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I would like to speak with you. I believe it may be helpful to speak with someone with a common experience.

If you agree to contact me, please do so through my work office.

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In re: Hoover, William

Date: October 25, 1997

CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

From: Bishop Delaney

Date: October 25, 1997

In re: Fr. William Hoover

At this week's DPAC meeting, [redacted] told me privately that her first cousin, [redacted] was sexually abused by WH when he was pastor at [redacted] parish. She thought it occurred in the late 60's. The fact was known by many members of the [redacted] family, but no one would come forward to complain.

I gather that the family has always wondered if the abuse had anything to do with how things turned out. I expressed my surprise and sadness to hear about this and to her that this was the first time we had heard about anything happening so much later than the original complaint.

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I'm glad to hear through Father Wilson that you are profiting from the counseling that [redacted] is giving you. I trust it will continue to bring you closure on the [redacted] which you told us. I will be back with you about a response from the individual who "went public" in his encounter. Too, there is no record of other complaints about Father Hoover with adolescents or children in the past. He seems to have been out of his mode of actions he had with the two of you for a long number of years prior to his death.

Sincerely,

Rev. Joseph A. Schuamcher  
Vicar General

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The first individual who went public, anonymously, about Fr. William Hoover was \_\_\_\_\_

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12-2-97

Joe Schumacher

From: Joe Schumacher  
Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 1997 4:49 PM  
To: Robert Wilson  
Cc: Bishop Delaney  
Subject: Counseling with

Call came at 1:05 p.m. today. I returned it to [redacted] left word with his answering service at 4:25; returned me at 4:40 p.m.  
To wit:  
He had done counselling with [redacted] end of 1995 and much of 1996, vis-à-vis William Hoover. Was dismissed with opinion of [redacted] that [redacted] could handle irritability, fear of rejection, emotional difficulties sufficiently well; but he came back on Nov. 10, 1997 with some of the same problems. [redacted] thinks it's come from the latest publicity in newspapers (re: Rudy Kos?). [redacted] says "I wish some more counselling now." [redacted] thinks it can be handle fairly easily. But [redacted] is now calling to see if we want him to do the counselling, will we pay for it, etc.  
If you will, Bob, call to okay or not.  
I would suggest if we say o.k. and that we will cover, that we set a limit on it.  
Too, perhaps, we should let Dallas Chancery know we are back into it, since the problem really is theirs -- we weren't a Diocese when W.H. was involved in same.

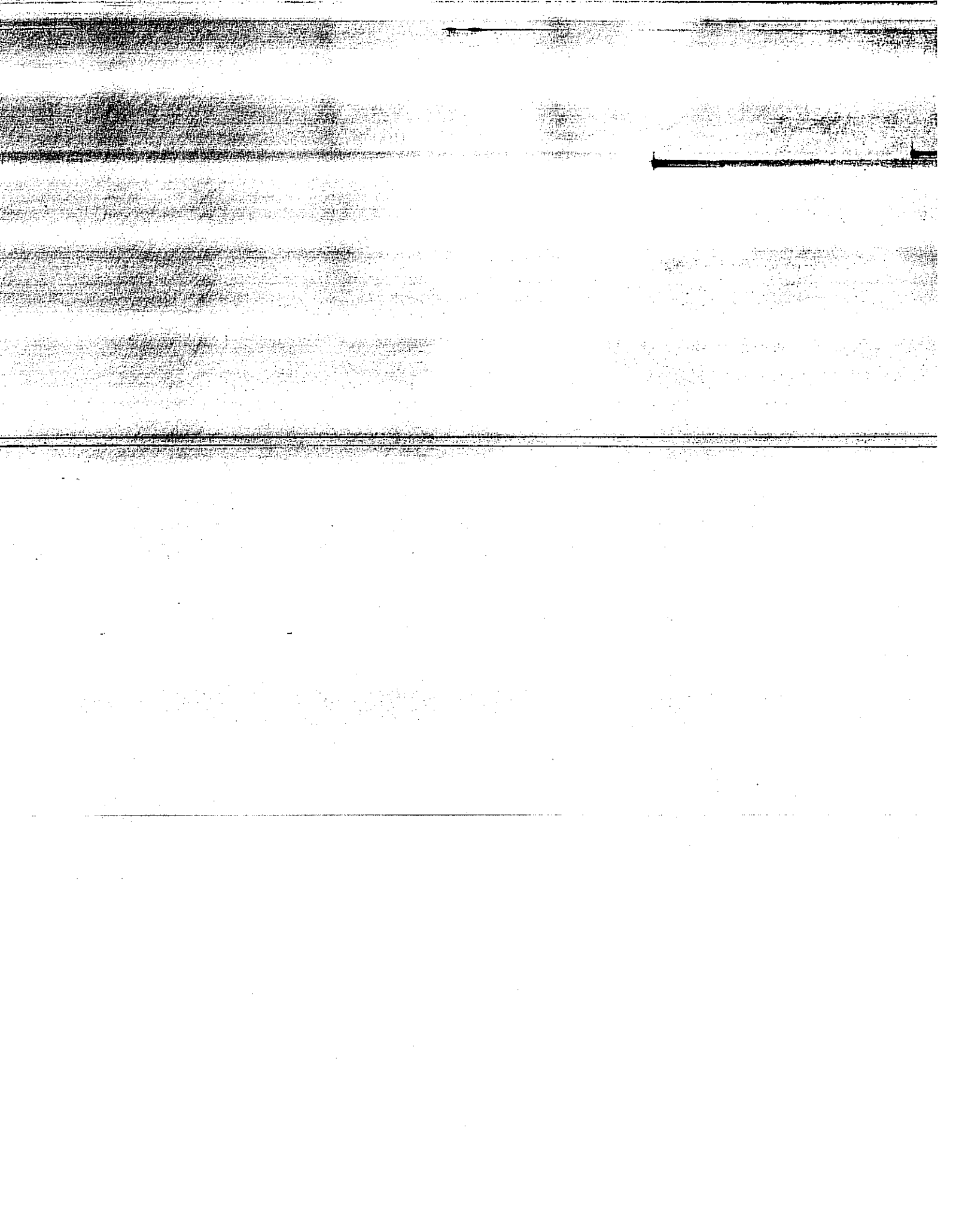
I called [redacted] He called me back, from answering service, to ask if we would be willing to pay the bills. We talked a bit. It seems that [redacted] had contacted me in [redacted] I had suggested they get in touch with Dallas. [redacted] said that indeed Fr. Glenn Gardner had paid the bills for the year's counselling.  
I called Duffy Garam [redacted] told him the "good" news; Duffy said he would contact [redacted] and "take care of the counselling now needed."

