REV. CRISTOBAL GARCIA, O.P. (ORDER OF PREACHERS, DOMINICANS) **DOCUMENTS PRODUCED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES 2013** PURSUANT TO JCCP 4286 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

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ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES

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2 December 1985

ARCHBISHOP MAHONY:

This date REDACTED , suspended and removed, Rev. CRISTOBAL GARCIA, O.P., associate St Fominic's, Eagle Rock, a REDACTED For serious cause. - Possible pedophilic activity

Both civil and canon lawyers are advising REDACTED on this matter. At present, the matter seems to be in competent hands.

You may receive some mail on this from the REDACTED community.

**JARAWDEN** 

cc: Bishop Ward

6 December 1985

The above was sent to REDACTED at the request of Archbishop Mahony.

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cc: Bishop Ward

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Marks,

4 December 1985

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Archbishop Mahony asked that you be made aware of this "just in case"

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GARCIA, Rev. Cristobal, O.P.

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OF LOS ANGELES; DOES 1 through 100
inclusive; DOE CORPORATIONS 100
through 110, inclusive

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### YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (A Ud. le está demandando)

REDACTED

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons is served on you to file a typewritten response at this court.

A letter or phone call will not protect you; your typewritten response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case.

If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case, and your wages, money and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may call an attorney referral service or a legal aid office (listed in the phone book).

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Después de que le entreguen esta citación judicial usted tiene un plazo de 30 DIAS CALENDARIOS para presentar una respuesta escrita a máquina en esta corte.

Una carta o una llamada telefónica no le ofrecerá protección; su respuesta escrita a máquina tiene que cumplir con las formalidades legales apropiadas si usted quiere que la corte escuche su caso.

Si usted no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso, y le pueden quitar su salario, su dinero y otras cosas de su propiedad sin aviso adicional por parte de la corte.

Existen otros requisitos legales. Puede que usted quiera llamar a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia de abogados o a una oficina de ayuda legal (vea el directorio telefónico).

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es)

CASE NUMBER: (Número del Caio) C686289

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CENTRAL DISTRICT
111 North Hill Street

The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is:
(El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es)

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### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Assault and Battery Against All Defendants)

- 1. Plaintiff is and at all times herein mentioned was a resident of Pasadena, Los Angeles County, California.
- 2. Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S PARISH (hereafter ST. DOMINIC'S) is and at all times herein mentioned was a religious organization operating on Merton Avenue in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California.
- 3. Defendant ARCHDIOCES OF LOS ANGELES aka CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter ARCHDIOCESE) is and at all times herein mentioned was organized for religious purposes and operating under the laws of the State of California and having its principal place of business in Los Angeles County California.
- 4. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant ARCHDIOCESE was responsible for the operation and existence of Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and was responsible for assigning and transferring its employees to and from Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S.
- 5. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant CRISTOBAL GARCIA (hereafter "GARCIA") was the agent and servant of Defendants ST. DOMINIC'S and ARCHDIOCESE, and in doing the things hereinafter mentioned was acting within the scope of such agency and service to his co-defendants.

- 6. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant REDACTED (hereafter REDACTED was the agent and servant of Defendants ST. DOMINIC'S and ARCHDIOCESE and in doing the things hereinafter mentioned was acting within the scope of such agency and service to his co-defendants.
- 7. Plaintiff is unaware of the true names and capacities, whether corporate, individual, or otherwise of Defendants designated herein as Does 1 through 110, and will seek leave of court to amend this complaint to assert the true names and capacities when ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and based thereon alleges that said fictitiously named Defendants are responsible in some manner for the events and damages to Plaintiff as herein alleged.
- 8. Plaintiff is further informed and believes an upon such information and belief alleges that Defendants, and each of them, at all times hereinmentioned were the agents, employees, servants, joint venturers and/or co-conspirators of the remaining Defendants, and were acting in the course and scope of such agency, employment, joint venture and/or conspiracy; that Defendants, and each of them, were doing the things herein alleged, were the actual and/or ostensible agents of the remaining Defendants and were acting in the course and scope of such agency; and that each and every Defendant, as aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was negligent in selecting, hiring, supervision and continued employment of each and every Defendant as an agent, employee or joint venturer; and/or that said

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Defendants approved, supported, participated in, authorize and/or ratified the acts and/or omissions of said employees. agents, servants, conspirators and/or joint venturers.

