EVALUATION PROCESS

In the fifth year of your term, you are asked to participate in an Evaluation Process. You will ask your staff and ten to twelve lay people to fill out appraisal forms. This evaluation will focus not only on the state of life of the parish, but also on your pastoral leadership in particular.

One of the two members of the team will be an Evaluation Team Manager designated by your Dean. The other will be a priest of your choice. If for some reason the Evaluation Team Manager would be unacceptable you may contact the Office of Appraisal and Evaluation or your Dean to select another priest.

Although you select those who are to fill out the forms, members of your staff must be included. Among the laity, there should be the heads of significant societies, i.e. Parish Council, School Board, Women’s Club, etc., as well as other parishioners who represent a good cross section of the parish.

These forms are mailed directly to the Office of Appraisal and Evaluation who will then forward the forms to the Evaluation Team Manager.

The Evaluation Team will present their report to you after your reaction, forward it to the Episcopal Vicar, the Dean and the Diocesan Priests’ Personnel Board.

In the sixth year at the time of re-application, the Diocesan Priests’ Personnel Board will request a letter of support from the Episcopal Vicar and Dean.

The evaluation forms are confidential. The purpose of the process is to recognize good performance and make recommendations for improvement and growth. The results thus far have been most positive.
Reverend Donald Mulsoff, Pastor  4/8/97 Term Ends

Please select the name of one priest whom you would like to serve on your Review Team.

ALTERNATE:

Signature  Date

PLEASE RETURN WITHIN 10 DAYS TO:

MARY F. YUNGER, DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF MINISTERIAL EVALUATION
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PO BOX 1979
CHICAGO, IL  60690-1979
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 Responsibility clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Responsibility Administrator (PRA) throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago (please refer to protocol number 12).

The ISP for Fr. Donald Mulsolf includes but is not limited to the following (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. 

3. 

4. The completion of “Clergy Daily Log” to be completed and signed by the on-site monitor. On-site monitor will then review, sign, and submit “Clergy Daily Log” forms at the end of each month to PRA.

5. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or technology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees will apply.

6. Must complete and submit the “Travel/Vacation Agreement” to PRA prior to scheduled departure.

7. N/A Attendance to recommended support group (please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of [ ] times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance to recommended support group is to be reflected on “Clergy Daily Log” forms.
8. The right of defense should not involve the public life of the Church.

9. On-site visits by PRA annually to include meeting with PRA and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

10. On-site visits by Vicar for Priests (VP) annually to include a meeting with VP and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

11. This ISP is to be reviewed annually with PRA, VP, and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

12. 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 requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Printed Name: ___________________________

Signature of PRA: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Signature of VP: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

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A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Offices of Professional Responsibility and Vicar for Priests.
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 Donald Mulsoff 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. 

3. 

4. The “Clergy Daily Log” to be completed on a daily basis and co-signed by the monitor. The log is a tool that is used for the protection of minors, the 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 Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
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: ________________
From: Miriam Patrick, Sr. Cummings
To: 
Subject: Re: laicization status of DONALD JOHN MULSOFF (?)

I am responding, for the Vicar for Priests Office, to your email concerning Father Donald Mulsoff. Father Mulsoff died Nov. 4, 2006. He had been residing at the Retreat House in Mundelein. Although removed from active ministry he was not laicized. Any information to the contrary is false.

Sr. Pat Cummings
Associate Director
Vicar for Priests
Father Marion Soprych,

I don’t know how well you remember me back from the old MQH days (1975) when you were the dark haired, and haired deacon. I can joke about hair because mine is sitting a lot farther back than it used to. I saw your picture on your parish web site. I used to tease you that you should answer the phone, “If you’re seek’n the deacon, this is the deacon speak’n.” and that you should recycle the melted candle wax and make your own candles. Well those were the good old days. I’m sure you’ve had many good days since then and will have many more.

The reason I looked you up is because about a year ago I did an Internet search on Father Don Mulsoff at my Mother’s request. Father Don did a lot for us when my Mom was having major problems with her [redacted]. He also was a friend and confidant to many of us guys in the parish. I was shocked, confused and saddened by what I had found. Since then I’ve done periodic searches to get more details. I really hoped I would find stories telling about how he was wrongly accused and subsequently cleared of all charges. I found nothing past the initial stories.

If you are still in contact with Fr Don please let him know that I have always been very thankful for all he did for my Mother and me. Although I have not seen or talked to him since the early 80’s he has my full support. There was never any doubt that Fr. Don was a strong and unique individual that used his outspoken bluntness to reach people on the fringe. When I read the little bit that was in the newspaper articles on the Internet I could hear his “Bare bottom spanking” threat in my head with his hockey player growl and scowl. No body would ever choose that because it was guaranteed to hurt. Well discussing it here won’t change anything. Please let him know that he has the support of a grateful friend.

I hope you are doing well. You looked good in the picture on the web site.

Sincerely,
The Office of Professional Responsibility, pursuant to Article §1104.4.3, is responsible to “monitor programs for treatment, rehabilitation or supervision of clerics…”

The Individual Specific Protocol for: Donald Mulsoff

requires that you keep a “log” of your daily activities. The “log” is completed daily and submitted to the Administrator at the end of each month for review. Include the place, the purpose of visit/trip/activity (i.e. Spiritual Direction, therapy), and the telephone number if it is appropriate. Please remember that this tool is intended to provide an accurate record of the day rather than a detailed clock.

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Client Signature: [Signature] Date: [Date]
Monitor Signature: [Signature] Date: [Date]
Date Received: [Date]

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Administrative Signature: [Signature]
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

_______________ [name of cleric] has informed this office that he will be traveling to
__________________________ [destination address and contact phone number] from
__________________________ [departure date] through _________________ [return date].

__________________________ [name of cleric] will be monitored by
__________________________ [name of travel monitor]. _________________ [name of
tavel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of
__________________________ [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[see attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by ____________ [name of cleric] must be in the
   presence of ________________ [name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations
   and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. ________________ [name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the
   activities and whereabouts of ________________ [cleric name] over
   ________________ [aforementioned time frame].

3. As previously noted, the date of return to ________________’s [cleric name]
   residence has been scheduled for ________________ [aforementioned return date].
   However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be
   changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be
   substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: _________________ Date: _________________
PRA Signature: _________________ Date: _________________

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file
in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar
for Priests' Office.
Don Mulsoff ’69

Recorded on March 2, 1992:

1969: A 33 year-old man came forward to report of his experience at St. Catherine of Alexandria. He was ten years old and had been “bad” in class. Was sent to D. Mulsoff for discipline. Don removed his pants and underpants and spanked the boy bare-bottom. He was standing before Mulsoff exposed – genitals and rear. Realized only later that it was “child abuse”. He knew other students experienced the same but he was not free enough to reveal names. Later attended a party of former parishioners. They were surprised that D. Mulsoff’s name did not appear on TV with other child abusers names. This man did not give his name or number.

Recorded on March 8, 1992:

Another person reported that he had been spanked as a ten year-old boy bare bottom. The child was sent by a teacher to Fr. Mulsoff to be disciplined. Fr. Mulsoff admitted that it probably happened. No name from reporting person. Also occurred at St. Catherine of Alexandria in 1969.

Recorded on November 24, 1992 and December 21, 1992:

Sept. 2, 1997: Larry received letters from and that had been sent to the Cardinal. These were sent to D. Mulsoff with no copies in the file.

Recorded January 12, 1998: Jan./Feb., 1998 - While at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Don asked students in reconciliation if they masturbated, read pornography. He justified this by saying that students were familiar with masturbation, intercourse, oral sex. He asked them because they seemed to hesitate when in confession. He said students felt better when they shared. Parents went to Larry. Made Don angry because they did not confront him directly. 3 students also approached the assistant principal with the same story. He was told this is not good confessional practice.
Diocesan Priests' File Checklist

1. Acknowledgement of Misconduct Policies, dated


3. Last Will & Testament, dated 

4. Personal Inventory, dated 

5. Photo (for assignment card kept in Suzie's office)

Please list any other important documents that are in this file:
I acknowledge that I have read and am familiar with the Archdiocesan policies and procedures regarding sexual misconduct with minors, adopted September 21, 1992.

Please send me a copy of these policies and procedures.

Signature:  
Name (printed):  
Address:  
City, State, Zip:  

Rev. Donald J. Maloff  
Rev. Donald J. Mulloy  
1034 West 37th St.  
Chicago, IL 60608
**Archdiocese of Chicago Priest Vitae Card**

**Donald John Mulsoff**

Born: __________  
Ordained: 05/14/1969  
Died: 11/03/2005  
Ethnicity: __________

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**Extraordinary Appointments:**

No Image Attached
Fr. John Siemianowski asks for your consideration of this matter.
FORM A

PASTOR  Fr. Don Mulsoff
PARISH  St. Mary of Perpetual Help
ADDRESS  1039 W. 32nd St.

EVALUATION TEAM:
1. Fr. Charles Kouba
2. Fr. Richard Dodaro

APPRAISAL FORMS FILLED OUT BY:

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(If there are more, please list on other side)
SECTION A:

THE PASTOR'S ROLE AS TEACHER

5.) Various Educational Programs In Parish

EXCELLENT

5-10.)

5.) CCD
Parish School
Youth religious education
Youth social activities
Adult religious education
How educational programs are planned
How the attendance is in the educational programs
Pastor's interest and involvement with youth in general
Pastor's contributions to educational programs in the parish
Pastor current with contemporary issues in the things he teaches

GOOD

Adult social activities
How the educational programs are being taught
Parish support for the educational mission of this parish

11.) Which of the following best sums up your pastor's usual teaching style:
He listens to ideas from others and helps clarify them

12.) How does your pastor relate to the school:
He comes frequently and knows many names of the children

13.) How would you describe the School Board in the parish:
We have a well-accepted, hard-working board

14.) Which best describes your pastor personally as a teacher:
He seems to be very comfortable

15.) Which best describes your pastor's skills to use parishioners in teaching roles:
He enables the involvement of both sexes, and all ages
SECTION B:

THE PASTOR'S ROLE AS SPIRITUAL LEADER

17-19)

EXCELLENT

Pastor's contribution to the Spiritual Life of the parish
The musicians and others who contribute in Mass
Pastor's sensitivity to the spiritual needs of others

20.) Which best describes your pastor's style of presiding at Mass:
He stimulates and involves people

21.) Which best describes your pastor's homilies:
He is well-organized and holds our attention all the time

22.) Which best describes the feeling of cohesion and community within the parish:
There is concern for all, even newcomers

23.) How would you rate your pastor's contribution to this community feeling within the parish:
He urges committees to work on strengthening community feeling

24.) Which best describes your pastor's relationship to other people:
He is outgoing and friendly
SECTION C:
THE PASTOR'S ROLE AS COMMUNITY LEADER AND COUNSELOR

26-28.) GOOD

Pastor's support for social outreach ministries
Pastor's involvement in the lives of his parishioners generally
Pastor's skills as a pastoral counselor

29.)
How would you sum up your pastor's involvement in the local community:
He is active as a leader in community issues and groups; and
He is sometimes involved in community groups

30.)
How would you describe the social outreach ministries that this parish supports:
We are doing a good job meeting the needs of others

31.)
Are there trained pastoral lay ministers in your parish?
YES

32.)
How often pastor or other trained lay ministers visit:

GOOD

In the hospital
The elderly at home
In the nursing homes
Active parishioners
Families in crisis

NEEDS MORE

Inactive parishioners
New families in parish
THE PASTOR'S ROLE AS AN ORGANIZATIONAL LEADER

EXCELLENT

34-38.)

Pastor's skills as administrator of the parish
Pastor's skills in managing the finances, budget and record-keeping in the parish
How pastor works cooperatively w/ the other staff members of the parish
How the pastor handles and solves problems in the parish

GOOD

39.)

The maintenance of the building and grounds owned by the parish

Which best sums up your pastor's leadership style:
He is good at getting the job done while caring about people

40.)

How would you rate your pastor's understanding of the present and future needs of the parish

EXCELLENT

41.)

Pastorally
Administratively

Which best describes your pastor's use of planning in the parish:
He has his own goals clear and helps others set goals

42.)

How would you describe the Lay Leadership Group involvement in the parish?

GOOD

They are broadly accepted by the members of the parish
They are effective

43.)

When it comes to listening, your pastor can be described as:
He skillfully and sensitively makes appropriate responses and sees the deeper meanings

44.)

Which best sums up your pastor if he is in a conflict situation:
He tries to get people working together to resolve conflicts
45.) How would you rate your pastor's skills to communicate with others:
He can get his ideas understood easily and well

46.) How would you rate your pastor's skills when communicating in the following ways

EXCELLENT

Written
Orally

47.) Which best sums up your pastor's skills to make decisions:
He consistently responds effectively and in a timely manner in crisis and everyday decisions

48.) When your pastor is under a great deal of stress:
He stays open and sees the situation for what it is

49.) Which best describes your pastor's availability to parishioners

OF TEN

Attends functions in the parish
Returning calls
Making time for people

50.) Which best sums up your pastor's skills to delegate tasks to others:
He takes time to help people with tasks he asks them to do

51.) Which best describes your pastor when it comes to receiving feedback and criticism:
He is eager to hear feedback and can handle even negative criticism of his work
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(Signed) T. Hulseh
Board Member
St. Francis Borgia
8033 West Addison Street
Chicago, IL 60634

Rev. Daniel G. Mayall, Pastor

Most Rev. Thad Jakubowski, Vicar (IV)
Rev. Daniel G. Mayall, Dean (A)

APPLICANTS
Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff '69
St. Celestine Church

PROFILE REQUESTS
Rev. Donald Mulsoff '69
St. Celestine
St. Luke
528 Lathrop Ave.
River Forest, IL 60305

Rev. A Paul Reicher, Pastor

Most Rev. Thad Jakubowski, Vicar (IV)
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Sabbatical

PROFILE REQUESTS
TERM ENDS IN 1997 - 70 OR ABOVE - Retiring?

TERM ENDS IN 1997 - NOT 70 YRS OLD

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The first one was extended to complete a project.
June 6, 1969

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
5135 N. Nagle Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60630

Dear Father Mulsoff:

It gives me great pleasure to appoint you as Vicarius Cooperator to the Reverend John M. Kane, Pastor of St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, 4100 West 107th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois, and in accordance with Canon 476, 3, to grant you the necessary faculties for the faithful discharge of that duty.

This appointment is effective Friday, June 20, 1969, 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 this pastoral assignment, I am, dear Father Mulsoff,

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Chancellor

cc: Rev. John M. Kane
June 7, 1974

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Catherine of Alexandria Rectory
4100 W. 107th Street
Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

Dear Father Mulsoff:

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. Francis J. Spellman, Pastor Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish, Cicero

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.

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

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Chancellor

cc: Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Pastor, Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish, Cicero
    Rev. John M. Kane, Pastor, St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, Oak Lawn
Office of the Chancellor

May 21, 1980

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Mary Queen of Heaven Rectory
5300 W. 24th Street
Cicero, Illinois 60650

Dear Father Mulsoff:

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 Reverend Edward J. Maxa, Pastor, Blessed Sacrament parish, Chicago, Illinois.

This appointment is effective June 9, 1980, 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,

Very Reverend John R. Keating
Chancellor

Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Pastor, Mary Queen of Heaven parish, Cicero
March 21, 1985

Dear Father Mulsoff:

It is my pleasure to appoint you to be Pastor of Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish, Chicago, Illinois. This appointment is effective April 8, 1985. Your term of office will expire April 8, 1991.

Most Reverend Alfred L. Abramowicz, Episcopal Vicar, will act as my delegate in receiving your profession of faith. I ask that you contact him as soon as possible concerning your formal installation as Pastor. Once this takes place he will forward the official documents for your installation to the Chancery.

I take this opportunity to thank you for accepting this assignment. I look forward to seeing you in a few weeks to offer my gratitude in person. I was pleased to hear that you spent time with the pastors of the Bridgeport area. This is important since we must strive to best utilize our resources in serving the needs of the people. As you well know, there are many parishes in the Bridgeport area. It is my hope that continued interaction will exist. I ask you to cooperate in this regard.

Don, I thank you for the work that you have done at Blessed Sacrament Parish. I am sure that your ministry has touched the lives of the people of God as you have given yourself in word and example. I am confident that the parish community of Saint Mary of Perpetual Help will receive you wholeheartedly as you serve them.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Blessed Sacrament Church
2153 South Millard
Chicago, Illinois 60623

cc: Most Reverend Alfred L. Abramowicz
Reverend Charles J. Koubal
Reverend Monsignor Edward J. Smaza
Reverend Edward J. Maxa
Reverend Edward P. O'Brien
Center for Pastoral Ministry
Clergy Personnel Board
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a letter from the mother of Victim LW, dated June 25, 1987, to Fr. Donald Mulsoff concerning Fr. Mulsoff’s interactions with her family. In the letter, Victim LW’s mother accuses Fr. Mulsoff of dating Victim LW’s sister and of accusing her (the mother of Victim LW) of spreading false rumors about Fr. Mulsoff.
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces an undated cover letter from the mother of Victim LW to Rev. Ray Goedert, Vicar for Priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago, enclosing a letter to Fr. Goedert as well as a second letter that Victim LW’s mother wrote to Fr. Mulsoff. In the cover letter, Victim LW’s mother asks Fr. Goedert to read the letter she wrote to Fr. Mulsoff and then either give it to Fr. Mulsoff or mail it back to her.
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a letter from the mother of Victim LW, dated June 30, 1987, to Rev. ray Goedert, Vicar for Priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago, concerning Fr. Donald Mulsof’s interactions with Victim LW’s family. In the letter, Victim LW’s mother accuses Fr. Mulsof of spending lots of time with and giving money to Victim LW and Victim LW’s sister over the past nine years. Victim LW’s mother also alleges that Fr. Mulsof is dating Victim LW’s sister. Victim LW’s mother writes that she related these allegations to another priest who suggested that she contact Fr. Goedert, and that Fr. Mulsof accused Victim LW’s mother of spreading false rumors.
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This abstract replaces a document summarizing a letter to Fr. Donald Mulsoff, dated June 25, 1987, and a letter to Fr. Ray Goedert, Vicar for Priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago, dated June 30, 1987, both written by the mother of Victim LW. The letters detail Victim LW’s mother’s concerns surrounding Fr. Mulsoff’s interactions with her family members, including Victim LW and Victim LW’s sister, with whom Fr. Mulsoff is alleged to be having an affair.
Your Eminence,

I have never written a letter since before being ordained to an archbishop before, and I'm really not sure how this letter is going to go. First of all I want to thank you for the telephone call that got me on the road to Saint Mary of Perpetual Help. I never expected to be here. I accepted your call as God's call to serve. Now when is the last time you were accused of being God's voice? Maybe I'm one of the last of the dinosaurs, but I still believe in obedience. Obedience to God's will, as difficult as it is to discern at times, obedience to the Church, the magistracy, my archbishop all give strong direction to my life. I haven't perfected obedience yet, I probably never will. God asks a lot, but then He gives a lot more than He asks.

I'm kind of slow at reading all the letters and notices that come out. In fact, I finally read your September 9, 1986 address to the presbyteral senate, "The Spirituality of the Priests". That's what got my fingers to the keyboard tonight. I really like your comments on gossip. I don't know why it is so strong among the brethren, but you were right on the money when you reminded us that when we talk among ourselves, we can be anything but "Good News" people.

Yes, it is very hard to trust God when I have so much pride. I, too want so many good things for His people, not necessarily material things, but a real, alive relationship with God in Himself and in each of His people. The trouble is that I have a terrible time letting go and trusting that God will provide people to help carry the load. I want to be a priest, but I have a hard time letting loose of organizing fund raisers to keep the parish from falling ever deeper into debt. I have a hard time working to develop the necessary lay leadership to grow. It's hard to trust that things will get done when they should be done and done well. It has to happen, but it sure is hard.

I continue to search for vision guided by faith. But perhaps what really keeps me going is hope. I find joy in the future. I see the present and it makes me afraid. Yet, I have hope to reach the goal. Like Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., I may not get there with the people, but I believe that ultimately they can and will make it to peace and justice. It's the journey that frightens me. I see too many bitter cynical priests. Idealism is dangerous. It can lead to fairy tale solutions to real problems, but if we lose the ideal, if we fail to continue to hope, then we are doomed to be dead cynics.

A word from the trenches! At times it seems like the morale is slipping. The reasons are many. The personnel questions continue to plague the minds of many. Open listing is openly ridiculed. It's hard to work hard when the country-club mentalities take six weeks or more of vacation and complain about how hard they have it! I know that we should not let this get us down. I have to admit that it does get me irritated. Well, starting August 15th, I'm taking my annual two weeks in northwest Ontario, Canada. Peace and quiet! No phones or door bells! Amen! I'm ready!

By the way, there's a Chicago cop who is selling cocaine that I've gotten wind of. He knows that I know. I found out from one of his runners who lost a batch. The runner informed me. I have a letter identifying the man set in a safe place. This is all confidential, but I think I am safe.
Bad cops who abuse their public trust and traffic drugs make me very angry. I don't know what else to do except to sit tight on this information because there is not concrete proof to back up this revelation.

I'm excited about this outreach project. Some very good things are possible. I'm also a little uncomfortable at being elected as the chairman of the cluster planning board. Others are insightful and creative. Some see things that don't even cross my mind. I will do my best to bring this project to a fruitful conclusion, or at least plant some good seed.

It's getting on towards 11 PM and I have the 6 AM this week, so I had better get some shut-eye or I won't be my usual cheerful self tomorrow. Thanks for the inspiration, perspiration, and openness.

Yours in the Risen Lord,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor

P.S. I pray for you especially as you prepare for the special synod in October. May the Holy Spirit guide your words to the Holy Father and may they bear good fruit.
confidential

Mrs. Kealy

Bob,

Please look at my response to Don Mulsoff.

Of my two arms
He cap OK?

If so, just give
To Chris to type.

Thanks.

X
Dear Don:

Many thanks for your gracious and thoughtful letter of July 27. I appreciated very much the sentiments you expressed.

I was really moved by your "story" — a story of personal faith, joy and hope. Shortly after I received your letter, I had a session with one of our archdiocesan priests who is doing good work but is somewhat discouraged. What you had shared with me provided me with the motivation to give him the kind of encouragement he needed. Without any reference to you, of course, I developed some of the ideas you had shared with me. The priest found them very helpful in giving him the needed perspective.

I am delighted that you will be taking some vacation beginning August 15. I hope you have a restful time. I took my vacation (Harbor Springs, Michigan) earlier this month.

Regarding the cop you mentioned in your letter, if you need some advice, don't hesitate to call Father Bob Kealy. He would be able to assist you in this regard.

Again, Don, many thanks for your letter. Be assured of my continued affection, prayers and support for you.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor
St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church
1039 West 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

JLB:cs

July 30, 1987
TO: File
DATE: September 1, 1987
RE: Donald Molsoff

I received a phone call from Fr. [redacted] on June 29, 1987. This was prior to my coming into the office. I returned the call on July 2, 1987 at 3:16 PM [redacted] was not there, but I left a message. I did not hear anything from [redacted] after that.

I called [redacted] today, September 1, just to see whether or not whatever the problem was he was calling about had been resolved. He had never received my message and then just put the matter out of memory.

The reason for calling was this: he had received a phone call from someone in the parish. He could not remember the name, but she sounded like she was completely off the wall. He thought maybe she was drinking. She went on and on about a priest who was keeping company with her daughter, etc. [redacted] didn't want to get any further involved than necessary, particularly because she sounded so strangely, so he told her to contact the Vicar for Priests' office.

I asked [redacted] if [redacted] in Oak Lawn was part of his parish and he said it was. I also asked him if it was a matter about a priest in Cicero and he said it was, but he could not recall the name. I then told [redacted] that right around that same time I received a letter post marked July 5 from a Mrs. [redacted] at the above-mentioned address. This name does not ring any bells with me, but the address, as stated above, is in St. Louise de Montfort parish. I told [redacted] that the letters from this woman to me and to the priest in question were such lengthy, rambling letters that I decided to do nothing at all about them. One of these days, if I happen to meet the priest I will probably mention something to him, just so that he knows someone is looking to cause him trouble.
October 25, 1988

Dear Father Mulsoff:

In light of the needs of the Archdiocese and based on the discussions which were held between your Vicar, Bishop Abramowicz, your Dean, Father Grembla with the Planning Coordinating Committee of the Archdiocese and the Clergy Personnel Board, I hereby appoint you to be Administrator of Immaculate Conception Parish (31st and Aberdeen Street) while retaining present duties as Pastor of Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish (32nd Street). This appointment is effective November 1, 1988.

The main reason for asking you to assume responsibility for Immaculate Conception is to assist this parish in the planning process which is taking place in the Bridgeport area as we strive to best utilize personnel and resources of the Archdiocese to meet the needs of this local church.

Thank you, Don, for your cooperation and willingness. I am sure the people will be well served by you and that you will have the cooperation of Father John Rolek, who until now has served as Administrator of the parish. The participation in area planning which you have had in the past will be most helpful to Immaculate Conception Parish. It is my hope that the people of the parish will welcome you warmly as you assume this added responsibility.

Be assured of my continued prayers and support.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Joseph Cardinal Bernardin
Archbishop of Chicago

Kenneth Velo
Ecclesiastical Notary

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60609

cc: Most Reverend Alfred L. Abramowicz, Episcopal Vicar
Reverend Joseph P. Grembla, Dean
Reverend John A. Rolek
Reverend Jeremiah J. Rodell
Planning Coordinating Committee
Clergy Personnel Board
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Don Mulsoff,
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- g.
- h.
- i.

In general, Jerry Rodell would be much in favor of direct appointments by the Cardinal and would be happy if the Cardinal knew that.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Priests' Personnel Board
   Bridgeport parishes in Planning
FROM: St. Lea Woll
SUBJECT: The Listening Session of February 12, 1990
DATE: February 15, 1990

The meeting began with Fr. Ray Cusack introducing himself and indicating that the representatives from the Priests' Personnel Board had come at the invitation of the priests in the area to discuss their ideas, their hopes, their dreams for how personnel might be distributed and assigned in the area, following upon the mergers and closings which are to take place as of June 30, 1990. Everyone introduced themselves and we began with a prayer lead by Bishop Abramowicz.

The next thing we did was to ask the group what they expected to accomplish at this meeting. Expectations were as follows:

1. Continuity in ministry - maintain some current staff
2. Express sensitivity to the people - use Board consultation process
4. Be sure to maintain ministries and volunteers.
5. Find ways to integrate Deacons, Religious, and Lay ministers into area ministry.
6. That priests assigned know personnel issues.
7. New priest personnel have to agree to area planning & collaboration.
8. Approach placement comprehensively.

A free flowing conversation followed among those present during which time many indicated their hopes and expectations about ministry in the area in the future. Fr. Mulsoff of St. Mary of Perpetual Help and Immaculate Conception would like to remain in ministry there.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rev. Joseph P. Grembla, Dean
FROM: Rev. Edward F. Upton, Director
       Office of Appraisal and Evaluation
DATE: September 26, 1990
RE: Evaluation Process: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

The priest listed above was named a Pastor in November of 1985. His term of office will be completed in November of 1991. I am beginning the evaluation process.

The first step in the process is for the Dean to select a Team Manager. Once you have secured a Team Manager, you are asked to inform him. I will then write the Pastor and notify him that the evaluation process is beginning. He then selects another priest to assist the Team Manager in the evaluation process. The Pastor must also agree to the Team Manager you have selected.

Once the two priests' coordinators have been selected, the Team Manager takes responsibility for the process.

Will you please mail the Team Manager's name back to me by October 15th? If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the above telephone number.

Enclosure
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
OFFICE OF APPRAISAL AND EVALUATION
25 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60610

PRIEST: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

TERM ENDS: 1991 NOVEMBER

TEAM MANAGER: Rev. Charles Kouba

DATE: October 1, 1990

DEAN: Rev. Joseph P. Grembla

Please return to Rev. Edward F. Upton by October 15th.
October 5, 1990

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, IL 60690

Dear Father Mulsoff,

I am writing regarding your participation in the evaluation process for Pastors. As you know, your term of office ends in 1991.

As Director of the Office of Appraisal and Evaluation, I have some convictions about this Process which I would like to share. I hope they set a context for the evaluation.

My first conviction is about the role of Pastor. In Coordinating Parish Ministries (A publication written by the Department of Personnel Services, 1987), the role of Pastor is defined:

"The Pastor serves the Christian community by sharing with them graces which God has given him and which are revealed in his spirituality and leadership, as well as in his limitations and inadequacies. 'To be' means 'to be with.'"

You have a critical and demanding role in the life of our community. I hope the process enhances your role. The second conviction revolves around the evaluation process. The National Association of Church Personnel Administrators in a handbook on performance appraisal, describes the appraisal process. They suggest it to be:

"supportive of people" (so those involved are affirmed and challenged) and is "implemented in a flexible way" (so the process is able to serve the individual.)

Thus, the context out of which I work is to encourage your role as Pastor, and to provide a structure to affirm, support and challenge. Hopefully, you will be renewed to continue your ministry in newer and more effective ways.
The evaluation process is more fully explained on the enclosed sheet. The first step is for you to approve the Team Manager selected by your Dean. Rev. Joseph P. Grembla selected Rev. Charles Kouba as your Team Manager. If you have any concern about that selection, please indicate on the form. You are asked to select one priest to work with Charles Kouba in conducting the evaluation.

Your staff and twelve to fifteen lay leaders, whom you designate, will be asked to complete evaluation forms. The evaluation team will discuss and share this material as well as the final report. Copies of the final report will be given to the Dean, Vicar, the Diocesan Priests’ Personnel Board and my office.

At the time you apply for renewal of your term, the Vicar and Dean will be asked to support your reappointment.

I ask that you return the blue form as soon as possible. The process will continue when I receive this information.

Sincerely,

Rev. Edward F. Upton, Director
Office of Appraisal and Evaluation

cc: Rev. Joseph P. Grembla, Dean
    Rev. Charles Kouba, Team Manager
NAME:        Donald J. Mulsoff
PARISH:      St. Mary of Perpetual Help

PLEASE SELECT THE NAME OF ONE PRIEST YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE ON
YOUR EVALUATION TEAM.

__ REV. RICHARD DODARO (has agreed) __

ALTERNATE: _______________________________________________________

THE EVALUATION TEAM MANAGER SELECTED BY YOUR DEAN IS:

Charles Kouba

IF FOR SOME REASON YOU WOULD PREFER SOMEONE RATHER THAN THE
ABOVE ON YOUR TEAM, PLEASE NOTIFY OUR OFFICE.

