

BRIGHAM, Kenneth M.	Date of birth	Ordained
	[REDACTED]	May 1, 1961



*Kenneth M. Brigham*  
Extraordinary Appointment

Nationality Negro-Negro-German			
Date Appointed	Assignment	Charge	Date Left
7-5-61	Our Lady of Solace	Asst.	4-66
4-66	St. Clotilde	Asst.	6-20-69
6-20-69	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Vicariate	Administrator	8-2-72
8-2-72	Chicago, Illinois Holy Angels Parish, Chicago, Ill	Associate	Eff: 1-1-78
Ltr: eff: 1-1-78	St. Helena of the Cross Chicago	Associate	7/9/80
7/9/80	St. Columbanus, Chicago	Pastor	
7/1/86	St. Columbanus, "	2nd Pastorate	7/1/92
7/1/92	Our Lady Help of Christians	Pastor	11.30.05
7/1/98	Our Lady Help of Christians	Pastor	
	extended for 2nd term		

05/24/00 St. Angela Temp. Admn. 9.16.01

09/20/00 Dean of Deanery III-D

07/01/01 Dean of Deanery III-D Dean 06/30/04

09/17/01 St. Martin De Porres & St. Angela Parish (while retaining duties at OL Help of Christians) Pastor/MIN RES

5/1/05 Our Lady Help of Christians Pastor Emeritus

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Feb. 28, 1972

Your Eminence,

This is to inform you that I am accompanying Fr. Kenneth Brigham on Tuesday, Feb. 29th, to St. Augustine's Monastery at Nassau in the Bahama Islands. Fr. Brigham asked me to travel with him because he feels he needs to get away from many pressures that he is under here in Chicago. It is my understanding that you spoke with him today, Feb. 28th, and that you are aware of his plans and of his condition.

I spoke with Bishop Dempsey on Feb. 27th and informed him of Fr. Brigham's plans. He stated that in all likelihood Fr. Brigham "would be treated just like any other Priest who is sick in the Archdiocese". I am using my funds to pay for the airfare and to give Father enough to live on while he is down there. The round trip fare is \$188.00. I plan to give Fr. Brigham \$300.00. The total amount is \$676.00.

Since my funds are extremely limited I sought advice from Fr. Rollins Lambert and he suggested that I take this step of writing to you for reimbursement. Thanking you for your kind attention to this matter, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Fr. George Clements*  
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March 1, 1972

Reverend John P. Griffin, Pastor  
St. Bede the Venerable Rectory  
Chairman, PRMAA  
8200 South Kostner Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60652

Dear Father Griffin:

The enclosed communication was received by the Cardinal from  
Father George Clements and he has asked me to refer it to you for your con-  
sideration.

It is our understanding that Father Brigham will be in residence  
at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi for a period of convalescence lasting about one  
month.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

RJH:JPC:dmv

Rev. Msgr. Robert Hagarty  
Comptroller

*6/29/72 ack. from Rome - told Brigham  
to call Dan for an appt.  
+J*

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Reverend Kenneth M. Brigham

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March 9, 1972

Macea R. Ellison, M.D.  
Bel-Air Internists, S.C.  
8501 S. Cottage Grove Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60619

Dear Doctor Ellison:

This will acknowledge your undated communication to Cardinal Cody regarding Reverend Kenneth M. Brigham, in which you have given your medical advice that he should take an immediate vacation to protect his health.

It is our understanding that he left about a week ago to spend some time at Bay St. Louis, Louisiana.

Thanking you for your gracious letter and with all good wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Reverend David E. Franzone  
Secretary to the Cardinal

cc: His Excellency  
The Most Reverend Michael R. Dempsey, D.D.

JPC/lv

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His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody  
Archbishop of Chicago  
Post Office Box 1979  
Chicago, Illinois 60690

Your Eminence,

In accordance with our conversation on Wednesday,  
July 12, 1972, I am hereby submitting my resignation as  
Administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Vicariate.  
My decision has come after much prayer and serious  
thought.

My prayers will continue to be for the people  
of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Trusting that you  
will accept my resignation, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Kenneth M. Brigham

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His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody  
Archbishop of Chicago  
P.O. Box 1979  
Chicago, Illinois 60690

Your Eminence:

Tried unsuccessfully to reach you through your secretary today. Am writing this letter in order that I might comply with what you directed in our most recent conversation. I have thought and prayed about what you proposed and have chosen a course of action guided by your suggestions.

Secondly, regarding the continuance of my priestly apostolate in the Archdiocese, I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to suggest where I might best serve. Father George Clements has been most kind to me in these last several months, and you seemed well disposed to my remaining here with him, having suggested it yourself. In gratitude to Father Clements and respecting your opinion, I respectfully request to be assigned to Holy Angels.

Heretofore, I have not had the opportunity to thank you for the letter from Rome in which you alerted me of your remembrance in your Mass at St. Peter's Tomb. I appreciate this momento as well as your patience and kindness in the matters contained in this letter.

Yours very truly in the  
Peace of Christ,

*Rev. Kenneth M. Bringham*  
Rev. Kenneth M. Bringham

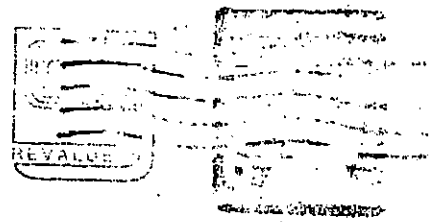
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His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody  
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*For His Eminence Only  
Matter of Conscience*

*Priests Personnel file*

July 20, 1972

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Reverend Kenneth M. Brigham  
c/o Holy Angels Rectory  
607 Oakwood Boulevard  
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Dear Father Brigham:

This will acknowledge your letter of July 13, 1972 in which you offered your resignation as Administrator of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Vicariate, in accordance with our previous conversation. Because of your illness I feel that it would be to your own advantage to be relieved of the responsibility and the pressure of the burdens at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Vicariate and I am accepting your decision to be relieved of that assignment.

In accordance with our conversation and the request of Father Clements, I am appointing you as a Vicarius Cooperator at Holy Angels Church.

Wishing you every blessing and success in that priestly work, I am, dear Father Brigham

Very truly yours in Christ,

Archbishop of Chicago

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BRIGHAM, Rev. Kenneth M.



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Office of the Vicar General

31 July 1981

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Ms. Ellen Harris  
1239 Taylor, #305  
Oak Park, Illinois 60302

Dear Ms. Harris:

At the request of His Eminence, I wish to thank you  
for your report on the unhappy incident involving your  
jazzercise class.

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Sincerely yours in Christ,

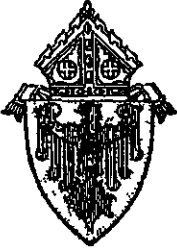
Rev. Msgr. Francis A. Brackin  
Vicar General

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bcc - Rev. Kenneth M. Brigham

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February 4, 2005

Most Reverend Joseph A. Pepe, D.D., J.C.D.  
Diocese of Las Vegas  
P.O. Box 18316  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89114-8310

Dear Bishop Pepe,

Enclosed you will find the inquiry form you requested concerning Rev. Kenneth Brigham who intends to move to your diocese upon retirement. Should you have further questions or if I can be of additional assistance, please feel free to call me at 312-642-1837.

I wish you well and pray that God's blessing be with you and the people of your diocese.

Sincerely, in Christ's peace,

Rev. James T. Kaczorowski  
Vicar for Priests

Cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

JTK:maz



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**CERTIFYING PRIESTLY MINISTRY**

This is to certify that Reverend Kenneth M. Brigham is a priest in good standing of the Archdiocese of Chicago. After reviewing his personnel file and from my personal knowledge, I am able to certify without qualification that Reverend Brigham has:

1. Never been suspended or otherwise canonically disciplined;
2. Never had criminal charges brought against him;
3. Not manifested behavioral problems in the past that would indicate he might deal with minors in an inappropriate manner;
4. Never been involved in an incident which called into question his fitness or suitability to fulfill the responsibilities and duties of his priestly ministry due to alcohol abuse, substance abuse, or other causes;
5. No other particular mental or physical attribute, condition, and/or past situation which would adversely affect his performance or priestly ministry.
6. Although an allegation of sexual misconduct was brought against Reverend Brigham in 2002, it was declared false due to lack of sufficient data.

I am able to state without qualification that Reverend Kenneth M. Brigham is of good character and reputation and qualified to perform his priestly duties in a ministerial position in any diocese that welcomes him.

Raymond T. Kozlowski 2-4-05  
(Signature, Date)  
VICAR FOR PRIESTS  
(Title)

cc: Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

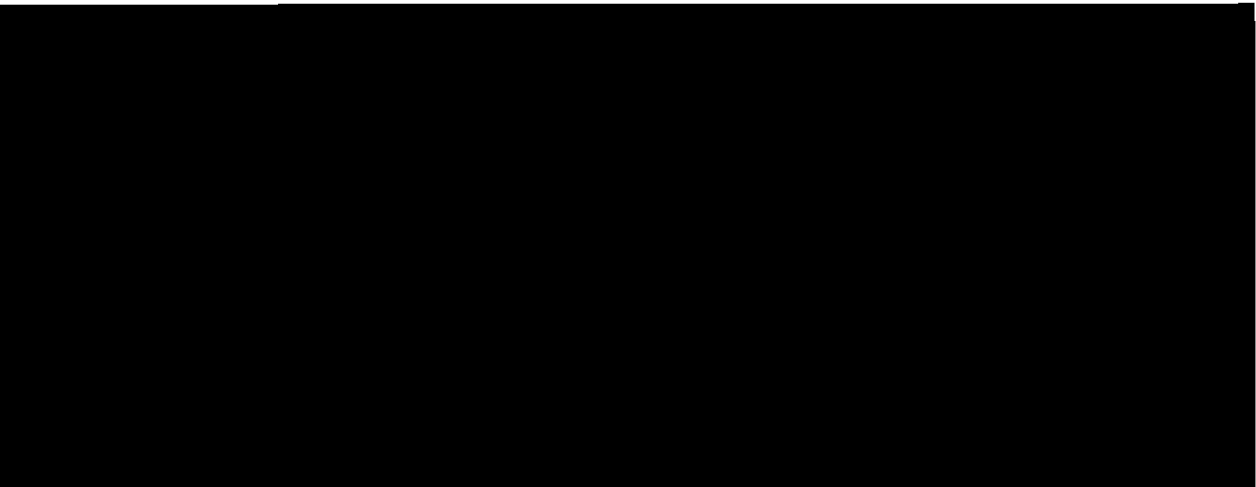
### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Steve Sidlowski, Professional Fitness Review Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago, of Victim L's statement, given to Mr. Sidlowski on or about May 24, 1994, formalizing his allegation of sexual abuse against an unidentified priest. The alleged abuse consisted of one incident of fondling and oral sex in the rectory at St. Clotilde's parish when Victim L was 17 years old.

