REV. LELAND BOYER

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PURSUANT TO JCCP 4286 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
Vicar for Clergy Database
Clergy Assignment Record (Detailed)

**Rev Msgr Leland James Boyer**

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CONFIDENTIAL

February 10, 1995
FROM: MSGR. DYER, VICAR FOR CLERGY
TO: C-FILE MSGR. LELAND BOYER
RE: Sexual Abuse Alleged by REDACTED

December 1982 = incident

Ninth grader (only 13 years old) at La Canada High School. Stopped by St. Bede's for an interview with Pastor, Leland Boyer, for a project report at school. Took notes for 1/2 hour--stretched and he offered to give me a backrub. Tour of rectory--up to his room--bear hug. Then kissed me and forced his tongue in my mouth. He saw I was afraid; sat me down, gave me a soda; then laid me down on the sofa--began kissing me with his tongue, put his hand on my crotch, rubbing me to erection, asked me to take down my ants. Then I said "I have to go". Offered to take me back to St. Luke's, my Episcopal Church (where I was leaving on the weekend for retreat)--on the way to St. Luke's in car, he begged me not to tell anyone--that it'd ruin him and nobody would believe me anyway. I felt ashamed; was very scared and didn't think anyone would believe me. I've carried it since then.

A year later--I went back to talk to him--to ask: "Why did you do that to me?" I was afraid I was gay. He took me to his room, locked the door. Gave him a hug and then I initiated oral sex on him. He not only didn't try to stop me, he encouraged me.

First thought (now) -- that this not happen to anyone else. Yes, permission to confront. If he denies, "I'll go to police."
February 21, 1995

INTERVIEW: REV. MSGRS. LELAND BOYER, TIMOTHY DYER, REDACTED

Allegation (by): REDACTED REDACTED that in 1982, at age of about thirteen and in ninth grade, he requested an interview with Monsignor Leland Boyer for school project. REDACTED is Episcopalian. After taking notes in an uncomfortable position, REDACTED was offered a massage. Monsignor (then Father) Boyer offered a tour of the rectory. Locked the door of his bedroom after entering, forced an open-mouthed kiss, attempted fondling REDACTED after getting him to lie down. REDACTED said that a year later, he returned to discuss the previous incident and ended by performing fellatio on Father Boyer.

Msgr. Boyer’s Response:
"How can anyone remember such details after such a long period of time? A few young people have asked for interviews from other Churches. I do remember driving a youngster back to the Episcopal Church. I certainly would remember a sin like that if it ever happened. I hug a lot but don't kiss like that!"

Msgr. Dyer: Do you remember bringing kids up to your room?

Msgr. Boyer: Never, especially a REDACTED kid.

Msgr. Dyer: Another very similar allegation was made in the early 80’s involving abrupt open-mouthed kissing at a first meeting of a young man. Isn't it terribly unusual that two such false allegations could have been made?

Msgr. Boyer: Yes, very unusual. I don't remember anything except giving him a ride up to St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The first incident, from Archie's (Msgr. Rawden's) time, involved an unbalanced young man, a writer I think, who wanted me to intercede and call the mother of a very young girl and persuade her to let him see her. He was pushy and irritating. I made the mistake of getting angry and called him a "pervert." He left very angry, saying that I was the pervert and that he would "get me." I had my heart attack in 1980 and have been impotent. What he claims I did, I couldn't do.

REDACTED: If I just say you don't remember, that's not as strong as a clearer denial.

Msgr. Boyer: Yes, that is not my tendency. I feel like I'm before Pontius Pilate.
CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM

February 28, 1995

TO: Cardinal Mahony
FROM: Father Timothy Dyer
RE: Msgr. Boyer

Attached is a summary of the conversation with Msgr. Boyer on the occasion of my presenting him with the allegations of REDACTED

I would suggest that this go before the Sexual Abuse Advisory Board for their recommendations. In the meantime, I am speaking to REDACTED the new liaison for St. Luke's Institute on the west coast, to see if she or someone she recommends can have a few sessions with Msgr. Boyer at his rectory in order to evaluate his response to this allegation.

We really need some further confirmation on my side too -
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Mr. REDACTED REDACTED (case of Msgr. Leland Boyer)

Phone conversation, 4/1/95

Called for an update. I told him of the bypass surgery and that Msgr. Boyer was now in intensive care.

