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Diocesan Files Fr. Joseph A. Schumacher From: Telephone conversation with returning Subject: the Catholic Center Offices on April 3, 1993, 3:15 pm, CDT, 1 May 1993, 10:15 pm, CDT Date: on Friday night, got a man's voice (possibly her husband), called later as he said I called she would be in. I again reached him and we agreed for me to call Saturday night at 10:00 CDT. He never did talk to me about the subject. She and I spoke for the next 30 minutes. The substance of our conversation follows, taken from my notes. Fr. John Howlett, SAC was very close to our family. He considered our home his second We were his extended family. one while he was pastor horseback riding. We always trusted than with the girls. When our He used to take was in the second grade Fr. Howlett conducted the First Communion class by himself. There were about students in the class. When we moved to we would come back to visit with Fr. John. He was with the girls playhing with them away from us on occasion then. One time about two years after
on our way back from a visit to Fr. John
my panies. I questioned her and also
asked me then if this wasn't child abuse. I confronted
Fr. John with this and he did not deny it. I called the bishop in Ft. Worth and made an appointment to come to see him along with and 1 remember it as being Adon't remember who I talked to. Paramount in my mind was to get Fr. John away from little girls. While visiting with the bishop, a priest (I don't remember who.) interviewed the girls one by one possibly to get their side of the story. Knowing what I do know, I would not have allowed him to interview the girls without me present; but he did so then I also corresponded with a Pallotine priest in McGregor, Texas He was acting superior of the Palletines. After our initial talk with him, he would visit from time to time and ask how things were going. I would answer, "All right." Then I remember Fr. John gent to another Church and then to the motherhouse in Michigan. needed counselling. My concern now is that The father of the child fled is a.

he scene when he heard she was expecting.

I ("That isn't out of the ordinary here He was caught with L.S.D. and is now in prison. It is and has been for years a compulsive liar, one who gets angry with me, the most difficult of the I children for me to try to raise. She was was which she was going to use for her college education. She went through that in 2 weeks. She is now living on AFDC. but always struggled with academics but didn't take advantage of it. She

is strong-willed and strong-speaking person.

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She needs counselling now and Fr. John should foot the bill because of what he did to her in her crucial formative years. She and I have locked heads since she was in the 4th grade. She is unable to let anybody do for her. "She went through this; nobody is helping her."

And know how to help people, but can't help

Even though
she goes regularly to Mass and Communion. I think her boyfriend is a "nice kid, though he
"She is open to getting counselling, I believe," said.
She
contacted her parish priest (not present parish, but former one),

told her to contact the chancellor. She spoke to him and he told her to contact the bishop in Fort Worth and the religious superior of Fr. John Howlett, SAC. She called Fort Worth chancery but hasn't had a chance to call the superior in Michigan or somewhere up there.

She wanted to know what we were going to do about helping her with counselling to get over the problems she believes were caused by Fr. John II years ago.

I told her I would talk to our bishop and also heard her say she was going to talk to Fr. John's superior. She believed he was retired when he left the small parish following his immediate removal from the

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TO DIOCESAN FILES

FROM FR JOSEPH A SCHUMACHER

SUBJECT: TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH

THIS DAY, AT HER PLACE OF WORK

11 MAY 1993, 4 PM, PDT

I TALKED TO HER AND TOLD HER THAT I DIDN'T WORK FULL TIME IN THE CHANCERY OFFICE, BUT WAS ALSO IN A PARISH. THAD GOT TO THE CATHORIC CENTER TODAY AND DISCOVERED THAT SHE AND THE PALLOTINE SUPERIOR HAD BEEN INTOUCH. SHE TOLD ME THAT SHE HAD TALKED TO FR. MACNAMARA IN SSURED HER THAT FATHER WAS MAKING CONTACT WITH FR. WEBBER TO ENLIST HIS AID IN GETTING SHE RESPONDED WITH "MY COUNSELLING FOR HER DAUGHTER, HUSBAND AND I DIDN'T DO OUR DUTY IN GETTING THE GIRLS COUNSELING WHEN THIS HAPPENED YEARS AGO. AND SHE ALSO SAID THAT OVER THE YEARS SHE HAVEN'T HAD THE SAME TRUST THEY USED TO HAVE IN THE CLERGY. SHE IS MAKING CONTACT WITH FR.

CHANCERY OFFICE TO GET A RECOMMENDATION FOR A CATHOLIC COUNSELLOR WHO WOULD UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION. SHE WANTED THIS SINCE

WITH HER THERE. SHE THANKED ME FOR OUR CONCERN. I TOLD HER THAT WE WOULD WRITE HER A LETTER ABOUT WHAT THE PALLOTINES HAD SAID THEY WERE O DO WITH HER. SHE ALSO SAID THAT



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St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church P.O. BOX 757 GRANBURY, TEXAS 76048 May 12th 1993.

