SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

Coordinated Proceeding Special Title (Rule 1550(b))

THE CLERGY CASES III

JOHN DOE 39,

Plaintiff,

VS.

JUDICIAL COUNCIL COORDINATED PROCEEDING No. 4359

THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF CALIFORNIA, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

DEPOSITION OF FR.

Taken in Behalf of the Plaintiff

November 22, 2005

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1	BE IT REMEMBERED THAT, pursuant to Oregon			
2	Rules of Civil Procedure, the deposition of FR.			
3	was taken before D. Iwalani Carr, RPR, CSR, a			
4	professional shorthand reporter certified by the State			
5	of Oregon, that pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute			
6	44.320 said reporter is empowered to administer oaths to			
7	witnesses, that the above-named witness was placed under			
8	oath on November 22, 2005, commencing at the hour of			
9	10:00 a.m., in the conference room of Carr Court			
10	Reporting, in the City of Portland, County of Multnomah,			
11	State of Oregon.			
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14	APPEARANCES:			
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- 2 was thereupon produced as a witness in behalf of the
- 3 Plaintiff and, having been first duly sworn on oath by
- 4 the Certified Shorthand Reporter, was examined and
- 5 testified as follows:
- 6 EXAMINATION
- 7 BY MR. HALE:
- Q. Good morning, Father. My name is Tim Hale.
- 9 A. Tim?
- 10 Q. Yes.
- 11 Could you state and spell your name for the
- 12 record, please.
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- 15 Q. And do you sometimes go by the name of ?
- 16 A. That was a religious name that I dropped, but
- 17 I --
- 18 Q. And that would have been spelled?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Have you ever had your deposition taken
- 21 before?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. I'm sure Paul has explained the process to you
- 24 to some extent. I'm going to go back over some of the
- 25 ground rules. Some of them may be repetitive, but just

- 1 bear with me; I just want to make sure we're on the same
- 2 page.
- 3 MR. MATIASIC: And Tim, we want to object
- 4 on the notice of the deposition.
- 5 MR. HALE: Go for it.
- 6 MR. MATIASIC: If you want me to do that
- 7 afterward, I can do that.
- MR. HALE: No. Go for it.
- 9 MR. MATIASIC: We want to object to the
- 10 deposition notice insofar as it categorizes Father
- as "accused." We aren't aware of any pending
- 12 lawsuits in Clergy I and Clergy III in which Father
- has been implicated, and so I think under the
- 14 Clergy III protocol, it would be inappropriate to
- 15 categorize him as "accused."
- MR. HALE: That was a mistake. We did
- 17 not intend to label you as an accused, and I apologize
- 18 for that. I guess I misunderstood the protocol. I
- 19 thought it was a case where it was "accused" or "fact"
- 20 witness. I thought those were separate.
- 21 MR. MATIASIC: No. And I can appreciate
- 22 the confusion. Unfortunately Category I is accused or
- 23 fact -- and/or fact witness.
- MR. HALE: Okay. Well, I apologize
- 25 again. That was not our intent.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- MR. HALE: And that notice, we have
- 3 sent out -- oh, boy. We'll send out amended notices to
- 4 clear that up. I apologize for that.
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- 6 MR. HALE: And if you could, just let all
- 7 your clients know that it was not our intent to label
- 8 all of them as perpetrators.
- 9 MR. MATIASIC: I appreciate that.
- 10 MR. HALE: I'm really sorry about that.
- 11 That was not the intent. Definitely a misunderstanding
- 12 on our part.
- MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- MR. HALE: Okay. Back to the process.
- 15 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 16 Q. Do you understand your testimony today will
- 17 have the same force and effect as if we were sitting in
- 18 a court of law before a judge and a jury?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Do you understand you've been placed under
- 21 oath by the reporter?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Have you consumed any alcohol in the last 12
- 24 hours that would impact your ability --
- 25 A. Twelve hours? No.

- 1 MR. MATIASIC: Let him finish his
- 2 question, Father.
- 3 THE WITNESS: What?
- 4 MR. MATIASIC: Let him finish his
- 5 question first.
- 6 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 7 Q. Part of these rules is one of the things
- 8 that's happening right now is the court reporter is
- 9 taking down my questions and your testimony. It's
- 10 critical for both me and for you that we both wait until
- 11 the other finishes his response so we've got a clearer
- 12 record. I think you understand that. So, I'll do my
- 13 best not to interrupt you --
- 14 A. My reflex -- Okay.
- 15 Q. I'll do my best not to interrupt you. Do the
- 16 same thing when I'm asking a question, we'll have a
- 17 nice, clear record when this thing is all over.
- Have you consumed any drugs in the last 24
- 19 hours that might impact your ability to give your clear,
- 20 best testimony?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Is there any reason that you can't give your
- 23 best testimony today?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. We don't want you to -- I don't want you to

- 1 guess to any questions, the answers to any questions
- 2 that I ask you. I am entitled to your best estimate. I
- 3 assume you understand the difference between a guess and
- 4 an estimate?
- 5 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 6 Q. Is that a yes?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: You have to respond
- 9 audibly, Father.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yeah.
- 11 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 12 Q. That's the other thing. For purposes of the
- 13 record, it's very important that rather than giving nods
- and uh-huhs and huh-uhs, it's got to be a "yes."
- 15 A. I understand.
- 16 Q. If you don't understand a question I ask you,
- 17 please feel free to ask me to rephrase or ask me to
- 18 clarify a certain point. I'll be happy to do that. If
- 19 you respond to a question I ask you, I'm going to assume
- 20 that you understood what it meant. So if you don't
- 21 understand, it's critical that you speak up and let me
- 22 know.
- Do you understand that?
- 24 A. If I remember, yes.
- 25 Q. At the end of your deposition, your testimony

- 1 is going to be placed in the typed booklet form that I
- 2 referred to earlier. You're going to get a chance to
- 3 review that testimony and you'll have a chance to make
- 4 any changes or corrections you feel are necessary at
- 5 that time. You need to keep in mind that if you do make
- 6 any changes, myself or another attorney in this matter
- 7 would be free to comment on those changes at the time of
- 8 trial. So it's really important that you give your best
- 9 testimony today, if possible.
- 10 Do you understand that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 O. Great.
- If you need to take a break today at any time,
- 14 just let me know.
- Do you have any questions about the process?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you review any documents in preparation
- 18 for the deposition today?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. I'd like to go over your educational and your
- 21 employment background now.
- Where were you born?
- 23 A. Where was I born?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. Petaluma, California.

- 1 Q. Did you attend St. Anthony's Seminary?
- 2 A. One year.
- 3 Q. Was that your --
- 4 A. Fifth year.
- 5 Q. Fifth year. Okay.
- 6 What year was that?
- 7 A. I lose track of time. It's '55, '56, '54,
- 8 '55, somewhere in that period of time.
- 9 Q. So around the mid-'50s.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Where did you attend high school at?
- 12 A. Sacred Heart High School in San Francisco.
- 13 Q. And what year did you graduate from there?
- 14 A. '53. '53.
- 15 Q. Do you think there -- was there a year between
- 16 you graduating and you attending St. Anthony's, or was
- 17 it immediately after the --
- 18 A. It was about a year and a half or so, or two
- 19 years.
- 20 Q. So it would make sense probably around 1955,
- 21 you were at St. Anthony's?
- 22 A. Probably, yes. I believe.
- 23 Q. Do you think it was maybe the 1955-'56 school
- 24 year?
- 25 A. Again, I have a vague recollection on that.

- 1 So, mid-'50s would sound accurate.
- 2 Q. In those two years between graduating from
- 3 high school and attending St. Anthony's, did you go to
- 4 junior college?
- 5 A. I went to San Francisco State.
- 6 Q. Any degrees from San Francisco State?
- 7 A. A B.A. in chemistry.
- Q. Did you obtain that before you went to
- 9 St. Anthony's?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. What year -- well, you can't -- if you recall,
- 12 what year did you get your B.A. from San Francisco
- 13 State?
- 14 A. I think '53, I -- '53, I think, comes to my
- 15 mind.
- 16 Q. Definitely in the early 1950s?
- 17 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 18 Q. Any other education between high school and
- 19 St. Anthony's other than your time at San Francisco
- 20 State?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. And then when you attended St. Anthony's, was
- 23 that for the novitiate year?
- A. No. Prior to the novitiate year.
- Q. What is that year called? A pre-novitiate?

- 1 A. It was at the time called fifth year.
- 2 Q. And what -- were they studies or was it
- 3 learning how to be a Franciscan?
- 4 A. It was studies. It was -- at the seminary you
- 5 had five years, and lay vocations would come in for the
- 6 fifth year.
- 7 Q. Okay. So you were taking --
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: Speak up a little, if you
- 9 can, Father.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I'll sit closer. I'm
- 11 tired.
- 12 It was a fifth year for mainly lay
- 13 vocations.
- 14 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 15 Q. So, did you have a full class load?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. What kind of subject matter were the classes?
- 18 A. Logic, religion, English literature, his -- I
- 19 think history. It was normal academic freshman year.
- 20 Q. So basically --
- 21 A. Freshman college year.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- 23 After the fifth year at St. Anthony's, did you
- 24 then go to San Luis Rey?
- 25 A. I went to San Miguel.

- 1 Q. How many years was that for?
- 2 A. One year.
- 3 Q. And that was for novitiate?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Who was the novice master that year at
- 6 San Miguel?
- 7 A. Reginald -- Father Reginald.
- 8 Q. And how many other novices were there that
- 9 year?
- 10 A. I believe we went in at 25, class of 25.
- 11 Q. Did all of those novices go on to become
- 12 priests with you?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Do you know how many dropped out or didn't
- 15 make the cut?
- 16 A. I think we left novitiate with 21, then went
- 17 to San Luis Rey for college, and at that time I was --
- 18 at my previous schooling I skipped a year. Instead of
- 19 being three years at San Luis Rey, I was two years. So
- 20 I estimate 11 to 13 in the class.
- 21 Q. So approximately half didn't finish the San
- 22 Luis Rey process?
- 23 A. Right. These are estimates.
- Q. I understand. I totally understand.
- Do you recall what year you finished at San

- 1 Luis Rey? I assume we're in the late '50s by that time.
- 2 A. '59, '58, somewhere.
- 3 Q. And what happened after San Luis Rey? What
- 4 was the next step in the process?
- 5 A. Go to Santa Barbara for theology.
- 6 Q. And was that? How many years was that?
- 7 A. Four. Four years.
- 8 Q. And was one of those what was called the
- 9 simplex year, the final year? Was that the simplex
- 10 year?
- 11 A. No. I don't believe they had a simplex year
- 12 at that time. Or might have -- they -- vague.
- 13 Q. What year were you ordained?
- 14 A. 1962, December.
- 15 Q. And then after you were ordained, there was
- still one more year at the school of theology?
- 17 A. No. Six months.
- 18 Q. And during those final six months was it
- 19 just --
- 20 A. Continued studies.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. I believe it was called simplex year.
- 23 Q. I know at some point it stopped being called
- 24 that, I'm just not sure when.
- 25 Were there any more -- were there any more

- 1 studies for you after you finished your final six months
- 2 at the school of theology? Any more academic work?
- 3 A. Academic? Later?
- 4 O. Sure.
- 5 A. Let me recollect. You mean summer schools
- 6 included or --
- 7 O. Sure.
- 8 A. Summer school at UC Santa -- what's the UC out
- 9 at Oceanside?
- 10 Q. Not UC San Diego?
- 11 A. No. It was at Oceanside.
- 12 Q. UC Irvine?
- A. Maybe it wasn't UC. This was in the '60s, I
- 14 believe, sometime. It was a -- I took a summer school
- 15 in science there.
- 16 Q. Just one summer of --
- 17 A. -- science, yeah.
- 18 Q. You didn't receive a degree or anything from
- 19 that?
- 20 A. No. No. Then -- let's see. And then around
- 21 the year '70 or so, I -- Wyoming for a year study and
- 22 degree in science.
- 23 Q. Was it University of Wyoming?
- 24 A. University of Wyoming.
- 25 Q. Did you receive an advanced degree?

- 1 A. Master's in Science, MS.
- 2 Q. That was around 1970, you said?
- 3 A. Around '70, yeah.
- 4 Q. Any other education other than that?
- 5 A. Two years at Lewis and Clark, counseling psych
- 6 degree, master's of counseling psych.
- 7 Q. And what year did you finish that?
- 8 A. '82, '83, somewhere in there.
- 9 Q. Anything else?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. How did you end up in Wyoming for your
- 12 master's in science?
- 13 A. It was enjoyable. No. They were offering to
- 14 high school teachers national science foundation grants.
- 15 Q. It must have been a cultural experience.
- 16 A. It was an enjoyable one.
- 17 Q. Any other education other than what we've
- 18 already talked about here?
- 19 A. Not really to speak of.
- 20 Q. Any certificates or anything like that?
- 21 A. I attended a couple of psych seminars. I
- 22 don't know if I got a -- they were offering
- 23 certificates, but I don't know if I got one or if I had
- one or if I received one, but somewhere in the 80's.
- Q. With regards to your master's in counseling

- 1 and psychology -- Is it psychology or psychiatry?
- 2 A. Counseling psych.
- 3 Q. Counseling psych. Okay.
- Was there an area of specialty?
- 5 A. No. No.
- 6 Q. Did you have a --
- 7 A. -- practicum?
- 8 Q. Sure.
- 9 A. Yes. Catholic Family Services for a year.
- 10 Q. And who did you -- who were you seeing in
- 11 conducting those services?
- 12 A. People who frequented Catholic Family
- 13 Services.
- Q. What I'm getting at, is it marital counseling
- 15 or --
- 16 A. No, there was no marital counseling at that
- 17 place, no.
- 18 Q. What kind of counseling were you providing, in
- 19 other words, is what I --
- 20 A. Personal, individual.
- 21 Q. Just one on one?
- 22 A. One on one.
- 23 Q. Did any of it involve counseling victims of
- 24 childhood sexual abuse?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Did any of it involve counseling perpetrators
- 2 of childhood sexual abuse?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Your first assignment after you were
- 5 ordained -- I'm sorry. After your final six months at
- 6 the School of Theology, what was your first assignment?
- 7 A. At that time they had a pastoral year in
- 8 Stockton.
- 9 Q. Was that at St. Mary's?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And did you just do parish work or did you
- 12 work at the high school or --
- 13 A. Parish work.
- 14 Q. And that was for one year?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Who was your pastor?
- 17 A. Father
- 18 Q. And who else -- was there a name for this year
- 19 of pastoral?
- 20 A. Pastoral year.
- 21 Q. Who else was there assigned with you for their
- 22 pastoral year?
- 23 A. You mean --
- Q. Well, was there anyone else, any other -- in
- other words, somebody who'd just finished like you, the

- 1 final --
- 2 A. We went as a class. It was the ordination
- 3 class that went.
- 4 Q. How many people in the ordination class?
- 5 A. I think there was six. Estimate six.
- Q. Got it.
- 7 Do you remember who it was?
- 8 A. Roland Franz, Daniel Sharp, Carey Martin,
- 9 Alcuin Peck, myself. Five.
- 10 Q. And would that year have been around '63-'64,
- 11 do you think?
- 12 A. Yes. Somewhere in there. That's -- yeah,
- 13 '63-'64.
- 14 Q. Okay.
- Going back to your ordination, was there an
- ordination ceremony at the Mission?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And who ordained you?
- 19 A. I think it was Cardinal Manning.
- 20 Q. And at that time were you granted faculties by
- 21 the Archdiocese of Los Angeles as well?
- 22 A. I think it was limited faculties.
- 23 Q. So Father was there, your ordination
- 24 classmates were in Stockton as well.
- Were there any Franciscans who were simply

- 1 assigned there as associate pastors or any residents?
- 2 A. Bruce Pardella. I'm vague on it.
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 What was your first assignment after
- 5 St. Mary's?
- 6 A. St. Francis Seminary, Troutdale.
- 7 Q. That's up here in Oregon, right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. How long did that assignment last for?
- 10 A. Two years.
- 11 Q. And were you on the faculty?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Teaching science, I assume?
- 14 A. Yes.
- Q. Would that have been the -- about the '64-'65,
- or '64 to '66 school years?
- 17 A. Something like that, yes.
- 18 Q. That's a Franciscan -- that was a
- 19 Franciscan-run seminary, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. It's no longer in operation, is it?
- 22 A. No, it's not.
- 23 Q. Who was the -- was there a rector or was there
- 24 a principal?
- 25 A. Father Kevin was rector, Kevin Murphy.

