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TODD KOSTRUB,	: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

Plaintiff, LAW DIVISION - MERCER COUNTY

DOCKET NO.:

v.

THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON A/K/A THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF

TRENTON: HOLY ASSUMPTION:

PARISH OF MARY, MOTHER OF

THE CHURCH: FRANCISCAN

FRIARS – PROVIDENCE OF THE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (FRIARS MINOR OF THE ORDER

OF ST. FRANCIS) A/K/A ORDER OF

FRIARS MINOR, PROVINCE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

A/K/A FRIARS MINOR OF THE

ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS A/K/A FRANCISCAN FRIARS – ORDER

OF FRIARS MINOR; ABC ENTITY,

its priests, reverends, teachers, deacons, directors, officers, employees, agents,

servants, representatives and/or volunteers, is a fictitious name of an

entity believed to have employed Brother Kurt Munn, O.F.M.; and JOHN DOES

1-5, individually, and in their capacity as a former and/or current priest, reverend,

teacher, deacon, director, officer, employee, agent, servant, representative

and/or volunteer of the defendants, are persons whose identities are unknown to

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION

COMPLAINT, JURY DEMAND AND **DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL** Plaintiff, Todd Kostrub, by and through Plaintiff's attorneys, by way of Complaint against the Defendants, states and alleges as follows:

PARTIES

- 1. At all times material to this Complaint, Plaintiff resided in the State of New Jersey.
- 2. At all times material, Defendant The Diocese of Trenton a/k/a The Catholic Diocese of Trenton (hereinafter "Diocese of Trenton") was and continues to be an organization or entity which includes, but is not limited to, civil corporations, decision making entities, officials, and employees, authorized to conduct business and conducting business in the State of New Jersey with its principal place of business at 701 Lawrenceville Road, Trenton, New Jersey 08648. The Diocese of Trenton was created in approximately 1881. Later, the Diocese created a corporation called The Diocese of Trenton to conduct some of its affairs. The Diocese of Trenton operates its affairs as both a corporate entity and as an organization named the Diocese of Trenton, with the Bishop as the top official. Both of these entities and all other corporations and entities controlled by the Bishop are included in this Complaint as being the Diocese of Trenton. The Bishop is the top official of the Diocese and is given authority over all matters within the Diocese of Trenton as a result of his position. The Diocese functions as a business by engaging in numerous revenue producing activities and soliciting money from its members in exchange for its services. The Diocese of Trenton has several programs which seek out the participation of children in the Diocese's activities. The Diocese of Trenton, through its officials, has control over those activities involving children. The Diocese of Trenton has the power to appoint, supervise, monitor and fire each person working with children within the Diocese of Trenton.
- 3. At all times material, Defendant Holy Assumption ("Holy Assumption") was and continues to be an organization authorized to conduct business and conducting business in the

State of New Jersey, with its principal place of business at 1290 Hornberger Ave., Roebling, NJ 08554. Holy Assumption includes, but is not limited to, Holy Assumption and any other organizations and/or entities operating under the same or similar name with the same or similar principal place of business.

- 4. At all times material, Holy Assumption was and continues to be under the direct authority, control, and province of Defendant Diocese of Trenton and the Bishop of Defendant Diocese of Trenton. Defendant Holy Assumption includes any school affiliated with Holy Assumption. At all times material, Defendants Holy Assumption and Diocese of Trenton owned, operated, managed, maintained, and controlled Holy Assumption school.
- 5. Defendant Parish of Mary, Mother of the Church, ("Parish of Mary") is an organization authorized to conduct business and conducting business in the State of New Jersey, with its principal place of business at 45 Crosswicks Street Bordentown, New Jersey 08505. Upon information and belief, Holy Assumption was absorbed into Parish of Mary in a de facto merger or series of de facto mergers. Upon information and belief, Parish of Mary continued the missions and ministry of Holy Assumption, and remained under the direct authority, control and province of the Diocese of Trenton and the Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton after the merger(s). Upon information and belief, Holy Assumption ceased ordinary business operations as soon as possible after the transaction(s), and Parish of Mary assumed Holy Assumption's liabilities ordinarily necessary for the uninterrupted continuation of Holy Assumption's operations and business with a continuity of management, personnel, physical location and general business operation. Parish of Mary includes, but is not limited to, the parish corporation and any other organizations and/or entities operating under the same or similar name with the same or similar principal place of business.