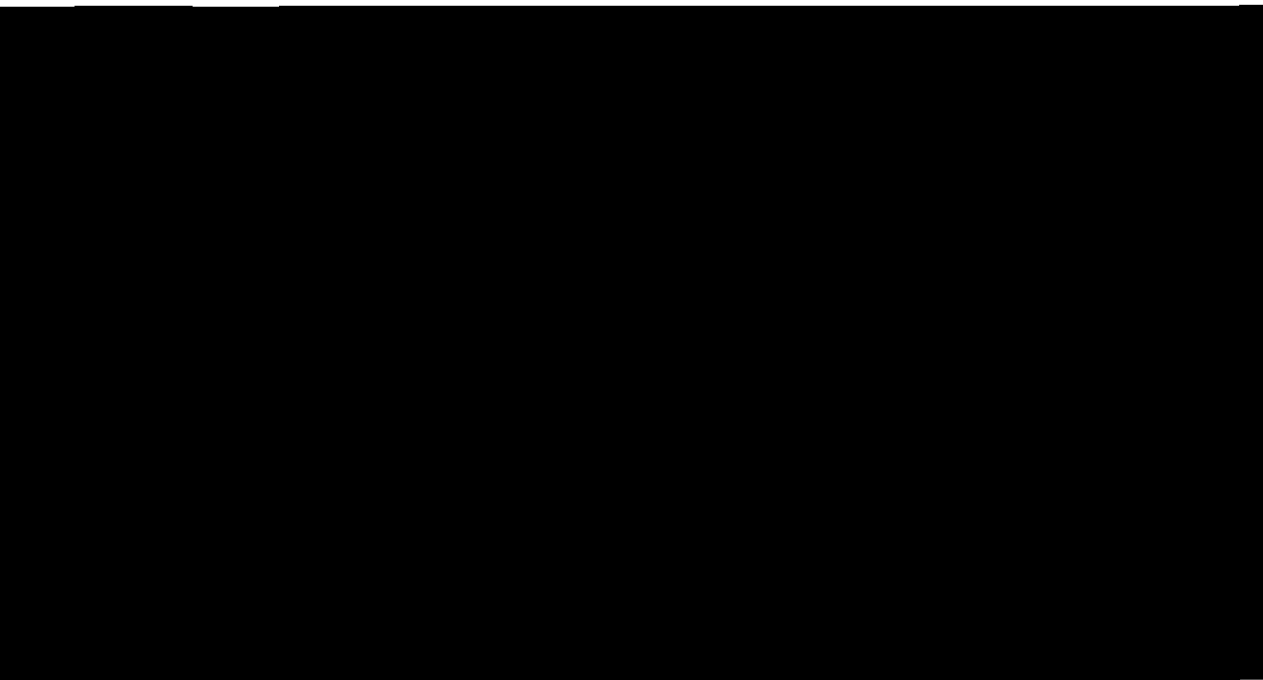
Phone Call to 800# from Mr. [REDACTED]

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At about 6:15 p.m. tonight, [REDACTED] called the Office on the 800#. He informed me right away about the purpose of his call. Mr. [REDACTED] stated "Well, I finally was able to make a very positive identification - it is in fact Fr. Brigham for sure. As a matter of fact, I went by the Church or school he is at."



Mr. [REDACTED] then called Our Lady Help of Christians Parish and asked to speak with Fr. Ken Brigham. Mr. [REDACTED] explained "I didn't see him, but with speaking with him over the phone, I knew it was him by his voice." Mr. [REDACTED] stated he could clearly remember the voice of the priest who had allegedly sexually abused him as a minor and this was the voice. (He had previously described the voice to R.B. and I in May, 1994).



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In any event, Mr. [REDACTED] re-stated "but I'm absolutely positive - sure that Fr. Ken Brigham is the man" who allegedly sexually abused him when he was seventeen years old.

I inquired of Mr. [REDACTED] as to whether anyone had assisted him in obtaining this information and he responded "I took it upon myself on my own...to do what I could" to find out Ken Brigham's whereabouts, voice and/or face.

Mr. [REDACTED] rejoined that "his voice and his face I would never and could never forget, and as soon as I heard" Rev. Brigham's voice, Mr. [REDACTED] said he no longer had a doubt that Rev. Brigham is indeed the alleged priest perpetrator.

I noted to [REDACTED] how he has previously noted that he would not want to identify the wrong priest in this matter and that if he should still desire to attempt to obtain a photo of Rev. Brigham somehow on his own or to try to see Rev. Brigham in person and if that would all the more confirm for him Ken Brigham's identity, I certainly would understand if he pursues that option. I inquired as to whether he intends to pursue one of those options. Mr. [REDACTED] responded "His face and his voice are the two main things that I always kept in storage in my memory bank." Further, in "the same way I recognized his face" on the bus at St. Columbanus, Mr. [REDACTED] concluded that Ken Brigham probably had served at St. Columbanus as a priest at some point and when he called there today the secretary confirmed that Ken Brigham had been there (please note that I had not ever confirmed for Mr. [REDACTED] that I had learned Rev. Brigham had indeed spent several years at St. Columbanus Parish right before his current assignment). In any event, Mr. [REDACTED] said "No," that at this point he does not feel it necessary to actually see Ken Brigham's face in person or by photo. He re-iterated that "If I see his face and that was the person that would appear before" him with the voice he heard today, "I know that would be" Ken Brigham - i.e. the face would just confirm for him the voice that he states he knows was the priest perpetrator's voice from memory.

I also noted how originally he had apparently thought that the priest's first name was almost definitely a Fr. John and I inquired as to how at this point apparently the voice of this priest, moreso than his first name, has apparently clarified the matter for him. Mr. [REDACTED] responded "The name itself, Ken Brigham," upon hearing it from me recently, "superseded the name I thought that I had" remembered previously. To Mr. [REDACTED] it was more important to either see the priest or hear his voice because he stated he has no doubts about either of those two factors.

[REDACTED]

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However, regarding the possibility of confronting Ken Brigham in person about the matter, Mr. [redacted] stated "I could" but for now he has mainly decided to inform me formally that he is now certain of Ken Brigham's identity.

Next, I explained to [redacted] if he is indeed certain that the priest involved in this matter is Rev. Ken Brigham, as I have noted to him previously, I will be contacting Rev. Brigham shortly, he will have the opportunity to obtain an attorney, and that I will be scheduling a meeting with him to request a response to Mr. [redacted] allegation and that I will, of course, also explain to Rev. Brigham how Mr. [redacted] had arrived at his identity. I then reminded Mr. [redacted] that following Rev. Brigham's response, the matter will be brought to the Review Board for a formal First Stage Review, the initiation of which can be continued for a good reason. I re-explained to him further that the Board may consider other information which it believes helpful in making its formal determinations and recommendations to Cardinal Bernardin, the final decision-maker in the matter. I again went over the possible options available to the Board. I then told Mr. [redacted] that the Board is meeting this coming Saturday morning, 9-17-94 and that it was not probable that the Board would be in a position to conduct a First Stage Review at that time in that matter might be quite rushed between Thursday morning and Friday afternoon in terms of informing Rev. Brigham formally of the allegation and his right to obtain an attorney for a response. I noted to Mr. [redacted] that the Review Board does next meet on Oct. 15, 1994 and depending upon Rev. Brigham's response, there is a reasonable possibility the matter could be continued to that time.



[redacted] confirmed, as he had before, that he will respect the Review Board's and Cardinal Bernardin's decision(s) in this matter. However, "I'm most sure that if Fr. Brigham is truthful, then he will confirm that what I have said is true and factual."

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In closing, Mr. [REDACTED] thanked me and stated "I'll wait until the October meeting and then to hear from you" following the meeting in terms of the Board's determinations and recommendations. I explained that I would typically send him a letter on the outcome of the First Stage Review and that was satisfactory with Mr. [REDACTED]. I added that in the interim that we'll be notifying Ralph Bonaccorsi about this situation and that he might also want to contact Ralph should he so desire, although I said I expected that Ralph might want to await the outcome of the First Stage Review before determining how he will proceed with this situation as well.



### Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces the summary prepared by Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, of Victim M's statement, given to Ms. McCluskey's on December 6, 2007, about alleged information learned about Fr. Kenneth Brigham and another priest. Victim M reported that his abuser, Fr. Stewart, told him that Brigham and the other priest belonged to a club that would pick up little boys and sexually abuse them. Victim M did not allege that he was personally abused by Fr. Brigham or the other priest.

*Maryam*

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November 21, 2007

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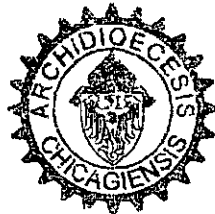
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Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note of September 17, 2007 in response to your letter of that same date, regarding the matter of **Reverend Kenneth Brigham**, a deceased priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, and the allegations of sexual misconduct that were made against him by [REDACTED]. This matter was discussed in a request for a Supplementary Review by the independent Review Board at their meeting of September 15, 2007.

In accepting the Review Board's determination that this matter should not be reopened to a Supplementary Review, I am satisfied that there is not sufficient evidence to warrant a further investigation into this alleged incident.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Sincerely yours in Christ,

*Francis Cardinal George*

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago

*[Signature]*  
Ecclesiastical Notary

- cc: Very Reverend John F. Canary, Vicar General
- Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate
- Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services
- Reverend Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests
- Mr. Matthew Hunnicutt, Assistance Minister
- Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor
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July 22, 2005

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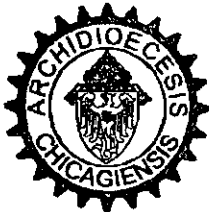
Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of July 18, 2005, regarding the matter of **Reverend Kenneth Brigham**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago who is currently retired, and the allegation made by [REDACTED] following the Supplementary Review conducted by the Professional Responsibility Review Board on July 16, 2005.

In light of the Board's consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that the information does not create a reasonable cause to suspect the abuse occurred, and that the conclusions of the Review for Cause, made on February 1, 2003, should be upheld.

I ask that if Father Brigham has not already been informed of these allegations that he be informed and presented with the conclusions of the Review Board and my acceptance of its findings.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



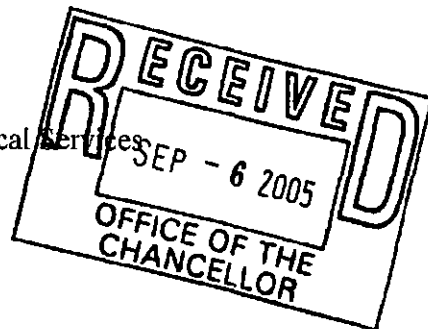
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*Rev Richard Aardis*

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Professional Fitness Review Board  
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Chicago, IL 60611



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## RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on February 1, 2003 to conduct a  
(enter date: month/day/year)  
(check one)  First Stage Review  Second Stage Review  Supplementary Review  Status Report

regarding the allegation of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of alleged victim)

against Kenneth Brighan (Active)  
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(check one)  a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago  a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago  
 an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of [Arch]diocese)  
 a religious priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of religious community)  
 a resigned priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)  
 a deceased priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: KB kissed \_\_\_\_\_ on the mouth; KB performed oral sex on \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

(check one)  there is reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
 there is not reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred.  
 there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

If there is a finding of reasonable cause to suspect, the Board recommends that

(check one)  the priest or deacon be immediately withdrawn from ministry (or that his withdrawal from ministry continue) and that restrictions and monitoring be imposed in accord with Archdiocesan policies and procedures.  
 no further action be taken because the accused priest is resigned or deceased, except to provide appropriate outreach to those affected by the alleged misconduct.

The Board further recommends: in a vote of 6 (no reasonable cause to suspect...) to 2 (abstain); due to the lack of any new definitive info. since 1994, RBoard upholds original recommendation of no reasonable cause to suspect

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RECORD OF CASE DISPOSITION

The Professional Fitness Review Board met on October 19, 2002 to conduct a  
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regarding the allegation of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of alleged victim)

against Rev. Kenneth Brigham  
(enter name of accused priest or deacon)

(check one)  a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago  a deacon of the Archdiocese of Chicago

an extern priest or deacon of the (Arch)diocese of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of [Arch]diocese)

a religious priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of religious community)

a resigned priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

a deceased priest or deacon of \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter name of diocese or religious community)

which claims as follows: fondling face, kissing lips, oral sex  
(enter brief description of the alleged misconduct or inappropriate behavior)

performed by KB + \_\_\_\_\_

In light of the information presented, the Review Board determined that

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The Board further recommends: that PFRA contact \_\_\_\_\_  
and request that he come in for a second face to  
face interview to further clarify his allegations.  
This was a unanimous 2-0 decision.

10/15/94

Review Board Mtg.

Re: Kenneth Brigham - 1<sup>ST</sup> Stage Review

Based on questionable identification of K. Brigham,  
the R. Bd. unanimously concluded that there is  
no reasonable cause to suspect; case closed.