PLEASE RETURN IN ENCLOSED ENVELOPE WITHIN 10 DAYS TO:

OFFICE OF APPRAISAL AND EVALUATION
25 WEST CHICAGO AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL  60610

SIGNATURE:  ___ Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff ___
DATE:       10-16-90
MEMORANDUM

TO: Rev. Charles Kouba, Team Manager

FROM: Rev. Edward F. Upton, Director
Office of Appraisal and Evaluation

DATE: November 2, 1990

RE: Evaluation Process: Donald J. Mulsoff

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff is concluding his term as Pastor. The Evaluation Process is now beginning.

Rev. Joseph P. Grembla, Dean, has asked you to serve as Team Manager. I presume, you have agreed.

In order to review the process, as well as serve as resources to one another, I would like to invite you to a meeting:

Monday, November 26, 1990
1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Office of Appraisal and Evaluation
25 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60610

At this meeting, I will also distribute the evaluation materials. Please call my office at 312-944-7790 to R.S.V.P. If you are unable to attend, please call and we can arrange an alternate method for distribution of the materials.

Please accept my thanks, for your work in this process.

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CC: Rev. Joseph P. Grembla, Dean
Fr. Dodaro is not able to attend the Evaluation Process meeting on Nov 26. When I mentioned you might mail him the information he
Dear Ed,

As principal of the regional school, Bridgeport Catholic Academy, we probably work a little more independently than a normal parish school. Consequently I really couldn't comment adequately on all of Don's various roles. On those items I did comment on I tried to remember how he interacted with faculty, staff, students, parents, administration, school board and other interested BCAA people. I hope this is helpful. I also hope this note finds you well.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

North Campus
512 W. 28th Pl.
Chicago, IL 60616
326-1130

West Campus
1040 W. 32nd Pl.
Chicago, IL 60608
927-1041

South Campus
3700 S. Lowe
Chicago, IL 60609
376-6223

Business Office
1040 W. 32nd Pl.
Chicago, IL 60608
376-0142

March 17, 1991
March 22, 1991

Mr. Jack Percival
Bridgeport Catholic Academy
1040 W. 32nd Place
Chicago, IL 60608

Dear Jack,

I was pleased to read your note. I assume you're doing well.

I appreciate your care and precision in completing the Evaluation for Don Mulsoff. I shall make sure your remarks are included in the process of evaluating Don's Ministry.

Take care - have a Blessed Easter!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Rev. Edward F. Upton, Director
Office of Appraisal and Evaluation

EU:jw
March 27, 1991

Dear Father Mulsoff:

In light of the fact that your six year appointment as pastor is concluding and the process is not yet completed, I am hereby extending your canonical appointment as pastor until the process is completed.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish
1039 West 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

cc: Most Reverend Alfred L. Abramowicz, Episcopal Vicar
Reverend Joseph P. Grembla, Dean
Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board
The following list of names is from a 3800 computer listing of Associate Pastors changing in 1992

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Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 1/15/1991
Donald J. Mulsoff, Pastor/St. Mary of Perpetual Help
The completion sheet for this evaluation was returned to our office on 10/1/91, though the Personnel Board has never received a final report. After contacting Fr. Dodaro [Team Member] on 12/19/91, he advised me that he was working on completing the final report and would deliver it to the Personnel Board office by the weekend.
2. Donald Mulsoff '69 (04/08/91) Our Lady of Perpetual Help

ACTION:

3. [Redacted]
c. Second Term Pastors:

1. 

2. Donald Mulsoff '69: The evaluation form (indicating the evaluation as completed) for Don [Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help] was returned to the Office of Appraisal and Evaluation on 10/01/91, though the Personnel Board has never
received a final report. Richard Dodaro '68 [Team Manager] advised that he was working on completing the final report and would deliver it to the Personnel Board by the weekend of 12/21/91.
January 15, 1992

Reverend Richard Dodaro, Team Member
All Saints/St. Anthony
518 W. 28th Place
Chicago, IL 60609

Dear Dick:

We are still waiting for the evaluation of Don Mulsoff. When I have called, you indicated the materials were ready to be sent.

My secretary called you; you told her the report would be returned about three weeks ago.

Obviously, there is a problem. Can I assist you? It is important for Don that this process be completed.

Sincerely,

Reverend Edward F. Upton, Director
Office of Appraisal and Evaluation

cc: Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean
Reverend Edward R. Fialkowski, Personnel Board
Reverend Charles Kouba, Team Manager
TO: File (P. O'Malley)
DATE: March 2, 1992
RE: Donald Mulsoff

1. Don Mulsoff is the pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish on 32nd Street. This morning I received an anonymous phone call from a man who says he is 33 years old. He described an event that happened to him when he was only 10 and a student at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish school, where Donald Mulsoff was an associate pastor. This would have happened in 1969 approximately.

2. Mulsoff was ordained in 1969. The boy said he had apparently been bad in class and the teacher sent him to see Fr. Mulsoff for counseling. He told the boy to pull down his pants and his underpants.

3. Fr. did spank him on the bare behind.

4. The caller says that he never read any sexual reaction into it at the time. He did know he was standing before Fr. Mulsoff with his genitals and rear end exposed. And it is only later that he began to see it for what it was, child abuse.

5. He claims that Fr. Mulsoff also called other students in for counseling. He said that he has a few names but would not feel free to give them at this time. He believes Fr. Mulsoff should be removed from having any access to children in this same regard.

6. Recently was at a party of former parishioners. Some people were talking about the issue and saying that they were surprised that Fr. Mulsoff's name never appeared on TV when the names of the men who had committed child abuse were broadcast some time back. The caller was surprised that there was nothing in Fr. Mulsoff's record indicating any such behavior.

7. The caller said he would not give his name nor his number. I explained how that put us in a difficult position since we were not able to back up the
allegation with a name or a specific person who was identifiable. He understood that but the caller also felt that *** if any of this ever got out it would be detrimental to himself.

8. I told the caller that we would call Fr. Mulsoff in and take whatever steps are necessary, given the nature of the allegation. He asked if he could call me back to see what is happening. I told him that he could call me back around March 15 and I would inform him at that time.
AGENDA

Meeting: #28 - Thirteenth Board
Date: March 6, 1992
Place: Priests' Personnel Board

I. Opening Prayer: Rev. Kenneth J. Velo

II. Acceptance of Minutes:

III. Reports: (See Attached Sheet)

IV. Acceptance of Agenda:

V. Business:

A. Priests:

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6. Donald Mulcoff '69 JB
   ACTION:

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6. Donald Mulsoff '69: Don's [Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help] evaluation materials have finally been forwarded to the Board by Richard Dodaro '68.

**MOTION:** 7 - 0 That Don be granted a second term as Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help upon receipt of his letter requesting a second term and positive responses from Bishop Alfred Abramowicz [Vicar] and Joseph Bennett [Dean].
March 10, 1992

Dear Don,

On April 1, 1991, you completed your first term as Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish. The Board members hope you found the years both challenging and rewarding.

Now that your evaluation process has been completed, the Board is in a position to conclude this process. If you choose to apply for a second term as pastor, you are asked to write a letter to the Personnel Board formally requesting such an appointment. Once your letter is received, your Vicar and Dean will each be asked to make a recommendation in light of your request. Upon receipt of these letters, a formal recommendation will be made to the Cardinal.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions concerning this process, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Reverend Edward R. Fialkowski
Executive Secretary
Diocesan Priests’ Personnel Board

Reverend Donald Mulsoff, Pastor
St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish
1039 W. 32nd St.
Chicago, IL 60608
ALL SAINTS—ST. ANTHONY RECTORY
518 WEST 28TH PLACE
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60616

Dear Don and all involved with this Evaluation;

I am truly sorry that I have caused any upset with my inexcusable laxity in this matter. I would certainly never do this intentionally. For reasons which need not be enumerated at this time, I put this work aside and allowed at this time to pass. Please forgive my human error. If I have caused problems for anyone, again I am truly sorry.

Sincerely Yours
in Christ,

MAR 5 1992

Report to PB
3. Donald Mulsoff '69 (04/01/85): The Board has yet to receive an indication from Don as to whether or not he wishes to be extended. Ed Fialkowski will follow up.
November 11, 1992

Rev. Edward R. Fialkowski
Archdiocesan Clergy Personnel Board
25 West Chicago Avenue - Suite 500
Chicago, IL. 60610

Dear Ed,

I wish to formally apply for an appointment to a second term as pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church. I have enjoyed my service here and feel I am still capable of stimulating the spiritual growth of this faith community. Besides, I'm tired of being a temporary appointment for more than a year.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor

P.S. Please excuse the cynicism, but I don't think anyone else is beating down your doors to replace me.
November 19, 1992

Most Rev. Alfred L. Abramowicz [Vicar]
Vicariate V
6101 S. 75th Avenue
P.O. Box 40
Summit-Argo, Illinois 60501

Dear Bishop Abramowicz,

The evaluation for Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff, Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church, has been completed. The Priests' Personnel Board has received a letter from Don requesting a second term. Before making a recommendation to the Cardinal, the Board needs to know if you support his request.

I look forward to receiving your response as soon as possible, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

Reverend Edward R. Fialkowski
Executive Secretary

ERF/jmw
November 19, 1992

Reverend Joseph R. Bennett [Dean]
Deanery 10
Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2751 W. 38th Place
Chicago, Illinois 60632

Dear Father Bennett,

The evaluation for Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff, Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church, has been completed. The Priests' Personnel Board has received a letter from Don requesting a second term. Before making a recommendation to the Cardinal, the Board needs to know if you support his request.

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Very sincerely yours,

Reverend Edward R. Fialkowski
Executive Secretary
November 23, 1992

The Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board
of the Archdiocese of Chicago
25 West Chicago Avenue
Suite 500
Chicago, Illinois 60610
Attention: Rev. Edward R. Fialkowski

Dear Father Fialkowski,

I received your letter of November 19, 1992 regarding a second term for Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff as pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church. I am happy to advise that I support his renewal for second term as Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church, and I am happy to make this recommendation.

Should you need more information feel free to call me.

Sincerely in Christ,

[Signature]
Rev. Joseph R. Bennett
Pastor

JRB/ez
Rev. Edward R. Fialkowski
Personnel Board - 500
25 West Chicago Avenue
Chicago, IL 60610

Dear Father Fialkowski,

In reply to your letter of November 19, 1992, I am pleased to inform you that I do support the request of the Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff for a second term as pastor of Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish.

The Bridgeport area still needs much healing and planning. I believe that Father Don is a stabilizing force in that community.

With prayerful best wishes, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

Most Rev. Alfred L. Abramowicz

November 23, 1992
E. Second Term Pastors:

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2. Donald Mulsoff '69 - St. Mary Perp Help (04/08/91)
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**Sabbaticals:** (Returning either 12/31/92 or 01/01/93)
Week of December 13, 1992  

TO:  Joseph Cardinal Bernardin  
FROM: Priests’ Personnel Board  
RE:  Recommendations  
DATE: December 16, 1992  

Personal & Confidential

Your Eminence,

At the December 4th meeting of the Priests’ Personnel Board the following recommendations were made:

7 members present and voting

Second Term Pastors:

7 votes That Reverend Donald Mulsoff ’69 be extended for a second term as pastor of St. Mary Perpetual Help until 04/08/97

8 members present and voting

Associate
Memo
To: Rev. Patrick Pollard, PRMAA
From: Rev. Patrick O'Malley
Date: 12/30/92
Re: Don Mulsoff

A new age has dawned! One of our clients has actually sent a check to reimburse PRMAA for the costs of [redacted] that rose out of a situation some years ago. Don Mulsoff is reimbursing you with the enclosed check. I will drop him a note of thanks, but you might just drop him a note as well. There would be no need to mention anything but the fact of the contribution.
December 30, 1992

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church
1039 West 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Dear Don,

I have sent your most generous check to the PRMAA as I told you I would. I cannot help but express to you my sincerest thanks for this generous gift on your part. Our work is sometimes very difficult because of the nature of some allegations, but your response has been so incredibly refreshing. I wish I could spread the news around to some of the other fellows. It might hopefully become contagious.

At any rate, I hope that your New Year is a good one and, once again, I thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Fraternally yours,

Rev. Patrick O'Malley
Vicar for Priests
December 31, 1992

Dear Father Mulsoff:

In light of the recommendation of the Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board, which reflects the endorsement of your Episcopal Vicar as well as the Dean of your area, I am pleased to extend your appointment as Pastor of Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish until April 8, 1997.

The support you have received for this reappointment is an indication of the fine pastoral leadership that you have rendered to the people of Saint Mary as you have proclaimed the Gospel there through your word and deed.

Don, it is my hope that this will be a time of renewal for you personally as you continue to share your priestly gifts with the people of God.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Archbishop of Chicago

Ecclesiastical Notary

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

cc: Most Reverend Alfred L. Abramowicz, Episcopal Vicar
    Reverend Joseph R. Bennett, Dean
    Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board
Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 01/07/1993

REPORTS: (01/07/93)

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church  
1039 West 32nd Street  
Chicago, IL  60608

January 12, 1993

His Eminence Joseph Cardinal Bernardin  
Archbishop of Chicago  
155 East Superior Street  
Chicago, IL  60611

Your Eminence:

We are writing this letter to propose an experiment in personnel procedures for appointing a new pastor for St. Barbara Church in the Bridgeport community of Chicago. This experiment is being offered in the spirit of one of your announced major goals for the archdiocese, that of regionalization.

Current procedure calls for the Personnel Board for Priests to prepare a profile of St. Barbara parish through a parish meeting, to place the pastorate on the open listing in order to surface possible candidates, for the personnel board to supply you with a list of recommended candidates for the pastorate, and for you to appoint the person of your choice as pastor of the parish.

Our proposal is this. Allow the regional pastors to become a part of the process. We wish to formally be a part of the process because we believe that the local pastors have a wider perspective of the needs of the region than the concerned parishioners of any individual parish. We have been working together in regional planning which has produced the Bridgeport Catholic Academy, the BI-PREP religious education program, the C.A.E.C. cluster of parishes as well as the consolidation planning which resulted in the closing of St. Bridget, St. George, Immaculate Conception, and St. John Nepomucene parishes. We have a track record which has demonstrated our commitment to and experience in regional planning.

St. Barbara parish is in a crucial core location of our area. It is with this in mind that we ask that a part of the formal profile of the parish include a section on the regional needs and the regional expectations. This would be prepared and submitted to the personnel board in a timely manner by the local pastors.

We have a second proposal. Once the personnel board has surfaced a list of candidates we would propose that the local pastors, as a group, be given the opportunity to make comments on the candidates offered to the archbishop. Since
We will be working closely with whoever your Eminence appoints, we believe that such input would enhance and improve the total process. We would, of course, expect the Dean to be a part of the entire process and that the list of candidates as well as our comments would remain strictly confidential.

We do not wish, in any way, to disrupt the current procedure. However, we believe that we have a crucial element to contribute to the total process, our unique view and experience as local pastors who are firmly committed to regional planning.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Richard Dodare
All Saints/ St. Anthony

Rev. Millard O'Keefe
St. David

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help

Rev. James Kehoe
Nativity of Our Lord

C.c.
Bishop Jack Gorman
Bishop Alfred Abramowicz, Vicar
Rev. Joseph Bennett, Dean
Clergy Personnel Board
January 19, 1993

Dear Dick, Millard, Don and Jim:

I have received your letter of January 12, 1993 in which you have proposed a change in our normal process for the selection of the new pastor of Saint Barbara parish.

I can appreciate your interest in the parish and your desire for input in the process. Furthermore, I understand the experiment you have presented and would like to make the following comments.

First, you are more than welcome to send letters to the Priests' Personnel Board, either individually or collectively. I am sure the Board would be more than willing to take into consideration your comments. In regard to your particular request to include a section in the profile reflecting regional needs and expectations, I believe it would suffice if the Board itself incorporated this information into the actual profile rather than establishing a precedent of changing the profile outline.

Second, you asked that the list of candidates surfaced for the parish would be presented to you for your review. I am not open to this. The Board has a process which involves the Vicar of the area. The Board itself is representative of the priests and are chosen for the purpose of presenting names to me. In their deliberations, the members will be taking into consideration not only the parish needs, but also the needs of the area. Further, the process is one which involves confidentiality -- out of respect for the individual priests who are not selected for the position.

As I have done in other appointment letters for pastors of your area, I am most willing to include a statement to the effect that there is an expectation regarding cluster involvement. Your welcome of the priest and your encouragement of collaboration will be important. Needless to say, the example you give to the person chosen will be far more effective than words in the profile or in the letter of appointment.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Richard Dodaro
Reverend Millard O'Keefe
Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
Reverend James Kehoe

cc: Most Reverend John R. Gorman
    Most Reverend Alfred Abramowicz
    Reverend Joseph R. Bennett
    Diocesan Priests' Personnel Board

Archbishop of Chicago
In response to his letter of January 25, 1993, I met with Don on February 18. It was a cordial meeting and I think it did some good. He is a very good, honest man who works hard. However, I must admit that I do not fully understand Don's mentality.

We spoke about the following specifics:

1. Even before the meeting, Father Velo had shown Don the letter to Father Hastings indicating that we had asked Bill to work with the cluster and the other members of the cluster had been informed of this at the time. (He indicated at the meeting that Bill was, indeed, cooperating.)

2. He spoke at some length about the people being upset because the criteria used to close St. George and Immaculate Conception seemed not to be used in regard to St. Jerome and one other which remained open. He said he understood that the fact the others were ethnic parishes staffed by religious made a difference, but the people don't understand. Also, he understands that, as time goes on, the criteria might need to be changed. (In this connection, he mentioned the current planning pilot project). His point was that distinctions that might seem clear to us are not always clear to the people who are directly affected. So he urged better communication of distinctions, changes, etc. He also added that the healing process is taking place but that it is taking a long time.

3. We then spoke about the desire of the cluster pastors to be involved in the selection of the new pastor of St. Barbara (cf. letter to me and my response). The intention was not to upset the process/confidentiality, etc., but to insure greater local involvement in the development of the profile (we should take the initiative to make sure that the "local flavor" is included). He referred to the factionalism
which exists -- both at St. Barbara and in the area. I listened and said that I felt that the concerns he and the others expressed could be addressed within the framework of the present policy or whatever other policy might evolve.

4. Regarding the matter of confidentiality, he brought up several rumors which he attributes to "leads": Father Velo destroying documentation regarding sexual abuse on the part of a priest (which Ken has refuted); a big "fight" I had with Father Rich Klajbor regarding mismanagement of finances at Holy Innocents (something which I refuted). He told me he could not tell me the source of these rumors because he had promised the person confidentiality. I told him he should ask the person if he could tell me who it was -- only in that way can I do anything. I also told him that, in the future, he hears something problematic, he should let me know.

5. He also spoke about his concern for Father Bill O'Brien. There are rumors about him. I told him I could not speak with him about this but assured him that I was working closely with Bill.

6. He also said that if the archdiocese has to spend money on priests for evaluations, treatment, etc. because of imprudence on their part, they should pay for it in whole or part. I told him we were looking into this.

At the end, I again encouraged him to call me if he was concerned or perplexed about something he has heard.

cc: Fr. Velo
August 9, 1993

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
1039 West 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Dear Don,

I received your letter describing your experience of the process for closing parishes. Thank you much for your thoughtful reflections. Your observations will be very helpful to those who may be involved in future closings. I appreciate the time and energy that you put into your letter. I hope that things are going well at St. Mary of Perpetual Help.

Sincerely,

Rev. John Canary
Vicar for Priests
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Purple - 3rd term or retiring
To Middle School Children's Parents

Re: THE BOILER REPAIRS

How to fix a boiler in one easy step. FIX IT! Work on the boiler has been going on since early August. The boiler room had to be drained and cleaned. Sump pumps had to be replaced or repaired. Then a crew removed damaged equipment. Then new equipment was ordered. Then asbestos had to be removed by a very specialized crew. The new burned was shipped from Pennsylvania on October 9, 1994. Fire brick was replaced while waiting for the burner. Installation of the burner was begun in mid-October. We were promised heat by October 19th. While refilling the boiler a tube began to leak. That tube was removed and the remainder of the upper tubes were removed because of the fear that they too might fail. Then the lower tubes were inspected. They, too, were judged to have to be removed. None of these tube repairs could be anticipated or predicted. By the way that was more than 200 tubes. Those tubes were all cut out and then replaced. Once again the boiler was filled and fired up on November 8th. Everything was fine except for a very large valve (500 lbs.) was not holding the live steam from a second boiler which no longer is needed or on line. That valve was repaired on November 9th. As of 6:00 P.M. today, the heat was on.

Every time a repair was being made a prediction from the contractor was communicated to the school. If the contractor failed to get the work done in the predicted time, what could we do? (All the contractors were hired by people at the pastoral center. They signed the contracts.) The school administration had a number of options available. St. David's school was available on a temporary basis. The top floor of the south campus might also have been used. Those are school administrator's decisions, not mine. We all experienced frustrations with this work. I have had a cold church not only for Sunday worship, a wedding, and a number of funerals, but also for the annual forty hours of devotion and a cold hall for the Friday night bingos.

I want to thank all the parents who were so understanding during these frustrating times.

However, there were a few individuals who were very ignorant in the use of the telephone. GROW UP! Your sarcasm
didn't get things done one minute sooner. As you were bellowing, the work was being completed. You only proved your profound ignorance. But then no one expected anything else from you. If you get some sort of thrill out of being ignorant, I can only pity you; and, in the name of the parish staff, forgive you. It's simply a shame a few of you can't be a little more civil.

I have never deliberately endangered a child in my life. Every effort was made by this pastor to insure the health and safety of the children. Workers were in the boiler room from 6:30 A.M. until well past 11 P.M. last night trying to get heat into the building for November 9th. As it stands now, more work still needs to be done, but it can be done with the boiler running.

Once again, thanks to most of you for your kind words and expressions of confidence and support.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor
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NAME: Rev. Donald J. Muloff '69
PARISH: St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

PHONE: 312/927*6646 VICARIATE: V DEANERY: 10 A

3rd TERM: 04/08/97
AGE THEN: 54

LETTER & FORM TO PASTOR REQUESTING INTENTIONS: 4/16/96
FORM RECEIVED: 1/21/97
COPY OF FORM TO VICAR, DEAN & BOARD CONTACT: 1/21/97
VICAR'S LETTER RECEIVED: 4/1
DEAN'S LETTER RECEIVED: 
*IF LEAVING - PARISH CONSULTATION SCHEDULED FOR: 

BOARD MEETING: 
WSR TO CARDINAL: 10/14/97

March 18, 1996
April 15, 1996

Dear Don,

In September of 1985 the Presbyteral Senate in collaboration with Cardinal Bernardin put into effect Senate Bill 72-55 [84-6]. The Bill in part states:

"...after 12 years of service as a pastor in a parish, the pastor must relinquish that specific pastorate if the Priests' Placement Board so requests."

Special consideration will be made for a pastor’s age, for a pastor’s request regarding his personal needs, and for special parish needs. In each instance the Cardinal, the Vicar, and the Placement Board will make appropriate consultation and evaluation to determine that all is going well in the parish.

In recent years a number of pastors have sought permission for a third term, who were considerably under the age of 65. The Cardinal asked the Commission on the Life and Ministry of Diocesan Priests to review our current policy regarding terms of office. This was in light of so many requests for extensions. The Commission evaluated our current policy and recommended to Cardinal Bernardin that the Diocesan policies that were put into effect in 1985 be continued. Their recommendation was that for priests under the age of 59 and there being no special circumstance in the parish suggesting an extension to a third term, that they would relinquish the pastorate and seek a new appointment. Cardinal Bernardin at the Presbyteral Council meeting of January 10th, 1995 accepted this clarification: age, in and of itself, for a pastor under the age of 59 would not warrant an extension.

According to the Priests’ Placement Board records you entered your 11th year as pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help on April 8, 1996. I write you now, on behalf of the Board to advise you of the following practical considerations:

1. If you will have celebrated your 65th birthday by the end of your twelfth year as pastor you may ask that your pastorate be extended.

2. If for some personal reason you feel an extension on your pastorate is needed you may ask for an extension.

3. If there is, in your estimation, a need at your parish that warrants an extension of your pastorate you may seek the extension.

(In each of the preceding instances consultation and evaluation will take place as previously mentioned.)
4. If you do not foresee seeking an extension at the end of your term, you have various options to consider:

a) a new pastorate which you would begin actively seeking

b) a new pastorate which you would seek when your term is completed. This could mean extending your pastorate for a period of one year.

c) being assigned as an associate pastor either temporarily or for a term of office dependent on your desires

d) seeking a 3 to 6 month sabbatical and being reassigned before, during, or in the one month after your sabbatical, dependent on your desires

I have enclosed a form for you to complete. If you would return it by July 1st, 1996 the Board will be better able to assist you in the future. The Cardinal asks that before contacting his office you return the completed form to the Priests' Placement Board at the P O Box 1979, Chicago, IL 60690-1979.

Thank you for your time. I hope all is well with you and your parish. I offer you the prayers of the entire Board at this time of decision in your life.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland
Executive Secretary

Enclosure

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608
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SEEKING A THIRD TERM
Reverend Donald J Mulsoff  
St. Mary of Perpetual Help  
1039 W 32nd Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60608

January 21, 1997

Dear Don:

Thank you for your "Twelve Year Pastorate Form."

As a rule a pastor completing his second term or anticipating retiring needs to meet with the Cardinal at least six months before his term ends; or, if you are seeking an extension you need to share your plans with your Vicar and Dean for the purpose of evaluation.

In the meantime, please keep in touch with the Placement Board. Be assured I will be available for whatever help I can be to you.

Steven Patte is your Board Contact, and you may reach him at (773) 779/2243.

Fraternally yours,

Reverend Jeremiah M. Boland  
Executive Secretary

JMB/ljb

cc: Most Reverend John R. Gorman, Vicar  
Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean  
Reverend Steven Patte, Board Contact
TWELVE YEAR PASTORATE FORM

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff '69
St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

2nd Term Expires: April 8, 1997
Vicariate: V
Deanery: A
Phone #: 312/927-6646

Dear Don,

1. If you intend to seek an extension as pastor please check whichever is/are appropriate:

   ( ) A. I will be 65 years old at the end of my term.
   (X) B. I have personal reasons to seek an extension.
   (X) C. There are parish needs that warrant my continuing here.

2. If you do not intend to seek an extension please check whichever is/are appropriate:

   ( ) A. I intend to seek actively a new pastorate soon.
   ( ) B. I intend to seek actively a new pastorate at the end of my present term.
   ( ) C. I intend to seek an associate pastor position.
   ( ) D. I intend to seek another form of priestly ministry.
   ( ) E. I intend to seek a sabbatical.
   ( ) F. I intend to seek resignation from my parish before the term is completed.

3. If you have not made a decision regarding these matters please check here. (____)

4. Please indicate which Board member you would like to have as your contact with the Board:

   ( ) Jeremiah Boland '81 ( ) John M. Collins '79 ( ) Kevin J. Feeney '77
   ( ) Joseph J. Kinane '52 ( ) Robert E. McLaughlin '66 (X) Steven Patte '69
   ( ) John Siemianowski '89 ( ) Kenneth J. Velo '73

We welcome your comments.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please return this completed form by July 1st, 1996.

MAILING ADDRESS:
Archdiocese of Chicago
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
P O Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60699-1979
(FAX # 312 / 751-5281)
MEMORANDUM

TO:        Rev. David Baldwin  
            Office of Research and Planning
FROM:     Mary Yunger  
            Office of Ministerial Evaluation
DATE: February 14, 1997 — This was delivered 4/3/97
RE:        PARISH PROFILES

Thank you for your cooperation in expediting our previous requests.

The pastor(s) of the parish(es) listed below will be engaging in the second term evaluation process in the near future. A key element of this process is the review team’s consideration of information about the parish provided in a parish profile.

I would appreciate it if your office could provide me with a copy of the Tomorrow’s Parish Report for use in the profile for the parish(es) named below by 4/23/97.

St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

Again, thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Tomorrow’s Parish

Gail Johnson

4/3/97
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. James Rojek
Financial Services

FROM: Mary Yunger
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: February 14, 1997

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Greg Veith
Facilities and Construction

FROM: Mary Yunger
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: February 14, 1997

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

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TO: Mr. David Schwartz  
Office of Research and Planning

FROM: Mary Yunger  
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sr. Josephine Sferrella, Data Research
Office of Catholic Education

FROM: Mary Yunger
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: February 14, 1997

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Carole Eipers/Tom McLaughlin
    Religious Education Data

FROM: Mary Yunger
      Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: February 14, 1997

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help, Chicago, IL 60608

Again, thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.
MEMORANDUM

TO: [Blank]

FROM: Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: February 24, 1997

RE: Second Term Review - [Blank]

Thank you so much for your willingness to serve on Father [Blank]'s second term review team. Thank you also for adding the information meeting to your schedule. As we discussed, that meeting is scheduled for:

Friday, February 28
2:00 to 3:00/3:30 p.m.
at
St. Paskal Rectory
3935 N. Melvina Ave.
Chicago, IL

There will be two teams attending the meeting.

At this meeting we will review the process and I will distribute the material. I look forward to working with you.

cc: Most Rev. Thad Jakubowski, Episcopal Vicar
Rev. [Blank], Pastor
Rev. Mulroff
March 10, 1997

Priests' Placement Board
Rev. Jeremiah Boland
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Father Boland:

I had a conversation with Rev. Steve Patte on Saturday concerning my future assignment. Before pursuing any further planning I wish to present to the Placement Board the following reasons why I do not believe a change in assignment would be advisable at this time.

Concerning the compelling needs of the parish, the church building has been in drastic need of major repairs for some time. Sealing the copper dome leaks, repairing the clay tile shingle roof leaks, tuck pointing, etc. I have just begun taking in estimates for the fund raising drive. Some of this work is demanded for safety reasons. This is very expensive work since the church central dome is almost 150 feet tall, as are the twin towers (also copper topped). A conservative estimate of costs is $200,000.00. That's the fund raising I have just started. This is not a good time to change personnel.

Concerning my personal needs:
1. I am currently the executor of a very large estate of over $1,500,000.00. Although we should be ready to make some major distribution of assets in the near future, it will still require some time to finish this task. Since the personal effects of the deceased priest are still being disposed of in an orderly manner, I simply need more time to handle this matter. Since the Archdiocese is a major legatee of the estate, any delay caused by a change would certainly delay the disbursement of these assets.
2. At this time of transition I hope to begin a long overdue sabbatical. Until I can get this estate in order, this will be impossible.
3. I also am the executor of a second estate, much smaller but still something that I am obligated to fulfill. This estate will require me to sell a condominium in Palatine, IL. Once again I cannot do this while on a sabbatical or while getting established in a new parish.

