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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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FROM:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV.

KATHY KIMBALL, INV.

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

DATE:

AUGUST 30, 2002

DET. KIMBALL had received a call from ATTNY. BOB MCDANIEL, who indicated they had a document relative to FATHER PAUL AUBE that we needed to see right away. We responded to MCDANIEL'S office and met with LEGAL CASE MANAGER LAURIE WOODAMAN. WOODAMAN had inspected the petition from HOLY ROSARY asking for AUBE to be removed from the parish, and concluded the signatures were suspect and probably a forgery. She gave us documents relating to her inspection along with a cover letter.

We explained that as part of our investigation, we were attempting to verify the validity of the petition, and also had questions pertaining to authenticity of signatures. Explained we would be able to verify this through contact of some people listed on the petition.

LAURIE WOODAMAN LEGAL CASE MANAGER

TEL: 603.224.4333 4 BICENTENNIAL SQUARE

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Aube: Holy Rosavy Parish Petition

THE LAW OFFICES OF ROBERT E. MCDANIEL

August 29,2002

Attorney General State of New Hampshire 33 Capital Street Concord, New Hampshire 03301-6397

Attention: Kathleen Kimball

Dear Ms. Kimball,

We thought you might find the enclosed analysis of the petition which was discussed during your Tuedsay, August 27 interview with Fr. Paul Aube of interest. As you may recall, Paul was dismissive of the document as somehow fraudulent and mentioned that one of the names on the document, because recently denied to Paul on the telephone that he had ever signed such a petition.

We decided to take a closer look at the petition. Having studied handwriting analysis, I have noticed several features which could cause concern about the legitimacy of the petition, with respect to whether it was in fact signed by the 39 people whose names appear.

Attached are my notes, showing fifteen questionable characteristics. A more in-depth study would doubtless reveal more. It is my opinion that the petition was in fact the creation of no more than three people.

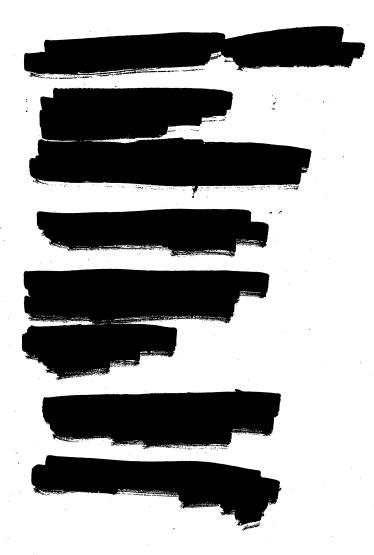
As to how this informs your investigation, we are not prepared to say. However, we thought these observations important enough to share.

Thank you.

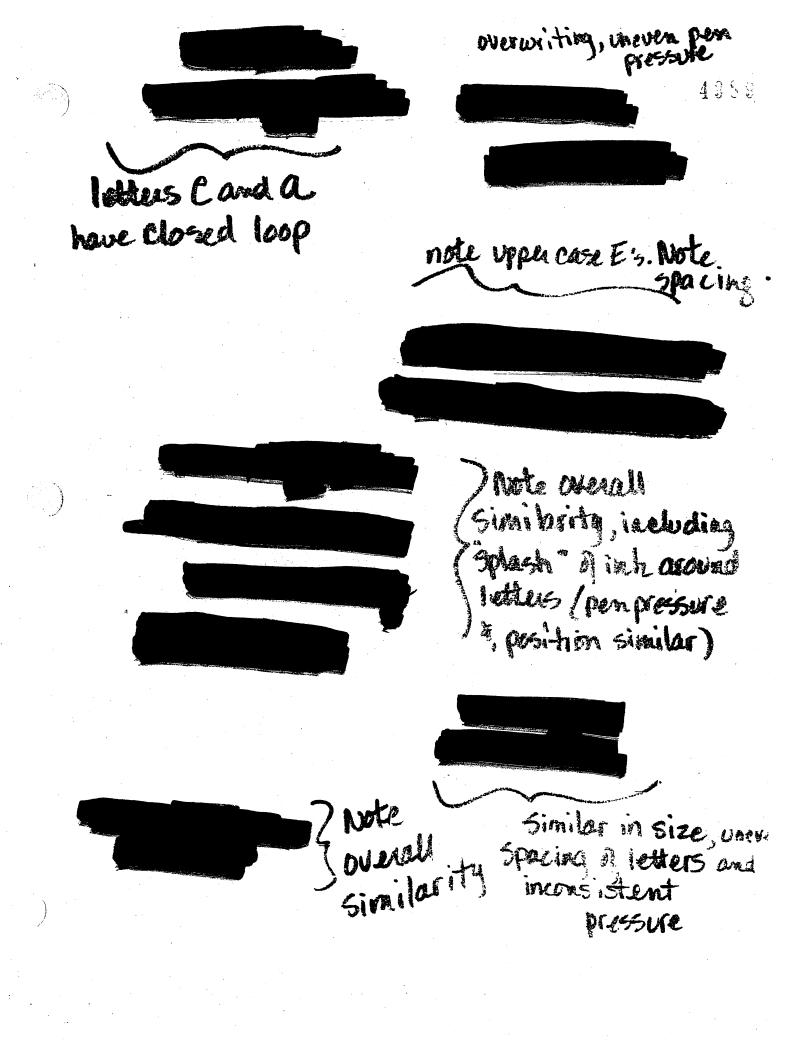
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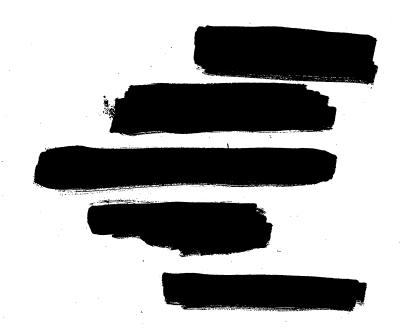




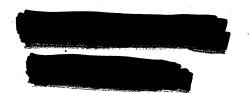




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PERSON INTERVIEWED:

AL LAMBERT

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

NH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

TELEPHONE

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

AUGUST 28, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV.

Received a call back from AL LAMBERT, who is the SCOUT EXECUTIVE for the DANIEL WEBSTER COUNCIL. LAMBERT'S address is 571 HOLT AVE., MANCHESTER, NH. His telephone number is 625-6431. LAMBERT had been asked to see if they had any complaints or documentation regarding FATHER PAUL AUBE during his association with the BOY SCOUTS.

LAMBERT stated that he had checked old files and made calls subsequent to our request, and did not find any record of complaints or documentation associated with PAUL AUBE.

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RONALD DOWLING

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

NH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

TELEPHONE

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

AUGUST 27, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV

Spoke to DOWLING by telephone and explained the reason for the call. DOWLING resides at \$\frac{1}{2}\$. He is a retired NASHUA PD officer.

DOWLING was asked if he had any recollection of a priest getting caught in NASHUA-1975, touching a kid in a car. Explained that LIONEL LEBLANC and DICK GAGNON had made the stop. DOWLING confirmed he would have been a Detective Sergeant at the time, but did not have any recollection of this incident or the priest, PAUL AUBE.

Asked if he knew whom BISHOP GENDRON would have called at the PD about this priest being caught sexually abusing a boy. DOWLING stated that would have to be either BOB BARRY or CHIEF SANDLER. DOWLING did not have any knowledge of the call, and knew he hadn't received a call from GENDRON. DOWLING was asked if a supervisor had responded to the scene that night for GAGNON and LEBLANC, who that might be. He stated more than likely it would have been a uniformed supervisor working that night, unknown identity.



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PERSON INTERVIEWED:

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SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV. KATHY KIMBALL, INV.

Met with 9:00 am. He resides at telephone number is

t the NASHUA POLICE DEPT. at

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The interview was audiotaped with permission. Please refer to the tape for details.

PERSON INTERVIEWED:

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

SEPTEMBER 6, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV

KATHY KIMBALL, INV.