OCT 21 1994

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Chicago, IL. 60690

October 17, 1994

Your Eminence,

Please be advised that the Review Board met on October 15, 1994. The Board fully considered my verbal and written reports in the matter regarding Rev. Kenneth Brigham. The Board completed a First Stage Review pursuant to Article 4.9 of the Review Process For Continuation of Ministry.

The Board determined that there is no reasonable to suspect that Rev. Brigham engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

As a result, the Board recommends that Rev. Brigham should continue in his ministerial assignment and no restrictions should be imposed upon him. The Board further recommends that Rev. Brigham's file should be closed.

The Board has requested that I communicate its determination and recommendations to you.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Sidlowski".

Steve Sidlowski  
Professional Fitness  
Review Administrator

SS/rm

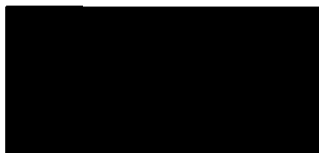
cc: Members of the Review Board  
Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Archbishop's Delegate to  
the Review Board

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MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD  
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
(Minutes)

DATE: October 15, 1994

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:



OTHERS PRESENT:

Thomas Paprocki

Steve Sidlowski

\* The Review Board formally approved the Meeting Minutes for the Review Board Meeting of September 17, 1994.

Matter of PFR-51 (K.B.):

1. The Board conducted a First Stage Review in the PFR-51 matter pursuant to Article 4.9 of the Review Process For Continuation Of Ministry.

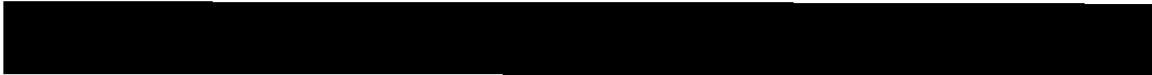
2. Determination: There is no reasonable cause to suspect that K.B. engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Basis: Alleged victim's manner of identification of K.B. (through his voice over phone) after 26 years is not reliable; also, the alleged victim was unequivocal in May, 1994 that the accused priest's first name was a "Father John," and K.B.'s first name is not at all close to John.

3. Recommendations to the Archbishop: K.B. should continue in his ministerial assignment and no restrictions should be imposed upon him; the PFR-51 matter and file should be closed.

Matter of 







Discussion Between Victim Assistance Ministry's Rev. Michael Bland and Review Board:

- Rev. Michael Bland of Victim Assistance Ministry was introduced to the Review Board and discussed with the Board the general guidelines and approached which VAM takes in its work. Michael Bland answered all of the Board's questions as part of the ongoing dialogue between the Board and that ministry.

Matter of 

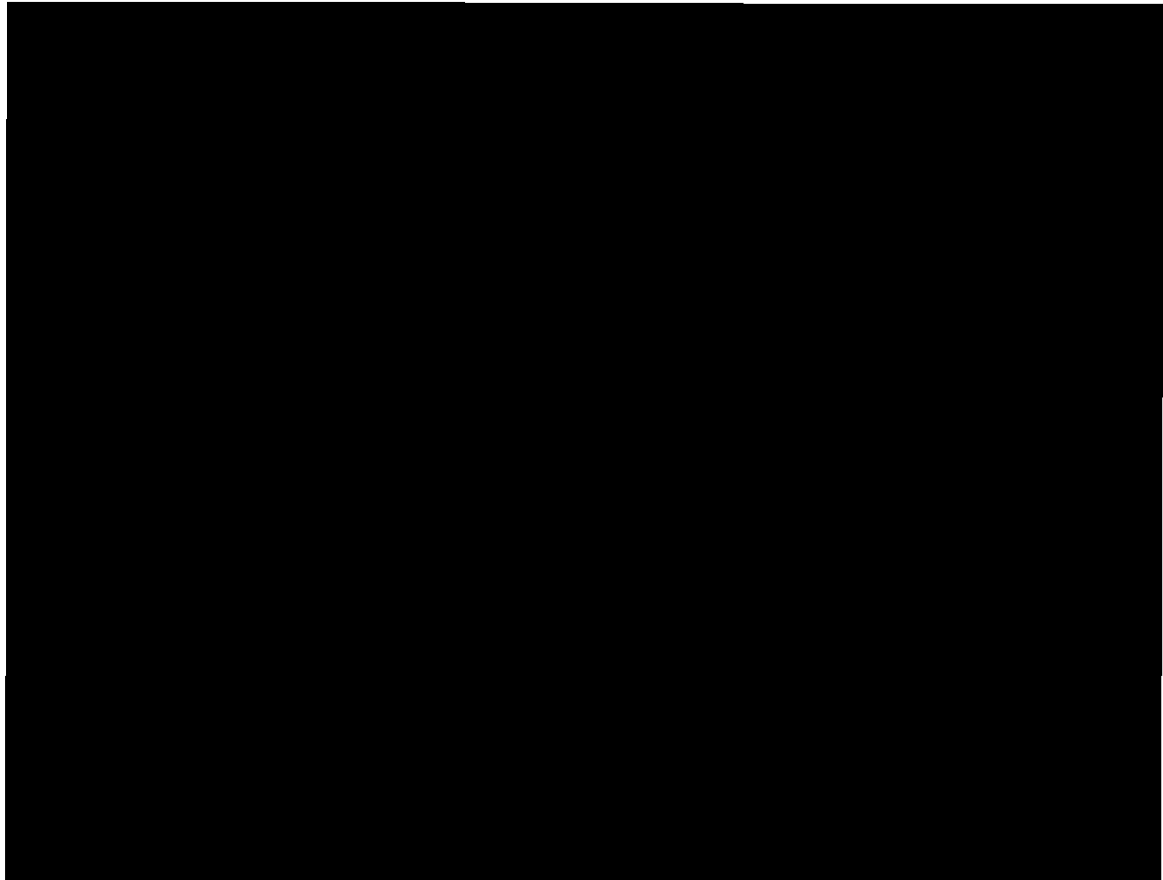


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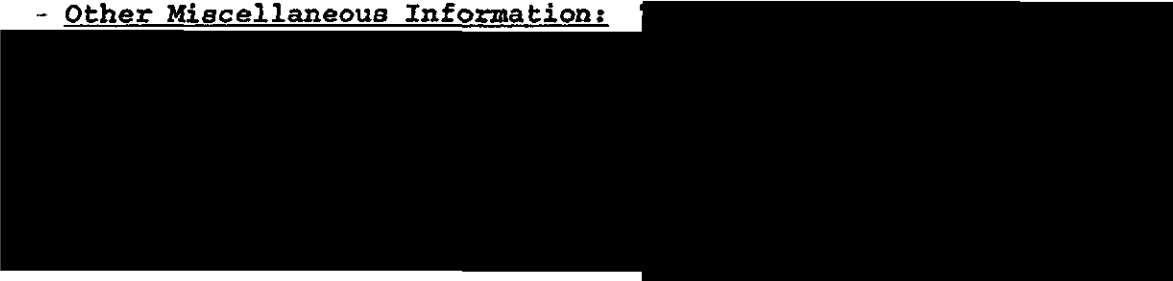




Matter of [redacted]



- Other Miscellaneous Information: [redacted]



- The Administrator reminded the Board that its next Board meeting was scheduled for 11-19-94.

Respectfully  
Submitted By  
Steve Sidlowski -  
Administrator

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These Minutes Unanimously  
Approved By  
Review Board

MEETING OF THE REVIEW BOARD  
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
(Minutes)

DATE: August 27, 1994

Board Members Present:



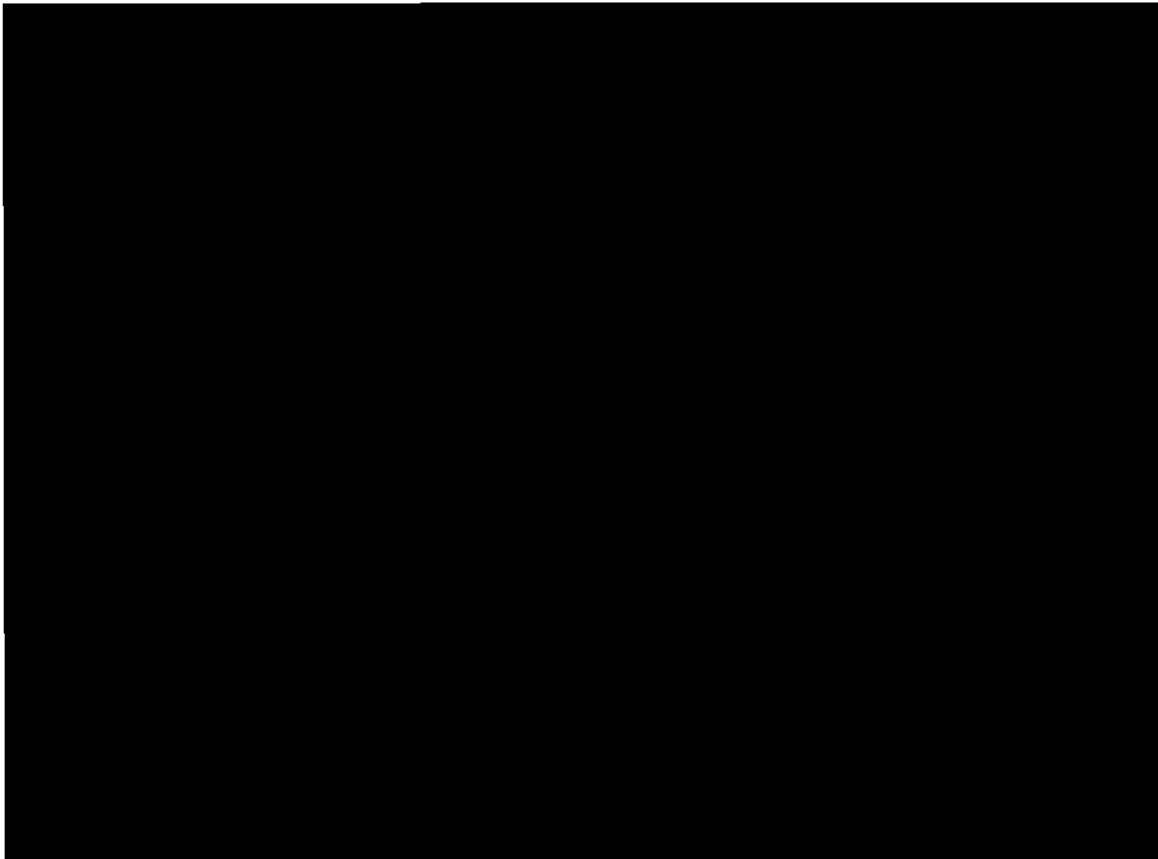
Others Present:

Thomas Paprocki

Steve Sidlowski

\* The Review Board formally approved the Meeting Minutes for Board Meetings of April 16, 1994, May 14, 1994, June 11, 1994 and July 16, 1994.

