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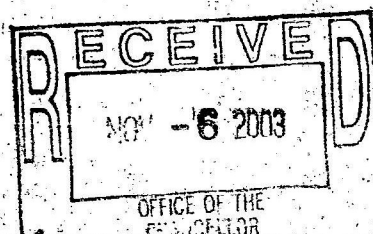
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REV. MARION SNIEG

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Bishop Goedert  
Father Smilanic  
Father Kaczorowski  
Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi  
Mr. Jimmy Lago  
Mr. John O'Malley

**FROM:** Father Lagges *PL*  
**RE:** Referral of case to Rome  
**DATE:** 1 August, 2003

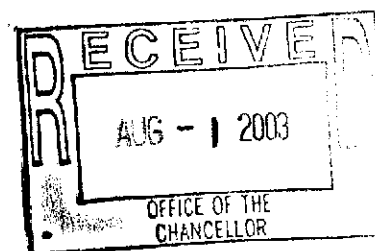
This is to inform you that on **31 July, 2003** Cardinal George has forwarded the case of **Reverend Marion Snieg** to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, asking for permission to conduct a penal trial in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

It is impossible to estimate when we will receive a response from the Holy See. Given the large number of cases that are being sent there from the United States, it will probably be at least several months before we hear anything.

If a penal trial is permitted, all the material in the case will be handed over the Promoter of Justice (Rev. William H. Woestman, O.M.I.), who will then petition the tribunal to hear the case. The judges assigned to the tribunal will be from outside the Archdiocese of Chicago. They will follow the normal judicial process specified in Book VII of the Code of Canon Law. (These are the same processes that are followed in marriage nullity cases.)

The Archdiocese will be the petitioner in the case; the accused priest the Respondent. The two questions before the court will be: (1) Has the priest committed an act of sexual misconduct with a minor? (2) If so, in accordance with the Dallas Charter and Norms, shall he be dismissed from the clerical state?

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



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July 9, 2003

Fr. Marion J. Sneig  



Dear Fr. Sneig,

Enclosed you will find copies of the Travel/Vacation Agreements that I completed upon receiving your letter dated July 6, 2003 regarding your vacation plans.

I appreciate you writing a letter prior to your departure and wanted you to have copies of the aforementioned agreements that will be placed in your file. I assume that your monitor Fr. John McNamara is aware of your travel plans. I do understand that you will be traveling with Fr. John Kauzlarich and Fr. Bob Festle to Detroit and will act as your monitors from July 8, 2003 until your return on July 10, 2003. I also understand that Fr. Kauzlarich will act as your monitor when traveling to Iowa from July 24, 2003 through July 27, 2003.

Take care and I wish you safety in your travels.

Sincerely,

  
Leah McCluskey  
Professional Review Administrator

Enclosures

Cc: Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests

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July 2, 2003

Fr. Marion Sneig  


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Dear Fr. Sneig,

Enclosed you will find documentation regarding the newly revised Monitoring Protocols. Fr. Thomas Tivy 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.

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  
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312 751-5205, office  
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Sincerely,



Leah McCluskey  
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures

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

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## RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 12/21/02 to conduct a  
(enter date: month/day/year)  
(check one:) ☐ First Stage Review ☒ Second Stage Review ☐ Supplementary Review ☐ Status Report

regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]  
(enter name of alleged victim)

against Marion Sney  
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(check one:) ☒ a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago ☐ a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago  
☐ an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of [Arch]diocese)

☐ a religious priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of religious community)

☐ a resigned priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

☐ a deceased priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: MS fondled sodomized [REDACTED]; MS  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)  
engaged in mutual oral sex with [REDACTED]

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

(check one:) ☒ there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
☐ there is not reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
☐ there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

If there is a finding of reasonable cause to suspect, the Board recommends that

(check one:) ☒ the priest or deacon be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.  
☐ no further action be taken because the accused priest is resigned or deceased, except to provide appropriate outreach to those affected by the alleged misconduct.

The Board ~~further recommends~~ in a unanimous 6-0 decision, to  
reaffirm First Stage Review recommendation.

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which claims as follows: MS provided [REDACTED] with alcohol & cigarettes;  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

MS performed oral sex on [REDACTED]; MS exposed  
himself to [REDACTED]

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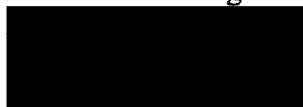


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November 12, 2002

Rev. Marion Snieg



Dear Father Snieg,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review on October 5, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the Board's consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, Cardinal George accepts the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that you did engage in sexual misconduct with a minor, [REDACTED]

If at any time you would like to submit additional information regarding this matter to this office, please contact me. Also, please know Rev. James Kaczorowski continues to be available to you. You can reach him at (312) 642-1837.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leah McCluskey".

Leah McCluskey  
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Patrick Lagges, Judicial Vicar

A:/Accused Notification Letter

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## Memorandum

To: File – PFR-89

From: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Director, Victim Assistance Ministry *RB*  
for Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Re: **Rev. Marion Snieg Response to Allegation of**  
[REDACTED]

Date: September 6, 2002

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Date: September 3, 2002 Time: 9:00 a.m.

### Present at Phone Interview:

Rev. Marion Snieg, Accused [MS]  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests [TT]  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry [RB]

Father Snieg cooperated in the reception of the allegation. Father Tivy was present with Father Snieg. The allegation was read to Father Snieg by Ralph Bonaccorsi via telephone.

MS remembered [REDACTED] "He was always around." MS also remembered the [REDACTED] Family.

### Summary:

In response to [REDACTED] that some of the sexual acts occurred in the St. Jane De Chantel church basement, MS stated that there was no church or school basement at St. Jane de Chantel.

Father Snieg acknowledged that Father Ward was pastor at the time. Father Snieg also acknowledged he did take boys for rides in his car.

MS acknowledges fondling on several occasions; he believes [REDACTED] fondled him but does not remember asking [REDACTED] to do so. "There may have been some initiating (of fondling) by [REDACTED]"

Father Snieg could not estimate the number of occasions when fondling occurred.

Father Snieg does not remember instances of "mutual oral sex."

In answer to the allegation that [REDACTED] was sodomized by MS; MS responded: "I don't remember... and am tempted to deny."

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September 3, 2002  
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In summarizing, RB restated the allegation of sodomy. MS responded with more certainty of his denial and once again referring to his unclear memory of the alleged act of sodomy.

MS acknowledged the trip to Canada referred to by [REDACTED] with the following adjustment i.e. that [REDACTED] was not on the trip; that perhaps another boy, [REDACTED] was and that Father Richard Grimmel and another priest unnamed were present on the trip.

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

To: File -PFR-89  
From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator  
Re: Rev. Marion Snieg  
Date: July 9, 2002

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Summary of the discussion from Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on June 15, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review by telephone conference call into the allegation of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] against Rev. Marion Snieg, serving in retirement at Addolorata Villa, Wheeling, IL.

Father Snieg admitted to genital fondling of both, but denies the allegation of mutual masturbation made by [REDACTED]. Accordingly, the Board recommended that Father Snieg be withdrawn from ministry at Addolorata Villa and be placed in a monitored residence at Koenig Hall.

I informed Cardinal George of the above by telephone, and he indicated that he accepts the Board's recommendation regarding withdrawal from ministry, but would like to talk to Bishop Goedert about where Father Snieg could live (e.g. with relative as monitor). Also, the Cardinal would prefer that there not be a public announcement due to possible confusion with Father Marion's nephew, [REDACTED] who is Rector of Quigley.

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## Memorandum

To: File – PFR-89

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator *KL*

Re: **Rev. Marion Snieg Response to Allegation of**  
[REDACTED]

Date: June 20, 2002

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### Present at Meeting:

Rev. Marion Snieg, Accused  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

Father Snieg was presented with the written statement by [REDACTED]. He read the statement in its entirety as well as listened to oral report of interview made by PFRA.

He specifically recalled the occasion on which he [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] wrestled with him and felt his penis. He did not remember any masturbation or asking  
[REDACTED] to engage in oral sex.

Other details of the statement were true: history of the parish; fact that MS worked with the [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Father Snieg didn't remember telling [REDACTED] about playing in the bath tub with his brother nor did he recall the incident described in the sacristy of the Church.

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

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a letter dated March 21, 2002 from Victim HZ to attorney Jeff Anderson, that was subsequently sent to the Office of the Chancellor. In the letter, Victim HZ describes that he attended a parish school in the late 1950's where Fr. Snieg was assigned. According to Victim HZ Fr. Snieg paid extra attention to the older boys and took them swimming at Quigley seminary and on vacations. Fr. Snieg also liked to take boys out in his car to go to a restaurant, and to tickle and wrestle with them. Victim HZ stated that when he was 13 years old, in late 1958 to early 1959, began giving him attention and took him on an errand and then to an apartment where he molested Victim HZ. On another occasion, while preparing to serve mass Fr. Snieg fondled his genitals in the sacristy. The abuse consisted of fondling and masturbation. Victim HZ also identified the name of another priest at the parish, and stated that a member of his family discovered and reported the abuse to the priest in 1959. According to Victim HZ the Cardinal was also informed of the abuse shortly thereafter.

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Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

The details of the allegation were presented to Father Snieg. He recalls [REDACTED] hanging around the teen groups all of the time and did recall a friend of his at the drive-in movie. He said it could have possibly occurred that this “kind of rings a bell” with him. And, that he did engage in this kind of behavior with boys.

Father Snieg assured PFRA that none of this behavior has occurred in the last 22 years since being at the Villa nor at St. Rosalie’s in Harwood Heights.

