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This ISP for Rev. John Robinson is as follows (Director to initial all that apply):

1. The client is restricted from being alone with a minor or minors, that is anyone under the age of 18. without the presence of another responsible adult.
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The "Clergy Daily Log" to be completed on a daily basis and co-signed by the on-site supervisor. The log is a tool that is used for the protection of minors, the cleric, the on-site supervisor and the Archdiocese. Although it identifies time periods, it is intended to provide a general record of the day rather than a detailed clock. If you are describing an off-site activity, please include your destination and the general purpose of the visit or activity. For example, it is enough to indicate that you did personal shopping at a given Shopping Center rather than the details of each individual store. However, if your self-description is challenged or a complaint is lodged with the Archdiocese, some documentation and verification may be necessary to syfficiently address the situation.
5. Abide by the assignment of residence to Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL.

Must complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement," and obtain concurrence with the Agreement, prior to a scheduled departure. In the event of a prolonged stay in a particular location, the Archdiocese is required to notify the Ordinary of that place of your presence there.
7. MN/AAttendance at a recommended support group
(please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of ___ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance at a recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
8. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or video technology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees apply as they do to all Archdiocesan personnel.
9. No ministerial participation in the public celebration of the Eucharist or any other Sacrament or Sacramental without the prior, written permission of the Vicar for Priests.
10. Refrain from wearing any garb that would give the appearance of, or seem to infer, a priest/deacon who has canonical faculties and is currently assigned to some ministry (e.g., the 'clerical shirt').
11. On-site visits by the Director and the VP annually to include a meeting with the cleric.

This Individual Specific Protocol is to be reviewed annually with the Director, VP, and the cleric. Also, there can be additional, written notations tailored to the needs of a specific situation which are signed by all parties and appended to this document. Any change or alteration to this agreement will involve consultation with the cleric, his on-site supervisor, the Director, and the VP. The cleric, his on-site supervisor, the Director, or the VP can initiate the discussion for change or alteration, or request that this Individual Specific Protocol be reviewed by the independent Review Board. At the discretion of any of the parties, the legal and/or canonical counsel of the cleric may be involved in the discussions.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all of these individual specific Protocols.
Signed: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Printed Name: $\qquad$
Signature of Director: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Signature of VP: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Additional, written notations appended to this document? yes
 no


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Printed Name: $\qquad$
Signature of PRA: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Signature of VP: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Additional, written notations appended to this document? yes $\square$ no
(Revised 1/XII/04)

## Archdiocese of Chicago Priest Vitae Card

| John Allen Robinson Born: | Ordained: 05/12/1971 | Died; | Ethnicity: |
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|  |  | Begin Date | End Date |
| Assignment | Position | $06 / 14 / 1971$ | $01 / 15 / 1973$ |
| St. Clotilde Parish (Calumet Ave.) | Associate Pastor | $01 / 15 / 1973$ | $06 / 11 / 1979$ |
| St. Priscilla Parish (Addison St.) | Associate Pastor | $06 / 11 / 1979$ | $09 / 17 / 1979$ |
| St. Emily Parish (Mt. Prospect) | Associate Pastor | $09 / 17 / 1979$ | $06 / 09 / 1987$ |
| St. Damian Parish (Oak Forest) | Associate Pastor | $06 / 09 / 1987$ | $06 / 30 / 1994$ |
| St. Edward Parish (Sunnyside Ave.) | Associate Pastor | $07 / 01 / 1994$ | $02 / 01 / 2003$ |
| Queen of the Rosary Parish (Elk Grove Village) | Associate Pastor | $07 / 01 / 1996$ | $09 / 01 / 1996$ |
| Queen of the Rosary Parish (Elk Grove Village) | Administrator |  |  |

## Extraordinary <br> Appointments:

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MISCONDUCT POLICIES



Please send me a copy of these policies and procedures.


## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

POST OFFICE BOX 1979
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60690

Office of the Archbishop

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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Dean: Father Robinson;

In accordance with Canon 476, and following the recom~ mendation of the Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board, His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody, is pleased to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the Reverend John A. MicLoraine, Bastor, St. Emby Parish, Mount Prospect, Illinols.

This appointment is effective June 11, 1979, but I would ask you to make arrangements with the Pastor about the exact date when you will assume your new duties.

Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in your new pastoral assignment, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Richard A. Rosemeyer Vicar General and Chancellor
cc: Rev. John A. Mciovalne, Pastor, St. Embly Parish, Miount Prospect. Rev. Aloysius J. Hinterberger, Pastor, St. Priscilla Parista, Chgo.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

POST OFFICE BOX 1979
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60690

Office of the Chancellor
September 17, 1979

Reverend John A. Robinson
St. Emily Rectory
101 N. Horner Lane
Mount Prospect, Illinois 60056
Dear Father Robinson:
In accordance with Canon 476, and following the recommendation of the Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board, His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody, is pleased to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the Rev. Msgr. Martin J. O'Day, Pastor, St. Damian parish, Oak Forest.

This appointment is effective immediately, but I would ask you to make arrangements with Monsignor O'Day about the exact date when you will assume your new duties.

Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in your new pastoral assignment, I am, dear Father Robinson,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Richard A. Rosemeyer Vicar General and Chancellor

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

POST OFFICE BOX 1979
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60690

Dear Father Robinson:

I am pleased to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the Reverend John J. Donohue, Pastor of Saint Edward Parish. This appointment has been made in consultation with the Clergy Personnel Board.

The effective date for this appointment is June 9, 1987. Prior to this, I ask you to speak with the pastor if you have not already done so regarding the necessary arrangements for this transfer.

John, as you move on from your present assignment, I am sure that many people are thanking you for the work that you did there. Know of my gratitude as well. I pray that your new assignment will be an enjoyable one for you as you respond to the needs of the people and challenge them with the message of the Gospel.

With cordial good wishes, I remain
Fraternally yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend John A. Robinson
Saint Damian Church
5220 West 155th Street
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452
cc: Reverend John J. Donohue
Reverend Monsignor Martin J. O'Day
Clergy Personnel Board

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

May 23, 1994

Dear Father Robinson:
In light of the recommendation $I$ have received from the Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board, I hereby appoint you Associate Pastor to the Reverend Francis Cerniglia, Pastor of Queen of the Rosary Parish, Elk Grove Village. This appointment is effective July 1, 1994.

Please discuss the necessary arrangements with the pastor. You are asked to send your mutual agreement to the Priests' Placement Board by September 1, 1994.

John, thank you for all your efforts at Saint Edward. I am deeply grateful for the ministry you offered to so many people through your years of service at the parish.

Be assured of my continued prayers and encouragement for you at this time of transition.

With cordial good wishes, I remain


Reverend John A. Robinson
Saint Edward Parish
4350 W. Sunnyside Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60630
cc: Reverend Francis J. Cerniglia
Reverend John M. Murphy Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

With an awareness of a call to Mission and in a spirit of respect for persons and mutual accountability, this agreement is between Reverend Francis J. Cerniglia, Pastor of Queen of the Rosary Parish, and Reverend John A. Robinson, who agrees to accept the position of Associate Pastor of Queen of the Rosary Parish for a period of at least six years beginming July 1, 1994 and ending June 30, 2000.

Both Pastor and Associate Pastor agree to fulfill their responsibilities as described in the attached Ministry Description and recognize their accountability to the Catholic Archbishop of Chicago.

Reverend John A. Robinson is entitled to the salary and benefits of an Associate Pastor as outlined by the Archdiocese of Chicago.


OVER, PLEASE -Ministry Description

Dear Father Robinson,
Due to the retirement of Reverend Frank Cerniglia; pastor of Queen of the Rosary in Elk Grove Village, the parish is in need of an administrator. I am pleased to appoint you as parochial administrator of Queen of the Rosary. This appointment is effective July 1, 1996, and will remain in effect until a new pastor is selected or until other arrangements are made. Attached are our Archdiocesan guidelines for administrators of parishes.

John, thank you very much for your generosity and cooperation in accepting this responsibility. I am confident you will fulfill this office with competence and compassion and that the staff and parishioners will support you in your responsibility.

With cordial good wishes, I remain


Reverend John Robinson Queen of the Rosary 750 W Elk Grove Road Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007

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cc: \ Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, Archbishop of Chicago
    Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Vicar for Administration
        Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Chancellor
        Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, Vicar for Priests
        Most Reverend Gerald F. Kicanas, Vicar
        Reverend John J. Hurley, Dean
        Reverend Frank Cerniglia, Pastor
        Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
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    Enclosure
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cc: Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, Archbishop of Chicago Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Vicar for Administration Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Chancellor Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, Vicar for Priests Most Reverend Gerald F. Kicanas, Vicar Reverend John J. Hurley, Dean Reverend Frank Cerniglia, Pastor $\checkmark$ Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

Enclosure

Rev. John Robinson<br>Queen of the Rosary Parish<br>750 W Elk Grove Blvd<br>Elk Grove Village, IL 60007

Dear John,
I am pleased to officially inform you that the Placement Board has endorsed your request for a one-year extension as Associate Pastor. Given the support of your Pastor and the reasons you articulated in your letter, we are confident that you will continue to make a great contribution to Queen of the Rosary Parish.

On behalf of the Board I extend our best wishes to you. We sincerely hope that the New Year is one of many blessings for you.

Sincerely,

Rev. Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary
The Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

Rev. Martin O'Donovan '78
[Chairman]
Rev. Jeremiah M. Boland '81
[Executive Secretary]

Rev. Kurt D. Boras ‘ 86
Rev. Joseph P. Grembla '57
Rev. David A. Jones '89
Rev. Robert G. Mair '65
Rev. Daniel P. McCarthy ' 67
Rev. Michael J. Shanahan '92

## ASSOCIATE IN CHANGE PROCESS

## PHASE 1:

## John Robinson '71

NAME OF ASSOCIATE /ORD DATE

## Queen of the Rosary Parish

## PRESENT PARISH

750 W Elk Grove Blvd
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007 ADDRESS

847/437-0403
PHONE NUMBER

CONTACT PERSON

THEIR PHONE NUMBER

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| BIRTHDATE |  |

Rev. Arthur Fagan PASTOR

07/01/94
Date Assigned

PHASE 2:

ASSOCIATE LETTER RECEIVED: PASTOR LETTER RECEIVED:

PHASE 2:
SABBATICAL DATES:

NOTATIONS:
Friday, November 02, 2001


SABBATICALS
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DATE DELETED FROM A/C LIST $\qquad$

## EXTENSIONS

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## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a memorandum from Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, to file, dated June 18, 2002, summarizing her meeting with Victim KO. During the meeting, Victim KO formalized his allegation of abuse against Fr. John Robinson. According to the summary, Victim KO alleged Robinson abused him at St. Pricilla's parish in 1973.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have a right to report accusations of child abuse to the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. (The Department of Children and Family Services "hotline" telephone number is 1-800-252-2873). You also have a right to report such accusations to the State's Attorney's Office or other law enforcement agencies. (The Cook County State's Attorney's telephone number is 312-603-5440 (direct); the Lake County State's Attorney's telephone number is 847-377-3000 (main \#) or 847-360-6644 (direct). If you have any questions as to how to make such a report you may refer those questions to the Department of Children and Family Services or the State's Attorney's Office.

I have read and understood the above notice. A representative of the Archdiocese has given me a copy of the Department of Children and Family Services brochure describing the child abuse reporting laws. The representative of the Archdiocese whose name appears below has not discouraged me in any way from reporting to the authorities.


I presented a copy of this "Important Notice" and a copy of the Department of Children and Family Services brochure describing the child abuse reporting laws to the person whose printed name and signature appears above, on the date indicated in this document.
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(Date)


## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a memorandum from Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, to file, dated June 25, 2002, regarding Fr. John Robinson's response to Victim KO's allegations of abuse. According to the memorandum, Robinson denied any sexual touching of Victim KO, but did acknowledge some portions of Victim KO's statement concerning his relationship with Victim KO.

# QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH <br> 750 Elk Grove Boulevard 

Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007-4928

June 26, 2002

## Ms. Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator Office of Professional Fitness Review 676 North St. Clair (Suite 1910) <br> Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Ms. Leggdas,
Please find enclosed the Client Information Sheet you asked me to complete and return to you by mail. I trust I filled most of it in correctly. The only part I wasn't sure of was "the date" in Questions 2 and 3. Did you want the date I filled it in or the date I was assigned to Queen of the Rosary?

I regret the form's slightly crumpled condition. I had to fold it and put it in the book I brought with me in order to protect it from yesterday's rain.

Sincerely,


John A. Robinson
Queen of the Rosary Parish
750 Elk Grove Boulevard
Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007

FILE \#:
PFR- 98
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## REVIEW STATUS: (DATE)

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1st Stage:
2nd Stage:
Supplementary:

## Date Ordained:

05-12-71
Current S/S \#:

750 Elk Grove Blvd.
2. Current Residence: $\chi$ Queen of the Rosary Address: Elk Grove Village IL Date: 06-26-02

Telephone: Home: $X(847)$ 290-0210
Office: $\qquad$ Pager: $\qquad$
3. Ministry:

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Date: Date of the Offense(s):
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5. General Nature of Allegation(s):
(s): $\qquad$
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6. Protocol:

## Review Dates:

Original Date:
Review Dates:
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7. Assessment(s):
Source: Date: $\quad$ Report on File: (?) Date Received:
8. Therapy:

Source:
Start Date:
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| St. Emily $(7 / 79-9 / 79)$ |
| St. Damian $(9 / 79-6 / 87)$ |

St. Edward (6/87-6/94)

Qùeen of the Rosary (7/94 - present)

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Family Composition:
Parents:
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12. Monitors:

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Phone:
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| 1st | Relationship: <br> Art Fagan |
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| Friend/Pastor |  |

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Work\#:
(Parish \#)
Work\#:
Home \#:
14. Other Concerns:


PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:


|  | ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO |  |
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|  |  | St. Constance Parish <br> 5843 W. Strong St. |
| Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki <br> Archbishop's Delegate to the <br> (773) $545-8581$ |  |  |
| Professional Fitness Review Board |  |  |

July 16,2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.<br>Archbishop of Chicago<br>155 E. Superior Street<br>Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Cardinal George,
As you know, Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator, is on medical leave. In her absence, I am writing to advise you that the Professional Fitness Review Board met by telephone conference call on July 9, 2002. The Board fully considered the oral report of Ms. Leggdas in the matter of Rev. John Robinson and the allegation made by

A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board determined by a vote of 6-0 that there was insufficient information at this time to determine the credibility of this allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor. will be advised that additional information could be presented for the Second Stage Review.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.
Sincerely yours in Christ,
Thomas 9. Paprocki
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

[^2]July 17, 2002
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki
Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
coo St. Constance Parish
5843 W. Strong St.
Chicago, IL 60630
Dear Father Paprocki,
I am writing to you in response to your letter of July 16, 2002, regarding the matter of Reverend John Robinson and the allegation made by following the First Stage Review concluded by the Review Board by conference call on July 9, 2002.

In light of the Board's consideration of the oral report in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that there is insufficient information at this time to suspect that Father Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with $\square$ as a minor. I agree that $\square$ should be advised that additional information could be presented at the Second Stage Review.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

## Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services
Ms. Laura Neri, Office of Professional Fitness Review


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Q. Pool of Pastor Candidates: 253 / 16 guys VP / 237 total These lists were given to the Cardinal and Vicars.

PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:


## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

July 29, 2002

Dear
Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review on July 9, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry. In light of the Board's consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, Archbishop George has accepted the Board's determination that there is insufficient information presented at this time to suspect that Father John Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

As a result, you are advised and encouraged to submit any additional information you may have. The Review Board during a Second Stage Review of the case will consider such information.

Please know that the services and pastoral outreach of the Office of Assistance Ministy ( 312.751 .8267 ) continues to be available to you.

Sincerely,


Chancellor, Archdiocese of Chicago

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services

July 29, 2002

Rev. John Robinson<br>c/o Cynthia Giacchetti<br>53 West Jackson Boulevard<br>Suite 1515<br>Chicago, IL 60604

## Dear Father Robinson,

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review on July 9, 2002 pursuant to Article $\S 1104.8$ of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry. Archbishop George has accepted the Board's determination that there is insufficient information presented at this time to suspect that you engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

As a result, you are advised that will have the opportunity to present additional information for a Second Stage Review.

If you have any questions regarding the determination, please contact this office at 312.751.5205.
Sincerely,


Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
John O'Malley, Legal Services




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## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a memorandum from Michael Bland, Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Assistance Ministry, to the Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Office of Professional Fitness Review, concerning a call from Victim KO regarding his allegation against Fr. John Robinson. According to the memorandum, Victim KO expressed his frustration with the Archdiocese of Chicago Independent Review Board's finding of "insufficient evidence" to support his allegation against Robinson. Victim KO inquired about Robinson's response to Victim KO's allegation of abuse.
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Chicago, Otlimais 60604

October 15, 2002

# BY FAX (312-751-8307) AND MAIL 

Leah McCluskey
Archdiocese of Chicago
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair- Suite 1910
Chicago, Illinois 60611
Re: Father John Robinson
Dear Ms. McCluskey:
This letter is to formalize in writing our telephone conversation of today's date. It is my understanding that you have reinterviewed on Friday, October 11, and again on Monday, October 14, 2002. It is my understanding that you received additional information from him during those interviews.

I hereby request the opportunity to meet with you so that you can advise Father Robinson and me of the new information and afford us the opportunity to respond.

It is further my understanding that this matter regarding Father Robinson is presently scheduled for a Second Stage Review by the Board on Saturday October 19, 2002. As I explained to you, I am involved in a jury trial in federal court that will be held from Wednesday October 16 through Friday October 18. This trial was scheduled several months ago and cannot be rescheduled. This makes it impossible for me to meet with you and Father Robinson before the Second Stage Review scheduled October 19, 2002, and gives me no time to prepare a response to you or to the Board on Father Robinson's behalf.

I hereby request that the second stage review presently scheduled for Saturday October 19, 2002, be continued to a later date. This will give me and Father Robinson the opportunity to meet with you in connection with the recent
interview of and to provide a response to the new information. It will also give Father Robinson the opportunity to request to appear before the Board at the Second Stage Review, if he so desires.

Thank you for your help with this matter.
Very truly yours,


Cynthia Giacchetti

## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a memorandum from Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago, Office of Professional Fitness Review, to file, dated October 18, 2002, summarizing several phone conversations with Victim KO. Victim KO expressed his frustration with the process of formalizing his allegation of abuse against Fr. John Robinson, and questioned the Archdiocese of Chicago Independent Review Board's finding of "insufficient evidence" to make a determination in regards to his allegation. According to the memorandum, Victim KO reiterated for McCluskey the specifics of his allegation against Robinson during these phone calls. Victim KO indicated that he alleged abuse occurred at St. Pricilla's parish in the early 1970s. Victim KO also alleges he wrote a letter concerning the alleged abuse and mailed it to the Cardinal's residence in 1991, but never received a response.
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5. John Robinson '71: John should not be a senior priest. He is entering the Associate Change Process.
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PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
Office of Professional Fitness Review

## Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, October 19, 2002-10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes - October 5, 2002
II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews
A.
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Second Stage Reviews
A.

D. In the Matter of Rev. John Robinson - PFR-98

- Allegation made by
III. Other Matters

Second Stage Review

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting - Saturday, November 16, 2002







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## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a memorandum from Leah McCluskey, Interim Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, to file, dated November 4, 2002, summarizing Fr. John Robinson's response to Victim KO's allegations of sexual abuse. According to the memorandum, Robinson denied any sexual touching of Victim KO.

# QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH <br> 750 Elk Grove Boulevard <br> Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007-4928 

E (847) 437-0403
Fax (847) 437-0336

November 7, 2002

Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979
Attention: Reverend John Clemens
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

## Dear Clem,

Having discussed my continued ministry at Queen of the Rosary with Art Fagan, the pastor, please inform the members of the Board that, in accordance with my senior priest status, I am requesting an extension of my current assignment.

Thanks, Clem, for all you and the other members of the Board do for the priests of the diocese.

Sincerely,


CC: Art Fagan

## ASSOCIATE IN CHANGE PROCESS

## PHASE 1:

## John Robinson '71

NAME OF ASSOCIATE /ORD DATE

## Queen of the Rosary

PRESENT PARISH

750 W Elk Grove Blvd
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-4298 ADDRESS

847/437-0403
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CONTACT PERSON

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Rev. Arthur Fagan
PASTOR

07/01/94
Date Assigned

## PHASE 2:

## EXTENSIONS

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PASTOR LETTER RECEIVED:

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Tuesday, October 01, 2002


Chicago, gllinois 60604

November 13, 2002

## BY FAX (312-751-5279) AND MAIL

Leah McCluskey

Archdiocese of Chicago
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair
Suite 1910
Chicago, Illinois 60611


Re : Father John Robinson
Dear Ms. McCluskey:
Pursuant to our telephone conversation of today's date, this letter is to formalize in writing my request that Father Robinson and I be allowed to address the Fitness Review Board regarding the allegations made against Father Robinson.

It is my understanding the next meeting will be on Saturday, November 16, 2002. Could you please confirm whether there will be time on that date for us to address the Board. If so, can you please let me know what time we should appear.

In the event that the present agenda does not allow time for us to address the Board on November 16, 2002, I hereby request that we be afforded that opportunity at the next Board meeting and that no final decision be made by the Board until we have had the opportunity to address them.

Thank you for your help with this matter.
Very truly yours,


Cynthia Giacchetti

P. Pool of Pastor Candidates: 253 / 16 guys VP / 237 total These lists were given to the Cardinal and Vicars.
PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:
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Professional Fitness Review Board
676 North St. Clair - Suite 1910
Chicago. IL 60611

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The Board further recommends:


## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of Professional Fitness Review

## Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, November 16, 2002

## MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA] Michael C. Just, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA] Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
I. Approval of Minutes - October 19, 2002
II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews
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E. In the Matter of Rev. John Robinson [JR](Active) - PFR-98

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In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

The Board further recommends: 5-1 vote, insufficient information regarding
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## Robinson



Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 21, 2002 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

## Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, November 16, 2002-9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

## I. Approval of Minutes - October 19, 2002

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews


Second Stage Reviews
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B. In the Matter of Rev. John Robinson - PFR-98 - Allegation made by

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## MEMORANDUM

To: File-PFR-98
From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Re: John Robinson (Active)
Date: $\quad$ November 18, 2002

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on November 16, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of
The claim is as follows: bare bottom spankings; fondling of genitals by JR. In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

The Board further recommends: 6-0 vote, insufficient information regarding anal penetration by Father Robinson $\quad$ Review Board recommends Father Robinson





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November 25, 2002
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL 60611
(312) 751-5205

## Fax: (312) 751-5279

## Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on November 16, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. John Robinson (Active) in the allegation made by A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article $\S 1104.10$ of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

The Board recommends that the Father Robinson be immediately withdrawn from ministry and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accordance with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.

The Board further recommends: 5-1 vote, reasonable cause to suspect regarding allegation of bare bottom spanking and genital fondling: insufficient information regarding anal penetration by Father Robinson

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.