Matter of 



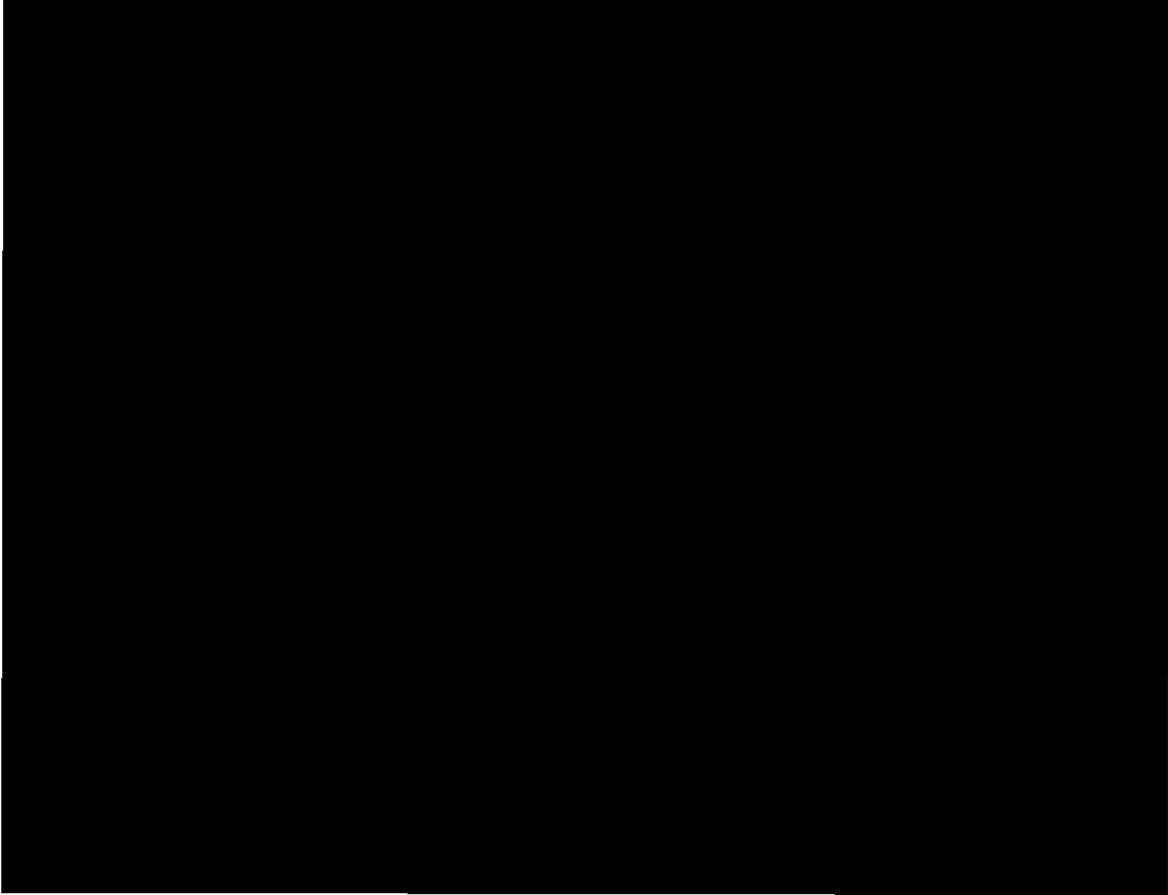
Article 4.7(c) Report on [REDACTED]

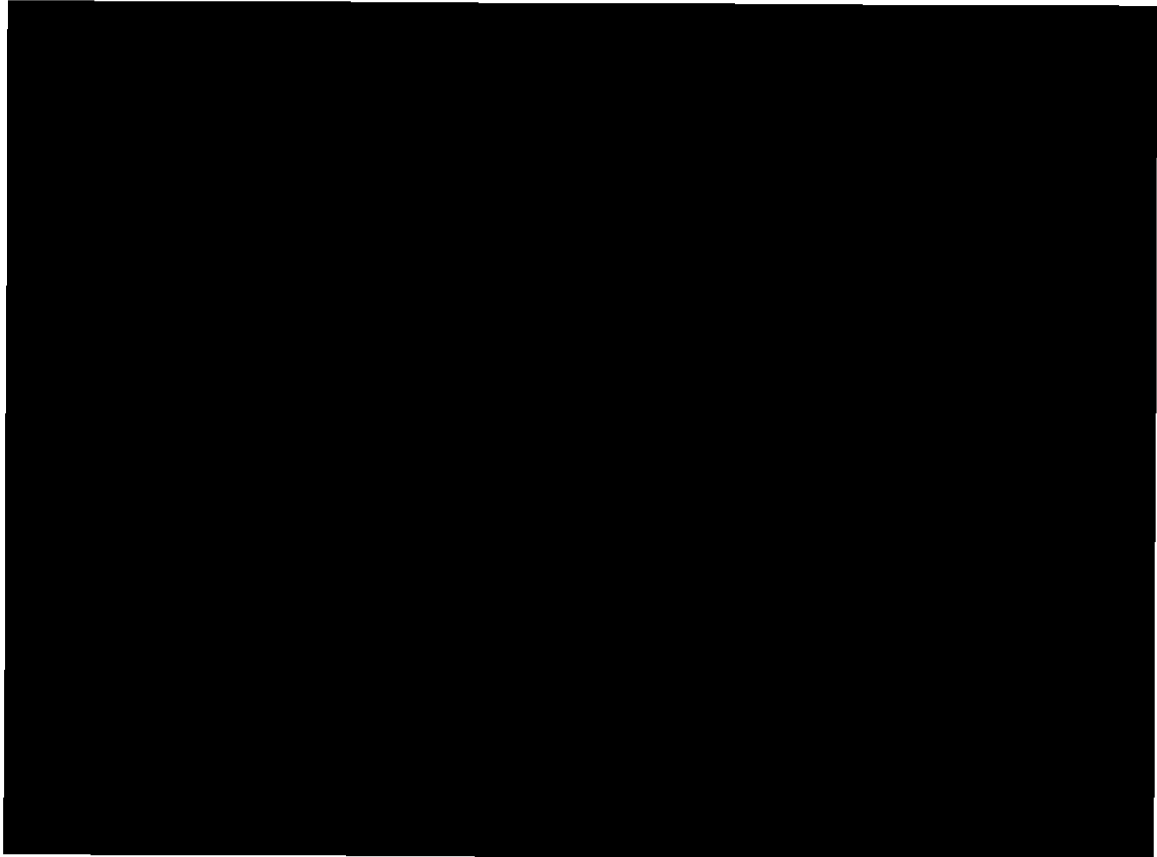
Article 4.7(c) Discussion in [REDACTED] Matter:

The Administrator informed the Board that [REDACTED] an alleged victim of sexual abuse as a minor against an unidentified priest who had already detailed his allegation to the Administrator in May, 1994, would be requesting that the Board submit a photo of Rev. Kenneth Brigham to him if there were no clear records from St. Clotilde's Parish referring to a different African-American priest who might have either worked with youth in the late 1960's there and/or supervised the [REDACTED] program apparently connected to the parish. The Administrator informed the Board what he discovered in records from St. Clotilde's Parish pertinent to the [REDACTED] program from 1968 and how there was not an identification of a priest supervisor of that program at the time at St. Clotilde's Parish. The Board resolved that in an effort to be objective, fair, and impartial in these matters, particularly at such a delicate stage in the proceedings, the Administrator should inform [REDACTED] that it respectfully declines his request for the Administrator to submit the photo of Rev. Ken Brigham. The Board further noted that its policy in general should be to not provide requested photographs of priests to alleged victims in order to maintain its objectivity and in the interest of fairness. The Board also directed the Administrator to inform [REDACTED] that it of course respects his right to proceed however he chooses on his own to attempt to identify the name of his alleged priest perpetrator. The Board further suggested that Rev. Brigham's file with the Chancellor be reviewed for indications of any past sexual misconduct with minor information or inferences, as well as that

the Administrator check with the Vicar for Priests as to whether he has that same type of information in an open file.

Article 4.7(c) Report:



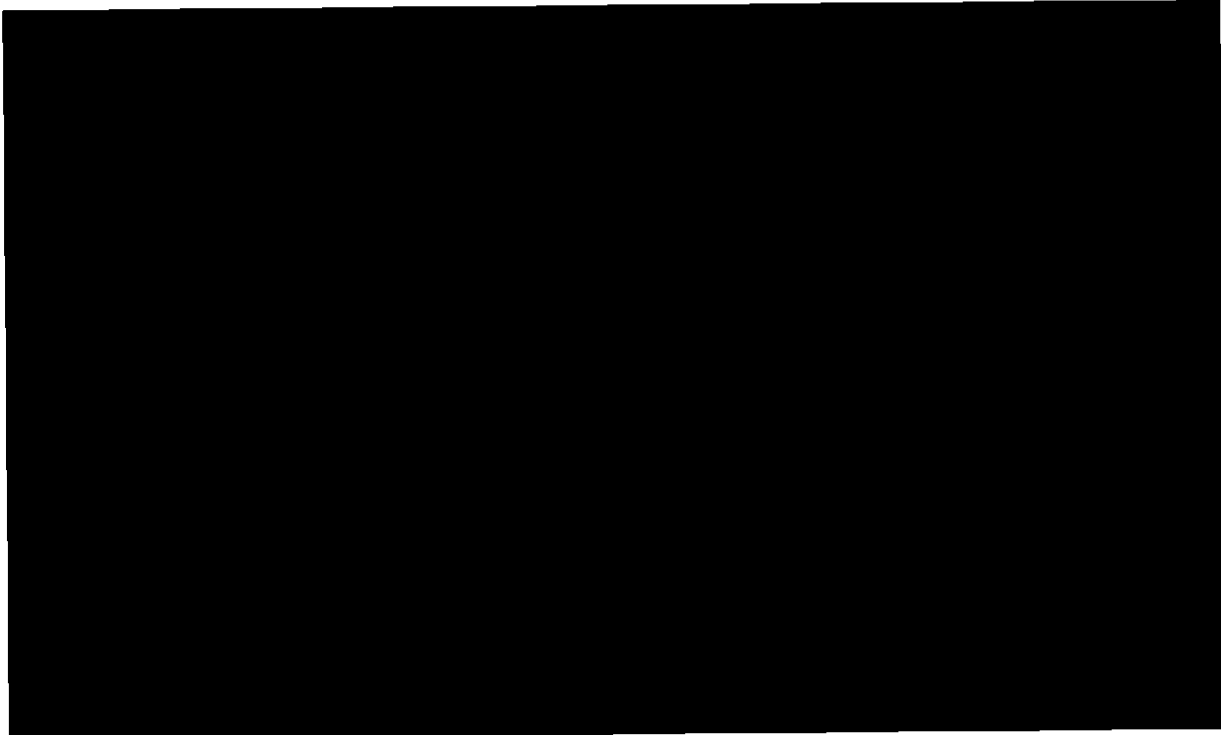


\* The Administrator reminded the Board that its next two regularly-scheduled meetings are September 17, 1994 and October 15, 1994. The Board then adjourned.

\* ADDENDUM  
\* The Administrator also presented this ..

4.7(c) Report to Board

8-3-94.



Respectfully  
Submitted By  
Steve Sidlowski -  
Administrator



These Minutes Unanimously  
Approved By  
Review Board



ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of Professional Fitness Review



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**Professional Fitness Review Board**  
**Saturday, January 11, 2003**

MINUTES

Review Board Members Present:

[REDACTED]

Members absent:

[REDACTED]

Non-members present:

Leah McCluskey, Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator [PFRA] 

Non-members absent:

Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board

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**I. Approval of Minutes – December 21, 2002**

**II. Case Reviews**

First Stage Review:

A. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



B. In the Matter of [REDACTED]



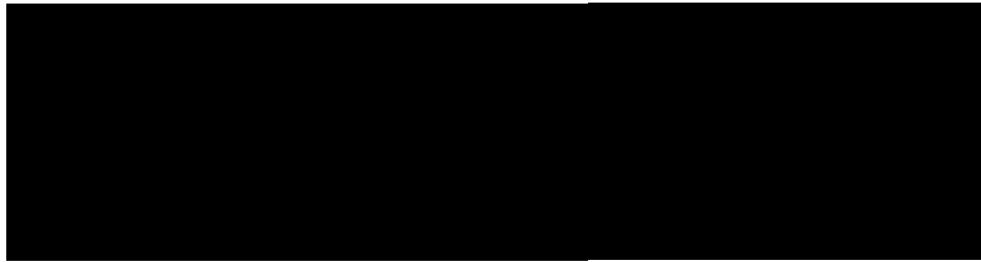
C. In the Matter of [REDACTED]



[REDACTED]

D. In the Matter of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



**Second Stage Reviews:**

A. In the Matter of Rev. Kenneth Brigham [KB] – PFR-51

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review regarding the allegation of [REDACTED]. The claim is as follows: KB kissed [REDACTED] on the mouth and performed oral sex on [REDACTED].