Responded to

She resides at that address and is the mother of
a victime of FATHER PAUL AUBE. He telephone number is
She agreed to the interview and to be audiotaped. Please refer to the audiotape for details of the interview.

On SEPTEMBER 9, 2002 would speak to us and would be in touch with us. He was willing to assist with the investigation.

PERSON INTERVIEWED:

RICHARD GAGNON

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

NASHUA, NH

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

SEPTEMBER 5, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV

Met with RICHARD GAGNON in NASHUA, NH.at the BURGER KING off Exit 7W on the EVERETT TURNPIKE. GAGNON is a retired NASHUA officer who participated in the motor vehicle stop of FATHER AUBE in 1975. GAGNON lives in FLORIDA (see first interview report for address) and was in NH on vacation this date.

GAGNON'S recollection of the AUBE stop in 1975 was the same as his first interview with me dated AUGUST 22, 2002. He could not find his old activity book for further record. He recalled the incident being in the fall of that year. He also recalled that LIONEL LEBLANC (other officer with him) was the senior man at the time, and probably would have completed the report. He could not state who received the telephone call from the Bishop, but thought I might want to speak to ED LARGY, who was a Lieutenant at the time.

MEMORANDUM

TO:

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FROM:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV.

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER FATHER RAY DESJARDINS

FATHER PAUL AUBE

DATE:

SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

Through phone conversations with ATTNY. MIKE CONNOLLY, an appointment had been scheduled to interview FATHER RAY DESJARDINS in DOVER on SEPTEMBER 10, 2002 regarding FATHER PAUL AUBE. DESJARDINS was also informed through CONNOLLY, this interview was informational and corroborative. DESJARDINS had expressed hesitation initially to speak to us, and CONNOLLY had asked if this might be a Grand Jury situation if DESJARDINS refused an interview. Spoke to ATTNY. ROSENBERG about that, who informed me that a Grand Jury subpoena would be issued if DESJARDINS refused to speak to us voluntarily. That information was passed on to ATTNY. CONNOLLY.

ATTNY. CONNOLLY left a message for me on SEPTEMBER 6, 2002 indicating that FATHER DESJARDINS was opting for a Grand Jury subpoena rather than speaking to us voluntarily.

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NH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

SEPTEMBER 13, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

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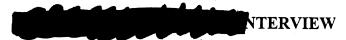
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Refer to the audiotape for details of the interview.

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AF: This is Investigator Anthony Fowler of the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office. It is Monday, September 9, 2002 at 9:20 a.m. by my watch. We are in a conference room at the Nashua Police Department. Present for who I will let introduce himself this interview is a here in a minute and Kathy Kimball of the New Hampshire State Police. We are here to interview and before we start sir a couple of things I want to say. I asked you this before we started the tape, but do we have your permission sir to audio tape this interview? Yes you do. you would, the mike on AF: Okay. And I would also ask you this is very small so try and speak up as much as possible and I'll put it as close to you as possible so that we can pick up your voice, okay? Yes.

AF: All right. I've already introduced myself so I want to go around the room and vould you introduce yourself.

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AF: Could you spell your last name sir?

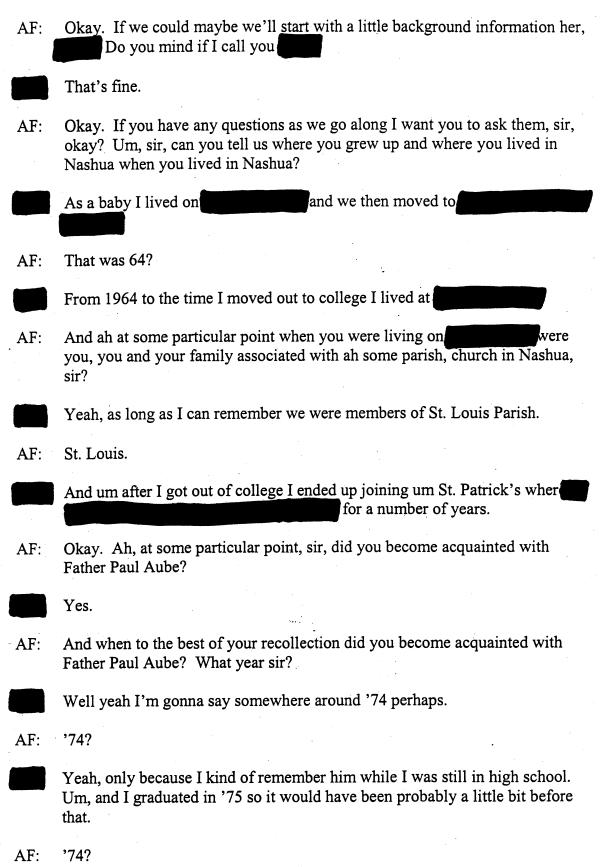
AF: And sir, where do you live?

AF: And your phone number, sir?

AF: And your date of birth, sir?

AF: Okay.

KK: I'm Detective Kathleen M. Kimball of the New Hampshire State Police.





AF: How did you meet Father Aube, sir?

Um, through the church. Um, I was a Boy Scout and played CYO basketball. He was um one of the priests, associates in our parish. Um, just from ah point of view as being a youth in the parish and he was assigned to us. I don't know you know he was our connection to the church.

KK: Were you an altar boy?

Nope. Nope. I didn't get into the Latin stuff. We were a French parish and you know I'm very French and my French speaking was not up to par and the nuns were a little too rough for me.

AF: So you met Father Aube through different youth groups or activities associated with St. Louis Church, is that correct?

Right. Being like a junior or a senior I was kind of I won't say in charge, but one of the older kids in the group so you know that's how we met.

AF: Where did you go to school sir?

Um,

AF: High School?

AF: Okay. Um, would it be fair to assume or say that you would have met Father Aube around your junior year in high school?

Very much so, yep.

AF: Okay. During that time, what was your opinion or impression of Father Aube?

Um, I thought he was a cool guy. Um, I you ask him to recall some stuff that went on. One thing that jumped out in my mind he had come from gee I want to say Lebanon or some place west of the state um and he had a Saab. You know it was kind of cool. He said he needed to go up there for some reason and he asked me if I wanted to go and he let me drive.

AF: What ah, what color was the Saab, sir? Do you remember?

Jeez man. I know it's kind of a long time ago. I'm gonna say red. AF: Okay. Only because that's the only color that sticks out in my mind. AF: So he let you drive his Saab to go up north somewhere? Yeah. Junior year, senior year? AF: When, when would that have been, Yeah, it was in the, it wasn't winter I remember that. AF: Okay. Um, boy the only I really don't think I can pin point a time. AF: Okay. Let me ask you this. Um, at some particular point did Father Aube for a lack of a better term start to cross the line with you in any type of sexual behavior? Whether it be through speech or actions? Um, only, only on the incident or the time that we talked you know. We're talking about. AF: The police incident in Nashua? Right. AF: How about prior to that? No, the only, I don't necessarily call it crossing the line. I'd call it more guy talk. Um, we at the time because I was going to college. I had a high school girlfriend and um for whatever reason things didn't continue um when I left to go to school and he was kind of like coughing on to yes ah we just kind of somebody good to just to shoot the breeze with and talk about that kind of stuff and. AF: Yeah.

Cause not that I wasn't close to my parents, but it's not something that



You'd probably talk to your dad about.

AF: Let me ask this, prior to the police incident in Nashua in 1975, was there any prior contact leading up to that, that night between you and him?

Um, no, just the only, no there was nothing like that. The only thing that can even be construed close to that is that um just hugs you know hand shakes, with a pat on the shoulder kind of thing.

AF: Yeah.

Nothing ah.

AF: Okay. I guess it would be fair to say then that prior to that 1975 incident with the Nashua Police that you trusted Father Aube?

Oh yeah, very much.

AF: Thought the world of him?

Yep.

AF: Was your parish priest, is that right?

Absolutely, yep.

AF: Um, and considered him a perhaps a mentor?

Yes, very much so.