- 9. On or about May 21, 1983 and for some time prior thereto Plaintiff was an altar boy at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and at all times mentioned herein, Plaintiff was a minor under the age of eighteen years.
- 10. At all times herein mentioned, Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED were members of the Defendant religious order and during some of the periods mentioned resided at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendant REDACTED arrived at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S subsequently to Defendant GARCIA and did the things herein alleged independently of Defendant GARCIA.
- 11. From on or about June 1983 through on or about December 1986, at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S premises in Los Angeles and other locations presently unknown to Plaintiff, Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED repeatedly assaulted and battered Plaintiff by sexually molesting Plaintiff and inducing Plaintiff to engage in sexual intercourse with them. Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED also engaged in wrongful conduct by providing Plaintiff with illegal drugs during the above-referenced time period.
- By reason of the acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant 28 REDACTED Plaintiff was placed in great fear for his life and

 physical well being.

- 13. By reason of the wrongful and malicious acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED Plaintiff has suffered extreme and severe mental anguish and physical pain and has been injured in mind and body, all to Plaintiff's damage in a sum according to proof.
- 14. By reason of the wrongful and malicious acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED Plaintiff was required to expend money and incur obligations for medical services and counseling reasonably required in the treatment and relief of the emotional disturbance and injuries he sustained. The exact amount of these medical expenses is not now known to Plaintiff; when the same have been ascertained, Plaintiff will seek leave to amend this complaint to set forth such items and charges.
- 15. The aforementioned acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED were intended to cause injury to Plaintiff, or in the alternative was despicable conduct carried on with a willful and conscious disregard of the rights or safety of others and subjected Plaintiff to cruel and unjust hardship in conscious disregard of Plaintiff's rights, so as to justify an award of exemplary and punitive damages.
- 16. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive were officers, directors or managing agents of Defendant

ARCHDIOCESE and Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and that Defendants

DOES 1 through 100 inclusive, and each of them possessed advance
knowledge of the unfitness of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant

REDACTED by virtue of their employment history with Defendant

ST. DOMINIC'S and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE. Plaintiff is informed
and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants DOES 1 through

100 inclusive in their capacity with Defendants ST. DOMINIC'S
and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE ratified and approved the conduct
of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED and therefore exemplary
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DOMINIC'S and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE in that they carried out
such despicable conduct with a willful and conscious disregard
of the rights and safety of others and subjected Plaintiff to
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### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(False Imprisonment Against All Defendants)

- 17. Plaintiff reasserts and alleges paragraphs 1 through 8 inclusive, and paragraphs 10 through 12 inclusive, of his First Cause of Action and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 18. On all occasions on which Plaintiff was assaulted and battered as alleged herein, Plaintiff was held against his will and without his consent and forced to submit to the sexual molestations and sexual intercourse.

19. As a proximate result of the acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED, and each of them, Plaintiff was injured in his health, strength and activity, sustaining injury to his body and shock and injury to his nervous system and person, all of which injuries have caused Plaintiff to suffer extreme and severe physical pain and mental anguish. These injuries will result in some permanent disability to Plaintiff, all to his general damage in a sum according to proof.