Other serious concerns:
1. Father Millard O'Keefe, who is on a sick leave from
this archdiocese, has a close personal relationship with me. He is currently the primary priest serving the hispanic population of this parish. His health condition has stablished under his current schedule and limited responsibilities. A consultation with Bishop Gorman and Fr. Pat O'Malley would best serve to familiarize you with this situation. A change at this time might seriously endanger the physical and emotional health of this very good and serving priest.

2. In July of 1995 St. David Church was closed. The great majority of the hispanic population came over and registered at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Church. They are getting use to me and this parish and seem to be adjusting to the change very well, but a little more time would certainly strengthen the bonds we are forming. If I go and Father O'Keefe goes, it will be critical that the new pastor is fluent in Spanish.

3. The Personnel Placement Board is having some difficulty in finding pastors for parishes in this area. St. Maurice is the parish west of here. It is my understanding that there has been no great outpouring of applicants for the position. Since I have no great desire to be transferred at this time, enforcing a policy for policy sake doesn't seem to make any sense.

I have the following proposal for your consideration. I need some extra time to close things down before even applying for a sabbatical. I will apply for a sabbatical once my executorships have ceased. Place this parish on the open listing and see what happens. If a suitable candidate applies and is accepted, I will take an assignment as an associate pastor until I go on my sabbatical. After the sabbatical is over I would like to apply for language study either in Spanish or Polish depending on the expressed needs of the archdiocese. Until a new pastor is found just let me stay put with whatever canonical title suits canon law requirements. When I return from the sabbatical, if this parish still has no pastor assigned, I will apply for this position again. In short, I am happy to remain here. I think I still can offer this parish good service and promote spiritual growth.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Pastor
March 25, 1997

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Best regards.

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Most Reverend John R. Gorman
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

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Date: 4/7
Time: 9:15 AM

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Best regards

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CALLED TO SEE YOU
WANTS TO SEE YOU
RETURNED YOUR CALL

PLEASE CALL
WILL CALL AGAIN
URGENT

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to Dr. Mulcahy
(They are ahead)

Operator: 

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PARISH: St. Mary's, PERP. HELP

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Ed - What should be done on this? Nothing has been received to date - Should this be? Bed contact? Do something?
April 10, 1997

Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean
Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2751 W. 38th Place
Chicago, Illinois 60632

Dear Father Bennett,

Since our phone conversation on March 25 I have confirmed Bishop Gorman’s support for Father Mulsoff’s review. At this time I’d like to confirm the details of our phone conversation. It is my understanding that you are surfacing a priest to serve as the Bishop’s representative on the team. The Dean has fulfilled this role for other second term reviews for pastors in Vicariate V. You might wish to consider this option.

I have contacted Father Upton for lay representatives and will contact Father Mulsoff for his designate.

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SEEKING A THIRD TERM

6 YEAR PASTOR - 1997
April 14, 1997

Reverend Donald Mulsoff, Pastor
Saint Mary of Perpetual Help Parish
1039 W. 32 Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Dear Father Mulsoff,

When we met last month to discuss Father’s review we spoke briefly about the possibility of initiating a second term review for you. I have since confirmed with Father Bennett and Bishop Gorman that you will be participating in a review. Father Bennett is surfacing a priest to coordinate the process. You also are invited to name another priest to serve on the team. The team will also consist of two lay representatives who are selected by a neighboring dean.

Enclosed is a form for you to indicate the name of the priest whom you have asked to serve on your review team. Please complete the form and return it to the Office of Ministerial Evaluation. Once the team is in place, I will meet with the members to review the process and provide the materials.

A packet of materials is also enclosed. As you can see from the page entitled “Second Term Pastor Review Process,” the second term process is similar to the first term review in that about 40 parish leaders and other selected parishioners respond to a questionnaire which includes many of the same questions as the first term questionnaire. A self-review is also provided for the pastor to indicate his assessment of his ministry.

The second term process differs from the first term process in some ways. In addition to a priest selected by the Episcopal Vicar, and a priest selected by yourself, the review team includes two lay persons from the local Vicariate Council. The data considered by the team includes a parish data profile similar to that provided for a parish which engages in Tomorrow’s Parish. The report prepared by the team is given to the Vicar, who in turn reviews it with the pastor. Also, in the second term process, the Vicar writes a letter for publication in the parish bulletin informing parishioners of the process and offering an opportunity for direct feedback to him.
Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the process, please contact me or Father Bennett.

Sincerely,

Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

MY/jw

cc: Most Reverend John R. Gorman, Episcopal Vicar
    Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean

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In light of the fact that your six year appointment as Pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish, was scheduled to conclude on April 8th, 1997, and the process for evaluation has not yet been completed by the Priests' Placement Board, please note that your canonical appointment as pastor will continue and officially remain in effect until this process is completed. Extension requests by pastors cannot be dealt with by the Diocesan Administrator. Your request will be delayed until Archbishop George is able to review your petition.

With cordial good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Diocesan Administrator

Ecclesiastical Notary

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W 32nd Street
Chicago, Il 60608

cc: Archbishop of Chicago - File
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    Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean
    Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
    Office of Ministerial Evaluations
4/19/77

Mr. Yanger,

St. Mary of Spiritual Help
was consolidated with other
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what we now call—
“Bridgeport Catholic Academy.”

(The school profile pictured is
under the "new" school, see
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Rosario Sanger
7/51-5/218
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TO: Rev. Ray Devereux  
   Rev. Millard O'Keefe  
   Mary Yunger, Director  
   (FYI)

FROM: Mary Yunger, Director  
       Office of Ministerial Evaluation

DATE: May 6, 1997

RE: Second Term Review - Fr. Donald Mulsoff

Thank you so much for your willingness to serve on Father Mulsoff's second term review team. Thank you also for adding the information meeting to your schedule. As we discussed, that meeting is scheduled for:

   Saturday, May 17
   9:00 to 10/10:30 a.m.
   at
   St. Francis of Assisi Parish
   15050 Wolf Rd., Orland Park

   There will be members of two teams attending the meeting. I look forward to working with you.

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4/8/97 Term Ends

Please select the name of one priest whom you would like to serve on your Review Team.

REV. MILLARD O'KEEFE

ALTERNATE: REV. JOSEPH GREMBLA

Signature

Date

5-13-97

PLEASE RETURN WITHIN 10 DAYS TO:

MARY F. YUNGER, DIRECTOR
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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO
PO BOX 1979
CHICAGO, IL 60690-1979

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Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 05/16/1997
May 21, 1997

Reverend Donald Mulsoff, Pastor
St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 32 St.
Chicago, IL 60608

Dear Father Mulsoff,

I am writing to inform you that Father Raymond Devereux and I met on Saturday, May 17 with the members of your review team to distribute materials and explain the process.

I am enclosing a packet of review materials and a list of the members of the review team for your perusal. Father Raymond Devereux will contact you to discuss the process and to set up a meeting with the staff, leadership, and parishioners whom you have selected to complete the review feedback (appraisal) forms.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the process, please don’t hesitate to contact Father Devereux or me. We will try to keep you informed as the process unfolds. It is our hope to complete the process by August 29.

I hope the review will benefit you and the Church of St. Mary of Perpetual Help.

Sincerely,

Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

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enc.

cc: Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean
Reverend Ray Devereux, Review Team Coordinator
May 22, 1997

Reverend Joseph Bennett, Dean
Our Lady of Fatima Parish
2751 W. 38th Place
Chicago, IL 60632

Dear Father Bennett,

On Saturday, May 17, Father Devereux and I met with the members of Father Mulsoff’s pastor review team to distribute materials and explain the process.

I have enclosed a copy of the parish data profile being used for Father Mulsoff’s second term pastor review and also a list of the team members. As you know Father Raymond Devereux will coordinate the process and begin by scheduling a meeting with Father Mulsoff in order to review the process with him.

Father Devereux mentioned that some area pastors had indicated that a decision regarding Father Mulsoff’s renewal would impact area ministry. It will be important that you, as dean, represent these issues in the process, so I hope that you will stay closely connected with the team through Father Devereux.

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Office of Ministerial Evaluation

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Enc.
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Most Reverend John R. Gorman
Episcopal Vicar
Vicariate V Center
2330 W. 118 St.
Chicago, IL 60643

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Enclosed are copies of the parish data profiles for both parishes and a list of team members for each pastor review.

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May 23, 1997

[Name]
Review Team Member

Dear [Name],

Thank you so much for agreeing to serve on Father Mulsoff’s second term pastor review team. I am sorry you were not able to meet with the other team members on May 17.

Enclosed you will find a list of the team members and an information packet for your perusal. After, if you have any questions regarding the material or the process please feel free to contact Father Raymond Devereux, the review coordinator, or me at the number listed above.

Father Devereux, will be contacting Father Mulsoff soon to discuss the timeline for the process. He will then be able to arrange for the team to review the data and offer input for the report. The target date for completing this process is scheduled for August 29, 1997.

Again, thank you for your gift of time.

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**6 YEAR PASTOR - 1997**
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Reverend Raymond P. Devereux
All Saints - Saint Anthony Parish
518 W. 28 Place
Chicago, IL 60616

Dear Father Devereux,

Enclosed is the sample report from the first term pastor review materials which I promised to send you. Although the format is somewhat different, I hope that it proves helpful as an example.

Both Father O'Keefe and [redacted] have received the materials by now. I look forward to hearing that the date for distributing the forms has been scheduled.

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St. Mary of Perpetual Help  
1039 W. 32nd Street  
Chicago, Illinois  60608  

September 2, 1997  

Dear Don,  

It was good to talk to you today. As I indicated, I am enclosing copies of letters from [redacted] and [redacted] sent to Archbishop George. This is for your information only. The Archbishop did not respond to these letters and no response from you is expected.  

I will be back in touch regarding [redacted]'s evaluation.  

Sincerely,  

Rev. Lawrence McBrady  
Vicar for Priests
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Dear [Name],

Here is the letter on the report we are working on. If you wish some changes, call me at 815/886-4165. If not, sign your name and forward to Mary Yunker.

Mary —
Will serve again, if and when needed. Blessings —

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To: Mary Jung

The review reports for the most part show Fr. Jung is a kind, caring, priest who is well liked by both his staff and his parishioners. He is also looked upon as an effective administrator by the majority of his staff and parishioners. He comes across as a priest who tries to minister to all areas of his parish to the best of his abilities. He is considered very much an educator from the pulpit, in the office and in the school and CCD program. He is well liked by a broad spectrum of the parish. He is also known as a priest who stands his ground especially in the areas of faith and morals. He speaks out against bigotry in an area that is always changing racially. Last summer, for example, he was one of the first of the pastors not only to state that the beating of an Afro-American teenager was wrong but he also encouraged the community to offer donations voluntarily to show that social justice means actions as well as words. Kind and compassionate are words that are use freely about his ministry.

As the faith leader of the community the people sense a real reverence in his style as the presider at the community liturgical celebrations. His homilies seem well prepared and well directed. As a role model for the community, he comes across as genuine and welcoming. In a community that has a history of strong leadership, he is respected as a leader with vision but not unrealistic in his leadership. He is open to new forms of prayer but also keeps many of the traditional prayer services that the older parishioners consider important parts of their prayer life. He is available to the people in their needs, but also is aware and takes care of his own physical and spiritual needs, e.g. day off, vacation and retreats.

As steward of the community’s resources he has a reputation as prudent administrator who conserves and uses the parish resources wisely. He is known as one who does his best with the limited means of the parish. He keeps the parish in reasonably good shape for its age without giving the parishioners the impression that money is the primary value in the overall view of parish life.

To sum up the positive, he is looked upon as pastoral, intelligent, kind and resourceful.

It is interesting to note that in no category was he shown to be below average in the view of his parishioners. Some of the criticism was that there is not a parish council, but most of the parish organizations have input on the decisions. He has been trying to get people more interested in parish activities and has had some success. He has been working at promoting leadership in the parish, but in a parish that has a history of following orders rather than joining in the decision making process, even little advances are victories.

Another criticism is the lack of adult education programs, yet there is a large education program connected to the CCD and many offers are made for joint inter-parish education. Programs are offered regularly but response often is minimal. Youth activities are one of the areas which seems to have the lowest satisfaction marks but on the whole, this is one of the least successful activities in most parishes. Programs are offered. The facilities are available but those who criticize do not want to be part of the solution. Youth activities are very much high school centered rather than parish centered.
To sum up the needs for improvement, Parish Council and more visibility of what is available, might be more advantageous than large strategic changes.

The main concern of some members of the evaluation team was the ability to continue to provide leadership which can be difficult after a long time in a leadership role. The question of continuing to do a good job can be more challenging. The sense of obligation to the community and its wear and tear on the individual make this a most important decision. If we judge by what has been done, the ability seems to be there. The parish seems to be doing well under his leadership. Whether Father has the ability and vision to continue doing this job is something that only he and Bishop Gorman can decide. To be fair, this is a decision that Father must reflect and pray about. His present style and ability are good. The question of whether he can maintain it for the good of the parish and himself is something only he can answer. The facts show that Father has done his work well. His ability and desire to continue are between him and the bishop.
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FAX TRANSMISSION

TO: Rev. Millard O'Keefe
FROM: Mary Yunger
DATE: September 22, 1997

TOTAL PAGES: 4

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September 26, 1997

Dear Fr. O'Keefe,

Nona Barrientos, the principal of Bridgeport Catholic Academy called yesterday to say that her secretary had found her completed evaluation of Fr. Mulsoff at the bottom of a pile of material to be mailed. She sent it to me. I told her I would send it on to you. She wanted to be sure that her “good word” for Fr. Mulsoff was considered.

Thans,
Mary Young

P.S. I hope you've completed the report, but I'm sure it will help to have her response.
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   **MOTION:** 7-0-0  
   That Don Mulsoff ’69 be given two years to prepare for a new assignment.
October 14, 1997

Most Rev. John R. Gorman
Episcopal Vicar
Vicariate V Center
2330 W. 118 St.
Chicago, IL 60643

Dear Bishop Gorman,

I received notice from Father O’Keefe that the second term pastor review has been completed for Father Mulsoff. As you may remember, the next steps are for you to review the report and other information which you might have and determine your recommendation regarding reappointment for a third term; to meet with Father Mulsoff to review the report and inform him of your recommendation; and to present your recommendation to the Priests’ Placement Board. Depending on your decision, you might also wish to discuss possible goals for the third term.

Please let me know if you have further questions about the process. Also, please feel free to share with me any suggestions about how to make the process more effective.

Thank you for your continued involvement in this process which is intended to affirm gifts and accomplishments and invite ministerial development.

Sincerely,

Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

cc: Reverend Jeremiah Boland, Priests’ Placement Board
October 14, 1997

Dear [Name],

I have been informed that the team has completed the second term review report for Father Mulsoff. Thank you so much for your assistance. This is a process that requires insight, sensitivity, care, honesty, a prayerful spirit and a good deal of commitment. I am grateful for your willingness to share these gifts with Father Mulsoff and with the Church of Chicagoland.

May God bless you with the gifts of His bounty.

Sincerely,

Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

MY/jw
October 14, 1997

Reverend Raymond Devereux
Review Team Coordinator
All Saints-St. Anthony Parish
518 W. 28th Pl.
Chicago, IL 60616

Dear Father Devereux,

Father O'Keefe has informed me that the review for Father Mulsoff has been completed. I will send Bishop Gorman a letter reminding him of the next steps in the reappointment process.

I am grateful for your work with this review process. I appreciate your ability and that of the team to interpret the data and to contextualize the feedback. The process requires insight, sensitivity, care, honesty, a prayerful spirit and a good deal of energy. Thank you for your willingness to share these gifts with a colleague in ministry.

May God continue to bless you in your pastoral ministry.

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Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

MY/jw
October 14, 1997

Reverend Millard O'Keefe
Review Team Member
St. Andrew the Apostle Parish
219 Arlington Dr.
Romeoville, IL 60441

Dear Father O'Keefe,

Thank you for letting me know that the second term review report for Father Mulsoff has been completed and forwarded to Bishop Gorman. Thank you so much for your assistance, especially for your work in compiling the final report. This is a process that requires insight, sensitivity, care, honesty, a prayerful spirit, and a good deal of commitment. I am grateful for your willingness to share these gifts with Father Mulsoff and with the Church of Chicagoland.

May God bless you abundantly and keep in good health.

Sincerely,

Mary Yunger, Director
Office of Ministerial Evaluation

MY/jw
October 20, 1997

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Last Fall the Presbyteral Council, after a process of consultation with the Presbyterate, unanimously affirmed the policies of the Priests Personnel System. The policies regarding pastors who have served twelve years were endorsed at this time. The Placement Board in reviewing the criteria for granting exemption to this policy did not feel an extension of your term was warranted.

Although the previously determined time of your term as pastor has lapsed, this term will continue until you are officially notified of its conclusion in writing as provided by Canon #186. This will allow you to remain in office for two years, so that you may begin to pursue possibilities for new placement.

Don, you have served the Church of Chicago in many ways. The experience you have had as pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help will serve you well as you eventually assume a new placement. I look forward to working with you and the Placement Board in the coming years so that your next placement will be a challenging opportunity and a great use of your many gifts.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Francis E. George O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W 32nd Street
Chicago, Illinois 60608

Ecclesiastical Notary

It would be good if we could talk a bit
cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
      Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Vicar for Administration
      Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Chancellor
      Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, Vicar for Priests
      Most Reverend John Gorman, Vicar
      Reverend Robert Roll, Dean
      Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
      Office of Ministerial Evaluations

FEG:ljb
REPORTS: (10/31/97)

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MINUTES

Meeting: #89th - Fifteenth Board

Date: October 31, 1997

Place: Priests' Placement Board/Pastoral Center


Absent: Rev. Steven W. Patte

I Opening Prayer: Msgr. Kenneth Velo 10:05 A.M.

II Acceptance of Minutes: Accepted 7 - 0 - 0

III Reports:

1. [Redacted]

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3. [Redacted]
St. Mary of Perpetual Help: Donald Mulsoff ’69 [Pastor] should leave the parish. There is a need for work to be done creatively with the large convent and high school that are not occupied. Bridgeport is experiencing a lot of development.
IV  Acceptance of Agenda: 7-0-0 with additions

C/#13 Donald Mulsoff '69
13. **Donald Mulsoff ’69**: Jerry will send a letter to Don to remind him that his time at St. Mary's is concluding and he needs to pursue possibilities for a new assignment.
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FAX

To: Linda Burns
Priests' Placement Board
P.O. Box 1979
Chicago, IL 60690-1979

Phone: 312/751-5270
Fax: 312/751-5281

From: Don Wichlin
Center for Development in Ministry
1000 East Maple
Mundelein, IL 60060

Phone: 847/870-4930
Fax: 847/566-7971

DATE: April 19, 1999

Re: PRIEST'S SABBATICAL APPROVAL LETTER INFORMATION

Priest's Name: Donald J. Mulsof

Date of Sabbatical Board Approval: June 2, 1999

Dates of Sabbatical: September 13, 1999 to March 13, 2000

Assignment upon Return: In Transition

Salary Paid By: St. Mary of Perpetual Help

Length of Sabbatical: Six Months

Name of Current Assignment: Pastor, St. Mary of Perpetual Help

Year of Ordination: 1969

Address: St. Mary of Perpetual Help
1039 W. 59th Street
Chicago, IL 60608

Name of Supervisor: Rev. Robert J. Roll, Dean

Local Contact While on Sabbatical: (brother)

Sabbatical Program: Sabbatical Program at Weston Jesuit School of Theology
Scripture Program
Spanish Language Program offered by Sr. Mary Houlihan through Archdiocese

Addresses While on Sabbatical: Weston Jesuit School of Theology
3 Phillips Place
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138
Dear Father Mulsoff,

In light of the recommendation of the Sabbatical Board, I am pleased to grant your request for a sabbatical beginning September 13, 1999 through March 13, 2000. Please inform the Center for Development in Ministry of your address(es) during this time.

This appointment is made with the understanding that you will be in transition to a new assignment upon your return.

Following Archdiocesan and Sabbatical Board Policy, St. Mary of Perpetual Help parish will pay your salary for the 6-month sabbatical. The Center for Development in Ministry will pay tuition, room, and board expenses.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your fine work at St. Mary’s as well as for your 30 years of service to the Archdiocese.

As you look forward to this important transition in your priesthood, please know that you have my support and prayers. Please pray for me as well.

Please contact the Placement Board as soon as you return from your sabbatical (for a permanent or temporary assignment if you are in transition).

Fraternally yours in Christ,

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

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff 2.35
St. Mary of Perpetual Help 143
1039 W 32nd Street
Chicago, IL 60608

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Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
June 14, 1999 - Page Two

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General/Vicar for Regional Services
Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Moderator of the Curia
Reverend Thomas Papiacki, Chancellor
Dr. John Fowler, Dir. Personnel Services
Most Reverend John Gorman, Vicar
Reverend Robert Roll, Dean
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Mr. Don Wichlin - CDM
October 4, 1999

Dear Father Craig,

If you will check the payroll for the previous months, you will see that I have not been paid for any month after the month of August when a check was cut for that month. My September check should have been mailed to my brother at the end of September for the month of September. The payroll portion of the Lotus program simply indicates what amount of taxes should be deducted from my check and forwarded to the Federal and State Revenue Bureaus at the proper times, that is monthly to the I.R.S. and quarterly to the state Department of Revenue. The information in the payroll section will simply enable you to better make out the W-2 form at the end of the calendar year and to make the proper deductions without any extra work on your part. I certainly am sorry if this caused you any confusion.

Please forward my monthly check to my brother in Chicago at the address I left you. I am in no immediate need of funds at this time but you may find the Federal and State tax people a little less sympathetic if timely deposits are not made by the parish.

Sincerely,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Dear Father Craig,

Since my brother has not received my check for the month of September and since you have not responded to my previous letter, I can only again remind you that it is your obligation to pay me while I am on my sabbatical. Since you are of the erroneous opinion that I paid myself through the end of the calendar year and since I made it perfectly clear, in my previous letter, that I have not been paid since August of 1999, I am enclosing a copy of my first letter with this letter. There is a simple remedy for this injustice. PAY MY SALARY AND TAXES AS INDICATED IN THE PAYROLL FILE I LEFT YOU IMMEDIATELY.

Since you claim I have already been paid, please produce the canceled check! Since no such document exists, since one was never issued by me, that should be a rather clear indication your error. My September check is now almost a month overdue. My October check will be due in five days. Please make sure these checks are sent to my brother immediately.

Sincerely,

Rev. Donald J. Kulsoff

October 26, 1999
Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Francis Cardinal George O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, IL. 60690-1979

Your Eminence:

As a priest of the archdiocese of Chicago who is currently on a sabbatical at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, MA. I want to express my gratitude for this wonderful opportunity that the archdiocese has granted to me. This has been a tremendous experience of which I can only speak in superlatives. The faculty and administration have been beyond my expectations. I believe you have had some contact with one of my professors, Rev Edward C. Vacek, S.J., who is directing a class in moral theology I am attending. Once again, allow me to thank you for this gift.

I am currently residing in a rectory in the archdiocese of Boston. However, I am using my home address in Chicago for all correspondence. I have not given out my address here in order to make a clean break with St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish so as to avoid any appearance of interference with the new pastor, Rev. Donald Craig. Any mail I receive is forwarded on a regular basis by my brother, [redacted], who resides at the above Chicago address.

I have one problem. I am not being paid. I have written two letters to Father Craig. He is claiming that I have been paid through December. I have not been paid since August. I really do not know what his problem is. He has my Chicago address. He has the proper figures, which I left him before departing for Boston, that indicate my correct salary and the taxes that should be deducted. He has no indication of any checks issued for my salary for any month beyond the month of August, yet he continues to withhold my check. I believe this to be a matter of justice. I would appreciate it if you could have someone check into this for me.

I have enclosed copies of both letters I have sent to Fr. Craig. I really do not understand if he is accusing me of some financial impropriety in paying myself in advance, which I have not done, or simply is not financially astute enough to check this out properly. All I know is that I am not being properly paid by him. I do not need this unnecessary care during this time that is supposed to be one of renewal and rest.

Thank you for your precious time and support.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

P.S. Boston's hospitality is great.

P.S. 018388
November 10, 1999

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
5135 N. Nagle Ave.
Chicago, IL 60630

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding your Sabbatical. I am delighted to hear that it has been such a positive experience for you.

I am sorry that you have had difficulty being compensated. I have asked Mr. Don Wichlin from the Center for Development in Ministry to look into the matter. I am confident it will be resolved shortly.

Please be assured of my prayers for you at this important time.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

[Signature]

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

cc: Mr. Don Wichlin
Fr. Don Craig
MEMORANDUM

TO: Cardinal George
FROM: Rev. Jeremiah M. Boland
DATE: November 10, 1999
RE: Fr. Don Mulsoff

Your Eminence,

You received a letter from Fr. Don Mulsoff who has not been receiving his monthly pay from St. Mary of Perpetual Parish. I have referred this issue to Mr. Don Wichlin at the Center for Development in Ministry. He handles the financing for Sabbaticals. He will investigate what the problem is. I have enclosed a draft of a letter that you might send to Fr. Mulsoff.

Enclosure
MEMORANDUM

To: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
From: Rev. Joseph C. Geders, C.M.
Date: November 12, 1999
Subject: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

The attached letter was forwarded to me as Executive Secretary to the Sabbatical Board.

I contacted Fr. Don Craig today. Whatever problem that existed with the delay of Fr. Mulsoff's salary has already been resolved. Fr. Craig explained that the delay was caused by cash flow problems which necessitated a transfer of cash from savings. Fr. Craig told me that Fr. Mulsoff has now been paid through October and will continue to be until the end of his sabbatical.

cc: Rev. Jerry Boland
    Rev. Peter Bowman
Memo to the file
From: Larry McBrady
Re: Don Mulsoff
Date: 2/11/00

Don and I met this morning. We agreed previously that we would do so as his sabbatical was coming to an end. Don looked good, was very relaxed and couldn't say enough about his sabbatical experience. I have never seen him more enthusiastic.

He has already contacted Jerry Boland at the Placement Board and is willing to serve as an associate until a pastorate becomes available. He definitely wants to be a pastor again – preferably in the northwest.

The main purpose of our meeting was to bring closure to Don's involvement with this office. Don has been very cooperative and has gained significant self awareness through his work at [redacted]. We agreed there is no need for him to continue with the [redacted] and he is no longer a client of this office. I believe these decisions serve as indicators to Don as to the level of his success stemming from his hard work and openness with the...
Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 02/11/2000

IV  Acceptance of Agenda: VOTE:

V  Business:

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5. Donald Mulsoff '69:
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C. Priests:

5. **Donald Mulsoff '69**: Don will be looking for reassignment.
Priests' Personnel System
Rev. Jeremiah Boland
155 E. Superior Street
Chicago, IL. 60611

Dear Personnel Placement Board:

I am requesting to be appointed to the position of pastor of St. Luke Parish in River Forest, IL.
I have served as an associate pastor for five years at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish in Oak Lawn, IL., six years at Mary, Queen of Heaven in Cicero, IL., five years at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Chicago, IL., and fourteen years as the pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish in Chicago. After completing my service at St. Mary of Perpetual Help Parish, I went on a sabbatical which included the autumn program at the Weston Jesuit School of Theology in Cambridge, MA., living at Star of the Sea Parish in suburban Squantum, MA. During this time I took classes in scripture, christology, moral theology, a transitional colloquium, and a seminar on professional relationships. I have returned to the archdiocese both refreshed and renewed and ready to serve.

I believe that I fit the situation at St. Luke Parish. I am a strong homilist, with solid feedback in this area. I am a priest of who has cooperated with the archdiocese in such areas as consolidation of parishes, developing cluster cooperation, a consolidated school system in the Bridgeport Catholic Academy's formation and operation with other pastors. I am a hard worker with staff and parish organizations. If you consult the audit performed shortly before my departure, you will see that I am a solid administrator. I also have had some experience with some of the people of this parish when I worked with them while at Blessed Sacrament in a sharing parish program. I believe this will be a good fit.

I could use a quick response in this matter because I received a letter from Father Donald Craig insisting that I have all my belongings moved out of storage at St. Macy of Perpetual Help rectory by March 17th. If I do not get this appointment I will seek temporary residence as a associate pastor in one of the parishes on the list I received from Father Boland last Wednesday.

Thank you for your serious consideration.

Sincerely yours on Christ,
Acceptance of Agenda: VOTE:

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B. Priests:
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3. Daniel Mulsoff '69: Could Kurt Boras follow up on where Don is in relationship to his assignment. Don has applied for St. Luke's. He needs to move his things out of St. Mary of Perpetual Help by March 11th.
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IV Acceptance of Agenda: 6 – 0 – 0

V Business:

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3. Donald Mulsoff ’69: Kurt Boras will call Don to find out where he is in relationship to his next assignment. Don has applied for St. Luke’s. He needs to move his things out of St. Mary of Perpetual Help by 03/17.

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Vicar for Priests Agenda: (3/24 - 10:15)

I. Issues:

II. Priests:
1. Donald Mulsoff '69
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III. Parishes:

VI Old Business:

VII New Business: 
Future Issues: 

VIII Adjournment: 1:55 P.M.
MOTION: 6 - 0 - 0

2000 Calendar of the 17th Board:
Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 03/24/2000

AGENDA
Meeting: #21st - Seventeenth Board
Date: March 24, 2000
Place: Priests' Placement Board


Absent: Rev. David A. Jones

I Opening Prayer: Rev. Michael J. Shanahan TIME:

II Acceptance of Minutes: VOTE:

III Reports:

IV Acceptance of Agenda: VOTE:

V Business:

A. Vicar for Priests Agenda: (10:15)

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6. **Donald Mulsoff '69:** Don is waiting for an assignment. There is concern about the time it is taking him to get placed.

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Donald Mulsoff '69
Donald Mulsoff '69: Don is awaiting the decision of St. Luke before pursuing the associate change list.
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V Business:

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C. First Readings:
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   3. St. Luke: 
      MOTION: 6-1-0 That nominations be closed for the purpose of a First Reading despite the interview.

      Donald Mułsoff '69
      Joe Grembla will follow up.

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9. **St. Celestine/Elmwood Park**: Lawrence Sullivan '92 [Pastor] is in need of an associate. Donald Mulsoff '69 was suggested.
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C. **Priests:**

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**MOTION:** That Donald Mulsoff '69 be appointed as Associate Pastor to St. Celestine/Elmwood Park effective 06/01/00.