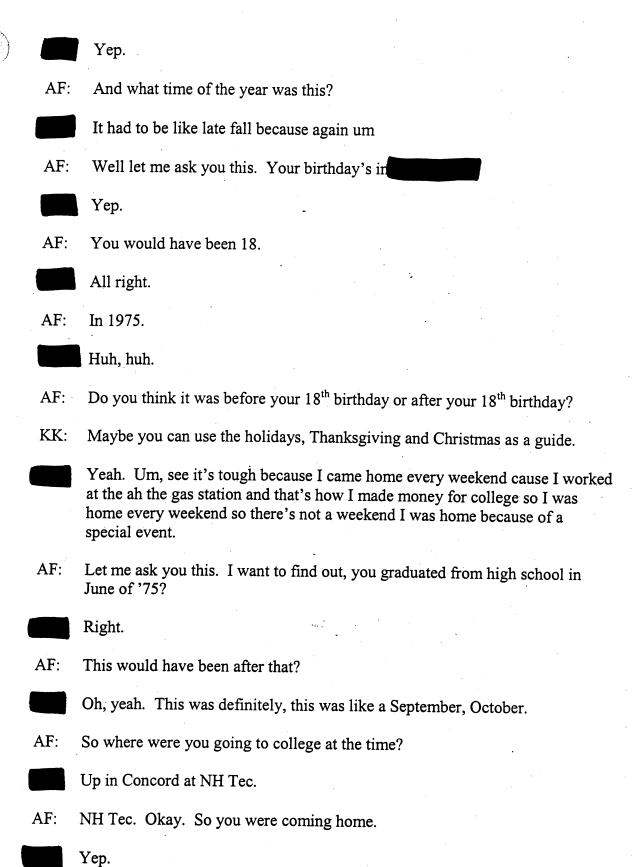
AF: Okay. All right. Let's talk about, let's talk about that night. What were the circumstances where you and he ended up in his Saab? Can you explain that to me?

Um, the best that I can recall was that um we were just out driving and I have no idea what started it, what the occasion was or anything like that.

AF: Who was driving the car?

At the time, when we got caught I was.

AF: You were.

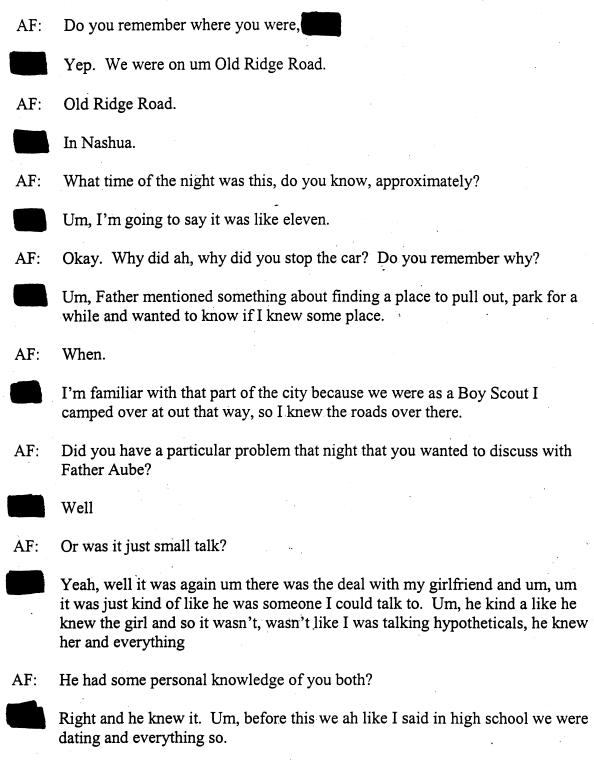


All right. And um AF: It was relatively good weather because I don't remember wearing a coat. Okay. So you were either one way or the other you were 17 or 18 years old. AF: Yeah. Is that accurate? AF: Absolutely. And were you still associated in any way with the church as far as some of the AF: activity groups or anything like that? Um, not much. Um, not really. I saw some of my old cronies because I did have, I hung around with um a buddy of mine, my girlfriend who was a year younger than I so he was still, I think he might have been President of the CYO. AF: I see. So my hook with Father after I left, meaning went to go to college. AF: Right. Was ah my buddy and I'd see him you know first before work, after work, whatever that case may be. AF: Now I think we've already covered this. I want to make sure. Prior to that night there had not been any advances by Aube in a sexual manner towards you? Again, nothing more than you know a big hug or something like that and again a pat on the back kind of thing. AF: Okay.

AF: Okay. At some particular point that night um did you guys park the car or did you park the car somewhere?

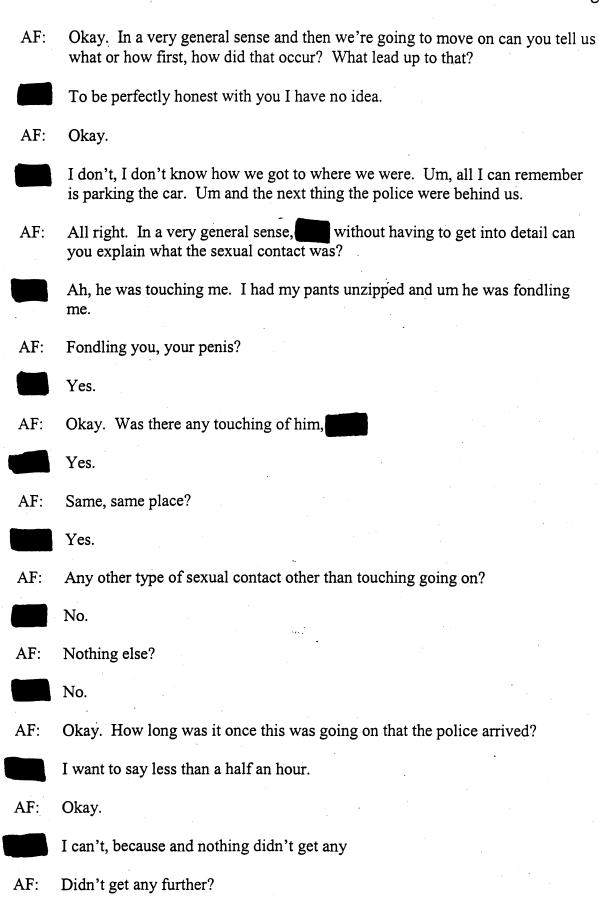
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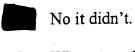
But again that I can remember.



AF: Okay. Can you tell me after you parked and you started talking, at some particular point um I assume it became physical or obviously our information is it became physical in a sexual way. Is that accurate to say?

Yes it did.





AF: What um, what were you thinking while that was going on?

To be perfectly honestly with you I was totally in a different place and um I it was not even him there.

AF: Wasn't him?

No.

AF: Okay.

KK: Can you remember him saying anything to you while this was happening? Did anything stand out in your mind?

I guess he kind of asked me how it felt and um, made, made an off hand comment about my girlfriend and this pleasure.

KK: Huh, huh.

AF: What was he wearing that night?

Um, he was in his clergy clothes.

AF: Okay. At some particular point why don't you tell us about the police coming. How many were there?

There were two. Um,

AF: Do you remember who they were?

Oh, no.