Dear

It was good talking with you on Monday last, even thought of our conversation was hurtful for both of-us. I appreciate very much your caring, b, but also for the good of the Church, and Tor concern, not only for . my part will be happy to work with you as best I can in the interest of both the Family and our Church. Indeed, it can well be said that both of these interests are one and the same.

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May 13, 1993 通过 勘 表写法 Reverend Father Phillip McNamera U. S. Superior to Pallotine Fathers St. Francis Cabrini P. O. Box 757 Granbury, TX 76048 (817)326-2131 Dear Rev. Father McNamera This letter is to reiterate our telephone conversation of May 10, 1993 and to clarify the situation. During the school years of 1981-82, 1982-83, and 1983-84, were molested by Father John Howlette was in the First Communion Class with hy Father John in the rectory in the. . We lived near continued our relationship with Father John and visited when possible after our move to We discovered what had been happening. I. We contacted the Diocese of Fort World, and personally talked to the Bishop or his designee shortly after were interviewed at a time. During the next four years or so, I corresponded with someone from the Pallotine Fathers. Thelieve that it was Father McCormick At that time I did not connect any of the girl's behavior with the incidents. will be __ on have happened during the past year which have caused concern. We have also become more aware of how those three crucial years in our daughters' development nay have affected their lives Recently, I contacted our former pastor, about my concerns for counseling. He directed me to Diocese. After I spoke to his secretary. in the Diocese of Ft. Worth. called me and directed me to spoke to Rev. Schumacher and his office directed me to Father McNamera at St. Francis Cabrini in Granbury, TX, the United States Superior for the Pallotine Fathers. Father McNamera agreed that the Order of Pallotine Fathers would be financially responsible for counseling. I said that I would contact and request that he set up counseling and that I would be sending this letter to reiterate our conversation and clarify the situation. I spoke to Rev secretary and asked

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for the name of the person to contact in order to secure counseling for attends the

who

I also told that I would like Rev. to set up counseling and myself and that I would be writing this letter.

Having to talk to so many different people concerning this situation has been very time consuming, heart wrenching, and frustrating. I do, however, appreciate the concern of those people to whom I have spoken. I will be expecting contact from somewhe soon giving me the name of a counselor in the area and in the

area and the method you have arranged or paying the

counselors.

Sincerely in the Lord Jesus,

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May 25, 1993

Reverend Father Phillip McNamera U. S. Superior to Pallotine Fathers St. Francis Cabrini P. O. Box 757 Granbury, TX 76048 (817)326-2131

Dear Rev. Father McNamera:

Thank you for your recent letters. Yes, it does appear that our letters crossed in the mail.

As you will remember, I requested fielp in finding a counselor for and in You mentioned that the Diocese of TTS these not have a stain of counselors. Knesilate to make Dinquiries into counseling lighthis type of situation.

I do not

want this private matter to become public knowledge.

Perhaps staff could put together a list of acceptable counselors through the diocese Catholic Charities group. I would really appreciate some help in this matter because we wish to use the utmost discretion.

Sincerely in the Lord Jesus,

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May 27, 1993

Dear.

I have received your letters by Jand May 25. The Archdiocese will be pleased to assist the Pallotine Fathers in this matter. In view of the fact that the Community has total responsibility for the subject matter the request of the Pallotine Fathers should be made directly to me so that I may have a total disclosure of what the Community desires.

Accordingly, I am sending a copy of this letter to the Very DOCTREVE ENDINGER TO BE REPRODUCED

With every good wish and prayers, I am

Sincerely,

dc: Very Reverend Philip McNamara

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June 8th 1993.

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of your letter to

I am happy to acknowledge receint of the copy dated May 27th 1993.

I appreciate very much tour readiness to

assist us, The Delegature of the Irish Province of the Pallottine Fathers, in the

matter of counselling for the _______,as is requested by Their mother

It is my preferrence, and most dalso that of that this Counselling be done through the Social Services Office of the Archdiocese of — and this for so many good reasons. Therefore, I formally and respectfully request that your good offices be made available to us in this particular matter of Counselling already referred to, and we, the Pallottines will

DOCT pay for the costs of the counselving mich am presuming will take from six months to one year, approximately windly have the Head of the Counselling De-

partment, or the relevant officer, communicate with me and we will work out the necessary arrangements. Our jously will have a lot of input into these arrangements. Vesterley, I spor with her by telephone. She is most helpful and understanding, and as she mentioned in her letter to me dated May 25th., she wishes to proceed with the utmost discretion and she does not want 'this private matter to become public knowledge'.

once again I thank you so much

Foregour kind assistance. May God Bless You Always.