- 20. The aforementioned acts of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED as intended to cause injury to the Plaintiff, or in the alternative was despicable conduct carried on with a willful and conscious disregard of the rights or safety of others and subjected Plaintiff to a cruel and unjust hardship in conscious disregard of Plaintiff's rights, so as to justify and award of exemplary and punitive damages.
- 21. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants sued herein as DOES 1 through 100, inclusive and each of them possessed advance knowledge of the unfitness of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED by virtue of their employment history with Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive in their capacity with Defendants ST. DOMINIC'S and/or Defendant ARCHDIOCESE retified and approved the conduct of Defendant GARCIA and DefendantREDACTED and therefore exemplary and punitive damages should be imposed against Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and

Defendant ARCHDIOCESE in that they carried out such despicable conduct with a willful and conscious disregard of the rights and safety of others and subjected Plaintiff to further cruel and unjust hardship in conscious disregard of Plaintiff's rights.

### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION (Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress Against All Defendants)

- 22. Plaintiff reasserts and realleges paragraphs 1 through 8, inclusive, paragraphs 10 through 12 inclusive of his First Cause of Action and paragraphs 18 and 19 of his Second Cause of Action and incorporated them by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 23. At all times herein mentioned, Plaintiff was a minor and at some of the times mentioned was an altar boy at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S, and at all times herein mentioned Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED were in a position of trust and confidence with Plaintiff.
- 24. On each of the occasions as alleged herein, Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED took advantage of Plaintiff's trust and confidence in them by molesting Plaintiff and engaging in sexual intercourse with Plaintiff.
- 25. Defendants DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, on behalf of Defendants ST. DOMINIC'S and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE ratified

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27 28 these acts on behalf of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED and each of them by continuing to employ said Defendants and by refusing to assist Plaintiff or to take steps to remedy the situation.

- The conduct of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED and each of them, was intentional and malicious and done for the purpose of causing Plaintiff to suffer humiliation, mental anguish and emotional and physical distress.
  - The conduct of Defendants DOES 1 through 100, 27. inclusive, on behalf of Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and Defendant ARCHDIOCESE in confirming and ratifying the aforementioned conduct was done with knowledge that Plaintiff's emotional and physical distress would thereby increase, and was done with a wanton and reckless disregard of the consequences to Plaintiff.
  - 28. As the proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff suffered humiliation, mental anguish, and emotional and physical distress, and has been injured in mind and body, all to Plaintiff's damage in a sum according to proof.
  - As a further proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff was required to and did employ physicians and counselors to examine, treat and care for Plaintiff, thereby incurring medical expenses in an amount which has not yet been ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that he will incur some additional medical expenses,

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the exact amount of which is unknown.

30. The aforementioned acts of Defendants, and each of them, as alleged herein were willful, wanton, malicious and oppressive and done with a conscious disregard of the rights of Plaintiff and justify the awarding of exemplary and punitive damages in a sum sufficient to make an example of and to punish Defendants and each of them.

### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Entrustment, Hiring and Supervision
Against Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S, Defendant
ARCHDIOCESE, DOES 1 through 100 inclusive
and DOE CORPORATIONS 101 through 110
inclusive)

31. Plaintiff reasserts and realleges paragraphs 1 through 15 inclusive, of his First Cause of Action, paragraphs 18 through 20 inclusive of his Second Cause of Action, and paragraphs 23 through 30 of his Third Cause of Action and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.

32. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants and each of them, owned, managed, maintained and operated Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S and were responsible for hiring and supervising their agents and employees who were employed at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S.

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33. At all times herein mentioned Defendants and each of them owed Plaintiff, as a minor and altar boy, a duty to use due care in hiring and employing individuals at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S. Defendants, and each of them, owed Plaintiff a further duty to use due care in supervising the activities of the individuals employed at Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S.

34. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants and each of them, negligently hired and entrusted Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED and each of them, to educate, supervise and interact with the class of persons to which Plaintiff belonged and especially Plaintiff himself in that Defendants and each of them, knew or in the exercise of reasonable diligence should have known of the unfitness of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED and each of them.

35. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Defendants, and each of them, negligently supervised the activities of Defendant GARCIA and Defendant i<sup>REDACTED</sup> in that had proper supervision and due diligence been exercised, Plaintiff would not have been assaulted and battered as herein alleged or the molestation and sexual intercourse with Plaintiff would not have been allowed to continue for the period of time as herein alleged. Also, had proper supervision and due diligence been exercised, Plaintiff would not have been subjected to the wrongful conduct of being provided with illegal drugs by Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED

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Plaintiff suffered humiliation, mental anguish, and emotional and physical distress, and has been injured in mind and body, all to Plaintiff's damage in a sum according to proof.

37. As a further proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff was required to and did employ physicians and counselors to examine, treat and care for Plaintiff, thereby incurring medical expenses in an amount which has not yet been Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon ascertained. alleges that he will incur some additional medical expenses, the exact amount of which is unknown.

### FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Negligent Infliction of Mental Distress Against Defendant ST. DOMINIC'S, Defendant ARCHDIOCESE DOES 1 through 100, inclusive, and DOE CORPORATIONS 101 through 110, inclusive)

Plaintiff reasserts and realleges paragraphs 1 through 15, inclusive of his First Cause of Action, paragraphs 18 through 20 of his Second Cause of Action, and paragraphs 23 through 30 inclusive, of his Third Cause of Action and paragraphs 32 through 35 inclusive of his Fourth Cause of Action and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.

39. Defendants, and each of them, knew or should have known, that their failure to exercise due care in the performance of their duty to heir and supervise Defendant GARCIA and Defendant 28 REDACTED would cause Plaintiff severe emotional distress.

- 40. As alleged herein, Defendants and each of them, negligently hired, entrusted and supervised Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED so as to allow them to molest Plaintiff and have sexual intercourse with Plaintiff on numerous occasions as well as allowing Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED to provide Plaintiff with illegal drugs.
- 41. As a proximate result of Defendants and each of their breaches of the aforementioned duties, Plaintiff was molested and induced to engage in sexual intercourse with Defendant GARCIA and DefendantREDACTED as well as being provided with illegal drugs by Defendant GARCIA and Defendant REDACTED
- 42. As a further proximate result of Defendants and each of their breaches of the aforementioned duties, and the consequences proximately caused thereby, as herein above alleged, Plaintiff suffered severe emotional distress and suffering and was injured in mind and body in a sum according to proof.
- 43. As a further proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff was required to and did employ physicians and counselors to examine, treat and care for Plaintiff, thereby incurring medical expenses in an amount which has not yet been ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that he will incur some additional medical expenses, the amount of which is unknown.

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### SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Conspiracy Against All Defendants)

44. Plaintiff reasserts and realleges paragraphs 1 through 14, inclusive, of his First Cause of Action, paragraphs 18 through 19, inclusive, of his Second Cause of Action, paragraphs 23 through 29, inclusive, of his Third Cause of Action, paragraphs 32 through 35, inclusive, of his Fourth Cause of Action and paragraphs 39 through 41, inclusive, of his Fifth Cause of Action and incorporates them by reference as though fully set forth herein.

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In or about January 1985 and for some period of time before and after Defendants, and each of them, knowingly and willfully conspired and agreed among themselves to cover up the occurrences as set forth herein even though Defendants, and each of them, should have known of the incidents set forth 18 herein.

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46. Defendants, and each of them, did the acts and things herein alleged pursuant to, and in furtherance of, the conspiracy and above-alleged agreement.

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47. Defendants, and each of them, furthered the conspiracy by cooperation and ratified and adopted the acts of their codefendants by failing to disclose the molestation of Plaintiff and the incidents of sexual intercourse with Plaintiff even though specific inquiries were made by third persons other than

48. As a proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff suffered humiliation, mental anguish, and emotional and physical distress, and has been injured in mind and body, all to Plaintiff's damage in a sum according to proof.

49. As a further proximate result of the aforementioned acts, Plaintiff was required to and did employ physicians and counselors to examine, treat and care for Plaintiff, thereby incurring medical expenses in an amount which has not yet been ascertained. Plaintiff is informed and believes and thereon alleges that he will incur some additional medical expenses, the exact amount of which is unknown.