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
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May 29, 1987

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Dear Marion:

Having reflected on information communicated to me by Tom Ventura based on his last meeting with you, I have arrived at a decision in response to your request for consideration for a second term as pastor of St. Rosalie Parish.

Let us place this in perspective. On the one hand, I want to be supportive of your dedicated work both personally and professionally as pastor. However, in light of the information about your past difficulties, I want to proceed in a cautious and responsible manner. With that in mind, I will follow the following procedure:

First, I would like you to continue as pastor for an interim period from June 1, 1987 to December 1, 1987.

Second, during that period, in addition to your duties as pastor, you are expected [REDACTED], and have a monthly supervisory meeting with the Vicar for Priests.

Third, I want you to refrain from all unsupervised activity with young people under eighteen years of age.

Finally, I am asking the local Dean, Father Thaddeus Jakubowski to remain in regular contact with you concerning pastoral matters.

In December, I will review the situation, and if all has gone well I will reach a final decision on your request for reappointment to a second term as pastor.

In conclusion, I want to express my personal support for you, Marion, and my hopes that this will prove to be a period of personal, professional and spiritual growth.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Joseph Card. Bernardin*

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Marion Sneig  
St. Rosalie Rectory  
4401 North Oak Park  
Harwood Heights, Illinois 60656  
cc: Father Goedert; Father Jakubowski

AOC 004945



December 10, 1984

The Very Reverend T.J. Jakubowski,

I am a parishioner of St. Rosalie's. In recent years we received a new pastor, Father Marion Sneig. I have strong suspicions that things are not as they should be on the grounds of St. Rosalie's. I am referring to several things, but utmost in my mind is the strong association that Father Sneig has with the young boys. I have seen him on several occasions, give these under aged boys alcoholic beverages on church grounds. He also shows them an unnecessary amount of affection. He seems to always have to hug them and touch them. He also takes these boys to his private home in Galena for week-ends. I know that there was definitely drinking on these outings. Many people have started to notice these strange things.

I am also upset about the handling of the parish finances. The totals of our fundraising affairs do not coincide with the totals that are published in the financial statement. People are talking about these discrepancies and are becoming totally disillusioned with the parish. People work long and hard at our fundraisers and want to see the profits go to benefit the parish of St. Rosalie's.

I am sorry I have to write this letter, but I can no longer watch this situation go from bad to worse. Please do something to help this man and the people of St. Rosalie's.

I know this will be kept in confidence, for I truly fear retaliation.

Sincerely,

*She ( [redacted] ) moved out of  
the parish*

[redacted]

December 4, 1984

The Reverend Jakubowski,

I am a parishioner of St. Rosalie's and am very concerned about certain circumstances which have evolved over the past few years. I have thought long and hard over the idea of writing this letter, but now feel that this is the only recourse I have. I would like what I have to say be kept on record and dealt with in retrospect, however, I ask that my name be kept confidential since this is a very delicate situation.

I am very disturbed with certain situations concerning Father Sneig. There are a few boys who spend a great deal of time with Father. Much to my disappointment it is not as if he has been shooting basketballs with them in the gym. I know for a fact that these young boys accompany him to his home in Galena. I have also heard that Father serves the boys alcohol at this home and the Rectory. This was no surprise to me since I have often seen him give beer to these young boys at parish functions.

The affection Father Sneig shows these boys is very strange. I feel his relationship with them is not healthy and is also very dangerous. It is apparent that one of these boys does not have a normal home life. If anything, Father should be helping this boy not corrupting him.

I am not out for revenge on Father for any particular reason. I strongly believe that this should be brought to your attention and now it no longer will be my problem alone. Since you are aware of this situation I pray you will make the right decision as to what action should be taken.

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December 4, 1984

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I also question why so many Associate Priests do not spend more than one year with Father Sneig. We have seen Father Montabano, Father Keusol and Father Verardi come and leave.

On a lighter note, but still a serious problem is the way Father chooses to spend the Parish income. The first year he was at St. Rosalie's he spent money on lights for Conrad Hall. This was because they were necessary for a play he directed. Some of the other things are: Remodeling the Rectory, The New Stations, New Statues ( now being worked on ), A very expensive band for the Carnival Party.

There are many times when I hear people say how distant Father is from the people. Some feel as if he really doesn't care what happens to our parish. I could site many examples from people who have dealt with him, but this should come from them, not me. I can only tell you what I hear people saying in general and of my own observations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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## Professional Fitness Review Board Saturday, December 21, 2002

### MINUTES

#### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

#### Members absent:

[REDACTED]

#### 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 – November 16, 2002

#### II. Case Reviews

##### First Stage Review:

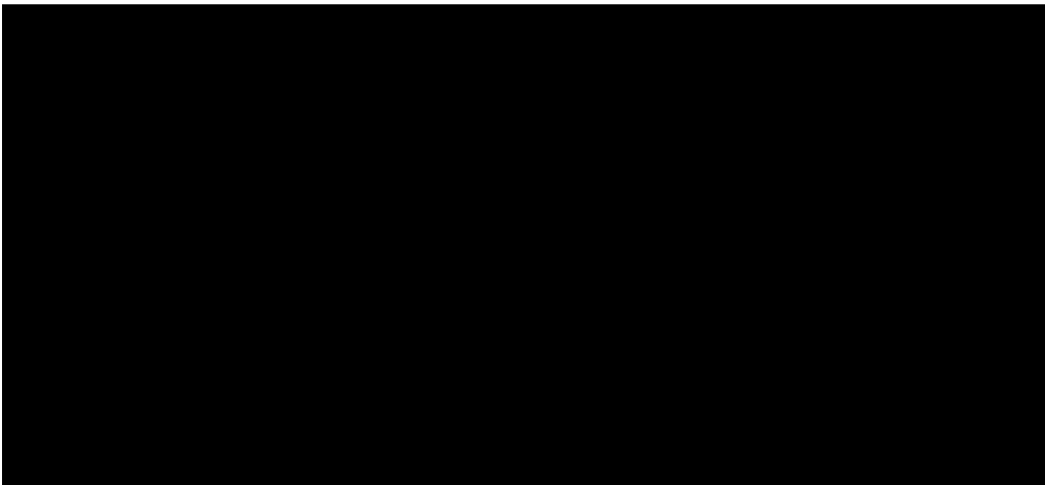
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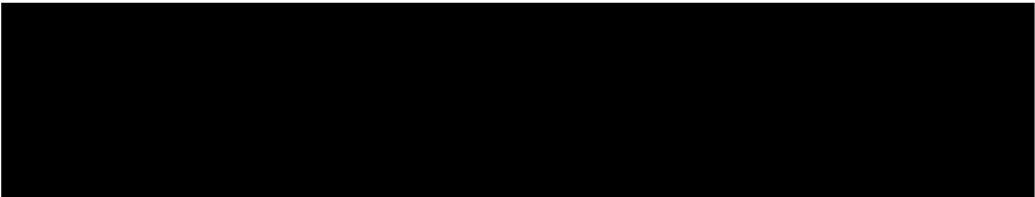
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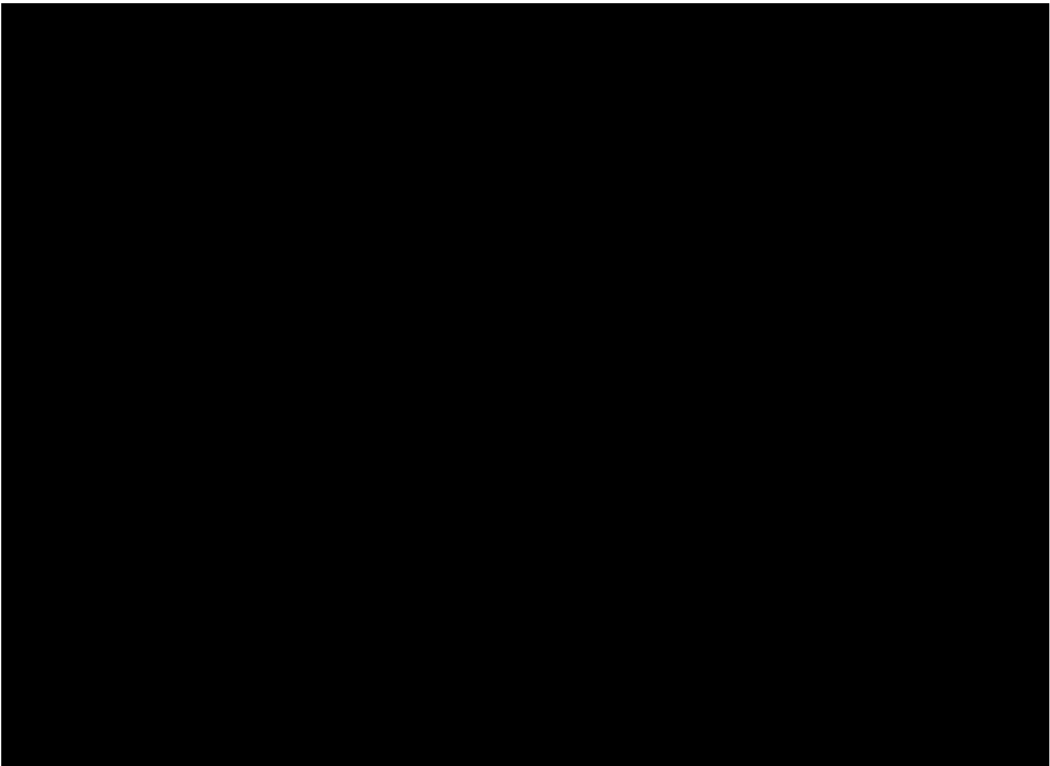
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C. In the Matter of [redacted]



D. In the Matter of [redacted]





E. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg [MS](Withdrawn) – PFR-89

- The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: MS fondled, sodomized [REDACTED] MS engaged in mutual oral sex with [REDACTED]

The Board recommends in a unanimous 6-0 decision, to reaffirm First Stage Review recommendation that Fr. Snieg's withdrawal from ministry continue.

