Maher
Your Excellency

With all our respect
and as a representative of
the Lady of Guadalupe
Church, we are wondering
why was our pastor not
considered for bishop. We
are happy in your decision,
but Monignor Galindo
should have been bishop
I appear for thousands of
ladies and signatures.

Sincerely yours
in Christ

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June 22, 1968

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Chula Vista, California 92010

Dear Mrs. Becerra:

Thank you for your kind letter of June 18.

I was delighted to read the many nice things you wrote about your former pastor Father Galindo. I am sure we all agree that he is an outstanding priest.

With prayerful good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Francis J. Furey
Bishop of San Diego

Fr Galindo

June 18-48
Chula Vista

Your Excellency
Bishop Turley:

I'm writing this letter as a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe, not as a representative of any of its groups.

Having worked with Father Galindo all the years he was here, having seen the results of his efforts, work and determination

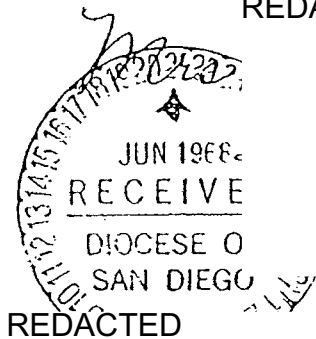
I was very happy when

promoted, especially to
a larger parish, where
he could be of more service
to Mexican people.

I strongly feel
he could benefit the
church, especially all the
Mexican people if we had
Father Galindo as a
Monsignor.

Yours in Christ

REDACTED



October 16, 1982

The Most Reverend Leo T. Maher
Bishop of The Diocese of San Diego
Post Office Box 80428
San Diego, California 92138

Your Excellency:

Thank you for taking the time to write me.

It is quite evident that you missed the main point of the original letter; the name Rudolph Galindo on my mother's checking account, savings account, deed to her property and in her will without the family's knowledge, and with evasive answers from both parties when the discovery was made. Why was he afraid for the family to know? Priests, regardless of vocation, are still human beings and subject to human frailties. Again I ask, is this situation such a case?

As far as Monsignor Galindo's phone call to me, the one call he made was nothing more than a thirty-minute monologue reiterating how long he and mother had been friends, what a wonderful person she is, etc. When asked about his name on the deed to her property, his reply was "I'm glad you brought that up." He said he didn't really want it there but gave me no time to ask why he permitted it to be done. Both times I made a comment, I had to interrupt him--he talked non-stop. No clear understanding of anything resulted from said phone call except reinforcement of my contention that there was something not completely kosher about that entire procedure of having his name put on all her property.

No disrespect is intended, but a phone call from him does not relieve you of the responsibility of answering your personal mail. If a cessation of communication between him and mother was what I wanted, I would have written him directly telling him to leave her alone. I don't have to go to a bishop for that!

It isn't necessary for you to reply to this letter, but if you would like to, a response would be appreciated. After all, it is only common courtesy to reply when a person comes to you for help with a problem, even if it is only to say "Sorry, I can't help" or "I don't feel that you have a problem".

Respectfully yours,

Marie R. Courtright
REDACTED

October 14, 1982

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Dear REDACTED

I have received your letter of October 9, 1982, and the reason I did not respond to your other letter was because I have discussed the matter thoroughly with Monsignor Rudolph Galindo and, knowing that he was close to your family, I suggested that he phone you directly and have a clear understanding in this matter which he assured me that he did, so I saw no reason for any other response to your letter.

Monsignor Galindo has kept me informed about the discussions and that there is no more communication between himself and your mother. This should clarify this situation.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Leo T. Maher
Bishop of San Diego

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October 9, 1982

The Most Reverend Leo T. Maher
Bishop of The Diocese of San Diego
Post Office Box 80428
San Diego, California 92138

Your Excellency:

When may I expect a reply to my letter of August 6, 1982?

Respectfully yours,
REDACTED

August 31, 1982

Right Reverend Monsignor Rudolph Galindo
P.O. Box 4232
San Diego, CA 92104

Right Reverend Monsignor:

In your phone call to me yesterday, Monday, August 30, 1982, you said you mentioned to mother the opening of Guadalupe Plaza in San Diego. This is precisely the type of comment I asked you not to make to her as it gives her the idea that she can still return to San Diego to live.