"My biggest concern is that this not happen again to someone else."

"I have been dealing with the issues myself through our employee assistance program and am feeling better."

"I called for this update to let you know that I am serious about this." Said he could not see how Msgr. could go to the grave with this on his conscience and part of his reporting this (aside from the main reason of wanting to protect others) was that he had hoped Msgr. would take advantage of the opportunity to confess this.

I told Mr. REDACTED that in some cases the Archdiocese would offer assistance with counseling even when there had been no admission on the part of the priest and that, if there were a need in the future -- he could contact me. He thanked me and said that he was feeling much better now that he had spoken to someone and that he had dealt with his own guilt over his part in the incidents with Msgr. Boyer.
MEMORANDUM

April 2, 1995

TO: File
FROM: REDACTED
RE: Msgr. L. Boyer

Very unusual for someone (e.g., REDACTED) to tell something about himself initiating an act of misconduct... Adds credibility to his allegation.

given the retired status, poor health and prognosis (cancer, heart disease, etc.), there is no need for extensive testing. However, there should be restrictions on access, e.g., seminarians and phone persons -- coming to Msgr. Boyer's quarters. Some form of evaluation by a therapist with a background in geriatrics and pharmacology might be able to suggest the type of counseling that could help Msgr. Boyer at this time in his life.

Continued living in the rectory has the advantage of accountability. Present pastor needs to take responsibility for observing behavior and strictly enforcing the guidelines which give young people no access to a priest's quarters.

Counseling should be offered the alleged victim. (This was done a second time by telephone conversation with REDACTED on March 31, 1995.)
NAME: ROYER, MSGR. LEAND

PERSON MAKING ALLEGATION: REDACTED

REPORT/ALLEGATION: REDACTED

ARCHDIOCESAN ATTORNEY/INSURANCE NOTIFIED: [date]

THERAPISTS/DOCTORS: REDACTED

ADDITIONAL CONTACT PERSONS:

ADVOCATES/ATTORNEY:

CASE CHRONOLOGY:

DATE

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Notes on phone conversation with REDACTED
March 22, 1996 - approx. 1:45 PM

REDACTED called to say that he spoke by phone with Monsignor Lelend Boyer. He reminded him of all that had happened in their encounter, expressed his desire for resolution, told Monsignor Boyer that he prayed for him. He was not sure why he called, but thought he called seeking an apology.

He said Monsignor Boyer remembered who he was, that he was “a good looking boy,” giving the interview for his school composition and showing him around the rectory. He said Monsignor Boyer said he had no recollection of anything more than that, but that he apologized for any hurt he may have caused.

REDACTED encouraged him to call the me and seek resolution. That carrying something like this to his grave would be a terrible thing.

I asked REDACTED where he wanted to go with this. He said he was not sure ... maybe a meeting with Monsignor Boyer. I told him that usually was not advisable unless there were professionals present to ensure there was not damage done rather than healing. I suggested looking for several therapists that he could choose from in the REDACTED area (where he now lives) so that he could start therapy. I explained the Survivor’s Protocol. He expressed an interest and I said I would work on it. We agreed to speak again next week.

He asked that if Monsignor Boyer did not call me within the next few days if I would please call him as a follow-up to their conversation.
MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE VICAR FOR CLERGY

TO: Monsignor Richard A. Loomis
FROM: REDACTED
RE: Phone Message from Father
DATE: March 25, 1996

Father REDACTED gave me the following names of therapists in the Diocese of REDACTED. They are Catholic, and they are not prone to litigation:

Dr. REDACTED he works for the Diocese of REDACTED. He can be reached at REDACTED.

REDACTED she works in the REDACTED area. Her office number is REDACTED.

Father REDACTED is a forensic psychologist. Same phone number as Dr. REDACTED.

