

MEMORANDUM

TO: File – GORDON JAMES MACRAE
FROM: Brenda M. Bloniger, Sergeant *bmb/SB*
RE: DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
DATE: October 21, 2002

On Monday, October 21, 2002 I called and spoke with

Attorney EDWARD J. O'BRIEN
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who was the County Attorney in January 1984 for Cheshire County. A letter was generated by Attorney O'Brien regarding a report that he had received from the Attorney General's Office concerning MACRAE. Attorney O'BRIEN told me that he does not remember anything about a priest named MACRAE. He told me that his predecessor destroyed all of the files in the office, therefore he (O'BRIEN) has nothing to be able to refer back to, in order to refresh his memory. He told me that he had dealt with a number of priest cases and did not specifically remember any names of victims or priests. I asked him about a specific case that occurred in Hampton, NH with a victim by the name of [REDACTED] and he said that it does not jog his memory at all and he does not remember it. I asked him if he had ever spoke with officials from the Diocese and he said that he could not really remember.

MEMORANDUM

TO: File – GORDON MACRAE
FROM: DET BROOKE LEMOINE *BL*
RE: DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER – Follow-up
DATE: 18 Oct, 2002

On the above listed date at approximately 0930hrs, this Detective made contact via the telephone with

ATTORNEY RICHARD SMITH

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Attorney. SMITH is identified [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is the President of the Board of Directors for that organization serving from the early 1980's through the early 1990's. Attorney SMITH, who confirmed his status with that organization in 1988, was made aware of the investigation-taking place and it's direct link with Father GORDON MACRAE. Mr. SMITH who indicated he was very much aware of MACRAE, was questioned for several minutes regarding his organizations dealing with MACRAE and he communicated the following information from the best of his recollection.

That GORDON MACRAE came to work for the Monadnock Region Substance Abuse Services in 1987 and became the Director. He spent approximately one year employed there being released almost immediately following the Boards receipt that he was alleged to have sexually abused children in the past. This information was communicated to him by the Keene Police (Det James McLaughlin) Attorney SMITH told me that MACRAE when applying for the position of Director purported himself as a Catholic Priest in high standing with an extensive background in substance abuse work. Attorney SMITH was asked and indicated that he does not believe that his organization ever called the Diocese of Manchester to verify or background MACRAE stating that his obvious vocation as a Roman Catholic Priest compelled with his resume proved sufficient that he was of superior character. Attorney SMITH indicated that he did not receive any communication with the Diocese during MACRAE' employment or after his termination.

Attorney SMITH indicated that in hindsight he should have looked into MACRAE' background more, and communicated with his Diocese. Attorney SMITH indicated that had he received any information from the Diocese relative to MACRAE and allegations that he abused minors in the past he would have not hired him. Attorney SMITH indicated that MACRAE'S position involved one on one counseling with adolescents who where substance dependant.

Attorney SMITH told me that he remembers MACRAE did breach the operating procedures of the Clinic by seeing adolescent clients outside of the Center. Attorney SMITH indicated that he remembers that MACRAE usually was seen in the company of 13-14 year old boys in downtown Keene NH. SMITH reports that there was one particular boy that he remembers was with MACRAE a lot of the time and would go to his apartment. That MACRAE would take him to the movies, Mall etc.

Attorney SMITH indicated that Robert ROONEY who was his Vice President of the Substance Abuse Services might have additional information that would be helpful. Attorney SMITH was thanked for his time and contact ended.

At 1100hrs, this Detective made contact via the telephone with :

ROBERT ROONEY



Mr ROONEY was advised of the current investigation being conducted and informed that his name was provided from his colleague RICHARD SMITH. Mr ROONEY confirmed his then status as Vice President of the Monadnock Family Substance Abuse Services serving from 1984-1990. Mr. ROONEY now is employed as the Director of Human Resources at Timken & Co Keene, NH. Mr. ROONEY was questioned relative to his knowledge, involvement in the hiring of Father GORDON MACRAE and his ultimate termination one year later. Mr. ROONEY stated the following to the best of his recollection:

Mr ROONEY indicated that Father MACRAE was hired as Director of Substance Abuse Services in 1987 shortly after the previous Director was let go advising that he did not work out. Mr ROONEY indicated that he remembers MACRAE having interest in the position previously. Mr ROONEY indicated that MACRAE told him that he took a leave of absence from the regular Priest work because of his interest in substance abuse work. Mr ROONEY advised that MACRAE appeared to be a Priest in good standing and had a reputation of working well especially with children. Mr ROONEY indicated that he remembers MACRAE indicating that he was once a police officer who was wounded (shot) in the line of duty. MACRAE reportedly told this story and other police related tales to confirmation classes at the churches in Keene. Mr. ROONEY stated that MACRAE looked so good on paper/resume that it was not considered necessary to call his Diocese to background his character. Mr ROONEY told me that MACRAE informed him that he was required to report to his Diocese weekly to let them know what he was doing etc.

Mr ROONEY indicated that he remembers that MACRAE would frequently be in the company of adolescents both on and off duty. MACRAE reportedly met clients/patients of the substance abuse clinic at the Colony Mall in Keene NH something which was felt by the organization to be improper. Mr. ROONEY was asked if MACRAE would counsel adolescents privately one on one at the clinic? Mr ROONEY indicated that he would. Finally Mr ROONEY was asked and confirmed that his organization would not

have hired GORDON MACRAE if they had received any information about a past allegation that he sexually assaulted a minor child. Mr ROONEY advised that he received no correspondence communication before during or after GORDON MACRAE' termination.

Mr Rooney was thanked for his time and contact ended.

Memo

To: Gordon Macrae File
From: Jeffery A. Strelzin, Assistant Attorney General
Date: October 30, 2002
Re: Conversation with [REDACTED]

JAS

On Wednesday, October 30, 2002 at around 9:20 a.m., I went with Det. Brooke Lemoine to [REDACTED] in Concord, New Hampshire. The purpose of that trip was for me to try and facilitate an interview between [REDACTED] and Det. Lemoine regarding the Diocese investigation. Specifically, Det. Lemoine wanted to ask [REDACTED] some questions about being victimized by a former priest named Gordon Macrae. I am a customer at [REDACTED] and knew [REDACTED] so I agreed to try and help set up an interview between [REDACTED] and Det. Lemoine.

We arrived at [REDACTED] and I got out to go find [REDACTED]. Det. Lemoine remained in the car. I went into the sales trailer and spoke to the [REDACTED] who said he'd get [REDACTED] for me.

As short time later, [REDACTED] came outside from the main building and met me in parking lot area. I reminded [REDACTED] who I was and shook his hand. I told him that I worked at the Attorney General's Office, which he seemed to know already (possibly from other people in the store) and that I was aware of the ongoing investigation regarding the Diocese and priests who had molested children. I explained that I was not involved in the investigation itself and had found out that morning that he was someone the investigators wanted to speak with. I apologized to him for just showing up at his workplace to talk to him about a difficult subject. I explained to him that I was only trying to help set up a meeting between he and Det. Lemoine.

We talked for about 15-20 minutes. During that time, [REDACTED] confirmed that the priest had abused him when he was 14 years old and had settled a civil case over it for "short money."

[REDACTED] also said that he had gone to counseling and was trying to put the abuse behind him. He was concerned about his children and co-workers finding out about the abuse and didn't want to be interviewed anymore. [REDACTED] did say that if he were subpoenaed though, he would testify.