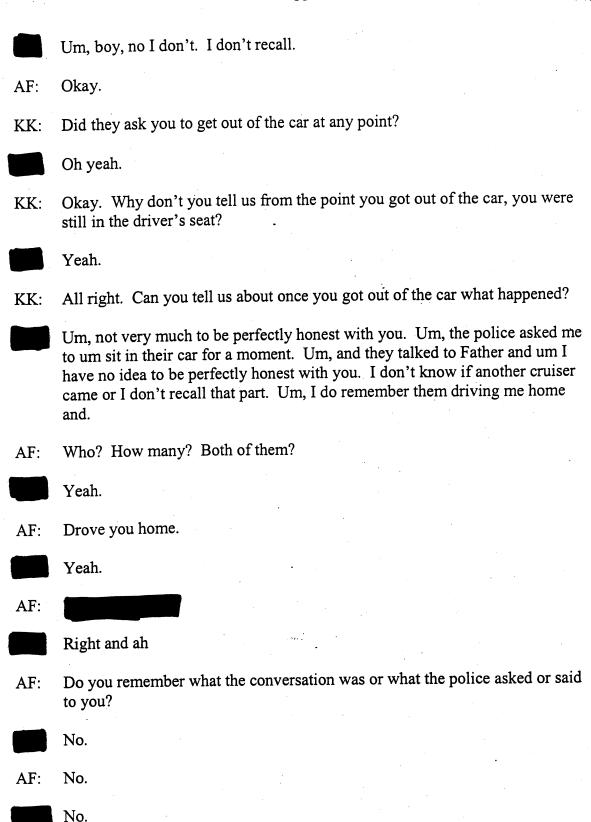
AF: No, okay. That's fine. Were they uniform or plain clothes?

Um, they were detectives. They were in plain clothes.

AF: Okay. What happened once the police walked up on the car?

Um, ah, they wanted to know what the hell we were doing. Um

AF: Yeah. Did he ask you how old you were?



AF:

Did they seem upset with Father Aube?

Oh yeah. Oh yeah. Um, it wasn't like I heard a lot. I mean it was like just I guess from my walk to the car um I don't even remember the words. All I can remember was oh shit, that kind of thing. AF: Yep. But that's, that's kind of like the extent of it. Could you tell whether he was arrested? Was he handcuffed and taken into KK: custody? I don't remember that part. AF: Were you taken directly home from the car? Yep. AF: Do you remember seeing Father Aube driving off by himself with the Saab or was he still there? Nope. As far as I recall he was still there. AF: Okay. Um, I kind of want to say I can remember. Somebody calling headquarters. Something and something about a sergeant. Kind of like all I remember. AF: Asking for a sergeant? Yeah, something like that. AF: Okay. On the way home they took you to street directly? Yes. AF: Um, did either of the officers speak to your parents or anybody or how did that work when you got home?

My parent's bedroom's on the street side. All I could think of was them

My parent's bedroom's on the street side. All I could think of was them hearing the car doors, you know. They didn't speak to my parents. Um, I don't even know if they said they'd be talking to me again.

AF: Did anybody ever talk to you again?



KK: Were your parents actually up when you came home that night?

No, like I say this whole thing – we might have parked about eleven o'clock, but by the time this whole episode happened it was definitely late at night and my parents were sleeping.

KK: Huh, huh.

AF: Did, let me ask you. I want to back up a little bit.

Sure.

AF: Did you feel like you were coerced? Maybe that's a strong word or because of Father Aube's influence and who he was to you did you feel like you were lead down the golden path that night by him based on who he was and what you thought of him? Coerced?

Yeah, in retrospect, yes. Um, at first I guess um things were all buddy, buddy. Um, I guess after all this I was like months later I was just kind of I hadn't seen him after that once I mean for whatever reason. Um, I don't know if it was hate. Whatever word you want to use. We just never hooked up again.

KK: So you've never seen him since this incident?

I ran into him, we went face to face um just by chance. Um, again I told you before I

KK: Huh, huh.

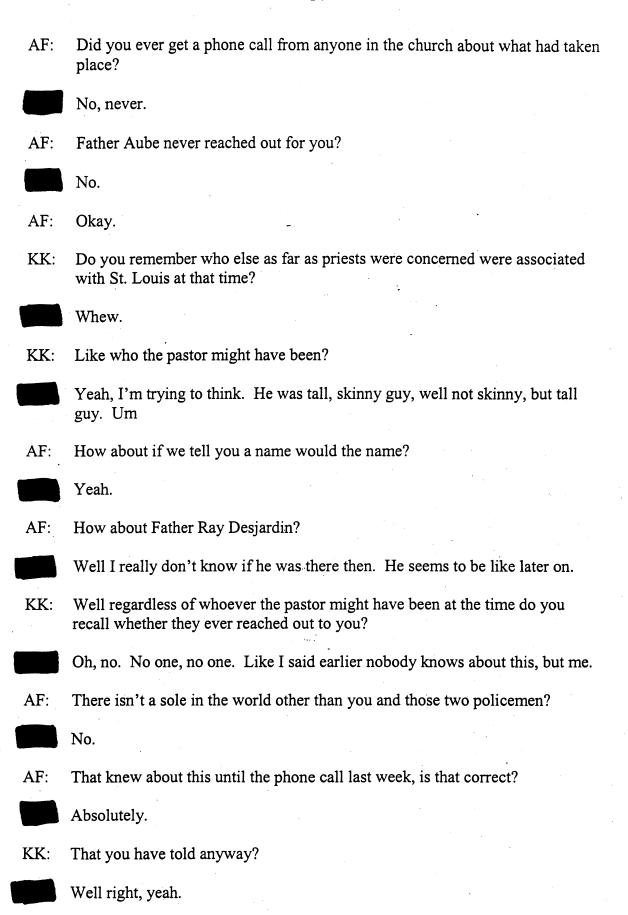
Before and there was some kind of um event going on. I don't know if it was a confirmation. We had a couple of elderly priests die in our parish so I don't know if he was part of that entourage or what. Um, but I'll tell you what I turned as white as that board when I saw him.

AF: How long after?

Um, it just well I just left. Like I told you I just left my job. I just left that job ah this past June and I'd worked there for 15 years so somewhere in that 15 year period. Maybe 8 years ago, maybe less.

AF: Did you ever hear from the police or anybody again after this, after that night?

No.



KK: Okay.

AF: Um, do you have any knowledge or do you know about a phone call made to the Nashua PD by a church official to try and get it squashed?

No. Nothing.

AF: Okay. What did you think was going to happen in the future? When that night was over you must have been wondering who was going to knock on your door?

Well I thought your phone call would have been 30 years ago.

AF: Yeah. Do you know if a report was ever made on the incident?

I have no idea.

AF: Okay.

I know the um the police asked me obviously my name and stuff like that and obviously he knew where to drop me off um, but

AF: Do you ah looking back on this now, obviously you're a grown man 45 years old. Would it be safe or would it be accurate for me to say that perhaps Father Aube had set you up or postured you to some degree leading to that night?

Oh, absolutely. He knew I was vulnerable and he took advantage of it.

AF: Do you know of any other kids at the time that may have been sexually abused by Aube?

No.

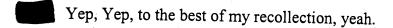
AF: In Nashua?

No.

KK: Did he ever talk about kids that he was particularly close to from assignments that he had prior to getting to St. Louis'?

No. No. Not that I can recall.

AF: And the only time that you've seen him or spoken to him was that one time that we've already discussed about? Is that correct?



KK: How did he react when he saw you?

Um, he was probably as surprised as I was. Ah, we were very cordial and kind of said like hi and kept on going.

KK: Did you talk at all about this incident?

No, no, no it was truly hi and then I kept on going.

KK: Okay.

AF: Um,

KK: Is there anything that you think we should know about that maybe we haven't asked you?

AF: Is there anything you want to say?

Um, no that's, that's kind of it. Um

AF: I have one question and I think the answer is obvious, but why did you keep this to yourself all these years?

Caused I was ashamed. I don't consider myself I mean it's irrelevant, but I am married. I consider myself heterosexual. Um, I don't consider myself gay or anything of that ilk, whether it's good, bad or indifferent um that's not me.

AF: Were these rides or the extra activity with Father Aube other than through the youth groups, the CYO or anything like that with the church. Were they rides or the association with Father Aube ah what I guess we'd call a regular routine with you and he. Did you consider yourself closer to Father Aube than just the parish priest associated with youth groups at the church?

I would, I guess today I would say yes only because we did see each other out of the realm of the CYO event or after church hello, how are you kind of thing. Um, so I guess obvious, well I mean obviously he took a ride to, what the hell is the name of that town?

AF: Lebanon?

No, it's not Lebanon. It's up by Lebanon, out that

AF: Claremont?