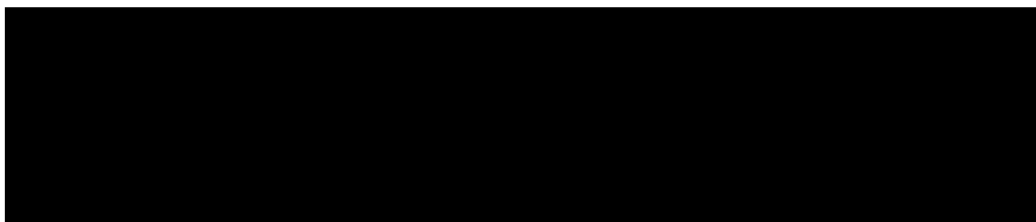
- The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: MS provided [REDACTED] with alcohol and cigarettes; MS performed oral sex on [REDACTED] MS exposed himself to [REDACTED]

The Board recommends in a unanimous 6-0 decision to reaffirm First Stage Review recommendation that Fr. Snieg's withdrawal from ministry continue.

- The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: MS fondled [REDACTED] under minor's clothing.

The Board recommends in a unanimous 6-0 decision to reaffirm First Stage Review recommendation that Fr. Snieg's withdrawal from ministry continue.

F. In the Matter of [REDACTED]



G. In the Matter of [REDACTED]



[REDACTED]

H. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**Next scheduled meeting is January 11, 2003 at 10:00 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



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## Professional Fitness Review Board Saturday, October 5, 2002

### MINUTES

#### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

#### Members absent:

[REDACTED]

#### Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

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#### I. Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2002

#### II. Case Reviews

##### First Stage Reviews

##### A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

B. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

D. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

E. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg (Retired) – PFR-89

- The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: [REDACTED] alleges that Fr. Marion Snieg fondled him under his clothes.

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 Rev. Marion Snieg be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.

The Board further recommends: unanimous 6-0; Review Board asked that Fr. Marion Snieg present any additional information; Review Board requests that Fr. Marion Snieg elaborate upon "I am attempted to deny" response to allegation.

- The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]

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 Rev. Marion Snieg be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.

The Board further recommends: unanimous 6-0; Review Board asked that Fr. Marion Snieg present any additional information; Review Board requests that Fr. Marion Snieg elaborate upon "I am attempted to deny" response to allegation.

Second Stage Reviews

F. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

G. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg (Retired) – PFR-89

- The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]

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 Rev. Marion Snieg be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accordance with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.

The Board further recommends: unanimous 6-0; reaffirm First Stage Review decision – reasonable cause to suspect.

- The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]

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 Rev. Marion Snieg be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accordance with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.

The Board further recommends: unanimous 6-0; reaffirm First Stage Review decision – reasonable cause to suspect.

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is October 19, 2002 at 10:00 a.m.**

Cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests  
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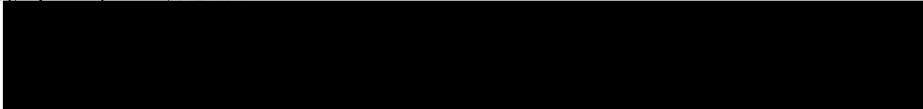
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## Professional Fitness Review Board Saturday, June 15, 2002

### MINUTES

#### Review Board Members Present:



#### Non-members present:

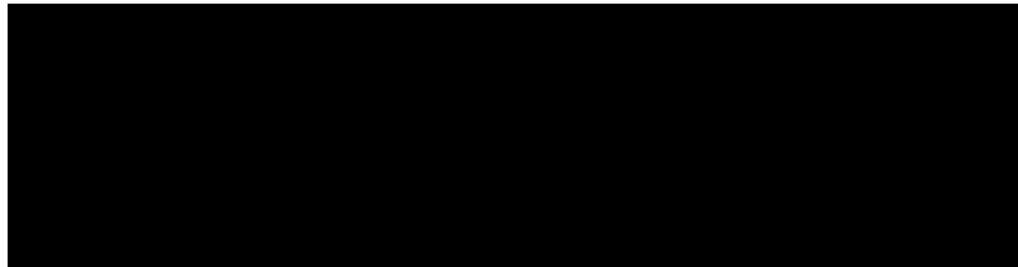
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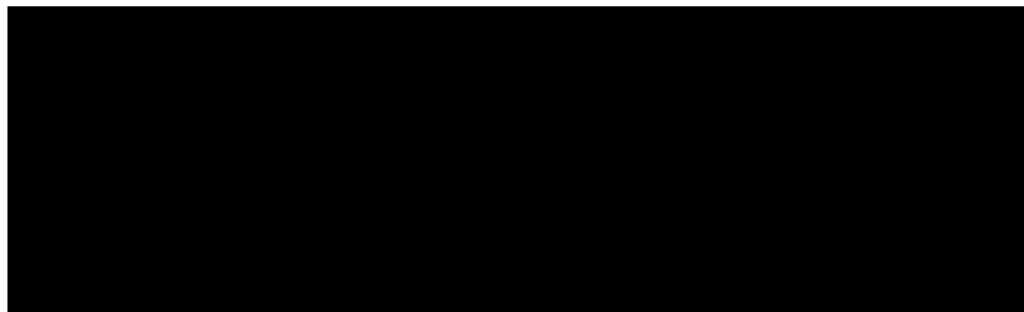
#### I. Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2002

#### II. Case Reviews

##### A. In the Matter of



##### B. In the Matter of



C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

D. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

E. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

F. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

G. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

H. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

I. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

J. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

K. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

L. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

M. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg – PFR-89

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review by telephone conference call into the allegation of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] against Rev. Marion Snieg, serving in retirement at Addolorata Villa, Wheeling, IL.

Father Snieg admitted to genital fondling of both, but denies the allegation of mutual masturbation made by [REDACTED]. Accordingly, the Board recommended that Father Snieg be withdrawn from ministry at Addolorata Villa and be placed in a monitored residence at Koenig Hall.

I informed Cardinal George of the above by telephone, and he indicated that he accepts the Board's recommendation regarding withdrawal from ministry, but would like to talk to Bishop Goedert about where Father Snieg could live (e.g. with relative as monitor). Also, the Cardinal would prefer that there not be a public announcement due to possible confusion with Father Marion's nephew, [REDACTED].

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is July 20, 2002 at 10:00 a.m.**

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



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**Professional Responsibility Review Board**  
**Saturday, September 18, 2004 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

## MINUTES

Corrected

### Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

### Members absent:

None

### Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]   
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

**I. Approval of Minutes - July 17, 2004**

**II. Case Reviews**

### Initial Review

**A. In the Matter of** [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**B. In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

**In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

**C. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg [Retired/Withdrawn 2002] - PFR - 89**

The Review Board conducted an Initial Review regarding the allegation made by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The claim is as follows: masturbation, fondling over and under clothing.

In a 9-0 vote, in light of the information presented, the Board determined that this matter warrants additional investigation.

**In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg [Retired /Withdrawn 2002] - PFR - 89**

The Review Board conducted an Initial Review regarding the allegation made by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The claim is as follows: mutual oral sex and masturbation, sodomy, alcohol.

In a 9-0 vote, in light of the information presented, the Board determined that this matter warrants additional investigation. The Board also made the following recommendations:

- That PRA request information concerning [REDACTED]
- That PRA meet again with Fr. Snieg to ask additional questions regarding incidents that may have taken place when he took [REDACTED] on an overnight to his A-frame home.
- That PRA attempt to identify which seminaries that [REDACTED] attended and why he left each.
- That PRA determine who was assigned with Fr. Snieg with at St. Rosalie's and if any are still alive. If so, PRA is to speak with associates who were assigned with Fr. Snieg and ask of their recollection of the accused's behavior.
- That PRA ask [REDACTED] to sign a consent to release [REDACTED] to PRA and to the Review Board.

**Review for Cause**

**A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

[REDACTED]

**In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

[REDACTED]

**B. In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**C. In the Matter of** [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**III. Other Matters**

- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- This was the final Board meeting for members [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], as their terms ended in September 2004. There will be a luncheon after the November 20, 2004 meeting for [REDACTED] and [REDACTED], to be attended by all Board members, Fr. Smilanic, and PRA.

*Next scheduled meeting is October 16, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.*

Cc: Review Board Members  
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

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## **Professional Responsibility Review Board Saturday, July 17, 2004 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

### **MINUTES**

#### **Review Board Members Present:**

[REDACTED]

#### **Members absent:**

[REDACTED]

#### **Non-members present:**

Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator [PRA]  
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

#### **I. Approval of Minutes - June 19, 2004**

#### **II. Case Reviews**

##### **Initial Review**

##### **A. In the Matter of**

[REDACTED]

##### **B. In the Matter of**

[REDACTED]

##### **C. In the Matter of**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**D. In the Matter of**

[REDACTED]

**Review for Cause**

**A. In the Matter of**

[REDACTED]

**B. In the Matter of Rev. Marion Snieg [Retired/Withdrawn] - PFR - 89**

The Review Board conducted a Review for Cause regarding the allegation of sexual misconduct made by [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: Fr. Snieg would come up behind [REDACTED] in the sacristy, grab his shoulders and direct the victim's hand to his [Fr. Snieg's] penis. Fr. Snieg performed oral sex on [REDACTED] in his car. [REDACTED] estimates that the abuse took place between 50 and 100 times.