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4.  Donald Mulsoff '69:
   MOTION: 8-0-0  That Donald Mulsoff '69 be appointed as Associate Pastor to St. Celestine/Elmwood Park effective 06/01/00 pending openness of Lawrence Sullivan '92 [Pastor].

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June 1, 2000

Dear Father Mulsoff,

In light of the recommendation I have received from the Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, I hereby appoint you Associate Pastor to the Reverend Lawrence Sullivan, Pastor of St. Celestine in Elmwood Park. This appointment is effective immediately.

Please discuss the necessary arrangements with the pastor. You are asked to send your mutual agreement to the Priests' Placement Board by July 15, 2000. I am deeply grateful for the ministry you offered to the faith community through your 14 years of service at St. Mary of Perpetual Help parish.

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

Fraternally yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff
% Lawrence Mulsoff
5135 N Nagle
Chicago, IL 60630

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Reverend R. Peter Bowman, Moderator of the Curia
Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Chancellor
Reverend Lawrence McBrady, Vicar for Priests
Most Reverend Thad Jakubowski, Vicar
Reverend Daniel Mayall, Dean
Reverend Lawrence Sullivan, Pastor
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board
Office of Ministerial Evaluation
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Don Mulsoff
Dear Placement Board:

I am submitting my name for your consideration for the position of pastor of St. Francis Borgia Parish. This is an area of the city in which I would like to minister. I feel that my experience as both an associate pastor here at St. Celestine Parish for the past year and a half as well as my previous experience as a pastor for fourteen years at St. Mary of Perpetual Help in the Bridgeport community and as an associate pastor at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Chicago, Mary Queen of Heaven in Cicero, and St. Catherine of Alexandria in Oak Lawn, have given me ample experience for this position.

I was ordained in 1969, am 58 years old, in good health and believe that this parish is a good match for my talents and abilities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
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Don Mulsoff
February 13, 2002

Reverend Donald Mulsoff
St. Celestine Parish
3020 North 76th Court
Elmwood Park, IL 60707

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Since coming to Chicago, it has been my hope to spend more time becoming better acquainted with the priests of our local Church. During the past few years, I have scheduled a number of gatherings, with ten to twelve priests each, to make this hope a reality.

With this in mind, I wish to invite you to the Residence on Sunday evening, March 3, 2002, from 7:30 p.m. to around 9 p.m. My intention is just to have an informal gathering of some priests for conversation, without any set agenda.

Please RSVP Sister Ann McCahill in my office (312-751-8230) as to your availability. I hope you can join us for the evening.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
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Don Mulsoff
Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 03/01/2002

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D. Preliminary Considerations:

1. [Redacted]

2. [Redacted]

3. **St. Francis Borgia:** The Board is still interviewing. We need to set up an interview this week with Donald Mulsoff '69.

4. [Redacted]

5. [Redacted]
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IV Acceptance of Agenda: Vote: ________________________

V Business:

A. Appointments:

10:30
11:30 Donald Mulsoff '69
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Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Professional Fitness Review, of Victim LW's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on March 15, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff. According to the summary, Victim LW alleged that the abuse began in the late 1970s, when Victim LW was 16 or 17 years old, at Mary Queen of Heaven parish and consisted of Fr. Mulsoff masturbating Victim LW. The relationship lasted for approximately ten years. Victim LW also alleged that he left a voicemail at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, where Fr. Mulsoff was assigned at the time the relationship ended, saying that Fr. Mulsoff was engaging in inappropriate sexual behavior.
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3. St. Francis Borgia: 
   MOTION: 8-0-0 That nominations be closed for the purpose of a First Reading.

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   The Board recommends for the purpose of a First Reading. Joe Grembla will follow up.

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Don Mulsoff
Memorandum

To: File – PFR-82
From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator
Re: Father Donald Mulso:lf Response to Allegation of Sexual Misconduct With a Minor Made by
Date: March 20, 2002

Present at Meeting:
Rev. Donald Mulso:lf [DM], accused
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]

General Information:
Rev. Donald Mulso:lf
Ordained 1969
DOB: [redacted]
St. Celestine Parish – Elmwood Park

Father Mulso:lf was given a copy of the Policies and Procedures for Clerical Sexual Misconduct with a Minor and the process was summarized. PFRA presented the facts of the allegation made by [redacted].

Meeting Summary:
Father Mulso:lf denied ever examining or touching [redacted]’s genitals. [Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
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[Redacted] was contacted by PFRA. She recalls visits and speaking of abuse but denies being in the bedroom when alleged examination of [redacted]’s genitals took place.
Notes:
The files from the Vicars for Priest's office show that DM... In 1992 he allegedly spanked some 6 & 7th graders on their bare buttocks. He admits to spanking them but denies that their pants were pulled down. Allegation was anonymous.

In 1998 he reportedly asked detailed questions regarding minor's masturbation habits and was

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Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. John O'Malley, Legal Services
Dr. Michael J. Bland

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Memorandum

To: File

From: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate to the Professional Fitness Review Board

Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Review Board Meeting – First Stage Review

Date: March 23, 2002

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of the allegation of sexual misconduct against Rev. Donald Mulsoff.

[Redacted] was interviewed by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator. She found the accuser to be credible. [Redacted] says that he told her of this abuse years ago. However, Father Mulsoff denies this allegation of sexual misconduct.

The Board decided that there is not sufficient information at this time to determine reasonable cause to suspect sexual misconduct with a minor. Accordingly, the Review Board recommends:

1) [Redacted]
2) [Redacted]
3) That the pastor and principal be informed and act as monitors
4) That he have no contact with minors
Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, March 23, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Absent:

Non-members present:
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggadas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Case Reviews

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D. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff - PFR-81

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of the allegation of [REDACTED] against Rev. Donald Mulsoff.

[REDACTED] was interviewed by Kathleen Leggadas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator. She found the accuser to be credible. Her [REDACTED] says that he told her of this abuse years ago. However, Father Mulsoff denies this allegation of sexual misconduct.

The Board decided that there is not sufficient information at this time to determine reasonable cause to suspect sexual misconduct with a minor. Accordingly, the Review Board recommends:

1) [REDACTED]
2) [REDACTED]
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Next regularly scheduled meeting is April 20, 2002, 10:00 – 2:00

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
March 25, 2002

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Review Board met on March 23, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff. The Board conducted a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 1104.11 of the Policies and Procedure for Determination of Fitness for Ministry.

Based on that review the Board recommends the following:

- That the pastor and principal act as co-monitors and submit a monthly report to PFRA
- That he have no contact with minors

If you have questions or comments, please call at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Donald Mulsoff '69 KB
April 1, 2002

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas
Administrator
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. Leggdas,

I received from you the review of all the outstanding cases of reported sexual misconduct with minors by members of the Archdiocesan clergy. I thank you sincerely for the good work of the Office and your own dedication to a task so important for the Church’s ministry.

I accept all the recommendations in the letters that you sent me, dated March 25, 2002. In the case of accusations against priests who are now deceased, I would like to know how it is that we are going to be of service to the victims who have brought the allegations forward at this time.

This acceptance of all recommendations made will be seconded to all parties concerned, so that the recommendations can be implemented as quickly as possible. Again, thank you for your dedication and for the help you bring to victims and clergy.

Sincerely,

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

cc: Most Rev. Raymond Goedert
    Rev. Thomas Paprocki
    Rev. James Kaczorowski
    Rev. Lawrence McBrady
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A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Meeting on March 23, 2002:

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From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator

Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff

Date: April 9, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff was notified by telephone of the Review Board’s recommendation and asked to contact [redacted] by April 15, 2002.
Called 4-12-02
Donald Mulsoff
St. Catherine of Alexandria Oak Lawn 7th & 8th
Say mass have sent to Father.
Thank you with pants down Color Off
Agmt 4-17-02 1:00
To Review Board in May
Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 04/12/2002

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Donald Mulsoff '69: Jim Kaczorowski [Vicar for Priests] is looking for a Chaplaincy position for Don. It is a Vicar for Priests case, but if we can help, we will.
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This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Professional Fitness Review, of Victim LZ's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on April 17, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff on behalf of several other victims. According to the summary, Victim LZ alleged that the abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Alexandria in the late 1960s, when Victim LZ was in the seventh and eighth grades, and consisted of multiple instances of Fr. Mulsoff bare bottom spanking boys when they misbehaved. Victim LZ alleged that Fr. Mulsoff attempted to spank him, but Victim LZ talked his way out of the punishment. Victim LZ could not name specific individuals who were spanked by Fr. Mulsoff.
IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

4-17-02
(Date)

[Signature]

[Print Name]

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

4-19-02
(Date)

Kathleen Hegolas
(Signature)

Kathleen Hegolas
(Print Name)
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I. Priests:
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Excerpt: Diocesan Priests' Placement Board, 04/19/2002

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Don Mulsoff '69
Via Facsimile

James A. Serritella
Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella, P.C.
IMB Plaza, 22nd Floor
330 North Wabash Avenue
Chicago, IL 60611-3607

May 14, 2002

Re: [Redacted]

Dear Jim:

We are writing to notify you that we have been retained relating to his claims of priest sex abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff and the Archdiocese of Chicago. The abuse by Fr. Mulsoff against [Redacted] began when [Redacted] was a minor and continued for some period of time thereafter. The abuse began in approximately 1977 or 1978, when Fr. Mulsoff was a pastor at Mary Queen of Heaven in Cicero, Illinois. [Redacted] previously reported this matter to the Archdiocese of Chicago, and we believe that the Archdiocese has already conducted an investigation into this matter.

We request that the Archdiocese of Chicago and Fr. Mulsoff enter into a tolling agreement of all applicable periods concerning the statute of limitations, statute of repose, or any other defense to [Redacted]'s claims based on the passage of time, beginning from the date that [Redacted] first notified the Archdiocese of his claims through the conclusion of our efforts to resolve this matter in a fair and reasonable manner and without litigation. In addition, to assist us in our efforts to reach a fair and reasonable settlement, we ask that you answer the following questions:

1. Have there been any other claims that have been asserted against Fr. Mulsoff for sex abuse or other misconduct?

2. What is the current status of Fr. Mulsoff? We understand from my client that he remains in ministry as an associate pastor which, to us, is incomprehensible.

3. What is the Archdiocese of Chicago doing to prevent Fr. Mulsoff from abusing others?
4. What is the Archdiocese of Chicago doing to prevent other priests from engaging in sex abuse of others?

We request that you respond to the matters set forth in this letter as soon as possible and within fourteen days of the date of this letter. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to these matters.

Very truly yours,

cc: (via U.S. Mail)
d) **Donald Mulsoff '69**: Don must remain at St. Celestine/Elmwood Park for now. The Vicars will keep us posted.
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Review Board Members Present:

Absent:

Non-members present:
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggda, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Case Reviews

A. 

B. In the Matter of Donald Mulsoff – PFR-82
The Review Board concluded First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff regarding the allegations by [redacted] and [redacted]
The Board reviewed all oral and written information including [redacted]. Based on this review, six of six members determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor did occur.

The subsequent recommendation is that Father Mulsoff be withdrawn from ministry and that the standard protocol of monitoring restrictions be put in place, including an on-site monitor.
Next regularly scheduled meeting is June 15, 2002, 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
AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2002

II. Case Reviews
   A. In the Matter of Rev. [Redacted]
   B. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff, PFR-82
   C. In the Matter of Rev. [Redacted]
   D. In the Matter of Rev. [Redacted]

NOTE: I am scheduled to take 5 allegations the week of May 13, 2002. Information will be available at the meeting.
May 22, 2002

VIA FACSIMILE & U.S. MAIL

Re: Fr. Donald Mulsoff

Dear [Redacted]:

I am following up on your letter of May 14, 2002 regarding the above matter. I have passed your correspondence on to Ms. Kathleen Leggdas, Fitness Review Administrator of the Archdiocese of Chicago. It is my understanding that she will be in contact with you about this matter. I am looking into the questions you raised in your letter and will follow up with you about them. As you know, either you or your client can contact Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi (312-751-8293), Assistance Minister of the Archdiocese, for therapy or other interim assistance at the Archdiocese’s expense while this matter is being processed.

Please direct any correspondence about the claim you are pursuing to me.

Very truly yours,

James A. Serritella

cc: Kathleen Leggdas
Ralph Bonaccorsi
May 22, 2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
155 East Superior Street
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on May 18, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff. A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

Six members made a determination of reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor occurred.

Six members recommended that Rev. Donald Mulsoff be removed from parish ministry.

If you have any questions concerning this recommendation, please call at your convenience.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. John O’Malley, Office for Legal Services
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR – 82

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA) [k]

Re: Salary for Rev. Donald Mulsoff

Date: May 23, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff, ordained in 1969

Salary to DM = $21,600
Less 10% for PFR expenses ($2,160) = $19,440
$9,400 divided by 12 = $1,620 per month

cc: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests [✓]
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR
Fr: Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator (PFRA)
Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Date: May 23, 2002

The Review Board concluded a First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff regarding the allegations by [redacted] and [redacted]. The Board reviewed all oral and written information including [redacted]. Based on this review six of six members determined that there is reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with minors did occur.

The subsequent recommendation is that Father Mulsoff be withdrawn from ministry and that the standard protocol of monitoring instructions be put in place including an on-site monitor.
May 24, 2002

Ms. Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator
676 N. St. Clair, Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Kathleen,

I am writing in response to your letter of May 22, 2002 regarding the matter of Father Donald Mulsoff, following the First Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on May 18, 2002.

In light of the facts and circumstances as presented to me, I have accepted the Board's recommendation that Father Mulsoff be withdrawn from ministry.

I am grateful to the members of the Review Board and yourself for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
    Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Reverend Lawrence McBrady, Vicar for Priests
    Reverend James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
    Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

Given at the Chancery

Chancellor

AOC 018521
May 26, 2002

Dear St. Celestine Parish family members,

I am deeply saddened to inform you that your associate pastor, Rev. Donald Mulsoff, has been removed from parish ministry following allegations recently received by the Archdiocese of Chicago that he engaged in inappropriate sexual misconduct more than 25 years ago with minors at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish in Oak Lawn and at Mary, Queen of Heaven Parish in Cicero.

These allegations have been reported to the Cook County State's Attorney. Fr. Mulsoff has been placed in a monitored setting without access to minors.

I have pledged my support to your pastor, Fr. Larry Sullivan, for whatever your parish might need over the days and weeks to come. I also have asked that our archdiocesan Assistance Ministry staff be of assistance to your parish leaders (and to the other parishes where Fr. Mulsoff served) during this difficult time.

Of course, this is not the first time your parish has lived through a painful experience with a priest accused of sexual misconduct with minors. I have every confidence that you are well pastored by Fr. Sullivan, and that you will turn to each other and to our loving God in prayer for sustenance.

We know that our God is stronger than every evil. Until we have the opportunity to discuss further this issue together, may I ask you to pray for God's healing for all affected by this painful situation, especially for the victims of misconduct.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Thad J. Jakubowski
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago
Episcopal Vicar of Vicariate IV

Visit the Archdiocese of Chicago's official homepage on the World Wide Web
http://www.archdiocese-chgo.org
MEMORANDUM

TO: File
cc: Vicar for Priests
RE: [Fr. Donald Mulsoff]
DATE: May 28, 2002

Parishioner of St. Catherine of Alexandria (work) (home)

called the Office of Assistance Ministry today to offer his support to Fr. Mulsoff in light of the allegation.

added:

- The Archdiocesan policy is right. Cannot afford to take chances with the safety of children.
- ‘69-’74, Fr. Mulsoff was unique, outgoing and peculiar; entirely respectful of adults and kids.
- Fr. Mulsoff was one of the first to take a healthy interest in the children.
- "We were friends. There were many opportunities for him [Fr. Mulsoff] to act out in inappropriate manner. He never did"
- "We are mature enough to hold both ideas at the same time."
- Fr. Mulsoff gave a lot to the kids.

concluded by asking if there was anything he could do on Fr. Mulsoff's behalf.
TO: HIS JANENCE  
FROM: [REDACTED]  
STORE: 650

YOUR EMINENCE:

IN THE MATTER OF FR. DONALD J. MULSOFF.

I SUPPORT THE POLICY OF THE ARCHDIOCESE REQUIRING ALL ALLEGATIONS OF PASTORAL ABUSE TO BE INVESTIGATED, AND THAT PASTORAL STAFF ACCUSED MUST BE TEMPORARILY REMOVED FROM "ACTIVE DUTY" UNTIL THE CHARGES CAN BE CONFIRMED, OR PROVEN FALSE.

PLEASE DISCERN MY SUPPORT FOR MY DEAR FRIEND OF 33 YEARS - FR. DON MULSOFF - AS NOTHING LESS THAN A SEARCH FOR TRUTHFUL ANSWERS AND RIGHTFUL CORRECTIVE ACTION OR VINDICATION.

SINCERELY IN CHRIST,

[REDACTED]  
ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA PARISH  
RESIDENCE: [REDACTED]

SEE ATTACHMENT

AOC 018524
TO: DON
FROM: [Redacted]
STORE: 650

Dear Don:

First things first: "real" friends do not and will not run away. No matter what. I am always your faithful friend. End of that discussion.

A lot of our guys are getting "slapped around" because of some people and their very creative imaginations, and unless you inform me otherwise, this is how I am compelled to read YOUR present situation. This allegation is so un-Ralstonoff, only YOU personally could convince me there is ANY truth to it.

I see three very REAL possibilities here:
(a.) you have been maliciously slandered by some "kook" with an "agenda";
(b.) you have been tragicly "misidentified" by some poor soul who REALLY HAS been abused by "someone", and they just "imagine" it was you;
(c.) something really DID happen back in those early days ... and ...
it is now your duty to "deal" with the past reality ... and bounce back.

Tell me how I might help you, Don -- besides my just praying for you. Holy Orders is without a doubt the "glorious burden" -- with emphasis on the burden. Men like us who dare share in the Good Lord’s burden are both counter-cultural AND nuts ... but ... we believe ... therefore, we dare to dare!

Call on me, old buddy ... I’ll be there.
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Professional Fitness Review, of Victim LU's statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on May 29, 2002, formalizing his allegation of abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff. According to the summary, Victim LU alleged that the abuse occurred in 1969 or 1970, when Victim LU was ten years old, and consisted of one instance of bare bottom spanking. Victim LU also alleged that he spoke to Fr. Pat O'Malley, Vicar for Priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago, about this issue anonymously in 1992.
Victim describes abuse by priest 30 years ago

Man says he wants to be sure officials 'fix the system'

By Cathleen Falsani Religion Reporter

Room 208. The reading room. It was down the hall from the balcony, near the office, on the second floor of St. Catherine of Alexandria school in Oak Lawn.

The man's memory of what happened there is clear, even though it was more than 30 years ago.

He'd thrown a spitball. The teacher caught him. He had to go see "Father" to be disciplined.

"Father" was the Rev. Donald Mulsoff, one of St. Catherine's pastors. Mulsoff gave him a choice, the man remembers: Write "I will not throw spitballs" again and again and again, and have his parents called, or take a "bare-bottom spanking." He chose the spanking.

"I took my pants down and leaned over his lap, with my shirt bunched up around my shoulders," the man, who is now in his 40s and who spoke only on the condition his name not be published, said Tuesday. "I had to lay there for what seemed like a long time."

President, pope discuss sex scandal; Page 32

The man said he didn't trust church officials to keep his name confidential, that he was setting up a business and that he also didn't want his parents, who still live in the parish, to be harassed. But he said a church administrator, in several phone conversations in 1993, told him the archdiocese did investigate Mulsoff then.

"They told me that they brought the guy in, that he admitted to doing something foolish... that he agreed to go for treatment and that they would monitor him closely—those three things," he said Tuesday.

Last month, along with Barbara Blaine, founder of the Support Network of those Abused by Priests, the man met with Cardinal Francis George at the cardinal's Gold Coast mansion and said he told the cardinal about the alleged abuse and what happened when he tried to report it. He said the cardinal promised to look into his allegations about Mulsoff.

A prosecutor from the Cook County state's attorney's office interviewed the man in April. That investigation is ongoing, a speaker for the state's attorney's office said. But, because the alleged abuse happened more than 30 years ago, it's likely that, even if confirmed, it could not be prosecuted because anything that happened is beyond the statute of limitations.

The man said he has an appointment later this week with Kathleen Laggedes, administrator of the archdiocese's independent Fitness Review Board, the nine-member, lay and clergy board created by Cardinal Joseph Bernardin in September 1992 to hear allegations of clerical sexual abuse with minors.

But the man isn't optimistic the Chicago archdiocese will handle anything differently this time. And he wants to make one thing clear:

"I'm not suing. I don't need the money. I told them in '92 I had no intention of suing and I have no intention of suing now. My reason for doing this is just so they fix the system and get this guy out of access.

"I was relieved that the other [allegations] that happened, happened 25 years ago," he said. "If they happened in the last 10 years, it would have felt really bad..."
and I felt a few taps. There was no penetration."

Then, the man said, he got up, pulled his pants back on and faced the priest.

"One of the things I remember most about it was him looking at me afterward and so seriously saying, "You can never, ever say a word of this to anyone ever again. . . . He said, 'If you do, you'll get fire and brimstone and 10 times worse punishment.'"

Only as an adult, the man said, did he question the propriety of what happened.

Mulsoff, 58, was removed last week as associate pastor of St. Celestine parish in Elmwood Park and sent to an undisclosed location after two people filed complaints accusing the priest of sexually abusing them more than 25 years ago, while they were minors, at St. Catherine and Mary Queen of Heaven in Cicero. Mulsoff was ordained in May 1969 and, after leaving St. Catherine in 1974, went on to serve five other parishes in the Chicago archdiocese.

The man who remembers the spanking in Room 208 said Tuesday he also complained to the archdiocese—a decade ago, around Christmastime in 1992.

Jim Dwyer, spokesman for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago, said an anonymous complaint about Mulsoff was made in 1992, but archdiocesan officials weren't able to investigate then.

"When you have someone who won't tell you who they are, you can't interview them," Dwyer said Monday.

On Tuesday, after the man questioned Dwyer's version of events, Dwyer said: "All I can confirm is his anonymous allegation. I don't remember saying that he refused to be interviewed. He refused to give his name."
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a letter from the parents of Victim LV, dated June 2, 2002, to Cardinal Francis George concerning the Cardinal’s position that there should not be a “one strike you’re out” policy for priests who are accused of abuse. In the letter, Victim LV’s parents inform Cardinal George of their suspicion that Fr. Donald Mulsoff abused Victim LV at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish roughly 25 years ago. Victim LV is now deceased.
June 6, 2002

VIA FACSIMILE & U.S. MAIL

Re: [Redacted/Blurred] Rev. Donald Mulsoff

Dear [Redacted/Blurred],

On behalf of our client, the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a corporation sole, (the "Catholic Bishop") we agree to toll any statutes of limitations applicable to [Redacted/Blurred]'s claims against the Archdiocese arising out of allegations against Rev. Donald Mulsoff, as of March 26, 2002. Apart from this specific tolling, the Catholic Bishop reserves all of its defenses, including the statute of limitations, against any claims [Redacted/Blurred] may have.

This tolling agreement shall last indefinitely unless it is terminated in writing by either party. In order to terminate this tolling agreement, a party shall notify in writing the other party of its intent to terminate the agreement by sending written notice thereof to the other party by certified mail, returned receipt requested. The termination shall take effect 14 days from the date the written notice is deposited with the United State Postal Service by the notifying party.

Very truly yours,

James A. Serritella

6/6/02/10:12 AM/09891/00108/240991/1
June 7, 2002

[Redacted]

Dear [Redacted],

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry. Cardinal George has accepted the Board's determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Rev. Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

As a result, Archbishop George accepted the recommendation that Father Mulsoff be removed from parish ministry, that a protocol for supervision and restriction be put into place, and that Father Mulsoff not be alone with minors without another responsible adult present. Further recommendations will be made as needed, based on continued monitoring and follow-up by the Review Board.

Please know that our Assistance Ministry 312.751.8267 continues to be available to you.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Leggda
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Members of the Review Board
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
Jim Serritella, Attorney
INDIVIDUAL SPECIFIC PROTOCOL
for
Father Donald Mulsoff

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. Mulsoff 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 PFRA once daily between 9:00AM and 4:45PM.
4. Pre-approval of Vicar and PFRA required for any public celebrations of Sacraments of Mass.
5. Meet with PFRA twice annually.
7. [Redacted]
8. Provide Administrator with monthly printout of Internet sites visited.
9. This is a working document which can be changed, altered or superceded when there is an indicated need to do so.
10. On-site monitor to complete monthly monitor report and submit to PFRA.

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

Signed: [Signature]  Date: 6-11-03

Printed Name: [Signature]  Date: 6-11-03

Signature of PFRA: [Signature]  Date: 6-11-03

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

To: File
From: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop’s Delegate to the Professional Fitness Review Board
Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Review Board Meeting - First Stage Review
Date: June 15, 2002

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff concerning allegation of [redacted].

The Board determined that [redacted]'s description of "bare-bottom spanking" was credible, but did not constitute sexual misconduct with a minor, but rather inappropriate conduct.

Father Mulsoff is already withdrawn from ministry and is under a strict protocol.
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, June 15, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Non-members present:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

I. Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2002

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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
Professional Fitness Review Board

Saturday, June 15, 2002
10:00 – 2:00

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes from May 18, 2002

II. Case Reviews
   A. In the Matter of Rev.
   B. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsof, PFR-82
   C. In the Matter of Rev.
   D. In the Matter of Msgr.
   E. In the Matter of Rev.
   F. In the Matter of Rev.
   G. In the Matter of Rev.
   H. In the Matter of Rev.
   I. In the Matter of Rev.
   J. In the Matter of Rev.

Majority of reports will be distributed at the Board Meeting. Others are enclosed with the agenda.

(Plan to stay awhile)
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Professional Fitness Review, of Victim LY’s statement, given to Ms. Leggdas on June 18, 2002, formalizing her allegation of abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff. According to the summary, Victim LY alleged that the abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Alexandria in 1969 or 1970, when Victim LY was thirteen years old, and consisted of one instance of Fr. Mulsoff touching Victim LY’s buttocks and genitals under her clothes.
IMPORTANT NOTICE

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

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

6-18-02
(Date)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

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

6-18-02
(Date)

(Signature)

Kathleen Legg
(Print Name)
June 20, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry. Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that there is not reasonable cause to suspect that you engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, but that the conduct was inappropriate.

As a result, Archbishop George accepted the Board’s recommendation that you continue to be withdrawn from ministry and follow the restrictions of the Individual Protocol.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    John O’Malley, Legal Services
June 20, 2002

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on June 15, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff and the allegation made by [redacted]. A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

The Board determined that there is not reasonable cause to suspect that Rev. Mulsoff did engage in sexual misconduct with a minor. The behavior was rather inappropriate conduct than sexual abuse.

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

Sincerely,

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
John O’Malley, Legal Services
June 30, 2002

Your Eminence,

I am writing you on behalf of a friend, Rev. Donald J. O'Malley, who has recently been accused of sexual abuse. I am asking that this case be reviewed very carefully. I fully support Father and will continue to do so.

At this time, I do not see the benefit of starting further inquiry where it is impossible for my friends to add or weigh to what has gone until now. I have known Father for over 30 years. In all that time he has never made an unwelcome advance or spoken in a misleading manner. I am now 46 years old and I really don't believe Father is going to start new. Right now Father would like the help and support and I cannot get any information that will allow me to do either.

While I support the Bishops' Conferences and know that it was needed, I am asking that each and every case be dealt with...
On an individual basis not be investigated thoroughly! The charges against Father Kuldeep with what little information I have seem vague at best and the gentleman making vague at best and the gentleman making "the charges claiming to not want to be identified due to "opening a new business" are suspect at best! I find the timing of his charges suspect and a bit of a coincidence!

Again, I reiterate, I support Father Kuldeep. Any help in finding the truth will be greatly appreciated.
June 20, 2002

Dear [Redacted],

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry. Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Rev. Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

As a result, Archbishop George accepted the Board’s recommendation that Father Mulsoff be withdrawn from parish ministry, that a protocol for supervision and restriction be put into place, and that he not be alone with minors without the presence of another responsible adult. Further recommendations will be made as needed, based on continued follow-up by the Review Board.

Please know that our Assistance Ministry (312.751.8267) continues to be available to you.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Leggdas
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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

To: File – PFR-82

From: Kathleen Leggdas, Administrator

Re: Salary for Rev. Donald Mulsoff

Date: June 21, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff ordained in 1969:

- Pay to DM $21,725
- Less 10% for PFR expenses (2,172) = $19,553
- $19,553 divided by 12 = $1,629.42 per month
- A difference of $93.42 is owed to DM for June 2002

Cc: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
    Rev. James Kaczerowski, Vicar for Priests
TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to Canada from/to August 9-25, 2002

this year has been granted to Donald Nuloff provided the following conditions

will be met by him and his older brother:

(See attached correspondence)

1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.

2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.

3. Client is required to call in ____________ (Frequency) to keep a daily log: proofs/tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident's activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.

4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.

5. The date of return to the residence has been set for August 27, 2002, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s):

Date: July 9, 2002

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator's Office and the Vicar for Priests' Office.
PFR-82

7-2-02

I've never

stuck a person

with a life

Wasn't involved in discipline until 1974.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: JULY 11, 2002
TO: REVEREND PATRICK LAGGES, OFFICE FOR CANONICAL SERVICES
FROM: BISHOP RAYMOND GOEDERT
RE: REVIEW BOARD DECISIONS

Enclosed are copies of decisions rendered by the Review Board and its recommendations to the Cardinal. These determinations are in reference to the following priests:

(1) May 22, 2002 – Reverend Donald Mulsoff
(2) May 22, 2002 – Reverend [redacted]
(3) June 20, 2002 – Reverend [redacted]
(4) June 20, 2002 – Reverend [redacted]
(5) June 20, 2002 – Reverend [redacted]

In accord with our decision of July 5, Father Paprocki will no longer prepare the letters of response from the Cardinal. We agreed that from now on, you or your delegate will prepare a draft for the Cardinal’s signature to the determinations and recommendations of the Review Board.

cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
July 16, 2002

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

Dear Cardinal George,

As you know, Kathleen Leggdas, Professional Fitness Review Administrator, is on medical leave. In her absence, I am writing to advise you that the Professional Fitness Review Board met by telephone conference call on July 9, 2002. The Board fully considered the oral report of Ms. Leggdas in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff and the allegation made by Ms. [redacted]. A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article 1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Thomas J. Paprocki
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki
Archbishop’s Delegate to the Review Board

cc: Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
    Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry
    Mr. John O’Malley, Director of Legal Services

I accept the Board's finding. 