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cc: Rev. Pat Lagges, Judicial Vicar

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# Office of Professional Fitness Review 676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910 <br> Chicago, Illinois 60611 <br> $:$ 

(312) 751-5205

Fax:(312) $451-5279$

To: Cardinal Francis George
From: Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator (v)
Re: [PFR-98] Allegation of sexual misconduct made by against Rev. John Robinson

Date: $\quad$ November 26, 2002

This memo and its attachments are being sent to Your Eminence for review. The enclosed information is in regards to Fr. John Robinson [JR]. initially participated in a face-to-face interview with Kathleen Leggdas, PFRA on June 18, 2002. JR responded to the original allegations on June 25, 2002. Interim PFRA wrote a memo dated October 18, 2002 detailing three phone conversations with which added significant detail to his original June 18, 2002 interview. On October 29, 2002 JR was presented the information detailed in the October 18, 2002 memo regarding allegations of sexual misconduct made against him by

This allegation and response was presented to the Review Board on July 9, 2002 for a First Stage Review. In a letter dated July 17, 2002, Your Eminence accepted the Review Board's recommendation of insufficient information "to suspect that Father Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with as a minor." This case was presented to the Review Board on November 16, 2002 for Second Stage Review. The Board recommended [ $5-1$ decision] that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Fr. Robinson did engage in the bare bottom spanking and genital fondling of as a minor. In regards to in allegation that [as a minor] he was penetrated allegation that [as a $0]$ that there is insufficient information to determine if misconduct occurred.

Interim PFRA would be more than willing to discuss this case in further detail if there were any other questions that Your Eminence may have at this time.

Cc: Review Board Members<br>Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board<br>Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services

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December 3, 2002

Dear
I have enclosed with this letter a copy of the most recent policies and procedures as discussed with you by Fr. Paprocki. These are the policies and procedures that are currently being followed by the Archdiocese. However, I do want to let you know that they are in the process of being rewritten. Until the new policies are finalized and distributed, we will continue to follow the policies that you now have in your possession.

Hope everything went well at the benefit last night! We'll talk soon.
Sincerely,


Enclosure

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PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:


Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 12/6/2002


PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:


## Memorandum

To: File-PFR-98
From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Re: John Robinson (Active)
Date: $\quad$ December 12, 2002

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on November 16, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of
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In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

The Board further recommends: 5-1 vote, insufficient information regarding anal penetration by Father Robinson $\quad$ Review Board recommends Father Robinson

PRIESTS PRESENTLY WORKING AS ASSOCIATES, ON SABBATICALS OR BETWEEN ASSIGNMENTS:



December 19, 2002

Rev. John Robinson
Queen of the Rosary
750 W Elk Grove Blvd
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-4298

## Dear John:

I am pleased to officially inform you that the Placement Board has endorsed your request for a one-year extension as Associate Pastor. Given the support of your Pastor and the reasons you articulated in your letter, we are confident that you will continue to make a great contribution to Queen of the Rosary Parish.

On behalf of the Board I extend our best wishes to you. We sincerely hope that the New Year is one of many blessings for you.

Sincerely,

## Clem

Rev. John W. Clemens
Executive Secretary

The Diocesan Priests' Placement Board

Rev. Daniel P. McCarthy ' 67
[Chairman]

Rev. John W. Clemens '72
[Executive Secretary]

Rev. Kurt D. Boras '86
Rev. William T. Corcoran '81
Rev. Leonard Gomez '99
Rev. Joseph P. Grembla '57
Rev. David A. Jones ' 89
Rev. Robert G. Mair '65
Rev. Daniel J. McCormack '94

Office of Professional Fitness Review 676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910 Chicago, Illinois 60611


Dear
I spoke with this morning via phone regarding the current policies and procedures of the Office of Professional Fitness Review. I have enclosed with this letter a copy of the current policies as requested by These are the policies and procedures that are currently being followed by the Archdiocese. However, I do want to let you know that they are in the process of being revised to conform to the new norms. Until the new policies are finalized and distributed, we will continue to follow the policies that you now have in your possession.

Please feel free to contact me at 312.751-5206 with any questions or comments.
Sincerely,


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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611
Dear Ms. McCluskey,
I am writing to formalize my handwritten response to you regarding the matter of Reverend John Robinson and the allegation made by following the Second Stage Review concluded by the Fitness Review Board qu December 21, 2002 . November

In light of the Board's consideration of the oral report in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Father Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with when $\square$ was a minor.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Patrick R. Leges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister


Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services
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Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 1/3/2003


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9. John Robinson '71: John will be temporarily removed from Queen of the Rosary/Elk Grove Village this weekend.
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January 4, 2003

Dear Queen of the Rosary Parish family members,
I regret to inform you that your associate pastor, Fr. John A. Robinson, has been removed from ministry following an allegation received by officials of the Archdiocese of Chicago this summer that he engaged in sexual misconduct nearly 30 years ago with a minor while he served as an associate at St : Priscilla Parish in Chicago.

When the allegation was received by the Archdiocese it was reported immediately to the Cook County State's Attorney.

The Archdiocese's independent Fitness Review Board made the recommendation that Fr . Robinson be removed after a second stage review. This recommendation was in accordance with Archdiocesan policies for dealing with allegations of clerical sexual misconduct, and was accepted by Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Archbishop of Chicago, in late December. Fr. Robinson is residing in a monitored and restricted setting and has been directed not to be alone with minors.

Archdiocesan officials have not received any other allegations of misconduct involving Fr . Robinson. However, I would ask that any parishioner who has additional information or a concern to contact either your pastor, Fr. Art Fagan, the Archdiocesan Fitness Review Administrator at 1-800-9946200, or you may report any allegation directly to the Cook County States Attorney's office at this number, 312-603-5440.

Many are aware of the good works that Fr. Robinson performed as a priest here at Queen of the Rosary in Elk Grove Village. I know that these are difficult times for everyone concerned. Our hope continues to be in our faith knowing that the Lord will grant our petitions for healing. Therefore, as a parish and a church I ask for your continued prayers for all who have been affected by this painful issue.

Representatives of the Archdiocesan Assistance Ministry have met with your parish leaders to determine how they might be of help to your parish in this difficult time. I have assured Fr. Fagan and the staff at your parish of my willingness to answer any and all questions you might have about these issues to the best of my ability. Please pray for the Lord's healing for all associated with this painful issue.

With gratitude for your understanding and hope in the Lord for our future, I remain
Sincerely yours in Christ,


Most Rev. Jerome E. Listecki
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago
Episcopal Vicar of Vicariate I


January 6, 2003

Reverend James Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests Office
645 North Michigan Avenue - Suite 543
Chicago IL 60611
Dear Jim:
I am very happy that you phoned me today at SML. Thank you for granting me permission to take an overnight in conjunction with my weekly day off on Thursday. My monitor will be a 62-year old single friend. $\quad$ will offer me not only the privacy of my own room and bathroom, but an additional place of peace and refuge.
two adult children no longer live with her. She will be absolutely sure no children will be invited to her home while I am there. She will continue the expected process of monitoring me while I am in her home. Should you need anything from she will be happy to provide you with whatever you require.

Her address is $\square$ Her home phone number is
Her cell phone number is My own personal cell phone isn't reliable while I'm at SML. The nature of the building itself isn't conducive to good reception. My cell phone frequently loses connections but works perfectly fine when I'm nearer a cell tower. I carry have my cell phone with me, so I will always be available to you.

Thanks again, Jim.


Cell Phone Number:

Fr. Robinson indicated that he pays taxes on an estimated basis, that is, quarterly. He did not feel that he should fill out W-4 forms. He indicated that he never did so in the parish based on the fact that he pays quarterly. This has been agreed upon with his tax person.

Sr. Mary Ann Zrust

## RECEIVED

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ARCHIOCESE OF CHICAGO PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW

Chicago, IL 60611
RE:
Dear Ms. McCluskey:
Thank you for forwarding the copy of the Archdiocese's procedures and policies regarding these matters. I was informed by $\qquad$ that his file will be made available for my review upon request. I would like to schedule an appointment to review his file at your earliest opportunity. I can be reached during business hours at my office

Thank you for your continued cooperation.



Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 1/10/2003


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g) John Robinson '71: John was removed and will do a canonical trial. Arthur Fagan " 67 [pastor of Queen of the Rosary/EGV] does not need help at the parish. James Murphy ' 65 would be willing to help out if needed.
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II Parishes
a) Queen of the Rosary/Elk Grove Village: cf F/I/g

III Issues
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January 13. 2003
Archdiovese of Chicago
Office of Professional Fitness Review
Chicago, IL


Dear Members of the Fitness Review Panel:
A letter dated 1.4 .03 from Bishop Jerome Listecki was published in the St. Priscilla parish bulletin on Sunday, $1 / 1203$, on the matter of the removal from ministry of Rev. John Robinson, formerly associate pastor of St. Priscilla Parish (my home parish) in the 1970s.

Bishop Listecki's letter stated that there were no other complaints against Rev. Robinson. Unfortunately, another complaint against Rev. Robinson may have been passed on to the Archdiccese in 1992-3. per the following.

In 1992-3.
 a former resident of Angel Guardian Otphanage from the 1960s and 1970s who in 1992 resided in contacted ine, a former volunteer at Angel Guardian, about incidents of abuse at $A G O$ during his grade school and high school years. I put him in touch with the then "Cardinal's Commission," and Ralph Bonaccorsi of the Archdiocese of Chicago followed up with After a while. I did not hear back from $\square$ and assumed that the Archdiocese had brought the matter to a conclusion with until I read Bishop Listecki's letter on Rev. Robinson.

Because a decade has gone by, I am sharing the following information brought to my attention by with the Archdiocese again, in the possibility it fell through the cracks:


The above information might be pertinent when considering the fitness of Rev. Robinson for ministry. I have already shared it with the Cook County State's. Attomey's office last year. Please contact me should you need further information.

Sineerely in Christ.

Ce: Cardinal Francis George, OMI; Bishop Jerome Listecki

## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract supplements a letter from a third party individual to the Archdiocese of Chicago Independent Review Board Members, dated January 13, 2003. The third party reports knowledge of an allegation of misconduct by Fr. John Robinson which predated the allegation considered by the Review Board, resulting in Robinson's removal from ministry. According to the third party, in 1992 or 1993, Victim KP had reported to the third party that Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with him, when Victim KP was a minor.

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January 13, 2003
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Dear

Hello! Hope this letter finds you doing well. I wanted to let you know that I addressed the Professional Conduct Administrative Committee [PCAC] today regarding your requests to speak with them. I had explained that you have great interest in speaking with them regarding your experience with coming forward to the Archdiocese and the process of formalizing your allegation against John Robinson. All PCAC members expressed their appreciation for and interest in your request.

I am writing this letter to determine if you are available to participate in a phone conversation with a committee of PCAC members on Monday, January 27, 2003 at 1:00pm. I do understand that this is two weeks away, but it is the next time that PCAC will be together to meet. We will call you and you will be able to speak with PCAC members on speakerphone.

Please give me a call and let me know if this day and time works for you. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,


Professional Fitness Review Admi(istrator

Cc: Members of PCAC

## MEMORANDUM

| TO: | Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I |
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| FROM: | Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrato (w) |
| RE: | [PFR-98] Robinson, John |
| DATE: | January 13, 2003 |

Your Eminence, I recently spoke with via phone and he again expressed his interest in receiving a phone call from you. made an allegation of sexual misconduct against John Robinson. After a Second Stage Review that took place in November of 2002, you accepted the Review Board's recommendation that there is reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur. Fr. Robinson was removed soon after the first of this year.
resides in and his phone number is has also requested to speak with PCAC [either via phone or in person] so that he may express his concerns with the process of formalizing an allegation with the Archdiocese of Chicago.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 312.751.5206.

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services

MEMORANDUM

$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { TO: } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry } \\ \text { Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests } \\ \text { Jimmy Lago, Chancellor }\end{array} \\ \text { Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review } \\ \text { John O'Malley, Legal Services } \\ \text { Rev. Thomas Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the PFRB } \\ \text { Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests }\end{array}\right\}$

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on $1 / 14 / 03$. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Interim Professional Fitness Review Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Robinson

Thank you.

## Attachment

cc: Most Rev. Raymond E. Goedert

# Reverend John A. Robinson <br> Koenig Hall <br> Cardinal Stritch Retreat House <br> Post Office Box 455 <br> Mundelein, Illinois 600060 

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January 14, 2003

## His Eminence Francis Cardinal George, OMI

Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60090

Your Eminence,
I am requesting permission to see all of my files. If possible, I would like to review the documents at the Vicar for Priests Office under Father Kaczorowski's supervision.

I am also requesting permission to make photocopies of the materials in my files. To make handwritten copies of the materials would be excessively laborious.

Please send your letter of response to me at the address above. Thank you.

Respectfully yours in Christ,

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Reverend John A. Robinson
cc: Reverend James Kaczorowski



- (847) 437~0403


## QUEEN OF THE ROSARY PARISH

750 Elk Grove Boulevard Elk Grove Village, Illinois 60007~ 4928

Fax (847) 437-0336
January 20, 2003


Dear Cardinal George:
am writing this letter on behalf of Rev. John Robinson who is now awaiting the final decision on the allegation of sexual abuse.

I have been a part time member of the staff of Queen of the Rosary Church for the past fifteen years. Fr. Robinson came to our parish one month after the sudden death of my only child, It was Father who helped me carry my cross. We soon began working together putting out the Sunday bulletin.

I was given the opportunity to reciprocate his concern toward me by helping him through his mother's illness and death. I was edified at the care he gave her even at the expense of any social contact in his free time.

When I was told of the horrendous charges against him I was not only shocked but devastated -- not the Fr. John who I know. It was he who made me profoundly aware of the Eucharistic miracle at each Mass he celebrated. It was just his way, his prayers and piety that let us know that Christ was truly among us.

This is the Fr. Robinson I know and love. I ask you to believe he is innocent of this terrible charge. His many years of ministering to the people of his parishes certainly will prove he was not capable of this serious allegation. I know him well and am aware of the difficulties as well as the rewards of priesthood and he doesn't deserve to have the church he labored so hard for not believe him.

Thank you for reading this petition made by a 79 year old who loves her God, her church and her fellow man.

Respectfully,


# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

(312) 751-5205

## MEMORANDUM <br> MEMORANDUM

TO:
File -PFR-98
FROM
RE:
Robinson, John
DATE: January 21, 2003

PFRA spoke with $\square$ regarding his letter dated January 13, 2003. stated in his letter that Fr. John Robinson sexually abused white - sided at Angel Guardian Orphanage.
stated that he is a former seminarian and volunteered at Angel Guardian Orphanage, where he came to know $\square$ stated that he and his wife "took in" and some of the other minors who had resided at the orphanage when the orphanage closed. Through conversations with approximately 10 years ago, disclosed to abuse by:
Fr. and Fr. John Robinson. recalls that Ralph Bonaccorsi flew to to meet with $\square$ years ago, but is uncertain if disclosed the name of Fr. Robinson.

PFRA explained to that this office could not follow up with an allegation unless the alleged victim came forward. stated that he understood, however he wanted to provide the Archdiocese with the aforementioned information as a result of "Bishop Listecki's letter on Rev. Robinson."

PFRA thanked for the information and asked that he forward PFRA's name and contact information to if the two came into contact. $\square$ agreed.

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry
John O'Malley, Legal Services

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO


Hello! Hope all is well. I apologize for just getting back to you now. I was on vacation and just returned to the office yesterday.

I received your message about the conflict to speak with PCAC via phone on January 27, 2003. I have sent out a memo to PCAC members to ask for their availability to have a conference call with you on Monday, February 10,2003 at $1: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. I will present the proposed change to them in person at the meeting on Monday, January $27^{\text {th }}$ and then I will get back to you to confirm a day and time.

Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions or concerns about anything before then.
Talk tg you soon,


Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services


January 27, 2003


Dear
Thank you for your letter of January 13, 2003 in which you expressed concern for Father John Robinson. Because of your experience with Father Robinson as a priest, I can understand that his removal from ministry was a great shock to you. You know him as a priest deeply committed to the service and care of his parishioners so that the consequences of accusations made against him are difficult to understand.

The decision to remove Father Robinson from ministry is based on judgments made by an independent Review Board that receives all data available on a case. Following thorough investigations, decisions are made on information that indicate there is reasonable cause to suspect that the allegation is credible. Prior to the early 1990's processes were unclear. As a Church we needed to clarify procedures concerning those children who were harmed by priests engaged in ministry. The Bishops' meeting in Dallas assisted dioceses in establishing processes that will deal with allegations involving sexual misconduct and minors in a way that more adequately addresses all concerned. Your raising the issue of forgiveness is well taken, and I sincerely hope that reconciliation is and will be a key factor in dealing with victims and priests. All of us in the Church still have much to learn in handling that which touches the lives of many persons in serious situations such as sexual misconduct.

Thank you for registering your concern and care for Father Robinson. I trust that God will bless him and all those, like yourself, who witnessed the goodness of his ministry in the past.

Sincerely, in Christ's peace,

Francis Cardinal George
Archbishop of Chicago

Rev. John A. Robinson<br>Koenig Hall<br>Cardinal Stritch Retreat House<br>Post Office Box 455<br>Mundelein IL 60060

Dear Father Robinson,
In reference to your letter of January 14, 2003, you may review your files. However, our policies do not allow you to make photocopies of any of the contents of the files. You will be able to review your files at the Archdiocesan Archives and Records Center located at 711 West Monore. Please call my assistant, Maryann Fox, at

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call me.


| From: | Mayra Flores |
| :--- | :--- |
| To: | John McDonnell |
| Date: | $1 / 29 / 032: 19 P M$ |
| Subject: | Request for Telephone Call from Cardinal |

Leah McCluskey from the Professional Fitness Review Office forwarded a request from a Victim-Survivor ) to the Cardinal's Office asking that the Cardinal call Leah has not received a response as to whether a telephone call took place or even scheduled.

Because Leah is new to her position as Administrator, I offered to follow up with you on the request. Whatever information you can give would be appreciated.

Peace,
Mayra Flores
Assistance Ministry
Ext. 8267

CC: Barbara FioRito


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Thank you for registering your concern and care for Father Robinson. I trust that God will bless him and all those, like yourself, who witnessed the goodness of his ministry in the past. You are in my prayers; please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

Dear Jim,
Thank you ever so much for your kind letter. Words cant tell you how much I appreciate your friendship, your prayers, and support. Having these things from you and other friends as well get me through this trying time. Please continue to keep me and all the men of Koenig Hall in your prayers.

One of the things that helps me is to regard this experience as a Sabbatical, a period of time to get to know myself better with the a time to better develop my spiritual life
'and a time to recoup
youth strength physically -- to put somewhat scripturally cone away by yourselves and rest a while."

I was very happy to see you at funeral. I just wish the circumstances were different. A Funeral is a heck of way to see an old friend. I worry about you, Jim. You looked so tired and worn out. Please take care of yourself. Do get some $R \& R$ because your job is so demanding and physically taxing and so many priests and people need you.

I would call to say hi but I know there are many demands put on your time that I didn't want you to waste it just to say hello.

You are always in my prayers, that God give you all the strength you need to stay healthy and "be a good priest". as you would say.

February 3, 2003

## Rev. John Robinson

C/o Cynthia Giacchetti
53 West Jackson Boulevard

## Suite 1515

Chicago, IL 60604

## Dear Fr. Robinson,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on November 16, 2002 and conducted a Second Stage Review pursuant to Article $\S 1104.10$ of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the information presented to the Board regarding allegation against you, Cardinal George has accepted the Board's $5-1$ vote that there is reasonable cause to suspect that you engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

If at any time you would like to submit additional information regarding this matter to this office, please contact me at 312.751.5206. Also, please know that Rev. James Kaczorowski continues to be available to you. You can reach him at 312.642.1837.

Sincerely,


Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests John O'Malley, Legal Services

February 3, 2003


Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on November 16, 2002 and conducted a Second Stage Review pursuant to Article $\S 1104.10$ of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the information presented to the Board regarding your allegation against John Robinson, Cardinal George has accepted the Board's 5-1 vote that there is reasonable cause to suspect that John Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

If at any time you would like to submit additional information regarding this matter to this office, please contact me at 312.751.5206. Also, please know that our Assistance Ministry Office continues to be available to you. You can reach them at 312.751 .8267 or by e-mail at assistmin@archdiocese-chgo.org.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Admifistrator

Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services

| From: | John McDonnell |
| :--- | :--- |
| To: | Mayra Flores |
| Date: | 2/3/03 1:24PM |
| Subject: | Re: Request for Telephone Call from Cardinal |

The Cardinal told me today that he tried to reach this person over the weekend. However there was no one home. He did leave a message that he called.

Fr. J. McDonnell
>>> Mayra Flores 01/29/03 02:19PM >>>
Leah McCluskey from the Professional Fitness Review Office forwarded a request from a Victim-Survivor to the Cardinal's Office asking that the Cardinal call Leah has not received a response as to whether a telephone call took place or even scheduled.

Because Leah is new to her position as Administrator, I offered to follow up with you on the request. Whatever information you can give would be appreciated.

Peace,
Mayra Flores
Assistance Ministry
Ext. 8267

February 4, 2003

## PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Michael J. Howlett, Jr.
Cook County State's Attorney Counsel
60 West Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60602

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RE:
Date of Birth: unknown
Date of alleged abuse: unknown Reported by:

## Dear Mr. Howlett:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago has received a letter from alleging that was the victim of sexual abuse by Rev. John Robinson, an archdiocesan priest. The alleged abuse took place at Angel Guardian Orphanage in Cook County, Illinois.
is a former seminarian who volunteered at Angel Guardian Orphanage and came to know the victim, When the orphanage closed and his wife took into their home several minor children who resided at the orphanage when the orphanage closed.

Approximately ten years ago learned through conversations with that as a child he may have been sexually abused by Fr. John Robinson. wanted to inform the Archdiocese of the alleged information and the Professional Fitness Review Administrator asked that contact $\square$ and give him Ms. McCluskey's name, if he wanted to make a formal allegation.

If our office can provide any additional information, or be of any further help, please let me know.

> Very truly yours,


JCOM:sm

cc: Mr. James A. Serritella<br>Ms. Leah Mc Cluskey

## RECEIVED

February 4, 2003
Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611
Dear Ms. McCluskey,
I am writing to correct a typographical error in my previous letter of January 3, 2003. In that letter, I accepted the recommendation of the Second Stage Review conducted by the Fitness Review Board regarding the matter of Reverend John Robinson and the allegation made by . My original letter states that the Second Stage Review took place at a meeting on December 21, 2002. In fact, the meeting took place on November 16, 2002.

This does not alter the fact that I accept the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Father Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with when was a minor.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

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Ecclesiastical Notary
cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Leges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services


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| From: | MaryAnn Crust |
| :--- | :--- |
| To: | Laura Neri-Palomino |
| Date: | 2/5/03 3:14PM |
| Subject: | Re: Fwd: Laura, |

>>> Laura Neri-Palomino 02/05/03 01:47PM >>>

>>> Leah McCluskey 01/29/03 02:39PM >>>
Laura,
Could you please find out if a in connection with
was ever assigned to Angel Guardian Orphanage? This is [against John Robinson] and a letter received from dated January 13, 2003.

Thank you.