I told [REDACTED] that one of the reasons the investigators wanted to talk to him was because his period of abuse fell beyond the time when others had been abused and beyond the time when the Diocese knew about it. He did not deny that was the case.

[REDACTED] expressed his displeasure with the way he was treated by a Keene Detective in the past. According to [REDACTED] his name was used on a letter without his knowledge, which upset him. That was part of the reason for his reluctance to get involved with the current investigation.

[REDACTED] also said that he felt that the investigation was a waste of time and resources because so much time had past. I explained to him the importance of the truth and making sure the public knew the truth about what had happened to him and others and how the Diocese played a role in that. He said that everyone where he lived already knew about what had happened to him and were beginning to forget about it, which is what he wanted anyway.

I gave [REDACTED] Det. Lemoine's card and thanked him for his time and apologized for interrupting him at work. He shook my hand and said he understood because we all have a job to do.

During my time with [REDACTED], he was cordial, forthcoming and articulate. He acknowledged that he had been abused, but was adamant that he did not want to revisit the subject for the reasons stated above.

MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: [REDACTED]

PLACE OF INTERVIEW: Seabrook Police Department
Seabrook, New HampshireINTERVIEWED BY: Detective Brooke Lemoine ^{BL}
Sergeant Brenda M. Blonigen ^{SMB/SB}

DATE OF INTERVIEW: September 24, 2002

RE: GORDON JAMES MACRAE

SIDE A

BL: This is an audio taped statement taking place at the Seabrook Police Department on Centennial Drive. The date is the 24th of September 2002, and the time is 10:05 a.m., this is Detective Brooke Lemoine, and we're conducting, ah, the interview statement of [REDACTED] middle initial [REDACTED], last name [REDACTED]. Date of birth is [REDACTED] of [REDACTED]. Also present in the interview, ah, room is, ah, [REDACTED], date of birth of [REDACTED] and also present is Sergeant Brenda Blonigen of the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department. Okay [REDACTED] um, I know we've been, ah, discussing with you our investigation that we have been conducting in regards to the, ah, Manchester Diocese is that correct?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: And, ah, ah, we shared with you some information that we are presently, ah, conducting an investigation involving, ah, Father Gordon MacRae a Catholic priest, is that correct?

[REDACTED] Yes sir.

BL: Okay. Ah, do you know who Gordon MacRae is?

[REDACTED] Yes sir.

BL: Okay how do you know, ah, Gordon MacRae?

[REDACTED] Um, because we attended, ah, church.

BL: Okay.

BL: Okay let me just, ah, ah, go back a little bit, um, you lived in [REDACTED] Ah, what year was that?

Ah, we moved back to New Hampshire from [REDACTED] in '79, we moved into Hampton in the 80's.

BL: Do you remember where you lived on, in Hampton? What the name of the street was?

Um, we first lived on the farm on [REDACTED]

BL: Okay.

And then we moved to [REDACTED]

BL: Okay. And, um, um, your husband, ah, [REDACTED] was with you at that time?

Yes sir.

BL: And you have children as well?

Yes.

BL: Ah, can you name your children for me please.

[REDACTED], she's forty-five years of age.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED], he's forty.

BL: Okay. And also [REDACTED]

Right, he's thirty-three now.

BL: Okay.

Gonna be thirty-three.

BL: Okay, and you attended church in Hampton.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: What was the name of the church?

[REDACTED] Immaculate.

BL: Ah, Immaculate?

[REDACTED] Ya.

BL: Okay and, ah, who was the pastor at that time?

[REDACTED] When?

BL: At the church? When you first started going to, ah?

[REDACTED] I can't remember who was before Father MacRae.

BL: Okay. Well we got them.

[REDACTED] We really didn't, we really didn't get into the church until Father MacRae was there.

BL: Okay. So you started going to, ah, Immaculate, um, Father MacRae was the pastor.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Was he a pastor, an older pastor?

[REDACTED] Well, you know.

BL: Okay. And I think you indicated that, ah, ah, [REDACTED] ah, attended CCD classes?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: As well?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Ah, did Father MacRae teach those classes to [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He, I believe would come every ss, you know, I don't know if it was every Sunday, every other Sunday but he would attend and say hi to the children.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] Acknowledge the children in the classes.

BL: How, how old was, ah, was [REDACTED] when, um, you started attending this church?

[REDACTED] Ah, about twelve years old.

BL: Twelve years old, okay. And up until that point, ah, were there any? Problems with [REDACTED] on, ah, ah, talking in the general sense were there any, any, was [REDACTED] normal child?

[REDACTED] He was a happy go-lucky kid.

BL: Okay, going to school?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: No problems?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Any psychological problems in his background up to that point?

[REDACTED] None whatsoever.

BL: Okay. Um. Now Father MacRae, ah, when, when we're talking you, you said that he, ah, took an interest in your family.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Come by your house?

[REDACTED] Yes he did.

BL: Okay, how often would Father MacRae come by your house?

[REDACTED] Oh I think the first time he came by our house was on a Christmas Eve. [REDACTED] had kinda begged him oh come I want you to meet my parents. And then after that maybe only, two or three times he had dropped him off or picked him up.

BL: Okay, um. Would Father MacRae take him out to any kind of church events or do anything just he and Father MacRae?

I believe [REDACTED] used to pick, he used to pick up [REDACTED] out of school.

BL: Okay.

He was in an elementary school, I mean junior high school then. And would take him like to the mall or couple of times he picked him up, um, in the evening after supper, and brought him to the mall shopping or somewhere.

BL: Okay, did he bought.

Took him to a movie. Took him to Friendly's.

BL: Would, would Father MacRae, ah, take out [REDACTED] and other?

No.

BL: Children or just [REDACTED]?

Just [REDACTED]

BL: Okay it would always be just [REDACTED]?

To my knowledge.

BL: Okay, um. I think, I think you indicated that, ah, ah, Father MacRae would, has taken, ah, [REDACTED] to other parishes as well other rectories.

When [REDACTED] told me once he took a trip with him to Keene.

BL: Okay.

And showed him a church in Keene.

BL: Okay. Do you know if, ah, if [REDACTED] ever spent any overnights, ah, anywhere with Father MacRae?

No I don't believe he did.

BL: Okay, um. I think you, I think you indicated that, ah, Father MacRae purchased gifts and different things for [REDACTED] as well. Do you remember anything specifically that, ah, Father MacRae bought for [REDACTED]

P: Usually it was tapes.

BL: Tapes?

[REDACTED]

Ya.

BL:

Okay, um, did Father MacRae have any, ah, similar contact with other members of your family?

[REDACTED]

No.

BL:

Your other children?

[REDACTED]

None, no because they're, they were both married.

BL:

Okay, they were much older?

[REDACTED]

Yes my daughter was in, living in [REDACTED] and my son was, he's in the Air Force he was stationed out at the base.

BL:

Okay, um. What did [REDACTED] tell you regarding his relationship with Father MacRae back then, did he, did he offer any, did he like Father MacRae, did he have any problems with Father MacRae? Ah, did you receive any information from [REDACTED] at all about that relationship?

[REDACTED]

No just that he was his friend.

BL:

Okay.

[REDACTED]

And he would help him around the rectory do things and, you know. It was his buddy.

BL:

Okay.

[REDACTED]

Because as a matter of fact Father Mac, MacRae would say called him his buddy.

BL:

Okay. Did you ever see Father MacRae show any, out, out, outward affection toward [REDACTED] maybe around you?