- 1 Q. And how large was the faculty for your two
- 2 years?
- A. Father Murphy, Father , Father
- 4 , myself, and I think there was some lay
- 5 persons involved.
- 6 Q. What was your -- what was -- how big was the
- 7 student body there, approximately?
- A. I think it reached it's peak of about 69.
- 9 Q. What was your next assignment?
- 10 A. St. Mark's Parish in Phoenix.
- 11 Q. And how long did that last for?
- 12 A. One year.
- Q. Who was the -- were you the associate pastor
- 14 there?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Were there any other associate pastors?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Who was the pastor?
- 19 A. Father Howard Hall.
- Q. Were there any other Franciscans in residence
- 21 there while you were there?
- 22 A. Brian Lyons.
- 23 Q. And was he also teaching -- was there a high
- 24 school attached to St. Marks?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Was there a Franciscan-run high school in the
- 2 Phoenix area?
- 3 A. Yes. Connected with St. Mary's Parish.
- Q. And was Father Lyons working at St. Mary's?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Did he have assignment, to your knowledge,
- 7 while he was in residence at St. Mark's?
- 8 A. To my knowledge, no.
- 9 O. Was he retired at that time?
- 10 A. I believe, yes.
- 11 Q. So that would have been around the '66-'67
- 12 time frame?
- 13 A. Yeah, somewhere in there.
- Q. During your time at St. Mark's, were you ever
- 15 aware of Father Lyons taking seminarians from
- 16 St. Anthony's camping during the summertime?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Were you ever aware during that time of Father
- 19 Lyons taking students from St. Mary's camping?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Do you know a former Franciscan named
- 22 ?
- A. He was a moral professor.
- Q. At the School of Theology?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Have you ever had any conversations with him
- 2 about Father Lyons?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. What was your next assignment after
- 5 St. Mark's?
- 6 A. St. Anthony's Seminary, Santa Barbara.
- 7 Q. My recollection is that was in the '68
- 8 school -- or '68-'69 school year?
- 9 A. Approximately, yeah.
- 10 Q. And that was for two years?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you recall if you left before 1970 rolled
- 13 around?
- 14 A. I don't recall the exact time.
- 15 Q. And I assume you were on the faculty and
- 16 taught science?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Going back briefly to Troutdale, other than
- 19 being on the faculty, did you have any other duties or
- 20 responsibilities or assignments while you were there?
- 21 A. Helped out at parishes on occasion.
- 22 Q. Any other position at the seminary?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. What about at St. Anthony's?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. So you simply were on the faculty and you
- 2 taught science.
- 3 A. Science and math, same thing.
- 4 Q. For instance, you were never an assistant
- 5 prefect of discipline?
- 6 A. (Witness shakes head.)
- 7 Q. You weren't. Were you a spiritual advisor for
- 8 any students?
- 9 A. No, I don't think so.
- 10 Q. I take it Xavier Harris was the rector during
- 11 your time there?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Where were your living quarters at
- 14 St. Anthony's?
- 15 A. I think two on the second floor and two rooms
- 16 down from the rec room and at the head of the stairs.
- 17 Q. Were they in the same place for your two
- 18 years?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. When you say the rec room, are you referring
- 21 to the Franciscans' rec room or the seminary rec room?
- 22 A. Right. Franciscan.
- 23 Q. Did you have -- I assume you had your own
- 24 living quarters?
- 25 A. Bedrooms, yes.

- 1 Q. Did you have neighbors?
- 2 A. I can't -- I think it might have been -- and
- 3 this -- I'm -- don't recollect exactly. Might have been
- 4 questionable, and
- 5 questionable.
- 6 Q. Did you have a separate office space from your
- 7 living quarters?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. So your office space was your living quarters.
- 10 A. Well, I had a desk, if you want to call it.
- 11 Q. Did you have office hours for your students?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. I'm sorry? No?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Did you meet somewhere outside of your office
- 16 with students ever, if they had questions about class or
- 17 subject matter or anything like that?
- 18 A. At times you bump into them. No formal
- 19 appointments.
- 20 Q. But you did not have students in your living
- 21 space?
- 22 A. No. No.
- MR. HALE: I'm sorry about that error on
- 24 the depo notice. It was definitely not intentional.
- 25 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)

- 1 Q. Regarding your living quarters, were the walls
- 2 thin? In other words, if your neighbor is snoring at
- 3 night, is that going to keep you awake?
- 4 A. Not to my recollection.
- 5 Q. If voices are raised in the next room, would
- 6 you likely have heard those? Or did you ever hear
- 7 voices raised --
- MR. MATIASIC: Objection, vague and
- 9 ambiguous.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I don't believe I heard any
- 11 noises from adjacent bedrooms. No.
- 12 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- Q. Were your living quarters on the same floor as
- 14 any student dormitories?
- 15 A. God. I don't believe so. No. No.
- 16 Q. What was your next assignment after
- 17 St. Anthony's?
- 18 A. I went to Wyoming.
- 19 Q. So you did a year of study in Wyoming.
- 20 And after Wyoming -- Well, let me ask you
- 21 this: Were you in residence anywhere while you were in
- 22 Wyoming?
- 23 A. Newman Center in Wyoming.
- Q. Were there any Franciscans there?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Did you assist at the Newman Center?
- 2 A. No. I said mass, but really was not involved.
- 3 Q. After your year at Wyoming, where did you go
- 4 next?
- 5 A. I believe I went to St. Elizabeth's, Oakland
- 6 High School.
- 7 Q. How long did that assignment last?
- 8 A. Two years. Two years.
- 9 O. So around '71 to '72?
- 10 A. Somewhere in there, yes. It might have been
- 11 one year. Again, it all fades.
- 12 Q. Okay.
- And same assignment there, you're on the
- 14 faculty and teaching science?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. Anything else?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Is that a parochial school?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Who was on the -- who was the principal or the
- 21 rector at that time?
- 22 A. The principal was a lay person. I don't
- 23 remember his name.
- Q. Don't worry about it.
- Were there any other Franciscans on the

- 1 faculty with you?
- 2 A. Father Kenny Scott.
- 3 Q. Anyone else?
- A. And I think Bede McKenna. B-E-D-E, Bede,
- 5 McKenna. There was one other, but I forget his name.
- 6 Q. Next assignment, what was it?
- 7 A. I believe I went to Tigard, St. Anthony's
- 8 Parish in Tigard.
- 9 O. Is that T-I-G-A-A-R-D? No?
- 10 And what was the location?
- 11 A. Pastor associate. I was also teaching at
- 12 Central Catholic.
- Q. What was the name of the parish, though?
- 14 A. St. Anthony's, Tigard.
- 15 Q. So you were an associate pastor?
- 16 A. Associate pastor, and also taught part-time at
- 17 Central Catholic.
- 18 Q. A parochial school?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Were there any other Franciscans on the
- 21 faculty at Central Catholic while you were there?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. How long did that assignment last?
- 24 A. One year.
- 25 Q. Who else was assigned or in residence with you

- 1 at St. Anthony's?
- 2 A. Father Basil Kelly.
- 3 Q. Anyone else?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. So that would have been around '73, '74?
- 6 A. Somewhere, yes.
- 7 Q. What was your next assignment?
- A. I believe I went back to St. Elizabeth's in
- 9 Oakland one year.
- 10 Q. And did you teach again?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And did you help out with the parish work
- 13 again?
- A. Not at St. Elizabeth's, no.
- 15 O. Somewhere else?
- 16 A. I don't -- maybe infrequently at one of the
- 17 local parishes.
- 18 Q. Were there any other Franciscans on the
- 19 faculty when you taught -- was that at St. Elizabeth's?
- 20 A. Yes. I think it was still the same faculty.
- 21 Q. That was for one year, so around 1975 did you
- 22 go somewhere else?
- 23 A. Maybe '74. Again...
- 24 Yeah. I went to Ascension Parish here in
- 25 Portland.

- 1 Q. How long did that assignment last?
- 2 A. Approximately seven years.
- 3 O. So until around 1981?
- 4 A. '80, '81, yes.
- 5 Q. And were you the pastor? The associate
- 6 pastor?
- 7 A. I was both. I went as an associate pastor,
- 8 then became pastor.
- 9 Q. During your approximately seven years at
- 10 Ascension, who were the Franciscans who were either
- 11 assigned there or were in residence there?
- 12 A. Father Remy Rudin. , but he was
- 13 not assigned, he was in residence. Brother Guadeloupe,
- 14 and one other priest and I forget his name right now.
- 15 Q. Have you heard of there being any allegations
- of sexual abuse against Father Rudin?
- 17 A. I have heard, yes.
- 18 Q. Are you aware of the litigation in Oregon
- 19 that's gone on involving Father Rudin?
- 20 A. I've heard something of that, yes.
- 21 Q. When did you first hear about the allegations
- 22 involving Father Rudin?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you've
- learned from an attorney.
- MR. HALE: Right.

- 1 MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you've
- 2 learned from an attorney, Father.
- 3 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 4 Q. In other words, any information you've gleaned
- 5 only from your counsel, I don't want to hear about it.
- A. I have no time recollection. It was through
- 7 the paper or a conversation.
- 8 Q. While you were at Ascension, were you aware of
- 9 the allegations of abuse by Father Rudin?
- 10 A. No. Much later. Much later.
- 11 Q. Other than Ascension, were you ever assigned
- 12 anywhere else with Father Rudin?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Any other Franciscans at Ascension during that
- 15 period when you were there other than the ones you've
- 16 already identified and the one I know you can't remember
- 17 the name of?
- 18 A. Michael Dougherty was associate, and Richard
- 19 Jusix was associate.
- 20 O. Is that J-U-S-I-X?
- 21 A. I think that's close. Yes.
- 22 Q. Any other Franciscans during that approximate
- 23 seven-year period of time?
- 24 A. I don't -- I don't think so.
- 25 Q. What was your next assignment?

- 1 A. Then I went to Wyoming. No. Excuse me. Beg
- 2 your pardon. Wrong. I went to Notre Dame for three
- 3 months for studies.
- 4 O. University of Notre Dame?
- 5 A. University of Notre Dame.
- 6 Q. Did you ever obtain a degree or certificate?
- 7 A. No. It was a pastoral institute.
- 8 Q. What was the subject of that institute?
- 9 A. Theology and current thought and morals,
- 10 scripture.
- 11 Q. So that would have been around '81, '82?
- 12 A. Yeah. Well, right after I left Ascension. It
- 13 would be -- yes. '81 -- '80 or '81, I believe.
- Q. Was there any discussion at that institute
- 15 about sexual abuse of children?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. What came next after the pastoral institute?
- 18 A. I went to St. Clair's in Portland.
- 19 Q. Is that a parish?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. What was your assignment there?
- 22 A. I was in residence.
- 23 Q. Did you have an assignment somewhere else?
- A. No. I was -- I was going to Lewis and Clark.
- Q. Were there any other Franciscans in residence

- 1 there or assigned there when you were there?
- 2 A. There was Barry Brunnsman, and then
- 3 later became pastor there, . And then I
- 4 think that Father Dave Garcia.
- 5 Q. Anyone else you can remember? I know it was
- 6 about two years, right?
- 7 A. Might have been a little longer than that.
- 8 Q. Anyone else you can -- any other Franciscans
- 9 you can recall being assigned or in residence there?
- 10 A. Not offhand, no.
- 11 Q. Did you do any parish work while you were
- 12 there?
- 13 A. Said mass at times, yes.
- 14 Q. Anything else?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. And that was around 1982, '83, if I --
- 17 A. Yes. It would be '84.
- 18 Q. What was your next assignment?
- 19 A. Then I went -- administrator at St. John's
- 20 Church, parish, in Milwaukie, Oregon.
- 21 Q. How long was that assignment for?
- 22 A. It was temporary. It was about seven months.
- 23 Q. Is that a Franciscan-run parish?
- 24 A. It was diocesan.
- Q. Were you the only Franciscan there?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And when you say administrator, what were you
- 3 doing?
- 4 A. Basically what a pastor would do.
- 5 Q. Were there any Franciscans in residence there?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. So around 1984, '85?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Next assignment?
- 10 A. Stayton -- Immaculate Conception, Stayton.
- 11 Q. Stayton in Oregon?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. How do you spell Stayton?
- A. S-T-A-T-Y-O-N (sic)? May be corrected.
- 15 Q. Got it.
- I take it that's a parish?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Were you a pastor? Associate pastor?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. How long did that assignment last for?
- 21 A. Four years, I believe.
- 22 Q. So, approximately '84-'85 to '88 or '89?
- 23 A. '88, '89 or '90, somewhere in there.
- MR. MATIASIC: Father, Tim asked you,
- 25 were you pastor or were you associate pastor, and you