Leah

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## Name of Priest File:

Robinson, Soft
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VICAR FOR PRIESTS
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Address:
dress: BOX 455
City/State:
MUNDELEIN, IL
Zip:
Phone:
847-566-6085

## Person_Requesting File:

Date of Request:
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Written Request Attached (Written request must accompany this form)


Person Authorizing Access:
Date Records Accessed:
2/19/03
Signature:
Mary A nv Goal, s LW

TO BE FILLED IN BY REQUESTER

## Requester's Signature Acknowledging Receipt of File:

Requester's Comments:

| From: | John Treanor |
| :--- | :--- |
| To: | Kaczorowski, James; Leonatti, Janet; McCluskey, Leah |
| Date: | $3 / 10 / 03$ 10:36AM |
| Subject: | files in the Archives |

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Greetings all,
    Fr. Robinson's files are still her. He is schduled again tomorrow afternoon. I doubt he will be done
    though.
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    Peace
    Jac
John J. Treanor
Vice Chancellor
Archives & Records
711 W. Monroe
Chicago, IL 60661
(312)831-0711 (ext. 873)
jtreanor@archchicago.org
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March 14, 2003

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Rev. John Robinson

Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060
Dear John:
I realize you must have many questions about what is happening with regard to your situation. I have appreciated your patience and understanding, and I thank you again for agreeing not to exercise ministry while your case is pending. As you know, the Dallas Charter and Norms created a canonical difficulty. They required bishops to act immediately, but Church law prohibited us from taking any action under the Norms until they received the approval of the Holy See. I am very grateful to each of you for cooperating in the implementation of the Charter and Norms, even though that cooperation has taken a toll on you. I am writing the same letter to each of you so that you are clear as to what will be happening next.

The Holy See approved the revised Norms on December 8, 2002, and Bishop Gregory indicated they would go into effect March 1, 2003. I want you to be aware of the implications of this, so that at least you will understand how we will be proceeding in the Archdiocese of Chicago. There are still some aspects of the process that the USCCB Committee on Canonical Affairs is working on, so some part of the process are less clear than others.

In the near future, I will be submitting each of your cases to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, as required by the Norms that Congregation issued in 2001. At that time, I will ask the Congregation for a dispensation from the statute of limitations so that we are free to conduct a trial according to the Code of Canon Law.

The reason for my request will be that the seriousness and the nature of the matter demand it. The sexual misconduct of clergy has caused great harm to the Church in the United States. Unless the Church appears to be taking these allegations seriously, we will lose the confidence of our faithful people and the Church in the United States will no longer have a credible voice.

Moreover, the nature of sexual abuse is such that those who are abused often repress the memory of these actions for many years. It has taken great courage on the part of many of them to come forward with these accusations. I can assure you that they did not make their decisions easily. Whether these actions took place, who was involved, and other such matters are things that are to be dealt with in a canonical trial. But I do not doubt for a moment the sincerity of those who have claimed to be victimized.

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At the same time I submit the case to the Congregation for the Dedty a red ink stampl will make formal what up to now has been simply an agreement between you and me. The Essential Norms for the United States require that at this time I issue a decree, in virtue of canon 1722, prohibiting you from exercising sacred ministry and directing where you are to reside.

If the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith dispenses from the statute of limitations and directs me to conduct a trial here in Chicago, I will then submit all the material from your case to Father Bill Woestman, the Promoter of Justice, who will the present a petition to the Metropolitan Tribunal. The petition will ask the Tribunal to decide two issues: Did you commit an act of sexual misconduct, as described in canon 1395? If the answer to that is affirmative, shall the penalty of dismissal from the clerical state be applied to you?

At this point, if you have not already engaged the services of a canonical advocate, you will be required to do so. Your advocate's job is to ensure the protection of your rights and to raise any issues with regard to the above questions.

According to the wishes of the USCCB, the judges for the trial will be chosen from a pool of judges who will be trained in Washington during the last two weeks of February. This will ensure that no Archdiocesan priest will be deciding your case.

The judges will use the information that has been gathered by the Fitness Review Board Administrator, the Vicar for Priests, the Victim Assistance Minister, and your own personnel file. They may also ask for additional information in the case, as they see fit. You or your advocate can also propose other questions to the judges that would assist them in their investigation.

After the judges have collected all the information in the case, you and your advocate will be allowed access to all of the information that the judges will be using in making their decision. You will also be allowed to comment on the information you review, and your advocate will be given an opportunity to present arguments in the case.

At the conclusion of the process, both the Promoter of Justice and you can appeal the decision of the Tribunal. The appeal can be based upon the procedures that were followed during the course of the trial or upon the merits of the decision that was handed down.
According to the 2001 Norms of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, these appeals are to be directed to the Supreme Apostolic Tribunal of that Congregation.

I believe that this is the most effective way to ensure that justice is served in the Church. By using our legal system, the rights of all parties are guaranteed and decisions are made on the basis of correct jurisprudence. Regardless of the outcome, the decisions will not only be just, but they will also appear just in the eyes of our people. This will demonstrate that decisions are not made in an arbitrary manner in the Church, but are made in an orderly and well-reasoned manner.

It is for this reason that I will not make any administrative decisions about the disposition of your case. I believe the judicial process will allow you and your advocate to present arguments concerning the substance of the case and the procedures that have been followed. The
judges will then be able to render a decision on this matter which is consistent with our jurisprudence and canonical practice.

I am very much aware of the pain that you have gone through during these nonthro While this has been personally painful for you, I believe this timenásolsorgiven oưf people an opportunity to look at this issue more thoroughly and realize its complexity. Some of the stridency has lessened, and people seem to be reassured that the cases will be handled in a just and equitable manner.

You have been in my prayers each day, and I ask that you continue to keep me in yours.

Fraternally yoursgin Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

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Reverend John A. Robinson
Post Office Box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060

Reverend James Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests Office
645 North Michigan Avenue - Suite 543
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Jim,
Thank you ever so much for giving me permission to spend Friday and Saturday evenings, April $11^{\text {th }}$ and $12^{\text {th }}$, away from the Retreat House to "house-sit" and care for three dogs, one of which is my dog. As I told you, Father Art Fagan and I will have dinner Friday evening and he can act as my official monitor. If you need to contact me, I can be reached on my cell phone

Once again, Jim, thank you for your prayers and all that you do for me and the other men who live out here. Take care of yourself, my friend.


Ec: Reverend Anthony Talarico
Administrator of Cardinal Stritch Retreat House

Reverend John A. Robinson
Post Office Box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060


His Eminence Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Post Office box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690

Your Eminence,
My canon lawyer, the Reverend Gregory T. Bittner, asked me to write to you and request a copy of all documents signed by $\square$ concerning his allegation of sexual misconduct against me.

Thank you, Your Eminence, for your assistance. I am looking forward to your reply.

Respectfully and Fraternally yours in Christ,


## RECEIVED

Ms. Leah McCluskey, Administrator Office of Professional Fitness Review 676 North St. Clair (Suite 1910) Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,
My canon lawyer wants a list of those members of The Review Board who sat in and voted on my case during both the First Stage Review and the Second Stage Review. Please mail this information to me at the return address listed above.

Thank you very much for your assistance and I look forward to your reply.


Revepend John A. Robinson

EC: Reverend James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

April 28, 2003

Reverend John A. Robinson
Post Office Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Father Robinson,
In response to your letter of April 23, 2003 to Cardinal George, it is the policy of the Archdiocese of Chicago not to photocopy or allow photocopies to be made of any documents in a priest's file. Your canon lawyer, Father Gregory T. Bittner, would have to come and look at the documents himself and take notes or hand copy the documents.

If Father Bittner would like to set up an appointment to view your file, please contact my Administrative Assistant, Maryann Fox, at Please give us at least one week's notice.


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John A. Robinson Post Office Box 455 Mundelein, Illinois 60060


April 29, 2003

Reverend James Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests Office
645 North Michigan Avenue - Suite 543
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Jim,
Thank you for giving me permission on April 22 ${ }^{\text {nd }}, 2003$ to attend the 2003 Amateur Radio Convention in Dayton, Ohio. I will leave on Thursday, May 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ and return to the Retreat House on Monday, May $19^{\text {th }}$.

Two of my amateur radio buddies will be my monitors. They know all about my situation and accept the responsibility of monitoring me at all times. They also understand that I am never to be left alone with any person under the age of 18. Their names and addresses are as follows:


I've been attending this amateur radio convention for 23 of its 51 years and I thank you for allowing me to participate again this year.

Oremus pro invicem,


Office of Professional Fitness Review

May 2, 2003
Rev. John A. Robinson
C/o Cynthia Giacchetti
53 West Jackson Boulevard
Suite 1515
Chicago, IL 60604
Dear Fr. Robinson,
The following is the information that you requested regarding the First and Second Stage Reviews of the allegation made against you by

The Review Board members present at the First Stage Review that took place on July 9, 2002 were:

The non-Review Board members present were Ms. Kathleen Leggdas and Fr. Thomas Paprocki [now Bishop Paprocki].

The Review Board members present at the Second Stage Review that took place on November 16, 2002 were:

I apologize for the delay in providing you with this information. Please contact me at 312.751 .5205 with any other questions or concerns that you may have.


Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests John O'Malley, Legal Services

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator
676 North St. Clair
MAY 292003
ARCHOCESE OF CHICAGO
Chicago, IL 60611
Dear Ms. McCluskey:
Accompanying this letter is a decree which appoints you as the investigator into an allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor that was made against Rev. John Robinson. The terms of this investigation are spelled out in the decree.

At the same time, I am designating you as the person who is to supervise the "monitoring protocol" which has been established for Father Robsinson. I ask that you report to me on a regular basis, but no less than quarterly, on Father Robinson's compliance with this protocol. You may also wish to report more frequently to the Professional Fitness Review Board so that they can make further recommendations to me on this matter.

In order to ensure confidentiality in this matter, I ask that you perform this task personally and not designate anyone else for this purpose. Should there be periods of time when you will not be able to perform this task personally, please refer the matter to the Vicar for Priests.

Thank you for agreeing to take on these additional tasks.
Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago



Having received the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Professional Fitness Review Board that there is "reasonable cause to suspect" that Reverend John Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, I have concluded that this constitutes information which "at least seems to be true" (c. 1717).

Therefore, in accordance with the aforementioned canon, I decree that an inquiry be done into the facts and circumstances of this accusation, as well as its imputability to Father Robinson.

Since my other duties prevent me from conducting this investigation personally, I hereby appoint Ms. Leah McCluskey to act as the investigator in this matter. In carrying out these duties, Ms. McCluskey will have all of the authority of an auditor, in accordance with cc. 1428 and 1717. She is to collect any additional proofs she deems necessary in accordance with the norm of law as they relate to the present allegation. She is delegated to take testimony from the accused and from any witnesses (cc. 1530-1538 and 1547-1573), to obtain any necessary documents (cc. $1540-1546$ ), to enlist the services of any experts deemed necessary (cc. 1574-1581), and to have access to places or things which she deems necessary for her investigation.

In conducting her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to take care that such an investigation does nothing to harm Father Robinson's name or to violate his right to protect his privacy. Nor may he be asked to do anything which violates his conscience or is morally unacceptable according to the Church's moral teachings.

After she has concluded her investigation, Ms. McCluskey is to make a written report to me, no later than thirty days from the date of this appointment. This report is to address the facts, circumstances, and imputability concerning the alleged offense.

Given on 23 May, 2003 at Chicago, Illinois.


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago


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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

PRECEPT

Bishops "have been designated by the Holy Spirit to take the place of the apostles as pastors of souls and, together with the Supreme Pontiff and subject to his authority, they are commissioned to perpetuate the work of Christ, the eternal Pastor." (Christus dominus, n.2b) However, since the pastors of the Church can never be expected to carry the burden of pastoral ministry alone (Lumen gentium, n. 30), they have been given the order of priests to cooperate in shepherding and guiding God's people. Indeed, bishops, "because of the gift of the Holy Spirit that has been given to priests at their ordination, will regard them as indispensable helpers and advisers in the ministry and in the task of teaching, sanctifying and shepherding the People of God."
(Presbyterorum ordinis, n. 7)
Because of this common task, "bishops are to regard their priests as brothers and friends, and are to take the greatest interest they are capable of in their welfare, both temporal and spiritual. For on their shoulders particularly falls the burden of sanctifying their priests." (Presbyterorum ordinis, n. 7b)

Moreover, the Directory on the Pastoral Ministry of Bishops states, "In the same way as Jesus showed his love for his disciples....so also a bishop....can hardly fail to realize that he should show his greatest love and chief concern for priests....Led by a sense of duty and sincere and invincible charity he gives willing assistance in every way to help priests to esteem the loftiness of their priestly vocation, to live serenely, to spread joy to those about them and to fulfill their duties faithfully." (n. 107a)

This same document urges bishops to do "everything possible to prevent the troubles his priests could have....To keep them safe from trouble he takes prompt and prudent measures." (n. 112)

The Code of Canon Law has described precepts as a means by which ecclesiastical authority "directly and legitimately enjoins a specific person or persons to do or omit something, especially in order to urge the observance of law" (c. 49).

Therefore, I issue this precept, in accordance with c. 49, to urge Reverend John Robinson to fulfill the obligations which were placed upon him at the time of his ordination. Because some suspicion has arisen about his fidelity to the sacred promises he made at his ordination, I urge him in particular to lead a life which is in keeping with the holiness of his vocation. Although he is not presently exercising public ministry in the Church, he ought to pursue holiness of life in the way that he lives. He is also still bound to the obligation to pray the liturgy of the hours daily, to set aside time for spiritual retreats, to engage in mental prayer, to approach the sacrament of penance frequently, to honor the Virgin Mother of God with particular veneration as Queen of Priests, and to use any other means of sanctification which he finds helpful (c. 276).

Because of the obligation to observe perfect and perpetual continence for the sake of the kingdom of heaven, Father Robinson is to act with due prudence toward persons who could endanger the obligation to observe continence (c. 277§1), and to observe the particulars of the attached Individual Specific Protocol (c. 277§3) which I have established in consultation with him.

He is to avoid all those things which are unbecoming the clerical state, or those things which are foreign to the clerical state (c. 285), especially those things which are set forth in the attached Individual Specific Protocol which I have established in consultation with him.

Father Robinson is hereby dispensed from his obligation to wear ecclesiastical garb (c. 284), and is strongly urged not to do so until such time as the case against him can be resolved and more permanent determinations can be made. Although not removed from office, he is nonetheless urged not to exercise the rights of any ecclesiastical office, in accordance with the Individual Specific Protocol which I have established in consultation with him.

In order to ensure that these obligations are met, I have delegated Ms. Leah McCluskey to receive information regarding Father Robinson's fulfillment of this precept and his Individual Specific Protocol. She is to submit a report to me no less than quarterly regarding this matter, and may report to the Professional Fitness Review Board more frequently as needed or requested.

I am establishing this precept in a spirit of fraternal charity, mindful of my responsibility to encourage my priests to remain faithful to the obligations of the clerical state. Because the attached Individual Specific Protocol has been established in dialog between Father Robinson and the Vicar for Priests, I accept the provisions of this document, and urge Father Robinson to fulfil them in accordance with the obedience he is to show to me as his ordinary (c. 273), and which he promised at his ordination.

Given in Chicago, Illinois on the 23rd day of May, 2003.


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago
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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

May 27, 2003

Rev. John Robinson<br>Cardinal Stritch Retreat House

P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060

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Dear John:
I am again writing to you to give you an update as to what is happening concerning the allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor which have been made against you. I am extremely grateful to you for your patience in this matter. As you know, the Dallas Charter required me to act quickly in cases involving allegations of clerical sexual misconduct with a minor to ensure that no priest with a credible accusation was engaged in public ministry. However, because the accompanying Norms had not been approved by the Holy See, I have not been able to act as quickly as I would have liked in getting your case resolved.

With the Norms having gone into effect on March 1, 2003, along with further instructions which came from the Holy See in February, we are now in a position to begin referring our cases to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Before I make such a referral, I will gather any additional information that seems necessary and review the matter once again. I will then send your advocate a copy of the letter I will be sending to the Holy See, and allow him or her the opportunity to offer an opinion as well. I anticipate this being done by the middle of July.

To that end, I have delegated Ms. Leah McCluskey to review each of the cases to see if more information needs to be gathered. I have asked her to report back to me within one month so that I can make a determination about referring the case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. According to the recommendation of the Canonical Affairs Committee of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, if the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith directs me to begin a penal trial, the judges to be used will not be priests serving in the Archdiocese of Chicago. They will be chosen from a list of priests who have been trained to hear cases of clerical sexual misconduct.

In referring your case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, I will also consult with the Promoter of Justice and issue a decree which formalizes those things which I asked you to do for the good of the Church and under your promise of obedience to me. The imposition of this decree is required by Norm 6 of the Essential Norms established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

I have also designated Ms. McCluskey as the person to ensure that the "monitoring protocol" which you signed is being followed. She will report to me and to the Professional Fitness Review Board concerning your compliance with this protocol. I have asked that she perform this function personally, with the Vicar for Priests doing so in her absence. This will ensure the confidentiality and professionalism of this monitoring.

The protocols which you sign from time to time are not to be considered as penalties imposed on you. Instead, they are ways in which I exercise my responsibility to ensure that you fulfill the obligations which you received when you were ordained. I am establishing these protocols as individual precepts, which canon 49 describes as "a decree which directly and legitimately enjoins [you] to do or omit something, especially in order to urge the observance of law." You will receive a copy of my precept at the same time you receive a copy of your protocol.

I hope this clarifies the process somewhat for you. I am grateful that we can finally begin a process for the resolution of your case. I know this has been a very difficult period of time for you in your priesthood. You have always been in my prayers during this time. I ask that you continue to keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

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May 27, 2003

Reverend James Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests Office
645 North Michigan Avenue - Suite 543
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Jim,
Recently The Sun Times, The Daily Herald and CWNews.com (Catholic News on the Internet) have carried articles about various groups going to court to force several dioceses to release all the records of priests accused of misconduct. Since a person's medical, psychological, and privileged communications are protected by law, I am formally notifying you and your Office not to release any personal information of this nature about me to any other person, group, or entity without my explicit written permission.

I am doing this, Jim, not to be difficult but to keep as much of my personal life as possible out of the papers and off the Internet. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


Reverend John A. Robinson

Office for Canonical Services

30 May, 2003


Rev. John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060
Dear John:
I received your letter of May 24 about materials from the Vicar for Priests files being used in a canonical penal process.

If the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith gives us permission to hold a canonical trial regarding the accusation against you, it would be up to the presiding judge to determine what evidence is to be admitted into the proceeding. I can't say whether he would use the Vicar for Priests files or not; he would have to make that determination himself.

If material is brought into the case that you believe was part of an "internal forum" communication between you and the Vicar for Priests, then your Advocate could raise what's called an "incidental case" to decide whether that matter is indeed privileged.

So, for right now, I can't give you an answer about what will and what won't be used. I just want to reassure you that you will have an opportunity to raise those objections in a formal way in the judicial process. By doing that, the judge will have to make a decision that is based upon jurisprudence, and not just personal preference. He will have to answer your objections according to the legal tradition of the Church.

I will put your letter in your file in the Chancery and in the Vicar for Priests office, so that anyone going through those files will be aware of your objections.

Thanks for bringing this to my attention. I share your concern about your right to protect your privacy, since it is one of the rights guaranteed by the Code of Canon Law (c. 220).

Fraternally,
(Rev.) Patrick R. Lagges
Vicar for Canonical Services
cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Metropolitan Tribunal
Rev. Patrick R. Leges, J.C.D
Phone: (312) 751-8384
e-mail: plagges@archchicago.org
24 June, 2003
Rev. John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
1000 E. Maple Avenue
Mundelein, IL 60060

## Dear John:

I received your letter concerning the appointment of Rev. Gregory Bitter as your Advocate.
By virtue of the special mandate that was given in my letter of appointment as Judicial Vicar, I approve your request to have Father Bittner function as your advocate in the matter concerning the allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor that have been raised against you.

Please assure Father Bitter that the Archdiocese of Chicago will cooperate with him as he assists you in your right of defense.

I know Father Bitter personally and also know of his reputation as a very competent advocate for priests. I'm sure he will represent you well and be able to explain the canonical processes to you. He and I are also aware of our need to keep our personal friendship separate from our professional duties, so our interactions on your case will remain on the professional level.

I-will try to keep you informed about the various canonical processes as they develop. Please assure Father Bittner that he is welcome to intervene at any of the various stages, or to ask for clarifications about what is happening.

You continue to be in my prayers daily.
Fraternally,


(Rev.) Patrick R. Lagges
Judicial Vicar

cc: Rev. Gregory Bittner, Rev. James Kaczorowski, Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Ms. Leah McCluskey, Mr. John C. O’Malley

Office of Professional Responsibility 676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910

July 2, 2003
Fr. John Robinson
PO Box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060
Dear Fr. Robinson,
Enclosed you will find documentation regarding the newly revised Monitoring Protocols. Fr. James Kaczorowski will be contacting you in the near future to schedule a meeting so that the three of us may discuss and review the enclosed information. Fr. Daniel Smilanic, Promoter of Justice and Delegate to the Cardinal, will also be present at the meeting to address any canonical questions.

This information is being sent to you so that you and your canonical advocate Fr. Greg Bittner could have the opportunity to discuss the protocols. All of the information enclosed as well as a copy of this letter has been forwarded to Fr. Bitter.

I have also enclosed a copy of the most recent policies and procedures, 1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry. A newly revised copy of the policies and procedures are to be effective on July 15, 2003 and as a result, are not yet available.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns:
Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Responsibility
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, Illinois 60611
$312751-5205$, office
312 751-5279, fax
lmccluskey@arhcchicago.org

## Sincerely,

Professional Responsibility Administrator

## Enclosures

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board<br>Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests<br>Very Rev. Gregory Bitter, Canonical Advocate

July 11, 2003

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.<br>Archbishop of Chicago<br>155 E. Superior Street<br>Chicago, Illinois 60611

## Dear Cardinal George,

As the Auditor whom you appointed in accord with Canon 1717 to conduct a Preliminary Investigation into the allegations of sexual abuse of minors that have been made against the Rev. John Robinson, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, I would like to inform you that the investigation has been completed.

As required by Canon 1718, a sufficient amount of material is now present for you to make a determination. I have examined the files of the investigations of the allegations of sexual misconduct with minors by Fr. Robinson, and I have found them to be complete.
There is at least one allegation that was submitted to the Archdiocesan Professional Responsibility Review Board in which the Board recommended to you that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct did occur. Given the material gathered as the Board's instruction of the case, it is now necessary for you to determine if the elements meet the required standard of proof. The Board reported their finding to you after having discussed the evidence and the arguments in two formal sessions. As part of the procedure followed by the Board, Fr. Robinson was read the allegations made against him and provided a response. With reference to his involvement in the instruction of the case, Fr. Robinson had the advice of legal counsel.

I now submit this matter to your Eminence for a determination. It is my recommendation that the allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor against the Rev. John Robinson has the semblance of truth (notitiam saltem verisimilem) as required by Canon 1717 and Article 13 of the Procedural Norms de gravioribus delicitis, and consequently the case should be sent to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

There is at least one allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Robinson. The Professional Responsibility Review Board has been presented all allegations against Fr. Robinson, and has reported to you the finding that the allegations provide reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged incidents of misconduct did occur. It is my recommendation that the aforementioned allegations have the semblance of truth
(notitiam saltem verisimilem) as required by Canon Law. As a result, there is no additional information that needs to be gathered at this time regarding the allegations made against Fr. Robinson.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 312 751-5205.
Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

14 July, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey

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Office for Professional Responsibility
676 North St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611
Dear Ms. McCluskey:
I received the report from your investigation of the matter of sexual misconduct with a minor on the part of Reverend John Robinson.