Francis Cardinal George
July 17, 2002
July 17, 2002

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki
Archbishop’s Delegate to the Review Board
c/o St. Constance Parish
5843 W. Strong St.
Chicago, IL 60630

Dear Father Paprocki,

Due to the medical leave of Kathleen Leggdas, I am writing to you in response to her letter of June 20, 2002, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff and the allegation made by [Redacted], following the First Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on June 15, 2002.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, I accept the Board’s determination that there is not reasonable cause to suspect the allegation of [Redacted] that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with him as a minor. As I understand it, there was inappropriate physical discipline, but not sexual abuse.

Please inform Father Mulsoff accordingly. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services
Ms. Laura Neri, Office of Professional Fitness Review
July 17, 2002

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki  
Archbishop’s Delegate to the Review Board  
c/o St. Constance Parish  
5843 W. Strong St.  
Chicago, IL 60630

Dear Father Paprocki,

I am writing to you in response to your letter of July 16, 2002, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff and the allegations made by [redacted], following the First Stage Review concluded by the Review Board by conference call on July 9, 2002.

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

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General  
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services  
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services  
Ms. Laura Neri, Office of Professional Fitness Review
July 29, 2002

Dear [Name],

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review on June 15, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the oral and written reports in this matter, Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that there is not reasonable cause to suspect that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, [redacted]. The behavior was inappropriate physical discipline, but not sexual abuse.

Please know that our Assistance Ministry Office (312.751.8267) continues to be available to you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jimmy Lago
Chancellor, Archdiocese of Chicago

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
    Victim Assistance Ministry
    John O’Malley, Legal Services
July 29, 2002

Dear [Redacted],

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

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

Please know that the services and pastoral outreach of the Office of Assistance Ministry (312.751.8267) continues to be available to you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jimmy Lago
Chancellor, Archdiocese of Chicago

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
    Victim Assistance Ministry
    John O’Malley, Legal Services
July 29, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Please be advised that the Review Board conducted a First Stage Review on July 9, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry. Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that there is insufficient information at this time to suspect that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

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

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

Sincerely,

Jimmy Lago
Chancellor, Archdiocese of Chicago

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

Will leave Chicago by car at 4:00 AM on Friday, August 9, 2002 and drive to Evelyn, Minnesota, staying overnight at a Motel 8. Will continue driving to Stanley’s West Arm Resort in Ontario, Canada, arriving on Saturday, August 10, 2002. At all times I will be accompanied by my older brother as the monitor at all times. Weather permitting we will spend each day fishing from 10AM to 2PM and again from 4 PM to 8:30 PM. One day we will do laundry and some shopping together.

Will leave resort on Saturday, August 24, 2002 at 4:00 AM and stay overnight at the Best Western Motel in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Sunday, August 25, 2002, we will return to Chicago and unpack. I will return to the residence Sunday evening at about 10:40 PM.

Because this is a wilderness area, public telephone access is not readily available.
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a memorandum to file from Laura Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant for the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office of Professional Fitness Review, dated August 19, 2002, summarizing a phone call from Victim LW regarding Victim LW’s pending allegation against Fr. Donald Mulsoff. Victim LW expresses frustrated with the process of resolving his claim and threatens to go to the media with his allegation.
MEMORANDUM

To: Review Board Members
From: Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator
Re: [Redacted]/Mulsoff, D.
Date: August 22, 2002

I contacted [Redacted] via phone today in order to follow-up with the letter sent to her after the First Stage Review that took place on July 9, 2002. The letter had stated that the Review Board had determined "...that there is insufficient information at this time to suspect that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor."

[Redacted] acknowledged that she did receive the mentioned letter [Redacted] I explained to [Redacted] that the Review Board would be interested in any additional information or details that she may recall from the alleged incident(s) [Redacted] expressed her confidence that she is not the only individual who Donald Mulsoff had engaged in sexual misconduct. [Redacted] took down my name and phone number and stated that she will call if she can think of any other specific information regarding her allegations against Don Mulsoff.

Cc: Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Members of PCAC
August 27, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Our records indicate that you were not notified of the Review Board’s findings from the First Stage Review conducted on March 23, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

In the matter of [redacted], Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that:

- [redacted]
- That the pastor and the principal act as co-monitors and submit a monthly report to PFRA
- That you have no contact with minors.

If you have any questions regarding the determination, please contact me at your convenience at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
John O’Malley, Legal Services
August 27, 2002

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Father Mulsoff,

Our records indicate that you were not notified of the Review Board’s findings from the First Stage Review conducted on May 18, 2002 pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

In the matter of [redacted], Archbishop George has accepted the Board’s determination that you be withdrawn from ministry.

If you have any questions regarding the determination, please contact me at your convenience at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Leah McCluskey
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
John O’Malley, Legal Services
October 15, 2002

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoii
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 445
Mundelein, IL 60060-0445

Dear Administrator:

I was informed by Father James Kaczorowski that my case is due for a review by the fitness review board concerning two allegations, one by [redacted] and the other by [redacted]. I wish to make the following statement.

The allegation by [redacted] is totally unfounded. It is a complete fabrication and lie. I believe that your first decision was both honest and correct, and I wish to thank you for your considerate deliberation.

Concerning the allegation of [redacted], I am sorry to say I cannot agree. As I understand the allegation, I am accused of some sort of deviant behavior with him while he was seventeen years old. This behavior did not take place. Here are a few facts you might want to consider in your review. During the entire time I have known [redacted], I never initiated any contact with him.
Now when the climate of special was front page news, he made this accusation. I was sorry to find out that the board had given credence to his story and did not believe my protest of innocence.

Since my removal from parish ministry I have fully cooperated with all of the requirements placed upon me by the board and the archdiocese including daily telephone reports, and daily activity logs.

I do not know who represents me to the board. I hope that this information will be shared with that individual.

Sincerely,

Rev. Donald J. McIntosh
Rev. Donald J. McIntosh

S. J.: Rev. James Mackowiak, Vicar forPriests
MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – October 5, 2002

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews

A.

B.
Second Stage Review

D. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of 

The claim is as follows: fondling and attempted masturbation of 

by DM.

The Board recommends delay in making a Second Stage Review decision in regards to 

’s allegation. The Review Board requests that PFRA contact 

for additional information and that the Board be given copies of 

Next regularly scheduled meeting is November 16, 2002 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to Review Board  
Rev. James Kaczerowski, Vicar for Priests  
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests
Professional Fitness Review Board  
Saturday, October 19, 2002 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  

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Second Stage Reviews  
A.  
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C. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82  
   • Allegation made by: [redacted] and [redacted]  
D.  

III. Other Matters  
Second Stage Review  

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Saturday, November 16, 2002
RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on October 19, 2002 to conduct a

First Stage Review

Second Stage Review

Supplementary Review

Status Report

regarding the allegation of:

against Rev. Donald Winn (Withdrawn)

a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago

a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

an extern priest or deacon of (Arch)diocese of

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

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

da deceased priest or deacon of (enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: fondling and attempted masturbation of

by DM

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

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

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: delay in making a decision in regards to the allegation. Review Board requests that PFEA contact the Board for additional information. The Board be given copies of.
Memorandum

To: File - PFR-82

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant

Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)

Date: November 6, 2002

A summary of the discussion from the Review Board Meeting on October 19, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: fondling and attempted masturbation of [redacted] by DM.

The Board recommends delay in making a Second Stage Review decision in regards to [redacted]'s allegation. The Review Board requests that PFRA contact [redacted] for additional information and that the Board be given copies of [redacted].
RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on **Nov. 16, 2002** to conduct a

- [ ] First Stage Review  - [x] Second Stage Review  - [ ] Supplementary Review  - [ ] Status Report

regarding the allegation of ______________________________________________________________

against ____________________________________________________________

- [x] a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago  - [ ] a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago
- [ ] an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of ________________________________
- [ ] a religious priest or deacon of _________________________________________________
- [ ] a resigned priest or deacon of _________________________________________________
- [ ] a deceased priest or deacon of _________________________________________________

which claims as follows: ____________________________________________________________

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

- [ ] 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

- [ ] 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: ____________________________________________________

2**nd** Stage Review

We need to discuss this at PUC.
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, November 16, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Michael C. Just, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – October 19, 2002

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews

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Second Stage Review

D. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of fondling of genitals; masturbation.

The Board recommends to postpone 2nd Stage Review until PFRA has reviewed file.
Next regularly scheduled meeting is December 21, 2002 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, November 16, 2002 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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Second Stage Reviews
A. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82
   • Allegation made by

B. 

C. 

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Saturday, December 21, 2002
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, November 16, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Michael C. Just, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board

Second Stage Review

D. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of

The claim is as follows: fondling of genitals; masturbation.

The Board recommends to postpone 2nd Stage Review until PFRA has reviewed file.
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Professional Fitness Review Board
676 North St. Clair – Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on November 16, 2002 to conduct a
(enter date: month/day/year)

☐ First Stage Review ☑ Second Stage Review ☐ Supplementary Review ☐ Status Report

regarding the allegation of ____________________________
(enter name of alleged priest or deacon)

against Rev. Donald Muisoff (Withdrawn)
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

☐ 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: fondling of genitals; masturbation
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

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

☐ 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

☐ 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: to postpone 2nd Stage Review
until PFEA has reviewed file.
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR-82
From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Re: Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)
Date: November 18, 2002

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

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]
The claim is as follows: fondling of genitals; masturbation.

The Board recommends to postpone 2nd Stage Review until PFRA has reviewed file.
November 25, 2002

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on November 16, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) in the allegation made by [redacted]. A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommends to postpone Second Stage Review until Professional Fitness Review Administrator has reviewed file.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Deah McChuskey
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

cc: Rev. Pat Lagges, Judicial Vicar

AOC 018576
18 December, 2002

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of November 25, 2002, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff, a priest of the Archdiocese who has withdrawn from active ministry, and the allegation made by [redacted] following the Second Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on November 16, 2002.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board’s recommendation that the Second Stage Review be postponed until the Professional Fitness Review Administrator has reviewed the file.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services
Ms. Laura Neri, Office of Professional Fitness Review
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, December 21, 2002

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Michael C. Just, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2002

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Review:

A.

B.
F. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] (Withdrawn) – PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: fondling masturbation by DM.

The Board recommends postponing Second Stage Review until Professional Fitness Review Administrator can speak with attorney for [redacted]. Will also provide Review Board with [redacted] as previously requested.

G. [Blank]
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
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, December 21, 2002 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2002

II. Case Reviews

Second Stage Reviews

A. 

B. 

C. 

D. 

E. 

F. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82
   • Allegation made by [Redacted]

G. [Redacted]

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Saturday, January 11, 2003

PLEASE NOTE: There is a possibility of two Board Meetings in February.
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, December 21, 2002 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2002

II. Case Reviews

Second Stage Reviews

A. 

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F. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82
  • Allegation made by [Redacted]

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting – Saturday, January 11, 2003

PLEASE NOTE: There is a possibility of two Board Meetings in February.
MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Michael C. Just, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

F. In the Matter of Rev. Donald [Redacted] (DM) (Withdrawn) – PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [Redacted]. The claim is as follows: fondling masturbation by DM.

The Board recommends postponing Second Stage Review until Professional Fitness Review Administrator can speak with attorney for [Redacted]. Will also provide Review Board with [Redacted] as previously requested.
MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-82
From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Re: Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)
Date: December 21, 2002

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on December 21, 2002:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of . The claim is as follows: fondling masturbation by DM.

The Board recommends postponing Second Stage Review until Professional Fitness Review Administrator can speak with attorney for . Will also provide Review Board with as previously requested.
Memorandum

To: File -PFR-82

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant

Re: Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)

Date: December 12, 2002

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

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [Redacted].

The claim is as follows: fondling of genitals; masturbation.

The Board recommends to postpone 2nd Stage Review until PFRA has reviewed file.
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Professional Fitness Review Board
676 North St. Clair - Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Hotline: 1-800-994-6200

RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 12/21/02 to conduct a

[ ] First Stage Review [ ] Second Stage Review [ ] Supplementary Review [ ] Status Report

regarding the allegation of ____________________________

against Donald Munseff

[ ] a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago [ ] a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

[ ] an extern priest or deacon of the [Arch]diocese of ____________________________

[ ] a religious priest or deacon of ____________________________

[ ] a resigned priest or deacon of ____________________________

[ ] a deceased priest or deacon of ____________________________

which claims as follows: Fondling, Masturbation by DM

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

[ ] 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

[ ] 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: Postpone 2nd Stage Review until PFFA can speak with attorney for __________ as previously requested.

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January 6, 2003

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on December 21, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Donald Mulsoff [Withdrawn] in the allegation made by [redacted]. A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommends to postpone Second Stage Review until PFRA has the opportunity to speak with [redacted] regarding any additional information regarding [redacted]'s allegation. PFRA will also provide the Board with copies of [redacted] as previously requested.

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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

AOC 018589
His Eminence
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
P.O. Box 1979
Chicago, IL. 60690-1979

Your Eminence,

I am writing to you at this time because I am angry. I hope to use this anger in a positive manner. The cause of my anger is the statement made by the Chancellor of our Archdiocese, Jimmy Lago, in the cover memo of the "Ten Year Report on Clerical Sexual Abuse of Minors in the Archdiocese of Chicago".

Jimmy Lago has stated as "fact" in the context of sexual abuse that three dozen priests are guilty. As the Chancellor of the Archdiocese he should have known better. Such a statement can easily do grave harm to my reputation and any hope, after the canonical process is concluded, of resuming meaningful priestly ministry in this archdiocese.

The atmosphere has been poisoned. Is there any hope of fairness after such an egregious error in judgment and justice has been published by an official of the archdiocese?

I do not think that Jimmy Lago acted out of malice; however, I do believe that he has done serious harm by making his judgment in such a public forum. By his published judgment he has demonstrated a serious neglect of the right to due canonical process and done grave harm to those of us who profess our innocence.

I would hope that some method of correcting this harm can be found.

Respectfully yours in Christ,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

cc: Jimmy M. Lago, Chancellor
    Rev. William H. Woestman, O.M.I., Promoter of Justice
    Rev. Patrick M. Lagges, Judicial Vicar
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
TRAVEL/VACATION AGREEMENT

Permission to go on vacation to Port Washington, WI, from/to 1-31-03 to 2-2-03 (Dates) this year has been granted to Rev. Donald J. Muldoon (Client name) provided the following conditions will be met by him and [redacted] (Companion(s)):

(See attached correspondence)

1. The designated companion agrees to accompany the client at all his activities. Client is not allowed to be by himself.

2. No contacts with minors are allowed unless companion is present.

3. Client is required to call in [NOT REQUIRED], to keep a daily log: proofs/tickets, receipts, etc., regarding resident’s activities are to be submitted to PFR Administrator for verification.

4. If any of the above conditions are violated both the client and the travel companion(s) will be held accountable by the Archdiocese of Chicago.

5. The date of return to the residence has been set for 2-2-03, however due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date can be changed. Approval from the PFR Administrator must be granted for any changes in this statement.

Signature(s): Rev. Donald J. Muldoon

[redacted]

Date: 1-26-03

A copy of this agreement will be kept on file at Professional Fitness Review Board Administrator’s Office and the Vicar for Priests’ Office.
4 February, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of January 6, 2003, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff, a priest of the Archdiocese who has withdrawn from active ministry, and the allegation made by [redacted] following the Second Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on December 16, 2002.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board’s recommendation that the Second Stage Review be postponed until the Professional Fitness Review Administrator has the opportunity to speak with [redacted]’s attorney, and to provide the Board with copies of [redacted].

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Rev. Richard Laudi
Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services
Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of January 6, 2003, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff, a priest of the Archdiocese who has withdrawn from active ministry, and the allegation made by [redacted], following the Second Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on December 21, 2002.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board’s recommendation that the Second Stage Review be postponed until the Professional Fitness Review Administrator has the opportunity to speak with [redacted]’s attorney, and to provide the Board with copies of [redacted].

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend E. Goedert, Vicar General
Rev. Thomas J. Kaczorowski, Cardinal’s Delegate
Rev. Patrick R. Lages, Auditas Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Professional Fitness Review, of a meeting with Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago, and Fr. Donald Mulsoff on February 7, 2003, in which Fr. Mulsoff responds to Victim LY's allegation of sexual abuse against Fr. Mulsoff. According to the summary, Fr. Mulsoff remembered Victim LY from when he was assigned to St. Catherine of Alexandria parish but denied any allegations of sexual abuse. Fr. Mulsoff did admit to spanking boys without any sexual intent.
February 10, 2003

His Eminence
Francis Cardinal George
Archdiocesan Pastoral Center
P.O. Box 1979
Chicago, IL. 60690-1979

Your Eminence:

I am writing to you today to formally request that I may see any and all records that are a part of my personal files. I am doing this because I feel that I have no recourse to resolve the accusations that have been made against me and to prepare my anticipated case before a canonical tribunal. I am now in the process of finding a canon lawyer who will represent me in these matters.

Up to this time I had hoped this resolution could be done without recourse to canonical trial. I have now been advised that this does not seem to be the case. Recently I became aware that my file was incomplete because certain paper work had been lost and had to be done over again. I have never seen any sworn testimony against me or been apprised of any investigation into the charges that have been made against me. I firmly believe that when a canonical investigation is made I will be exonerated by the canonical tribunal. It is with this firm belief that I ask you to once again give due consideration to how you plan to readmit me to active ministry, knowing that my good name and reputation have been tarnished in this process.

Thank you for the time, energy and patience you have spent in this process of ministering to your brother priests.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
February 13, 2003

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
PO Box 455
Mundelein IL 60060-0455

Dear Father Mulsoff,

In reference to your letter of February 10, 2003, you may review your files. However, our policies do not allow you to make photocopies of any of the contents of the files. You will be able to review your files at the Archdiocesan Archives and Records Center located at 711 West Monore. Please call my assistant, Maryann Fox, at 312-751-8366 to make an appointment.

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

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jimmy M. Lago
Chancellor
RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 2/15/03 to conduct a

☐ First Stage Review ☒ Second Stage Review ☐ Supplementary Review ☐ Status Report

regarding the allegation of ____________________________

against ____________________________

☐ a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago ☐ a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

☐ an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of ____________________________

☐ a religious priest or deacon of ____________________________

☐ a resigned priest or deacon of ____________________________

☐ a deceased priest or deacon of ____________________________

which claims as follows: ____________________________________________

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

☐ 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

☐ 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: ____________________________________________

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AOC 018597
RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 2/5/03 to conduct a

(Enter date: month/day/year)

(Select one):

☐ First Stage Review  ☒ Second Stage Review  ☐ Supplementary Review  ☐ Status Report

regarding the allegation of ____________________________________________

(Enter name of alleged victim)

against ____________________________________________

(Enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(Select one):

☒ a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago  ☐ a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

☐ an extern priest or deacon of the Archdiocese of ____________________________

(Enter name of Archdiocese)

☐ 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: ____________________________________________

(Enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

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

(Select 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

(Select 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: ____________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________

__________________________________________
MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
  Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA], Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2003

II. Case Reviews

  First Stage Review:

  A.

  B.
Second Stage Reviews

A. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of DM fondled. DM attempted to masturbate. The claim is as follows: DM fondled; DM attempted to masturbate.

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.

B. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of DM fondled. DM attempted to masturbate. The claim is as follows: DM removed [including her underwear] and fondled [person]'s buttocks and genitals.

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.
In a 6-0 unanimous vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of insufficient information therefore, at Second Stage Review no reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.

III. Other

Next scheduled meeting is March 15, 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
Review Board Members Present:

Members absent:

Non-members present:
  Leah McCluskey, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA]
  Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board

I. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2003

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Review:

A. 

B. 


Second Stage Reviews

A. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: DM fondled [redacted], DM attempted to masturbate [redacted].

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.
B. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of . The claim is as follows: DM removed 's clothing [including her underwear] and fondled 's buttocks and genitals.

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.

III. Other

Next scheduled meeting is March 15, 2003 at 10:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas Tivy, Vicar for Priests
Professional Fitness Review Board
Saturday, February 15 2003 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2003

II. Case Reviews

First Stage Reviews:
A. 
B. 
C. 

Second Stage Reviews:
D. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn) – PFR-82
   • Allegations made by and

III. Other Matters

•  

• A possible conflict with the May 17th Board Meeting date.

The next scheduled meeting is Saturday, March 15, 2003
MINUTES

A. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: DM fondled [redacted]; DM attempted to masturbate [redacted].

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.

B. In the Matter of Rev. Donald Mulsoff [DM] [Withdrawn]-PFR-82

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: DM removed [redacted]'s clothing [including her underwear] and fondled [redacted]'s buttocks and genitals.

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.
ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Professional Fitness Review Board
676 North St. Clair – Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611
(312) 751-5205
Fax: (312) 751-5279
Hotline: 1-800-994-6200

RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 2/15/03 to conduct a [enter date: month/day/year] regarding the allegation of [enter name of accused priest or deacon] against [enter name of accused priest or deacon] (Withdrawn)

(check one) □ First Stage Review □ Second Stage Review □ Supplementary Review □ Status Report

(check one)
- A priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago
- A deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago
- An extern priest or deacon of ____________________________
- A religious priest or deacon of ____________________________
- A resigned priest or deacon of ____________________________
- A deceased priest or deacon of ____________________________

which claims as follows: [enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior]

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: [enter recommendation]
RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on 2/15/03 to conduct a

(check one) □ First Stage Review □ Second Stage Review □ Supplementary Review □ Status Report

regarding the allegation of [redacted] against Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)

(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: [redacted]

[enter brief description of the alleged misconduct (including underwear)]

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: □ 0 uphold First Stage Review finding of insufficient info.: no reasonable cause
February 18, 2003

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on February 15, 2003. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Donald Mulsoff [Withdrawn] in the allegation made by [Redacted]. A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommends to uphold their First Stage Review finding that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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

RECEIVED
FEB 25 2003
AOC 018609
To: File -PFR-82
From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Re: Donald Mulsoff (Withdrawn)
Date: February 18, 2003

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on February 15, 2003:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: DM fondled [REDACTED]; DM attempted to masturbate [REDACTED].

In a unanimous 6-0 vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.
February 18, 2003

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

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on February 15, 2003. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Donald Mulsoff [Withdrawn] in the allegation made by [Redacted]. A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board recommends to uphold their First Stage Review finding that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause to suspect that Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Therefore, the Board recommends that there is not reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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

To: File -PFR-82

From: Laura A. Neri-Palomino

Re: Donald Muloff (Withdrawn)

Date: February 18, 2003

A summary of the discussion from the Professional Fitness Review Board Meeting on February 15, 2003:

The Review Board conducted a Second Stage Review regarding the allegation of [redacted]. The claim is as follows: DM removed [redacted]'s clothing [including her underwear] and fondled [redacted]'s buttocks and genitals.

In a 6-0 unanimous vote, the Review Board recommended to uphold the First Stage Review finding of insufficient information therefore, at Second Stage Review no reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct did occur.
March 7, 2003

Dear [Name]

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on February 15, 2003 and conducted a Second Stage Review regarding your allegation of sexual misconduct against Donald Mulsoff [Withdrawn] pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Cardinal has accepted the Board’s recommendation to uphold their First Stage Review finding that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Donald Mulsoff did engage in sexual misconduct with a minor.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at 312.751.5206 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that the Office of Assistance Ministry continues to be available to you. You may reach them at 312.751.8307.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry
John O’Malley, Legal Services
March 7, 2003

Fr. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on February 15, 2003 and conducted a Second Stage Review regarding an allegation of sexual misconduct against you pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Cardinal has accepted the Board’s recommendation to uphold their First Stage Review finding that there is reasonable cause to suspect that you did engage in sexual misconduct with a minor.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at 312.751.5206 or via e-mail [lmccluskey@archchicago.org]. Also, please know that Rev. James Kaczorowski continues to be available to you. You can reach him at 312.642.1837.

Sincerely,

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Professional Fitness Review Administrator

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    John O’Malley, Legal Services
March 7, 2003

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The Cardinal has accepted the Board’s recommendation to uphold their First Stage Review finding that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause to suspect that you engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Therefore, the Cardinal has accepted the Board’s finding that with the information presented in regards to [redacted] allegation against you, there is not a reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred. This finding is based upon the Board’s determination that they have not been presented any new definitive information regarding [redacted] allegation against you since their First Stage Review recommendation.

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March 7, 2003

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The Board has determined to uphold its First Stage Review finding that there is insufficient information to establish reasonable cause to suspect that Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. The finding is based upon the Board's determination that it has not been presented any new definitive information regarding your allegation against Donald Mulsoff since their First Stage Review recommendation.

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Professional Fitness Review Administrator

Cc: Bishop-Elect Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry
    John O'Malley, Legal Services
7 March, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of February 18, 2003, regarding the matter of Reverend Donald Mulsoff, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago who is no longer in ministry, and the allegation made by [redacted] following the Second Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on February 15, 2003.

In light of the Board’s consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board’s determination that it shall uphold the conclusions of the First Stage Review; that is, that there is reasonable cause to suspect that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. His withdrawal from ministry and monitoring protocol shall continue.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General
    Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal’s Delegate
    Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
    Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
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In light of the Board’s consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board’s determination that there is insufficient evidence to establish a reasonable cause to suspect that Father Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. His withdrawal from ministry and monitoring protocol shall continue, however, due to other allegations.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

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Mr. John C. O’Malley, Director of Legal Services
March 27, 2003

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Don:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

It is for this reason that I will not make any administrative decisions about the disposition of your case. I believe the judicial process will allow you and your advocate to present arguments concerning the substance of the case and the procedures that have been followed. The judges will then be able to render a decision on this matter which is consistent with our jurisprudence and canonical practice.
I am very much aware of the pain that you have gone through during these months. While this has been personally painful for you, I believe this time has also given our people an opportunity to look at this issue more thoroughly and realize its complexity. Some of the stridency has lessened, and people seem to be reassured that the cases will be handled in a just and equitable manner.

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

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
Mandate: Appointment of Procurator-Advocate

In accord with Canon 1481 of the 1983 Code of Canon Law, I hereby appoint as my Procurator and Advocate Father Thomas T. Brundage, J.C.L., a priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. Father Brundage is authorized to act in my name in any matter concerning his clerical rights and duties. Furthermore, I convey to him the faculty to do and utter in my name whatever is necessary and useful in any canonical process against me.

Given at Milwaukee, W1.

Date 3-27-03

Signature
Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago

Notary

I hereby accept the appointment as Procurator-Advocate as provided in the above-stated Mandate.

Given at Milwaukee, W1.

Date 3-27-03

Signature
Rev. Thomas T. Brundage
Priest of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

Notary
Attention of Rev. James Kaciorowski

Travel Agreement

Person: Rev. Donald J. Mulacof

Destination: Summer home of friends
Crooked Lake, Adams County, WI.

Purpose: Fishing with friends

Date departing: May 2, 2003

Date returning: May 4, 2003

Monitoring person: [redacted]

No contact with minors, monitor present at all times.

Signature: Rev. Donald J. Mulacof
To: Leah
Re: [Redacted]-Mulsoff
From: RB
Date: 5-16-03

There are at least three people who may provide additional info in this case. The information below was made available by Agnes Pamper (OCS #:5231).

[Redacted], retired teacher at St. Catherine of Alexandria School.

[Redacted] presently on staff at SCAS (33 yrs)

[Redacted] presently on staff at SCAS (33 yrs)
Attention of Rev. James Kaczorowski

Travel Agreement

Person: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Destination: Tall Pines Resort
Lawrence Lake, Marquette County, Wi.

Purpose: Fishing with friends (same as last year)

Date departing: May 26, 2003

Date returning: May 31, 2003

Monitoring person: [Redacted]

No contact with minors. Monitor present at all times.

Signature: [Signature]

(Will overnight at my brother's home Sunday evening)
Having received the recommendation of the Archdiocesan Professional Fitness Review Board that there is "reasonable cause to suspect" that Reverend Donald Mulsoff engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor, I have concluded that this constitutes information which "at least seems to be true" (c. 1717).

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

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

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

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


Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
May 23, 2003

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

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

Accompanying this letter is a decree which appoints you as the investigator into an allegation of sexual misconduct with a minor that was made against Rev. Donald Mulsoff. 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 Mulsoff. I ask that you report to me on a regular basis, but no less than quarterly, on Father Mulsoff'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
May 27, 2003

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Don:

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

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

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

In referring your case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, I will also consult with the Promoter of Justice and issue a decree which formalizes those things which I asked you to do for the good of the Church and under your promise of obedience to me. The imposition of this decree is required by Norm 6 of the Essential Norms established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.
I have also designated Ms. McCluskey as the person to ensure that the "monitoring protocol" which you signed is being followed. She will report to me and to the Professional Fitness Review Board concerning your compliance with this protocol. I have asked that she perform this function personally, with the Vicar for Priests doing so in her absence. This will ensure the confidentiality and professionalism of this monitoring.

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
June 4, 2003

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Leah McClusky
Administrator
Office of Professional Fitness Review
676 N. St. Clair
Suite 1910
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Leah:

In a recent letter received from Cardinal George, he indicated that you have been charged with the task of doing further investigation into the allegations made against me. Although I do not agree, for various canonical reasons, that this is your proper role, I submit the following items that I believe will help in this matter.

1. Concerning the testimony of [redacted] certain statements placed my character under suspicion. If you contact [redacted], she can testify to the general truthfulness of this witness.

2. [Redacted]...It makes no sense to me.

If you wish to check out this matter, an eye witness would be my former secretary, [redacted].

3. From the false accusation of [redacted], it should be evident that spankings did take place and that a significant number of people were aware of the fact. Yet no one has accused me, other than my one accuser, of any sexual action, sexual motivation, or sexual remarks in conjunction with my action. I can agree that spanking is now viewed as inappropriate behavior. It was not, however, any form of sexual abuse. I am sincerely sorry for any hurt I may have caused to this or any other individual, but I did not sexually abuse him or any other person.
4. I am not at all confident that the past process of the fitness review board was without serious error. As you well know, the former administrator was under serious stress at this time. You, yourself, can testify to the fact that some of my testimony was lost. I have some serious doubt as to whether my case was properly presented to the board by the administrator at that time.

5. At the time of my removal from the parish I was scheduled to go on a fishing trip with some of my long time friends. The former administrator did not want me to go because of "what would people say if they found out I was recently removed and not at the retreat house residence." My response was, "Who's going to tell them. I am being monitored on this trip." I believe that this conversation shows a prejudice on the part of the former administrator concerning my honesty and character. Since Fr. Kaczorowski is aware of this conversation, you might check with him.