In a 7-0 vote, in light of the information presented the Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

**C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]**

[REDACTED]

**III. Other Matters**

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[REDACTED]

- PRA updated the Board with Cardinal George's decisions based upon their recommendations from the June 19, 2004 meeting

*Next scheduled meeting is August 21, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.*

Cc: Review Board Members  
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.



[REDACTED]  
Dec. 30, 1986

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin  
155 East Superior  
Chicago, Ill. 60611

Dear Cardinal Bernardin:

This letter concerns one of your priests, Marion Sniege. I am not certain of the correct spelling of his name, but I'm sure your records will reveal the name of the person who was the assistant pastor to father Ward at St. Jane de Chantel in 1956 and 1957. I understand he is currently at St. Rosealees parish, 4401 No. Oak Park, Hardwood Heights.

He sexually assaulted me in 1956 or 1957 when I was 13 or 14. He was quite manipulative and clearly planned the assault. He took me and a couple of other boys swimming at what I believe was a seminary. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

After we finished swimming, he took the other boys home first. Then he offered to let me drive his car. I don't remember exactly where we were except that it was a lonely, empty, vacant road. While I was still driving, he grabbed me by my testicles. When I struggled to free myself, he squeezed my testicles until I was in acute pain and compliant with his wishes. Then he forced fellatio on me. I was in a state of shock, confusion and a terrible pain which I can't begin to describe or explain. I also felt guilty, as if I had done something wrong--perhaps because the orgasm was pleasurable; perhaps because I didn't physically fight back enough; I don't know. I remember going to him for confession because of my guilt. He recognized my voice and said he couldn't give me absolution. After that I ignored him, and he stayed away from me.

I never told anyone because I was too afraid, humiliated, and confused. [REDACTED]

I heard afterwards through rumors that he had assaulted at least one other boy; but I am not sure of this. What I do know is that his assault on me has had and continues to have a destructive impact on my life even though more than 30 years have passed. It has also influenced how I interact with [REDACTED]

I suppose you are wondering why I decided to write this letter after all these years of silence. Although I do not deny strong feelings of anger and bitterness, I am not seeking revenge. I am writing for two reasons. First, I hope to relieve some of the emotional burden which I have carried all these years by sticking up for myself by letting you know that I was victimized and that he is a sex offender.

The second reason for writing is my concern for other young boys. I'm sure that most people who know him would find my story impossible to believe because a part of him was, and perhaps still is, gentle, sensitive and kind. [REDACTED]

So that is my story. I wanted to share with you the responsibility for doing whatever each of us can to insure that he doesn't hurt anyone else. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I think there are two things you can do: 1) use whatever leverage you can to get him evaluated for treatment by an experienced person and perhaps pushed into

a treatment program, if indicated, for child molesters--they can fool therapists, but not each other; 2) no matter what the assessment says, be conservative and do not permit him easy access to victims by allowing him to work around kids.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I would be willing to take time off work and testify, if that were necessary to help insure that he not be allowed to work around kids and to insure that he get any needed treatment.

Since I shared this burden with you, I shall also share a positive experience. My eighth grade nun, Sister [REDACTED], had a profound, positive effect on my development as a person for which I shall be forever grateful.

You have my permission to use this letter at your discretion.

Respectfully, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

# **ATTACHMENT 6**

**NBC5.com**

## **Unidentified Man Accuses Priest Of Sexual Misconduct**

### ***Allegations That Priest Acted Inappropriately With 33-Year-Old***

POSTED: 11:19 a.m. CDT June 7, 2002  
UPDATED: 2:48 p.m. CDT June 7, 2002

**CHICAGO** — New allegations have arisen against a suburban Catholic priest removed from his parish years ago following previous sexual abuse allegations.

Church officials thought he was working at a retirement home, away from juveniles, but have recently found that the priest has been ministering at a Palatine parish on the weekends.

Now, a man has said that the priest also victimized him. The man claims that he was 33 years old when Rev. Marion Sneig made sexual advances towards him. He has not yet filed a complaint with the Archdiocese of Chicago, and NBC5's Anita Padilla reported that the man has indicated that he does not intend to bring suit against the church.

Still, the alleged victim has stepped forward because, he said, it's time to stop living with the humiliation. Padilla said the man does not want to reveal his face, but he wants the story to be told.



The man claims that Sneig made advances toward him 10 years ago while he was a lay minister at St. Rosalie Church in Harwood Heights. The accuser said that the two men worked on a church play together, until, he said, the priest made sexual advances toward him.

For years, the man claimed, he lived with embarrassment and humiliation. Although he still has faith in religion, he has since quit the church.

In the meantime, Sneig was removed from his post after allegations of abusing a child 40 years ago at St. Jane de Chantal Parish. He has since been under a monitoring program at a retirement home, Padilla reported. When his removal from St. Jane's parish became public, the alleged victim was stunned and eventually chose to step forward with information about his experience.

A spokesman for the Chicago Archdiocese said that a staff member at the retirement home has supervised Sneig since his transfer. As for the allegations of sexual misconduct, the spokesman recommended that the accuser contact the

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vicar for priests to file a formal complaint.

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to R. Bonascone

Other allegations in  
Marion Suiq's file

- 1) January, 1987 [REDACTED]  
1956 or '57 @ St. Jean  
de Chantal
- 2) 1958-1959 [REDACTED]  
St. Jean de Chantal  
(memo - Anderson 3/25/02)
- 3) 1971 [REDACTED] Maternity  
BUM
- 4) 1954 [REDACTED] - consult Laura  
not clear  
St. Jean de Chantal PFR-89
- 5) 1954 [REDACTED] St. Jean de Chantal
- 6) 1968 [REDACTED] Maternity BUM  
PFR

TRANSMISSION-REPORT

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**INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL  
For  
Father Marion Snieg**

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 **Fr. Marion Snieg** includes but is not limited to the following:

1. Restricted from being alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. Prior approval required from PFRA for vacations and nights spent away from residence. Approved monitor must accompany for any overnight travel.
3. Call in to PFR office once daily between 9:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.
4. No public celebrations of Sacraments or Mass.
5. Meet with PFRA twice annually.
6. Completion of daily log submitted monthly.
7. [REDACTED] and regular spiritual direction.
8. Provide Administrator with monthly printout of Internet sites visited.
9. On-site monitor to complete monthly monitor report and submit to PFRA.
10. Prohibited from wearing the Roman collar.
11. This is a working document which can be changed, altered or superceded when there is an indicated need to do so.

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: Marion J. Snieg

Date: 6-27-02

Printed Name: MARION J. SNIEG

Signature of PFRA: Kathleen Leggolan

Date: 6-27-02

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

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Most Rev. Edwin M. Conway D.D.  
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago



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June 1, 2002

Dear residents of Addolorata Villa,

I am aware that Mr. Larry Carlson recently conveyed news to you about Fr. Marion Snieg leaving his chaplain ministry here at Addolorata Villa. Fr. Snieg has been formally retired from full-time archdiocesan ministry since January, 2002.

Fr. Snieg's departure from ministry at Addolorata Villa was prompted by allegations recently received by the Archdiocese of Chicago that he engaged in sexual misconduct with two minors more than 40 years ago when he served as an associate pastor at St. Jane De Chantal Parish on Chicago's southwest side.

Upon review of these allegations this week, the independent Professional Review Board recommended that Fr. Snieg be removed from all public ministry and placed on administrative leave. Fr. Snieg will reside in a private residence, and in accord with archdiocesan policies and procedures, will be monitored under the supervision of the Professional Review Board. These allegations have been reported to the Cook County State's Attorney.

I have assured the staff of Addolorata Villa and the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago of my desire to be supportive of the staff and residents of Addolorata Villa during this time of transition.

Please pray for God's healing for all affected by this difficult news.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edwin M. Conway".

Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway  
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Memo to File

From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley

Date: 7/26/95

Re: Marion Snieg

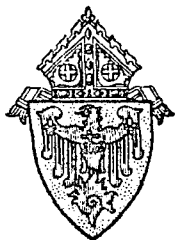
As part of a regular follow-up with Marion Snieg, I visited him at Addolorata Villa on Tuesday, 7/25 where Snieg is chaplain.

We had a pleasant visit. Marion filled me in on his activities at the Villa. He is enjoying his work and it is obvious that the people appreciate his presence there. An additional bonus for Marion is that he is tri-lingual, including both Polish and Spanish in his repertoire. He is able to relate to many of the workers around the Villa, since most of them are either Polish or Spanish.

[REDACTED], Marion's immediate superior in the Pastoral Care Department, was not present yesterday. I told Marion that I would drop her a line asking her to give an up-to-date assessment of his work. This is part of our usual assessment.

For himself, Marion says things are going well and that he reports no problems in terms of relationships at this time.

I brought up to him the possibility of him asking for a supplementary review before the PFR Board. He would first have to petition the Cardinal to go before them. Then he would have to submit a letter to the Board explaining his past, how things have been handled, where he is at present, and what he would hope would take place in the future. Marion seemed interested and said he would give it some thought. When the time comes he and I can get together and plan how that could be done.



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February 8, 1995

Dear Marion,

As I already informed you, I am scheduled on February 18th to appear before the Professional Fitness Review Board. At that time, I have been asked by the Cardinal to share information on your situation. This is in keeping with the Cardinal's promise that all past cases would be reviewed by the Fitness Review Board once it was up and running.