I accept your findings and have determined that there is a semblance of truth to the allegation that Father Robinson engaged in acts of sexual misconduct with a minor.

Therefore, by means of this letter, I am bringing the Preliminary Investigation of this matter to a close. Based upon the information you have provided, I have concluded that this case must be referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, in accordance with Part II, Article 13 the motu proprio Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela.

Thank you for your diligent work, Ms. McCluskey. I appreciate the professional way in which you have handled these matters.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago


Ecclesiastical Notary
cc: Revs. Kaczorowski and Smilanic, Ms. Leah McCluskey, Mr. Jimmy Lego, Mr. John C. O'Malley

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of Professional Responsibility 676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

## MEMORANDUM

To File - PFR-98

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]
Re: Robinson, John
Date: July 14, 2003

PRA, Fr. James Kaczorowski [Vicar for Priests], and Fr. Daniel Smilanic [Promoter of Justice, Delegate to the Cardinal] met with Fr. John Robinson on July 11, 2003 to review Fr. Robinson's new monitoring protocols.

Prior to reviewing the monitoring protocols, PRA confirmed with Fr. Robinson that he had received copies of the monitoring protocols as well as the most recent 1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry that had been mailed to his attention. PRA informed Fr. Robinson that the same information was mailed to his canonical advocate, Rev. Gregory Bittner.

Fr. Robinson had some specific questions regarding the monitoring protocols. He asked for an explanation of protocol number eight, "The right of defense should not involve the public life of the church." Fr. Smilanic explained that a cleric who has been removed as a result of allegations of sexual misconduct may not use the pulpit to discuss the allegation or the alleged victim. It was also noted that a cleric removed for the aforementioned reason may not organize a "defense fund" though the church.

Fr. Robinson also asked to have protocol number seven explained, "Attendance to recommended support group (please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of __ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance to recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms." PRA informed Fr. Robinson that only if he is a participant in specific support groups [other than therapy] would protocol number seven be applicable.

Fr. Robinson expressed his concern regarding the second paragraph of the Individual Specific Protocol itself, "Professional Fitness Review clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator
(PFRA) throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago." Fr. Robinson questioned that if he is exonerated of the allegation made against him, would he still need to be monitored for the remainder of his life as a priest. PRA and Fr. Smilanic explained that the phrase "appropriate restrictions" would include increasing, decreasing, or ceasing the monitoring protocols for any cleric dependent upon his case. Fr. Kaczorowski supported Fr. Robinson's suggestion that the aforementioned paragraph be reworded so that the message is clearer regarding length of monitoring. PRA and Fr. Smilanic agreed that the wording of the Individual Specific Protocol form would be assessed.

As per Fr. Kaczorowski, Fr. Robinson has been extremely compliant with all monitoring to date. Fr. Robinson stated that he would continue to be cooperative and would speak with Fr. Bittner regarding the newly introduced monitoring protocols.

PRA provided Fr. Robinson with the aforementioned Individual Specific Protocol, Daily Log, and Travel/Vacation Agreement forms. All protocols applicable to Fr. Robinson were initialed by PRA so that Fr. Robinson could discuss the required monitoring with Fr. Bittner.

Fr. Robinson agreed that he would speak with Fr. Bittner within the next 10 days to discuss the monitoring protocols presented to him. PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski discussed with Fr. Robinson scheduling a time to meet in Mundelein to sign the protocols after Fr. Robinson has had the opportunity to speak with Fr. Bittner. Fr. Kaczorowski will be in contact with Fr. Robinson to schedule the meeting to take place in approximately two weeks.

Fr. Smilanic then addressed several canonical questions asked by Fr. Robinson. Fr. Smilanic invited Fr. Robinson to contact him at any time with any additional concerns and/or questions regarding canon law.

Fr. Robinson was extremely cordial during the meeting and thanked all present for their time and answers to his questions and concerns regarding the monitoring protocols.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

July 14, 2003

## Rev. John Robinson

C/o Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, JCL 1460 Pearson Avenue, S.W.
Birmingham, Alabama 35211
Dear Fr. Robinson,
This letter is in regards to a third party allegation of sexual misconduct made against you by As we discussed in our conversation on July 8, 2003,
wrote a letter dated January 13, 2003 that was forwarded to my attention regarding the alleged abuse of by you at Angel Guardian Orphanage.

As per a memo in your file dated January 21, 2003 written by myself, I spoke with via phone regarding his aforementioned letter. I explained to that a third party allegation is not considered a formal allegation to be brought before the Review Board for their recommendations to the Cardinal.

The information brought forward by $\square$ is documented in your file, however I will not follow up on this third party allegation unless initiates contacts with me. As we discussed on the phone on July $8^{\text {th }}$, it is not the policy or procedure of this office to seek out alleged victims with allegations against clergy. Each allegation [formal and otherwise] of sexual misconduct made against clerics is entered into a database and a "Stage of Process [of the allegation]" is noted. In the case of the aforementioned third party allegation made against you, the Stage of Process is "awaiting response from [alleged] victim." Therefore, only in the event that contacts the Archdiocese and states that he wishes to formalize an allegation against you, will this matter be considered to be a formal allegation where you will be notified and the matter presented to the Review Board.

Fr. Robinson, it is my understanding that you requested a clarification letter on this matter be written and forwarded to your attention as well as to the attention of your canonical advocate, Fr. Bittner. If either of you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.


Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests


15 July, 2003

Rev. John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060


Dear John:
I am writing to let you know that I have received the report from Ms. Leah McCluskey regarding the inquiry she conducted concerning the allegations of sexual misconduct that were made against you.

Taking into account the material already presented to the review board, she has looked into the matter further. I have concluded from her report that there is enough evidence to indicate that I need to refer your case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and ask for their permission to conduct a trial to determine whether you committed the delict of sexual abuse of a minor; and, if so, what penalty ought to be imposed on you.

I will make this referral by the end of the month. It is impossible to say when the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith will respond to my request.

If I am given permission to conduct a trial in the Archdiocese, I will ask the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to provide me with three judges. I will also present all the material in the case to the Promoter of Justice, and ask that he draw up a formal petition. A trial will then be conducted according to the norm of law. You will be informed throughout the proceedings of how you might exercise your rights. If you have not appointed an advocate, one will be appointed for you.

Since you are already observing the restrictions on your ministry as I requested, I do not see any need to impose any formal penal restrictions on you, as called for by canon 1722. In a previous letter to you, I indicated that I would issue this decree once I sent the case to the Holy See. In light of your cooperation, however, I have decided it is not necessary to take any further steps at this time.

As you know, the Dallas Charter and subsequent Norms state that if even a single act of sexual misconduct with a minor is proven, you must be removed permanently from ministry. Even if the offense does not warrant dismissal from the clerical state, the laws approved by the Holy See for the United States would not allow me to assign you to any public ministry, to celebrate the sacraments publicly, or to present yourself in public as a priest. Instead, you would be expected to lead a life of prayer and penance under my direction.

On the other hand, if the allegations against you are not proven, I will do everything I can to restore your reputation. I realize how difficult this might be, given the publicity that has already been given to this matter. Since I also realize you may have some feelings about this matter, I will consult with you before anything is done in this regard.

I am again appreciative of the cooperation you have given me in this matter. I will keep you in my prayers, and ask that you keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago


## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## Office of the Metropolitan Tribunal

Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, J.C.D
Phone: (312) 751-8384
e-mail: plagges@archchicago.org

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

FROM:
DATE: 18 July, 2003

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PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW

Father Lagges fitu<br>RE: Precepts: An Oversight<br>Mr. Jimmy Lago<br>Mr. John O'Malley<br>Ms. Leah McCluskey<br>cc: Bishop Goedert<br>Father Kaczorowski<br>Father Smilanic

Enclosed are copies of precepts that should have accompanied the copies of letters from the Cardinal delegating you to receive information concerning the monitoring of priests accused of sexual misconduct.

I'm sorry that I didn't send these on until now. The precept simply spells out the canonical rationale, and doesn't alter anything from the previous letter.

I am not sending copies to the accused, since we don't usually send procedural decrees to people. The 27 May letter explained the gist of what is in the precept.

Sorry.

# Office of Professional Fitness Review 

676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611
312-751-5205

## INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL

For
Fr. John Robinson

The Individual Specific Protocol (ISP) reflects the primary goal of protecting minors and the integrity of the Church. Additionally, the ISP serves as a safeguard for the individual priest/deacon with regard to the possibility of subsequent allegations.

Professional Fitness Review clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago.
The ISP for John ROWnsoh includes but is not limited to the following (PFRA to initial all that apply):

1. Restricted from being alone with minors (anyone under the age of 18) without the presence of
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4. The completion of "Clergy Daily Log" to be completed and signed by the on-site monitor. Qn-site monitor will then review, sign, and submit "Clergy Daily Log" forms at the end of each month to PFRA.
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No inappropriate use of computers, software, internet capabilities, communications tools or tectnology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chigago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees will apply.
6. Wust complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement" to PFRA prior to scheduled departure.
7. $N / A$ Attendance to recommended support group (please indicate specific support group circle one). Attendance to recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
: 0 The right of defense should not involve the public life of the Church.
9. $\quad$ n-site visits by PFRA annually to include meeting with PFRA and John Robinson
10. On-site visits by Vicar for Priests (VP) annually to include a meeting with VP and
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$\qquad$ John Robinson. _. . _
12. Any change or alteration in this agreement will involve consultation with the cleric, his monitor, the PFRA, and the VP. The cleric, his monitor, the PFRA, or the VP can initiate the discussion for change or alteration, and at the discretion of any of the parties, his legal and/or canonical counsel may be involved.

I have reviewed, understand and agree to all requirements of this Protocol.
signed: Trim $Q$. Fobenson
Printed Name


Signature of PFRA:


Signature of VP:

Date:
$\qquad$

Date: $\qquad$ Date: $7-29-03$
$\qquad$

Rev. 6/6/03

A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Professional Fitness Review and Vicar for Priests Offices.

## TRAVELIVACATION AGREEMENT

## Permission to go on vacation to Streamwood, IL. <br> $\qquad$ <br> (Destimation) from/to $\frac{8 / 28 / 03-9 / 2 / 03}{\text { (Dates) }}$

this year has been granted to $\qquad$ John A. Robinson provided the following conditions (Client name)
will be met by him and


1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.
2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.
3. Client is required to keep a daily log; proofs/tickets, receipts, etc., regarding client's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.
4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the ctient and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.
5. The date of retum to the residence has been set for _ $9 / 2 / 03$, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.


Date: $\qquad$ 8/06/03

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.

## Fax Cover Sheet

TO: $\quad$| Ms. Leah McCluskey |
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| $312-751-5279$ |

FROM: John A. Robinson
DATE: August 10, 2003

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Questions? Please call me. Thanks.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-98
From:
Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrato
Re: Robinson, John
Date: $\quad$ August 19, 2003

PRA and Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Fr. John Robinson at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House on July 29, 2003 regarding monitoring protocols. After asking clarification questions regarding the Individual Specific Protocol, Fr. Robinson agreed to follow all protocols requested of him with his signature.

It was explained to Fr. Robinson that adjustments would be made to the Travel/Vacation Agreement form as well as the Daily Log form for clarification purposes. Adjusted forms will be provided to Fr. Robinson and to his canonical advocate the Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, JCL. PRA also provided Fr. Robinson with a copy of 1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry, which was promulgated on July 15, 2003. Fr. Robinson was informed that a copy of the newly promulgated policies and procedures would be mailed to Fr. Bittner as well.

## Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

## Office of Professional Responsibility



July 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003
Monthly Schedule

| Dates/Times | Event (Therapy, Spriritual Direction, <br> Vacation, etc.) Where, When, How <br> Long | Therapist, Spiritual Leader, Doctor, <br> Monitor, etc. (Include names) |
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January $6,10,13,17$, 21, 24, 2003

February 7, 14, 21, 24, 2003

March 7, 14, 28, 2003

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May 9, 23, 30, 2003

August 8, 27, 2003

August 28, 2003 to
September 2, 2003

September 5, 2003
Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, JCL
1460 Pearson Avenue, S.W.
Birmingham, AL 35211
Dear Fr. Bittner,
In speaking with your client Fr. John Robinson, he asked that I write a letter to your attention regarding an allegation made against him that has not been formalized.

On January 14,2003 , I received a third party allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor against Fr. Robinson. As I discussed with the third party as well as at a later date with Fr. Robinson, a third party allegation is not considered to be formal. Therefore, Fr. Robinson was not presented with the allegation. The allegation has been documented and is in Fr . Robinson's file, however, I have no contact information for the alleged victim and I informed the third party that I would not seek out the alleged victim.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 312 751-5205.


CC: Rev. John Robinson
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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[^6]Enclosures

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I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all of these individual specific Protocols.


Printed Name: Jo
Signature of VP:


A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and on file in the Office of the Vicar for Priests.


Mundelein Seminary

## RECEDED

DEC 112003
ARCHDIOCESE IO CHICAGO
Date: December 4, 2003
To: Fr. Jim Kaczorowski
From: Fr. Dennis Lyle
Dg
Re: Priests at Stitch Retreat

In addition to the daily log turned in by John Robinson, verbally communicated to me his plans for December $4,2003$.


None of the other priests the the house gave me information about heir day:


## RECEIVED

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## Fax Cover Sheet

TO
Ms. Leah McCluskey
DATE: 12/16/03

FROM: John A. Robinson
\# OF PAGES (with cover): 2


Questions? Just give me call. Thanks and Happy Holidays to you.

Rev. John Robinson
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060-0455
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Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, J.C.L., Canonical Advocate
Enclosures

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December 18, 2003

Rev. John A. Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060-0455
Dear Father Robinson,
Enclosed you will find copies of the new travel/vacation notification forms that you are asked to use from now on.

If you have any questions please contact Leah McCluskey at 312-751-5205.
Thank you for your cooperation.
Sincerely,


Laura A. Neri-Palomino
Administrative Assistant

Enclosures

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to [destination address \& contact phone number] from Decenber 31, 04 [Departure Date] through January 1, 05(Return Date).

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## [see attached correspondence]

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PRA Signature:


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## ARCHDOCESE OF CHICAGO

## MEMORANDUM

TO: $\quad$ File - PFR-98
FROM: Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator
RE: Robinson, Joha/


DATE:- January 21,2003

PFRA spoke with
regarding his letter dated January 13; 2003. stated in his letter that Fr. John Robinson sexually abused while resided at Angel Guardian Orphanage.
stated that he is a former seminarian and volunteered at Angel Guardian Orphanage, where he came to know - stated that he and his wife "took in" and some of the other minors who had resided at the orphanage when the orphanage closed. Through conversations with approximately 10 years ago, disclosed to abuse by: and Fr. John Robinson. recalls that Ralph Bonaccorsi flew to to meet with $\square$ years ago, but is uncertain if $\square$ isclosed the name of Fr. Robinson.

PFRA explained to that this office could not follow up with an allegation unless the alleged victim came forward. stated that he understood, however he wanted to provide the Archdiocese with the aforementioned information as a result of "Bishop Listecki's letter on Rev. Robinson"

PFRA thanked information to
for the information and asked that he forward PFRA's name and contact if the two came into contact. agreed.

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry John O'Malley, Legal Services


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January 27, 2004
Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, JCL
Post Office Box 110006
1460 Pearson Avenue, S.W.
Birmingham, AL 35211
Dear Fr. Bittner,
Enclosed you will find monitoring information presented to your client, Rev. John Robinson on January 26, 2004. Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and I met with Fr. Robinson at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein on January $26^{\text {th }}$ to discuss the enclosed protocols. Fr. Robinson was also informed of Cardinal George's acceptance of the Review Board's recommendation that he provide his signature to the enclosed protocols and return to me no later than March 31, 2004. A copy of the Individual Specific Protocols signed by Fr. Robinson has been forwarded with this letter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205. Fr. Kaczorowski may also be reached at [312] 642-1837.


# Office of Professional Responsibility 676 N. St. Chair, Suite 1910 Chicago, II 60611 (312) 751-5205 

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Rev. John Robinson

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Date:


Printed Name: John A. Robinson
Signature of PRA:
Signature of VP:
 Date:


MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-98
From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrato
Re: Robinson, Rev. John
Date: January 31, 2004

PRA and Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Rev. John Robinson on January 26, 2004 at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. Fr. Kaczorowski had arranged the meeting with Fr. Robinson so that the current monitoring protocols could be discussed.

PRA provided Fr. Robinson with the current Individual Specific Monitoring Protocols, a Daily Log form, and a Travel/Vacation Agreement form. Fr. Robinson was also informed that copies of the aforementioned forms would be forwarded to his canonical advocate, the Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, JCL.

Fr. Robinson informed PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski that he had already spoken with Fr. Bittner regarding the Individual Specific Monitoring Protocols, and provided his signature to the aforementioned form during the meeting on January $26^{\text {th }}$. PRA informed Fr. Robinson that a copy of the signed Individual Specific Protocols form would be forwarded to Fr. Bittner along with copies of the Daily Log and Travel/Vacation Agreement forms.

Fr. Robinson introduced conversation regarding his concerns with Rev. John Calicott. per Fr. Robinson, since his arrival at the retreat house one-year ago, Fr. Calicott "was never here [at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House]." Fr. Robinson also stated that "everyone knew it [Fr. Calicott's absence from the retreat house]." He continued by asking if Fr. Calicott's actions as reported in the news over the past week would affect him and the others who are to comply with the monitoring protocols. Fr. Kaczorowski informed Fr. Robinson of Cardinal George's message regarding consequences that individuals would face if they did not sign the Individual Specific Protocols and if they did not adhere to the protocols themselves. As per Cardinal George, Fr. Kaczorowski informed Fr. Robinson that an individual who refuses to sign the Individual Specific Protocols by March 31, 2004 and/or is non-compliant with the protocols themselves,
would no longer receive a salary paid by the Archdiocese of Chicago. Cardinal George will only provide room and board, payment of medical and car insurance, and a small monthly stipend.

Fr. Robinson appreciated the explanation given by Fr. Kaczorowski. PRA then acknowledged the fact that Fr. Robinson has always been compliant with the protocols asked of him, and thanked Fr. Robinson for doing so.

The overall tone of the meeting was open and extremely pleasant. As Fr. Robinson left the meeting, he asked that PRA address him as "John" and not Fr. Robinson.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Cc: } & \text { Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board } \\ \text { Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests }\end{array}$

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING
Saturday, February 21, 2004-9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes - January 10, 2004
II. Case Reviews

Preliminary Review:

III. Case Updates:

IV. Monitoring Meetings/Monitoring Update
A.

V.
VI. Update on New Allegations Received


## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## VICAR FOR PRIESTS

## 645 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 543

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60811

Off: (312) 842-1837
Fax: (312) 642-4933

February 26, 2004

Dear Brother Priests,
Attached is a copy of the letter which the Cardinal sent to all priests in the Archdiocese. This is being sent to you to keep you informed about the communication that is being sent at this timc. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Leah McCluskey, Tom Tivy or myself.

Be assured of my prayers and support for you. The beginning of the season of Lent reminds us of the One who sustains us through the difficult times of our lives. May this Jesus be with each of you, now and always.

God bless you.
Sincerely, in Christ,


Rev. Jim T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests

Cc: Leah McCluskey
Rev. Thomas A. Tivy

Dear Brothers in Christ:
First, thanks to all of you who shared with your parishioners a copy of my February 15 letter concerning the John Jay study in advance of that report's official release tomorrow. You will remember that there are actually two reports to be released tomorrow, both commissioned by the Bishops. The John Jay social science study will contain national statistics regarding both those abused and accused, as well as dollar amounts spent to respond to the crisis. The National Review Board report will provide a context for the John Jay data.

We have been asked to wait until the reports are officially released tomorrow to offer comment on them, when real figures and perspective become public. I am told that both reports will be available to be viewed by $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Friday on the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops website (www.usccb.org, linked to our website at www.archchicago.org). I will meet with media tomorrow to respond to the reports in their entirety and at that timc offer our own up-todate figures for the Archdiocese of Chicago about allegations made against clergy because of sexual abuse of children and youth since 1950 .

I am including in this fax an advance copy of a letter and attachment I would like you to sharc with your parishioners this weekend about the reports. (A clean copy of this letter will be available to you to download on Friday morning from the archdiocesan website, www.archchicago.org in English, Spanish, and Polish.) We will share this same letter with news media at tomorrow's news conference.

We will also be initiating a new service to access information for the protection of minors and to assist those who may have been sexually abused by a priest. The service will allow self-identified individuals, upon request, to receive appropriate information, already made public in another forum, regarding whether there has been reason to suspect that a past or present priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago may have abused a minor. All those inquiring will receive a written response. For inquiries on $98 \%$ of archdiocesan priests, the information provided will simply include an ordination date and a description of a current assignment. It is likely that we will be asked to describe this service at the news conference.

I was grateful to learn that some parishes are planning prayer services to coincide with the release of the John Jay report, becausc surely the issues raised by it are matters to be brought to prayer. I understand, too, that other parishes are planning discussions in which the report can be further evaluated. Because the release of this study could reopen some wounds among our people -- particularly among those who may have been abused -- I encourage you to have on hand contact information about how allegations of clergy sexual abuse can be reported.

February 26, 2004
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No other group has faced the scrutiny involved in this type of study, and I know that this cannot be an easy time for you amidst the attention focused on the data that this report will contain. Yet, you are the "face" of the Church within your parish communities, in times both easy and hard. So many of you have told me of the kindness of your parishioners who have expressed their personal support for your priestly ministry - and, like you, I take great comfort from this support.

My prayer for you today is the same one I pray for myself: that in our intentions and in our actions, we might be worthy of the trust placed in us by Jesus Christ and by those whom we serve in his name and with his authority. Thank you for your life and ministry as priests in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please keep me in your prayers.

Fraternally yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

FAX
VICAR FOR PRIESTS OFFICE 645 N. Michigan, Suite 543
Chicago, Illinois 60611
(312) 642-1837

Fax: (312) 642-4933

To: Nah The Chutery
From: Merry Anu a
Fax Number:
Date: 2/27/04
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MESSAGE:
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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

February 27, 2004

## Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Today the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City released a nationwide social science research study, commissioned by the U.S. Bishops, on clerical sexual abuse of minors. The John Jay Study is a quantitative analysis based on confidential data gathered from almost every diocese, eparchy, and religious order in the U.S. on sexual abusc of minors by Catholic clergy from 1950 to 2002. The data will be crucial in searching for the causes of clerical sexual abuse and in preventing it in the future. This is the study's purpose. A report by the National Review Board providing context for the John Jay data will also be released today.

Officials of the Archdiocese have already published basic data in two reports covering the periods 1950 to 1992 and 1993 to 2002. This information has been updated through December 31, 2003, and is shown on the attached information sheet.