Thank you.
02/02/95: Allegation re Msgr. Boyer now retired. Msgr. Dyer talked to his primary physician so he could speak with him before confrontation with Msgr. Boyer. His health is very frail. Name is Dr. REDACTED or REDACTED REDACTED is a victim of sexual abuse. He has asked for survivor's therapy. Since he lives in the Diocese of REDACTED, he is seeing a psychologist in REDACTED. Dr. REDACTED his psychologist, wrote to REDACTED on 05/08/96 to notify him that REDACTED had failed to continue in psychotherapy, and has not returned his phone calls of inquiry to him. Given his abrupt departure from counseling, it is difficult to assess the degree to which the abuse he experienced has damaged him psychologically, or his capacity to utilize the therapeutic process.
Monsignor Richard A. Loomis  
Vicar for Clergy  
Archdiocese of Los Angeles  
933 Grattan St.  
Los Angeles, CA  90015  

May 8, 1996  

Dear Monsignor Loomis,  

I am writing concerning [REDACTED], whom you referred to me in March of 1996 for psychotherapy for issues concerning clergy abuse. I met with Mr. [REDACTED] for the first time on April 1, 1996 to discuss relevant issues and develop a preliminary treatment plan. 

[REDACTED]
In the light of failure to remain in therapy, I have been unable to obtain sufficient information to complete the Survivors of Clergy Abuse Initial Treatment Plan. Nevertheless, if you wish me to provide you with a copy of the plan, filled out the best I can, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ph.D., MFCC
Boy.

Was there a bill attached? I Let's know by phone.

The no. known lister is needed. Done 7/29/36.
SURVIVOR THERAPY RECORD

SURVIVOR: REDACTED

THERAPIST: REDACTED

DATE INITIAL MEMO AND TREATMENT PLAN SENT: 4-23-94

DATE INITIAL TREATMENT PLAN AND RELEASE RECEIVED: 5-23-94

START THERAPIST PROGRESS REPORTS WHAT DATE? ____________

PROGRESS REPORT #1 SENT: ______________ RETURNED: ______________

PROGRESS REPORT #2 SENT: ______________ RETURNED: ______________

PROGRESS REPORT #3 SENT: ______________ RETURNED: ______________

PROGRESS REPORT #4 SENT: ______________ RETURNED: ______________

PROGRESS REPORT #5 SENT: ______________ RETURNED: ______________

FINAL SUMMARY REPORT SENT: ______________________________

SURVIVOR EVALUATION SENT: ______________________________

Therapist address: REDACTED
June 3, 1996

Dear Dr. 

Enclosed is our Check No. 54089 in the amount of $375.00 to cover therapy charges for on the following dates:

April 1, 15, and 22, 1996

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure
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**Total**: 375.00

**The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles**

(A Corporation Sole)

Los Angeles, California 90015-1194

**PAY**: ******375 DOLLARS AND NO CENTS

TO THE ORDER OF

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

**AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE**

**FIRST INTERSTATE CENTRAL BANK**

CALABASAS, CA

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VOID AFTER 90 DAYS

REDACTED

REDACTED

**SECURITY FEATURES INCLUDED. DETAILS ON BACK.**
Because he was on "death's door" we held back from implementing SAAB's recommendations. There is a need to review the file and talk to REDACTED. One specific thing which has to be enforced is the restriction of the "phone boys" and all seminarians from going up to his room.
May 20, 2002

Dear Monsignor Cox:

As per our conversation of last Friday I have met with Monsignor Boyer. As we are uncertain where the allegations made against Leland will lead to and we have no way of telling whether or not he will be contacted by the civil authorities I thought it was necessary to inform Leland of the situation. I certainly did not want Leland to discover through the media or any other source that his name has been turned over for investigation. Before meeting with Leland I spoke with Monsignor Frank Wallace who contacted Bishop Wilkerson. Both Frank and Bishop Wilkerson thought it to be a good idea for me to make Leland aware of what was going on.

Naturally the news deeply shocked Leland and he is adamant about the fact that he has never been involved in any kind of inappropriate behavior with a minor. I informed Leland about the need for him to move out of the rectory at St. Bede to a retirement home in light of the allegations but also for his own ongoing care. Leland was not willing to accept this as a solution and feels that his moving out is as good as admitting that he did something wrong.

I also spoke last Friday with REDACTED regarding Leland moving to a retirement home. Sister did tell me that at this time there are no rooms available at Nazareth House, St. John of God or Villa Scalabrini. Sister is looking into other locations but did indicate the difficulty in finding a place immediately.

All this said even if there is a place available none of these places will take a dog and Leland is not willing to move anywhere without his dog.