Since it is impossible for her to live alone, unless close to family, we again ask you to refrain from making comments that result in her unrest and discontentment with her present circumstances.

Respectfully yours,
REDACTED

cc: The Most Reverend Leo T. Maher
Mrs. Lois-I. Cappitelli

Dear Bishop

*This is a
copy over of
her original complaint
I have not and
will not call Mrs
Biller again - RM*

*P.S. - If you think I should
respond. Mail the
envelope. If not destroy.*

Saint Joseph's Cathedral
1535 Third Avenue
San Diego, California 92101

August 27, 1982

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Dear RED :

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I have a copy of your letter to Bishop Maher. I have not responded because I've been on vacation.

However, I am terribly sorry if I have in any way caused you and your family anxiety and worry because of my phone calls to your mother.

Doris, as you know, just to keep the record straight, my relationship with your mother has been one of years of friendship and gratitude. Your dear mother has been a personal friend of mine for nearly 30 years. In her young days and mine as a young priest, she helped me immeasurably as a Sacristan. No work around the church was too big or impossible. For this I am eternally grateful and I will never forget her kindness to me, especially in my young days.

I hope that the following comments will help clear the air regarding your letter. Lack of communication seems to be the problem.

You state in the second paragraph, that on September 1981, your name was taken off a checking account and mine put on. I had no idea that your name was taken off or that it was even on this account. (This was not made known to me by your mother.) All I did was sign a little card your mother sent me by mail and returned it back to her again. It was my understanding that it was a new account. Your mother asked me if I would do her a favor and help pay the utility bills, etc., if an emergency ever arose. I agreed only because she asked me to do this as a favor. I didn't want her to worry, nor did I want to refuse her. That emergency, however, never arose. Soon after a month or so, she went to live with you. I never wrote a check on that account. I never even saw the check book. (You fail to mention that I returned to you personally a small check, I believe of \$10.00 that your mother made out to me from that account. I could be mistaken but I am almost sure it was from that account. At that time I suggested that next time in San Diego, to please close this account, now that your mother was at your side. Do you remember?)

REDACTED

August 27, 1982

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In the same second paragraph, you mention that "she felt it was her responsibility to provide a home." You may or may not know, but throughout the years everytime your mother mentioned this to me, I always said to her that the house should go to the church. She told me that she preferred to put my name on the property and to let me give it to the church on my death if I wished. Further more I always told her to check with the family first.

Again in the same paragraph you mention that I made a comment about "children's behavior towards aging parents." If I did make a statement such as that it was not intended to be personal in anyway. It was a general statement. REDAC I know for a fact that you have been an exemplary daughter as well as your other sisters and I'm sorry this statement has been misinterpreted.)

In the third paragraph, you mention that your mother both by mail and phone said that she was coming to San Diego on that particular Friday. I was delighted and looking forward to seeing you and your husband and your mother. I waited all day Friday. (Somewhere, lack of communication.) Saturday you arrived and I was not in - maybe even out of town. I don't remember. (I felt no reason to call again because your mother phoned the rectory either that same day or a couple of days afterwards and left the message, that other arrangements had been made. She would try to see me next time in San Diego. I felt no need to call, I just presumed the situation was taken care of.)

In the fourth paragraph, you mention that your mother had put my name on her property. This was her wish. She wanted to do this for me. It was my intent that the house would eventually go to the church. She understood this. When I asked her about the children she answered "the children are well taken care of." (I'm glad you mentioned the declaration of trust. This was documented giving her all rights to her property. She could do whatever she wanted freely. But you fail to mention that I took my name off the deed and gave the house back to your mother when she wanted to sell the house. Your mother has sold the house and she has the money. As regards the will, that's between the lawyer and the person making the will.)

In the fifth paragraph you complain about my reply to you. I'm sorry but I thought the note I sent you was an answer to your letter.