Archdiocesan records reflect that 2,513 archdiocesan priests served in the Archdiocese of Chicago between 1950 and 2003. The Archdiocese has found reason to suspect that, during these 53 ycars, sexual misconduct with a minor occurred in 142 cases involving 55 Archdiocesan priests, about 2 percent of archdiocesan priests. Of the 55 priests, 13 are deceased, 22 have resigned from the priesthood and 20 are withdrawn from ministry. None is engaged in any public ministry. All cases have been reported to the public authorities.

Money spent because of clerical sexual abuse includes $\$ 26.9$ million for victim assistance, settlements and support in the period 1950-2003. Beginning in 1992, the year the Bernardin Commission established procedures for dealing with clerical sexual misconduct, through December 21, 2003, $\$ 5.9$ million was spent for treatment and monitoring of priests, and $\$ 5.9$ million for legal expenses. Of the $\$ 5.9$ million spent on legal fees, $\$ 1.3$ million was spent to defend a priest and a school principal judged to be innocent by a civil jury.

The Archdiocese of Chicago, complying with the definition of "allegation" supplied by the John Jay Study, reported for the study all recorded notifications of clerical sexual misconduct with minors, whether or not they resulted in any investigation or whether there was reasonablc cause to suspect abuse had occurred.

Since 1992, the Archdiocese of Chicago has addressed allegations of abuse of minors and promoted healing of victims through.an Assistance Ministry office, an independent Review Board, and a regular process for reporting abuse allegations to the civil authorities and the public. More recently, the Archdiocese created an Office for the Protection of Children and Youth. It oversees child abuse training programs and background screenings of over

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50,000 employees and volunteers. These measures have allowed us to reach out to victims and parish communities, to create safe environments for children and to remove from ministry any priest for whom there was reasonable' cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor had occurred. All of these initiatives will continue in our seminaries, schools, parishes and ministry offices.

The bishops of the United States have kept the promises they made during and following their June, 2002, Dallas meeting. All offending pricsts have been removed from ministry; an independent study was undertaken to understand the extent and causes of clerical misconduct; and policies and procedures have been put in place in every diocese in the United States to deal with abuse allegations, to insure the safety of children and to communicate openly with the public. Most important of all, the care of victims has been formalized and will remain high on the agenda of the Church.

The publication of these results reminds us that some priests betrayed the trust placed in them by Christ, by the children He loves, and by families. Church leaders who failed to act on their behalf only added to the harm done. I again sincerely apologize to the victims and to their families for the anguish they have endured. I offer once again an invitation to anyone who has experienced sexual abuse by a priest, or deacon to bring this information to our attention by contacting the Office of Professional Responsibility at 1-800-994-6200.

The consequences of these failures have deeply affected the entire Catholic community. I know that many of you are angered: and embarrassed, as am I. We can learn from the transgressions of the past, however, and make as sure as we can that no other child or young person goes through what those who. have been victims continue to suffer.

You are always in my prayers. Please keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago

## Attachment

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO - INFORMATION SHEET

## ACCUSED PRIESTS: HOW MANY, WHERE THEY ARE NOW, WHEN OCCURRED

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## FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Archdiocese has spent $\$ 38.7$ million on clerical sexual abuse since from 1950 to 2003.


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| To The Archaliocese | To Other Authorities |
| To teport suspected sexual abuse of a minor by a priast or deacon -presently or in the past-catt: Leah McCluskey, MSW, L8W Adminkatrator Olfice of Frofessional Responsibibity <br> (800) 994-6200 <br> (Lake and Cook coumtles only) or (312) 751-5205 <br> Send written allagations to: <br> Leah McCluskey, Administrator Office of Professional Respensibility Archdiocese of Chicago Post Offles Bax 1979 Chicago, Alindis 80690-1979 Email: Ime cluskeyemarchchicago.org Fax: (312) 751-5279 | To report allegatlons directly to civll authorities, call: <br> The Department of Children and Family Services (D.C.F.S.) <br> (800) 252-2873 <br> Cook County State's Attomey (312) 603-5440 <br> Lake County Stata's Attomby (847) 377.3000 |




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DATE: 03/06/04 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson
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## MEMO

To：<br>Most Reverend Raymond E．Goedert Most Reverend Edwin M．Conway<br>Mr．Jimmy Lago<br>Dr．Carol Fowler<br>Ms．Leah McCluskey<br>Reverend Thomas A．Tivy<br>Reverend Daniel A．Smilanic<br>Reverend Anthony Talarico<br>Reveread Edmund J．Siedlecki<br>From：$\quad$ Reverend James T．Kaczorowski<br>Date：$\quad$ March 15， 2004<br>Re：Residents at Koenig Hall

Attached is a copy of the letter sent by Francis Cardinal George to each of the residents at Koenig Hall，Cardinal Stritch Retreat Housc．


March 15, 2004

Rev. John A. Robinson
P O Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060
Dear Father Robinson,
I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that the Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert will assume the responsibilities of interim monitor at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Koenig Hall, effective Tuesday, March 16, 2004. While he serves in this capacity, Bishop Goedert will reside at the retreat house. I am deeply grateful to him for accepting this responsibility at the present time. As this transition occurs, I also wish to thank Father Anthony Talarico for having served in the capacity of monitor for the past two or more years while, at the same time, performing his primary duties of administrator at the retreat house.

Sometime within the next two weeks, Bishop Goedert, Father Jim Kaczorowski, my Vicar for Priests, and Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator, will meet with the residents at Koenig Hall as a group and review the contents of the protocol. We are also inviting Father Talarico and Father Siedlecki to be present for this meeting since there will be occasions when they will function as monitor in Bishop Goedert's absence.

I am sorry this process is taking so much longer than I believed and expected it would. I want to assure you of my prayers for you. Likewise, I ask that you pray for me. May this season of Lent be a time of special blessing for you.

Sincerely, yours in Christ, Tram Care toy
Francis Cardinal George Archbishop of Chicago

Cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway<br>Mr. Jimmy Lago<br>Dr. Carol Fowler<br>Ms. Leah McCluskey<br>Reverend James T. Kaczorowski<br>Reverend Thomas A. Tivy<br>Reverend Daniel A. Smilanic<br>Reverend Anthony Talarico<br>Reverend Edmund J. Siedlecki



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John C. O'Malley
Archdiocese of Chicago
155 East Superior Street
P.O. Box 1979

Chicago, IL 60690
RE: v. Archdiocese of Chicago
Dear Counsel:
This is to advise you that we represent the interests of in a claim against the Archdiocese of Chicago and Fr. John Robinson for misconduct while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Please forward a proposed Tolling Agreement so that this matter can be brought into ADR. Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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FROM: John A. Robinson
DATE: 05/10/04
RE:
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## VIA FACSIMILE \& U.S. MAIL



Re:

## Dear

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Please direct your communications about this matter to the undersigned.
Very truly yours,

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$\begin{array}{ll}\text { cc: } & \text { Leah McCluskey (via facsimile) } \\ & \text { Ralph Bonaccorsi (via facsimile) }\end{array}$

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TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

DATE: 08/30/04
RE: Long weekend

FROM: John A. Robinson


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## MEMORANDUM

To: $\quad$ File - PFR-98
From:
Re: Robinson, Rev. John Allen [Withdrawn]
Date: $\quad$ September 23, 2004

# Upon a review of files, it was determined that PRA last spoke with via phone on January 21, 2003. reported a third party allegation, stating that Rev. John Allen Robinson sexually abused he was a minor. PRA informed <br> that only when formal allegation against Fr. Robinson in this instance. As a result, could make a asked to forward PRA's contact information to <br> Due to the fact that PRA has not received any contact from since the January 21, 2003 phone call with this matter is considered to be Inactive at this time. 

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry


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TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

DATE: 10/11/04
RE: Long weekend

FROM: John A. Robinson
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## Office of Professional Responsibility

## PFR-98 - John Robinson



TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson 847-566-6082 (Fax)

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## Office of Professional Responsibility



November 16, 2004

## Confidential

Mr. Michael J. Howlett, Jr.
Counsel to the State's Attorney
Richard J. Daley Center
69 West Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60602
Dear Mr. Howlett:
Pursuant to your request, enclosed are copies of Individual Specific Protocols applicable to priests of the Archdiocese for whom the Archbishop has determined there is reason to suspect that the individual priest may have engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. The priests are:

Rev. John Robinson

Please note I have deleted information related to therapy and spiritual direction for the reason of confidentiality. Further, canonical counsel, but I am advised by Leah McCluskey that they comply with the restrictions.

If you have any questions, please let me know.
Very truly yours,


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## Enclosures

cc: Rev. Edward D. Grace
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski
Ms. Leah McCluskey


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TO:
Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson 847-566-6082 (Fax)
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { DATE: } & 11 / 20 / 04 \\ \text { RE: } & \text { Thanksgiving }\end{array}$
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Questions? Just give me a call. Thank you.

## TRAVELNACATION NOTIFICATION

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to
[destination address \& contact phone number] from November 24, 2004 [Departure Date] through November 29, 2004 (Return Date).

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## MEMORANDUM

| To: | File |
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| From: | Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator(d) |
| Re: | Monitoring |
| Date: | November 30,2004 |

PRA and Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests traveled to the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House on November 29, 2004 and met with Rev. Edward Siedlecki. Fr. Siedlecki resides at the Retreat House.

Due to the fact that Rev. Anthony Talarico will be on vacation from November 29, 2004 through December 10, 2004, he will be unable to fulfill his duties as on-site monitor for those men who have been withdrawn from active ministry as a result of allegations of sexual misconduct. Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA met with Fr. Siedlecki to ask if he would agree to act as on-sit monitor while Fr. Talarico is on vacation.

Fr. Siedlecki stated that he would act as monitor in Fr. Talarico's absence. PRA then went over the duties of on-site monitor with Fr. Siedlecki at his own request. Fr. Siedlecki was also agreeable to contacting Fr. Kaczorowski and/or PRA in the event of any of his awareness of any clear disregard/violation of the stated monitoring protocols.

Fr. Siedlecki shared with Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA his own current medical issues. It was agreed that in the event that Fr. Siedlecki would not be able to fulfill the role as monitor due to a medical emergency, he will contact either Fr. Kaczorowski or PRA.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
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TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson 847-566-6082 (Fax)

DATE: 12/20/04
RE: Christmas
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Questions? Just give me a call. Have a Happy and Blessed Christmas, Leah.

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John .A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to nub er [destination address \& contact phone number] from December 23 [Departure Date] through December 26 (Return Date).

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TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson 847-566-6082 (Fax)

DATE: 12/30/04
RE: New Years
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TO:
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Date: 03/05/05

PRA Signature:
 Date:


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10: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

FROM: John A. Robinson
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Dear Leah,
I apologize for the disorganized message I left on your answering machine. I get flustered whenever I have to record a message.

All I wanted to do is tell you that I cancelled my stay in Streamwood from March 8 to March 17 because my monitor, was called out of town.

I will re-schedule this time off at a later date.
Thank you for your time and attention.


## MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-98
From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrato
Re: Robinson, Rev. John [Withdrawn]
Date: $\quad$ March 11, 2005

PRA received a voice mail message from Rev. John Robinson on March 10, 2005. Fr. Robinson was calling in regards to his scheduled "Travel/Vacation" that is to be underway at this point in time.

Fr. Robinson stated that his identified monitor for his travel was called away and therefore, unable to go away at the previously identified time on his "Travel/Vacation Agreement" form [see file]. As a result of his monitor's sudden unavailability, Fr. Robinson decided to cancel his travel at this time and reschedule. Therefore, Fr. Robinson is currently at Mundelein and wanted to inform PRA of his change in travel.

Fr. Robinson may be reached via his cellular phone at


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## Fax Cover Sheet

TO: Ms. Leah McCluskey 312-751-5279

DATE: 03/23/05
RE: Easter Break

FROM: John A. Robinson 847-566-6082 (Fax)
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## PFR-98 - REV JOHN ROBINSON

TRAVEL/VACATION SCHEDULE
JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2005

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| Phone: $312-751-5205$ | Date: | $5 / 3 / 2005$ |  |
| Re: | Change of day off to May 7 and May 8 | CC: |  |

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Dear Mis. McCluskey,
Last week I called to ask for a clarification: Can Fr. Talarico okay an occasional change in my previously approved weekly Day Off/Overnight or do I have to send in a Travel Notification Form each time I would like to change from one day to another.

Since I received no reply by the end of Business Day Monday May $2^{\text {nd }}, 1$ thought it best to fax a Travel Notification Form requesting the change for this week.

Thank you for your time and attention.


## [see attached correspondence]

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May 4, 2005
Rev. John Robinson
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060-0455
Dear Father Robinson,
On behalf of Leah McCluskey I am responding to your fax dated May 3, 2005.
In answer to your question, Can Fr. Talarico okay an occasional change in your previously approved weekly Day Off/Overnight, etc.? Yes, Father Talarico can okay any change to your previously approved travel/vacation schedule.

I am enclosing a copy of your recent request for travel approved by Leah.
If you have any questions regarding this or any other matter please contact Leab at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Neri-Palomino
Administrative Assistant

## TRAVELNACATION NOTIFICATION

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to Dayton, Ohio_[destination address \& contact phone number] from_May 18, 2005 [Departure Date] through May 23, 2005 (Return Date).

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| Re: | Amateur Radio Convention | CC: |  |

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Dear Ms. McCluskey,
My group of amateur radio operators and I will be staying at the same Holiday Inn in the Dayton area. I listed my monitor's cell phone which he always takes along.

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## MEMORANDUM

To: File
From:
Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrato( $V$
Re: Department of Children and Family Services [DCFS] Investigations

Date: July 9, 2005

PRA spoke with
DCFS investigator via phone on June 22, 2006. The phone call began discussion a different matter. $\square$ then expressed her need to speak with PRA about "other pending cases."

| referred to DCFS investigator | and their need to go out to |
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| "Mundelein." PRA conversation with |  |
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| fy that she was | s interested in the location of wh |
| clerics withdrawn from the priesthood [for substantiated allegations of sexual |  |
| misconduct] reside. PRA informed that "Mundelein" is the location |  |
| of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary and that the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House is on the |  |
| seminary grounds. $\quad$ was informed that the clerics she has spoken of |  |
| reside at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. PRA spent much time attempting to explain the set up of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in relation to the location of the Cardinal |  |
| Stritch Retreat House. did eventually express her understanding of |  |
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then requested clarification for the addresses of the following clerics [which PRA provided]:

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- Rev. John Robinson


Cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
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| Re: | Time away | cc: |

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| My monitor, |
| asked me if I would drive them for tests on Friday afternoon and Saturday afternoon. |

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop

July 22, 2005
Rev. John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, IL 60060
Dear John:
I have completed my review of the case of sexual misconduct with minors that has been pending against you. My decision is contained in the enclosed decree.

I have also sent a copy of this decree to your advocate, so you might want to discuss this with him.

Should you wish to appeal this decree, you may do so to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith within the prescribed period of time. However, you will be expected to bear any of the expenses associated with that appeal.

I hope this will bring some conclusion to this matter which has been most difficult for both of us. Please be assured that you remain in my prayers; I ask that you keep me in yours.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

cc: Rev. Gregory T. Bittner, Advocate<br>Rev. George J. Rassas, Vicar General<br>Rev. Edward Grace, Vicar for Priests<br>Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Promoter of Justice<br>Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Minister<br>Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor<br>Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator<br>Mr. John O'Malley, Legal Services

## DECREE

## Penal Decree and Precept resolving the matter against Reverend John Robinson (CDF P.N. 289/03 - 19665)

According to the decree Christus dominus of the Second Vatican Council, bishops "have been designated by the Holy Spirit to take the place of the apostles as pastors of souls and, together with the Supreme Pontiff and subject to his authority, they are commissioned to perpetuate the work of Christ, the eternal Pastor." (Christus dominus, n. 2). Diocesan bishops have been entrusted with the pastoral care of a portion of the People of God, and designated their proper, ordinary, and immediate pastor. (CD, n. 11). The Council further teaches, "In exercising his office of father and pastor, the bishop should be with his people as one who serves, as a good shepherd who knows his sheep and whose sheep know him, as a true father who excels in his love and solicitude for all...." (CD, n. 16).

This love and solicitude expresses itself in providing for the welfare of the faithful according to their circumstances (CD, n. 16), and also in being "compassionate and helpful to those priests who are in any kind of danger or who have failed in some respect." (CD, n. 16)

It is for this reason that my predecessor, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, expressed such solicitude for the faithful of the Archdiocese of Chicago in establishing policies with regard to sexual misconduct of priests. I have continued that tradition of solicitude by confirming and revising these policies from time to time.

The nature of the priesthood itself requires that special attention be given to matters involving priestly misconduct. Recognizing the high dignity of the priesthood, which was established by the Lord Jesus to be joined in a special way with the episcopal ministry, and hence shares in the authority by which Christ himself builds up and sanctifies and rules his Body, it is all the more necessary to exercise particularly vigilance over the behavior of priests and to hold them to a greater level of accountability. The sacred task which has been given to priests demands a conduct commensurate with that task.

At their ordination, priests take on a number of obligations. They are bound by a special obligation to show reverence and obedience to the Holy Father and to their own ordinary (c. 273), and are to fulfill faithfully any function which their ordinary entrusts to them (c. 274§2). They are to be united among themselves, but at the same time promote the proper mission of the laity (c. 275). They are to pursue holiness of life through the fulfillment of their pastoral duties, through the nourishment of the spiritual life by word and sacrament, and through leading a life of prayer (c. 276). They are to continue their studies after ordination (c. 279) and have the right to
associate with other clerics to pursue purposes in keeping with the clerical state (c. 278). They are to foster simplicity of life and are to have a special concern for the poor (c. 282).

Moreover, priests are to avoid all those things which could endanger their vocation or give rise to scandal among the people. First and foremost, they are bound to a life of perfect and perpetual continence for the sake of the kingdom (c. 277), which expresses itself in a life of celibacy. But they are also to act with due prudence in their associations with others (c. 277§2), avoiding those things unbecoming the clerical state (c. 285 §§1-2).

The Catholic Bishops of the United States, in addressing the issue of clerical sexual abuse of minors, established at their annual general meeting held in Dallas in June, 2002 a Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, commonly referred to as the Charter. This was a common commitment by the bishops of the United States to act in a concerted way with regard to the issue of clerical sexual abuse of minors.

At that same meeting the bishops also passed and forwarded to the Holy See for its recognitio a set of Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons, commonly referred to as the Essential Norms. These Norms established, among other things, that "When even a single act of sexual abuse by a priest or deacon is admitted or is established after an appropriate process in accord with canon law, the offending priest or deacon will be removed permanently from ecclesiastical ministry, not excluding dismissal from the clerical state, if the case so warrants." Diocesan bishops and eparchs were also reminded that they have "the executive power of governance, through an administrative act, to remove an offending cleric from office, to remove or restrict his faculties, and to limit his exercise of priestly ministry." (Norm 9)

In the case of clerical sexual abuse of a minor, this could be by means of a penal decree or a penal precept, since it involves a delict (c. 1395§2).

The universal law of the Church, by virtue of the motu proprio Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela, has given the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith exclusive competence over matters involving clerical sexual misconduct with minors. In removing the bishop's discretionary authority given by c. 1718, the universal law of the Church requires that, after the preliminary investigation has been conducted in accord with c . 1717, the bishop is to forward to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith all cases involving clerical sexual misconduct with a minor, and request further instruction from that Congregation as to how to proceed.

The case of Reverend John Robinson was referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith on 31 July, 2003. Having reviewed the material submitted by the Archdiocese of Chicago, in a letter of 21 July, 2004 (P.N. 289/03-19665), Cardinal Ratzinger, then Cardinal Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and now His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI, granted me permission to impose a penal precept on Father Robinson for a determinate period of time. However, his letter continued, "This of course would not exclude that, at the end of the said determinate period, the competent Ordinary may deem it necessary, upon review of the circumstances, to issue a new decree for a further determinate time."

In accordance with the directives of the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, and considering this matter in light of the common good (c. 223); seeking ways to repair scandal and restore justice (c. 1341); reviewing again the accusations made against Father Robinson; having consulted his Advocate, Rev. Gregory T. Bittner; and having prayed for Wisdom and Understanding to decide this matter, I hereby make the following provisions with regard to Reverend John Robinson:

I am morally certain that Father Robinson is guilty of a violation of the sixth commandment of the Decalog with a minor (c. $2359 \$ 2$ of the 1917 Code of Canon Law and c. $1395 \$ 2$ of the present Code). However, his own defense brief, as well as that of his Advocate, has persuaded me that all of the details of the abuse that are offered by the accuser, while they may have occurred, did not occur as the result of Father Robinson's actions. Nonetheless, I am morally certain that Father Robinson, of his own admission, engaged in inappropriate behavior with this individual which involved "bare bottom spankings." This was as inappropriate in 1972 as it is today and constitutes the delict mentioned in c. $1395 \S 2$.

Because this inappropriate behavior occurred with a minor, I cannot assign Father Robinson to any ministry where he would be in contact with minors. This would preclude any parish ministry.

I have therefore determined that Father Robinson's Archdiocesan faculties ought to be removed for a period of three years. At the end of that period of time, I will again make a determination about this matter. Father Robinson is permitted to celebrate Mass privately. He may celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick in danger of death only. His salary shall be determined at the level of an associate pastor, less any administrative expenses as determined by particular law of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

With regard to other matters as to where Father Robinson ought to live and what work he might do, I hereby designate the Vicar for priests and the Professional Responsibility Administrator to act as my delegate in determining these matters.

I also direct the Vicar for Priests, in conjunction with the Professional Responsibility Administrator, to work with Father Robinson to determine a monitoring protocol, and to provide Father Robinson with any therapeutic intervention as needed.

With this decree, I dispense Father Robinson from the obligation to wear ecclesiastical garb (c. 284) for a period of three years, and strongly urge that he not wear such attire. Furthermore, he is not to represent himself as a priest to those unknown to him nor act as an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

I also encourage Father Robinson to observe the prescriptions of canons 273 to 289 concerning the obligations and rights of clerics. That is, he is to show reverence and obedience to the Supreme Pontiff and to his ordinary (c. 273); to unite himself with the presbyterate of Chicago and promote the mission of the laity (c. 275); to pursue holiness of life, especially by availing himself of daily prayer, monthly spiritual direction and an annual retreat (c. 276); to pursue opportunities for continuing education (c. 279); to foster simplicity of life (c. 282); and to foster peace and harmony based on justice (c. 287).

I further urge Father Robinson to refrain completely from all things which are unbecoming or, foreign to the clerical state (c. 285) and which could bring further scandal upon the Church.

Most especially, I remind Father Robinson of his obligation to observe perfect and perpetual continence for the sake of the kingdom and to behave with due prudence toward persons who could endanger this obligation (c. 277).

In issuing this precept, I am also grateful to Father Robinson for his patience during this very difficult time and for his cooperation in all that has been asked of him. I hope that by the provisions of this decree Father Robinson may renew and deepen his commitment to the priestly life in prayer and penance. I ask that he remember especially in his prayers all those who have suffered from sexual abuse, and ask that the healing power of God be with them and make them whole.

These provisions will remain in effect for a period of three years, at which time they will be reviewed to see if they ought to be renewed or altered in any way.

Given at Chicago, Illinois, on the $22^{\text {nd }}$ day of July, 2005. All things to the contrary notwithstanding.