You may know a lot of this information already from Bishop Wilkerson as he did meet with Leland on Saturday following confirmation at St. Bede. Leland ultimately wants to meet with the Cardinal or with you and believes he should have the opportunity to respond to any charges being made against him and to defend himself and his reputation.

Is it possible for you to contact Leland and perhaps arrange a meeting with him? I can’t even begin to imagine how busy you are right now so if it would be a help to you to have Leland come down to the ACC instead of you going to St. Bede I would be happy to take him.

Please let me know how we should proceed.

Yours Sincerely

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

820 North Garfield Avenue • Montebello, CA 90640-1607 • (323) 722-5866 • FAX (323) 722-2654
### SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORT

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#### Present Location

- Shared with his brother several years ago.

#### Name of Church or School

- Manuscript

#### Address at Time of Incident

- 13 years - 16 years

#### Date/Time of Incident

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#### Type of Sexual Abuse

- Kissing - nude - bed together
- Fondle - me - messaging - fucking

#### Narrative Description

- The room - 2nd fl. - bedroom
- Working in the parish, exposed me to someone visiting - diary - contest - in church
- Visiting - clothes - beach house - Clemente
- Like dating - denser - drinks - regularly

#### F. Perpetrator Information

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**Signed:** **REDACTED**

**Redacted:** **REDACTED**
CONVERSATIONS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN INVESTIGATED.

Meeting with REDACTED

Office? Santa Margarita Parish

Thursday 4 pm

Aug 1
CONFIDENTIAL

Thank you for the copy of your initial intake report concerning [REDACTED] and his complaint against Monsignor Leland Boyer. I see you have an appointment scheduled to meet with him and take his story more fully on August 1.

Once you take the report, this is one I will need to bring to the Cardinal and to the CMOB.

Thanks.
Considered by CMOB

Active Case?

Date Of Alleged Incident

Date Removed From Ministry

Date Returned To Ministry

Case Disposition

Disposition Comments

Intervention Description

DOB

Ethnicity

Diocese

Canon State

Religious State

Prelate of Honor/Chaplain of His Holiness

Archdiocese of Los Angeles

Deacon

DOB

Diocese

Ethnicity

Ordination Status

Deceased

Deacon

DOB

Diocese

Ethnicity

Ordination

Clergy (Faculties)

Religious

Diocesan

Description

Date Referred to Vicar

Date Of Alleged Incident

Alleged Victim

Multiple Victims

Accusers

Investigation Complete

Investigator Name

Removed From Ministry

Date Removed From Ministry

Date Returned To Ministry

Case Disposition Unresolved/Deceased

Displacement Comments

Intervention

Description

Age 81, living with family in retirement. Alleged to have abused a 13 yr. old boy in 1982—back rub, hugs, forced kissing, laying the boy down on the sofa and rubbing his crouch to erection; the boy left when asked to take his pants down. The boy initiated contact one year later involving oral sex. Father X denied this misconduct

REDACTED

This complaint was lodged in 1995 and SAAB recommended restrictions on his access to minors, notification to new Pastor and therapy for both the victim and Father X. On August 1, 2002, interviewed a 43 year old man alleging abuse at the age of 13.
including kissing, nudity, touching in bed together, massaging — occurring many times. Father X again denies misconduct. Father X is out of public ministry.

**Case Status**

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<td>Recommendation approved by Cardinal. Announcements were made at two parishes. No new allegations have been made. The parish will offer support with their own resources. The priest has been offered therapy.</td>
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Clergy Assignment Record

Rev Msgr Leland James Boyer

Current Primary Assignment

Birth Date: 7/11/1921
Birth City: Sacramento, California, USA
Diaconate Ordination: 5/7/1949
Priesthood Ordination: 5/7/1949
Diocese Name: Archdiocese of Los Angeles
Date of Incardination: 5/7/1949
Religious Community: Latin
Ministry Status: Deceased
Seminary: St. John's Seminary, Camarillo
Ethnicity: American (USA)

Language(s): Spanish
Fluency: Conversational Basics

Fingerprint Verification and Safeguard Training
Date Background Check: 1/14/1994
Safeguard Training: 3/17/1973

