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MEMORANDUM

To:

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From:

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Re:

Job, Rev. Thomas [Resigned]

Date:

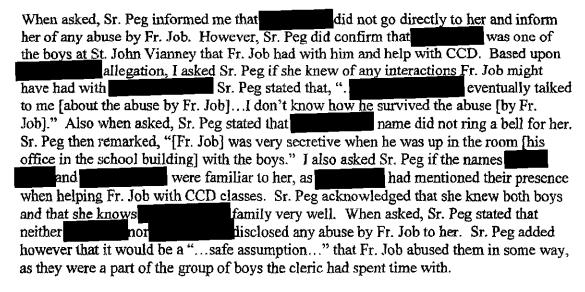
April 2, 2007

In connection with allegation of sexual abuse against the former Rev. Thomas Job, I contacted Sr. Peg Ivers via phone on March 26, 2007 due to the fact that she was the principal of St. John Vianney at the time of the alleged abuse.

When I introduced myself, Sr. Peg indicated immediately that she remembered me from past conversations related to a different matter received by this office concerning Fr. Job and his past assignment to St. John Vianney. I informed Sr. Peg that I was calling in connection with an allegation against Fr. Job and when asked, she indicated that she did have the time and would be willing to speak with me. Prior to continuing, I informed Sr. Peg that this was a confidential investigation, to which she replied that she understood.

had recently come forward to formalize an I informed Sr. Peg that allegation against Fr. Job. Sr. Peg stated that she does know that Family and from St. John Vianney. I then asked Sr. Peg if Fr. Job had any type of office located in the school building. Sr. Peg informed me that the school buildings were built at different times and as a result, there were small rooms that remained at the end of each hallway of the original school building. As per Sr. Peg, one of these small rooms was the nurse's office and on the second floor in one of these small rooms as Fr. Job's office. Sr. Peg stated that Fr. Job wanted to run the religious education program when he arrived at St. John Vianney, a request that was honored by the pastor. I asked Sr. Peg if Fr. Job's office included some sort of sink within it. Sr. Peg stated that Fr. Job's office had a little bathroom with a sink attached to it. She remarked that Fr. Job insisted upon having this little office on the second floor in the school building. Sr. Peg then expressed that her "...heart is broken for all the damage that has been done [the sexual abuse of boys by Fr. Job]..." She stated that before she knew of any of the abuse by Fr. Job, she had always been suspicious about him "... because he was always with boys...and had no adult friends."

- Sr. Peg expressed her memories of Fr. Job always taking kids out of class. When asked, Sr. Peg stated that Fr. Job always only took boys out of class and spent time with boys and never any girls. Also when asked, Sr. Peg stated that Fr. Job did have the boys help him set up for and clean up after CCD. Sr. Peg stated that after CCD, Fr. Job would take the boys out in his car for a treat. She also expressed her knowledge of Fr. Job taking boys to his parents' place in Wisconsin for two or three days at a time.
- Sr. Peg then shared many of her personal frustrations with attempting to notify the appropriate archdiocesan individuals/offices regarding her concerns with Fr. Job and boys when she was still the principal of St. John Vianney. As per Sr. Peg, she finally resigned from her position because she "...couldn't take it anymore [reporting her concerns with Fr. Job's behavior and no action being taken]..." Sr. Peg continued by stating that four months after she resigned from St. John Vianney, she received a phone call from the mayor of the town [Northlake] in the middle of the night regarding Fr. Job. As per Sr. Peg, the mayor informed her that a boy told his father of the sexual abuse by Fr. Job and the father in turn was threatening to go with a shotgun to confront the accused cleric. Sr. Peg stated that Fr. Job was gone from St. John Vianney the next day.
- Sr. Peg stated that over the years after Fr. Job had left St. John Vianney and had been assigned to subsequent parishes, she received more than one phone call out of more than one parish asking her how he could have gone from parish to parish [exhibiting the same concerning behaviors with boys].



I thanked Sr. Peg for all of her assistance with this matter. Sr. Peg may be reached at

Cc Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board