- 1 said yes. Were you both or were you one or the other?
- THE WITNESS: I was pastor.
- 3 MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- 4 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 5 Q. Pastor for all four years that you were there?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Do you have associate pastors?
- 8 A. Father Tim Murphy was principal of the school
- 9 and -- no. Father Murphy was in residence.
- 10 Q. Any other Franciscans in residence?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Was the school also Immaculate Conception?
- A. Grammar school was called St. Mary's.
- 14 Q. Any other Franciscans on the faculty at
- 15 St. Mary's?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. What was your next assignment?
- 18 A. Our Lady of Sorrows, Portland.
- 19 Q. How long did that last for?
- 20 A. Parish.
- 21 Eight or nine years, somewhere in there.
- 22 Q. So, until around '88-'89?
- 23 A. Ninety --
- 24 O. I'm sorry. '98-'99?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And did you have associate pastors there, or
- 2 assistants?
- 3 A. At Sorrows? No.
- 4 Q. Were there any other Franciscans in residence
- 5 there?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Totally flying solo?
- 8 A. Yes. Well, brought in outside help.
- 9 Q. Diocesan or Franciscan priests?
- 10 A. Both.
- 11 Q. Who were the Franciscans that helped out
- 12 there?
- 13 A. Father John DePomilary.
- 14 Q. Anyone else?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. What was your next assignment?
- 17 A. I went in residence. I had no assignment.
- 18 Q. Where were you in residence at?
- 19 A. At the Formation House at Alberta Street, and
- 20 at Ascension friary on 68th Street.
- 21 Q. So that would have been around '99 to -- are
- 22 you still there?
- 23 A. No. Let's see. 2001, maybe.
- Q. So you were at the friary at Ascension.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Did you have assignments anywhere?
- 2 A. I helped out at Stayton, and infrequently at
- 3 Our Lady of the Lake in -- parish there, Lake Oswego.
- 4 Q. Who was the pastor there at that time? At
- 5 Ascension, that is.
- 6 A. At Ascension was Gus Krumm.
- 7 O. Who else -- what other -- were there other
- 8 Franciscans in residence or assigned there?
- 9 A. I think
- 10 that's -- that's it.
- 11 Q. Were you in residence at Ascension when word
- 12 broke about the allegations against Father Krumm?
- 13 A. Yes.
- Q. Were you there when he was transferred out of
- 15 Ascension?
- 16 A. Yes. I think so.
- 17 Q. Had you heard allegations of abuse by Father
- 18 Krumm prior to the press coverage of that incident?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Did you receive any kind of communication from
- 21 the province after the media coverage began regarding
- 22 Father Krumm's status?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you
- 24 received from the provincial attorney.
- MR. HALE: Right.

- 1 A. I don't recollect any.
- 2 Q. Were there discussions amongst the Franciscans
- 3 that you were a part of at Ascension regarding Father
- 4 Krumm's status?
- 5 A. I don't recall any conversations of such with
- 6 others.
- 7 Q. Did you participate in any meetings with
- 8 parishioners regarding Father Krumm's status?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Were you aware of any discussions regarding
- 11 meetings with parishioners regarding Father Krumm's
- 12 status?
- 13 A. The only thing that comes to mind is I believe
- 14 Father came up to address the parishioners.
- 15 Q. But you didn't attend that?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you have any discussions with Father
- about Father Krumm's status?
- 19 A. No. No.
- 20 Q. Were you working your academic studies again
- 21 during this time when you were simply in residence at
- 22 the Formation House?
- 23 A. No. I was kind of retired.
- Q. And then I know -- I think you said 2001, you
- 25 left Ascension. What was your next position or

- 1 assignment?
- 2 A. Nativity of the Blessed Virgin in Rainier,
- 3 Oregon.
- 4 Q. How long did that last for?
- 5 A. Continuing.
- 6 Q. Are you the pastor there?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Anyone in your time at Nativity -- you said
- 9 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, correct?
- 10 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 11 Q. Have you had any assistants in that time?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Any Franciscans in residence there during your
- 14 time?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Again, you're flying solo?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Anyone coming in and helping you out?
- 19 A. At times, yes.
- Q. Who has come in and helped you out?
- 21 A. Father Ed Alstock.
- 22 Q. Anyone else?
- 23 A. Father Pat Evart, and on occasion Father Joe
- 24 Benoit.
- 25 Q. Have you ever held any elected positions

- 1 within the province?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Never served on the definitorium?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Ever been on any boards or committees within
- 6 the province?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: Let him finish his
- 9 question, Father.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Pardon?
- 11 MR. MATIASIC: I know you can anticipate
- 12 what he's asking, but let him finish his question, okay?
- 13 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- Q. During your time at St. Anthony's Seminary,
- 15 was it common or uncommon for faculty members, to your
- 16 knowledge, to have living quarters that also served as
- 17 their office space?
- 18 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- Go ahead, Father.
- 20 A. I'm not certain.
- MR. HALE: We've been at this for an
- 22 hour. I'm going to start a different line of
- 23 questioning. If you want to take a break, we can take a
- 24 break; if you want to keep going, we can keep going.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Let's keep going.

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- 1 MR. HALE: Okay.
- 2 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 3 Q. During your time at St. Anthony's Seminary did
- 4 you ever observe or hear or learn of a seminary student
- 5 having what appeared to be an emotional breakdown?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- Q. Yes. Just for Paul's sake, take your time
- 9 before you respond to all my questions. Think through
- 10 my question, and while you're thinking through my
- 11 question, it will give him time to make his record.
- When you were at St. Anthony's seminary in
- 13 Santa Barbara, did you assist at parishes in the Santa
- 14 Barbara community?
- 15 A. I don't remember right offhand.
- 16 Q. Did you know a diocesan priest named Matthew
- 17 Kelly?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Did you ever assist at Our Lady of Guadeloupe,
- 20 off of Milpas?
- 21 A. I don't believe so.
- 22 O. I've referred to childhood sexual abuse a
- 23 couple of times during this deposition. When I refer to
- 24 that, do you understand that to mean the abuse of
- 25 someone under the age of 18?

- 1 A. (Witness nods head.)
- 2 Q. Is that --
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. Thanks.
- 5 Do you personally draw any distinction between
- 6 the abuse of adolescents versus sexual abuse of
- 7 pre-adolescent or younger children?
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: Calls for an expert
- 9 opinion and conclusion.
- 10 Go ahead, Father.
- 11 A. And I think it's all in one bag.
- 12 Q. While you were at St. Anthony's seminary, were
- 13 you involved in any -- do you know who is?
- 14 A. Psychologist? Yes.
- Q. While you were at St. Anthony's Seminary, were
- 16 you involved in anything referred to as sensitivity
- 17 training?
- 18 A. I believe it was going on. I was not
- 19 involved.
- 20 Q. What do you recall about it going on?
- 21 A. That we -- it was kind of a over-emotional --
- 22 that's a generalized term, but -- and just -- group
- 23 meetings where they expressed feelings and maybe
- 24 possibly -- and this is vague -- maybe put people on the
- 25 spot about expressing feelings.

- 1 Q. Did you attend any sensitivity training for
- 2 Franciscans only?
- A. No. I don't -- No. No.
- 4 Q. Were you aware of there being any kind of
- 5 sensitivity training sessions for seminary students,
- 6 St. Anthony Seminary students?
- 7 A. I think they were involved, but I don't think
- 8 was involved.
- 9 Q. Do you recall who led the sensitivity training
- 10 sessions for the students?
- 11 A. Not specifically. Vague impression, it was
- 12 somebody from San Francisco.
- Q. Were you aware of any discussions amongst the
- 14 faculty at St. Anthony's Seminary regarding whether
- 15 sensitivity training was appropriate for seminary
- 16 students?
- 17 A. There was kind of a general scuttlebutt. I
- 18 think in general, there was some, but I -- I have no
- 19 specifics.
- 20 Q. Do you recall anyone expressing
- 21 dissatisfaction about sensitivity training?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Did you ever hear that the sensitivity
- 24 training involved at times touching and hugging amongst
- 25 the students?

- 1 A. I think it did. And again, vague recollection
- 2 that there was hugging.
- 3 Q. What about, did you ever hear that there was
- 4 touching and hugging between students and faculty at
- 5 St. Anthony's?
- 6 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous as to
- 7 what touching is, but go ahead.
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did you ever hear that there were any kind of
- 10 sexual overtones during the sensitivity training for the
- 11 St. Anthony's seminary students?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Did you ever hear there was any kind of
- inappropriate conduct during the sensitivity training
- 16 for the St. Anthony students?
- 17 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Do you know who William Coulson is?
- 20 A. Name's familiar. He was connected with
- 21 President -- am I thinking of the same person? Nixon
- 22 or --
- Q. No. We're thinking about somebody else. I'll
- 24 move on.
- 25 A. Okay.

- 1 Q. Do you recall there being any kind of
- 2 expressed or implicit "no fraternization policy" between
- 3 faculty and students while you were at St. Anthony's
- 4 seminary?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: On the faculty or when he
- 6 was a student?
- 7 MR. HALE: That's a good question.
- 8 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 9 Q. While you were on the faculty.
- 10 A. I think it was generally accepted there was
- 11 no -- that that was the existing expectation.
- 12 Q. But you weren't aware of anything in writing
- 13 like that.
- 14 A. Not to my knowledge, as I recollect.
- 15 Q. It sounds like it was just an implicit,
- 16 everybody knew?
- 17 A. You understood, yeah.
- 18 Q. Were you ever aware of any faculty members
- 19 being chastised or disciplined for violating the no
- 20 fraternization policy?
- MR. MATIASIC: While he was on the
- 22 faculty?
- MR. HALE: Yes.
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Let me ask you some questions about Father

- 1 Cimmarrusti.
- 2 When did you first meet Father Cimmarrusti?
- 3 A. When I went to Santa Barbara.
- 4 Q. So when you were on the faculty at
- 5 St. Anthony's?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And were the two of you close or were you
- 8 simply colleagues or what was the nature of the
- 9 relationship?
- 10 A. Colleagues.
- 11 Q. Other than at St. Anthony's have you ever been
- 12 assigned or in residence with him anywhere else?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. When was the last time you spoke to Father
- 15 Cimmarrusti?
- 16 A. Somewhere in the '90s at San Dom.
- 17 Q. That's San Damiano?
- 18 A. San Damiano, yes.
- 19 MR. HALE: I want to attach what I think
- 20 will be our one and only exhibit. For the record, this
- 21 will be Exhibit 1. This is correspondence. I believe
- 22 it's from Father . It's dated February 24,
- 23 1993. It appears to be to, I would assume, Father
- , and it's Bates stamped 285.
- 25 And Father, when you're done reading it,

- 1 just let me know and I'll ask you some questions and
- 2 then we'll move on.
- 3 (Exhibit 1 marked
- for identification.)
- 5 (Pause in the proceedings.)
- 6 MR. HALE: Ready?
- 7 THE WITNESS: (Nods head.)
- 8 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 9 Q. Am I correct in assuming that Father -- or
- "Dear" is a reference to Father?
- 11 A. I presume so. I think so.
- 12 O. I know it's been a while.
- The first sentence says the occasion of the
- 14 letter was the news of allegations involving Mario C.
- Do you recall how you heard the news about the
- 16 allegations?
- 17 A. No. I don't remember the letter.
- 18 Q. Okay.
- During your time at St. Anthony's, either as a
- 20 student or as a faculty -- well, let me ask you this:
- 21 Were there prefects of disciplines at -- is the
- 22 Troutdale Seminary the only other seminary you worked
- 23 at?
- A. (Witness nods head.)
- 25 Q. Is that a yes?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Was there a prefect of discipline at
- 3 Troutdale?
- 4 A. I have no recollection.
- 5 Q. During your time -- as in your fifth year and
- 6 your one and only year as a student at St. Anthony's,
- 7 was there a prefect of discipline then?
- 8 A. The prefect was a moderator. I don't think
- 9 there was -- I think -- the fifth year was separated
- 10 from the other four years, and treated on a different
- 11 kind of a level, and I don't know which was going on.
- 12 There could well have been. I have no idea.
- 13 Q. During your time at Troutdale on the faculty,
- 14 you recall there being an infirmarian?
- 15 A. Again, no recollection. There could well have
- 16 been.
- 17 Q. Do you recall there being an infirmary at
- 18 Troutdale?
- 19 A. I think there might have been. Again, I have
- 20 no definite recollection. Father Claude was also at
- 21 Troutdale.
- 22 Q. And was it likely that Father Claude would
- 23 have --
- 24 A. Possibly.
- 25 Q. In your fifth year, in that one year you were

- 1 at St. Anthony's as a student, was there an infirmarian
- 2 then?
- 3 A. I don't remember.
- 4 Q. Do you recall Father Cimmarrusti serving as
- 5 both the prefect and the infirmarian?
- 6 A. Reading the letter, I guess I -- at that time
- 7 I did. Right now I don't recall.
- MR. MATIASIC: And Counsel, just to
- 9 clarify, you were talking about when he was on the
- 10 faculty as opposed to his fifth year.
- MR. HALE: Right. Yes.
- MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- 13 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 14 Q. Other than your experience as a faculty member
- 15 at St. Anthony's, do you have any awareness of a prefect
- of discipline also serving as infirmarian at a
- 17 Franciscan-run seminary?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Does that strike you as unusual?
- 20 A. Never -- no. Never -- the question never
- 21 arose, in my mind.
- 22 Q. I think the third sentence you write, "I found
- 23 Mario to be very open and his approach filled with
- 24 euthrophilia."
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Which is E-U-T-H-R-O-P-H-I-L-I-A, and I
- 2 understand you had questions about the correct spelling
- 3 of that word. I have questions about, what does that
- 4 word mean? I've never heard that word before.
- 5 A. It's, I guess, a term I heard in theology, and
- 6 it deals with humor or humorous situations or things
- 7 that get -- kind of laughable. And that's probably not
- 8 an exact definition, but in that vein.
- 9 Q. Do you know if that's the correct spelling of
- 10 euthrophilia?
- 11 A. No. I don't know.
- 12 Q. I was hoping maybe your understanding had --
- 13 A. I think you said it correctly. Love of
- 14 euthro, is what it -- lightheartedness.
- 15 Q. The next sentence, you say, "His humor and
- openness did not reflect a manner that would indicate
- 17 any sexual deviance."
- 18 How was it you were aware of his humor and
- 19 openness?
- 20 A. In the recreation room, his demeanor and the
- 21 way he came across.
- 22 Q. So in other words, when you saw him
- 23 interacting with other Franciscans?
- A. (Witness nods head.)
- 25 Q. Did you ever have the opportunity to observe

- 1 Father Cimmarrusti teaching a class?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you ever have the opportunity to observe
- 4 Father Cimmarrusti interacting with students outside of
- 5 a class?
- 6 A. I don't think so.
- 7 Q. You put in parentheses, " might be
- 8 a good source."
- 9 Why do you think might be a good
- 10 source?
- 11 A. was there long before I came and was
- 12 athletic director, and I -- I think had good rapport
- 13 with the students and would know more than I did.
- Q. When was the last time you spoke to
- 15 Mr.
- 16 A. I think I -- I think when -- 19 -- 30 years,
- 17 35 years.
- 18 O. That's all I needed to know.
- 19 And the next sentence I think you say,
- 20 "Possibly it was inappropriate for 'naive sheltered
- 21 seminarians' and open to misunderstanding."
- What behavior did you observe that was
- 23 possibly inappropriate for naive and sheltered
- 24 seminarians and open to misunderstanding?
- MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation.