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago


Rev. Richard Sacedix
Ecclesiastical Notary

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## Cardinal Stritch Retreat House

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ARCHOIOCESE OF CHICAGO

| To: | Ms. Leah Mc Cluskey | From: John Robinson |  |
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| Faxe | $312-751-5279$ | Pages: \#3 |  |
| Phone: $312-751-5205$ | Date: | $8 / 30 / 05$ |  |
| Re: Labor Day Holiday Weekend | CC: |  |  |
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Dear Ms. MoCluskey,
I will be going to two different places for the Labor Day Weekend. This is the reason for two different Travel Notification Forms.

## TRAVELIVACATION NOTIFICATION

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John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to [destination address \& contact phone number] from Sept. 1, 05 [Departure Date] through Sept. 3,05 (Return Date).

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Vicar for Priests' Office.

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to 4815 N. Kenneth, Chicago 773-286-7164 [destination address \& contact phone number] from Sept, 3, 05 [Departure Date] through Sept 505 (Return Date).

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## MEMORANDUM

| To: | File - PFR-98 |
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| From: | Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator |

Re: Robinson, Rev. John [Withdrawn]
Date: $\quad$ September 20, 2005

Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I., Rev. Patrick Lagges, Judicial Vicar, Revs. Edward Grace and Vincent Costello Vicars for Priests, and PRA traveled to the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House to meet with Rev. John Robinson on August 3, 2005. The meeting had been scheduled at the request of Cardinal George so that he could speak with Fr. Robinson about the "Penal Decree and Precept resolving the matter against Reverend John Robinson (DCF P.N. 289/03-19665)."

Cardinal George began the meeting with a prayer and then provided Fr. Robinson with a copy of the aforementioned decree [see file]. Fr. Lagges informed Fr. Robinson that a copy of the decree has been mailed to his canonical advocate, the Very Rev. Gregory T. Bittner.

Cardinal George informed Fr. Robinson that this matter was referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith [CDF] on July 31, 2003 and that the response was received from the CDF on July 21, 2004. The Cardinal also informed Fr. Robinson that he has completed his review of the case of sexual misconduct with minors that has been pending against him. Cardinal George read over and summarized the decree and imposed penalty for Fr . Robinson.

Fr. Costello was identified as Fr. Robinson's new Vicar for Priests. As stated in the decree, Cardinal George instructed the Vicar for Priests and PRA to work with Fr. Robinson on identifying a new residence and work that is not considered to be public ministry.

Cardinal George thanked Fr. Robinson for his patience and his prayers. Fr. Lagges then talked to Fr. Robinson about the possibilities of work identified for him and the other priests withdrawn from ministry [as a result of allegations of the sexual abuse of minors], such as working for the cemeteries and/or Archdiocesan Archives.

Fr. Robinson expressed the positives of living at the retreat house, including the privacy he and the other withdrawn priests have experienced. He then informed Cardinal George of his preference to remain at the retreat house.

Prior to ending the meeting, Fr. Lagges suggested to Fr. Robinson that he write on the copy of the decree he was given "received August 3, 2005."
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Cc: } & \text { Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board } \\ & \text { Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests }\end{array}$

Vicar General

September 23, 2005

## Rev. Arthur Fagin

Queen of the Rosary Parish
750 West Elk Grove Blvd.
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007-4298
Dear Father Fagan:
As you know, Cardinal George has resolved eleven cases of priests heretofore temporarily removed from public ministry as a result of an allegation of abuse of a minor. In accord with our policies and practices, victims and the affected parish communities will be informed about the resolution of the cases. With that in mind, I ask that you share the enclosed letter with your parishioners at Masses this weekend.

I suggest you do so in a manner that, in your judgment, best suits your particular parish situation: pulpit announcement (experience has demonstrated that such announcements are best made after Communion), bulletin announcement/insert, copies distributed after weekend Masses, or a combination of these.

Thank you for your cooperation in fulfilling this request, even though it is with short notice.

Sincerely yours,


Reverend George J. Rassas
Vicar General
cc: Rev. Farrell Kane, O.Carm.

September 23, 2005

To the Parishioners of Queen of the Rosary Parish:
As you know, some time ago Father John Allen Robinson was temporarily withdrawn from ministry following Cardinal George's acceptance of the advice of the Independent Review Board that there was reason to suspect that Father Robinson engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. According to Canon Law, this determination by the Review Board was forwarded to the Holy See for its review. This is to report to you that this process has been concluded.

Specifically, the Holy See reviewed and confirmed Cardinal George's acceptance of the advice of the Review Board and authorized Cardinal George to resolve the matter administratively. Pursuant to that instruction, Cardinal George reviewed all of the information collected, listened to the opinions of canonical advocates, and sought advice from his own canonical advisors as well as from assessors who are canon lawyers independent of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Cardinal George has determined based upon the information presented that sexual misconduct did occur with a minor, and he has prohibited Father Robinson from engaging in any public ministry, presenting himself as a priest, or acting as an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

It is my hope and prayer that while this announcement is yet one more reminder of a sad reality, it may also bring a measure of finality and peace to the people of Queen of the Rosary Parish.

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all those affected by the sin of abuse. They and all of you are daily in my prayer.

Sincerely yours,


Reverend George J. Rassas
Vicar General
cc: Rev. Farrell Kane, O.Carm.


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Mundelein officials want the Chicago Archdiocese to provide information on several priests living on seminary grounds in the village who have been removed from public ministry after allegations of sexual misconduct with minors. Nearly all the 11 priests ousted by

Cardinal Francis George last week reside on the grounds of University of St. Mary of the Lake off Route 176. Some of the priests have lived there since 2002, but village authorities leamed of it only recently, Police Chief Raymond J. Rose said.
Some of the priests are in nursing homes, an archdiocese official said. Seven of the priests had ties to churches in Cook, Lake and DuPage

# List: 11 priests' activities being . 

## monitored, according to church

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counties. The allegations date back 50 years, past the statute of limitations for criminal prosecution.
Rose said the priests don't have to register as sex offenders, but police would like to follow the same procedure and have ther fles avilable He said the of a future nade of the archdio village is aware of the archdioceses concem about the priests privacy,

We're trying to find that midde ground that allows us to have the information, so the community is aware that we have the innommation, he said. Should there ever be any reports or concerns, we would have that fil
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Still others are calling for that information to be made public. Veteran Lake County Chi] Veteran Lake County Chilinvestigator Mark Pleasant said the public should know whether the priests undergo counseling and the severity of their sup posed offenses.
"The whole problem here is the lack of information that is available" said Pleasant, who works for an arm of the Lake County state's attorney's office These people exist (under) a eil of secrecy."
Dolan said the priests are not inder house arrest but must check in with a monitor before leaving university grounds. At times, they may be accompanied ty a chaperone They are aillowed to drive cars. They are forbidden from being alone with minors. Their living quarters were once a retreat house now used solely as a home for removed prests. It is separated by a
"They are not mixed in with the seminarians and they defithe seminarians, and they definitely should not make plans to Dolan said. "Each one of them, in order to maintain this in order to maintain this process, have signed a do the cardinal saying that ment will abide by these nules;" they will abide by these nules. The priests are required to penance." They should also
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But critics say the archdioBese's monitoring system does lot work. One such priest accused of sexual misconduct the Rev. John Callicott of Chicago, slipped under the radar.
Callicott was removed as pastor of Holy Angels parish on Chicago's South Side in 2002 amid accusations he engaged in sexual misconduct with two teenage boys in the 1970s at another church. He was sent to the University of St. Mary of the Lake.
In January 200́4, controversy arose when archdiocese officials from Mundelein, at the invitation of Holy Angels officials, to talk to grade-school students about sex

What they call monitoring leaves a lot to be desired," said Barbara Blaine, president of Chicago-based Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests. "There is no way to monitor these grys 24 hours a day."

The cardinal has ordered a church trial for Callicott's case. Dolan said there won't be repeat of that case because all


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## MEMORANDUM

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| From: | Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administratof |
| Re: | Cardinal Stritch Retreat House Residents |
| Date: | October 7,2005 |

Rev. Edward Grace, Vicar for Priests, Mr. John O'Malley, Director of Legal Services, and PRA traveled to the Mundelein Police Department today to meet with Mr. Raymond Rose, Chief of Police and Mr. Cameron Eugenis, Deputy Chief. The meeting was arranged to discuss those archdiocesan priests who have been withdrawn as a result of a substantiated allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor and currently reside at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House located in Mundelein, Illinois. Chief Rose made it clear throughout the meeting that the discussion was not to include any withdrawn priest living in Mundelein who is already a registered sex offender.

After preliminary discussion surrounding the process of a priest being withdrawn from ministry and the Review Board process, Mr. O'Malley informed Chief Rose and Deputy Chief Eugenis of the information that Francis Cardinal George had wished to share with the Mundelein police concerning the aforementioned priests.

Chief Rose stated that basic information they would like to be provided on any priest removed from ministry and living at the Retreat House would be their date of birth, a picture of each man, and a picture of each man's car. Through further discussion, the following information was also requested on each aforementioned priest: height, weight, eye color, hair color, social security number, driver's license number and expiration date, employment information, vehicle information [make, model, year, color, license plate number].

It was also agreed that PRA would contact Chief Rose and Deputy Chief Eugenis via phone in the event that one of the aforementioned priests moves into or out of the Retreat House.

PRA then verbally provided the following information on each withdrawn priest residing at the Retreat House, which was recorded by Chief Rose's secretary: name, date of birth,
date removed from ministry, and the date of the last substantiated allegation. PRA also verbally provided a basic summary of the monitoring protocol that each withdrawn priest has been asked to follow.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
John O'Malley, Legal Services

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## Archdiocese settles with 24 accusers

October 28, 2005

## BY CATHLEEN FALSANI Religion Reporter

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago has reached an out-of-court settlement with two dozen men and women who say they were sexually abused as minors by priests of the archdiocese, lawyers for the victims and a spokesman for Cardinal Francis George said Thursday.

The settlement involves 14 current or former priests, none of whom is in active ministry today. Five of the men Eugene Burns, William Cloutier, Jeremiah Duggan, Leonard Kmak and Marion Snieg - are deceased, said Jim Dwyer, a spokesman for George.

The other nine - John Curran, James Hagan, Thomas Job, Thomas Kelly, Vincent McCaffrey, John Robinson, Ralph Strand and Thomas Swade - have been removed permanently from ministry, Dwyer said.

Since 1950, the Chicago archdiocese has received credible allegations of sexual abuse of minors against 60 priests, Dwyer said. At a press conference Thursday, Jeffrey Anderson and Marc Pearlman, attorneys for the 24 abuse survivors, released a list of 38 priests (including the 14 involved in the settlement) they say have credible allegations of abuse against them.

## Abuse long ago

Dwyer confirmed that their list of 38 was accurate, but declined to name the remaining 22 priests or provide a comprehensive list of the names of all 60 priests who have been accused since 1950, citing concerns about naming someone publicly who has never been charged criminally or sued for sexually abusing minors.

Many of the priests accused of abuse in the Chicago archdiocese and elsewhere never have been successfully prosecuted or sued because the alleged abuse took place so long ago, civil and criminal statutes of limitation have expired.

## List of accused priests

While they commended archdiocesan officials for their willingness to negotiate and settle with abuse survivors whose cases were beyond statutes of limitations, Anderson and Pearlman called on archdiocesan officials to release a comprehensive list of priests who stand accused of abusing minors.
"Until they come clean, as it were, with what they know, children are at risk, the parishes of the archdiocese of Chicago are not safe and we are deeply worried," said Anderson, a St. Paul, Minn., attorney who has represented hundreds of clergy sex abuse victims across the nation.

Neither Anderson, PearIman, nor Dwyer would disclose the monetary amount of the settlement.

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[Revised 8/28/03]

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## APPOINTMENT/EVENT:

## VICTIM ASSISTANCE MINISTRY APPOINTMENT

THE RESIDENCE 1555 N. STATE PARKWAY

## DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2005

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

If there are any additional specifics for this event, please inform us as soon as possible. Call 312-751-8231

> cc: Ralph Bonaccorsi
> bc: Fr. Smi lanic Leat. TnELuskey

Date: 11-21-05


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Plaintiffs,
vs.
06CH02017

The Archdiocese of Chicago d/b/a The Catholic
Bishop of Chicago, a corporation sole,
Defendant.

## CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

NOW COMES the Plaintiffs, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, by and through their attorneys, JEFF ANDERSON \& ASSOCIATES and KERNS, PITROF, FROST \& PEARLMAN, to obtain declaratory and injunctive relief against Defendant, states as follows:

## INTRODUCTION

1. This Complaint seeks declaratory judgment and injunctive relief against the Archdiocese of Chicago. The Archdiocese of Chicago has established a policy of harboring and protecting suspected child molesting agents, thereby endangering numerous children in Illinois. The Archdiocese has information about a number of suspected child molesting agents that it has never disclosed to law enforcement or the public at large, thereby causing children such as John Doe 100 to be harmed. Further, on information and belief, the Archdiocese has a policy and
practice of document destruction. This declaratory relief and injunction action seeks to have the Archdiocese produce all documents regarding the molestation of children by its agents for court supervision, to release the names of all agents accused of molesting children to the court and to the public, and to enjoin the Archdiocese from destroying any documents regarding.suspected childhood sexual abuse by its agents.

## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this action because it seeks to redress violations of the plaintiffs' rights and to protect children in Illinois that are in imminent danger. Venue is proper because the Archdiocese resides in Cook County and the majority of the allegations herein involve occurrences in Cook County.

## PARTIES

3. Plaintiff John Doe 100 is a minor. Mother Doe 100 is John Doe 100 's mother and legal guardian. At all times material, Plaintiff John Doe 100 was a resident of the State of Illinois. At all times material, Mother Doe 100 was a resident of the State of Illinois.
4. The identities of all Doe Plaintiffs are made known to Defendants through separate cover letter.
5. 

Plaintiff is a thirty five year old Chicago resident. sexually molested as a child by religious order priest who was serving at a parish within the Archdiocese at the time of the abuse.
6. At all times material, the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a Corporation Sole (hereinafter "Archdiocese of Chicago") was and is an Illinois corporation. Defendant has approximately eight hundred fifty four Diocesan priests serving in two counties in the State of

Illinois. At all times material to the complaint, Defendant Archdiocese was conducting business in the State of Illinois.

## CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS

7. Plaintiffs bring this action on behalf of themselves and, pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2801, as the representatives of the class of persons who have been molested as children by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago and on behalf of those children who have not yet been abused, but who are in imminent danger of abuse because the Archdiocese has not released the names and files of agents that have been accused of molesting children or accused of inappropriate sexual behavior with children to either the public or to the court.
8. 

The Plaintiff class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable. In its own self report, the Archdiocese asserted that there were 142 cases where they had reason to suspect that an agent had sexually molested a child. These numbers only include information that was reported to the Archdiocese. The underlying data for the results was not disclosed to the public.
9.

There are questions of fact or law common to the class, which predominate over questions affecting only individual members. The common questions of law or fact include, but are not limited to: whether the Archdiocese of Chicago has failed to protect children by not releasing the names of its agents who have been accused of molesting children to the public and law enforcement and whether the Archdiocese has or is destructing documents in order to cover up or conceal crimes against children by clergy serving in and/or employed by the Archdiocese. 10. The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class. The interests of the plaintiffs are the same as those of all class members because they have all been
sexually abused by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago or are in danger of being molested by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago because the Archdiocese's information is not public. All have an interest in preventing the sexual abuse of any further children by agents of the Archdiocese of Chicago.
11. A class action is an appropriate method for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy alleged in this complaint. The expense and burden of individual litigation would make it difficult or impossible for individual members of the class to redress the wrongs done to them. The cost to the court system of adjudication of such individualized litigation would be substantial. Individualized litigation would also present the potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments and would magnify the delay and expense to all parties and the court system. By contrast, the conduct of this action as a class action presents far fewer management difficulties, conserves the resources of the parties and court system, and protects the rights of each class member. In addition, the prosecution of separate actions by the individual members of the class would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to individual class members which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for the defendant.

## ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

12. 

Archdiocese of Chicago in approximately 1994.
13. At all times material, was employed by the Archdiocese.
was an ordained Roman Catholic Priest educated, trained and ordained by, and under the direct supervision, employ, agency and control of the Archdiocese. Among

members of his denomination.
14. In approximately the winter of 2000, a nun at Holy Family Church in Chicago reported to the Archdiocese of Chicago thater a fourth-grade boy to pull down his pants in the sacristy at Holy Family.
15. The nun reported this numerous times to the Archdiocese.
16. On information and belief, on one occasion when the nun reported it to the

Archdiocese, an official told her that "if the parents aren't pushing it, let it go."
17. After these reports, the nun made a final report to the Archdiocese, this one a written report of thenavior.
18. On information and belief, in 2000, the Archdiocese did not report to law enforcement, did not tell any of the parishioners at any of the parishes worked at in the past about the report, did not tell any of the parishioners at any of the parishes where worked after these reports, and did not tell any other children or parents about the report.
19. On information and belief, after the nun reported the abuse to the Archdiocese, the Archdiocese transferred to another parish, St. Agatha's in Chicago.
20. On information and belief, despite the report, the Archdiocese allowed取o teach at an Archdiocesan school and coach a boys basketball team.
21.

In response to the clergy abuse scandal, the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops passed the Dallas Charter.
22. On information and belief the Bishops passed the Dallas Charter in 2002. The Charter was only enforced, if at all, from within. There was no meaningful external non church
oversight over its enforcement.
23. Cardinal Francis George represented to the public that the Charter was a "zero tolerance" policy that committed them to removal of priests in childhood sexual abuse cases. He also represented to the public that a priest with even one act of sexual misconduct with a child should not be allowed in public ministry in order to protect children.
24.

In January of 2003, the Archdiocese released a "Ten Year Report" that purported to give information about the Archdiocese's efforts to stop childhood sexual abuse by clerics in the previous ten years.
25. On information and belief, the Ten Year Report purports to give the current status of priests that were accused of molesting a child anytime from 1993 to 2003. The report indicates that no priest accused of abuse during that time period is in any form of ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago.
26. The Ten Year Report also states that officials of the Archdiocese have reported all allegations, including those not deemed credible, to the appropriate public authorities.

## Ten Year Report.

28. Also in response to the clergy abuse scandal, the United States Catholic

Conference of Bishops agreed to participate in a self report survey conducted by the John Jay
College.
29.

As part of the John Jay survey, each Diocese submitted the number of priests that had allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor within the particular Diocese.
30. On information and belief there was no oversight over the information that was
given to the John Jay College. It was completely up to the particular Diocese to respond honestly.
31. The John Jay College defined "allegation," as all recorded notifications of clerical sexual misconduct with minors, whether or not they resulted in any investigation or whether there was reasonable cause to suspect abuse had occurred.
32. In 2004, the Archdiocese reported that it had reason to believe that 55 priests had sexual misconduct with a minor.
33. In 2004, Cardinal George and the Archdiocese represented to the public that there were no priests that were accused of childhood sexual abuse that were in public ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago.
34.

On information and belief, the Archdiocese did not includeran the 2004 John Jay numbers.
35. On information and belief in August of 2005, the Archdiocese learned that law enforcement was investigating for childhood sexual abuse.
36. On information and belief, in August of 2005, the Archdiocese did not inform the law enforcement that a nun had reported that acted in a sexually inappropriate manner with a child in 2000.
37. On information and belief, just as it did in 2000, the Archdiocese did not report or warn any of the parishioners, the public, or the parents at St. Agatha parish that law enforcement was investigating for childhood sexual abuse.
38. On information and belief, the Archdiocese elevated to a position of authority in the Archdiocese on September 1, 2005. It appointed him as Dean of a Deanery of
the Archdiocese. This is an honored, respected, and supervisory position within the Archdiocese. This meant that vas still at St. Agathas, but also had some supervisory authority over roughly 20 parishes in the Archdiocese.
39. The Archdiocese allowed to remain at St.Agathas and in the position of Dean until at least January of 2006, more four months after the Archdiocese received at least its second report of sexual misconduct against a minor by
40. In January of 2006, Chicago law enforcement arrested and charged him with sexually molesting two boys on multiple occasions.
41. On information and belief, the nun who reported the abuse to the Archdiocese in 2000 was contacted by the Archdiocese the day befored was arrested. The Archdiocese indicated to the nun that it did not have the nun's letter.
42. On information and belief, the Archdiocese also stated publicly that it has no written record of the nun's reports or the actual letter.
43.

On information and belief, the Archdioceses and Dioceses across the United States, including the Archdiocese of Chicago, have been instructed to destroy documentation of sexual misconduct by priests and/or to send any of this material to the Holy See in order to claim it is immune from public discovery or disclosure.
44. On information and belief, the Archdiocese has not released the names of the 55 priests that it deemed as having reason to suspect committed sexual misconduct with children. 45. On information and belief, the Archdiocese has also not released the names of any of the other clerics, like who were accused of sexual misconduct and are still in parishes, but not included in the Ten Year Report or the John Jay Survey.
46. Although the Archdiocese had not released the names of offenders, some names of Archdiocesan clerics accused of sexual misconduct have been released during the course of litigation. These names were released in 2005:

1) Richard "Doc" Bartz
2) Robert Becker
3) R. Peter Bowman
4) Daniel Buck
5) Eugene Burns
6) John Callicott
7) William Cloutier
8) Robert D. Craig
9) John Curran
10) Walter DeRoeck
11) Jeremiah Duggan
12) Richard Fassbinder
13) Joseph Fitzharris
14) Robert Friese
15) James Hagan
16) Daniel Mark Holihan
17) Walter Huppenbauer
18) Thomas Job
19) Robert Kealy
20) John Keehan
21) Thomas Kelly
22) John "Jack" Keough
23) Joseph Kissane
24) Leonard Kmak
25) William Lupo
26) Norbert Maday
27) Robert Mayer
28) Vincent McCaffrey
29) Donald Mulsoff
30) Thomas O'Gorman
31) James Ray
32) John Robinson
33) Kenneth Ruge
34) Raymond Skriba
35) Marion Snieg
36) Victor Stewart
37) Ralph Strand
38) Thomas Swade
39) Anthony Vader
47. Names that have not previously been released but who, on information and belief, have been accused of sexual misconduct with a minor:
1) James Flosi
48. .. There are also a number of religious order priests who worked in the Archdiocese. On information and belief, the Archdiocese had control and/or supervision over these clerics while they were working in the Archdiocese. On information and belief, the Archdiocese knows about these clerics' misconduct. On information and belief, those religious order clerics that have been accused of sexual misconduct are:
1) Robert Berlet (Christian Brothers)
2) Robert Brouillette (Christian Brothers)
3) Vincent Bryce (Dominicans)
4) George Dyer (Dominicans)
5) Terrence Fitzmaurice (Benedictines)
6) John Huels (Servite)
7) Augustine Jones (Benedictines)
8) Donald McGuire (Jesuits)
9) John Murphy (Augustinians)
10) Robert Murphy (Camelites)
11) Michael O'Connor (Augustinians)
12) Jean Baptiste (J.B.) Ormechea (Passionists)
13) Eusebio Pantoja (Claretians)
14) Thomas Paramo (Claretians)
15) Carlos Peralta (Salesians)
16) John Powell (Jesuits)

## 17) Andrew Ronan (Servites)

## 18) Wilton Skiffington (Jesuits)

19) Patrick Strong (Augustinians)
49. sexually molested John Doe 100 at some point between approximately 2000 and 2005, when John Doe 100 was a minor child.
50. Neither John Doe 100 nor Mother Doe 100 knew that the Archdiocese had received reports about exual abuse of children.