Claremont, yes cause he said something about we took that ride to Claremont. There's a dealership that sold him his Saab or something like that so he was going up. We were going up there say hello.

AF: Okay.

KK: Anything else you want to say?

Um, no, no you kind of hit everything.

KK: Okay. Well we thank you for your time.

AF: Thank you. I'm going to end this interview then. It's 9:49 a.m. by my watch, September 9, 2002. End of interview with

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MEMORANDUM

TO:

FILE ·

FROM:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV

KATHY KIMBALL, INV.

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

DATE:

SEPTEMBER 17, 2002

had made an appointment for an interview at 9:00 am.

arrived as support for

did

not show for the appointment and another date and time will be scheduled.

MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED:

PLACE OF INTERVIEW:

DATE OF INTERVIEW:

SEPTEMBER 6, 2002

RE:

DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

FATHER PAUL AUBE

INTERVIEWED BY:

ANTHONY FOWLER, INV.

KATHY KIMBALL, INV.

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Responded to She resides at that address and is the mother of a victim of FATHER PAUL AUBE. He telephone number is She agreed to the interview and to be audiotaped. Please refer to the audiotape for details of the interview.

On SEPTEMBER 9, 2002, would speak to us and would be in touch with us. He was willing to assist with the investigation.

INTERVIEW OF

SIDE A

AF:

This is Investigator Anthony Fowler of the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office. Um, it is September 6th, 2002, at 10:07 a.m. by my watch. Excuse me. We are, um, at the home of

Um, we are going to be interviewing ah, about her son in contact with, ah, the church here in Rochester and in particular Father Aube. Also present for the interview at this time is, ah, Detective Kathy Kimball from the, ah, State Police, and, ah, ah, who is the mother of Um, ah, I wanna ask on tape, do you give us permission to audio tape

this interview?

Yes. I do.

AF:

AF:

Okay. Alright, ah, ma'am if, if you would start by stating your full name and spelling your name please.

AF: And may I have your address ma'am?

AF: And a phone number here

AF: Okay and, ah, your date of birth ma'am.

AF: Okay and, um. You have children, is that correct?

Yes. I have two sons.

Two sons. Can we have their names please?

Ah, the oldest son is

AF: How old is he ma'am?

He's forty years old now. AF: Okay and your other son? And AF: And how old is is thirty-seven years old. AF: And what is, ah, his date of birth? His date of birth is AF: Okay. Ma'am I wanna ask ya to go back a few years and, um, did you raise your family in Rochester ma'am? Yes. I did. AF: And back when, ah, the boys were, were younger, can you tell us what church you folks were associated with at the time? Hmm, we were associated with, um, St. Mary's Church for a while and later on at Holy Rosary Church. AF: Where did you folks first meet Father Paul Aube? Ah, I, we first met, I first met Father Aube, ah, in, in 1980. was asked to help the youth group kids at Holy Rosary with some musical thing so I, ah, their youth group was trying to start a little band to, ah, to go to the senior citizens homes and, ah, you know, play music to them. And my son was quite musical and, ah, his friends from Holy Rosary asked him if he could help with that. AF: How old was t that time, ma'am? Ah, I'd say he was fifteen years old. AF: Fifteen? Yup. AF: became acquainted with Father Aube was through this And is this how youth group?

This was AF: Contact? Yes, this is how he got, he, this is how he was related with Father Aube through this youth group thing. AF: At, at Holy Rosary? At Holy Rosary. AF: Okay. Had you met Father Aube yourself, by that time or was it after? The first time I met him was the, the night that I dropped meeting with the youth group. AF: Okay. That's where I met Father Aube. AF: And that was in 1980 ma'am? Ah, I would say 1980. Okay. Um. After became involved with this youth group through AF: Father Aube, how often, ma'am, would you say that um, was the youth group and was involved, ah, with that youth group and Father Aube? How often would that happen? It was a once a week meeting and I can't remember the night that it was but I know there were meetings once a week on that. AF: Okay. And. At some particular point, um, there became an issue or a suspicion by you that something may have been wrong, is that correct or incorrect?

That's correct.

AF:

Okay. Can you tell me what that suspicion was,

Well I had, ah, ah, I was a mother that took my kids where they, went, had to go and I picked them up. And, ah, I think after one or two practices, ah, I discovered that the lights were out, in the, in the basement of the church where they were practicing. And, there were no other kids around and it, I didn't even my son. So, ah, there were lights on in the rectory so I decided to, knock

on the door and Paul Aube answered the door. And I said, where's my son? And he said oh he's here, ah, I've got him, listening to self-help tapes. And, but I don't think that he re, really needs to go to the Dr. Seaman, I, he, I think I can you know handle this.

AF:

Okay let's start, let me ask you this, again would this have been in 1980 to the best of your recollect, lection ma'am?

To the best of my recollect, recollection it's 1980.

AF:

Now let's talk about that. Do you, Paul Aube told you that he was having listen to some self-help tapes. And, and brought up, ah, about not having to go see Dr. Seaman. Can you describe, ah, what that was all about as far as, ah, what Father Aube knew about having some problems or what the problems were, ma'am?

I had, I had mentioned, ah, to Father Aube, just before that meeting or after that meeting, I remember mentioning to him that father and I are getting a divorce. And, I, and he, and so going to counseling and I really didn't want him out late at night. He needed to get his rest and, um, and so that's what Father Aube knew about my son. He knew that he, it was against my wishes to have him there but that hose to go and do it, it was a musical thing and I let him go.

AF:

Okay and, um, was your son in counseling at the time ma'am?

Yes. He was.

AF:

And that was with who?

Dr. Steve Seaman in Rochester, he was a psychologist. He was one of the best in the State I would say.

AF:

And, and had tarted seeing Dr. Seaman prior to the youth group activity, ma'am?

Yes. He was seeing him.

AF:

And, and was that because of the ss, the situation at home between you and your husband?

It was the situation at home and other things that may have been dealing with.

AF.

Okay. Ah, do you what those other things were?

Um. The, the divorce number one and number two, I think he was struggling over. The fact of whether he was gay or not. I think. AF: Okay. He had some problems in that area. AF: I see. He, he was kind of confused and mixed up, with life in general. AF: And, and being am, a mother, you decided to have him get some counseling with Dr. Seaman. That's correct. AF: Based on these, on these issues. That's correct. AF: Alright, and at some point shortly after that, is when you notified Father Aube that he was, ah, having some issues, and, and Father Aube became aware of that, is that correct? Yes. He did. AF: Okay. Um. After picking up at the rectory on that night that you were telling us about, can you tell us what made your suspicions of something being wrong grow, if you will? about it when I took him home and I said that he needs to be I talked to coming home early. Ah, that was the deal that him and I made, because he's not feeling that great and he needs to get his sleep, and enjoyed the visit with Father Aube so, he said mom, he's being good to me and you know and so I let it go. AF: Okay. And, and because you thought that that this was helping Steve. Hmm, hmm. AF: Ah, you let him continue to see Father Aube and continue in that youth group activity? Yes, I did.

Okay. But I did let Father, Father Aube know that Dr. Seaman was the one that was gonna be taking care of his needs. AF: Okay. Mentally and whatever else. AF: What was Father Aube's reaction to that? Well he was kind of a dying, dynamic person he just shook it off and said don't worry, ah, everything will be fine I'm just trying to help him. AF: Okay. Was this still in 1980 or was this is 1981 now, ma'am? Um. I, I'd say 1980 is the year but some of it could have gone into '81. But, ah, I think I'm hitting the nail on the head when I say 1980. Okay. What, ah. after you had told Father Aube very clearly that Dr. Seaman AF: issues, after that conversation, can you tell me what occurred after that to raise your ss, suspicions further, if you will? went back to the, ah, went to There was at least two more times where the weekly meetings for the youth group. And, ah, the next time and the time after that, you know, I said to myself this isn't right. I'm picking him up at the rectory instead of downstairs where I bring him. And I was going to counseling at the time. I talked to my counselor about it. AF: Yup. And, and based on your conversation with the counselor, what did you do then? Well, um, I, she asked me questions about it and, I was suspicious and AF: What were you suspicious of, It wasn't right for him to be in the rectory, with very few lights on in the rectory when, I never took him to the rectory I took him downstairs under the church where the meeting rooms were. AF: Did you suspect sexual abuse at that time

Not quite.