- 1 A. I think I was -- had in mind teaching of a
- 2 sexual class, sex education.
- 3 Q. Did you observe something specific?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Did you hear him discuss something about that?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Do you recall what led you to think that his
- 8 conduct might be open --
- 9 A. When he --
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Let him finish his
- 11 question, Father.
- THE WITNESS: Pardon?
- MR. MATIASIC: He wasn't done with his
- 14 question. Let him finish.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Okay. Pardon me.
- MR. HALE: Thanks, Counsel.
- 17 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 18 Q. Do you recall what about his conduct led you
- 19 to believe that it was open to misunderstanding?
- 20 A. Because of the humor involved earlier. He --
- 21 again, my recollection is vague, but he might have
- 22 discussed how he was teaching this class in the rec
- 23 room.
- 24 Q. How he discussed -- he discussed teaching the
- 25 sexuality class?

- 1 A. (Witness nods head.) I believe so. I am not
- 2 certain, recollection on that.
- 3 Q. Do you recall if he discussed the subject
- 4 matter or if he discussed how it was presented to the
- 5 students?
- 6 A. The subject matter, I think, was sex
- 7 education. I can't -- what would come to mind are
- 8 charts or whatever. Again, no definite knowledge.
- 9 Q. Did he say anything in the context of -- did
- 10 you ever hear him saying anything that you felt was
- inappropriate with regards to how he taught the class?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Did you ever hear him make sexually suggestive
- 15 comments in any context?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Did you ever hear him speak in a way -- in any
- 19 context that you felt was inappropriate with regards to
- 20 how he discussed sexual matters?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Do you recall why you put "naive sheltered
- 23 seminarians" in quotes?
- 24 A. Maybe that's part of my reading -- in a way,
- 25 the seminary's a hot house. Poor term, but it's a

- 1 segregated student body. And that may be -- that part.
- Q. What do you mean by "hot house"?
- 3 A. Well, it's... The area is limited with the
- 4 seminary grounds and buildings. The exposure to outside
- 5 influences are limited. The main interaction is among
- 6 the students themselves and the student -- the faculty
- 7 and the students.
- 8 Q. Was there a bar in the recreation room?
- 9 A. There was a bar, yes.
- 10 Q. Do you recall --
- 11 A. Open cabinet, I think.
- 12 Q. Do you recall Father Cimmarrusti drinking
- 13 frequently, while in the recreation room with him?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Do you recall ever observing Father
- 16 Cimmarrusti intoxicated?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Have you ever heard someone say they observed
- 19 Father Cimmarrusti intoxicated at the seminary?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Did you ever smell alcohol on Father
- 22 Cimmarrusti's breath during school hours?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Did you ever hear anyone say they smelled
- 25 alcohol on Father Cimmarrusti's breath during school

- 1 hours?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. At the end of that first paragraph you say,
- 4 "From my own experience and association with Mario, I do
- 5 not believe the allegations."
- 6 Have there been any Franciscans who, after
- 7 you've heard they were accused, where you had an
- 8 opposite reaction -- I mean, obviously here you state
- 9 clearly you did not believe the allegations against
- 10 Mario. Had there been any Franciscans who you heard
- 11 they were accused of childhood sexual abuse and you had
- 12 an opposite reaction, in other words, you said, Yeah, I
- 13 can believe that Franciscan has been accused of
- 14 childhood sexual abuse?
- MR. MATIASIC: I'm going to object that
- it's overbroad, and on the grounds of relevance.
- But go ahead and answer the question.
- 18 A. No direct knowledge.
- 19 Q. But I'm not looking for knowledge, but have
- 20 there been any circumstances where you just had --
- 21 sounds like you had a pretty clear response when you
- 22 heard the allegations against Father Cimmarrusti. Have
- 23 you ever had the opposite reaction where you went, Yeah,
- 24 I believe those allegations against that Franciscan, for
- 25 whatever reason, whether you had direct knowledge or

- 1 not?
- 2 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 3 A. I lived with Father Cimmarrusti. The others
- 4 that I heard, I did not associate with or live with or
- 5 know that well.
- 6 Q. So the answer to the question is no, you've
- 7 never had the opposite reaction. Is that fair to say?
- 8 Because I'm not questioning your reaction to Father
- 9 Cimmarrusti. I don't want you to misunderstand my
- 10 question.
- 11 A. I think I understand. Again, I -- no direct
- 12 knowledge.
- Q. What about through indirect knowledge, though?
- 14 In other words, where maybe you heard something about
- 15 another Franciscans so that when the allegation came out
- 16 you went, Well, I know someone who lived with the guy
- 17 and I can kind of believe that.
- 18 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 19 A. I have no -- not from any personal
- 20 communication.
- 21 Q. What about through some kind of -- what about
- 22 through a third-hand communication?
- 23 A. What do you mean?
- Q. Rumors. Gossip.
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. So, just so I'm clear, has there ever been a
- 2 circumstance where you heard an allegation against a
- 3 Franciscan and your reaction was, It doesn't surprise
- 4 me?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections. I think
- 6 also it calls for a legal conclusion.
- 7 A. Again, to be surprised or not surprised, I
- 8 would have to -- I believe I would have to be personally
- 9 involved and know the person and not go from any
- 10 prejudice or prejudgment, so I would hesitate to answer
- 11 that.
- 12 Q. Have you ever heard anyone say, I've heard
- 13 allegations against a Franciscan regarding child sexual
- abuse and, frankly, it doesn't surprise me?
- 15 A. Has somebody said that to me?
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Have you ever been aware that somebody said
- 19 something to that effect?
- A. To someone else?
- 21 Q. Yes.
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. While you were on the faculty at
- 24 St. Anthony's, did you know a student named
- 25 A. I don't know. I might have, I might not have.

- 1 Q. I'm going to run a few more names by you.
- 3 A. No recollection.
- 4 Q. What about
- 5 A. No recollection.
- 6 Q. He had a twin brother named
- 7 Does that name sound familiar to you at all?
- 8 A. (Witness shakes head.)
- 9 Q. Did you ever know a student name
- 10
- 11 A. I don't think so.
- 12 Q. How about a student named
- 13
- 14 A. I don't remember. I don't think so.
- 15 Q. During your two years on the faculty and your
- 16 one year as a fifth-year seminarian, do you have a
- 17 recollection of students being expelled from school?
- 18 A. Not expelled -- I know when I was in fifth
- 19 year, I think some left before the completion of the
- 20 year, but not expelled.
- 21 Q. So you have no recollection of anyone being
- 22 expelled by the faculty.
- 23 A. No.
- Q. And do you recall each day at the seminary
- 25 starting with morning prayers?

- 1 A. I don't remember that. I guess -- I think so.
- 2 I'm not sure.
- 3 Q. Do you recall an incident while you were on
- 4 the faculty where a senior seminarian read a meditation,
- 5 but then at the end of the reading kind of went into a
- 6 diatribe against the Franciscans?
- 7 A. I have no -- no, never heard of it.
- 8 Q. You never heard of anything like that
- 9 happening?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 MR. HALE: Let's stop for a second.
- 12 (Off the record, 11:22 to 11:31 a.m.)
- 13 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- Q. Did you attend -- there were faculty meetings
- when you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's Seminary,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. I don't remember any.
- 18 Q. Do you recall participating and sending a
- 19 report to the provincial regarding recommending whether
- 20 a student should go on in his candidacy for priesthood?
- 21 A. I think the process took place, yes.
- 22 Q. Did you participate in it, though?
- 23 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. Do you recall ever making a recommendation
- 25 against a candidate going on to becoming a priest while

- 1 you were on the faculty?
- 2 A. I don't think so.
- 3 Q. Do you recall hearing anyone making a
- 4 recommendation against a candidate going on to becoming
- 5 a priest?
- A. I don't remember.
- 7 Q. Since you've left Santa Barbara, have you ever
- 8 been back and visited and stayed at the mission or the
- 9 seminary?
- 10 A. I think there was meeting -- chapter meeting
- in the '90s that I went back for.
- 12 Q. And that's the only time?
- 13 A. I think so, yes.
- Q. Did you spend -- were you at St. Anthony's for
- one summer or for two? Just on the faculty, that is.
- 16 A. I don't remember.
- 17 Q. Do you recall if you spent your summers in
- 18 Santa Barbara during the break between the school years?
- 19 A. No recollection.
- 20 Q. During your time as a student -- or a faculty
- 21 member at St. Anthony's, do you have any recollection of
- 22 a faculty member buying a student a gift?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 O. Would that have been a cause for concern if
- 25 you'd have been aware of that while you were a faculty

- 1 member at St. Anthony's?
- 2 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous, lacks
- 3 foundation.
- 4 A. I don't know.
- I did -- excuse me. I did spend one summer at
- 6 Oceanside helping out part of the summer. That was at
- 7 Santa Barbara.
- 8 Q. So you weren't there for the summer, then?
- A. Yeah. Or for six or eight weeks of it, right.
- 10 Q. Six or eight weeks you were in Santa Barbara
- 11 or another place?
- 12 A. Six or eight weeks I was at Oceanside.
- 13 Q. During the summertime that you --
- 14 A. (Witness shakes head.)
- 15 Q. Is that wrong?
- 16 A. It wasn't Oceanside. My synapses aren't... I
- 17 wen to summer school at, I think, Long Beach, stayed at
- 18 a community college and helped out at the parish.
- 19 (Witness confers with Mr. Matiasic.)
- MR. MATIASIC: If you can remember, go
- 21 ahead and tell him.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I don't remember.
- 23 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- Q. Did you spend some time in summers at Santa
- 25 Barbara while you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's?

- 1 A. I have no recollection other than what I just
- 2 mentioned.
- 3 Q. Do you know a Franciscan named
- 4
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Have you ever heard that name before?
- 7 A. I'm not sure.
- Q. While you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's
- 9 in Santa Barbara, did you have any contact with the
- 10 Archdiocese of Los Angeles's Advisory Board of
- 11 Education?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Did you have any contact with the Vicar
- 14 General for Religious, for the Archdiocese of
- 15 Los Angeles?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. What about Bishop John Ward?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Do you recall ever receiving any
- 20 correspondence from the Office of the Vicar General for
- 21 Religious while you were in Santa Barbara?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Have you ever been aware of a Franciscan
- losing his faculties or having them taken away?
- 25 MR. MATIASIC: From the -- by the

- 1 Archdiocese of Los Angeles?
- 2 MR. HALE: Right.
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. What about from anywhere else?
- 5 A. When I was in Phoenix, we went down to a place
- 6 that I understood that -- when I was in Phoenix, we
- 7 visited a -- somewhere else, might have been Tucson. I
- 8 don't have exact recollection. The priest there had
- 9 been kind of cloistered, in a sense.
- 10 Q. Was it a Franciscan priest?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you know why he was cloistered?
- 13 A. No. I forget.
- Q. Do you know who that was?
- 15 A. I think the first name was Anthony, I think.
- 16 Q. Was it ?
- 17 A. No. This was in '60.
- 18 Q. Were you on the faculty with Father
- 19
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Did you ever hear that Father Harris had
- 22 gotten in trouble with the bishop's office in
- 23 Los Angeles for giving communion to a non-Catholic?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Did you ever spend any time in the infirmary

- 1 while you were on the faculty or a student at
- 2 St. Anthony's seminary?
- 3 A. Student, no. We --
- 4 Q. What about as a faculty member?
- 5 A. No.
- Q. Were you ever aware, either as a student or as
- 7 a faculty member of a faculty member giving a student a
- 8 rub-down with alcohol in the infirmary?
- 9 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Were you aware there was rubbing alcohol in
- 12 the infirmary?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. While you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's
- 15 seminary, did you ever hear Father Cimmarrusti express
- 16 concern over a student's physical development or
- 17 maturity?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 19 A. No.
- Q. Were you ever aware of a program that was
- 21 instituted by Father Cimmarrusti to assess seminarians'
- 22 physical development or maturity at St. Anthony's
- 23 Seminary?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. At any time in your career on any high school
- 2 faculty have you ever heard of a program where a faculty
- 3 member instituted a program to assess students' physical
- 4 maturity or development?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Did you ever hear Father Cimmarrusti discuss
- 8 examining a student to determine whether they had an
- 9 undescended testicle?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Did you ever hear any discussions while you
- were at St. Anthony's seminary regarding concerns about
- 13 a student having an undescended testicle?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Were you ever aware of any such discussions
- 16 taking place?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Did you ever hear any discussions while you
- 19 were on the faculty at St. Anthony's Seminary regarding
- 20 Father Cimmarrusti examining a student to determine
- 21 whether or not they were growing enough pubic hair?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Were you ever aware of any such discussions
- 24 while you were on the faculty?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Can you think of any circumstance where it
- 2 would have been appropriate, in your experience as a
- 3 member of a high school faculty, for a faculty member to
- 4 give a student a back rub?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous, lacks
- 6 foundation, calls for speculation, and an incomplete
- 7 hypothetical.
- 8 A. Giving a back rub?
- 9 Q. Yes.
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Can you think of any circumstance where it
- 12 would have been appropriate -- and again, based on your
- 13 experience as a member of the high school faculty, any
- 14 of your experiences -- where it would be appropriate for
- 15 a faculty member to wrestle with a student?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. During your time at St. Anthony's on the
- 19 St. Anthony's Seminary faculty, did you ever observe a
- 20 priest assigned to the mission take a seminary student
- 21 out of class?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Did you see a priest from the mission come
- 24 over to the seminary while you were on the faculty at
- 25 St. Anthony's?