[REDACTED]

No.

BL:

Okay. Um. And you had, ah, no problems with Father MacRae as far as he taking out your son or doing anything with your son, um, eh, eh, they're no issues or any problems, at that point?

[REDACTED]

Not at the beginning no.

BL: Okay. And, um, I understand that, ah, as time went on, ah, you began to formulate in your own mind and you shared that with us that you had some suspicions, about Father MacRae and your son, could you share me, with us, ah, what you were thinking?

Well [REDACTED] behavior changed.

BL: Okay, how so?

He started become a very angry, and he was not so much get in trouble in school but his behavior in school wasn't that great and his grades were failing. He started failing school which he never did before.

BL: Okay.

And I was being called from the school. And, ah, at that particular time I didn't know, um, MacRae was picking [REDACTED] up after school and.

BL: Okay.

At that time.

BL: Ah, you found out from the school that Father MacRae had been picking up [REDACTED].

No [REDACTED] told me himself.

BL: Okay. And what would [REDACTED] say that he did with, would do with Father MacRae?

When he picked him up from school?

BL: Yes.

He really didn't anything specifically but we, like [REDACTED] would say well Father MacRae picked me up and gave me a ride home from school today Ma, that's all he would say that particular time, or else maybe he took him to Friendly's after school.

BL: Okay.

You know for an ice cream or whatever.

BL: Would this be something like in lieu of him taking the bus home, he would just get a ride from Father MacRae or how would he normally get, would have gotten home?

I believe at that time I think he was taking the bus sometimes he could walk home too, he walked home with a friend.

BL: Okay. And at that time [REDACTED] was twelve? Still twelve years old?

Ya.

BL: And do you recall what grade he would be in school, the seventh grade, eighth grade somewhere around there?

Ah, he was in the seventh grade.

BL: Seventh grade? Okay. Um. Now, you continue going to church?

Ya.

BL: And Father MacRae was the pastor of this church. And it came a point where, ah, the situation changed, with, your son's relationship with Father MacRae where you received some information, ah.

Hm, hm.

BL: How, how did it change? What was the next of events with [REDACTED] and Father MacRae and your?

Well the one that stands out in my mind is like when Father MacRae had promised him an overnight camping trip, for the weekend.

BL: Okay.

And I remember Father MacRae calling the house and telling [REDACTED] that he couldn't make it. That he wasn't gonna be able to take him or something.

BL: Okay.

Like that. And, that evening [REDACTED] became very angry. And, and I had just started suspecting putting things together, in my own mind that you know why is this priest going out of his way for [REDACTED] you know and why is he buying these gifts and everything and, when [REDACTED] behavior was so bad it just wasn't my child anymore. And I had called up MacRae and asked him I says what was the conversation about what happened he says oh I promised

him I'd take him camping and I can't take him and I says well and I told him at that particular time I says have you ever laid a hand on my son inappropriately. He says no, no, no, he says I just put my arm around all the kids to let them know that I care about 'em and they're my buddies and that more or less. And that was it.

BL: Okay and this was a telephone conversation that you with?

That was a telephone conversation I had with Father MacRae.

BL: And this was?

And I was living at the farm at the time.

BL: Okay. And this was a, as a result of you noticing these adverse changes in, in

Right.

BL: And they seem to be somewhat connected to his relationship with Father MacRae.

Right.

BL: Is causing this you think.

Right.

BL: Okay. Um, so what, so what happens next?

Well after what, that happened he, he, he says well let me speak to [REDACTED] and I don't know exact, exactly what the conversation was, but he did tell me he says, Father MacRae wants me to apologize for you for my behavior tonight. Because he was you know. He more or less, I thought in my mind he, then he was counseling [REDACTED] because [REDACTED] he thought was a troubled child and that night there as a matter of fact Father MacRae told me he says you outta have this kid evaluated.

BL: He told you that on the phone that night?

Right. And I says why. But I never had a problem with [REDACTED] before.

BL: So what did he say?

Well the conversation more or less left after he was you know?

BL: Okay. So aft, after this turn of events, um, it sounds like you had some suspicions that Father MacRae's.

Right.

BL: Relationship with your son was inappropriate.

Right.

BL: Okay, did you share that with anybody else at that time, ah, your suspicions, did you share that with your husband at that time?

I, ya I did.

BL: Okay, um, did you speak with [REDACTED]

No.

BL: At that time did you ask him if there had been any, any inappropriate touching?

No.

BL: Okay. The only person you've asked up to this point was Father MacRae himself?

Right.

BL: And he denied that?

Right.

BL: He said that it, it was, he puts his arms around kids, ah.

Yup.

BL: I think you said.

Yup.

BL: But it was and hugs them.

Yup, yup.

BL: Okay. What happens next in the, ah, sequence of events?

Oh, I believe after that we had purchased a home.

BL: Okay.

In Hampton. We were renting the farm we had purchased a home in [REDACTED] moved to [REDACTED]. And, [REDACTED] um, Father MacRae said he was gonna be leaving. He says but before he says this, he said was gonna get him into ss, um, Sacred Heart School. And, and I said okay cuz he thought that would be the best for [REDACTED] cuz [REDACTED] had stayed back, [REDACTED] behavior had started when he was in the junior high school.

BL: Okay.

And he's behavior, he stayed back that year but then his grades got a little bit better when he got into Sacred Heart.

BL: Okay.

And shortly after he got ss, right when he got in Sacred Heart is when Father MacRae had left the area. And [REDACTED] became angry again.

BL: Okay.

Because he felt he was befriended.

BL: Did you receive any information at all at the parish or, or, or anything, um, as to why this particular priest moved? Did, did, did?

No.

BL: Father MacRae give any kind of information out to the parishioners?

No.

BL: As to why he was moving?

Not to my knowledge.

BL: Okay he just was gone, he just left, he was just gone?

Right.

BL: Okay.

I think that's when he got transferred to Keene.

BL: Okay, um. And [REDACTED] had a reaction to this?

Yes.

BL: Okay. And it sounds like it was a negative reaction.

Hm, hm.

BL: Alright.

Was he kind of, MacRae kinda blew it off he says oh ya he says now that I've got you at Sacred Heart he says I'm leaving you now that you're right next door to me. You know he that's what he told me.

BL: Okay.

In my presence.

BL: Okay, um, Father MacRae does leave do you recall around what year what time this was?

Hm. Around eighty-three I think.

BL: Sometime in eight, in 1983? So what happens next in the sequence of events?

Um, [REDACTED] was having behavior problems at Sacred Heart. As a matter of fact [REDACTED] had even written a little paper in school where the principal had called me and the principal had found a letter that [REDACTED] had written he wasn't getting along with some kids and other kids really liked him. And [REDACTED] was just like having a kind of a chip on his shoulders, he wasn't paying attention to what was going on in the classroom.

BL: Okay.

More or less. He kinda like had a little hit list was a joke because these kids don't like me and all this and that and, um, he says I think you got a problem here. As a matter of fact that's when.

BL: Who was they saying that?

That was the principal.

BL: Okay.

And, um, then [REDACTED]'s behavior at home was getting bad. Then I decided to go to the church for help because that's how I was raised and taught to go to the, if you need a, you know any help counseling or anything you go to your priest. So I went and knocking at the rectory door and, um, it was Father Watson at the time had taken over.

BL: He was Father MacRae's replacement?

I believe so.

BL: Okay. And his, his name was Watson?

Ya, Jim Watson.