Msgr. Glenn Gardner [redacted] 214/523-2434 (office)

Msgr. John Bell [redacted] 214/528-9979 (office)

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3:45 - 4:40 pm.



September 14, 1998

Memo to files  
from Father Wilson

Concern:

called several times the last week of August, and was verbally abusive to all three secretaries in the chancery, and to Dan Luby who returned his call. DL returned the call because of mistaken identity. Another had been in to see the bishop about a Nigerian rally. Since DL had sat on that meeting I asked him to return the call. However, it was the wrong person.

One of the remarks made by was that he did not appreciate me calling him "in the middle of the night." DL had called him about 4:30 PM. This was only one of the many strange remarks made, some that could be considered abusive.

I returned's call six times, only reaching him on the first occasion. That was September 2 at 9:00 AM. He was not abusive to me at all. A woman answered the phone, his wife I presume. I explained that I answered the bishop's calls for him, and he said that he preferred to speak only to the bishop or a priest, and not to anyone else. I asked him about the name of his complaint. He said that he had been abused by a priest. When I asked who, he said Father Hoover. He then told me that no one in his home knew of this. He may have been subdued because of his wife answering the phone.

I said I would like to come by to visit with him, but he did not think that was a good idea. I said I would meet him some where, but finally had to agree to call him back. He asked that I call between 11:00 AM and 2:30 PM. I agreed to do so. I called him back the same day at 1:25 PM, and there was no answer. Neither was there an answer on the subsequent four occasions.

The log of my calls:

Sept. 2	9:00 AM
Sept 2	1:25 PM
Sept 3	11:20 AM
Sept 4	12:45 PM
Sept. 9	2:15 PM
Sept. 14	11:45 PM

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Joe Schumacher

From: Joe Schumacher  
Sent: Saturday, February 13, 1999 7:18 PM  
To: Bishop Delaney  
Cc: Robert Wilson  
Subject: RE:

I was the one with whom he has talked in the past. I will be happy to fill you in on it. At one time, he was doing fine. Then, after publicity on Rudy Kos, Robert Peebles, et al is, he again got to us/me. He went back to me. I'm not sure what has transpired in the last 5 or so months. He works for [redacted] says his wife does not know of his 1 time encounter with Bill Hoover at [redacted] Church that it is between him and us so far.

From: Bishop Delaney  
Sent: Friday, February 12, 1999 10:55 AM  
To: Robert Wilson; Joe Schumacher  
Subject:

He called for an appointment to see me. He will come on Feb. 22. Bob, can you meet with us at 10 a.m.? He has been talking to [redacted] up to now. I'm not sure if it is Bob or Joe who has been in touch with him in the past. I think it's you, Joe. I would like to be reminded of the story is all about and how we will respond. He did not indicate exactly what his direction would be, only that he wanted to talk about Father Hoover.