- 1 A. I don't remember any.
- 2 Q. Do you recall any students while you were at
- 3 the seminary spending any time or working at the
- 4 mission?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: While he was on the
- 6 faculty at the seminary.
- 7 MR. HALE: Yes.
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Would it have struck you as odd while you were
- 10 on the faculty at the seminary to see a Franciscan from
- 11 the mission walking with a seminary student back to the
- 12 mission?
- 13 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation, calls
- 14 for speculation, incomplete hypothetical, vague and
- 15 ambiguous.
- 16 A. Walking back to the sem --
- 17 Q. To the mission, not the seminary.
- 18 A. To the mission. Never saw it and I
- 19 wouldn't -- no.
- 20 Q. Was there any aspect of your Franciscan
- 21 education and training that discouraged you or any other
- 22 Franciscan from reporting an act of childhood sexual
- 23 abuse by another Franciscan?
- 24 MR. MATIASIC: Vaque and ambiguous.
- 25 A. The thoughts never crossed my mind.

- 1 Q. But was there any aspect -- in other words,
- 2 was there anything in your education or training that
- 3 might have --
- A. It was never brought up, to my knowledge, that
- 5 I remember.
- 6 Q. During your two years at the -- or
- 7 approximately two years on the faculty at St. Anthony's,
- 8 did you have much interaction with any other priests
- 9 from around the community. And when you say the
- 10 community, I don't mean St. Anthony's, I mean the
- 11 Santa Barbara community.
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Do you know Dave Johnson?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. How do you know Dave?
- 16 A. He was a student in class.
- 17 Q. And did you first meet him while you were on
- 18 the faculty of St. Anthony's?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. After he finished at St. Anthony's did you
- 21 stay in touch with him?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Was your relationship strictly
- 24 teacher/student?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Have you ever been assigned anywhere with him?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you have him in more than one class or was
- 4 it simply one class?
- 5 A. Might have been two classes, possibly.
- 6 Q. Did you spend time with him ever outside of
- 7 the classroom?
- 8 A. One occasion, he and another student went up
- 9 to San Luis Obispo for a math presentation and test, and
- 10 I drove them up and back.
- 11 Q. Was that an overnight --
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. -- presentation?
- 14 A. One day.
- 15 Q. Did you have to help him prepare for the
- 16 presentation?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Was there any kind of coaching involved?
- 19 A. No. Other than class.
- 20 Q. Were you involved in evaluating him as a
- 21 student?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Did you ever help evaluate his candidacy for
- 24 becoming a Franciscan?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. What about for becoming a priest?
- 2 A. No. No.
- 3 Q. Have you ever supervised Johnson anywhere?
- 4 A. No. Other than that one day.
- 5 Q. Did you ever discipline him?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Were you ever aware of him being disciplined?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Have you heard that he's been accused of
- 10 childhood sexual abuse?
- 11 A. I think -- yeah. Vaguely, yes.
- 12 Q. Do you recall when you heard that?
- 13 A. I guess in the last couple of years sometime.
- Q. Do you recall who you heard it from?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Do you recall what you heard?
- 17 A. Pardon?
- 18 Q. Do you recall what exactly you heard?
- 19 A. Not exactly, no. Something to that nature.
- 20 Q. Did you know Father David Carriere,
- C-A-R-R-I-E-R-E?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. When did you first meet him?
- A. He was in our fifth-year class.
- Q. Was he at the -- did he go with you through

- 1 the training -- were you classmates, basically?
- 2 A. Classmates up to San Luis Rey.
- 3 Q. And did you stop being classmates because
- 4 you'd already completed some college and you went on
- 5 your own path?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. So how many years did you spend with him
- 8 before that happened?
- 9 A. Four, approximate.
- 10 Q. Were you friends with him?
- 11 A. We're friendly, yes.
- 12 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with him?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Are you aware that he's been accused of
- 15 childhood sexual abuse?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Never heard that before?
- 18 A. Never heard that before.
- 19 Q. Did you ever observe any conduct by him that
- 20 you thought was inappropriate?
- 21 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. When you knew him, do you recall him speaking
- 24 overtly regarding sexual matters?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.

- 1 A. I did not ever hear -- never heard that.
- 2 Q. Did you ever have any conversations with him
- 3 involving sexual matters?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Have you ever heard that he was sent to the
- 6 Paraclete center in Jemez Spring for treatment?
- 7 A. No, I had not heard.
- 8 Q. Do you know what the Paraclete center is in
- 9 Jemez Springs?
- 10 A. Is that in New Mexico?
- 11 Q. Yes.
- 12 A. I think it's a rehabilitation center for
- 13 pedophiles and such.
- Q. When did you first hear about the Paraclete
- 15 center?
- 16 A. I believe when a local diocesan priest was
- 17 sent there.
- 18 Q. Do you recall when that was?
- 19 A. Father John Laughlin.
- MR. MATIASIC: He asked when that was,
- 21 Father.
- 22 A. Oh. When?
- 23 Q. Right.
- 24 A. Late '70s.
- 25 Q. And that was Father Laughlin, you said, that

- 1 was sent there?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Have you ever heard about any Franciscan being
- 4 sent to the Paraclete center in Jemez Springs?
- 5 A. I'm not certain. I'm not sure.
- 6 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with Father
- 7 Edmund Austin, A-U-S-T-I-N?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did you know him?
- 10 A. Edmund Austin? I don't believe so.
- 11 Q. Did you ever visit Father Carriere when he was
- 12 assigned in Fresno?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Did you ever visit Father Carriere when he was
- 15 assigned anywhere?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you say in touch with Father Carriere over
- 18 the years?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Did you know , ?
- 21 A. I met him when he was in the North, yes.
- Q. When he what?
- 23 A. He was here in the Northwest for a time.
- Q. Where was -- was he in residence somewhere in
- 25 the Northwest?

- 1 A. I believe it was -- again, my knowledge is not
- 2 certain -- in a college in Toledo. Again, vague.
- 3 Q. Did you ever discuss Father Carriere with
- 4 Father ?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Have you ever heard Father was
- 7 complaining about Father Carriere?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Did you ever hear about Father Carriere being
- 10 checked in to a mental health facility?
- 11 A. I heard something took place in Sacramento. I
- 12 don't remember exactly what.
- 13 Q. Sometime in the late '70s?
- 14 A. I lost track of time. I think probably was
- 15 late '70s.
- 16 Q. And do you recall -- what did you hear about
- 17 that exactly?
- 18 A. I don't know what I heard, but -- but some
- 19 type of erratic behavior. That's my term.
- 20 Q. Are you -- have you heard of the House of
- 21 Affirmation?
- 22 A. I think so.
- 23 Q. Did you ever hear that Father Carriere was
- 24 sent to treat at the House of Affirmation?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. How are you familiar with the House of
- 2 Affirmation?
- 3 MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you
- 4 may have heard from counsel.
- 5 MR. HALE: Right.
- A. I may be confusing the terms. I -- I can't
- 7 say.
- 8 Q. What about Robert Van Handel, have you met
- 9 him?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. When did you first meet him?
- 12 A. I think I -- in the '70s.
- 13 Q. Where at?
- 14 A. At Ascension.
- 15 Q. Was Father Van Handel in residence or assigned
- 16 as Ascension?
- 17 A. No. Visiting.
- 18 Q. Did he have relatives in Portland he was
- 19 visiting?
- 20 A. No. Not to my knowledge.
- 21 Q. How long did he visit Ascension?
- 22 A. I believe it was a day.
- 23 Q. Did he stay overnight?
- 24 A. I don't remember him staying overnight.
- 25 Q. Was he with anyone when he arrived at

- 1 Ascension?
- 2 A. I think it was a group of students, my vague
- 3 recollection.
- Q. Was it a group of students from St. Anthony's?
- 5 A. I believe so.
- 6 Q. Is it possible it was a group of -- are you
- 7 familiar with his boys choirs?
- 8 A. I think it was -- yes.
- 9 Q. Is it possible it was members of the boys
- 10 choir?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you believe it was members of the boys
- 13 choir?
- 14 A. I think so.
- Q. Were they younger boys?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. So in other words, they weren't adolescents;
- 18 more eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve?
- 19 A. Oh, no. They were adolescents.
- 20 Q. So you think they were choir members, but not
- 21 members of his boys choir.
- 22 A. I don't know.
- 23 Q. What makes you think they were choir members?
- 24 A. Because he was choir director.
- 25 Q. Do you think this was in the later '70s?

- 1 A. Probably the later '70s.
- 2 Q. Do you recall how many students he had with
- 3 him?
- 4 A. Estimating six to eight. Again, it's
- 5 estimating.
- 6 Q. How were they -- what was their mode of
- 7 transport? How were they getting around?
- 8 A. I don't know.
- 9 Q. Do you recall if he was driving something?
- 10 A. I don't know.
- 11 Q. Were there any other Franciscans that were
- 12 traveling with him?
- 13 A. I don't recall any.
- Q. Were there any parents that were traveling
- 15 with him?
- A. Again, I don't recall any. There may have.
- 17 Q. Do you recall where they were going? Were
- 18 they on a choir tour or something like that?
- 19 A. I think it was something like that. At least
- 20 that's my -- what I would put it in context of.
- 21 Q. Did you guys go out to dinner or did they stop
- in at the parish or what happened?
- 23 A. They stopped in at the parish.
- Q. Do you recall how long they stayed for?
- 25 A. Afternoon, possibly.

- 1 Q. Do you recall if they had lodging in Portland
- 2 or if they were going on?
- 3 A. I have no idea.
- 4 Q. Did you guys -- was there a meal or did you
- 5 just socialize or --
- A. I met them in a playground, I believe. There
- 7 was no meal.
- 8 Q. And were the students playing on the
- 9 playground?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. And did you sit down and talk with Father
- 12 Robert?
- 13 A. We might have had a brief conversation as far
- 14 as I remember, but no.
- 15 Q. Were the students present during the
- 16 conversation?
- 17 A. I think they were in the surrounding area.
- 18 Q. Just running around playing?
- 19 A. Playing or talking or whatever, visiting.
- 20 Q. Do you recall there being any discussions of
- 21 them being on a choir trip to Vancouver?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. And you can't be certain regarding the age of
- 24 the students?
- 25 A. I would think between --

- 1 Q. Let me ask you this: Adolescent or
- 2 preadolescent?
- 3 MR. MATIASIC: If you can make that
- 4 distinction.
- 5 Q. Yes. If you can.
- 6 A. I think they were adolescent.
- 7 Q. Any other contact with Father Van Handel other
- 8 than that meeting?
- 9 A. Not to my recollection.
- 10 Q. Did you ever attend any choir performances?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. How were you aware that he was directing
- 13 choirs?
- 14 A. God.
- 15 Q. Was it just kind of common knowledge in the
- 16 province?
- MR. MATIASIC: That's compound. That's
- 18 two questions.
- MR. HALE: Sure.
- MR. MATIASIC: Why don't we take them one
- 21 at a time.
- MR. HALE: Let's start with the first
- 23 one.
- THE WITNESS: Repeat it, please.
- MR. HALE: Sure.

- 1 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 2 Q. How were you aware that Father Robert was
- 3 directing choirs?
- 4 A. I don't know if it was listed. Again, I have
- 5 no recollection. It might have been listed or common
- 6 knowledge.
- 7 Q. Did he stop in to see you or did he stop in to
- 8 see someone else at Ascension?
- 9 A. He didn't stop to see me, and I don't know if
- 10 he stopped to see somebody else. Might have been
- 11 somebody else. I'm not sure.
- 12 Q. Do you recall him being friends with someone
- 13 at Ascension?
- 14 A. No. No knowledge.
- 15 Q. Have you ever been assigned anywhere with him?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Have you ever supervised him anywhere?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Ever hear of him being disciplined by anyone?
- 20 A. No. Well -- no.
- 21 MR. MATIASIC: Do you mean within the
- 22 province, Counsel?
- MR. HALE: Right.
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. You seemed to hesitate a second there.

- 1 Are you hesitating because you're thinking of
- 2 the criminal prosecution?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. I take it you are aware he's been accused of
- 5 childhood sexual abuse, then?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. When did you first hear he was accused of
- 8 childhood sexual abuse?
- 9 A. I'm not certain exactly, but I saw the article
- 10 in Time magazine, I believe. It was in Time magazine.
- 11 Q. When was the last time you had contact with
- 12 him?
- 13 A. The visit at Ascension.
- 14 Q. How about a brother named Sam Cabot, do you
- 15 know him?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. How do you know Brother Cabot?
- 18 A. I have no exact knowledge. It might have been
- 19 that meeting at San Luis Rey. Again, very vague.
- 20 Q. Let me ask you this: In your experience as a
- 21 Franciscan, are there different rules for priests versus
- 22 brothers regarding how much time one or the other can
- 23 spend outside of the Franciscan community? For
- 24 instance, at a parishioner's home?
- MR. MATIASIC: Are you talking about

- 1 rules within the province?
- 2 MR. HALE: Within the -- Right. Right.
- 3 A. No knowledge of any existing rules.
- 4 Q. Do priests have more freedom to spend time
- 5 outside of a Franciscan community they're assigned to
- 6 than a brother does, just in your experience as a
- 7 Franciscan?
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: Within the province.
- 9 MR. HALE: Within the province.
- 10 A. They may have more opportunity. I don't know
- 11 if they have more time.
- 12 Q. So you're not aware of any limitations that
- 13 are placed on brothers that are not placed on priests.
- 14 A. No. I know of no limitation.
- 15 Q. And you can't recall when you first met
- 16 Brother Cabot?
- 17 A. No. I'm not sure.
- 18 Q. Do you recall ever speaking with him?
- 19 A. Casually.
- 20 Q. Have you ever been assigned anywhere with him?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Have you ever heard that he's been accused of
- 23 childhood sexual abuse?
- 24 A. No.
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you've

- 1 heard from counsel.
- 2 MR. HALE: Right.
- 3 A. I have no knowledge, no.
- 4 Q. What about ? Do you
- 5 know him?
- 6 A. He was on -- at Santa Barbara when I was
- 7 there.
- 8 Q. He was on the faculty?
- 9 A. He was the printer, working in the printing
- 10 shop.
- 11 Q. For the Serra Press?
- 12 A. Serra Press, yes.
- Q. Was he there both years you were there?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Have you heard he's been accused of childhood
- 16 sexual abuse?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you've
- 19 heard about from counsel.
- MR. HALE: Right.
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. When did you first hear that?
- 23 A. Last three years, something like that.
- Q. Do you recall, was he the senior moderator at
- 25 St. Anthony's while you were there, ever?

