Rev. Richard Henry

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Clergy Assignment Record (Detailed)

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February 23, 1991

Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Curry
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, California 90015

Monsignor:

When I accepted assignment to Our Lady of the Rosary Parish a year and a half ago, I was assured by the Placement Board representatives that, should the position prove to be unsuitable, I would have the option of requesting re-assignment, no questions asked. While nothing the Placement board has done for (to) me thus far in my life inspires much confidence in any statement that entity may make (please excuse the bitterness), I am writing to take advantage of the opportunity tendered.

Other than to say that the living conditions here are totally unsuitable for a full-time associate and that in my year and a half precious little other than verbal assurances and broken promises have been made for any improvement, I respectfully ask for re-assignment. Continuing in this assignment is proving very detrimental to me physically. It has not exactly been a spiritual and emotional joy either.

Please honor my request by including my name among those up for re-assignment according to whatever procedures are in effect at the present time. Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Richard A. Henry
Our Lady of the Rosary Parish
14015 Paramount Blvd.
Paramount, California 90723
Richard Henry

Notes on conversation of REDACTED and Thomas Curry with people at Our Lady of the Rosary parish, Paramount.

Priest: Rick loses his temper and screams in the pulpit. He has a habit of lifting up little boys.

Priest: Isolates himself. Picks up and holds small boys. Projects negativity. After a conflict at a staff meeting, he went on communication strike for five days and then resumed contact as if nothing had happened.

Sister: Concern about contact with boys, especially three in the second and third grades. One boy told parent, "we rub noses, that's french kissing." Concerned about game in which boys were all over him, "it's never girls."

Sister: He needs help, high strung, abrupt, ignores what I have to say. He walked by me as if waiting for an apology. Very Talented. We can't discuss anything. He picks kids up—"kind of unnatural, you know." He does not seem to be happy.

Sister: Great potential. I get worried when Father Rick gets hyper. He started yelling at the kids right at the consecration when they disturbed the church. "Waiting for Mass, I saw him, fully vested, hugging an eighth grade boy for what seemed like forever. I might have only been six seconds. I'm afraid some adults will see him."

Layperson: A moody man. He ebullient, loud, or very quiet. "It's a frightening thing to see him hugging or picking up boys." worried that some other adult may see and think the wrong thing. "I would not want to see anything like that happen, but eventually it will." Holes up in his room a lot.

Layperson: He's a little different. I know he has a problem. He just wants his way. I tried to get others to be careful and do what he liked. He's not congenial enough, very abrupt with the people. "then there's the thing about the children, he picks them up. I spoke to the pastor and keep my eyes on him." On one knee, at eye level he hugs kids. If parents saw this, there would be trouble. People complain about how he expresses himself during sermons. He followed a man to his van and told him not to leave Mass early.

Layperson: He brings his own altar boys from public school and bumps the scheduled boys. Shocked at his bawling out of an older nun. "He grabs little boys and hugs them. I would never do that. So much of that is in the papers." Strong willed. He can be right but does things in a way that is very abrupt. Wish he would be a little more tolerant.

Layperson: Angry. "I never heard a younger man talk to an older lady that way." Cuts people down with remarks.
Dreamed of something about a place called for a maintenance... had breakfast with an egg. Did not come for dinner for 10 days. In the... lifted up logs, snow, and dry logs. Affirming for logs. Don't think so much meeting.

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To be answered, dated when put off.

Shots - there is pulpit
as has a small door for little boys.

No demands - large room, quieter.

We had show up, about 3-9 am, then get in, morning.

Sometimes the boys come in pretty

After our meeting I stuff meeting, the next in conference, start for 5 days.

Resigned contact us. 5 nothing happened.

Sir,
your concern in contact with boys.

"We must write them back quickly,

Concerned about - some in school.

It's some girls.

So, he needs help, bagging, abrupt,

It's not wrong for anyone.

Sometimes, we can't - do better than usual.

16176
I'm not sure how happy I am about the situation. I just don't know what to do.

| REDACTED |

| REDACTED |

Waiting for Mass, I was idly watching a nearby fully-nursed, hugging an eight-month-old boy. I thought of something else. I might have been six seconds. I was afraid some adults will see him.

| REDACTED |

A nearby man, he's still there, is very quiet. It's a frightening thing to see him hugging that boy. I wonder if some other adults and see think the wrong thing. Would I want to see anything like that happen but eventually it would. He likes himself up in his room a lot.
*SENATE OF PRIESTS* of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

The sacrament — he's a little different.

I know he has a problem. He just wants to be safe. He's always got others watching him to be careful of the subject he talks about. He's not comfortable — too abrupt with the people.

Then there's the thing about the children. He picks them up. He 

*REDACTED* 

If I keep my eye on him, I'd hear an ear level, signing them. I could not have it. I want to leave. But if another person does it, there'd be trouble.

People tell me many things — complain about the way he speaks himself, physically during sermon. Father, 

*REDACTED* 

to him. Van told him not to 

*REDACTED* 

His is a schedule. Alter boys.

If someone lives over long from public school, it'll affect the schedule long. 

*REDACTED* "Jean Smith's was not there, I've stopped.

16178
He gave little boys - kings, then.
It would suit you, that, so much
of that in this paper.

Strong called a lecture told him what
songs we'd sing, to tell him
in view the celebrant, she lectured a little
left. Father more right but he
shouldn't do it that way.
Wish he'd be a little more tolerant

At a meeting, one explained how
are called children if they misbehave.
In Park angrily shouted that we
were 'coddling them.' I never heard
a younger man talk to an older
lady that way.

He refused to come to parent meeting
because we (ccc staff) have not
enforced the rules the parents should obey.
Another time 'be cut him down' with the
remark, upon should make the parents
Teach their children prayers.' But the boy's
speaks German & the player are in Germany.
It wants to reform everything but never comes to tell us how it is. To ask show up.

A hostile, negative attitude. It's so... he dislikes himself. He hasn't any

grace - kindness.
Richard Henry

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16175
MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 16, 1988

FROM: Monsignor Curry

TO: Archbishop Mahony

RE: Father Richard Henry

Father Henry (aged 45, ordained 1972) is currently Associate at
Our Lady of the Rosary, Paramount. REDACTED
REDACTED

At the invitation of Father REDACTED I visited with several
people—three Sisters, Father REDACTED and several volunteers—
at the parish in Paramount yesterday. REDACTED was with me.

All the people interviewed mentioned more or less the same things.
REDACTED

The most serious issue, however, is that he picks up, embraces,
and relates to children in a way that worries all the adults we
talked to. He picks up small boys and hugs them. Presently, he
focuses on three second graders, all of whom come from broken homes
and are very much seeking affection. Father Henry does this very
publicly in the schoolyard. None of the people we talked to accused
him of anything illegal, but all of them feared that other adults
seeing this would do so.

He has a history of inviting children to his room or going off
with them on vacation. I have spoken to REDACTED and
REDACTED previously about the problem, and they were both
aware of his affinity for small boys. They never saw anything
illegal, however, and neither of them believed Father Henry was
engaged in sexual activity with these children.

Both REDACTED... I agree the time has come to take action, and I
would like to discuss with you how we should proceed.

Please see me
+ RMH

3-16-88

16173
March 24, 1988

Rev. Richard A. Henry
Our Lady of the Rosary Church
14815 South Paramount Blvd.
P. O. Box 376
Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Rick:

Many thanks for your gracious and helpful response to REDACTED and myself yesterday. Such meetings are not easy for anyone involved. Please be assured that I am most concerned to assist you in any way possible.

In recognition of the fact that we are in a somewhat uncertain state, I have not scheduled you for a meeting with regard to St. Joseph's Parish and felt it would be respectful to let you know of that decision.

I wish you very well and assure you that my prayers will be with you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Thomas J. Curry
Vicar for Clergy
MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 24, 1988

FROM: Monsignor Curry

TO: Archbishop Mahony

RE: Rev. Richard Henry

and I met with Rick Henry yesterday, and he was extremely cooperative. We mentioned his anger, his difficulty relating to adults, and his behavior with minors.

He expressed surprise that others would notice his relationships with minors and pointed out that it was all public.

He will go to visit Dr. and he is very willing to have the report shared with the Archdiocese.

Santos parte - thanks!
+ RMH

3-25-88

16171
March 24, 1988

REDACTED

The Hacker Clinic
6399 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 414
Los Angeles, CA 90048

Dear Dr. REDACTED

Enclosed are some materials dealing with Father Rick Henry. As I mentioned to Father, the concern about his closeness and dependence on minors comes from three parishes, and I was aware of the concern before it came to me from this particular parish.

I include some letters that are representative of the general complaints. Most complain of his rude, angry, or abrupt behavior. We have not had letters of complaint from the present parish.

There have been indications of his being withdrawn, of his sleeping until noon, and of his not being available. Other complaints then list his excited state, his anger, his "hyper" behavior. Incidentally, all the pastors I have talked to have pointed out that he has done everything he has been asked to do. All, however, noticed his withdrawal, his isolation, and his dependence on children.

Two years ago, the Personnel Board expressed a concern for him and asked me to see him and encourage him to seek therapy. When I saw him, Father Henry was very cordial and agreed to see Father REDACTED, whom he has been seeing on a regular basis. Father Henry has always been most gracious with me.

He was most cooperative when Father REDACTED and I met with him today. I am most concerned for his welfare, and am eager to help in anyway I can.

With warmest best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

(Rev. Msgr.) Thomas J. Curry
Vicar for Clergy

16165
1. Told REDACTED and REDACTED that he knew the size of Father Rick's room. He told them he had been upstairs in his room during the summer.

2. Mother told the teacher that REDACTED had emotional problems and that she asked Father REDACTED first to talk to REDACTED, but he (Fr. REDACTED) told Father Rick to do it. Mother stated that Father Rick helped REDACTED a lot and he told her that REDACTED needed a lot of love.

Mother also stated that Father Rick used to come to the house and talk to REDACTED and that he helped her a lot, too. She also said that Father Rick would take REDACTED out from time to time.

3. REDACTED changed his Mass schedule during the summer in order to serve Father Rick's mass.

4. REDACTED told his teacher that he had computer lessons twice a week from Father Rick in his room during the summer. He also said Father Rick would take him out for breakfast and dinner. He also took him bowling and to the movies. REDACTED described a long day's shopping tour for a microphone part with Father Rick where they spent almost the whole day looking for a certain part to the microphone.

REDACTED said that sometimes after an outing they would take a rest in Fr. Rick's room before his computer lesson.

5. REDACTED stated he had heard from Fr. Rick while he was on vacation.

REDACTED REDACTED

From Oct. 3, 1988 0

16164
October 5, 1988

Rev. Richard Henry
Our Lady of the Rosary Church
14815 South Paramount Blvd.
Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Father Rick:

Many thanks for coming to see me this morning. As I explained, it has come to my attention that you have been spending time alone with a young boy, including inviting him to your room in the rectory.

I hasten to add that there has been no report of improper behavior. However, given our previous conversation, I need to let you know there is a wide disparity between my perception and your own with regard to your relationship with minors.

Therefore, I ask that you not be alone with minors, not have them to your room, not spend your free time with them.

I do thank you for your understanding this morning and, as I mentioned, I will send a copy of this letter to Dr. REDACTED to assist you in your continued therapy with him.

Please also know that I am very happy to hear of good reports about your therapy.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Thomas J. Curry
Vicar for Clergy

/1bm
cc: Rev. REDACTED
    Dr. REDACTED
Our Lady of the Rosary Church  
14815 Paramount Blvd.  
Paramount, Ca 90723  

October 14, 1988

Chancery Office  
1531 West Ninth St.  
Los Angeles, Ca 90015

Dear Magr. Curry,

At the suggestion of Dr. REDACTED at the conclusion of our last session, I’m writing this note to you to let you know that with his help I have come to a deeper appreciation of the difference between one’s public and private image and the necessity of protecting both.

Thanks to Dr. REDACTED I have a better understanding of your perception of the matter in question and will find it much easier to comply with your wishes.

I’m pretty lousy at writing letters, but I guess Dr. REDACTED is right that you deserve notice of how things are progressing. Thanks for your patience with me.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Richard A. Henry

Rev. Richard A. Henry
DATE: July 17, 1989

FROM: Rev. REDACTED

TO: Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Curry

RE: Rev. Rick Henry

Dr. REDACTED said by phone today that, although Father Henry has been away on vacation for several weeks, his last self report was so positive (getting along better with his pastor, better communication all around, more content, etc.) that August was to have been the last month of therapy.

In view of the serious attitude and behavior problems mentioned as very present by REDACTED, Dr. REDACTED thought a meeting with Rick, yourself and himself would be appropriate. He anticipates seeing Rick in a week or so and, if Rick agrees, REDACTED will call me to arrange such a meeting.

REDACTED implicitly rejected any significant conversation with us without Rick present ("wouldn’t want to do anything behind his back")
Father Richard Henry

The following are notes on a conversation with REDACTED on Monday, May 1, 1989:

Monsignor was upset and perturbed about Father Henry's behavior. Yesterday he screamed and yelled at the people and was irrational. He won't use the microphone but rather shouts at the people. This happens off and on, but it was especially bad yesterday.

During the opening procession he ordered kids at the back of the church to either come in or go out. (My notes do not indicate when this happened.)

Monsignor mentioned several times Father's refusal to use the microphone.

Monsignor is not asking for Father to be changed, but he could not recommend Father Henry to another pastor at this time.

He threw a child out of the confessional, and the child's grandmother called Monsignor as the child was not going to church on Sunday.

He is OK in the house but has no initiative. He sits behind a computer all day.

At least, he should have manners in church. Yesterday he started with the Holy Spirit and launched into a tirade about people going to the pastor for everything. A number of reasonable people called Monsignor with concerns about the homily.

Conversation with REDACTED


Father Henry tends to shout in church. He walks in and out while preaching. He lacks initiative, and it is difficult to cope with. Everything is fast and rushing.

He has never taken part in the fiesta and has no interest in the parish. It would not be good to have him in charge.

He is pleasant at meals. He basically gets on with the staff. He does not do much work but is quiet and quick.

There is no man.

He lives in an apartment during the month while he was on vacation, and the air conditioning comes on at set times.

He now tends to ignore kids completely. He lacks moderation.

Would not be good as pastor—there would be war from day one.

Before he left for vacation, he was OK. In May he belled out the parents of the First Communicants for not doing their duty as parents. (I believe this happened at the First Communion ceremony.)

16160
Interview with Fr. Richard Henry
8/22/91

Fr. Henry called this morning -- distraught -- to say that he had been accused of child molestation and was under investigation.

I met with him immediately here in my office in the presence of Fr. REDACTED. Fr. Henry was fragile, emotional, weepy.

He began by telling of his relationship with the family of REDACTED. Besides their own 4 children they have adopted numerous children and have taken others in who are in custody or are in the process of legal adoption. On August 16, 1991 a REDACTED, left a note in Fr. Henry's car stating that he knew what was going on and harshly castigating him for his molestation of several youngisters in the REDACTED family. Fr. Henry found the note the next day and destroyed it. He received a phone call yesterday at 10 am from REDACTED of REDACTED who said that the police had come to her home with allegations that her children had been molested. (Police investigators received information at the REDACTED home that Fr. Henry had also frequented the company of the REDACTED children.)

This morning, 8/22, Detective REDACTED of the L.A. Sheriff Dept., went to see Fr. Henry and read him the allegations from both families.

Fr. Henry indicated that REDACTED was the first of these children with whom he had sexual contact. He'd taken the youngster to Washington on vacation. REDACTED "was upset by what I did. I stopped." He then touched REDACTED who was 9 years of age at the time (1987?). In 1989 he fondled REDACTED who was then 11 or 12 years of age. REDACTED responded by fondling Fr. Henry. REDACTED became quite aggressive in his return-fondling -- to the point of Fr. Henry's feeling pain. Fr. Henry fondled REDACTED "a few times". REDACTED is REDACTED, younger brother). Fr. Henry said that he had also touched REDACTED.

Fr. Henry said that there were 2 children in the REDACTED family with whom he had had sexual contact -- REDACTED.

Fr. Henry said there was no masturbation on his part nor any of the children's when he fondled them nor was there any intercourse. (He said that he himself is nearly...
Report -- Fr. Richard Henry
8/22/91

Members of the REDACTED Family REDACTED

Parents: REDACTED

Children: REDACTED

REDACTED are REDACTED

are REDACTED to REDACTED

Members of the REDACTED Family REDACTED

Parents

Children:

REDACTED

! = sexual contact

Ages are approximate and indicate present age.

16158
Report -- Fr. Richard Henry

8/22/91

Members of the REDACTED Family REDACTED

Parents -- REDACTED

Children - REDACTED

REDACTED are REDACTED

REDACTED are REDACTED to REDACTED

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Members of the REDACTED Family REDACTED

Parents

Children:

REDACTED

* = adopted
+ = in process of adoption
# = in custody from the courts
! = sexual contact

Ages are approximate and indicate present age
CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

August 25, 1991

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Fr. Richard Henry

Fr. Henry called the morning of August 22nd to say that he had been accused of child molestation and was under investigation. I had him come in to the Office immediately where I met with him. He admitted to molestations involving several children in two families: who live in and who live in (attached list). Molestations involved the fondling of genitals but did not, according to Fr. Henry, include masturbation or intercourse.

Detective L.A. Sheriffs Dept., called me while Fr. Henry was here. I told him that we would move Fr. Henry to Mater Dolorosa Retreat House by the afternoon. He said that his investigation was still under way and his report would not be filed for a week -- at which time criminal charges would be drawn up and sheriffs would go to Mater Dolorosa to take Fr. Henry into custody. Following booking he said they would ask for a low bail. Detective has called back asking for an altar boy list from Our Lady of the Rosary. I have declined to have anyone give him such a list.

At this point I believe Fr. Henry when he says he has never had sexual contact with any of the altar boys. While he did not open up with his therapist, Dr. over the years, he now seems quite willing to tell us everything about the case of the two families and I believe he is telling the truth about the altar boys as well. I have spoken to Msgr. who is in Ireland until Sept. 11th; Detective wishes to speak to him this week.

In March 1988 Msgr. Curry and went to O. L. of the Rosary to investigate rumors surrounding Fr. Henry's anger and contact with children. Nine interviews with staff members, school personnel and lay volunteers -- including altar boy director, sacristan and CCD teachers -- showed that there was inappropriate hugging of children in public but never anything of a serious nature. Fr. Henry began counseling the following week with Dr. and continued until June 1991. Due to this history, asked asked

On August 24th I went to the homes of the two families. They were, of course, shocked and betrayed. They are very good Catholic families. Their main concern is that this not hit the papers.

Fr. Henry is seeing a lawyer today. I will keep you informed.

Very good - please keep me fully informed.

... QLM R-26-91

CCI 000794
Report -- Fr. Richard Henry
8/22/91

Members of the REDACTED

Parents -- REDACTED

Children REDACTED

 Members of the REDACTED

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REDACTED

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16156
CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

September 6, 1991

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Fr. Henry

I want to give you a brief update as to the situation with Fr. Henry.

First of all, I visited both families in the [REDACTED] and gave them the name of Dr. [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] have met with her since then and, after reviewing the case and checking out a number of facilities, she recommended two clinics from which they can choose.

Fr. Henry signed an agreement with the Archdiocese for a loan of $7,500 to meet his attorney fees.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and I will accompany [REDACTED] Fr. Henry's attorney, to a meeting with the D.A. this Tuesday, September 10th, to discuss the case and the possibility of alternative sentencing. Should the court decide against a therapeutic sentencing (eg. St. Luke's), [REDACTED] informs me that Fr. Henry could get from 8 to 25 years in state prison.

I will keep you updated.

Please do [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] + Rmm

9-9-91

16148
September 11, 1991

Rev. John McAnulty, S.J.
House of Prayer
3431 Waverly Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90027

Dear John:

I have begun my vacation, but I am going to call you during the first week of your Retreat to ask you to consider accepting a man until mid-November. He would have to live at the House of Prayer while going through judicial procedures.

I simply want to put this before you so that you can consider whether this would be possible over such an extended time.

If you cannot take him, I do have another place I can turn to.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

[Signature]

REDACTED

16143

Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
CRIMINAL DIVISION
The Superior Court
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

LETTER OF PSYCHIATRIC APPOINTMENT

To: ST. LUKES

In re: People vs.
RICHARD HENRY

Case No. DA 007 490

10-10 91

Pursuant to sections 1026 and 1370 Pen. Code as designee of the Los Angeles County Director of Department of Health Services, you have been appointed by the Court, under Sec. 258.1 of the Penal Code and Sec. _______ of the ________ Code, to examine the defendant charged with ______ 6 counts of Penal Code 258.

1. ✓ Kindly make an examination of this defendant and report your findings to the Court as to defendant’s amenability for treatment.

2. □ (1026 Pen. Code) Was the defendant sane at the time of the commission of the alleged offense? (A.L.J. insanity) i.e., First, did the defendant have substantial mental capacity to know and understand that what he was doing was criminal or wrongful, and second, did the defendant have substantial capacity to control his conduct to be in conformity with the law at the time of the commission of the offense?

3. □ (1026 Pen. Code) Has the defendant “fully recovered his sanity,” i.e., has he improved to such an extent that he is no longer a danger to the health and safety of others, including himself?

4. □ (1026.2 Pen. Code) Has he improved to such an extent that he is no longer a danger to the health and safety of others, including himself? (see re Franklin, 7 Cal.3d 128)

5. □ (1368 Pen. Code) Is the defendant presently able to understand the nature and purpose of the proceedings taken against him?

6. □ (1368 Pen. Code) Is he presently able to cooperate in a rational manner with counsel in presenting a defense?

7. □ (1368 Pen. Code) Is he presently able to prepare and conduct his own defense in a rational manner without counsel?

8. □ If the defendant at the time of commission of the alleged offense have the mental capacity to form the specific intent to ________ (diminished capacity).

9. □ Did the defendant at the time of the commission of the alleged offense have the mental capacity to deliberate?

10. □ Did the defendant at the time of the commission of the alleged offense have the mental capacity to premeditate?

11. □ Did the defendant at the time of the commission of the alleged offense have the mental capacity to harbor malice?

12. □ Did the defendant at the time of the commission of the alleged offense have the mental capacity to meaningfully and maturely reflect upon the gravity of his contemplated acts, and if so to what extent could he so reflect?

13. □ (1026, 1370 Pen. Code) In your opinion, should the defendant be required to undergo outpatient treatment in lieu of commitment to a state hospital or other mental health facility, and if so, where and under what financial arrangements?

14. □ (1026, 1370 Pen. Code) In your opinion, should the defendant be committed to a state hospital or to another mental health facility, and if your answer is “another mental health facility,” where and under what financial arrangements?

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15. □ (1611 Pen. Code) Has he improved to such an extent that he is no longer a menace to the health and safety of others?

16. □ The defendant is in custody. Booking No.: Location:

17. □ The defendant is on bail. Arrangements for the examination can be made through his 

18. □ Defendant's attorney is 

Address: Phone:

19. □ There is a Probation Officer's report which should be read before interviewing the defendant. The Probation Officer's report may be had by contacting the Probation Department, Los Angeles Office, 974-9337.

20. □ There is a preliminary transcript in this case which should be read before interviewing defendant at Room 17-713 Criminal Courts Building, or:

21. □ (1017 Evid. Code) This is a confidential report to be furnished ONLY to counsel for defendant.

22. □ You are instructed to furnish a copy of the report to the Probation Officer, 220 West Temple, Los Angeles, or

23. □ You are instructed to mail a copy of the report to the Chief Probationist, Mentally Ill Offenders Unit, Los Angeles County Jail, 851 Bauchet Street, Los Angeles, California 90012.

24. □ You are instructed to file your report with the court not later than

THE NEXT COURT SET ON Nov 8 9:30 A.M.

IN DEPARTMENT

Very truly yours,

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Counsel: 16136

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900 3rd Street
Dist. Atty Office - 3rd Fl.
San Fernando, CA

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October 11, 1991

Rev. Richard Henry
Our Lady of the Rosary Church
14815 South Paramount Blvd
P.O. Box 2019
Paramount, CA 90723

Dear Rich:

Just a note to let you know we have made your flight reservations as follows:

Sunday, October 20 - Leave LAX at 7:00 A.M. U.S. Air flight #1108 arriving National Airport, Washington, D.C. at 4:07 P.M. As the program begins early on the 21st, it is necessary for you to get there the night before. St. Luke's is aware of this and will be picking you up.

Friday, October 25 - Leave National Airport, Washington, D.C. at 4:30 P.M. U.S. Air flight # 1157 arriving LAX at 8:34 P.M.

O'Callaghan Travel is mailing you tickets today.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

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Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
St. Luke Institute
2420 Brooks Drive
Suitland, Md 20746

Rev. Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Los Angeles, Ca 90015-1194

Dear Tim,

My apologies for not writing much sooner. We are kept quite busy here at SLI in therapy sessions of all sorts. I have actually been very happy here, both because I honestly feel that I am making progress toward recovery (thanks in part to a fantastic primary therapist) and also because for the first time I am with a community of fellow priests who know me with all my scars and weaknesses and still accept me. While I still feel quite fragile in the self-esteem department, I feel I am heading in the right direction.

Your first letter reached me just before I was to give my log -- about the worst possible time from the standpoint of anxiety and tension. To be perfectly honest, it floored me. I recognize my responsibilities in this matter -- in fact that I am accountable, not my family -- but I was shocked that the lawyer meter was still running past the $7000 retainer without my prior knowledge.

While I want to do what is right, there are certain things beyond my capacity. Since I had to borrow just to pay the retainer, I am sure you can see that this is one of them. I am open to any suggestions you may have in this regard.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Henry
CONFIDENTIAL

October 25, 1991

Reverend Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California  90015-1194

RE:  Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #:  12477

Dear Father Dyer:

Thank you very much for the referral of Father Richard Henry, a 46 year old priest from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Your letter of October 21st was quite helpful in spelling out a history of concern about Father Henry's ministerial adjustment. REDACTED

he has also exhibited a certain awkwardness with adults and an excessive amount of energy and attention devoted to school children. When complaints reached the Chancery about Father Henry an investigation was made and he was asked to undergo psychotherapy under the care of REDACTED. Some things improved but he continued to show excessive anger and troublesome mood.

In August of this year he was formally accused of child molestation. It is our understanding that the Superior Court of Los Angeles is aware that Father Henry is coming to us for evaluation and expects some statement from us regarding his suitability for treatment.

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RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI No.: 12477

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Sometime in the early to mid '80s he recalls hugging youngsters in the ten to fourteen year age group more frequently. Eventually this hugging involved some genital touching through clothing and eventually even more overt sexual contact.

As noted at the outset Father Henry's recollection of sexual interactions with children agrees substantially with the information you provided. He tended to view this activity solely in a moral context and had difficulty exploring the matter from other perspectives. He tended to be unaware of his own erotic responsiveness in these interactions and was much more cognizant of what was happening to the children. He did admit that on rare occasions sexual images of children would occur in his dreams.

At this time feelings of shame and self-condemnation posed major obstacles to Father Henry's exploring the origins and meanings of his involvement with children. He presented sexual interactions as featuring a great deal of passivity on his part and a diminution of personal responsibility. To his credit he does not dismiss the meaningfulness of his actions and with appropriate treatment he should be able to grasp the nature and extent of his problem more fully. The data is sufficient to warrant a diagnosis of pedophilia, non-exclusive type.
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REDACTED Pedophilia, non-exclusive type.
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From the forgoing it is clear that Father Henry suffers from a significant sexual behavior disorder and he also has a variety of psychological and self-image problems that must be addressed. Our recommendation is for comprehensive inpatient treatment here at the Saint Luke Institute.
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In closing I would like to thank you again for the referral of Father Henry. Your trust in us is greatly appreciated and we hope that our evaluation and treatment services prove useful to him and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Meanwhile, we ask for your continued prayers and support of ourselves and those we serve.

Respectfully,

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cc: Reverend Richard Henry
Saint Luke Institute
October 29, 1991

Linda Greenberg, DDA
900 - 3rd Street
District Attorney Office - 3rd Floor
San Fernando, California 91340

Re: Richard Henry
Case No. PA 007490

Dear Ms. Greenberg:

The above captioned individual, Richard Henry, was here at the St. Luke Institute from October 20, 1991 to October 25, 1991. During that time he cooperated fully in a comprehensive evaluation process. His evaluation protocol included the following elements:

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The Saint Luke Institute is a psychiatric hospital licensed in the State of Maryland and accredited by the Joint Commission. Over the last six years we have evaluated and/or treated over three hundred individuals with sexual behavior problems. Our evaluation process has proved reliable and useful.
While he was with us Richard Henry gave information about his behavior that was quite consistent with what we knew from other sources. He acknowledges a sexual behavior problem and is quite distressed and shamed by it. His subjective distress and his acknowledgement of problems enhance his treatment prognosis. We have recommended extended residential treatment here at the Saint Luke Institute and believe he can benefit therefrom. Given his current level of discomfort it would be advantageous for that treatment to begin as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

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CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

November 9, 1991

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Fr. Richard Henry

Attached is the evaluation report on Fr. Henry. We are still awaiting word from REDACTED as to developments in the legal situation. Arrangements have been made by our office to reserve a date for Fr. Henry to enter treatment at St. Luke's; this will have to be postponed unless we hear from the courts in a short time.

Please keep me informed.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT NV F

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JUDGE

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, )

PLAINTIFF, )

VS. ) NO. PA007490

RICHARD ALLEN HENRY, ) GUILTY PLEA

DEFENDANT. )

SAN FERNANDO, CALIFORNIA; WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1991
11:50 A.M.

UPON THE ABOVE DATE, THE DEFENDANT BEING
PRESENT IN COURT AND REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, REDACTED
REDACTED THE PEOPLE BEING REPRESENTED BY MS. REDACTED
REDACTED DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HELD:

REDACTED OFFICIAL REPORTER, CSR #5178.)
THE COURT: PEOPLE VERSUS RICHARD ALLEN HENRY,
CASE NUMBER PA007490.

COUNSEL PLEASE ANNOUNCE THEIR PRESENCE FOR
THE RECORD.

REDACTED ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE,
YOUR HONOR.

REDACTED WITH MR. HENRY.

THE COURT: VERY GOOD.

THE PLEASURE OF COUNSEL?

REDACTED YES, YOUR HONOR.

IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING AT THIS POINT THAT
THE DEFENDANT IS WILLING -- OR REQUESTING TO WITHDRAW
HIS PREVIOUSLY ENTERED NOT GUILTY PLEA TO FOUR COUNTS,
I, II, III AND IV, AND ENTER A GUILTY PLEA AS TO THOSE
COUNTS, AN OPEN PLEA --

THE COURT: VERY GOOD.

REDACTED -- AS TO EACH OF THOSE COUNTS.

IT'S ALSO MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE
DEFENDANT WOULD BE SENT OUT FOR A 1203 DIAGNOSTIC.

THE COURT: YES.

REDACTED WE'D ENTER A NO CONTEST PLEA TO
THOSE CHARGES.

THE COURT: THAT'S FINE.

AND REDACTED THIS IS A PROP 8 CASE,
DO YOU HAVE AN EXCEPTION?

REDACTED YES, YOUR HONOR. UNDER 1192.7, THE
TWO REMAINING COUNTS, WE ARE NOT GOING FORWARD BECAUSE
THERE IS AN INSUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF EVIDENCE FOR PROOF

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BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT AS TO THOSE COUNTS.

THE COURT: VERY GOOD. THAT'S FINE THEN.

YOU MAY TAKE THE PLEA.

THE RECORD SHOULD REFLECT WE HAVE HAD SOME
SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS IN CHAMBERS ABOUT THIS CASE. I'M
GOING TO NEED MORE INFORMATION IN THIS CASE FROM BOTH
SIDES. I'VE TOLD COUNSEL IN A RATHER CANDID DISCUSSION
MY FEELINGS ON THIS CASE, AND BOTH COUNSEL KNOW WHAT
THEY HAVE TO DO IN ORDER TO GIVE ME THE INFORMATION I
NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE A JUST DECISION.

REDACTED: AND YOUR HONOR, FOR THE RECORD, THE
PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO STATE THAT WE HAVE INDICATED TO THE
DEFENSE AND TO THE COURT THAT IT IS THE PEOPLE'S BELIEF
THAT THIS IS DEFINITELY A STATE PRISON CASE, AND ALSO
FOR THE RECORD WE'VE INDICATED THE VICTIMS' FAMILIES
DESIRE THAT THE DEFENDANT NOT BE SENT TO PRISON OR JAIL.
BUT JUST FOR THE RECORD, THE PROSECUTION DOES BELIEVE
IT'S A STATE PRISON CASE.

THE COURT: RIGHT.

I WOULD ALSO STATE FOR THE RECORD THAT I
WANT THE PROSECUTION AND THE DEFENSE TO EXPLORE THE
EFFECT A PRISON SENTENCE WOULD HAVE ON THE VICTIMS AND
THEIR FAMILY.

REDACTED WE WILL DO THAT.

THE COURT: AND ALSO A 1203.03 I THINK IS
IMPORTANT ON THE ISSUE OF FUTURE DANGEROUSNESS AS WELL.
SO, IN LIGHT OF THAT, YOU MAY TAKE THE
PLEA.
THANK YOU.

MR. HENRY, IS YOUR TRUE NAME, SIR, RICHARD ALLEN HENRY?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, IT IS.

SIR, IN CASE NUMBER PA007490, YOU HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH FOUR COUNTS OF PENAL CODE SECTION 288(A), THAT IS A LEWD ACT UPON A CHILD, A FELONY.

NOW, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT TODAY YOU WISH TO ENTER A GUILTY PLEA TO COUNTS I THROUGH IV -- OR A NO CONTEST PLEA, AND THAT YOU WILL BE ENTERING AN OPEN PLEA, WHICH MEANS THAT THE COURT IS GOING TO MAKE THE DECISION AND DECIDE HOW MUCH TO SENTENCE YOU, AND HE CAN SENTENCE YOU UP TO THE MAXIMUM IN THIS CASE, AND THAT WOULD BE AS TO EACH COUNT, A MAXIMUM OF EIGHT YEARS. I BELIEVE THE TOTAL IN THIS CASE WOULD BE A MAXIMUM OF 14 YEARS.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, MA'AM.

AND DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT ENTERING A NO CONTEST PLEA HERE TODAY IS THE SAME AS ENTERING A GUILTY PLEA, AND YOU WILL BE CONVICTED AS A RESULT OF YOUR PLEA?

THE DEFENDANT: YES, MA'AM.

: OKAY.

NOW, BEFORE THE COURT TAKES YOUR PLEA, I'M GOING TO ADVISE YOU OF YOUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND ASK YOU IF YOU'RE WILLING TO GIVE THEM UP IN ORDER TO TAKE THIS PLEA.
FIRST, YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO A TRIAL. YOU
COULD CHOOSE A COURT TRIAL OR A JURY TRIAL.

IF YOU CHOSE A COURT TRIAL, THE JUDGE WOULD
HEAR THE EVIDENCE, AND IN ORDER FOR YOU TO BE CONVICTED,
THE JUDGE WOULD HAVE TO BELIEVE THE PROSECUTION HAS
PROVED ITS CASE BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR RIGHT TO A COURT
TRIAL?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.
REDACTED AND DO YOU WAIVE AND GIVE UP THIS
RIGHT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.
REDACTED YOU ALSO HAVE THE RIGHT TO A JURY
TRIAL. IF YOU CHOSE A JURY TRIAL, 12 PEOPLE FROM THE
COMMUNITY WOULD BE SELECTED TO HEAR THE EVIDENCE. IN
ORDER FOR YOU TO BE CONVICTED, ALL 12 OF THESE PEOPLE
WOULD HAVE TO AGREE THAT THE PROSECUTION HAS PROVED ITS
CASE AGAINST YOU BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR RIGHT TO A JURY
TRIAL?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.
REDACTED AND DO YOU WAIVE AND GIVE UP THIS
RIGHT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.
REDACTED AND DOES COUNSEL JOIN?
REDACTED JOIN.
REDACTED THE PEOPLE ALSO JOIN.
THE COURT: I ACCEPT. THANK YOU.
REDACED

NOW, AT YOUR TRIAL YOU WOULD HAVE THE
FOLLOWING RIGHTS:
YOU WOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO PRESENT A
DEFENSE. THAT MEANS YOU COULD BRING WITNESSES AND
EVIDENCE INTO COURT, AND THAT'S AT NO EXPENSE TO YOU;
AND YOU ALSO COULD TAKE THE STAND AND TESTIFY IN YOUR
OWN BEHALF IF YOU WANTED TO DO THAT.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR RIGHT TO PRESENT A
DEFENSE?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACED AND DO YOU GIVE UP THIS RIGHT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

YOU ALSO HAVE A RIGHT TO CONFRONT AND
CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES. THAT MEANS WHEN THE
PROSECUTION CALLS WITNESSES, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO HEAR
THEM TESTIFY IN COURT AND SEE THEM TESTIFY, AND YOUR
ATTORNEY WILL BE ABLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT
TO CONFRONT AND CROSS-EXAMINE WITNESSES?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACED AND DO YOU GIVE UP THAT RIGHT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

YOU ALSO HAVE THE PRIVILEGE AGAINST
SELF-INCrimINATION. THAT MEANS THAT NO ONE CAN MAKE YOU
SAY ANYTHING THAT WOULD TEND TO SHOW THAT YOU'RE GUILTY.

