

# KEENE POLICE

## Supplement Report

Case#	Officer	ID	Report Date	Offense Date	Time	
[REDACTED]	JMCLAUGHLI	034	04/02/1993	08/27/1992	1237	8867

### Narrative:

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1300HRS

I met with [REDACTED] to review his account and to make an attempt at a one party intercept. We met at [REDACTED] attorney's office (Robert Upton of Concord). I reviews my report with [REDACTED] and the following was added or corrected.

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[REDACTED] states he was speaking with his mother on the Friday after the indictment was handed down. She told him of this and he disclosed to her that he had similar experiences. He did not give his mother any specifics of the sexual abuse. His mother gave him my name and said he should decide whether or not to contact me and to cooperate with this investigation. After some thought [REDACTED] decided that he would contact me and assist.

The [REDACTED] live at [REDACTED] at the time. [REDACTED] also described Macrae as always bringing gifts to the family. This included coming to the house with pizza and donuts. He also gave them a large floor model television set.

[REDACTED] older brother [REDACTED] presently lives in South Dakota and is out of the military.

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[REDACTED] can not recall the vehicle used by Father Macrae at the time. He does recall this vehicle being different than the one Macrae had when he first came to Keene in 1983.

[REDACTED] is listed as 15 years old in the first half of 1982. He would actually be only 14 years old. The incident described (1st half of 1982) occurred on a stretch of Route #101 near the Rocky Brook Motel (Keene).

[REDACTED] described MacRae's first floor office has located on the Main Street side and closest to the church (SE corner of the building).

I asked [REDACTED] if he could recall the subject discussed that resulted in him becoming emotional during the counseling session. He said this was about his drinking and relationship with his mother. He said Macrae told him how he could take care of this and patch things up between im and his mother.

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Macrae would usually lock the door of the office when he was counseling [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] states he was coerced into counseling sessions by his mother who wanted him to go. He went to appease her and to help with their relationship. [REDACTED] states nothing constructive was ever offered by Macrae. Macrae would offer his help in getting him back together with his mother, saying that [REDACTED] mother would listen to him.

[REDACTED] also said that Macrae would come and hug him during these counseling sessions. This allowed Macrae to press his erect penis (clothed) against him.

When [REDACTED] was 15 years old and sleeping in the rectory Macrae would engage him in sex as outlined in the report. In addition Macrae would hold [REDACTED] buttocks as he performed fellatio on him. [REDACTED] does not recall any digital/anal penetration or attempts.

[REDACTED] states that the situation were other guests were on the third floor was unusual.

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[REDACTED] girlfriend is identified as [REDACTED]. She lives near [REDACTED] in Swanzey, New Hampshire. She carried [REDACTED] baby to term. His name is [REDACTED] born [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] states that during these counseling sessions in 1984 that Macrae also performed fellatio on him between 4 and 5 times. [REDACTED] estimated that fellatio occurred 80 per cent of the times he saw Macrae in a counseling setting.

The August 2/3/4 dates in 1986 are from memory. What [REDACTED] is sure of is that he spent two successive nights at the rectory before admittance into Derby Lodge. He said that Macrae told him that he had to be clean of drugs and alcohol for 72 hours prior to entering the facility.

[REDACTED] states their was a counselor with the first name of Debbie who worked at Derby Lodge who was also a friend to Macrae. [REDACTED] told Debbie some information about his sexual contact with Macrae when younger. Macrae later confronted him saying that Debbie had told him about their conversation and threatened him about ever talking about it again and that no one would believe him. Macrae told [REDACTED] that if he continued to want his help that he should not tell others.

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These roommates were identified as [REDACTED] of Quincy, Massachusetts and [REDACTED] (unknown last name now deceased via suicide in Gardner, Massachusetts). [REDACTED] believes that [REDACTED] came in contact with Gordon when he visited. [REDACTED] is the roommate who returned to Massachusetts and thus made the apartment unaffordable to the others.

The reconditioned barn referred to is located on [REDACTED] and was owned at the time by [REDACTED] of Keene.

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[REDACTED] described the size of the metal briefcase. This would be large than a briefcase and consistent with the size of cases used to house and transport video cameras. [REDACTED] states there were three loose video tapes and one in the camera for a total of four. [REDACTED] played one of the loose tapes. He did not play the others.

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The blue gym bag belonged to Father Macrae.

[REDACTED] states his mother was not home when he stowed the gym bag. He believes his sister [REDACTED] who lives in Swanzey was home at the time. [REDACTED] also said he did not hide the bag, but just placed it in the laundry section of the home for safekeeping.

The confrontation with Macrae occurred in the late afternoon. He later stayed in Maine for about 5/6 months before going to California. He did not learn of Macrae's arrest until having contact recently with authorities.

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[REDACTED] states the counting room at the church was in the basement of the rectory. There was a counting table and safe in this basement area. He was with Macrae a number of times when he took cash from this source and gave him the money. No check or note was left.

[REDACTED] and of corrections and additional information from [REDACTED].

I had faxed the attached document to the Attorney General's office requesting a one party intercept between [REDACTED] and the suspect. I spoke with Cindy White at 1415HRS and gave her additional information. She then authorized an attempt to take place between 1420HRS and 1700HRS (04-01-93).

1430HRS

We made an attempt to reach Macrae at (505) 829-3586 EXT 28. [REDACTED] spoke with a woman [REDACTED] who he identified himself to. He asked to speak with Father Macrae and was told that he no longer worked there. She said she had a number for him. She said she was replacing another lady who usually works there. She then said that Macrae has a desk there that is locked but she would attempt to get into it and get him a number. She then came back on the telephone and gave him this number, 1 800 484-9675 EXT 2007.

[REDACTED] attempted this number and received an answering machine that said that the number was busy and to leave a message after another message in Spanish. I tried the same number the following day and got another message to leave a message, this time a different message than that received the day prior.

Another attempt will take place next week if possible to connect with

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the suspect.

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The attached letter was received from Robert Gainor of the Rockingham County Attorney's Office. A copy was forwarded to Bruce Reynolds who will connect with him.

Investigation to continue.

Keene Police Department - Case Number [REDACTED]  
Taped/one party intercept  
April 30, 1993

1623 hours.....

GM Hello

[REDACTED] Gordon?

GM Yeah, who's this?

[REDACTED] This is [REDACTED].....

GM [REDACTED] who?

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

GM Oh, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Yes

GM How ya doing? Who did you ask for?

[REDACTED] For you

GM Oh, they didn't know who you were asking for.  
Who you, who, what did you say you wanted?

[REDACTED] I - I asked them for the extension. I said,  
"Can I have extension 28".

GM Oh, that's not my extension.

[REDACTED] Oh, well

GM Oh, I'm not, I'm just visiting here for a week.  
What are you

[REDACTED] Oh, really?

GM What are you doing?

[REDACTED] Nothing. Not too much.

GM Oh,

[REDACTED] I just called you, to see what you're up to

GM Oh

[REDACTED] I heard you were out there.

GM Well, not any more.

[REDACTED] Oh, you're not?

GM No. I'm just visiting here for the week.