- 1 A. I have no knowledge.
- 2 Q. Did you know a student named while
- 3 you were at St. Anthony's?
- 4 A. I don't remember. I don't think so.
- 5 Q. Did you ever hear that Father Cimmarrusti was
- 6 abused as a child himself?
- 7 A. No.
- Q. We'd previously talked about Father Krumm.
- 9 When was the first time you actually met
- 10 Father Krumm?
- 11 A. He was a student at Santa Barbara when I was
- 12 at Santa Barbara.
- Q. Was he in any of your classes?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Did you get to know him in any way while you
- were on the faculty at St. Anthony's?
- 17 A. I believe I gave out the allowance to the
- 18 students for the store.
- 19 Q. And did you have contact with Krumm in that
- 20 capacity?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And how was it -- was he involved in the store
- 23 somehow?
- 24 A. No. I think they came -- they lined up and
- 25 came to receive their -- again, I -- weekly -- or an

- 1 allowance for spending.
- 2 Q. Every student did this?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And why does Krumm stick out to you for doing
- 5 that?
- 6 A. Well --
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Counsel, I think it
- 8 misstates his testimony. I don't think he said that
- 9 Krumm stuck out. I believe he said that that's when he
- 10 may have had contact with him.
- 11 Q. Why do you recall that contact with Krumm from
- 12 that experience?
- 13 A. I'm not sure. Because later I was stationed
- 14 with him and he said he knew me from Santa Barbara.
- 15 O. Between the time he was at Ascension and the
- 16 time he was at St. Anthony's, did you have any contact
- 17 with him?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. When he was at Ascension, I assume he was
- 20 living in the friary as well?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Did you have -- how much contact -- did you
- 23 guys socialize together?
- A. Occasionally, yes.
- 25 Q. Did he ever discuss with you allegations

- 1 against him?
- 2 A. On his departure.
- 3 Q. Did he tell you that -- What did you guys
- 4 talk about when the allegations came up?
- 5 A. That this appeared in the -- going from memory
- 6 again -- the Oregon -- excuse me, Orange County Press,
- 7 and that it was an incident that happened somewhere
- 8 around '85 or so, and that nothing had happened since
- 9 that time, and that...
- 10 Q. So he told you that aside from -- Did he tell
- 11 you the name of the accuser in that incident?
- 12 A. No.
- Q. Does the name -- I'm sorry, was that a
- 14 no?
- 15 A. Not to my recollection, he didn't tell me.
- 16 Q. Does the name sound familiar to
- 17 you?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. And it sounds like he told you that aside from
- 20 the incident that was raised in the Orange County Press,
- 21 there had been -- he had not -- Well, what exactly did
- 22 he tell you in that regard?
- 23 A. Well, that somebody --
- MR. MATIASIC: Counsel, can I just have
- 25 one moment with him real quick?

- 1 MR. HALE: Yes. Go for it.
- 2 (Off the record.)
- MR. MATIASIC: We can go back on.
- 4 And Counsel, for the record, I just was
- 5 clarifying as to whether or not there may have been --
- 6 the conversation may have been in context of a
- 7 confession.
- 8 MR. HALE: I figured as much.
- 9 THE WITNESS: That he was visiting a
- 10 family and one of the children crawled into bed with
- 11 him.
- 12 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 13 Q. And this occurred in Orange County?
- 14 A. I don't know. I didn't ask where.
- 15 Q. So he wasn't referring to an incident at
- 16 St. Anthony's Seminary, though.
- 17 A. And there was also an incident that he said
- 18 the same thing happened at St. Anthony's Seminary.
- 19 Q. And with regards to the -- not the incident at
- 20 St. Anthony's, but with regards to when the child
- 21 crawled into bed with him, did he discuss the age of
- 22 that child?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Do you know if it was an adolescent or
- 25 preadolescent?

- 1 A. No. I don't know.
- 2 Q. Do you know if there was an investigation of
- 3 that incident by the province?
- 4 A. I don't know.
- 5 Q. Did he say that that incident was discussed in
- 6 the media in Orange County? And I'm not referring to
- 7 St. Anthony's, I'm referring to the one with the child
- 8 crawling into bed.
- 9 A. No. He didn't -- no, he didn't specify.
- 10 Q. Did he state that the family raised a
- 11 complaint, though, about the child crawling into bed
- 12 with him?
- 13 A. No, I don't think he said that.
- 14 Q. How did the incident regarding the child come
- 15 up in your conversation?
- 16 A. He was taking his departure and he explained
- 17 that these kind of things -- these things happened; it
- 18 was way back when. And -- yeah. That's about it.
- 19 Q. Did he describe what happened when the child
- 20 crawled into bed with him?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Did he make a statement to you as to whether
- 23 or not there had been any other instances since that
- 24 child had crawled into bed with him?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Do you recall what year he was representing to
- 2 you that incident with the child happened?
- 3 A. I don't remember, but he said nothing had
- 4 happened since 1985.
- 5 Q. Did he talk to you about the incident
- 6 involving the St. Anthony's Seminary student?
- 7 A. Other than what I said, no.
- 8 Q. Had you ever heard of either of those
- 9 incidents before you talked to him about those
- 10 incidents?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Had you ever heard that there were allegations
- 13 against him prior -- before you talked to him about
- 14 those --
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than anything you
- 16 heard from counsel.
- 17 Q. Other than what you've heard from counsel.
- 18 -- before you talked to him about those
- 19 incidents?
- 20 A. I can't remember.
- 21 Q. Did it bother you at all that he waited until
- 22 he was leaving to tell you about those incidents?
- 23 MR. MATIASIC: I'm going to object to the
- 24 grounds of relevance. I don't think it's reasonably
- 25 calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible

- 1 evidence.
- 2 That being said, if you can answer that,
- 3 Father, go ahead.
- 4 A. I was sorry to hear it.
- 5 Q. Sorry to hear that it had happened?
- 6 A. Sorry to hear that it happened and sorry to
- 7 hear he was involved.
- 8 Q. If he had told you about those incidents when
- 9 he arrived at Ascension, would you have reported that to
- 10 anyone?
- 11 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation, vague
- 12 and ambiguous, incomplete hypothetical.
- 13 A. There's an Oregon -- Oregon law has reporting
- 14 law, but that's an observation, not...
- 15 Q. If I'm understanding your answer correctly, so
- 16 you would not have reported that to anyone if he had
- 17 told you that when he arrived as Ascension?
- MR. MATIASIC: That misstates his
- 19 testimony.
- Q. Okay. Please, and correct my testimony. Not
- 21 my testimony.
- 22 A. Your question.
- 23 Q. I don't want to misstate your testimony,
- 24 Father, so please clarify it.
- 25 A. Where are we?

- 1 Q. When he arrived at Ascension, if he had told
- 2 you those things, would you have reported to that anyone
- 3 in the province? In the parish?
- 4 A. I would have told him to report it.
- 5 Q. But would you personally have told anyone?
- 6 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 7 A. I probably -- this is hypothetical.
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. So I can't say, but I probably would have
- 10 handled it some way. I can't say.
- 11 Q. Would you have told the provincial?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. I forget, were you serving as pastor at that
- 14 time?
- 15 A. I was in residence.
- Q. Who was the pastor at that time?
- 17 A. He was.
- 18 Q. Father Krumm was.
- 19 A. I wasn't there when he came as pastor. I came
- 20 later.
- 21 Q. If when he arrived -- so he was there when you
- 22 got there, in other words.
- 23 A. Yes. So the question -- the whole thesis
- 24 or...
- 25 Q. Got it.

- 1 When he did tell you -- So was that around
- 2 2000 that he told you, or 2001 that he left, I think it
- 3 was?
- 4 A. Somewhere in there. He was -- he was leaving.
- 5 Q. Did you tell anyone about what he had told
- 6 you?
- 7 A. God, I don't remember.
- 8 Q. Do you --
- 9 A. I don't think so.
- 10 Q. Did you talk to anyone else who said that they
- 11 had discussed with Father Krumm these past allegations
- 12 against him?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than any attorney.
- MR. HALE: Right.
- 15 A. I'm not sure. Maybe or something.
- 16 Q. Is Brother still at Ascension?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you have contact with him very often?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 O. Does he have some kind of a health issue with
- 21 his --
- 22 A. He has a cyst in his brain.
- 23 Q. And can you tell me what his current condition
- is with regards to that?
- 25 A. I guess it's being treated.

- 1 Q. Is it life-threatening?
- 2 MR. MATIASIC: Calls for a medical
- 3 opinion.
- 4 Q. If you know.
- 5 A. I don't know specifically.
- 6 Q. Do you know how often he's being treated for
- 7 the cyst in the brain?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Does he have a shunt for draining the cyst?
- 10 A. He had a shunt. It's plugged.
- 11 Q. Do you know if he's been hospitalized for that
- 12 cyst?
- 13 A. He's been to the hospital, but I don't know if
- 14 he's been hospitalized, quote/unquote.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 Did you ever discuss with the pastor at
- 17 Ascension what Father Krumm told you before he left?
- 18 A. The pastor?
- 19 O. Yes.
- 20 A. He was pastor.
- 21 Q. But did somebody come in and replace Father
- 22 Krumm?
- 23 A. I left about the same time.
- Q. And the incident with the child crawling into
- 25 bed, did Father Krumm tell you whether or not there had

- 1 been any kind of criminal investigation regarding that
- 2 conduct?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Do you know whether there had been any
- 5 criminal investigation regarding that conduct?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Did he describe for you what happened with the
- 8 child in the bed?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Asked and answered.
- 11 Q. Was there anyone else present with you during
- 12 that conversation with Father Krumm?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Did he deny that the incident with the child
- 15 crawling into bed involved sexual abuse?
- 16 A. He just said the child crawled into bed, or
- 17 teenage or whatever, crawled -- kid crawled into bed.
- 18 Q. Did he tell you if he told the child to get
- 19 out of the bed or --
- A. He didn't elaborate.
- 21 Q. Did he tell you whether he thought the
- 22 St. Anthony's incident was sexual abuse?
- 23 A. He didn't say.
- Q. Did he give you any details about what
- 25 happened in the St. Anthony's incident?

- 1 MR. MATIASIC: Other than what he already
- 2 testified to?
- 3 MR. HALE: Right.
- 4 Q. Have you ever supervised Father Krumm?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Ever disciplined him?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Ever heard anyone has disciplined him?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did you ever evaluate his performance?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Is he still a Franciscan? Do you know?
- 13 A. I think he's being laicized. I'm not certain.
- Q. What makes you think he's being laicized?
- 15 A. Scuttlebutt. Again...
- 16 Q. Are you familiar with the Board of Inquiry?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you know if he was identified as a
- 19 perpetrator in the Board of Inquiry report?
- 20 A. I have no knowledge.
- 21 Q. Did you ever hear that Father -- well,
- 22 when Father came up to Portland, did you ever
- 23 hear him discuss the fact that he filed reports with the
- 24 Oakland Police Department regarding sexual abuse by
- 25 Father Krumm?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Have you ever heard that Father filed
- 3 police reports with the Oakland Police Department
- 4 regarding sexual abuse by Father Krumm?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Were you ever involved in any discussions
- 7 regarding the appropriateness of filing reports with the
- 8 Oakland Police Department regarding sexual abuse by
- 9 Father Krumm?
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Have you ever been aware of reports being
- 13 filed with any law enforcement agency regarding
- 14 childhood sexual abuse by a Franciscan friar?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. Have you ever heard --
- MR. MATIASIC: Counsel, other than
- 18 Van Handel that he already said he was aware of criminal
- 19 prosecution, I thought.
- MR. HALE: I don't think they filed a
- 21 report. I think that was just a matter of prosecution.
- MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- 23 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 24 Q. Have you ever been aware of a Franciscan friar
- 25 filing a report with law enforcement regarding an act of

- 1 childhood sexual abuse?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. And I take it you've never filed a report with
- 4 law enforcement regarding child sexual abuse?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. Do you know?
- 7 A. Repeat that, please.
- 8 Q. Father ?
- 9 A. I know of him. I don't know him.
- 10 Q. How do you know of him?
- 11 A. He was at Tigard for a time. I was not there.
- 12 And then I believe he was into Byzantine liturgy.
- Q. What is Byzantine liturgy?
- 14 A. Eastern Orthodox liturgy.
- 15 Q. Does that mean he's not a Franciscan any
- 16 longer?
- 17 A. No, he's still -- this it going back about so
- 18 many years.
- 19 Q. And what is orthodox liturgy?
- 20 A. It's the Greek Orthodox liturgy, Eastern
- 21 church.
- O. But he would have still been a Franciscan
- 23 friar?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Can you recall what years he was at Tigard?

- 1 Just approximately. You don't have to give me the
- 2 exact. Is it '70s or the '80s or '90s?
- 3 A. I don't remember.
- 4 Q. Do you think it was recent?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. It was a while ago.
- 7 A. It was a while ago.
- 8 Q. Do you think it was after the board of inquiry
- 9 report came out?
- 10 A. I can't place it.
- 11 Q. Have you ever been assigned anywhere with him?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Have you ever heard he's been accused of
- 14 childhood sexual abuse?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than from your
- 16 attorneys.
- 17 Q. Other than from your attorneys.
- 18 A. Other than just now, no.
- 19 Q. And excluding whatever you've heard today.
- 20 What about Phil -- did you know Philip Wolfe,
- V-O-L-F-E?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with him?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Have you ever heard he was accused of

- 1 childhood sexual abuse?
- 2 MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- 3 MR. HALE: Right.
- 4 A. I think I heard scuttlebutt back when that he
- 5 had committed suicide, if I got the right person.
- 6 Q. Did you ever know a novice or a pre -- Was
- 7 there something called a pre-novice candidate, a
- 8 pre-novitiate candidate?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 O. What's the difference between a novice and a
- 11 pre-novice?
- 12 A. Pre-novitiate is kind of a year where they see
- or experience kind of Franciscan living, and also while
- 14 they're experiencing Franciscan living in the living
- 15 community, they hold jobs or go to school. And also
- 16 during that same year they're being evaluated.
- 17 O. And then the novice is --
- 18 A. That was the pre-novitiate.
- 19 Q. And what happens that year?
- 20 A. I lost track. I have no -- I think they go to
- 21 San Luis Rey, but I don't know.
- 22 Q. Did you ever know a pre-novice, a novitiate
- 23 candidate named Ed Byrom, B-Y-R-O-M?
- 24 A. No recollection.
- 25 Q. How about a pre-novitiate candidate name Tom

- 1 Thing?
- 2 A. Tom Thing? I heard the name, but that's all
- 3 I -- I thought he was a friar. I'm not sure.
- 4 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with Father
- 5 Martin McKeon, M-C-K-E-O-N?
- 6 A. Yes. He was in the fifth year at Santa
- 7 Barbara.
- 8 Q. Is that your only contact with Father McKeon?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Was he the Prefect of Discipline that year?
- 11 A. I don't know.
- 12 Q. Have you ever heard he's been accused of
- 13 childhood sexual abuse?
- 14 MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- MR. HALE: Right.
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. What about Chris Verbana, V-E-R-B-A-N-A? Did
- 18 you know him?
- 19 A. No. I know the name, but I don't know him.
- 20 Q. Never assigned anywhere with him?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. How about Berard Connolly, B-E-R-A-R-D,
- C-O-N-N-O-L-L-Y?
- 24 A. I knew him.
- 25 Q. How did you know Brother Berard?