NOW, BY PLEADING NO CONTEST TODAY, YOU ARE
INCRIMINATING YOURSELF AND YOU WILL BE CONVICTED.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU DO HAVE A
PRIVILEGE AGAINST SELF-INCrimINATION?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED AND DO YOU GIVE UP THIS RIGHT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED NOW, AS I TOLD YOU, THE RANGE OF

SENTENCES FOR EACH OFFENSE IS A LOW TERM OF THREE YEARS,
A MIDTERM OF SIX YEARS, AND A HIGH TERM OF EIGHT YEARS
IN STATE PRISON.

YOUR TOTAL MAXIMUM IN THIS CASE WOULD BE 14
YEARS IN STATE PRISON.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED NOW, AS A RESULT OF YOUR GUILTY PLEA
YOU MAY BE PLACED ON FELONY PROBATION IF THE COURT
DECIDES TO DO THAT.

IF YOU ARE PLACED ON PROBATION, YOU MAY BE
GIVEN CERTAIN RULES AND CONDITIONS YOU MUST FOLLOW. ONE
OF THOSE CONDITIONS MAY BE THAT YOU SERVE TIME IN THE
COUNTY JAIL. THERE WOULD BE OTHER CONDITIONS SUCH AS
THE PROBATION OFFICER DEEMS ARE APPROPRIATE, DEFINITELY
SOME TYPE OF INTENSE COUNSELING WOULD BE A CONDITION OF
PROBATION.

DID YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED AND DO YOU -- YOU ALSO MAY BE
SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON AS A RESULT OF YOUR PLEA IF
THE JUDGE FEELS THAT IS APPROPRIATE.

IF YOU'RE SENT TO STATE PRISON, WHEN YOU
FINISH YOUR PRISON TERM YOU WILL BE PLACED ON PAROLE, AND YOU WILL BE GIVEN CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS YOU MUST FOLLOW THEN.

IF YOU VIOLATE ANY OF THE TERMS OR CONDITIONS OF YOUR PAROLE, YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO GO BACK UP TO STATE PRISON FOR UP TO ONE YEAR ON EACH VIOLATION.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YEAH.

REDACTED: IF YOU'RE CURRENTLY, THOUGH, ON PROBATION OR PAROLE IN ANY OTHER CASE, YOUR CONVICTION IN THIS CASE WOULD VIOLATE THAT PROBATION OR PAROLE.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED I AM ALSO REQUIRED TO ADVISE YOU THAT IF YOU'RE NOT A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, YOUR GUILTY PLEA IN THIS CASE COULD RESULT IN YOUR DEPORTATION, DENIAL OF NATURALIZATION OR EXCLUSION FROM ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND ALL THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: OKAY.

REDACTED THERE WILL BE A FINE IN THIS CASE. THERE IS A MINIMUM MANDATORY FINE OF $100 RANGING UP TO $10,000, AND THERE ALSO MAY BE A RESTITUTION FINE OR RESTITUTION OWING TO THE VICTIMS IN THIS CASE THAT THE COURT MAY DEEM APPROPRIATE.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.
REDACTED: THIS IS A -- ALL FOUR OF THESE COUNTS ARE SERIOUS FELONIES UNDER PENAL CODE SECTION 667. WHAT THAT MEANS IS IF YOU'RE EVER CONVICTED OF A SERIOUS FELONY IN THE FUTURE, YOUR CONVICTION IN THIS CASE CAN SERVE TO ENHANCE THAT BY FIVE ADDITIONAL YEARS.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: (NO AUDIBLE RESPONSE.)

REDACTED: YOU MUST REGISTER AS A SEX OFFENDER AS A RESULT OF YOUR PLEA. THAT MEANS IF YOU -- AND YOU MUST REGISTER WITH THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT. THAT MEANS IF YOU MOVE, YOU MUST INFORM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITHIN TEN DAYS, AND YOU MUST REGISTER WITHIN YOUR NEW JURISDICTION WITHIN 30 DAYS. IF YOU FAIL TO SO REGISTER, THIS IS A SEPARATE OFFENSE AND THAT'S A MISDEMEANOR.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THIS?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED: AND THIS IS A PRIORABLE OFFENSE, WHICH MEANS IF YOU ARE CHARGED WITH THIS TYPE OF OFFENSE IN THE FUTURE, YOU MAY BE DENIED PROBATION BECAUSE OF THIS PRIOR CONVICTION, AND IT ALSO MAY INCREASE YOUR SENTENCE IN THE FUTURE CASE BECAUSE OF THIS CONVICTION.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED HAS ANYONE MADE ANY THREATS TO YOU IN ORDER TO GET YOU TO ENTER THIS PLEA?

THE DEFENDANT: NO.

REDACTED HAS ANYONE MADE ANY PROMISES TO YOU
OTHER THAN WHAT WE’VE TALKED ABOUT HERE IN OPEN COURT?

THE DEFENDANT: NO.

REDACTED: AND ARE YOU PLEADING NO CONTEST FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY?

THE DEFENDANT: YES,

THE COURT: AND COUNSEL, DO YOU STIPULATE TO A FACTUAL BASIS?

REDACTED: I DO.

REDACTED: AND THE PEOPLE ALSO STIPULATE.

DOES THE COURT HAVE FURTHER INQUIRY?

THE COURT: YOU MAY TAKE THE PLEA.

THANK YOU.

REDACTED: SIR, IN COUNT NO. 1 YOU ARE CHARGED WITH A VIOLATION OF SECTION 288(A), A FELONY, ON OR BETWEEN APRIL 18TH, 1986 AND APRIL 17TH, 1987, THE VICTIM BEING REDACTED.

HOW DO YOU NOW PLEAD TO THAT COUNT?

THE DEFENDANT: NO CONTEST.

REDACTED: AND AS TO COUNT II, IT IS ALLEGED THAT ON OR BETWEEN JUNE 1ST, 1991 AND AUGUST 31ST, 1991 YOU VIOLATED AGAIN PENAL CODE SECTION 288(A), THE VICTIM BEING REDACTED.

HOW DO YOU PLEAD TO THIS CHARGE?

THE DEFENDANT: NO CONTEST.

HOW DO YOU PLEAD TO THIS CHARGE?

THE DEFENDANT: NO CONTEST.

REDACTED AND IN COUNT IV IT IS ALLEGED THAT ON
AND BETWEEN JUNE 1ST, 1989 AND DECEMBER 1ST 1989 YOU
VIOLATED PENAL CODE SECTION 288(A), THE VICTIM BEING

REDACTED

HOW DO YOU PLEAD TO THIS CHARGE?

THE DEFENDANT: NO CONTEST.

THE COURT: COUNSEL, DO YOU CONCUR IN THE PLEA
AND JOIN IN ALL WAIVERS?

REDACTED YES.

THE COURT: VERY GOOD.

THE COURT FINDS THERE IS A FACTUAL BASIS
FOR THE PLEA;

THAT DEFENDANT UNDERSTANDS THE NATURE OF
THE OFFENSE;

THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE
PLEA OF NO CONTEST;

THAT DEFENDANT UNDERSTOOD AND KNOWINGLY
WAIVED HIS RIGHTS;

THAT DEFENDANT’S PLEAS OF NO CONTEST ARE
FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY MADE.

A GOOD DATE FOR PROBATION AND SENTENCE WILL
ACTUALLY BE THE DATE HE’LL SURRENDER HIMSELF FOR THE
1203.03.

WHAT’S A GOOD DATE, COUNSEL?

REDACTED: COULD I HAVE JUST A MINUTE?

THE COURT: SURE.
(BRIEF PAUSE)

REDACTED: ANYTHING ON THE COURT’S CALENDAR. MY CALENDAR IS ACTUALLY IN THE D.A.’S OFFICE.

THE COURT: WHY DON’T WE —

REDACTED: MAYBE THE 6TH OR THE 7TH, ONE OF THOSE DAYS, IF THAT’S CONVENIENT WITH THE COURT. IT’S BASICALLY A SURRENDER ANYWAY.

THE COURT: RIGHT.

REDACTED: IN FACT, DO I NEED TO COME?

THE COURT: YOU SHOULD BE HERE.

REDACTED: OKAY.

THE COURT: MADAME CLERK, WHAT’S A GOOD DATE?

THE CLERK: DID YOU WANT EARLY JANUARY?

THE COURT: LET ME SEE.

THANK YOU.

HOW’S JANUARY THE 16TH.

REDACTED: I GUESS THAT’S ALL RIGHT. I DON’T HAVE MY CALENDAR.

THE COURT: OKAY. FINE.

JANUARY 16TH THEN, MADAME CLERK. WOULD YOU PUT IT ON THE CALENDAR.

WOULD YOU TAKE A TIME WAIVER PLEASE,
REDACTED  YES.

MR. HENRY, NOW THAT YOU'VE PLED GUILTY, YOU
HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE SENTENCED WITHIN 20 COURT DAYS OF
YOUR PLEA. THE COURT IS ASKING -- OR ACTUALLY YOUR
COUNSEL IS ASKING THAT THIS GO OVER UNTIL JANUARY, AND
THE COURT HAS SUGGESTED JANUARY 16, 1992 TO SEND YOU OUT
FOR A DIAGNOSTIC.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU DO HAVE A RIGHT
TO BE SENTENCED WITHIN 28 COURT DAYS?

THE DEFENDANT: OKAY, YEAH.

REDACTED AND DO YOU GIVE UP THAT RIGHT AND
AGREE TO THE DATE OF JANUARY 16, 1992 TO GO IN FOR YOUR
DIAGNOSTIC?

THE DEFENDANT: YES.

REDACTED AND DOES COUNSEL JOIN?

REDACTED YES.

THE COURT: AND AGAIN, I NEED A LITTLE MORE
INFORMATION ABOUT THIS CASE, THE ISSUES WE DISCUSSED IN
CHAMBERS, AND THEREFORE THE MATTER IS SET FOR PROBATION
AND SENTENCE, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE SURRENDER ON THE
1203.03 DIAGNOSTIC STUDY FOR JANUARY 16, 1992,
8:30 A.M., DEPARTMENT F.

YOU'RE ORDERED BACK AT THAT TIME. BAIL TO
STAND.

REDACTED YOUR HONOR, WHILE I HAVE THE VICTIMS'
FAMILY HERE, THEY DO WANT AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH
THE COURT PRIOR TO SENTENCING. IT WOULD BE MY
UNDERSTANDING THAT THE DATE OF THE 16TH WOULD NOT BE THE
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TIME THEY WOULD COME IN.

THE COURT: NO. THE 16TH IS MERELY A DATE FOR
SURRENDER FOR THE DIAGNOSTIC STUDY. HE'LL BE BROUGHT
BACK AFTER THE STUDY FOR PROBATION AND SENTENCE, AND
MR. REDACTED OR MS. REDACTED CAN TELL YOU AT THAT TIME THE
DATE, AND YOU MAY ADDRESS THE COURT AT THAT TIME.

THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

THE COURT: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

AND AGAIN, ALL COUNSEL KNOW MY CONCERNS
ABOUT THIS CASE, WHICH ARE MANIFOLD, AND I'D APPRECIATE
ANY INFORMATION BOTH SIDES CAN GIVE ME ON THOSE ISSUES.

THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR.

THANK YOU.

(PROCEEDINGS FOR THIS DATE WERE
CONCLUDED.)
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT NV F

REDANCED

JUDGE

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

NO. PA007490

RICHARD ALLEN HENRY,

REPORTER'S

CERTIFICATE

DEFENDANT.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES )

I, REDANCED , OFFICIAL REPORTER OF THE

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, FOR THE

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE

FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT TRANSCRIPT OF ALL OF THE

ADMONITIONS GIVEN AND WAIVERS AND ADMISSIONS TAKEN AT

THE TIME OF THE TAKING OF THE PLEA IN THE ABOVE-ENTITLED

CAUSE.

DATED THIS 9TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1992.

REDANCED

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CCI 000825
IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF L.A. - SAN FERNANDO JUDICIAL DISTRICT,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NO. PA007490  PAGE NO. 1
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  VS.  CURRENT DATE 03/17/03
DEFENDANT 01: RICHARD ALLEN HENRY

DOB  QLM  VLM
LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY EFFECTING ARREST: LAPD - JUVENILE DIVISION

BAIL: APPEARANCE AMOUNT DATE RECEIPT OR SURETY COMPANY REGISTER
DATE OF BAIL POSTED BOND NO. NUMBER

CASE FILED ON 09/11/91.
COMPLAINT FILED, DECLARED OR SWORN TO CHARGING DEFENDANT WITH HAVING
COMMITTED, ON OR ABOUT 04/18/86 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE FOLLOWING
OFFENSE(S) OF:
COUNT 01: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
COUNT 02: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
COUNT 03: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
COUNT 04: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
COUNT 05: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
COUNT 06: 288(A) PC FEL - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.

NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT:
ARREST WARRANT TO ISSUE
09/11/91 ARREST WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,000.00 BY ORDER OF JUDGE COMR.
REDACTED  ISSUED.

ON 09/16/91 AT 830 AM IN L.A. - SAN FERNANDO DIV 130
CASE CALLED FOR ARRRAIGNMENT
PARTIES: COMR. REDACTED

DEFENDANT DEMANDS COUNSEL.
COURT REFERS DEFENDANT TO THE PUBLIC DEFENDER.
PUBLIC DEFENDER APPOINTED, REDACTED  - P.R.
DEFENDANT IS PRESENT IN COURT, AND REPRESENTED BY REDACTED  PRIVATE
COUNSEL
WARRANT RECALLED
DEFENDANT STATES HIS/HER TRUE NAME AS CHARGED.

DEFENDANT ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS VIA VIDEO CASSETTE:
DEFENDANT ARRaigned AND ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS AT MASS
ADIVISION: SPEEDY PUBLIC TRIAL, TRIAL WITHIN 30/45 DAYS, RIGHT
TO REMAIN SILENT, SUBPOENA POWER OF COURT, CONFRONTATION AND
CROSS EXAMINATION, JURY TRIAL, COURT TRIAL, RIGHT TO ATTORNEY,
SELF REPRESENTATION, REASONABLE BAIL, CITIZENSHIP, EFFECT OF
PRIORS, PLEAS AVAILABLE PROBATION.
A COPY OF THE COMPLAINT AND THE ARREST REPORT GIVEN TO DEFENDANTS COUNSEL.
DEFENDANT ADVISED THAT IN ANY CASE IN WHICH YOU ARE FURNISHED A LAWYER, EITHER
THROUGH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER OR PRIVATE COUNSEL APPOINTED BY THE COURT, UPON
CONCLUSION OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS IN THE TRIAL COURT, THE COURT SHALL
MAKE A DETERMINATION OF YOUR PRESENT ABILITY TO PAY ALL OR A PORTION OF THE
COST OF COUNSEL. IF THE COURT DETERMINES THAT YOU HAVE THE PRESENT ABILITY
TO PAY ALL OR PART OF THE COST, IT SHALL ORDER YOU TO PAY THE SUM TO THE
COUNTY IN ANY INSTALLMENTS AND MANNER WHICH IT BELIEVES REASONABLE AND

56051
January 27, 1992

TO: CARDINAL MAHONY
FROM: MONSIGNOR DYER
RE: ATTACHED FROM REDACTED

This is the first progress report on the REDACTED children involved in the Richard Henry case. We found this REDACTED REDACTED for them through Dr. REDACTED

Do so! - but I'm glad that the children & parents are no getting such extreme help; keep me official.

+RMH
1-28-92
February 25, 1992

Richard Henry
Wasco State Prison
P O Box 8800
Wasco, CA 93280

Dear Rich:

I am sorry to say that until now I have been unable to write you because I could not get your address from your lawyer. Finally, he has informed us of your whereabouts, and I am writing simply to assure you of my prayers and concern at this time.

It is my understanding that you will be at Wasco for 30-60 days, and I am presuming that this will reach you prior to your return to Los Angeles.

We believe that your quarters at Mater Dolorosa will be ready for you when you come back. If there is any way for you to contact me, perhaps through your lawyer or by leaving a message on my home phone [REDACTED], it would be helpful, as I would like to be able to notify Father Carrillo of your coming back to the Retreat House.

In the meantime, if there is anything that I can do for you, please know that I will. I am looking forward to seeing you upon your return.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

16084

Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
March 5, 1992

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

Your February 6, 1992 letter requesting reimbursement has been reviewed. Normally, Father Rick would be responsible for these expenses and reimburse you directly. Since he is unable to do so at this time, the Archdiocese is advancing the money to you on his behalf, so that you will not experience further delay. Accordingly, enclosed is check in the amount of $1,240. I might add that our office called several times this past week just to let you know that although there has been a delay, we were in the process of requisitioning the check.

In addition, we are now reviewing the letter of February 10 from the law office of REDACTED and will respond to that as soon as possible.

We have also been in touch with the REDACTED and it is my understanding that they are sending the bills in care of this office, and that they are being paid on time. If you have any questions about this therapy coverage, please let me know.

We continue to keep you in our prayers and hope for the very best as regards the future of your children. May God bless you during this Lenten and Easter season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

Enclosure
The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles
(A Corporation Sole)
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

PAY: ************1,240 DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS
TO THE ORDER OF
REDACTED

CHECK NO. 025334
DATE 03/04/92
AMOUNT $1,240.00

VOID AFTER 90 DAYS

ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP
OF LOS ANGELES
April 11, 1992

Rev. Timothy Leyer
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 W. Monte St.
Los Angeles, CA 90015

RE: Rev. Richard A. Henry

Dear Father Leyer,

As you well know above referenced, has been arrested pled guilty, and is now awaiting his sentence at Fasco, supposedly receiving counseling and help in that facility. Since this is not happening, it is questionable when he will come up for sentencing and will remain in this "maximum facility".

I believe that the Church has been greatly remiss in not addressing these possible problems in the seminary. We noticed a difference in his behavior shortly after he entered. He would visit us at home and would be appalled at his rudeness and arrogance and terrible table manners - everything the reverse.

(Over)
of what we're taught to teach at home,

Something went wrong right at the beginning but we unwillingly didn't question the 'dictum of the Church'.

I am a lifelong Catholic from the middlewest and my husband is a convert. He has been so good at deferring to my insistence that our children receive a Catholic education, at some great sacrifice at times, as money has never been that abundant for us. I'm wondering was it worth all that sacrifice?

Now I'm also wondering — what is going to happen to the kids? Are you just going to abandon them and hope it all blows away — and for goodness sake, let's not let the word out to disgrace The Church? Is this the solution? and the facility is not the answer.

I think, for the Church this problem is going to get worse unless different methods are used to educate prospective priests in the seminaries.
to cope with this crazy world we live in today, filled with — well, you know the tremendous odds that are faced today.

We believe that the Chancellor’s Office has been aware of Dr. Rick’s problem for many years. We would have been 20 years a priest on May 27th this year (we wondered why he didn’t have a pastorate by this time??). I well remember Cardinal Manning saying at his (Dr. Rick’s) ordination “by the order of Malachi, you are a priest forever,” or words to that effect. (In light of the many who have left the priesthood I question if I heard the words forever?) What happens now? I understand his problem is a very difficult one to treat. I do know that the dependency in his letters is upsetting.

I don’t know the answer, but with the many problems the Church is facing of this nature,
they'd better find a better way of handling these cases when they are first aware of them.

But for now I hope the Chancery Attorney is pushing for this hearing and rehabilitation of our son.

I don't know any of the details of the offence, and I don't think I could handle knowing.

I am in complete sympathy with all who have been offended and harmed in this case, and they are included in my prayers for restoration.

But please don't let our son rot in that prison.

God help us!

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REDACTED
April 27, 1992

Dear REDACTED

I have received your letter of the 11th of this month and must tell you from the start of this one that I am writing back to you with a heavy heart, and can only begin to imagine the terrible suffering you have experienced, along with REDACTED this past year.

I realize there is nothing I can say that will take away the pain you are feeling. However, I do want to extend an offer of better communication with you beginning with this letter. I see in your writing your fear that the Archdiocese will simply forget about Rick and offer him no help at this time. I simply want to explain what we have done up to this point and what we have to do in the future.

In the first place, when Rick was removed from his parish due to the allegations made against him, I spoke with him here in my office, and he admitted that the allegations were true. That evening, I found a private suite of rooms for him at Mater Dolorosa Retreat House, where the third floor is set aside for priests on retreat. In that facility, there is a private kitchen and two large living rooms, as well as a private phone in his room. The Director of the Retreat House, Father Arthur Carrillo, C.P., has been most solicitous in Rick's regard and has kept me informed as to his wellbeing. One of the Sisters from Our Lady of the Rosary shared with me that she visited Rick several times a week throughout his stay at Mater Dolorosa.

At that time, I went with Rick's lawyer to the office of the District Attorney to make a plea on his behalf that he be sent for residential treatment at a highly recommended institute for priests and brothers on the East Coast. The ultimate decision by the judge did not allow this intervention and, because criminal charges were involved, we had no control over the Court's judgment.

When Rick left the Retreat House for Wasco State Prison, he did so at the direction of the Criminal Courts Division, and his lawyer explained to me that this was standard procedure prior to
sentencing. Last week that lawyer, called to say that the date for sentencing has been set for June 6, 1992. I am frustrated by the extended period at Wasco. We were told it would last 30-60 days. But there is little we can do at this time beyond prayer and communication with Rick.

We have throughout kept Rick's situation confidential. While the priests know he is on inactive leave, the particular reason for that is not known to them. Although not able to practice his ministry, he has been receiving his salary regularly and without interruption from the Archdiocese. He continues to be covered by our health insurance plan, and once the sentence is determined, I will want to work out with him a plan for regular communication and visitation from persons he would want to hear from and see -- myself included.

As we await the time of sentencing, I assure you of my prayers, and I include here my private phone number -- so that you can call me at any time you wish for updates in regard to Rick.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

16053
May 4, 1992

Re: Timothy J. Naas

Dear Mr. Naas,

Thank you for your very comforting letter. Just to know that someone outside recognizes the torment we are going through (especially you of the Diocese) makes us feel not so alone. The know that we have the deep concern of the Church and the care of the Church in a delicate position is very comforting in no other than in great confidence, our foster.

It seems the Church is being targeted in all areas—in fact, the whole world seems to be going through crisis after crisis.
The senior from Berk is quite regular and try to keep the line open. Be careful in what we write to him in case his letters are read by others.

Thank you again for being there for us, and giving us the opportunity to contact you if the way seems too vague and tough for us to handle.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
May 6, 1992

CASH BAIL/CASH BOND - L. A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S PROCEDURE

Call the facility where the person is housed and ask what the bail is, and they will tell you over the phone.

Go to the facility and post the cash bail and they will give you a receipt and the person will be processed and released.

It may take and hour or two to process the person out of the facility.

They will accept a Cashier's Check made payable to:

"Los Angeles County Sheriff Department"

If you need to find out where the person is:

Booking Information (213) 780-2600

Inmate Reception (213) 974-4073

REDACTED
Post Office - Terminal Annex

Facility on Beaudelaire Street located behind the main

Check must be taken to the cashier's window of the

Check to be made payable to THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

16045
File: R. Henry

2898-979

(NCC7 817/RO213)
PR Tim

THANKS FOR THE LETTER.
YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW TRAGIC THIS SITUATION HAS BEEN AND STILL IS FOR US.
WE REALLY NEED TO GET TOGETHER AND DISCUSS SOME THINGS THAT I THINK IT'S TOO LATE FOR US BUT HOPEFULLY WE CAN HELP SOMEONE ELSE WHO MAY BE IN THE SAME POSITION AS WE WERE.
EVERY TIME WE THINK WE HAVE DONE SOMETHING PROBLEM SOMETHING ELSE COMES UP.
THIS THING WITH THE STATE STILL HAS US GOING CRAZY. HOPEFULLY IT WILL BE OVER THE WEEK OF JUNE 8TH AND THEN WE CAN GET BACK TO BEING A LITTLE MORE NORMAL.

THANKS AGAIN

REDACTED
LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Name: HENRY, RICHARD
Address: 1531 W. 9TH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90015

NAME OF DEFENDANT

COURT CASE NO.: PA007490-C1
SHERIFF'S FILE NO.: 2695879
JAIL NO.: 2695879

PAYMENT MADE BY: REDACTED

THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 0/100

30,000.00

COUNTY CLERKS ACCOUNTING DIVISION
ROOM 119A, COUNTY COURTHOUSE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

BAIL/FINE FORMSET - SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH COPIES - "RECEIPT" ONLY
June 6, 1992

Mama. Timothy S. Tiger
Suite for Ango
1531 North 9th St.
Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

Dear Mama. Tiger:

We arrived and I wish to thank you for making reservations for us to stay at Mother Santa's bed and breakfast in order that we could visit with Father Frank.

It is so beautiful and peaceful there and it was so good to see him. He looked good and his feet were all right -

The dinner to Our Lady of the Rosary in Paramount was great for the first time. New we arrived there we learned that Mother had prepared a meal that was friggin great and that she had made some more so we were able to eat and go to her family in...
Since we returned home we have learned that Rick's hearing has been postponed to June 24th, so that Sister will be able to attend it. The request we really do appreciate your kindness in arranging for us to see Rick. This is the first long drive we have made since last August and he managed it very well.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Redacted]
MONTROSE

Sex-Offender Priest to Seek Rehabilitation

A Catholic priest who had pleaded guilty to four counts of child molestation was allowed Wednesday to seek rehabilitation prior to sentencing by a San Fernando Superior Court judge.

Judge Howard J. Schwan, delayed sentencing for Richard Allen Henry until March 17, 1993, to allow Henry to seek treatment for at least six months at St. Luke's Hospital in Maryland.

Henry, who was a priest at Holy Redeemer Church in Montrose, faces a maximum of 14 years in prison.

Deputy Dist. Atty. Cynthia L. Ulfig did not oppose the delay in sentencing, saying that Henry had shown remorse by pleading guilty in the early stages of the prosecution, "which meant the victims did not have to testify."

Ulfig said Henry, 46, pleaded guilty in December to fondling and committing sex acts with four boys between 1986 and 1991. When the boys were between the ages of 10 and 12. Henry was a frequent visitor with the boys' families and molested them in their homes. Ulfig said. The molestation were revealed in 1991, when the oldest boy, now 18, found out that his younger brother had also been molested and confronted the priest. At that point, Henry turned himself in to police.

15994

L.A. TIMES 6.25.92

CCI 000848
Confidential

Reverend Monsignor Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 80015

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI, REDACTED
Admission Date: 7-2-92

Dear Monsignor Dyer,

This brief note is to inform you that Father Henry has been officially admitted to the Saint Luke Institute and is adjusting to the program.

Father Henry's individual therapist during his treatment here is REDACTED REDACTED. REDACTED will write you monthly to apprise you of Father Henry's progress during his time here at Saint Luke's.

Please be assured of our prayers for you and the important ministry of service you undertake on behalf of Christ's Church.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

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REDACTED

REDACTED

cc: Rev. Richard Henry

16010
July 6, 1992

Dr. REDACTED
St. Luke Institute
2420 Brooks Drive
Suitland MD 20746-5294

Dear Dr. REDACTED

By the time you receive this, Father Richard Henry will be in residence at the Institute. Attached is copy of a letter from his lawyer, Mr. REDACTED setting forth Father Henry's legal circumstances and the conditions laid down by the Court for his placement there. We will of course work closely with you in terms of assisting him.

You will note that Mr. REDACTED states that the Court indicated it will strongly recommend "that Father Henry remain a priest and not be stripped of that position." Frankly, this came as a surprise to us, and we do not know whether it will be the final decision of the Court. Should it ultimately make such a recommendation, we will be to some extent open to it, but I would not wish to encourage Father Henry in any false hopes during the course of his treatment.

Given the fact that his has been a publicized case, involving four children over a period of five years, it would be out of accord with our present thinking to allow Father Henry to return to active ministry, and I shared this thinking with him when I visited him at the Retreat House prior to his court appearance.

As you know from the first report sent you before Father Henry's evaluation at the Institute, Father is very much a recluse, has remained isolated from other priests throughout his years of Ordination, and, to my knowledge, has not developed adult relationships. Again, as we informed you at the time of his evaluation, a number of reports of suspicious activity (from Our Lady of the Rosary Parish) preceded the confirmed reports. Monsignor Thomas Curry, my predecessor as Vicar for Clergy, checked out these reports thoroughly and though he could find no firm evidence to support them, help was then offered to Father Henry who, at that very time, was involved in the molestations of the youngsters in the REDACTED family. Fearing that he would be reported, Father Henry did not come forward.
Naturally, Father Henry's levels of denial have now been broken down, and we hope his months at St. Luke's will be most beneficial for him. We are pleased that the Court allowed us to send him for therapeutic attention rather than banishing him to a prison cell. One thing I would like to accomplish a bit better in his case than I have in some of our previous cases is to select, with your help, some midpoint in his therapy--perhaps three or four months from now--when we can, with your counsel, review the question of his return to ministry and give him as clear an answer as possible. At present, and this can be shared with him, I am not at all optimistic about the possibility of such a return.

We remain most appreciative of your good work and feel that the strength of your fine reputation and that of the Institute made it possible to get Father Henry into therapy. We continue to be grateful for your caring and professional administration. Please do not hesitate to call if I can be of any help at this time.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
July 6, 1992

Dear Michael, 

REDACTED

and I want you to know that we deeply appreciate your support of our son, Noah. He has a great opportunity at this time for complete rehabilitation and we are praying constantly for this end.

It was so good to have that visit with him in May in Sierra Verde and to see the progress and to treasure this in our hearts.

Thank you again for your part in the development of this case—we pray that all will turn out well.

God bless you in this difficult assignment.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]
July 20, 1992

Reverend Timothy Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #12477

Dear Father Dyer:

Thank you for your letter of July 6. I returned to work today after a two-week vacation which included 11 days of sailing on the Chesapeake. It was a nice break.

I agree with you that a discussion of Father Henry's ministry prospects would be helpful in the mid-phase of treatment. The in-patient team will be happy to accommodate your schedule. We continue to enjoy working with you and I appreciate your kind words of support.

Warm regards,

Frank Valcour, M.D.
Medical Director

REDACTED

15996
July 28, 1992

Father Timothy Dyer
Chancery Office of the Archdiocese
of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Re: Father Henry

Dear Father Dyer:

I have enclosed the billing to date for the above matter. As I indicated in my letter of June 24, this case is now calendared for sentencing in March 1993. Until such time as Father Henry is released from St. Luke, the matter is stayed.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Very truly yours,

REDACTED
August 18, 1992

Confidential

Reverend Monsignor Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 80015

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #12598

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

Father Henry has adjusted fairly well to the Saint Luke program. REDACTED
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Reverend Msgr. Timothy J. Dyer
Re: Reverend Richard Henry

August 18, 1992
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We will keep you apprised of his work in treatment and look forward to a visit from you around Father Henry's midway point in treatment to discuss his work and the diocese's intentions for his future.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

Frank Valcour, M.D.
Medical Director and Vice-President for Medical Affairs

REDACTED

cc: Rev. Richard Henry
August 20, 1992

REDACTED

Dear Dr. REDACTED

Your regular reports are clear and most helpful.

I would like to offer one question on the issue of the children's current feelings of anger and the "desire to confront Father Rick."

Would there be any use in the children's writing to Father Henry, since, as you are aware, he himself is in residential therapy--where he is dealing with his past behavior in relation to the REDACTED family.

Not being trained in your field, I do not know whether such an approach would be a positive one. If you see any value in it, however, I will send you Father Henry's address.

God bless you and all the staff for your fine work in a difficult field.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

REDACTED

15976
MEMORANDUM

September 5, 1982

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Fr. Richard Henry

Attached is the first progress report for Fr. Henry.

I will likely go back to St. Luke's in early November at a time when I can combine the NACPA Convention in Baltimore with this trip to Suitland.

Please keep me informed.

[Signature]
8-8-82

15963
October 28, 1992

CONFIDENTIAL

Reverend Monsignor Timothy Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI NO: 12598

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

Father Henry has completed almost four months of treatment at Saint Luke Institute.

REDACTED
REDEACTED

He has begun to make some progress. Now is a good time to visit him to review his progress and discuss his immediate future post discharge. We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

REDEACTED

Frank Valcour, MD
Medical Director and
Vice President for Medical Affairs

cc: Reverend Richard Henry
MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 12, 1992
FROM: Fr. Dyer
TO: Cardinal Mahony
RE: Rev. Richard Henry

Attached is latest progress report from St. Luke's.

Thanks,

[Signature]

Rev. Richard Henry

11-20-92
St. Luke Institute  
2420 Brooks Drive  
Suitland, Md 20746  
December 4, 1992

Rev. Timothy J. Dyer  
Vicar of Clergy  
1531 West Ninth Street  
Los Angeles, Ca 90015

Dear Tim,

I was very happy to hear from you yesterday evening. While it had been another exhausting but rewarding day, it was good to hear from the archdiocese again.

In regard to that conversation I am writing to humbly request a loan from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles to cover my lawyer's fee of $16,012.50 as it is simply way beyond my financial capacity to handle. I promise to do my best to repay it as soon as circumstances allow. Thank you for your kind consideration during this difficult period in my life.

Sincerely,

Rick

Richard A. Henry
CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

December 10, 1992

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Fr. Richard Henry

I spoke today by way of conference call to Fr. Rick Henry and his therapist at St. Luke's. Fr. Henry is entering the last months of his program and at this time needed an understanding of the Archdiocese' decisions with regard to future ministry.

I told Fr. Henry that, consistent with our talk before he went to St. Luke's, I could foresee no active ministry assignment for him following therapy and probable jail term.

He asked about his relationship with the Archdiocese following St. Luke's. I explained that we are presently working on each person's individual case -- as factors of age and years in priestly ministry affect the plan and benefits the Archdiocese would offer. I told him that during a jail term he would continue with some benefits which would include health care. Following that, I told him we would work with him to set up an aftercare program which would involve therapy as well as some benefits to help him get started to find work and living quarters. I did not bring up at this point the desire on the part of the Archdiocese for him to eventually seek laicization; I think, however, that he will cooperate in that regard, as he told me that, though disappointed at the thought of leaving priesthood, he was actually relieved to finally receive a decision that will bring closure.

Although it is an issue which will likely be several years down the road in this case REDACTED , we need to consider the part the Archdiocese will play in ongoing therapy for a man who has had to leave priestly ministry. I am thinking of the present work that Dr. REDACTED is doing with a group of our men. It is likely that this therapy would be dropped due to expense once a man is living on his own. Such therapy, however, would go a long way toward prevention and I am told that those who must leave ministry can become more vulnerable to acting out once they have lost the esteem associated with being a priest. I make no proposals in this regard at present; I simply raise the issue -- as we have a growing number of our men in this situation.

Besides this, there is a request for another loan to pay costs of litigation in this case. I will forward it to you when it arrives.

LET'S DISCUSS THESE POLICY ISSUES

+ RHA

12-14-92
DECEMBER 28, 1992

FATHER TIM DYER
VICAR OF CLERGY
LOS ANGELES ARCHIDIOCESE
1531 WEST 9TH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90015
(213) 251-3200

RE: RICHARD HENRY (DOB: 6-29-45)
CASE NUMBER PA007490

DEAR FATHER DYER,

AS PER OUR CONVERSATION, I AM SENDING YOU A WRITTEN LETTER OF WHAT I INFORMED YOU OVER THE PHONE. MR. HENRY WAS LAST IN COURT ON JUNE 24, 1992. AT THAT TIME, HE WAS ORDERED TO PARTICIPATE IN A LIVE-IN PSYCHOLOGICAL TREATMENT PROGRAM AT ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL. MR. HENRY'S PROBATION AND SENTENCING HEARING WAS CONTINUED TO MARCH 17, 1993, AT 8:30 AM IN DEPARTMENT NORTH VALLEY-F. JUDGE REDACTED ALSO ORDERED A SUPPLEMENTAL PROBATION REPORT, AND I WAS ASSIGNED TO PREPARE THE REPORT.

I NEED AN UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT ON MR. HENRY'S STATUS. HOW HAS MR. HENRY BEEN PROGRESSING, AND WHEN WILL HE COMPLETE HIS PROGRAM?

I NEED THIS INFORMATION BY FEBRUARY 1, 1993.

THANK YOU,

DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER
EAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA OFFICE
REDACTED
TO: [Name]
DATE: 1/11/95

RE: Referral Memorandum from Cardinal Roger Mahony

Please Xerox - FAX and send copy/copies to:

Please review, then file
Please review, then send me your comments
Please review, then return to me
Please review, then see me

Original to: ( )
The ( ) back to me

Remarks:

[Signature]
January 11, 1993

Dr. Frank Valcour
St. Luke Institute
2420 Brooks Drive
Suitland, Maryland 20746-5294

Dear Dr. Valcour:

We have just received a strongly-worded request from the County Probation Department in regard to Father Rick Henry, who is due in Court on March 17, 1993 for sentencing.