Assignment History

Assignment | Beginning Date | Completion Date
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Deceased | 1/14/2003 | 
St. Bede the Venerable Catholic Church, La Canada Flintridge Pastor Emeritus, Retired | 1/15/1994 | 1/13/2003
Prelate of Honor, Active Service | 8/15/1988 | 
St. Bede the Venerable Catholic Church, La Canada Flintridge Pastor, Active Service | 7/1/1975 | 1/14/1994
Divine Saviour Catholic Church, Los Angeles Pastor, Active Service | 8/21/1971 | 6/30/1975
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ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
Child Abuse Report - Internal Routing Form

This report involves allegations of:
- 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

Sexual abuse: ✔
Physical abuse:  
Harassment:  
Brief Summary: Fondling and penetration of a minor 20 years age.

To:  

Other  

Submitted by:  
Date distributed: 03/06/07
Comments: "The [redacted]" returner about 5 years ago.
Counseling offered as well as spiritual advice for victim and mother.

Revised: 03/12/2009
ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES
CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT REPORTING FORM

**MANDATORY**

- **Date Reported to the Archdiocese:** 8/17/2009 by mother of victim
- **Reported to Archdiocese by:** 8/25/2009 by victim
- **Alleged Victim:** REDACTED
- **Current Address:**
- **Telephone:**
- **Date of Birth:** REDACTED 1979
- **Alleged Perpetrator:** Msgr. Leland Boyer (RIP)
- **Reported Date of Incident(s):** Various incidents from 1985 or 1986 to 1988 or 1989
- **Reported Circumstances of Incident(s):** REDACTED reports that he had many behavior problems as a child that started in early elementary school. He said that five years ago he told his therapist about abuse that he experienced at St. Bede's by Msgr. Boyer. Prior to that time he had seen many counselors but said he had blocked the memories. Then he had memories of three specific incidents that involved him standing in front of a mirror naked in the rectory and also vivid memories of the head board in the priest's room. The priest would either call REDACTED out of the classroom or ask him to his room after school when he was hanging out on the playground equipment after school. The abuse included fondling and penetration REDACTED reported that the priest told him not to tell anyone because if he did "neither God nor his parents would love him," REDACTED also reports that the priest told him that these experiences were "between me, him and God and that God told him to do this" REDACTED believes the abuse stopped when he was in the fourth or fifth grade but does not know why it stopped then other than that he tried to avoid the priest as much as possible.

- **Reported Type of Abuse or Neglect:** Sexual Abuse

- **Reports to Public Authorities with dates:** Adviser REDACTED of his right to report to authorities.

- **Comments:** REDACTED said there is another young man that had similar experiences with Msgr. Boyer and that he would encourage him to call Victims Assistance. I gave him an additional business card for the other young man.

- **Report initiated by:**
Record of Investigation/Interview

REDACTED, date of birth 1979, who resides at REDACTED, was interviewed by REDACTED at the Archdiocese Catholic Center. REDACTED was advised of the identity of the auditor and his role to investigate allegations of misconduct involving priests. It is noted that on August 25, 2009, REDACTED had telephoned REDACTED and reported that he had been sexually abused by Leland Boyer (deceased) at St. Bede the Venerable Church, La Canada Flintridge, CA beginning in 1985. REDACTED thereafter provided the following information.

REDACTED attended St. Bede School from kindergarten to the fifth grade and left in eighth grade at Junior High School. He attended High School for four years and graduated in REDACTED attended the University of REDACTED to study management but did not graduate. REDACTED

While in elementary school REDACTED got into fights, misbehaved, and was disrespectful. He played "doctor" that resulted in sexual curiosity and sexual play with his friends under ten years old approximately twenty to thirty times. He was caught twice. He began to drink alcoholic beverages in the fifth and sixth grade. His mother eventually took him to a therapist where he was REDACTED and being bipolar REDACTED was REDACTED in the fifth grade and in the seventh grade. He saw another therapist and was hypnotized.

In high school REDACTED got terrible grades even though he tested high on aptitude tests. He graduated from the bottom of his class of REDACTED He never got in any serious trouble and was never arrested. REDACTED injury from playing freshman REDACTED. At age eighteen REDACTED. One year ago, REDACTED stopped seeing a therapist after high school for ten years. REDACTED then started seeing REDACTED for five to six sessions over a two to three month period.