The Board was unable to make a recommendation in regards to [REDACTED] allegation due to the following vote: 4 [no reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct occurred] –2 [votes abstained]. The Board also voted 5-1 [one abstaining] against Kenneth Brigham participating in a psychological assessment. It was recommended that this matter be reviewed at the Board meeting scheduled for February 1, 2003.

**III. Other**

- [REDACTED]
- The next Review Board meeting will take place on February 1, 2003 and there will also be the regularly scheduled meeting on February 15, 2003.
- The April, 2003 Review Board meeting will take place on April 26, 2003 due to the third Saturday of the month being April 19, 2003 [Holy Saturday]. [REDACTED] will be available via phone on April 26, 2003.
- The Review Board requested a revised yearly schedule for Board meetings due to the numerous changes.

copy for Cardinal George

[REDACTED]

June 13, 2002

Archdiocese of Chicago  
Office of Professional Fitness Review  
Chicago, IL

Dear Members of the Fitness Review Panel:

The following information has previously been shared with the Archdiocese of Chicago and also with the Cook County States Attorney's Office, but I am forwarding it to you at this time so that it might get a fresh look, and more appropriate action than that taken previously. This information is second-hand, but may be useful in obtaining further facts to address a number of great injustices.

[REDACTED], an inactive Chicago priest [REDACTED] reported the following to me on several occasions, from the 1980s to the present. I have been friends with [REDACTED], a classmate, since 1965. I presently work as [REDACTED], where I can be reached at the above work number. As a Catholic father and grandfather, I am bound to report this information again in the hopes the Archdiocese takes definitive action in the case of the alleged misconduct of the Rev. Kenneth Brigham.

During the 1980s, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] spoke with me of the many frequent male visitors kept overnight by then St. Columbanus pastor Rev. Kenneth Brigham at the same rectory. The ages of the visitors ranged in age from pre-teen to adult male. One child was a pre-teen provisional adoptee of Rev. Brigham, placed by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services under the "One Church, One Child" program for a very short period. Some had been sent to the rectory, according to [REDACTED], by a certain [REDACTED] and by others. By questioning the boys sent to St. Columbanus, the then Rev. [REDACTED] surmised that these same boys had been visitors at several other rectories, and were part of a sex-ring in which Rev. Brigham was a participant with other priests in the African American ministry.

To make a long story short, based upon [REDACTED]'s account, which included descriptions of the screams of the visiting males that came from Rev. Brigham's bedroom, Rev. Brigham was engaged in flagrant and regular sexual activity, both of a homosexual and a pedophile nature. The then Rev. [REDACTED] reported his concerns at the time (1980s) to the then dean, Rev. Howard Tuite, and to Msgr. Ignatius McDermott, and to a number of other priests, who according to [REDACTED] did nothing. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]. At the time of his departure from the active priestly ministry [REDACTED], the then Rev. [REDACTED] informed Cardinal Bernardin personally and directly of Rev. Brigham's behavior. Cardinal Bernardin assured then Rev. [REDACTED] that he would take action, but subsequently Rev. Brigham was promoted for a time to dean, so appropriate action was not taken.

Rev. Brigham's alleged compromise of the "One Church, One Child" adoption program to meet his own sexual desires indicates that an investigation into the integrity of that program is warranted. Every grown child adopted by or placed in foster care with the Revs. Brigham, [REDACTED] and others, should they still survive (some are dead), should be interviewed. It appears that the late Cardinal Cody's opposition to priests adopting children was absolutely right in the case of Rev. Brigham.

If the accounts of [REDACTED] are true as I suspect them to be, Rev. Brigham's flagrant sexual activity, and the inaction by Cardinal Bernardin himself, helped to destroy the priesthood of a fine man, [REDACTED]. If found to be true, the brazen and continuous nature of Rev. Brigham's actions make him most unworthy of representing the Catholic priesthood.

Please contact me should you need further information.

Thank you for the time you are spending on this important work.

Sincerely in Christ,

[REDACTED]  
✓ Cc. Cardinal Francis George

[REDACTED]

June 18, 2002

Archdiocese of Chicago  
Office of Professional Fitness Review  
Chicago, IL

Dear Members of the Fitness Review Panel:

On June 13, 2002, I transmitted to you by fax a letter containing a summary of the reports I received from [REDACTED], an inactive Chicago priest [REDACTED] concerning alleged serious sexual misconduct on the part of Rev. Kenneth Brigham

[REDACTED] is aware I have contacted the Archdiocese and the States Attorney, and is willing to speak with Cardinal George and members of the Fitness Review Panel. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Sincerely in Christ,

[REDACTED]

Cc: Cardinal Francis George

Bingham, Ken

6 cf. Chancellor's file. Aug. 1986

April 7, 1966 - requests urgent appt. with Card. Cody.

April 14, 1966 - Card. sees him. Reassignment that day.

May 26, 1969 - [REDACTED]

Feb. 1972 - Leaves parish due to mental & physical exhaustion.

- Physician rec. long vacation.

July 1972 - Resignation for reasons of illness.

- [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED]

July 1981 --- Complaints regard by parishioners  
re. hygiene behavior (vs Jazzercise class)

Dec. 1981 - ordered not to adopt a child.



7/11/02 1:00 p.m.

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW**

**STATEMENT OF ALLEGATION**

Name of Alleged Victim: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B. (Date of Birth): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: Ill Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

If a minor, Name, Address & Telephone Number of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Initial contact made by: \_\_\_\_\_

Interviewer: Ralph

Witness(es): \_\_\_\_\_

Date Allegation Taken: 7-11-02 Time: 1:50 PM

Other: \_\_\_\_\_ had come forward in 1994 & made a formal allegation. The allegation was found not credible by the Review Board

Revised 2/22/00

QUESTION/ANSWER FORMAT

*either just before or after riots*

1. a. In your own words, describe what happened, what the priest allegedly did to you/said to you.

[Redacted]

*fondled my face, kissed on*

*my lips*

*we got partially naked; performed oral sex.*

b. Were pictures taken? (Circle One) YES NO

c. Threats for secrecy made by the priest? YES NO

2. a. Do you recall the identity of the priest? YES NO

If "Yes". Name Kenneth Brigham (The original Intern

b. Can you describe physical appearance? thawed she name was John

3. Do you recall what Parish the priest was assigned to?

Parish Name: St. Clothilde

Pastor to this Priest: ?? (white haired older priest)

4. a. When did incident(s) happen (be as specific as possible)? \_\_\_\_\_

b. If more than once, over what time period? \_\_\_\_\_

c. Were incidents same? YES NO If "No", please describe.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Alleged victim's age at time of incident(s): \_\_\_\_\_

6. Was there a witness(es) to incident(s)? Are you willing to share? Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Did you tell anyone? YES  NO If "Yes", Who? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Has this happened to you before with anyone else? YES NO

If "Yes", When and with Whom? \_\_\_\_\_

9. Did you know if priest allegedly engaged in same/similar misconduct with others?

Source of Knowledge: \_\_\_\_\_

YES NO If "Yes", Who \_\_\_\_\_

When \_\_\_\_\_

# of Times \_\_\_\_\_

10. Once again: Where did priest touch you?

\_\_\_\_\_

11. Did you touch him? YES  NO

If "Yes", Where on his body? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Did he ask you to touch him? YES NO

13. Did he hurt you?

YES NO

If "Yes", how? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

14. a. What were you wearing? Blue jeans - Red bottoms

\_\_\_\_\_

b. What was he wearing? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

15. Why are you reporting this now? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

16. Is the alleged abuse you are describing conscious memory or has therapy uncovered some or all of your recollection? \_\_\_\_\_

If therapy, would you be willing to disclose name and phone number of Therapist and allow me to speak with him/her?

(Consent needed) \_\_\_\_\_

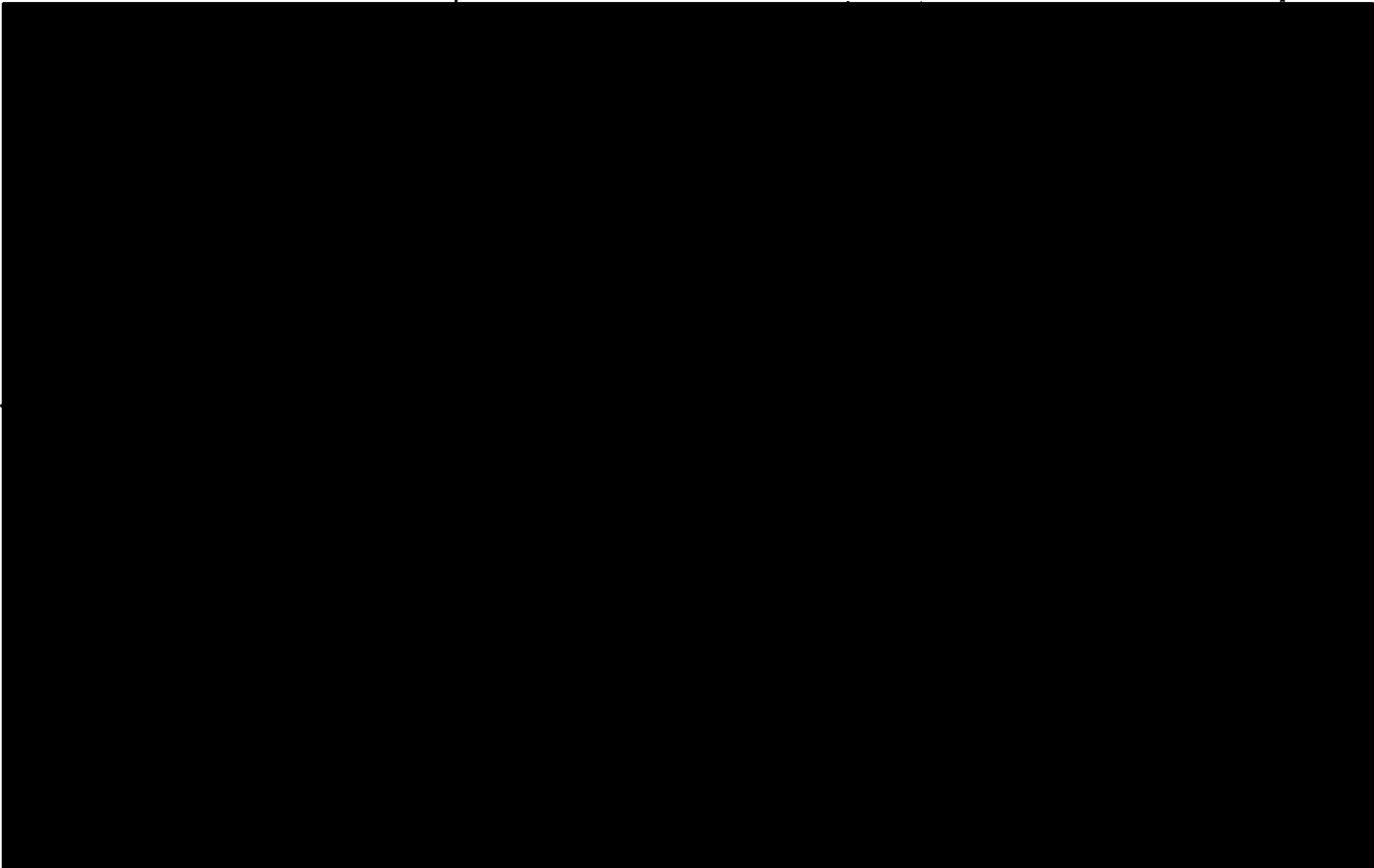
How long have you been seeing therapist? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of treatment? \_\_\_\_\_