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- 1 A. He had gone to the same grammar school, was
- 2 ahead of me, and I didn't remember that. And he was
- 3 previously assigned to Ascension before I got there and
- 4 had left before I got there. And I believe he was
- 5 stationed in Seattle -- excuse me -- Spokane for a time.
- 6 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with him?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Did you ever hear there were allegations of
- 9 sexual abuse by him in Spokane?
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- 11 A. I heard something, but I don't know what it
- 12 exactly was.
- 13 Q. Did you ever hear that the province had
- 14 settled lawsuits or at least a lawsuit against --
- involving abuse by him in Spokane?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- 17 A. No, I never heard.
- 18 Q. Have you ever heard allegations of childhood
- 19 sexual abuse by him at a location other than Spokane?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other --
- 21 A. No.
- MR. MATIASIC: Excluding anything from
- 23 counsel.
- THE WITNESS: Excuse me.
- MR. MATIASIC: Did you answer it?

- 1 THE WITNESS: No, I have not.
- 2 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 3 Q. What about, did you know Father Paul Conn,
- $4 \quad C-O-N-N?$
- 5 A. No, I don't think so.
- 6 Q. How about Brother Gerald Chumick,
- 7 C-H-U-M-I-C-K?
- 8 A. No, I don't think so.
- 9 Q. Have you ever heard that name before?
- 10 A. Gerald Chumick. It was a brother? Father?
- 11 Q. Brother.
- 12 A. Brother. Back in the '50s there was a Brother
- 13 Gerald, but I don't know his last name.
- 14 Q. How about ,
- 15 A. I know Father .
- 16 Q. Have you ever been assigned anywhere with him?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Have you heard he's been accused of childhood
- 19 sexual abuse?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- 21 MR. HALE: Right.
- 22 A. Some incident took place here when he was
- 23 exclaustrated, he was out of the order, that I had heard
- 24 about that.
- Q. And now he's back in the order, correct?

- 1 A. Right.
- Q. Was that in the '70s?
- MR. MATIASIC: Was what in the '70s,
- 4 Counsel?
- 5 Q. The alleged abuse when he was ex -- is it
- 6 "exclaustrated"?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. How do you spell that?
- 9 A. E-X-claus -- I'm presuming, too.
- 10 C-L-O-U-S-I -- S A T E. That's presumption.
- 11 Q. Okay.
- When did you hear about that abuse by Father
- 13
- 14 A. If I had to place it in time, it would be the
- 15 '80s, I believe.
- 16 Q. Were you assigned with Father -- you've never
- 17 been assigned anywhere with Father ?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Do you know Joseph Prochnow, P-R-O-C-H-N-O-W?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. How do you know Father Prochnow?
- 22 A. We were in class at novitiate together.
- 23 Q. And then did you go your separate ways when
- you got to San Luis Rey?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere else with him?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you ever observe any conduct by Father
- 4 Prochnow when he was your classmate that you thought was
- 5 inappropriate?
- 6 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Have you ever heard he's been accused of
- 9 childhood sexual abuse?
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- MR. HALE: Right.
- 12 A. I heard something was going on. I don't know
- 13 quite what it was.
- 14 Q. When did you hear that?
- 15 A. I'm not sure.
- 16 Q. Did you ever attend a meeting at San Juan
- 17 Batiste where he stood up and talked about acts of
- 18 childhood sexual abuse?
- 19 A. No, I don't -- I think -- no.
- 20 Q. Did you ever hear about a meeting where he
- 21 stood up and talked about acts of childhood abuse?
- 22 A. I think I heard something about it, yeah.
- 23 Q. Do you recall who you heard that from?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Have you ever been aware of any member of the

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- 1 province warning a member or members of a parish or
- 2 community that a Franciscan who had been accused of
- 3 childhood sexual abuse was assigned or in residence at
- 4 that location?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation, vague
- 6 and ambiguous.
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Have you ever heard any discussions within the
- 9 province regarding taking such actions, i.e., the
- 10 warnings?
- 11 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 12 A. Repeat the whole thing again, please.
- 13 Q. Sure.
- Have you ever heard any discussions within the
- 15 province of taking such actions? And by actions I mean
- 16 warning a member or members of a parish or a community
- 17 that a Franciscan who had been accused of sexual abuse
- 18 was being assigned or was going to be in residence
- 19 within that community?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objections and
- 21 incomplete hypothetical.
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Have you ever seen any written communications
- 24 within the province regarding taking such action? In
- 25 other words, the warnings.

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- 1 A. No. To my recollection again.
- O. We've talked about the Paraclete center and
- 3 House of Affirmation.
- 4 Do you recall at any other time becoming aware
- 5 of other treatment centers for priests other than those
- 6 institutes?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Have you ever heard of St. Luke?
- 9 A. I heard of one in New Mexico, is the one I
- 10 heard of, and I didn't remember the name.
- 11 Q. Do you recall -- I know we've talked briefly
- 12 about the Board of Inquiry. Do you recall when the
- Board of Inquiry was created in the 1990's?
- 14 A. Specifically, no.
- 15 Q. Were you -- did you have -- were you aware of
- 16 any discussions regarding whether or not a board should
- 17 be created to look into --
- 18 A. I wasn't involved in those discussions.
- 19 Q. Have you ever spoken to anyone who was
- 20 involved in discussions regarding the creation of the
- 21 Board of Inquiry?
- 22 A. I spoke with , but not about that.
- 23 Q. Did Father ask you about your
- 24 experiences at St. Anthony's Seminary?
- 25 A. No. I don't think -- I don't think so. I

- 1 don't remember.
- 2 Q. Did you discuss with Father anything
- 3 about childhood sexual abuse by a Franciscan priest?
- 4 A. Never discussed it.
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Wait. At any time?
- 6 MR. HALE: Yes.
- 7 A. I never discussed anything with him, to my
- 8 knowledge or recollection.
- 9 Q. Are you aware that the Board of Inquiry
- 10 produced a report regarding its investigation?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Do you recall ever hearing about there being
- debate within the province as to whether the Board of
- 14 Inquiry should even be created?
- MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation, vague
- 16 and ambiguous.
- 17 A. I heard no -- nothing about that.
- 18 Q. Did anyone from the Board of Inquiry ever
- 19 contact you to interview you about their investigation?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Or the context of their investigation?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. Has anyone ever interviewed you from the
- 24 province about your time on the faculty at St. Anthony's
- 25 Seminary?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Now that you're aware of allegations against
- 3 some of your former classmates, is there any conduct
- 4 that, in hindsight, by them, would have raised -- raises
- 5 a red flag to you? And again, in hindsight.
- 6 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Were you aware that the Board of Inquiry
- 9 investigation was focused on conduct at St. Anthony's
- 10 from the '60s up until the '80s?
- 11 A. The specifics, no, other than that they were
- 12 going to handle it.
- 13 Q. But were you aware the time period included --
- 14 A. No, I was not aware of exact time period.
- 15 Q. Were you aware that the time period included
- 16 the two years while you were on the faculty?
- 17 A. I never gave it a thought.
- 18 Q. Did you ever discuss with any of your fellow
- 19 faculty members, whether or Father
- 20 or any of your fellow faculty members, whether they
- 21 observed anything inappropriate during their time on the
- 22 St. Anthony's faculty?
- 23 A. Never discussed it.
- 24 Q. Have you had any contact with Father
- 25 since he left the seminary?

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- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. You know who that is, though, right?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. When was the first time you ever heard of a
- 5 Franciscan friar being sent for treatment for -- related
- 6 to allegations of childhood sexual abuse?
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation.
- 8 A. I don't know. I don't know.
- 9 Q. Have you ever been in residence or assigned
- 10 with any Franciscan friar who had restrictions on his
- 11 ministry with regards to his having contact with
- 12 children?
- MR. MATIASIC: That he knew of, right?
- MR. HALE: Yes. Right.
- 15 A. That I was in residence with somebody?
- 16 Q. Yes.
- 17 A. No. With restrictions already in place?
- 18 Q. Yes.
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. What about after he or you arrived, that there
- 21 were restrictions that subsequently were put in place?
- 22 A. Gus Krumm left.
- 23 O. Yes. Okay.
- Have you ever had any discussions with anyone
- 25 regarding whether or not Franciscans accused of sexual

- 1 abuse should be criminally prosecuted?
- 2 A. No. I had no discussion.
- 3 Q. Have you ever been assigned the responsibility
- 4 of monitoring a Franciscan who's been accused of
- 5 childhood sexual abuse?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 MR. HALE: Why don't we stop here. I've
- 8 probably got less than an hour more.
- 9 (Off the record, 12:36 to 1:31 p.m.)
- 10 MR. HALE: Back on the record.
- 11 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 12 Q. We talked briefly about the circumstance with
- 13 Father Prochnow, and I know you didn't attend the
- 14 San Juan Batiste conference or whatever it was when he
- 15 talked about the abuse he was involved in, but have you
- 16 ever been anywhere else where a Franciscan friar openly
- 17 discussed sexual abuse by him?
- 18 A. By Father Prochnow.
- 19 Q. No, by that friar.
- 20 A. I don't think so.
- 21 Q. Have you ever heard of anything like that
- 22 happening other than the incident with Father Prochnow?
- A. No, I don't think so.
- 24 Q. And going back to the incident with Father
- 25 Krumm, I want to make sure I understand the location of

- 1 where we're talking about. You said that there were two
- 2 incidents he discussed. One was the St. Anthony's
- 3 incident, but you said there was the other one where the
- 4 child crawled into -- the adolescent crawled into bed
- 5 with him, and I didn't quite understand your testimony
- 6 in that regard.
- 7 Was it that that allegation came out while he
- 8 was at Huntington Beach or was it that incident occurred
- 9 in Huntington Beach?
- 10 A. I don't know where it occurred. It was
- 11 something he mentioned.
- 12 Q. And he said it was around 1985 that that
- 13 happened?
- 14 A. He said -- no. That nothing had happened
- 15 since 1985.
- 16 Q. And you weren't sure about how old the child
- 17 was who crawled into bed with him?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. And did he tell you whether he kicked the
- 20 child out of bed or --
- 21 A. No. No particulars.
- 22 Q. Have you ever heard of a Jesuit named Eugene
- 23 Maio, M-A-I-O?
- A. Maio. No. I don't -- I'm not sure.
- Q. While you were at St. Anthony's Seminary,

- 1 either as a student or as a faculty member, do you
- 2 recall students being disciplined in any way? And when
- 3 I say disciplined, maybe detention, maybe extra
- 4 assignments, maybe the old-fashioned rapping of the
- 5 knuckles; I don't know what went on, but do you recall
- 6 any kind of discipline while you were there?
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous,
- 8 overbroad.
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Neither as a student or faculty member.
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Have you ever heard anyone say that they
- observed conduct by Mario Cimmarrusti that they thought
- 14 was inappropriate?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Has anyone ever told you that they received
- 18 complaints of misconduct by Father Cimmarrusti?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. We talked about students being expelled and it
- 22 sounds like that didn't happen, was not a common event
- 23 while you were at the seminary, but what about, was it
- 24 common or uncommon while you were on the faculty at
- 25 St. Anthony's Seminary for students suddenly just to

- 1 quit?
- 2 A. God, it's -- I think it happened. I have no
- 3 recollection.
- 4 Q. Do you have a recollection of how many times
- 5 it happened?
- 6 A. Again, no recollection. No.
- 7 Q. Did you know a student named
- ?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did you ever hear stories of a student who ran
- 11 away from the school and stowed away on an airplane?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Did Father Cimmarrusti remain Prefect of
- 14 Discipline during your two years on the faculty?
- 15 A. If he was when I came, he was when I left.
- 16 Q. Did any Franciscan ever tell you that a
- 17 student had told them that they were being abused by
- 18 Father Cimmarrusti?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Have you ever been aware that Father
- 21 Cimmarrusti was transferred to Guimas in 1971, other
- 22 than from your attorneys?
- MR. MATIASIC: Sorry to interrupt you
- 24 Counsel. Lacks foundation.
- 25 Go ahead?

- 1 A. I think I have some recollection, but I didn't
- 2 pay much attention.
- 3 Q. Do you remember how you heard about that?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Do you recall hearing about Father Cimmarrusti
- 6 being transferred from Guimas?
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Same objection, lacks
- 8 foundation.
- 9 A. I don't have any recollection.
- 10 Q. Have you ever heard that the province was
- 11 forced to transfer him from Guimas because he was
- 12 accused of childhood sexual abuse?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Did you know while you were on the
- 15 faculty, ?
- 16 A. I knew him when I was there in fifth year. I
- 17 think he was retired, and I think he received an award
- 18 from the mission, but I'm not quite sure what the year
- 19 was.
- 20 Q. Do you know if Father Cimmarrusti had any
- 21 medical training?
- 22 A. I don't know anything -- no.
- 23 Q. Did you ever see Father Cimmarrusti in the
- 24 infirmary?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. Do you remember where Father Cimmarrusti's
- 2 office was?
- 3 A. No. I don't recall.
- 4 Q. Do you recall knowing whether his office also
- 5 was his living quarters?
- A. I have no recollection of that information.
- 7 Q. Do you recall ever hearing screaming or
- 8 yelling while you were on the campus at St. Anthony's
- 9 Seminary?
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation.
- 11 Q. Aside from at a sporting event.
- 12 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation, vague
- 13 and ambiguous, incomplete hypothetical.
- 14 A. I don't remember yelling.
- 15 Q. Would that have been unusual if you had heard
- 16 that from the hallways of the seminary?
- 17 MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 18 A. Would have wondered what was going on.
- 19 Q. Would you have gone to investigate if you
- 20 heard loud voices like that?
- 21 MR. MATIASIC: Same objections.
- 22 A. It's hypothetical. I presume so.
- 23 Q. Did anyone ever tell you that they heard
- 24 screaming or yelling coming from Father Cimmarrusti's
- 25 living quarters?

