



WRITTEN REPORT/SUMMARY FOR FIRST STAGE REVIEW

REVIEW DATE: June 11, 1994 and July 16, 1994

1. NAME: (Rev.) Kenneth Ruge AGE/D.O.B.: 

2. ORDAINED: 1963


3. PRESENT ASSIGNMENT OR RESIDENCE:
Center for Developing Ministry (currently)
 Nov., 1992
Divine Savior 1987-1992/St. Leonard 1981-1987/
Divine Infant 1975-1981/Holy Redeemer 1967-1975/
St. Rosalie 1963-1967

4. ALLEGATIONS/INFORMATION:

Date of Offense	Sex/Age of Child	Credibility	
		Yes	No
<u>See Reports (approx. M/12 or 13</u> <u>1979 to 1982)</u>	<u>M/12 or 13</u>	<u>X</u>	<u> </u>

5. GENERAL NATURE OF ALLEGED OFFENSE(S): See Report; K.R. has
admitted to more than one victim in past - # of total victims
remains unclear/unspecified as yet.

6. OTHER PROBLEMS DURING MINISTRY: Kenneth has been removed from
parish ministry and under daily supervision and protocol since
1992; he admits to more than one child sexual abuse victims.

7. 

Date: July 14, 1994

To: Steve Sidlowski

From: Bernadette Connolly *bc*

Re: Kenneth Ruge- Revisions/Recommendations of Current Protocol

If the Review Board finds reasonable cause of the alleged allegation of Rev. Kenneth Ruge, I would recommend the following changes to his current protocol:

1. Resident is required to call in every four hours.
2. Resident currently works at Catholic Charities and spends a great deal of his day under no supervision. It is suggested that a daily schedule be provided to the Executive Director from his/her supervisor to verify his whereabouts and confirm his attendance.
3. Resident spends every weekend in Elmhurst with his brother-in-law [REDACTED] is very much aware of Residents current situation. It is recommended that Resident spend one overnight in Elmhurst per week.
4. Resident should continue participating in [REDACTED] support group meetings.
5. Resident should be allowed to take vacations but only with an approved companion.
6. Resident has complied to every restriction in his current protocol. Resident has no living family members. He spends most of his time in Elmhurst with [REDACTED] also has a twenty two year old daughter. Resident is very close to this family. It is imperative to Resident mental health to continue his relationship with this family. The amount of time spent in Elmhurst should be discussed with the Resident to determine his needs.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



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February, 1992

Dear Father Ruge:

It is with sadness that I must formally convey to you my decision that the nature of your [REDACTED]

Therefore, I must issue this decree that, effective immediately, you are prohibited from any and all exercise of the priestly ministry, in [REDACTED]

Considering the gravity of your difficulties, I do not foresee your ever being able to exercise the sacred ministry. This is something which Father Patrick O'Malley, the Vicar for Priests, and the Chancellor, Father Robert Kealy, will discuss further with you.

? [REDACTED] I am confident that if you take full advantage of the help which is being offered, you will benefit greatly. Father O'Malley and Father Andrew McDonagh are prepared to assist you as much as possible.

Be assured that you are remembered in my prayers.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Robert J. Flinn, S.V.D.
Assistant Chancellor

Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
P.O. Box 167222
Chicago, Illinois 60616-7222

cc: Reverend Patrick J. O'Malley

AOC 004633

January 20, 1992

INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL

For Kenneth Ruge

I have reviewed, understand, and agree to all requirements of The Residence Protocol, and the following items:

1) Detailed list of assets to be given to the Archdiocese Vicar for Priests or designate.

2) Restricted to the Residence.

3) Unaccompanied out-of-house privileges include the following:

[REDACTED] /meals/ - every day

[REDACTED] - Tuesday thru Saturday
[REDACTED]

4) Cannot leave boundaries of the Archdiocese /Lake County, Cook County/.

5) No out-of-residence passes longer than six hours.

6) Only approved family members can be responsible parties for out of residence trips.

7) Any contraband materials/i.e., alcohol, VCR's, pornography/ can be confiscated.

8) Abstinence from all alcohol.

9) Car keys to be checked in at the Community Room.

10) Cannot celebrate mass/even privately/, attendance at mass only at room # 404/residence's chapel/.

11) Visitation by previously approved visitors can only occur at room #404, all visitors must sign in and out at the Community Room.

12) Attendance at all activities and the specific names, addresses, time and telephone numbers regarding resident's must be entered on the individual itinerary.

13) It is resident's responsibility to be reachable at any given time. Resident is accountable for his own time and is required to support his attendance at social events with physical proof/i.e., movie ticket, receipt from restaurant, etc./. If such proof cannot be provided, resident is required to call the residence staff member from the place of destination. Resident out of residence is to call in every two hours. The telephone number from where the call has been made will be verified by a staff member. Unlisted, unpublished and mobile telephone numbers will not suffice.. A 72 hour restriction to the Residence will result if resident not reachable after three attempts. Unsuccessful attempts to reach resident at the given number will be followed by writing a memorandum. Such a memorandum will be kept on file at the [REDACTED] In case of repeated violations, copie:

AOC 004634

13 cont) of original memoranda will be forwarded to the Archdiocese Vicar for Priests and Isaac Ray Center.

14) No one under the age of eighteen is permitted to be at the Residence unless prior approval has been received from the Residence Executive Director, [REDACTED] and the Archdiocese Vicar for Priests or designate. Meetings with minors, in and out of the Residence can take place only in the presence of an approved companion.

15) Any deviation and/or non-compliance with requirements of the Individual Specific Protocol will be addressed by the Residence Executive Director and/or designate and may be grounds for modification of currently existing unaccompanied out of house privileges. Such modification will be collectively determined by the Archdiocese Vicar for Priests and/or designate/other referring authority in conjunction with the Residence Executive Director and [REDACTED]. In case of emergency, any staff member can modify the Individual Specific Protocol until an administrative decision can be made by the Residence Executive Director and/or designate.

16) In order to change the Individual Specific Protocol and/or items within the protocol, prior approval must be received [REDACTED] in conjunction with the Residence Executive Director.

This is a working document which can be changed, altered, or superseded where there is an indicated need to do so.

SIGNED: Kenneth C. Ruge

PRINTED NAME: **KENNETH RUGE**

DATE: Feb 2, 1991

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: [Signature]

A copy of this protocol will be kept on file at Isaac Ray Center and a copy will be sent to the Archdiocese Vicar for Priests.

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW BOARD**

**Meeting, Saturday, May 17, 1997
10:00 AM - 12:58 PM
Office of Professional Fitness Review**

MINUTES

Members Present:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Others Present:

Bernadette Connolly

I. Approval of Minutes

A. The Review Board approved the Minutes of the April 19, 1997 meeting.

II. Review Board Matters

A. Matter of

[REDACTED]

B. Matter of

[REDACTED]

C. Matter of

[REDACTED]

D. Matter of PFR-37, Kenneth Ruge

The Board conducted a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process For The Continuation Of Ministry. The Board determined there is reasonable cause to suspect Fr. Ruge engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. The Board recommended Fr. Ruge remain withdrawn from ministry and his current protocol remain in effect. The Board also requested [REDACTED]

.....continued

E. Matter of



III. Other Matters

- A. The Administrator informed the Board that Archbishop Francis George will meet with the Board on October 19, 1997.

Our next scheduled meeting is Saturday, June 21, 1997.

Steve's COPY

MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD OF THE
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
(Minutes)

DATE: July 16, 1994

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:



OTHERS PRESENT:

Thomas Paprocki

Steve Sidlowski

Matter of PFR-37 (K.R.):

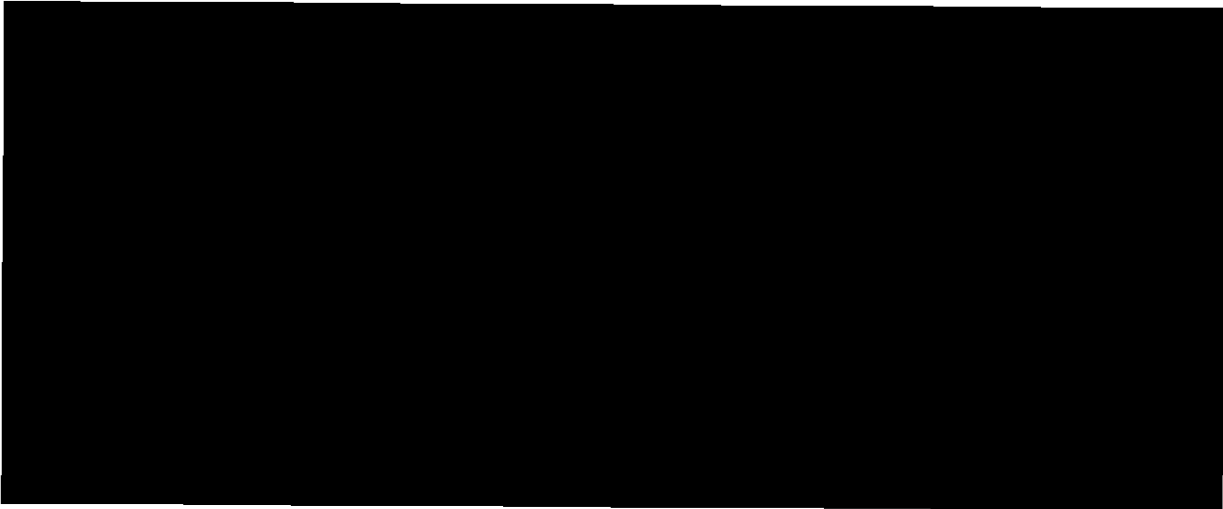
1. The Board completed a First Stage Review in the PFR-37 matter pursuant to Article 4.9 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

2. Determination: The Board determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that K.R. engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Basis: Based upon the allegations involving nine minors overall from the past, including the most recent allegation discussed in the meeting, along with K.R.'s acknowledgement that he has engaged in sexual misconduct with more than one minor in the past, minors would continue to be at risk of sexual misconduct in the unsupervised presence of K.R.

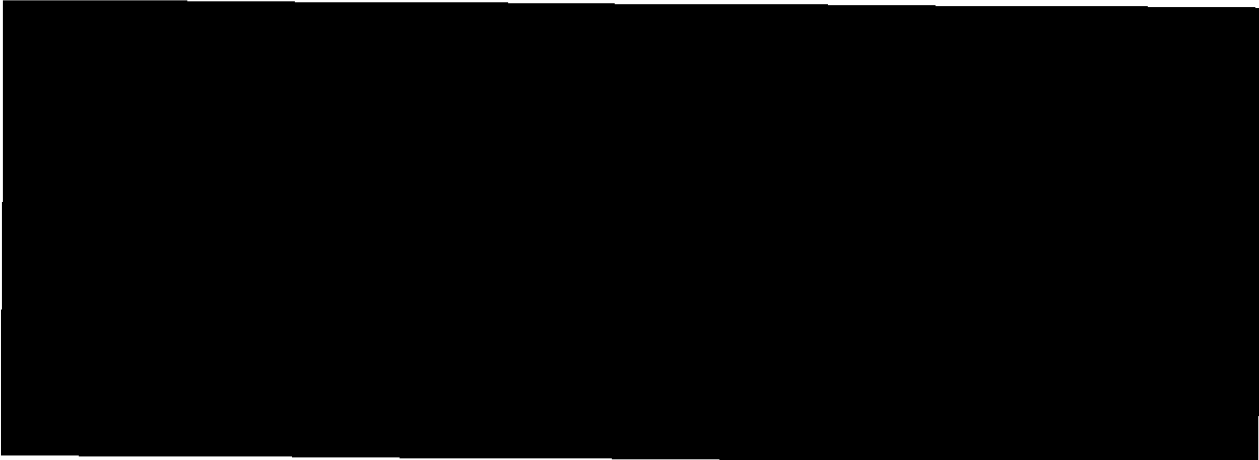
3. Recommendations to the Archbishop: K.R. should continue to remain withdrawn from ministerial assignment. K.R.'s protocol for supervision and restriction should remain in effect, pending further consideration and receipt of information by the Board. Additional inquiry should be conducted, which would include requests for more information pertinent to K.R.'s [REDACTED] from K.R. (at least answers to the Board's Questionnaire focusing on issues of sexual misconduct with minors).