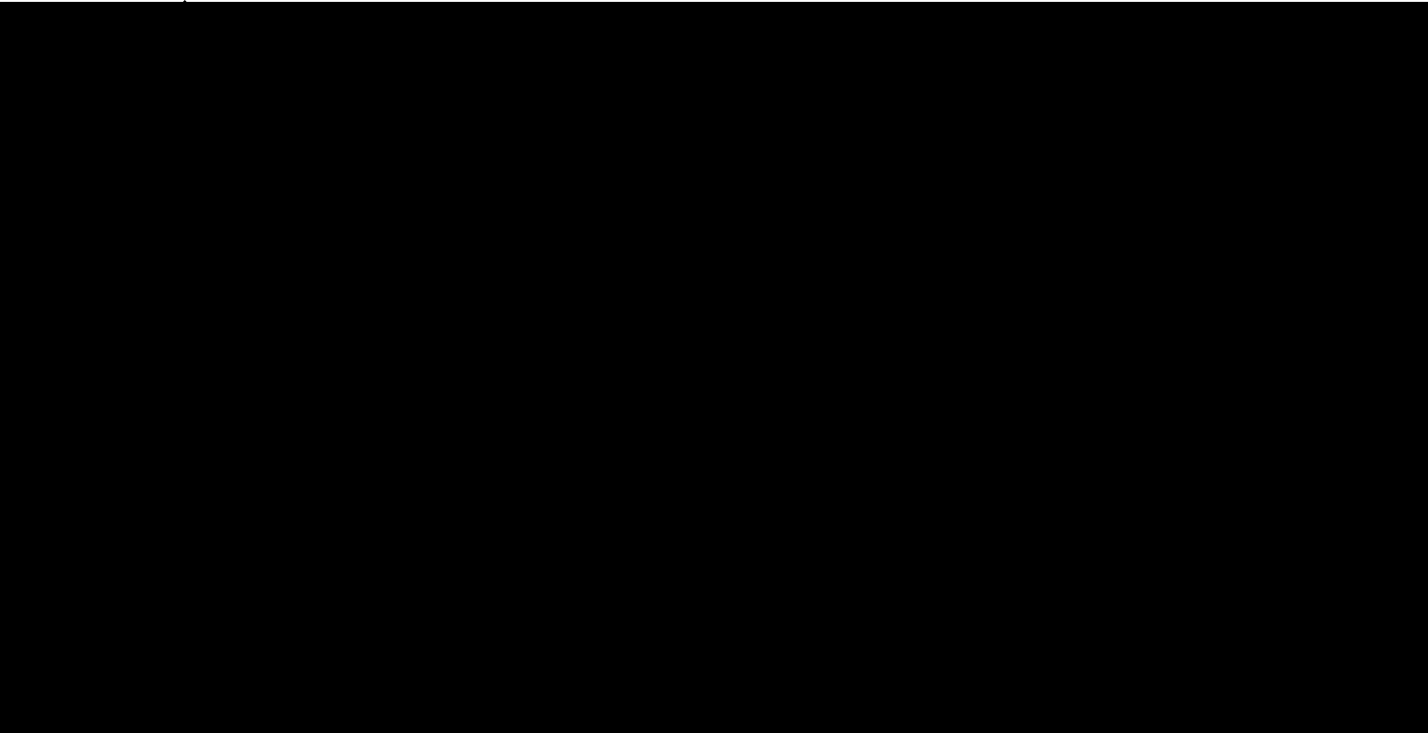
17. Client work status:

**POINTS TO SHARE WITH ALLEGED VICTIM**

- ▶ VAM availability
- ▶ Process/Policies
- ▶ D.C.F.S. Form and Information
- ▶ Other



I would like to get this over & actions closure to the matter



**FILE COPY**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO**

Office for the Protection of Children and Youth  
Office of Assistance Ministry  
Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review  
Safe Environment Office



P. O. Box 1979  
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1979  
312-751-5388  
312-751-8307, fax

August 23, 2007



Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

I am in receipt of your July 19, 2007 letter regarding [REDACTED] and his allegation of sexual abuse against Rev. Kenneth Brigham.

As per our policies, the request to reopen a matter is presented to and decided by the Review Board. Therefore, I will forward your July 19<sup>th</sup> letter to the Review Board members and will notify you of their decision.

If you have any questions please contact me at [312] 751-5205.

Sincerely,

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Leah McCluskey  
Director, Office for Child Abuse Investigations and Review

Enclosure

Cc John O'Malley, Legal Services

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# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



155 E. Superior St.  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

July 22, 2005

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Office of Professional Responsibility  
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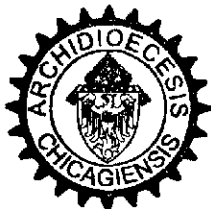
Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of July 18, 2005, regarding the matter of **Reverend Kenneth Brigham**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago who is currently retired, and the allegation made by [REDACTED] following the Supplementary Review conducted by the Professional Responsibility Review Board on July 16, 2005.

In light of the Board's consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that the information does not create a reasonable cause to suspect the abuse occurred, and that the conclusions of the Review for Cause, made on February 1, 2003, should be upheld.

I ask that if Father Brigham has not already been informed of these allegations that he be informed and presented with the conclusions of the Review Board and my acceptance of its findings.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



Sincerely yours in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Francis Cardinal George in cursive.

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago

Handwritten signature of Rev. Richard Sanchez in cursive.

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Reverend George J. Rassas, Vicar General  
Rev. Daniel A. Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate  
Rev. Patrick R. Laggas, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services  
Reverend Edward D. Grace, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Minister  
Mr. Jimmy Lago, Chancellor  
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

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ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO  
PROFESSIONAL FITNESS REVIEW

13 February, 2003

Ms. Leah McCluskey  
Office of Professional Fitness Review  
676 N. St. Clair St.  
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Ms. McCluskey,

I am writing to you in order to formalize my handwritten note in response to your letter of January 6, 2003, regarding the matter of **Reverend Kenneth Brigham**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago, and the allegation made by [REDACTED] following the Second Stage Review conducted by the Review Board on February 1, 2003.

In light of the Board's consideration of the information presented in this matter, I accept the Board's determination that there is no reasonable cause to suspect that **Father Brigham** engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago

*Rev. Richard Lancia*

Ecclesiastical Notary

cc: Most Reverend Raymond E. Goedert, Vicar General  
Most Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate  
Rev. Patrick R. Lagges, Judicial Vicar/Vicar for Canonical Services  
Reverend James T. Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

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January 14, 2003

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago  
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Dear Cardinal George,

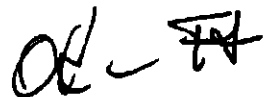
Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on January 11, 2003. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Kenneth Brigham [Active] in the allegation made by [REDACTED]. A Second Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.10 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board was unable to make a recommendation in regards to [REDACTED] allegation due to the following vote: 4 [no reasonable cause to suspect that misconduct occurred] -2 [votes abstained]. The Board also voted 5-1 [one abstaining] against Kenneth Brigham participating in a psychological assessment. It was recommended that this matter be reviewed at the Board meeting scheduled for February 1, 2003.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
Leah McCluskey  
Professional Fitness Review Administrator



Cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Ministry  
Rev. Patrick Lagges, Judicial Vicar  
John O'Malley, Legal Services

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October 21, 2002

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.  
Archbishop of Chicago  
155 E. Superior Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

Dear Cardinal George,

Please be advised that the Professional Fitness Review Board met on October 19, 2002. The Board fully considered all oral and written reports in the matter of Rev. Kenneth Brigham in the allegation made by [redacted]. A First Stage Review was conducted pursuant to Article §1104.8 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

The Board determined that there is insufficient information to make a finding of reasonable cause.

The Board further recommends that Professional Fitness Review Administrator contact [redacted] and request that he come in for a second face-to-face interview to further clarify his allegations. This was a unanimous 8-0 decision.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

*Leah McCluskey*

Leah McCluskey  
Interim, Professional Fitness Review Administrator

LM:lnp

- cc: Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board
- Rev. James Kaczorowski, Vicar for Priests
- Rev. Pat Lagges, Judicial Vicar
- Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister
- John O'Malley, Director of Legal Services

*I accept the  
process -  
P. Lagges  
Oct 23, 2002*

A /George Notification Letter

# ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Chancellor



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**CONFIDENTIAL**

October 25, 1994

Reverend Kenneth Brigham  
Our Lady Help of Christians Parish  
832 North LeClaire Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60651

Dear Father Brigham:

As the Archbishop's Delegate to the Review Board, I am writing to confirm our telephone conversation of today in which I informed you that Cardinal Bernardin has accepted the determination and recommendations of the Review Board following completion of the First Stage Review at the Board's meeting on October 15, 1994. These recommendations were communicated to you in writing on October 17, 1994 by Steve Sidlowski, Professional Fitness Review Administrator.

Specifically, Cardinal Bernardin accepted the Board's determination that there is no reasonable cause to suspect that you engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Moreover, the Cardinal accepted the Board's recommendations that you should continue in your ministerial assignment and no restrictions should be imposed on you. Accordingly, the file on this matter is now closed.

Ken, as you seek to put this concern behind you, please know of my prayers for continued blessings in your ministry. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me or Steve Sidlowski. I am sure that our Co-Vicars for Priests, Fathers Pat O'Malley and John Canary, would also be most willing to assist you as needed.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas J. Paprocki".

Reverend Thomas J. Paprocki  
Chancellor

cc: Cardinal Bernardin  
Reverend Patrick J. O'Malley, Vicar for Priests  
Mr. Steve Sidlowski, Professional Fitness Review Administrator  
Mr. Ralph Bonaccorsi, Victim Assistance Minister  
Mr. John C. O'Malley, Director of Legal Services  
Mr. Patrick Reardon, Attorney at Law

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July 25, 2005

[REDACTED]  
C/o Mr. Steven A. Denny  
33 N. LaSalle Street  
Suite 2125  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear [REDACTED]

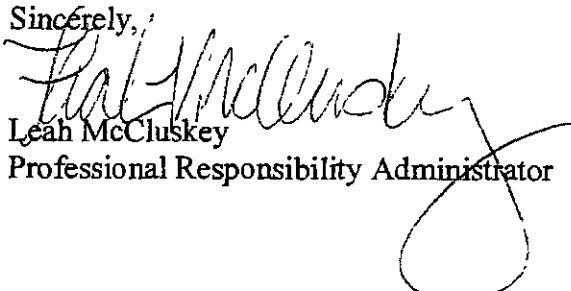
Please be advised that the Professional Responsibility Review Board met on July 16, 2005 and conducted a Supplementary Review regarding your allegation of sexual misconduct against Rev. Kenneth Brigham pursuant to Article §1104.11 of the Review Process for Continuation of Ministry.

At a Supplementary Review, the Review Board considers new information presented to it about a determination or recommendation made in connection with a prior review. The Board may make the same kinds of determinations and recommendations as in a prior Review and make such other determinations and recommendations as it deems appropriate.

In the Supplementary Review of this matter on July 16<sup>th</sup>, the Board determined that in light of the additional information presented, to uphold the February 1, 2003 Review for Cause determination of no reasonable cause to suspect that the alleged misconduct occurred. Cardinal George has accepted the Board's recommendations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any time. I may be reached at [312] 751-5205. Also, please know that the Office of Assistance Ministry continues to be available to you. They may be reached at [312] 751-8267.

Sincerely,

  
Leah McCluskey  
Professional Responsibility Administrator

Cc: Rev. Daniel Smilanic, Cardinal's Delegate to the Review Board  
Ralph Bonaccorsi, Assistance Ministry

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Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a letter to Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, from Victim L, dated December 4, 2007, seeking reconsideration of the Review Board's decision of October 1, 2007, declining to reopen Victim L's sexual abuse allegation against Fr. Kenneth Brigham for Supplementary Review.

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a letter to Leah McCluskey, Professional Responsibility Administrator for the Archdiocese of Chicago's Office of Professional Responsibility, from Victim L, dated August 7, 2005. In the letter, Victim L seeks reconsideration of the Review Board's previous recommendation of no reasonable cause to suspect the alleged abuse occurred regarding his claim against Rev. Kenneth Brigham.