50. The aforementioned acts of Defendants, and each of them, as alleged herein were willful, wanton, malicious and oppressive and done with a conscious disregard of the rights of Plaintiff and justify the awarding of exemplary and punitive damages in a sum sufficient to make an example of and to punish Defendants and each of them.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff prays judgment against Defendants, and each of them, as follows:

### ON THE FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

For general damages in a sum according to proof.

11. For exemplary and punitive damages in a sum accoding to proof. ON THE FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION 12. For general damages in a sum according to proof. 13. For medical and related expenses in a sum according to proof. 14. For exemplary and punitive damages in a sum according to proof. ON ALL CAUSES OF ACTION 15. For prejudgment interest on the above sums from and after May 1985. 16. For costs of suit herein incurred. 17. For such other and further relief as the court may deem proper. **REDACTED** DATED: May 16, 1988 



### MEMORANDUM

May 17, 1988

To: Archbishop Mahony

From: Msgr. Thomas Curry

Cristobal Garcia and REDACTED Re:

> I spoke to REDACTED REDACTED REDACTED of St. Dominic, Eagle Rock in August of 1985 a family this morning. After he arrived REDACTED Father Cristobal Garcia was came to him to report that REDACTED involved in giving cocaine to minors in the parish. To see if he could find any evidence of this, REDACTED REDACTED went into Garcia's room while he was celebrating Mass and found a seventeen year old boy in immediately removed Father Garcia from the his bed. REDACTED parish. (You received a long angry letter from a parishioner complaining of his sudden transfer, and I responded in February 1986 and directed the parishioner back to REDACTED ) At the time, the family of the boy would not believe the charges and reacted very angrily.

> Father Cristobal agreed to go to therapy but on condition he could do so in his native REDACTED His family is very wealthy and influential, and his father volunteered to pay the expenses involved. Father Garcia returned to the REDACTED but there is no record of incardinated him into his treatment. The REDACTED Archdiocese, and Father Garcia is operating there.

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The Order had been paying for therapy for the parents of the boy, but some time ago after they contacted a lawyer they stopped going on his advice. Recently, I believe, the young man came to tell REDACTEREDACTED he was going to sue the Church.

The Community's lawyer is REDACTED

Please heez me informed. + RMM. 5-17-88

# MESORANDUM

DATE: May 18, 1988

FROM:

Monsignor Curry

RE:

TO:

Archbishop Mahony

Cristobal Garcia/

Case

Statement for press people who call on this:

Archbishop Mahony is saddened to hear of the allegations concerning two members of the Dominican Community.

We realize this is a tragedy for all involved, the young man, his family, the parish, and the Church at large. We are also aware that the Dominican Community has made every effort to reach out to the young man and his family in this time of need.

public media. Since the matter is now in the courts, we cannot comment on it. In any case, we only became aware of the incidents by way of the



May 20, 1988

REDACTED

1 California Street, Suite 1400 San Francisco, CA 94111

Re: REDACTED v. GARCIA et al. LASC Case No. C 686289

Dear Mr. REDACTED

Enclosed is a copy of the complaint in the above-referenced matter and a notice and acknowledgment of receipt.

Please advise whether you will accept service of process on behalf of any defendant within five days of receipt of this letter or we shall proceed accordingly.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Encl.

CC: REDACTED

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REC'D MAY 23 '88

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

### ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES

1530 WEST NINTH STREET LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015



REDACTED

### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

May 20, 1988

TO:

Msgr. Curry

FROM:

REDACTED

RE:

Suit at St. Dominic's

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION-----

Today, Friday, May 20, 1988, I received a phone call from with a message that she wished to speak about the case of alleged molestation at St. Dominic's.

When I returned her call about noon, REDACTEREDACTED identified herself as the mother of another young man, now 19 years old, who was also at St. Dominic's at the same time as the young man in the lawsuit—REDACTED

If this is the proper name of the young man who has brought suit in the first place, then we need to give some weight to the information supplied by this woman. If this is not the proper name, then ignore the rest of this memo.