Because your situation was originally handled under our previous procedures (before the Fitness Review Board was organized), the Cardinal and his advisors feel the information ought to be shared **anonymously** with the Board.

With this letter, I am enclosing the full text I will use in my presentation to the Board. I will have to answer questions, of course, but I will not include substantially more than what this typed text contains.

Please read it over carefully. If you have any questions about it or if you wish to make any representations about it, feel perfectly free to get in touch and I will be open for discussion. This is a delicate matter and I want to do it in the fairest way possible.

I do not anticipate any great changes being suggested by the Board. I will of course take their recommendations to the Cardinal for his study and decision. His schedule is so crammed right now that it may take a while to get back to you with the final word. I'll speed the process up as best I can.

I will try to get in touch with you by phone before February 18th to get your reaction. But again feel free to call me if and when you like.

Faternally yours,

*OK by M. Sney by phone  
on 2/14 / Pome with appropriate pass*

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4) Fr. D. - about 66 -

**Presenting problem:** In 1/1987, a man wrote Archdiocese alleging abuse by Fr. D in '56-'57 when boy was 13-14. Priest allegedly fondled him and had oral sex on one occasion only. When confronted by VP in 2/87, Fr. D mentioned that his pastor (around the same time in late '50's) [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

At time of allegation in '87, [REDACTED] was mandated. Fr. D was told to avoid unsupervised presence with minors. No other accusations arose. Fr. D was to get a spiritual director and see VP monthly. Thought to be low risk for acting out. Did admit homosexual tendencies and adult involvements in past.

[REDACTED] Sexual impulses seemed under control. Fr. D had severe health problems and a stroke in 12/87. Fr. D was renewed in his pastorate around this time for six more years.

**Commission recommendation:** In 11/91, Commission recommended a [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Meanwhile he was under monitoring at parish, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The Commission also recommended withdrawal from parish. Cardinal decided Fr. D would not be renewed in 4/1993 when his second term as pastor was completed.

**Ministry:** Left parish in 3/93. Works as chaplain at retirement home. No access to minors. Under work monitoring.

**Living:** Lives apart from institution in an apartment.

**Protocol:** Mandated to avoid unsupervised association with minors. VP monitors regularly. Local Vicar knows of case.



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Date: 2/1/95

Re: Rev. Marion Snieg

I visited with Marion Snieg as part of my monitoring of his situation. He is now chaplain at Addolorata Villa in Wheeling. According to his own self-report, he is doing very well at the Villa. He enjoys his work and especially enjoys the fact that he is able to work with some of the older priests. We talked about his health and he sees that as pretty strong right now. He broke his ankle last May and that is healing properly. He is not experiencing any problems with regard to past circumstances. He confided that there are times when the events of the past come back to haunt him.

I shared with him that I will have to go before the PFR Board to present anonymously the cases of the last five who are not being dealt with by the PFR Board. I told him how I would do that and that I would show him the text of what I would present to the Board before I made the presentation.

I then spoke to [REDACTED] who is his immediate superior in the Pastoral Care Department. [REDACTED] praises Fr. Snieg saying he is the best thing that has happened to the Villa in a long time. She said his work with the people is extraordinary and his ability to work with the staff even in changing situations is exceptional. It is obvious she has the highest respect for Fr. Snieg. When I went over his background in a general way once again, she said that there is absolutely nothing that she has seen that would indicate he is having any problems at this time. Quite the opposite. She feels he is very happy and content in his work and I, of course, can attest to that as well.

I will contact Snieg again as soon as I have prepared the paper for the PFR Board.



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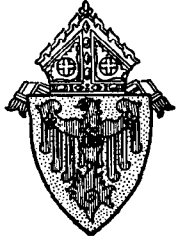
From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley

Date: 7/16/94

Re: Marion Snieg

I met with Marion Snieg on 7/13/94. I also spoke to his supervisor who told me that everything was going along well. Marion recently broke his leg and is therefore confined to a wheel chair. He lives in the facility itself during this time. We talked about his work. He feels that this is one of the best moves he ever made. He can do priestly work without all of the administrative details. He especially appreciates the fact that elderly and sick priests are present in the facility and that he can work with them and be of service to them. He likes the Christian spirit of the place. All in all he is very much at ease, more so than he has been in a long time.

We talked about some of the things that are happening around us. He feels that being at Villa Addolorata is good not only for his spirit but also for his way of life. It is obvious that he is still reflecting on things that happened in the past but seems to have made some strides in moving on from that point. I will continue to stay in touch with Marion.



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### Memo to File

From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley

Date: 4/17/93

Re: Marion Snieg

Andy McDonagh and I have been talking about possibilities for residence for Marion Snieg once he leaves the parish and begins to work at Addolorata Villa on June 1, 1993. Snieg himself checked into the possibility of living with the Redemptorists in Glenview, but that did not work out. We have no non-parochial living opportunity set up in that area. I suggested to Marion that he look around for an apartment near Addolorata Villa.

He mentioned that he had heard that [REDACTED] had an apartment nearby before he died and wondered if I knew anything about that. He will check with the people at the Villa about the availability of apartments in the area.





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### Memo

To: Cardinal Bernardin  
From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley  
Date: 3/17/93  
Re: Marion Snieg

Marion Snieg came to see me today at my request. I informed him of the situation with the Fitness Review Board and that his case was not going before the board. He was pleased to hear that. He is ready to resign the parish on April 1 of this year in keeping with the end of his second six-year term. He seems quite open to it at this point. He would have a chance to get his act together, to make a move and then to take a vacation before he begins his work at Addolorata Villa on June 1. Marion is very pleased about that appointment and feels it's going to enable him to do some real sacramental and ministerial work as a priest in the remaining years of his active ministry.

There is still the problem of residence. It has been suggested that he might try Villa Redeemer. I do not know how that will work and I suspect we will have to find some other place where there will be some kind of supervision that we can rely on. I will talk to Andy McDonagh about this.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



Post Office Box 1979  
Chicago, Illinois 60690

March 30, 1993

Dear Father Snieg:

In light of your letter of March 22, 1993, as well as previous discussions, I hereby honor your request to relinquish pastoral responsibility of Saint Rosalie Parish at the conclusion of your second term, that is, April 1, 1993. Further, I hereby approve your appointment as full-time chaplain of Villa Addolorata, effective June 1, 1993.

It is my understand you will take the months of April and May for prayer and reflection, as well as vacation. As of this date, a residence for you has not yet been determined, but I ask you to be in contact with the Office of the Vicar for Priests regarding this matter.

Be assured, Marion, of my gratitude for the leadership and service you gave to the people entrusted to your care at Saint Rosalie Parish. Know of my encouragement and support as you assume your new responsibilities.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Kenneth Velo*  
Ecclesiastical Notary

*Joseph Card. Bernardini*  
Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Marion J. Snieg  
Saint Rosalie Church  
4401 North Oak Park Avenue  
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cc: Most Reverend Thad J. Jakubowski, Episcopal Vicar  
Reverend Joseph F. Ognibene, Dean  
[REDACTED]  
Reverend Robert J. Burnell  
Reverend Patrick J. O'Malley ✓  
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Memo to File

From: Rev. Andrew McDonagh

Date: 11/30/92

Re: Rev. Marion Snieg

During the week of Nov. 24, 1992, I had a conversation with Fr. Ken Velo about Marion Snieg's meeting with Fr. Velo on 11/23/92 at the residence. It seems that Fr. Snieg requested this meeting in order to talk about whether the Cardinal was going to O.K. Fr. Snieg's appointment to Addolorata Villa. To the best of my knowledge, Fr. Snieg said he had been left "in doubt" by the Vicar's Office (meanintg me) as to whether he could go there. I'm the one who suggested he go there in the first place.

Fr. Velo assured him that the Cardinal would appoint him there. Then Fr. Snieg talked to Fr. Velo about his salary (A.V. offered him \$25,000, a fact he did not share with me). Fr. Snieg was speculating whether he could get one of the apartments at the Villa or whether he would have to rent an apartment outside. I had suggested he check into Mallinkrodt to take over the late Fr. Fyanes quarters. Fr. Velo suggested he might get some space at the Redemptorist House in Glenview.

Fr. Snieg told Fr. Velo, as he had told me, that he was comfortable leaving St. Rosalie's on April 1st. Fr. Velo said the Personnel Board would like that clarified by January 1, 1993.

N.B. I had a brief conversation with Fr. Velo on the eve of Nov. 23. Most of the above conversation occurred later in the week.



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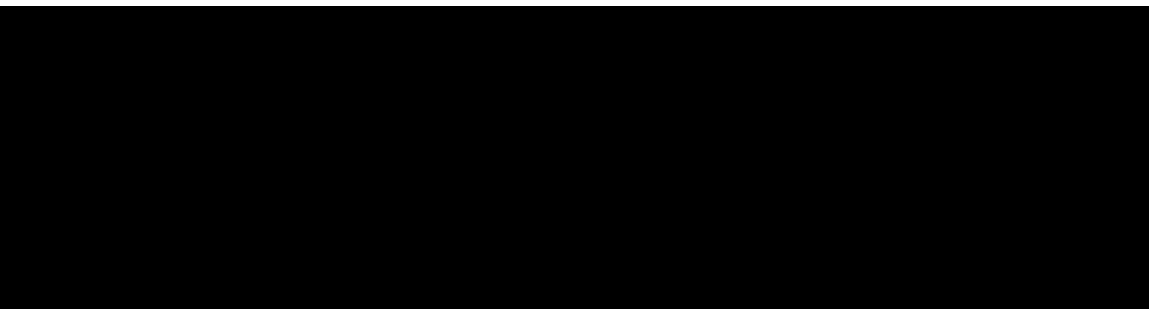
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From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley

Date: 8/14/92

Re: Marion Snieg



I told him that some possibilities are either hospital work or nursing home work. I then told him that Addolorata Village in Wheeling is open at this time and actively looking for a chaplain. I told him I had received a copy of the job description that they put out and I would send him a copy of that, which I did right after the interview.