In the sixth paragraph, you mention phone calls. Your mother has both by mail and phone, contacted me and asked me to call her, not to forget her. So I have. (You may or may not be aware, I told her I couldn't

Mrs. Doris R. Courtright
August 27, 1982
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call as often as I would like to, because it was too costly. So we agreed that one time I'd call collect, she would pay and the next time I'd pay. We would alternate. And we agreed to cut down our calls to once or twice a month. This would help keep down the phone bill. A couple of times I told her that I thought it was too expensive for her. She'd always answer "please don't worry I enjoy talking to you." (Please remember your mother has been calling me for over 25 years once or twice a week. It was a way of life with her.)

REDAC I really thought I was doing the right thing by calling your mother, and bringing her a little joy. But maybe, it has had an opposite effect, I am terribly sorry.

I hope that the above comments have helped to clear the air just a little bit. Please don't worry anymore. Put your mind and heart at peace. I want you to know that I am not interested in a penny of your mother's estate. If I should be given even half a penny I'll return it to the family immediately. Secondly, I will not call your mother anymore because I didn't realize how much concern it was causing. I will pray for your mother always. Likewise, I promise to pray for you, your family and your loved ones.

One more thing, if need be I will be more than happy to forward a check for all the collect calls I've made, maybe ten or twelve at the most or whatever.

Thank you for your patience and God bless!

c.c. His Excellency Bishop Leo T. Maher, D.D.
c.c. Rev. Msgr. I. B. Eagen

DECLARATION OF TRUST

I, MONSIGNOR RUDOLPH GALINDO, of San Diego County, declare that whatever interest I hold in the real property located at 2114 Calle Tortuosa, San Diego, California is held in trust for Mrs. REDACTED

I declare that so long as REDACTED lives, she may direct me with regard to the disposition of this property and I will follow her directions.

I hold the property in a revocable trust subject to the directions of REDACTED

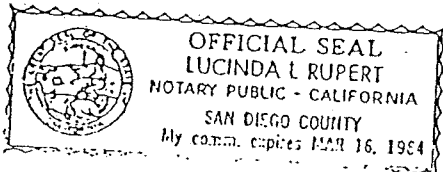
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Declaration of Trust the day and year first above written.

Rudolph Galindo
MONSIGNOR RUDOLPH GALINDO

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

On June 16, 1980, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared MONSIGNOR RUDOLPH GALINDO, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Lucinda L. Rupert
NOTARY PUBLIC

YOUR STATEMENT WITH

**CALIFORNIA
FIRST BANK**

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MEMBER FDIC

DIRECT INQUIRIES TO:

NATIONAL CITY OFFICE
P. O. BOX F
NATIONAL CITY, CA 92050
714 294-4747

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2114 CALLE TORTUOSA
SAN DIEGO, CA 92139

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THROUGH: 10/20/81
PAGE: 1

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92139 90-49/1222

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22 East Eighth Street
National City, California 92050
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Mrs. Virginia Bailey
2114 Calle Fortuosa
San Diego, California 92137

AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF

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\$3.00

SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE

Individual Grant Deed

THE FORM FURNISHED BY THESE TITLE INSURANCE

A.R.N. 388-031-02

The undersigned grantor(s) declare(s):
Documentary transfer tax is 2-00-00 no consideration
() computed on full value of property conveyed, or
(X) computed on full value less value of liens and encumbrances remaining at time of sale.
() Unincorporated area: (X) City of San Diego and

FOR A VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,
Virginia S. Bailey, a widow

hereby GRANT(S) to
Virginia S. Bailey, a widow and Rudolph Galindo, a single man as joint tenants

the following described real property in the City of San Diego
County of San Diego, State of California

Lot 111 of HOMESITES UNIT NO. 3, according to Map thereof No. 3674, filed in the
Office of the County Recorder of San Diego County, April 30, 1978.