- 6. Parish of Mary is under the direct authority, control, and province of Defendant Diocese and the Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton. Defendant Parish of Mary includes any school affiliated with Parish of Mary. Defendants Parish of Mary and Diocese own, operate, manage, maintain, and control the Parish of Mary.
- 7. At all times material, Defendant Franciscan Friars Providence of the Immaculate Conception (Friars Minor of the Order of St. Francis) a/k/a Order of Friars Minor, Province of the Immaculate Conception a/k/a Friars Minor of the Order of St. Francis a/k/a Franciscan Friars Order of Friars Minor ("Franciscans of Friars Minor") was and continues to be a religious order of priests and brothers affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church with its headquarters at 125 Thompson Street, New York, NY 10012.
- 8. At all times material, the Franciscans of Friars Minor was and continues to be an organization or entity that includes, but is not limited to, civil corporation, decision making entities, officials, and employees and/or agents, and at all times material was authorized to conduct business and conducted business in the State of New Jersey and the Diocese of Trenton. The Provincial is the top official of the Franciscans of Friars Minor and is given authority over all matters dealing with the Franciscans of Friars Minor as a result of his position. The Franciscans of Friars Minor function as a business by engaging in numerous revenue-producing activities and soliciting money from its members in exchange for its services.
- 9. The Franciscans of Friars Minor have several programs that seek out the participation of children, including but not limited to schools and other educational programs. The Franciscans of Friars Minor, through its officials, have complete control over those activities and programs involving children. The Franciscans of Friars Minor have the power to appoint, train, supervise, monitor, remove and terminate each and every person working with children within the

Franciscans of Friars Minor.

- 10. At all times material, the Franciscan Friars of the Commissariat of St. John Capistran a/k/a Franciscan Friars of the Custody of St. John Capistran ("Franciscans of the Custody") was a religious order of priests and brothers affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church with its headquarters at Holy Assumption Friary, 1292 Knickerbocker Avenue, Roebling, NJ 08554. The Franciscans of the Custody was an organization or entity that included, but was not limited to, civil corporation, decision making entities, officials, and employees and/or agents, authorized to conduct business and which conducted business in the State of New Jersey and the Diocese of Trenton. The Custos was the top official of the Franciscans of the Custody and was given authority over all matters dealing with the Franciscans of the Custody as a result of his position. The Franciscans of the Custody functioned as a business by engaging in numerous revenue-producing activities and soliciting money from its members in exchange for its services.
- 11. The Franciscans of the Custody had several programs that sought out the participation of children, including but not limited to schools and other educational programs. The Franciscans of the Custody, through its officials, had complete control over those activities and programs involving children. The Franciscans of the Custody had the power to appoint, train, supervise, monitor, remove and terminate each and every person working with children within the Franciscans of the Custody.
- 12. Upon information and belief, Franciscans of the Custody was absorbed into Defendant Franciscans of Friars Minor in a de facto merger or series of de facto mergers. Upon information and belief, Franciscans of Friars Minor continued the missions and ministry of Franciscans of the Custody. Upon information and belief, Franciscans of the Custody ceased ordinary business operations as soon as possible after the transaction(s), and Franciscans of Friars

Minor assumed Franciscans of the Custody liabilities ordinarily necessary for the uninterrupted continuation of Franciscans of the Custody operations and business with a continuity of management, personnel, physical location and general business operation.

- 13. For purposes of this Complaint, Defendants the Diocese of Trenton, Holy Assumption, Parish of Mary, and Franciscans of Friars Minor are collectively referred to as "Defendants" herein.
- 14. Whenever reference is made to any Defendant entity, such reference includes that entity, its parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, predecessors, and successors. In addition, whenever reference is made to any act, deed, or transaction of any entity, the allegation means that the entity engaged in the act, deed, or transaction by or through its officers, directors, agents, employees, or representatives while they were actively engaged in the management, direction, control, or transaction of the entity's business or affairs.
- 15. The Defendant ABC ENTITY, its priests, reverends, teachers, deacons, directors, officers, employees, agents, servants, representatives and/or volunteers, is a fictitious name of an entity believed to have employed Brother Kurt Munn, O.F.M.
- 16. The Defendant JOHN DOES 1-5, individually, and in their capacity as a former and/or current priest, reverend, teacher, deacon, director, officer, employee, agent, servant, representative and/or volunteer of the Defendants, are persons whose identities are unknown to Plaintiff.

