ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES

DOCUMENTS PRODUCED 2013
PURSUANT TO JCCP 4286 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
Reverend Monsignor John A. Rawden  
Archdiocese of Los Angeles  
1531 West Ninth Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Dear Monsignor Rawden:

When Father REDACTED was stationed here I had some parishioners come in and complain to me that he was coming to them seeking money. At that time I called him aside and explained that without the Bishop's permission he cannot solicit funds for personal or other reasons.

He is now stationed at REDACTED. However it has been brought to my attention that he is coming into this parish and again doing the same thing, seeking as much as $100.00 per person. Some people have given him money and the sad thing is that these people are on fixed income and in many cases confined to their home.

Since he knows from my previous advice that this is not to be done it now requires some word of authority from your office. I respectfully request that you take care of this matter as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

REDACTED
November 21, 1979

Dear Father REDACTED,

Please accept my appreciation for your kind letter of November 19.

May I kindly have your written permission to show this letter to Father REDACTED when we counsel him on this matter.

I would appreciate if you sign and return to me the enclosed copy.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Reverend Monsignor John A. Rawden
Chancellor

Encl.

REDACTED

Approved:

35860
REDACTED

Saint Jerome Rectory
5550 Thorton Street
Los Angeles, CA  90045

REDACTED

Dear Father

Please accept my appreciation for your kind letter of
November 19.

May I kindly have your written permission to show this letter to
Father REDACTED when we counsel him on this matter.

I would appreciate if you sign and return to me the enclosed
copy.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Reverend Monsignor John A. Rawden
Chancellor

Encl.
REDACTED

Approved: ________________________

35861
November 7, [____]

His Eminence
Cardinal Timothy Manning
Arch-Diocese of Los Angeles

Your Eminence,

This is to thank you very sincerely for your hospitality, kindness and generosity towards me during the past six years I stayed and worked in your diocese. I will always remain grateful to you, to your diocese and to all who had been so good to me especially to Msgr. John Rawden.

I plan to go to school next January for C.P.E. program and hope to work as a hospital Chaplain. In the meantime I will stay and help out in this Holy Family Parish of Trenton Diocese.

God bless you and your diocese. Please keep me in your prayers.

Begging your Paternal blessing

Yours devotedly in Christ,

REDACTED
Dear Father, as I was typing Msgr. [REDACTED]'s letter to you, we received the notice below from Archbishop Mahoney's Office! It generates our adding [REDACTED] name to our list of priests not to be given faculties. [REDACTED]

September 21, 1987

NOTICE

A certain priest by the name of [REDACTED] from the Diocese of [REDACTED], has solicited funds in a very questionable manner in the Diocese of [REDACTED]. His faculties were terminated in [REDACTED], but recently he has been reported to be continuing in this type of activity. He does not have the permission of his bishop to work in the U.S.A.

For more information please contact the Diocese of [REDACTED].
October 19, 1987

Reverend Monsignor Thomas Curry
Vicar for Clergy
1531 West Ninth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015

RE: REDACTED

Dear Monsignor Curry:

REDACTED, a priest of [REDACTED], has expressed a desire to minister here in the Diocese of Orange.

Reviewing our files under "priests not accepted", I have found a letter from Father REDACTED to REDACTED in September, [REDACTED], requesting ministry here.

On that letter is a handwritten notation by REDACTED stating "refused incardination to Los Angeles... REDACTED says "no" ... refused him."

Do you have any files that could be shared with me as REDACTED is pursuing ministry here. Any assistance you could give me would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

[REDACTED]

Chancellor
November 4, 1987

Mr., Chancellor
Diocese of Orange
2811 East Villa Real Drive
Orange, CA 92667

Dear Father Urell:

This will respond to your letter of October 19 regarding REDACTED

Father came to the Archdiocese to study at [unredeacted] in [unredeacted]. He resided at Visitation Parish in Westchester. After a few months, he moved to St. [unredeacted] Parish and completed his studies in [unredeacted]. In [unredeacted] he went to St. [unredeacted] in [unredeacted] as Associate Pastor, and from there was transferred to St. Denis in Diamond Bar in December of [unredeacted]. He left the Archdiocese in [unredeacted].

Both REDACTED, Pastor of [unredeacted], and REDACTED REDACTED Pastor of St. [unredeacted], did recommend him for Incardination. However, REDACTED noted in his letter that he had written Msgr. Rawden earlier about Father REDACTED attempting to collect money from the parishioners. I do not, however, have a copy of that letter.

Both REDACTED, Pastors of St. [unredeacted] and St. [unredeacted] respectively, wrote very negative assessments of him. Both were in agreement that he was belligerent, impossible to get on with, disruptive in the parish, and that he also had a desire for money. For my own part I would add that neither of these parishes was an easy assignment; nevertheless, both pastors were extraordinarily negative in their assessments of him.

I would also note that after his transfer from [unredeacted] the Chancery received several letters of complaint about the transfer and one containing several pages of signatures praising Father REDACTED to the skies. For myself I am always suspicious when I receive such testimonies, since from experience I have found that the priest involved has usually been dividing the parishioners. However, this is strictly a private opinion.

The Archdiocese did indeed refuse Father REDACTED Incardination in REDACTED. This is the extent of the information in our files. If I can be of any more help, do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev. Msgr.) Thomas J. Curry
Vicar for Clergy
September 5, 1988

BISHOP'S HOUSE

Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Curry,
Vicar for Clergy,
Archdiocese of Los Angeles

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Monsignor Thomas,

Ref: Your letter, dated July 15,
Sub: Application of Father REDACTED
to work in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

1. This is to state that to the best of my knowledge all the answers on pages 1, 2, 3 of the application of Father REDACTED to perform priestly ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles are true.