Oh

GM Hang, hang on one second. Hi, sorry, no, I'm not out here any more.

Oh really?

GM Did you call here like a month or so ago?

No, no I didn't.

GM Oh, cause they told, they wrote me and said somebody named [redacted] called here for me about a month or so ago. Did you ask for Father Macrae?

When, just now?

GM Yeah

Yeah

GM See that's what, they didn't know what you were talking about, cause I'm not "Father" anymore

Oh, I didn't know that.

GM Yeah

But, ahm, yeah I just, I-I heard that you were out there

GM Oh. I used to be. I was out here for a couple of years, and then I moved about six months ago.

Where to, where were you then?

GM Ah, I'm up in the north - I'm up in Toronto.

Are you?

GM Yeah

Are you coming back to New Hampshire at all?

GM I might.

Oh,

GM I might. You mean to work?

Yeah

GM No

No

GM No, not to work. You mean as a priest?

Well yeah

GM Oh, no.

No.

GM No, I - I left the priesthood a long time ago.

Oh, I- I went, after I saw you...

GM Ahuh

...in 80 ah 7, I went to California

GM Oh - and you saw me in 87?

Yeah

GM I don't remember.

I stayed at your house.

GM Oh, for a few days

Yeah, when I was staying there

GM That's, I remember. Ah, wait a minute, do I remember that or not? I don't know. I went through a tough time back then, I don't - there's a lot I don't remember. They said I was kind of mentally sick at the time. I don't remember you being - staying with me. How long did you stay with me?

Ah, I don't know, ah a week or more

GM Was it - a week or more?

Yeah

GM How come you were staying with me?

Well, I ya know - I was going through a lot of the stuff then too

GM Uhm - Oh, they told me I was in a hospital for a year.

Just recently?

GM No, for a year after I left Keene.

Oh, I didn't, I didn't I hadn't heard anything, I didn't get back here until, I don't know, it was around 90

GM Oh gee, well I left Keene in 88. and ahm, hang on a second, I'm in a, I'm in somebody else's office.

Oh alright

GM Let me close their door.

(12 second delay)

GM I left Keene in 88 and, ah And ah, I went in to a hospital, and I was in th hospital for a year.

In New Hampshire?

GM No, out here. First in Massachusetts, and then out here. And they said that I have a brain disease that caused mental illness. I was mentally ill and I didn't know it. And I guess I said some bizarre things to people.

Cause, because ah, somebody called me from the ah, Keene Police

GM Yeah, way back?

Yeah

GM Yeah

And I - I didn't know. It was ah, I think his name was, it was a detective,

GM Yeah

He wanted to talk to me

GM Was this back in 87? or 88?

No, just recently.

GM Recently?

Yeah

GM Oh, how recently?

Oh, I don't know, ah, oh gee's three months ago...

GM really



...four months ago.

GM Really

Yeah, well I live in Manchester, so

GM Oh, what did he want?

I don't know, ah, he just wanted to talk to me - I didn't know what I should do?

GM What did he want to talk to you about?

Ah, he didn't really say. I just got a message on my machine.

GM Oh

Cause I - I screen my calls, so

GM Yeah, I don't blame you. But, did you answer it?

Did I answer the call?

GM Yeah

No, I was at work. When I got home, it was on there but I didn't really get back in touch with him.

GM Yeah. Was it like three months ago?

Oh yeah,

GM Yeah

Well, he made reference to you.

GM Oh, what did he say?

Well, he just asked me if I knew, ya know, he just said, ah, I have some questions to deal with, ah, you know, Gordon Macrae, and

GM Oh

I want, ya know, if you'd get back in touch with me, and

GM He never called again?

No

GM Oh

But, ah, I - I ya know, I found, I don't know if it has anything to do with the, ya know, the tapes that I found at your apartment?

GM What tapes?

When I was staying there, ah

GM What, what tapes?

You don't remember that?

GM No, no - there were, I don't, there were no tapes at my apartment? What kind of tapes?

Well, of, I don't know, kids

GM No, you never found anything like that. I never owned anything like that.

Well, I don't know.

GM I know!

Well, like you said you ...

GM No, I, I mean, I - there were a lot of things I wasn't sure of, but I was sure of that

Well,

GM ...it was nothing like that. You're the one who wrote me the letters a while back and signed them.

No, no I didn't

GM Yeah you did.

I was in California

GM No, you sent them about, about six months ago. Wrote me some letters and signed them and you were calling me - telling people that you were and trying to call me.

No, I don't think so.

GM Yeah.

I didn't do that.

GM Well, I know for a fact because I've already given it to my attorney. You called, and the people who you answered, you said your name was and they gave you a very specific number to call me the "800" number,

No I don't recall that

GM When you called 8....that 800 number, ah, it automatically traces the origin of the call, so I knew the call came from you.

But I don't live in Keene

GM I know, it wasn't a Keene ah number. But the person who sent the letters sent, ah, sent them from a Keene post office box.

Well, I haven't been in Keene because I don't really talk to my mother.

GM My attorney has the whole thing. And, ah, he is very much aware of it. He's also very much aware that there were never any tapes. Nobody ever found anything like that

Well, maybe they didn't find them, but I know

GM Oh, they, they never existed I mean that much I was sure of. I never owned a video camera, I never rented a video camera, I never even owned a 35MM camera in my entire life.

You may think that, but

GM No, that's, know that for sure. I got about a hundred people that would testify to that. Well, ah

Well, it's been nice talking to you

GM I have to be, I have to warn you, this call's being recorded...

Well,

GM ...Anything you say, That's of such a nature that makes false accusations like that is gonna come right back at you. I'd recommend you don't do it. I mean, it was easy for people to victimize me when I wasn't well; it isn't gonna happen today. Good talking to you

Yup.

GM Bye bye...

Bye

.... end of tape

MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: JEANNETTE GAGNON

PLACE OF INTERVIEW: New Hampshire Attorney General's Office  
Concord, NH

INTERVIEWED BY: <sup>ML</sup> Brooke Lemoine, Detective  
<sup>5/11/03</sup> Brenda M. Blonigen, Sergeant

DATE OF INTERVIEW: October 24, 2002

RE: GORDON JAMES MACRAE

BL: This is an audio taped statement taking place at the Attorney General's Office in Concord. The date is the 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2002. The time is 10:22 a.m. This is Detective Brooke Lemoine. Also in the interview conference room is Sgt. Brenda Blonigen and we're conducting the interview, statement of Jeanette Gagnon. Jeanette, could you spell your last name for me please.

JG: GAGNON.

BL: And could you please tell me where you live please, ma'am?

JG: I currently live in [REDACTED], New Hampshire.

BL: Okay. Could you give me your address?

JG: [REDACTED]

BL: And could I have your date of birth, please, ma'am?

JG: [REDACTED]

BL: Okay. I know we've been speaking with you for several minutes and we are, we received some information from you and we also told you that we are conducting an investigation relative to the Diocese of Manchester. Is that correct?

JG: Yes it's correct.

BL: And ah we've been sharing some information ah specifically ah with you regarding ah a case involving a Gordon Macrae, correct?