Matter of [REDACTED]



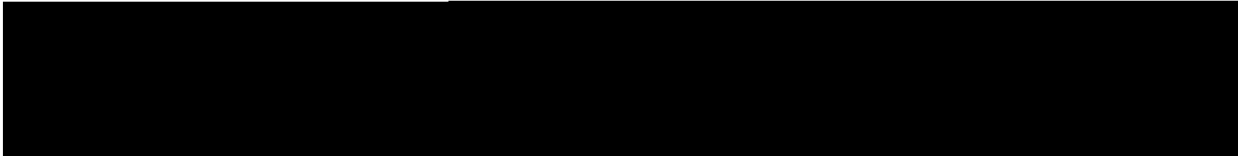


Update on Matter of [REDACTED]

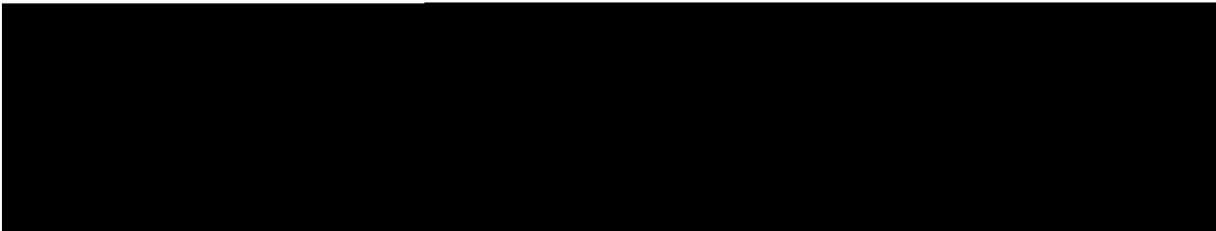
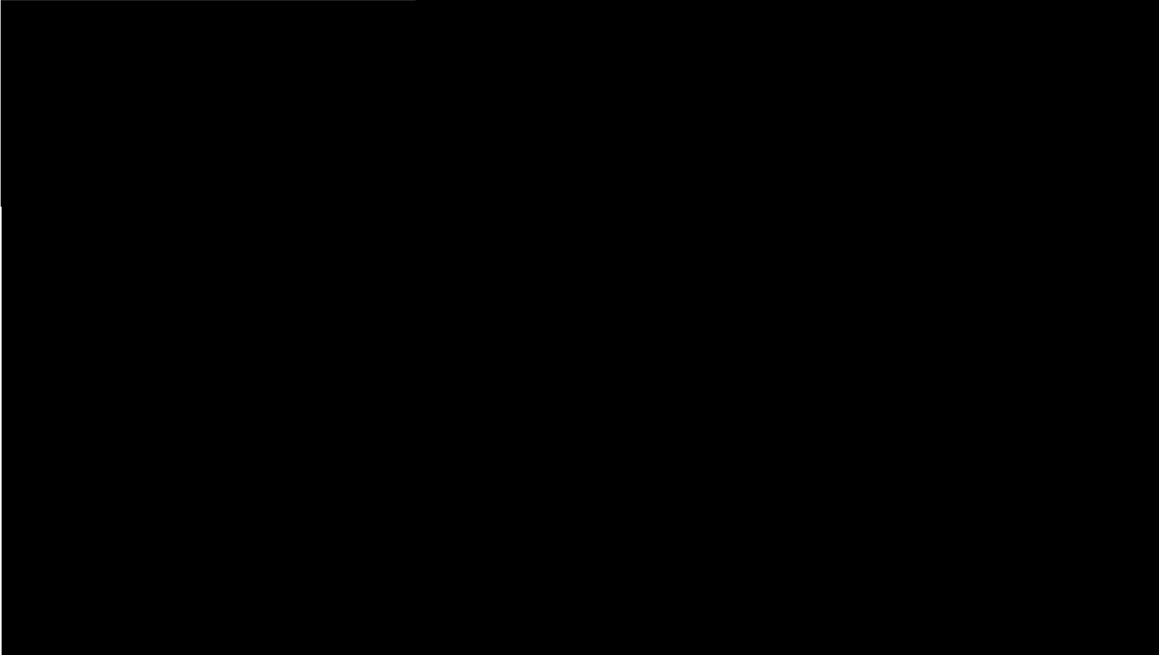


Update on Matter of [REDACTED]

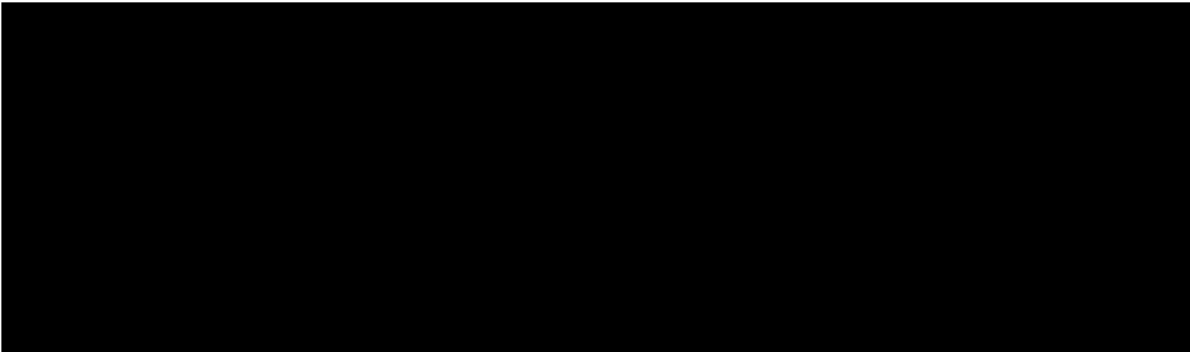




Matter of [redacted]



More Information Related to [redacted]



Article 4.7(c) Reports to Board:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

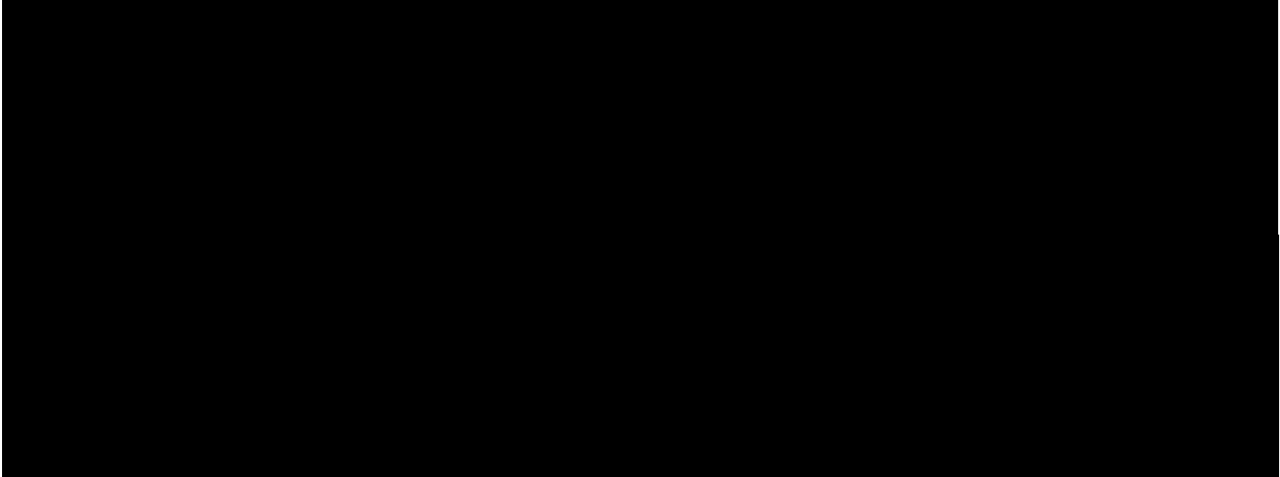
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Miscellaneous Information and Updates on Various Matters:

- * The Board took with them copies of the April, 1994 and May,

1994 Review Board Meetings' Minutes for possible approval at the Board's August, 1994 meeting in that today's meeting had run overtime.



The Board settled on its next three meeting dates as 8-27-94, 9-17-94, and 10-15-94.

Respectfully
Submitted By -
Steve Sidlowski -
Administrator



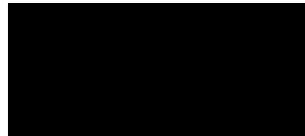
These Minutes Unanimously
Approved By
Review Board

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MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD OF THE
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(Minutes)

DATE: June 11, 1994

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:



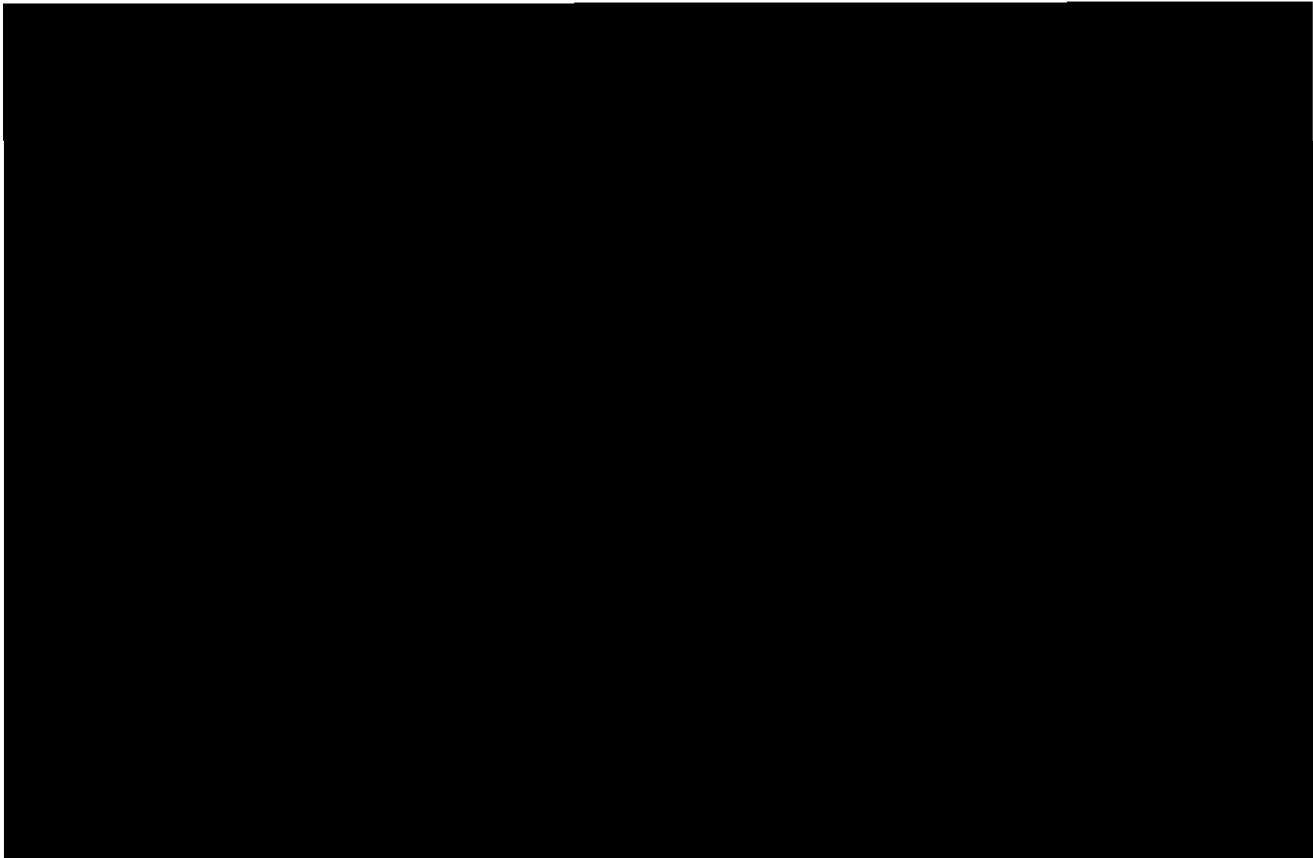
OTHERS PRESENT:

Thomas Paprocki

Steve Sidlowski

(OTHERS PRESENT DURING MORNING PORTION OF MEETING:

Available members of the Professional Conduct Advisory
Committee - Bishop Raymond Goedert, Rev. Pat O'Malley,
Rev. John Canary, Ralph Bonaccorsi, John O'Malley,
Sr. Brian Costello, James Serritella, and Carol Fowler)





Matter of PFR-37 (K.R.):

1.) The Board initiated a First Stage Review in the PFR-37 matter pursuant to Article 4.9 of the Review Process For Continuation Of Ministry.