These are just a few of the areas that can be easily investigated by you which have a direct bearing on my case. I hope this gives you some guidance in making an impartial and thorough investigation into these allegations.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Donald J. Mihaloff
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 Responsibility clients will be subject to appropriate restrictions and monitoring by the Professional Responsibility Administrator (PRA) throughout the life of the individual as a priest/deacon in the Archdiocese of Chicago (please refer to protocol number 12).

The ISP for Fr. Donald Mulseff includes but is not limited to the following (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. ______

3. ______

4. The completion of “Clergy Daily Log” to be completed and signed by the on-site monitor. On-site monitor will then review, sign, and submit “Clergy Daily Log” forms at the end of each month to PRA.

5. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or technology. The standards articulated in the Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Handbook For Archdiocesan Employees will apply.

6. Must complete and submit the “Travel/Vacation Agreement” to PRA prior to scheduled departure.

7. N/A Attendance to recommended support group ______________ (please indicate specific support group). Recommended frequency of __________ times per week/month (please circle one). Attendance to recommended support group is to be reflected on “Clergy Daily Log” forms.
8. The right of defense should not involve the public life of the Church.

9. On-site visits by PRA annually to include meeting with PRA and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

10. On-site visits by Vicar for Priests (VP) annually to include meeting with VP and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

11. This ISP is to be reviewed annually with PRA, VP, and Fr. Donald Mulsoff (cleric name).

12. 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 requirements of this Protocol.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: ________________

Printed Name: __________________________

Signature of PRA: __________________________ Date: ________________

Signature of VP: __________________________ Date: ________________

Rev. 7/15/03

A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in Offices of Professional Responsibility and Vicar for Priests.
July 2, 2003

Fr. Donald Mulsoff
PO Box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, J.C.L., Canonical Advocate
July 11, 2003

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

Dear Cardinal George,

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

As required by Canon 1718, a sufficient amount of material is now present for you to make a determination. I have examined the files of the investigations of the allegations of sexual misconduct with minors by Fr. Mulsoff, and I have found them to be complete.

There is at least one allegation that was submitted to the Archdiocesan Professional Responsibility Review Board in which the Board recommended to you that there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct did occur. Given the material gathered as the Board’s instruction of the case, it is now necessary for you to determine if the elements meet the required standard of proof. The Board reported their finding to you after having discussed the evidence and the arguments in two formal sessions. As part of the procedure followed by the Board, Fr. Mulsoff was read the allegations made against him and provided a response. With reference to his involvement in the instruction of the case, Fr. Mulsoff had the advice of legal counsel.

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

There is at least one allegation of sexual misconduct against Fr. Mulsoff. The Professional Responsibility Review Board has been presented all allegations against Fr. Mulsoff, and has reported to you the finding that the allegations provide reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged incidents of misconduct did occur. It is my recommendation that the aforementioned allegations have the semblance of truth (notitiam saltem

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verisimilem) as required by Canon Law. As a result, there is no additional information that needs to be gathered at this time regarding the allegations made against Fr. Mulsoff.

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc:  Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
     Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
14 July, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey
Office for Professional Responsibility
676 North St. Clair St.
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

I received the report from your investigation of the matter of sexual misconduct with a minor on the part of Reverend Donald Mulsoff.

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

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Revs. Kaczorowski and Smilanic, Ms. Leah McCluskey, Mr. Jimmy Lago, Mr. John C. O’Malley
15 July, 2003

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Don:

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

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

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

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

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

As you know, the Dallas Charter and subsequent Norms state that if even a single act of sexual misconduct with a minor is proven, you must be removed permanently from ministry. Even if the offense does not warrant dismissal from the clerical state, the laws approved by the Holy See for the United States would not allow me to assign you to any public ministry, to celebrate the sacraments publicly, or to present yourself in public as a priest. Instead, you would be expected to lead a life of prayer and penance under my direction.
On the other hand, if the allegations against you are not proven, I will do everything I can to restore your reputation. I realize how difficult this might be, given the publicity that has already been given to this matter. Since I also realize you may have some feelings about this matter, I will consult with you before anything is done in this regard.

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

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

FROM: Father Lagges

RE: Precepts: An Oversight

DATE: 18 July, 2003

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

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

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

Sorry.
22 July 2003

Reverend James T. Kaczorowski
Archdiocese of Chicago
Vicar For Priests
645 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Reverend Kaczorowski,

This letter is in reference to the behavioral character of Reverend Donald J. Mulsoff. I had served as Associate Pastor with Reverend Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria, Oak Lawn, Illinois, from 1973 to 1974. During our tenure together, at no time had I observed Reverend Mulsoff engage in sexual misconduct, nor display behavior incongruous with his priestly office. A spirit of generosity, balanced temperament, and thoughtful concern are qualities that were central to his ministerial style. It is my impression that he conducted his duties in a most professional manner and was well respected by the parishioners at St. Catherine of Alexandria.

I strongly support Reverend Mulsoff and recommend him for re-instatement to full ministry within the Archdiocese of Chicago. If further information is requested, kindly contact my office.

Respectfully yours,
Attention of Leah R. McCluskey

Travel Agreement

Person: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Destination: West Arm Resort
Eagle Lake, Ontario, Canada

Purpose: Fishing with brother (same as last year)

Date departing: August 8, 2003

Date returning: August 24, 2003

Monitoring person: [Redacted]

No contact with minors, monitor present at all times.

Signatures: [Signature]

(Will overnight at my brother's home Thursday evening)

Date: 8/10/03.
MEMORANDUM

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

FROM: Father Lagges

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 Donald Mulsoff 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.
August 4, 2003

Fr. Donald Milsoff
PO Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060:

Dear Fr. Milsoff:

A few weeks ago when you called me, I asked you to send me a fax with your concerns about inaccuracies regarding the accusations against you. I never did receive the fax so I did not know how to proceed.

As I looked through your case file, it seems that your file was forwarded by the Archdiocese of Chicago to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith at the Vatican last week.

I accepted you as a client prior to my knowing about my pending change to be editor of the Milwaukee Catholic Herald while remaining pastor of Ss. Peter and Paul Parish. With these two very stressful positions, I cannot continue being your advocate and hence with this letter I am resigning as your advocate.

I apologize for taking as long as I did to do this but it is in your best interest to find a new advocate. Due to various circumstances, I was unable to attend any of the special workshops in Washington, DC last Fall about the new procedures. Having taken my new position on May 1, 2003, I have not followed the development of the law in this area and hence my remaining as your advocate would be a disservice to your right to an adequate defense.

The Archdiocese of Chicago will need to approve of any new advocate you choose. I would recommend two advocates with whom I have worked before. They are:

1. Rev. Greg Bittner
   The Tribunal, PO Box 12047
   Birmingham, AL 35202-2047
   202-838-8307

2. Mr. Michael Ritty
   29 Lower Copeland Hill Rd.
   Feura Bush, NY 12067
   518-768-2507

They are both fine advocates and are very skilled at what they do.

When you have contracted with another advocate, please contact me by mail and I will send my case file to the new advocate.
Again, I apologize for having to resign but the combination of circumstances related above forces me to do this at this time.

May God be with you as you go through this difficult journey.

Peace,

Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, JCL
3501 S. Lake Drive
Milwaukee, WI 53207

Copies:
Rev. James Kaczorowski
Rev. Patrick Lagges
Vacation Itinerary for Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Will leave Chicago by car at 4:00 AM on Friday, August 8, 2003 and drive to Evelyth, Minnesota, staying overnight at a Motel 8. Will continue driving to West Arm Resort in Ontario, Canada, arriving on Saturday, August 9, 2003. At all times I will be accompanied by my older brother as the monitor at all times. Weather permitting we will spend each day fishing from 10AM to 2PM and again from 4 PM to 8:30 PM. One day we will do laundry and some shopping together.

Will leave resort on Saturday, August 9, 2003 at 4:00 AM and stay overnight at the Best Western Motel in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Sunday, August 10, 2003, we will return to Chicago and unpack. I will return to the residence Sunday evening at about 10:40 PM.

Because this is a wilderness area, public telephone access is not readily available.
MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-82

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator

Re: Mulsoff, Donald

Date: August 10, 2003

PRA and Fr. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests met with Fr. Donald Mulsoff on July 28, 2003 to discuss the new monitoring protocols. It was explained to Fr. Mulsoff that Fr. Daniel Smilanic, Promoter of Justice was unable to attend the day’s meeting due to having to be the celebrant at a funeral mass.


PRA reviewed with Fr. Mulsoff his Individual Specific Protocol as well as the Daily Log and Travel/Vacation Agreement forms. It was also clarified that Fr. Mulsoff would send completed forms to PRA’s attention.

Fr. Mulsoff was offered Fr. Smilanic’s phone number so as to ask any canonical questions that he may have. Fr. Mulsoff declined Fr. Smilanic’s information due to the fact that he [Fr. Mulsoff] did not have any questions for him.

Fr. Mulsoff was not asked to sign the Individual Specific Protocol at the meeting held on July 28, 2003, but was asked to speak with his canonical advocate within ten days regarding the document and his signature. Fr. Mulsoff was then informed that Fr. Kaczorowski and PRA would travel to Mundelein in approximately two weeks to discuss his [Fr. Mulsoff’s] agreement/disagreement to follow the requested protocol as per his advocate.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
18 August 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to express my opinion, knowledge, and feelings about Father Donald Mulsoff; I have known Father from the seminary where he was a few years behind me. We have also worked together from the day he was appointed pastor of St. Mary of Perpetual in 1985. We were fellow pastors until St. David was closed. I also lived off and on at St. Mary's until the day he moved out. So I speak from experience and not just hearsay. I know this man.

You can not fake holiness and virtue because we priests know each other too well. From the very beginning of his ministry in Bridgeport he has been an exemplary priest. His personal holiness and sense of justice and charity are of the highest order. He does not go around strutting himself as some people do but after you get to know him you cannot help but respect the priestly ness of his work. He has a great love of people, and children in particular which has been displayed very openly to everyone who has worked with him.

Among the first things that I remember about his ministry at St. Mary’s was his kindness to the pastor emeritus, the older nuns and the senior citizens of the parish. There was a real love of these people.

Secondly he came to the area with a sense of Church as one family, so that he did not look upon his parish as a fief to be defended. He willing shared parish resources with the cluster in planning and implementing plans for area in education and social action that were a sign to the people of what it means to be church.

I could go on and on about this but I need to speak to you but this conduct with children. He loves them and would never do anything that would hurt a child. The children of the school and CCD loved and respected him. His conduct with children was always proper and respectful. If a child came and hugged him he would acknowledge it in a proper and priestly manner. His conduct around children reminded me of the words of Jesus; “Let the children come unto me for as such is the kingdom of heaven”. He always acknowledged their greetings in a respectful and proper way. If his conduct is to be condemned then we need to condemn Jesus for the way he treated children. I would not hesitate to entrust any child with Father Don because he is a caring loving person who would not intentionally hurt anyone, especially a child. Father Don is an affectionate loving priest. He returns affection with respect and prudence.

Please consider these things that I state here because Fr. Don looks upon suffering as sharing the pain of Jesus. If he is placed among those who sit in the shadow of death without making a dramatic defense of himself, it is not that he is guilty of accusations but he is a true priest who feels that God will protect him. When you get to know Father Don you will find that he is a true priest who cares for the people of God and never intentionally hurt anyone.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Millard P. O’Keefe

Rev. Millard P. O’Keefe

Phone 630-257-8654 EMAIL [REDACTED] Fax 630-257-8678
September 17, 2003

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

Enclosed you will find documentation regarding the monitoring protocols.

The monitoring protocols have been changed somewhat. This was done principally in order to put into a standard written form, arrangements that had been made orally and/or on an individual basis. It was felt that by committing as much as possible to a written form, misunderstandings could be reduced and communication would be facilitated. These changes reflect the feedback provided by all those involved in the monitoring program, including those who are subject to it. The enclosed forms contain the adjustments made to the monitoring forms that were provided to you in July of 2003. All those involved in monitoring will be receiving a copy of the new forms.

All of the information enclosed as well as a copy of this letter and a copy of the policies and procedures, 1100 Sexual Abuse of Minors: Policies for Education, Prevention, Assistance to Victims and Procedures for Determination of Fitness for Ministry promulgated on July 15, 2003 has been forwarded to your canonical advocate, Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, J.C.L.

As you agreed orally to comply with the earlier form of the monitoring protocols, I ask that you indicate to me your oral agreement to these.

In designing a form that addresses so many different, complex situations, one or another points may be unclear. If you have any question or concerns, please contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, J.C.L., Canonical Advocate

Enclosures
The Individual Specific Protocols (ISP) implement 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. 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.

This ISP for Fr. Donald Mulsoff 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. [Blank]

3. [Blank]

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. The monitor will return the log forms at the end of each month to PRA.

5. Abide by the restriction of residence to Cardinal St itch Retreat House
6. No inappropriate use of computers, software, Internet capabilities, communications tools or 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” to PRA 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: ______________

A copy of this Protocol will be kept on file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and on file in the Office of the Vicar for Priests.
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January 27, 2004

Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, JCL
2491 N. Murray Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211.

Dear Fr. Brundage,

Enclosed you will find monitoring information presented to your client, **Rev. Donald Mulsoff** on January 26, 2004. Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and I met with Fr. Mulsoff at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein on January 26th to discuss the enclosed protocols. Fr. Mulsoff was also informed of Cardinal George's acceptance of the Review Board's recommendation that he provide his signature to the enclosed protocols and return to me no later than March 31, 2004.

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

Sincerely,

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures
MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR-82

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator

Re: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald

Date: January 27, 2004

PRA and Rev. James T. Kacзорowski, Vicar for Priests met with Rev. Donald Mulsoff on January 27, 2004 at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House. Fr. Kacзорowski had arranged the meeting with Fr. Mulsoff so that the current monitoring protocols could be discussed.

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

Fr. Mulsoff expressed his concerns to Fr. Kacзорowski and to PRA regarding the extended period of time that it is taking for the canonical trials to even begin. He informed PRA and Fr. Kacзорowski that he has "no problems" with his current living conditions at the retreat house and that if he is advised by Fr. Brundage, he will sign the Individual Specific Protocol.

Fr. Kacзорowski informed Fr. Mulsoff of Cardinal George's message regarding consequences that individuals would face if they did not sign the Individual Specific Protocols and if they did not adhere to the protocols themselves. As per Cardinal George, Fr. Kacзорowski informed Fr. Mulsoff that an individual who refuses to sign the Individual Specific Protocols by March 31, 2004 and/or is non-compliant with the protocols themselves, would no longer receive a salary paid by the Archdiocese of Chicago. Cardinal George will only provide room and board, payment of medical and car insurance, and a small monthly stipend.

When asked by PRA and Fr. Kacзорowski, Fr. Mulsoff shared his ideas regarding time spent at the retreat house. He suggested that Cardinal George consider activities that those withdrawn from ministry may take part in, including participation in missions as well as scripture classes. Fr. Mulsoff also suggested that Cardinal George be proactive in
planning for the event that he and/or others currently withdrawn are exonerated of the allegations made against them and their return to ministry. In addition to being self-described “social director” [for those withdrawn], Fr. Mulsoff shared that Rev. R. Peter Bowman began a daily 5:30 evening prayer to include any individual interested in participating.

As usual, Fr. Mulsoff was extremely cordial and interactive during the meeting. He was appreciative of the time spent with PRA and Fr. Kaczorowski.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
February 17, 2004

Leah McCluskey  
Professional Responsibility Administrator  
Archdiocese of Chicago  
PO Box 1979  
Chicago, IL 60690-1979

Dear Ms. McCluskey:

I am returning some material to you regarding Fr. Donald Mulsoff. At one time I was his advocate but as of last Fall I resigned from being his advocate. I do not know if he has chosen a new advocate.

Sincerely,

Rev. Thomas T. Brundage, JCL  
Archdiocese of Milwaukee
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING
Saturday, February 21, 2004 - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2004

II. Case Reviews

Preliminary Review:
A. 

III. Case Updates:
A. 
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IV. Monitoring Meetings/Monitoring Update

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VI. Update on New Allegations Received

The next scheduled Board Meeting is for Saturday, March 20, 2004
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This ISP for Donald Mulsoff is as follows (PRA to initial all that apply):

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

Signed: Rev. Donald J. Muloff (underlined) Date: 2-21-04  
Printed Name: Rev. Donald J. Muloff  
Signature of PRA: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 2/25/04  
Signature of VP: [Handwritten Signature] Date: 2/26/04
Dear Leah McCluskey.

Along with a copy of my signed protocols I have enclosed a letter which should be made a part of my file. I have signed these protocols under duress. The duress is the clear statement that my salary would be eliminated if I did not sign the protocols by March.

You have always agreed that I have been totally cooperative in the past. I will continue to cooperate in the future. However, I agree with my canonical advocate that such a threat is at the minimum unwarranted, certainly insulting, hardly fraternal and weakens the bond of faith with my archbishop.

No one likes to be threatened, especially when I have never given anything but one hundred percent cooperation.

A further notation should be made at this time. My protocol is not properly initialed as is indicated in the opening paragraph. I admit that the PHA and VP did go over the contents of the protocols with me at our last meeting. However, since this is a signed agreement, I believe that all the blanks should have been filled in before I affixed my signature. This may seem picky, but I have been advised that I should make this notation so as to protect myself. Signing a blank contract or check is never advisable. It is not my intention to be critical, simply careful.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

cc. Cardinal George
Rev. James Kaczorowski
J. Michael Ritty
February 26, 2004

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060-045

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,


I apologize for providing you with Individual Specific [Monitoring] Protocols on January 26th that were not appropriately initialed. I have enclosed your original monitoring protocols properly initialed and signed by Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and myself. Copies of the enclosed monitoring protocols have been placed in your file in the Office of Professional Responsibility as well as your file in the Vicar for Priests Office. I have also forwarded a copy of this letter and the enclosed information to you canonical advocate, Dr. J. Michael Ritty.

As always Fr. Mulsoff, if you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures

Cc: Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
    Dr. J. Michael Ritty, Canonical Advocate
February 26, 2004

Dear Brother Priests,

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

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

God bless you.

Sincerely, in Christ,

Rev. Jim T. Kaczorowski
Vicar for Priests

Cc: Leah McCluskey
Rev. Thomas A. Tivy
February 26, 2004

Dear Brothers in Christ:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago
February 26, 2004

Dr. J. Michael Ritty
29 Lower Copeland Hill Road
Feura Bush, NY 12067

Dear Dr. Ritty,

Enclosed you will find copies of correspondence initially sent to Fr. Thomas Brundage former Canonical Advocate of Fr. Donald Mulsoff.

If you have any question please contact Leah McCluskey at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Neri-Palomino
Administrative Assistant

Enclosures
February 26, 2004

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
Post Office Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

Enclosed you will find the original copy of your Individual Specific Protocols. A copy is being sent to your advocate, Dr. J. Michael Ritty.

If you have any questions please contact Leah McChuskey at 312-751-5205.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Neri-Palomino
Administrative Assistant

Enclosure

Cc: Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Dr. J. Michael Ritty, Canonical Advocate
To: Leah McCloskey

From: Mary Ann

Fax Number: (312) 642-4933

Date: 2/27/04

Number of pages including cover sheet: 7

MESSAGE:

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Leah,

This is material faxed to priests at Koenig Hall last night. Kay listed you as contact. Together with Tom and himself, if there are calls from those at Koenig Hall.

Blessings on this day.

Mary Ann
February 27, 2004

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

Attachment

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO - INFORMATION SHEET

ACCUSED PRIESTS: HOW MANY, WHERE THEY ARE NOW, WHEN OCCURRED
The Archdiocese of Chicago found reasonable cause to suspect that sexual misconduct with a minor had occurred in 142 cases involving 55 Archdiocesan priests in the period 1950-2003. None is currently in ministry. Most incidents occurred between 1970 and 1985.

dead 13
withdrawn from ministry 20
resigned from the priesthood 22

DATE OF INCIDENTS

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

$5.9 million Legal Fees
$5.9 million Treatment and monitoring of accused priests
$26.9 million Victim Assistance/Settlements/Support

TO REPORT A CASE OF ABUSE

To The Archdiocese
To Other Authorities

To report suspected sexual abuse of a minor by a priest or deacon - presently or in the past - call:
Leah McCluskey, MSW, LSW Administrator
Office of Professional Responsibility
(800) 994-6200
(Lake and Cook counties only)
or (312) 751-5285
Send written allegations to:
Leah McCluskey, Administrator
Office of Professional Responsibility
Archdiocese of Chicago
Post Office Box 1979
Chicago, Illinois 60680-1979
Email: lmccluskey@archchicago.org
Fax: (312) 751-5279

To report allegations directly to civil authorities, call:
The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)
(800) 252-2873
Cook County State's Attorney
(312) 603-5440
Lake County State's Attorney
(847) 377-3000
February 27, 2004

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. box 455
Mundelein, Illinois 60060-045

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,


I apologize for providing you with Individual Specific [Monitoring] Protocols on January 26th that were not appropriately initialed. I have enclosed your original monitoring protocols properly initialed and signed by Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests and myself. Copies of the enclosed monitoring protocols have been placed in your file in the Office of Professional Responsibility as well as your file in the Vicar for Priests Office. I have also forwarded a copy of this letter and the enclosed information to you canonical advocate, Dr. J. Michael Ritty.

As always Fr. Mulsoff, if you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Leah McCluskey
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Enclosures

Cc Rev. James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
Dr. J. Michael Ritty, Canonical Advocate
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

[Rev. Donald J. Markoff] has informed this office that he will be traveling from

Crakow, Poland, W. through 3-23-04 [departure date] through [return date].

Rev. Donald J. Markoff [name of cleric] will be monitored by

[Name of travel monitor].

[Name of travel monitor] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of

Rev. Donald J. Markoff [name of cleric] during the aforementioned time frame.

[See attached correspondence]

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Markoff [name of cleric] must be in the

presence of [Name of travel monitor]. Inappropriate situations

and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Name of travel monitor] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Markoff [cleric name] over

3-20-04 to 3-23-04 [aforementioned time frame].

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Markoff [cleric name]

residence has been scheduled for 3-23-04 [aforementioned return date].

However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at [312] 751-5205.

Cleric Signature: Rev. Donald J. Markoff Date: 3-10-04

PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: 3-10-04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the cleric's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
To: Leah McCuskey
From: Dr. Jan Kazarowski
Fax Number: 
Date: 3/15/04
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MESSAGE:

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MEMO

To: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert
   Most Reverend Edwin M. Conway
   Mr. Jimmy Lago
   Dr. Carol Fowler
   Ms. Leah McCluskey
   Reverend Thomas A. Tivy
   Reverend Daniel A. Smilanic
   Reverend Anthony Talarico
   Reverend Edmund J. Siedlecki

From: Reverend James T. Kaczorowski

Date: March 15, 2004

Re: Residents at Koenig Hall

Attached is a copy of the letter sent by Francis Cardinal George to each of the residents at Koenig Hall, Cardinal Stritch Retreat House.
March 15, 2004

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
P O Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Father Mulsoff,

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

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

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

Sincerely, yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George
Archbishop of Chicago
To: Rev. Ronald Muleff
From: Fr. James Kaczorowski
Fax Number: 
Date: 3/15/04
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MESSAGE:

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Attached you will find a copy of the letter being sent to you by Cardinal George. The original will reach you by mail. Be assured of my prayers for you.

Fraternally,

[Signature]
Dear Jim,

I believe an apology is in order and I wish to make it at the beginning of this letter. As you may know, I was away at the time of the March 22nd meeting, relaxing in central Wisconsin on a four day outing with friends. The notes made by one of the residents seemed sarcastic and many of the residents found them objectionable. Please accept my apology, and I know that this is the feeling of many of my fellow residents.

As a priest who is currently living at the retreat house I appreciate the privacy of the residence from the possible prying intrusion of reporters and publicity seeking protesters. Thank you! When inquirers are made, I simply state that, at the Cardinal’s request, my “residence” is at the retreat house. That’s it.

I look upon your office as one of advocacy for us. At times you bring news that is not always appreciated, but I know that these are not your policy decisions. So we shouldn’t criticize the messenger.

If I might be so bold as to make a concrete suggestion. When a meeting is requested, if possible, a short written agenda for the meeting should be sent in advance. I believe this would help all parties involved to make adequate constructive preparations and better insure well considered comments and dialogue.

Please know that I pray for each and every day. Thank you for your important ministry!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Donald J. Mulasoff

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff
April 26, 2004

Rev. Donald Mulsoff  
P.O. Box 455  
Mundelein, IL 60060-0455

Dear Fr. Mulsoff,

Enclosed you will find copies of the Travel/Vacation Notification forms to use to replace the form (copy attached) previously submitted. These are the correct forms to use. Please make the necessary copies as needed.

If you have any questions please contact Leah McCluskey at 312-751-5205.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Neri-Palomino  
Administrative Assistant

Enclosures
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, WI, from April 30, 2004 through May 2, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [Redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned timeframe.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [Redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over April 30, 2004 through May 2, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff’s residence has been scheduled for May 2, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 781-5605.

Cleric’s Signature: [Redacted] Date: 4/26/04

PRA Signature: [Redacted] Date: 4/26/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric’s file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk’s file in the Vicar for Priests’ Office.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Lawrence Lake andCrooked Lake, WI. from May 31, 2004 through June 10, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over May 31, 2004 through June 10, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff’s residence has been scheduled for June 10, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5205.

Cleric’s Signature: [redacted] Date: 5-21-04

PRA Signature: [redacted] Date: 5-21-04

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TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Eagle Lake, Ontario, Canada from August 13, 2004 through August 29, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [Name] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [Name]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Name] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over August 13, 2004 through August 29, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for August 29, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5205.

Cleric's Signature: Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff Date: July 27, 2004

PRA Signature: [Signature] Date: [Signature]

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ has informed this office that he will be traveling to Eagle Lake, Ontario, Canada from August 13, 2004 through August 29, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ will be monitored by [redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ must be in the presence of [redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ over August 13, 2004 through August 29, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£'s residence has been scheduled for August 29, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5265.

Cleric's Signature: Rev. Donald J. Mulsof£ Date: July 27, 2004
PRA Signature: [redacted] Date: 7/27/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
Vacation Itinerary for Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff

Will stay overnight at my older brother’s house on Thursday August 12, 2004. Will leave Chicago by car at 4:00 AM on Friday, August 13, 2004 and drive to Evelyth, Minnesota, staying overnight at a Motel 8. Will continue driving to West Arm Resort in Ontario, Canada, arriving on Saturday, August 14, 2004. At all times I will be accompanied by my older brother as the monitor at all times. Weather permitting we will spend each day fishing from 10AM to 2PM and again from 4 PM to 8:30 PM. One day we will do laundry and some shopping together.

Will leave resort on Saturday, August 18, 2004 at 4:00 AM and stay overnight at the Best Western Motel in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. Sunday, August 19, 2004, we will return to Chicago and unpack. I will return to the residence Sunday evening at about 10:40 PM.

Because this is a wilderness area, public telephone access is not readily available.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from September 2, 2004 through September 5, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [Redacted]. [Redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [Redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over September 2, 2004 through September 5, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for September 5, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5205.

Cleric's Signature: [Redacted] Date: 8-11-04

PRA Signature: [Redacted] Date: 8-16-04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from October 15, 2004 through October 17, 2004.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [Redacted] who has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [Redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over October 15, 2004 through October 17, 2004.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for October 17, 2004. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5205.

Cleric's Signature: [Redacted] Date: 10-4-04

PRA Signature: [Redacted] Date: 10/4/04

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.

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November 16, 2004

Confidential

Mr. Michael J. Howlett, Jr.
Counsel to the State's Attorney
Richard J. Daley Center
69 West Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Mr. Howlett:

Pursuant to your request, enclosed are copies of Individual Specific Protocols applicable to priests of the Archdiocese for whom the Archbishop has determined there is reason to suspect that the individual priest may have engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. The priests are:

Rev. Donald Mulsoff

Please note I have deleted information related to therapy and spiritual direction for the reason of confidentiality. Further, I have not signed the protocol, upon advice of canonical counsel, but I am advised by Leah McCluskey that they comply with the restrictions.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

John C. O'Malley
Director of Legal Services

JCOM:sm

Enclosures

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

SCDir03SCD96VCOM Cover letter for Individual Specific Protocols
Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from February 16, 2005 through February 20, 2005.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [blurred name]. [blurred name] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [blurred name]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [blurred name] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over February 16, 2005 through February 20, 2005.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for February 20, 2005. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 751-5200.

Cleric's Signature: [blurred name] Date: 2/06/05

PRA Signature: [blurred name] Date: 2/09/05

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from March 9, 2005 through March 13, 2005.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [redacted]. [redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over March 9, 2005 through March 13, 2005.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for March 13, 2005. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 781-5205.

Cleric's Signature: [redacted] Date: 2/26/05

PRA Signature: [redacted] Date: 3/1/05

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vicar for Priests' Office.
TRAVEL/VACATION NOTIFICATION

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Lawrence Lake & Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from May 30, 2005 through June 12, 2005.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [redacted] Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over May 30, 2005 through June 12, 2005.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff’s residence has been scheduled for June 12, 2005. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 791-3206.

Cleric’s Signature: [redacted] Date: 5/16/05
PRA Signature: [redacted] Date: 5/19/05

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Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, Wisconsin from July 28, 2005 through July 31, 2005.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by ___________ who has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

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July 22, 2005

Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Cardinal Stritch Retreat House
P.O. Box 455
Mundelein, IL 60060

Dear Don:

I have completed my review of the case of sexual misconduct with minors that has been pending against you. My decision is contained in the enclosed decree.

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

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

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

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

cc: Mr. J. Michael Ritty, Advocate
Rev. George J. Rassas, Vicar General
Rev. Edward Grace, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Promoter of Justice
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Minister
Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Ms. Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator
Mr. John O’Malley, Legal Services
DECREES

THE FACTS.

Reverend Donald Mulsoff is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago who was ordained for this Archdiocese in 1969. He has served the Archdiocese as a parochial vicar in the following assignments: St. Catherine of Alexandria (Oak Lawn) from 1969-1974; Mary Queen of Heaven (Cicero) from 1974-1980; Blessed Sacrament (Chicago) from 1980-1985; St. Mary of Perpetual Help (Chicago) from 1985-1999; and St. Celestine (Elmwood Park) from 1999-2002. At the present time, he is not exercising any public ministry and is residing at the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House in Mundelein, Illinois.

Accusations of sexual misconduct with minors have been made against Father Mulsoff over the years. All of them have involved spankings on the bare buttocks of minors. Father Mulsoff has admitted to spanking children on a fairly regular basis, an activity which he now realizes was inappropriate. He denies that any of his actions were sexual in nature.