I spoke to [REDACTED] who is the one who has been in contact with Andy McDonagh about this position. I told her we are interested but I could not give her a name of a priest until I hear back from Marion Snieg.

Marion [REDACTED] on Saturday is going to Poland for two weeks. He will contact me on Friday to let me know if he is still interested.

I spoke to Mark Holihan and said we are interested in it and as much as possible we'd like to keep it open at this time for one of our clients. Mark said that he would do what he could. He said that the job entails about \$18,000 per year, but that has a room and board built into it for living outside the grounds. There is a set of rooms for Marion if he so desired on the grounds of Addolorata Villa.

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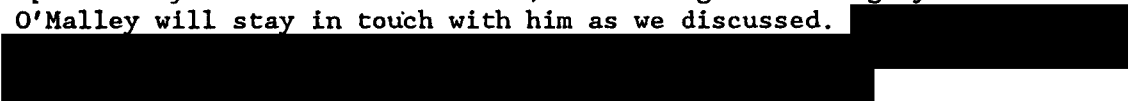
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June 22, 1992

Dear Marion:

Thank you very much for your cooperation at our meeting on Saturday, June 13. I want to reassure you that I will do everything in my power to see that you will be able to exercise ministry in the future because you have done so well in the past. That ministry will not involve parish ministry once your present assignment is completed.

I once again ask that you not be in the presence of minors without another adult being present. Father O'Malley instructs me that he has spoken to your Pastoral Associate, Deacon Eugene McClaughry. Father O'Malley will stay in touch with him as we discussed.



As we discussed, I cannot guarantee that, if someone were to come forward with an allegation at this time, that I could leave you in the parish. I do not believe you are at risk to act out, but we shall have to see what happens. In the meantime, I ask you to pray for me and I will certainly be keeping you in my prayers as I promised when we met.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Faternally yours in Christ,

*Joseph Card. Bernardin*  
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Memo (POM)

To: Cardinal Bernardin

Re: Rev. Marion Snieg

5/26/92

[REDACTED]

I did tell him that in April of 1993, when his term is up, he will not be renewed. He accepted that and wondered if at that time his term could be extended to include all of May of 1993. His nephew, who is a member of the parish, is getting ordained in May and he would like to be present for the ordination and the first Mass at the parish. He will be writing you, asking for that permission and I recommend that you give it if you possibly can.



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Re: Marion Snieg

5/26/92

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

give that some thought. We discussed the future and I told him that he would not be renewed in 1993. He asked that his term be extended to include the time of Ordination next year. His nephew, a member of the parish, is being ordained and he wants to be present at St. Rosalie when that takes place.

I told him to call the Cardinal or drop him a line asking for that extention. I did not feel that it would be any great problem.

Marion came up with the suggestion that he might go on sabbatical once his term is up and I encouraged him to start to pursue that at this time. He did not want to go back into administration of a parish after the sabbatical, but he did think he would like to go to a parish as perhaps an associate.



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Off: (312) 642-1837

December 30, 1991

Most Rev. Thaddeus Jakubowski  
6000 West Berteau  
Chicago, Illinois 60634

Dear Jake,

Andy McDonagh and I spoke to Marion Snieg today to bring him up to date on the Commission's findings about his case. We reviewed the details of the case, which took place over 30 years ago. We recalled to him that an allegation came forward in 1986 and was dealt with at that time.

[REDACTED] He seems to be doing fine at this point. He is in a vulnerable position because he is a pastor who we are leaving in place. We also are vulnerable. I stressed to him the need for some kind of supervision, but the only kind of supervision that I could plan would be to ask you if you would call him regularly and check on him regularly, much as you did some years past. I also will see him on a regular basis and check in with him.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
I don't foresee any problem with Marion, but we just need to be on the safe side since leaving him in the parish is a bit of a risk for him as well as for ourselves. We don't think it is a risk for any children.

Thanks for looking into this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pat".

Rev. Patrick O'Malley  
Vicar for Priests





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*Office of the Archbishop*

June 20, 1989

Dear Father Snieg:

It is my understanding that your first term as pastor concluded in 1987 and that your term was extended for an interim period to allow for a period of evaluation.

Given the present situation, I hereby extend your pastorate at Saint Rosalie Parish, thus enabling you to complete your second term, that is, until April 1, 1993.

It is my hope that this will be a time of renewal for you personally as you strive to lead the faith community and serve those entrusted to your care.

May the Lord be close to you to give you His continued care and courage and may your efforts be met with success.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Joseph Card. Bernardin*  
Archbishop of Chicago

*Kenneth Vels*  
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Reverend Joseph F. Ognibene, Dean  
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bc: Reverend Raymond E. Goedert ✓

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Off: (312) 642-1837

TO: Cardinal Bernardin

FROM: Rev. Raymond Goedert *RG*

DATE: June 9, 1989

RE: Rev. Marion Snieg

1. Marion Snieg, ordained in 1955, was appointed pastor of St. Rosalie in 1981. His first term expired in 1987. Prior to that expiration, you received a letter from a man who contended that Marion had abused him back in 1956-57, when this man was 13 or 14 years old. Because of Marion's admission that the incident did take place, his reappointment for a second term was put on hold, and he

[REDACTED]

2. In a letter to Marion, dated May 29, 1987, you extended him as pastor until Dec. 1, 1987, at which time you intended to make a final decision on his request for reappointment.

3. By sheer coincidence, Marion suffered a stroke on that very date -- Dec. 1, 1987. Because of the stroke and the subsequent period of recuperation, nothing was said or done at that time about the reappointment. I suspect we all just sort of lost track of it. I know I did, although I do have a note in the file that I called Marion on March 4, 1988, just to see how he was doing.

4. At the request of Ken Velo, I called Marion in on June 8, 1989. He was thoroughly cooperative and open in all his responses. The bottom-line, as far as I am concerned, is that he should be reappointed to complete the second term, i.e., for another four years, since two years of the second term have already elapsed.

5. My reasons for supporting a completion of Marion's term are as follows:

A. He has recovered very well from the stroke. Physically, he is quite capable of handling the job.

B. He is very excited about the parish and his staff. Things seem to be going very well. His associate, Charles Ezerskis, has been very good and supportive.

C. He has been working closely with the Archdiocesan School Office to prepare the parish for the closing of the school in 1990. To bring in a new pastor at this time would seem to jeopardize what up till now has been a relatively peaceful process.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

G. There have been no accusations against Marion other than what took place thirty years ago. While it is true that neither Marion, nor I, nor anyone else, can predict what might happen in the future, I feel that Marion is quite capable and desirous of being celibate and has proven this to himself over a long period of years.

H. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

6. Therefore, in the light of the above data, I do recommend that you renew Marion in his pastorate to complete a second term which is already into its second year and should run until 1993.



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TO: Rev. Kenneth Velo

FROM: Rev. Raymond Goedert *RG*

DATE: May 30, 1989

RE: Marion Snieg

In accord with your request, I am sending a copy of the Cardinal's letter to Marion dated May 29, 1987. I am also enclosing a copy of my Dec. 3, 1987 memo. As you can see, Marion got the stroke on Dec. 1, the very day on which his interim pastorate was to expire. I suspect that because of the stroke, nothing was done at the time. I know that I have not had any meetings at all with Marion, though I did have a phone conversation with him on March 4, 1988 just to see how he was doing.

It may be useful if the Cardinal were to suggest to Marion that he get in touch with me before making a final decision about re-appointment. According to the Cardinal's letter of May 29, 1987, Marion was supposed to "pursue counseling, find a Spiritual Director ... and have a monthly supervisory meeting with the Vicar for Priests". I could check these matters out if the Cardinal wished me to.

Marion Incig

6-5-87: Progress report meeting with Marion:


1. 

2. Be sure to mark mail "Personal & Confidential" because secretary opens the mail.

3. 

4. Parish? School is small (140) Good spirit. Carnival soon. Consolidation w. St. Morica is a possible future possibility.

5. Discussed Jahnowski's role as supervisor.

6. In December, who will report to Cardinal about decision to continue as pastor or not? Input from a) Vicar for Priests b) Dean c) 



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May 8, 1987

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Off: (312) 642-1837  
Res: (312) 528-0540

TO: File  
FROM: Tom Ventura *TV*  
RE: Rev. Marion Snieg

1. I met with S. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] my conversation with Fr. Jakubowski his Dean about any current concerns about the parish, and his request for a second term as pastor of St. Rosalies.

2. [REDACTED]

Recommendations: [REDACTED]

3. Fr. Jakubowski report. Some years ago (circa Spring 1984) some parishioners complained to the Dean about some administrative decisions of S. with which they disagreed. In the course of this, they mentioned concern about S. taking youngsters to his cottage. He discussed the matter with S. (In our discussions S. mentioned that he had done this on 3 or 4 occasions taking 4 or 5 youngsters at a time. He stated that nothing inappropriate occurred, but after his conversations with the Dean he ceased this entirely.) J. reported that he had contacted these people again this past week (May 1987) and inquired about the matter again. They reported that they saw nothing of concern and felt satisfied that all was well.