JURISDICTION, VENUE AND NEW LAWS

17. This Court has jurisdiction over this action as Defendants Diocese of Trenton's, Holy Assumption's, and Parish of Mary's principal places of business are in New Jersey and because the unlawful conduct complained of herein occurred in New Jersey.

- 18. Venue is proper in this county pursuant to New Jersey Court Rule 4:3-2 because this County is the principal place of business of Defendant Diocese of Trenton. In addition, events that are relevant to this action occurred within this County.
- 19. Recently, New Jersey passed into law Bills S477 and A3648, which became effective December 1, 2019. These new laws extend the statute of limitations in civil actions for sexual abuse claims, as well as created a two (2) year window for parties to bring previously time-barred actions based on sexual abuse. The new laws also expand the categories of potential defendants in civil actions and permit retroactive application of standards of liability to past acts of abuse for which liability did not previously exist. The said new laws apply to the parties herein.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- 20. At all times material, Brother Kurt Munn, O.F.M. ("Fr. Munn") was a Roman Catholic cleric employed by Defendants. Br. Munn remained under the direct supervision, employ, and control of Defendants.
- 21. Defendants placed Br. Munn in positions where Br. Munn had access to and worked with children as an integral part of his work.
- 22. Plaintiff was raised in a devout Roman Catholic family and attended Holy Assumption in Roebling, New Jersey in the Diocese of Trenton. Plaintiff and Plaintiff's family came in contact with Br. Munn as an agent and representative of Defendants, and at Holy Assumption.
- 23. Plaintiff participated in youth activities and/or church activities at Holy Assumption. Plaintiff, therefore, developed great admiration, trust, reverence, and respect for the Roman Catholic Church, including Defendants and their agents, including Br. Munn.
 - 24. During and through these activities, Plaintiff, as a minor and vulnerable child, was

dependent on Defendants and Br. Munn. Defendants had custody and/or supervision of Plaintiff and accepted the entrustment of Plaintiff and, therefore, had responsibility for Plaintiff and authority over Plaintiff.

- 25. From approximately 1972 to 1982, when Plaintiff was approximately 7 to 17 years old, Br. Munn engaged in unpermitted sexual contact with Plaintiff.
- 26. Plaintiff's relationship to Defendants and Br. Munn, as a vulnerable child, parishioner, student and participant in church activities, was one in which Plaintiff was subject to the ongoing influence of Defendants and Br. Munn.
- 27. The culture of the Catholic Church over Plaintiff created pressure on Plaintiff not to report the abuse Plaintiff suffered.
- 28. Defendants knew or should have known that Br. Munn was a danger to children before Br. Munn sexually assaulted Plaintiff.
- 29. Prior to the sexual abuse of Plaintiff, Defendants learned or should have learned that Br. Munn was not fit to work with children. Defendants, by and through their agents, servants and/or employees, became aware, or should have become aware of Br. Munn's propensity to commit sexual abuse and of the risk to Plaintiff's safety. At the very least, Defendants knew or should have known that they did not have sufficient information about whether or not their leaders and people working at Catholic institutions within the Diocese were safe.
- 30. Defendants knew or should have known that there was a risk of child sex abuse for children participating in Catholic programs and activities within the Diocese. At the very least, Defendants knew or should have known that they did not have sufficient information about whether or not there was a risk of child sex abuse for children participating in Catholic programs and activities within the Diocese.