2.) The Board directed the Administrator to obtain further information as to K.R.'s protocol and the degree of his supervision, request Residential Director Bernadette Connolly's written concerns regarding K.R.'s protocol and situation, information pursuant to K.R.'s [REDACTED] (to the extent he will release it to the Board), and request the Vicar for Priests, as the Administrator had suggested, to attend the next Board meeting, if possible, to provide further details as to K.R.'s background, status, along with the non-privileged file materials to present to the Board.

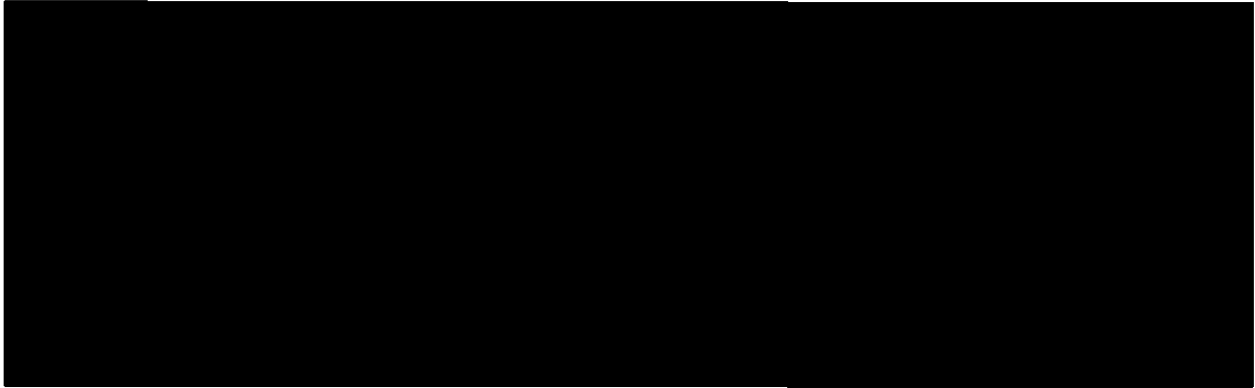
3.) In the interim, the Board concluded that the status of K.R.'s withdrawal and protocol should remain.

Matter of [REDACTED]

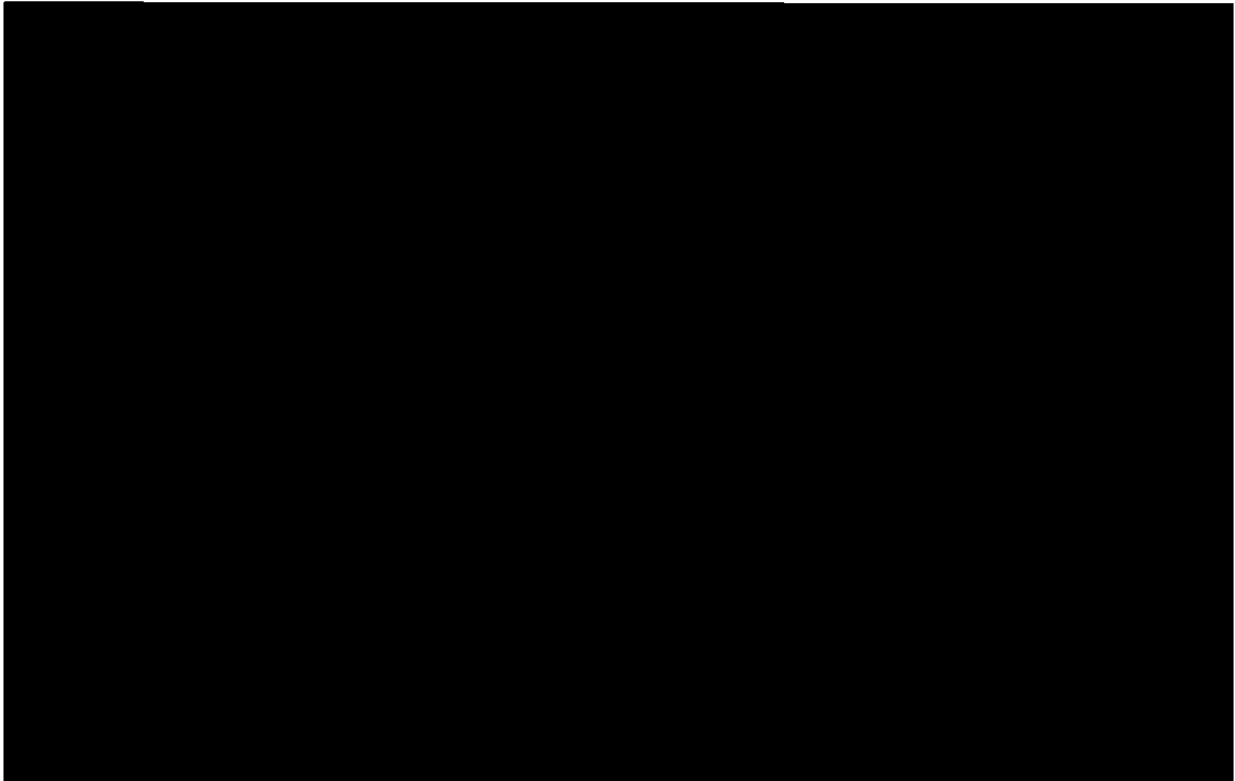




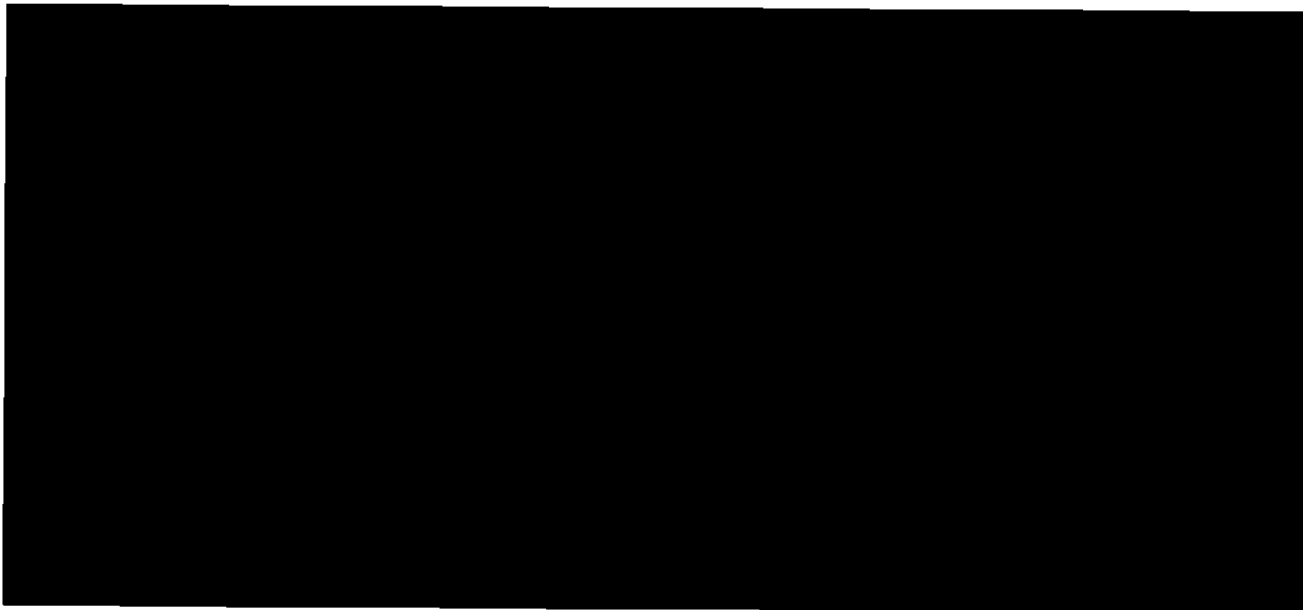
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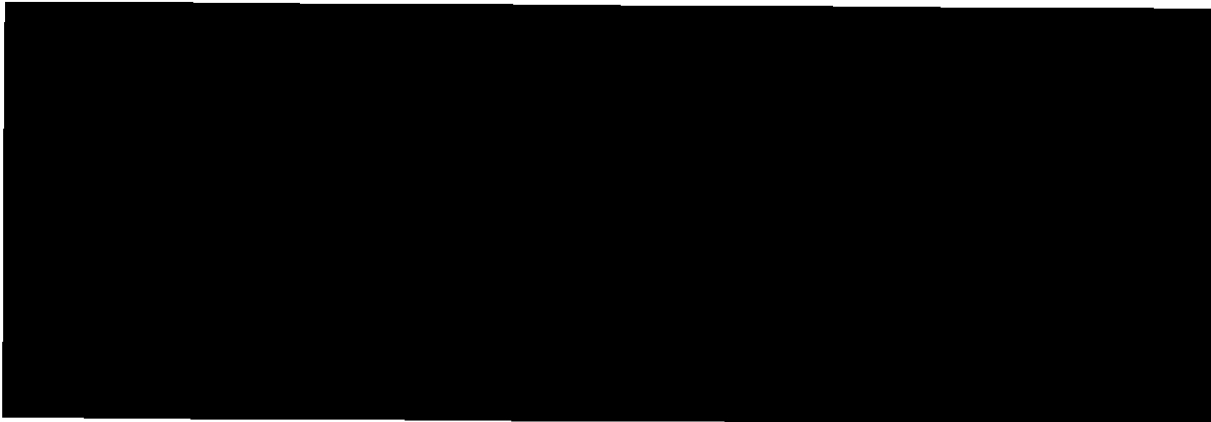
Matter of [redacted]



* The Board formally approved the Minutes of its May 5, 1994 emergency meeting, which primarily dealt with the PFR-45 (D.U.) matter/First Stage Review.



Article 4.7(c) Update on [redacted]



Article 4.7(c) Report on [redacted]



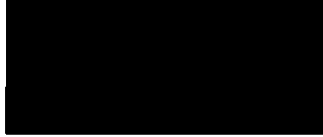


The Board confirmed that its next meeting would be July 16, 1994.

MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
(Minutes)

DATE: March 19, 1994

Board Members Present:



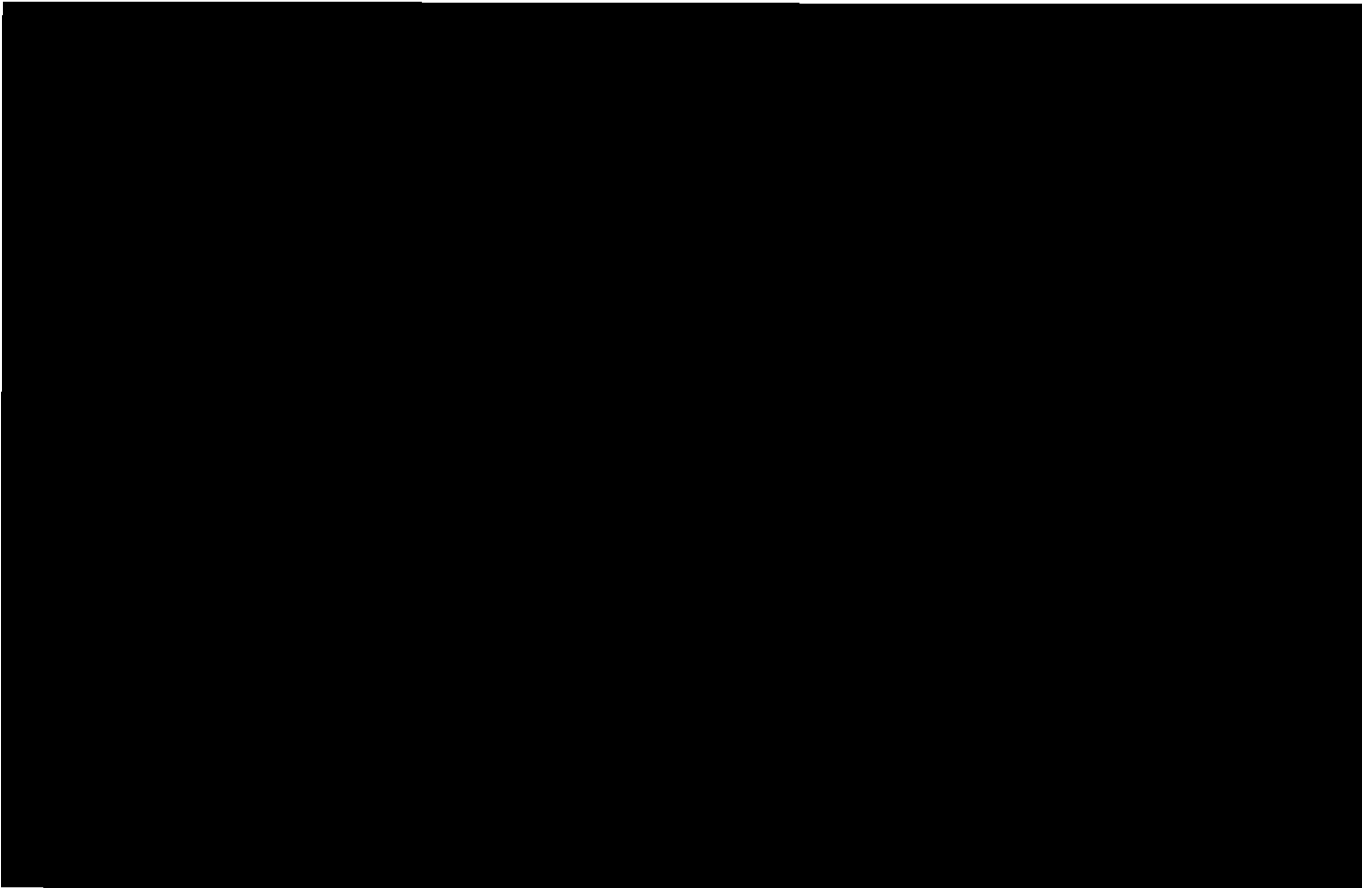
Others Present:

Thomas Paprocki

Steve Sidlowski

* The Board formally approved the Minutes of the Review Board Meeting of 2-19-94.

Matter of



Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

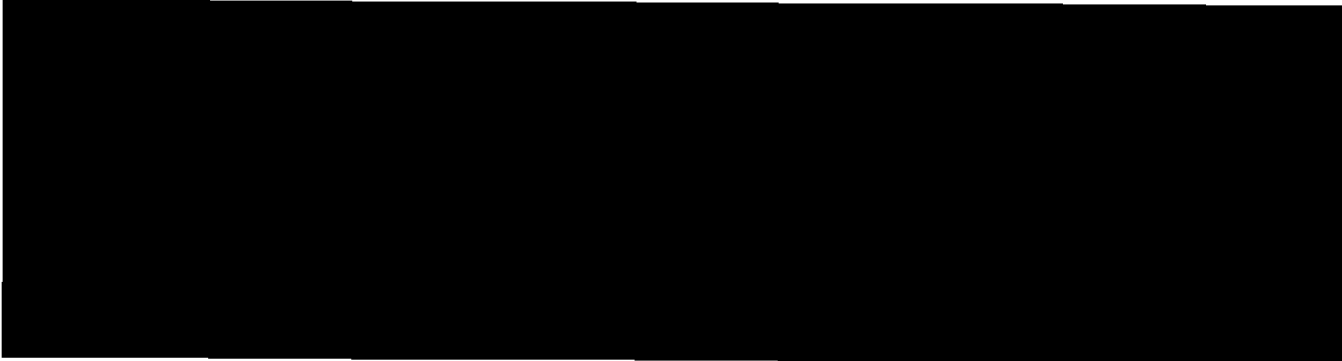
Matter Involving [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



Possible Forthcoming New Allegation on Previously Withdrawn Priest (K.R.)

The Administrator also informed the Board that a forthcoming allegation may be coming regarding K.R. (a previously-withdrawn priest). The Administrator informed the Board that the alleged victim in that situation is working closely with Mike Bland of Assistance Ministry. The Administrator also informed the Board that Rev. O'Malley of the Vicar for Priests Office has informed the Administrator that an old/pre-Board case will be coming to the Board soon - likely at the April, 1994 meeting.



The Board confirmed its next meeting is 4-16-94.

Respectfully
Submitted By
Steve Sidlowski -
Administrator

These Minutes Unanimously
Approved By
Review Board

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim BY's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on October 26, 2005, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge and another Archdiocesan priest. During the meeting, Victim BY clarified that he was not abused by Fr. Ruge, but stated that he was abused by another Archdiocesan priest during a trip to the Woodhaven RV park.

TO: File

FR: Larry McBrady

DT: June 11, 2002

RE: Kenneth Ruge

On May 22, 2002 I received a letter from Ralph Bonaccorsi, which I was asked to forward to Ken Ruge. The letter was written by [REDACTED] I called Mark Holihan who informed me that Ken was semi-comatose and, as a result of that information, I decided to open the letter.

The letter was a very angry (but probably cathartic) attack upon Ken for the harm that he had done to their son. Included in the statements of condemnation was a wish that Ken would suffer as much as possible now before burning in hell. Obviously, I saw no point in forwarding this letter to a dying man despite my understanding of the pain that [REDACTED] are living with. Because Ken died on May 24, I recommended to Ralph Bonaccorsi that he inform the [REDACTED] of these facts: that by the time I received the letter Ken was already semi-comatose and died soon after. I further suggested Ralph say that the homily dealt very openly with the damage Ken did in the lives of young people. I also mentioned it was a very small funeral attended only by family members and a few priests and was in no way indicative of a typical priest's funeral where a man is lauded for his years of service.

The story of Ken Ruge is a sad and tragic one and people continue to suffer. It was made clear at the funeral that Ken spent a great deal of time praying for his victims in the years before his death.

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Memorandum

Memo to File: PFR-37
From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator *KL*
Re: Rev. Kenneth Ruge
Date: August 24, 2000

[REDACTED]

Protocol was also reviewed and signed.

For the time being, he will continue to live at his brother-in-law's home in Elmhurst.

Cc: Rev. Larry McBrady, Vicar for Priests

AOC 004653

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Fitness Review, of Victim BZ's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on January 14, 1999, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of genital fondling, which occurred when Victim BZ was between 9 and 13 years old. The abuse occurred numerous times in a trailer during camping trips, where Victim BZ was forced to sleep unclothed in the same bed as Fr. Ruge, and use a sauna while naked. Victim BZ also alleged sexual abuse against Rev. Robert Becker. Victim BZ also reported that he was asked sexual questions by Frs. Becker and Ruge, and was told that the abuse was a secret between them.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

December 8, 1998

Burke, Warren & MacKay, P.C.

ATTENTION: [REDACTED]
22nd Floor - IBM Plaza
330 North Wabash Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611-3607

RE: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]:

This will confirm our conversation of December 4, 1998 wherein we agreed to enter into a tolling agreement regarding the claim of [REDACTED] against the ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO to be effective as of December 4, 1998.

This arises out of [REDACTED] claim that he was molested by Father Robert Becker and Father Kenneth Ruge. There were approximately three incidents with Father Ruge and between twenty-five and fifty incidents with Father Robert Becker. These incidents took place between approximately 1983 and 1986.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] duties as a parish priest [REDACTED].

The incidents would occur on "camp outs". When it was bed time, the heat in the trailer would be turned down so it would be cold. Father Becker told them it was necessary for both of them to sleep naked so that they could retain body heat in bed. Most of the incidents involved Father Becker masturbating [REDACTED]. On a number of occasions, he would have [REDACTED] masturbate him. On all occasions, they would sleep naked with Father Becker's penis up against [REDACTED] buttocks - although he does not believe there was any penetration.

On a number of occasions, other boys would also come along and on the occasions when [REDACTED] slept with Father Becker, the other boys would sleep with Father Ruge or vice versa. The other boys are [REDACTED]. As always, I will not contact the other boys unless it becomes necessary to my investigation of this case.

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If I recall correctly, [REDACTED] I believe that this will probably satisfy the notice requirement.

[REDACTED]

Please provide me with the tolling agreement for us to sign at your earliest convenience, and let me know if you need any additional information.



At least initially, I view this case as having significantly more value than the other cases we've settled because of Father Becker's position within the Diocese. Also, I believe that I could withstand motions to dismiss on the statute of limitations grounds and/or prevail on appeal. However, as usual, I am willing to listen to any facts or arguments you have in opposition in an attempt to come to a reasonable resolution of this claim.

Please be advised that I claim a lien for my services and trust that you will accept this letter as a satisfactory lien; if not, please let me know and I will serve the Diocese directly.


Very truly yours,

[REDACTED]

VICAR FOR PRIEST'S OFFICE - SALARY SCHEDULE

	<u>1996-1997</u>	<u>1997-1998</u>	<u>1998-1999</u>
			
Mark Holihan (Totally on Charities Payroll)	\$ 1,734.58	\$ 1,800.49	\$ 1,800.49
Norb Maday	\$ 730.57	\$ 730.57	\$ 200.00
			
Marion Snieg	\$ 362.17	\$ 362.17	\$ 362.17

PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW OFFICE - SALARY SCHEDULE

	<u>1996-1997</u>	<u>1997-1998</u>	<u>1998-1999</u>
			
Kenneth Ruge	\$ 1,289.96	\$ 1,338.97	\$ 1,379.13
Ralph Strand	\$ 800.00	\$ 830.40 \$ 483.17	\$ 855.31 \$ 483.17
Tom Swade	\$ 1,306.46	\$ 1,356.10	\$ 1,396.78
Donald Ulatowski	\$ 483.17	\$ 483.17	\$ 483.17



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Memo to File
From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley
Date: 12/4/95
Re: Ken Ruge

I met with Ken Ruge on 12/1/95. This was a meeting to maintain a connection between ourselves. [REDACTED]

We talked about what would happen if Ruge is freed up from [REDACTED]. He has not yet received a letter from Paprocki to that effect. That letter should be on the way pretty soon.

In general we had a good meeting. I advised Ruge that, because of the possibility of other situations still existing which have not yet come forward, the likelihood of his ever returning to any kind of direct ministry, however limited, is not very strong. The Cardinal must be aware of the liability issues.

Ruge indicated that he has not gotten his hopes up too high and that at this point he is willing to go along with the program.

From: Gaby [redacted]
Date: 1-7-8-9-92

Re: Ken Page - 808-0234 - 2-5-6-7-92

To go to [redacted] on Tues. 2-11-92, have to talk to him.
Cannot go to [redacted] because of mandatory reporter

Ken - wants to see lawyer, Steve, family, pick up clothes

I told Paul and Ken it was OK. Ken is driving thru airport by noon 2-13-92.

[redacted]
2-8-92: Talked to Ken this morning at 7:15. I repeated what I told [redacted] about Ken's requests: seeing lawyer, seeing Steve, packing his

stuff, seeing his lawyer. I told Ken he could see his family

Ken's lawyer seems satisfied about Ken going to [redacted] Ken then [redacted]

Ken talked about how shocked he was about Fr. Bob's Kelly's statement that he would no longer function as a priest, and not go to [redacted]

I hope that the Cardinal would personally have given him the letter.

I told Ken very briefly about moral charge. He indicated that he can't deal with that now. I told him I didn't know much about the charge so I shouldn't speculate.