[REDACTED]

I contacted Cardinal Bernardin about this request. He felt that a) He wants to be supportive to S.'s record of good behavior and his accomplishments personally and professionally, but b) he wants to be sure that there is no likelihood of any recurrence. With that in mind the Cardinal decided on this procedure which I discussed with S. and to which he agreed.

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- A) S. will remain as pastor during an interim period from May 15, 1987 to Nov. 15, 1987 at the end of which the Cardinal will make a decision about a second term as pastor.
- B) During that period S. is expected to:
- [REDACTED]
  - [REDACTED]
  - have a monthly supervisory meeting with the Vicar for Priests
- C) The results of the above activities as well as the well being of the parish at that time will serve as a basis for the Cardinal's decision.
- D) S. is formally ordered to refrain from all unsupervised activities with young people under the age of 17.
- E) The Dean of the area is directed to monitor S. functioning in the parish.



## ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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March 27, 1987

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Res: (312) 528-0540

TO: Cardinal Bernardin  
FROM: Tom Ventura TV  
RE: Marion Snieg

1. When first I talked to Marion about the letter you received from [REDACTED] concerning an incident in 1958, Marion volunteered the idea of his not seeking a second term as pastor. I communicated that to you in a previous memo and you agreed that this would be a good idea.

[REDACTED]

3. Reasons for reconsidering:

- A) The parish is at a crucial time in terms of finances and internal changes. A new pastor at this time might not be good for the parish. A fellow priest, Jim Joslyn, also felt that Marion underestimated his ability to deal well with these challenges.
- B) There are positive signs of a more cooperative and realistic attitude among the parishioners, especially School Board members.
- C) [REDACTED]
- D) [REDACTED]

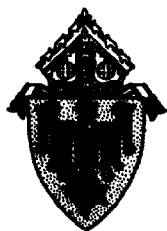
4. In response, I told Marion that I would communicate this new information to the Cardinal, and that his input is important, but there are other factors to consider: professional, [REDACTED], legal (responsibility to provide effective on-site supervision and support), etc.

5. Perhaps the Cardinal would like to see Fr. Snieg in person to discuss this matter further.

copy: Fr. Marion Snieg

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*Office of the Archbishop*

MEMO

To: Father Ventura

From: Cardinal Bernardin *glb*

Date: February 25, 1987

Re: MARION SNIEG

*867-8817*

I am in agreement with Marion's inclination to become an associate. It is safer.

I am encouraged, though, that he was so candid with you. It does seem that everything is now under control.

I do not think that it is necessary to write again to [REDACTED] do you?

Many thanks.



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February 22, 1987

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Res: (312) 528-0540

TO: File  
RE: Marion Snieg

January 1987 -- Cardinal forwarded a letter from [REDACTED] accusing Fr. Marion Snieg of sexually assaulting him in 1956 or 1957 when he was age 13 or 14.

[REDACTED]

Course of action: 1) As a precaution, Fr. Snieg has been placed under a canonical mandate to avoid any unsupervised contacts with young people. 2) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

4) I will be in supervisory contact with Fr. Snieg until the evaluation period is completed. 5) Since there are no indications of current problems, immediate removal from his present assignment is not indicated. However, Fr. Snieg indicated that his first six year term as pastor of St. Rosalie's will conclude in April, 1987. He is willing to leave the parish and become an Associate. He said he was considering this prior to our contact because he finds administration burdensome and would just as soon be an Associate. I told him that this would be a good idea. Fr. Snieg was very cooperative throughout our conversation.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Review Board Members

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Re: RESPONSE TO ALLEGATION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AGAINST  
MARION SNIEG [WITHDRAWN] MADE BY [REDACTED]

Date: March 14, 2004

Date of Interview: March 11, 2004

Time of Interview: 11:15am

Present at Interview

Rev. Marion Snieg  
Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

Phone Interview

Rev. James Kaczorowski contacted Rev. Marion Snieg via phone at 11:15am for the scheduled conference call. PRA met with Fr. Kaczorowski at the Vicar for Priests Office and the call to Fr. Snieg was placed upon PRA's arrival.

When asked by PRA, Fr. Snieg indicated that it was not necessary for PRA to explain the Review Board process to him. Fr. Snieg was asked to interrupt PRA if there were sections of the allegation read to him that he could not hear or that he did not understand.

PRA then read Mr. [REDACTED] allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Snieg in its entirety. While reading the allegation, PRA noted only one instance where Fr. Snieg spoke. When PRA read, "When Mr. [REDACTED] would be the last boy dropped off, Fr. Snieg would pull over on a side street in the neighborhood and the cleric would perform oral sex on the minor," Fr. Snieg softly stated, "I don't remember..."

Upon PRA's completion of reading the entire allegation, Fr. Snieg did not immediately speak and there was a long period of silence. His following responses were direct, but Fr. Snieg spoke quietly and was almost inaudible at times.

Fr. Snieg quietly stated, "I do remember having his hands behind his back and feeling my penis." He informed PRA that he did not remember "taking kids to and from funerals...[or] taking kids

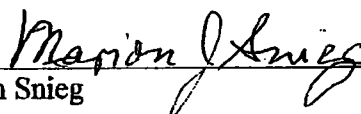
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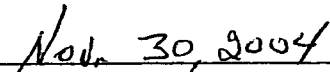
to and from the cemetery." In regards to Mr. [REDACTED] allegation of oral sex, Fr. Snieg stated on more than one occasion that he "doesn't remember having oral sex with them [minor boys]." As per Fr. Snieg, "That [engaging minors in oral sex] was not my custom."

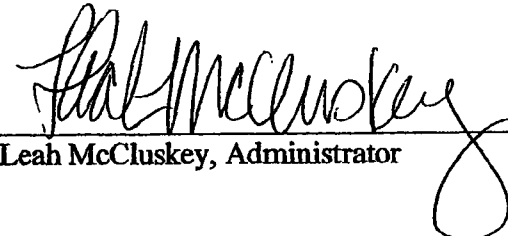
Both PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski noted that Fr. Snieg sounded upset after the entire allegation was read to him. Fr. Snieg informed PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski that he was "overwhelmed." Fr. Kaczorowski asked Fr. Snieg if he had a spiritual director, to which Fr. Snieg replied that he did not. As a result, Fr. Kaczorowski informed Fr. Snieg they would speak with later in the day to discuss identifying a spiritual director for Fr. Snieg. (u)

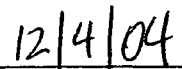
Fr. Snieg verbalized the fact that he questioned some of the details of the allegation read to him. As per Fr. Snieg, "I don't remember masturbating him [or having Mr. [REDACTED] masturbate me...I had him [Mr. [REDACTED] feel me up...I don't remember the specifics."

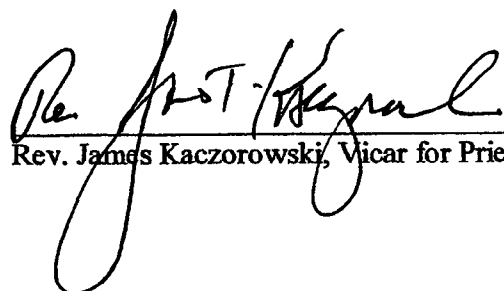
PRA asked Fr. Snieg if he would like to have a copy of the allegation sent to him. Fr. Snieg replied that he does not want a copy of the report at this time.


  
Marion Snieg

  
Date

  
Leah McCluskey, Administrator

  
Date

  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests

  
Date

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

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**INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS**  
**For**

**Rev. Marion Snieg**

The Individual Specific Protocols (ISP) implement the primary goal of protecting 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); please refer to protocol number 15. 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 \_\_\_\_\_ is as follows (PRA to initial all that apply):

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Restricted from being alone with minors (anyone under the age of 18) without the presence of another responsible adult.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Therapy with the suggested frequency of \_\_\_\_\_ times per week/month (please circle one) as recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ (therapist name). Attendance to therapy is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Continued regular Spiritual Direction with the suggested frequency of \_\_\_\_\_ times per week/month (please circle one) as recommended by \_\_\_\_\_ (spiritual advisor name). Attendance to recommended Spiritual Direction is to be reflected on "Clergy Daily Log" forms.
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 priest/deacon, the monitor and the Archdiocese. Although it lists all time periods, it is intended to provide an accurate record of the day rather than a detailed clock. If you are describing an off-campus activity, please include the place, the general purpose of the visit/trip/activity (e.g. Spiritual Direction, therapy), and the telephone number only if it is a private residence. (For example, it is enough to indicate that you did personal shopping rather than the name, location and telephone number of each individual store.) If your self-description is challenged, some documentation/verification may be requested.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Abide by the assignment of residence to \_\_\_\_\_

6. ☐ 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* will apply.
7. ☐ Must complete and submit the "Travel/Vacation Agreement", and obtain concurrence with the Agreement, prior to a scheduled departure.
8. ☐ Attendance 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.
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. ☐ The right of defense must not involve the public life of the Church.
12. ☐ On-site visits by PRA annually to include meeting with PRA and the cleric.
13. ☐ On-site visits by Vicar for Priests (VP) annually to include a meeting with VP and the cleric.
14. ☐ This ISP is to be reviewed annually with PRA, VP, and the cleric.
15. Because the private celebration of the Eucharist is possible, during the course of each week one of the Masses celebrated is to be for the intention of the priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago.
16. 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, 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 of these individual specific Protocols.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of PRA: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of VP: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Revised 10/8/03)

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## RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Responsibility Review Board met on 2/12/05 to conduct a(n)  
(enter date: month/day/year)

(check one:) Initial Review Preliminary Review ☒ Review for Cause Supplementary Review  
Status Report  
regarding the allegation of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of alleged victim)

against Marion Snies  
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(check one:) ☒ a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago  
an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of [Arch]diocese)

a religious priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of religious community)

a resigned priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

a deceased priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: mutual oral sex, masturbation, sodomy,  
alcohol  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

**Initial Review:** In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

(check one:) the information at least seems to be true of an offense.  
the information does not seem to be true of an offense and the file should be closed.