The Probation Department is asking for an updated progress report on Father Henry's condition, so that a preliminary statement can be prepared and sent to the judge. Such a report will doubtless have a great bearing on the sentence, and we need it by January 25 at the latest. The Department also wants to know, as do we, when Father Henry will be finished at St. Luke's.

With respect to another aspect of the situation, I hope that by this time Attorney [REDACTED] has spoken with Father Henry. I talked to [REDACTED] in mid-December, and he assured me that he would call Father Henry with reference to the prospects for his sentencing. [REDACTED] is convinced at this point that [REDACTED].

I told [REDACTED] I wanted this communicated to Father Henry, so that in his last weeks at the Institute he can begin to deal with this unpleasant prognosis. Thus, if [REDACTED] has indeed not gotten to Rick, may [REDACTED] task that you see to it that [REDACTED] and Rick speak with him by way of a conference call? His number is [REDACTED]

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

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Confidential

Reverend Monsignor Timothy Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI REDACTED

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REDACTED

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Sincerely,

REDACTED

cc: Rev. Richard Henry

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January 15, 1993

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We believe he ought to seek employment and that he ought not to be alone in the presence of people under the age of 18. While it cannot be guaranteed that Father Henry will not reoffend post-treatment, if he follows the Continuing Care Contract and continues progress in treatment here, he poses a low risk in our opinion. A letter will follow upon Father Henry’s discharge which will detail the course of treatment and recommendations.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

cc: Rev. Richard Henry

15883
January 28, 1993

RE: Richard Henry
DOB: 6-29-45
Case #PA007490

Dear Ms. REDACTED

Enclosed is the updated progress report on Richard Henry you requested in your letter to me of December 28, 1992.

Be assured that we will take him under our care from time of discharge from St. Luke's until time of sentencing hearing.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

REDACTED
Enclosure
CONTINUING CARE CONTRACT

Patient: Reverend Richard Henry
Saint Luke Institute #: 12598
Admission Date: 7-2-92
Discharge Date: 2-23-93
Primary Therapist: REDACTED
Admitting Physician: Frank Valcour, MD

This contract is entered into freely between the undersigned, Reverend Richard Henry, and the Saint Luke Institute for a period of six months, beginning 2-23-93 and ending 8-23-93. At the end of the six month period, the undersigned and his continuing care therapist shall review the terms of the contract and make any changes deemed necessary. The terms of the contract are confidential and may be shared only with the expressed permission of the undersigned. This contract was written by Father Henry and approved by his therapist, REDACTED

The immediate future is not knowable. It is quite likely I'll go to jail for some time. In the event I don't I will immediately write a comprehensive Continuing Care Contract with REDACTED During my incarceration I will try to live out the behavior patterns which are helpful to my sobriety while in jail. I will read whatever Twelve step literature I can on a daily basis. I will attend whatever Twelve Step meetings are available. I will exercise regularly—preferably every day. I will eat the food prepared for me. I will carry out whatever duties are assigned to me and volunteer where appropriate. I will search out for people with whom it may be safe to share. I will write at least once a week to say exactly where I'm at. I will write to Saint Luke Institute and REDACTED

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MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL

TO: Cardinal Roger Mahony
FROM: REDACTED
SUBJECT: Telephone Message from REDACTED REDACTED
DATE: May 3, 1993

REDACTED left the following instructions regarding your visit to L.A. County Jail on Wednesday, May 5 at 10:00 AM:

Go through the main door and turn right. Identify yourself at the Office for Religious and Volunteer Services; they will issue a pass for the use of the private attorney conference rooms.

REDACTED is the Chaplain Administrator, and he can be reached at (213) REDACTED. If he is not there, please ask for Deputy REDACTED.

REDACTED REDACTED will call the Sheriff's Office tomorrow in order to arrange parking arrangements for you.

Thank you.
Confidential

Reverend Monsignor Timothy Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
REDACTED

Dear Monsignor Dyer:

Father Richard Henry was discharged from Saint Luke Institute on February 23, 1993. When patients are discharged from the inpatient program they are assigned to a continuing care worker. REDACTED is the coordinator of Continuing Care Services, therefore, concerns about Father Henry's future care may be directed to REPAKTED.

Normally, an extensive continuing care contract is written which covers ongoing therapy, 12 step meetings, the re-entry workshop and aspects of physical, social and spiritual health, however, in the case of Father Henry this contract was written with the possibility of his incarceration in mind. If he does not go to jail Father Henry and REDACTED will write up a full standard contract. Enclosed is a copy of Father Henry's current continuing care contract.

Father Henry has made good use of his treatment at Saint Luke Institute. REDACTED

REDACTED he was able to appreciate some factors which contributed to his molesting.

This objective appreciation of his past permitted Father Henry to experience guilt for molesting without being overwhelmed by shame. People who are shame based in
their guilt are often unable to have remorseful feelings, and without remorse there is a
greater possibility that old destructive behavior patterns will reemerge. REDACTED
REDACTED

Father Henry’s objective view of himself made it possible to develop empathy for his
victims. REDACTED he could see the
damage he inflicted upon his victims. The development of empathy is a desired
treatment goal for all offenders. It is often not accomplished. The development of
empathy is another significant response to Father Henry’s treatment.

REDACTED parents of several children molested by Father Henry, visited
Father Henry at Saint Luke Institute. During the four and one half hours of time with
REDACTED Father Henry heard of the damage he had caused that family. He was
responsive to their confrontation and respectful of their emotions. While Mr. and Mrs.
REDACTED may have benefitted from their visit, it is clear that Father Henry did. Actually it
was a test of much of what he learned in therapy. He accepted their anger, hurt, and
feelings of betrayal and understood how he had effected the family.

Regarding Father Henry’s future the treatment team has concluded that he is not a
fixated pedophile. REDACTED
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He would benefit from ongoing 12 step attendance as this would continually remind
him of his molesting behavior while giving him the 12 step spirituality. The 12 steps
will help Father Henry become a contributing member of society. Jail will not provide
adequately for these needs and may even result in Father Henry losing some of the
ground he has gained.

Father Henry is at very little risk for acting out again provided that the above
mentioned supports are in place. Ideally, he would do well in a supervised living
arrangement where he could work, attend therapy and 12 step meetings and be
accountable on a daily basis.
We are thankful for the opportunity to have provided Father Henry with treatment and particularly to have met with REDACTED. It is rare that we witness a meeting between a perpetrator and his victims and in this instance it proved to be valuable. If you need any more information about Father Henry to assist you in making decisions about him please contact us.

Be assured that you and your ministry are in our prayers.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

REDACTED

Enclosure

cc: Reverend Richard Henry

15893
March 9, 1993

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED,

I apologize for having taken so long to send you this letter of thanks.

Your presentation before the Priests Council last month was excellent and, I believe, appreciated by all the members who were present. I know that the Cardinal in particular was most pleased and felt you would have a good effect on the judgment of those who are developing further policies in the matter of priests and minors.

While the commitment to having a Board that would deal with cases of pedophilia is becoming firm, the specific elements and the direction such a Board would take have not yet been clarified. When that happens, I am quite certain you will be asked to participate.

On another matter, I understand that the court case with regard to REDACTED REDACTED has been decided and that REDACTED. The Cardinal sends his best wishes about that and I join him in being grateful for this good news. May God bless all the family.

Until I see you again, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer  
Vicar for Clergy

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Pastoral Regions:  Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
MEMORANDUM

CONFIDENTIAL

DATE: March 15, 1993
FROM: Monsignor Timothy Dyer
TO: Cardinal Mahony

Attached is the final report from St. Luke Institute regarding Father Richard Henry. I plan to get a release, so this letter can be used by Father Henry's Attorney in the upcoming court judgment re sentencing. The date for the sentencing has been moved from mid-March to mid-April.

Please continue to keep me informed.

+ RMH

3-15-93
March 15, 1993

Rev. Richard Henry
c/o Mater Dolorosa Retreat House

Dear Rick:

I am writing to ask you to give me a release in writing for the March 5, 1993 Confidential letter to me from REDACTED, REDACTED, and Frank Valcour at St. Luke Institute, along with the Continuing Care Contract that was attached. It indicates you did receive a copy.

I want to send a copy to your Attorney as soon as possible.

May God bless you.

In Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

REDACTED
Mater Dolorossa Retreat House
REDACTED

Dear Tim,

You have my permission to give whatever correspondence or reports from St. Luke Institute to my attorney that you deem fit. The decision is yours. Have really appreciated the opportunity to be at the retreat house this time around. After my time at St. Luke's I am able to respond better to both the beauty of the locale and the friendliness of the staff. While the outward situation in regard to my future does not appear to have changed appreciably (nonetheless I continue to hope for miracles -- if it be God's will -- witness to the fact that I was able to go to St. Luke's at all), I am dealing with the grim reality by taking one day at a time. The kid in me is terrified, but by acknowledging the emotion rather than suppressing it, that and similar feelings are not overpowering.

While I do not kid myself that it was because of any personal warmth of the Archdiocese (though I have appreciated your personal concern), I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to have gone to St. Luke's and to begin my first faltering steps on the road to Recovery. This has become the most important reality in my life -- because it is my life. Thank you once again for you kindness during this ordeal.

Sincerely in Christ,

Richard A. Henry

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**Message**

For Mr. J. Brown

Discharge from St Luke

Institute? Or for date?

Follow-up to Dr. Scol.

January letter.

Operator
1/12/93

I received a call from an attorney who represented Henry. He was discharged on 1/23/93. I confirmed that we were acting in accord with the instructions given.

REDACTED
April 30, 1993

TO: CARDINAL MAHONY

FROM: MONSIGNOR DYER

RE: REV. RICHARD HENRY

I attended the sentencing of Father Rick Henry in Superior Court on April 28, and, as you know, he was sentenced to the maximum asked by the District Attorney—eight years in State Prison. The Judge is willing to give him credit for time spent at St. Luke’s, and the actual time to be served in prison will be approximately three years.

Inasmuch as this case will go public, as there were reporters there, I intend to organize a group of Rick’s classmates and friends to stay in touch with him by mail.

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I have some practical questions as regards Father Henry’s situation: We are placing him on Inactive Leave. We will issue COBRA, as I presume the State will take care of all medical needs. As to salary, I am not clear in a case like this what canon law prescribes. Apart from that, we will have outstanding bills from his attorney and all the counseling bills for the REDACTED family, which, though they are his responsibility, are in reality ours to pay. As he is held responsible for them, I wonder if we should make an arrangement by which his salary would be applied to his outstanding debts during the period he is in prison. (He has already long since signed Promissory notes covering sizeable amounts for lawyer’s fees and has been making fairly regular $100-200 payments on them.)

While some plan will eventually have to be made both for his ongoing recovery and resettlement once he is released from prison, the immediate need is the question of his benefits. I wish to know whether you want me to make recommendations or gather further information for you before you decide on this matter.
VAN NUYS

Priest Given 8-Year Term for Molestation

Calling the defendant "a predator," a Superior Court judge ignored pleas for mercy this week and sentenced a Roman Catholic priest to eight years in state prison for molesting four children.

Superior Court Judge Howard J. Schwab gave the stiff sentence to Father Richard Allen Henry.

"I feel very sad about what I'm doing today, but I have no choice given the facts of the case," Schwab said.

Henry, 47, pleaded guilty in December, 1991, to committing sex acts with four boys who were members of his parish, Holy Redeemer Church in Montrose. The victims, all members of the same household, were attacked over a six-year period that ended in 1991.
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RKM

5-3-93
May 2, 1993

MEMORANDUM

TO: REDACTED

FROM: Cardinal Roger Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT with FATHER RICK HENRY

I do not know how much Rick will be at the Los Angeles County Jail, but I would like to see him before they move him to one of the State Prisons.

Would you please see if I could get in to see him on Wednesday morning, May 5, at 10:00 am—the earliest time that one can use the private attorney conference rooms. To make the arrangements, please do the following:

♦ contact the Catholic Chaplain’s office and tell them about my proposed visit
♦ advise them that Rick’s booking number is: 3513035 and that he is in the high power module
♦ ask them to set up the meeting in one of the attorneys conference rooms
♦ get instructions for me on how to get to where I need to be

THANKS SO VERY MUCH for your help with this!!
June 13, 1993

Dear Father Tim:

I was a member of your parish while you were at St. Elisabeth's, and I sang with I am married now and live in Burbank with my husband, My maiden name was

In the April 29, 1993 edition of the Los Angeles Times, I read an article regarding the sentencing of Rev. Richard Allen Henry to eight years in prison for molesting four boys.

"Reverend Henry pleaded guilty in 1991 to committing sex acts with four boys who were members of his parish, Holy Redeemer Church in Montrose."

"The victims, who were all members of the same household, were assaulted over a six-year period that ended in 1991."

I was disturbed when I read, "Rev. Timothy Dyer, a long-time friend and vicar in the Archdiocese who oversees personnel matters said in court Wednesday that Henry 'was definitely a broken man' after his short prison stay. He promised that if probation was granted, the Archdiocese would pay for Henry's treatment and ensure that he never has another opportunity to molest children."

I do not believe that anyone can ensure that Rev. Henry never has an opportunity to molest children unless he is guarded for 24 hours a day. I realize that he has been through an emotional experience, but what about those four boys?

When I was 21 years old, I was raped. That experience will be with me for the rest of my life, and it is a very painful memory. I can't begin to imagine what it must be like for those children.

When I looked into the 1993 Los Angeles Catholic Directory for the address of Reverend Richard Allen Henry, his status was sick leave. Why not give his prison address? Maybe someone would like to write to him. He should receive letters from children who have been through the pain of molestation to really understand what harm he has done to those children.

A man of God would not even think of molesting a child! The Catholic Church should not stand behind this man. I do believe in forgiveness, but I also believe in justice. If another man were to commit the same crime, he would go to prison. Just because the man is a priest does not give him immunity. He can still be counseled while in prison, and you could go to visit him or write to him.
I agree that the prison system is not the best place for rehabilitation. Changes need to be made. Work needs to be done to build up the self esteem of the prisoners and to teach them skills that will help them when they leave prison. Until that is done, they will be let go only to return.

I am enclosing a photocopy of an article in the June 7, 1993 edition of Time Magazine. The article states, "Father REDACTED estimates that the church across the U.S. spends $50 million a year on therapy for priests and damage judgements to victims - and that 2,000 to 4,000 priest may have abused 100,000 underage victims. Some Catholics wonder whether the scandals point to underlying problems in the priesthood. REDACTED, a Catholic attorney representing St. Lawrence victims, is struck by how insensitive and defensive the clergy were. 'I just don't think that would happen if priests had families of their own,' says REDACTED, who thinks mandatory celibacy creates a priestly world where 'women and children are the enemy.' Whether or not this is fair, the accumulating scandals signal the need for reform."

I would appreciate your comments on my letter, and I thank you for taking the time to read my beliefs on this very important issue.

Peace,

REDACTED
July 1, 1993

Dear [REDACTED]

I was glad to hear from you after not having seen you for a number of years. I was unaware of your marriage and send belated congratulations.

I want to make a response to your letter regarding Father Richard Henry.

First of all, While I cannot share all details in this case, there is definitely a wider context of my remarks quoted in the newspaper article which must be set.

Accompanying my appearance in court at the time of Father Henry's sentencing were parents of children who had been molested. For the last year and a half, they and their children have been undergoing an extensive and ongoing professional care. The account may have been given the impression that the Church is interested only in Father Henry and not the victim. This is the farthest thing from the truth.

I appreciate the depth of pain which you must have experienced over the personal incidents you related. I therefore appreciate your concern for the children in this case.

Upon reflection, I believe you are right when you say that "my promise to insure that this priest would never again molest children" goes beyond my ability to make such assurance. I was, however, referring to the time this priest will, in fact, be released from prison. At that time the Church will do all it can in terms of therapy, transition and living situation to safeguard children in the future.

You may be relieved to know that I can give personal testimony in this case of Fr. Richard Henry. There has been a tremendous inner transformation and deep commitment to a combined program of therapy and 12 Step work.

At the printing of the last Catholic Directory, we had no present address for Father Henry, and even at this time, the prison site for his long-term incarceration has not been chosen. I have sent his temporary address so that his brother priests may indeed write to him.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

(Rev.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
June 23

Dear Roger,

Please accept the familiarity. I think there is no reason for me to use any formality, so I'll refer to each other's full names. It seems to me that writing to you is simply a way to make this connection.

Actually, since getting off work and settling down, I've been trying to imagine the kind of life that you and your wife might lead. It seems to me that the most important thing is to have a strong sense of family.

When we first met, we talked about the importance of the 12 step recovery program and how it helped you through your recovery. Roger, I think it's important to remember that even in the little things around here,

I was able to take the one step at a time 12 step approach to help to the extent that I was able to take the courses and go to the meetings.

I'm not sure if it's something you want to do, but I think it's important to have the support of a group of people who have been through similar experiences. It's not that bad in the end, I think that as long as you keep going and don't give up, it's not that bad in the end.

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the voice of God.

So I pray the Guardian Angel to be with my friend and the rest of the kids and be with me.

I don't want to do anything that will harm anyone or do anything that will cause pain or suffering. I want to be with my friends and family and help them.

I realize that I have been wrong and that I need to make amends. I am willing to do whatever it takes to make things right.

I am sorry for any pain or hurt that I may have caused. I am truly sorry and I hope that I can make it up to you.

If you need anything, please let me know. I am here to help in any way that I can.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
July 12, 1993

Richard Henry
H76533 Cell 529U - HU5
California Correctional Institution
P.O. Box 1905
Tehachapi, CA 93581

Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 28, and it was really good hearing from you.

I read with both interest and sadness the situation in which you now find yourself, and I will continue to pray that the circumstances there at Tehachapi will be as favorable for you as is possible.

I was very pleased to learn of your commitment to the 12-Step Program, and I know that this will be a source of great strength and comfort for you over the coming months and years. Your ability to approach each day one at a time is really going to be your salvation during the coming months.

Please realize that you continue to be loved and appreciated by so many of us here in the Los Angeles area. While at times it will seem that you are very alone and isolated during this chapter of your life, please know that many of us are thinking of you and praying for you.

I am enclosing a few additional envelopes for your purpose as long as you are able to write.

Asking God's blessings upon you, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

Roger Mahony 15831
Dear [Name],

It has been a little while since I last wrote. I hope this letter finds you well. I was very much looking forward to hearing from you after our recent meeting - you will be a big help.

I have been close to getting a painting that will help me in three areas that are causing me distress. I have been working on painting the Orange County Register to serve as a reminder of the government's failure to deliver on its promises. Getting through this piece is a monumental task, but I am determined to see it through.

I have also been working on something to read and that I think is not only printed material but also written. I have been working on a script for a short film that I hope to shoot soon.

Why do I have to do it? Because I am confused about the current state of the country. I am not sure how to be an artist in this time of crisis. I have been reading inspiring stories of artists from the past who overcame great challenges. I am not sure if I can do it.

[Redacted]

As usual, this is a very good letter. Last week, I was writing a novel against the wind. Fortunately, the wind was not too strong, and I was able to finish it. I hope this week will be better. I am looking forward to hearing from you again.

[Addendum]

Anyway, there is something really exciting about this project. I am not sure how long it will take, but I am determined to see it through. It is a way to express my thoughts and feelings. I think it will be very helpful for me.

One of the things that has helped a little bit when I get discouraged is remembering some of the 12 step sayings (such as, stay sober, or what have you) to keep me going. One of them is that being an artist...

[Signature]
I can't, Paul. I'm still under some orders to stay quiet.

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I can't. I'm under orders to stay quiet.

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I can't stay quiet. I'm under orders to stay quiet.
July 27, 1993

Richard Henry
H76533 Cell 529U-HU5
California Correctional Institute
P.O. Box 1905
Tehachapi, CA 93581

Dear Rick:

Thank you so much for your recent letter, and it was really good hearing from you once again.

I am hopeful that everything continues to go well for you, and that the positives outweigh the negatives.

If there is anything that you need and can receive by mail, such as a bible or pens, please do not hesitate to ask. I would be delighted to assist you in sending whatever you need and whatever is permitted to be received through your local regulations.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers and support, and with every best wish,
I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

[Signature]
MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 11, 1993

FROM: Monsignor Timothy Dyer, Vicar for Clergy

TO: REDACTED, Payroll

RE: REV. RICHARD HENRY

EFFECTIVE AUGUST 31, 1993:

Please DELETE Rev. Richard Henry from your Priests Payroll.

Many thanks.
Dear Jim,

Thank you so much for your letter. It really helps to know you're back on track to one day at a time and making each count, no matter how ghastly as over and done with.

I was finally moved from Tehachapi to San Luis Obispo (CA Central) on July 28th. Even that was not without its difficulties. First of all, the bus was over 2 hours late arriving at Tehachapi—which left me exposed for an uncomfortably long time to人间 workers who had initiated my problems there (not that they would have done so if they knew I was arriving for work).

When I arrived there was a full bed of the person I was to replace, just 10 cells away. The only likely to give me problems is that for about 24 hours there were no changes in the first time I was on the unit (I am bundled up in my bag with my blanket and a couple of sweaters)

Positive note: A large jump in comfort. The main thing is I got to sit down. Meals are pretty good and service is good. The dedicated to the minimum whether there is a minute to get away.
The food here is actually quite good for prison food. And the guards don’t seem to go out of their way to be obnoxious although several will cause problems if it’s convenient for them to do so.

I was classified last week (which means I saw a "counselor" and a committee that determined that I will be here for at least one year. I definitely don’t relish the possibility of being transferred elsewhere after that) and already am in line for a clerk’s job with one of the counselors. The only fly in the ointment is that I’m not Hispanic and Affirmative Action reigns supreme here. Still, the counselor wants me and says he’s going to try to work around it.

Meanwhile, although I haven’t discussed it yet with [REDACTED], the chaplain, I see little possibility of doing much of anything significant in that area although I’m willing to help out whenever I can. I don’t know what the judge thinks, much less what he or she knows doesn’t know personally.

Tim, I really appreciate your writing. I really have a knack for putting things in proper perspective. That statement was by me.

Emotionally, since January, I’ve been negative and one of the things that’s really hurt me is that I’ve been the victim of that. I know I’m not alone, as many writers can be quite debilitating. But I’m trying to get back to the places that made us -- the culture of the place that made the place.

Will bring the relaxing variations. Thanks for the letter.

P.S. Thanks for giving me the opportunity to write.
Dear Roger,

Your welcome letter was finally forwarded from Tehachapi—after about a month’s delay. Many thanks for the stamped envelopes—they sure do come in handy. As you can see I’ve come up in the world being able to get to the canteen for a new pad and a couple of pens a couple of days ago.

The prison here at San Luis Obispo (known as California Men’s Colony East) is a big improvement over Tehachapi. Physically it is really quite attractive. The exercise yard is reminiscent of a city park, complete with grass, flowers and trees. Each prisoner has his own key to a two-man cell. The cells themselves are quite cramped but one-man cells into which a fold-down bed has been added. The section of the prison in which I reside was designed to house 600 prisoners—it now holds over 1,000.

The food is generally quite good for prison fare, although my friend from SI I would not think much of the ambiance. Conversation at meals is quite restrained both due to the limited skills of the inmates and because time is so short. You just shovel the food in and get out.

The library is open five days a week. This doesn’t necessarily mean you can go in five days a week, however. There is room for 35 inmates at a time and, remember, it supposedly has to serve 1,000 inmates. We have 1½ hours on the days we’re allowed in. Fortunately for me reading is not a big avocation among many of the prisoners. You do have to be patient, however, as the library is run with all the efficiency of the post office. One goes through libertarian sentiments against but if you wait long enough you can actually check out a couple of books.

The last door for me. We have a Catholic chapel here with the
Blessed Sacrament always present; it's called St. Joseph the Worker. Someone I think mentioned you were once up here to see it. Mass is available five days a week - what a blessing! The chaplain, a REDACTED is the most dedicated of the priests I've encountered in the prison system. I waited a few weeks before introducing myself to him because I didn't want to appear pushy. He was so warm and inviting one on one as he is in a group.

With all this you might think I'm settling in nicely. Unfortunately, the Tehachapi experience continues to haunt me. Often the kid inside is overwhelmed by the environment, I'm so often nervous and depressed - sure that something terrible is going to happen. While there are some intelligent, thoughtful people here there are also a superabundance of violent, foul-mouthed fanatics. Went through a couple of cell changes the first couple of weeks just to avoid the worst of them.

A 77 yr. old life named REDACTED - a Catholic - has helped me and has been trying to guide me through the pitfalls of prison life. I don't know what his crime was, but he is an ex-felon (among other things) who's in real good shape. We often have gone to daily Mass together. He is determined to teach me how to hold a person's jaw with one hand (now there's a skill that will come in very well in the not so good future!).

All sarcasm aside, despite his good intentions the thought of actually needing that ability (to say nothing of what circumstances would compel me to use it) is very depressing. The kid inside just wants to run away and find a safe place to hide - neither possibility of which is feasible.

The fact is that I haven't been threatened or harassed since coming here. I am still scared to death at the possibility. Some irrational part of me figures that sooner or later someone is going to try to murder me - which doesn't make for pleasant feelings on peaceful nights. 
One of the results is that I haven't been particularly enthusiastic about meeting new people no matter what their apparent background. Safety first has been my motto which is not very productive of relationships (or Recovery, for that matter) but at least keeps the terror to manageable proportions. (You met for instance, but our conversation thus far has been limited to simple greetings and responses.)

What the one thing that keeps me going is contact with the outside. I'm so grateful for Tim giving me address to the group and the fact that some have graciously written encouraging letters. It is the one area where I feel I can continue to pull out Recovery because I can be myself with them without any masks or pretension (never would have believed that possible pre-SLI). There isn't much room for Recovery here and I don't want to miss it - Recovery is my life.

I had been noticing that some post-SLI traits still seem to be with me. For instance I seem to be able to tolerate criticism or mistakes I make without using them as an occasion to beat myself up over the head. For a while I was worried that it was just because all my emotions were being denied (and they are being denied, I guarantee you - another necessity and casualty of the survival mode), but on further reflection I think it's part of the ongoing post-SLI pattern.

But I do know that sense of self-confidence that I had the first months after SLI as I innocently explored the world with new eyes has been badly damaged - hopefully not irremediably. That was over my strop and thus I'm more than one time that I've been so close to giving way completely to despair.

I know I'm more intelligent than 90% of the inmates here and I hope that doesn't breed arrogance (I also know that 70% of them could probably break me in two and that does breed fear; I do find it irritating...
that Affirmative Action is so strongly practiced here. Do you realize
that I am not eligible to help out in the chapel because I'm of the
wrong ethnic background?

I have put in interview requests for teacher aid positions and
a couple of clerk positions. Was concerned that it was a sign of arrogance
that I didn't spell at the kitchen or for janitorial work. However, I was
assigned to the dining room this morning and while I hope it temporary
and that I get another job soon the old work ethic instilled by my Dad
was still operative. My headman wants me to stick around because I'm
not afraid to work (I told him that while I was actively looking for another
job, as long as I was there I'd do anything he needed done).

One of the things in my SCI [prison] contract was an agreement to
attend 12 step meetings as the only 12-step likely to be available. With
my trust level shut to pieces I don't know what I would
dare say—lying or telling false truth doesn't seem likely to help
the recovery process (hadn't exactly thought this through before)
but right now it seems a smart point—there's a waiting list for
it and there's no telling how long a wait until before I can
attend a meeting.

REDACTED wrote the other day and mentioned that REDACTED is
not doing too well. Have been remembering him in my prayers
especially after the kind note he wrote me. Asked to
REDACTED to mention him at the Prayer of the Faithful at today's Mass
which he did. I feel honored to have had the opportunity to meet
and visit with him a few times several years ago. Hope to see
now. Hope this letter isn't too long—being. Thanks for
writing.

Love,
Rick.
Roger Mahony
1531 W. Ninth St.
Los Angeles, CA 90015
September 1, 1993

Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your recent letter, and I was very pleased to hear from you.

I am glad that you are now at San Luis Obispo, and the surroundings and atmosphere seem to be so much more positive than your previous location. The availability of a chaplain, a chapel, and the celebration of the Eucharist are indeed wonderful gifts for you. I know that all of these will be deeply appreciated by you as you continue serving your time there at San Luis Obispo.

I am sending along some extra envelopes for your use, and I do hope that you will continue to be sustained and strengthened through the special presence of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Asking God's most abundant blessings upon you day after day, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahoney
September 1, 1993

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Roger Mahony

Note: My letter was returned with a form stating no envelopes allowed. It did say "One book of 20 stamps allowed per letter," so I am enclosing that. Please let me know what you can receive.
Address to which form for visitor approval for January 2020
received 1/8/93:

California boys Colony
P.O. Box 6161
San Luis Obispo CA 93409-6161

[Signature] Visitor Approval
Dear Roger,

Received a notice the other day that the letter you sent me was returned. We both discovered at about the same time the new policy of the new assistant warden who apparently thinks we have it too easy here. (For whatever it's worth I've heard rumors that he bounced from one facility to another within the system at least partially because of his hard-nosed attitude.)

I was able to get a quarterly package in (new regulations will also make these more difficult) so that at least I have a Bible and some 12-step literature here. That helps quite a bit.

Was saddened to hear of [REDACTED]'s death on Sept 2nd. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] had sent me a copy of his farewell letter—very inspiring. Can't help but feel that the Lord got His wires crossed—meant more to L.A. and to the entire church—and would have continued to mean more than this factory reject could do in a million years.

I've been working in the dining hall the past three weeks. Lately I've been feeling particularly exposed and vulnerable in that position, and Wednesday a disinterested tagger tagged me (I presume he was from Tekadope) as I was waiting to go to work. While I think I managed to lie my way out of immediate difficulties, I don't know how long that will last. I think I've heard a few obscenities muttered at me and maybe a death threat or two, but I can't be sure. I do know that I'm very nervous whenever I'm out of my cell.

My spiritual life really stinks—like I've taken a giant leap backwards since 521. I seem to be praying at God so that He won't hurt me worse rather than trying to communicate with someone Who cares. Even in trying to discern His will for me,
I don't seem to be doing it from the standpoint of abandonement but from the cynical perspective of not wishing to have for something - you might get it. Unfortunately, these are not thought in my head (when I might reasonably expect to deal with them having spent a lifetime there) or feelings in the heart - and right now there seems to be a detour sign between the two.

So often at 51 I was asked to get in touch with our feelings — particularly, the emotion of anger. It was supposed to be very important, but I was never able to do it - not at parents or God (yes, that was supposed to be a normal' reaction of the recovering addict) or anyone, I guess because as a child I had felt too often felt the destructive effects of anger. This past week I think I've felt the first stirrings of that emotion which frankly scares the heck out of me. And, of course, around here there's no one to discuss these feelings with.

The job picture hasn't been too bright, but I'm taking that as a sign to reassess my position. The opportunity to learn about electronics has either presented itself or someone brought it my attention several times in the last month. Since learning this skill should be at least as challenging as any job available here and also will hopefully keep me away from the more violent inmates for 5 hrs a day I'm going to apply Monday. Should take a couple of weeks max for the transfer to come through.

Will bring this to a close for now. Thank you so much for taking the time to write.

Love,

Rick

15763
September 27, 1993

Rick Henry
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Dear Rick:

I have received your letter of September 18, 1993, and I surely appreciate your taking the time to write and to keep me updated on your situation.

I continue to keep you at the forefront of my prayers, and I pray that the Lord will guard and protect you in this particular phase of your life. I know how difficult these weeks and months are for you, and I do hope that you will be able to pass through them with inner peace and a sense of security in Christ Jesus.

Assuring you of my own prayers and support in return, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

15761
Dear Roger -

So sorry about your letter being returned. That policy caught me by surprise as I had little chance of getting out any warnings. Thanks so much for the stamps with the envelopes I've sent in the quarterly package I'm in pretty good shape for the time being.

Tomorrow I start work as a teacher's aide. While I was dithering trying to energize myself to enroll in the electronics class a job interview request form I filled out a month ago suddenly bore fruit. I talked with the teacher on Wednesday (his class: prepares students for their G.E.D. or Graduate Equivalency Diploma). He told me that because I was overqualified I'd leave at the first opportunity, but I responded that I'd be happy to commit to this - it was important work. Well, he told me he was going to interview someone else and that if I didn't hear from him within a week to forget it. Naturally, this paragon of self-confidence figured that was that - electronics here I come. But Friday I received notice I had the job.

Is this what God wants of me? Or should I have moved more quickly to enter the electronics course? I honestly don't know. I was trying so hard it seemed for the longest time to discern what God wanted from me (or just His presence, even) in the little things in life. Then it seemed like He was playing games with me - give me a nudge in one direction and then pull them out from under me. A while back I just felt I didn't want to play any more - I didn't want to have to deal with this whimsical God. I know this is a childish attitude. But that's what the child in me feels and I think I have to honor that feeling (instead of discounting or denying it like I would have pre-S.I.) before moving on. I'm just a little lost on how to deal with it. This is where the "me" part of the Recovery process is so important.
and why I feel it's lack here. Heck, I even tried to open up just a crack with one of the other guys here who's been pretty decent to me. Might as well have been talking to a brick. He wasn't mean or nasty or anything. We just weren't on the same wavelength or speaking the same language.

So is this God's will? I don't know, but I think it has the potential to be very rewarding— to do my part to help some guys a step up the ladder. I recognize that this is no panacea. From working with the guys in the dining hall, I can guarantee you that it's more than a lack of education that is holding them back. I would say the lack particularly has been shortchanged particularly in the value/attitude department. Many indeed are poorly educated—they can only speak "ghetto" jargon with the most deplorable words. But with too few exceptions, many view a job as work to be avoided at all costs while at the same time using it for whatever personal gain possible. See this attitude in the library as well as the dining hall. Now this isn't a blanket statement against all—just the majority I have encountered in the prison population. They also seem to have little respect for one another.

So education by itself won't change everything, but being educated is better than not—and for some this may be a starting point (or maybe even a completing point) to getting out of this horrible system. Anyway, I've already gained a reputation for being a hard worker (which doesn't build one's self-esteem, even though it's dangerous to equate inherent value with one's work) and working in this area should allow me to utilize more of my talents. Any way that's where I am today.

Love,

Rick
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for your letter. I can't tell you how much it means to have someone as close as you are to take the trouble to get off a few lines to me.

I hope you are not put off by my describing my spiritual/emotional Odyssey to you. As I recall it took Odysseus about ten years to get home, even accounting for time spinning in whirlpools, avoiding the Sirens of temptation, etc. I sometime think it's going to take me a lifetime to get home (and to get whole), but I guess that's not a dead end's work.

For some reason it's easy for me to write to you, Roger, about the important stuff. I like to think that I would also find it as easy to talk to you - as we talked at County Jail. I know I would not feel this way if it had not been for SLI and the Recovery process.

I think it goes deeper than that, to something my best friend alluded to when we were at SLI. Over twenty years ago I took an oath of obedience to Tim and his successors, e.g. you. I think that obedience also includes honor and respect. Now I don't know how I would feel if I were writing to Tim M. because he always seemed so remote an inaccessible - at least to this wounded person. But even then there's still some special relationship - a kinship, Spiritual father sounds so comy, but it's something like that.

Forgive me for not being organized. I'm writing this as it churns to the surface of my brain. (REDACTED)
Anyway, spiritual Father or whatever, you are someone I feel I can/should confide in even more than my friends at SLI with whom I correspond and who help me struggle to stay focused on Recovery. I'm not sure how much is SLI and how much is the sense you give of being accessible that makes me feel this way. SLI must have had a lot to do with it, because I don't recall being very thrilled when a friend suggested at Intensive (large meeting or ministry of all residents and most staff) that I call you up in D.C. and invite you to SLI. I think I responded saying I'd rather slash a major artery.

Still, it is more than just SLI, as I cannot imagine attempting to communicate with your predecessor this way—good man though he was. I've always admired how you managed to hang in there at some of those large meetings of the guys while people were taking pot shots at you or just griping in general (I could also do my share of griping—but not to you directly, not having the guts; didn't have anything personally negative because we'd had no contact with you to speak of)

I guess what I'm trying to say is that I learned a lot about sharing feelings and all the inner stuff tumbling around inside—-that it's real important to get it out. Sharing with former SLI guys or contemporaries here is important and I have been doing it; but just as important is being as open as I can with you. Maybe it has something to do with authority and not being afraid. Suddenly thought—maybe it has something to do with God. How to think about that. But I do thank you for letting me try to spill out what's inside even if it is sometimes a little messy and unorganized and unclean.

Love,

Rick
October 12, 1993

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your recent letter, and I was very pleased to learn that you are now involved actively in teaching there at San Luis Obispo.