2. Regarding question no. 1 of the last sheet of the questionnaire Fr. REDACTED ran into trouble, on account of which he was asked to leave the parish of [REDACTED], Houston. He denied the charges. This is as far as I know.

3. To the best of my knowledge, having spent the greater part of his priestly ministry in the U.S.A., he does not now intend to return to his original diocese. I also do not object to his continuing his priestly ministry in the U.S.A. In fact he had first begun his ministry in the U.S.A. in [REDACTED] while studying there.

4. I recommend the application of Fr. REDACTED for pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, as far as I can judge in the Lord. The final decision will naturally be that of the local Ordinary, Archbishop Mahony and his Council.

In union of prayers and with kind personal regards

Yours devotedly in the Good Shepherd,

[Signature]

(Most Rev. [REDACTED])

35853
Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Curry,
Vicar for Clergy,
Archdiocese of Los Angeles
1531 West Ninth Street,
Los Angeles, California 90015-1194
U.S.A.
September 21, __________

Dear Bishop __________:

A priest from __________, Father __________ has applied to work in this Archdiocese, and as part of the screening process we received the enclosed letter from his Bishop, __________.

I would be most grateful if you could give me any information with regard to __________'s letter.

With sincere gratitude for your assistance in this matter, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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

REDACTED

35858
MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 14, [_____]

FROM: [REDACTED]

TO: Msgr. Curry

RE: REPORT FROM [REDACTED] (GALVESTON_HOUSTON)

[REDACTED]

Fr. [REDACTED] came into their diocese through a priest with no checking on him. Went to [REDACTED] and stayed several years. As long as the pastor was there. But the next two pastors started seeing things that were extraordinary.

It seems that he impregnated a young girl. [REDACTED] recollection is that she was about 15 or 16. He paid $1500 in medical expenses. He had bought from the girl's mother a $90,000 condo. He was close to wealthy people in the parish. The condo was apparently the girl's inheritance. He paid $30,000, but somehow they made him give it back.

His Bishop, [REDACTED], was there when Fr. [REDACTED] was asked to leave the diocese. He cried. [REDACTED] appalled that he wrote us recommending him.

Fr. [REDACTED] was using the condo mentioned above to entertain girlfriends.

He was in [REDACTED] diocese--they do not incardinate. He applied to Texas. [REDACTED] sent a nice recommendation. [REDACTED] picked him up at the airport himself. He was assigned to a parish that was having some difficulties and within a week or two he had it polarized even further (putting back bells, rallying Conservatives against Liberals).

A local hospital contacted the diocese and said "We do not want him back here" [REDACTED]. He anointed her where it hurt. Went to [REDACTED]. Same thing happened in hospital there.

Since then while in [REDACTED] or somewhere out here he decided to take a bunch of girls to a party--bought cases of beer--drove south--had a big fight--owner of car pushed out and left on side of the freeway. They pressed charges.

He went to [REDACTED] and raped someone. [REDACTED] said not to hesitate to call the pastor at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED]

I thanked him very much and indicated you would be back in touch if necessary.
9-12-01

We have received a report from [REDACTED]. He is a priest who has [REDACTED] and has inherited [REDACTED] apartments. He has consulted [REDACTED] on financial affairs.
From: Cox, Msgr. Craig A.  
Sent: Monday, September 17, 2001 2:09 PM  
To:  
Subject: REDACTED called concerning a Fr. REDACTED

REDACTED

Please call Father REDACTED of the REDACTED inform him. Check our files to see if we know the Province to whom this priest belongs.

We should arrange to be sure that the man's provincial is notified and the priest called home. REDACTED office may want to send out a notice to parishes that this man is not authorized to do any fundraising.

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED

REDACTED
November 14, 1988

REDACTED

Your Excellency:

It is my understanding that you have retired as the Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, but that your successor has not been named. I ask that you please forward this to the appropriate person in the diocese, and wish you many blessings in your retirement.

I am writing on behalf of Cardinal Roger Mahony. A priest of your diocese sought to serve in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles back in 1986. The decision was made at that time not to accept him for service here. My predecessor as Vicar for Clergy, and now our auxiliary bishop, Thomas Curry, communicated that decision in a letter to him. In November of 1988, Father REDACTED wrote to Monsignor Curry acknowledging that decision.

It is with sadness that I must inform you that we have recently received reports that Reverend REDACTED is now living within our Archdiocese and is engaging in priestly activities on his own initiative. We have received a report that he secured donations of close to $100,000 U.S., purportedly to build a church somewhere. We have reason to suspect that these funds were never forwarded to anyone for the purpose of building a church. Furthermore, even if he had used those funds as promised, he had no permission to engage in such fundraising here in the Archdiocese, as required by the norm of canon 1265 and our own particular law.

Apparently he is now involved with an older gentleman and has taken on the financial administration of that man’s property. Relatives and friends of that gentleman fear that Father REDACTED is manipulating this person for financial gain.

I would appreciate knowing the canonical status of Father REDACTED. If you are in contact with him, I would urge you to call him home. If he has incurred any ecclesiastical penalties, I would appreciate being informed of that fact and receiving copies of the decrees imposing or declaring those penalties.

35848

Pastoral Regions: Our Lady of the Angels  San Fernando  San Gabriel  San Pedro  Santa Barbara
I look forward to hearing from you about this sad and difficult matter. May God continue to bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

[Signature]

Monsignor Craig A. Cox, J.C.D.
Vicar for Clergy