The matter was brought before the Professional Responsibility Review Board for an Initial Review. On March 23, 2002, the Professional Responsibility Review Board advised me that there seemed to be some semblance of truth to the accusations. In accordance with the Code of Canon Law, a preliminary investigation was undertaken on May 29, 2003 by my delegate, Leah McCluskey. After receiving her report, I shared the findings again with the Professional Responsibility Review Board, which advised me that they believed the matter ought to be referred to the Holy See, in accordance with the motu proprio Sacramentorum Sanctitatis Tutela. I referred this matter to the Holy See on July 31, 2003, receiving a reply on July 26, 2004 (P.N. 292/03 - 19032), dispensing from canonical prescription and instructing me to conduct an administrative penal process. I initiated this process on August 26, 2004, entrusting its instruction to Reverend Patrick R. Lagges. All the evidence and proofs have been gathered.

Father Mulsoff has been cited according to the norm of law. I had already accepted his previous mandate for Mr. Michael Ritty to act as his advocate. The acts of the case have been made available to Mr. Ritty, who has presented his defense of Father Mulsoff, asking that a negative finding be reached in this matter.

I have appointed two assessors to assist me in reaching a decision in this case, in accordance with the prescriptions of the law and the directives of the Holy See. They have reviewed all the acts of the case and have presented me with their opinions.

I have carefully reviewed all the acts of the case and listened to the opinions of the Assessors. Having prayed for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, I have now come to a decision on the following matter:
Is **Father Donald Mulsoff** guilty of the delict described in c. 1395§2 (c. 2359§2 of the 1917 Code of Canon Law); namely sexual misconduct with a minor under the age of sixteen? and insofar as this is true, what penalty ought to be imposed?

**THE LAW.**

Every society which is organized in the world must establish rules that govern how its members are to behave and what to do when its members don’t behave in that way. This is no less true of the Church. It is for this reason that c. 1311 states, “The Church has the innate and proper right to coerce offending members of the Christian faithful with penal sanctions.”

However, the present Code, following upon the principle established by the bishops of the world that the number of automatic penalties should be reduced and only inflicted for the most serious reasons, recognized the wisdom of the Fathers of the Council of Trent who wrote, “Let Bishops and other Ordinaries bear in mind that they are pastors and not prosecutors and that they ought to preside over those subject to them so as not to lord it over them, but to love them as children and brethren and to strive by exhortation and admonition to deter them from what is unlawful, that they may not be obliged should [their subjects] transgress, to coerce them by due punishments....But if on account of the gravity of the offense there is need of the rod, then its rigor is to be tempered with gentleness, judgement with mercy, and severity with clemency, that discipline, so salutary and necessary for the people, may be preserved without harshness and they who are chastised may be corrected....” This was also enshrined in the 1917 Code of Canon Law as c. 2214§2.

The present Code also emphasized that the imposition of penalties is to come only as a last resort. Canon 1341 admonishes bishops and other ordinaries not to begin penal proceedings until they have exhausted all other means of repairing scandal, restoring justice, and reforming the offender.

There are some crimes, however, that are so heinous that their effects reverberate through the whole Church. In such cases, the Holy See intervenes to issue particular legislation to ensure the unity of the Church is not harmed by the action of individual.

Such is the case with clerical sexual abuse of minors. Canon 1395§2 states, “A cleric who in another way has committed an offense against the sixth commandment of the Decalogue, if the delict was committed by force or threats or publicly or with a minor below the age of sixteen years, is to be punished with just penalties, not excluding dismissal from the clerical state if the case so warrants.” Recognizing the gravity of this offense, and the long term effects that this has upon the victim, the Holy See issued particular legislation for the United States in 1994, defining the offense as applicable to any person under the age of eighteen who was abused by a cleric. In 2001, this became the universal law of the Church with the promulgation of the motu proprio, *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*. Further particular legislation in the United States, namely the *Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons* has established dismissal from the clerical state as the
normal penalty to be imposed in cases where clerics have been found guilty of the delict of sexual abuse of minors.

Since c. 1342§2 prohibits the imposition of perpetual penalties by means of a decree, this would mean that normally a judicial trial would have to take place in order to impose the penalty prescribed by the Essential Norms. However, on 7 February, 2003, the Holy Father issued further legislation which granted to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith the faculty to issue decrees of dismissal from the clerical state. It allowed the Particular Congress of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, in cases which are “grave and clear”, to allow some cases to “be treated under the summary process of can. 1720 by the Ordinary who, in case he is of the opinion that the accused should be dismissed from the clerical state, will ask the CDF to impose dismissal by decree.” This was a derogation from Article 17 of Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela, which states, “The more grave delicts reserved to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith may only be tried in a judicial process.”

In this particular case, the Particular Congress of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, in permitting this case to be handled according to the summary judicial process, also included the provision that the Particular Congress would also consider imposing “some other perpetual penalty” recommended by the Ordinary. The Congregation has also granted a dispensation from prescription in this matter (see P.N. 292/03 - 19032), so that the action has not been extinguished.

In determining whether a delict has been committed and a penalty ought to be imposed, the bishop must make three distinct decisions, according to cc. 1717-1720. First, he must decide whether there is some semblance of truth to the accusation (c. 1717). According to the Essential Norms, he is to seek the advice of a diocesan review board which is to be established as a consultative body in each diocese to assist the bishop in making determinations in various stages of the process.

Having made the decision that there is some semblance of truth to an accusation, the bishop must then conduct an inquiry either personally or through another in order to decide whether a further penal process is warranted in a case. In weighing the evidence presented from this investigation, the bishop must then decide whether further action is necessary in order to determine whether a delict has been committed and what penalty ought to be imposed.

According to Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela, if he determines that further action is necessary, the bishop must refer the case to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (see Article 13), seeking further direction as to how to proceed. The Congregation will then direct the bishop to initiate a judicial trial, to initiate an administrative process, or to provide for a resolution of the case in some other administrative manner. In the most egregious cases, the Congregation has been granted the faculty to refer the case directly to the Holy Father for an ex officio dismissal from the clerical state.

In this particular case, the Congregation has directed me to proceed with an administrative penal process, according to c. 1720, and, if the case warrants the imposition of a perpetual penalty, to refer the matter back to the Congregation for its consideration of my decision and the imposition of a perpetual penalty if the Congregation feels it is so warranted.
Having taken the above into consideration, having carefully weighed the evidence and the proofs, having afforded the accused the right of defense through his legitimately mandated Advocate, having listened to the Reverend Promoter of Justice, and having consulted two experts in the law who have served as Assessors, I, Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., Archbishop of Chicago, having only God before my eyes, and invoking the name of the Most Holy Trinity, do hereby declare, pronounce, and decree:

Reverend Donald Mulsoff has been found guilty of the delict described in c. 1395§2; namely sexual abuse of a minor. I have reached moral certitude that Father Mulsoff has committed this delict because the preponderance of evidence indicates that he engaged in a pattern of behavior which was inappropriate and sexual in nature. By his own admission, Father Mulsoff physically disciplined children by spanking them. When taken together, the evidence in the case indicates that Father Mulsoff engaged in behavior with minors under the age of sixteen in violation of the sixth commandment of the Decalogue.

Because of the seriousness of the offense, taking into account the circumstances of persons and things, and keeping foremost in my mind my obligation, enunciated by the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, to provide for the protection of children and young people in my diocese, I have determined that some canonical penalty is warranted in this case. I do not believe that the actions of Father Mulsoff warrant dismissal from the clerical state.

However, because of the seriousness of the offense and the scandal that has resulted among the Christian faithful, I make the following provisions in this case:

Father Donald Mulsoff’s faculties to minister as a priest of the Archdiocese are removed for a period of five years. At the end of that period of time, this decree will be reviewed to see if it must be renewed or can be revised. However, Father Mulsoff is permitted to celebrate Mass alone in his room, with no one else present. He may also celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick in danger of death only.

Father Mulsoff’s salary is to be determined as that of an associate pastor, less any administrative expenses as determined in particular law of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

With regard to where Father Mulsoff might live and what work he might do, I hereby designate the Vicar for Priests and the Professional Responsibility Administrator to act as my delegate in resolving these matters.
I also direct the Vicar for Priests, in conjunction with the Professional Responsibility Administrator, to work with Father Mulsoff in determining a monitoring protocol. He should also participate in any therapeutic program which might allow him to live out the provisions of this decree in a positive manner.

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

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

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

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

This decision shall be made known to Father Mulsoff and to his Advocate at the earliest possible moment, as well as their right to appeal any decision of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith to the feria quarta of that same Congregation.

Given at Chicago, Illinois on the 22nd day of July, 2005. All other provisions notwithstanding.

[Signature]
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

[Signature]
Rev. Richard Mauer
Ecclesiastical Notary
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Michael J. Howlett, Jr.
Counsel to the State’s Attorney
Richard J. Daley Center
69 West Washington Street, 32nd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Mr. Howlett:

The Archdiocese Information Service has received an allegation from [REDACTED] that he was sexually abused as a minor “many years ago” by Fr. Donald Mulsoff, an archdiocesan priest. [REDACTED]’s communication was referred to the Office of Professional Responsibility for further inquiry.

On May 25, 2002 Fr. Mulsoff was withdrawn from public ministry and was placed under restrictions with monitoring.

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

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
John C. O’Malley
Director of Legal Services

JCOM:sm

cc: Ms. Shauna Boliker
Ms. Leah McCluskey
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR-82

From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator

Re: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Withdrawn]

Date: September 21, 2005

Cardinal Francis George, O.M.I., Rev. Patrick Lages, Judicial Vicar, Revs. Edward Grace and Vincent Costello Vicars for Priests, and PRA traveled to the Cardinal Stritch Retreat House to meet with Rev. Donald Mulsoff on August 3, 2005. The meeting had been scheduled at the request of Cardinal George so that he could speak with Fr. Mulsoff about the administrative penal process he was instructed to conduct by the Holy See (P.N. 292/03 – 19032).

Cardinal George began the meeting with a prayer and then provided Fr. Mulsoff with a copy of the decree [see file]. Fr. Mulsoff was informed that Fr. Lages would send a copy of the decree to his canonical advocate, Dr. J. Michael Ritty.

Cardinal George informed Fr. Mulsoff that this matter was referred to the Holy See on July 31, 2003 and that the response was received on July 26, 2004. The Cardinal also informed Fr. Mulsoff that he has completed his review of the case of sexual misconduct with minors that has been pending against him. Cardinal George read over and summarized the decree and imposed penalties for Fr. Mulsoff.

Fr. Mulsoff was informed that his Vicar for Priests is now Fr. Costello. The Cardinal also informed Fr. Mulsoff that he and the other men withdrawn from ministry and residing at the retreat house are able to say mass in the chapel [of the retreat house] with no one else present.

Cardinal George talked to Fr. Mulsoff about him [Fr. Mulsoff] moving from the retreat house and to another monitored residence. The Cardinal also mentioned the possibility of work for Fr. Mulsoff that was not considered to be public ministry. Fr. Mulsoff was informed that the Vicar for Priests and PRA would work with him on future possible moves and work.
Fr. Mulsoff then asked Cardinal George if the Archdiocese of Chicago would have a press conference to announce the final determinations on his and the other cases received from Rome. Cardinal George informed Fr. Mulsoff that he has not said anything of such a press conference at this point in time. The Cardinal also stated that he does not want to release names [of Fr. Mulsoff and the other priests withdrawn from ministry for misconduct with minors] but that he does want to publicly announce that the end of the canonical process is here.

Fr. Mulsoff expressed his concern with the action of the bishops and feels "...that it [the bishops' actions] has been hurtful for the church."

In reaction to some of the Cardinal's comments, Fr. Mulsoff indicated that if he will be working in the Chicago area in the future, that he would prefer not to live at Mundelein [due to the distance and travel]. Fr. Mulsoff stated that if it were permissible, he would like to live with his brother on the North Side of Chicago. Cardinal George informed Fr. Mulsoff that his brother [or any other relative] cannot be his monitor and he may not live near a school.

Prior to ending the meeting, Fr. Lagges asked Fr. Mulsoff to write "received August 3, 2005" on his copy of the decree.

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
    Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
September 23, 2005

Rev. Patrick Henry
St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish
4100 W. 107th St.
Oak Lawn, IL 60453

Dear Father Henry:

As you know, Cardinal George has resolved eleven cases of priests heretofore temporarily removed from public ministry as a result of an allegation of abuse of a minor. In accord with our policies and practices, victims and the affected parish communities will be informed about the resolution of the cases. With that in mind, I ask that you share the enclosed letter with your parishioners at Masses this weekend.

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

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

Sincerely yours,

Reverend George J. Rassas
Vicar General

cc: Most Rev. Gustavo Garcia-Siler, M.Sp.S.
September 23, 2005

To the Parishioners of St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish:

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely yours,

Rev. George J. Rassas
Vicar General

cc: Most Rev. Gustavo Garcia-Siller, M.Sp.S.
September 23, 2005

Rev. Lawrence Sullivan
St. Celestine Parish
3020 N. 76th Ct.
Elmwood Park, IL 60707-1103

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cc: Most Rev. Thomas Paprocki
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Sincerely yours,

Reverend George J. Rassas
Vicar General

cc: Most Rev. Thomas Paprocki
MEMORANDUM

TO: Father Ed Grace, Ms. Mayra Flores, Ms. Leah McCluskey
FROM: Father Lagges
RE: Appeal of Cardinal George’s decree
DATE: 23 September, 2005

For those who had their cases settle by the administrative penal process (___ Mulsof), their appeal would have to go directly to Rome within thirty days.
Critics are concerned about priests living on the grounds of the University of St. Mary of the Lake in Mundelein recently removed by the Chicago Archdiocese on allegations of sexual misconduct.

Police want list of punished priests

BY MADHU KRISHNAMURTHY
AND BOB SUNJARA
Daily Herald Staff Writers

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

Nearly all the 11 priests ousted by Cardinal Francis George last week reside on the grounds of University of St. Mary of the Lake off Route 176. Some of the priests have lived there since 2002, but village authorities learned of it only recently, Police Chief Raymond J. Rose said.

Some of the priests are in nursing homes, an archdiocese official said. Seven of the priests had ties to churches in Cook, Lake and DuPage counties. The allegations date back 50 years, past the statute of limitations for criminal prosecution.

Rose said the priests don't have to register as sex offenders but police would like to follow the same procedure and have their files available in the event of an incident. He said the village is aware of the archdiocese's concern about the priests' privacy.

"We're trying to find that middle ground that allows us to have the information, so the community is aware that we have the information," he said.

"Should there ever be any reports or concerns, we would have that file in the police department," Rose said any information on the priests would remain confidential.

An archdiocese official said Tuesday the Mundelein police request is under consideration.

"It's a very difficult conundrum at the moment," said Colleen Dolan, archdiocese director of communications and public relations. "I would presume the lawyers would have to look at the legalities of this because you can't just put the priests' names on a list."

Though the archdiocese has not released a full list of the removed priests' names, officials there confirmed a list obtained by the Daily Herald. It has been widely published.

Mundelein police are asking for more than just names. Officials want to know how to identify the men, details of the allegations against them and how they are being monitored.

Mundelein Mayor Kenneth Kessler said while police are being cautious, there is no reason for alarm about the accused priests living on the seminary grounds.

"It's not like this just happened last week," he said. "These people have been there and there have been no problems to date. We actually have far better ability to know what's going on with an organization of this nature than what's going on up and down the streets of regular old, private Mundelein."
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MEMORANDUM

To: File
From: Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator
Re: Cardinal Stritch Retreat House Residents
Date: October 7, 2005

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

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

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

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

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

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

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff has informed this office that he will be traveling to Crooked Lake, WI, from October 13, 2005 through October 17, 2005.

Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff will be monitored by [redacted]. [Redacted] has accepted the responsibility of verifying the location and activities of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff during the aforementioned time frame.

1. Contacts with minors by Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff must be in the presence of [redacted]. Inappropriate situations and locations incompatible with a priestly lifestyle are to be avoided.

2. [Redacted] may be asked to attest to the activities and whereabouts of Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff over October 13, 2005 through October 17, 2005.

3. As previously noted, the date of return to Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff's residence has been scheduled for October 17, 2005. However, due to weather conditions or emergencies that may arise, the date may be changed. In the event of such a circumstance, should the original plans be substantially changed, please contact PRA at (312) 781-0202.

Cleric's Signature: [Redacted] Date: 10/10/05

PRA Signature: [Redacted] Date: 10/15/05

A copy of this document will be provided to the cleric. The original will be placed in the cleric's file in the Office of Professional Responsibility and a copy will be placed in the clerk's file in the Vica for Priests' Office.

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TO: Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry
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Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
Leah McCluskey, Office of Professional Responsibility
John O'Malley, Legal Services
Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board
Patricia Zacharias, Office of Professional Responsibility

FROM: Laura Neri-Palomino, Administrative Assistant
Office of Professional Responsibility

DATE: October 11, 2005

RE: [PFR-82] Mulsoff, Rev. Donald (Withdrawn)/[Redacted]

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 10/11/05. We are opening a file and Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator will begin the Review Process by attempting to arrange an interview with [Redacted]. Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Mulsoff, Rev. Donald/[Redacted].

It is extremely important that you 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.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Rev. George Rassas, Vicar General
Thanks again.

Leah

>>> Laura Neri-Palomino 10/11/05 1:11 PM >>>
Will do, Laura

>>> Leah McCluskey 10/11/05 12:25 PM >>>
Laura,

This is a new allegation I received today. I responded to [redacted] and am waiting to hear back from him. In my response e-mail, I asked for his permission to forward his information to Assistance Ministry.

Could you please open a file?

Thanks.

Leah
Dear [Name],

I first want to thank you so much for your e-mail and sharing all that you have. I can only imagine what you and your family have endured over the years and now in the recent past and present.

I work closely with the Office of Assistance Ministry on the matters of the alleged sexual abuse of minors by clerics of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Dr. Michael Bland, and Mrs. Mayra Flores staff the Office of Assistance Ministry and they would be the most appropriate people to share with you the services and supports that could be offered to you and your family on behalf of the diocese. With your permission, I would like to forward your contact information to the Office of Assistance Ministry so that they could contact you and discuss such supports and services.

I work in the Office of Professional Responsibility, where we receive all allegations of the sexual abuse of minors by clerics. I have more detailed information about my office that I could send to you, or I could refer you to our website if you prefer. Essentially, I would like to be able to talk with you about your feelings of meeting, preferably face to face, where I would ask you to share whatever detail of the incident or incidents of abuse that took place when you were a child.

I know this is much information to share, and I apologize if this has been too much. I would like for us to have the opportunity to speak, be it via phone or e-mail, based upon your comfort level.

I thank you again for e-mailing me. You will find my extended contact information at the end of this e-mail. I look forward to hearing from you again.

Peace,

Leah

Leah McCluskey, MSW, LSW
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 Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces an e-mail chain between Victim LX and Leah McCluskey, Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office of Professional Responsibility, dated October 11, 2005. In his e-mail to Ms. McCluskey, Victim LX alleges that he was sexually abused at least three times by Fr. Donald Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish when Victim LX was a minor. Ms. Mccluskey responds by describing her role as Professional Responsibility Administrator as well as the services offered by the Office of Assistance Ministry. Ms. Mccluskey invites Victim LX to meet with her to formalize his allegation against Fr. Mulsoff.
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Ms. Shauna Boliker
Assistant State's Attorney
State's Attorney of Cook County (2)
2650 South California
Chicago, Illinois 60608

RE: [Redacted] 05 SC 084 (no last name given)
Date of Birth: approximately 1960
Date of alleged abuse: unknown

Dear Ms. Boliker:

Please be advised the Archdiocese of Chicago has received an e-mail of an allegation of sexual abuse from [Redacted] (no last name given) who is currently 45 years of age. The perpetrator, Fr. Donald Mulsoff, an archdiocesan priest was assigned to St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish in Oak Lawn, Illinois from 1969 to 1974. The priest was removed from public ministry in May 2003. We do not know the age of the victim at the time of the misconduct or where the alleged abuse took place. No other 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,

[Signature]
John C. O'Malley
Director of Legal Services

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

SCDiss'05SC084Notification to State's Attorney Office
October 26, 2005

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Re: Donald Mulsoff

Dear: 

Enclosed is an executed settlement agreement and release in the above matter. Also enclosed is the settlement check for made payable to the "Client Trust Account."

Please call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Patricia B. Carlson

PBC: skb
Enclosure

cc (w/enclosure)
October 27, 2005
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bcc:  (w/enclosure)
      Reverend Edward Grace
      John O'Malley
      John Smith
      Christopher Spala
      Matthew Kaminski
Rev. Donald Mulsoff, Class of 1969, died on November 3. Father Mulsoff had been in residence at Cardinal Stritch Retreat House.

**Visitation:**
- Tuesday, November 8
- 9:00-11:00 AM

**Mass:**
- Tuesday, November 8
- 11:00 AM

**Interment:**

The main celebrant of the funeral Mass will be his classmate, Most Rev. Francis Kane. Fr. Mulsoff's classmates have been invited to concelebrate. Concelebrating bishops are asked to call Joyce or Phyllis at Catholic Cemeteries, (708) 49-6100, and to bring their own funeral vestments.
Rev. Edward Grace assisted Fr. Mulsoff's family with arrangements. The phone number for Father Mulsoff's brother is [REDACTED].

CC: Admin Assts; Burns, Linda; Camacho, Martha; Cummings, Miriam Patrick, Sr.; Dwyer, Jim; Eitz, Mercedes; Fox, Maryann; Nerl-Palomino, Laura; Swezenski, Celine
Mulsoff, Donald J.
62, suddenly, November 3, 2005, beloved son of the late and , loving brother of , and , survived by many cousins. Funeral services were private. Memorials to American Heart Association, 208 S. LaSalle, Chicago, IL 60604. Visit Guest Book at www.suntimes.com.
Former Oak Lawn priest dies

Donald Mulsoff was removed from ministry for alleged sexual misconduct

By William Lee
Staff writer

A former Oak Lawn priest who was thrown out of the ministry for alleged sexual misconduct with a minor has died.

Donald Mulsoff died Nov. 3 at age 62. Mulsoff was one of 11 area priests removed from ministry by the Archdiocese of Chicago for sexual conduct dating back to the 1950s, '60s and '70s.

In September, the Vatican announced Cardinal Francis George’s decision to remove the priests from public ministry.

While the archdiocese did not release the names of the 11 priests, the Chicago Sun-Times confirmed that Mulsoff was among them.

Mulsoff allegedly engaged in sexual misconduct when he served more than 25 years ago at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish in Oak Lawn. He was also accused of misconduct at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish in Cicero, according to the archdiocese.

Mulsoff was serving at St. Celestine Parish in Elmwood Park in 2002 when he was removed.

After his stint at St. Catherine, Mulsoff served as pastor at St. Mary of Perpetual Help in Chicago's Bridgeport community from April 1985 to September 1999.

He is survived by two brothers. Funeral services are being held privately.
MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

Review Board Members Absent:

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

I. Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2005
   • No objections or proposed changes to the agenda

II. Other Matters
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III. Case Reviews
    Initial Review
    A.
Review for Cause
B.

Supplementary Review
C.
D.

IV. Other Matters cont’d

• PRA informed the Review Board of Rev. Donald Mulsoff’s passing [DOD: 11/3/05]

Next scheduled meeting is Saturday, December 3, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

Cc: Review Board Members
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY REVIEW BOARD MEETING
Saturday, November 19, 2005

AGENDA

I. Approval of Minutes – October 15, 2005

II. Case Reviews

   Initial Review:
   A. 

   Review for Cause:
   B. 

   Supplementary Review:
   C. 
   D. 

III. Other Matters

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   • Fr. Mulsoff
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The next scheduled Board Meeting is for Saturday, DECEMBER 3, 2005
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR-82
From: Review Board Meeting
Re: Rev. Donald Mulsoff
Date: November 19, 2005

PRA informed the Review Board of Rev. Donald Mulsoff’s passing [DOD: 11/3/05]
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT- CHANCERY DIVISION

Mother Doe 100, individually and as representative of the minor John Doe 100, on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

vs.

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

Defendant.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

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

INTRODUCTION

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

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

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

PARTIES

3. Plaintiff John Doe 100 is a minor. Mother Doe 100 is John Doe 100's mother and legal guardian. At all times material, Plaintiff John Doe 100 was a resident of the State of Illinois. At all times material, Mother Doe 100 was a resident of the State of Illinois.

4. The identities of all Doe Plaintiffs are made known to Defendants through separate cover letter.

5. Plaintiff [redacted] is a thirty-five year old Chicago resident. He was sexually molested as a child by [redacted], a religious order priest who was serving at a parish within the Archdiocese at the time of the abuse.

6. At all times material, the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a Corporation Sole (hereinafter "Archdiocese of Chicago") was and is an Illinois corporation. Defendant has approximately eight hundred fifty-four Diocesan priests serving in two counties in the State of Illinois.
Illinois. At all times material to the complaint, Defendant Archdiocese was conducting business in the State of Illinois.

**CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

7. Plaintiffs bring this action on behalf of themselves and, pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/2-801, as the representatives of the class of persons who have been molested as children by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago and on behalf of those children who have not yet been abused, but who are in imminent danger of abuse because the Archdiocese has not released the names and files of agents that have been accused of molesting children or accused of inappropriate sexual behavior with children to either the public or to the court.

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

9. There are questions of fact or law common to the class, which predominate over questions affecting only individual members. The common questions of law or fact include, but are not limited to: whether the Archdiocese of Chicago has failed to protect children by not releasing the names of its agents who have been accused of molesting children to the public and law enforcement and whether the Archdiocese has or is destroying documents in order to cover up or conceal crimes against children by clergy serving in and/or employed by the Archdiocese.

10. The Plaintiffs will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class. The interests of the plaintiffs are the same as those of all class members because they have all been
sexually abused by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago or are in danger of being molested by an agent of the Archdiocese of Chicago because the Archdiocese's information is not public. All have an interest in preventing the sexual abuse of any further children by agents of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

11. A class action is an appropriate method for the fair and efficient adjudication of the controversy alleged in this complaint. The expense and burden of individual litigation would make it difficult or impossible for individual members of the class to redress the wrongs done to them. The cost to the court system of adjudication of such individualized litigation would be substantial. Individualized litigation would also present the potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments and would magnify the delay and expense to all parties and the court system. By contrast, the conduct of this action as a class action presents far fewer management difficulties, conserves the resources of the parties and court system, and protects the rights of each class member. In addition, the prosecution of separate actions by the individual members of the class would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to individual class members which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for the defendant.

ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

12. (hereinafter "") was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago in approximately 1994.

13. At all times material, (hereinafter "") was employed by the Archdiocese. was an ordained Roman Catholic Priest educated, trained and ordained by, and under the direct supervision, employ, agency and control of the Archdiocese. Among duties in his employment was to provide pastoral care and counseling for
members of his denomination.

14. In approximately the winter of 2000, a nun at Holy Family Church in Chicago reported to the Archdiocese of Chicago that [redacted] asked a fourth-grade boy to pull down his pants in the sacristy at Holy Family.

15. The nun reported this numerous times to the Archdiocese.

16. On information and belief, on one occasion when the nun reported it to the Archdiocese, an official told her that “if the parents aren’t pushing it, let it go.”

17. After these reports, the nun made a final report to the Archdiocese, this one a written report of [redacted] behavior.

18. On information and belief, in 2000, the Archdiocese did not report to law enforcement, did not tell any of the parishioners at any of the parishes, did not tell any of the parishioners at any of the parishes where [redacted] worked after these reports, and did not tell any other children or parents about the report.

19. On information and belief, after the nun reported the abuse to the Archdiocese, the Archdiocese transferred [redacted] to another parish, St. Agatha’s in Chicago.

20. On information and belief, despite the report, the Archdiocese allowed [redacted] to teach at an Archdiocesan school and coach a boys basketball team.


22. On information and belief the Bishops passed the Dallas Charter in 2002. The Charter was only enforced, if at all, from within. There was no meaningful external non church
oversight over its enforcement.

23. Cardinal Francis George represented to the public that the Charter was a "zero tolerance" policy that committed them to removal of priests in childhood sexual abuse cases. He also represented to the public that a priest with even one act of sexual misconduct with a child should not be allowed in public ministry in order to protect children.

24. In January of 2003, the Archdiocese released a "Ten Year Report" that purported to give information about the Archdiocese's efforts to stop childhood sexual abuse by clerics in the previous ten years.

25. On information and belief, the Ten Year Report purports to give the current status of priests that were accused of molesting a child anytime from 1993 to 2003. The report indicates that no priest accused of abuse during that time period is in any form of ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

26. The Ten Year Report also states that officials of the Archdiocese have reported all allegations, including those not deemed credible, to the appropriate public authorities.

27. On information and belief, the Archdiocese did not include in the Ten Year Report.

28. Also in response to the clergy abuse scandal, the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops agreed to participate in a self-report survey conducted by the John Jay College.

29. As part of the John Jay survey, each Diocese submitted the number of priests that had allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor within the particular Diocese.

30. On information and belief there was no oversight over the information that was
given to the John Jay College. It was completely up to the particular Diocese to respond honestly.

31. The John Jay College defined “allegation,” as all recorded notifications of clerical sexual misconduct with minors, whether or not they resulted in any investigation or whether there was reasonable cause to suspect abuse had occurred.

32. In 2004, the Archdiocese reported that it had reason to believe that 55 priests had sexual misconduct with a minor.

33. In 2004, Cardinal George and the Archdiocese represented to the public that there were no priests that were accused of childhood sexual abuse that were in public ministry in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

34. On information and belief, the Archdiocese did not include_ in the 2004 John Jay numbers.

35. On information and belief in August of 2005, the Archdiocese learned that law enforcement was investigating_ for childhood sexual abuse.

36. On information and belief, in August of 2005, the Archdiocese did not inform the law enforcement that a nun had reported that_ had acted in a sexually inappropriate manner with a child in 2000.

37. On information and belief, just as it did in 2000, the Archdiocese did not report or warn any of the parishioners, the public, or the parents at St. Agatha parish that law enforcement was investigating_ for childhood sexual abuse.

38. On information and belief, the Archdiocese elevated_ to a position of authority in the Archdiocese on September 1, 2005. It appointed him as Dean of a Deanery of
the Archdiocese. This is an honored, respected, and supervisory position within the Archdiocese. This meant that was still at St. Agathas, but also had some supervisory authority over roughly 20 parishes in the Archdiocese.

39. The Archdiocese allowed to remain at St. Agathas and in the position of Dean until at least January of 2006, more four months after the Archdiocese received at least its second report of sexual misconduct against a minor by.