It certainly sounds as if this has worked out well for you as part of God's overall plan, and I pray that this particular work will be both useful and productive for you. You certainly do bring many talents to a teaching role, and I know that you will be able to motivate other men who are at San Luis Obispo, and help them get a firmer hold on a brighter future in their lives.

It is always amazing how God's grace is poured out in our lives and how that grace is manifested in so many different ways. Please continue to remain very open to God's grace in your own life, as you have in the past.

Assuring you of my own prayers and support, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger M.

15749
Dear Roger,

Received your most welcome letter yesterday and was happy to hear from you. Yes, the job as a teacher's aide has been very fulfilling. Teaching at any level—RCI, high school confirmation class or what have you—has always been fairly easy for me.

It seems like I was teaching various courses of one sort or another just about every year. The funny thing was that despite relationship problems, I was generally able to get most groups to relax and, after a few sessions, really get to know one another and enjoy the classes. What ever nervousness I might have felt or how inadequate I might think I was as a person, this never seemed to be transmitted to the class.

While this situation is somewhat unique, the experience I've had teaching is still invaluable. The students have tried the same tired plays, students have been trying for years. When I got rather angry, more realistic, but surely acknowledge their failed attempts, the students seem to accept me as someone who is truly there to help them learn and as someone to play games with. It is very rewarding to be able to help in even a small way those who genuinely want to learn.

I have found it difficult to deal with the teacher. He's a very nice guy, but he's sometimes way off base with what he's attempting to teach and can get himself into terrible trouble. I'm caught between genuinely wanting to help him and not wanting to show him up in front of the students. After all, the class is not a test of what I know. Lately he seems to be more aware that D

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there something on the fall and will occasionally check with
me before presenting something to the class.

In addition to helping the students, I have gained access
to a typewriter so I proofread student essays, type them
up and post them on the board. After word processing it's
a little like chiseling the words on rocks but I'm getting the
hang of it.

Thanks to REDACTED, who has been so wonderful writing and
sending me clippings, I've been in contact with the Carmelite
nuns in Alhambra and the Poor Clerics in Santa Barbara. When
they heard about Alhambra responding to my letter and I was
overjoyed because I really felt she knew what I was
saying—that she had travelled the particular road herself. And
wrote something about being conformed to Christ even
in the doubt and discouragement which really resonated—as well
as the clipping about the parable of the empty pool.

In some ways I guess God is speaking through all of you
—maybe in the only way I can listen. I was thinking the other day
how just asked me to "observe and report," and never told
me do anything unless he was sure I could handle it—and
somewhere I wound up doing far more than he asked. It always
but I can't seem to give God the same ability and insight as
so I visualize Him saying "Do this" and I respond "I can't," which
I fear is an "I won't," and then I'm sunk. Maybe when we stay
turned to God as he speaks through you, the many, former SUI residents
etc. till my hidden reserves are repaired. Till next time.

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Go anywhere for 90015
1531 W. 71st St.
Roxan Melody
November 1, 1993

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your recent letter, and I do appreciate your taking the time to write and to keep me informed of your continuing progress.

Please know of my special prayers and support for you, and I do hope that you will continue to find great consolation in the presence of Jesus Christ in your life, and that you will be able to find satisfaction in the special work which you are doing there at San Luis Obispo.

Asking the Lord's abundant blessings upon you, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

Roger Mahony
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for your recent letter and continued prayer. For what it's worth, I feel better today than at any time during my imprisonment. It goes far beyond external circumstances.

To be sure, there have been some positives. Ten days ago, we learned that administration was reducing the number of teacher's aides to one per classroom in order to increase class size. Did not make a lot of sense because the tremendous flux in classroom personnel requires a lot of individual instruction. At first it looked like I was out of a job, but the teacher chose me as the TA he wanted to retain. Any pressure from the other TA vanished when he went on medical disability.

But there's been some not-so-nest stuff that I also seem to have turned around by the grace of God (and lot of people's prayer) to something positive. I had allowed myself to become irritated by my cellmate to the point where I was almost considering really hurting him. It was at this point that I realized I had to change.

Somehow I managed to rediscover meditative prayer—though I think that's part is rather optimistic. For the first time I turned off the engine and tried to be open to God rather than bombarding him with questions, prayers, hopes, etc. or at least trying to control the flow of the prayer. This time I just tried to be. While I didn't achieve some deep ecstatic mystical union, I did come away with a sense of contentedness and a sense I was on the right track. There was also a sense of peace or urgency—the whole experience is a joy rather than a duty (I can imagine all past spiritual directors exclaiming, "It's about time!")
Here also devised a simple strategy to deal with the moment to moment irritations. My cellmate likes to watch TV with his earphones on and loudly guffaw at the comedy (or train wrecks or football injuries or whatever else strikes his fancy). This can be quite startling if you’re reading or writing, but he’s point blank told me I have to live with it.

So now when he laughs I simply say the Our Father slowly and quietly—but aloud. It’s amazing the number of emotions you can experience just in the space of that short prayer. At the beginning is the stomach-wrenching anger, followed by a childish ‘Take that’ feeling since as an atheist my cellmate finds prayer abhorrent. But by the time I am intoning “Give us this day...” a sense of peace begins to settle over me that goes beyond my cellmate’s actions or reactions. It’s sort of like the irritation in the oyster producing a pearl.

Despite the fact that there was a gang fight in the yard ten days ago resulting in a man being stabbed seven times, I now feel reasonably confident about my safety there when taking care of normal business. Nor run into a couple of halfway decent Christians of the born-again fundamentalist school. The Catholics seem to be a little more hidden.

Anyway, Roger, please continue to pray for me as I struggle to take one day at a time and try to grow some grace. Self-confidence is in short supply, but my faith in the power of your prayers and the prayers of others is growing. I am really dependent upon them to plow me into doing the things God wants of me here and I really feel short in the courage and wisdom department.

Love,

Rick

15735
November 23, 1993

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thanks so much for your recent letters, and it is always good hearing from you.

I was very pleased to learn that you will be able to retain your position as a teacher's assistant, and I know that you are able to offer a great deal to the other men there at San Luis Obispo.

Your continuing spiritual journey, and your discovery of the wonderful presence and power of Christ in your life is really most encouraging. So much of your letters is actually close to a retreat, and I am hopeful that you do find this spiritual energy to be a sustaining strength for you.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Roger

15733
Dear Roger,

It was so great to get your letter. The mere fact of you taking time out of your busy schedule to get a letter out to me is a real boost.

The word "retreat" seemed to leap from the page of your letter. Unfortunately, it struck me not with the meaning you intended, but with that sense of futility - of faking away from victory. Progress seems to be faking up as much as going forward.

My prayer life seems to be based more on stimulus response than on any real appreciation for the Lord. I mean, I seem to pray in some synonomous fashion when I'm hurting enough, but it seems to splatter when the pain subsides. Feels like I'm just doing the bare minimum right now. Do that because the deepest pangs of fear and anger (at least perceived anger) have abated.

That sense of exhaustion/hopelessness/druneness (don't know how to describe it) seems to pervade most of my being. It is so hard to get energized to do more than just what absolutely has to be done. Unless I'm really hungry, the line up for meals is more than I can face. I enjoy reading, but making an extra trip to the library unless it also includes returning due books is like climbing Mt. Everest. I am really just clunking along.

Once I'm moving and doing I do feel sort of better - but that knowledge doesn't seem to make initiating activity any easier.

My original teacher is still carrying out his supervisory duties. I'm filling in for a new teacher who lost three Teacher
Fides during The Pause — and the lone survivor was sent packing to another institution. I'm promised to help out for the next month (except Mon. mornings when I help administer tests). He's a good man with a real spiritual dimension to him.

Last Monday I was talking to some guys in the Education Dept. about a job opening in the library running the computer — something I'm definitely qualified to do. My old teacher came by and accused them (kindly) of trying to steal his TA. I'm the same vein I responded that if the class was not going to resume I would desert him like a rat leaves a sinking ship. Later I told him that I was kidding on the square. That I would honor the commitment I made to him as long as there was a teacher aide position (since I feel this is one of the most rewarding jobs there is here) but I didn't want to miss out on other opportunities only to be told later that there would be no class to which I could return. He was able to reassure me on that point as I renewed my commitment to him. It's so much better to get these concerns out in the open — at least that part of Recovery is still positive.

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stopped by — told me how well the meeting went in Palm Springs. Sounded great — like maybe we've gone past "let's gripe to about Roger blaming him for everything but the Whittier earthquake" to actually getting together, enjoying one another (more completely) and resolving aiming for the future.

My page 1 time one both running out. Hope you had a great Thanksgiving. Will write again next week.

Love
Rick
Dear Mom,

Thank you for the handout. I wish I could be there, and I am sending these warmest Christmas wishes.

Emotionally, I am very much with the holiday spirit. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas as well.

I sent a couple of cards today. I only want to make sure that I have a chance to write to you.

The teacher, who we referred to earlier in January, for a while, struggled with temporary illness, and was replaced by another Mr. Jones, who is known to have stabilized in the meantime. He is now fully back to normal.

I am not sure what happened to the person who we considered a friend of mine, but I am not sure whether he was transferred to another institution. We have been trying to stay in touch, except that he made my connection very difficult.

I do not know what he meant when he said in his last Christmas letter that he would be coming to see me. (This was before Christmas.) I thought it might be in May or June. He said that he had been with me for over four months, but he is not sure whether this is the right time, as he is not sure about his return.

As for me, I seem to have adjusted to this new depression. I have experienced a lot, but I seem to have adjusted as well. I am not sure what to do with these Christmas cards, but I hope they will give you comfort and hope. I am sure they will.

I hope you have a wonderful Christmas.

Love,
[Signature]
my protein and am aware of bone at my pace alone — something
I had never been able to do. I needed time to
week, and
thought when eating out. It
dependent on their eating, and it is eating a long way off on the
and I have done something wrong. I know it is wrong and I need to
acknowledge and seek change. I need to take
left me.

I am doing something wrong that requires me to do
depensation, I began to believe that it was
that the most of my life has been accurate. It took me to
understand that I
intellectually, it is still difficult to change. As the emotional it is
especially in an institution that seems to face most of its
questions around

I had been hoping to get a standby plane and a small TV to
disembark from the airplane at the place, I
and
a considerable delay — a what, I don’t know. It
arrived at the station in early Dec. and was promptly returned
because the guy was getting directions about what was allowed and what
wasn’t. So I didn’t do that — and they felt guilty, we did not for
writing. The emotional part of me tries to remember that
the guy was trying to do me a favor — so what might be to
get mad there is one reason I used to stay down on my
feelings — they were often so inconvenient or messy. I guess
it’s a step forward just to acknowledge what exists no
matter how unsightly rather than trying to bury it. Never
mean it’s to stay down anyway.

REDACTED

year for you.

Love,

Rick

16640
January 5, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 27, and it was good learning that you will be continuing on as a teacher's aid.

You seem to do very well with that particular type of work project, and I know that the other men there at San Luis Obispo will benefit from your expertise and your special skills and talents.

I am sorry that you did have some more difficult days recently, and I hope and pray that 1994 will be a far more positive and affirming year for you.

Assuring you of my special prayers throughout the new year, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

P.S.: As I recall, we are allowed to send one book of stamps, so please find one enclosed. Also, I noted that on your envelope my address reads: 1511 W. Ninth Street. The correct street address is actually 1531 W. Ninth Street.
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for your letter. I saw you on TV the other day amidst news coverage of the earthquake. The scenes on TV looked pretty grim — I can only hope that the damage was not as widespread as coverage would lead one to believe.

My situation has improved the past few weeks. I managed to transfer out of the cell of the demeaned man just in the nick of time. He apparently flipped out the day after I moved and was led away in handcuffs to be locked up for a few days.

My new cellmate is a pretty good fellow. We get along very well. The funny thing is, even though my head tells me that my cell is an okay place to be, my stomach still doesn't receive the message. Seems to automatically knot up when I head toward the cell.

My cellmate is going in for minor surgery today and 2 keep reminding him of the duty to not miss any calls.

In the couple of weeks, I've been involved in starting classes with my old standbys, but I can sure do learning.

[Signature]

Jan 21st
been filling in for the past month because he is a superior teacher and a great human being. But it is sort of nice getting back to work in my original position.

Last week was spent unburying the classroom which had been used as an enlarged storage closet during the hiatus. I was amazed at how much junk could be stored in one room.

Class was supposed to start this week with a minimum compliment of ten or eleven students (we are targeting for 24). Because of graphs in the general office it took most of the week just to get the returns back here. Meanwhile there are eight other students who have yet to be contacted — something that must be done through the malfunctioning general office.

Now finally discovered one person in here with whom I can share a little bit at the emotional level. (Surprisingly it wasn’t at the small group.) Am continually amazed at the differences even — especially — at the professional level from 5-15. For instance, one guy was 3 sharing the details of a man and the throughs with taking him in. The student specifying certain social options in a manner rather than taking it on an emotional level.

Anyway, this fellow with whom I share gave me a good reminder of why it's a 12 Step program and not an I- program — why I must often check out my shared perceptions of reality with others. He pointed out that it was understandable that my anxiety level would be high considering the long time both the cell mate and the job situations were jumbled (so much for the unflappable anxiety I was inundated I didn't have).

As for today, my stomach is still tied up in my gymnast knots. I think I'm more anxious about my cell mate pending surgery than he is (though he would probably dispute this). And the kid inside is in a panic at the recollection of the class — for absolutely no rational reason that I can think of. It just seems that even with things relatively settled I'm in a real definite state of unsteadiness.

I did get a few horror stories thrown my way by the young man who was helping clean up the mess for me. He told me of a confused other inmate who had been (he had been told he had been) sentenced to the prison notice of the court. But the court notice didn't even say in court, hence he trusted the guards entirely and had broken...
the slightest provocation. He told of having to
lie on the ground for hours covered in another
man's blood - a man who had been shot and
killed twenty feet from him.

While I'm thankful I'm alive rather than
at Annual Convocation where the events he
was describing took place, my.AspNetCore
self parries at the thought of moving from here.
At least I think that's what's happening.

I guess just standing with the present
moment, the kid inside is just feeling
overwhelmed by everything and the adult
seems to be liberating.

I know I am powerless over so much of
my life here. I pray that the Lord will have
mercy on me and protect me from the worst
of the stuff around here - and have patience
with me.

Guess I'd better bring this to a close
and get back to work. Will write again
soon.

Love,

Rick
January 28, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thanks so very much for your letter of January 21, and I was pleased to hear from you once again.

I am glad that there are many positive things happening in your life at this time, and that you are able to continue with your special work projects there at San Luis Obispo.

We are all very busy in our recovery and reconstruction efforts following the great earthquake, thus shortening the length of this letter.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Roger [Name]
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for your letter. I can only imagine how truly you must be after the earthquake. Have many churches been damaged? I saw reference to the people of St. Catherine of Siena celebrating Mass outside in a tent.

I've been fighting a bad cold the past several days. Oddly, it's the first illness of any consequence since I've been incarcerated. The teacher I've been assisting took three days off to go to some conference. This works out well for me as I was able to rest up today—think I'm over the worst of the cold now. I'll go to class tomorrow and help point. With only one side, the work has really piled up.

... has been able to send in the first two chapters of 'Devotion and Grace.' What a blessing! It has really helped me start putting together things that different people have been trying to tell me. Don't have it sorted out by any means, but I'm feeling more hopeful— even in the darkness.

Am beginning to think that God really is there in the loneliness and isolation and even the emptiness. Sort of like looking at a rainbow. If I only see the brightest of the colors, I really haven't seen the whole rainbow. I think I've got to realize that God is there in the darkness as well as the light.

It's not like I can feel him peering over my shoulder during these times. I guess if I actually experienced Him...
that would take the misery away. Actually it is more like deducing His presence after the fact—sometimes well after the fact. These I'm really talking faith here.

Think I'm repeating Third Step—turning my life over to God. The stumbling block has always been my fear that it might turn into an "Oracle" experience, "cause He really didn't want it. But when you get to a certain point of despair, God is the only answer or hope, Not exactly a model of inspirational faith, but it is a starting point.

So I'm trying to see, as the author of "A Is G" suggest, even the darkness as grace-filled moments of growth. Indeed maybe the only time when I'm satisfied myself of me enough to have room for Him.

So I said, experientially it's not there. But when I look back from a distance (usually several months is required) I can see (feel?) God at work in the situation.

One thing that bothers me. Feel like I'm some sort of an elitist or something, (or am I quibbling for that over accurate language to beat myself with). There are so many guys here that I can't see God in (condone it or not) and don't know if I'm trying. The guys whose every other word is on obsecenity who call each other "Hornes" and "Butter" are people I avoid like the plague. The scary, depressed and rebel men. Sure isn't seeking intimacy the "heart of my bothering." On the other hand the guys who are making some kind of effort in class I'm more than eager to help. But by definition they aren't the least—so it is the least that I can no more see myself approaching than I can fly to.
the moon.

It may seem like an academic issue, but it really isn't. I mean, there have been many people who have been willing to look past my crimes to the person and have reached out to me. But where is my reaching out to others. I mean around here if everything were made public I would be the lowest of the low — indeed it would be a 50-50 proposition that I wouldn't survive the day. Yet these guys who, at least as far as this population is concerned, are much more worthy, I simply can't stand. Guess that's work for the future.

Better close for now so I can get this in the mail. I will keep those affected by the earthquake especially in my prayers.

Love,

Rink

P.S. Thank you for the stamps you sent last time.
MEMORANDUM

March 5, 1994

TO: Msgr. REDACTED

FROM: Father Timothy Dyer

RE: Attached

REDACTED have filled out the forms for this year's national conference for THE LINKUP. Would you please contact them and see if this is VOCAL with a new name... They are suggesting that one of us go along this year. Would you be able to do so: August 4-7.

Note that the attached forms have not gone to REDACTED for requisition of check because I'm waiting to see if you wish to attend. Either way, will you please return REDACTED form to REDACTED and explain what's behind this request from them.
Dear Roger,

Happy belated Easter! I apologize for not writing earlier. I did a real crash and burn emotionally during Lent. Despite appearances, prison is not the best or most spiritual place to spend Lent. Really couldn’t get into it at all—or much of anything else. It was almost a form of self-punishment—I if something was likely to help me, I didn’t want to do it.

I find myself a mass of contradictions. On one hand, I would get angry and resentful about packages that prevented packages from getting through that would make life a little easier (which I quickly interjected into depression); on the other, I feel guilty when every moment here isn’t an absolute hell—which it isn’t, partly because you can eventually get used to anything—like I wasn’t being punished enough. Don’t leave much room for happy thoughts.

It is easy to get overwhelmed by events—or even daily living. I just had a guy die the other day from stab wounds received in an altercation that began over the serving size of mashed potatoes. Two weeks ago a man in a different 2 was tried to commit suicide by hanging himself from the lock atop in full view of the guards. He was hanging for a couple of minutes before they cut him down—breaking his leg in the process. Last week a guy general cell down tried to kill himself by shooting his wrists. This can be a very violent place.

The job as Teacher’s Aide is going well. Have achieved some rapport with... my teachers. Unfortunately, over the past few weeks we’ve had three Hispanic gang bangers enter the class.
These guys have absolutely no moral sense at all. They would cheerfully kill anyone who had anything they wanted and feel perfectly justified in doing so. It’s really scary encountering people like that with not a shred of conscience.

God has blessed me here — or I don’t think I would have made it this far. Ten days ago, I had a visit from Chris Cunningham — a ten-year veteran of Al Anon. What a blessing! I realized how much I was thirsting for 12-Step contact — and why they call it a We program not a Me Program. Thanks to REDACTED, I simply managed to stagger back onto the Recovery track.

It looked like I wasn’t going to make it to contain this month. This would be more than an inconvenience. I was way low on envelopes and the contain is the only source — they cannot be sent in from the outside. Just when it looked like there was no hope, they had a special open line I was able to make. It really was a minor miracle.

I’m just hoping that God is patient with me. Sometimes I don’t seem to making any progress at all. I’m reading Addiction and Grace, and also reading REDACTED. I’m sending it to me chapter by chapter and am getting a lot out of it. I am even sharing it with another inmate. I’m also reading Making Sense of Suffering which show how the past affects our coping responses in the present. You’ve been emotionally down upset by it and I don’t know why. I am taking it a few pages at a time. But I still have to open my enough to let God closer — and that’s so bad — as blasphemous as that sounds. Better closer for now.爱你，Rick

16623
April 27, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 19, and I do appreciate hearing from you.

Obviously the Lenten Season was a particularly trying one for you, and I do hope that you will find comfort and strength during this joyous Easter Season.

It sounds as if your teaching assistant job is very helpful to you, and I do hope that you will be able to continue with that particular work.

You mentioned in your letter that your envelope supply was running low, and I was relieved to learn that you were able to obtain some from the canteen. While I am sorry that we are not permitted to send you envelopes, I am pleased to enclose this book of stamps, which I know is permitted.

Assuring you of my prayers, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mah

16621
May 11

Dear, Roger,

As you can see, I've come up in the world. Actually, the reason I'm able to type this is that few students showed up for class today, so there's been a lot of down time. I'm all caught up, so I thought I'd use the time to get this off to you.

I'm really doing this with a guilty conscience. My teacher really doesn't like it when I have nothing to do, yet doesn't want me to read or write letters. I'm not, however, very good at aimless paper shuffling or thumb-twiddling, hence this letter.

Thank you very much for sending the stamps. They are really going to come in handy. I am doing okay the past few weeks. I guess the last hurdle on Monday when I let my small group know my identity. Couldn't effectively make any more progress there while trying to conceal it since the lifestyle of our profession is significantly enough different from theirs as to be raising uncomfortable questions. But I did let them know that I have about as much trust in the California Prison System (or anything associated with it) as I would in allowing Dr. Kevorkian treat me for a major illness.

Day by day I hope to make a little progress. I've got some books at last which are really helping, from Addiction and Grace (REDACTED just sent me the latest installment) to some books REDACTED sent in. One of them, I think I mentioned, Making Sense of Suffering, really blew me away in the first few pages, but I've settled down with it now.

Interestingly enough, there's a friend of mine with whom I've been sharing A & G who is getting a lot out of it. This is his second time in prison (drug related) and he's scared of what might happen when he's finally released (his date is a couple of months past mine). I've been sort of counsellor without portfolio for him, sharing as much as I dare of my story in an effort to help him--since there's really nothing of a rehabilitative nature about this place. We've had several in depth discussions--as good or better than anything in small group.

So, maybe with the grace of God my time here won't be a total waste. It will be a relief to finally be out of here, though, where I can be me without fear of reprisals, where I can receive the support I need and maybe even be a source of strength for others.

But that's all the future--and the only future I'm ready to deal with now is this afternoon. I'm trying to be aware of God at work in my life, but I still feel totally inadequate in my response to Him. Please pray that I can get off the dime.

Guess I'd better close for now. My next letter will probably be the hieroglyphics you're familiar with (I'd
almost forgotten how much easier it is to type a letter—or even (sob!) use a word processor). Good heavens! I actually slopped over to a second page. Anyway, thank you so much for taking time from a hectic schedule (particularly during Confirmation season) to write me. Your letters mean so much.

Love,

Rich
May 28, 1994

Dear Mr. Ayer,

I have been some time trying to find the words to show how much REDACTED I appreciate the time and interest you have shown in the matter of our Father Dick's case. I am sure it is not easy for those in your position to make a judgment on each individual.

We are accepting what has been decided, so far, with absolutely aching hearts, and pray diligently daily that what was accomplished at St. Luke's is permanently fixed in him. I am putting behind me questions like "how could this be?"

I'm sure there doesn't seem to be (over)
any answers.

It appears that the disease is
being magnificent in standing
behind him and I hope the life
he has these next few years
won't destroy what was done
for him.

REDACTED

I will be
this year — only God knows if
we will see him again.

He has had some health problems
that preclude any travelling in
the foreseeable future, so we
won't be visiting him. (It's not
sure I want that experience any-
way.) In the meantime we are in
constant contact by letter and oc-
casional phone calls from

REDACTED

Please be assured of our

patience.

REDACTED
June 1, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 11, 1994, and I was indeed pleasantly surprised to find this letter typewritten. Although most of us do not have very good handwriting in general, it is always easier to have a letter that is done by typewriter.

I am glad that you continue to approach this phase of your life on a day to day basis, and that your own recovery is geared to that Twelve Step approach. There is so much good spirituality and personal wholeness derived from the Twelve Step approach in our lives.

It is always good hearing from you, and please know that I keep you and all of our brothers in recovery very much in my prayers.

With every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony
Dear Roger,

Well, it's back to hieroglyphics. We've had an almost complete change over in the class and I've been swamped in paperwork. The new configuration looks to be an improvement as most of the disruptive elements have moved on. I do enjoy the added work, too.

One of the guys I'm close to was up for classification today. Basically, it's a review of the year and checking whether the individual will stay or move to another institution. This is based on a point system which eventually qualifies an inmate for a less restrictive institution (which is not necessarily a good thing, because down living—which is the next level—has dangers all its own). At any rate, he will be staying here for another year.

I will be up for classification next month. My point level already qualified me for a dormitory institution. I was sent here because of the attack on my life last year. I am hoping and praying that I will be able to stay here. With all its defects, this prison seems to be the safest in the institution.

That said, it must be admitted that we still have our moments. Last week I heard the cannon fire of the gun tower and thanked God I was in my cell. I looked out the window and saw the inmates on the ground trying to claw their way into...
for holes with their finger nails. In the middle of the yard waited a mound consisting of five guards atop one prisoner. Apparently said prisoner took a swing at a guard while he was escorting another prisoner in cuffs to the office. The offender was subdued and then carried—one guard per appendage— to the hole. Violence can erupt at any time around here.

My cellmate has had the flu for the past week. Of the health care he received is anything like what's being bandied about politically, the nation is in serious trouble. Every time he seems to get a little better, he relapses. Listening check by jail with him, I would seem to be a prime candidate to come down with it. But if attitude has anything to do with it, I should do ok. God has generally blessed me with good physical health—probably better than I deserve—and I seem to handle most germs and viruses ok.

As I write this you are all on retreat. I am with you spiritually. In fact I probably feel closer to all of you than when I was able to be there physically. I pray that any guy who might be hurting and alone, scared to drop the mask, may find one person whom to whom he will be brave enough to reveal himself and feel God's love through the most fantastic community God has placed on the earth. Must run for now.

Love,

Rick
June 29, 1994

Dear Roger,

I'm filling in for REDACTED while my teacher is on vacation. I'll be here for the next month. Right now we're on quarterly break and just taking care of report cards. I can type this without guilt and without feeling I'm in a fishbowl.

Today I "celebrate" my forty-ninth birthday. Not much of a celebration since I got the news from REDACTED that REDACTED was killed a couple of days before Father's Day. When she told me I went numb all over, much as if my entire body had been dipped in novacaine. It wasn't until the next day that I felt the full impact of his death--and then it hit like a club. I'm very thankful that my cellmate was enjoying a family visit and was out of the cell for a couple of days.

I found that there are drawbacks to the gift I received at SLI of being in touch with my emotions. You know how we are in touch with death in all its guises almost every day. This is the first time I've ever felt so upset, sad, miserable, lost and a bunch of other emotions I have yet to identify. Before I knew what people were feeling and could even preach to it, but I was so distant from the emotions themselves that it was like I'd be on autopilot--but I never really would feel them.

This time I don't want to run away from them even though it hurts like hell. I've done a lot of crying and right now feel like I've got a big hole in the middle of my guts. But to evade or avoid these feelings would be to dishonor REDACTED They are a reminder to me that I really love REDACTED.

I also feel so bad for his Family, who have been through so much--some of it thanks to me. I know they have to be hurting bad too. One of the twelve promises is that we will not regret the past. I'm afraid in this instance I won't enjoy that promise since I'll regret screwing up so I couldn't be there to support them in their grief until the day I die.

I'm also trying to take responsibility for his death (this is the same guy who blames himself for the Angels failing to get to the World Series in '86 because God didn't think I was worthy, so you can see I've had a lot of practice at this type of thinking). I keep wondering that if I hadn't messed up, maybe things would be different. Details of REDACTED death were sketchy, and if it turns out that (this is my paranoia showing) if he had committed suicide, then I would be responsible and no one would be able to convince me otherwise.

So this has been a real rocky time for me--but more importantly, it has been a bad time for REDACTED Please say a prayer for them--and a very special one for REDACTED who really was/is a wonderful person. REDACTED is calling me to work so must close.

Love,

Love,

16602
July 13, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 29, 1994, and I am pleased that your work continues to be positive in assisting other men to deepen their education.

You obviously have a very special gift of teaching, and I am most grateful that the Lord is allowing that talent to be utilized there to enhance the lives of others.

REDACTED

As we continue to learn in our lives month after month, a full share in the Paschal Mystery of Jesus awaits each and every one of us.

Please be assured of my continuing prayers for you, and I trust that the Lord will grant you sufficient grace each day to fulfill His will for that day.

With every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

16601
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for writing me. Despite (because of?) the pain, I think I've handled REDACTED
fitter than any other tragedy I've experienced.
It may have been his last gift to me—realizing it's not a bad thing to hurt when you're mourning
a person you care about.

I think of all the times I tried to find the
right words to ease the pain of others. For myself,
I discovered that I didn't want / need the pain
 eased—just to know that friends were aware and
 cared that I was hurting.

Last month I was up for my annual classification
I was told that I was a model prisoner, doing
well in all phases of their "program." Oh joy! Don't
really hard to do if you're not attacking other
inmates and try to do your job as well as you
can—as big deal. Anyway, they will be keeping me
here for at least one more year (next year it gets
diary since my case has to go before some review
board) rather than ship me out. Didn't realize the
 tension the impending classification was producing
 till I felt the relief when it was over.

My teacher came back from almost one month
of vacation time (I filled in for REDACTED
for two
weeks and then helped a week start up the class

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again for two weeks — had increased responsibility and
felt great). He commented when presenting me with
my quarterly review for initialization that he was going
to hate it when I left because it was going to be
impossible to replace me. Was very gratifying.

One of the other inmates had closed me into a clerk's
job where I could actually work with a computer, which
would have been a lot of fun. But after praying over it
and discussing it with others, it's more important for me
and that meaning in my life that it alludes to
that I am doing something to help others — even if it is a limited
way. Then will be time for me to get back to my computer
when I get out.

We finally got a taste of the LA. The reservoir which had protected us most of
the summer has disappeared to leave us with record-breaking heat. There will last-sensitive psychiatric medication
have been confined to quarters most of the day for the last 3 days.

Don't know whether it's the 12 step literature which I'm finally
getting or the get back in shape fitness continue I'm now or for the
past few weeks or a combination of that and other factors, but the
Lord has finally moved me off just survival mode and I actually
feel I can make some progress while I'm here. The specifics aren't
clear yet, but I do have the beginnings of confidence that this has been about
for sometime. Hope to see you soon.

Love

Rick

16596

8 5 Thanks for the stinger.
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P.O. BOX 510
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August 23, 1994

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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of August 14, and I always appreciate hearing about your progress and how your life is being affected by the events of your daily life.

It certainly sounds as if your assisting with the teaching program is extremely well received, and that you find great personal satisfaction and fulfillment in this role. That is a real grace and blessing for you, and it affords you the opportunity to find meaning in your daily life.

We all watched with great horror as the brush fires erupted around your area, and thanks be to God, the main fire seems to have been fully extinguished. The combination of drought and years of dry brush are so lethal for us here in California. We must pray that the upcoming winter be one of generous rains and snows.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally, In Christ,

Roger Mahony
Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for your last letter. It is the letters and visits and other signs of caring by people on the outside like you that enable me to hang in there one day at a time in this horrible place. I pray the Serenity Prayer every day and sometimes I don't know what's in shorter supply—serenity, courage or wisdom.

I think trust is one of the hardest things for an addict like myself. I don't trust myself or (I'm embarrassed to say) God or others. I try, but I fall so short of where I should be.

A case in point: I had reached a certain "comfort zone" in this little slice of hell; I have some job satisfaction six hours a day as a teacher's aide (I have gained the respect of my teacher who treats me almost like a partner in the classroom). I don't feel walking four or five miles or more almost every evening with some friends (who will bug me if I feel like avoiding the aerobics) and no longer fear instant death and dismemberment on the yard. I had found a niche and a routine which seemed relatively "safe."

But peace of mind is a tenuous business here and mine was shaken when my cell-mate of eight months decided he was going to move in with the sister. My reaction: panic and terror. I was certain that if I didn't do something quick, my next cell-mate would be Jack the Ripper—or worse. So much for "letting go and letting God." I didn't/couldn't trust that God wasn't going to let me get into an untenable situation— I'm not sure because I felt this is on the emotional...
not intellectual or theological level? that he couldn't stop something horrific from happening - or more likely, he didn't want to stop something horrific from happening.)

So, I did a quick scramble and got friend willing to move in with me. (Another problem - I don't trust myself to be able to recognize whether this was one of the things I needed the courage to change or the serenity to accept.) Anyway my cell-mate managed to mess things up long enough for my friend to be relocated to a place he wouldn't leave, so that when the move was completed I was left hanging. I did another scramble and got someone else ready to move in, but before we could complete the paperwork the prison had placed another man in my cell.

This new guy is relatively inert, but harmless. The new situation isn't any worse than what I had before. I guess God took care of me after all. But it shows how far I have to go in 12-Step Recovery when I reflect on the moments of sheer terror I've had the past few weeks.

How long will it be before I can really define on every level of my being that God really loves me right where I am now with all my weaknesses and screwups. Sometimes that faith seems close at hand - and at others, it seems like a perpetual wish of a fevered brain. The doubts/fears of a lifetime - that God considers one of the colossal mistakes and that I've never lived up to His expectations and consequently have been written off long ago - they're so hard to overcome.

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Ricardo Remy
Dear Roger,

I seem to be making progress in my life here in prison. The Lord seems to be drawing me along, even if I don't know what He's up to most of the time. Someday maybe I'll be able to trust that He really knows what He is doing and (this is the hard part) has my best interests at heart.

During the month of the "Great Cell Change," I failed to get the cell mate of my choice. Instead of getting a friend, I wound up with a guy who was tolerable at best. I did learn that I could take in stride a situation and cell mate that was less than ideal.

This man was transferred last week to Old Folsom. When I first learned of the impending move, I immediately started the paperwork to get a friend in to take his place—but without the panic that characterized my previous efforts. As one friend put it, "Rick, they could put Greysteel in with you now and it wouldn't bother you." That's not entirely accurate, but it does indicate how far the Lord has taken me in a short time.

I wasn't able to move in my friend as easily as I'd anticipated (or—more accurately—hoped) because the prison is so incredibly crowded. The empty cell in my cell wasn't
roscent more than a few hours when a warm body was in it.

At first I accepted it as a fait accompli, but then I was inspired to persuade this new man to switch cells with my friend—a whole new level of confidence for me. In fact, I find it curious how I can be more self-assured and confident when acting on behalf of another than when I'm acting for myself.

Looks like we might be on line to get a computer for our classroom. When my teacher seemed to be taking his time writing up a request, I took the initiative of typing up a rough draft to get him off square one. This did the trick and became the basis of the proposal he had me type up two days later. If we're lucky we may get one by the end of the year—but I'm just happy to be an integral part of the attempt.

It's almost like an explosion, but in the past few weeks I've connected with a number of people who are half ways decent. Some of it may be a result of my newfound self-confidence. Sometimes I feel like a giant found self-confidence. Sometimes I feel like an or some like
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I do great when the music's falling, but as soon as...

Times get hard, it's Lord what have you done for me lately?

Better close for now. Will try to get off another note to you soon.

Love, Rick
Dear,

Sorry I haven't written earlier, I have discovered anew that Christmas in prison doesn't make for cheery thoughts and I didn't want to sound like Scrooge's alter ego.

Actually, this is a classic demonstration of one of my oldest (and warped) core beliefs—that if I write this to you on the Christmas week-end, it will not be late, even if it doesn't reach you till Easter.

The guards got into the Christmas spirit early this year. Ten days ago they initiated a massive cell search. When I got back from work, I saw a few items moved around, but was thankful there was no big mess.

A couple of days later I realized that they'd stolen my crossword puzzle.
dictionary. Obviously I don't use it that much since it was a couple of days before I realized that it was missing—and that the guards were using it at their desk. And you don't have call them on it, or they can get really nasty.

Still, they had given me a Christmas present even though they were unaware of it and didn't intend to. As I felt the anger over their disregard for me (they have ready access to any bookstore in the city, while it is a real headache to get anything in law) and the powerlessness I felt, I became more aware of my victims and how I'd taken or manipulated from them something far more precious than any tool.

The freshness of this awareness or sensitivity isn't meant to start me on
a guilt trip, no matter how tempting the journey, since (I take on faith) that would be counterproductive. But I can use it to motivate me more deeply to do what I can each day to make sure I don't take step one on the slippery road of addiction. Recovery is the most important thing in the world.