Mrs. REDACTED informed me that her son, REDACTED , now clean of any chemical dependency, was well into drugs and alcohol when he was 15 or 16. He spent a lot of time over at St. Dominic's with "Fr. Chris." REDACTED has learned from her son that Fr. Chris did supply alcohol and dope to REDACTED and probably to REDACTED, but that never did Fr. Chris so much as touch REDACTED or make any kind of a move on him. She said that Chris ever did to REDACTED, either. REDACTED (and everybody else) knew that REDACTED was also well into drugs at the time. Why he is now bringing suit is a mystery.

What Mrs. REDACTED was concerned about was that she did not want her son's name dragged into this whole affair, especially now that he is just starting out in his own business. She doesn't want his past use of drugs brought up again.

I told her that I wasn't sure what the law was, that she should definitely consult with a lawyer. Primarily, I told her that, if expected at 19 now did not wish to add his testimony, and that it was for the purpose of not incriminating himself, and that it did not impede the case, then his Fifth Amendment rights would probably come into play. This was not to cover up; it was simply not to be dragged into someone else's lawsuit that could do him damage.

I also mentioned to her that it might be possible that, since the incidents occurred while he was a minor, his name, should it be included in the suit, might well be sealed from publication.

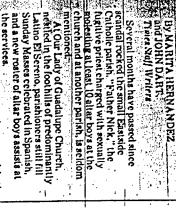
I reiterated that she should seek legal advice, and not rely on my uninformed suggestion.

She thanked me for my suggestion, told me there was a family friend who was a lawyer, and that she would confer with him.

It's as if no one wants to face what happened, one father said

# Church, Families Deal With Child Sex Abuse by Pries

happened.



St. Agatha's, a heavily Latino parish in at Guadalupe and at the second church South-Central Los Angeles Parish life has returned to normal, both

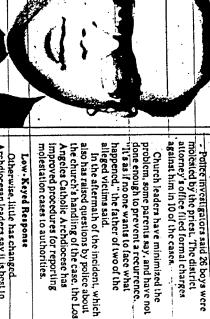
# Have Not Forgotten

affected still struggle for normalcy. They haven't forgotten Father Nicolas Aguilar hivera. They trusted the visiting priest from Mexico with their children and even welcomed him into their homes. Now Only the families most directly



Father Nicolas Aguilar Rivera DOUGLAS IL BURROWS

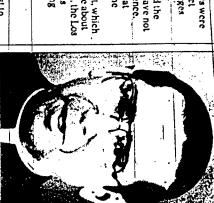
that the boys may have lied about what fellow parishioners who have accused them of blowing the situation out of proportion. There have been insinuations Some parents have been criticized by



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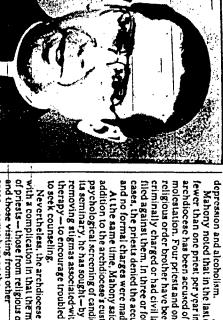
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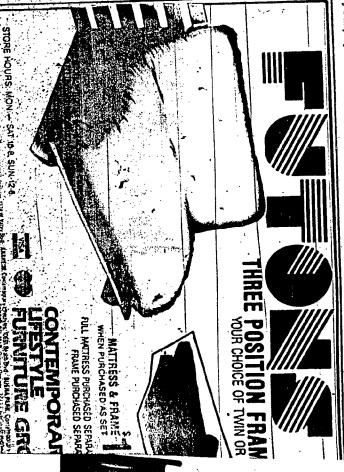
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### Copy of Letter of 9/10/92 from REDACTED

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### CONFIDENTIAL

### MEMORANDUM

October 2, 1992

TO: Cardinal Mahony

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer

RE: Fr. Cristobal Garcia, O.P.

Attached is a letter from REDACTED in which he outlines his experience of sexual abuse and the subsequent alleged abuse of other minors by Fr. Cristobal Garcia, O.P. -- his own blood brother.