Ken is going to [redacted] today. I mentioned that there is possibly a misunderstanding with [redacted] about his going to [redacted]. I reminded Ken that from the beginning I talked about his [redacted] for his [redacted]. We hope to clarify that misunderstanding. I expect to talk to Ken later today. (in and out) (over)

2-1-7 - Stated again I was about 1000...
(... 11) [redacted] Section

I don't think that he gets the idea that he will move to be
partly... [redacted]
and they are to deal more substantially with the situation

... [redacted] ... [redacted] ... [redacted]
... [redacted] ... [redacted] ... [redacted] There is no trust

2-16-82 Committee says [redacted] of H. T. [redacted] or some other
paid relation in [redacted] or some other [redacted] possibility of [redacted] [redacted] and
100 people at their [redacted] [redacted] could come forward
His case was worst of all - by Judge [redacted] - wants to go to [redacted]

1) [redacted]
2) Committee said that they in the light of recent allegations
that it would be [redacted] for you to go
1) because of an accident

2) Proposed State Attorney that the complaint or complaints [redacted] they have the
3) This could be happening now right to report
Is the 100 true or false
[redacted]

Police in Bullitt
Reak the [redacted]
Make apppt with [redacted]

AGENDA FOR MEETING WITH PEOPLE OF DIVINE SAVIOR
FRIDAY, NOV. 15, 1991 7:00 P.M.

Prayer - Fr. STEVE TEBES
Introduction by STEVE
All are introduced

1. May we ask something of one another this evening. This is a family meeting; we are members of this family dealing with a confidential personnel matter. We would ask that all of us observe confidentiality about what goes on at this meeting. Is that agreed?

2. As some of you may already know, Fr. Ken Ruge has been removed by the Archdiocese from his assignment as associate pastor of Divine Savior. His removal will come as a shock to you perhaps. However, over the past few years, Fr. Ruge has been struggling with some issues in his personal life.

3. Some years back an accusation of sexual abuse of a young person was brought against him. [REDACTED]

As far as we know, there has been no recurrence of this problem.

4. Because of his willingness to cooperate [REDACTED] and with the archdiocesan authorities, Fr. Ruge was allowed to remain in parish ministry. Within the past few months, [REDACTED] -- and again he has done so with total cooperation. When Fr. Steve Tebes was appointed pastor a short time ago, he did not have knowledge of Fr. Ruge's previous history.

5. But we are at a new moment now. [REDACTED] More-
over, heightened concern in both Church and society has brought the Archdiocese to a new understanding of its policy of placing or retaining such priests in parish ministry. So in order to avoid even the possibility of risks to young people, the Archdiocese has removed Fr. Ruge from parish ministry.

Cardinal Bernardin and Fr. Ruge met recently to discuss what this meant. It was a very moving experience. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He will not be returning to Divine Savior in the future.

6. We wanted to share this information with this small group from the parish so that you may know the truth. We also want to ask your advice on how we may present this information to the rest of your parish. Before we do that, however, I will answer any questions you may have at this time.

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November 14, 1991

Dear Ken:

I appreciate how difficult our meeting the other day must have been for you. I know that it was very difficult for me as well. I am grateful for your cooperation and your move [REDACTED]

At this time, I must formally end your assignment as Associate Pastor of Divine Savior Parish, Norridge. Decisions about your future ministry will depend [REDACTED]

Ken, be assured that you have a special place in my daily prayers and that I will do everything possible to help you.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Joseph Card. Bernardin
Archbishop of Chicago

Robert L. Keagy
Chancellor

The Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
[REDACTED]

cc: Rev. Stephen J. Tebes
bc: Rev. Patrick J. O'Malley
Rev. Kenneth Velo

AOC 004662

[REDACTED]

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11-15-86

re: Ken Kuge.

Note:

[REDACTED]

I want a) never happen again to any other family.
b) get help for Dr. Kuge.

The incident: He drove [REDACTED] to pick me up at my house

[REDACTED]
Stopped to buy food [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Had dinner. Watched the video movie.

We went into the sauna suite. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Then time to go to bed.

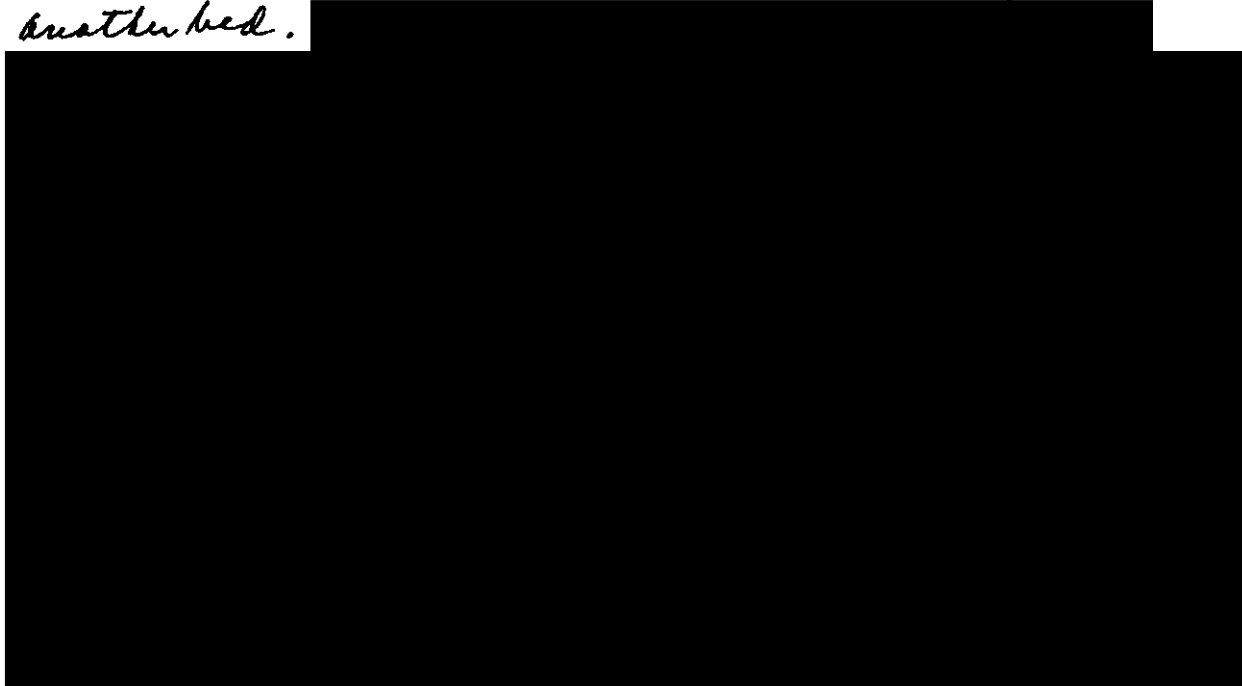
He had been drinking scotch. I was naive. Once before with 2 other guys there + Dr. Becker I had slept nude in the same bed with him and nothing happened. I was cautious. [REDACTED]

about 2 am }

[REDACTED] He suggested we sleep together in the suite. He grabbed my hand + made me feel his penis. I pulled my hand away. He did it again. Then he rolled me over and stuck his penis in my butt. I jumped out of bed and went to [REDACTED]

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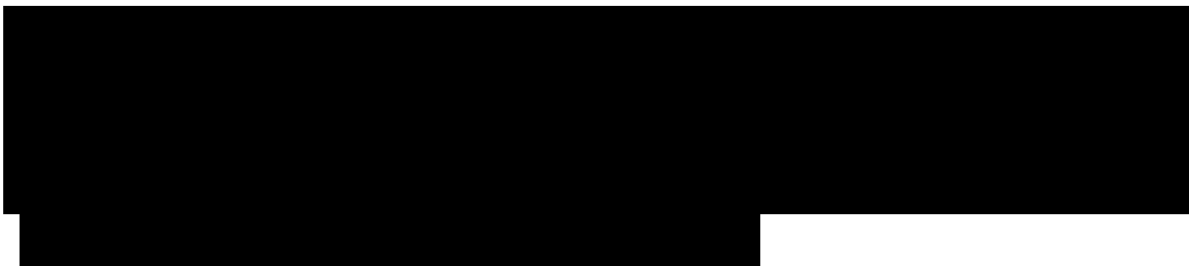
another bed.



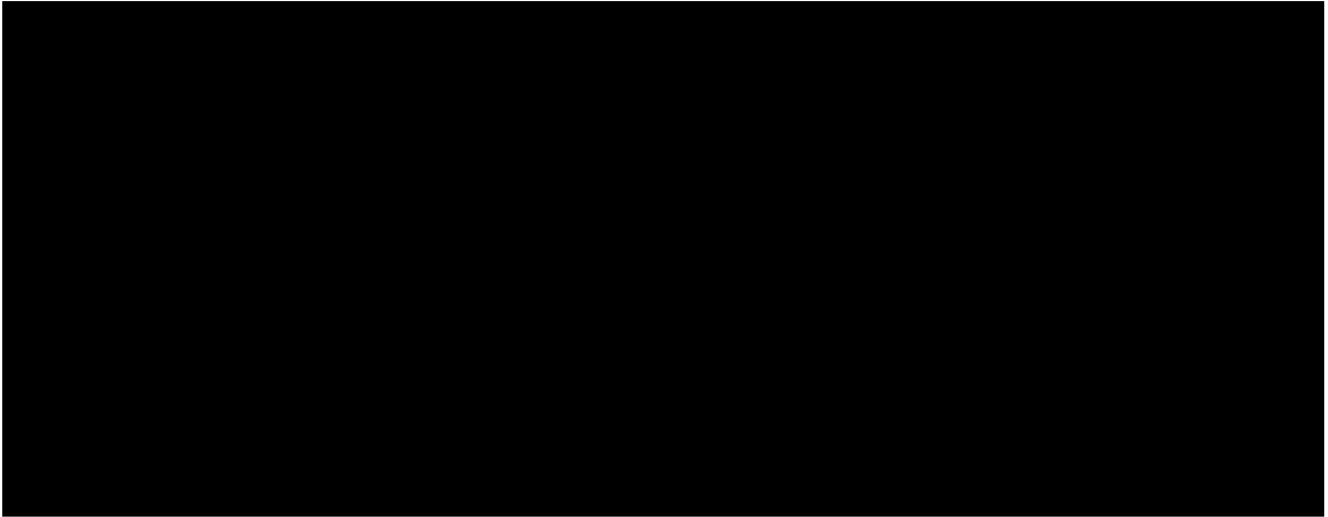
Less known at Quincy: advice [redacted] 3 things:
1) Get drunk 2) Get laid 3) Pick a fight. You are
too up tight.

Friends in his past: Bill Martin, Mark Simpson,
Ken Tabor, Mgr. Farrell,

Sequence: 11:30 went to bed. I didn't go to sleep.
1:00 am: he grabbed my hand. I'm not
sure he was awake or asleep.
- I'm not sure he had an erection.
- Penis in hand. 5 seconds or less.
I got out quick.



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Ken Kuyf

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11-10-86.

1. [REDACTED]

I took him with other kids to electronics show, camping show. He was out at the trailer for overnights. I don't remember him being out there alone. Once with the [REDACTED] family, who are close friends of mine. I join them for 4 day weekend Memorial Day, 4th of July, Columbus Day at St. Mary's Abbey, Tree River, Michigan. [REDACTED] I don't think [REDACTED] was ever up there. I know he was not up there Oct. 14, 1985.

2. [REDACTED]

(2)

About [redacted] accusations, Jim confessed what he is referring to. I took him to the downtown Court Club to play racquetball, swim etc. There is the usual state of undress in the locker room; jaccuzzi, showers etc. My usual pattern was to take a group, whatever the color could handle.

Concerning the cottage, Bob Becker was able to get up there more than I. I didn't like to be up there alone, so I'd be up there when he was or I would take a group of 3-5 people of varying ages - high school, grade school, college, families. Girls only for one day outings, males sometimes for an overnight. Civil Air Patrol is a mixed group of

(3)

20-25 people, teens & adults, males & females.

This comes as a shock to me. I haven't thought of [redacted] for a long time so it is hard to focus. I could ask [redacted] how [redacted] is doing.

[redacted]

[redacted]

cottage: Woodhaven Lakes Development.
Ambey, St. (halfway between
Neudata & Ambay.)

I love my current parish. It has been a very good experience of working with adults, senior citizens, parents.

[redacted]

Ted Jankubowski



KEN
RUGE

11-11-86.

- boy 16 ... "raped" by a priest on Oct. 12, 1985
- Ken Ruge ... Divine Savior, Norridge.
- Personal friend of mine. St. Leonard, Berwyn.
- January 1986 :



she called The Chancery and they referred her to Jabe.