JG: Correct.

BL: Whose Gordon Macrae to you?

JG: Gordon Macrae was um a priest of the Catholic church. He was assigned to the church, St. Bernard's, in Keene, New Hampshire.

BL: Okay. And ah just I want you to, to go back to either the early 1980's. What was your position in ah the early '80's? Where were you employed?

JG: I was employed in the Division of Welfare. I was the Administrator of the Office of Child and Family Services.

BL: Okay. When did you first start with the Division of Welfare?

JG: I started with the Division of Welfare in July, 1964.

BL: Okay. And I understand that you are now retired from the Division of Welfare?

JG: I'm retired from. I retired from the Division of Elderly & Adult Services. After the children services we were separated from the um the Adult Services were separated from the children services. I became the Administrator in the Elderly Service Division.

BL: Okay. And I think you explained that you retired in 1999.

JG: I did.

BL: Okay. And ah when you were speaking about your career with the Division of Welfare, that became DCYF correct?

JG: That's correct.

BL: Um, you were a social worker, a supervisor and ah finally Chief Administrator?

JG: Chief, Chief Administrator, yes.

BL: Okay. And where were you primarily headquartered ah Jeanette?

JG: Well in the earlier days when I began my work I was headquartered in Manchester and then when I became ah Chief of the Bureau Child & Family Services I was assigned to ah the Concord State Office.

BL: Okay. Now, ah turning your attention to um 1983. I believe it's the month of November, um did you receive some information relative to ah Father Gordon Macrae, a priest that you'd mentioned. Did you receive any information?

JG: I received the information ah that had originally been made known to the ah Welfare Director, Richard Chevifields at that time.

BL: Okay, Richard Chevifields. Whose he?

JG: He was the Director of ah the Division of Welfare.

BL: Okay.

JG: In '83.

BL: He would have been your boss?

JG: My boss.

BL: Okay.

JG: He was my boss.

BL: And who would have been his boss?

JG: His boss at that time was Sylvia Dupre.

BL: Okay. She would, she was the Commissioner, okay.

JG: Commissioner.

BL: She received some information um from your boss Mr. Cheversfield. What did you receive for information that you can recall back then?

JG: Ah, there was a report of an alleged, suspected child sexual abuse um on a then teenager. I think he was 15 years old, [REDACTED]

BL: Okay.

JG: Who was um, who was living with Reverend Gordon Macrae in Hampton, New Hampshire

BL: Yeah.

JG: And had been transferred, Gordon Macrae had been transferred to Keene, New Hampshire.

BL: Okay. So you received some information that a 15 year old boy by the name of [REDACTED] had been sexually abused by Father Gordon Macrae. Okay, and you got this information from Mr. Cheversfield?

JG: Correct.

BL: And what did Mr. Cheversfield tell you that he wanted you to do?

JG: He wanted me to um review this matter and to conduct a, an investigation to see um what were the facts and make a determination.

BL: Okay. Ah, did Mr. Cheversfield do you recall tell you that he received the information from a source initially? Did he tell you that he received the information from somebody before passing it on to you?

JG: Yes.

BL: Who did he say he received the information from?

JG: He, he received the information from Father John Quinn.

BL: Okay.

JG: Who was an Administrator of Catholic Social Services in Manchester.

BL: Is this a name that you recognize, Father Quinn?

JG: I do.

BL: Okay.

JG: I do recognize that name.

BL: Okay. And we'll get more into Father Quinn as we, as we go along. Um, so your first step after receiving the information regarding [REDACTED] ah being the victim of abuse. Do you recall what, what was the next thing that you did ah after receiving the information? Did you make any contact with anyone? Did you ah make an appointment to see anyone?

JG: My recollection is that I met with Father Quinn.

BL: Okay. Um, were you, did you meet Father Quinn alone or?

JG: No, I was at the meeting I recall in Manchester I was, when I got there the Commissioner was present.

BL: Okay.

JG: Commissioner, Dupre was also there at this particular meeting.

BL: Okay. So you, you met with Monsignor Quinn along with your boss, your bosses boss at the Commissioner of Welfare, ah yourself and, and ah Monsignor Quinn. Was there anybody else there that you can recall?

JG: There might have been other people there. I, I um don't really recollect at that point if Father Christian was there, but

BL: Okay.

JG: I don't know for sure.

BL: Was Gordon Macrae there?

JG: Ah, no.

BL: Okay. Had you spoken at all with [REDACTED] up to that point?

JG: No I had not.

BL: Okay. And when do you recall this meeting taking place from the time you received the initial report to the time this meeting took place? Was it close? I mean I'm not asking you to put a date stamp on it, but your best recollection.

JG: I think it was close. \_\_\_\_\_

BL: Closer to the time of the report?

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay. Ah, let me ask you this. Is it unusual that the ah Chief Administrator or the Director or the Commissioner of Welfare and yourself at that time being an administrator would handle this particular abuse complaint?

JG: It was unusual. Ah, most of the reports, all of the other reports would be assigned to social workers within each district office.

BL: Yep.



- JG: At times the supervisors in the district office would be assigning the investigation, but this was an unusual situation.
- BL: Distracted from the norm?
- JG: It did distract from the norm and I, my understanding of it and I accepted it is was because we were dealing with someone and the alleged perpetrator who was a Catholic priest.
- BL: Okay. Um, I think you had mentioned earlier that ah, ah Mr. Dupre had somewhat of a closer relationship with Catholic Charities and ah was very familiar with their operation and so forth. Can you maybe give me some insight as to what you believe to be the relationship that Mr. Dupre has with the Catholic Charities?
- JG: Well I think that um, Dr Dupre and the Commissioner was very involved in, in ah manners of the Catholic church. Um, and that his relationship ah with people within the system, with the Bishop and with the administrative staff of Catholic Charities was close. They had worked together on a number of ah programs directed by the Catholic church.
- BL: Do you recall if Mr. Dupre told you anything relative to how this investigation was going to be conducted?
- JG: Um, no he didn't tell me, but I told him that ah that I was very committed to the law and rules that we operated in and that this report and any report would be conducted as every other one.
- BL: Okay.
- JG: Ah, and that there was to be no special considerations because that was important had to be done as it would with any other ah report.
- BL: Okay. Did um Commissioner Dupre ask for any special considerations or did anyone that you had contact with at the Diocese have, ask you or insinuate that some special consideration would be made to them on this matter?
- JG: No, I don't think anyone was direct, but you know I just felt that they ah expected that ah, that um they would be um granted some consideration because it was important that they be um seen being as cooperating with this investigation, wanting to get to the bottom of this and that it involved a Catholic priest and they were not really looking for, for any publicity and they would have wanted this to be something um that they would be involved in and that they could handle it and it would be quiet.