Dated November 19, 1979

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF San Diego) ss.
On November 19, 1979 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared

REDACTED

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to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that s/he executed the same.
WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Debi Schneider
Notary



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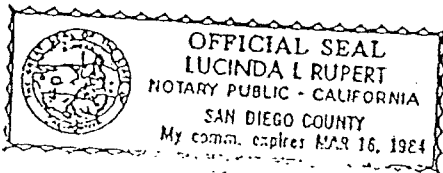
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Lucinda L. Rupert
NOTARY PUBLIC

August 11, 1982

Rev. Msgr. Rudolph Galindo
St. Joseph Cathedral
1535 Third Avenue
San Diego, Ca. 92101

Dear Msgr. Galindo:

Please find enclosed a letter which was received
from REDACTED in regard to your involvement
with the property of her mother, Virginia S. Bailey.

This letter is being sent to you for your information
so you can answer the complaints contained therein.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Faternally yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen
Chancellor

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enclosure

August 11, 1982

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED :

This is to acknowledge your letter of August 6, 1982 to His Excellency, Bishop Leo T. Maher. The Bishop is presently out of the Diocese. I wish to assure you that the matter is under investigation. As soon as we have further information, we will be in contact with you.

Please be assured of my best wishes for you and your family.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. I. Brent Eagen
Chancellor

IBE:mdw

August 6, 1982

The Most Reverend Leo T. Maher
Bishop of The Diocese of San Diego
P.O. Box 81869
San Diego, CA 92138

Your Excellency:

This letter is in regard to a situation that has developed between my REDACTED
REDACTED REDACTED, formerly of 2114 Calle Tortuosa, San Diego,
California and Monsignor Rudolph Galindo, St. Joseph's Cathedral, San Diego.

In September, 1981, without my knowledge, my name was taken off of and his name put on her checking account, into which her Social Security checks were automatically deposited. (Enclosure #1) In a conversation with mother about this change, she related pieces of conversation with him which gave her the impression that priests do not receive a large salary during their service years and upon retirement have no place to go and little to live on unless they have family to help. Therefore, she felt it her responsibility to provide a home for him to live in upon his retirement. Another comment was made that he had worked with so many families where the children had stolen an aging parent's assets and he did not want that to happen to her. This would appear to me to be a direct character defamation of my sister and me.

On October 17, 1981, we had an appointment with and drove to San Diego solely to see Monsignor Galindo about the purchase of mother's car. Upon arrival at the appointed hour and day, we were told that the appointment had been the previous day, Friday, and Monsignor was not then in town. He did not call to ask why we came Saturday instead of Friday or to suggest a rescheduling of the appointment. We heard no more from him in regard to the car. It seems odd that he wasn't interested in seeing mother and getting better acquainted with the family of such a good friend as he claimed mother to be.

In 1978, against our advice, mother paid off the loan on her house, thus clearing the title of any encumbrance. In November, 1981, we discovered that two years prior, in November, 1979, the name Rudolph Galindo had been added to the Grant Deed to her Property. (Enclosure #2) On May 16, 1980, he executed a Declaration of Trust. (Enclosure #3) Then, when she moved to Wichita, Kansas, in February, 1982, we learned that her Will, properly prepared by an attorney in 1973, had been revoked by the writing of a new Will; also in 1979, which left to Rudolph Galindo the bulk of her estate. The following is a direct quote from this Will: "I give my residence at 2114 Calle Tortuosi, San Diego, California or any residence I may be occupying at my death with its contents, excluding items specifically disposed of in paragraph 2.1 of this Will, to my dear, devoted friend RUDOLPH GALINDO P.O.Box 4232, San Diego, California 92104."

Mother stayed with us in our home in Torrance from September, 1981, to February 4, 1982 when she left to live in Wichita near my sister, REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED. This move was made because she asked for it. She was getting forgetful and was no longer capable of living alone with no family close by to help her take care of the basic necessities - paying bills,

buying groceries, attending Mass, seeing the doctor or dentist. She is fully aware of her limitations and agreed that it was time for her to move closer to one of her daughters since neither of us could move to San Diego to be with her. While here, she was happy and content, except after each phone call from her friend Monsignor Galindo when she became quite restless and agitated. It took two or three days after his call for her to settle down to her usual cheerful self. When I wrote to him regarding this condition and asked specifically that he not urge or even suggest that she return to San Diego, the reply received gave no indication that he would honor my request. (Enclosure #4) In fact, he never even mentioned receiving my letter.