40. In January of 2006, Chicago law enforcement arrested and charged him with sexually molesting two boys on multiple occasions.

41. On information and belief, the nun who reported the abuse to the Archdiocese in 2000 was contacted by the Archdiocese the day before was arrested. The Archdiocese indicated to the nun that it did not have the nun’s letter.

42. On information and belief, the Archdiocese also stated publicly that it has no written record of the nun’s reports or the actual letter.

43. On information and belief, the Archdioceses and Dioceses across the United States, including the Archdiocese of Chicago, have been instructed to destroy documentation of sexual misconduct by priests and/or to send any of this material to the Holy See in order to claim it is immune from public discovery or disclosure.

44. On information and belief, the Archdiocese has not released the names of the 55 priests that it deemed as having reason to suspect committed sexual misconduct with children.

45. On information and belief, the Archdiocese has also not released the names of any of the other clerics, like who were accused of sexual misconduct and are still in parishes, but not included in the Ten Year Report or the John Jay Survey.
Although the Archdiocese had not released the names of offenders, some names of Archdiocesan clerics accused of sexual misconduct have been released during the course of litigation. These names were released in 2005:

1) Richard "Doc" Bartz
2) Robert Becker
3) R. Peter Bowman
4) Daniel Buck
5) Eugene Burns
6) John Callicott
7) William Cloutier
8) Robert D. Craig
9) John Curran
10) Walter DeRoeck
11) Jeremiah Duggan
12) Richard Fassbinder
13) Joseph Fitzharris
14) Robert Friese
15) James Hagan
16) Daniel Mark Holihan
17) Walter Huppenbauer
18) Thomas Job
19) Robert Kealy

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20) John Keehan
21) Thomas Kelly
22) John "Jack" Keough
23) Joseph Kissane
24) Leonard Kmak
25) William Lupo
26) Norbert Maday
27) Robert Mayer
28) Vincent McCaffrey
29) Donald Mulsoff
30) Thomas O'Gorman
31) James Ray
32) John Robinson
33) Kenneth Ruge
34) Raymond Skriba
35) Marion Snieg
36) Victor Stewart
37) Ralph Strand
38) Thomas Swade
39) Anthony Vader

47. Names that have not previously been released but who, on information and belief,
have been accused of sexual misconduct with a minor:

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1) James Flosi

There are also a number of religious order priests who worked in the Archdiocese.

On information and belief, the Archdiocese had control and/or supervision over these clerics while they were working in the Archdiocese. On information and belief, the Archdiocese knows about these clerics' misconduct. On information and belief, those religious order clerics that have been accused of sexual misconduct are:

1) Robert Berlet (Christian Brothers)

2) Robert Brouillette (Christian Brothers)

3) Vincent Bryce (Dominicans)

4) George Dyer (Dominicans)

5) Terrence Fitzmaurice (Benedictines)

6) John Huels (Servite)

7) Augustine Jones (Benedictines)

8) Donald McGuire (Jesuits)

9) John Murphy (Augustinians)

10) Robert Murphy (Camelites)

11) Michael O'Connor (Augustinians)

12) Jean Baptiste (J.B.) Ormechea (Passionists)

13) Eusebio Pantoja (Claretians)

14) Thomas Paramo (Claretians)

15) Carlos Peralta (Salesians)

16) John Powell (Jesuits)
17) Andrew Ronan (Servites)
18) Wilton Skiffington (Jesuits)
19) Patrick Strong (Augustinians)

49. [Redacted] sexually molested John Doe 100 at some point between approximately 2000 and 2005, when John Doe 100 was a minor child.

50. Neither John Doe 100 nor Mother Doe 100 knew that the Archdiocese had received reports about sexual abuse of children.

COUNT I
(Injunction - Release of Names)

51. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in Count I.

52. Plaintiffs bring Count I on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.

53. The practices of the Archdiocese of Chicago have endangered numerous children in the past and these practices will continue to put children at risk in the future.

54. Plaintiffs and the class have the right to not be sexually molested by clerics of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

55. The Archdiocese owes a duty to warn all children and their parents that come into contact with its clerics of allegations of sexual misconduct by the clerics because these children and their parents hold clerics in an esteemed position, which gives clerics virtually unlimited access to children.

56. The Archdiocese also owes a duty to children and their parents to release all of the names of clerics against whom the Archdiocese has deemed to have credible allegations of sexual abuse of children.
sexual misconduct with children to the court and to the public at large.

57. The Archdiocese also owes a duty to children and their parents to release all of the names of clerics that have been accused of sexual misconduct with children to the court and to the public at large.

58. Unless injunctive relief is granted numerous children in Illinois are at risk of being sexually molested by clerics of the Archdiocese.

59. In order to ensure that children are protected and free from sexual molestation by clerics, the plaintiffs and the members of the class are entitled to an injunction ordering that the Archdiocese do the following:
   a) Release the names of all 55 of the priests that it reported to the John Jay Survey to the court and to the public.
   b) Release the names of all other clerics, like [redacted], that were not included in the John Jay Survey, but against whom the Archdiocese has received allegations of sexual misconduct by the cleric with children to the court and to the public.

**COUNT II**
(Injunction - Documents)

60. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in Count II.

61. Plaintiffs bring Count II on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.

62. On information and belief, the Archdiocese still has documents that are evidence of crimes committed by clerics against children.

63. The Archdiocese has a duty to the public at large and to law enforcement to not
destroy any documents that evidence a crime.

64. The Archdiocese has a duty to children that were abused by clerics to not destroy any documents relating to the sexual misconduct or alleged sexual misconduct of any cleric at anytime in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

65. On information and belief the Archdiocese has destroyed documents and/or concealed documents and/or failed to give documents to law enforcement relating to sexual misconduct or alleged sexual misconduct by clerics of the Archdiocese.

66. Unless injunctive relief is granted, children will be at imminent risk of being molested by clerics of the Archdiocese, law enforcement will be prevented from doing its job, and those children that have already been molested by clerics will have their rights negatively affected.

67. In order to ensure that children are protected and free from sexual molestation by clerics, the plaintiffs and the members of the class are entitled to an injunction ordering that the Archdiocese do the following:

a) Turn over any document with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child to the Illinois Courts for supervision of these documents.

b) Turn over any document with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child to law enforcement.

c) Cease in the destruction or spoliation of any documents with any connection to any allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child.

d) Cease to conceal or misplace any documents with any connection to any
allegation of sexual misconduct by a cleric against a child.

**COUNT III**
(Declaratory Judgment)

68. Plaintiffs repeat and reallege every paragraph of this complaint as if set forth in Count III.

69. Plaintiffs bring Count III on their own behalf and on behalf of the class of similarly situated persons described in paragraph 7 of this Complaint.

70. There is an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, concerning whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practices of not releasing the names of those clerics that have been accused of molesting children.

71. There is also an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, concerning whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practice of not removing a cleric that is accused of molesting a child from any position where the cleric has any contact with children.

72. Finally, there is an actual controversy between the plaintiffs and the members of the plaintiff class, on the one hand, and the Archdiocese, on the other hand, concerning whether the Archdiocese is adequately protecting children through its practices of destroying and/or concealing documents evidencing allegations of sexual misconduct by clerics.

73. The plaintiffs and members of the plaintiff class are entitled to a declaration that the Archdiocesan practices of not releasing the names of clerics accused of sexual misconduct with minors, not removing clerics that are accused of sexual misconduct with children from positions where they have access to children, and by destroying and/or concealing documents, is
not adequate to protect children.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court grant the relief requested within this complaint or any other relief the Court deems just in order to protect children.

Dated: January 31, 2006

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Memorandum

To: File – PFR-82

From: Patricia Zacharias, Professional Responsibility Assistant Administrator

Re: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald (Deceased)/

Date: October 20, 2006

PRAA made this file inactive on 7/10/06.

There had been no further contact with """" since his initial email message to PRA on 10/11/05.
From: [Redacted]@archchicago.org
To: <lmccluskey@archchicago.org>
Date: 12/25/2006 10:23:21 PM
Subject: laicization status of DONALD JOHN MULSOFF (?)

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To All Of You Individuals Of
Good Will And Faithful Service
To The Archdiocese Of Chicago:

You'll forgive my bluntness in this matter, as I am still mourning the "death" of my dear friend, Father Don Mulsoff -- the "death" of his active priesthood as well as his physical death. A "Bishops Accountability" blog has Father Don listed as having been laicized.

This is contrary to my understanding, and contrary to the testimony of his family.

Please do not brush my inquiry off as being none of my business, because I am one of Fathers' faithful defenders, and I am making it my business. I attended what I thought was the funeral mass of an "inactive" PRIEST - - - not a laicized or defrocked one.

If Father Don had been laicized, he would not have had any "right" to the type of Christian burial he received. Christian burial--yes. Priestly burial--no.

I loved Father Don and always will. If he was guilty, he should have fessed up and accepted his bitter medicine - - - and not perpetuated the front that he was innocent.

If he had been laicized, that means he threw in the towel - - - and that is as good an admission of guilt as I can think of. In that case, his PRIESTLY funeral service was a scandal, and I do not like being a party to scandal.

Please examine the inquiry I sent to BishopAccountability.org.

Please respond to my inquiry in a timely manner. And again, please kindly don't brush me off: I have access to electronic and print media, and will not hesitate to utilize these tools in the pursuit of an honest answer.

very truly yours,

BishopAccountability.org

Database of Publicly Accused Priests in the United States

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I believe there is an error in the database regarding Rev. Donald John Mulsoff, late of the Archdiocese of Chicago. It says he was laicized 9/05. To the best of my personal knowledge of the man and his family, he was NOT laicized. He was still fighting his cause. He had no desire to leave the priesthood, in fact, he was anxious to get back to work.

Moreover, he was buried as a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago:
--His prayer card read "Rev. Donald J. Mulsoff."
--His funeral programme had his photo, in clerics, with the clear and unequivocal title "Father Donald J. Mulsoff."
--He was dressed in clerics in his casket.
--His chalice and paten were at his side.
--His casket was positioned "head first" at holy mass, not feet first.
--His funeral mass was concelebrated with Bishop Frank Kane as chief concelebrant.
--His crypt is marked "REV. DONALD J. MULSOFF." Had he been laicized, it would be forbidden to mark his headstone as "Rev." in a Catholic cemetery. If he had been laicized, the "REV" designation should be removed---post haste.
--LASTLY: he was still OBLIGATED to live on Church property UNDER obedience; he was still drawing his salary; he was still entitled to medical benefits.

Had he been "secretly" laicized, the Archdiocese would be guilty of perpetuating a fraud upon EVERYONE: Fathers' faithful supporters and family, and the people of the Archdiocese of Chicago. The dignity afforded his funeral—private though it was—would have been a scandal.

"Father" Mulsoff was not charged with a crime as a result of any of these accusations. Had he been laicized, he would have been free to live and work wherever he pleased, and would not have had to "report" to anybody. Father was obedient to his restrictions to the day of his death.

Please make the effort to re-establish the accuracy of your posting. I insist upon being notified of your findings. Moreover, I am sending copy of this communication to the Archdiocese and to the news media. I will not rest until I know the truth, one way or another.

very truly yours,
CC: <pzacharias@archchicago.org>, <rbonaccorsi@archchicago.org>,
<mbiland@archchicago.org>, <mflores@archchicago.org>, <vcostello@archchicago.org>,
<egrace@archchicago.org>, <mcummings@archchicago.org>
I am responding, for the Vicar for Priests Office, to your email concerning Father Donald Mulsoff. Father Mulsoff died Nov. 4, 2006. He had been residing at the Retreat House in Mundelein. Although removed from active ministry he was not laicized. Any information to the contrary is false.

Sr. Pat Cummings
Associate Director
Vicar for Priests
MEMORANDUM

TO: Matt Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry
    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

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

DATE: December 10, 2007

RE: [PFR-82] Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased] /Unknown male

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on 12/10/2007.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased] and/or Unknown male.

It is extremely important that you 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.

Thank you.

Attachment

Cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
    Rev. John Canary, Vicar General
    Very Rev James Presta, St. Joseph Seminary
    Rev. Dennis Lyle, Mundelein Seminary

Be: Jim Santella, Attorney

John O'Malley, Office for Legal Services
MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR - 82

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

Re: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased]/Unknown male

Date: December 10, 2007

While formalizing his allegation of the sexual abuse of a minor against the former Rev. Walter DeRoeck, stated that Rev. Donald Mulsoff was assigned to Mary Queen of Heaven at the time of his alleged abuse [1976-1978].

During this November 8, 2007 meeting with , he said that he told Fr. Mulsoff “…what was going on…” with Fr. DeRoeck. also remarked that Fr. Mulsoff “…sodomized some kid in the rectory…” When asked, stated that he does not know the identity of “the kid” that Fr. Mulsoff allegedly sodomized.

appeared genuinely surprised when I told him that Fr. Mulsoff passed away about two years ago.

I am opening a file in this office in response to the alleged sexual abuse of an unknown male by Fr. Mulsoff as reported by .
May 28, 2008

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Ms. Shauna Boliker
Assistant State’s Attorney
State’s Attorney of Cook County
2650 South California, Room 11D10
Chicago, Illinois 60608

RE: Unidentified Male
Our File #08 SC 041
Date of Birth: Unknown
Date of Incident: Unknown
Location of Incident: Mary Queen of Heaven Rectory

Dear Ms. Boliker:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review has received an allegation from [redacted] that an unidentified male was sexually abused by Fr. Donald Mulsoff at Mary Queen of Heaven parish in the rectory. It is not known when the alleged abuse occurred. Fr. Mulsoff is deceased.

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

Very truly yours,

John C. O’Malley
Director of Legal Services

JCOM:dd

cc: Ms. Leah McCluskey
Mr. James A. Serritella
Ms. Dixie Peterson, DCFS Counsel

SCDrs08SC041ISANotificationReUnidentifiedMale
Hi Donna,

Sorry I am just getting back to you on this.

The only information that I received from the third party reporter on this is in the "Summary of Allegation" section in RADAR. The third party did not provide any date or time frame of the alleged abuse.

Leah

>>> Donna Demars 5/22/2008 11:13 AM >>>
Leah, John was asking if we have a date or time frame of when the alleged abuse occurred on this allegation from re: Unidentified Male/Fr. Donald Mulsoff, Mary Queen of Heaven parish. There is nothing in RADAR but would you have further info?

Thanks,
Donna

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MEMORANDUM

To: File – PFR - 82
From: Leah McCluskey, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review
Re: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased]/Unknown (Mulsoff)
Date: July 3, 2008

Due to the fact that there has been no contact made by any individual to connect him/herself to this third party allegation since its receipt on November 8, 2007 and over 180 days has passed, and this matter is being made inactive at this time.

Cc Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
Matt Hunnicutt, Office of Assistance Ministry

Bcc: James Serritella
     John O’Harey
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces an e-mail sent to Leah McCluskey, Director of the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, by the sister of Victim MA on August 22, 2008. In the e-mail, Victim MA’s sister alleges that Victim MA, who is now deceased, was abused by Fr. Donald Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish in approximately 1970, when Victim MA was 12 years old.
From: Leah McCluskey  
To: Zacharias, Patricia  
Date: 8/25/2008 11:57 AM  
Subject: re: email from

Patty,

If allegations that her brother was sexually abused, despite the lack of additional information on the alleged abuse at this point in time, we open this as a PFR case. In your e-mail to, I would introduce yourself, the office, the type of allegations we receive, and ask her if she would be willing to share with you any additional information she may have on the alleged sexual abuse of her brother by Fr. Mulsoff. If she is willing to share additional information with you, she may do that in whatever manner is most comfortable (in person, e-mail, written letter, phone, etc.).

Leah

--- Patricia Zacharias 8/25/2008 9:35 AM ---

Yes - She does not describe his ever saying anything or anyone else every saying anything about his being abused.

--- Leah McCluskey 8/25/2008 9:25 AM ---

Does allege that her deceased brother was sexually abused by Fr. Mulsoff? I don't remember and I believe that I've already deleted her e-mail.

Leah

--- Patricia Zacharias 8/25/2008 9:21 AM ---

As there is no specific allegation of abuse, should I open it as a Misc. case?

--- Leah McCluskey 8/25/2008 9:17 AM ---

That would be great Patty. Thank you...and I believe that this would be a new allegation against Mulsoff, so please have a file opened.

Thanks.

Leah

--- Patricia Zacharias 8/25/2008 7:49 AM ---

Dear Leah,

I will respond to 's email message as Fr. Musoff is deceased unless you would like to do so.

Patty
MEMORANDUM

To: Very Rev. John Canary, Vicar General
    Rev. Vincent Costello, Vicar for Priests
    Carol Fowler, Personnel Services
    Rev. Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
    Matt Hunnicutt, Assistance Ministry
    Jimmy Lago, Chancellor

From: Sarah Stevens, Secretary

Date: August 27, 2008

Re: [PFR- 82] Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased]/
    [deleted] (deceased) (third party allegation)

Attached is a copy of a new allegation received by this office on August 22, 2008.

Please advise this office of any information you may have in your files regarding
[PFR- 82] Mulsoff, Rev. Donald [Deceased] and/or [deleted] [deceased].

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

Attachment

Cc: John O'Malley, Attorney
September 19, 2008

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Ms. Shauna Boliker
Assistant State’s Attorney
State’s Attorney of Cook County
2650 South California, Room 11D10
Chicago, Illinois 60608

RE:  Our File #08 SC 078
Date of Birth: 1958
Date of Incident: Approx. 1983
Location of Incident: Unknown

Dear Ms. Boliker:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review has received an allegation from [redacted] that her brother, [redacted], who is now deceased, was sexually abused by Fr. Donald Mulsoff approximately 25 years ago. The alleged abuse occurred while [redacted] was [redacted] at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish. Fr. Mulsoff is deceased.

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

Very truly yours,

John C. O’Malley
Director of Legal Services

JCOM:dd

cc:  Ms. Leah McCluskey
     Mr. James A. Serritella
     Ms. Dixie Peterson, DCFS Counsel

5CDirs\08SC078\SANotificationLtrRe: [redacted]
To: File – PFR 82

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

Re: Mulsoff, Fr. Donald (deceased) – [redacted] (third party allegation)

Date: August 3, 2009

The CAIR office had received an email message in August 2008, from a writer who said she was the sister of [redacted] She wrote that [redacted] is deceased and that she was writing because she believed [redacted] had been sexually abused as a minor by Fr. Mulsoff.

I responded to her email message, however, there has been no further contact from her.

I have made this file inactive within the RADAR database.
MEMORANDUM

To: File - PFR - 82

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

Re: Mulsoff, Donald (Deceased)

Date: June 8, 2011

Upon a file review, it has been determined that the allegations that [redacted] made against Rev. Donald Mulsoff were sexual in nature. In his May 29, 2002 meeting with PFRA where he formalized his allegation against Fr. Mulsoff, [redacted] stated that he was a minor (either 10 or 11 years old) when the accused gave him a bare bottom spanking. As a result, this matter will be renamed in this office and changed from a Vicar for Priests file (VPM - 55) to a PFR file (PFR - 82) and remain in the RADAR database.
FYI.

Leah

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Good Morning,

Thank you again for your e-mail and for your call this morning. It was very good to speak with you.

As promised, I wanted to send you more specific directions to our office and where to park on Friday. We are located at 743 N. Dearborn, which is 1/2 south of Chicago Avenue on the east side of the street. Please park in the lot located across the street from Holy Name Cathedral. As you are driving north on Dearborn, take a right at Superior Street (one block south of Chicago Avenue; Superior is a one-way street going east) and then you will see the parking lot on your left. Once you park, please just walk west to Dearborn, take a right to our building.

Thank you again, Tom Tharayil and I look forward to meeting with you on Friday at 10am.

Leah

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Dear Leah,

I first want to thank you so much for your e-mail and for sharing all that you did with me.

By way of introduction, my name is Leah McCluskey and I am the Director of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review at the Archdiocese of Chicago. It is in this office where we receive all reports of the sexual abuse of minors (anyone under the age of 18) by priests, deacons, lay employees, and volunteers of this archdiocese.

You may already know this, but Fr. Mulsoff is a deceased priest of this archdiocese who is on the list of archdiocesan priests with substantiated allegations of sexual misconduct with minors. To access the list that is found on the Archdiocese of Chicago’s web site, please click here:

I would like to ask if you would be interested in setting up a time to meet in person so that you may have the opportunity to formalize your allegation against Fr. Mulsoff and tell your story. I would be present as well as a representative from the
Office of Assistance Ministry. So that you may read more information about both the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review and the Office of Assistance Ministry, please follow these links to the respective web sites of the offices:
http://www.archchicago.org/departments/ocair/ocair.shtm
http://www.archchicago.org/departments/assistance_ministry/assistance_ministry.shtm

Thank you again, for your e-mail. I hope that some of this information is helpful to you. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Leah

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 Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract supplements a series of e-mails between Leah McCluskey, Director of the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, and Victim LX dated between January 21 and January 22, 2014, in which Victim LX seeks information about reporting that he was abused by Fr. Donald Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria parish between 1971 and 1973, when Victim LX was a minor.
MEMORANDUM

To: Rev. Kenneth Budzikowski, Vicar for Priests  
    Christopher Cannova, Personnel Services  
    Colleen Dolan, Communications and Public Relations  
    Rev. James Donovan, Vicar for Priests  
    Rev. Jeffrey Grob, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board  
    Most Rev. Francis Kane, Vicar General  
    Very Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Vicar for Canonical Services  
    Rev. Peter Snieg, Moderator of the Curia  
    Thomas Tharayil, Office of Assistance Ministry

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

Re: PFR-082 Mulsoff, Donald/[

Date: January 22, 2014

An allegation was received by this office on January 21, 2014.

- Accused – Donald Mulsoff
  - Current status – deceased
  - Current location – N/A
  - Location/assignment of accused at time of abuse – St. Catherine of Alexandria
- Alleged Victim – [redacted]
  - If minor, has DCFS been called? – [redacted] is currently over the age of 18.
- Any other important actions taken – Upon a review of files, it was noted that this office received an e-mail from [redacted] on 10/11/2005 to report his sexual abuse by Donald Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria (see attached). This matter was made inactive due to the lack of response from [redacted]. In comparing the 10/11/2005 e-mail from [redacted] and the 1/21/2014 e-mail from [redacted], it was determined that this is the same person. Therefore, this file is being re-activated. Please make the appropriate changes to your files.

Tom Tharayil and I are meeting with [redacted] on 1/24/2014 at 10am so that he may formalize his allegation against Donald Mulsoff.

Please review your files and forward any and all information/documentation that may be relevant to this matter to my attention within five business days of receipt of this memo.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (312) 534-5205 or lmccluskey@archchicago.org.

Attachments

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

Thank you again for your call today. As we discussed, I have copied Ruth Robinson on this e-mail to you. As you requested, I wanted to provide you with Ruth's contact information:
rurobinson@archchicago.org
312 534-8256

I will be in touch again once I have place the transcript of our meeting in the mail to you.

Talk with you soon, please do not hesitate to contact me with any other questions or concerns.

Leah

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Thanks, Tom. I just sent you an e-mail about the [redacted] matter.

Leah

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>>> Thomas Tharayil 2/3/2014 2:57 PM >>>
Leah,

Thanks,

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>>> Leah McCluskey 2/3/2014 2:50 PM >>>
Thanks, Tom. I just left a message for Fr. [redacted] and asked for a return call.

Leah

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>>> Thomas Tharayil 2/3/2014 9:43 AM >>>
Hi Leah,
Fr. _______ of the Augustinians left me a message with a new allegation. In the message, he said that a man came up to him after mass to say he was a victim of Fr. Donald Mulsoff. Fr. _______ can be reached at _______. Thanks, Tom

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Good Afternoon Fr. [Redacted]

It was very good to speak with you today.

As we discussed, I wanted to provide you with some additional information about my role in the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review and Tom Tharayil and Ruth Robinson's roles in the Office of Assistance Ministry - and then ask if you could please forward this information to [Redacted].

I am the Director of the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review at the Archdiocese of Chicago. It is in this office where we receive all reports of the sexual abuse of minors by priests, deacons, lay employees, and volunteers of this archdiocese. When individuals come forward to report their abuse, I ask if they would be interested in setting up a time to meet so that they may tell their story. Either Tom or Ruth from Assistance Ministry are also a part of such a meeting so that they may share additional information about outreach and support services that the archdiocese may be able to provide.

To obtain additional information about the Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, please click on this link: http://www.archchicago.org/departments/ocair/ocair.shtm.

To obtain additional information about the Office of Assistance Ministry, please click on this link: http://www.archchicago.org/departments/assistance_ministry/assistance_ministry.shtm.

Fr. [Redacted], could I also ask that you provide [Redacted] with my name and contact information if he wishes to talk? My e-mail is lmccluskey@archchicago.org and my direct number is 312-534-5205.

Thank you so much, Fr. [Redacted]. Talk with you soon.

Peace,

Leah

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MEMORANDUM

To: Rev. Kenneth Budzikowski, Vicar for Priests
    Christopher Cannova, Personnel Services
    Colleen Dolan, Communications and Public Relations
    Rev. James Donovan, Vicar for Priests
    Rev. Jeffrey Grob, Cardinal’s Delegate to the Review Board
    Most Rev. Francis Kane, Vicar General
    Very Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Vicar for Canonical Services
    Rev. Peter Snieg, Moderator of the Curia
    Thomas Tharayil, Office of Assistance Ministry

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

Re: PFR-082 Mulsoff, Donald John / Unidentified,

Date: February 5, 2014

A new allegation was received by this office on February 3, 2014.

- Accused – Rev. Donald John Mulsoff
  - Current status – deceased
  - Current location – N/A
  - Location/assignment of accused at time of abuse – St. Catherine of Alexandria

- Alleged Victim –
  - If minor, has DCFS been called? Per Fr. [redacted] OSA, [redacted] is currently over the age of 18. Therefore, no call was made to the DCFS Hotline.

- Any other important actions taken – This matter was reported to the archdiocese by Fr. [redacted].
  - Per Fr. [redacted], a man named [redacted] (Fr. [redacted] has known him for over 20 years) approached him after mass at Providence High School on February 3, 2014 and disclosed that he had been sexually abused by Fr. Mulsoff at St. Catherine of Alexandria. Per Fr. [redacted], [redacted] said that the abuse took place about 40 years ago [redacted]. It was agreed that I would e-mail Fr. [redacted] with information about CAIR and the Office of Assistance Ministry so that he could provide it to [redacted]. When asked, Fr. [redacted] said that he would ask [redacted] if he could tell me [redacted]’s last name.

Please review your files and forward any and all information/documentation that may be relevant to this matter to my attention within five business days of receipt of this memo.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (312) 534-5205 or lmcluskey@archchicago.org.

Attachments

Cc John O’Malley, Legal Services
    Jan Slattery, Office for the Protection of Children and Youth
Good Afternoon ☺️

I hope that you and your wife are well.

I wanted to let you know that I do have the transcript of our meeting and that I will be sending it to you early next week. I apologize for the delay in getting it to you.

Talk with you soon – have a good weekend.

Leah

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Attn: Ms. Leah McCluskey
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Chicago, IL 60611
USA

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Good Afternoon,

I hope that you are well –

I am having the transcript of our meeting sent to you today and will ask that when it is delivered, to allow [redacted] sign for it if you are not home. [redacted]

Take care, [redacted]. Talk with you soon.

Leah

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>>> 2/7/2014 6:23 PM >>>
Hello Leah
Good Afternoon [Name],

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February 13, 2014

Dear [Redacted],

I hope that you and your wife are well.

Enclosed you will find a draft report of your allegation of sexual abuse against Rev. Donald Mulsoff. The report is based upon our meeting that took place on January 24, 2014. Thank you again for allowing Mrs. Ruth Robinson and me to meet with you.

I ask that you review the report and make any additions and/or changes necessary to ensure its accuracy. Please use the enclosed envelope to return the draft to me with any changes. I will then return a final report to you for your signature. Once all signatures are provided, I will return a copy of the final report to you.

In the interest of continuing to expedite this process, I ask that you please return the enclosed report with your changes by February 28, 2014. Please know that you may also respond by February 28th with a written request for a two-week extension to review the report, to then be returned to me by March 14th. I have noted this time frame so that this matter may continue forward.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (312) 534-5205 or lmccluskey@archchicago.org.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Leah McCluskey
Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Enclosure
Victim Statement Abstract:

This abstract replaces a summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, of the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review, of Victim LX's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey on January 24, 2014, formalizing Victim LX’s allegation of abuse against Fr. Donald Mulsoff. According to the summary, Victim LX alleged that the abuse occurred at St. Catherine of Alexandria in 1971, when Victim LX was in the 6th grade, and consisted of multiple instances of Fr. Mulsoff massaging Victim LX’s buttocks and genitals under the clothes; Victim LX touching Fr. Mulsoff’s penis; and anal sex by Fr. Mulsoff on Victim LX over a period of several months.
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Ms. Jennifer Gonzalez
Chief of Sex Crimes Division
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Chicago, IL 60608

RE: Mulsoff, Rev. Donald John / Unidentified, 
Our File Number: 2014SC0022
Date of Birth: Unknown
Date of Incident: 40 years ago
Location of Incident: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Oak Lawn

Dear Ms. Gonzalez:

Please be advised that the Archdiocese of Chicago’s Office for Child Abuse
Investigations and Review received a phone call from Rev. [Redacted] OSA, that a man
named [Redacted] (whom Fr. [Redacted] has known for over 20 years) approached him after Mass at
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deceased. We are attempting to reach out to [Redacted]. We have no additional information at this
time.

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

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
John C. O’Malley
Director of Legal Services

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cc: Ms. Valerie McDaniels, SPSA, Associate Deputy Bureau Chief of Operations, DCFS
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Dear Ms. Leah McCluskey,

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Very truly yours,

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cc: Ms. Valerie McDaniels, SPSA, Associate Deputy Bureau Chief of Operations, DCFS
Ms. Shauna Boliker, First Assistant State’s Attorney
Ms. Leah McCluskey
Mr. James A. Serritella
Hi [REDACTED],

Thank you for your e-mail. I'm glad that you have received the report and had an opportunity to review it. I will look for it in the mail next week.

Thank you again, [REDACTED]. Talk with you soon.

Leah

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Subject: Contact information

Hi [REDACTED],

Thank you again for your call today. As we discussed, I have copied Ruth Robinson on this
e-mail to you. As you requested, I wanted to provide you with Ruth's contact information: rurobinson@archchicago.org 312 534-8256

I will be in touch again once I have placed the transcript of our meeting in the mail to you.

Talk with you soon, [redacted]. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any other questions or concerns.

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