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Record of Interview with REDACTED
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By REDACTED
Case Number: 809A-032F-3610
It was after high school that first suspected something might have happened to him when he was younger. However while attending high school at no one had ever attempted any inappropriate or sexual misconduct toward him.

At first had no memories of anything from elementary school but then started becoming suspicious when he was twenty or twenty-one years old. One psychologist suggested that something might have happened while was a child as if he had been molested. The more thought about it, the clearer it became. He is not sure when the memories came back but he just had a feeling. When was seeing more details starting coming out told him that he was a text book example of someone who had been molested. Finally knew that something had happened but felt ashamed that he did not just leave the rectory. now has been able to recall what had happened to him at the rectory when he was alone with Msgr. Boyer.

was an altar boy in training at St. Bede's which required him to do special tasks in the rectory. He would get called out of class by Msgr. Boyer. recalled going to Msgr. Boyer's apartment on the second floor of the rectory. The rectory was attached to the church. The apartment was toward the back lot and a front window overlooked the playground. There was a living room with a kitchenette on the left. The bedroom was on the right. The bed faced the outside of the building. specifically recalled that the headboard of the bed was wooden with engravings on it.

can vividly remember being naked in front of a mirror with Msgr. Boyer behind him. Msgr. Boyer told that his job in God's eyes was to make sure that was healthy. Msgr. Boyer told that if he told his parents, they were not going to love him anymore. Msgr. Boyer would also as to tell him (Msgr. Boyer) about himself.

could not remember what Msgr. Boyer had done to him other than he believed there was digital penetration. does not recall ever seeing Msgr. Boyer naked.

was sure it was Msgr. Boyer because he was the head priest and at the church all the time.

could not say what the time frame was when the abuse happened or what grade he was in. He seemed to remember only being in Msgr. Boyer's room two to three separate times. may have been in the grade because he cannot

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remember what happened in the grade. does not know when the abuse stopped. He remembers avoiding the rectory. Msgr. Boyer never spoke to him about it.

did not tell anyone at that time to include his parents. They had been infatuated with Msgr. Boyer because they used to let him stay at their beach house in San Clemente.

It was a that spoke to a priest when The priest suggested that contact the ADLA. When his suspicions were strengthened, first told his mother. who is seven years older and who is four years older and one who is nine years older. had revealed that when he was at St. Bede’s, had him sit on his lap. But just got away and nothing more happened.

The next person whom told was his best friend and former schoolmate now lives on the He had moved to Newark when he was in the second grade and is now married with children. had seen him at the wedding of his. told that he had been dealing with some issues that he attributed to Msgr. Boyer. They had never talked with each other before about Msgr. Boyer. mentioned how Msgr. Boyer had made comments to him that it was his job to make sure guys were healthy but did not talk about any details. However when father had heard about Msgr. Boyer, he did a Google search and found out that Msgr. Boyer had a case against him in San Diego and was then transferred up to St. Bede.

gave the names of other boys who were in his grade school classes at St. Bede besides They were and mother still goes remembered that had a lot of behavioral problems and was the class bully.

commented that there were only boys in his class but girls. It was the boys who were always being called out of class to do things at the rectory. The girls never got called out. Sometimes would hear his or another boy’s name being called over the school public address system by Msgr. Boyer. Sometimes boys would be told to leave together but would not return at the same time.

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When was called out, he would go to the rectory and knock on the door. He thought that he might have been called out four times a year when in the second or third grade.

**REDACTED** was the principal when **REDACTED** attended St. Bede. **REDACTED** is still there. **REDACTED** commented that **REDACTED** had to know that something unusual was going on by how Msgr. Boyer would come to the classroom and call boys out but never any girls. **REDACTED** never had **REDACTED** as a teacher.

Teachers whom **REDACTED** remembered were **REDACTED** from grade, who taught grade, and **REDACTED** who was the teacher.

**REDACTED** was asked how his life has been affected by the abuse. He said that he does not trust people and gets depressed. He gets it into his mind that he is going to fail when he tries something and has a lot of self-doubt. In his social life he cannot get close to people. If he is about to get promoted at a job, he sees himself as sabotaging it. He has engaged in self-destructive behavior by scratching his arms and developing a nervous tick. For the past ten years **REDACTED**; has not believed in God or the Church.