BL: Okay. Up and to that point was Father MacRae still coming up to the area and seeing [REDACTED] at all?

He came up to my knowledge one time he came up and the other time I don't know, my, one time that I saw him myself in my house.

BL: Can you tell me about that day?

I had just come home from work I was working at [REDACTED] at the time.

BL: Okay.

And [REDACTED] was the approximately alone maybe an hour. After school.

BL: Okay.

Maybe a little bit longer. And, um. I'd come into the house and Father MacRae was sitting on my couch in my den with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] got up when he saw me and ran into his bedroom. And, Father MacRae stood there in the middle of my den and he just says this is a nice house you guys, it was just bought. I says well thank you he says well tell [REDACTED] I said good-bye I gotta leave. And he left.

BL: Do you find that kind of odd that, ah?

Ya cuz I think he knew and he could see in my face that I was angry. And I didn't know why he was there. That's when my suspicions were really higher then then.

BL: And this was after?

And he looked guilty, he looked guilty as sin, that you know, I'm standing in the middle of this woman's den.

BL: Right.

And I can't give her you know he says I just came by to say hi to [REDACTED] I was in the area, more or less.

BL: And this was after you already have a conversation with him on the phone.

Right.

BL: Where you asked him if he had inappropriately touched [REDACTED]

Right, because I asked him that at the farm that was way before we had moved to [REDACTED]

BL: Okay. So you have, ah, a conversation with, um, Father Jim Watson.

Hm, hm.

BL: At the church.

Right.

BL: Was this a face-to-face conversation or was this a phone conversation?

No face-to-face.

BL: Okay.

I had knocked at the rectory.

BL: Okay you went down there and you spoke with him.

Right.

BL: What, what did you talk about?

I told him that [REDACTED] was very close to Father MacRae at one time, Father MacRae had moved out of the area. And that I was asking for his help because [REDACTED] behavior has, has gone off the wall and he's no longer, I

couldn't recognize him as my child anymore and that I would like some kinda help, would you help me. You know more or less even if he could have counseled [REDACTED] cuz I didn't know where the problem was coming from.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And he says.

BL: Up and to this point there was.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: You don't, you didn't know that [REDACTED] had been abused by Father MacRae.

[REDACTED] Not really, no.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] I had my suspicions but I didn't know for sure.

BL: Did you share any suspicions you had with, ah, Father Watt, Wa, Watson?

[REDACTED] I believe I did when [REDACTED] was present.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And my husband was present at one time. And, um, Father, ah, I believe Mr. Watson said well your parents have gotta learn your trust again [REDACTED] behavior was so off the wall I can't remember exactly what he had done that time. And, um, but I know I went back to the rectory several times to the point where Jim Watson said look lady I can't do anything for ya. Here's, here's a number. He says this is Catholic Charities, you can get counseling for him through Catholic Charities. And so I said thank you and I left the rectory and I went home and I called that number and I got in contact with a Judy Patterson.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And that's when I started counseling for [REDACTED]

BL: When you got in contact with Judy Patterson, she was who? What did, who, who did she say she was?

[REDACTED] She worked for the Catholic Charities.

BL: Okay at and, did she tell you, tell you what her, her, what she did? What her profession was? She said she was?

As far as I knew she was just a counselor and she worked, she worked in Seabrook.

BL: Okay.

With the local children in Seabrook.

BL: Now you, when you contacted, um, ah, Judy Patterson what did, did, did you tell her all the information about [REDACTED]

I, told her of [REDACTED] behavior that we were having behavior problems.

BL: Okay.

With him. At that particular time on the phone I don't believe I told her I had suspicions.

BL: Okay.

Until we had talked privately with her without [REDACTED] in the room I believe at one time, I think it was like after a month of counseling I told her I says I believe [REDACTED] might have been, touched by MacRae, I didn't even say the word molested I don't believe or anything.

BL: Okay.

I just thought he was touched inappropriately I just had my suspicions.

BL: I just wanna back up a little bit, ah, so, when you called, ah, Miss Patterson you told her that you were having problems with [REDACTED].

Hm, hm.

BL: And she offered services to you.

Right.

BL: Ah, for [REDACTED] counseling services and it, it, it sounds like [REDACTED], ah, went to see, ah, Miss Pat, Patterson often, how often how would, would he see her?

I think it's once a week.

BL: Once a week he would see, where, where would the counseling take place?

It was in Seabrook.

BL: Okay, was that at a church rectory or some place?

No it was, um, oh it was where the, the gym is now. I don't know what they call it, community service building was it?

BL: Okay.

I believe ya, I think it's the commune, community service building, it's.

BL: She had an office there?

Right.

BL: Okay. Did you pay any money, ah, for [REDACTED]

No.

BL: To obtain counseling this was something that was?

No.

BL: Paid for by the, by the Diocese or the church?

I believe so because that's the number Father Watson gave me cuz at the time I told him I couldn't afford you know a psychiatrist, a counselor.

BL: Okay.

Then he says well this is Catholic Charities he says go to them he says and, you know they'll take care of you.

BL: Was, was bills or money or anything ever discussed at all with her?

Never.

BL: Okay. Um. Now I understand that eventually [REDACTED] disclosed to, to Miss Patterson that he, ah, was sexually assaulted by Father MacRae.

Correct.

BL: How long into the counseling did this come out?

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I really.

BL:

If you could just to the best of your ability was it long into the?

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No I, I believe it was like a month.

BL:

About a month?

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Ya.

BL:

So would be roughly four visits?

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Hm.

BL:

He was going once a week?

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Well I think it was at least like at least three or four weeks later.

BL:

Okay.

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On into the. And then she called us in to have a conference with us and had [REDACTED] leave the room and she said [REDACTED] at that particular time she says [REDACTED] I think you were right, [REDACTED] was you know, touched inappropriately by Father MacRae.

BL:

Okay she said I think you were right.

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And then she.

BL:

When you ss.

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Ya.

BL:

Cuz you had already told her.

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Of my suspicions.

BL:

Before that you had some suspicions.

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Right.

BL:

Okay.

I told her at one of, one of time or another time that I had a counseling with her and myself cuz at once in a while she would talk to us and let us know you know how she was, things were coming along with [REDACTED].

BL: Okay. So what did she tell you that [REDACTED] divulged to her?

[REDACTED] That, um, he fondled him.

BL: Okay she used, she used the word fondled?

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Okay. And, um, it was, in the room at that time was you?

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: And her-only? Or, okay. Your husband was there as well?

[REDACTED] Hm.

BL: Okay, um. And [REDACTED] was not in the room?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay. So. Miss Patterson tells you that Father MacRae indeed, according to [REDACTED] fondled him. Okay. Did she give you any details at all as to what [REDACTED] said, where this happened, how it happened or what the extent of the fondling was?

[REDACTED] No but we believe it was, she said, it was done at the rectory.

BL: Okay. That the, the incident took place in the rectory?

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Did she give you any information you can call as to how long ago it happened? At the rectory?

[REDACTED] I don't remember that.

BL: And that, that brings me to another question you know for a fact that, that Father MacRae would bring [REDACTED] to the rectory?

[REDACTED] Yes and [REDACTED] would even go there himself after school.

BL: Okay. Um. Did, um, Miss, Miss Patterson tell you if this was something that happened more than once? Um. Or was this a, a one time incident?

No. I don't know what he disclosed.