- 31. Defendants knew or should have known that Defendants had numerous agents who had sexually molested children. Defendants knew or should have known that child molesters have a high rate of recidivism. Defendants knew or should have known that some of the leaders and people working in Catholic institutions within the Diocese were not safe and that there was a specific danger of child sex abuse for children participating in their youth programs.
- 32. Instead, Defendants negligently deemed that Br. Munn was fit to work with children and/or that any previous problems were fixed or cured and/or that Br. Munn would not sexually assault children and/or that Br. Munn would not injure children.
- 33. Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty of reasonable care because they had superior knowledge about the risk that Br. Munn posed to Plaintiff, the risk of abuse in general in their programs and/or the risks that their facilities posed to minor children.
- 34. Defendants owed a duty to Plaintiff to protect Plaintiff from harm because Defendants' actions created a foreseeable risk of harm to Plaintiff. As a vulnerable child participating in the programs and activities Defendants offered to minors, Plaintiff was a foreseeable victim. As a vulnerable child who Br. Munn had access to through Defendants' facilities and programs, Plaintiff was a foreseeable victim.
- 35. Defendants also breached their duty to Plaintiff by actively maintaining and employing Br. Munn in a position of power and authority through which Br. Munn had access to children, including Plaintiff, and power and control over children, including Plaintiff.
- 36. Each Defendant breached its duties to Plaintiff. Defendants failed to use ordinary care in determining whether their facilities were safe and/or determining whether they had sufficient information to represent their facilities as safe. Defendants' breach of their duties include, but are not limited to: failure to protect Plaintiff from a known danger, failure to have

sufficient policies and procedures to prevent child sex abuse, failure to properly implement policies and procedures to prevent child sex abuse, failure to take reasonable measures to make sure that policies and procedures to prevent child sex abuse were working, failure to adequately inform families and children of the risks of child sex abuse, failure to investigate risks of child sex abuse, failure to properly train the employees at institutions and programs within Defendants' geographical confines, failure to train parishioners within Defendants' geographical confines about the risk of sexual abuse, failure to have any outside agency test their safety procedures, failure to protect the children in their programs from child sex abuse, failure to adhere to the applicable standard of care for child safety, failure to investigate the amount and type of information necessary to represent the institutions, programs, leaders and people as safe, failure to train their employees properly to identify signs of child sexual abuse by fellow employees, failure by relying upon mental health professionals, and/or failure by relying on people who claimed that they could treat child molesters.

- 37. Defendants also breached their duty to Plaintiff by failing to warn Plaintiff and Plaintiff's family of the risk that Br. Munn posed and the risks of child sexual abuse in Catholic institutions. They also failed to warn them about any of the knowledge that Defendants had about child sexual abuse.
- 38. Defendants additionally violated a legal duty by failing to report known and/or suspected abuse of children by Br. Munn and/or its other agents to the child protection agencies, police and law enforcement.
- 39. Defendants were negligent and/or made representations to Plaintiff's family during each and every year of Plaintiff's minority.
 - 40. As a result of Defendants' negligence as described herein, Plaintiff has suffered,

and will continue to suffer, great pain of mind and body, severe and permanent emotional distress, physical manifestations of emotional distress, embarrassment, loss of self-esteem, humiliation, physical, personal and psychological injuries. Plaintiff was prevented, and will continue to be prevented, from performing normal daily activities and obtaining the full enjoyment of life; and/or has incurred and will continue to incur expenses for psychological treatment, therapy, and counseling, and, on information and belief has and/or will incur loss of income and/or loss of earning capacity.

COUNT I: NEGLIGENCE

Plaintiff incorporates all consistent paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth under this count.

- 41. Each Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty of reasonable care to protect the Plaintiff from injury.
- 42. Each Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty of care because each Defendant had a special relationship with Plaintiff.
- 43. Defendants also had a duty arising from the special relationship that existed with Plaintiff, Plaintiff's parents, and other parents of young, innocent, vulnerable children, to properly train and supervise their clerics. This special relationship arose because of the high degree of vulnerability of the children entrusted to their care. As a result of this high degree of vulnerability and risk of sexual abuse inherent in such a special relationship, Defendants had a duty to establish measures of protection not necessary for persons who are older and better able to safeguard themselves.
- 44. Each Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty to protect Plaintiff from harm because each Defendant also had a special relationship with Br. Munn.