He sees her at 3 pm today (Nov. 11, 1986.)

- TV stay around.

Ken Ruge



Fed Jhabrowski

Ken Reye

11-11-86.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] H
[REDACTED] W.

her son [REDACTED] age 16, soph. at [REDACTED]

- Both came.

- [REDACTED] woman: Reye was father image.
He took [REDACTED] to electronic shows, to his cottage.
- Incident happened only once. After that [REDACTED]
turned against Reye.

[REDACTED]

- He had Russ Romano as a 2PS teacher. He used to bring colored propholactics to school & show the kids.
- Between Romano at school & Reye at the parish. The boy became very confused & sick & depressed.
- Dr. Becker & Dr. Reye would take the boy to dinner.
- Happened once to [REDACTED] only once "he raped me."
- anyone else? Perhaps to the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

- How can we help you? She is happy [REDACTED] has come out of it. She needs us help for [REDACTED] she wants to be sure this doesn't happen to anyone else

(2)

Be sure Reye gets the help he needs.

- We will keep her advised of what is happening.
TV call her after he sees Reye.

- [REDACTED]

so he didn't want to talk about this
to Dr. Martin.

- [REDACTED]

- Was this related to DCF S?
- What does "raped" mean?
- Any other encounters?

11.14.86.

re: Ken Ruge

1.

He puts it in OK.

2. What does "he raped me" mean?

- at the campground. Alone.

- A weekend in autumn. Perhaps not Oct. 12, 1986.

- Nakedness. Sleeping in the same bed.

Penetration in the anus? Happened just one time.

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January 4, 2006



Dear [REDACTED]

Per your letter dated December 19, 2005, I have consulted with Leah McCluskey to determine what information I can release to you and [REDACTED]. Your inquiry was regarding other allegations of molestation against Fr. Becker and Fr. Ruge.

Our records indicate that there is at least one substantiated allegation against Fr. Becker and at least one substantiated allegation against Fr. Ruge.

Due to confidentiality, that is all of the information that I can share with you. I hope that [REDACTED] finds it helpful.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you or [REDACTED] have any other questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patty Zacharias".

Patty Zacharias
Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator

Cc: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

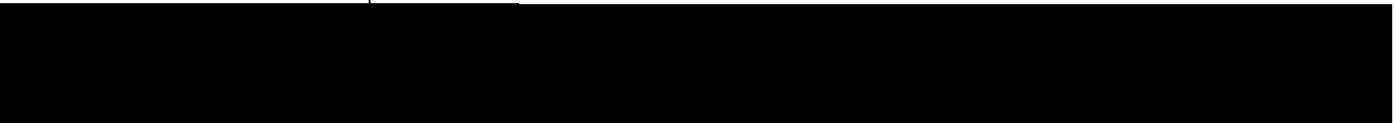
Ruge

July 15, 1993

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you very much for your letter of July 9. I am deeply sorry for all the suffering that has been caused your son, your family, and yourself because of the actions of one of our priests. Truly, there is no way that we can adequately say we are sorry when someone has been abused.

Nevertheless, I think it important that you know certain things about Fr. Ken Ruge and what is happening at this time. Ken Ruge will no longer function in public ministry as a priest. In addition, he will continue to live in a non-parochial supervised setting so that children will not be at risk. Whatever work he is permitted to do in the future will in no way put him in touch with minors.



Some time ago, I appointed Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi to be my personal representative to survivors and their families. His calls to you and your family are being made at my request and in that spirit. I will instruct Mr. Bonaccorsi to be in touch with you again and to offer whatever counseling help you will deem fitting and necessary.

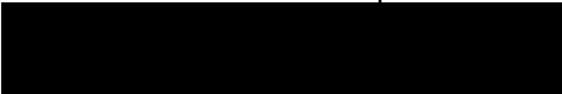
I want you to know that I would be pleased to meet personally with you and your family if you think that would be helpful. I do share your pain at the events that have befallen us all. As you have said so accurately, trust in the Church has been deeply eroded. I promise to do everything in my power to rebuild that trust.

Please know that I shall keep all of you in my prayers and I ask that you do the same for all victims of abuse, for the Church, and for all priests. Again, thank you for your willingness to come forward.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago



JLB:P'OM/br

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Michael J. Bland of Victim CA's statement, given to Mr. Bland on March 15, 1994, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident of partial anal penetration when Victim CA was between 12 and 14 years old. The alleged abuse occurred in Fr. Ruge's trailer when Victim CA was forced to sleep in the same bed as Fr. Ruge. Victim CA also alleged abuse against Rev. Robert Becker, and that he met Fr. Becker through Fr. Ruge. The abuse by Frs. Becker and Ruge occurred between 1979 and 1981. Victim CA also reported that Frs. Becker and Ruge would take him to a men's club where they would swim naked and Fr. Becker would fondle him in the pool. Fr. Becker also brought him to his office and asked him questions about masturbation, sex, and whether he was attracted to boys.

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim CB's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on January 12, 2007, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of multiple incidents of genital fondling and mutual masturbation, which occurred between the time Victim CB was in seventh grade and a junior in high school in approximately 1983 to 1984. Fr. Ruge also forced Victim CB to sleep in the same bed as the cleric and encouraged Victim CB to sit in the sauna with a naked Fr. Ruge. The alleged abuse occurred during trips with other boys to a resort in Woodhaven, as well as on a road trip to the western states. During trips, there would be more boys present than available beds and someone would have to share a bed with Fr. Ruge. Victim CB also alleged abuse against Rev. Robert Becker.

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Ms. Shauna Boliker
Assistant State's Attorney
State's Attorney of Cook County
2650 South California, Room 11 D 10
Chicago, Illinois 60608

RE:

[REDACTED]
Our File #07 SC 006
Date of Birth: Unknown
Date of alleged abuse: Unknown
Location of Incident: Unknown

Dear Ms. Boliker:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago has received an allegation from attorney [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] (male, D/O/B not known) was sexually abused as a minor by Fr. Robert Becker, an archdiocesan priest. [REDACTED] previously alleged sexual misconduct of a minor by Fr. Ken Ruge, also an archdiocesan priest. Frs. Becker and Ruge are deceased. [REDACTED] is represented by [REDACTED] in both these matters. No further information is available at this time.

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

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of John C. O'Malley in black ink.
John C. O'Malley
Director of Legal Services

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cc: Ms. Leah McCluskey ✓
Mr. James A. Serritella
Ms. Elizabeth Yore
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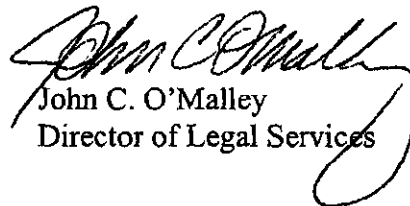
RE: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Howlett:

On March 27, 1992 [REDACTED] alleged that he was sexually abused in 1983-1986 by Kenneth Ruge, an Archdiocesan priest. [REDACTED] was 11 or 12 years old in 1983. It appears the Archdiocese provided counseling and pastoral support to [REDACTED] and Fr. Ruge was withdrawn from ministry for other misconduct at about the same time. Ruge is now deceased and the whereabouts of [REDACTED] is not known.

The office only recently learned of the allegation as the result of a survey of files. If you have any questions or require further information, please let me know.

Very truly yours,


John C. O'Malley
Director of Legal Services

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cc: Mr. James A. Serritella
Ms. Shauna Boliker
Ms. Leah McCluskey

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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW
CLIENT INFORMATION SHEET

(Revised 5/27/99)
Client.Info/LNP

FILE #: PFR-37

REVIEW STATUS: (DATE)

Opened Date: March 18, 1994

1st Stage: 1/20/94

Closed Date: _____

1st Stage: 5/17/97

2nd Stage: none

Supplementary: none

1. Name: Kenneth Ruge

Date Ordained: May 1, 1963

Birth Date: [REDACTED]

Current S/S #: 348-30-1807

2. Current Residence: _____

Address: P.O. Box 455, Mundelein, IL Date: _____

Telephone: Home: [REDACTED]

Office: [REDACTED] Pager: [REDACTED]

3. Ministry: Catholic Charities

Status (Check one) Date: Present

Active: _____

Deceased: _____

Resigned: _____

Withdrawn: _____

Other: _____

4. Allegation(s): _____

Date: _____ Date of the Offense(s): _____

Sex/Age

Credibility:

11-11-86 10-12-85

M/15

Yes No

11-15-86 9/20/85

M/NK

10-28-92 1980

M/9-10

2-20-99 1979-82

M/12-13

5. General Nature of Allegation(s):

Fondling, nudity, touching/grabbing genitals.

6. Protocol: on file

Original Date: April, 1993 from [REDACTED]

Review Dates: _____

Review Dates: _____

1997

7. Source: _____ Date: _____ Report on File: (?) _____ Date Received: _____

8. Source: _____ Start Date: _____ Quarterly Report: _____ Date Received: _____

9. Education:
 Quigley/St. Mary of the Lake

10. Ministerial Assignments:
 St. Rosalie _____ Divine Savior _____
 Holy Redemer _____ Catholic Charities _____
 Divine Infant _____
 St. Leonard _____

11. Family Composition:
 Parents: _____ (Deceased)
 Siblings: _____ (Deceased)

12. Monitors: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____
 Rev. Charles Rubey _____ Catholic Charities _____ 312-655-7280

13. Emergency Contacts:

<u>1st</u> _____	<u>Relationship:</u> Brother-in-law	<u>Home #:</u> _____	<u>Work #:</u> retired
<u>2nd</u> _____	<u>Relationship:</u> Niece	<u>Home #:</u> _____	<u>Work #:</u> _____

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WRITER'S DIRECT DIAL NUMBER

March 9, 1992

CONFIDENTIAL

BY MESSENGER

Re: Fr. Kenneth Ruge

Dear [REDACTED]

As I told you during our telephone conversation earlier today, we were served with the enclosed Grand Jury subpoena directed to the Vicar for Priests and demanding the production of "any and all information, notes, records, disciplinary action, etc. contained in the Vicar of Kenneth Ruge [sic] AKA Ken Ruge."

In addition to documents that reflect confidential attorney-client communications, we intend to withhold all documents that reflect "confidential communications" which are protected by the


[REDACTED]

Where only part of the document reflects a confidential communication within the statutory definition, we have redacted the protected portion.

In view of the difficult privilege and confidentiality issues presented by the subpoena, we have asked for and received an extension of time to respond. We expect to turn over the non-privileged and redacted documents later this week.

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If there are any additional matters which we need to discuss, please call me.

Sincerely,


Enclosure

AOC 004682

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[REDACTED]

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bcc (w/enc.):

[REDACTED]



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VICAR FOR PRIESTS
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TO: File (P. O'Malley)

DATE: Nov. 18, 1991

RE: Ken Ruge (meeting with Cardinal 11/4/91)

1. Cardinal, Bishop Goedert, Pat O'Malley and Andy McDonagh met with Ken to give the bad news. He was told to leave the parish. Questions were also asked about any alcohol problems. Though he did not openly affirm the problems, he also did not deny them.
2. Both of the priests at Divine Savior feel there is a problem. Ken felt bad because he thinks his leaving will be hard on Steve Tebes. (Steve had been notified earlier and had reacted very angrily to the news. On 11/9, Steve was called by the Cardinal and a full explanation was given to him. It made a difference).
3. Ken was cooperative. He was concerned that when Schackmuth would return, it would be harder on Tebes. The Cardinal said he would speak to Bill.



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7/94

KENNETH RUGE, CLASS OF 1963, ABOUT 57 YRS OLD
Mother and Father dead. Sister died in '82. No other family
except his brother-in-law.

Served at St. Rosalie (63-67), Holy Redeemer (67-74), Divine
Infant (74-79), St. Leonard (79-85), Divine Savior (85-91).

Served as an associate pastor until withdrawal in Oct. of
1991. [REDACTED] he has been
working for Catholic Charities in an administrative-
maintenance role with no access to minors.