However **REDACTED** is able to work. He has a healthy relationship with his girlfriend **REDACTED** and they plan to get married **REDACTED** has told **REDACTED** about the abuse.

**REDACTED** has come forward to the ADLA to talk about his abuse because he was told by his therapist to do this. **REDACTED** is just trying to complete the process, get this off his shoulders, and move on. **REDACTED** said that he does not want his name to be known and does not want any money. **REDACTED** said that he feels that lawsuits are necessary in some cases. However **REDACTED** does not intend to start a lawsuit concerning his abuse and said that it is highly unlikely that he will contact an attorney. **REDACTED** has not told his therapist **REDACTED** that he is talking to people at the ADLA.

**REDACTED** would like the Church to stop hiding abuse by priests. He does not want any more children to be molested. He thinks that it is absurd that priests are not allowed to marry since they are human and have urges like everyone else.

**REDACTED** said that he would not be comfortable giving out contact information about. **REDACTED** said he would tell **REDACTED** that an investigator and counselor from the ADLA would like to talk with him and provide him with their telephone numbers. **REDACTED** knows the **REDACTED** is talking to the ADLA and wants to

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he can hear what has to say about his interview before he will consider talking to anyone. REDACTED has added that he is glad the ADLA is taking his complaint seriously.

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Priests Colluded in Sex Abuse, Suit Claims

Close-knit fraternity of clergymen protected molesters, says lawsuit against L.A. archdiocese.

By JEAN GAGNON
AND WILLIAM ROBBLE
Times Staff Writers

High-ranking priests allegedly used positions of power within the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles to gain access to the children they are accused of abusing and to cover up for other clergymen, according to a lawsuit filed Wednesday by 17 alleged victims of childhood sexual abuse.

The lawsuit alleges that a "systemic failure of the archdiocese to protect children occurred because of self-serving actions and a close-knit fraternity of guilty priests."

"The presence of such a high number of high-ranking child molester priests in the Los Angeles archdiocese underscores the institutional and cultural acceptance and acquiescence in child molestation by priests," according to the 49-page complaint filed in Los Angeles County Superior Court against the Los Angeles archdiocese and others.

Archdiocese spokesman Tod Tamberg called the allegations "outrageous and without merit."

"Abuse of minors is often a crime that happens in darkness," said Tamberg, who said the archdiocese has acted aggressively since the 1980s to battle sexual abuse by priests.

He said the notion that there was an organized band of sexually abusive priests was preposterous.

The suit also alleges that abusive priests were promoted into positions of prominence between 1966 and 2002, including key posts such as auxiliary bishops, vicar generals, recruiters of priests, school board members and judges in the archdiocesan court that passes judgment on priests.

"The elevation of child molesters to these positions helps explain why so many child molesting priests were protected by the Los Angeles archdiocese, how so many child molesters became priests and how so many seminarians and priests became child molesters," according to the suit.

According to the suit, filed by attorneys Raymond P. Poehler of Beverly Hills and Laurence E. Drivon of Stockton, Patrick Wall, a former Benedictine monk who now works for victims of sexual abuse, said the institutional pattern alleged in the suit reflects the way the church has responded to molestation of minor parishioners.

"If you take the model of sexual abuse and cover-up from Boston and superimpose it on Los Angeles, it will match," he said. "It will be the same thing. It's the Roman model."

The lawsuit identifies 28 priests as part of the alleged subculture, including former Auxiliary Bishop C. Patrick Ziemann, who resigned as bishop of Santa Rosa in 2000 after he was accused of sexual misconduct; the late Monsignor Joseph Shaeffer, who served in Rockford and later in Los Angeles as assistant director of the archdiocese's seminary and as a judge in the archdiocesan court; and Monsignor John F. Harty, a former auxiliary bishop in Los Angeles.

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The court papers also detail allegations of how priests under suspicion of abuse were promoted to high posts within the archdiocese.

One admitted molester, Michael Baker, was assigned in 1993 to the Office of Vocations in the archdiocese.

Another, the suit says, "had a history of sexual abuse of multiple children.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Cardinal Roger Mahony

FROM: REDACTED and Monsignor Craig A. Cox

RE: Recommendation of the Clergy Misconduct Oversight Board
Monsignor Leland Boyer (CMOB 006-01)

DATE: 4 September 2002

The CMOB held its meeting Wednesday, August 28. We offer the following recommendation with regard to Monsignor Boyer.