- 1 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you ever see Father Cimmarrusti walking
- 4 with a student into the casa?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. You know what I'm referring to?
- 7 A. Yes. The casa.
- 8 Q. Was the casa being used for any purpose while
- 9 you were on the faculty?
- 10 A. I'm not sure if it was at that time or earlier
- 11 that it was used sort of as a library or extended
- 12 library.
- 13 Q. Do you know if there were any rooms in the
- 14 casa with beds?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. And I should rephrase that.
- 17 Are you saying you don't know or that you
- 18 have --
- 19 A. I don't recall any.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 Did you ever observe any students with
- 22 bruising or injury to their buttocks or upper thigh?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. Did you ever hear someone say they'd observed
- 25 students with injury or bruising to their buttocks or

- 1 upper thigh?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Have you ever visited an orphanage run by the
- 4 province?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation.
- 6 A. I don't believe we have an orphanage.
- 7 Q. Did you have an understanding of the duties of
- 8 the Prefect of Discipline while you were on the faculty?
- 9 A. I didn't give it a thought.
- 10 Q. Did you ever personally have to punish a
- 11 student while you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous as to
- 13 "punish."
- Go ahead, Father.
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Were you aware of any other faculty members
- 17 having to punish a student while you were on the faculty
- 18 at St. Anthony's?
- MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Do you know if there were any approved or
- 22 disapproved methods of punishment at St. Anthony's
- 23 Seminary while you were on the faculty?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 25 A. I never heard ever of any approved or

- 1 disapproved punishment. I never heard of punishments.
- 2 Q. Never heard of any corporal punishment while
- 3 you were at St. Anthony's Seminary?
- 4 A. (Witness shakes head.)
- 5 Q. Was Father Gander on the faculty while you
- 6 were a student at St. Anthony's?
- 7 A. Donald Gander?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Did you ever hear a story of Father
- 11 Cimmarrusti punishing a class for cheating by making the
- 12 entire class retake the exam in their underwear?
- 13 A. Not those particulars.
- Q. Did you hear something similar to that?
- 15 A. I heard --
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 17 A. I heard that he had some people parade around
- 18 in their BVD's.
- 19 Q. Just so I understand, you heard that Father
- 20 Cimmarrusti had a class that was caught cheating on an
- 21 exam walk around the school in their underwear?
- MR. MATIASIC: Misstates his testimony,
- 23 Counsel. He didn't say why.
- But go ahead, Father.
- 25 A. I don't know -- I don't think it was around

- 1 the school. I don't know the reason for it. I know he
- 2 publicly announced that he had people walk around in
- 3 their BVD's.
- 4 Q. Did he announce it at a faculty meeting or in
- 5 the rec room or --
- 6 A. Rec room.
- 7 Q. And you didn't personally see the students
- 8 walking around?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. And he when you say -- BVD's?
- 11 A. Well, underwear.
- 12 Q. Underwear. Okay.
- Do you recall who else was present when he
- 14 announced this in the rec room?
- 15 A. There were a number of people present, I
- 16 believe, but I don't know who.
- 17 Q. Do you recall if Father Harris was one of
- 18 those people present?
- 19 A. I don't think so, but I can't -- I'm not
- 20 certain.
- 21 Q. And did he announce this -- this was something
- 22 that happened while you were on the faculty or did it
- 23 happen before you arrived at the faculty?
- 24 MR. MATIASIC: Hold on. The announcement
- 25 or when that may have occurred?

- 1 Q. That the kids walked around in their
- 2 underwear.
- 3 A. It was while I was on the faculty.
- 4 Q. Did anyone else -- what was the -- were people
- 5 laughing about it when it was announced?
- 6 A. I don't know.
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: Calls for speculation and
- 8 I think it's overbroad.
- 9 Q. Well, did you hear anyone laughing in the room
- 10 when it was announced?
- 11 A. No recollection.
- 12 Q. But you recall there were other faculty
- members in the room when he announced this?
- 14 A. I -- as a general impression, yes.
- 15 Q. And you don't recall if it was in relation to
- 16 these students being caught cheating on an exam?
- 17 A. I have no idea.
- 18 Q. Did he describe it in terms of it being as a
- 19 punishment for misconduct by the students?
- 20 A. I would presume -- well, it's presumption.
- 21 Q. Was that your impression from the way he had
- 22 described it?
- A. It was my impression, yes.
- 24 Q. In your time as a faculty member on the -- at
- 25 the various schools that you've been assigned to, have

- 1 you ever encountered a similar circumstance where
- 2 students were punished for some sort of misconduct by
- 3 being ordered by a faculty member to walk around the
- 4 school in their underwear?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous,
- 6 overbroad.
- 7 A. It was public -- or it was a different type of
- 8 high school, no.
- 9 Q. At the time, did you consider that to be
- 10 appropriate, an appropriate form of punishment?
- 11 MR. MATIASIC: I'm just going to object.
- 12 It's vague and ambiguous as to the term "appropriate
- 13 form of punishment."
- Go ahead and answer, Father.
- 15 A. It was kind of, Oh?
- 16 Q. Did you consider reporting that to Father
- 17 Harris?
- 18 A. It didn't enter my mind.
- 19 Q. Were you aware of anyone else saying, "Hey, we
- 20 need to report this to Father Harris"?
- 21 A. I don't know about anybody else.
- 22 Q. When Father Cimmarrusti announced this, did he
- 23 announce he was going to do this or did he announce he
- 24 had done this, as far as making the students walk around
- 25 in their underwear?

- 1 A. I think, as I recollect, it was he had done
- 2 it.
- 3 O. He had done it?
- 4 A. (Witness nods head.) As my recollection -- as
- 5 vaque as it is.
- Q. Did he tell you it was the entire class that
- 7 had to do this?
- 8 A. I don't remember any particulars.
- 9 Q. Did he tell you who in the class was
- 10 required -- that was required to do this?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. Did you ever hear any students talking about
- 13 having to do this?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Did you ever observe Father Cimmarrusti take
- 16 students into his office?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Did you ever -- have you spent -- did you
- 19 spend in time in Father Cimmarrusti's office?
- 20 A. Not to my recollection.
- 21 Q. Do you recall there being a fish tank in
- 22 Father Cimmarrusti's office or living quarters?
- 23 A. I don't recall.
- 24 Q. When Father Cimmarrusti made his announcement,
- 25 do you recall any faculty members speaking up and

- 1 objecting to this method of punishment?
- 2 A. It's, again, vague in my recollection, but I
- 3 don't remember. No.
- 4 Q. Were you ever aware of any faculty member
- 5 stating that they had walked in on Father Cimmarrusti
- 6 with another student in Father Cimmarrusti's room?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Do you know Father ?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Have you ever discussed with him your time on
- 11 the faculty at St. Anthony's?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Have you ever heard that he walked in on
- 14 Father Cimmarrusti sexually assaulting a student in
- 15 Father Cimmarrusti's room?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. When Father Cimmarrusti announced he was going
- 18 to punish the students regarding the underwear
- 19 situation, involving the underwear situation, did he
- 20 tell you what time of day or night that was going to
- 21 happen?
- MR. MATIASIC: Counsel, I think that
- 23 misstates the evidence. He testified that --
- MR. HALE: You're right. That was a
- 25 poorly phrased question.

- 1 BY MR. HALE: (Continuing)
- 2 Q. When Father Cimmarrusti announced the fact
- 3 that he had instructed the students to walk through the
- 4 halls in their underwear, did he tell you what time of
- 5 day that happened?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 MR. MATIASIC: I'm just going to object
- 8 in that it misstates his testimony. He didn't say they
- 9 had to walk through the halls. He said he doesn't have
- 10 a recollection as to the specifics.
- 11 You can answer, Father.
- 12 A. As I recollect, it was a room, and no time of
- 13 day.
- Q. So, with regards to punishment, it's your
- 15 recollection that he talked about the students being in
- 16 a room in their underwear?
- 17 A. As I recollect, he said he had the students
- 18 parade around in their underwear around the room.
- 19 O. In the classroom.
- 20 A. I don't know. I presume. Again, presumption.
- 21 Q. But you don't have a recollection of him
- 22 saying that he had the students walk through the
- 23 hallways of the school in their underwear.
- 24 A. I did not hear that.
- 25 Q. Did he say anything about other students

- 1 observing these students in their underwear?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Was he laughing?
- 4 A. It was sort of in a kind of humorous vein.
- 5 Q. So when he announced this, he thought he
- 6 was -- he was -- it was apparent to you that he found it
- 7 humorous?
- 8 A. It came across that way, yes.
- 9 Q. Did you ever supervise study hall?
- 10 MR. MATIASIC: This is while he was on
- 11 the faculty at St. Anthony's?
- MR. HALE: Yes.
- 13 A. I think Sunday morning. I'm not certain. I
- 14 think -- general study hall, I have a vague recollection
- 15 of.
- 16 Q. On Sunday mornings?
- 17 A. I think so. Again, I -- it's so long, I
- 18 don't...
- 19 Q. Okay. But you do have a recollection of at
- 20 some point supervising study hall?
- 21 A. Sitting while they studied, yes.
- 22 Q. Do you have a recollection of faculty members
- 23 coming in to study hall and pulling students out?
- A. I don't have a recollection.
- 25 Q. Do you have a recollection of faculty members

- 1 sending for a student to come out of study hall?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. And when I say faculty members, you understand
- 4 I'm including Father Cimmarrusti, obviously.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Would that have been unusual for a faculty
- 7 member, in your experience at study hall, to call for a
- 8 student out of study hall?
- 9 MR. MATIASIC: Lacks foundation,
- incomplete hypothetical, vague and ambiguous.
- 11 A. I -- who's to say?
- 12 Q. So you just don't have any recollection of
- 13 that happening.
- 14 A. I have no recollection of that happening.
- 15 Q. Safe to say that students were not allowed to
- 16 come and go as they wanted in study hall, they would
- 17 have to check out with you when you were supervising
- 18 before they could leave study hall?
- 19 A. Again, I don't remember.
- 20 Q. Have you ever heard of something called
- 21 "faculty confrontation"?
- 22 A. I think I understand the term, but no.
- 23 Q. But as far as it being something that took
- 24 place while you were on the faculty at St. Anthony's, do
- 25 you have any recollection of that?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. During your time as a Franciscan, have you
- 3 ever heard a Franciscan priest candidate's sexual
- 4 maturity being questioned?
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous, lacks
- 6 foundation.
- 7 A. No. I don't think so.
- 8 Q. Have you ever heard that criteria used for
- 9 evaluating priest candidates included -- one criteria
- 10 was referred to as sexual immaturity?
- 11 MR. MATIASIC: Same objection.
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. When Father Cimmarrusti announced the exam --
- 14 the underwear incident, did he announce it as a
- 15 precursor to the students having to retake an exam?
- 16 A. He just came in the rec room and announced
- 17 that he had done it.
- 18 Q. Do you have any recollection of him talking
- 19 about an exam during the course of that conversation?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Did you ever hear -- were you ever aware of
- 22 any faculty member saying they had observed a student on
- 23 Father Cimmarrusti's bed?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. Did you ever know a student name Benny Silva,

- $1 \quad S-I-L-V-A$?
- 2 A. No recollection at all.
- 3 Q. Do you have any recollection of students
- 4 putting on a play parodying faculty members?
- 5 A. I don't think so. I don't remember.
- 6 Q. Did you ever hear about students putting on a
- 7 play parodying faculty members where there was a skit
- 8 that included a parody of Father Cimmarrusti spanking
- 9 students?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Did you ever hear anything about Father
- 12 Cimmarrusti spanking students?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Did you ever hear Father Cimmarrusti announce,
- 15 aside from the underwear circumstance, that he was going
- 16 to punish a student?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Did you ever hear anyone talk about Father
- 19 Cimmarrusti punishing a student?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. During your time on the faculty at
- 22 St. Anthony's Seminary, did you ever observe or were you
- 23 ever aware of a Franciscan friar bringing a student to
- 24 the campus for an overnight visit?
- 25 A. No recollection.

- 1 Q. Did you ever hear about Father Cimmarrusti
- 2 examining a student's genitals for treatment for poison
- 3 oak.
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Can you think of any circumstance where it
- 6 would have been appropriate for a faculty member to
- 7 examine a student's genitals?
- 8 MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous, lacks
- 9 foundation, calls for speculation, incomplete
- 10 hypothetical.
- 11 A. I don't think so.
- 12 Q. While you were on the faculty, was Father
- , the guardian?
- 14 A. He might have been. He was there only one
- 15 year.
- 16 Q. And who was the guardian? Do you recall who
- 17 the guardian was after him?
- 18 A. No. No.
- 19 Q. During your two years at St. Anthony's
- 20 Seminary on the faculty, do you recall any Franciscan
- 21 friars being disciplined by the quardian?
- MR. MATIASIC: Vague and ambiguous.
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. Have you ever heard of a treatment facility in
- 25 Minnesota called Hazeldon, H-A-Z-E-L-D-O-N, or maybe

- 1 D-E-N?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Did you say Father Temple was your novice
- 4 master?
- 5 A. No. Reginald.
- 6 Q. Did you know Father David Temple?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Were you aware that he was working with the
- 9 Servants of the Paracletes in the 1960s?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Have you ever heard that he was working with
- the Servants of the Paracletes in the 1960s?
- 13 A. No.
- Q. Were you ever assigned anywhere with
- 15 Owen da Silva: D-A, next word is S-I-L-V-A?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Do you know who he is?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Have you ever heard allegations of sexual
- 20 abuse against Father da Silva?
- MR. MATIASIC: Other than from counsel.
- O. Other than from counsel.
- A. No. That's the best of my recollection.
- Q. Let me see if I can refresh it. Have you ever
- 25 heard that Father da Silva was examining student's

- 1 genitals to determine if they could be on the choirs he
- 2 supervised?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 MR. HALE: All right. That's all I have.
- 5 MR. MATIASIC: Okay.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 7 MR. HALE: We'll stipulate the reporter
- 8 will be relieved of the duties in the code. We'll send
- 9 the original to your office, Paul, and then you can just
- 10 forward that over to Father, and then you'll maintain
- 11 custody of the original as well. Once you forward it
- 12 over to the Father, if he could have --
- 13 Is 30 days enough time for you to review
- 14 the transcript?
- 15 THE WITNESS: (Nods head.)
- MR. HALE: Okay. We'll give Father
- 30 days to review the transcript. You make any
- 18 changes you feel are necessary, then sign it under
- 19 penalty of perjury, give it back to your counsel.
- 20 And then if you could just make any
- 21 changes known to us as soon as that happens, Paul, that
- 22 would be great. And if the signed original is not
- 23 available for trial, an unsigned, certified copy can be
- 24 used for all purposes.
- MR. MATIASIC: So stipulated.

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1	MR. HALE: Great.		
2	Thank you, Father.		
3	THE WITNESS: Thank you.		
4	(Deposition concluded, 2:02 p.m.)		
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