

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

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

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

JG: No.

BL: Okay. Um

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

BB: Yes.

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

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

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

BL: Okay.

JG: They had other agencies to have a counselor

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

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

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

JG: Yes he is.

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

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

BL: Okay.

JG: At the request of social services.

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

JG: Yes.

BL: Okay.

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

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

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

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

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

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

JG: I recognize the name.

BL: Okay.

JG: As a County Attorney.

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

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

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

JG: Huh, huh.

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

JG: Yes.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

JG: Yes.

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

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

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

JG: Huh, huh.

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

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

BL: Okay.

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

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

JG: It was alarming.

BL: Okay.

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

BL: Okay.

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

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

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

BL: Okay.

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

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

JG: I recall telling him about it because.

BL: Okay, how? By telephone?

JG: I believe it was by phone.

BL: Okay.

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

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

JG: And I sent the letter.

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

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

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

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

BL: Okay.

JG: If they did.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

BB: That's all I have.

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

JG: No I don't.

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