## COUNT I

(Injunction - Release of Names)
51.

Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in

## Count I.

52. Plaintiffs bring Count I on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.
53. The practices of the Archdiocese of Chicago have endangered numerous children in the past and these practices will continue to put children at risk in the future.
54. Plaintiffs and the class have the right to not be sexually molested by clerics of the Archdiocese of Chicago.
55. The Archdiocese owes a duty to warn all children and their parents that come into contact with its clerics of allegations of sexual misconduct by the clerics because these children and their parents hold clerics in an esteemed position, which gives clerics virtually unlimited access to children.
56. The Archdiocese also owes a duty to children and their parents to release all of the names of clerics against whom the Archdiocese has deemed to have credible allegations of
sexual misconduct with children to the court and to the public at large.
57. The Archdiocese also owes a duty to children and their parents to release all of the names of clerics that have been accused of sexual misconduct with children to the court and to the public at large.
58. Unless injunctive relief is granted numerous children in Illinois are at risk of being sexually molested by clerics of the Archdiocese.
59. In order to ensure that children are protected and free from sexual molestation by clerics, the plaintiffs and the members of the class are entitled to an injunction ordering that the Archdiocese do the following:
a) Release the names of all 55 of the priests that it reported to the John Jay Survey to the court and to the public.
b) Release the names of all other clerics, like that were not included in the John Jay Survey, but against whom the Archdiocese has received allegations of sexual misconduct by the cleric with children to the court and to the public.

COUNT II
(Injunction-Documents)
60. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in Count II.
61. Plaintiffs bring Count II on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.
62. On information and belief, the Archdiocese still has documents that are evidence of crimes committed by clerics against children.
63. The Archdiocese has a duty to the public at large and to law enforcement to not
destroy any documents that evidence a crime.
64.

The Archdiocese has a duty to children that were abused by clerics to not destroy any documents relating to the sexual misconduct or alleged sexual misconduct of any cleric at anytime in the Archdiocese of Chicago.
65. On information and belief the Archdiocese has destroyed documents and/or concealed documents and/or failed to give documents to law enforcement relating to sexual misconduct or alleged sexual misconduct by clerics of the Archdiocese.
66. Unless injunctive relief is granted, children will be at imminent risk of being molested by clerics of the Archdiocese, law enforcement will be prevented from doing its job, and those children that have already been molested by clerics will have their rights negatively affected.
67.

In order to ensure that children are protected and free from sexual molestation by clerics, the plaintiffs and the members of the class are entitled to an injunction ordering that the Archdiocese do the following:
a) Turn over any document with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child to the Illinois Courts for supervision of these documents.
b) Turn over any document with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child to law enforcement.
c) Cease in the destruction or spoliation of any documents with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child.
d) Cease to conceal or misplace any documents with any connection to any
allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child.

## COUNT III <br> (Declaratory Judgment)

68. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in Count III.
69. Plaintiffs bring Count III on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.
70. There is an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, concerning whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practices of not releasing the names of those clerics that have been accused of molesting children.
71. There is also an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, concerning whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practice of not removing a cleric that is accused of molesting a child from any position where the cleric has any contact with children.
72. Finally, there is an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, conceming whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practices of destroying and/or concealing documents evidencing allegations of sexual misconduct by clerics.
73. 

The plaintiffs and members of the plaintiff class are entitled to a declaration that the Archdiocesan practices of not releasing the names of clerics accused of sexual misconduct with minors, not removing clerics that are accused of sexual misconduct with children from positions where they have access to children, and by destroying and/or concealing documents, is
not adequate to protect children.
WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court grant the relief requested within this complaint or any other relief the Court deems just in order to protect children.

Dated: January 31, 2006

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March 29, 2006
Cynthia Giacchetti
53 W. Jackson Blvd.
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Dear Ms. Giacchetti,
Enclosed you will find a packet of information released by the Archdiocese of Chicago on Monday, March 21, 2006. This information was also provided your clients, Fr. John Robinson a Cardinal Stritch Retreat House.

If you have any questions please direct them directly to Leah McCluskey at 312-7515205.

Sincerely,


Laura A. Neri-Palomino
Administrative Assistant

Enclosure

Rev. John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, Illinois 60060-0455
Dear Fr. Robinson,
I want to thank you again for meeting with Revs. Vincent Costello and Edward Grace and myself at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House on March 22, 2006 to review the enclosed Individual Specific Protocols [ISP].

As we discussed on March $22^{\text {nd }}$, I am returning the ISP and the related forms that we reviewed to you and have forwarded copies to your canonical advocate and civil attorney as well. I ask that you review and discuss the ISP with your counsel and then return the signed protocol to me no later than April 17, 2006.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205 or Fr. Costello at [312] 642-1837.


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The Individual Specific Protocols (ISP) implement the primary goal of promoting the safety of minors. Additionally, the ISP protects the integrity of the Church and serves as a safeguard for individual priest or deacon. As long as the cleric is a client of the Office of Professional Responsibility, he will be subject to appropriate protocols, restrictions and monitoring under the authority of the Vicar for Priests and supervised by the Professional Responsibility Administrator (PRA). The agreement of a priest or deacon to abide by these protocols is not understood to prove the truth of any allegation and is not intended to be an admission of guilt for any delict or crime, whether in Canon Law, or State and Federal Law. This agreement represents the cooperation of the cleric with his bishop as he exercises his pastoral office (e.g., Canons 369 and 392).
This ISP for $\qquad$ is as follows (PRA to initial all that apply):

1. The client is restricted from being alone with a minor or minors, that is anyone under the age of 18 , without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. 
3. 


4.
 The "Clergy Daily Log" to be completed on a daily basis and co-signed by the monitor. The $\log$ is a tool that is used for the protection of minors, the cleric, the monitor and the Archdiocese. Although it identifies time periods, it is intended to provide a general record of the day rather than a detailed clock. If you are describing an off-site activity, please include your destination and the general purpose of the visit or activity. For example, it is enough to indicate that you did personal shopping at a given Shopping Center rather than the details of each individual store. However, if your self-description is challenged or a complaint is lodged with the Archdiocese, some documentation and verification may be necessary to sufficiently address the situation.
5. (1) bide by the assignment of residence to


(heMust complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement", and obtain concurrence with the Agreement, prior to a scheduled departure. In the event of a prolonged stay in a particular location, the Archdiocese is required to notify the Ordinary of that place of your presence there.
7. N/A Attendance at a recommended support group (please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of $\qquad$ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance at a recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
8. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or video technology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees apply as they do to all Archdiocesan personnel.
9. No ministerial participation in the public celebration of the Eucharist or any other Sacrament or Sacramental without the prior, written permission of the Vicar for Priests.
10. Refrain from wearing any garb that would give the appearance of, or seem to infer, a priest/deacon who has canonical faculties and is currently assigned to some ministry (e.g., the 'clerical shirt').
11. On-site visits by the PRA and the VP annually to include a meeting with the cleric.

This Individual Specific Protocol is to be reviewed annually with PRA, VP, and the cleric. Also, there can be additional, written notations tailored to the needs of a specific situation which are signed by all parties and appended to this document. Any change or alteration to this agreement will involve consultation with the cleric, his monitor, the PRA, and the VP. The cleric, his monitor, the PRA, or the VP can initiate the discussion for change or alteration, or request that this Individual Specific Protocol be reviewed by the Professional Responsibility Review Board. At the discretion of any of the parties, the legal and/or canonical counsel of the cleric may be involved in the discussions.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all of these individual specific Protocols.

(Revised 1/XII/04)


Date of Ordination [of accused]: $\quad 5 / 12 / 71$
Location: Mundelein
Age at ordination: 25
Assignment location of accused: N/A
Status of accused: Withdrawn from ministry
Name of canonical advocate: Very Rev. Gregory T. Bittner

Date allegation received by PRA:
Date allegation formalized with PRA:
Date of initial incident of alleged abuse: 1973
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Approximate number of incidents of alleged abuse: one

Brief summary of alleged abuse: fondling, digital penetration
Brief summary and date of response from accused: 6/25/02 and 10/29/02; Fr. Robinson only admitted to bare bottom spanking over his knee

Stage of disposition by Professional Responsibility Review Board: 2/03-Concluded, reasonable cause to suspect the alleged misconduct occurred with withdrawal and monitoring

Additional allegations made by accuser: None

April 27, 2006
Rev. John Robinson
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, Illinois 60060-0455
Dear Fr. Robinson,
Enclosed with this letter is a copy of your current completed and signed Individual Specific Protocol. Please note that copies of this document have also been sent to your canonical advocate, civil attorney, Vicar for Priests, and to your on-site monitor Deacon Richard Hudzik.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.


Enclosure
Cc Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests


Very Rev. Gregory T. Bittner, Canonical Advocate
Cynthia Giacchetti, Civil Attorney
Deacon Richard Hudzik, On-site Monitor

## TRAVELNACATION NOTIFICATION

Note: This form must be submitted to PRA three weeks prior to planned departure. In event of an emergency need, contact PRA or Vicar for Priests to discuss travel.

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to destination address \& contact phone number] from Dec. 28, '06 [Departure Date] through Dec. 31, '06 (Return Date).

John A. Robinson [name of cleric] will be chaperoned by Rev. Anthony C. Puchenski [name of travel chaperone].PRA may contact the chaperone at the following phone number prior to departure The identified chaperone has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of John A. Robinson [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by John A. Robinson [name of cleric] must be in the presence identified chaperone. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. The identified chaperone may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of John A. Robinson [cleric name] over Dec. 28, 06 to Dec. 31 2006 [aforementioned time frame.]
3. As previously noted, the date of return to John A. Robinson's [cleric name] residence has been scheduled for Dec. 31,06 [aforementioned return date]. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PA at [312] 751-5205.

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 file in the Office of Professional Responsibility andaggpy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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January 19, 2007
Rev. John Robinson
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, Illinois 60060-0455
Dear Fr. Robinson,
I am writing to you in regards to the TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION form that you have agreed to fill out and return to me three weeks prior to any planned overnight absence from your residence of the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. Upon filling out the form, please provide a copy to Deacon Richard Hudzik prior to sending it to my office. This is to ensure that Deacon Hudzik is aware of your planned overnight absence in the event that he does not receive a copy of the notification form from my office prior to any planned departure. I have enclosed a blank copy of the notification form with this letter.

Rev. Vincent Costello and I will be in contact with you regarding any future additional changes to your Individual Specific Protocol, Daily Log, and/or Travel/Vacation notification forms. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 7515205.

Sincerely,


Professional Responsibility Administrator
Enclosure
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Cc } & \text { Very Rev. Gregory T. Bittner, canonical advocate } \\ \text { Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests } \\ \text { Cynthia Giacchetti, civil attorney } \\ \text { Deacon Richard Hudzik } \\ & \text { Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board }\end{array}$

## SUMMARY TIME LINE OF ALLEGATION

|  | ACCUSED | ACCUSER |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Name: | Rev. John Robinson |  |
| Address: | Cardinal Stritch Retreat House <br> Mundelein, IL |  |
| Date of Birth: |  |  |
| Current age: | 60 |  |
| Name of civil attorney: | Cynthia Giacchetti |  |

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## ADDITIONAL ALLEGATIONS AGAINST ACCUSED

## Name of accuser:

Date of Birth:

## Current age:

Name of civil attorney:
Date allegation received: $\quad 1 / 14 / 03$
Date allegation formalized:
Date of initial incident of alleged abuse:
Date of last incident of alleged abuse:
Approximate number of incidents of alleged abuse:

## Brief summary of alleged abuse:

Brited - 3rd party
was a former resident of AGO from the 60's and 70's. Not submitted - 3rd party allegation not confirmed.

Brief summary and date of response from accused: not presented to Fr . Robinson as it was not a formal allegation due to the fact that PRA never spoke with the alleged victim

Stage of disposition by Review Board: this matter did not go before the Review Board due to the fact that it was a third party allegation and PRA did not speak with the alleged victim

Additional allegations made by accuser: None

Signature of Director:


Date: 4112107

## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract supplements the Additional Allegations Against Accused report prepared by Leah McCluskey, Director of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Child Abuse Investigations and Review, dated April 12, 2007. This report summarizes the third party allegation of abuse of Victim KP by Fr. John Robinson. According to the report, the third party reported that Victim KP told him Victim KP was abused by Robinson on multiple occasions. At the time of the alleged abuse, Robinson was a seminarian at St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

May 4, 2007

## Rev. John Robinson

P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, Illinois 60060-0455
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As we discussed on April $13^{\text {th }}$, I am returning the ISP and the related forms that we reviewed to you and have forwarded copies to your civil attorney and canonical advocate as well. I ask that you review and discuss the ISP with your counsel and then return the signed protocol to me by May 21, 2007.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205 or Fr. Costello at [312] 642-1837.

Sincerely,


Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
Enclosures

# Cc Very Rev. Gregory T. Bittner, JCL, canonical advocate Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests Cynthia Giachetti, civil attorney $\downarrow$ 

## Cardinal Stritch Retreat House

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Greetings Vince,
Thank you ever so much for giving me permission to attend my cousin's funeral in Ornaha - I appreciate it.

As directed. I am sending you vis fax the TRAVELNACATION FORM. The original I am giving to Dick so he knows where I'm at I'm leaving on Monday, May $14^{\text {th }}$ and rebuming on the morning of May $16^{\text {G/ }}$.


## TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

NOTE: This form must be submitted to Director of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review three weeks prior to planned departure
In event of an emergency need, contact Director or Vicar for Priests to discuss travel John H. Pobiris[name of traveling cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to
 [destination address and contact phone number] from $\square$ eparture date] through $\qquad$ [return date]. The traveling cleric will be chaperoned by [name of chaperone]. The Director may contact the chaperone at the following phone number prior to departur The identified chaperone has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of the traveling cleric during the aforementioned time frame, as well as assuring that the traveling cleric will be spending the identified overnights in the same residence as him/her.

1. Contacts with minors by the traveling cleric must be in the presence of the identified chaperone. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.
2. The identified chaperone may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of traveling cleric over the aforementioned time period of travel.
3. As previously noted, the date of return to the traveling cleric's residence has been scheduled for $5 \sim / 6-07$ [aforementioned return date]. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact the Director at [312] 751-5205.


Director Signature: $\qquad$
Date:


Date: $\qquad$
A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.


The Individual Specific Protocols (ISP) implement the primary goal of promoting the safety of minors. Additionally, the ISP protects the integrity of the Church and serves as a safeguard for individual priest or deacon. As long as the cleric is a client of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, he will be subject to appropriate protocols, restrictions and monitoring under the authority of the Vicar for Priests and supervised by the Director of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review (Director). The agreement of a priest or deacon to abide by these protocols is not understood to prove the truth of any allegation and is not intended to be an admission of guilt for any delict or crime, whether in Canon Law, or State and Federal Law. This agreement represents the cooperation of the cleric with his bishop as he exercises his pastoral office (e.g., Canons 369 and 392).
This ISP for Rev. John Robinson is as follows (Director to initial all that apply):

1. The client is restricted from being alone with a minor or minors, that is anyone under the age of 18 , without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. 


4.

The "Clergy Daily Log" to be completed on a daily basis and co-signed by the on-site supervisor. The log is a tool that is used for the protection of minors, the cleric, the on-site supervisor and the Archdiocese. Although it identifies time periods, it is intended to provide a general record of the day rather than a detailed clock. If you are describing an off-site activity, please include your destination and the general purpose of the visit or activity. For example, it is enough to indicate that you did personal shopping at a given Shopping Center rather than the details of each individual store. However, if your self-description is challenged or a complaint is lodged with the Archdiocese, some documentation and verification may be necessary to sffficiently address the situation.
5. Abide by the assignment of residence to Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, Mundelein, IL.
6.
 Must complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement," and obtain concurrence with the Agreement, prior to a scheduled departure. In the event of a prolonged stay in a particular location, the Archdiocese is required to notify the Ordinary of that place of your presence there.
7. $\mathcal{W} / A$ Attendance at a recommended support group
(please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of $\qquad$ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance at a recommended support group is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
8. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or video technology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees apply as they do to all Archdiocesan personnel.
9. No ministerial participation in the public celebration of the Eucharist or any other Sacrament or Sacramental without the prior, written permission of the Vicar for Priests.
10. Refrain from wearing any garb that would give the appearance of, or seem to infer, a priest/deacon who has canonical faculties and is currently assigned to some ministry (e.g., the 'clerical shirt').
11. On-site visits by the Director and the VP annually to include a meeting with the cleric.

This Individual Specific Protocol is to be reviewed annually with the Director, VP, and the cleric. Also, there can be additional, written notations tailored to the needs of a specific situation which are signed by all parties and appended to this document. Any change or alteration to this agreement will involve consultation with the cleric, his on-site supervisor, the Director, and the VP. The cleric, his on-site supervisor, the Director, or the VP can initiate the discussion for change or alteration, or request that this Individual Specific Protocol be reviewed by the independent Review Board. At the discretion of any of the parties, the legal and/or canonical counsel of the cleric may be involved in the discussions.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all of these individual specific Protocols.


Date: Additional, written notations appended to this document? $\qquad$ no $\triangle$
(Revised 4/5/07)

May 31, 2007

Rev. John Robinson
P.O. Box 455

Mundelein, Illinois 60060-0455
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[^11]Cardinal Stritch

## Memo

| To: | John Robinson |
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| Frome | Richard F. Hudzik |
| CC: | File |
| Date: | 10/10/2007 |
| Re: | Mundelein Park District |

John:
In speaking with Ed Grace about the plans to go to the Mundelein Park District, he told me he would prefer you either stick with the Condell program or, if you like, go to where Jim Ray goes-at Bally's. Ed was concerned that some malicious gossip might seek to embarrass you or the Archdiocese showing "that removed priest" going to a park district facility which is adjacent to an outdoor swimming pool open to children. Also, the gym itself has a daycare in it for the parents who are exercising and who bring the kids along (although the gym itself is only for adults).

I will have to agree with Ed now that use of the park district is probably not worth the risk.

Let me know how I can help to get you going to Bally's. I think it is very important for your health, as well as your happiness. As I've said before, I am concemed you don't use the elevator all the time and that you might hurt yourself on the stairs. If some serious injury were to happen, we would likely be missing your company for many, many months-something we both want to avoid.

April 9, 2008

Reverend John Robinson
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
PO Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

## Dear Father Robinson,

This letter is to update you on actions we are taking to upgrade our monitoring and supervision program. For the past year, we have been reviewing the recommendations from the consultants we hired in 2006 as well as the Ad Hoc Committee who worked with us this past year to redesign our programs for oversight and compliance. We are now in the process of implementing improvements to both of these programs.

We have engaged Dr. Monica Applewhite, former president of Praesidium, Inc., the national accrediting body for religious communities seeking to comply with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth and Essential Norms, to design and recommend an individual protocol with each removed priest. Secondly, we have hired a new compliance supervisor, Ms. Shawnte Jenkins, to oversee compliance with these agreements and protocols.

The Vicar for Priests and members of the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth will be in contact with you to discuss these changes.

Please give them your cooperation.


Chancellor
cc. Cardinal Francis George

Fr. John Canary
Fr. Vince Costello
Fr. Ed Grace
Jan Slattery

## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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On July 22, 2005, I issued a decree removing Archdiocesan faculties from Reverend John Robinson, since I had determined that he had committed the delict of c .1395 §2. I also dispensed him from the obligation to wear ecclesiastical garb and forbade him to represent himself as a priest to those unknown to him or to act as an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago. He was permitted to celebrate the Most Holy Eucharist privately, and celebrate the sacraments of Penance and the Anointing of the Sick for those in danger of death.

In giving me permission to provide for Father Robinson's case for a determinate period of time by means of a penal decree and precept, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith also allowed for the possibility that "at the end of the said determinate period the competent Ordinary may deem it necessary, upon review of the circumstances, to issue a new decree for a further period of time." (CDF P.N. 289/03-19665)

Since neither the circumstances nor the particular law for the United States has changed in the past three years, I renew the provisions of my decree of July 22, 2005 for another three years. Since the responsibility for determining the terms of monitoring has now been given to the Office for Protection of Children and Youth, it is that office that will work with Father Robinson to establish a specific protocol for his monitoring and therapeutic intervention.

Given in Chicago, Illinois, on the $22^{\text {nd }}$ day of July, 2008.


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago



Ecclesiastical Notary

# Individual Specific Protocols: John Robinson 

## Implementation Date

August 15, 2008

## BRIEF HISTORY OF INDIVIDUAL

John Robinson was born in 1945 in Charlotte, Illinois. He was an only child and converted to Catholicism as an elementary school student at Queen of All Saints Parish.School. He graduated from Quigley Seminary High School in 1963 and was ordained in 1971. John Robinson served in parish ministry within the Archdiocese of Chicago for more than 30 years. He found work with those who were in the process of converting to Catholicism particularly gratifying. John Robinson has also had a long-term affinity for work and ministry with the elderly. He continues to have an interest in friendships with older priests and others with whom he has long-term relationships and shared hobbies (such as amateur radio).

History of problem behaviors.
In 2002, John Robinson was accused of sexually abusing a fourteen-year-old male.


John Robinson acknowledged seeing the boy, contracting with him and utilizing bare-buttocks spanking as a disciplinary procedure, although he cannot recall the issues for which the boy was being punished. John Robinson does not acknowledge any sexual contact
in the Angel Guardian Orphanage where he served in ministry prior to ordination. The allegation was not investigated because it originated from a third party and not from the individual who was allegedly abused. At the time of the alleged abuse, John Robinson was not yet ordained and was serving as a caregiver in the Orphanage.


Current Canonical Status.
July 31,2003 John Robinson's case was referred to the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith. Cardinal George requested a penal trial to be conducted by the Metropolitan Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The Holy See reviewed and accepted Cardinal George's acceptance of the advice of the review board. Cardinal George was granted permission to impose a penal precept on John Robinson for a determinate period of time. The Penal Decree and Precept states that John Robinson is guilty of a violation of the sixth commandment of the Decalogue with a minor (c. 2359§2 of the 1917 code of Canon Law and c. $1395 \S 2$ of the present code). Of his own admission, John Robinson engaged in inappropriate behavior that involved "bare bottom spankings" that constitutes the delict mentioned in c. $1395 \S 2$.

CURRENT LIVING ARRANGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT WITH MINORS.
John Robinson is currently living in the Cardinal Stritch Retreat house with 8 other members of the archdiocesan priesthood who have been removed from ministry due to substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of minors. John Robinson does not leave the house every day and is often in his room. When John Robinson does go out, it is normally to have dinner with two other residents of the house or to go to a doctor's appointment. John Robinson and often has lunch with a friend, afterwards. Currently, the only minors John Robinson reports that he could come in contact with are relatives, whom he has not seen in over a year, or the children of his friend, $\square$ who has a boy and a girl who are reportedly middle or high school age.

## RISK MANAGEMENT STRENGTHS.

John Robinson does not appear to be attempting to spend time with minors or time in homes with children present. He also has relatively few known offenses more than 30 years ago. There are no known offenses from his years of parish work or any other environment in over 29 years.