I just reached the halfway point of confinement on Christmas Day. I was surprised to find how good passing that landmark felt. Sometimes I find myself looking at the future and getting scared. But often God helps me take one day at a time and I can actually leave things in his hands. Trust being a big problem with me, I still hear the background tape that says "He may have helped some in the past, but that's just
so I can visit you more often.” With
my background, those topics may seem
growing completely, but at least if I
acknowledge their existence, they don’t
seem to lose their power over me.
I think I’m still growing — which is, miracle
enough, in a place like this.

Better close for now, as it’s almost
time for dinner. Hope you had a happy
and holy Christmas.

Love,
Rick
January 5, 1995

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 26, 1994, and may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy and Blessed New Year.

I appreciate your taking the time to keep me updated and informed about your progress there in San Luis Obispo, and I commend you for the open manner in which you continue to accept those daily and frequent crosses which come into your life.

I am pleased that your time served is at the halfway point now, and I pray that the coming new year will be one of peacefulness and blessing in your life.

Assuring you of my continuing prayers during this new year, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Roger

Roger Mar

16578
Feb 4, 1975

Dear Mr. Henry,

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 North Main St.
Los Angeles, CA 90015-1194

Re: Richard Henry

Dear Richard Henry,

I would truly appreciate reassurance that Rick Henry will have a place in the diocese when he is returned to take his place in society. I would have the help he received at St. Teresa, which I seem to have made a lasting impression and a concrete turn about with his problems, could not be set aside.

As I have mentioned before, I could contact you with any concerns I might have, and I do have them now. Rick.

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letters to us have recently become unsettling - more of a hopeless attitude - I hope I'm wrong and that it's a momentary or temporary attitude associated maybe with the gloomy weather, etc., etc.
A word from you would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

REDACTED
Dear Mr. J. J. Jaye,

Enclosed is your application for the position of Assistant District Attorney of Los Angeles. We are pleased to consider your application and will be in touch with you shortly.

Best regards,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]
February 18, 1995

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

I have received your letter of February 6. It is wonderful to think that Rick is now more than half-way through his sentence, and that it is time to at least begin thinking about the time after his release.

I cannot tell you what will happen in terms of ministry. At this point, so that I do not raise any false expectations, I am telling Rick that I do not think there will be a return to active priestly ministry in the foreseeable future. Still, with God’s grace and the rehabilitation that has clearly taken place, I do not want to absolutely predict the future.

At any rate, the Archdiocese will be on hand to help Rick with his transition when he leaves prison. In addition, there are a good number of priests who have been very close supporters during the last few years and will, I have no doubt, continue to be there for him in the future.

I am planning to see Rick next month. Unfortunately, I have not visited since last year—but am very much looking forward to seeing him soon.

You REDACTED are in my prayers. I know that you are anxious about Rick’s future, and you may call me at any time. My home phone is REDACTED Until we talk or write again, may God sustain you with his love and courage.

In Christ,

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

REDACTED
Dear Roger,

Just a quick note to wish you a very happy Easter! I hear plans are afoot to replace St. Vitus Cathedral. That has to be quite an exciting project among all the other things you are doing.

I've been doing okay. March was kind of difficult because prison food finally clogged up my system, and I finally had to appeal to the local medical for help—not a great experience. At one point they were going to check for colon cancer by means of a barium enema, I went through all the preparations—and then the machine broke down. In the meantime, my system has returned to normal, so I told them to forget it—I don't need to abuse it any more.

On the 26th I had a nice visit with REDACTED and REDACTED. At the same time a small riot broke out among rival Mexican gangs at the part of the prison where I live. Several were wounded and one was killed. Apparently the instigator were a group that had just arrived a couple of days previously.

The part of the prison where I live was locked up for one day. Then all the Mexicans were locked up, even if they had no more contact with gangs than my cat. They were down for over a week while the rest of us were supposedly on normal schedule (except that it takes three hours to feed us under this system which plays havoc with work schedules).

The other reaction was almost criminal in and of
All the trees and any shrub over 4" high were felled and reduced to kindling. I'm not the world's greatest environmentalist, but to utterly destroy living things like that seems very evil.

I've finally moved from being a TA to being a computer clerk in the Education Office (the fact that I was going to each class session with a strong desire to throttle at least half the students didn't seem to be the proper attitude. It is so much more peaceful in the office. I seem to be one of the few inmates who really enjoys working. My main problem is keeping out of the crossfire of different supervisors bringing projects to my desk. I love the challenge of solving problems and I can get all the work done. I just can't do it all first.

Well, we're back locked down again. Don't know why it is this time. But I close for now and can take advantage of my one shot to get this in the mail.

Sor

Rick
April 13, 1995

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 6, 1995, and it is always good hearing from you.

I appreciate having the outline of your living and working conditions there at San Louis Obispo, and I am hopeful that everything continues to move forward in a positive way for you.

I hope that your health is better now, and that you have no digestive problems remaining.

It sounds as if you are enjoying the new work in the office, and I thank God you have this type of challenge to keep you occupied and challenged.

Please be assured of a remembrance in my prayers during this joyous season of grace.

With every best wish, I am

Fraternally in Christ,

Roger Mahony
May 18

Dear Roger,

Just thought I'd dash off a quick note to you. Am still doing well at my new job. I've been getting more efficient as I get used to it. A couple of weeks ago I cleaned up the directories so I could find and save things with relative ease. I really feel comfortable here.

Last week we had a laundry shakedown. Unlike many guys, I had no extra clothes. However, I usually keep my clean underwear inside a pillowcase to provide some sort of a pillow. Unfortunately, the officers who checked the cell just pitched the pillowcase without bothering to check its contents.

The fact that I had no underwear left didn't seem to bother the officers. They told me to check with clothing distribution without giving me a note verifying my problem (they don't like doing one thing they don't have to)—which meant that clothing distribution would do nothing. So much for doing things the "correct" way. I finally ended up by going to the black market and getting a new set of clothes, so I guess things worked out okay. Crazy the way you have to do things around here.

My stomach was in knots for a couple of days. I had been called in by my counsellor to be informed that my classification hearing was coming up and that he would be recommending me for a Level One institution (definitely NOT a good thing). I asked if there was a chance for me to stay here and he responded that that was up to the classification committee and a supervisor in Sacramento. He then asked me to sign some papers telling where to ship my body if I were to die in here (a much more distinct possibility if I am sent to another place).

Dr. REDACTED is going to write a note which might improve my chances of remaining. I must admit that the thought of going is terrifying as I do not want to repeat Tehachappi. I'll be seeing my counsellor on the sixth of June and will be going in for classification within the next week or so of that date. Please keep me in your prayers—I could really use them.

Anyway, that's the latest. I keep reciting the Serenity Prayer which helps a lot. Will write again as soon as I find out what's going to happen.

Love,

Rick
May 26, 1995

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 18, and I do appreciate your sharing with me how things are going for you up at San Luis Obispo.

Your recounting about how one has to go about getting underwear was absolutely amazing, and makes me appreciate all of the things that I take for granted day after day.

I remain puzzled about the possible transfer to a Level One institution, and since I am ignorant about these various levels of the state institutions, I am not sure what is better for you or worse for you. It is obvious that you would prefer to stay there at SLO, and I will pray very hard that the Lord permits that.

Asking the Lord's continued blessings upon you, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours,

Roger M.

16569
June 26

Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for writing. Unfortunately, early in June the Classification Committee recommended that I be transferred to CMC-West. This is a more minimal security prison—which sounds great when you hear the words. However, the reality is something quite different. Instead of living in a cell, you live in a dorm with 200 to 300 other men. This means that any problem involving one man can quickly involve the whole dorm—not much way of avoiding it.

I've heard stories about the violence associated with these "minimal security" prisons, and it's not good. We occasionally get a bunch shipped in to our "hole" from the violence that occurs at CMC-West. So this doesn't ease my mind. The other thing is that I have for the past twenty months been able to get SOME ongoing therapy in the form of weekly group—which has been a help in not losing what I gained at SLI.

The Committee meeting was rather upsetting not just in there final declaration, but because the information they had was so inaccurate. There was no mention of my new job, nor were they aware that I was going to weekly group—in fact, when I saw the transcript, they specifically stated that I was not.

Dr. REDACTED the head of the group, wrote a very positive letter in which she urged that I be allowed to stay. She mentioned that not only was I dealing with my issues, but I was a positive role model for others. Kind of neat, but it never reached the committee (typical for the bureaucracy around here). Anyway, I'm doing what I can in here to get the decision overturned. Maybe I'm prejudiced, but I think maybe people might be happier if I were returned to society as a fully functioning, living human being. I have managed to finally achieve some level of serenity about the situation—probably because the move, even if it takes place, won't happen for several months because of the backlog. Meanwhile, I have passed the fourteen month milestone till release.

About the same time all this was happening, Mr. REDACTED my former teacher, asked me to submit a piece for a writing contest. I wasn't focusing well at the time, and really didn't get any of the details, but agreed to produce something as much out of loyalty to him as anything else. Couldn't concentrate enough to do much of anything till last week, when I managed to dash off "George and the Dragon" on Wed afternoon. Have included a copy for you. Will submit it to this contest—whatever it is—once I get an application.

I've really got my computer legs back under me—even if the equipment is obsolete. I can hardly believe myself how much more
organized the system is. I'm getting things done in one tenth the time I did when I first got started here. Sally has been asking me to draw complicated charts using Word 5.5—which is a little like handing me a rock and a chisel, but I have been able to achieve some remarkable results considering what I have to work with. I love dealing with these challenges—though I always wish for better tools.

Thursday I turn 50. This isn't the neatest place to spend such a milestone, but at least it's on a day when some friends can come up for a visit. I don't FEEL old—except for the wrist I sprained (but I don't know how)—even though anyone over thirty around here is considered a member of the Geritol set.

I heard that the Cathedral was closed because it was unsafe. Guess this should give some impetus to getting the new one built. I'm sure glad you found out before someone got hurt. Better close for now and get back to work.

Love,

Rick
June 30, 1995

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

I have received your letter of June 26, 1995 and I was pleased to learn that you are able to have access to better computer equipment.

I do hope that your relocation to the minimal security section will go well for you, and that you will have fewer problems and difficulties to deal with.

Assuring you of my prayers and support during these summer months, and with every best wish, I am

Fraternally yours in Christ,

REDACTED
Dear Roger,

Sorry for the delay in writing. Was hoping to be acclimated to my new surroundings before getting off a letter, but it seems to be a gradual process that's taking longer than I thought.

I left E.M.C. in San Luis Chicos on July 12th. I received one day's notice even though the paperwork had been completed on my 50th birthday June 29th (some birthday present) I worked almost to the moment I left on the bus to prepare a replacement.

Sotolob is similar to San Luis Chicos in that we have cell living as opposed to being in dorms. (Correction: there are some dorms up here, but, fortunately, I'm not in one.) My cellmate is forty years old and heavily tattooed. In the late seventies and early eighties he spent time in prison for murdering someone. This time he's in because they caught him with guns on the way to kill someone.

Still, other than the fact that he's a terminal fuse fudge, I've been able to adjust. Unfortunately, he misinterpreted my willingness to get along for weakness and when I finally talked at one of his "requests," he threatened to knock my hock off. I just yawned and told him that I really didn't give a damn—and since I didn't I really didn't know what my reaction would be. Because I don't care, (this whole process has been very discouraging) I could either let him kill me and get it over with or I might get very violent in which case not all the hock on the ground would be mine. He continued with a few insults to which I ignored as I got ready for Mass. When I returned, he apologized for acting like an idiot and
we cleared the air somewhat.

I've been waiting to get a clerk's job since I arrived. Around here you don't send in resumes or get interviewed. Instead your name goes on a list and you wait. The closest thing to a check on ability was a typing test I took in which I was clocked at 60 wpm. At least my release date is not affected by this delay— and knowing I have less than a year to go helps a little bit. But it is rough going from a job I enjoyed and some friends with whom one could have an intelligent conversation to g yak and a yard full of characters who have nothing to talk about but their crimes. (There are other people here, but like me they keep to themselves so it's not real easy to make contact. Let's face it, prison is not the place to develop the gregarious side of one's nature.)

When I first got here I found that I had tremendous anxiety about leaving the cell (a holdover from Tehachapi which I thought I'd overcome). Part of it may also be because the unusual system of unlocks meant that if one left the cell, one was stuck outside for 1-3 hours. (Even though this is supposedly a more minimum security prison, in many ways it is much more restrictive.) I've finally overcome the worst of it by forcing myself to go out every afternoon for a couple of hours of walking. Surprisingly, being outside on the yard is no problem—daring, perhaps, but definitely not anxiety producing.

Most here is bi-lingual—90% Spanish, 10% English.
The chaplain went on a tirade a couple of weeks ago, basically telling the Anglos that if they didn’t like it, they could go to hell. Don’t know if they took him up on the offer, but I do know there are precious few of us there. At least the homilies, while simplistic are Gospel oriented. Who knows — maybe after a year of this my Spanish will improve.

They do have a library here. The up side is that it is much more accessible than the one at CMC. The down side is that it is much smaller containing only escapist fare.

Well, here I’m started a second page and I’m still beginning to run out of gas. Guess I’ll bring this to a close for now. Will get another note off to you soon.

Love,

Rick
September 20, 1995

Richard Henry
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Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for your recent note, and I understand your new reality there at Soledad.

I am hopeful that the experience there will not be a negative one, but that your overall growth and development will continue forward even in this new setting.

Asking the Lord’s blessings upon you, and with every best wish, I am

Eternally yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony
October 4, 1995

Dear Roger,

Thank you so much for writing. I really do appreciate whatever time you can spare from your busy schedule. There is always an underlying fear of being abandoned to the system—and, believe me, this is NOT a place where anyone in his right mind would want to be abandoned.

As you can tell by this letter, I finally have a job. I was placed as a clerk in the Assignment Office. Around here this is considered to be a very good job. In many respects it is not as fulfilling as the job I had in the Education Department at CMC—nary a computer in sight. This is one of the few places in the country where the typewriter is not obsolete. The job involves a lot of filing, using typewriter and index card. In many ways it is quite frustrating since most of it could be done by computer in one tenth the time.

On the positive side, however, is the fact that the other two workers are fairly mature, so there is not the foolishness that went on in the CMC office. And I really can't complain too much since this job does give some focus to the days and weeks so that time is passing by more quickly.

They are busy fencing off the yard so as to build a 200-man dorm. Fully one third of the yard is no longer available to the prisoners. It remains to be seen how this affect those prisoners for whom the yard is equal to their lives. Suspect that there may be a rise in the number of fights that break out.

A friend from Gardena has sent in a couple of books from the Charismatic Movement. Don't know whether that has been the cause of it or whether it is just God's time for it to happen, but I finally seem to be making some progress in my spiritual life. That's not exactly phrased correctly. It's more like God making progress in my spiritual life. It is a struggle, but I am almost at the point of turning everything over to Him. (On an intellectual level I know that that is a statement that's dumber than dirt, but I think what I'm trying to say is that at last I'm almost ready (sorry for all the weasel words, but it's not like I've gained my PhD in the spiritual life) emotionally to trust Him. It's taken a while to get here, but is kind of exciting that the initial steps are being taken.

Everyone around here was riveted by the OJ verdict. Some are really exercised by the fact that he apparently got away with murder. I suspect that several years ago I would have been included among them. However, for some reason after the past few years I really can't bring myself to condemn anyone and am much more willing to give others the benefit of the doubt. Don't know whether it's the flaws I observe in the system—or myself!—but I just can't get overheated about judging others. I sure would want any one put in a place like this unjustly.

I had been rooting for my California Angels, who managed to right themselves, only to lose to Seattle in a one game playoff for the division title. Guess even that has a silver lining since they are not so apt to be complacent about next year. Wish list—that they pick up Biggio as a free agent to play second and nab a couple of free agent pitchers. Of course, the surprising year they just completed showed that you can go by past form totally in evaluating players, so maybe they'll do as well by going in a different direction. Best close for now. Will write again soon.

Love,

16559
October 15, 1975

Dear Major Eyer,

We really do appreciate your letter of 2/18/75 indicating that you are still interested in our Rick's future.

Now that it is "countdown time" we're becoming nervous about his future. We know it will be up to him, but what kind of future does he have?

We appreciate you inviting Rick since he's been transferred to Ibadan. Are there any new developments as to his place in or out of the ministry?

Thank you for your time and consideration.

God guide us in our decisions!

Very truly,

[Redacted]
October 30, 1995

REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

I have received your letter of October 15.

I, too, am concerned about Rich's future, but at this time cannot give you any new information regarding his relationship to the Archdiocese after release from prison. Certainly, as an incardinated priest, he will receive necessary support from the Archdiocese while he seeks employment.

Monsignor Richard Loomis, who will take over as Vicar for Clergy on January 1, 1996, will be fully informed about the case.

I hope to visit Rich at Soledad before the end of my term, and after I leave the office and return to parish ministry, I will remain available to visit him and offer him moral support.

You will be able to contact me after January 1 in care of this Office, and you are in my prayers. May God bless you.

(Rev. Msgr.) Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy

REDACTED
October 31, 1995

TO: MONSIGNOR DYER

FROM: MONSIGNOR REDACTED

RE: REPORT TO PAROLE BOARD CONCERNING RICHARD HENRY

I think we should make three points:

(1) We will offer Rick Henry the opportunity to spend some time at REDACTED. This will allow him to decompress from his time in prison, and will serve to consolidate the beginning of recovery he made there. This will obviously lower the chance of recidivism. Father REDACTED enthusiastically endorses this plan. He says several alumni of REDACTED REDACTED have benefitted greatly from such a stay after incarceration.

(2) Richard Henry will not be offered a role in which he would ever wear a Roman collar or practice parochial ministry.

(3) For a period of two years, we will monitor and encourage compliance with the recovery plan worked out by REDACTED REDACTED, his local therapist, and his parole officer. We will be encouraging and supportive of Richard Henry's adaptation to lay life and employment.

I will be visiting Rick on Thursday, November 9, 1995.
R. Henry C. File

(Note: this memo is input
from [redacted] REDACTED
-it is not the definitive
position of the AD NSA.)

This question will be put
before the SSA/AD 11/06/49
January 15, 1996

Dear Roger,

It's a quiet holiday weekend here in the office and I figured I'd better get a move on and write you. If I had any sense, I probably would type up several drafts of this to get everything right—but then, if I had any sense, I probably wouldn't be here in the first place. So, if this is a little disjointed, it's because it's coming straight from my fevered brain cells.

First, let me wish you a very happy and holy (although much belated) Christmas and New Years. I hope you had a most enjoyable time during the holidays. They weren't all that thrilling in here, but I was comforted by the fact that they were the last to be spent behind bars.

I received a letter from my folks. At 81 years old they are in pretty good health. Dad just had cataract surgery which was quite successful. They told me that REDACTED was successful.

This is kind of an anxious time. Next month I have to sign parole papers indicating where I'll live and what I'll be doing. I draw a blank on both scores. Funny thing is, the address they have for me is actually the address of your office—which should be a parking lot by the time I get out anyway. On my gلونiers days I envision myself setting up shop in an underpass somewhere around Compton; on more optimistic days it's around Brentwood.

All levity aside, I have to ask you (heart in mouth, as it were) what my status is in LA. Earlier I might have had the confidence to assure you that my experiences might very well be of benefit and that surely there must be somewhere I can be of quiet service to you—in a non-public sort of way. Most of that's been leached out of me by now (though I did get wildly carried away and offer my services to REDACTED when he starts work—this is highly uncharacteristic of me as I discovered at SLI that for me "Please pass the salt" ranks right up there with nuclear warfare on the assertiveness/aggressiveness scale).

Anyway, at this point I don't think I know much about anything. I do know I still want to serve you and LA in whatever way I can—but I don't want my very existence to be a detriment either. Guess this is maybe what powerlessness is all about. I'll just try to be brave enough to leave it in your hands—and in God's. But could you please drop a line that might help me in my response to those papers I have to sign next month? Left to my own devices, all I can think of is getting off the bus and heading to the nearest Salvation Army—but maybe that's just my crazy thinking again.

Better close for now. Thank you for any consideration you can give me.

Love,

Rick

16552
REFERRAL MEMORANDUM from CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY

TO: [Redacted]  DATE: 1/18/96

( ) Please REVIEW, then SEE ME
( ) Please REVIEW, then RETURN to me
( ) Please REVIEW, then SEND me your COMMENTS
( ) Please REVIEW, then FILE

( ) Please HANDLE this matter ENTIRELY
( ) Please ANSWER; send copy of letter to me
( ) Please WRITE A REPLY for my signature
( ) For your INFORMATION
( ) Please XEROX - FAX and send copy/copies to:

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REMARKS: [Redacted] can help - this will be a real

tough one for us! Can't do any more of my

deal - just prior?? Thanks!

16551
MEMORANDUM

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Wednesday, January 31, 1996

Re: Father Richard Henry

Your Eminence,

I have consulted with the Sexual Abuse Advisory Board, Father , Father and regarding Father Henry. The consensus of advice is that the Archdiocese should guarantee that we will support Father Henry in returning to complete residential treatment at Saint Luke’s Institute after his release from prison. There is also agreement that we should commit to assist either in a return to a limited, supervised ministry or in a transition to lay life following treatment. A return to ministry would depend on 1) a final report from Saint Luke’s Institute about risk and recovery, 2) our own determination of whether any situation could provide the needed supervision and support, and 3) a thorough evaluation of whether or not the societal climate would accept an admitted, convicted pedophile (who has paid his debt to society, has completed treatment and is in recovery) in a return to the Church and to ministry.

While Father Henry is in treatment, the Archdiocese would have to be willing to carefully examine several issues from every point of view, among them: 1) Is the type and level of supervision required by this situation possible? (Father and think there are possibilities and that models do exist.) 2) Is there a ministry which would accept him, knowing the level of disclosure and support that would be needed? 3) Are we at the point at which society can deal with this or would it be the kind of situation which could blow up in Father’s face, not to mention ours? All agree the worst possible thing for the Archdiocese and Father would be a return to ministry which was torpedoed or misrepresented by the media or political forces. 4) Of course, it would also depend on whether Father Henry would be willing to live and work in such an environment.

I don’t think I am prepared to answer all these questions now, or all the others as yet unspoken. It is understood that we would be breaking “new ground” if we choose this course of action.

I hope this is helpful in your reply to Father Henry. I know that at this point it does not take into account legal advice. I will be happy to discuss the various points of view in greater detail or to pursue the matter further if you wish.

16550
MEMORANDUM

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, February 08, 1996

Re: Father Richard Henry

Your Eminence,

This afternoon, I had a conference with Sister and REDACTED (by phone).

Having heard both the legal and psychological sides, I recommend letting Father Henry know that a return to ministry for a priest in his situation is impossible due to the societal climate and legal ramifications in the world today. However, we desire to support him in continuing his recovery and will support him in a return to a treatment facility, provided this can be worked out with parole officials. To be realistic about his future, he should begin planning on returning to the lay state (laicization) and to another way of life. We are willing to assist him in that transition in a limited way.

I hope this is helpful in your reply to him. There is great wisdom in both approaches (legal and psychological). I wish we could combine them somehow. If I can be of further assistance, please let me know.
February 12, 1996

Richard Henry
H76533
P.O. Box 705  RM RA117U
CTF - North
Soledad, CA 93960-0705

Dear Rick:

I have received your letter of January 15, 1996, and I appreciate your greetings for a very happy and holy Christmas and New Year.

It was good of you to remember me and to offer me your assurance of prayer as we begin this new year.

With respect to your future, you surely realize the gravity of the difficulties of your past life, and those difficulties do present serious obstacles to what you might be able to do in the future.

A return to ministry is really impossible given the societal climate and the legal ramifications in the world today.

Upon your release, I would like to work with you on your continuing recovery, and possibly have you enter a special treatment program to enhance and further that recovery. Following that further professional treatment, you should definitely be planning on returning to the lay state and to another way of life. There are realistically no other alternatives for you.

We will be working with you to make this transition as smoothly and peacefully as possible, and I know that you will understand that our support must be channeled towards your future work as a lay person, not in any other ministry position.

We will work with you to obtain the necessary canonical procedures to bring about our respective goals for you.

It would be helpful to know when you will be released from the state prison system. Be sure to contact Richard Loomis and to keep him informed of the special dates and circumstances.

Please know of my prayers and support for you as you approach a new and important moment in your life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Roger Mahony

16546
February 28, 1996

Dear Roger,

I received your letter on Ash Wednesday, which really got the Lenten season off to an auspicious start. Thank you for the honesty of your response—my therapist at S.L.I. would be taking issue with me on that statement—he always thought I tried to act too civilized. It was only my own denial which gave me any hope of anything being available.

Heck—I've been recently watching that new ABC series, "Second Noah," which is so similar to family, except for fewer kids and more animals. I often have placed myself in various scenes and can visualize the monster that I was/am. I wonder if even a lifetime in prison will ever expunge my past sins. Certainly don't get that message from the outside world—so I can see your problem.

It does hurt like a hell—or did for a while. However, after you've died a few times even that experience starts to lose something (almost begin to wish for the real thing) and I find that the pain is subsiding. I'm still feeling a little lost, which is only natural, I guess, after a thrify year association. I'm just grateful that have offered to put me up when I get out so I had an address to give the counselor.

Anyway, I'm sorry to bother you with this letter—it will be my last, as you requested. I just wanted to take the opportunity to thank you for all the support you've given me the past three years. I really appreciate it. Better get back to work now.

Sincerely,

Rick

16545
March 10, 1996

Dear Dick,

Congratulations on your (relatively) new position as Vicar. Hope you enjoy it more than Tim did. It’s the end of a rather peaceful Sunday spent in the quiet of the Assignment Office where I work Mon-Fri. Kind of enjoy getting away from the ugliness of the day-to-day prison environment. Thought I’d take the occasion to get off a quick note to you.

Roger indicated that I was to direct further correspondence to you—particularly regarding my severance from the organization. (Sorry for the generalities, but since correspondence is hardly private, one must be circumspect, especially re names and titles—my life could depend on it). Roger told me that you need to know the date of my release. That will take place (God willing) on August 23rd. The following Monday I will undoubtedly be meeting with my parole officer and sometime after that register at Parker Center. Hope that makes the immediate picture somewhat clear.

I don’t know what procedures you must follow in this process. While I don’t want to be difficult, I will not sign any papers until I get out and have some advice about what I am signing. SI taught me not to trust my own judgment, but there’s no one to bounce things off of around here. I don’t know whether that was necessarily a bad thing, but I now recognize the need of people more knowledgeable about the world than myself when dealing with whatever future I may have left. Nothing personal, you understand.

It’s about time to wrap things up so I can get this in the evening mail. All God’s best in your new assignment. I know it has to be difficult and I admire you for being willing to take it on.

Sincerely,

Rick
March 11, 1996

Richard Henry
H76533
P.O. Box 705 RM RA117U
CTF - North
Soledad, CA 93960-0705

Dear Rick:

I have received your letter of February 28, 1996, and I know that you were disappointed with my earlier letter.

However, the greatest thing that I can do to assist you at this stage of your life is to be fully honest and not give you false hopes where there are none. As I said in my recent letter, both I and Dick Loomis plan to work closely with you upon your release from state prison so that we can assist you with your return to full society and assist with the necessary transition that is now before you.

I certainly did not intend that you could not communicate with me by letter, but I was just noting that you will be out very soon and, therefore, I will probably see you before there is the opportunity for a lengthy exchange of correspondence.

As soon as you know when you will be released from state prison, please let me know so that we can plan on a meeting to discuss your future transition and how we can be of help to you in that process.

Assuring you of my prayers during our continuing Lenten journey, and with every best wish, I am

Eternally in Christ,

Roger Mahony

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16544
March 17, 1996

Richard Henry
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CTF - North
Soledad, CA 93960-0705

Dear Rick,

As Roger said in his last letter, he has no intention of cutting off communication with you. But I will be in touch, also.

I hope all goes well between now and August 23rd, and that, indeed, you are released on that date. After your release, please give me a call so we can talk further. I know correspondence is "hardly private," as you put it. So, I must talk in generalities, also, but I can say that we would be happy to see you continue at SLI.

To address one of your concerns, no signatures will be required when we start talking. No one wants to push you into anything right now. OK?

I look forward to talking with you.

PEACE!

Dick Loomis
March 25, 1996

Dear Roger,

Thank you for taking the trouble to write me again. I realize that because of a lot of garbage in my background that I don't always perceive things the way they are met. Was not unusual in that regard at SLI. We were told to constantly check out what we thought we saw or heard with others. Unfortunately that was not an option around here.

Thankfully your letter and that by Dick Loomis, as well as REDACTED visit, helped clarify things. I've had a heck of a time believing in my heart of hearts that anyone really gives a hoot (a major project at SLI was changing that mindset) and habitual ways of thinking had me feeling that I was about to be tossed into the trash compactor of life as quickly as possible.

After reading letters from you and Dick I was reminded of an incident that was real important to me at SLI. It was several months after my arrival and the staff had decided that I should have an increased dosage of Prozac. I was opposed to the idea and told my therapist, who agreed to let me ride out the rough times—but he was over-ruled by the staff. Dr. Valcour invited me to his office to talk it over.

We talked for over an hour and at the end of that time he decided not to increase the dosage. But his decision wasn't what mattered most to me. At that point I would have gladly agreed if the decision had gone the other way because FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE someone really cared about what I had to say and listened to me rather than just give lip-service to the idea. I had never experienced that kind of respect in my life.

That's what I got from you and Dick and REDACTED that it will be a real dialogue with mutual respect. It's a concept I have a hard time adjusting to because it is so alien to my previous experience—or perceptions thereof. I look forward to the opportunity to return to SLI and get back on the road to Recovery.

That's one thing that is so devastating about prison life. Every day in a thousand subtle and not so subtle ways you are made to feel like the most worthless piece of scum ever to walk the face of the earth. It is difficult to hold your head up after a daily dose of that attitude. At CMC there were a couple of places where you were accorded some measure of respect—but that really doesn't exist here. Maybe that's one of the reasons for the failure of the prison system.

Have to close for now. Will write again soon.

Love,

Rick

16541
March 25, 1996

Dear Dick,

Thank you so much for writing. It was great to hear from you. From the tone of your letter I was much reassured about not being tossed willy-nilly into the trash- compactor of life.

I am reminded of a pivotal incident at SLL. A few months into treatment some of the staff wanted to increase the dosage of Prozac I was taking. I was opposed to the idea and told by therapist so, but he told me he was over-ruled at the staff meeting. Dr. Valcour invited me to his office to talk about it—which we did for about an hour. At the end of that time he agreed that I didn't need any increase in medication. But by that time if he had decided otherwise I would have gladly accepted his decision. The difference in my attitude was the fact that for the FIRST TIME in my life I felt like my opinions were actually heard and respected. I get that same feeling from you in your letter and that makes all the difference.

From the garbage in my background I have a hard time accepting the fact that I might actually count for something—that anyone really gives a damn. Consequently, (and, unfortunately, this is what I interpreted in Roger's Ash Wednesday letter) I felt that LA's position was to say anything to make it palatable, but quickly get my name on the dotted line and get me the hell out as quickly as possible (did I mention I had abandonment issues still to be resolved?). The fact that there is no venue around here for getting perceptions checked out doesn't help. For that as well as other reasons I'd be overjoyed to have the chance to get to go back to SLL to get back into Recovery mode.

REDACTED was up for a visit last Friday. He sure was patient. Because of snafus with the way things are run here, he had to wait three hours before they allowed me to go to the visiting room in Central. He mentioned something about some guy either in the DAs office or associated with the REDACTED who was out for blood. Sure don't know to whom he was referring. Kind of disturbing, actually. Will have to check it out with you when I get out in Aug.

Better bring this to an abrupt close and get back to work. Will write again soon. Thank you so much for your concern.

Love,

Rick
March 28, 1996
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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you so much for your card. Sounds like someone is using the immersion method to habla espanol. Hopefully this is an improvement over the dribs and drabs system I've used for the past thirty years. I now speak Sapnish like a native--Icelander that is. My last formal foray was taking Thursday afternoon classes with [REDACTED] from a retired 98 yr old school teacher (who recently celebrated her 102nd).

I'm trying to get this off to you before we get escorted back to our cells. Yesterday morning our section of the prison was locked down because an inmate was found on the yard with a fractured skull--another example of the hi-jinks which abounds in places like this.

I am considered one of the critical workers as I critically shuffle pieces of paper from one desk to another. This means that I will still be able to come to work during the lock downs so that the paper flow is not interrupted. It has its advantages. Unfortunately, I won't be able to come up on the week end.

My [REDACTED] wrote me and said that my [REDACTED] is doing fine. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

This is generally how I find out what's really happening in the family--from my [REDACTED] in Oregon. Can we say dysfunctional?

[REDACTED] was up for a visit last Friday. Poor guy had to wait for three hours because of snafus getting me down to Central. Wasn't that much more enlightened after his visit about my future. However, after getting a letter from Richard Loomis I at least get the impression that my input will be valued and that I won't just be hustled into the trash compactor of life.

I am reminded of the time when you guys wanted to increase my Prozac dosage over my objections. Dr. Valcour invited me in to discuss it and afterwards agreed that I didn't need the increase. I was so thrilled that someone actually listened to me with respect that I would have gladly taken it if that was what he decided. That's what I'm hoping will happen when I get out--not that I necessarily get my way, but that at least someone will listen to my fears and concerns.
On the lighter side, I'm madder than hell that the great city of Anaheim (part of the county that gave new meaning to the word "bankruptcy") caused the deal with the Disney Corporation buying the Calif Angels to fall apart. Here was a chance for the team to have not only an infusion of cash, but the marketing know-how to allow it to compete with the Dodgers--and Anaheim gets greedy, hoping it can lure the (yuck) Seahawks to play football in the stadium. VERY discouraging.

There's a local newscaster who has a great scam going on. You send him your favorite tie and he wears it on TV. However, he will not be able to return any ties he receives. Should really add to his collection.

I'd better bring this to a quick close as we have to close up shop in preparation for returning to our cells. Will send this to the Mexico address in hopes it reaches you--or follows you if you complete your course quickly.

Love,

Rick

Happy Easter. This was returned because I didn't have enough postage. We got off lock down at the beginning of April. I was able to work on the weekend during it so it wasn't as bad as it might have been.

This is one of the odder Holy Weeks I've ever experienced. Not much institutionally to remind one of the season--unless you count the tomb-like feeling of being locked up. Just twenty more weeks till I get out of here. Last night I actually dreamed I was sleeping in bed at home. Kind of disappointing to wake up here, but this is the first time I've been conscious of dreaming about being on the outside. It sure beats dreaming about being in prison. Had a lot of those nightmares at SII.

Will mail this again with extra postage and see what happens. Have a good Easter.
REFERRAL MEMORANDUM from CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY

TO: ___________________ DATE: 3-28-96

( ) Please REVIEW, then SEE ME
( ) Please REVIEW, then RETURN to me
( ) Please REVIEW, then SEND me your COMMENTS
( ) Please REVIEW, then FILE

( ) Please HANDLE this matter ENTIRELY
( ) Please ANSWER; send copy of letter to me
( ) Please WRITE A REPLY for my signature
( ) For your INFORMATION
( ) Please XEROX - FAX and send copy/copies to:

________________________________________________________________________

Original to: ( ) file ( ) back to me ( )

REMARKS: Send letter!

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16540
May 3, 1996

Dear Rick,

Thought I would get a quickie off to you before the week-end. I started working in the Chancery on May 1st—the feast of St. Joseph the Worker who has been demoted, liturgically. (Reminders of what happens to those who are close to God).

On that same day in the beginning we had as the first official business, a meeting of the Sexual Abuse Advisory Board (SAAB) for two cheery hours. And who is on it among others: the REDACTED—small world. Later in the day the Cardinal came in and inquired as to whether I did family therapy with cats since he was getting a new kitten to keep his cat company and was concerned about sibling rivalry. (Keep petting the older one!)

So far, so good. Learning the ropes of a complex organization. Not unlike your original experience at Soledad. In Mexico, I found out about La Senora de Soledad—and kept her company on Viernes Santa as is the pious devotion in Mexico.

I am going to lunch with REDACTED and will return to complete this letter—it now being lunch and my stomach ready for goodies.

Had lunch with REDACTED and REDACTED and we talked about recovery and SIU and sick priests. Of course, that would not include those sitting at the table. (It is interesting that REDACTED envies those who went into treatment thinking that he would have gotten so much out of it. There are those who feel that “symptomatics” are the way to transformation. It’s true for me.)

Since the only ingredient you need for courage is fear, may you continue to be courageous a day at a time. You will not need purgatory after this last year. And isn’t it wonderful that time neither slows down nor finally disappoints. It just keeps right on clicking.

Know that I remember and pray for you and look forward to our next encounter. I will see REDACTED on Monday and I am sure we will talk about you.

In the Lord,

REDACTED

P.S. Ten days have passed since I wrote the above. I wanted to read something about prison ministry before I sent this, but it will have to wait for another time. Hope you keep your pores open!
July 11, 1996

Richard Henry H 76533
P.O. Box 705 Rm RA 117U
CTF - North
Soledad, CA 93960-0705

Dear Rick,

You have been on my mind a lot lately, so finally I decided to sit down and let you know that I remember you. I suspect that these days are not all that easy for you knowing that a phase of your life is transitioning into another phase. As we used to say at SLI "the only people who like change are wet babies."