Sincerely Yours

Philip Mc Namara, S.C.A. (Provincial Delegate, Pallottine Fathers, Irish Province.)

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TELEPHONE 817/965-5693

Rev. Robert W. Wilson, Chancellor, Diocese of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Texas.



P.O. BOX 67 1444 W. Washington STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS 76401

July 13th 1993.

Dear Fr. Wilson,

I gratefully acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 6th., and I thank you so much for all that you personally have done, and indeed also, for all that the Discess has done, for us Pallottines in this difficult situation involving

In another area of similar and even greater concern, I have written to telling her of my change of address and informing her of the fact that will be absent from the Parish for the next three weeks.

With personal best wishes and regards

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I may, father, that you will be able to assist me in paying for child care until financial aid legins.

Respectfully,

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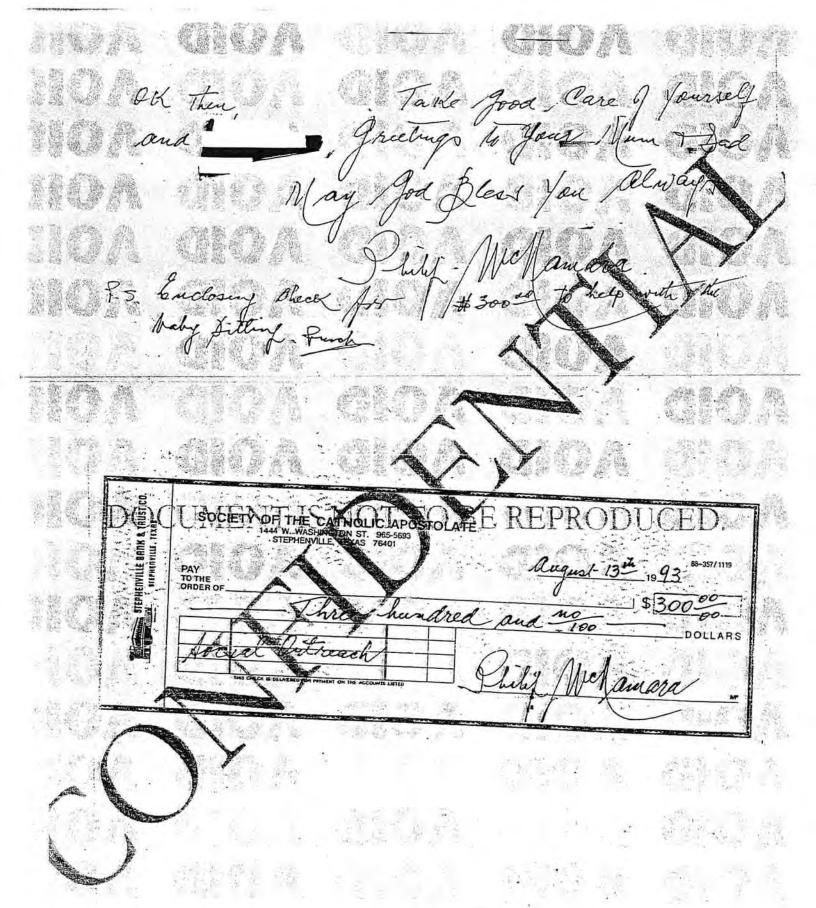
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Diocese of Fort Worth

The Chancery

August 14, 1993

Rev. Philip McNamara, SAC St. Brendan's Church 1444 W. Washington Stephenville, TX 76401

Dear Father Philip:

I am requesting our tinance office to send \$225 to pay for half the counseling for Innote that she missed two of her appointments. Hopefully she will gain some help, and will begin to attend regularly. Eventually, you may want to specify the length of time you are willing to provide this assistance. We should probably consult with before making this determination.

Fratemally yours in Christ,

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September 2, 1993

Dear Father McNamara,

First of all I would like to apologize for the lateness of my letter. I have been really bogged down with an appreparing myself mentally as well as physically for school.

DO (that I will be using the counselot only one a month H had not realized that the HD) sessions were that expensive. Neither distributionally and I am sorry for that.

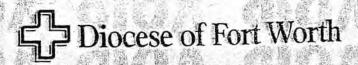
Thank you very much for the 1800,00 dollars to assist with child care. Farm very fortunate that the Lord is ording side. I receive my first check from my grant on October 19th. The proney you sent will be used from the start of school which is September 13 until my first check. My morn has been taking to school with her since August 24 so that I could be at

1thank you again for your assistance as well as for your concern for our well

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September 30, 1993

Rev. Philip McNamara St. Brendan's Church 1444 W. Washington Stephenville, ITX 76401

Dear Phil:

Enclosed please find our diocesan check in the amount of \$150.00. This is to reimburse the Pallotines for one half of the money sent to assist with child care.