- BL: Okay. That information that you said about it being quiet and having the appearance of, of doing a proper conducted investigation, getting to the bottom of it, was that something that was communicated to you by ah Father Quinn?
- JG: Yeah, I remember Father Quinn mentioning that um you know very specifically that I would understand that this was a very serious matter and that it could um, perhaps people wouldn't understand.
- BL: Okay.
- JG: Um, but again I think, I recall having a conversation back and forth with him, but he had to understand that we were very committed to the law and to the rules that we had relative to any investigations.
- BL: Okay.
- JG: And that again the focus was on the alleged victim and ah so you know he would, we would expect your cooperation.
- BL: Okay. I just want to get a flavor of this conversation. I think you had mentioned earlier when we were discussing the meeting with Quinn and Dupre over this that you felt that you had to get ah very forward kirt almost with them, um with Father Quinn regarding this allegation, abuse. Maybe you can give me a little bit more information as to how you felt, that you had to be very forward them about ah the allegations here and how they were going to be handled.
- JG: Well not that it was something that was explicit that they came right out and told me what they wanted some very special consideration as they moved through the investigation because, because of the status of those people involved. Ah, and that this could be um a um difficult time if this became known that they had these, this priest was um allegedly molesting children and that over time and if and ah if they had known and had first not made a report according to the law or they hadn't done anything about it it would be difficult for them and embarrassing.
- BL: Okay.
- JG: But I must say that they seems to me as I recall they understood that there was a law and there was a process and the had to cooperate and that the focus was again on the child who was then originally molested and after some discussion there seemed to be some understanding about it.
- BL: Okay. Um, did ah Father Quinn tell you anything about ah what the Diocese was going to be doing with ah Father Macrae now that these allegations have come to life?

JG: If I recall there's some degree that they had made, they made statements that they would, would um would be getting the appropriate counseling and for Father Macrae and um that they were confident that um they could, that he would understand that, that that was not to be tolerated.

BL: Okay.

JG: To remain a priest.

BL: But I know that ah when you're telling me this information I can see you looking down at ah a report that we showed you that um, that you authored and signed dated 27 December 1983, is that correct?

JG: That's correct.

BL: Okay. And this report was authored by you?

JG: It was authored by me.

BL: Okay. And you recall the ah circumstances that ah I know we went through the ah report line by line um and that this particular child abuse ah investigation resulted in a founded abuse ah situation. Is that correct?

JG: That's correct.

BL: Okay. And um ah is it my understanding that in your report you indicated Reverend Macrae has admitted the incident to his superiors. You wrote there on that line, correct?

JG: Yes I did.

BL: Okay. Um, did Monsignor Quinn tell you that Macrae admitted to this incident?

JG: I don't recall that he directly um, um told me that. Um.

BL: Okay.

JG: Look at my notes here, but um it would be, it would be consistent with other um, um Father

BL: Macrae?

JG: No. Quinn.

BL: Quinn.

JG: Assurance that they would, they would ah

BL: Okay.

JG: Would not impede with standing in the way of this investigation.

BL: Ah, did you have the occasion to interview Father Macrae? No?

JG: No.

BL: Okay. Is that something that in a normal investigation ah such as this that the perpetrator would be interviewed by a worker?

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay. So by you not interviewing ah Reverend Macrae was that sort of a detraction from the norm?

JG: Yes it would have been a detraction from the norm.

BL: Um, I'm just speculating and maybe you can clear this up. Is it, is it possible that Reverend Macrae was not interviewed by you because you were told that he already admitted to it and that there was no reason to interview him?

JG: That sounds reasonable.

BL: Okay. Um, were you given any information relative to ah Reverend Macrae ah seeking any psychological help or assistance um because of ah this admitted child abuse?

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay. What were you told?

JG: Um, that he had agreed to counseling and he was involved in counseling and that it was successful.

BL: Okay. They told you that he was in counseling and that ah they were confident that the counseling was successful?

JG: Yes.

BL: And I think you admitted, you indicated in your report that ah Reverend Macrae is currently in active regular therapy with a Dr. Henry Geurton Ouellette. They feel

very confident ah or Dr. Ouellette feels very confident that therapy is positive, that Reverend Macrae is now self-controlled enough to give some meaningful assurance that he is not likely to engage in deviant behavior.

JG: That's correct. That is part of my report.

BL: Okay. Did you have ah a conversation with Dr. Ouellette at all?

JG: No.

BL: Okay. Um

JG: Would that have been information that ah possibly came from Monsignor Quinn also?

BB: Yes.

JG: Most likely because they, they have selected the particular therapist and so the information would have gone to them.

BL: Okay, it's a therapist that they indicated that they use?

JG: I'm not sure. I don't remember that detail. Most likely. Most likely.

BL: Okay.

JG: They had other agencies to have a counselor

BL: Do you have any um, do you have any independent knowledge of this particular therapist?

JG: No, I had never, I have never met nor had I discussed this particular case with the therapist.

BL: So is it probably that ah your recollection that, that the name Henry Gurdon Ouellette would have been supplied to you by the Diocese.

JG: Yes he is.

BL: Okay. Okay. And ah you submitted this report and um ah was there any further follow-up with ah the Diocese relative to this matter after you filed your report on the 27<sup>th</sup> of December 1983?

JG: December, yes on January 26<sup>th</sup> um, 1984, I sent a letter to Father Quinn.

BL: Okay.

JG: At the request of social services.

BL: Okay. Um, I just wanted to back up one second. Um, I'm just looking for the reports from the County Attorney's Office that we showed you. After the ah, the ah, I just want to back up a little bit, excuse me. Um, after you completed your report ah um as far as the Macrae sexual assault on [REDACTED] as a matter of protocol did you have any contact with the ah Cheshire County Attorney's Office in regards to that ah report?

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay.

JG: Um, I um called the ah, I called the County Attorney.

BL: Okay. Is that something that ah is protocol? That once you complete a report and that is certainly founded that you would have to have contact with law enforcement ah specifically the County Attorney's Office? Is that normal protocol?

JG: In some, in some situations. Obviously founded is important to do so in the particular case.

BL: Okay. And ah judging by this letter I showed you dated January 13, 1984, ah it appears you had contact with a man with the name of Edward J. O'Brien. Does that ring a bell with you at all?

JG: Um, I recall that he was a County Attorney. I don't recall the details of the conversation with him, but it is clear that um I um advised someone that I had called to discuss um, um his letter.

BL: Okay. Ah, when we showed you this letter, do you recognize um the name, Edward O'Brien?

JG: I recognize the name.

BL: Okay.

JG: As a County Attorney.

BL: Okay. That would have been someone you would have, recalled that you had ah spoken with?