Victim Statement Abstract

This abstract replaces a letter to Cardinal George, from Victim L, dated September 2, 2008. In the letter, Victim L alleges that he was sexually abused by Rev. Kenneth Brigham at St. Clotilde's parish in 1968, when he was 17 years old. Victim L seeks reconsideration of the Review Board's previous decision regarding his claim.

**MEMO TO FILE: PFR-51**  
**FROM: Steve Sidlowski, Administrator**  
**RE: K. Brigham**  
**DATE: October 15, 1994**

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**Summary of discussion from Professional Fitness Review Board, October 15, 1994:**

The Review Board conducted a First Stage Review Board in the PFR-51 matter pursuant to Article 4.9 of the Review Process For Continuation Of Ministry and their determination is that there is no reasonable cause to suspect that Father Brigham engaged in sexual misconduct with a minor. Basis: Alleged victim's manner of identification of Father Brigham (through his voice over the phone) after 26 years is not reliable; also, the alleged victim was unequivocal in May, 1994 that the accused priest's first name was a "Father John," and Father Brigham's first name is not at all close to John.

Recommendations to the Archbishop: Father Brigham should continue in his ministerial assignment and no restrictions should be imposed upon him; the PFR Administrator-51 matter and file should be closed.



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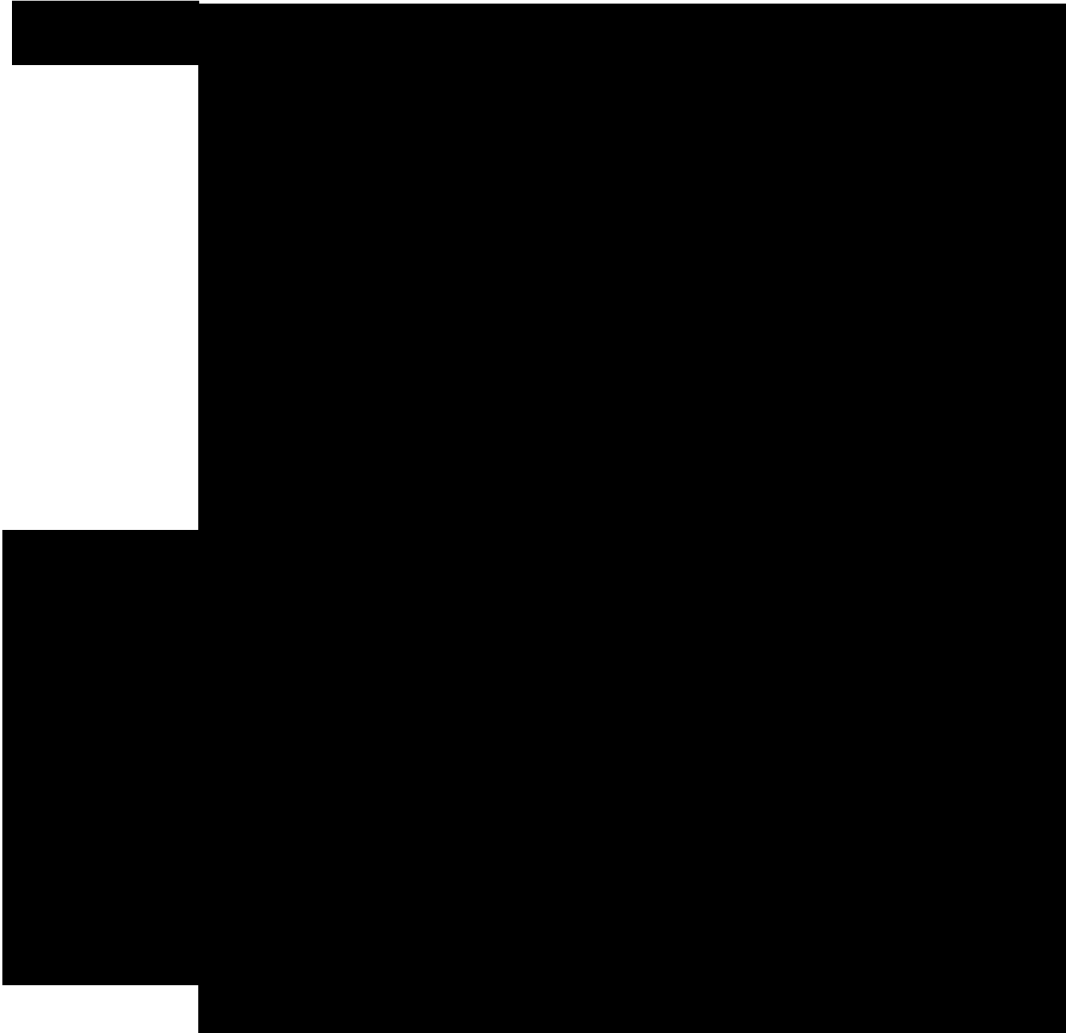
ARCHDIOCESAN PRIESTS' PERSONNEL BOARD

MINUTES  
Meeting No. 38 - Third Board

Meeting: Friday, May 19th, 1972  
Present: Lynch, Upton, Adams, Scheid, Ventura, McDonagh, O'Malley, Kinane and Keating  
Place: Priests' Personnel Board Office

1. Minutes of Meeting No. 37 were approved.

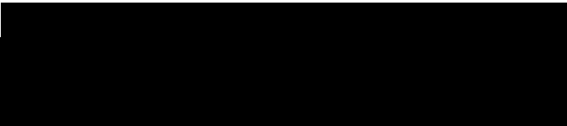
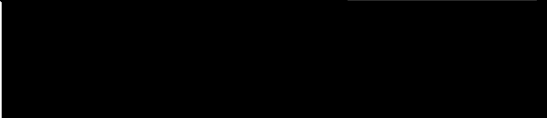
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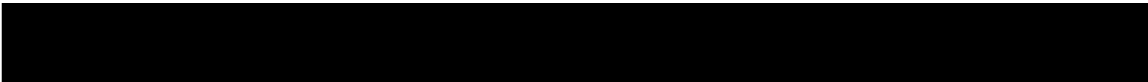


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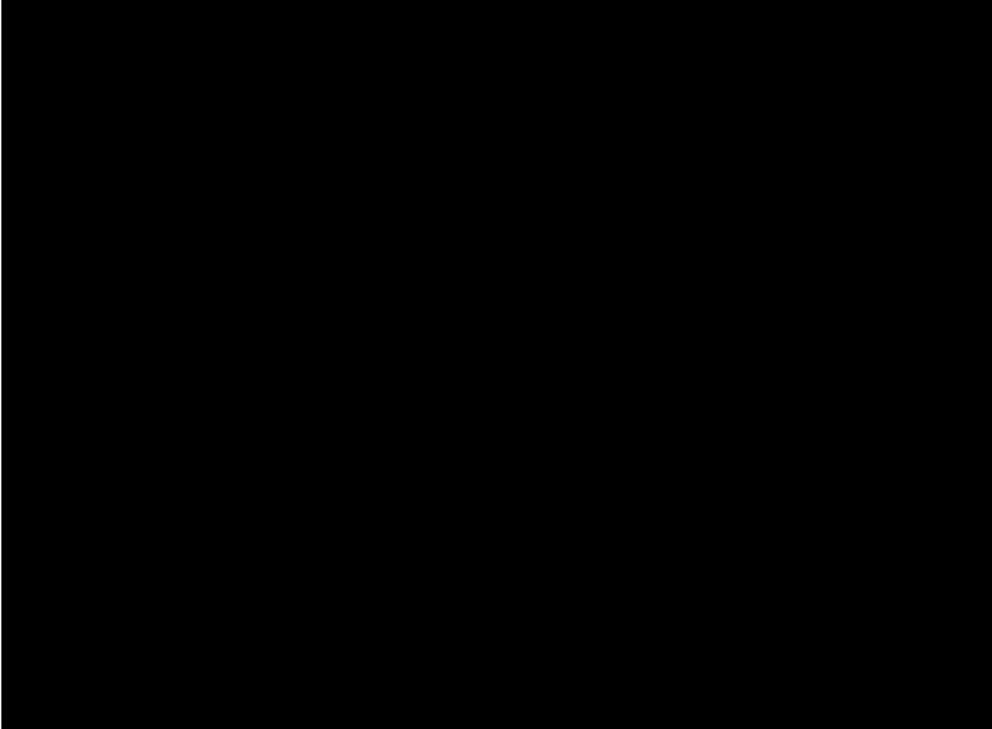


(O'MALLEY) M. Dempsey recommends that we hold off on any final action concerning K. Brigham, until the situation becomes more clear.

3. Agenda approved with additions: K. Brigham,   


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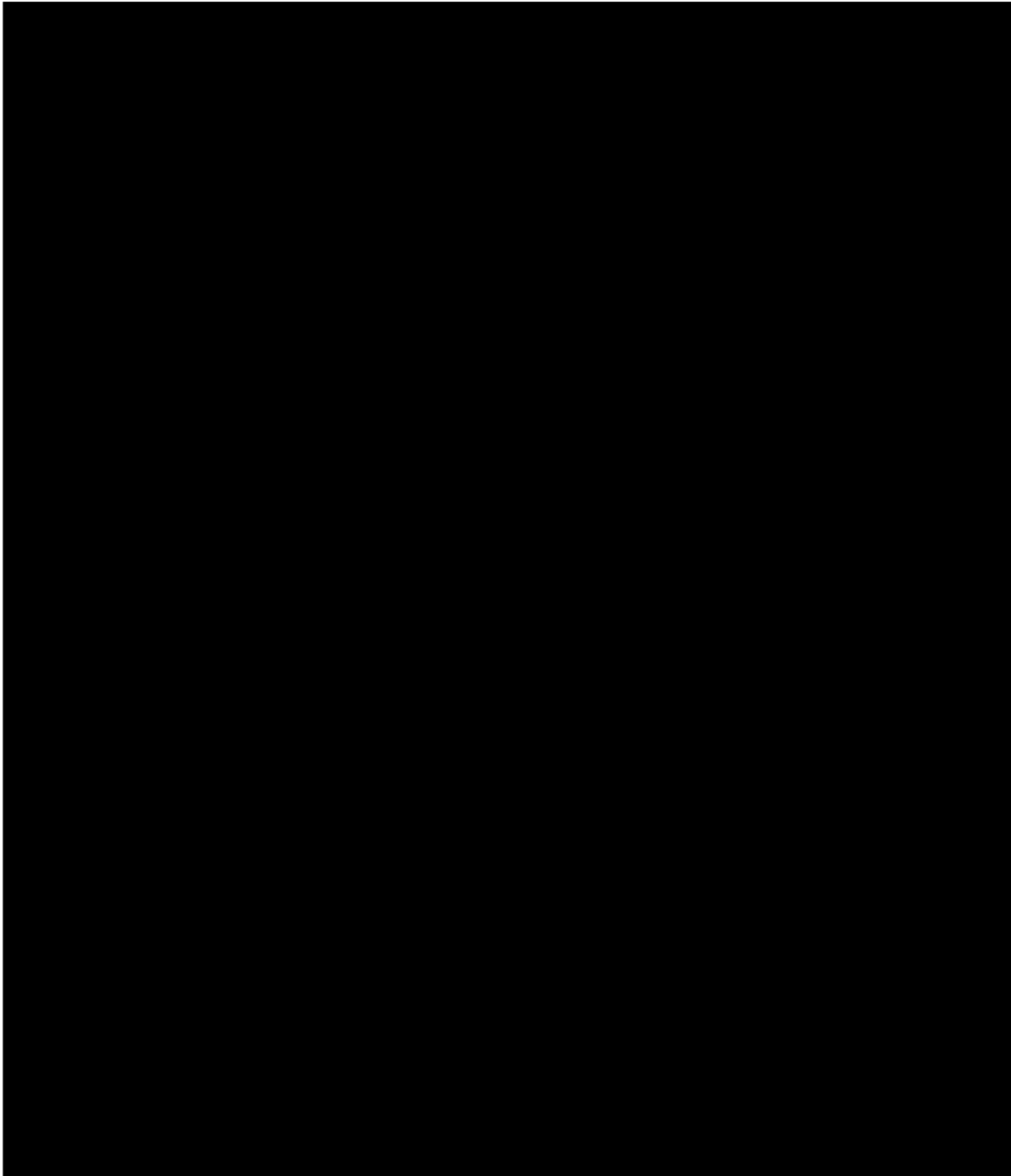
F) Ken Brigham - In residence at Holy Angels, will not return to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Vicariate. This is a very complex situation. At this point Bishop Dempsey recommends that we do not do anything. Ken is under many pressures -- family, parish, cluster, etc. Ken will be seeing a Doctor, and until we have some reports, we will not do anything.