BL: Okay. Um. Did she come up with some kind of a plan or did she give you any information as to what should happen at this point now that [REDACTED] has made this, disclosure what, what did she tell you what she was going, going to do?

Well yes she was sit, she was talking to my husband and I she said she would disclose it to the Keene police and she would also notify. The church people.

BL: Okay she told you she was gonna report it to the police.

Ya.

BL: And she was gonna tell the.

The Diocese.

BL: The Diocese that, that this has happened?

Right.

BL: Okay. Did she say that she felt that, ah, [REDACTED] disclosure was, um, genuine?

Yes.

BL: That it was credible?

Yes at that time.

BL: That, that she believed him?

Yes.

BL: Okay she told you that?

Right.

BL: Okay.

BB: [REDACTED] when, ah, when she was telling you that this had happened, was there any mention from you or your husband as to whether you should go to the police or what should happen?

[REDACTED] Yes my husband had asked her well do you think I should, um, call the Hampton police and she says no she would take care of it for us.

BB: So if she hadn't of told you that she had taken care of it or was going to take care of it, would you and your husband have gone to the Hampton police to report this?

[REDACTED] Oh most definitely.

BB: So you were under the impression that it had already been reported to the police.

[REDACTED] Ah, we, -we had it, after that counseling with her that day or I think it was the following week she had brought us back into another counseling meeting, with her and she told us that she disclosed it to the Keene police, and to the Diocese and it was, um, it was the, Keene police wouldn't do anything to MacRae because it was considered a misdemeanor it was just fondling. That's what we were told. And the Diocese apologized to us and asked us then she said is there anything that the Diocese can do for you people. And that was all that was ever said.

BL: That information was communicated to you by Miss Patterson?

[REDACTED] Correct.

BL: Okay, and she told you that you, that you couldn't do anything and, and, and what, and eh.

[REDACTED] As far as prosecuting doing anything with Father MacRae yes because it was just considered a, a misdemeanor and it wasn't a crime.

BL: She said misdemeanor?

[REDACTED] Uh huh.

BL: Okay, and, um, did she, did she say why you couldn't do anything about a misdemeanor? Eh?

[REDACTED] Not, I, I don't remember that.

BL: Ah, ah, like it was it within, ah, you know, a, a, a period of time where you were out of that period of time now and couldn't do anything?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: She just said it was a misdemeanor and you can't do anything about that.

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] But oh she, I do remember this, she did say that, um, that MacRae was gonna go under counseling I do remember that, that they, he would have to have counseling because of what he had done.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] I do remember that.

BL: She, she told you that, ah, as a result of this?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Did she say anything to you at all about, ah, whether or not MacRae ever had been accused or anything like this before?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Did she say that she spoke with, ah, Father MacRae at all about it?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. And did [REDACTED] continue seeing Miss Patterson?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: Okay, and did, ah, she report to you any additional information of facts or, or any further disclosures [REDACTED] may have made or any progress as to how counseling was going with her?

[REDACTED] Actually [REDACTED] from that time after he disclosed it to her, his behavior just went downhill. Even worse.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] To the point where later on she says I think you should, um, put [REDACTED] into the Hampstead Hospital.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] Because [REDACTED] had a bad episode as a matter of fact it was a night before one of his counseling, meetings. To the point where we, Judy thought that [REDACTED] might harm himself.

BL: Hm, did she say that to you?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: That he may harm himself?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: Did [REDACTED] do anything that would indicate that he is, in that going in that direction?

[REDACTED] Yes he that evening the evening before that he had, he was in his room, he was very quiet, well behaved was at that particular time, but when he was in his room, I didn't know at the time he just went in his room and he was just like destroying it and like took out something and you know just whacked his father's picture, took the glass and scratched his arms.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] Came out crying, was very angry.

BL: Up until this point he has disclosed to Miss Patterson that, has he said anything to you at all or your husband?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: About the, any abuse that he's?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Um. And your conversation your information you've got from Miss Patterson seemed to very limited in nature.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Ah, she didn't get into really. Define out details other than it happened at the rectory, it was fondling, we don't know how many times it happened.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay. And you notice that [REDACTED]'s behavior is deteriorating.

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Further.

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: To the point where she's suggesting he be hospitalized.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And get evaluated.

BL: Did you bring, ah, [REDACTED] to the hospital?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: Okay. And what hospital did you bring [REDACTED] to?

[REDACTED] Hampton? Hampstead?

BL: Okay. Was he evaluated there?

[REDACTED] Yes he spent thirty days there.

BL: Okay. And what, was this something that the Diocese paid for?

[REDACTED] My husband's insurance, we had insurance and my husband's insurance paid for it.

BL: Okay.

-BB: Did that insurance have a co-pay?

[REDACTED] We don't know.

BB: Did you ever pay, did your, did your insurance at the time typically have a co-pay and that you submitted a bill through doctor's office.

[REDACTED] Right.

BB: You would have a co-pay.

[REDACTED] Right.

BB: You normally would have to pay.

[REDACTED]: Ya. But I don't remember what it was at the time.

BB: Did you pay any co-pay to the Hampstead Hospital.

[REDACTED] (Unintelligible). Hm.

BB: Did you make any payments to the Hampstead Hospital?

[REDACTED]: No. We don't know who paid it.

BB: (Unintelligible). So you.

BL: Okay. Was there any contact with, with the, with, eh, that your hub, you and your husband had with the Diocese regarding his treatment at this hospital?

[REDACTED] None.

BL: Did any did, did, Miss Patterson was she overseeing this treatment or was she, were there other?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: People?

[REDACTED] No she was overseeing it and she would come to visit [REDACTED]

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] In the hospital. She would more or less counsel him on a two, more times I think while he was in the hospital, come by and see how he was because he was, there was another, you know there was other counselors there before.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] That were taking care of him.

BL: Did any of these people at Hampstead Hospital share with you any, theories as to why [REDACTED]?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BL: Would have been, what, what?

[REDACTED] Well they did tell us it was because you know [REDACTED] was abused.

BL: Okay. So you had other doctors independent of Mrs. Patterson.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Now saying [REDACTED] is this way because of abuse he's sustained.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay. Um. Did you make?

[REDACTED] He was in, he was in lock up in the juvenile section of the Hampstead Hospital.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] He wasn't with the adults, he was with the juvenile, with the children.

BL: Did any of these doctors at all share with you any details as to the extent of the abuse the type of abuse other than fondling?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] I believe even at that time [REDACTED] was holding back and not saying everything.

BL: Okay. I wanna just, ah, stop the tape and, and flip it over, we're right at the end of side one okay? Going off tape, time is 10:36.

END OF SIDE A

SIDE B

BL: 10:37 and we're discussing Hampstead Hospital and your son being in Hampstead Hospital and the contact you had with persons there. Um, he was there for thirty days?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: And he was released?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Back to you?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Ah, did he continue with, um, Mrs. Patterson?

[REDACTED] Yes he did.

BL: Okay. Counseling every week?

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Um, how did that relationship go, ah, did, was it working?

[REDACTED] Yes it did, but [REDACTED] would have a good day and he still would have a bad day he would always fall back.

BL: Was there any information that you received from, from, um, Mrs. Patterson as far as police involvement, police investigation? Um, where Father Mac, MacRae was, and what was happening with him?

[REDACTED] No, we had no contact with anybody whatsoever.

BL: Nobody?

[REDACTED] Nobody ever contacted us.

BL: Ah, did [REDACTED] ever give a statement to anyone at the police?

[REDACTED] Not at that particular time.