- JG: I, I could have spoken with him. Ah, recall, I don't recall the direct conversation, but um we were trying to work closely with the County Attorneys and I think in this particular, it would have been um, part of the procedure to contact him.
- BL: Ah, and he indicates ah is Cheshire County I'm not very good with the counties in the state. Ah, is Cheshire County the County in which ah this incident involving [REDACTED] occurred in?
- JG: No.
- BL: Okay. Ah, I believe that it occurred in another county.
- BB: Is it unusual Jeannette for a county attorney. I mean Cheshire County is where Keene is located and that's where Gordon Macrae had been transferred.
- JG: Right.
- BB: Is it unusual for the County Attorney in the county that the perpetrator is in to respond as opposed to the county attorney in the county where the incident occurred?
- JG: Well, it would be unusual, but not you know cant recall circumstances whether or not there were conversations with the two or one of the county attorney was um.
- BL: This, this man would have been your local contact because of where you are at. Is that the way I understand it?
- JG: No, he ah he would not have been, we were in Concord. I just don't recall the details of how um the reason why I contacted him at that time.
- BB: Do you think it's a possibility because that's where Macrae was actually, physically living?
- JG: That would have been the reason that was the reason I would have contacted him because that's where Reverend Macrae was stationed at that time.
- BB: So he was practicing in the Keene area at that time?
- JG: Right.
- BB: So
- JG: Exactly. Exactly.
- BL: I'm just reviewing the letter and I know we've gone over the letter indicating in the letter by Attorney O'Brien, he received some information from you and he indicates

that ah you called him and ah to discuss ah this particular [REDACTED] matter and that the incident occurred in Hampton, New Hampshire.

JG: Huh, huh.

BL: Okay. That seems to be factual, right?

JG: Yes.

BL: Ah, Rockingham County and subsequently Father Macrae transferred to Keene Ms. Gagnon informed me that she has been in touch with Reverend Quinn, Father Macrae's superior and that the incident has been admitted to by Father Macrae. Apparently, appropriate counseling and other actions are being taken to monitor Father Macrae in the event that there are any other incidents of child sexual abuse reported, appropriate action would be taken and reports would be filed with this office and/or the appropriate county attorney's office. Ah, then it goes on to state since this incident occurred in Rockingham County and not in Cheshire County and since Father Macrae is receiving counseling and is being strictly monitored, I do not plan to take any further action at this time unless I hear further from Mrs. Gagnon or Reverend Quinn. Um, do you recall ah informing Attorney O'Brien these circumstances?

JG: I directly or had someone contact him to tell him um, that again insurance's that the matter had been um, was being um resolved.

BL: Okay. And ah that ah Reverend Macrae was going to strictly monitored?

JG: That's what we, must have understood because that's what I had related to ah the county attorney.

BL: Let me ask you this, Mrs. Gagnon. When your investigation was concluded and the county attorney's office was notified of this, did you feel comfortable that the Diocese and its people, specifically Reverend Quinn, cause that seems to be the only person you had contact with made assurances to you that ah Father Macrae was going to be monitored and supervised in regarding his behavior?

JG: Yes, I recall that would be assurance that we were given.

BL: Okay. Now, now we can go over to these other two documents if we can here. Um, after you completed your report, did you have any other occasion or receive any other information relative to Father Macrae?

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay, can you tell me what information you received?



JG: I was advised on ah on 12/23/83, that [REDACTED] a minor child was picked up in Boston by Debbie Corenis [REDACTED] Lynn, Massachusetts. Debbie is the sister of Gordon Macrae.

BL: Okay. I know you're reading right off the ah a memo.

JG: Huh, huh.

BL: That you authored um do you remember receiving some information relative to a [REDACTED]

JG: Yes I am reading from that letter I did and as I said um we were advised that that's Macrae's sister.

BL: Okay.

JG: That um this um minor child had been picked up in Boston, Massachusetts.

BL: Okay. Um, now when you got this information, can you tell me what your recollection is as far as this, was this information ah viewed as a alarming?

JG: It was alarming.

BL: Okay.

JG: And I was sending a notice to Father Quinn.

BL: Okay.

JG: Because Father Quinn because we had had obviously prior conversations relative to child sexual abuse that involved Father Macrae.

BL: Okay. So you authored this letter and you sent it to Quinn?

JG: I did. I sent it to him on January 26<sup>th</sup> and indicated to him based on the information that I received I was concerned with that investigation needed to be conducted relative to Father Macrae's relationship with [REDACTED] because I recall that we had gotten assurance from the Diocese that they would be closely monitoring Father Macrae.

BL: Okay.

JG: And I asked him to review the matter and to advise how the investigation was going to be conducted and I would call him early the next week.

- BL: Do you recall if ah Commissioner Dupre or ah Dick Cheverfields was involved at all in this newest piece of information? If you can recall or not.
- JG: Um it would have been, it would have been my practice to advise ah the director Dick Cheverfields and he most likely would have advised the Commissioner that there was another incidence involved Gordon Macrae.
- BL: Okay. I know we talked about it so, would this more than likely have produced another investigation?
- JG: Yes.
- BL: Okay. Do you know of any investigation that you completed or anyone else completed regarding [REDACTED] Do you know if any other investigation was done specifically involving [REDACTED] similar to the one that was done with ah [REDACTED] You don't remember that?
- JG: I don't remember that, no.
- BL: Okay. Ah, I think you said perhaps the ah the group home where ah [REDACTED] was living may have some information ah relative to his stay there.
- JG: If he was living at the Dover Children's Home they most likely would have had some, they might have, still have some communication.
- BL: Okay. But you do remember communicating this information to Reverend Quinn?
- JG: Absolutely.
- BL: Do you remember what he told you he was going to do about it?
- JG: I recall as he had previously done that he said he would look into it.
- BL: Okay. Do you recall if he ever got back to you as far as what was going to be done about it?
- JG: Well I see here because it's um it was noted that um, ah Father Quinn told Father Christian that he had received my communication, my that he had I had communicated with him and that um I expressed again the concern that ah Father Macrae had a relationship with the minor.
- BL: Okay. I know, I know we used a ah this particular memo to try and jog your memory a little bit. Do you recall telling Father Quinn ah about this [REDACTED] personally or face to face or by telephone?

JG: I recall telling him about it because.

BL: Okay, how? By telephone?

JG: I believe it was by phone.

BL: Okay.

JG: I called him and said we had um another incident, a report that involved Father Macrae and a minor.

BL: Okay. Um, and you also sent this letter?

JG: And I sent the letter.

BL: Okay. Do you recall at all if you've heard any additional information from the Diocese regarding [REDACTED] after that?

JG: Um, I think um they gave me the assurance that they would look into it and that um they would again um become involved with Father Macrae to see if he was um if it was founded that he had been involved with this other young man or not.

BL: Okay. Um, did you generate any other letters or any other correspondence with the Diocese after receiving this information? Ah, I think you indicated there wasn't a formal investigation of [REDACTED] but ah was there any other additional correspondence with the Diocese regarding [REDACTED]? Did it ever get back to you in any way?

JG: I don't, I don't recall.

BL: Okay.

JG: If they did.

BL: All right. Um, I don't think I have anymore questions, do you?

BB: Jeannette, do you remember whether or not law enforcement was ever notified of this particular incident?

JG: Well ah from the material that I've been showing we notified the County Attorney.

BB: But as far as, did you ever speak with anyone from the Hampton Police regarding this?

JG: I don't know if. I know that I did not. I'm not sure if anyone else in the local district office might have done that.

BB: Do you remember ever speaking with Judith Patterson, which was the counselor for [REDACTED] at the time?

JG: Um, I don't recall. Maybe I did. It's a long time ago and maybe I did have some contact with her um, but I do recall based on also the material that I've been looking at that she was involved as a counselor.