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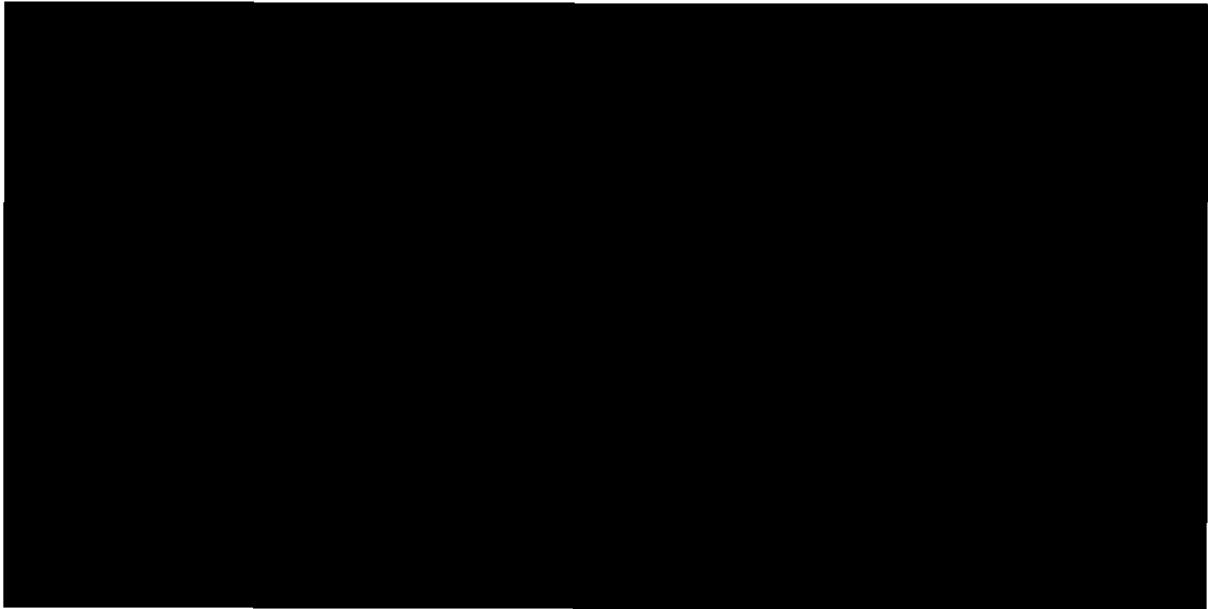
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THE DIOCESAN CLERGY PERSONNEL BOARD  
OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

M I N U T E S  
Meeting No. 12 - The Eighth Board

Meeting: Friday, December 11, 1981

Present: Very Reverend John R. Keating, Very Reverend John G. Vlazny.  
Reverends: John R. Grace, William B. Gubbins, Robert J. Heidenreich,  
Thaddeus J. Makuch, Michael J. Nallen, James P. Roache, Richard F. Schroeder.

Place: Clergy Personnel Board Office.

1. Opening Prayer: Very Reverend John R. Keating

2. Minutes:- Approved 8-0

3. Reports:

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f. Ken Brigham and [REDACTED] are reported to be about to become adoptive parents.

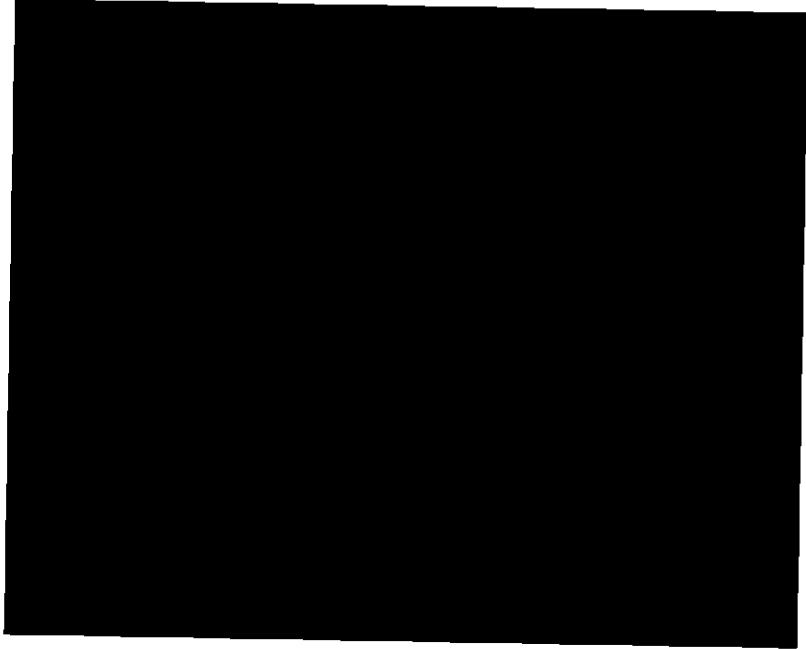
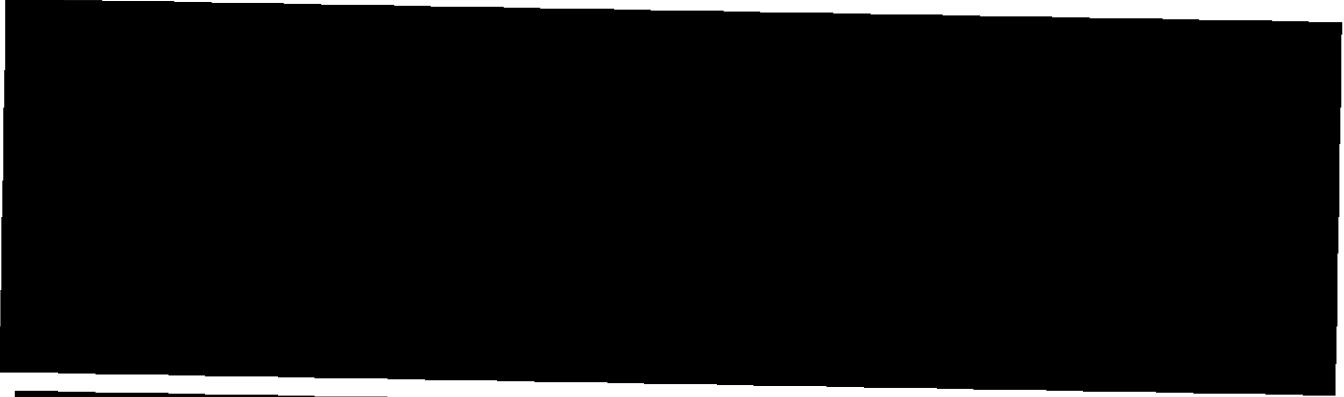
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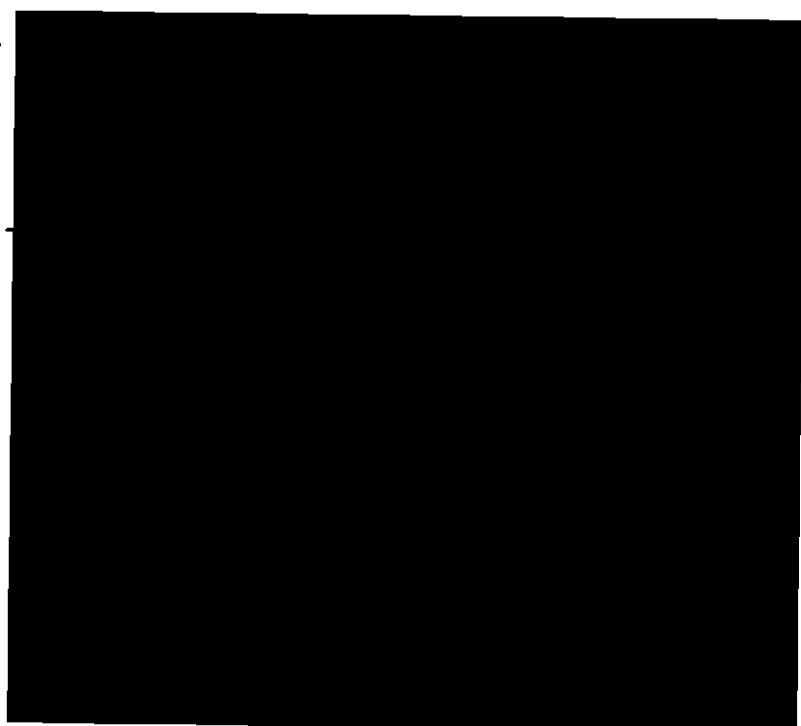
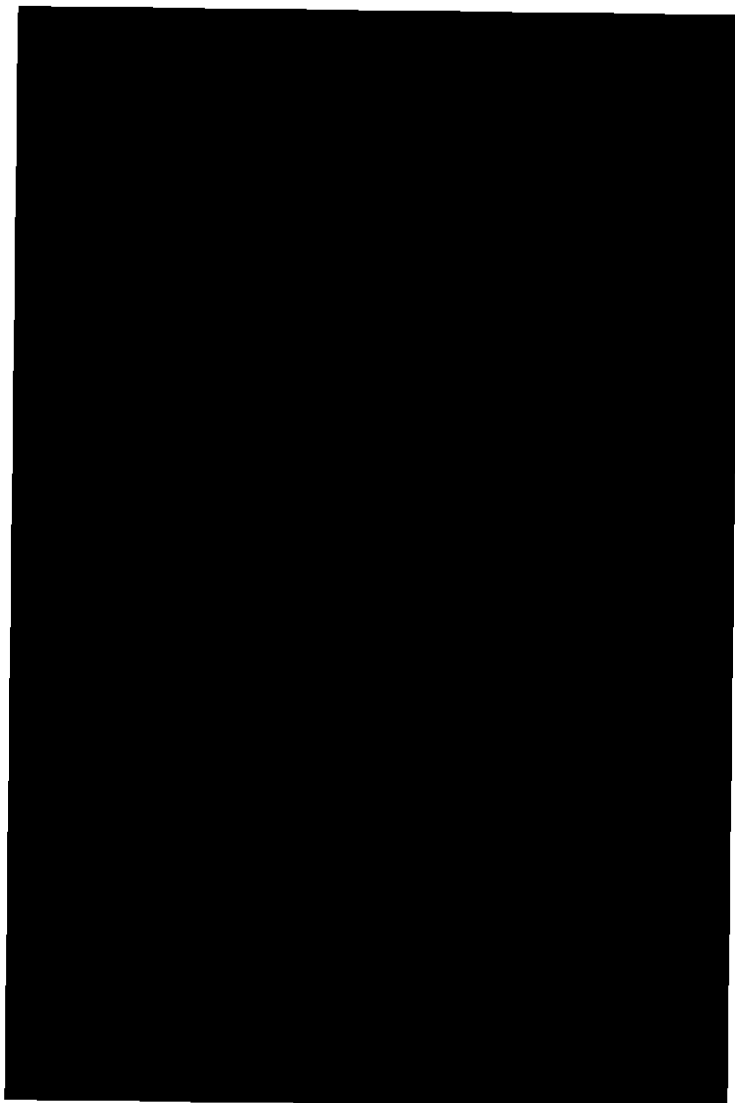
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8. Old Business

9. New Business

10. Adjournment: 4:15 P.M.

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