## RISK MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES.

John Robinson does not demonstrate clear understanding of the sexual nature of the allegations against him, nor does he report insight into the ways sexuality can influence other aspects of human behavior, for example, affecting eating patterns or anger management. Attention to these areas in his overall program of wellness possibly could strengthen his internal mechanisms of control with respect to interactions with others. Generally speaking, it will be important that John Robinson not be placed in authority over vulnerable people and not be permitted to openly or physically demonstrate anger, as these situations would be high-risk for him.

Statement of Problem 1: Sexual Offenses against Minors

| Risk Reduction Strategy | Method of verification | Date of implementation | Date of review |
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| John Robinson is prohibited from exercising priestly ministry in all forms, including, but not limited to public celebration of Mass, wearing the Roman Collar or other symbols of ministry, wearing clerical garb (or any garb that denotes ministry), and introducing or calling himself "Father" or "Reverend". | Verification with Community Support Network. <br> Unannounced verification (felephone, visits, GPS) of daily logs. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |
| John Robinson is prohibited from communicating by telephone, text message, email, online chat or letter with anyone under the age of 22 . | Verification with support network. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |
| John Robinson is required to complete the "Request for Travel" and receive approval in accordance with its timelines and procedures, pror to any trips or overnight stays away from the residence. | Verification by <br> Compliance Supervisor. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |

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| John Robinson will provide to his Compliance Supervisor a listing <br> of the close friends and relatives who support him, including <br> contact information, for the purpose of verifying his adherence <br> to the protocols and ensuring his ongoing support and <br> accountability lto be submitted within 5 business days of <br> implementation of protocal). | Completion of <br> Community <br> Support Network <br> form | $8 / 15 / 08$ |  |
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## Individual Specific Protocols

Statement of Problem 2: Unaddressed issues associated with Eating


## Statement of Problem 3: Need for Structured System of Support

| Risk Reduction Strategy | METHOD OF VERIFICATION | Date of implementation | Date of REview |
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| With assistance from others, John Robinson is encouraged to secure work for a minimum of 15 hours per week. | Verification by Compliance Supervisor. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |
| John Robinson is required to attend monthly meetings at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat house. | Sign-in sheet and verification by Compliance Supervisor. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |
| John Robinson will spend one evening each week at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, participating in an evening meal, faith sharing and group meeting. | Verification with Deacon Hudzik | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |
| John Robinson is encouraged to continue friendship and occasional lunches with $\square$ | Verification with <br> that she is interested in supporting John Robinson's program of wellness. | 8/15/08 | 11/15/08 |

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE PLAN.

1. Restrictions related to the areas of non-compliance and risk.
2. Non-compliance related to risk of abuse of minors will result in canonical action toward involuntary removal from the priesthood.

I have read and understand these Individual Specific Protocols
Signatures.


Signature of Vicar for Priest:
 Date: $9 / 10 / 08$ Signature of Ecclesiastic Notary: $\qquad$ Nevin Date: $2 / 10 / 08$

Signature of Cardinal:
 Date: $\frac{\operatorname{sen} 5,3,708}{}$

## Community Support Network for John Robinson

| Name | Relationship | Contact information |
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Individual Specific Protocols

## Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract supplements the Individual Specific Protocols for Fr. John Robinson, implemented by the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Protection of Children and Youth, dated September 10, 2008. Prior allegations of alleged misconduct by Robinson are detailed in the Protocols, including an allegation from Victim KO that Robinson sexually abused him approximately 25 times in 1973 at St. Pricilla's parish, and a third party allegation that Robinson abused Victim KP at Angel Guardian Orphanage when Robinson served there prior to his ordination as a priest.

## Reporting Period: September 9, 2008- June 9, 2010

John Robinson's overall progress in the Prayer and Penance Program has been Compliant.
Concerns regarding isolation and inactivity have been noted and may be contributing to his diminishing capacity and memory loss.

John Robinson has gained weight during this period, which has greatly impacted his mobility. Poor hygiene and unkept appearance has been observed (i.e. torn too small clothing, unshaven).

Retreat House Director reported incident of observing John Robinson intoxicated. John Robinson denies any reports of being intoxicated at the retreat house. He denied any alcohol abuse, however acknowledges to Compliance Supervisor consuming approximately 1-2 drink a week, when at dinner.

# Individual Specific Protocols: John Robinson 

IMPLEMENTATION DATE
August 15, 2008

DATE OF REVIEW
December, 2010

## Assignment History

Date of Birth:
Ordained: May 12, 1971
May 1971- December 1972- St. Clotilde
January 1973- June 1979- St. Priscilla
July 1979- September 1979- St. Emily, Mt. Prospect
September 1979- June 1987- St. Damian, Oak Forest
June 1987- June 1994- St. Edward
July 1994- July 2003- Queen of the Rosary, Elk Grove Village

## BRIEF HISTORY OF INDIVIDUAL

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History of Allegations: Substantiated and non-Substantiated

## Allegation 1. Timeframe: 1973

In 2002, John Robinson was accused of sexually abusing a fourteen-year-old male. .

Allegation 2. Timeframe: Unknown
At least one other allegation has come forward regarding John Robinson's sexually abusing a resident in the Angel Guardian Orphanage where he served in ministry prior to ordination. The allegation was not investigated because it originated from a third party and not from the individual who was allegedly abused. At the time of the alleged abuse, John Robinson was not yet ordained and was serving as a caregiver in the Orphanage.

## Current Canonical Status.

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## Current living arrangement and involvement with minors.

John Robinson is currently living in the Cardinal Stritch Retreat house with 5 other members of the archdiocesan priesthood who have been removed from ministry due to substantiated allegations of sexual abuse of minors. John Robinson does not leave the house every day and is often in his room. When John Robinson does go out, it is normally to have dinner with two other residents of the house or to go to a doctor appointment. $\square$ Currently, the only minors John Robinson reports that he could come in contact with are relatives, whom he has not seen in over a year, or the children of his friend, who has a boy and a girl who are reportedly middle or high school age.

## RISK management strengths.

John Robinson does not appear to be attempting to spend time with minors or time in homes with children present. He also has relatively few known offenses more than 30 years ago. There are no known offenses from his years of parish work or any other environment during the time he was serving in parish ministry.

## RISK MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES.

John Robinson does not demonstrate clear understanding of the sexual nature of the allegations against him, nor does he report insight into the ways sexuality can influence other aspects of human behavior, for example, effecting eating patterns or anger management. Attention to these areas in his overall program of wellness possibly could strengthen his internal mechanisms of control with respect to interactions with others. Generally speaking, it will be important that John Robinson not be placed in authority over vulnerable people and not be permitted to openly or physically demonstrate anger, as these situations would be high-risk for him.

Statement of Problem 1: Sexual Offenses against Minors

| Risk Reduction Strategy | Method of verification | Known Violations | Progress to date |
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| John Robinson is prohibited from exercising priestly ministry in all forms, including, but not limited to public celebration of mass, wearing the Roman Collar or other symbols of ministry, wearing clerical garb (or any garb that denotes ministry), and introducing or calling himself "Father" or "Reverend". | Verification with <br> Community <br> Support <br> Network. <br> Unannounced verification (telephone, visits, GPS) of daily logs. | None during this reporting period. | Full <br> Compliance <br> There have been no known incidents of John Robinson exercising priestly ministry. |
| John Robinson is prohibited from communicating by telephone, text message, email, online chat or letter with anyone under the age of 22. | Verification with support network. | None during this reporting period. | Full <br> Compliance <br> There have been no known incidents of John Robinson |


|  |  |  | communicating with anyone under the age of 22 . |
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| John Robinson is required to complete the "Request for Travel" and receive approval in accordance with its timelines and procedures, prior to any trips or overnight stays away from the residence. | Verification by <br> Compliance Supervisor. | None <br> during <br> this <br> reporting period | Full <br> Compliance <br> John Robinson has made no requests for travel. |
| John Robinson is prohibited from being alone with anyone under the age of 22. | Verification with support network. Unannounced verification (telephone, visits, GPS) of daily logs. | None during this reporting period. | Full <br> Compliance <br> There are no known reports of John Robinson being alone with anyone under the age of 22. |
| John Robinson is encouraged to explore the possibility of setting up his amateur radio equipment at the retreat house. [Operators are required to be 18 years or older and communications are open to monitoring at any time]. | Verification with | None during this reporting period. | Non <br> Compliance <br> John Robinson has not followed through with setting up amateur radio at the retreat house. |
| John Robinson is encouraged to attend the annual amateur radio conference with his friend, as he has in years past. | Verification with | None during this reporting period. | Non <br> Compliance <br> John Robinson has not contacted $\square$ $\square$ or <br> attended annual amateur radio conference. |


| John Robinson is permitted to spend time with and his family, provided that $\square$ signs the agreement to participate in community support. Otherwise, John Robinson may only meet with $\square$ in public places (not $\square$ home) when his children are not present. | Verification with | None during this reporting period. | Full Compliance <br> John Robinson has not spent time with and his family. |
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| John Robinson is permitted to spend up to three nights in a hotel room near Anthony Puchenski's home once or twice each year, provided he returns to the hotel no later than 9 pm each evening | Verification by cellular phone and GPS by Compliance Supervisor. | None <br> during <br> this <br> reporting <br> period | Full <br> Compliance <br> John Robinson has not requested to spend time with Fr. <br> Anthony <br> Puchenski. Fr. <br> Puchenski has since passed away. |
| John Robinson is not permitted to visit pornographic or suggestive websites in any form. | Verification every six months with technology professional retained by the <br> Archdiocese of Chicago. | None during this reporting period. | Full Compliance <br> John Robinson no longer has access to the internet. |

Statement of Problem 2: Unaddressed issues associated with Eating



Statement of Problem 3: Need for Structured System of Support

| Risk Reduction Strategy | Method of <br> Verification | Known <br> VIoLations | Progress to <br> Date |
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| With assistance from others, John Robinson is <br> encouraged to secure work for a minimum of 15 <br> hours per week. | Verification <br> by <br> Compliance <br> Supervisor. | None <br> during this <br> reporting <br> period. | Non <br> Compliance |
| John Robinson <br> has not <br> secured work. |  |  |  |

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| the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House, participating |
| in an evening meal, faith sharing and group |
| meeting. | | Verification |
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Reporting Period: September 9, 2008- June 9, 2010
John Robinson's overall progress in the Prayer and Penance Program has been Compliant.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE PLAN.
Depending on the gravity of the instance of non-compliance, any of the following consequences may apply:

- Immediate polygraph to determine whether abuse may have occurred.
- Restriction from travel.
- Restrictions on time away from the retreat house.
- Change of residence
- Canonical action, up to and including involuntary removal from the priesthood.

I have read and understand these Individual Specific Protocols
Signatures.
signed: The A. kherson Date: $\qquad$
Printed Name: John A, Robinson
Signature of Vicar for Priest:
 Date: $\qquad$ $1 / 28 / 4$

Signature of Ecclesiastic Notary:
 Date: $\qquad$ Eh.14,2011

Signature of Cardinal:


# IndIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS: IOHN ROBINSON <br> IMPLEMENTATION DATE <br> December, 2010 <br> December, 2011 <br> <br> \section*{DATE OF REVIEW} 

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Statement of Problem 1: Sexual Offenses against Minors

| Risk Reduction Strategy | Method of verification | $\begin{gathered} \text { DATE OF } \\ \text { IMPLEMENTATION } \end{gathered}$ | Date <br> of <br> review |
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| John Robinson is required to log out his whereabouts on the "Clergy Daily Log Sheet" daily prior to leaving the retreat house. | Verification by Compliance Supervisor | 12/10 | 12/11 |
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| John Robinson is prohibited from being alone with anyone under the age of 22. | Verification with support network. Unannounced verification (telephone, visits, GPS) of daily logs. | 12/10 | $12 / 11$ |
| John Robinson is encouraged to explore the possibility of setting up his amateur radio | Verification with | 12/10 | 12/11 |


| equipment at the retreat house. [Operators are <br> required to be 18 years or older and <br> communications are open to monitoring at any <br> time]. |  |  |  |
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| John Robinson will provide Compliance Supervisor <br> with updated listing of close friends and relatives <br> who support him, including contact information <br> for the purposes of verifying adherence to the <br> protocols and ensuring his ongoing support and <br> accountability. | Completion of <br> Community <br> Support Network <br> Form. | $12 / 10$ | $12 / 11$ |

Statement of Problem 2: Unaddressed issues associated with Eating


Statement of Problem 3: Need for Structured System of Support

| Risk Reduction Strategy | METHOD OF VERIFICATION | Date of implementation | Date of review |
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| John Robinson is encouraged to participate in a routine exercise program. | Verification by Compliance Supervisor | 12/10 | 12/11 |
| John Robinson is required to attend group meetings at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat house facilitated by Compliance Supervisor. | Sign-in sheet and verification by Compliance Supervisor. | 12/10 | 12/11 |
| John Robinson is encouraged to continue friendship and social outings with | Verification with that she is interested in supporting John Robinson's program of wellness. | 12/10 | 12/11 |
| John Robinson is encouraged to inform his doctor of increasing memory loss and disorganization | Verification by Compliance Supervisor. | 12/10 | 12/11 |

## CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE PLAN.

Depending on the gravity of the instance of non-compliance, any of the following consequences may apply:

- Immediate polygraph to determine whether abuse may have occurred.
- Restriction from travel.
- Restrictions on time away from the retreat house.
- Change of residence
- Canonical action, up to and including involuntary removal from the priesthood.

I have read and understand these Individual Specific Protocols
Signatures.
Signed: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Printed Name: $\qquad$
Signature of Vicar for Priest: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Signature of Ecclesiastic Notary: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$
Signature of Cardinal: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$

Community Support Network for John Robinson

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## Implementation Date

## January 2012

## Assignment History

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## BRIEF HISTORY OF INDIVIDUAL

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## Risk management Strategies

Statement of the Problem: Sexual Offenses against Minors

| Risk Reduction Strategy | Method of verification | Comments |
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| With a prudent companion, Johin Robinson is permitted to spend time with his own family members who have minor children. He is prohibited at all times from being alone with anyone under the age of 21 . No staff member under the age of 21 should be assigned to work directly with John Robinson | Oversight and verification by Site Supervisor, Compliance Supervisor and Prudent Companions. |  |
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| John Robinson is prohibited from providing spiritual direction, pastoral care, counseling and all other forms of ministry that may be provided by laypersons. | Verification with support network. <br> Unannounced verification of daily logs. |  |
| John Robinson is prohibited from engaging in liturgy or any other aspect of parish community at any Roman Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Chicago. | Verification with Community Support Network. <br> Unannounced verification (telephone, visits, GPS) of daily logs. |  |
| John Robinson is prohibited from viewing, downloading or otherwise possessing pornography or sexually explicit materials of any kind. | Verification by Archdiocesan or contracted Information Technology Personnel and Compliance Supervisor. |  |
| John Robinson is prohibited from visits to Roman Catholic parishes in which he served in ministry. He may choose visit another parish with a prudent companion. If he visits another parish, involvement is to be limited to attending mass. John Robinson is required to avoid contact with children and youth while attending mass. | Verification by Compliance <br> Supervisor and Community <br> Support Network. |  |

Statement of the Problem: History of AlCoholism

| RISK REDUCTION STRATEGY | METHOD OF VERIFICATION | COMMENTS |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Robinson is required to have a full physical <br> examination that includes an assessment of current <br> medications, alcohol use and the mixing of current <br> substances. He is expected to follow the physician's <br> recommendations regarding his use of alcohol and <br> prescription medications. | Oversight and verification by <br> Site Supervisor. <br> Verification by Compliance <br> Supervisor. |  |
| Nursing care and personal care staff who have direct <br> responsibilities and routine contact with John Robinson <br> must receive and sign the "Necessary Information" sheet <br> regarding John Robinson. | Verification by Compliance <br> Supervisor. |  |
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Considerations for Failure of the Protocol to manage Risk
In the event that the protocols for John Robinson are not effective in managing his risk, additional actions must be considered. This will be necessary whether or not there is identifiable harm as a consequence to the failure to manage risk.

- Change of residence.
- Increase of staff to manage behavior
- Increased education of staff
- Increased monitoring by Archdiocesan staff

Signatures.
Signed: $\qquad$ Date: $\qquad$ $2 / 29 / 12$

Printed Name: REV. KENNETH A, BLDZikOWSKI


## Necessary Information: John Robinson, Resident

This notice is to inform you that resident, John Robinson, has a history of sexual behavior problems and $\square$ His history includes at least one offense of sexual abuse of a minor. He is not to be in the company of anyone under the age of 21 , even briefly. Children and youth must not be permitted to enter his room or to visit with him socially, even in open areas.

Any behavioral problems demonstrated by John Robinson must be immediately interrupted and reported to Sr. who will be responsible for addressing John Robinson's ongoing needs. Further, it is essential for all staff that works with John Robinson to adhere strictly to these protocols and also to remain vigilant with respect to their own personal safety. It is the responsibility of the staff member to alert Sr. to any situation or condition that causes the individual discomfort or concern.

I have read the "Necessary Information" regarding John Robinson and I agree to adhere to the protocols. In addition, I agree to use care and professionalism with my own personal safety and to report any problems or unusual behavior of John Robinson to Shawnte Jenkins, Archdiocesan Compliance Supervisor, within 48 hours.

Staff Signature
Date

Community Support Network for John Robinson

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Chancellor

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## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

## Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Review Board Meeting
Saturday, November 17, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## MINUTES

## Review Board Members Present:

## Review Board Members Absent:

## Non-members Present:

Rev. Jeffrey Grob, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Leah McCluskey, Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
I. Approval of Minutes - September 15, 2012

- Minutes approved


## II. Initial Review

A. In the Matter of

The Review Board conducted an Initial Review of the third party allegation of the sexual abuse of $\square$ when he was a minor by
A summary of the allegation is as follows: $\square$ reported that


Ms. McCluskey provided the Review Board with a verbal overview and update of the investigation of this matter.

The Review Board determined that the allegations warrant no further investigation and the file should be closed.

In addition, the Review Board expressed its concern with the related allegation made against related to and to bring the information back to the Board.
III. Supplementary Review
B.
IV. Other Matters


# Individual Specific Protocols: John Robinson 

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#### Abstract

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Risk management Strategies
Statement of the Problem: Sexual Offenses against Minors

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Statement of the Problem: History of Alcoholism

| RISK REDUCTION STRATEGY | METHOD OF VERIFICATION | COMMENTS |
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## Reporting Period: January, 2012-May 2013

Staff of reported that John was demonstrating inappropriate sexual behavior with some of the female nurses. Former Priest (now laicized for issues of sexual misconduct with a minor) Jim Ray was picking John up and taking him out of the facility. A female nurse reported to the Compliance Supervisor that Jim had made sexual inappropriate comments to her. Jim Ray has been restricted from coming to and John Robinson is restricting from going out with or visiting Jim Ray. Due to John's behavior and physical limitations he has been restricted from leaving the facility without an approved chaperone. John has now been assigned a private male nurse to assist with his personal care. His male nurse is an approved chaperone. John has been acting out during this reporting period. He is highly agitated, angry and uncompromising. On multiple occasions he has refused necessary medical care. has made clear that John will no longer be able to reside at the facility if he continues to refuse medical care. John is verbally abusive to Compliance Supervisor and female staff of

Despite his behavior he reports being happy with his placement and the level of care he is receiving at

Considerations for Failure of the Protocol to manage Risk
In the event that the protocols for John Robinson are not effective in managing his risk, additional actions must be considered. This will be necessary whether or not there is identifiable harm as a consequence to the failure to manage risk.

- Change of residence.
- Increase of staff to manage behavior
- Increased education of staff
- Increased monitoring by Archdiocesan staff


Printed Name: John A. RobiNsod


## Necessary Information: John Robinson, Resident

This notice is to inform you that resident, John Robinson, has a history of sexual behavior problems and $\quad$ His history includes at least one offense of sexual abuse of a minor. He is not to be in the company of anyone under the age of 21, even briefly. Children and youth must not be permitted to enter his room or to visit with him socially, even in open areas.

Any behavioral problems demonstrated by John Robinson must be immediately interrupted and reported to Sr. who will be responsible for addressing John Robinson's ongoing needs. Further, it is essential for all staff that works with John Robinson to adhere strictly to these protocols and also to remain vigilant with respect to their own personal safety. It is the responsibility of the staff member to alert Sr. to any situation or condition that causes the individual discomfort or concern.

I have read the "Necessary Information" regarding John Robinson and I agree to adhere to the protocols. In addition, I agree to use care and professionalism with my own personal safety and to report any problems or unusual behavior of John Robinson to Shawnte Jenkins, Archdiocesan Compliance Supervisor, within 48 hours.

## Staff Signature

Date

Community Support Network for John Robinson

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## Commitment to Participate in Community Support

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago has initiated a program of support and accountability for the priests of the Archdiocese who have been removed from ministry due to their sexual misconduct with minors. The program is voluntary in that a priest may choose to participate or may choose to leave the priesthood. John Robinson has expressed his desire to engage in this program, fully recognizing it will mean a significant increase in accountability and a decrease in his overall levels of privacy. This is seen as a positive sign, as openness to support and intervention by others is one of the essential components for long-term abstinence from sexual offending.

The Archdiocese has asked John Robinson to identify the friends and family members who would be willing and able to offer support and accountability to him as he moves through his daily life. You were among those he identified.

If you are willing to accompany John Robinson in this way, the following is asked of you:

1. That you review John Robinson 's history of allegations and substantiated offenses,
2. That you review his Individual Specific Protocols, which tell you what he is permitted to do and what he is not,
3. That you agree to support John Robinson through interrupting high-risk behaviors (such as his attempting to be alone with a minor) if they occur and informing his Compliance Supervisor of any other concerns or violations of the protocols,
4. That you agree to on-going, open communication with John Robinson's Compliance Supervisor so that any problems may be identified and addressed before they become serious.

I am personally grateful to you for considering what can only be considered a ministry to John Robinson and for the support you have offered him thus far. If, for any reason, you do not wish to participate in this program, please do not feel an obligation and please do not turn to the pages that follow which contain confidential information. If you would like to move forward with the commitment to participate, please indicate with your signature below. Once you have reviewed all of the information, you will have another opportunity to indicate your willingness to move forward. Thank you once again for considering this important work.


Jan Slattery
Office for the Protection of Children and Youth, Director

I have a commitment to support John Robinson in his personal program of wellness. I am willing and able to assist him in avoiding situations that could lead to further sexual misconduct and further harm to others, including misinterpretations of his behavior or false allegations of abuse.

## Signature and date


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[^1]:    cc: Very Reverend John W. Curran, Urban Vicar, Vicariate XI Rev. Msgr. Martin J. O'Day, Pastor, St. Damian parish, Oak Forest Rev. John A. McLoraine, St. Emily parish, Mount Prospect Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board

[^2]:    cc: Rev. Patrick R. Leges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
    $\checkmark$ Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry Mr. John O'Malley, Director of Legal Services
    

[^3]:    Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting - Saturday, December 21, 2002

[^4]:    Enclosures

[^5]:    Ecclesiastical Notary

[^6]:    Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Very Rev. Gregory Bittner, J.C.L., Canonical Advocate

[^7]:    Cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

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[^12]:    Signature and date

