

8. Following the November 21, 1982, and November 23, 1983, reports, what action did the Roman Catholic Bishop of Manchester, Inc., take to prevent Gordon MacRae from having future contact with children?

In the first place, the reports to DCYS were November 21, 198~~2~~, and November 23, 198~~2~~. Both reports were in 198~~2~~. The 198~~2~~ date in the original interrogatory was a typographical error.

Because the Diocese was not informed by any state agency of any substantial problem, and because Gordon MacRae was already in counseling for other personal problems and his counselor had been made aware of the kissing and hugging incident that the Diocese had reported to the State, the Diocese did not feel that there was any need to take further action.

9. Following the reports identified in the previous interrogatory, were Father Gabriel Houle and Father Wilfrid Bombardier advised of the incident and/or given any instructions concerning Gordon MacRae's contact with children upon his transfer to Keene?

It is important to understand that Gordon MacRae was transferred to Keene in June of 1982, as a course of a normal transfer process, and not because of impropriety. It was only several months after his transfer, in November of 1982, that the Diocese was made aware of the incident with the young man in Hampton.

No instructions were given to Father Houle or Father Bombardier, for the same reasons as in No. 8.

10. If the answer to the previous interrogatory is "Yes," please provide a summary of any specific instructions given to Father Houle or Father Bombardier concerning Gordon MacRae's conduct.

No answer required.

11. Please indicate whether Bishop Odore Gendron had any direct communication or conversation with any employee of DCYS concerning Gordon MacRae's sexual misconduct. If so, state the following:

- A. The name of the employee at DCYS;
- B. The date of the communication or conversation;
- C. The nature and substance of the communication;
- D. Please attach any and all documents which support your answer or which relate in any way to the communication or conversation.

Bishop Odore Gendron never, at any time, had any direct contact or communication with any employee of DCYS. All of the contacts with the State were conducted by Monsignor John Quinn.

12. Please indicate whether Msgr. Francis J. Christian had any direct communication or conversation with any employee of DCYS concerning Gordon MacRae's sexual misconduct. If so, please state the following:

- A. The name of the employee at DCYS;
- B. The date of the communication or conversation;
- C. The nature and substance of the communication;
- D. Attach any and all documents which support your answer or which relate in any way to the communication or conversation.

Msgr. Francis J. Christian never had any direct communication or conversation with any employee of DCYS concerning Gordon MacRae's sexual misconduct. All of the contacts with the State were conducted by Monsignor John Quinn.

13. Please provide a list of any and all incidents concerning Gordon MacRae's sexual misconduct known to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Manchester, Inc., or any of its employees, whether learned before or after the commencement of this action, stating:

- A. The date on which the incident occurred or is alleged to have occurred;
- B. Where the incident occurred;
- C. When the Roman Catholic Bishop of Manchester, Inc., or any of its employees learned of the incident.

On November 13, 1983, Msgr. John P. Quinn received notification from Judith Patterson of Catholic Social Services, Salem, that Gordon MacRae had kissed a young man during the past summer. He was also notified of this same incident by Dr. Henry Guertin-Ouellette on that same date. He notified Msgr. Francis J. Christian, the Chancellor of the Diocese of Manchester, of this information, and informed him that he was reporting the incident to the appropriate authorities of the State of New Hampshire.

In May of 1986, Msgr. Quinn was called by Marilyn Fraser of DCYS. She informed him that the alleged victim of the above reported incident had informed a counselor of the new high school he was attending of the same incident. The counselor, not knowing that it had been reported at the time, appropriately notified DCYS. Ms. Fraser, in a letter dated 5/18/86, requested information from the alleged victim counselor regarding his counseling sessions, as well as a written report from Dr. Guertin-Ouellette. The letter stated, "... this matter has resurfaced and we are attempting to bring closure, through insuring that there are no additional pieces of information and if not, that necessary work had been previously completed." There was no further communication from DCYS after the requested information was supplied.

Msgr. Francis J. Christian was notified on July 14th, 1988, by authorities of Spofford Hall that charges of solicitation had been brought against Gordon MacRae by the young man in treatment at that facility. Gordon MacRae was at the time on leave of absence from the Diocese of Manchester, and working as an alcohol counselor. The authorities of Spofford Hall indicated to him that they had already notified the appropriate authorities in the State of New Hampshire. As a result of these charges and pending their outcome Gordon MacRae, who had been given permission during his formal leave of absence from priestly ministries to celebrate Mass and the other sacraments only at Spofford Hall, was suspended from all priestly ministry.

About this same period of time a [REDACTED] from Keene had several telephone conversations with Msgr. Christian alleging that Gordon MacRae had solicited her son, [REDACTED]. She didn't know what to do with this because she didn't want to expose [REDACTED] who, she stated, was already having other emotional problems, to any public notoriety. Msgr. Christian assured her that the Diocese would help [REDACTED] with psychological care if her allegations were proven true. Gordon MacRae, when confronted with the allegations by Msgr. Christian, denied their veracity. [REDACTED], for some reason, did not pursue any more discussions with the Diocese.

The Diocese subsequently became aware through the press of various legal charges that were placed against Gordon MacRae. On no occasion was the Diocese previously contacted about the allegations in these charges, and had no knowledge of the alleged events in any case.

14. Please attach hereto copies of all internal memorandums received by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Manchester, Inc., from Monsignor John P. Quinn or any other employee, officer, or director of New Hampshire Catholic Charities, Inc., concerning Gordon MacRae's sexual misconduct. If you are no longer in possession of any internal memos, please acknowledge the approximate dates and subject matter of said internal memos.

Attached to Question #7.



15. Please provide the specific details with respect to any arrangements or agreements reached by the Catholic Church and the Cheshire County Attorney's Office with respect to the Church providing counseling and/or supervision as well as monitoring for Gordon MacRae in exchange for the County Attorney's promise not to prosecute Gordon MacRae.

There was no communication between the Diocese or its representatives regarding Gordon MacRae with the Cheshire County attorney's Office.

16. Please provide the details with regard to any and all agreements or representations made by Bishop Gendron to the Commissioner of DCYS or Health and Welfare whereby Gordon MacRae would not work with children any longer and he would enter into counseling.

There was no contact between Bishop Gendron and the Commissioner of DCYS or HHS regarding Gordon MacRae.