AF: Okay. I was hoping that it wasn't. And, so I, he went again. I discussed it with him. And he, with my son and he seemed to be enjoying, ah, the youth group music. He didn't say too much about Father Aube. But, um, I think I spoke about it alized I was a little nervous about the situation at that kind of, I think point. AF: So, so you had, eh, eh, if, if I'm accurate, what, what I'm hearing here is, that from the time that he, started in this youth group, up until this particular point, it seemed like he had a close relationship to Father Aube, to some degree? It, it seems as though that's what was happening. AF: Okay. At, at some particular, point did your suspicions, were your suspicions confirmed that something was, something wrong was going on? I'd say probably the fourth or fifth time I, just told II. I went to the rectory and got him again. And, ah, Father Aube answered and I said, where is my son? And he said oh he's here we're, you know doing, I said I don't care what you're doing I want my son right now. He went and got came out, we went home and, that was, I think the last time he saw him. Last time he saw Father Aube? AF: I would say that is the last time. AF: Would? That he saw Father Aube? AF: Would this have been, ah, to the best of your recollection in early 1981? Or are we still in 1980, ma'am? I think we're still in 1980. AF: Okay. At this point. AF: Alright after that, those meetings ceased, what happened whisper, and by the s still seeing Dr. Seaman at this point, is that way let me ask you this, correct?

Um, I'm not sure who he is, oh at this point yes. AF: Ya. In time back along yes he's still seeing ss, Dr. Seaman. AF: Okay. Hm, hm. AF: And at some particular point after that, can you tell me or tell us what occurred, ah, that, um, confirmed your fears or suspicions as to what was happening between Father Aube and about it, I tried to be as gentle as I could be. On Well, um, I talked to the way home that night and didn't really wanna talk about anything. But at that point, I knew that what I was thinking was actually happening. I knew that in my heart I knew that Father Aube was molesting my son. AF: And that was, in your heart? Yup. leny that or did he tell you what happened AF: Okay. And initially did then? He, didn't deny it. But he really didn't want to speak about it too much. You know, it was kinda hard for him. So I didn't put any pressure any more pressure on him than I had it, had to that point. AF: when in fact you found out for Okay, and. Can you recall, sure that Father Aube was abusing your son and how you found out? Well, ah, my counselor at Catholic Charities, ah, picked up on this probably the same time I did as far as eing molested so. AF: Who, who was that, ma'am? That, ah, this was Lo, Mrs. Lois Webb. AF: W-E-B-B? Yes.

ho did

AF:

Okay.

Ah, she was the first person that, ah, Catholic Charities I think hired, ah, for counseling in this area. Um, I went to counseling with her for many years later. Ah, we both decided that something's going on, ah.

AF:

In particular with Father Aube?

Yes, with a modern and Father Aube and that number one, I was gonna have to tell him that he can't, he can't go there and, and do that anymore, this isn't right.

AF:

Was he still going there ma'am, to see Father Aube?

Ah, up, after about he went there about four times. Four or five times. But I think four times. Ah. And I think I think I picked up on this early, um.

AF:

How did you first become aware? How did, who did reveal all this to the first time? For the first time?

I'd say evealed this to his psychologist. I think he was, he felt more comfortable talking to him than he did to me.

AF:

And that being who ma'am?

Dr. Steve Seaman.

AF:

Okay.

Um,

AF:

And how did you learn, of it?

Ah, I didn't see them, him in action, Father Aube in action. But the last time that I picked up my son I saw the emotional condition that he was in. And, that I talked to my counselor about it. I think my counselor talked to Dr. Seaman about this, a few times. And I had another talk with my son about this isn't right you know I know it's happening I didn't, you know I don't want you going to him anymore. You still can go to Dr. Seaman. And if you're uncomfortable talking about the situation with me, you talk about it with Dr. Seaman. And that's the way I left it at that pillarica, particular point.

AF:

Yup.

Ah, I'm going to counseling, my son's going to counseling. And I just figured we're gonna have to take it from there. AF: Sure. How did you find our, that was being molested by Father Aube? For sure? Ah, there was conversations between sychologist and my counselor and it just seemed like my counselor knew that I was right that something's happening, he's being molested. Ah, and we took it from there. I talked to maybe again about it and he got very emotional. And, ah, didn't come right out and say it but at that point he knew, that things had to stop happening with Dr. Aube. Okay, did? Did Miss Webb or Dr. Seaman ever talk to you and tell you that in AF: vas being molested by Father Aube and he had confided that in them? Dr. Seaman never told me that that was happening. But, because Dr. Seaman didn't want re, reveal ss, you know things that were going on in counseling. AF: Hmm, hmm. So that's why, eh, that Dr. Seaman and Lois Webb at Catholic Charities were trying me, try, you know counseling me, Lois was counseling me trying to, you know, for me to say I know that's happening. And, ah, I did not actually see it happen but I knew, you know, at this point, AF: Yup. it was happening. AF: Did, did Lois Webb, ever confirm to you as that, the mother of this boy, in fact, this was occurring? She just counseled me. And, and acted like I felt she was agreeing with what I was saying and she thought I was right. AF: Yup, okay, and at some point, ever confide in you in, in some detail about what Father Aube had done to him? Um, I'm not sure about that, um. It was so emotional at the time I, I can't tell if we talked about those deta, details or not.

AF:

Okay. At some particular point, did you take your concerns or voice your concerns to the Diocese? Or what was the first thing that you did to notify people in authority what was going on with your son, and Father Aube?

Well, um, my counselor at Catholic Charities, called the bishop's office in Manchester. And talked to Reverend Christian and told him that I, mom, wanted to talk to him about Paul Aube. And, ah, I don't know if it's a week later, ah, Father Christian called me and asked me about what was going on and I told him, what I thought was happening.

AF:

Yes.

That are that I know he's been molesting my son. And,

AF:

May I ask when that was, ma'am? Would that have been 1980 or 1981?

I'm not sure yet.

AF:

Okay.

What that, when that was.

AF:

Alright.

I know it's in 1980 that this all started but I,

AF:

Yup.

I really

AF:

What was, ah, Father Christian's reaction to what you, what you told him?

He was, he listened to what I had to say. I'm not sure he believed what I was saying. I gave him all the information that I had. He talked to Lois Webb first and then to me.

AF:

Father Christian?

Lois Webb, Webb had called him.

AF:

Yes.

And, so then I went back to counseling, and, after that incident and, ah, there were other times that I talked to him after that.

AF:

Did Father Christian indicate to you what he or the Diocese was going to do about this, if anything? Of what their plan of action was ma'am?

He didn't talk about a plan of action at all. I'm the one that raised that question or that

AF:

What was your plan, ma'am?

My plan was, that Paul Aube be transferred somewheres else where he will never be able to work with kids again.

AF:

And did you specifically tell that to Father Christian, ma'am?

I specifically told him that.

AF:

Did you tell anybody else in the Diocese that, other than Father Christian?

Ah, I only talked to Father Christian as far as the Diocese went and Paul Aube.

AF:

What was Father Christian's response when you told him that you wanted this man, Aube, transferred somewhere where he could never do that to kids again?

Well he seemed to think that that was a hard thing to do. And, that I and I said I don't care how hard it is to do, you gotta do it. You gotta, he's gotta be outta Rochester, he can't work with kids anymore, period. Um. I don't know if this was first time I talked to Father Christian or the second time. But Father Christian said well if we do that, we need to wait til the Fall when the transfers happen, with priests. And I remember saying distinctly I'm not waiting, you're not waiting and I'm not waiting til the Fall for this, he needs to be outta here. Ah, the Reverend, ah, Guilenel, Guilenello that was the minister at Methodist Church had talked to me about it, ah, and. I don't know if he knew anything I didn't know but. He was kind of upset about this when him and I discussed this right around the time we're at right now.