Presently he is under protocols for free time, housing and
working situations. No return to ministry is foreseen in the
future. [REDACTED]

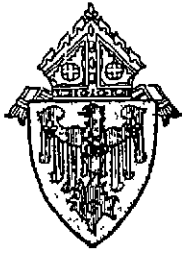
Chronology of his situation:

. 11/11/86 - Fr. Jakubowski recd. call from [REDACTED] of
St. Leonard's in Berwyn, reporting abuse of her son, [REDACTED],
16, claims one-time abuse on 10/12/85. Indicates there may be
more. Ruge was stationed at Divine Savior in Norridge. This
will be the latest date for abuse. Later accusations took
place earlier in time than 1985.

. 11/15/86 - [REDACTED] and son see Fr. Ventura, the Vicar, with
details of the event. Ruge was drinking heavily at this time.

. 11/17/86 - Ruge was dealt with by Vicar. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Spiritual work. Placed under mandate of not being
with minors. No cottage trips. Regular monitoring by VP.

. 1/14/87 - spiritual evaluation



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. 4/3/87 - call from [REDACTED] re: other boys saying they had been up to cottage. Ruge denies he was there with them; says he allows families to use cottage when he is not there. No reason to doubt it.

. 1/1/91 - call from Fr. Henkel of Divine Infant, one-time assignment of Ruge, telling of a woman whose two sons say they know others abused by Ruge and Fr. Becker (who has since died). Woman wished to remain anonymous. Young men never came forward.

. 6/4/91 - question from Personnel Board about Ruge being nominated for pastor arose. Vicar (Goedert) puts it on hold. Goedert asks for further [REDACTED]

. 9/19/91 - [REDACTED] seeks and gets help for her son,
[REDACTED]

. 10/94 - Commission reviews Ruge case.

. 11/4/91 - Cardinal informs Ruge of his immediate removal upon Commission recommendation. Ruge goes to monitored living situation. [REDACTED]

. 11/15/91 - meeting with Divine Savior leadership to explain removal and prepare for public announcement.

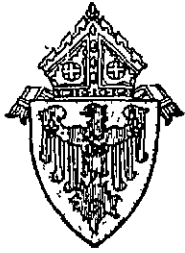
. Pastors of all parishes where Ruge was assigned meet and are told to be especially alert to people who come forward with questions and possible allegations.

. 11/20/91 - Vicar (POM) speaks to [REDACTED] who is relieved at Ruge's removal.

. 11/22/91 - call of inquiry from a woman named "[REDACTED]" who wondered if her son, now 27, had been abused by Ruge. I advised her to call her son and tell him news of Ruge removal and watch his reaction.

. 11/22/91 - woman with young children calls, praising Ruge.
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ALL THE ABOVE MATERIALS WERE GIVEN TO THE STATES ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN JUNE OF 1992.



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- . 2/92. [REDACTED]
- . 3/27/92 - another young man comes forward - ([REDACTED]) - same type of complaints - fondling, wanting to sleep in nude at Woodhaven, nestling up close while in bed - happened 6 or seven times.
- . 5/92 - Young man (22) comes forward with more allegations vs. Ruge - when boy was 12-13. [REDACTED]
- . 10/28/92 - Another young man (23) admits abuse when he was 9-10. [REDACTED]
- . 2/19/93 - Family in [REDACTED] (the ones FRBD is now dealing with) brought forward their allegations. [REDACTED]

Victims: [REDACTED] (total confidentiality at his request),
[REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and now
[REDACTED].

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Safe Environment Office



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MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR – 37
File – PFR - 72

From: Leah McCluskey, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review (P)

Re: Ruge, Rev. Kenneth [Deceased] [redacted] [third party allegation]
Becker, Rev. Robert [Deceased] [redacted] [third party allegation]

Date: April 29, 2008

While meeting with [redacted] on February 22, 2008 so that he could formalize his allegations of sexual abuse against Revs. Kenneth Ruge and Robert Becker, he provided some additional information concerning [redacted]

[redacted] identified [redacted] as a fellow altar boy at Divine Infant in the late 1970s/early 1980s. He said that Fr. Ruge took him, [redacted], and another altar server named [redacted] to “the trailer” where they also met Fr. Becker. [redacted] said that [redacted] is two years older than him and [redacted] is his [redacted] age. He also said that the three of them were altar servers together [redacted]

[redacted] expressed that he knows that [redacted] “...didn’t have a good experience with Becker either.” He said that he and [redacted] talked about this in high school and what they would like to do to Fr. Becker.

[redacted] said that he and [redacted] “compared notes” when they were out in the woods at the trailer. He said that the two of them also talked about being concerned about going home with the priests. When asked for clarification, [redacted] said that [redacted] told him that the same thing happened to him, that Fr. Becker had touched him during the night.

[redacted] also stated that Frs. Ruge and Becker provided him and [redacted] alcohol to drink while at the trailer.

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MEMORANDUM

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To: Very Rev. John Canary, Vicar General
Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
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Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

From: Carolyn Perz, Office Manager *CP*
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Date: May 7, 2008

Re: [PFR- 037] Ruge, Rev. Kenneth (Deceased), [REDACTED] (third party allegation)

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on February 22, 2008. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding (PFR – 037) Ruge, Rev. Kenneth (deceased) and/or [REDACTED]

Call Leah McCluskey with any questions you may have at 312-751-5205.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: John O'Malley, Attorney

BC: James Serritella

AOC 004689

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a letter from Victim HY received by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility on February 22, 2008. In the letter Victim HY states that Fr. Ruge would take him on camping trips over a period of two years while Ruge was assigned to Most Holy Redeemer parish in Evergreen Park, Illinois. Victim HY stated that he would wake up to find Ruge molesting him or would wake up with no clothes on. Victim HY did not provide further details of the abuse in the letter.

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CORRECTED MEMORANDUM

To: Rev. Vince Costello, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Matthew Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry

From: Patty Zacharias, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review (CAIR)

Date: 10/3/08

Re: [PFR-72] Becker, Robert Rev. (deceased)/ [REDACTED]

The CAIR office had been notified by [REDACTED], paralegal with Attorney Jeff Anderson's firm of this allegation on August 28, 2007.

I had met with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] from Jeff Anderson's office on February 1, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to formalize [REDACTED] allegation of sexual abuse against another Archdiocesan priest as well as against Fr. Becker.

During this meeting, [REDACTED] never mentioned Fr. Becker. He described information only related to an allegation against another deceased Archdiocesan priest.

I consulted with Attorney [REDACTED], who is with Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella. Attorney [REDACTED] informed me [REDACTED]

Therefore, the CAIR office is removing this allegation from the RADAR database.

AOC 004691

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim CL's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on February 22, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. Victim CL reported that Fr. Ruge took him to a trailer, owned by Fr. Ruge and Rev. Robert Becker, where Fr. Becker sexually abused Victim CL. The alleged abuse consisted of Rev. Becker providing Victim CL with alcohol and three incidents of fondling, which occurred during an overnight trip to the trailer. The alleged abuse occurred during the summer before Victim CL entered high school and while Victim CL was an altar boy.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry
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Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Leah McCluskey, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

FROM: Ambi Jeffries, Secretary, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review *AS*

DATE: 1/11/2008

RE: **[PFR-37] Ruge, Kenneth Rev. (deceased)** [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 1/4/2008.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding **Ruge, Kenneth Rev. (deceased) and/or** [REDACTED]

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Thank you.

Attachment

Cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
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Rev. Dennis Lyle, Mundelein Seminary

Be: *Jim Semkella, Attorney*
John O'Malley, Office for Legal Services

From: Miriam Patrick, Sr. Cummings
To: Jeffries, Ambi
Date: 1/14/2008 9:56 AM
Subject: Information requested

In response to your request for information concerning Rev. Kenneth Ruge / [REDACTED], we have extensive files on Father Ruge.

The same is true in regards to your request for information on Becker, Robert, Rev and [REDACTED]

You are free to see these files at the Vicars Office should you so desire.

Sister Pat Cummings
Associate Director
Vicar for Priests

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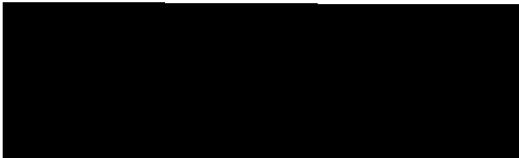
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November 4, 2008



Dear [REDACTED]

Enclosed you will find a finalized copy of your allegation with all necessary signatures.

Please contact Patricia Zacharias at 312-867-8793 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Perz".

Carolyn Perz
Office Manager

Enclosure

AOC 004695



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Memorandum

To: File [PFR-37]

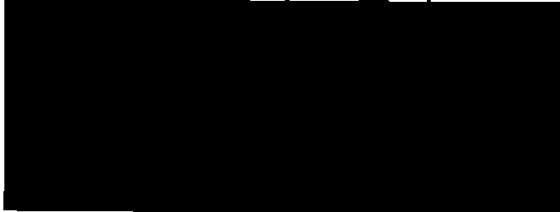
From: Patricia Zacharias, Assistant Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review PZ

Re: Allegations of Sexual Misconduct of a Minor Made by [REDACTED] Against Fr. Kenneth Ruge (deceased) at Our Lady of the Snows Parish, Chicago, IL

Date: September 29, 2008

Attached is a narrative report written by [REDACTED] which describes his allegation of sexual abuse as a minor against Fr. Kenneth Ruge.

It is to be noted that this report is intended only to provide a summary of information regarding the alleged sexual abuse by Fr. Ruge shared by [REDACTED] and received by the CAIR office on September 29, 2008



10-27-08
Date

Patricia Zacharias
Patricia Zacharias
Office of Child Abuse Investigations and Review

11/4/08
Date

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the narrative report drafted by Victim DF on or about September 29, 2008 regarding his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident of fondling at the Our Lady of Snows parish rectory in 1974 while Fr. Ruge masturbated himself. Victim DF also alleged several instances of abuse against Rev. Robert Becker, including alleged fondling by Fr. Becker just before the fondling by Fr. Ruge. Victim DF was an altar boy.

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Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

From: Carolyn Perz, Office Manager
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Date: October 1, 2008

Re: [PFR-37] Ruge, (Rev.) Kenneth [deceased]/
[REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 9/29/08.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Ruge, (Rev.) Kenneth [deceased] and/or [REDACTED]

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Please call Patricia Zacharias with any questions you may have at 312-867-8793.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: John O'Malley, Attorney

BC: James Serritella

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From: Carolyn Perz, Office Manager
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Date: May 2, 2008

Re: [PFR-037] Ruge, Fr. Kenneth (Deceased) [REDACTED] (third party allegation)

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on February 20, 2008. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Ruge, Fr. Kenneth and/or [REDACTED]

Call Patty Zacharias with any questions you may have at 312-867-8793.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: John O'Malley, Attorney

BC: James Serritella

AOC 004699

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TO: File

DATE: May 2, 2008

FROM: Patty Zacharias, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review PZ

RE: [PFR-037] Ruge, Fr. Kenneth (deceased) - [REDACTED] (third party allegation)

[REDACTED] formalized his allegation of sexual abuse against Fr. Ruge on February 20, 2008.

Contained within the additions he made to the draft of the report describing his allegation, is a third party allegation made by him. He wrote:

"Stories circulated of incidents of Ruge's grabbing young boys by the crotch and in the pool and grabbed one of my neighbors boy - last name [REDACTED] first name I think [REDACTED]; by his penis."

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DE's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on February 1, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident in which Fr. Ruge laid on top of him and pulled Victim DE's pants down while he was sleeping. The alleged abuse occurred when Victim DE was on a camping trip with Fr. Ruge. Victim DE was 15 years old at the time of the alleged incident. Victim DE also remembers staying overnight at Fr. Ruge's parents' home and that Fr. Ruge would suggest showering together to him and other boys while on camping trips.

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DG's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on January 25, 2008, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of multiple incidents of fondling, masturbating each other and performing oral sex on each other. The alleged abuse occurred in Fr. Ruge's room, at a state park while on a trip using Fr. Ruge's camper, in motel rooms, and in Fr. Ruge's car. The alleged abuse took place between the time Victim DG was 12 or 13 years old and 15 years old. Victim DG also states that another priest at Fr. Ruge's church also abused him by attempting anal penetration and by masturbating him.