Now that she has moved to Wichita, he calls her there, collect, running up phone bills for her to pay of \$50.00 a month, or more. Again, when she does not hear from him, she is happy in her new environment near her daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren and content to let my sister and me handle her financial affairs. Now, after a phone call from him, she questions us as to the balance in her accounts and if her checks are coming in regularly. Such questions are never asked at any other time. She also becomes discontented and talks about returning to San Diego and even buying another house there. This kind of behavior is most disconcerting to those of us responsible for her well-being and we feel it is largely due to his influence exerted during these phone calls.

It was the hope of the family that when mother moved to Wichita this influence would cease, or at least subside, so that she could, once again, be free to do her own thinking. Since he continues his pursuit, we felt it was time to investigate his actions and/or motives. My parish priest, REDACTED, Mativity Catholic Church, Torrance, California, said to take an attorney and several family members to see Msgr. Galindo on a fact-finding mission, take notes of the meeting, summarize them and write to you. In view of the past attempts to see the Monsignor, my husband and I agreed to forego the trip and write to you first. Fr. REDAC to put it mildly, was shocked to hear of the actions taken by this priest and stated that a gift, such as the property involved here, offered to a priest should be directed to the Church or a charity - that he, personally, should never become involved as this man did.

We, as a family, do not appreciate this type of action by a clergyman with regard to an elderly widow, nor do we see any reason to let his upsetting influence on her continue. Any steps necessary to stop it will be taken. We wonder how many others may have been victimized with such tactics. It is our understanding that mother is not the first.

We would like for you to investigate this situation and if, indeed, there is any wrongdoing involved (as we suspect there is), would you please have Msgr. Galindo, in your presence, call mother and tell her the facts. If this is not feasible, then would you please officially notify her that her "dear, devoted friend" has been most unethical in his actions regarding her estate. She would not accept such an announcement from family. If there is any further action that we should take, please tell us what to do. Enclosed is a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your prompt reply. Thank you.

Respectfully yours,
REDACTED

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AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO

REDACTED

REDACTED

FOR RECORDER'S USE

TO 1923 CA (12-74)

THIS FORM FOURTH EDITION 1968

A.P.N. 588-031-02

The undersigned grantor(s) declare(s):
Documentary transfer tax is \$ 100.00
() computed on full value of property conveyed.
() computed on full value less value of lien and encumbrances.
() Unincorporated area: (xxx) City of San Diego, and

FOR A VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,

Rudolph Galindo, a single man
hereby GRANT(S) to REDACTED

the following described real property in the City of San Diego,
County of San Diego, State of California:

Lot 111 of HOMESITES UNDER NO. 3, in the City of San Diego,
County of San Diego, State of California, according to
Map thereof No. 3876, filed in the Office of the County
Recorder of San Diego County, April 30, 1958.

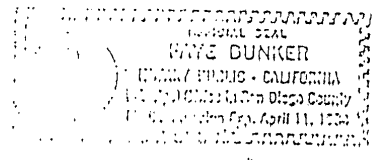
Dated January 21, 1982

Rudolph Galindo
Rudolph Galindo

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF San Diego }
On January 21, 1982 before me, to be
signed, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared
Rudolph Galindo

to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within
instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same.
WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature *Faye Dunker*



Title Order No.

Nov-5, 1981

Dear Father,

I received your note, and I felt so badly that you should be hurt in any way. You are such a good, honest, intelligent person, and your efforts should truly be appreciated. You have given Link a wonderful start in life, and the beginning of a good cultural background.

I called Mrs. De and told her, you let me know you felt very badly, but had to discontinue things immediately. That as you I said, she told me she would get in contact with you, and call me later, which she did. She then said she will be sending me a check for Link's tuition to get started in college.

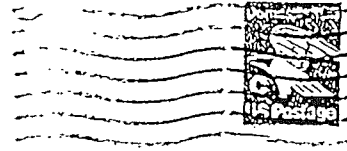
Link really has developed into a fine young man.

Again, I wish to thank
you for your many kindnesses,
and wish you the very best
in your life of God's work.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

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Monsignor Rudolph Galindo
P.O. Box 4232
San Diego
Cal. 92104