BB: But you don't remember specifically speaking with her?

JG: No. No. And also counselors frequently were not willing to really disclose the therapeutic conversations that they had and we at that time did respect that.

BB: Okay. Do you remember ever speaking with [REDACTED] parents?

JG: No I don't think I ever spoke with [REDACTED] parents

BB: That's all I have.

BL: Unless you have anything else to add Mrs. Gagnon, I'll conclude your statement.

JG: No I don't.

BL: Okay. This will conclude the audio taped statement. The time is 10:55.

MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

Person Interviewed: GORDON J MACRAE

Place of Interview: NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRISON CONCORD, NH

Date of Interview: 25 OCTOBER 2002

Person Interviewing: Detective Brooke Lemoine, Sergeant Brenda Blonigen

RE: GORDON J MACRAE

On the above listed date and time, listed investigators responded to the New Hampshire State Prison 281 North State Street Concord, New Hampshire and made contact with CLAYTON LEGAULT Investigator with the Department of Corrections. The purpose of our contact with Investigator LEGAULT was to set up an interview with GORDON MACRAE date of birth 9 April 1953 who is currently incarcerated at the prison serving a multi year sentence for sexual assault. Investigator LEGAULT made contact with MACRAE who agreed to be interviewed by investigators at the prison facility. A private office was used for the interview that began at approximately 1030hrs. The interview was also recorded in its entirety.

Listed investigators covered with MACRAE his career as a Priest starting at pre ordination in seminary training to include a 1978 Psychological report. Investigators questioned MACRAE regarding his assignments after he was ordained to include assignments while on "sick leave" or "leave of absence" from the Diocese of Manchester later in his career. MACRAE also spoke in a general sense about his psychological treatment received by Dr Henry Geurtin- Ouellette while a practicing Priest. It should be noted that MACRAE spoke freely about certain persons he had allegedly abused, however maintains that he is not guilty of these crimes that he is convicted. Investigators covered with MACRAE his specific contact with the hierarchy of the Diocese of Manchester concerning these abuse allegations when they surfaced, and what actions his Diocese took when these allegations became known.

At the conclusion of the two-hour interview, GORDON MACRAE was thanked for his time and contact ended. Cite transcribed statements (two audio cassettes for details)

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## MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: [REDACTED]

PLACE OF INTERVIEW: Attorney General's Office  
Concord, NH

INTERVIEWED BY: <sup>BL</sup> Brook Lemoine, Detective  
Brenda M. Blomgen, Sergeant

DATE OF INTERVIEW: October 24, 2002

RE: [REDACTED]

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On Thursday, October 24, 2002

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] came to the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office for an interview. [REDACTED] was the worker from social services that conducted the investigation regarding allegations made by [REDACTED] against MACRAE.

[REDACTED] during this interview told us that some of the things she can't remember, however she did remember quite a bit. [REDACTED] said that during 1983, which is when the report was received, she was the Chief of Administration for social services. Her boss was Welfare Director Richard CHEVREFILS and his boss was the Commissioner, Sylvio DUPUIS. [REDACTED] said that she received information from her boss CHEVREFILS regarding this abuse. She said that she was assigned the investigation and went to visit with the Diocese. DUPUIS was also present during this meeting with the Diocese. [REDACTED] told us that this was unusual for her to be conducting this type of abuse investigation in her position. She also said that it was highly unusual for DUPUIS to be directly involved. In fact it is the only case that she remembers working directly with DUPUIS. [REDACTED] told us that when they went to visit with the Diocese it was the attitude of the Diocese that this was a priest and had to be handled in a certain way. [REDACTED] said that she made it clear that they would handle it by the law.

[REDACTED] told us that during the visit with the Diocese the representatives that were there were Monsignor QUINN and CHRISTIAN. She said that, to her recollection, QUINN was the head of Catholic Charities at the time.

██████████ said that she would have done a report. We were in possession of a report that was signed by ██████████. ██████████ was allowed to read that report and she said that based on reading that it appears that she would have in fact talked with QUINN about the things that were in that report. ██████████ told us that she never personally spoke with anyone from law enforcement regarding this case and she never spoke with the parents regarding the allegation of ██████████. ██████████ said that she doesn't remember speaking with the therapist of ██████████ either, however this was not unusual especially because of there being a therapist patient relationship. ██████████ told us that they were given assurances that they would monitor MACRAE and they were satisfied that this would in fact take place. ██████████ said that she believed that DUPUIS would have had much more conversation with the Diocese possibly before they visited and certainly after their visit.

Another letter was shown to ██████████ that was authored and signed by her, in which she wrote of a concern about another child ██████████. She said that she didn't remember where this information came from, however from looking at the letter it was obvious that she had contact with QUINN.

This interview was tape recorded for more information refer to transcript.





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January 6, 1984

Edward J. O'Brien, Esquire  
Cheshire County Attorney  
P. O. Box 612  
Keene, New Hampshire 03431

Re: Child Sexual Abuse

Dear Ed:

I have enclosed a copy of a child sexual abuse report this office received on December 30, 1983 regarding [REDACTED]

This report was forwarded to us by the Division of Welfare pursuant to RSA 169-C:38. I am not aware of any police investigation that has been conducted regarding this incident.

I am sending this report to you for whatever further investigation and/or prosecution you believe is appropriate.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Peter W. Mosseau".

Peter W. Mosseau  
Deputy Attorney General

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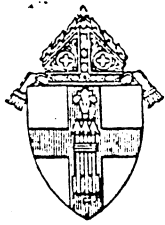
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cc: Ms. Jeannette Gagnon

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Secretariat for Pastoral Services  
*Diocese of Manchester*

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May 14, 1993

TO: All Concerned Parties  
FROM: Msgr. Francis J. Christian  
RE: Recent Diocesan Statements on Clergy Sexual Abuse

In light of the recent media attention given to the allegations made against Gordon MacRae, a former priest of the Diocese, two separate statements were issued by the Diocese. Since they did not appear quoted fully in the press, and since the Diocese has been characterized unfavorably in reference to our handling of the Gordon MacRae situation, I felt that it would be helpful to you to have this information available in full. It will be printed in the next issue of TIDINGS, but I want you to have it prior to that date.



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### DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER STATEMENT MAY 6, 1993

Gordon MacRae has been prohibited from serving as a priest in the Diocese of Manchester since July of 1988. This was the time at which the Diocese first became aware of his sexual misconduct. At the recommendation of the Probation Department of the State of New Hampshire, he began inpatient treatment in March of 1989 at a New Mexico facility specializing in the treatment of sexually addictive behavior. The Diocese grieves with those people who might have been victims prior to the discovery of his problem, and will assist them in whatever way is appropriate.

It is clear that Gordon MacRae can never again function as a priest.



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### DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER STATEMENT, MAY 7, 1993

It was only in July of 1988 that it was definitively and indisputably clear that Gordon MacRae had a sexual problem. The 1983 Hampton incident by itself could not lead to such a conclusion.