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Joe Schumacher

From: Joe Schumacher  
Sent: Sunday, February 14, 1999 3:24 PM  
To: Bishop Delaney  
Cc: Robert Wilson  
Subject: The last correspondence I had with

I talked to him on the phone and will get the gist of that from my notes at the Catholic Center next Tuesday when I am there. As I said on E-Mail, seemed to be doing better, but with all the publicity out of Dallas, he "began to hurt again." I encouraged him to go do which he had done in the past. Bob might know since those billings come through Bob at the Center.



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Joe Schumacher

From: Robert Wilson  
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To: Joe Schumacher, Bishop Delaney  
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In re: Hoover, William

Date: February 22, 1999

CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

To: Files  
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Date: February 22, 1999  
In re: Father William Hoover concerning

Father Robert Wilson and I met with \_\_\_\_\_ today as a part of \_\_\_\_\_ a life-long Catholic, born in \_\_\_\_\_. Several years ago when the information about Father William Hoover's abuse of several boys became public, \_\_\_\_\_ began to remember that he had been abused by him too. He remembers that the event took place in the sacristy at \_\_\_\_\_ Church on \_\_\_\_\_ on the occasion of the rehearsal for a cousin's wedding. The wedding was to be celebrated by Father \_\_\_\_\_ another priest, but Father Hoover was the priest in charge at the church and was there that evening setting things up. The abuse occurred on one occasion and consisted of genital stimulation.

AS \_\_\_\_\_ remembers it he was 11 years old at the time of the event, and was too upset and afraid to tell anyone about it. When \_\_\_\_\_ died, he says that he became obsessed with what happened.

\_\_\_\_\_  
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He reported all this to Father Joseph Schumacher about 18 months ago, and JS arranged for him to see \_\_\_\_\_ for counseling. He has been going to see \_\_\_\_\_ all this time. Because of the counseling he has been able to deal better with his memories of the event and to discuss it with members of his blood family and \_\_\_\_\_ This coming to see me was part of this process.

As the conversation was ending, \_\_\_\_\_ spoke about all the suffering the event has caused him. He was appreciative of the counseling for which the Diocese has been paying, but added that perhaps he was due some "other compensation." He also spoke how he could never go to the press the way other priests had. I did not respond to these intimations, but only offered to continue to provide counseling for him as long as he and his therapist felt it was necessary. I agreed to meet with him again if it would be helpful.

\_\_\_\_\_ has told RW that he thinks \_\_\_\_\_ should be winding up the counseling. This was the impression I got from \_\_\_\_\_ when we met about why Bill Hoover would be \_\_\_\_\_ in the future. \_\_\_\_\_ was \_\_\_\_\_ years later but would have been an \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ with another priest. Since the event took place before our diocese was established, the Diocese of Dallas would be the entity primarily responsible for addressing any financial matters that may be raised. We will not pursue this unless \_\_\_\_\_ insists on it.

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PAYMENT ORDER / ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHER FORM

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VENDOR NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ENTERED BY/DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 12-15-79 TAXPAYER ID NO. \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PAY TO: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT RELATES TO:  
 DIOCESE  
 FOUNDATION

INVOICES TO BE PAID			CHARGE TO			
INVOICE NO.	INVOICE DATE	AMOUNT	ACCOUNT NO.	FUND	DEPT.	AMOUNT
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Father Robert Wilson  
Catholic Center

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8-25-99	90844	SP	75	450
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Dear Bishop Delaney,

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Now, I am asking for financial compensation for the suffering I have had and continue to experience. Your consideration of my request is appreciated.

Respectfully,

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# Diocese of Fort Worth

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TO: Mr. Michael T. Weiss, Chief Financial Officer for the Diocese of  
Dallas

FROM: Rev. Joseph A. Schumacher, V.G.

SUBJECT: Confidential concerning

DATE: Thursday, June 8, 2000

As you can see from the Memo of September 17, 1997, [redacted] had contacted me earlier in that year asserting he had been sexually touched by Fr. William Hoover when [redacted] was serving a wedding at [redacted] in Fort Worth about the year 1960, in the sacristy area behind the altar.

We offered him counseling at that time with a psychologist who has worked with us in similar situations. He went for a time, then believed it was taken care of and voluntarily quit going. When he heard the public media news about the man who had accused Fr. Hoover of this same sort of action when the latter was assistant pastor at [redacted] Dallas, he again came forward. He wanted to talk to that man. That individual didn't want to have his name made public; no contact was made with him or with any other ones who might have been in contact, out of the St. James parish. He talked to Bishop DeWey and Fr. Wilson in February, 1999. He afterwards went back into counseling with the same psychologist. We paid fees in excess of \$3,500. [redacted] quit of his own accord and reported he was doing better. The letter to us from [redacted] received May 30, 2000 indicates he wishes "financial compensation for the suffering [he] has had and [redacted] to experience."