If the information at least seems to be true of an offense, the Board recommends that

(check one:) the safety of children requires the immediate withdrawal of the accused from ministry.  
the accused may remain in ministry with monitoring and restrictions pending inquiry.  
the accused may remain in ministry without monitoring or restrictions pending inquiry.

**Review for Cause:** In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

(check one:) ☒ there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
there is not reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

If there is a finding of reasonable cause to suspect, the Board recommends that

(check one:) ☒ the priest or deacon be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from  
ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with  
Archdiocesan policies and procedures.  
no further action be taken because the accused priest is resigned or deceased, except  
to provide appropriate outreach to those affected by the alleged misconduct.

The Board further recommends: 8-0 reasonable cause

*Allegation*  
*Done By Kathy L*

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW**

**STATEMENT OF ALLEGATION**

Name of Alleged Victim: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. (Date of Birth): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: WI

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

If a minor, Name, Address & Telephone Number of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Initial contact made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness(es): \_\_\_\_\_

Date Allegation Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Revised 2/22/00



### QUESTION/ANSWER FORMAT

1. a. In your own words, describe what happened, what the priest allegedly did to you/said to you.

7th grade at St. June de Chantal  
Met Sney as [redacted] 1954. after Fr. Ward. 11 years old. Friendly, jovial, easily liked priest. Playful to little boys - all liked him. Alone in sanctuary fondled genitals 1st. Overwhelming that this priest I do. Meet in different places. To basement of Church 7+ 8th grade sodomized him at rectory. Fr. Ward was there; housekeeper was there.

Take trips, out for rides in country, mutual oral sex. Trip to Canada Denning Legit. a number of boys. named [redacted]

- b. Were pictures taken? (Circle One) YES ☒ NO  
c. Threats for secrecy made by the priest? YES ☒ NO  
2. a. Do you recall the identity of the priest? YES NO

If "Yes", Name Marion Sney

- b. Can you describe physical appearance? big man, overpowering  
at all; image of perfect priest

3. Do you recall what Parish the priest was assigned to?

Parish Name: June de Chantal

Pastor to this Priest: \_\_\_\_\_

4. a. When did incident(s) happen (be as specific as possible)? 1958-59  
b. If more than once, over what time period? 7th + 8th  
c. Were incidents same? ☒ YES NO If "No", please describe.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. Alleged victim's age at time of incident(s): 12 + 13
6. Was there a witness(es) to incident(s)? Are you willing to share? Specify: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Did you tell anyone? YES ☒ NO If "Yes", Who? [REDACTED]
8. Has this happened to you before with anyone else? YES ☒ NO  
If "Yes", When and with Whom? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Did you know if priest allegedly engaged in same/similar misconduct with others?  
Source of Knowledge: suspected other boys  
YES NO If "Yes", Who [REDACTED]  
When \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Times \_\_\_\_\_
10. Once again: Where did priest touch you?  
oral sex, sodomy
11. Did you touch him? ☒ YES NO  
If "Yes", Where on his body? oral sex
12. Did he ask you to touch him? ☒ YES NO

13. Did he hurt you? YES NO

If "Yes", how? sadness

14. a. What were you wearing? \_\_\_\_\_

b. What was he wearing? \_\_\_\_\_

15. Why are you reporting this now? Call from friend [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Search about allegations against Fr. Lucey  
wanted to protect younger children

16. Is the alleged abuse you are describing conscious memory or has therapy uncovered some or all of your recollection? \_\_\_\_\_

If therapy, would you be willing to disclose name and phone number of Therapist and allow me to speak with him/her?

(Consent needed) never

How long have you been seeing therapist? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

17. Client work status:  
acknowledge that he did this & that her  
sorry. [REDACTED]

**POINTS TO SHARE WITH ALLEGED VICTIM**

- ▶ VAM availability
- ▶ Process/Policies
- ▶ D.C.F.S. Form and Information
- ▶ Other

# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



155 E. Superior St.  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

May 23, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator  
676 North St. Clair  
Chicago, IL 60611

**RECEIVED**

MAY 29 2003

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW

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. Marion Snieg**. The terms of this investigation are spelled out in the decree.

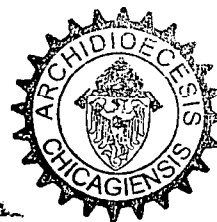
At the same time, I am designating you as the person who is to supervise the "monitoring protocol" which has been established for Father Snieg. I ask that you report to me on a regular basis, but no less than quarterly, on Father Snieg's compliance with this protocol. You may also wish to report more 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



Ecclesiastical Notary

AOC 005013

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# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

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Office of Assistance Ministry  
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review  
Safe Environment Office



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July 28, 2011

Sarah Odegaard  
Jeff Anderson and Associates  
366 Jackson Street, Suite 100  
St. Paul, MN 55101

Dear Ms. Odegaard,

Attached you will find the report of [REDACTED] allegation of sexual abuse of a minor against Rev. Marion Snieg. Please review the report, sign the final page and return the original to my office. Once I have the necessary signatures I will be sending the final copy to you and [REDACTED]. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Hibben  
Assistant Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Enclosure

AOC 005014

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the transcript of an interview of Victim DK, conducted by Jen Hibben of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, on June 18, 2011, in which Victim DK formalized his allegation of abuse against Rev. Marion Snieg. The alleged abuse consisted of fondling and kissing of his body, which occurred at the St. Constance parish rectory and sacristy where Victim DK was an elementary school student. Abuse also occurred on trips to Galena, Illinois and Canada. Victim DK also reported that Fr. Snieg slept naked with Victim DK. The alleged abuse occurred between the time Victim DK was in sixth and eighth grade in the mid to late 1970's. Victim DK reported that he made 7-10 trips to Galena with other boys to stay at a vacation home purportedly owned by Fr. Snieg.

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[REDACTED]

September 15, 2010

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you again for coming to meet with us on September 10, 2010 in relation to the allegations of sexual abuse of Rev. Marion Snieg. I appreciate your patience with the process and your willingness to speak with us.

Enclosed you will find a typed report of the audio recording of our conversation. Please review the report and make any additions or clarifications you wish and return the report to me in the self-addressed envelope included. Any additional information you provide will be included with the enclosed document as a final report.

[REDACTED] in the interest of expediting this process, I ask that you please return any additions or clarifications to me by September 29, 2010. Please know that you may also respond by September 29<sup>th</sup> with a written request for a two-week extension to review the enclosed report, which I would then ask that you return it to me by October 13, 2010.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (312) 534-8793 or [jhibben@archchicago.org](mailto:jhibben@archchicago.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Hibben".

Jennifer Hibben  
Assistant to the Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Enclosures

AOC 005016

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the transcript of an interview of Victim DL, conducted by Jen Hibben of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, on September 10, 2010, in which Victim DL formalized his allegation of abuse against Rev. Marion Snieg. The alleged abuse consisted of fondling and masturbation to ejaculation, which occurred numerous times when Victim DL was 12-13 years old in 1957-1958, and a student at St. Jane de Chantal Elementary School. The alleged abuse took place at a swimming pool at a seminary in Mundelein, a movie theatre, and in Fr. Snieg's car. Victim DL also remembers that Fr. Snieg would pull boys' pants down to see their underwear.



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PFR 089

October 24, 2011

Dear [REDACTED]

I hope this letter finds you well. Thank you so much for returning the report of your allegation. I am enclosing the final copy of the report of your allegation of sexual abuse against Rev. Marion Snieg. Due to the fact that Rev. Snieg is deceased this concludes the process with our office. You of course are free to contact me with any questions you may have.

I also want to remind you that the Office of Assistance Ministry continues to be available to you. Please feel free to contact Tom Tharayil (312-534-8267 or [ttharayil@archchicago.org](mailto:ttharayil@archchicago.org)) in the Office of Assistance Ministry.

Again, [REDACTED] thank you so much for coming forward and I pray that this proves to be a helpful part of your healing process. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (312) 534-8793 or via email at [jhibben@archchicago.org](mailto:jhibben@archchicago.org).

Sincerely,

*Jennifer Hibben*

Jennifer Hibben  
Assistant to the Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Enclosures

CC: Tom Tharayil, Office of Assistance Ministry

Bc: John C. O'Malley  
Office of Legal Services

✓ Cc: [REDACTED] Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella

AOC 005018

### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Jennifer Hibben, Assistant to the Director of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review of the Archdiocese of Chicago, of Victim DM's statement, given to Ms. Hibben on September 29, 2011, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Marion Snieg. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Snieg forcing Victim DM to touch Fr. Snieg, and also Fr. Snieg fondling, masturbating, and performing oral sex on Victim DM. The alleged abuse occurred in the mid to late 1950's at the St. Jane de Chantal parish and school, as well as at a drive-in restaurant. The alleged abuse occurred when Victim DM was a student at the St. Jane de Chantal elementary school. Victim DM remembers that Fr. Snieg had a lot of contact with boys at St. Jane de Chantal because Fr. Snieg was involved in the choir and with the altar boys. Victim DM also recalled that Fr. Snieg had other boys engage in group masturbation.