The allegation that came in recently is the third leveled against him. The first was presented in 1981 (of an incident that allegedly took place a few weeks before the report) and the second in 1996 (regarding an incident in 1982). Both of these cases involved male Protestants (one age 20, the other age 14) and single incidents. In both of these cases, Monsignor Boyer denied any misconduct. At the time the second allegation was presented in 1996, Monsignor Boyer had been retired for two years and in residence at St. Bede’s as Pastor Emeritus. The SAAB recommended restricting his access to minors as the successor to Monsignor Boyer in the pastorate of St. Bede’s, was informed about the restrictions.

The new allegation, reported in July-August of this year, is much more serious. It alleges several years of misconduct when Monsignor Boyer was Pastor of Divine Savior and continuing on when he was moved to St. Bede’s. The alleged incidents were from 1972-1977, beginning when the young man was thirteen years of age. There are strong parallels between all three stories, lending credibility to them. In addition, the internal credibility of the newest claim is quite strong of counseling to the alleged victim. On August 16, 2002, the new allegation was presented to Monsignor Boyer. He strongly denied the claims. On that day, he was directed not to engage in any public ministry until this matter was more fully addressed.

The CMOB recommends the following:

1. The prohibition on his engaging in public ministry should be made permanent.
2. An announcement should be made in the last two parishes in which Monsignor Boyer has served (St. Bede’s, where he served as Pastor from 1975-1994 and Divine Savior, where he was Pastor 1971-1975). The announcement will be made on the weekend of September 7-8. Monsignor Cox will make the announcement at St. Bede’s.
3. The Board concurs with offer of counseling to the person who lodged the complaint.
4. The Board wants to review the matter again if, after the announcements, other people come forward claiming to be victimized.

I concur - [Signature]

6 Sept 2002
Father X – “Third Allegation” (CMOB 606k-01)
Previously Discussed on 17 March 1995

This priest, now age 81, has been retired since 1994. In 1995, a complaint was lodged against him relating to an incident that allegedly occurred in 1982. In this first complaint, the non-Catholic man claimed that, at age 13, he stopped by the rectory to interview a priest as part of a school project. During this interview, Fr. X gave the boy a back rub, a tour of the rectory, a bear hug in his living quarters, and then kissed him, forcing his tongue into the young man’s mouth. The then laid the boy down on the sofa and continued kissing him. Father X allegedly then placed his hand on the boy’s crouch rubbing him to erection, and then asked the boy to take his pants down. The boy did not and asked to leave. Father X begged the boy not to tell anyone. About a year later, fearing he was gay, the boy went back to the rectory to ask Father X why he had done this. Father X supposedly took the boy to his room and locked the door. The boy said that he initiated a hug of Father X and initiated oral sex. But the priests not only did not try to stop him, he encouraged the boy.

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On July 25, 2002, “P” spoke with REDACTED alleging abuse at the hands of Father X. She interviewed the complainant on August 1, 2002. P REDACTED currently 43 years of age, alleged misconduct perpetrated by Father X over a period of years. He was in eighth grade and 13 years of age when it began. P’s family was poor and struggling. Father X was Pastor and helpful to them. Father X hired the young man to work in the rectory. P indicates that Father X offered him attention and gifts at first. Then there was “kissing, nudity, touching in bed together, massaging.” This was “like dating” and occurred in the priest’s living quarters upstairs in the rectory. These violations occurred “many times.” Father X was generous, with dinners out, trips to a beach house and Palm Springs. P had a “miserable home life.” Father X was transferred to a new parish in the normal course of events, and P visited him there until he completed high school. Then the contact ended. At the first parish, the husband of the parish secretary also inflicted abuse on P. This included oral sex.

The new allegations were presented to Father X on August 16. He remembered the man who lodged the complaint and his mother. He denied any sexual relationship with P. He “helped him with money and gifts” but “never mistreated him.” He recalled the names of the parish secretary and her husband, but indicated he was unaware of any misconduct on the part of that man.

Currently Father P is living with family in retirement. At this time, he is engaging in no public ministry, only a daily Mass at home. I indicated to him that he may not engage in any public ministry, even if asked, while this investigation is underway.
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