Our files contain a newspaper report of accusations made by REDACTED a memo from Msgr. Curry re these incidents in 1988 (also attached) and a deposition of Msgr. Curry taken by the Superior Court in the suit filed by REDACTED in 1989.

Our files do not contain any reports of the final settlement or the circumstances under which Fr. Garcia left this country and went to the Philippines.

Given the circumstances reported by REDACTED which indicate that his brother is now in charge of a number of youth under the auspices of the diocese to train seminarians, I recommend you write to Cardinal REDACTED of REDACTED

As I'll be away this week, you may want REDACTED to follow up on what actually happened to the suit, and under what circumstances Fr. Garcia left for the Phillipines, and his present relationship to the Dominicans.

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October 19, 1992

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### REDACTED

I am writing to you with respect to the Reverend Cristobal GARCIA, a priest currently serving in the Archdiocese of Cebu.

Father Garcia's brother, REDACTED has recently contacted us here in the Archdiocese to warn us of the difficulties which Father Garcia has created over the past few years. I am enclosing a xerox copy of his letter addressed to Monsignor Timothy Dyer, my Vicar for the Clergy.

This two-page letter is strong and compelling since he is the direct brother to Father Garcia and he has no reason to write except to protect the Church and young people from any further harm.

The case of Father Cristobal Garcia here in Los Angeles was a difficult one when we first discovered it in May of 1988. The Provincial of Father Garcia [then a Dominican] discovered cocaine and a young man living in Father Garcia's room when assigned to St. Dominic's Parish in Eagle Rock, within the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Upon Father Garcia's immediate departure for the Philippines it was stated that Father Garcia would immediately enter professional therapy for his problems, and that no new priestly assignment would be given to him until he has satisfactorily concluded all of the professional therapy.

We have no indication that Father Garcia ever entered any therapy, much less that it concluded it satisfactorily.

Father Garcia's brother is now very concerned--and rightfully so--because of his allegation that Father Garcia is now operating a house of formation for young men on his own and beyond any full supervision.

I bring this matter to the attention of REDACTED , and I would respectfully request that you conduct a full, confidential inquiry into this entire matter, and that you ascertain whether Father Garcia has, in fact, entered into the professional therapy required of him and whether he has been found to be fully recovered from severe and serious moral problems.

It would be helpful to me here in Los Angeles to have some type of written response from REDACTED to this matter.

You will note that Mr. REDACTED lists his address in REDACTED may wish to make further inquiry of Mr. REDACTED concerning his brother.

Thanking REDACTED for taking some positive steps to deal with this important and sensitive matter, and with kindest personal regards, I am

dardinal Roger Mahony Archbishop of Los Angeles

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July 12, 2012

Most Reverend Carlo Maria Viganò Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America 3339 Massachusetts Ave. NW Washington, DC 20008

Re: Msgr. Cristobal Cecilio Espina Garcia

Your Excellency,

I respectfully ask you to transmit the enclosed envelope to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Luis F. Ladaria, S.J., Secretary of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

The envelope contains documentation requested by the Congregation in a letter dated June 6, 2012 (Prot. No. 311/2012-39341), addressed to me. This documentation concerns the case of the above-named priest and allegations of sexual abuse made against him.

I thank you for your kind assistance in this matter, and assure you of my prayerful best wishes.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Most Reverend José H. Gomez Archbishop of Los Angeles

Enclosure





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His Excellency Most Reverend Luis F. Ladaria, S.J. Secretary Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith 00120 Vatican City State Europe

Prot. No. 311/2012-39341

### Re: Msgr. Cristobal Cecilio Espina Garcia

Your Excellency,

I am pleased to respond to your confidential letter dated June 6, 2012, regarding the above-named priest accused of sexual abuse.

As you requested, I am sending you herewith authenticated copies of all documentation relevant to Msgr. Garcia and his ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, including everything pertaining to allegations of sexual abuse made against him and legal proceedings related to his case.

I trust that this information is useful, and assure you of my prayerful good wishes.

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