Thank you once again for taking the lead in this unfortunate situation

With best wishes, and requesting your prayers,

Fratemally yours in Christ,

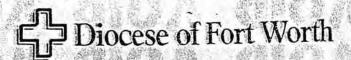
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October 8, 1993

Rev. Philip McNamara, SAC St. Brendan's Parish 1444 W. Washington Stephenville, TX 76401

Dear Father McNamara:

Thank you for your letter of September 10 in which you describe your ongoing negotiations with

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the check for \$270 that the Society sent to

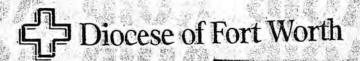
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Fratemally yours in Christ,

Rev. Robert W. Wilson Chancellor, Moderator of the Curia

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ATTN: REV. PHILIP MCNAMARA

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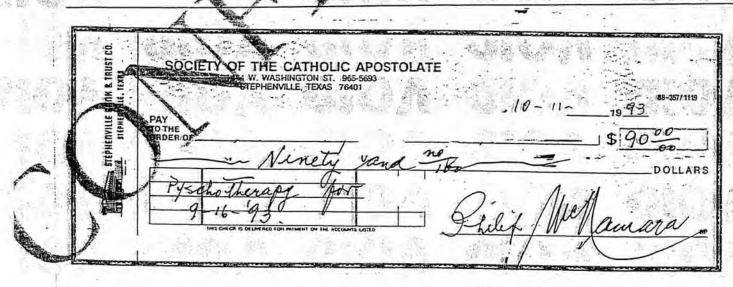
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1444 W. Washington STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS 76401

Reverend Robert W. Wilson, The Catholic Center, 800 W. Loop 820 South, Fort Worth, Texas.

-October - 11 1993

Dear Father Wilson,

I gratefully acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 8th., and I thank you so much for your kind comments and for your check of \$135.00

On Friday, received another billing from the Psychoterapy Billing Service in the amount of \$90.00 which I have just paid. Since it is the generous resolve of the Diocess to pick up half of these costs, I am enclosing herewith a copy of that bill.

With personal best wishes and regards

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P.O. BOX 67

— 1444 W. Washington
STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS 76401

December 1st 1993.

Dear Father Wilson,

The following is an update on the sipuation which I mentioned to you briefly in our conversation on Monday last.

On Saturday, November 20th.,:

The conversation was cordual and courteous, but somewhat demanding on her part. She informed me that her daughter had discontinued the counselling so that there would be no more fees for counselling for the girl. She also added that her was not interested in going to counselling either and that wished even to talk about the alledged incident. She herself, may need some counselling.

, so that she can continue her studies and move into an apartment adjacent to the College, since she now lives with her parents at some distance from her College. The amount requested was \$1,200.,a \$500 deposit for the Apartment, \$500 for the first month's rent and \$200 to have the utilities connected. The sked if could pay any portion of these expenses herself and she replied, "Possibly the \$200" Then she added, once she more in he will be able to take care of the rent leather than righe I de ided, there and then, to help them out with the full amount of 200. telking that I would mail her the check that same day since she wanted to close the deal on the Apartment on the following Monday I also made a vague offer at paying \$100 per month to help with the right idid so in an effort to put a ceiling on further contributions: So there's where we're at right now.

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and a good hope of employment.

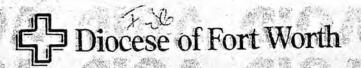
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December 26, 1993

Rev. Philip McNamara St. Brendan's Church 1444 W. Washington – Stephenville, TX 76401

Dear Phil:

Thank you for your letter of December 1 in which you fill me in on the latest about the situation. I am requisitioning \$600 which will be sent you directly by our finance office. They will not be noting what it is for, but from this letter you will be aware that it is to reimburse the Pallotine Fathers for one half the \$1200 sent

Thank you for all you are doing on this.

Concerning the papal honor for I suggest that you give Bishop Delaney a call. I told him of your suggestion that the Pro Ecclesia et Pantifice" award be given Mr. and he saw it as a big deal that yould require a lot of consideration about others to nominate. He was thinking that he might be stow a diocesan award on nominees from parishes. I brought it up some time are so the conversation will not now be fresh. He will

I am suggesting this because am going on an extended retreat in January rather than just the usual one week retreat. I expect to be back the last week of January, but you may want to talk to the bishop before then.

With best wishes for a happysnew year, I am

Fratemally yours in Ohnst,

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