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January 15, 2008

James Serritella

[REDACTED]
Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella
22nd Floor, IBM Plaza
330 North Wabash Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611-3607

RE: [REDACTED] v. Archdiocese of Chicago

Dear Counsel:

We represent the interests of [REDACTED] in his claims against the Archdiocese of Chicago for claims of misconduct by Fr. Ken Ruge while that priest was serving in and for the Archdiocese of Chicago. Enclosed is a proposed Tolling Agreement we would like to enter into regarding these claims.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call.

Very truly yours,



Jeffrey R. Anderson
jeff@andersonadvocates.com

JRA:tat
Enclosure
cc: Marc Pearlman

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MEMORANDUM

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 Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
 Leah McCluskey, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
 Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board

FROM: Ambi Jeffries, Secretary, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review (RT)

DATE: 1/11/2008

RE: [PFR-37] Ruge, Kenneth Rev. (deceased) [REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 1/4/2008.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Ruge, Kenneth Rev. (deceased) and/ or [REDACTED]

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Thank you.

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Cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
 Rev. John Canary, Vicar General
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 Rev. Dennis Lyle, Mundelein Seminary

cc: Jim Sertella, Attorney
 John O'Malley, Office for Legal Services

From: Leah McCluskey
To: Satzik, Julie
Date: 1/15/2008 9:08:55 AM
Subject: Re: Request for Information

Dear Julie,

Thank you very much--the information is extremely helpful.

Have a great day.

Leah

Leah McCluskey, MSW, LSW
Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
737 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 900
Chicago, Illinois 60611
Office: [312] 751-5205
Fax: [312] 751-5279
lmclluskey@archchicago.org

>>> Julie Satzik 1/14/2008 4:13 PM >>>

Hi,

The priests at Most Holy Redeemer were:

1970

Msgr. Patrick J. Hayes
Joseph E. Auer
Kenneth C. Ruge

1971-1974

Msgr. Patrick J. Hayes
Michael D. Place
Kenneth C. Ruge

Hope this helps,

Julie

Julie A. Satzik
Assistant Research Archivist
Archdiocese of Chicago's
Joseph Cardinal Bernardin
Archives and Records Center
711 W. Monroe
Chicago IL 60661

>>> Leah McCluskey 1/14/2008 10:40 AM >>>

Hello Julie,

Happy New Year!

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the transcript of an interview of Victim DH, conducted by Jen Hibben of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, on July 30, 2010, in which Victim DH formalized his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of fondling under Victim DH's clothing. The alleged abuse occurred at the Most Holy Redeemer school between the time Victim DH began attending school and the third grade.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Rev. John Collins, Vicar for Priests
Ruth Robinson, Office of Assistance Ministry

From: Jen Hibben, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review *JH*

Re: Ruge, Rev. Kenneth (deceased), [REDACTED]

Date: September 22, 2010

Attached, please find a copy of [REDACTED] allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor against Rev. Kenneth Ruge.

On August 6, 2010 I sent a letter to [REDACTED] asking that he return the transcription of his allegation with additions or corrections by August 20, 2010 or to request an extension by that date.

To date, [REDACTED] report has not been returned to me, nor have I received a request for an extension. Therefore, the attached is being circulated as the final report.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Attachment

Bc: John O'Malley, Legal Services

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To: Leah McCluskey
Jennifer Hibben
CC: Ruth Robinson
John O'Malley
Re: [REDACTED]/Charles Ruge
Date: July 15, 2010

I received a telephone call from Fr. Michael Meany of St. Damian Parish this afternoon. Fr. Meany stated that a man by the name of [REDACTED] visited the parish office twice recently asking to speak with him. Fr. Meany was not in the office either time, so today Father phoned [REDACTED] at the number he had left for him [REDACTED]. Fr. Meany said that [REDACTED] informed him that he was sexually abused when he was a child by Fr. Charles Ruge at Most Holy Redeemer Parish in Evergreen Park.

[REDACTED]
Fr. Meany also said that [REDACTED] reported he called the Cardinal's residence to report the alleged abuse; however, [REDACTED] did not provide details.

I informed Fr. Meany that I would follow-up with [REDACTED] as well as inform the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review of [REDACTED] allegation.

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MEMORANDUM



To: Rev. Kenneth Budzikowski, Vicar for Priests
Very Rev. John Canary, Vicar General
Rev. John Collins, Vicar for Priests
Colleen Dolan, Communications and Public Relations
Carol Fowler, Personnel Services
Rev. Jeffrey Grob, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Matt Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Very Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Canonical Services

From: Santa Garcia, Secretary *SG*
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Re: [PFR - 37] RUGE, REV. KENNETH (DECEASED)
[REDACTED]

Date: July 22, 2010

A copy of a new allegation was received by this office on July 15, 2010.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding [PFR - 37] RUGE, REV. KENNETH (DECEASED), [REDACTED]

It is extremely important that your forward copies of any and all documentation pertinent to this case, to this office, within 5 business days of receipt of this memo to ensure that the investigation of this matter be properly handled.

Please contact Jen Hibben, Assistant to the Director, of Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review with any questions you may have at (312) 534-8793 or jhibben@archchicago.org regarding this matter. Thank you.

Attachment

Cc: John O'Malley, Office of Legal Services
Jan Slattery, Office for the Protection of Children and Youth

AOC 004709

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DI's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on August 25, 2006, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of Fr. Ruge watching Victim DI go to the bathroom and get undressed. The alleged abuse occurred at the St. Leonard's parish rectory, an athletic club, and at a trailer in Woodhaven trailer park. The alleged abuse took place when Victim DI was in approximately fifth or sixth grade. Victim DI indicated that other boys, usually altar boys like himself, would also come along on trips to the athletic club and the trailer park. Victim DI indicated that Fr. Ruge had the boys go into the hot tub at the athletic club and a sauna in the trailer without their clothes on. Victim DI also alleged abuse against Rev. Robert Becker.

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim DJ's statement, given to Ms. Zacharias on September 14, 2007, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Rev. Kenneth Ruge. The alleged abuse consisted of fondling and attempted anal penetration during a camping trip to Colorado. Victim DJ was approximately 13 years old at the time of the alleged abuse. Victim DJ stated that he saw Fr. Ruge molest another boy in a similar fashion while on the same camping in another state. Victim DJ also alleged abuse against Rev. Robert Becker.

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From: Leah McCluskey
To: Zacharias, Patricia
Date: 10/3/2008 10:41 AM
Subject: Re: Fwd: [REDACTED] Ruge

Patty,

Now that the Becker/[REDACTED] file will be no more [based upon the information from BWMS], I would take your corrected memorandum and attach to it the original memorandum circulated and any other information in the now defunct Becker [REDACTED] file. Then I would file all of this information in the Ruge [REDACTED] file. This way people would be able to see when the Becker [REDACTED] file was opened and what led to the clarification that [REDACTED] never had an allegation against Becker

Leah

>>> Patricia Zacharias 10/3/2008 10:37 AM >>>
o.k.

Would we file that memo in Becker's general file?

>>> Leah McCluskey 10/3/2008 10:35 AM >>>
Patty,

I would also suggest that a corrected Memorandum needs to be circulated from this office if there was an original memo that noted that [REDACTED] had an allegation against Becker.

Leah

>>> Patricia Zacharias 10/3/2008 10:24 AM >>>

Per the attached email message, please remove the Becker - [REDACTED] case from RADAR, the P drive and the paper file. [REDACTED] has one allegation which is against Fr Ruge only.

Thanks,
Patty

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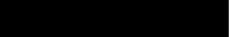
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FROM: Ambi Jeffries, Secretary, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review 

DATE: 1/11/2008

RE: [PFR-37] Ruge, Kenneth Rev. (deceased) 

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From: Carolyn Perz, Office Manager
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Date: October 1, 2008

Re: [PFR-37] Ruge, (Rev.) Kenneth [deceased]/
[REDACTED]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 9/29/08.

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Thank you.

Attachment

cc: John O'Malley, Attorney

BC: James Serritella

AOC 004714

Jennifer Hibben - Ruge Allegation

From: Ruth Robinson
To: Jennifer Hibben; Leah McCluskey
Date: 7/16/2010 4:26 PM
Subject: Ruge Allegation
CC: Matthew Hunnicutt

Hi Jen,

The client does want to formalize his allegation against Fr. Ruge. I gave him your name and phone number and told him that you will call him in order to arrange a time to meet. He lives in [REDACTED] IL and will have to take public transportation.

Thanks,
Ruth

Ruth Robinson
Assistant Director
Office of Assistance Ministry
Archdiocese of Chicago
312-534-8256



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Office of the Archbishop

May 27, 1985

Dear Father Puge:

It gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the Reverend William A. Schackmuth, Pastor of Divine Savior parish, Norridge, Illinois. This appointment is made following the recommendation of the Clergy Personnel Board.

This appointment is effective June 11, 1985, but I would ask you to make arrangements with Father Schackmuth about the exact date you will assume your new duties.

At this time I would like to thank you for the good work you have done at Saint Leonard parish. Your priestly ministry there has been productive of much good and also, I am sure, deeply appreciated by the people.

Know that as you begin your new assignment you have my support and prayers. I in turn ask for your prayers and support in the work that I am doing.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Faternally yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
Saint Leonard Church
3318 South Clarence Avenue
Berwyn, Illinois 60402

cc: Reverend William A. Schackmuth
Reverend William J. Martin
Clergy Personnel Board

AOC 004716



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Office of the Vicar General

May 23, 1979

Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
Divine Infant Jesus Rectory
10120 Kent Street
Westchester, Illinois 60153

Dear Father Ruge:

In accordance with Canon 476, and following the recommendation of the Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board, His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody, is pleased to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the Rev. Msgr. John J. Farrell, Pastor, St. Leonard Parish, Berwyn, Illinois.

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

cc: Rev. Msgr. John J. Farrell, Pastor, St. Leonard Parish, Berwyn.
Rev. Raymond P. Kupinski, Pastor, Divine Infant Jesus Parish

AOC 004717



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Office of the Archbishop

June 7, 1974

C

✓ Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
Holy Redeemer Rectory
9525 S. Lawndale
Evergreen Park, Illinois 60642

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Dear Father Ruge:

In accordance with Canon 476, and following the recommendation of the Diocesan Clergy Personnel Board, it gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Associate Pastor to the

Rev. Raymond P. Kupinski, Pastor
Divine Infant Jesus Parish, Westchester

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and to grant you the necessary faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty.

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

Y

Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in this pastoral assignment, I am, dear Father Ruge,

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Chancellor

cc: Rev. Raymond P. Kupinski, Pastor, Divine Infant Jesus Parish, Westchester
Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. Hayes, Pastor, Holy Redeemer Parish, Evergreen Park

AOC 004718



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May 15, 1967

C

Reverend Kenneth C. Ruge
St. Rosalie Rectory
4401 North Oak Park Avenue
Harwood Heights, Illinois 60656

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Dear Father Ruge:

It gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Assistant to the Most Reverend Monsignor Patrick J. Hayes, Pastor of Holy Redeemer Church, 9525 South Lawndale Avenue, Evergreen Park, Illinois, and in accordance with Canon 476, 3, to grant you the necessary faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty.

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This appointment is effective May 22, 1967, but I would ask you to make arrangements with the Pastor about the exact date when you will assume your new duties.

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Wishing you every blessing and priestly success in this pastoral assignment, I remain

By Order of the Most Reverend Archbishop

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis W. Byrne
Vicar General

Very Rev. Msgr. Clifford E. Bergin
Vice Chancellor

cc: Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick J. Hayes

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June 27, 1963

My dear Father **Ruge**:

I hereby appoint you assistant to the
pastor of **St. Rosalie Church, Harwood Heights, Illinois.**

You will kindly report for duty on
Tuesday, July 9th, to **Father Clement Conrad, the pastor**

Wishing you every blessing in this,
your first appointment, I remain,

Very sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Albert Cardinal Meyer
Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend **Kenneth C. Ruge**

2002 S. 6th Avenue

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His Eminence John Cardinal Cody
Archbishop of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60690

Your Eminence:

Today I have granted the faculties of the diocese of Joliet to the nine priests who have recently been assigned to parishes bordering on our diocese.

I also appreciate the list of priests in the neighboring parishes since this helps us keep our own files up to date.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

William Donnelly

Reverend William E. Donnelly
Vice-Chancellor

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