AF:

Hm, hm.

So, um. And also Reverend Guilenello's, ah, daughter was in, in the same class as my son was in. And, ah,

AF:

In school?

In school at, in high school they were in class together. So he was concerned about this, very concerned about this. I don't know if he knew anything else other than what I said to him.

) **AF**:

Yup. How many times did you talk to Father Christian? And

At least, at least, three times or four times at this point.

AF:

And what, what became, for lack of a better term, what became the solution to this Aube problem?

The solution became, ah, ah, kinda to the end when Lois Webb, counselor at Catholic Charities, ah, and Dr. Steve Seaman, ah, I think, spoke again with each other. And Lois Webb talked to the, to Reverend Christian. And, um, I'm not sure if she told him that she agreed with what I, at that point what I wanted but, ah, she was real firm about this. And, um, she agreed with me as to what I thought was happening and knew was hap, happening at that point.

AF:

And what was the outcome to, to your knowledge, of what

To my knowledge it, they did move him before Fall. And when they did that, ah, I wanted to know where he was or where he went. And so, I think at that point I talked to Father Christian again. And he told me that Paul Aube was gonna be working with some senior citizens some place as a pastor. Um, I don't think he told me where it was but I think Lois Webb knew where that was.

AF:

Okay. Did you ever learn, specifically what the abuse was that Father Aube did to your son?

That's a hard question to answer.

AF:

I know.

Um. I talked with the at one point and, after the transfer of the priest and, he mentioned that they did go to bed. And, that he had the both things to him.

AF:

Okay. Tough question okay? Tough question here. Did he say, did you what Aube made him do to him?

No. He couldn't get to that point I think because of me.

AF:

Okay. Did the Diocese of Manchester, ma'am, ever try to pay you money or try to offer services or money for counseling for you and your family, based on the allegations and what had occurred that you brought to their attention?

No. He haven't, no, Reverend Christian never said anything

AF: Okay. about that. Have you ever received any payment, you or your family, ah, for, for AF: counseling or for other matters based on the sexual abuse of your son, by Father Aube by the Diocese? No. We didn't. We did not. I went to counseling though at Catholic Charities but AF: Okay, um. Do you know, whether or not, or did you ever hear about Father Aube possibly abusing sexually other children, other boys in Rochester during his, ah, tenure here? Eh, that's a hard question to answer. Um, I know that there were other, others that were molested but I found that out later. Through the grapevine so to speak. AF: Hm, hm. It wasn't anything that I saw. AF: Yup. But. AF: Yup. But at some point the, eh, is that you heard stories that Father Aube had abused other boys while he was a pastor as, at in Rochester, is that correct? That's correct. AF:

Okay. Do you know who those other boys were, ma'am? Do you remember the names?

No I can't give you names I, know their, probably the paren--

END OF SIDE A

SIDE B

AF:

This is Investigator Anthony Fowler, ah, we're continuing the interview with We stopped because the first, ah, side A of the first tape had, ah, run out. Ah, we flipped the tape over it is, ah, 10:43 a.m. by my watch, same people are present, same location and we'll continue with the

interview. Um. id you ever confront Father Aube with what you thought he was doing to your son? On one of the visits to the rectory, and I'm sure if it was the last one that I went to see him, I told him, that this isn't right and this shouldn't be going on. And if this, if he sees my gun, son again, he's gonna have a problem. AF: Did you ever report your suspicions to local law enforcement or to any police officers, about it, eh, this possible being a criminal matter, ma'am? No. I did not at the time, ah. AF: Okay, we'll let me ask you this did anybody ever advise you to do that of, ever tell you that, or give you direction when it came to that? Nobody ever advised me to do it. But, in the back of my mind I thought I should. But when I thought about it, ah, all the re, repercussions that would have happened at the time I, you know I'm not sure I wanted my son to have to go through that. KK: Do you know whether anyone reported it to DCYF, ah the Division of Child, ah, Child, Children, Youth and Families? Hm, no I don't know that. But I think that they probably had to if there was a law about, like the, like it is now. AF: Hm, hm. KK: Hm, hm. I, I think they, Lois Webb could have reported it. KK: Okay. AF: Did the Diocese of Manchester or anyone official with the church, ever convey to you that they wanted you, to keep this as quiet or as confidential as possible, ma'am? Hm, that wasn't actually said to me. But that's how I felt that, the people that I were dealing with, ah AF: Father Christian?

Father Christian.

AF:

How, ha, how?

Primarily Father Christian, he was trying to do what I thought he should, do versus what he thought, you know. He was trying to please me with what I wanted to have happen. And, that never came up, he never mentioned that. He was vague you know with me. And we had the, the disagreement that, ah, now I lost my train of thought here.

AF:

That's okay take your time.

That he, he, you know Father Christian was trying to just listen to me and try to get through this. And, he seemed to want to do what I wanted him to do. He, but he mostly listened to me more than he did talk to me.

KK:

Did, did Father Christian ever talk with



I don't think so.

KK:

Do you know whether anyone from the Diocese ever talked with



I don't think anyone did.

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Did, did, did Father Christian, to your knowledge, ever tell you that he had spoken to Father Aube about this? Or did he ever tell you that he thought you, that your complaint was credible?

I don't think he ever told me that he thought my complaint was credible.

AF:

Never told you that?

I don't think so.

AF:

Did he ever say anything about, he knowing about Father Aube having a problem? And might need help himself, did he ever say that to you?

No. He did not.

AF:

Okay.

Ah.

KK:

Did you have any knowledge during this process that there was a possibility that Father Aube had done this before he came to Rochester?

I never knew anything about that. Before he came here I didn't, you know I was more concerned about myself and my son getting through this.

KK:

Sure, sure.

Process.

KK:

Absolutely.

So it was just a matter of, ah, worrying about myself and my son and then down the road the other kids that this could happen to, that was one of my main concerns when I talked to him I mentioned that to him one time too, Father Christian. This can't happen to anymore kids. This is an awful thing that this man did. And is doing.

AF:

What was his response, do you remember?

Ah, his response was very low key. And, but he seemed to feel bad when I, you know came out with that, situation right there, with that comment. Ah, but, always on the back burner was his concern for Father Aube and I think probably the church. And my concern was to get this guy outta here and

KK:

Hm, hm.



you know, do what you have to do with him.

AF:

Would it be accurate to say that he was, he seemed more concerned about Father Aube and the church than he did your son?

I would think so, yes. I would think so.

AF:

Okay.

KK:

I'd like to back up to when you were dropping

Yup.



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for these meetings.



Hm, hm.

KK:

Do you remember what time of the evening the meetings were supposed to end?



I'm pretty sure it was nine o'clock.

KK: Alright and then what time would you be going to pick Before nine o'clock, ah. KK: And when you were showing up to pick him up you said all the other kids were gone, ah, and he was in the rectory. That's correct. KK: ff for the meetings, did you in fact see Now, when you had dropped other kids showing up for the meetings? Yes I did. KK: Alright. See other kids showing up. KK: So you know that there was actually some sort of a meeting. Hm, yes. KK: And but it ended prior to your getting there, ah, and to pick That's correct. KK: p at the rectory and you would go to Okay. Ah, when you would pick the door and knock on the door and, did you ever, make any observations ppearance? Did he ever seem disheveled to you? Or, um, about trying to maybe put himself back together? was, dishev, ah, disheveled, ah, is that how I pronounce that word? KK: Hm, hm. Ah, his hair was a mess. He was, acted very depressed. Ah, that happened early on and I knew, you know, at that point, something bad was happening. And, ah, I had asked Father Aube on that last time, where is my son? I want him now. And he, you know, he still acted like nothing was going on. You know, I kinda had to, tell him that this is it. He's not, coming here anymore. KK: Okay. Because never seemed to come to the door to be ready when you were coming to pick him up, did that strike you as odd in any way?