Speaking of SLI I think you know that we want to get you to SLI to finish your work there and provide you with the support of transitioning skills. Let me know when and how I might expedite that move in the concrete. When do you find out the day, and what do you want in the way of practical assistance? Do you know how long you would like to be down here and when you would like a place reserved for you at SLI?

I talked to REDACTED yesterday and he said that he hadn't heard from you in a while. Later I saw REDACTED and he said he wasn't current with you either. So that is also what likely prompted this little missive. It will so good to see you again. I hope that I can take you out to dinner and/or a meeting and/or a show. Downtown and the Hollywood Bowl have some interesting offerings.

Dick Loomis and REDACTED are out of town as I write so I don't know of their intentions except their expressed desire to support you. You "won't be hustled into the trash compactor of life"

May my prayers and warm feelings for you help sustain you at this time along with all of those who know and love you. Take good care of yourself during this time.

Love,
REDACTED
MEMORANDUM

To: File

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, July 18, 1996

Re: Telephone Conversation with California Department of Corrections

REDACTED said that, after his release, Mr. Richard Henry will not be allowed to live with a family in Torrance as he plans since there would be children in and out of the house. He asked if we had other living plans for Mr. Henry. I said that we would work with Mr. Henry to find a situation in which he would live with adults - perhaps a religious house or retreat house - for the first several months.

REDACTED also asked if Mr. Henry would be returning to active priesthood. I said that he would not, but that we would help him transition to another way of life with gainful employment. Our hope is that he would be able to return to St. Luke's Institute, Maryland, to complete his treatment program. REDACTED stated that he would not be able to do this without explicit permission from the parole office, provided there is a reciprocal agreement with Maryland for supervising offenders. I told him I realized that there would be legal concerns.

REDACTED also said that Mr. Henry would have to register annually and would have legal restrictions to his lifestyle. I said that I presumed Mr. Henry would be in contact with his lawyer for an explanation of his legal situation.
MEMORANDUM

To: Fathe

From: Monsignor Richard Loomis

Date: Thursday, July 25, 1996

Re: Residence and release information for Richard Henry

I have arranged with the Immaculate Heart Sisters that Rick will be able to stay with them for three months or so after his release. The contact person is:

REDACTED

We need to notify Sister when we have a firm date of arrival for Rick.

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REDACTED of the California Department of Corrections said that Rick will have to report to his probation office 48 hours after release. He will be visited at his residence by a probation officer weekly and will be mandated to attend their evaluation/counseling sessions for released offenders. He will also have very specific legal requirements about registering with the local police department within a certain number of days.

I suggest that he see REDACTED soon after his return to go over his legal rights, defenses and requirements.
September 5, 1996

REDACTED
PAROLE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
Inglewood 3,
101 North La Brea Avenue, Suite 200
Inglewood, CA. 90301

Dear REDACTED

With this letter the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles under the Vicar for Clergy’s Office requests that Richard Henry released from Soledad as #H76533 be transferred to: Saint Luke Institute
8901 New Hampshire Avenue
Silver Spring, Maryland, 20903
(301)445-7970
for the purpose of continuing his treatment and transitioning to an inactive status as a priest. This was the psychiatric hospital that Richard Henry went for the treatment of pedophilia before incarceration, and where we wish him to conclude his treatment.

Length of stay is determined by the patient’s need but we forecast at least three months treatment. Saint Luke Institute has a contact person in Maryland who can assist in the transfer. His name is:________________________, title, ________________
address________________________; telephone number______________

If we can further assist you in this request, please don’t hesitate to call REDACTED

Thank you very much for your time and responsiveness.

Sincerely, 16538

REDACTED

Please fill this out and
for back. Thanks.

Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels San Fernando San Gabriel San Pedro Santa Barbara

CCI 001028
FROM: REDACTED

ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC CENTER
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015

FAX MEMO - Page 1 of ___

TO: REDACTED

FAX #

DATE: September 5, 1996

RE: "Parole transfer"

As per our conversation:
This still has to be sent to Sacramento before we get the "green light"

Thank you

REDACTED

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REDACTED
address REDACTED REDACTED
telephone number REDACTED REDACTED

If we can further assist you in this request, please don't hesitate to call REDACTED

Thank you very much for your time and responsiveness.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Note: Please fill this out and fax back. Thanks!]

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F.Y.I.

REDACTED

Dept. of Corrections, Parole Office, who is dealing with Fr. Henry's application to go back to

Phone number and extension: REDACTED
REDACTED received the information he needed from Maryland in today's mail. He has put together the case for the Interstate Compact Office in Sacramento. He should be able to tell us next Tuesday what kind of time frame we are looking at for final approval.

He is trying to expedite the process by copying everything he sends to Sacramento directly to the parole agent in Maryland who will be supervising the case. In that way, Maryland will be up to speed on the whole process and will accept Rick as soon as California approves.

REDACTED commented that Rick has been cooperating with all their requirements in terms of his parole. They are very pleased with his cooperation.

From: Mgr. Loamis
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Having been
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Moore
March 4, 1997

REDACTED

California Parole Board
101 Labrea Ave. Suite 200
Inglewood, CA 90301

Dear Agent REDACTED

Mr. Richard Henry began psychiatric treatment here at Saint Luke Institute in 1992. This treatment was incomplete due to his serving a sentence in prison. The Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles is willing to sponsor Mr. Henry to return to Saint Luke's in Maryland to complete his psychiatric treatment.

While at Saint Luke Institute, we would like to assure you and the Maryland Parole Board that the Maryland Parole Division would have unrestricted access to Mr. Henry and could visit him here at any time. In addition, Mr. Henry could meet an appointment with the Maryland Parole Division at any time of their choosing; Mr. Henry would be accompanied by another person while off the grounds of Saint Luke Institute.

We strongly believe that allowing Mr. Henry to complete his treatment would not only benefit him, but also assist him in being a responsible and safe member of society.

We hope that he will be allowed to finish the psychiatric treatment which he began. We thank you for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

Rev. Stephen J. Rossetti, Ph.D., D.Min.
President

16514
From: REDACTED
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 1997 2:48 PM
To: Loomis, Msgr. Richard
Subject: Call from Fr. REDACTED

Please call REDACTED

Re: Rick Henry.

REDACTED

Called him @ 4:08 pm - He informed me that Fr. Henry will be discharged at the end of this week or early next week - the discharge is based on clinical grounds. When he is discharged, the parole office will have the final say over where he lives.
June 9, 1997

TO: Msgr. Richard Loomis
FROM: Father REDACTED St. Camillus Catholic Center for Pastoral Care
RE: Rick Henry

I am happy things are working out with Rick staying here. I understand some good news about his moving situation is close at hand.

I am writing requesting some financial help. Since we said yes to his coming for hospitality we have been told by the Archdiocese and region that our subsidy will be cut by over $30,000. Our door remain open to Rick but I thought I would ask if a subsidy for our hospitality might be possible—for room and board. It would be helpful to us in our ministry. I am trusting you might some find of scale for this—I have no idea. Any help at this time will be of help. I have not said anything to Rick about our situation.

Rick seems to be happy here at our rectory. He attends sessions on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and seems to be busy the rest of the time. I am in and out on the weekends and I know that is his low schedule time. I returned this morning from a few days of vacation and Mike Baker told me he got a call at 6:30am from Rick probation officer calling to announce he was coming ASAP to see Rick. I am not sure if you even knew that this might happen but... He stays to himself so that staff only sees him in passing.

I would mention that my understand of protocol:
--our staff knows his situation including our housekeeper who sometimes has her grandchildren with her.
--we hope our hospitality is available during this transition of his care,
--his staying here beyond the first of July would need to be negotiated,
--he knows we are a smoke free house
--he is not being asked to do any ministry
--he is responsible for what the staff and church requires of him
--he is welcome to make this house his home while he is here

I am glad we are a safe haven for him. I hope you understand why I asking for help. Any questions—please contact me.
June 12, 1997

Reverend REDACTED
St. Camillus de Lellis Church
REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

Thank you for your Fax of June 9th regarding Rick Henry.

I have received promising news from Rick’s attorney that the various parole agencies are finally coming to agreement and he should be on his way to a treatment center soon. I appreciate your willingness and that of your staff to receive Rick during this time before his transfer.

At this point I am not about to promise a room and board subsidy for him. However, as I said before, I hope his stay will be brief and not become a burden for St. Camillus.

God bless you and thank you once again for your generosity.

PAX!

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
Vicar for Clergy
June 30, 1997

Rev. Msgr. Richard Loomis
Vicar of Clergy
L.A. Archdiocese

Dear Msgr. Loomis:

I write regarding our hospitality of Rick Henry. As we discussed on the phone, I agreed to the hospitality in the context of a time limit of the end of the month of June. I hear from Rick that July 13 is the planned date for his flying back east. I am telling REDACTED that he will have access the whole room after the 13th of the July. Unless we discuss things further, I would assume that this will happen.

Please note the following observations:

Mike Baker was awakened one Sunday morning by the parole officer checking on Rick. My request to you for some financial compensation for his stay here was turned down. Rick stays in his room unless he has an appointment and makes no real contact with any of us in the house.

Rick does eat very regularly and not within any context of diet.

My hope is that he will continue in recovery and that the Lord will guide his future. I think our offer of hospitality is coming to an end.

Sincerely,

Father Chris Ponnet
Pastor, St. Camillus

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3424 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Re: Reverend Richard Henry

Dear Father [REDACTED],

With this letter I would like to inform you that Father Henry has arrived at Saint Luke Institute and is adapting to the Inpatient Program. Also, as the Director of Clinical Services I would like to welcome you as the concerned recipient of the progress reports of Father Henry’s treatment and introduce some of the staff who will be working with him.

Frank Valcour, MD is the monitoring psychiatrist and [REDACTED] Ph.D. is Father Henry’s individual therapist. Dr. [REDACTED] will coordinate Father Henry’s treatment and will correspond with you after the Patient Staff Conference, which occurs every six to eight weeks, regarding the progress he is making during his stay at the Saint Luke Institute. Please feel free to contact Dr. [REDACTED] if you have any questions about his treatment progress. We will continue to reassess Father Henry’s progress and alert you accordingly.

In the interest of confidentiality, Father Henry has opted not to receive phone calls through our front desk during his stay at Saint Luke Institute. We ask that you direct any telephone contact to him at his room telephone number which is [REDACTED]

If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Stephen Montana, Ph.D.
Director of Clinical Services

cc: Rev. Richard Henry

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REDACTED

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Re: Reverend Richard Henry

REDACTED

Thank you very much for the referral of Reverend Richard Henry, a 52 year old priest of the Los Angeles archdiocese who was ordained in 1972. You are aware of Father Henry’s complicated and painful personal history. To put this report in context, I will give a very brief chronologic summary. Father Henry first came to the Saint Luke Institute for evaluation in October of 1991. At that time, he had been accused of inappropriate sexual behavior with minors. Our evaluation rendered diagnoses of pedophilia, dysthymic disorder as well as personality troubles. Residential treatment was recommended and this began in July of 1992. He actually did quite well in his residential treatment, coming to an understanding of the nature of his behavioral difficulties and his responsibility in adhering to a management plan. In addition to this specific benefit of treatment, Father Henry also experienced improvement in his self-esteem and optimism about his future. He was discharged from the Saint Luke Institute in February of 1993 and lived in a retreat center in Los Angeles as he awaited sentencing for some of his sexual misdeeds. It is our understanding that those who knew Father Henry were pleased and impressed with the personal changes he had accomplished through treatment. He was sentenced to prison in April of 1993 and some details of that experience will be described below. He eventually was paroled in August of 1996 and since that time has had substantial personal difficulty. Some of this was a function of the prison experience. Other stressful elements included vicissitudes of the parole process and also difficulty in Father Henry taking initiative and actively planning a new life for himself. It is our understanding that the nature of his behavioral difficulties precludes ministerial assignment in the Los Angeles archdiocese for the foreseeable future. By March of 1997, Father Henry had become quite depressed and there were serious concerns about his self-care. His condition led to an extended hospitalization from which he was discharged, in an improved state, in May of 1997. Administrative arrangements were finally worked out and Father Henry arrived at the Saint Luke Institute on Sunday, July 13, 1997.

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In closing, I would like to thank you very much for the effort you made bringing Father Henry back to us. It was very encouraging to learn that the gains he had made in his original treatment were not all lost. We are hopeful for his continued healing and his finding a satisfying working and living situation. Please keep us in your prayers and we hope to see you in the near future.

Warm regards,

REDACTED

cc: Rev. Richard Henry
Richard A. Henry

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Dear,

I’m looking forward to seeing you next week. I am including a copy of a letter I sent to Roger the same day I am writing you. My therapist suggested I write him and check the letter out with my small group and several individuals, including her. This is the final result. Hope it doesn’t cause unwanted repercussions, but it was something I felt I had to do.

The prison issue stuff I’ve been able to work on here the first few weeks. Then, before I could really get a handle on anything else, I suddenly discovered a whiff of that anger you’ve all been telling me is boiling around inside. Frankly, it scared the hell out of me and I’ve been struggling with that issue for the past several weeks and haven’t been able to focus on much else.

I’ve talked to [REDACTED] a couple of times. He’ll be back from vacation tomorrow, so I’ll get to see him again – sort of pre-halfway house. Guess he’ll be my therapist when I go there on the 7th, which will be pretty neat as he knows me so well already.

I’ve talked a bit with [REDACTED] since I’ve been here, but have actually gotten closer to [REDACTED]. Done a lot of good sharing with the latter. Have also seen a lot of aftercare guys I knew from before. It’s like old home week when they come around.

That’s about it for now. Will talk to you more when I see you next week.

Love,

[Signature]
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REFERRAL MEMORANDUM

TO: [Name]

DATE: 9-25-97

( ) Please REVIEW, then SEE ME
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( ) Please REVIEW, then SEND me your COMMENTS
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( ) Please HANDLE this matter ENTIRELY
( ) Please ANSWER; send copy of letter to me
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( ) For your INFORMATION
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Original to: ( ) file ( ) back to me ( )

REMARKS: Response to this?

Thanks!

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MEMORANDUM

To: Cardinal Roger Mahony
From: Monsignor Richard Loomis
Date: Thursday, September 25, 1997
Re: Father Richard Henry

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Let’s chat.

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9-26-97
MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

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DATE: September 29, 1997

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3424 Wilshire Blvd.
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Re: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI#REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

It was good to see you and work with you and Rick on his official visit here at St. Luke’s the 21st of September. Since your visit Rick has had his last Patient Staff Conference (10/2/97) and been discharged to Halfway House (10/7/97).

REDACTED

In regard to his recovery issues Rick has maintained the solid recovery around pedophilia that he had achieved upon his discharge from St. Luke’s in February of 1993. He continues to do the management necessary to prevent further acting out. He has developed empathy for his victims and a realistic awareness of his difficulties. He appears to have internalized the safeguards to protect from acting out again. REDACTED

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It has been a pleasure and a privilege to accompany Rick on the journey he has made these two months.

Sincerely,

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In every way we are wishing you and the Arch diocese of Los Angeles a Blessed Advent.

Sincerely,

cc: Richard Henry
Could you please arrange for the information on his support to go all the way back to when he originally came on Archdiocesan support after his intervention?

Thanks!
January 15, 1998

Dear REDACTED,

Thank you or all the support you have given me both in that transition period leading to St. Luke’s and your concern during your visit several months ago. Having the opportunity to see REDACTED regularly certainly helped to focus me during a very trying time of my life. And even my hospitalization Las Encinas, while not seen as a blessing at the time, was certainly most helpful dealing with the depression that had been sneaking up on me. I especially thank you for getting me the car for the last six months, which allowed me a certain freedom of movement and kept me from totally vegging.

You had asked REDACTED that I send you a wish list many months ago. I had a hard time thinking about what I really would wish for, so I put it out of my mind for a while. One of the last things she said to me in therapy was, however, to be sure and send one to you. So, here I am fulfilling another New Year’s resolution.

My primary wish would be for a car. While I can maneuver around the city and its environs using public transportation, I find it is hardly the most efficient way of getting from point A to point B. This was graphically brought home to me the other day when I had an appointment with my parole officer. Since I had shown expertise using the bus and Metro systems, she suggested I drop by the office. I checked it out on the map and discovered that it was barely five miles away—just fifteen minutes by car. Using public transit, I spent two hours working my way to the office.

This is the kind of limitation that can really put a crimp into the job search department. Multiple interviews in one day would be just a pipe dream. I guess what really convinced me that a car is more a necessity than a luxury (rather than a parochial Los Angeles way of looking at things) was when my parole officer indicated how important it was even out here in a city with decent public transportation.

The other item on my (short) list concerns the time when I am ready to attempt getting out on my own. I’ve been told that apartment landlords require the first month’s rent and a deposit. If the archdiocese could see its way clear to handling that for me, it would certainly facilitate those first steps entering into the “real” world.

Thank you for your kindness in considering my needs. Hope to be in further communication with you when I have specific news to report.

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[Signature]

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Thanks for your work with Rick!!!

God Bless
Hasta mañana!

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WE want you to know that we expect that you will have secured an apartment within 60 days from the date of this letter.

Please know... (This sentence should remain intact)

... within your reach and abilities. Our intent is to urge you forward, thereby reducing the risk of an entrenched institutional dependency.

At the same time... (This paragraph stands)

... toward a new way of life. The exact nature of the fineness of our support will be worked out with your input.

I think these additions keep it simple, direct, honest and while the impact of the letter might raise his anxiety, the last suggested sequence hints at his not being abandoned. Without you to discuss the specifics of your intent to support him in an apartment for 12 months if that's what it takes for him to become independent.
February 19, 1998

Richard A. Henry
REDACTED

Dear Rick,

I am happy to hear that you have moved into a halfway house from Saint Luke's Institute. This is a testimony to your courage, as well as God's grace at work in your life. I know your road has not been an easy one and has often even been very disagreeable.

Since the time of your intervention, we have endeavored to companion you on a troubled journey. We have endeavored to be of help and support to you

- during the time you spent initially at Saint Luke's,
- in your return to Los Angeles to face the legal matters before you,
- during your time in prison,
- at your release,
- during a trying time of bureaucratic paper-shuffling by the Parole Office,
- in your time in residence with the Immaculate Heart Sisters,
- at Las Encinas Hospital,
- in your ultimate return to Saint Luke's to complete your treatment program
- and, now, in your experience at the halfway house.

I know there have been times when you felt that we did not provide the kind of support you wanted. However, we have always done the best we could to provide professional psychological services, as well as a safe living situation and financial support. Though there is no one indicator of support, you should know that, to date, the Archdiocese has provided personal financial support to you in the amount of $57,039, psychological and psychiatric treatment totaling $90,126 (over and above your life-time insurance benefit of $50,000 which has been exhausted for some time), and loans secured by promissory notes totaling $58,946 (approximately $33,000 of which has been returned or repaid) for your legal expenses. All in all, close to $200,000 has been committed to your welfare.

All of this has been a willing investment in your future life - a life which we hope and pray will be full and happy. We will now seek to be of support in your transition to that
new way of life. To do this, in consultation with your therapist, we must set goals for your transition.

We want you to know that we expect that you will have secured an apartment within 60 days from the date of this letter. Please know that this goal has been set in consultation with your therapist and is believed to be realistic and within your reach and abilities. Our intent is to urge you forward, thereby reducing the risk of an entrenched institutional dependency.

At the same time as you work to achieve these goals, we will make every effort to continue to provide you with medical health insurance coverage and support for your outpatient therapy for as long as we can. If there are other matters that you would like us to consider to assist in your transition, I will be happy to hear them. I cannot make any promises but we will do our best to continue to support your journey toward a new way of life. The exact nature of the finances of our support will be worked out with your input.

Please know that I am keenly aware that this transition is painful for you. I do not wish to cause any more pain in your life, but it is clear that there is a real need to move forward to a new, more self-sufficient way of life. In the long run, this will promote your health and happiness.

You are in my prayers daily. I pray that the Lord will continue to bless you with courage and grace.

PAX!

Reverend Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
Vicar for Clergy

P.S. Father REDACTED has informed me of your concerns about transportation. To help in this area, we will shortly be sending you a check for $5,000, which you may use as you see fit for transportation purposes (a used car, a short-term rental, public transportation, etc.).
Good Morning,

I do hope you have a Blessed Easter this year - I will (in anticipation) and I'll be cooking a Roast for Mother-in-Law and Grandmother-in-Law.

Rick H. - progress is dreamy nicely (for him!) has had some job interviews, has worked several times for a temporary temp agency, has bought a car - now has it inspected, registered, insured and tuned-up.

Has been apartment hunting (room hunting) and has found an apartment he likes. There may be a hurdle to overcome re: longevity of employment seems to put landlord at ease regarding rent. I will call you to discuss.

Yours truly,

[Signature Redacted]

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04/08/98 11:06 TX/RX NO. 8329 P. 002
The rental agent at a complex not far from Redacted has decided to waive Rick's employment requirement in lieu of a fax from the Diocese which would indicate the willingness of the Diocese to provide back-up for rent payment.

To take possession of the apt. by May 15, 1998, Rick needs $445 by that date - then $610 by June 1 and $610 by July 1.

Redacted
April 23, 1998

Msgr. Richard Loomis
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocesan Catholic Center
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

RE: Richard HENRY

Dear Monsignor Loomis:

Our records do not reflect payment received for Richard Henry investigation, in the amount $2,248.00.

Very truly yours,

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

Office Manager
April 24, 1998

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your help in securing an apartment. I am very excited—and nervous—about this first step into the arena of independent living shared with me the fax he sent to you about the archdiocese providing a check for $445 by May 15th, for my apartment and checks for $610 by the 1st of June and July respectively. I also understand that you had talked with a representative of [REDACTED] where I will be staying. I would like to verify that information with you to alleviate some of the anxiety I feel as I venture into these uncharted waters.

I am currently working part time for a trade association where I am taking advantage of the opportunity to learn how to glean information from the Internet, fax documents and basically work in a high tech office where that knowledge is taken for granted. The discipline of chugging off to work five days a week is also good for me.

As I prepare to move into my apartment on the 15th of May, I have been doing some research about the initial expense of such a move for someone who has absolutely nothing since my brother walked off with my possessions. Conservatively, it appears that the basic necessities, such as a bed, linens, cookware, dishes, silverware, table, and chair will cost upwards of $1,000. These are just some of the items that I have been able to identify thus far. Since I am new at this business, I am sure there are many things which I am overlooking.

Since receiving Dick Loomis’ letter several months ago, I am more reticent about asking, but my financial situation forces me to. Could the diocese please send me funds to defray the expense of moving into and setting up housekeeping in the apartment?

I would sincerely appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Redacted

PM's office.

Part-time job: Information Technology Industry Council

Redacted

New address: Redacted
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REDACTED
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, California 90010-2241

Re: Reverend Richard Henry
REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

Father Henry was discharged from the Saint Luke Institute Halfway House Program on May 15, 1998. He has taken an apartment several miles away and will continue to attend the halfway house groups until employment excludes that option. He will continue to see Mr. REDACTED for his individual therapy. The latter arrangement is standard operating procedure, case load permitting; the former arrangement is unusual but we thought it best for Father Henry to maintain as much of his support network as possible during this very significant transition. This is the first time ever that Father Henry is living alone and quasi-independently.

REDACTED
The parents of the children he abused told him during a therapeutic visit, of their son's suicide. This news became another occasion for Father Henry to work his shame and guilt. He was often in a posture of emotional collapse, and in the case of the suicide he took total responsibility for having destroyed the man's life.

Father Henry is committed to living a healthy sexuality. He regularly acknowledges his sexual misconduct, which is still a source of pain for him.

We thank you for the opportunity to care for Father Henry and for your generous support of him. We remain committed to supporting Father Henry in his transition to the secular world.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

cc: Reverend Richard Henry
TO: Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
FROM: REDACTED
RE: Father Richard Henry
DATE: June 18, 1998

On May 22, 1998, I had a long phone conversation with Father Richard Henry because his job interfered with our meeting time. He sounds very inter-directed and purposeful around his current main objectives: getting a job and living in an apartment.

He has been given $5,000.00 from the Archdiocese as a one-time gift transportation assistance.

The Archdiocese has also agreed to give him $1,000.00 a month as a gift in addition to his stipend for which he will not have to pay taxes. This arrangement is to last through September when it will be again reviewed.

He has moved into an apartment, and he has secured labor employment as a temporary employee. He hopes to parley that into a full-time position.

His medical insurance still needs to be addressed.
Will be assessed in "Dept."

E-mail attachment to G. Henry

6/2/88
To: REDACTED
Subject: Phone Message from Msgr. Loomis -- 1:30 PM

Monsignor Loomis wanted you to know that a new victim for Father Rick Henry has surfaced. His name is REDACTED. Father REDACTED, at REDACTED, is the contact person.

Monsignor Loomis has notified you of REDACTED. Msg. Loomis gave to REDACTED your direct telephone number. REDACTED knows that you will be back in the office until Thursday, February 28. His cell phone number is REDACTED.

Thank you.
To:  
Subject:  

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Thank you.

REDACTED
CASE NO. PA007490
DEF NO. 01

COMPATIBLE WITH YOUR FINANCIAL ABILITY. EXECUTION MAY BE ISSUED ON THE ORDER IN THE SAME MANNER AS ON A JUDGEMENT IN A CIVIL ACTION.
DEFENDANT WAIVES ARRRAIGNMENT, READING OF COMPLAINT, AND STATEMENT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY RIGHTS.
DEFENDANT WAIVES FURTHER ARRAIGNMENT.
DEFENDANT PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO COUNT 01, 288(A) PC - LEWD ACTS WITH CHILD UNDER 14.
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NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT:
09/26/91 900 AM PRELIM SETTING/RESETTING DIST L.A. - SAN FERNANDO DIV 132
09/16/91 ARREST WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $30,000.00 RECALLED.
CUSTODY STATUS: RELEASED ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE

ON 09/26/91 AT 900 AM IN L.A. - SAN FERNANDO DIV 132

CASE CALLED FOR PRELIM SETTING/RESETTING
PARTIES: REDACTED

DEFENDANT IS PRESENT IN COURT, AND REPRESENTED BY REDACTED PRIVATE COUNSEL
COUNT (01) : DISPOSITION: HELD TO ANSWER
COUNT (02) : DISPOSITION: HELD TO ANSWER
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COUNT (06) : DISPOSITION: HELD TO ANSWER
DEFENDANT WITH COUNSEL WAIVES FURTHER READING OF THE COMPLAINT AND STATEMENT OF RIGHTS.
DEFENDANT AND HIS/HER COUNSEL WAIVE PRELIMINARY HEARING. WITH CONSENT OF THE COURT, AND THE DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY, PRELIMINARY HEARING IS WAIVED. PEOPLE JOIN IN THE PRELIMINARY HEARING WAIVER.
DEFENDANT IS HELD TO ANSWER TO THE SUPERIOR COURT.
FILE TO COUNTY CLERK ON RECEIPT#1207243.
NEXT SCHEDULED EVENT:
FELONY ARRAIGNMENT/PLEA, ON OCTOBER 10, 1991, IN SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, SAN FERNANDO, DEPT F, AT 8:30 AM.

CUSTODY STATUS: RELEASED ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE.
Reverend Richard A. Henry

Richard Allen Henry was born on June 29, 1945 and ordained as a priest for the service of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on May 27, 1972.

In August of 1991, information came to the Archdiocese that he was under investigation by the police for child abuse. He was relieved of his assignment at that time, and provided pastoral and professional assistance. Similar assistance was extended to those who brought forward the complaint.

In December of 1991, Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” to committing sex acts with four different boys over a six-year period. Thus, there has been a definitive legal determination that Father Henry committed these serious crimes. This guilty plea received press coverage at the time, and in the last year the media have again brought this past criminal conviction into public discussion.

After a significant period of time in psychological assessment and treatment, on April 28, 1993 Father Henry was sentenced to State Prison for these offenses. He served approximately three years in prison. When released from prison in 1996, the Archdiocese provided appropriate support and sent him for additional psychological treatment and provided transition support over a period of years.

Father Henry has previously been invited to petition for dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state but has not done so.
March 21, 2003

His Holiness
John Paul II
00120 Vatican City State
Europe

RE: Richard Allen Henry

Your Holiness:

In this season of Lent, please know that you are in my prayers as you continue to shepherd our Church in this time of war and crisis.

I am writing to request an ex officio dismissal from the clerical state of Reverend Richard A. Henry. I make this request in accord with the provision of the revisions recently made to the motu proprio, Sacramentorum Sanctitatis tutela, specifically the amendment to Article 17 that was made on 7 February 2003.

The circumstances of Father Henry involve a grave and clear case provided for in the above-mentioned amendment. A brief summary is attached that sketches the salient points at issue.

The case is clear because there is no doubt whatsoever that he committed the ecclesiastical and civil crime of sexual abuse of minors. This is established by the fact that Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” before the criminal courts of the State of California in December of 1991. He served time in prison as a result of this criminal conviction. All this is established in public records.

This is a particularly grave case in that the abuse involved several minor boys over a significant period of time. Tragically, despite pastoral and professional help extended, one of Father Henry’s victims committed suicide.

This is also a notorious case, in that Father Henry’s crime received news coverage at the time and has resurfaced in the media during this past year.

Given that there is no doubt of the facts, it would be unnecessary and unduly onerous to deal with his case in the ecclesiastical judicial process. It would also require that we again burden those
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harmed by Father Henry by seeking their testimony for the sake of the ecclesiastical trial. They have already been harmed grievously, and I wish to act in a way that does not reopen wounds or add to their distress.

Therefore, for the good of the Church, I ask that you impose dismissal from the clerical state on Father Richard Henry.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. With gratitude for your service of the Church and for your kindness, I am

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

His Eminence
Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

closure
MEMORANDUM

TO: REDACTED
   Financial Services

FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox
      Vicar for Clergy

RE: Loan Request

DATE: 15 May 2004

We have received a loan request from Richard Henry, a priest who is inactive at this time. I discussed this with REDACTED REDACTED. He concurs that it is appropriate to provide a loan in this case.

Would you please be so kind as to prepare a promissory note for the amount of $20,000 and send that to me? I will then forward it to him for signature before I request the check.

Thank you.

cc. REDACTED REDACTED
July 14, 2004

Richard A. Henry

REDACTED

Dear Rick:

I am sorry it has taken me so long to get back to you. Enclosed, please find a promissory note for the loan that you have requested along with a check in the amount of the loan.

Please sign the promissory note and return it directly to me.

God bless!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

closure: note
November 19, 2004

Dear Monsignor Cox:

I acknowledge your kind letter of November 16, 2004, with enclosures.

Rest assured that the correspondence concerning Reverend Richard Allen Henry, including a check in amount $500.00 for the taxa, will be duly forwarded through the diplomatic pouch to His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Prefect, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

With cordial regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]
Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo
Apostolic Nuncio

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241
November 16, 2004

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D.
Apostolic Nunciature
3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20008

RE: Reverend Richard Allen Henry
CDF Prot. No. 286/03

Your Excellency:

Enclosed, please find a letter from Cardinal Roger M. Mahony to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger at the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, regarding Reverend Richard Allen Henry. With his letter are copies of relevant documentation. All materials are submitted in triplicate.

Cardinal Mahony is seeking the assistance of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter.

Would you please be so kind as to forward this to the Congregation on our behalf?

Also enclosed is a check made out to the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith to cover the usual taxa in such matters.

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles
(A Corporation Sole)
3424 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, California 90010-2241
(213) 637-7691.

Pay

****FIVE HUNDRED AND XX / 100 US DOLLAR****

To The
Order Of

CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE
of the Faith
Piazza Del S Offizio II
00120 Vatican City

REDACTED
His Eminence,
Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger,
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,
Piazza del S. Ufficio 11
00120 Vatican City
Europe

Re: Reverend Richard Allen Henry
CFD Prot. No: 286/03

Your Eminence:

I write in regard to the matter of Father Richard Allen Henry, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is presently domiciled outside our Archdiocese. Father Henry has been accused and convicted of graviora delicta.

Attached, please find supporting materials taken from the personnel files maintained at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

1. The completed summary of the case using the formula prepared by the Congregation;


3. A copy of a press report of January 25, 1992 from the Glendale News-Press. This is included as an exemplar of a number of other stories in the press, both in 1992 and again in 2002 and subsequently.

Richard A. Henry was born on August 29, 1945 in Los Angeles, California. He was educated at various Catholic schools within the greater Los Angeles area. In 1965 he entered St. John's Seminary College, Camarillo, California, where he completed his college education. In 1968 he entered St. John's Seminary Theologate, where he completed his theological studies. He was ordained a priest on May 27, 1972, for service in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Throughout his years of priestly ministry, Father Henry has been involved in abusive and sinful sexual activity with minors, behavior that has caused immense damage to some of the most vulnerable members of God's people. His behavior has likewise been the cause of great scandal within the Catholic community and indeed to other citizens of good will.

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The egregious nature of the behavior of Father Henry is well documented in voluminous files maintained at the offices of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The records indicate that from the very early stages of his priesthood he was living a troubled life. In 1991 he became the subject of a police investigation as a result of complaints that he had molested minors. On July 22, 1991, he admitted to officials of the Archdiocese that he had made sexual contact with several children ranging in age from nine to twelve years old.

Later in 1991, Father Henry surrendered to civil authorities. There was a preliminary court hearing at which bail was set for Father Henry’s release pending trial. Meanwhile, with the concurrence and encouragement of the civil authorities, Father Henry was sent to The Saint Luke Institute, Suitland, Maryland, for a five-day evaluation. It was discovered that Father Henry was suffering from a significant sexual behavior disorder, and a diagnosis of pedophilia was given with the recommendation that he have inpatient treatment at the Institute.

In December, 1991, Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” to committing sex acts with four different boys over a six year period. This guilty plea received press coverage at the time, and within the last two years the media have again brought this past criminal conviction into public discussion.

After a significant period of time in psychological assessment and treatment, on April 28, 1993, Father Henry was sentenced to State Prison for these offences. He served approximately three years in prison. Upon his release in 1996, the Archdiocese provided additional psychological treatment.

Clearly, given this history, it is impossible that Father Henry ever be returned to priestly ministry. Even after extensive therapy, his deeply rooted psychological problems render him totally unsuited for ministry.

In order to comply with your directive that cases of this nature be referred to your Dicastery prior to the Solemnity of Christ the King of this year, I respectfully request a dispensation from prescription so that an appropriate canonical action may be taken in this case.

Recently, however, we have received an indication that Father Henry may petition His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, for a dispensation from the obligations of Sacred Orders and a return to the lay state. It is my hope that he will indeed prepare such a petition, but up to now he has not committed his intentions to writing. I would like to give him an additional four to six weeks to consider his decision in this matter.

In view of the prospect that he will petition, I am not at this time enclosing copies of Father Henry’s lengthy file. I do not want to burden you and the members of your staff with the study of such a volume of materials unless and until it is strictly necessary.
Letter to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger
Regarding Reverend Richard Allen Henry
Page 3 of 3

In the event that Father Henry does not voluntarily petition Our Holy Father for a return to the lay state, I hereby request that Father Henry be directly dismissed from the clerical state by His Holiness. Given that he pled guilty and was convicted, there is no doubt either regarding the fact that he abused young people or regarding the egregious nature of that abuse.

If the course of action requested here is not judged to be appropriate, I would welcome direction on how to proceed in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony,
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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SUSTENANCE PROVIDED BY THE DIOCESE TO THE CLERIC

Salary/transition assistance 1993 - 2000
Ongoing outpatient therapy at various times
Loans for legal defense
Vested in pension fund and may claim pension payments at age 70.

RESPONSE/RECOUSE MADE BY THE CLERIC

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BISHOP'S VOTUM

Father Henry has been convicted and served a term in State Prison from April 1993 through September 1996. There is no doubt as to the fact of abusive activities. Nor is there any doubt as to the egregious nature of that abuse. This case has received a great deal of publicity. The parents of several of the victims are currently members of our Archdiocesan review board.

If Father Henry does not petition for a dispensation from clerical obligations and a return to the lay state, we are seeking direct dismissal of him from the clerical state by action of the Holy Father.
CONFIDENTIAL

October 25, 1991

Reverend Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #: 12477

Dear Father Dyer:

Thank you very much for the referral of Father Richard Henry, a 46 year old priest from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Your letter of October 21st was quite helpful in spelling out a history of concern about Father Henry's ministerial adjustment. In addition to difficulties in his various parish assignments, he has also exhibited a certain awkwardness with adults and an excessive amount of energy and attention devoted to school children. When complaints reached the Chancery about Father Henry an investigation was made and he was asked to undergo psychotherapy under the care of Dr. [REDACTED] Some things improved but he continued to show excessive anger and troublesome mood swings. In August of this year he was formally accused of child molestation. It is our understanding that the Superior Court of Los Angeles is aware that Father Henry is coming to us for evaluation and expects some statement from us regarding his suitability for treatment.