- 45. Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty of reasonable care because they solicited youth and parents for participation in their youth programs; encouraged youth and parents to have the youth participate in their programs; undertook custody of minor children, including Plaintiff; promoted their facilities and programs as being safe for children; held their agents, including Br. Munn, out as safe to work with children; encouraged parents and children to spend time with their agents; and/or encouraged their agents, including Br. Munn, to spend time with, interact with, and recruit children.
- 46. By holding Br. Munn out as safe to work with children, and by undertaking the custody, supervision of, and/or care of the minor Plaintiff, each Defendant entered into a fiduciary relationship with the minor Plaintiff. As a result of Plaintiff being a minor, and by Defendants undertaking the care and guidance of the then vulnerable minor Plaintiff, each Defendant held a position of empowerment over Plaintiff.
- 47. Further, Defendants, by holding themselves out as being able to provide a safe environment for children, solicited and/or accepted this position of empowerment. Defendants thus entered into a fiduciary relationship with Plaintiff. Defendants exploited their position of empowerment, putting Plaintiff at risk to be sexually assaulted.
- 48. By accepting custody and/or supervision of the minor Plaintiff, Defendants established an *in loco parentis* relationship with Plaintiff and in so doing, owed Plaintiff a duty to protect Plaintiff from injury. Further, Defendants entered into a fiduciary relationship with Plaintiff by undertaking the custody, supervision of, and/or care of the minor Plaintiff. As a result of Plaintiff being a minor, and by Defendants undertaking the care and guidance of the Plaintiff, Defendants also held a position of empowerment over Plaintiff. Further, Defendants, by holding themselves out as being able to provide a safe environment for children, solicited and/or accepted

this position of empowerment. Defendants, through its employees, exploited this power over Plaintiff and thereby put the minor Plaintiff at risk for sexual abuse.

- 49. By establishing and/or operating the Diocese of Trenton, Holy Assumption, Parish of Mary, and Franciscans of Friars Minor, accepting the minor Plaintiff as a participant in their programs, holding their facilities and programs out to be a safe environment for Plaintiff, accepting custody of the minor Plaintiff *in loco parentis*, and by establishing a fiduciary relationship with Plaintiff, Defendants entered into an express and/or implied duty to properly supervise Plaintiff and provide a reasonably safe environment for children, who participated in their programs. Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty to properly supervise Plaintiff to prevent harm from foreseeable dangers. Defendants had the duty to exercise the same degree of care over minors under their control as a reasonably prudent person would have exercised under similar circumstances.
- 50. By establishing and operating the Diocese of Trenton, Holy Assumption, Parish of Mary, and Franciscans of Friars Minor, which offered educational programs to children and which may have included a school, and by accepting the enrollment and participation of the minor Plaintiff as a participant in those educational programs, Defendants owed Plaintiff a duty to properly supervise Plaintiff to prevent harm from generally foreseeable dangers.
- 51. Each Defendant owed Plaintiff a duty to protect Plaintiff from harm because Defendants invited Plaintiff onto their property and Br. Munn posed a dangerous condition on Defendants' property.
- 52. Each Defendant breached its duties to Plaintiff by failing to use reasonable care. Each Defendant's failures include, but are not limited to, failing to properly supervise Br. Munn, failing to properly supervise Plaintiff and failing to protect Plaintiff from a known danger.
 - 53. As a direct result of the foregoing, Plaintiff sustained physical, emotional, and

psychological injuries, along with pain and suffering.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and/or severally, for compensatory damages, together with interest and costs in an unspecified amount, plus costs, disbursements, reasonable attorneys' fees, interest, and such other and further relief as the court deems just and equitable.

COUNT II: NEGLIGENT TRAINING AND SUPERVISION

Plaintiff incorporates all consistent paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth under this count.

- 54. At all times material, Br. Munn was employed by Defendants and was under each Defendant's direct supervision, employ, and control when he committed the wrongful acts alleged herein. Br. Munn engaged in the wrongful conduct while acting in the course and scope of his employment with Defendants and/or accomplished the sexual abuse by virtue of his job-created authority.
- 55. Defendants had a duty, arising from their employment of Br. Munn, to ensure that Br. Munn did not sexually molest children.
- 56. Further, Defendants owed a duty to train and educate employees and administrators and establish adequate and effective policies and procedures calculated to detect, prevent, and address inappropriate behavior and conduct between clerics and children.
- 57. Defendants were negligent in the training, supervision, and instruction of their employees. Defendants failed to timely and properly educate, train, supervise, and/or monitor their agents or employees with regard to policies and procedures that should be followed when sexual abuse of a child is suspected or observed.
 - 58. Defendants were additionally negligent in failing to supervise, monitor, chaperone,

and/or investigate Br. Munn and/or in failing to create, institute, and/or enforce rules, policies, procedures, and/or regulations to prevent Br. Munn's sexual abuse of Plaintiff.