In order to clarify, the sequence of events took place as follows:

1. The Diocese of Manchester wants to make clear that Father Gordon MacRae was transferred from Hampton to Keene in June of 1983, several months prior to the diocese becoming aware of the allegations of impropriety in Hampton. He was not transferred as a result of any allegations.
2. Several months after the transfer, a young man's counselor became aware of a hugging and kissing incident in Hampton, involving Gordon MacRae and the young man. The counselor immediately reported to the diocese, and the diocese reported in turn to the State of New Hampshire.
3. That report was made to the state because of diocesan concern, and to be in full compliance with state statutes, even though the nature of the incident was questionably reportable.
4. Father MacRae was already in counseling, of his own choosing, for personal reasons. The diocese reported this questionable incident, whatever its significance, to his counselor, so that it could be addressed in counseling.
5. The State of New Hampshire investigation did not result in any charges being placed against MacRae, nor did the State advise the diocese to take any further action with regards to this incident.
6. As a result, the diocese concluded that everything appropriate had been done in this situation, and that there was no reason to conclude that MacRae had a serious problem.
7. Subsequently, in 1988, when it became clear that he did have a problem, the diocese acted decisively and suspended him.

It is always tempting in retrospect and hindsight to judge what should have been done at the time. But for the reasons already stated, the diocese, in 1983, simply did not have sufficient information to judge that there was a serious problem.



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Re: Child Sexual Abuse

In Re: [REDACTED]

Dear Peter:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 6, 1984 concerning the above child sexual abuse report.

Ms. Jeannette Gagnon, Administrator of the Office of Social Services, Division of Welfare, called me today to discuss your letter.

The incident occurred in Hampton, New Hampshire, Rockingham County, and subsequently, Father MacRae transferred to Keene. Ms. Gagnon informs me that she has been in touch with Rev. Quinn, Father MacRae's superior, and the incident has been admitted to by Father MacRae.

Apparently, appropriate counselling and other actions are being taken to monitor Father MacRae and in the event that there are any other incidents of child sexual abuse reported, appropriate action would be taken and reports would be filed with this office and/or the appropriate County Attorney's office.

Since this incident occurred in Rockingham County and not in Cheshire County and since Father MacRae is receiving counselling and is being strictly monitored, I do not plan to take any further action at this time unless I hear further from Ms. Gagnon or Rev. Quinn.

Very truly yours,

Edward J. O'Brien,  
County Attorney  
O'B/dw

CC: Ms. Jeannette Gagnon, Administrator  
Office of Social Services  
Division of Welfare

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CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE REPORT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL

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(CONFIDENTIAL)

Name of Victim: [REDACTED], age 15

Child of [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Tel: [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Name of Perpetrator: Rev. Gordon MacRae  
St. Bernards Church  
173 Main Street  
Keene, N.H.

Report of the Incident

On November 23, 1983, Division of Welfare Director Richard Chevrefils received a report of suspected child sexual abuse of fifteen-year-old [REDACTED]. The alleged perpetrator was Rev. Gordon MacRae previously of Hampton, N.H. now of Keene, N.H.

Director Chevrefils assigned the investigation and report to law enforcement official to Jeannette Gagnon, Administrator of the Office of Social Services, N.H. Division of Welfare.

Incident of Sexual Abuse

The incident/act occurred in the early summer, 1983. Rev. MacRae allegedly had [REDACTED] sitting on his lap and was kissing the adolescent.

The incident of abuse was made known to the child's counselor Judy Patterson of Catholic Social Services during a counselling session. The child had been referred for counselling by Rev. MacRae for matters other than the alleged incident of sexual abuse.

Founded Abuse: Rev. MacRae has admitted the incident to his superiors.

Victim/Family: Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] are aware of the incident and that the report has been made to the Division.

The victim [REDACTED] is currently an in-patient at Hampstead Hospital in New Hampshire.

The adolescent's parents are also involved in therapy related to a number of difficult problems.

NOTE: For therapeutic purposes, the child's therapist feels he is vulnerable and requests that no information be shared with or discussed with the child regarding the referral of Rev. MacRae to the Division of Welfare.

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Treatment/Outcome: Rev. MacRae is currently in active, regular therapy with Henry Guertin-Ouellette. Dr. Ouellette feels very confident that therapy is positive and that Rev. MacRae is now self-controlled enough to give some meaningful assurance that he is not likely to engage in deviant behavior.

Rev. MacRae is aware of the report to the Division of Welfare.

Report to Legal Authority: This report is made in accordance with RSA 169-6:38. The Division's Administrator, Jeannette Gagnon and the reporter of the sexual abuse Father John Quinn of Catholic Social Services, Inc., are available to discuss this matter.

Report by: Jeannette Gagnon  
Jeannette Gagnon, Administrator  
Office of Social Services  
Division of Welfare  
Hazen Drive  
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dated: December 27, 1983

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Gordon J. MacRae  
P.O. Box 14 - #22448  
Concord, NH 03302-0014

November 25, 2002

N. William Delker, Esquire  
Office of the Attorney General  
33 Capitol Street  
Concord, NH 03301-6397

Dear Mr. Delker:

On October 25, 2002 I was interviewed at the NH State Prison by Sgt. Brenda Blonigen and Det. Brooke Lemoine representing your task force investigation of the Diocese of Manchester. The two investigators told me that if I was interested in contacting you directly I should feel free to do so.

During the course of the interview, I became aware that the AG's office, and/or the Task Force, is in possession of multiple documents that I have produced since my conviction in 1994. Det. Lemoine told me that the AG's office did not copy any of my post-conviction case file when the Task Force obtained files at the diocesan offices. I did not consider this to be truthful, however, due to the investigators' questions and references regarding information that I know exists in only one place: a post-conviction case history that I prepared.

I told your investigators that officials of the diocese asked me to send them copies of some of the documents I accumulated in my defense before and after my trial. Det. Lemoine asked me why this request was made, but I was unclear in my response. Last March I initiated a telephone conversation with Father Edward Arsenault in which I pointed out to him that one of the persons who accused me in 1993 also accused another priest, but this was never investigated. I then offered to make some of the documentation I have accumulated available to Father Arsenault. My attorney sent it to him at my request in early May, and your office obtained it when you acquired documents from the Diocese at some point after that.

At any rate, since it seems that your office already has much of the post-conviction documentation I have produced, I have decided to send you two pages of information that I am certain you have not seen. Page one contains excerpts from police reports produced by Keene Police Detective James McLaughlin during interviews with [redacted] in August of 1992 and December of 1993.

Please note the multiple and clear accusations involving Rev. Stephen Scruton. Scruton's name was later dropped and never mentioned again in subsequent interviews and police reports because there was a math problem. [redacted] date of birth is [redacted]. Even though I knew the [redacted] family since 1979, I was never assigned to Keene, nor had access to St. Bernard Rectory, until I was assigned there in June of 1983 when [redacted] was fourteen years of age. Stephen Scruton was assigned to Keene in June of 1985 when [redacted] was sixteen years of age.