[REDACTED]

He appeared emotionally devastated by what had happened but was still able to give much helpful information about himself. This information was quite consistent with the data you had provided even if there were minor discrepancies in some details. His cooperativeness enhanced our confidence in the validity of our findings.

[REDACTED]
RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI No.: 12477

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Sometime in the early to mid '80s he recalls hugging youngsters in the ten to fourteen year age group more frequently. Eventually this hugging involved some genital touching through clothing and eventually even more overt sexual contact.

REDACTED
RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI No.: 12477

REDACTED

REDACTED
In closing I would like to thank you again for the referral of Father Henry. Your trust in us is greatly appreciated and we hope that our evaluation and treatment services prove useful to him and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Meanwhile, we ask for your continued prayers and support of ourselves and those we serve.

Respectfully,

Frank Valcour, MD
Medical Director and
Vice-President for Medical Affairs

cc: Reverend Richard Henry
Priest faces 32-year prison sentence for molestation

By Suzan Fillpek
Glendale News-Press

A former Montrose priest faces a maximum 32-year prison sentence for allegedly sexually molesting four boys from a single family during the past five years, a prosecuting attorney said Friday.

Father Richard "Rick" A. Henry, who turned himself over to Los Angeles police Jan. 16, was an associate under Monsignor F.P. Collins at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Montrose between July 1982 and September 1986.

Collins expressed dismay Friday after hearing of Henry's arrest and recalled Henry was a "very, very fine person." Collins declined further comment.

The Sierra Madre resident pleaded guilty Dec. 4, to four counts of oral copulation. He is undergoing a psychiatric evaluation at Chino State Prison.

He was charged with six counts of child molestation but two of the charges, involving two of the family's daughters, will be dismissed in exchange for his plea at an April 16 sentencing in Los Angeles Superior Court, Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Ullig said.

According to prosecutors, the 46-year-old priest molested the children, aged 9 to 16, between April 1986 and August 1991.

"He became a friend of the family and would come over two or three times a month" to visit, Attorney William A. Francis, who represents the children's parents, said.

Henry was a "trusted friend and priest... who had visited our home frequently and played Santa Claus at Christmas," the children's father said, according to court documents.

See Priest/A10
He often spent the night and supposedly played with the children, so the parents never suspected anything, said Ufig, who added criminal charges will not be filed against the parents but an investigation is pending by the Los Angeles County Department of Children's Services.

The parents filed a temporary restraining order in Glendale Superior Court against the county to prevent it from taking their youngest child. County officials suspected the parents were negligent, their attorney said, but Judge Charles Stoll granted the restraining order Jan. 17.

Father Gregory Corio of the office of public affairs of the Los Angeles Archdiocese did not know how often priests are involved in child molestation.

"It happens occasionally and sporadically, and it's always a tragedy," he said.

Henry was ordained a priest in 1972 and was an associate at Our Lady of the Rosary in Paramount since 1986 until the time of his arrest, Corio said.

Authorities were notified by the family's oldest son and a brother-in-law.
His Eminence,
Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger,
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,
Piazza del S. Ufficio 11, 00193,
Rome, Italy.

Re: Richard A. Henry.
CFD Prot. No: 286/03

Your Eminence:

I write in regard to the matter of Father Richard A. Henry, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is presently domiciled outside our Archdiocese. Father Henry has been accused and convicted of graviora delicta. Last year I wrote directly to Our Holy Father about this matter. You will find that correspondence under the protocol number cited above.

Attached, please find supporting materials taken from the personnel files maintained at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

1. Pages summarizing the case.

Father Henry was born on August 29, 1945 in Los Angeles, California, U.S.A. He was educated at various catholic schools within the greater Los Angeles area. In 1965 he entered St. John’s Seminary College, Camarillo, California, where he completed his college education. In 1968 he entered St. John’s Seminary Theologate, where he completed his theological studies and was ordained a priest on May 27, 1972, for service in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

During the years of his priestly ministry, Father Henry has been involved in abusive behaviors that have caused immense damage to some of the most vulnerable members of God’s people. His behavior has likewise been the cause of great scandal within the catholic community and indeed to other citizens of good will.

The egregious nature of the behaviors of Father Henry is well documented in voluminous files maintained at the offices of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The records indicate that from the very early stages of his priesthood he was living a troubled life. In 1991 he became the subject of a police investigation as a result of complaints that he had molested minors. On July 22, 1991, he admitted to officials of the Archdiocese that he had made sexual contact with several children ranging in age from nine to twelve years old.

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Later in 1991, Father Henry surrendered to the civil authorities. There was a preliminary court hearing at which bail was set for Father Henry’s release pending trial. Meanwhile, at the suggestion of the civil authorities, Father Henry was sent to St. Luke’s Institute, Suitland, Maryland, for a five-day evaluation. It was discovered that Father Henry was suffering from a significant sexual behavior disorder, and a diagnosis of pedophilia was given with the recommendation that he have inpatient treatment at the Institute.

In December, 1991, Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” to committing sex acts with four different boys over a six year period. This guilty plea received press coverage at the time, and within the last two years the media have again brought this past criminal conviction into public discussion.

After a significant period of time in psychological assessment and treatment, on April 28, 1993, Father Henry was sentenced to State Prison for these offences. He served approximately three years in prison. Upon his release in 1966, the Archdiocese provided additional psychological treatment.

Even after extensive therapy, the deep seated nature of Father Henry’s problems render him totally unsuited for ministry. Recently he indicated that he may petition His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, for a dispensation from the obligation of Sacred Orders. Up to now, he has not committed his intentions to writing. In order to be found in compliance with your directive that cases of this nature be referred to your Dicastery prior to the Solemnity of Christ the King of this year, I respectfully request a dispensation ad caelum from prescription so that appropriate action can be taken in this case. Furthermore, in the event that Father Henry does not voluntarily petition Our Holy Father for a return to the lay state, may I have direction as to how to proceed in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony,
Archbishop of Los Angeles.
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
NON-MANDATORY REPORTING FORM

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this Report to Archdiocese: February 1, 2005

Reported to Archdiocese by: REDACTED

Complainant Name: REDACTED

Current Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator: Fr. Richard Henry
Holy Redeemer Parish, Montrose
2411 Montrose Ave. 91020
REDACTED

Name: (Victim) REDACTED

Name of Possible Witness:

Reported Date of Incident: (s) Approx. 1985

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s):

REDACTED

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Sexual

Comments:

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

REDACTED
REDACTED
INTERNAL REPORT - CONFIDENTIAL

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Assistance Ministry Department

Report date: 2/1/05
From: REDACTED

Alleged perpetrator: Fr. Rick Henry

Alleged victim: REDACTED

Date of incident: 

Brief Description: Touch Leg

Type of Report:
- Mandatory
- Non-Mandatory
- Third-party reporting
- Anonymous reporter
- Incomplete information
- Attached information

Report sent to:
- REDACTED Chair – Clergy Misconduct Oversight Board
  (Priests, Deacons, Brothers)
- REDACTED Vicar for Women Religious
  (All women religious)
- REDACTED Superintendent Secondary Schools
  (Secondary Schools)
- Msgr. Craig Cox, Vicar for Clergy
  (Priests, Deacons, Brothers)
- REDACTED General Counsel
  (All reports)
- REDACTED Director – Human Resources
  (Schools, ACC, Cemetery employees)
- REDACTED Superintendent Elementary Schools
  (Elementary Schools)
- REDACTED Assistance Ministry
  (All reports)
- REDACTED, Director – Religious Education
  (CCD and RCIA)

253202
Reverend Richard A. Henry

REDACTED

DATE

SAMPLE

His Holiness
Pope Benedict XVI
Vatican City State

Your Holiness:

I, Reverend Richard A. Henry, hereby petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the Sacred Order of Presbyter and the related obligations of the clerical state.

I was ordained for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in 1972. I have been out of active priestly ministry since 1991. There is no hope of any return to ministry.

Thus, I present this petition for a dispensation from clerical obligations as an acknowledgement of the reality of my situation. Facing that reality is critical for my own spiritual welfare, as well as for the greater good of the Church.

I hope and pray that you will respond favorably to this request.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Richard A. Henry

253206
June 9, 2006

Personal and Confidential

Richard A. Henry
REDACTED

Dear Rick:

I am serving as the Vicar for Clergy of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and am writing at the request of Cardinal Mahony.

As you know well, there has been a firestorm of controversy over the way allegations of sexual misconduct against members of the clergy have been handled in past decades. In response, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops passed the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. The elements of this Charter attempt to address the deep concerns of so many people and to restore a sense of confidence among the faithful. It is in this context that I am writing to you now.

I am inviting you to petition for a dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state (laicization). There are many advantages to a petition initiated by a priest, both for the priest petitioning as well as for the diocese. Rather than try to elaborate on those advantages here, I would be happy to discuss them with you over the phone.

A petition need not be elaborate, just a few short sentences. I am enclosing a sample of a petition that was used in a case recently granted by Rome.

REDACTED

I hope that you will see the wisdom of accepting this invitation and submitting a petition for dispensation. Please feel free to adapt the sample and send me your own petition in the near future. Again, please phone me if you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further. You may reach me at REDACTED

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Please know that you are in my prayers. This is a very challenging and difficult time, and it is the grace of Christ that sees us through.

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

enclosure
MEMORANDUM

TO: REDACTED

FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox

RE: Reverend Richard A. Henry

DATE: 27 June 2006

After we located Father Henry, on June 9, 2006, I wrote him to see if he would be willing to petition for a dispensation from clerical obligations. As of this date, I have not heard from him, either by mail or phone.

Perhaps he is away and has not yet received the letter. I hope he will respond and decide to petition. If something comes in these last days of my service, I will let you know immediately. Similarly, Monsignor Gonzales will inform you if he makes a contact subsequent to July 1.

But given the lack of initial response from Father Henry, I recommend that you begin putting together the request for direct papal dismissal of Father Henry. In a few weeks, to give additional time for him to petition, either Monsignor Gonzales or one of you could write him an additional time to inform him of our intent to make this request.

Thank you.

cc: REDACTED
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
NON-MANDATORY

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this Report to Archdiocese: 1/29/2008

Reported to Archdiocese by: Victim

Alleged Victim: REDACTED

Current Address: REDACTED

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator: Fr. Richard Henry

Reported Date of Incident: (s) 1982 – 1983 (7 years old)

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): In confession, on three occasions, Fr. Rick had victim on his lap, close to groin and would inappropriately touch child. Each time it became progressively worse and stopped going to face to face confession.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Sexual Abuse

Comments: Priest was dismissed from clerical status

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles: REDACTED
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting

This report involves:
- [ ] Current Minor and Church Employee/volunteer
- [ ] Current Minor and Priest
- [ ] Past Minor and Priest
- [ ] Past Minor and Religious Brother
- [ ] Past Minor and Religious Sister
- [ ] Adult/Adult Case
- [ ] Other

This Abuse was Sexual: [ ]
This abuse was Physical: [ ]
There was inappropriate touch: [ ]
There was harassment: [ ] Confidential Report

Brief Summary: [ ]

To:
- [ ] REDACTED
- [ ] REDACTED
- [ ] Msgr Gonzales
- [ ] REDACTED

Submitted by:
- [ ] REDACTED
  Assistance Ministry Office
Date 2/4/07
Response needed
Revision 8/6/07
NOTICE OF VISITOR APPROVAL/DENIAL/TERMINATION/SUSPENSION

INMATE'S NAME
TO: HENRY, RICHARD A
RE: DYER, TIMOTHY

CDC NUMBER HOUSING
H76533   EFAQB1F10000

THE PERSON IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS REQUESTED APPROVAL TO VISIT WITH YOU.
HIS/HER REQUEST HAS BEEN APPROVED.
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO INFORM YOUR VISITOR.

VISITORS MAY APPEAL ANY ACTION TAKEN ABOVE BY WRITING A LETTER TO THE WARDEN
OF THIS INSTITUTION.
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
OFFICE OF VICAR FOR CLERGY
(213) 251-3284

REDACTED

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REDACTED

Please keep this number on file.

The Rev. Henry Casas.

Detect...
I told Mr. H. that he
the time being — he is
on "sick leave" & his
salary will be sent for
8/5 — reg. Sept. — to
REDACTED
(213) REDACTED

Call[

REDACTED
Introductory Report
for
St. Luke's Institute
concerning
Fr. Richard Henry

Fr. Richard A. Henry, 46 years of age, was ordained for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in 1972 and has served as associate pastor in six parishes.

In March of 1988 complaints surfaced in the parish of O.L. of the Rosary where Fr. Henry had been assigned in September 1986. The Vicar of Clergy, Msgr. Curry, went to the parish at the invitation of the pastor in order to interview members of the parish staff and a number of parishioners concerning Fr. Henry's behavior. Everyone mentioned more or less the same things: Fr. Henry isolated himself, was subject to serious mood swings, appeared to be a very angry man, found it difficult to relate to adults and was oftentimes explosive with children.

The most serious issue that surfaced in the interviews, however, was the way Fr. Henry related to children. He would pick them up, embrace them and treat them in a way that adults found worrisome. At that time his attentions were focused on three second grade boys -- all from broken homes and all in need of affection. None of those interviewed accused him of anything illegal inasmuch as his questionable behavior took place publicly in the schoolyard.

Interviews with previous pastors revealed a history of inviting children to his room or going off with them on vacation. None of these pastors believed Fr. Henry had been engaged in sexual activity with the children.

Following these interviews, Fr. Henry began regular counseling under [REDACTED] and restrictions were placed on his activities at O.L. of the Rosary such that he was to have no individual contact with children. In May of 1989 his pastor reported to the Vicar of Clergy that Fr. Henry lacked moderation -- he had taken to completely ignoring children -- at one point, throwing a child out of the confessional. [REDACTED]

Fr. Henry continued in therapy with [REDACTED] until the latter's retirement in June of 1991. Then on August 22, 1991, Fr. Henry called me to say that he had been accused of child molestation and was under investigation. The sexual activity had taken place over a number of years in the homes of two families whom Fr. Henry had befriended. The family most affected had, besides their own four children, had adopted or taken custody of 13 other children -- many from families with abusive backgrounds. Fr. Henry had been treated like "one of the family" according to the parents and they were "in shock" when the investigation began.

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Fr. Henry, since that time, has been in residence at a retreat house here in the Archdiocese -- leaving only at the time of his voluntary surrender to authorities and the preliminary court hearing and setting of bail. Civil charges have not been filed by the families who are trying to avoid all publicity in order to safeguard the children. The Deputy District of Attorney met with me and Fr. Henry's lawyer and has recommended to the court that Fr. Henry be sent to St. Luke's for the five-day evaluation process prior to his trial. Dependent on your report, it appears very likely that the court would be willing to sentence Fr. Henry to residential treatment at St. Luke's followed by supervision at one of our Archdiocesan institutions or rectories for a period of time still to be determined.

Although I have not yet disclosed this to Fr. Henry, there is no intention on the part of the Archdiocese to have him return to active priestly ministry in the future. There is every intention -- should he be allowed to enter residential treatment at St. Luke's -- that I will at that time make clear the Archdiocese's plan to help him with the necessary schooling for entrance into another field of work.

I apologize that this report is arriving at this late date. Please call on me for any other information that would be helpful to you in your assessment of Fr. Henry. Both you and he are in our prayers this week.

Fr. Timothy Dyer
Vicar of Clergy

October 20, 1991
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 25, 1991

FROM: REDACTED

TO: Fr. Dyer

RE: Richard Henry

Dr. Valcour called from St. Luke's to give us "preliminary" word of what report was going to say.

Pretty straightforward—they give diagnosis of pedophilia and are recommending in-residence therapy.

He understands he may need to send you something to corroborate whatever we are going to tell the court we will do with Fr. Henry.

Will be in his office today only up until around 5 P.M. (2 PM OUR TIME).

If you want to call him -- REDACTED

[Signature]
Confidential

August 19, 1997

REDACTED

3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #REDACTED

Dear REDACTED

Reverend Richard Henry has been in treatment at Saint Luke Institute for four weeks, following a week of evaluation. REDACTED
REDACTED

REDACTED
It is a pleasure to work with Rick. If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

cc: Reverend Richard Henry
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The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles
(A Corporation Sole)
3424 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, California 90010-2241
(213) 637-7691

Pay

Pay Amount

$160.00***

To The Order Of

REDACTED

Authorized Signature

REDACTED

THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS DOCUMENT MUST HAVE AN ARTIFICIAL WATERMARK AND COLORED SAFETY PANTOGRAPH. THIS PAPER IS ALTERATION PROTECTED.
**SAINT LUKE INSTITUTE**
8901 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland 20903
(301) 445-7970  Fax (301) 422-6400

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT**

**MAIL TO**
MOST REV. ROGER MAHONEY
3424 WILSHIRE BLVD.
LOS ANGELES, CA.  90010

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Rev. Msgr. Steven B. Zak, JCD
Office of the Vicar for Canonical Services
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202

Dear Monsignor Zak:

I acknowledge your kind letter of September 14, 2007, with enclosure.

Rest assured that the sealed envelope addressed to His Eminence William J. Cardinal Levada, containing information concerning Mr. Richard A. Henry, has been transmitted to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, through the diplomatic pouch.

With cordial regards and prayerful best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Pietro Sambi
Apostolic Nuncio
14 September 2007

The Most Reverend Pietro Sambi
Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America
3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

RE: Richard A. Henry
Notification of Dismissal from the Clerical State

Your Excellency,

Enclosed is a letter addressed to Cardinal William Joseph Levada, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. The letter advises the Congregation that Mr. Richard A. Henry, dismissed ex officio et pro bono Ecclesiae from the clerical state by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI, has been duly notified of the Holy Father’s decision, and with the letter a notarized copy of the decree of dismissal is also being returned to the Congregation.

I respectfully ask you to forward this correspondence to the Congregation.

With gratitude for your kind assistance in this matter, and assuring you of my prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Steven B. Zak
Promoter of Justice

(enclosure)
Re: Prot. No. 286/2003
Richard A. Henry
Notification of *ex officio* Dismissal from the Clerical State

14 September 2007

Cardinal William Joseph Levada
Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith
00120 Vatican City

Your Eminence:

I write in reply to the above-referenced case and to your letter of 28 February last, informing Cardinal Roger Mahony that His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI had decreed the dismissal *ex officio et pro bono Ecclesiae* of Richard A. Henry from the clerical state.

Since Henry is living in the territory of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon, the good offices of that Archdiocese were approached for assistance in notifying Henry of his dismissal and the original copies of the rescript were sent to ecclesiastical authorities in Portland. However, despite several attempts to contact him, Henry gave no reply and so the Archdiocese of Portland returned the unsigned original copies of the rescript to us here in Los Angeles.

Inasmuch as Henry has completely ignored our own efforts in the past to communicate with him, there appeared to be little hope that he would comply with the request to sign and return the rescript of his dismissal. Therefore, in notifying him by registered mail of his dismissal and requesting that he return a signed copy of the rescript to our offices, it was decided to send him authentic copies of the rescript rather than the original copies sent by your Dicastery.

However, Henry did comply with this final request, and returned the enclosed signed authentic copy of the rescript. There is no signature on the line marked "Subsignatio Ordinarii" because, as explained above, it was not possible to have Henry sign the rescript in the presence of a duly authorized ecclesiastical representative. However, I am satisfied that the signature on the document is indeed that of Richard A. Henry and that Henry has been properly notified of his dismissal, in accordance with the requirements of the rescript itself.

Enclosed with the signed authentic copy of the rescript are photocopies of the signed certified mail receipt and of my letter to Henry notifying him of his dismissal.

Thanking Your Eminence for your kind assistance in this difficult matter, and assuring you of my prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Monsignor Steven B. Zak, JCD
Promoter of Justice

(enclosures)

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See Reverse for Instructions

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25 May 2007

Richard A. Henry  
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Dear Mr. Henry,

I write to inform you that on 23 February last Pope Benedict XVI decreed your dismissal from the clerical state, at which time he also dispensed you from all obligations connected with Holy Orders.

The good offices of the Archdiocese of Portland were sought to communicate to you this decision of our Holy Father, but the several attempts on the part of the ecclesiastical authorities in Portland to make contact with you on 12, 13 and 24 April, and again on 3 May all proved unsuccessful. For this reason, I am notifying you of your dismissal and dispensation by registered mail, and I regret that it did not prove possible to make this communication to you in a more personal manner.

Enclosed with this letter, therefore, are two authentic, notarized copies of the original Latin-language decree and an unofficial English-language translation of the same, together with a brief explanation of the canonical references made in the document. I would kindly ask you to sign one of the authentic, notarized copies of the decree on the space below which is written “Subsignatio Presbyteri in signum aceptionis,” to write the date — with the month spelt out in full rather than using a number — in the space following the words “Dies notificationis,” and then to send this signed and dated copy back to me in the addressed, stamped return envelope provided. You may retain the other authentic copy, the translation and the canonical explanation.

I thank you very much for your attention to this matter, and once more I regret that it was not possible to make more personal contact with you. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding any of this, please feel free to contact me at REDACTED I will be happy to offer whatever assistance I can.

With prayerful good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

REDACTED

Pastoral Regions:  Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
AR<redacted>CHDIOCESE
OF PORTLAND
IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

May 7, 2007

REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202

Dear REDACTED

Archbishop Vlazny received your letter regarding Richard Allen Henry, along with the Rescript of Dismissal from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. You asked that Archbishop Vlazny, or his delegate, try to make contact with Mr. Henry in order to notify him of the rescript.

Archbishop Vlazny delegated me to look into the matter and to respond to your request.

After some research, I was able to find a phone number for Mr. Henry. I am fairly certain that it is his number since the address you sent me matches the number that I found.

I called Mr. Henry on April 12, April 13, April 24, and May 3. Each time I got a “busy” signal, and I was not able to leave a message. On some of the listed days, I called at various hours, but I still got a busy signal.

Because of my inability to contact Mr. Henry, after repeated tries, I am returning to you the two original copies of the rescript, along with the English language translation and canonical explanation.

I am sorry that I was not able to assist you fully in this matter, but I think that every reasonable attempt was made to contact Mr. Henry. Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[signature]

Reverend Patrick S. Brennan
Vicar for Clergy

cc: Most Rev. John G. Vlazny
CONGREGATIO PRO DOCTRINA FIDEI
(Dimissio e statu clericali ac dispensatio ab oneribus)

Prot. N. 286/2003

Angelorum in California
(Los Angeles, U.S.A.)

D.mus Richard A. HENRY

Die 23 m. Februarii a. 2007

Summus Pontifex Benedictus, Papa XVI

auditae relatione Exc.mi et Rev.mi Secretarii huius Congregationis circa gravem agendim rationem supradicti presbyteri archidioecesis Angelorum in California (v.d. Los Angeles, U.S.A.), praemissis praemittendis, suprema atque inappellabili decisione nullique recursui obnoxia,

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5. Auctoritas ecclesiastica, cui spectat Decretum praefato sacerdoti notificare, hunc enixe hortetur, ut vitam Populi Dei, ratione congruendi cum nova eius vivendi condicione, participet, aedificationem praestet et ita probum Ecclesiae filium se exhibeat. Simul autem eidem notum faciat ea quae sequuntur:
a) presbyter dimissus eo ipso amittit iura statui clericali propria, dignitates et officia ecclesiastica; ceteris obligationibus cum statu clericali conœxis non amplius adstringitur;
b) exclusus manet ab exercitio sacri ministerii, iis exceptis de quibus in can. 976 et 986 § 2 CJC ac propertia nequit homiliae habere, nec potest officium gerere directivum in ambitu pastorali neve munere administratoris paroecialis fungit;
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Contrariis quibuscumque minime obstantibus.

Ex Aedibus Congregationis, die 23 m. Februarii a. 2007

* Angelus AMATO, S.D.B.
Archiep. titularis Silensis
Secretarius

Iosephus Augustinus Di Noia, O.P.
Sub-Secretarius

Dies notificationis

Subsignatio Presbyteri in signum accessionis

Subsignatio Ordinarii

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CONGREGATIO PRO DOCTRINA FIDEI
(Dimissio e statu clericali ac dispensatio ab oneribus)

Prot. N. 286/2003

Angelorum in California
(Los Angeles, U.S.A.)

D.nus Richard A. Henry

Die 23 m. Februarii a. 2007

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Contrariis quibuscumque minime obstantibus.

Ex Aedibus Congregationis, die 23 m. Februarii a. 2007

Angelus AMATO, S.D.B.
Archiep. titularis Silensis
Secretarius

Iosephus Augustinus Di Noia, O.P.
Sub-Secretarius

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Dies notificationis

Subsignatio Presbyteri in signum acceptance

Subsignatio Ordinarii

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( unofficial translation )

CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE OF THE FAITH
(Dismissal from the clerical state and dispensation from clerical obligations)

Prot. No. 286/2003

Archdiocese of Los Angeles in California
(Los Angeles, USA)

Mr. Richard A. Henry

On the 23rd day of February in the year 2007

the Supreme Pontiff Pope Benedict XVI,

after hearing the report of His Excellency the Most Reverend Secretary of this Congregation concerning the serious reasons for taking action in regard to the above-mentioned priest of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in California (Los Angeles, USA), and the necessary preliminary details having been tended to, by supreme decision which allows of no appeal or recourse,

has decreed

for the good of the Church that dismissal from the clerical state is to be imposed upon said priest.

To this same priest he also grants a dispensation from every obligation connected with Holy Orders according to the following indications.

1. The dismissal and dispensation take effect from the very moment of the Roman Pontiff's decision.

2. The Decree of dismissal and dispensation is to be notified to the priest by a competent local Ordinary; these two elements of the Decree can never be licitly separated. Moreover, said Decree also includes the absolution from censures, insofar as this may be necessary.

3. Notice of this dismissal and dispensation is to be recorded in the parish baptismal registry of aforesaid priest.

4. With regard to the celebration of a canonical marriage, if such should come to pass, the norms established in the Code of Canon Law are to be observed. However, the Ordinary is to see to it that the celebration takes place with due precaution and without outward ostentation.

5. The ecclesiastical authority whose responsibility it is to notify said priest of this Decree is to exhort the priest earnestly to participate in the life of the People of God in a manner that is in keeping with his new situation of life, to be an edifying example and, in this way, to show himself to be an upright son of the Church. At the same time, however, those things that follow are to be made known to him:
a) The dismissed priest, by the very fact of his dismissal, loses the rights proper to the clerical state and he loses as well all ecclesiastical dignities and offices; nor is he bound any longer by the other obligations connected with the clerical state;

b) he remains excluded from the exercise of the sacred ministry, with the exceptions mentioned in canons 976 and 986 §2 of the Code of Canon Law, wherefore he cannot give a homily, nor is he permitted to take on a directorial role in any administrative office dealing with pastoral matters or to perform the duties of parish administrator;

c) likewise he cannot perform any functions in Seminaries or equivalent Institutions; in other institutions of higher studies that depend in any way upon ecclesiastical authority he cannot discharge any administrative function or teaching office;

d) in institutions of higher studies that do not depend upon ecclesiastical authority he cannot teach any theological discipline;

e) in institutions of elementary or secondary studies that depend upon ecclesiastical authority he cannot discharge any administrative function or teaching office; in institutions of elementary or secondary studies that do not depend upon ecclesiastical authority the dismissed and dispensed priest is bound by the same prescriptions against teaching religion.

6. Insofar as possible, the Ordinary shall see to it that the new condition of the dismissed priest will not be a source of scandal for the faithful. Nonetheless, if there is any danger of minors being abused, the Ordinary may make known both the fact of the dismissal and the canonical reasons for it.

7. Notification of this dismissal and dispensation may be made either personally through a notary or ecclesiastical registrar, or by registered mail. The dismissed priest must return one copy properly signed in attestation of having received and accepted the dismissal, dispensation and precepts; but even should he fail to do so, the effects of the Decree remain intact.

8. In a timely manner, the competent Ordinary shall make a brief report to the Congregation concerning the notification that has been made, and should there be any astonishment on the part of the faithful, he shall provide them with a careful explanation.

 Anything whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding.

From the Offices of the Congregation, on the 23rd day of February in the year 2007

(signature)
Angelo Amato, SDB
Titular Archbishop of Sila
Secretary

(signature)
Joseph Augustine Di Noia, OP
Under-Secretary

Date of notification: ____________________________

Signature of priest signifying his acceptance  Signature of Ordinary

409591
Understanding the canonical references in the Rescript

In No. 5b of the Rescript reference is made to canons 976 and 986 §2. These canons speak of giving sacramental absolution in danger of death situations. They read as follows:

canon 976: Even though a priest lacks the faculty to hear confessions, he absolves validly and licitly any penitents whatsoever in danger of death from any a censures and sins, even if an approved priest is present.

canon 986 §2: In urgent necessity, any confessor is obliged to hear the confessions of the Christian faithful, and in danger of death any priest is so obliged.

In its reference to canon 976, the Rescript makes it clear that Richard Henry, although dismissed from the clerical state, validly and licitly absolves any penitents who are in danger of death, even if an approved priest is present who can grant absolution.

In its reference to canon 986 §2, the Rescript makes it clear that Richard Henry, although dismissed from the clerical state, has a morally binding obligation to hear the confession of any member of the Christian faithful who is in danger of death. Thus, even if this should mean revealing his status to someone who is not aware of it, the need of the penitent in danger of death takes precedence over any desire to keep his status confidential.
CONFIDENTIAL

RE: Dismissal of Richard A. Henry from the Clerical State, Annotation of Baptismal Record

11 April 2007

REDACTED

St. Mary Magdalen Church
1241 Corning St.
Los Angeles, CA 90035

Dear [REDACTED]

Richard Allan Henry, born on 29 June 1945, was baptized at St. Mary Magdalen Church on 29 July 1945. On 27 May 1972 he was ordained to the Sacred Order of Priesthood for service to the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in California.

On 23 February 2007 His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI dismissed Father Henry from the clerical state and dispensed him from all obligations connected to Holy Orders. I would now ask you kindly to make a notation of this dismissal and dispensation on Henry’s baptismal record. The notation may read in these or similar words:

Dismissed from the clerical state
and dispensed from all obligations of Holy Orders, effective 23 February 2007.

I would also ask you kindly to notify me when the above notation has been made.

Thanking you for your assistance in this matter, and wishing you special blessings in the Risen Lord this Easter season, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[REDACTED]
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

2 April 2007

The Most Reverend John G. Vlazny
Archbishop of Portland in Oregon
Archdiocesan Pastoral Center
2838 E. Burnside St.
Portland, OR 97214

Your Excellency,

I write you in the name of Cardinal Roger Mahony, Archbishop of Los Angeles, seeking your help in notifying to the below-named individual the rescript of his dismissal from the clerical state. The man’s name and address are as follows:

Richard Allen Henry
REDACTED
REDACTED

Unfortunately, we have no telephone number for Mr. Henry.

I enclose the two original copies of the rescript, together with an English-language translation of the Latin document as well as a brief explanation of the canons to which it makes reference. Both of the original copies (in Latin) are to be signed by Mr. Henry (on the line below which is written “Subsignatio Presbyteri …”) and by the person making the notification to him (on the line below which is written “Subsignatio Ordinarii”); the date should be placed on the line following the words “Dies notificationis” and may be put in English, with the name of the month spelt out rather than indicated by a number. After the copies are thus signed and dated, both of them should be returned to me, a photocopy being made of one of them for Mr. Henry to retain. He should likewise retain the English-language translation of the document together with the explanation of the canons referred to in it.

In the event that you are unable to assist us in this matter, or if Mr. Henry does not respond to attempts to communicate with him, I would ask you (or your delegate) to indicate this to me in writing, returning the two original copies of the rescript, as well as the English-language translation and canonical explanation. On the other hand, should Mr. Henry respond but choose not to sign the document, I would ask you (or your delegate) to inform me of this in writing, returning the two original copies of the rescript, unsigned by Mr. Henry but signed and dated by the person making the communication to him. In this latter case, Mr. Henry should retain the English-language translation of the rescript together with the explanation of the canons referred to in it.

I will add that Mr. Henry has been completely uncooperative with archdiocesan authorities concerning his case. All correspondence sent to him in this regard was received, with him signing the return registered-mail receipts, but he never gave any kind of reply to the requests for a response from him. I fear, therefore, that he may not cooperate with your attempts to have
him sign the enclosed document, but given the gravity of the matter it seems best from a pastoral perspective that rather than simply notify him via registered mail of the rescript of dismissal, personal contact with him should be attempted.

Should you or your delegate have any questions or concerns regarding what I am asking, please feel free to contact me at REDACTED

Thanking you on behalf of Cardinal Mahony for your kind assistance in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

REDACTED

(enclosures as indicated)
Certificate of Baptism

CHURCH OF

St. Mary Magdalen

This Certifies

That Richard Allen Henry
Child of Donald Henry
and Eileen Hall

born in

on the 29th day of June, 1945

was Baptized

on the 29th day of July, 1945

According to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by the Rev. REDACTED

the sponsors

as shown in the Baptismal Register of this Church

This Certificate issued

this 5th Day of July 1963

Rev. Joseph O'Grady

Pastor

Book No. 1 Page 62 No. 11
CONFIDENTIAL

Your Eminence,

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith received your correspondence regarding the case of the Rev. Richard Allen Henry, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, who has been accused of the sexual abuse of minors.

This Dicastery, after a careful and attentive study of the facts presented, and in light of the faculty granted to this Congregation by the Supreme Pontiff to dispense from Article 17 of the motu proprio Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela requiring a penal judicial process, decided, on 9 February 2007, to support your request that the above mentioned priest be dismissed from the clerical state ex officio.

In an audience granted 23 February 2007, the Holy Father decreed that the Rev. Richard A. Henry is dismissed ex officio et pro bono Ecclesiae from the clerical state, and is, moreover, released from all obligations of the Sacred Priesthood, including that of celibacy. Any censures, under which he may be labouring, are remitted by this decree.

You are kindly asked to inform Mr. Henry of this grave decision according to paragraph 7 of the enclosed decree. A signed and notarized copy of the decree should be returned to this Dicastery at your earliest possible convenience.

With fraternal regards and prayerful best wishes, I remain

Yours sincerely in Christ,

* Angelo AMATO, SDB
Titular Archbishop of Sila
Secretary

(Enclosures)

His Eminence
Roger Cardinal MAHONY
Archbishop of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
January 22, 2007

REDACTED

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202

Dear REDACTED

I acknowledge your kind letter of January 17, with enclosure.

Rest assured that the letter containing Cardinal Mahony’s votum regarding the case of Rev. Richard A. Henry and a full Report of the matter will be transmitted through the diplomatic pouch, to His Eminence William J. Cardinal Levada, Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

With cordial regards and prayerful best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Pietro Sambi
Apostolic Nuncio
17 January 2007

RE: Rev. Richard A. Henry  
Accused of Graviora Delicta

The Most Reverend Pietro Sambi  
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17 January 2007

RE: Rev. Richard A. Henry
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VOTUM OF THE ORDINARY OF INCARDINATION,
CARDINAL ROGER MICHAEL MAHONY,
ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES IN CALIFORNIA

Re: Prot. No. 286/03
The Reverend Richard A. Henry

January 17, 2006

His Eminence
Cardinal William Joseph Levada
Prefect
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith
00120 VATICAN CITY
Europe

Your Eminence:

As a follow-up to previous correspondence regarding the above-named priest, I am pleased now to send you the complete report of the matter together with my votum.

The Reverend Richard Allen Henry, born on June 29, 1945, was ordained a priest for service in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on May 27, 1972. From 1972 to 1991, Father Henry was assigned as Parochial Vicar to six different parishes and his record shows a trail of conflict, anger and complaints from parishioners about his abusive, rude and hostile behavior. In 1988, the serious issue of Henry’s relations with children, particularly young boys, came to the fore, and it was decided that an intervention was necessary. Henry underwent psychological treatment and he was also reminded not to be alone with minors, not to have children in his living quarters and not to spend free time with them.

In 1991, Father Henry was accused of child molestation and the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department began an investigation into these allegations. Henry admitted to archdiocesan authorities that he had molested several children from two families, and he was placed on sick leave. Criminal charges were filed against Henry and he was ordered by the Court to undergo psychological evaluation. Following this evaluation, a plea bargain was entered with the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s office: in exchange for a plea of no contest (nolo contendere) to four of the criminal charges, the other charges were dismissed. In 1992, the Court ordered Henry to participate in a residential treatment program before his final sentencing ten months later. In 1993, the final sentence was entered: Henry was ordered to serve eight years in state prison. At this same time, he was placed on inactive leave by the Archdiocese.
Shortly before Father Henry's release from prison in 1996, I informed him that it would not be possible for him to be returned to ministry. While he was disappointed by this news, he understood why ministry was out of the question and accepted the situation. Following his period of incarceration, and with the support of the Archdiocese, he again underwent psychiatric treatment and re-entered a residential therapy program. After the completion of this further treatment, Henry moved into a private apartment in 1998 and found secular employment; he is now living outside the Archdiocese and outside the State of California. In 2003, two civil lawsuits were filed against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for damages suffered as a result of sexual abuse by Henry.