BL: Ya.

[REDACTED] He did not.

BL: Ya. Ah, did you consider that any police case would be, could not happen? Because of, ah, ah, it was only fondling it was a misdemeanor?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay. Um.

[REDACTED] And we were under the impression that Mrs. Patterson took care of all those needs for us.

BL: Okay. And, ah, did anybody from, ah, social services get in touch with you at that time?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Now I understand that from, from this point [REDACTED] had, ah, ah, attended, attended Winnacunnet High School.

[REDACTED] He had left Sacred Heart and went to, um, Aquinas in Dover.

BL: Oh that's right, okay. Ah, St. Thomas.

[REDACTED] St. Thomas Aquinas in Dover.

BL: Okay. Ah, now that's a private catholic.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: School. Who, who paid for that?

[REDACTED] Um, Judy got him in there.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] Cuz when she says it would, she says I think it would be best for [REDACTED] if he stayed in a private school and not go to a public school. And we said well that would be fine but we couldn't afford it.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And she said there was plenty of donors out there somebody would sponsor [REDACTED] and put him in and we asked her who sponsored him and she says well the, we're not to divulge that, so he did get into St. Thomas Aquinas.

BL: And, and this was what grade through what grade?

[REDACTED] Ah, I believe it was in ninth. Ninth grade.

BL: Ninth grade.

[REDACTED] Ya.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] Which is nine to, nine to twelve there.

BL: And he went, he went to, ah, St. Thomas?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Um, and you didn't pay for it?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: They paid for it.

[REDACTED] Not a dime.

BL: Now at this point has these additional meetings that your son has had with Miss Patterson, um, did she give you any information as to any other additional information that [REDACTED] has been disclosing or, anymore details about the abuse that he sustained, ah, after Father MacRae.

[REDACTED] And I believe it was after the particular time he wasn't under counseling anymore when he was at St. Thomas.

BL: Okay. He wasn't seeing, ah, Miss Patterson any, any longer.

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Um, do you have information why that just stopped?

[REDACTED] I believe she said she stopped working for them that she was moving on she got some kind of a promotion. And I don't know.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] I don't remember exactly what it was. But then we thought we could probably get things under control. And [REDACTED] was doing better for a while but then he was just starting to get in trouble in St. Thomas Aquinas.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] To the point where he got kicked out.

BL: Alright. It, it sounds like the, the issues with to, with, um, um, your son hadn't gotten much better then.

[REDACTED] Right, then he was, then we put him, um, or because of his, him getting kicked out and we, we put him in the Winnacunnet High School.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And things went downhill again.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] And then he started getting counseling there, at the school.

BL: So when he was in Winnacunnet High School, there were, there was no longer any counseling provided by.

[REDACTED] Mrs. Patterson.

BL: Mrs., the, Mrs. Patterson or the Diocese.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Did she give you any referrals to any other people or?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Transferred?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Ah, his case or anything no?

[REDACTED] No.

-BL: Had, had, um, [REDACTED] been hospitalized again anywhere else? Ah.

[REDACTED] After he was in Winnacunnet High School when he was seeing the counselor there, the counselors contacted us. And he told us that [REDACTED] had told him of his abused with the priest.

BL: Okay.

I think he might have divulged more to him than he even did to Mrs. Patterson. And then he's told him because of his, um, situation and being who he was, he had to report it to the police.

BL: Now this was a, like, ah, ah, guidance counselor?

Right.

BL: At the Winnacunnet?

Right.

BL: Do you remember his name?

Brown.

BL: Mr. Brown?

Hm, hm.

BL: Okay. Um. And did Mr. Brown share with you what [REDACTED] divulged to him about this?

He just told us that he, um, [REDACTED] did tell him of his abuse. But he didn't tell us, you know exactly what happened just that he was abused by Father MacRae.

BL: Okay. And. What sequence of events did that cause to happen?

Well it ended up by [REDACTED] going into the Portsmouth Hospital because we thought he was gonna harm himself again. And he had reported it to the Hampton police.

BL: Okay Mr. Brown indicated to you that he reported it to the Hampton police.

Right.

BL: Okay. Ah, did you have any contact with the Hampton police at that time?

Yes.

BL: Okay. Um, how, how so? Did somebody come out to the house or did you see somebody?

I believe [REDACTED] and my husband had to go down to the police station and make a statement.

BL: Okay you recall your husband and [REDACTED] to the police station.

Hm, hm.

BL: Okay. Um, do you know if, ah, you had any contact at all with anyone from, ah, social services, um, at that time?

Hm, hm.

BL: Okay do you remember who it is you spoke with at, ah, social services?

I don't remem, I don't recall their names.

BL: Oh.

BB: Does the name Jeannette Gagnon sound familiar to you?

Hm, hm.

BB: From social services?

Ya.

BB: Is that?

I believe she came out of, ah, she called, yes, she called me and then she came out to the house and I believe she called me again and came up, I think she might have come out twice I'm not too sure.

BL: I just wanna make sure that we're I, I, I'm, I know what time frame we're in still, ah, cuz we, we, we talked about a lot, ah, how old is [REDACTED] now he's, in Winnacunnet High School his, his freshman year, ah eh?

He's about fifteen now.

BL: About fifteen years old so we, ah, approximately 1985, four or five?

Hm, hm. Hm, hm.

BL: Somewhere around there?

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Ah, he's fifteen. This is.

[REDACTED] Ya. Around is.

BL: A full three years from the time.

[REDACTED] Yup.

BL: He first met.

[REDACTED] Hm.

BL: Father MacRae.

[REDACTED] Hm, hm.

BL: Okay. Um. What happens with, ah, the police department? You, how is that followed up what do you, what information do you receive from the police department? Your husband went down to the station with, ah, um?

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] made a statement.

BL: Okay. And social service comes out to the house?

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: They speak with [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] No I believe they just spoke with my, my husband and I.

BL: Okay, and what information did they give you as to what was going to happen next? Do you remember anything? Ah, does the, does the Diocese get involved in any way, does anyone?

[REDACTED] No they were completely out of the picture.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] We never heard from anybody.

BL: Okay, did you call anybody or speak with anybody at the Diocese regarding?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: The newest set of circumstances?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay, so what, what ends up happening, ah, with the case? Do you receive any, any information about what was gonna happen next? Um, [REDACTED] went into the hospital again.

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay how long did he stay in the hospital?

[REDACTED] Another thirty days.

BL: Oh.

[REDACTED] Wasn't it? It was close.

RC: It was close to two weeks.

[REDACTED] No I don't remember that.

BL: Okay, um.

[REDACTED] That was another I thought they had to go in for thirty days so maybe it was just two weeks.

BL: Okay. And does, does the Hampton Police Department say anything to you does, do you remember any, any particular detective or an officer, ah, as to what they were going to do?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Do you remember Miss Gagnon, she came out the house you said several times.

[REDACTED] Well she said it had never been reported to her I believe from the Keene police, I don't think it was ever reported to her. Ss, their first knowledge of it I believe was from the Hampton police.

BL: Okay, and, um, how was the, do you know the case eventually closed or what happened, um?

[REDACTED] Nobody ever said anything to us about it after that.

BL: Okay. Now.

[REDACTED] We just know that it was reported finally and but you know. Nothing to our knowledge was done to MacRae that he was just transferred and he was under counseling.

BL: Did you, have you had any idea of where he went?

[REDACTED] Ah, from Keene I believe we thought he went to Mexico or some place like that.