We have not contacted him since receiving the latest communication.

When [redacted] asserts the incident happened, [redacted] in Fort Worth was in the Diocese of Dallas-Ft. Worth. We were separate dioceses in 1969.

If you wish us to do anything further, we will try to do so. In the meantime, you can contact [redacted]

[redacted] When we first were contacted by him, he said his wife did not know of the incident, nor had he told anyone else.

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The Catholic Center

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5-30-00

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In re: Hoover, William

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CONFIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM

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Sincerely,

Rev. Joseph A. Schuamcher  
Vicar General

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Dear Fr. Schumacher,

Please refer to the attached letter. I am asking the person I read about in the paper to contact me. I am assuming you have an address for him. Please forward my letter to him. Please advise me if you are willing and able to do this. Thank you.

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9-24-97

**Joe Schumacher**

**From:** Joe Schumacher  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 24, 1997 10:22 AM  
**To:** Robert Wilson  
**Cc:** Bishop Delaney

I talked to [redacted] this morning. I told him that the individual to whom he wished to talk had never gone public, that he did not give his name to the newspaper people nor to the TV reporter, that he had his face shaded out when he appeared only in profile for the latter interview. I also told him that the man was separated from his wife when he talked to me and as far as I knew did not get back with her, so I wouldn't know his address nor phone number, and that he quite probably wouldn't want to have his name or whereabouts made public now.

[redacted] said he was disappointed but he understood. [redacted] then answered my enquiry as to when the incident happened by saying he didn't remember exactly but it was when [redacted] got married at [redacted] about 1961 - when I called to [redacted] and asked for a copy of that marriage record to be sent to the C.C. [redacted] mentioned that FLWorth was in Dallas - FL Worth Diocese then and he acknowledged he knew it was all in the Dallas Diocese then.

I asked him how the counseling was coming along; he said, "Okay." I said I had heard only in general that he was doing fine with it and of course we knew it because we had offered to bear the cost. I told him, also, that we would do this for anyone who needed counseling but couldn't afford it; he said he knew that.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Fr. Bob Wilson and Bishop Joe Delaney  
FROM: JAS  
SUBJECT:  
DATE: September 17, 1997

My machine and the "network" locked up. I couldn't send the following message by E-Mail, so here goes a rewrite:

I got a call from [redacted] returned it, and told him that the person from whom we first heard about H. has not revealed his name to the public nor was he seen or identified precisely on television (It was a blacked image.) When he gave an interview.

For this reason, I told [redacted] that we would need to get in touch with this gentleman and get his permission to pass on his name and phone number to [redacted]

I believe you have that information, Bob --or perhaps the bishop does??

At the time that first individual came to us, he was living away from his [redacted] address

[redacted] don't know if he and [redacted] reconciled or not or what happened to him. I do believe we paid for some counseling for him.

Let me know and I'll call back to [redacted] number with [redacted] leaves his work since [redacted] doesn't know of any of this.

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DATE: 12-15-94 TAX PAYER ID NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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5-13-99	90844	SP	75	225
6-17-99	90844	SP	75	300
8-11-99	90844	SP	75	375
8-15-99	90844	SP	75	450
10-06-99	90844	SP	75	525
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MEMORANDUM

To: Diocesan Files  
From: Rev. Joseph A. Schumacher  
Date: June 19, 2000  
Subject: Conversation with [redacted] about her acquaintance with Fr. William R. Hoover

[redacted] had called me about two weeks ago and wanted to talk to me about Father Hoover and her friendship with him; she also wanted to know where he was buried. She spoke as if she had "just heard" about his death in New York City. I had an appointment with her for today at 9:45 a.m. She came in the afternoon around 2 p.m.

She had been friendly with Fr. Hoover since his days as pastor at [redacted] when [redacted] was teaching and later principal of the school there. She was and is an Episcopalian. She has kept all his letters to her. She showed me a couple of them. They were friendly and no more. She also knew him at the St. Patrick's church, Fort Worth. She visited with him and worked with him. She is a [redacted] working for the [redacted] as I remember her saying. She spoke very hesitatingly as if she had either suffered a stroke or couldn't keep her attention. I would let her go to her own pace. Sometimes she would look at me and say nothing for 2 minutes. She said that she knew about his problem as the newspapers mentioned them in 1993 and wasn't surprised. She intimated she knew [redacted] was gay, especially when [redacted] moved into the rectory with Fr. Hoover at [redacted].

She didn't want anything from me, didn't mention anything about what she thought Fr. Hoover might have done; she simply wanted to reminisce about their times together and express her sorrow at his dying.

She left after 45 minutes of talking, having heard from me that Fr. Hoover had died of a heart attack on the streets of New York City and was buried in Calvary Hill Cemetery, Dallas.

The only information I have about her whereabouts in Dallas is her telephone number which is [redacted].

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