Yeah. It struck me as odd, the first time.

KK: Hm, hm.

Ah. I started thinking you know he knows my son's having a hard time. And he knows that he's going to counseling. And, you know, I should be picking him up where I dropped him off.

KK: Sure.

You know.

KK: Now I'd like to kinda fast forward to when you were having your contact with, ah, Father Christian. Did he ever write you letters to document your conversations with him or send you any kind of communication through the

mail?

I, I don't think that happened. All my information was getting to me through Lois Webb.

KK: Okay.

KK:

My counselor.

Okay. And you obviously had some contact with Father Christian, yourself to him personally, is that right? Like a phone call or a meeting, did you ever meet with him in person?

I never met with him in person. I always spoke to him over the telephone.

KK: Okay.

And Lois Webb would, would be the one to set that up. Yeah. I think a couple of times he might have called me.

KK: Hm, hm. Okay, but you never received anything in the mail as far as a follow-up letter to a conversation?

No, I, I never received any mail from Reverend Christian.

KK: Okay. Alright.

AF: Did, you all set?

KK: Hm, hm.

AF:

Did you ever become aware, of a petition going around the church or around town asking for the removal of Father Aube from Hol, Holy Rosary, because of gross sexual misconduct?

I was never aware of a petition.

AF:

Yeah. I'd like to show you a petition which we have, um, and have you take a look at it.

Hm, hm.

AF:

And see if you have any recollection of ever, saw this, ma'am.

Okay.

AF:

Just for the record this is the petition in the Diocese, in our investigative folder that says, "We the following, do petition that Father Paul Aube be removed from Holy Rosary Parish because of his gross sexual misconduct upon certain young people among us."

KK:

And there's a second page to that also

Okay.

KK:

with additional names.

Wow.

KK:

Do you recognize any of the names that are on that list?

I do. Yes. I do.

AF:

Are those peop, of people, young people or adults or would have been young people at the time, ma'am?

Those are young, young people.

KK:

Were those?

That were probably still in school when my son was in school.

KK:

Would those have been young people in the youth group, at the time?



There's, ah,

KK: Do you recognize that name? Yes. I recognize that name. But that is the, (inaudible) this one's sister. KK: Okay. This one's sister. KK: Alright. Um. So they would have been in the youth group. I'm sorry. I asked you two KK: questions at once. Hmm, these, I don't think were in the youth group at that, at that time. Ah, AF: But they all would have been kids at the time, is that correct? Yes. And there's a sister here to one of the kids that was in the youth group at the time. Okay. And that, for the record, is KK: AF: KK: And how much, was she an older sister or younger sister? She was a, an older sister, I would say. AF: Have you ever seen this petition prior to today, No, no I have not. AF: Okay. Ah, I'd like to look at it. KK: Is there anything else that you could us about any person, ah, on the list that you recognized?

No. There's not much I can add to this except that I knew a lot of the parents of these kids. KK: Allright. You have had mentioned earlier that after you, this was over with, that you heard that there were possibly other boys who had been molested by Father Aube while here in Rochester. Do you recognize whether any of their names are on this list? No. I just recognize a sister of one of those, ah, KK: Would you be able to point that out to us? That's KK: KK: Was the sister of a, a potential other victim? No. A potential KK: Oh. Ah, person in the band that was in. It was best friend in high school. sister was KK: Okay. I didn't answer that right. KK: That's okay. Um, I wanna see, I wanna look. Nope, ah, I know most of these families. KK: Okay. From, being a member at that church and from my son's friends actually. KK: Hmm, hmm. You know, some of my son's friends, brothers or sisters or whatever.

KK:

Okay.

AF:

Okay.

KK:

Thank you.

You're welcome.

AF:

Have you, ah, had any contact or heard from Father Paul Aube at all since the transfer?

After he was transferred, Reverend Christian informed me that he was transferred and that he, and I think I called him on that. He didn't call me but, ah, he was transferred. And, and where he went, he was gonna be working with senior citizens. And, I said, what about Rochester? I don't want him in town anymore. Because of him having a lotta friends and the, some of the friends that he had for friends were a prominent people in town. And if you and, and I said that I didn't want him here in town anymore. And that I told you that. And he said, well, he has people here. And I said, I don't care who's here. He needs to be outta Rochester. He needs to be away from, ah, working with kids and that I wanna make sure happens.

KK:

Did, um, you have any contact with any, the parish pastor that was here at Holy Rosary, who was that at the time?



The head one there was Monsignor Simald.

KK:

Okay. Did you have any conversation with the monsignor about what was happening with Paul Aube?



No. I did not. But I think and I'm not positive of this, but I think that Lois Webb had. My counselor Lois Webb had talked with him about that.

AF:

Is she still with Catholic Charities, ma'am?

No. Lois Webb's not there anymore and hasn't been there for quite a while, since the mid-eighties maybe.

AF:

What does she live, does she live in town or live or, ah, do you know where she lives ma'am?

Ah, she's been retwire, tired for quite a while, I don't know where she lives. But the counselor that I go to at Catholic Charities now has, checked up on Father Aube throughout the years for me.

AF:

Hmm, hmm.

And, ah. And I haven't talked to Father Christian about it. But, jit--, not too long ago, I talked to Father Arsenault, Arsenault about it who's the head of, I guess this problem, in Manchester now.

AF:

Yes.

Ah, and he said that early on, Father oh, and I also mentioned that I wanted him, Father Aube to have psychological testing. That was one of the first things and I for, failed to say this.

KK:

Hmm, hmm.



Ah.

AF:

Do you know if that ever occurred?

I think it occurred because Lois Webb, ah, followed up on that. And, Father Arsenault that I just talked about, told me that, ah, that he was defrocked. He didn't tell me when. Because he, and he's no longer a priest, because he failed to continue with his psychological testing. He didn't think anything was wrong, Father Aube didn't think anything was wrong with him. And so he refused, ah, more psychological testing than they, when the church or whoever was doing the testing.

AF:

Father Arsenault told you that Father Aube was no longer a priest?

That's correct.

AF:

When was that conversation, ma'am?

I don't have the date on that.

AF:

Approximately.

But it was this year. I would say this year.

AF:

Okay. Eh, did, when you were talking to Father Christian, back when all this came to light, did Father Christian ever tell you or indicate to you that this might have been the first time or the first complaint against Father Aube?



I would say that he sounded like it was it. It's, like it's the fir, and for me it was like, it's the first time that he heard this news. And just by the way he acted, he just wanted me to do the talking and. Once in a while he'd say something but it was, more or less listening to me and, you know, there was

pressure on him because I was going to counseling and Lois Webb was talking to me, to him about it and, and so forth, ah.

AF:

Did you, I think you said this but you're the one that contacted, ah, reached out to Father Arsenault? Is that?

Yes. Periodically throughout the years I, I would check on Father Aube and, as to what he was doing, ah, especially when I would read something in the paper and it would open old wounds and. And I always worried about other kids, having this happen to other kids. This was so traumatic for my son and for me that I just didn't want him to be able to do this again. So that was, my motive in this was to, just not let it happen to anyone again.

AF:

Okay. Okay, I'm all set here.

KK:

I am as well. Is there anything that you would like to tell us about that we haven't asked you about?

A lot of this is my memory and I'm not even sure that, I know it's 1980 that this started. I know that they had him, ah, transferred in, in the middle of that year, I think. I'm almost positive of that. Because they didn't want him to have to do that at the end of the year. They wanted, you know like I wanted. They wanted to do it at the end of the year and I wanted it done right now. Everything that.

KK:

Hm.

That I did or said as far as Father Aube was concerned after I knew that my son was in his bedroom with him, ah, I just wanted him outta there. That was my main concern. That he never do this to kids again.

KK:

Okay.

AF:

Okay. Alright. Well, I'm going to end this interview. It is 11:05 a.m. by my watch. It's September 6th, 2002. Ah, this is the end of the interview with

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