BL: Okay. Did he ever have contact with, um, [REDACTED] while he, after this whole thing came out and [REDACTED] now fifteen years old, did Father MacRae ever call your house or talk to you or, or [REDACTED] that you know of?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Um. Did anyone from the Diocese at all follow up with you on anyway?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: As to what happened with [REDACTED] and what happened with, ah, Father MacRae?

[REDACTED] No they were completely out of our picture.

BL: Okay have you received any correspondence from the Diocese to this date, regarding the abuse that [REDACTED] has sustained, by Father MacRae? Okay. Now there came a point in time when the Keene po, I, I'm sorry you, you waved your head no, is that a no for the record?

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Okay. Um, there came a point in time when the Keene Police Department was doing an investigation, correct?

[REDACTED] Right. And.

BL: And then.

[REDACTED] We got a phone call from them asking if they could sit down and talk to us about [REDACTED] situation.

BL: Okay.

And we explained it to them when they did call because they had another case pending at that time.

BL: Okay. And you shared with them the information that you had?

Correct.

BL: Did [REDACTED] speak with, ah, an investigator at Keene Police Department do you know?

I don't remember, he might have through his counseling I mean through his lawyer later on as he got older.

BL: Okay.

When he was an adult.

BL: Approximately what year was this when, um, when the Keene Police Department called you about a similar investigation they were doing?

Around eighty-seven.

BL: Around 1987?

I believe.

BL: Okay.

Cuz he had, my son was married at that time.

BL: Okay. Um. Ah, you son, your son is older now and you, you left it to him to, ah, to do what.

Right. He had.

BL: Okay.

Been outta the house.

BL: Did, um, you give a statement at all to the Keene Police Department?

[REDACTED] We just told 'em of, you know what we knew. At the time you know what had happened.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] With [REDACTED] with the priest but nothing, you know, he was never prosecuted for what he did for, to [REDACTED]. He was just sent into counseling.

BL: Okay.

[REDACTED] We were under the impression that MacRae was just getting counseling because it was a misdemeanor.

BL: Okay. Did, did anyone from the, you, you was still attending the same church?

[REDACTED] No. I stopped going to the church.

BL: Okay. So you didn't have any conversation or any contact with the Father.

[REDACTED] No.

BL: Ah, Watson.

[REDACTED] I, I left the Catholic church at that point.

BL: Okay. Okay.

BB: Now when the Keene officer, ah, contacted you and, and he obviously spoke with [REDACTED] that case actually went to court did it not?

[REDACTED] Yes.

BB: And do you remember the outcome of [REDACTED] case?

[REDACTED] Well he was, he pleaded guilty to [REDACTED] case.

BB: So he pled guilty to the abuse?

[REDACTED] Right.

BB: For [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Right.

BL: Okay. Um. I don't have anymore questions.

BB: I don't have any more questions.

BL: If, if there's anything else that you'd like to add, um, otherwise I'll, I'll conclude this and I can't think of any other questions I have at this time. [REDACTED] um, is there anything that you'd like add? Ah, the.

[REDACTED] (Unintelligible).

BL: Otherwise I'll conclude, conclude your wife's statement.

[REDACTED] The only thing I mentioned to Judy at the time of when she disclosed to us what had happened to [REDACTED] and shouldn't I not report it to the Hampton police then she said no you don't have to I've already taken care of that in Keene because that's where MacRae is, is being stationed at this time.

BL: Okay.

BB: So she discouraged you from contacting.

[REDACTED] Yes.

BB: The Hampton police.

[REDACTED] Definitely.

BB: Otherwise you would have contacted them.

[REDACTED] Sure.

BB: For criminal charges.

[REDACTED] Yes.

[REDACTED] Cuz we were under the impression that it was just a misdemeanor that nothing was gonna be done to him. That's all.

BL: Okay. That'll conclude the audio taped statement, the time is 10:50 a.m.

END OF SIDE B

END OF TAPE

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MEMORANDUM

TO: File – GORDON JAMES MACRAE
FROM: Brenda M. Blonigen, Sergeant *BMB/83*
RE: DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER
DATE: October 30, 2002

The attached reports were received from the Keene Police Department. These are reports relating to incidents that occurred with MACRAE in 1988 and 1992.

3 CRIME Prostitution CRIME (THIRD)	4 RSA # 645:2 Ia	5 CRIME (SECOND, IF ANY)	6 RSA #
	8 RSA #	9 CRIME (FOURTH)	10 RSA #

11 VICTIMS NAME/DOB State of New Hampshire [REDACTED]	12 RACE W	13 SEX M	14 AGE 19	15 VICTIMS HOME ADDRESS [REDACTED]	16 TEL. NO. [REDACTED]
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BETWEEN (HR. & DATE)	17 HOUR	18 DAY OF WK	19 DAY	20 MONTH	21 DATE	22 YEAR	23 LOCATION OF CRIME / INCIDENT
AND (OR AT) (HR. & DATE)	24 HOUR	1 MON 2 TUES 3 WED 4 THUR	25 DAY 5	26 MONTH 10	27 DATE 14	28 YEAR 88	Keene

29 NAME Parsells	30 DATE REP. 18 Oct 88	31 TIME 1414	32 HOME ADDRESS Keene Police Department	33 TEL. NO. 7-9815 x 19
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34 TYPE OF PREMISES Private Res. / Vehicle / Other Comm.	35 CODE 30/96/75	36 WEAPONS / TOOLS No Force	37 CODE 94
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38 HOW ATTACKED (M. O.)
Male victim approached by older male soliciting sexual attention/favor for monetary exchange.

39 1 STOLEN 4 RENTAL 2 SUSPECTS N/A 3 KNOWN	40 CODE 3	41 YEAR 88	42 MAKE Toy	43 TYPE Car	44 COLOR Tan	45 REGISTRATION [REDACTED]	46 STATE NH	47 VIN [REDACTED]
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48 LARCENY CODE A B C D E F G H I J K L	49 AMOUNT	50 BURGLARY CODE 1 2 3	51 AMOUNT \$	52 AMOUNT M/V \$	53 MISC. AMT. \$
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54 TOTAL AMT. STOLEN	55 TOTAL AMT. RECOVERED	56 WEATHER 1 CLEAR 2 CLOUDY	3 RAIN 4 SNOW 5 SLEET	6 FOG 7 OTHER 8 UNKNOWN	57 CODE
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STATUS OF CRIME 1 ACTIVE 2 CL. ARREST 3 X-CLEARED 4 UNFOUNDED 5 NO CRIM. ASPECT	59 CODE 1	STATUS 1 INVEST. 2 CLOSED	60 CODE 1	61 AGE OF OLDEST	62 DATE OF REPORT 18 October 88	63 TIME 1500
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st accused - List and identify additional victims - Describe perpetrators or suspects - Action taken including findings and observations of investigator - Personal evidence found - Where - By whom - Disposition and technical services performed - Interview of victims - Witnesses - Persons contacted - Suspects - List Describe stolen property - Value - Court Action - Attach statements. If narrative is such that it will require continuation pages place a synopsis below and tire narrative on continuation pages.

64 1 ACCUSED 2 ARRESTED 3 SUSPECT 4 WITNESS	65 NAMES & ADDRESSES	66 CHARGE	67 DOB	68 RACE	69 SEX	70 AGE
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(3) Gordon J. Macrae 52 Summit Rd A-12 (Westwood Apts) 645:2 Ia 09 Apr 53 W F 35

On Thursday, October 13, 1988 in the morning, subject [REDACTED] came to my office along with his foster father [REDACTED] of [REDACTED] related an incident which had occurred on the preceding Wednesday night, 12 October 88 and as this investigation continues appears to be an ongoing situation.