- 59. In failing to properly supervise Br. Munn, and in failing to establish such training procedures for employees and administrators, Defendants failed to exercise the degree of care that a reasonably prudent person would have exercised under similar circumstances.
- 60. As a direct and proximate result of the foregoing, Plaintiff sustained physical, emotional, and psychological injuries, along with pain and suffering.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and/or severally, for compensatory damages, together with interest and costs in an unspecified amount, plus costs, disbursements, reasonable attorneys' fees, interest, and such other and further relief as the court deems just and equitable.

COUNT III: NEGLIGENT RETENTION

Plaintiff incorporates all consistent paragraphs of this Complaint as if fully set forth under this count.

- 61. At all times material, Br. Munn was employed by Defendants and was under each Defendant's direct supervision, employ, and control when he committed the wrongful acts alleged herein.
- 62. Defendants became aware or should have become aware of Br. Munn's propensity for sexual abuse, and failed to take any further action to remedy the problem and failed to investigate or remove Br. Munn from working with children.
- 63. Defendants negligently retained Br. Munn with knowledge of Br. Munn's propensity for the type of behavior which resulted in Plaintiff's injuries in this action.
 - 64. Defendants negligently retained Br. Munn in a position where he had access to

children and could foreseeably cause harm which Plaintiff would not have been subjected to had

Defendants taken reasonable care.

65. In failing to timely remove Br. Munn from working with children or terminate the

employment of Br. Munn, Defendants failed to exercise the degree of care that a reasonably

prudent person would have exercised under similar circumstances.

66. As a direct and proximate result of the foregoing, Plaintiff sustained physical,

emotional, and psychological injuries, along with pain and suffering.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and/or severally,

for compensatory damages, together with interest and costs in an unspecified amount, plus costs,

disbursements, reasonable attorneys' fees, interest, and such other and further relief as the court

deems just and equitable.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

The Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all of the triable issues of this Complaint, pursuant

to New Jersey Court Rules 1:8-2(b) and 4:35-1(a).

RULE 4:5-1 CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the matter in controversy is not the subject of any other pending and/or

contemplated action or pending and or contemplated proceeding. I know of no other parties who

should be joined in this action at this time.

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Attorneys for Plaintiff

Dated: December 2, 2019

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DESIGNATION OF TRIAL COUNSEL

Pursuant to <u>Rule</u> 4:25-4, Plaintiff hereby designates Gregory G. Gianforcaro, Esq. as trial counsel for Plaintiff.

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Dated: December 2, 2019

Civil Case Information Statement

Case Details: MERCER | Civil Part Docket# L-002284-19

Case Caption: KOSTRUB TODD VS DIOCESE OF

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Case Initiation Date: 12/02/2019

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Name of Defendant's Primary Insurance Company

(if known): Unknown

Case Type: PERSONAL INJURY

Document Type: Complaint with Jury Demand

Jury Demand: YES - 6 JURORS

Is this a professional malpractice case? NO

Related cases pending: NO If yes, list docket numbers:

Do you anticipate adding any parties (arising out of same

transaction or occurrence)? NO

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CASE CHARACTERISTICS FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING IF CASE IS APPROPRIATE FOR MEDIATION

Do parties have a current, past, or recurrent relationship? NO

If yes, is that relationship:

Does the statute governing this case provide for payment of fees by the losing party? NO

Use this space to alert the court to any special case characteristics that may warrant individual management or accelerated disposition:

Sexual Abuse Matter pursuant to new statute of limitations law

Do you or your client need any disability accommodations? NO If yes, please identify the requested accommodation:

Will an interpreter be needed? NO If yes, for what language:

Please check off each applicable category: Putative Class Action? NO Title 59? NO

I certify that confidential personal identifiers have been redacted from documents now submitted to the court, and will be redacted from all documents submitted in the future in accordance with *Rule* 1:38-7(b)

12/02/2019 Dated

/s/ GREGORY GEORGE GIANFORCARO Signed