The claim referenced as Page 004 ¶3 is notable. In 1991, a year before [REDACTED] brought his claims, Father Stephen Scruton and the Diocese of Manchester were sued by [REDACTED]. The lawsuit was settled out of court. [REDACTED] claimed that, when he was 15 years old in 1987, Father Stephen Scruton took him to the Keene YMCA on several occasions and fondled him with his foot while the two were in the YMCA whirl pool. After the lawsuit was filed, Det. McLaughlin charged Scruton with a misdemeanor sexual assault. The matter was resolved in a plea agreement, and the lawsuit was settled out of court. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were high school classmates.

Prior to my 1994 trial, my attorney sent copies of the above citations to Father Stephen Scruton for comment, but he refused to respond. When my attorney attempted to subpoena him, he left the state. My attorney also discovered multiple checks written on parish accounts to both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. These were all dated between 1985 and 1987 and all were filled out and signed by Stephen Scruton.

It appears that the police investigator ignored or suppressed the claims made about Scruton because the math problem was insurmountable. The second enclosure is a copy of page #25 from Interrogatories answered by Keene Police Det. McLaughlin in response to a lawsuit I filed in 1994. The responses are dated September of 1994, one to two years after his interviews with the [REDACTED] brothers. Please note Question #43 and Det. McLaughlin's response.

There were other indications that the [REDACTED] had originally pointed to Rev. Scruton as a perpetrator. In 1987, after Father Scruton was arrested and left St. Bernard Parish in Keene, [REDACTED] informed me that he had found and viewed a pornographic videotape in Scruton's living quarters. In 1993, [REDACTED] claimed that the videotape was found in my quarters. Presumably the change was made because Scruton was not there until [REDACTED] was over eighteen years of age.

A third brother, [REDACTED] (DOB: [REDACTED]) claimed in police reports that he was forcibly raped by two unknown priests at a Hudson parish in the Spring of 1982. His attorney in the lawsuit brought in 1993 was Mark Abramson, who has repeatedly claimed in press releases involving his current lawsuits that he represented a man who was twelve years of age when he was raped by two priests in Hudson. [REDACTED] was sixteen years old, not twelve, in 1982. The two priests assigned to the Hudson parish at the time were Rev. Stephen Scruton and Rev. Mark Fleming. At the time [REDACTED] made the claim in 1993, he knew both Mark Fleming and Stephen Scruton but identified them in his lawsuits only as "Father John Doe I" and "Father John Doe II." Not one of the seventeen persons who lived or worked at St. John's rectory in Hudson in 1982 was ever questioned about [REDACTED] claims.

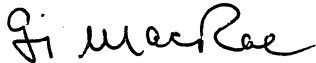
In 1998, I was told by a credible prison inmate that Det. McLaughlin and another Keene police officer presented him with a veiled offer of financial gain if he would join the [REDACTED] brothers in accusing me. In 1999, a relative of one of the [REDACTED] brothers came forward with an offer to "sell" information that one of the brothers lied about his claims because he was desperate for money, and that he found the "scam" to be so easy that he has since settled other lawsuits over contrived injuries.

In his lawsuit against the Diocese of Manchester, which was settled for a six-figure amount, [REDACTED] was represented by Attorney William Cleary who also represented the Keene Office of DCYF, for whom the mother of the [REDACTED] was a supervising social worker. Mr Cleary is currently an Assistant Cheshire County Attorney. Another claimant was represented in his lawsuit by Attorney Peter Heed, the current Cheshire County Attorney. It occurs to me that the public officials who would evaluate any claim I make for a reconsideration of my conviction are the same people who profited substantially from the claims.

I have also enclosed a news article about Rev. Scruton dated February 20, 2002. Since my 1994 conviction I have been given the impression by diocesan personnel that Rev. Scruton's location and activities were unknown.

Since you have much of what I have produced in my defense, and in the hopes of further investigation and appeal, I feel that you may as well look at the enclosed as well.

Sincerely,



Gordon J. MacRae

Enc. 3

References to Father Stephen Scruton in Det. James McLaughlin's Reports of 1992/3 interviews with [REDACTED]

Case # [REDACTED]  
Report Dated August 27, 1992  
Page 002, ¶1:

"[REDACTED] also gave information about another priest identified as Father Scruton as also sexually abusing him on at least two occasions."

Page 003, ¶4:

"When [REDACTED] was twelve (12) or thirteen (13) years old he would spend nights in the Keene rectory (St. Bernards). Father MacRae would fondle and perform fellatio on [REDACTED] when he spent the night. On one of these visits Father MacRae started to fondle and perform oral sex (fellatio) on him and then left the room. Another priest, believed to be Father Scruton, came into the room and continued the oral sex (fellatio) on [REDACTED]"

Page 004, ¶3:

"After racquet ball Father MacRae would have [REDACTED] take a whirlpool with him and at times Father Scruton joined them. It was during these times that [REDACTED] would be seated in the whirlpool and both Father MacRae and Father Scruton would be joined in conversation and they would alternate in rubbing their foot against his genitals. [REDACTED] was unsure if the priests were acting in concert or if they were unaware of each other's actions."

Report dated December 7, 1993 Page 1, ¶4:

"I spoke with [REDACTED] and asked him to think of the two incidents of fellatio by MacRae which took place in the rectory during the Summer of 1983 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. I asked him to give this some thought and that we wanted to give the defense specifics about these two incidents so they can be differentiated."

P. 1, ¶5:

"I asked [REDACTED] about who might have seen him stay the night in the rectory. [REDACTED] stated that Father Scruton was a witness to his having stayed the night."

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Note: Between August and October 1992, Det. McLaughlin wrote three letters pretending to be [REDACTED]. Each letter was signed, [REDACTED]" and the letters were based on [REDACTED] information in interviews. The following is contained in the second letter.

Letter Dated October 5, 1992:

"Another thing I need an answer to is about Father Scruton. One night you were having oral sex with me and then left. Father Scruton came in and finished. Were you doing a favor for him? If so, shouldn't you have asked me first?"

Note: This page is from Interrogatories answered by Det. McLaughlin in September, 1994. He was the defendant in a lawsuit, and these Interrogatories were a part of the discovery process in that suit.

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have met, or have personal knowledge of, including the approximate dates of meeting these individuals, whether your meeting(s) or knowledge of these individuals is related to any investigation(s) conducted by you, or which you are privy to, the nature of the investigation(s), the date(s) of the investigation(s), and the location(s) of the investigation(s).

ANSWER: Defendant objects to the information requested on the grounds that it is overly broad, unduly burdensome, irrelevant and, in some cases, confidential due to ongoing criminal investigations and privileged due to the right of privacy of individuals involved.

43. Have you ever had a conversation with Rev. Stephen Scruton regarding Gordon MacRae? If so, please indicate the date of the conversation(s) and provide a copy of your report(s) on the conversation(s).

ANSWER: On occasion, I have had conversations with Reverend Stephen Scruton, however, I have no recollection of ever discussing any actions of Gordon MacRae with the Reverend Scruton.

44. Have you ever had a conversation with any other priest regarding Gordon MacRae? If so, please indicate the date of the conversation(s) and provide a copy of your report(s) on the conversation(s).