[REDACTED] had been arrested by this writer on 31 Aug 88 for the charge of burglary under KPD ca [REDACTED]. In a prearranged agreement with C.A. O'Brien, [REDACTED] was allowed to plead to a lesser charge of theft at the Keene District Court level and was given two years probation as part of his disposition. The Parole/Probation Department required that [REDACTED] attend substance abuse counselling and ordered that he attend this counselling at Monadnock Region Substance

use Services Inc. located on Route 32 (Old Red Barn) in Swanzey NH 357-3007 PO Box 261R. This counselling service is basically run by: Sonja Pick and Jan Manwaring as the two primary counselors and the ones to whom Probation/Parole makes their referrals.

When [REDACTED] came to my office he, very nervously and hesitantly, told me that when he

PROPERTY RECEIPT	73 SIGNED (INVEST. OFF.)	74 APPROVED (SUPERVISOR)	75 DATE
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t to his first counselling session he met MacRae. MacRae was not the assigned counselor as it is learned, actually does very little counseling. MacRae was however appointed the director of the counselling service by the board of directors and much against the wishes and desires of the two female counselors. MacRae befriended [redacted] and made arrangements to take [redacted] to his first AA meeting at St. James Church on Wednesday, 12 October 88, even though MacRae has no official dealings/responsibilities with [redacted]. MacRae made arrangements to pick [redacted] up at the Keene Recreation Center at 2000HRS. [redacted] probationary curfew ends at 2000HRS each night of the week. When MacRae picked up [redacted], [redacted] states that MacRae asked where he, [redacted] wanted to go. [redacted] commented that he was supposed to go to the AA meeting. According to [redacted], MacRae said that he would cover that and sign [redacted] card which would show that he had attended the AA meeting so he would not get into trouble. MacRae asked [redacted] what kind of movies he liked and suggested that they get a couple of movies and go to MacRae's apartment. [redacted] went along with that suggestion and so they went to Keene City Video and MacRae rented to action type movies and they went to his apartment to view them. [redacted] said that MacRae didn't make any inappropriate moves or suggestions but only sat next to [redacted] on the couch during one of the movies. [redacted] said that they only watched one movie as [redacted] felt that he needed to get home and was feeling uneasy about being in violation of his probation even though he was with what [redacted] would refer to as a authority figure and perhaps one with the right to help [redacted] violate his probation curfew.

When [redacted] related this to me, at first he was adamant that he did not want anyone else to know about it, to include his P.O. Karen Grovier. I strongly supported notifying Grovier and getting her involved at the outset. Ultimately [redacted] agreed and we set a meet with Grovier for later in the afternoon at her office.

When we met with [redacted] at 1600HRS [redacted] re-explained the situation to Grovier and I noted that his recounting of the story was almost verbatim to what he had told me as far as factual content and not words go. Grovier shared some suspicions about MacRae, based on other things she was aware of, as did I. I had also spoken with Sgt. E. Brown MPD before I met with Grovier and [redacted] to see if he had any police intelligence on MacRae and Sgt. Brown had the same thoughts that MacRae was a pedophile but Sgt. Brown said that he had been unable to get any concrete evidence.

During the meeting with Grovier, [redacted] said that he had been contacted by phone by MacRae and that MacRae wanted to take him to an AA meeting in Jaffrey on Friday night, 14 Oct 88. [redacted] said that prior to the AA meeting MacRae wanted to take him out for pizza. [redacted] had told MacRae that he would have to check and let him know. Both Grovier and I encouraged [redacted] to make the meet with MacRae and firstly see if MacRae helped [redacted] violate his probation again and secondly to see if any sexual, verbal or physical, advances were made towards [redacted]. [redacted] agreed to do this and was given complete exoneration from the Wednesday night violation by Grovier and any subsequent curfew violations as long as she and this writer were aware that [redacted] was violating his curfew in an effort to work with the police. On Friday night at 2050HRS, October 14, 1988, [redacted] called me at my home as I had asked him to do after he finished with MacRae. I was surprised to see that [redacted] was done so soon, knowing that the AA meeting in Jaffrey was scheduled to start at 2030HRS. [redacted] said that when he called MacRae back to OK the AA meeting plan, that MacRae said that he would not be able to go to the meeting but still wanted to go have pizza with [redacted]. [redacted] said that he drove his own car to MacRae's apartment and went in to the apartment. They then ultimately drove in MacRae's car to Foodies (pizza) on Roxbury Street, picked up a pizza and returned to MacRae's. [redacted] told me that MacRae had initiated a conversation with [redacted] about getting paid for sexual favors and getting paid for them and had [redacted] ever done or considered such things. [redacted] reacted as he was prepared to do by stating that those things were contrary to him etc. MacRae reportedly told [redacted] that he had a friend who paid for these things [redacted] made some reference to "sucking off". Throughout the course of their being together, [redacted] said that MacRae spoke frequently about such things and at one point suggested about him being involved with [redacted]. [redacted] said that MacRae had asked him to come over to his

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partment on the following day, 15 October 88 Saturday, to work on [redacted] car. [redacted] left it with MacRae that he would see what happened.

On Tuesday, 12 October 88, at 1306HRS I was at [redacted] house, not having heard from him over the weekend. [redacted] had started his new job working nights at C&S Warehouse in Brattleboro. [redacted] said that he did not go to MacRae's on the preceeding Saturday because he had to go to a job orientation at C&S earlier on Saturday and that when he got home from that he was too tired. [redacted] had had no further contact with or from MacRae. [redacted] had been to another counselling session with Jan Manwaring on the morning of 12 October 88 but did not see MacRae at that time. While I was seated in [redacted] kitchen the phone rang. When [redacted] answered it he signaled to me that it was MacRae. There was a brief conversation during which time I got the impression that MacRae was seeking to take [redacted] out to dinner that night. When [redacted] hung up he confirmed that impression by stating that MacRae wanted to take him, [redacted] to pizza. [redacted] was willing to go in an effort to further this investigation.

Later in the afternoon on Tuesday, 12 October 88 I called the Attorney General's office to discuss the possibility of wiring [redacted] for future meetings. In speaking with Bill Lyons of the AG's office, I learned that wires for such crimes are not allowed but beyond that, Lyons stated that sex for pay, as long as it is between consenting adults and threat and or coercion are not involved, is legal. Lyons cited State v. Chalonnet 124-770 W 1984 as the test case by the NH Supreme Court.

Lyons suggested that we polygraph [redacted] to establish credibility and that the case be pursued from a moral point of view even if criminal charges cannot be made.

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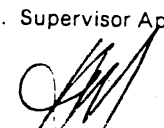
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5. Originally classified as: Same	6. Victim State of N.H.	7. Address		

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After further discussion of the facts in this case with Patrolman McLaughlin, I learned that he had also had input relative to MacPae having made similar advances to other males, and more specifically, juvenile males. It was decided that Patrolman McLaughlin had a much better angle on the matter and that it would be pursued under his jurisdiction.

9. Case Status, Check one: Unfounded <input type="checkbox"/> Bona Fide Case - Cleared <input type="checkbox"/> Not Cleared <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10. Reporting Officer Parsells	11. Supervisor Approving 
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