While there had been positive indications that Father Henry would make a voluntary petition to Pope Benedict XVI for laicization, repeated invitations to him to make such a request produced no results. Most recently, he was contacted a final time last month and was advised that his case was ready to be sent to Rome for a definitive resolution; he was reminded once more of the possibility of voluntarily seeking laicization but he again chose to make no such petition. Therefore, my votum in the case is that our Holy Father dismiss Henry ex officio from the clerical state, and I ask Your Eminence and the Congregation to make this recommendation to His Holiness. Given the serious and egregious nature of the offenses committed, the number of victims involved, the publicity surrounding the matter and the immense harm done to both the Christian faithful and the community at large, nothing short of an ex officio dismissal will properly resolve the issue. A formal trial is neither indicated nor necessary in that — as is clearly borne out in the accompanying report — not only is there positive proof of Henry's guilt both by his own admission and by attendant circumstances, but his imputability is also plainly evident.

I hereby submit this grievous matter to your kind attention, with my votum as expressed above, and am most grateful to Your Eminence for your valued assistance.

Assuring you of my prayerful best wishes, I remain

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[Signature]

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

(enclosure)
CURIA OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES IN CALIFORNIA

REPORT

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| **NAME OF ORDINARY** | Cardinal Roger M. Mahony |
| **CDF PROT. NO.** | 286/03 |
| **NAME OF CLERIC** | Reverend Richard A. Henry |

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| **MINISTRY IN/TRANSFER TO OTHER DIOCESE** | REDACTED |

| **CONTACT ADDRESS OF THE CLERIC** | REDACTED |

| **CANONICAL ADVISOR** | None named (reus has given no response to the different attempts to contact him) |

### ASSIGNMENTS

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**SUSTENANCE PROVIDED BY THE DIOCESE TO THE CLERIC**

Salary/transition assistance from 1993 to 2000; medical benefits from 1991 to 1993 and from 1997 to 2000; loans for legal defense; vested in pension fund and may claim pension payments beginning at age 70.

**RESPONSE/RE COURSE MADE BY THE CLERIC:** None

**BISHOP'S VOTUM**

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Shortly before Henry’s release from prison in 1996, the Archbishop informed him that he would never be able to return to ministry. In 1997, with the support of the Archdiocese, Henry again underwent psychiatric treatment and later that year re-entered a residential therapy program. In 1998, he moved into a private apartment and found employment.

In 2003, two civil lawsuits were filed against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles by four individuals, two of whom were previously unknown to the Archdiocese, claiming sexual abuse by Henry.

IN FACTO

Everything presented here is drawn from documents on file in the archives of the Curia of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, copies of which are attached hereto as numbered Exhibits.

Alleged Victim No. 1: REDACTED precise date of birth unknown, 13-14 years old at time of abuse

On 22 August 1991, Father Henry called the Vicar for Clergy to inform him that he had been accused of child molestation and was under police investigation. The Vicar immediately met with him in the presence of another priest, and Henry recounted his close relationship with the REDACTED family of REDACTED and with the REDACTED family of REDACTED. In the course of this meeting, Henry admitted that he had had sexual contact with some of the children of these two families. He recounted that REDACTED “was the first of these children” with whom he had
had "sexual contact": he "had taken the younger to Washington on vacation" and regarding the sexual contact that transpired between them, he reported [REDACTED] was upset by what I did. I stopped" (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991). In the course of this meeting, Henry went on to name seven other young children, five from the [REDACTED] family and two from the [REDACTED] family, with whom he had had sexual contact (see ibid.), and the Vicar put together a list of the two families indicating the children whom Henry admitted molesting (see Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991). The sexual contact, according to Henry, involved "the fondling of genitals" but nothing more (see Exhibit 3, Memorandum of 25 August 1991).

**Alleged Victim No. 2:** REDACTED, precise date of birth unknown, 12 years old at time of abuse

REDACTED is a brother of Alleged Victim No. 1 above, and it was at the same meeting between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy recounted above that Henry admitted that he had "fondled": REDACTED "a few times" (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991).

**Alleged Victim No. 3:** REDACTED, born on 1977, 9-14 years old at time of alleged abuse.

REDACTED is a brother (by adoption) of Alleged Victims Nos. 1 and 2 above, and it was at the same meeting between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy recounted above that Henry admitted that "in 1989" he had "fondled": REDACTED who was then 11 or 12 years old" (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991). REDACTED later became a party to a lawsuit for damages against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles filed in 2003 (see Exhibit 4, Case No. BC306507, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 21 November 2003). In a Claimant Questionnaire, REDACTED describes the alleged abuse he suffered from Henry as including Henry kissing him on the mouth and French kissing him, kissing his body, fondling his body and genitals, masturbating him, Henry masturbating himself in REDACTED presence, having REDACTED orally copulate him, simulating intercourse with him, having anal intercourse with him; this behavior is alleged to have occurred many times over a five year period (see Exhibit 5, Claimant Questionnaire of REDACTED excerpts, IV, A and C).

**Alleged Victim No. 4:** REDACTED, born on REDACTED 1978, approximately 9-13 years old at time of alleged abuse

REDACTED was in the same household as Alleged Victims Nos. 1, 2 and 3 above, the having been granted custody of him by the Court. It was at the same meeting between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy recounted above that Henry admitted that "he touched REDACTED who was 9 years old" (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991). REDACTED later became a party to a lawsuit for damages against the Archdiocese of Los Angeles filed in 2003 (see Exhibit 4, Case No. BC306507, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 21 November 2003). In a Claimant Questionnaire, REDACTED describes the alleged abuse he suffered from Henry as including Henry fondling him, French kissing him and masturbating him; he also states that his behavior occurred more than 40 times over a period of approximately four years (see Exhibit 6, Claimant Questionnaire of Ryan Goodwin, excerpts, IV, A and C).

**Alleged Victim No. 5:** REDACTED, born on REDACTED 1972, 11-14 years old at time of alleged abuse

The allegations of REDACTED concerning Father Henry’s sexual abuse of him became known to the Archdiocese when REDACTED filed a lawsuit for damages in 2003 (see Exhibit 7, Case

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No. BC 307408, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 9 December 2003). In a Claimant Questionnaire, describes the alleged abuse he suffered from Henry as including countless incidents involving oral copulation, rape, fondling of genitals, compelling him to fondle Henry’s genitals, kissing and physical abuse (see Exhibit 8, Claimant Questionnaire of REDACTED excerpts, pp.12-14).

**Alleged Victim No. 6:** REDACTED precise date of birth unknown, 6-8 years old at time of alleged abuse

REDISACTED is half-sister to Alleged Victim No. 4 above, and it was at the same meeting between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy recounted above that Henry admitted that he had also touched [Alleged Victim No. 4’s] half-sisters, REDACTED (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991).

**Alleged Victim No. 7:** REDACTED precise date of birth unknown, 5-7 years old at time of alleged abuse

REDISACTED is a sister to Alleged Victim No. 6 above, and half-sister to Alleged Victim No. 4 above; it was at the meeting referred to above between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy that Henry admitted that he had also touched [Alleged Victim No. 4’s] half-sisters, REDACTED (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991).

**Alleged Victim No. 8:** REDACTED born on REDACTED 1971, 11-14 years old at time of alleged abuse

The allegations of REDACTED concerning Father Henry’s sexual abuse of him became known to the Archdiocese when REDACTED filed a lawsuit for damages in 2003 (see Exhibit 4, Case No. BC306507, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 21 November 2003). In a Claimant Questionnaire, REDACTED describes the alleged abuse he suffered from Henry as including Henry making REDACTED undress and sit on Henry’s lap, rubbing REDACTED legs and stomach, putting REDACTED his hands down REDACTED pants and rubbing, kissing REDACTED on the mouth, having REDACTED handle Henry’s penis, providing alcohol, drugs and cigarettes to REDACTED fondling REDACTED buttocks, masturbating REDACTED some of this behavior is alleged to have occurred in the confessional and would have occurred approximately 100 times over a four-year period (see Exhibit 9, Claimant Questionnaire of REDACTED excerpts, IV, A and C).

**Alleged Victim No. 9:** REDACTED, precise date of birth unknown, 9-11 years old at time of alleged abuse

REDISACTED is the first of two children in the REDACTED family with whom, at the meeting referred to above between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy, Henry admitted to having had “sexual contact” (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991).

**Alleged Victim No. 10:** REDACTED precise date of birth unknown, 6-8 years old at time of alleged abuse

REDISACTED is the second of two children in the REDACTED family with whom, at the meeting referred to above between Father Henry and the Vicar for Clergy, Henry admitted to having had “sexual contact” (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991; see also Exhibit 2, Report of 22 August 1991).
Events from 1988 to the Present Report

On 16 March 1988, the Vicar for Clergy sent a memorandum to the Archbishop about difficulties that parishioners were having with Father Henry. The “most serious issue” was that Henry “relates to children in a way that worries all the adults we talked to” (see Exhibit 10, Memorandum and Notes of March 1988). Henry began psychotherapy, and in October 1988, the Vicar for Clergy reminded him that he was not to “be alone with minors, not have them to your room, not spend your free time with them” (see Exhibit 11, Letter and Notes of October 1988).

In 1991, after the police investigation into accusations of child molestation (see Exhibit 1, Interview of 22 August 1991), Henry was charged criminally and on 4 December 1991 entered a plea of no contest (nolo contendere) to four felony counts of lewd conduct involving four boys. In entering this plea, Henry stated that he understood that “entering a no contest plea ... is the same as entering a guilty plea” and that he understood that “you will be convicted as a result of your plea” (see Exhibit 12, Court Transcript of 4 December 1991, p. 4). Henry was ordered to undergo psychological evaluation, and to surrender to the Court on 16 January 1992 for this purpose; he would be formally sentenced after completing 60 days of evaluation (see Exhibit 13, Memorandum of 4 December 1991; see also Exhibit 12, Court Transcript of 4 December 1991, pp. 13-14).

In June 1992, the Court granted a continuance of Henry’s probation and sentencing hearing, and ordered him to participate in a residential psychological treatment program at St. Luke Institute in Maryland (see Exhibit 14, Letters of 24 June 1992 and 28 December 1992). In July 1992, Henry was admitted to the residential treatment program at St. Luke Institute where he underwent 8 months of residential treatment for pedophilia; before being released on 23 February 1993, Henry experienced intense shame and guilt over his molestation of children and felt compassion for his young victims, and he also experienced remorse which allowed him to make great progress in dealing with his past deeds (see Exhibit 15, Reports from St. Luke Institute, 1992-1993).

On 28 April 1993, Henry was sentenced to eight years in state prison, but because of the time he had already spent in detention and in treatment programs, the actual time he would spend incarcerated after his sentencing would be approximately 3 years (see Exhibit 16, Memorandum of 30 April 1993). As Henry’s release from prison approached, Cardinal Mahony did not wish him to have any false hopes about future ministry and so wrote him indicating that “a return to ministry is really impossible given the societal climate and the legal ramifications in the world today.” Henry responded with disappointment but also appreciation of his Archbishop’s honesty (see Exhibit 17, Correspondence of February and March 1996). Following his release from state prison, Henry underwent critical psychiatric and psychological intervention and was then readmitted to St. Luke Institute for further treatment (see Exhibit 18, Memorandum of 22 October 1997 and Letter of 16 December 1997). After the completion of his treatment through St. Luke Institute, and after the Archdiocese had spent close to $200,000 for his recovery, Henry was encouraged to make a transition to a “new, more self-sufficient way of life” that in the long run would “promote your health and happiness” (see Exhibit 19, Letter of 19 February 1998).

The Archdiocese continued to support Henry in his transition to a style of life outside of priestly ministry and gradually reduced the assistance lent to him as he became independent (see Exhibit 20, Letters of Memorandum of June 1998, Letters of September 1998 and July 1999, Memorandum of November 1999 and Letter of May 2000). In 2003, two civil lawsuits were filed against the Archdiocese in connection with Henry’s abuse of four different men, two of whom were previously unknown to archdiocesan authorities as victims of Henry’s (see Exhibit 4, Case No. BC306507, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 21 November 2003; and Exhibit 7, Case No. BC 307408, Complaint filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on 9 December 2003); these suits are currently pending in the Superior Court of the State of California.
There had been signs that Henry would make a voluntary petition for laicization, but such a petition was never made. The Vicar for Clergy wrote to Henry in June 2006 inviting him to make a petition for laicization, but Henry made no reply (see Exhibit 21, Letter of 9 June 2006 and Memorandum of 27 June 2006). A final letter went out to Henry on 6 December 2006, informing him that his case was ready to be presented to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for a final resolution; in this letter, Henry was invited to make a statement to be included, if he so wished, with the material that would be sent to the Congregation and he was informed that, unless he should choose to petition the Pope voluntarily for laicization, his ex officio dismissal from the clerical state would be sought. A deadline of 22 December 2006 was set for Henry to respond to this final appeal (see Exhibit 22, Letter of 6 December 2006). This letter of 6 December 2006 was sent to Henry via registered mail, and the signed return receipt shows that Henry received the letter on 11 December 2006 (see Exhibit 23, Certified Mail Receipt, with signature of recipient). No reply to this final letter was ever received from Henry.

CONCLUSION

From the evidence adduced above, including explicit admissions by Henry himself to civil authorities, ecclesiastical representatives and psychiatric/psychological health professionals, it is certain that delicts as described in canon 1395 §2 of the 1983 Codex Iuris Canonici have been committed by the accused and are imputable to him with culpability.
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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

By this instrument, I certify that the documentation herewith transmitted to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith regarding the above-captioned case, beginning with the TABLE OF CONTENTS and ending with this CERTIFICATE, consists either of original writings or of exact duplicates of documents on file in the archives of the Curia of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Given at Los Angeles, California, this 17th day of January in the year of our Lord 2007.

ARCHDIOCESAN SEAL

REDACTED
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

6 December 2006

Richard A. Henry
DATED
DATED

Dear Father Henry,

I am writing to you as a follow-up to a letter sent to you last June by Monsignor Cox, Vicar for Clergy of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles; Monsignor Cox has since been succeeded in that position by Monsignor Gabriel Gonzales.

In his letter to you (a copy of which I attach), Monsignor Cox invited you to consider making a voluntary petition for laicization to our Holy Father Pope Benedict XVI. Since you have made no response to that letter, it would seem that you do not wish to make such a petition to the Pope.

Therefore, I write you now in my role as Promoter of Justice for the Archdiocese, to inform you that a final report regarding your situation is ready to be submitted to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in Rome, together with Cardinal Mahony’s recommendation that you be dismissed ex officio from the clerical state by the Holy Father. Of course, should you decide to request laicization from the Pope, the Cardinal will support your petition and will not seek your dismissal.

If you would like to make a statement regarding your case to be included in the material that will be sent to the Congregation, or if you would like to make a voluntary petition for laicization to the Pope, please see that such a statement or petition is delivered to me no later than Friday, 22 December 2006. And should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at DATED. I will be happy to speak with you and to offer whatever assistance I can.

With prayerful good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

DATED

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Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels San Fernando San Gabriel San Pedro Santa Barbara
CONFIDENTIAL

Your Eminence,

On 27 November 2004, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith received your summary of the case of Reverend Richard A. Henry, a priest of your Archdiocese who has been accused of the sexual abuse of minors.

At that time, Your Eminence made reference to the possibility of the cleric requesting a dispensation from the clerical state. If Rev. Henry chooses not to make the request, you indicated that your preference was that he be dismissed from the clerical state ex officio. We would be grateful if Your Eminence could appraise the situation and notify the Congregation as to the cleric’s intentions.

With gratitude for your assistance in this matter, I remain

Yours fraternally in the Lord,

William Cardinal Levada
Prefect

His Eminence
Roger Cardinal Mahoney
Archbishop of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2202
United States of America
MEMORANDUM

TO: REDACTED

FROM: Monsignor Craig A. Cox

RE: Reverend Richard A. Henry

DATE: 27 June 2006

After we located Father Henry, on July 14, 2006, I wrote him to see if he would be willing to petition for a dispensation from clerical obligations. As of this date, I have not heard from him, either by mail or phone.

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Thank you.

cc: Monsignor Gabriel Gonzales
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TO: REDACTED

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Thank you.

cc: Monsignor Gabriel Gonzales
Dear Monsignor Cox:

I acknowledge your kind letter of November 16, 2004, with enclosures.

Rest assured that the correspondence concerning Reverend Richard Allen Henry, including a check in amount $500.00 for the taxa, will be duly forwarded through the diplomatic pouch to His Eminence, Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, Prefect, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

With cordial regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo
Apostolic Nuncio

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241
November 16, 2004

Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, J.C.D.
Apostolic Nunciature
3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20008

RE: Reverend Richard Allen Henry
CDF Prot. No. 286/03

Your Excellency:

Enclosed, please find a letter from Cardinal Roger M. Mahony to Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger at the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith, regarding Reverend Richard Allen Henry. With his letter are copies of relevant documentation. All materials are submitted in triplicate.

Cardinal Mahony is seeking the assistance of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in this matter.

Would you please be so kind as to forward this to the Congregation on our behalf?

Also enclosed is a check made out to the Congregation of the Doctrine of the Faith to cover the usual taxa in such matters.

Thank you very much for your kind attention to this matter. May God continue to bless you!

Yours in Christ,

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy

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The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles  
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3424 Wilshire Blvd.  
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(213) 637-7691  

Pay  
****FIVE HUNDRED AND XX / 100 US DOLLAR****  

To The  
Order Of  

CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE  
of the Faith  
Piazza Del S Offizio II  
00120 Vatican City  

REDACTED  

Date:  
November 16, 2004  
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November 15, 2004

His Eminence,
Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger,
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,
Piazza del S.Ufficio 11
00120 Vatican City
Europe

Re: Reverend Richard Allen Henry
CFD Prot. No: 286/03

Your Eminence:

I write in regard to the matter of Father Richard Allen Henry, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is presently domiciled outside our Archdiocese. Father Henry has been accused and convicted of graviola delicta.

Attached, please find supporting materials taken from the personnel files maintained at the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

1. The completed summary of the case using the formula prepared by the Congregation;


3. A copy of a press report of January 25, 1992 from the Glendale News-Press. This is included as an exemplar of a number of other stories in the press, both in 1992 and again in 2002 and subsequently.

Richard A. Henry was born on August 29, 1945 in Los Angeles, California. He was educated at various Catholic schools within the greater Los Angeles area. In 1965 he entered St. John’s Seminary College, Camarillo, California, where he completed his college education. In 1968 he entered St. John’s Seminary Theologate, where he completed his theological studies. He was ordained a priest on May 27, 1972, for service in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

Throughout his years of priestly ministry, Father Henry has been involved in abusive and sinful sexual activity with minors, behavior that has caused immense damage to some of the most vulnerable members of God’s people. His behavior has likewise been the cause of great scandal within the Catholic community and indeed to other citizens of good will.
The egregious nature of the behavior of Father Henry is well documented in voluminous files maintained at the offices of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The records indicate that from the very early stages of his priesthood he was living a troubled life. In 1991 he became the subject of a police investigation as a result of complaints that he had molested minors. On July 22, 1991, he admitted to officials of the Archdiocese that he had made sexual contact with several children ranging in age from nine to twelve years old.

Later in 1991, Father Henry surrendered to civil authorities. There was a preliminary court hearing at which bail was set for Father Henry’s release pending trial. Meanwhile, with the concurrence and encouragement of the civil authorities, Father Henry was sent to The Saint Luke Institute, Suitland, Maryland, for a five-day evaluation. It was discovered that Father Henry was suffering from a significant sexual behavior disorder, and a diagnosis of pedophilia was given with the recommendation that he have inpatient treatment at the Institute.

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After a significant period of time in psychological assessment and treatment, on April 28, 1993, Father Henry was sentenced to State Prison for these offences. He served approximately three years in prison. Upon his release in 1996, the Archdiocese provided additional psychological treatment.

Clearly, given this history, it is impossible that Father Henry ever be returned to priestly ministry. Even after extensive therapy, his deeply rooted psychological problems render him totally unsuited for ministry.

In order to comply with your directive that cases of this nature be referred to your Dicastery prior to the Solemnity of Christ the King of this year, I respectfully request a dispensation from prescription so that an appropriate canonical action may be taken in this case.

Recently, however, we have received an indication that Father Henry may petition His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, for a dispensation from the obligations of Sacred Orders and a return to the lay state. It is my hope that he will indeed prepare such a petition, but up to now he has not committed his intentions to writing. I would like to give him an additional four to six weeks to consider his decision in this matter.

In view of the prospect that he will petition, I am not at this time enclosing copies of Father Henry’s lengthy file. I do not want to burden you and the members of your staff with the study of such a volume of materials unless and until it is strictly necessary.
In the event that Father Henry does not voluntarily petition Our Holy Father for a return to the lay state, I hereby request that Father Henry be directly dismissed from the clerical state by His Holiness. Given that he pled guilty and was convicted, there is no doubt either regarding the fact that he abused young people or regarding the egregious nature of that abuse.

If the course of action requested here is not judged to be appropriate, I would welcome direction on how to proceed in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony,
Archbishop of Los Angeles

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DIOCESE | Los Angeles in California
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NAME OF ORDINARY | REDACTED
CDF PROT. N. (if available) | 286/03
NAME OF CLERIC | Reverend Richard A. Henry

PERSONAL DETAILS OF THE CLERIC

| Date of Birth | 29 June 1945 | Age | 59 |
| Ordination | 27 May 1972 | Years of ministry | 21 |

ORIGINAL DIOCESE OF INCARDINATION | Los Angeles in California

MINISTRY IN/TRANSFER TO OTHER DIOCESE | REDACTED

CONTACT ADDRESS OF THE CLERIC | REDACTED
Silver Spring, MD 20901

PROCURATOR (include original signed mandate)

CONTACT ADDRESS OF THE PROCURATOR

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Salary/transition assistance 1993 - 2000
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REDACTED

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Father Henry has been convicted and served a term in State Prison from April 1993 through September 1996. There is no doubt as to the fact of abusive activities. Nor is there any doubt as to the egregious nature of that abuse. This case has received a great deal of publicity. The parents of several of the victims are currently members of our Archdiocesan review board.

If Father Henry does not petition for a dispensation from clerical obligations and a return to the lay state, we are seeking direct dismissal of him from the clerical state by action of the Holy Father.
CONFIDENTIAL

October 25, 1991

Reverend Timothy J. Dyer
Vicar for Clergy
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West 9th Street
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

RE: Reverend Richard Henry
SLI #: 12477

Dear Father Dyer:

Thank you very much for the referral of Father Richard Henry, a 46 year old priest from the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. REDACTED

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In August of this year he was formally accused of child molestation. It is our understanding that the Superior Court of Los Angeles is aware that Father Henry is coming to us for evaluation and expects some statement from us regarding his suitability for treatment.

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RE: Reverend Richard Henry
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Sometime in the early to mid '80s he recalls hugging youngsters in the ten to fourteen year age group more frequently. Eventually this hugging involved some genital touching through clothing and eventually even more overt sexual contact.

As noted at the outset Father Henry's recollection of sexual interactions with children agrees substantially with the information you provided. REDACTED

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In closing I would like to thank you again for the referral of Father Henry. Your trust in us is greatly appreciated and we hope that our evaluation and treatment services prove useful to him and the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Meanwhile, we ask for your continued prayers and support of ourselves and those we serve.

Respectfully,

Frank Valcour, MD
Medical Director and
Vice-President for Medical Affairs

cc: Reverend Richard Henry
Priest faces 32-year prison sentence for molestation

By Suzan Fillipke
Glendale News-Press

A former Montrose priest faces a maximum 32-year prison sentence for allegedly sexually molesting four boys from a single family during the past five years, a prosecuting attorney said Friday.

Father Richard "Rick" A. Henry, who turned himself over to Los Angeles police Jan. 16, was an associate under Monsignor F.P. Collins at the Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in Montrose between July 1982 and September 1986.

Collins expressed dismay Friday after hearing of Henry's arrest and recalled Henry was a "very, very fine person." Collins declined further comment.

The Sierra Madre resident pleaded guilty Dec. 4 to four counts of oral copulation. He is undergoing a psychiatric evaluation at Chino State Prison.

He was charged with six counts of child molestation but two of the charges, involving two of the family's daughters, will be dismissed in exchange for his plea at an April 16 sentencing in Los Angeles Superior Court, Deputy District Attorney Cynthia Ulfig said.

According to prosecutors, the 46-year-old priest molested the children, aged 9 to 16, between April 1986 and August 1991. "He became a friend of the family and would come over two or three times a month" to visit, Attorney William A. Francis, who represents the children's parents, said.

Henry was a "trusted friend and priest ... who had visited our home frequently and played Santa Claus at Christmas," the children's father said, according to court documents.

See Priest/A10

Glendale News-Press
January 25, 1992
PRIEST

From A1

He often spent the night and supposedly played with the children, so the parents never suspected anything, said Ullig, who added criminal charges will not be filed against the parents but an investigation is pending by the Los Angeles County Department of Children's Services.

The parents filed a temporary restraining order in Glendale Superior Court against the county to prevent it from taking their youngest child. County officials suspected the parents were negligent, their attorney said, but Judge Charles Stoll granted the restraining order Jan. 17.

Father Gregory Corio of the office of public affairs of the Los Angeles Archdiocese did not know how often priests are involved in child molestation.

"It happens occasionally and sporadically, and it's always a tragedy," he said.

Henry was ordained a priest in 1972 and was an associate at Our Lady of the Rosary in Paramount since 1986 until the time of his arrest, Corio said.

Authorities were notified by the family's oldest son and a brother-in-law.
His Eminence,
Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger,
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,
Piazza del S.Ufficio 11, 00193,
Rome, Italy.

Re: Richard A. Henry.
CFD Prot.No: 286/03

Your Eminence:

I write in regard to the matter of Father Richard A. Henry, a priest incardinated in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He is presently domiciled outside our Archdiocese. Father Henry has been accused and convicted of graviora delicta. Last year I wrote directly to Our Holy Father about this matter. You will find that correspondence under the protocol number cited above.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Roger M. Mahony,
Archbishop of Los Angeles.
March 21, 2003

His Holiness
John Paul II
00120 Vatican City State
Europe

RE: Richard Allen Henry

Your Holiness:

In this season of Lent, please know that you are in my prayers as you continue to shepherd our Church in this time of war and crisis.

I am writing to request an ex officio dismissal from the clerical state of Reverend Richard A. Henry. I make this request in accord with the provision of the revisions recently made to the motu proprio, Sacramentorum Sanctitatis tutela, specifically the amendment to Article 17 that was made on 7 February 2003.

The circumstances of Father Henry involve a grave and clear case provided for in the above-mentioned amendment. A brief summary is attached that sketches the salient points at issue.

The case is clear because there is no doubt whatsoever that he committed the ecclesiastical and civil crime of sexual abuse of minors. This is established by the fact that Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” before the criminal courts of the State of California in December of 1991. He served time in prison as a result of this criminal conviction. All this is established in public records.

This is a particularly grave case in that the abuse involved several minor boys over a significant period of time. Tragically, despite pastoral and professional help extended, one of Father Henry’s victims committed suicide.

This is also a notorious case, in that Father Henry’s crime received news coverage at the time and has resurfaced in the media during this past year.

Given that there is no doubt of the facts, it would be unnecessary and unduly onerous to deal with his case in the ecclesiastical judicial process. It would also require that we again burden those
harmed by Father Henry by seeking their testimony for the sake of the ecclesiastical trial. They have already been harmed grievously, and I wish to act in a way that does not reopen wounds or add to their distress.

Therefore, for the good of the Church, I ask that you impose dismissal from the clerical state on Father Richard Henry.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. With gratitude for your service of the Church and for your kindness, I am

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

His Eminence
Cardinal Roger M. Mahony
Archbishop of Los Angeles

enclosure
Reverend Richard A. Henry

Richard Allen Henry was born on June 29, 1945 and ordained as a priest for the service of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles on May 27, 1972.

In August of 1991, information came to the Archdiocese that he was under investigation by the police for child abuse. He was relieved of his assignment at that time, and provided pastoral and professional assistance. Similar assistance was extended to those who brought forward the complaint.

In December of 1991, Father Henry entered a plea of “Guilty” to committing sex acts with four different boys over a six-year period. Thus, there has been a definitive legal determination that Father Henry committed these serious crimes. This guilty plea received press coverage at the time, and in the last year the media have again brought this past criminal conviction into public discussion.

After a significant period of time in psychological assessment and treatment, on April 28, 1993 Father Henry was sentenced to State Prison for these offenses. He served approximately three years in prison. When released from prison in 1996, the Archdiocese provided appropriate support and sent him for additional psychological treatment and provided transition support over a period of years.

Father Henry has previously been invited to petition for dispensation from the obligations of the clerical state but has not done so.
Richard Henry

Notes on conversation of REDACTED and Thomas Curry with people at Our Lady of the Rosary parish, Paramount.

Priest: Rick loses his temper and screams in the pulpit. He has a habit of lifting up little boys.

Priest: Isolates himself. Picks up and holds small boys. Projects negativity. After a conflict at a staff meeting, he went on communication strike for five days and then resumed contact as if nothing had happened.

Sister: Concern about contact with boys, especially three in the second and third grades. One boy told parent, "we rub noses, that's french kissing." Concerned about game in which boys were all over him, "it's never girls."

Sister: He needs help, high strung, abrupt, ignores what I have to say. He walked by me as if waiting for an apology. Very talented. We can't discuss anything. He picks kids up--"kind of unnatural, you know." He does not seem to be happy.

Sister: Great potential. I get worried when Father Rick gets hyper. He started yelling at the kids right at the consecration when they disturbed the church. "Waiting for Mass, I saw him, fully vested, hugging an eight grade boy for what seemed like forever. I might have only been six seconds. I'm afraid some adults will see him."

Layperson: A moody man. He ebullient, loud, or very quiet. "It's a frightening thing to see him hugging or picking up boys." worried that some other adult may see and think the wrong thing. "I would n't want to see anything like that happen, but eventually it will." Holes up in his room a lot.

Layperson: He's a little different. I know he has a problem. He just wants his way. I tried to get others to be careful and do what he liked. He's not congenial enough, very abrupt with the people. "then there's the thing about the children, he picks them up. I spoke to the pastor and keep my eyes on him." On one knee, at eye level he hugs kids. If parents saw this, there would be trouble. People complain about how he expresses himself during sermons. He followed a man to his van and told him not to leave Mass early.

Layperson: He brings his own altar boys from public school and bums the scheduled boys. Shocked at his bawling out of an older nun. "He grabs little boys and huge them. I would never do that. So much of that is in the papers." Strong willed. He can be right but does things in a way that is very abrupt. Wish he would be a little more tolerant.

Layperson: Angry. "I never heard a younger man talk to an older lady that way." Cuts people down with remarks.
April 30, 1993

TO: CARDINAL MAHONY

FROM: MONSIGNOR DYER

RE: REV. RICHARD HENRY

I attended the sentencing of Father Rick Henry in Superior Court on April 28, and, as you know, he was sentenced to the maximum asked by the District Attorney—eight years in State Prison. The Judge is willing to give him credit for time spent at St. Luke's, and the actual time to be served in prison will be approximately three years.

Inasmuch as this case will go public, as there were reporters there, I intend to organize a group of Rick's classmates and friends to stay in touch with him by mail.

His deportment at the sentencing was exemplary to the point that he was even commended by the sentencing Judge. His attitude is the most dramatic change I have ever seen following residential treatment at St. Luke's, in that he is able to identify with the pain of victims and has broken down all denial. The parents of the REDACTED children were present to speak in his behalf, and the Judge gave an unusually personal commentary at the end of the hearing, praising the vocation to the clerical state and saying that while Father Henry was an intelligent man with a very good side, he had to be held responsible for the abuses of these children over a six-year period.

I have some practical questions as regards Father Henry's situation: We are placing him on Inactive Leave. We will issue COBRA, as I presume the State will take care of all medical needs. As to salary, I am not clear in a case like this what canon law prescribes. Apart from that, we will have outstanding bills from his attorney and all the counseling bills for the REDACTED family, which, though they are his responsibility, are in reality ours to pay. As he is held responsible for them, I wonder if we should make an arrangement by which his salary would be applied to his outstanding debts during the period he is in prison. (He has already long since signed Promissory notes covering sizeable amounts for lawyer's fees and has been making fairly regular $100-200 payments on them.)

While some plan will eventually have to be made both for his ongoing recovery and resettlement once he is released from prison, the immediate need is the question of his benefits. I wish to know whether you want me to make recommendations or gather further information for you before you decide on this matter.

let's chat

+ RHM

5-3-93
April 29, 1993

FROM: REDACTED

TO:

RE: BAIL MONEY RETURN

The Richard Henry file revealed a receipt for $30,000 bail and a note in your handwriting as follows:

The bail money will be sent to REDACTED, 1531 West Ninth St., Los Angeles 90015 three to four weeks after the final court appearance. If not received by then, we are to contact Los Angeles Superior Court N.V. "F" 900 Third Street San Fernando, CA 91340

For safekeeping I am holding the receipt (#538129) in the Henry C file until such time as you need it.

Once the bail is back, I presume we will have to find a way to pay $5000 of it to REDACTED, who knows how much goes to whom.
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ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
NON-MANDATORY

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this Report to Archdiocese: 1/29/2008

Reported to Archdiocese by: Victim

Alleged Victim: REDACTED

Current Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator: Fr. Richard Henry

Reported Date of Incident(s): 1982 – 1983 (7 years old)

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s): In confession, on three occasions, Fr. Rick had victim on his lap, close to groin and would inappropriately touch child. Each time it became progressively worse and stopped going to face to face confession.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Sexual Abuse

Comments: Priest was dismissed from clerical status

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles: REDACTED

409914
Former student alleges abuse

Former Holy Redeemer priest named in allegation of sexual abuse of child

By Janine Mamlien

A former student at Holy Redeemer School in Glendale said that former priest Thomas Henry molested her twice when she was 14 years old, said La Cañada Flintridge County Sheriff's Department spokesman Robert D. Etchells.

Henry was already given a one-year prison sentence for molesting four boys from the same family in the mid-1980s. The family also were parishioners at Holy Redeemer and had been defended by the priest in 1985, according to news reports.

Henry was transferred to Our Lady of the Rosary in Paramount in 1986, and no one currently at Holy Redeemer was involved in that time. Mamlien added.

"When I had many more letters from the victim, I was able to put together a case against Father," Etchells said. He added that the county law enforcement department was referred to the Sheriff's Department when a crime was reported.

The current allegation was filed with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department on July 23, and was referred to the Sheriff's Department about 30 minutes later, said Lt. Robert D. Etchells.

"We had a very strong case, and wanted to make sure that the priest was kept in the jail," he said. "The case was not cleared until 1988, and has since moved to Maryland."
February 7, 2005

Captain Tim Peters
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Crescenta Valley Station
4554 N. Briggs Avenue
La Crescenta, CA 91214

Re: REDACTED Alleged Victim
Father Richard Henry, Alleged Perpetrator

Dear Chief Santoro:

In accordance with the Archdiocesan Policy on reporting to police authorities in instances of possible abuse or neglect involving minors, we have enclosed a copy of a Non-Mandatory Report which was taken by our Assistance Ministry Coordinator, REDACTED. This case involves an incident that REDACTED alleges happened at Holy Redeemer Church, Montrose in 1985 (see enclosure). The alleged perpetrator was Father Richard Henry who was assigned at Holy Redeemer Church between 1982 and 1986.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me.

Very truly yours,

REDACTED

Enclosure
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
NON-MANDATORY REPORTING FORM

Date of this report to Public Authority:

Name of Public Authority:

Date of this Report to Archdiocese: February 1, 2005

Reported to Archdiocese by: REDACTED

Complainant Name:

Current Address:

Telephone:

Date of Birth:

Alleged Perpetrator: Fr. Richard Henry
Holy Redeemer Parish, Montrose
2411 Montrose Ave. 91020
Ron Lopez

Name: (Victim)

Name of Possible Witness:

Reported Date of Incident: (s) Approx. 1985

Reported Circumstances of Incident(s):

Ron reported that when he was an altar boy (age 12/13). Fr. Rick was preparing him for being a server at Mass. Fr. Rick was sitting in a chair. Ron was on the arm of the chair. Fr. Rick put his arm around Ron and then “began to rub my leg”. I told my Dad and he said stay away from him. No other incidents reported there.

Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect: Sexual

Comments:

Submitted by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

Margaret G. Graf
General Counsel
INTERNAL REPORT - CONFIDENTIAL

Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Assistance Ministry Department

Report date: 2/1/05
From: REDACTED

Alleged perpetrator: Fr. Rick Henry
Alleged victim: REDACTED

Date of incident: 1985

Brief Description: Touch leg

Type of Report:
- _Mandatory
- _Non-Mandatory
- Third-party reporting
- _Incomplete information
- Anonymous reporter
- Attached information

Report sent to:
REDACTED

√ Msgr. Craig Cox, Vicar for Clergy
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